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OF
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IN THE
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Their DESCENTS, the Remarkable
ACTIONS and EMPLOYMENTS of
them and their ANCESTORS: As
also their MARRIAGES, ISSUE, &c.
with their COATS of ARMS and
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T O

JOHN ANSTIS, *Esq;*

Garter-Principal KING of ARMS.



I FLATTER myself with Hopes, that the Subject of these Papers, will, in some Degree, recommend the Performance to Your favourable Acceptance, tho' I am sensible there must be divers Defects, that will not escape Your Observation, which, however, You'll be pleas'd candidly to excuse, being an indisputable Judge of the Labour, Expence, and Length of Time, that this Work requir'd, and the Disadvantages I lay under in collecting the Materials; for, as I had not free Access to that noble Treasury of Pedigrees and Manuscripts preserv'd in the *College of Arms*, so I have lain under the Misfortune of not receiving Informations from several Gentlemen living in remote Parts, who, notwithstanding

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withstanding my earnest and humble Solicitations, would not take the Trouble of inspecting their Papers, to inform and benefit their Posterity, by retrieving the Memory of their Ancestors.

TREATISES of *Heraldry* and Books of *Genealogies*, have always been found useful, and been duly esteem'd by Men of Literature, as being thought to have the good Effect to incite the Descendants of noble Persons to imitate the Virtues of their Forefathers, which not only supports, but increases their own Characters; and the Ambitious, Covetous, and Degenerate, are admonish'd that they are subject to Mortality; and with these Views this Work is publish'd.

I must put a Constraint upon myself from saying any more, and dare not touch the usual Method of Addresses, which You will not permit; but I hope You will not be offended in my taking the Liberty of making this publick Declaration, that I am,

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Your most obliged

Humble Servant,

Arth. Collins.



THE
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THE Usefulness of that Part of History which treats of Genealogies, hath been so amply set forth by divers Authors, that it would be an unpardonable Vanity to pretend to make any Additions ; and to transcribe what Sir William Dugdale and others have wrote on this Subject, would, by the Learned, be thought too tedious. It is sufficient to say, that Experience teacheth us, that nothing makes a deeper Impression on the Mind (which is naturally inclin'd to Knowledge) than the Observation of the Behaviour and Success of other Men.

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THE Erection of the Dignity of Barons, in this Kingdom, is so well known, that it is somewhat needless for me to relate the Occasion thereof. My present Design is to shew, that the first stated Number answer'd the Qualifications requir'd, of being Gentlemen of three Descents; and I refer to Vouchers and Authorities for Proofs of each Article, whereby the Reader may make a Judgment of what is set forth; and I take this Opportunity to return my Thanks to the several Gentlemen who have favour'd me with their Assistance.

WHEN I first set about this Work, I flatter'd myself with Hopes, that each Family would have oblig'd me with a Sight of their Pedigrees, and such other Evidences, as might have brought to Light the Actions of many Persons of Worth and Note, to whom they were related, whereby it would have been greatly facilitated; but, in this, I found myself disappointed; for, after a great Expence and Trouble in Attendance, and gathering Materials, I met with such Discouragements, that had it not been out of Esteem and Respect for several Gentlemen of known Worth and excellent Accomplishments, I should have wholly laid aside the Publishing these Collections.

THE Characters I presume to give, (however mean they may be) have proceeded
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ed from no low sordid Principle, but (after the strictest Enquiry) from an Assurance of the intrinsic Merits of the Persons treated of, and a Belief that they may hereafter have some Influence on their Posterity and this degenerate Age. And as I have not flatter'd, so, I hope, I have not disoblig'd any, for I have industriously avoided Reflections.

IF there be any who think I have wrote too favourably of such as suffer'd for their Loyalty to King CHARLES the First, I can truly answer, that as I esteem'd their Adherence to their Sovereign, in his Troubles, to be a Virtue; so the Reader will find that I have had an equal Regard for those Patriots who endeavour'd the Redressing the Grievances of the Nation, and the exorbitant Power of the Crown.

RECEIVING Informations and Incriptions of Monuments from many Persons, several of whom were unskill'd in Orthography, 'tis very likely the Names of Men and Places (which so often occur) are sometimes misspelt, it being next to an Impossibility to correct every Letter or Syllable mistaken; which 'tis hoped the Judicious will allow, and also excuse Slips of the Press, occasion'd by my being out of Town when some Sheets were corrected.

BUT if this Specimen should provoke some Gentlemen to communicate what Papers remain
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in their Custody relating to their Families, I promise to do them Justice (if my Health permits) by an Appendix, in the remaining Part of this Work, wherein I shall take Notice of the Births, Deaths, &c. since the making my Collections, or the printing these Sheets. That some Pages are twice number'd, has proceeded from Defects in some Families, the Accounts whereof I drew up long ago, and thought myself oblig'd to cancel and enlarge, finding many Particulars, that were not then come to my Knowledge; and I have omitted giving an Account of the Families of those Baronets advanc'd to the Dignity of Peerage, as being already printed.

WHAT I have farther to offer, is, to desire the candid Perusal of this my first Attempt, and that the Gentlemen concern'd will excuse the Length of Time it has taken up, which has been owing to a Drudgery few are capable of judging off, and to a violent Indisposition and ill State of Health, that for a very considerable Time, made me incapable of Reading or Writing.



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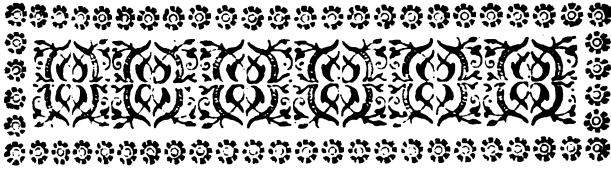
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An Historical and Genealogical Account
 of all the Baronets.



THE Rise and Institution of this Order of Baronets, having been already treated of, I need only observe, that on the first Erection of the Dignity, several Persons were promoted by Letters Patents, all of the same Date; which being rank'd by subsequent Patents under the Great Seal, I shall treat of them according to the Order of Precedency therein determin'd. The first was

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Sir NICHOLAS BACON of RED-
GRAVE, Kt. Suff. N^o 1.

(May 22 A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

OF the original Descent of this *Family of Bacon*, our *Genealogists* are not agreed; tho' of the Name there have been many Persons of great Account in former Ages.

They are deduc'd by some from *Thomas de Bacon*, by whose Marriage, and those of his Descendants, they are thought to be originally of the County of *Chester*, or Parts adjacent. *Richard Bacon*, having founded and endow'd a Priory at *Rochester*, in *Com. Staff.* with large Possessions and Liberties, about the Reign of King *John.* (a) All which were confirm'd by *Ranulph* Earl of *Chester*, his Uncle, as also by King *Henry III.*

Others derive them from *Aspelo Bakun.* temp. *Hen. 3.* whose Grand-son *William*, marry'd one of the Family of *Ufford.* (b)

The Pedigree (c) remaining in the Family, makes their Descent from *Grimbaldus*, who came into *England* with *William* Earl *Warren*, at the Time of the Conquest, to whom he was a-kin; which *Grimbald* had Lands in *Normandy*, and after his Arrival in *England*, founded the Church of *Letheringset*, in *Com. Suff.* whereof *Edmund*, his second Son, was Parson; and his other Sons were *Radulph* and *Ranulph.*

ROGER

(a) *Mon. Ang. Vol. 1. p. 267.* (b) *Ex col. Tho. Jekyl. Ar. de Boking Com. Essex.* (c) *Baconorum Parentalia, Jo. Whiting de Lincolns-Inn ex eadem Gente materno Oriund.*

ROGER, Son of *Ranulph*, is noted by an ancient *Author*. (d) He was Father of *Robert Bacon*, who had a Son *Reginald*. All which Descents, with the History of the Foundation and Presentation to the Church of *Letheringset*, were transcrib'd out of the *Lieger-Book* belonging to *Binham Priory*, some Time in the Custody of *Sir Thomas Widrington*, a Commissioner for the Great Seal in the Time of *Oliver's Usurpation*.

The said *Robert Bacon*, with *William Bacon*, (who will be mention'd hereafter) and *Alexander Kerdington*, held of *William Lord Montfichet* (e) four Knights Fees, *temp. King Stephen*. And in the History of the Foundation of the Church of *Letheringset*, *Jeff. y Ridel* (descended from *Matilda*, the Heir of *Ridel*, by *Geva*, Daughter to *Hugh Lupus*, first Earl of *Chester*) is stil'd his Cousin. From this *Roger* descended several Persons in former Ages, who were of great Account, and eminently distinguish'd.

Temp. Hen. 2. Richard de Bacon, is mention'd as a Witness to a Charter of that King's made to *Robert Bughon*, of Lands in *Snoring*, written next after the Names of *Henry Bishop of Durham*, and *Richard de Glanvill*, and preceding *Michael Bilet*, &c. who were Justices or Judges; whereupon he is thought to be of the same Class, and being of *Lodne*, gave ten Acres of Land in *Osmundeshage*, to the Monks of *Bungcy*. (f) And some of this Family held the Manour of *Bacon* in *Lodne* (g) in after Ages.

Many of them lye bury'd in the *Augustin Fryers* at *Ipswich*, viz. *Sir Robert Bacon*, *Sir Henry Ba-*

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(d) *Ord. Vitalis.* (e) *Lib. Rub. Sc. ac. de Com. Eff. x. fol. 184.*
 • *lib. de Fed. Mil. ejusd. Com.* (f) *Mun. Ang. Vol. 1. n. 541.*
 b. 34. (g) *Feod. Mil. Henry Howard, Com. No. th. de Anno*
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con, another Sir Robert Bacon, Lady Sabina, Wife of ——— Bacon, John Bacost, his Son, and nine other Children, and Sir Henry Bacon of Garleston, or Garneston, who dy'd A. D. 1335. (r) But forasmuch as they are not direct Ancestors to those we are principally to treat of, and that no Issue is now remaining from them, I shall therefore proceed to William Bacon, Brother (I presume) to that Robert Bacon, first spoken of, and with whom he is mention'd.

Which William is taken Notice of among the Knights, bearing Banners. as well Normans as of other Provinces, in the Reign of King Philip II of France. (l) And is also nam'd in a Deed concerning a Tenement in Bradfield, which Eddicus Schute held. (m) As likewise in a Deed betwixt Abbot Sampson; he liv'd temp. Ric. 1, & Job. and is probably the same William who about that Time marry'd a Daughter of Thomas Lord Bardolph. He was Father of another William Bacon, who was of Monks Bradfield in Com. Suff. and Father of Adam, who the 4th of Edw. 1st, (n) paid half a Mark for Scutage to the Army serving against Scotland, for the fourth Part of a Knight's Fee in Brome, held of the Honour of Hartismore in Suffolk. He had two Sons, Wido Bacon of Bradfield, who dy'd without Issue, and Robert Bacon of Hessest, or Heggesset, in Com. Suff. where he held one Message of the Fee of St. Edmund, (now call'd St. Edmund's-Bury) and his Brother Wido held one also of the Convent of the said Place, as was found by Inquisition 14 Ed. I. (n)

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(r) Weaver's *sun. Mon.* (l) *Ord. Vital.* p. 1310. (m) *Album. Regist. f.* 27. A. D. 1655. *apud Redgrave. Fol.* 229. (*) *Ex Collect. Tho. Jekyll, pred.* (n) *Regist. Joh. Lakenheith apud Redgrave olim,* p. 131, & 132.

The said *Robert*, by *Alice* his Wife, Daughter to —*Borgate*, had Issue *John Bacon* of *Hesset* and *Bradfield*, Father of *John Bacon* of the said Places, who had Issue another *John*, who, by *Helena* his Wife, Daughter to *Sir George Tillot* of *Rougham*, in *Com. Norf.* had two Sons, *William Bacon*, Progenitor to those of that Name at *Hesset*, and *John Bacon* of *Drenston* in *Com. Suff.* whose Posterity had some Time born for Arms *Azure on a Chevron, between three Flower-de-luces, Or, as many Gryphons Heads erased, of the First.* (o)

He marry'd the Daughter and Heir of *John Thorp*, Son of *William Thorp*, by the Daughter and Heir of —*Quaplod*, Son of *Sir William Thorp*, by the Daughter and Heir of *Sir Roger Bacon*, (a Commander in the Wars *temp. Edw. 2.* and *Edw. 3.*) Son of *Sir Henry Bacon*, Son of another *Sir Henry*, a Justice Itinerant 29 *Henry III.* lineally descended from *Grimbaldus.* (p.)

The said *John* was Father of *Edmund Bacon* of *Drenkston*; for both whom, as also for *John*, Son of the said *Edmund*, was this Memorial in the Windows of the Church of *Hesset*. Pray for the Souls of *John Bacon*, and *Margery his Wife*, *Edmund Bacon*, and his Wife also, and for the Welfare of *John Bacon*. The said *John*, by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Cockfield*, had Issue *Robert*, hereafter mention'd.

I am not unappris'd that two Kings of Arms (q) deduce the Stem of *John Bacon* of *Drenkston*, Father to the said *Robert*, a different Way, and by other Ancestors; but I can't be of their Opinion, in regard they cite no Proofs, and in some Particulars are manifestly wrong.

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(o) MSS. *Armoriale.* (p) *Senna predict. per Whiting,*
 (q) *Pat. of Crest per Cook, Clar. and Flower Notroy, Reg. 11.*
Eliz. 1568.

The said *Robert Bacon* of *Drenkston*, last mention'd, lies bury'd at *Hesset* with his Wife, (*Isabel*, Daughter of *John Cage* of *Pakenham*, in *Com. Suff.*) under a Stone Tomb, with an Inscription importing,

*That he, and divers of his Family,
Had been Sheep-Reeves to the Abbot of Bury.*

He had three Sons, *Thomas Bacon* of *Linsed* in *Com. Kanc.* and of *Northaw* in *Com. Hertf.* Esq; who bore for his Motto, *In Medio Virtus.*

Secondly, *Nicholas*, hereafter mention'd.

Thirdly, *James*, one of the Aldermen of *London*, who left Issue Sir *James Bacon* of *Friston-Hall*, in *Com. Suff.*

Nicholas Bacon, second Son of *Robert*, was born at *Chiselmurst*, in the County of *Kent*, was bred in *Bennet's College* in *Cambridge*, to which he was a Benefactor, by endowing six Scholarships of the said College, (r) and building the Chapel and Library over it, and having been a diligent Student of the Laws at *Grays Inn.* (s) He so profited therein, that King *Henry VIII.* in the 26th of his Reign, granted him the Manours of *Redgrave*, *Badsdale*, and *Gyslingham*, late belonging to the Monastery of *St. Edmund's-Bury*, in *Com. Suff.* with the Park of *Redgrave*, and six Acres of Land in *Wortham*, in the Tenure of *Thomas Fisher*; as also the Tythes of *Redgrave*, to hold in *Capite* by Knight's Service. (*). He was made Attorney of the Court of Wards, *Anno 28 H. VIII.* (t) And upon the Death of that King, (which happen'd soon

(r) *Cat. of Charit. Works in Bibl. Ass. Dorf. Sro.* (s) *Vita eius per Dr. Rawley.* (*) *Chiting Tenures de Suff. MS. p. 154.* (t) *Pat. 28 H. p. 6.*

soon after) had his Patent for the same Trust renew'd (u) by his Son and Successor King *Ed. VI*; in the 6th Year of whose Reign, he was constituted (x) Treasurer for that Society, (*Grays Inn*) whereof he had been so long a Member; and, being grown famous for his Knowledge, was shortly after, viz. 1 *Eliz.* made Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal of *England*, and knighted; (z) which Office in his Time was, by Act of Parliament, made equal in Authority with the Chancellor. (a) What is otherwise observ'd of him, is, that being no Friend to the Queen of *Scots*, (then Prisoner in *England*) he was (b) privy and assenting to what *Hales* had publish'd, asserting that of the House of *Suffolk* before her, for which *Hales* suffer'd Imprisonment, and had not *Cecil* stood his faithful Friend, he had underwent the same Fate; nothing being more distasteful to Queen *Elizabeth*, than a Dispute upon that Point. Also in 14 *Eliz.* upon those Proposals made by the Nobility of *Scotland* for her Enlargement, he chiefly oppos'd it, alledging, That no Security could balance the Danger thereof. In short, he promoted the Interest of *England* to his Power, and to secure his own, made use of the Policy of the Age, viz. great Alliance. He and *Cecil* marry'd two Sisters; *Walsingham* and *Mildmay*, two more; *Knolles*, *Essex*, and *Leicester*, were also link'd together.

As to Greatness, Sir *Nicholas* never affected it, according to his Motto *Mediocria Firma*; nor was he so much for a large, as a good Estate. His Houses at *Redgrave* in *Suff.* and *Gorbambury* in

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(u) Pat. 1 *Ed. 6.* p. 3. m. 36. (x) Orig. *Twid.* p. 298.
 (y) Pat. 1 *Eliz.* p. 3. (z) *Nomina milit. ejusd. temp. M. 6.*
Col. Armor. f. 167. & alibi. (a) *Camd. Ansal. Elio. Reg.*
Anno 1564. (b) *Idem. ib. in Anno 1571 & 1579.*

Com. *Hertf.* were convenient, but not stately ; which made Queen *Elizabeth* tell him, when she call'd at *Redgrave*, in her Progress, *That it was too little for his Lordship.* To which he answer'd, *No, Madam, but your Highness has made me too big for it.* However, on that Remark he is said to have added the Wings to the House now standing at *Redgrave.* *Camden* gives him this Character, *Vir prapinquis ingenio accerrimo, singulari prudentia, summa eloquentia, tenaci memoria & sacris Conciliis alterum Columnen.* (c) Of Person very corpulent, most quick Wit, singular Prudence, admirable Eloquence, and another Pillar to the Privy-Council. This Corpulency of Body grew on him in his old Age, to which the Queen alluding us'd to say, *Sir Nicholas's Soul lodges well.*

He dy'd 21 *Eliz.* A. D. 1579, having been marry'd twice, and was interr'd on the South side of the Choir of *St. Paul's Cathedral, London,* where he had a noble Monument erected to his Memory, with this Epitaph.

(d) ' *Hic Nicholaum le Baconem conditum existima illum, tam diu Britannici Regni secundum Columnen; exitium Malis, Bonis Asylum, caeca quem non extulit ad hunc honorem fors; sed Aequitas, Fides, Doctrina, Pietas, unica & Prudentia: Neu morte raptum crede; qui unica brevi, vita perenni emerit duas, agit vitam secundam caelites inter Animas. Fama implet Orbem, Vita quæ illi tertia est. Hac positum in Ara est Corpus, olim animi Domus, Ara dicata semperpiternæ Memoria.*

His first Lady was *Jane*, Daughter to *William Fernby* of *West Creeting*, in *Com. Suff. Esq;* by whom

(c) *Id. ib.* in Anno 1579.

(d) *Hist. of St. Paul's Cathedral*, p. 71.

whom he had three Daughters, and as many Sons; the eldest, *Sir Nicholas*, will be mention'd hereafter. *Nathaniel Bacon*, his second Son, was seated at *Staffkey* in Com. *Norf.*

Edward Bacon, Esq; third Son, was of *Sbrubland-Hall*, in Com. *Norf.* in Right of his Wife *Helen*, Daughter and Heir to *Thomas Little* of *Sbrubland* aforesaid, and *Bray* in Com. *Berks*, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir to *Sir Robert Lytton* of *Knebworth*, in Com. *Hertford*, Kt. and is Ancestor to the *Bacons* of *Sbrubland*, now remaining.

The second Wife to *Sir Nicholas*, the Lord Keeper, was *Anne*, Daughter to *Sir Anthony Cook*, of *Giddyball*, in Com. *Essex*; by whom he had two Sons, *Anthony*, who dy'd before his Father, and the famous *Sir Francis Bacon*, Kt. Solicitor-General, Attorney-General, of the Privy-Council, Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal, Lord Chancellor, Baron *Verulam*, and Viscount *St. Alban's* successively, temp. *Jac. 1. (e)* His Actions and Character are writ at large in most of the Histories of those Times: Therefore I shall only add, that he dy'd at *Highbate*, April 9. A. D. 1626, leaving no Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir to *Benedict Barnham*, Esq; Alderman of *London*.

Sir Nicholas Bacon, the eldest Son and Heir of the said Lord-Keeper, was possess'd of a great Estate upon his Death, holding of the Crown, 22 *Eliz.* by several (*) Tenures of Knight's Service, the Manours and Advowsons of *Redgrave*, *Hinderly*, alias *Hyldeley*, and *Wortham*, *Ricklingball*, alias *Westball*, and *Wynerston*; also the Hundred of *Blackborne*, with the Rent of fifty seven Quarters of Oats with annual Suit and Service of the Inhabitants within the Parishes of *Stow-Langtoft*,

(e) *Dug. Bar. Vol. II.*
sing MS. p. 168, 169, 170.

(*) *Tenures de Cors. Suff. per Chit.*

toft, *Hunston, Langbam, Walsbam, Ashfilde, Barnbam parva, Lyvermere, Culforde, Thorpe, Fakenbam magna, Fakenbam parva, Ixworth, Westhowe, Wordwell, Ryseworth, Watsfile, Rykenball, Hynderly, Weston, Bardwell, and Stawnton*; likewise the Manour of *Ashfield magna*, and 40 Messuages there, and in *Little Ashfield and Ixworth*; also the Manours of *Mettingham, Illetshall, and Sheap-meadow*, with 60 Messuages; 60 Tofts in *Mettingham, Bungaye*, and the Rectory of *Mettingham*; the Manour of *Bromsfeld*, and 70 Messuages in *Bromsfeld, Wenerston, alias Waynston*; the Manours of *Inbam, alias Inghamball; Tynworth, Barnbam near Tbetford, and Playford in Barnbam*, and 30 Messuages, &c. in *Ingham*, with the Advowsons of *Ingham and Tynworth*; the Rectory and Manour of *Walsbam*; the Liberties and Franchises of *St. Edmund's-bury*; the Manour and Rectory of *Tynworth*, held of the Manour of *Ingham*; also the Manour and Advowson of *Burgat.* (f) He was Knighted at *Norwich* by Queen *Elizabeth*, the 22d of *August 1578*, and was at length the first advanc'd to the Degree of *Baronet*, by his Majesty King *James*. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter and sole Heir to *Edmund Butts of Thornedge*, in that County, Esq; (Brother of Sir *William Butts*) by *Anne* his Wife, third Daughter and Co-heir to *Henry Buers*, Esq;

By this Lady, Sir *Nicholas* came possess'd, *inter alia*, of the Manour of *Foxhead*, and three Parts of the Estate of Sir *Andrew de Beurs*, who liv'd *temp. Edw. 3. (g)*. They both lye bury'd under a stately Monument, in the Church of *Redgrave*. He had Issue 7 Sons and 3 Daughters; whereof *Anne* marry'd Sir *Robert Drury; Dorothy*, Sir *Basingborne Gawdy of Essex*; and *Jemima*, Sir *William Waldegrave*

(f) *Ex Col. Tho. Fekyll Arm. Praed. Mich. No. 433.*

(g) *Rot. Pat. Term.*

grave of *Smalbridge*, Kts. The Sons were, 1. Sir *Edmund*, 2. *Henry*, who dy'd without Issue at *Jerusalem*, 3. Sir *Robert*, of whom hereafter. 4. *Bachevil Bacon* of *Hockbam*, who marry'd *Mary*, Daughter to ———— *French* of ———— in *Essex*, and left only Daughters his Co-heirs, one of whom, *viz.* *Philippa*, was Wife of *Robert Kedington* of *Hockbam*, Esq; High-Sheriff of the County of *Norfolk*, a lineal Descendant from *Robert de Kedington* of *Kedington-Hall*, in Com. *Suff.* who dy'd 5 June 1391, 14 Ric. II. 5. Sir *Butts Bacon*. 6. Sir *Nicholas Bacon*, both Baronets, of whom in their proper Places; and, 7. Sir *Nathaniel Bacon* of *Culford*, in Com. *Suffolk*, Knight of the *Bath*, who marry'd *Jane*, Daughter to *Hercules Mentas*, Widow to Sir *William Cornwallis*, Kt. and had Posterity.

Edmund, eldest Son and Heir to Sir *Nicholas*, succeeded in the Dignity and the Estate at *Redgrave*; he marry'd *Philippa*, Daughter to *Edward Lord Wotton*, and dying without Issue,

Sir *Robert*, his next Brother, was Heir to the Estate and Title, known before by the Denomination of *Robert Bacon* of *Riborough*, Esq; (an Estate now in Possession of Sir *Edmund Bacon*, Bart.) at which Seat he resided the most part of his Life, and in that Parish-Church this Inscription now remains;

Robert Bacon of *Redgrave*, in the County of *Suffolk*, Bart. was bury'd the 16th of December 1635.
And *Dame Anne Bacon*, his Wife, was bury'd the 27th of September 1640.

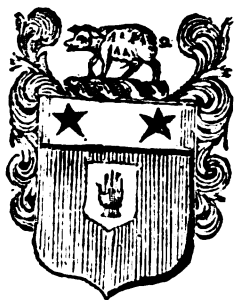
The said *Dame Anne* was Daughter to Sir *John Peyton* of *Iselham*, Kt. and Bart. from whom proceeded *Philippa*, marry'd to *Hamon Claxton* of *Livermore*; *Anne*, to *Thomas Hunt* of *Sherington*; and

and *Alice* to *Richard Gwyn* of *Fakenham-Market*, Esquires; As also divers Sons, whereof *Edmund*, *Nathaniel*, *Henry*, *Francis*, and *Drury*, dy'd young, or unmarried; and *Nicholas Bacon*, who marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter and Co-heir to——*Hobart* of *Thwayts*, dy'd without Issue. The other Sons were *Butts Bacon*, who marry'd *Dorothy*, Daughter to Sir *John Tracy*, Kt. *Peyton Bacon*, who marry'd the Daughter of *Charles Suckling* of *Wotton*, Esq; and *Robert Bacon*, the eldest Son, who marry'd *Catharine*, Daughter to *Grave Violet*, Esq; and dy'd in his Father's Life-time, having Issue four Daughters, viz. *Jemima*, who marry'd——*Gardner* of *Essex*, and afterwards Sir *John Brattell*, Assay-Master of the *Tower*; *Philippa*, Wife to *George Reeve* of *Thwayt*, Esq; *Francis* and *Anne*; and a Son, *Edmund*, who succeeded his Grand-father, Sir *Robert*, in the Title and Estate.

Which Sir *Edmund Bacon* of *Redgrave*, Bart. marry'd *Elizabeth*, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs to Sir *Robert Crane*, Bart. and deceasing . . . , was bury'd in the Church of *Redgrave*, where a noble Monument is erected to the Memory of him and his Lady. He had sixteen Children that were christen'd, of which only five Daughters surviv'd him; whereof *Sarah* dy'd unmarried. The others were, *Francis*, wedded to *Walter Narbone* of *Calne*, in Com. *Wilts*, Esq; *Susanna*, to *Charles Morris* of *Loddington*, in Com. *Leicester*, Esq; *Elizabeth*, to *William Ettrick* of the *Middle-Temple*, Esq; and *Philippa*, to Sir *Edward Bacon* of *Gillingham*, Bart. so that this Dignity, and some part of the Estate, came to *Robert*, his Nephew, Son and Heir of *Butts Bacon*, Esq; which Sir *Robert* was before seated at *Egmore*, in Com. *Norf.* and after the Death of his Uncle Sir *Edmund*, was possess'd of the Estate at *Redgrave*; which descending to him under some Incumbrances, he thought convenient

convenient to sell that Estate; and afterwards purchas'd, at *Garboldisham*, in the aforesaid County of *Norfolk*, where he built a handsome Seat for the future Residence of his Family, and dy'd *Jan.* the 31st, 1704, leaving Issue, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter to *Daniel Chandler* of *London*, Esq; two Daughters, *Abigail* and *Jane*; with two Sons, *Edmund* and *Butts*. He was succeeded in the Dignity and Estate, by his eldest Son and Heir.

Sir *Edmund Bacon*, now of *Garboldisham*, Bart. was one of the Knights of the Shire for *Norfolk* the 12th of *Queen Anne*, and the sixth of this Line that hath born the Title. He marry'd, in *Nov.* 1712, *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Kemp*, Bart. and sole Heir to her Mother *Letitia*, Daughter of *Robert King* of *Great Thirlow*, in the County of *Suffolk*, Esq; and hath Issue one Daughter, *Letitia*.



A R M S.

Gules, on a Chief, Argent, two Mullets. Sable.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath Argent, and Gules, a Boar passant, Ermine, as granted by Cook and Flower.

M O T T O.

Mediocria Firma.

Sir

Sir RICHARD MOLINEUX of
SEPHTON, Kt. Lanc. N^o 2.

(May 22. A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

WHEN *William* Duke of *Normandy*, invaded this Kingdom, A. D. 1066, he was attended by many noble *Normans*, among whom was *William des Moulins*, (a) no less famous for his Virtue, than for his noble Extraction, as appears from many of our own, as well as *French Writers*; particularly from the Roll of *Battle-Abbey*, in which List his Name standeth the 18th in order.

To this, *William des Moulins*, or *Molins*, *Roger de Poiffiers* (who was then possess'd of all that Tract of Land in *Lancashire*, between the Rivers of *Rebble* and *Mercy*, and Lord of *Lancaster*, by the Gift of *William* the Conqueror) gave, among other Lands, by Consent of the said Conqueror, the Manours of *Sephton*, (b) *Torneton*, *Kerdon*, (now *Kuerdon*) and ten Caracates and an half of Land, at the Service of half a Knight's Fee; whereof he made *Sephton* his chief Seat; wherein he was succeeded by his Son and Heir,

Vivian, who, by his Wife *Siwarda*, had Issue *Adam*, who held half a Knight's Fees at *Sephton*, and gave in pure and free Alms to the Church of the blessed *Mary*, at *Cockersand*, (c) certain Acres of Land in *Meeling* and *Conscough*, under

(a) Ex Stemma hujus Fam. per Sir G. Dethick.
day-Book. (b) Lib. Scac. Test. Nevil, fol. 14.
jisd. Abb.

(b) Dooms-
(c) Lib. e-

der his Seal of the *cross Moline*, circumscrib'd, *S. Adami de Molineus*. This *Adam* held one Knight's Fee in *Sephton*, *Thorneton*, and *Kerdon*, by Castle-guard of the Castle of *Lancaster*; and having took to Wife *Annota*, sole Daughter and Heir of *Benedict de Gernet*, Lord of *Speke* in Com. *Lanc.* had Issue three Sons, 1. *Robert*. 2. *Gilbert*, who held by Gift of his Brother *Robert*, one Caracate of Land in *Thorneton*, by Knight's Service, as much as thereunto appertain'd. 3. *Henry*, and a Daughter, *Siwarda*, who became the Wife of—*Fitzannot*.

Robert, the eldest Son, marry'd *Beatrice*, Daughter and Heir of *Robert de Villers*, Lord of *Little Crosby*, Son of *Alan*, Son of—*de Villers*, who enter'd *England* with *William* the Conqueror. To this *Robert*, *Stephen* Earl of *Bologn*, who afterwards succeeded to the Crown of *England*, made the Grant following, (d) *Stephanus Comes Bolognia & Mortaignia Vic. & omnibus Baronibus suis: Sciat is quod concedo Rob. de Molineß terram suam in Linderlandt pro 14. Sol. per an. ei & heredibus suis T. Rob. Dap. & Rob. de Villers*. He gave two Caracates in *Kerdon*, with his Sister *Sywarda*, that his Brother held by Knight's Service; and out of them, bequeath'd three Acres to *Cockersand*, in free Alms.

He was succeeded by his Son *Richard*, who paid 20 s. for Relief of half a Knight's Fee in *Sephton*, *Thorneton*, and *Kerdon*, which *Adam de Molineux* formerly held; (e) and gave one Ploughland to *Richard de Thorneton*, for the yearly Rent of a Pound of Pepper; and to *Raymond de Lytherlandt*, two Ox-gangs in *Lytherlandt*, to hold by Knight's Service; and to *Simon*, his only Brother,
Lands

(d) *Lib. Scacc.*

(e) *Inq. 12 and 13 Joh.*

Lands call'd *Hasteneroft*, on the Way between *Sephton* and *Thorneton*, to hold by Homage and due Service: The Seal appendent, a *Cross Flowry*, without any Shield, and the Inscription round it, *Sigillum Richardi de Molineus*. Having marry'd *Edith*, Daughter of *Aumary Pincerna*, (i. e. *Butler*) of *Warrington*, he had Issue *Adam* and *Robert*, who held three Ox-gangs in *Thorneton*, by Knight's Service, of his Father; of which *Robert*, proceeded *Richard*, Father to another *Robert* of *Thorneton*, Progenitor to those of *Mellingwood*.

Adam, the eldest Son of *Robert*, succeeded at *Sephton*, being stil'd *Dominus Adam de Molineus*, and was a Witness to the Grant of the fourth part of the *Ville* of *Magbull*, by *Simon de Halsal (f) Sanfdate*. He held Lands in *Little Crosby*, by Descent, and 12 *Henry III*, had a Forestership in Com. *Lanc. (g)* His Wife was *Letice de Brinley*, and their Issue *William* and *Roger*.

This *Adam* is suppos'd to be the Knight who was portray'd (in the Glass of three Windows in the upper Part of *Bridgnorth* Church in Com. *Salop*) in antique Mail, cloth'd with a Surcoat, and girt with his Sword and Spurs; over which is an equilateral triangular Shield, on which the Arms of *Molineux* are depicted.

Roger, the youngest Son, bore for his Arms, (b) the Cross Argent quater-pierc'd, and had Issue *William*, Father to *James*, who having marry'd *Margaret*, the Daughter and Heir of *William de Aula de Brentworth*, for want of Issue Male, left his Estate to his Daughters; and *Julian*, one of his Co-heirs, was marry'd to *Richard Windsor*, of *Stanwell*; from whom are descended the Barons

(f) *Charta Famil. penes.* (g) *Extract Record Lond.* (b) *Sacemmar*

rons of *Windsor*, of *Bradenbam*, and the present Earls of *Plymouth*.

Sir *William de Molineus* of *Seston*, Kt. eldest Son of *Adam*, was reckon'd among those in *Com. Lanc.* who had 15 *Liberatas Terra*, and over, held by Knights Service, and were call'd to receive the Degree of Knighthood by *Philip de Ulneſby*, Sheriff of that County, 4 *Hen. III.*, A. D. 1255. He gave to *William*, Son of his Brother *Roger*, Lands in *Netberton*, near *Seston*, to hold by Knights Service, and the yearly Rent of an Half-penny, by a Deed without Date; and by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter of *Alan de Thorn-ton*, had three Sons, Sir *Richard*, *William*, and *Simon*; to the two latter their Father gave Lands in *Letherland*. And

Sir *Richard* inherited, who gave to *Thomas* his Son, the *Edge* within his Demefne of *Shefton*, to hold at the Rent of one Penny yearly; and to *Peter*, another Son, by Charter without Date, Lands call'd *Ireland*, at Six Pence yearly Payment; and to *Richard*, Son of *Thomas de Wykeſſebon*, his Heirs and Assigns, *unam Placeam* of his Lands in *Little Croſby*, at the annual Rent of a Penny; to which, as Witneſſes, ſubſcrib'd *Richard de Molineus*, *William de Aytre*, *Robert de Molineus*, and many others. The Seal a *Lyon rampant*, with the Inſcription of Sir *Richard*—

By *Emme* his Wife, he had four Sons, 1. Sir *William*. 2. *Robert*, Father to *Robert* of *Netberton*. 3. *Thomas*, who bore for Arms, *Azure a Cheveron, between three croſs Molines, Or.* He releas'd all his Right of Common of Paſture in the Maſh of *Richard* of *Hawkley*, from whom are deſcended the *Molineuxes* of that Place.

Which Sir *Richard* dy'd 37 *Edward III.*; and to him ſucceeded his eldeſt Son,

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Sir

Sir *William de Molineux*, who had two Wives; the first was *Joan*, the Daughter and Heir of *Jordan Ellall*, Forester of *Wyresdale*, by *Alice* his Wife, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs of *Thomas de Twenge*. The second was the Lady *Margaret*, Widow and Relict of Sir *Robert Holland* of *Eakeston*, Kt. (Brother to *Thomas Holland*, Knight of the Garter) and Daughter and Heir of Sir *Alan Heton* of *Bushell*, Kt. By the former he had several Sons, 1. Sir *William*. 2. *Thomas* of *Kuerdale*, who added a *Flower-de-Luce Argent* in the dexter Canton of his Arms, and was slain at *Radcott-bridge*, having taken Arms for King *Richard II*. 3. Sir *John Molineux* of *Crosby*, who bore his *cross Molins crown'd, Or*; and left 3 Daughters his Heirs. 4. *Richard*, Parson of the Church of *Seston*, (who had the Field of his Arms with *semi de France* for Distinction;) also *Robert*, *Peter*, and *Simon*.

William, the eldest Son of the last Sir *William*, was likewise a Knight. He granted to Sir *John Dalton* a yearly Rent-Charge of 50 Marks, to be receiv'd out of all his Lands of *Ellall*, as appears by a Deed now in the Family, dated at *Bissham*, on *Saturday*, the Vigil of the holy Trinity, 43 *Edward III*.

He was a Person of great Courage and Accomplishments, distinguish'd himself at the Battel of *Navarret* in *Spain*, under *Edward* the Black Prince, and was there made a Knight Baneret, *Anno* 1367. Under his Command he serv'd in all those Wars, (k) as he did in those of *France*; and in his Return homewards, dy'd at *Canterbury*, *A. D.* 1372, and was there bury'd, as appears by this Epitaph.

Miles

(k) *Fuller's Worthies*, B. 113.

(1) *Miles honorificus Molineus subjacet intus ;
Tertius Edvardus dilexit hunc ut Amicus.
Fortia qui gessit, Gallos, Navarrosq; repressit,
Hic cum recessit, morte feriente, decessit.
Anno Millesimo Trecento Septuagesimo,
Atque bis junge duo; sic perit omnis Homo.*

He left an Heir to his Estate, by *Jane* his Wife,
Daughter and Co-heir to Sir *Robert Holland*, Kt.
viz.

Sir *Richard Molineux*, Kt. who, 1 *Henry IV*, was
found Cousin and next Heir of *Thomas Chatterton*
(*m*) of *Ellall*, *viz.* Son of *William Molineux*, Kt.
Son of *William*, Son of *Joan*, Daughter of *Alice*,
Sister of *Laderina*, Mother to *Alan*, Father of
Alan, Father of *William*, who was Father to (the
aforesaid) *Thomas Chatterton*.

This Sir *Richard* was High-Sheriff of the County
of *Lanc.* for Life; and with Sir *Robert de Urse-*
will, serv'd as Knights of that Shire in the Parlia-
ment held at *Westminster* 20 *Richard II*, and had
for their Expences, for 34 Days Attendance, 13 l.
12 s. (*m*) He took to Wife *Ellen*, Daughter of
Sir *Thomas Ursewick*, Kt. who, it is probable, had
been Escaetor of that County: For an Office was
taken before him, upon the Death of *Thomas Mo-*
lineux of *Cuerdale*, (Uncle to Sir *Richard*;) the
Import whereof was, That the Reversion of the
Lands and Tenements ought to descend to *William*
Molineux, Kt. as Son and Heir of *William Mo-*
lineux of *Sefton*; and from that *William*, to ano-
ther *William Molineux*, Kt. and after him, to *Ri-*
chard Molineux, then living, under Age, and in
Ward to *John D.* of *Lancaster*, King of *Castile* and
C 2 Leon,

(1) *Weaver's Fun. Mon.* p. 234. (m) *Of. post Mort.* 1 H. IV.
(2) *Fryas's Regifi.* p. 438.

Leon, Anno 6 Richard II. (o) The said *Ellen* was afterwards marry'd to Sir *Thomas Savage*, Kt. But by her first Husband she had a Daughter, *Agnes*, Wife of *Thomas Clifden*, Esq; and three Sons, 1. *Richard* 2. *Adam*, who was Bishop of *Chester*, and Keeper of the Privy-Seal in the Reign of *Henry VI*; and, 3. *Robert*, who was found Heir to his Brother *Adam*, by the *Inquisit. post Mortem*. Which *Robert* marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of Sir *Baldwin Lestrangle*, Kt. and left only a Daughter his sole Heir, and Wife of *William Troutbeck*.

Richard, Son and Heir of the last Sir *Richard*, eminently distinguish'd himself in the Wars of *France*, at the Battel of *Agincourt*,; and receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood in the Reign of *Hen. V*. He was in Favour also with *Henry VI*, who, by Letters Patent, gave to him, his Sons, and their Heirs, the chief Forestership of the Royal Forests and Parks in West *Derby-shire*; the Stewardship in *Salford-shire*; and the Office of Constable of *Liverpool*, as the following Record testifies.

Hemicus, Dei gratia Rex Angl. &c. Nos grata & laudabilia Obsequia qua Ric. Molineux, Miles, & Ric. Filius ejus, Arm. Nobis multipliciter impenderunt & indies impendere non desistunt considerantes, &c. Constituimus & ordinavimus ipsos Ricardum & Ricardum, tam Magistrum Forestar. Foresta & Parcorum nostrum in Wapentag' de West Derby-shire, quam Servitium nostr' in eodem Wapentag' nostro, & Wapentag' nostro de Salford-sheire, eodem Com. Ac etiam de Gratia nostra, &c. concess. ejisd. Rico. & Rico. Officium Constabular nostr. de Liverpool, habend. & tenend. ejisd. & Hæred. Masculis, &c. Dat. apud Brandon, Ann. Regni Vicess. quarto, 28° Die Julii.

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(o) *Esi. ejusdem.*

He had two Wives, *viz.* *Joan*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Gilbert Hagdon*, Kt. Relict of *Piers Leigh* of *Lyme* in *Com. Cestr.* and by her had several Sons, 1 *Richard*. 2. *Thomas* of *Haughton*, in *Com. Not.* whose Posterity I shall distinctly treat of. 3. *John*, Rector of *Sefton*. 4. *Henry*. 5. *Gilbert*, who marry'd the Lady of *Cheneys*, in *Com. Bucks.* 7. *Robert*. 8. *William*. The Daughters were *Catherine*, Wife of Sir *Robert Ratcliff*, Kt. and afterwards of *John Stanboppe*, Esq; and *Elizabeth*, marry'd to Sir *Robert Southworth*, Kt.

By a second Wife, *Helen*, Daughter of ——— *Radcliff* of the Tower, and Relict of *Harrington*; he had two Daughters, *Anne* marry'd to *Richard Nevil* of *Leversege*; and *Margaret*, to Sir *Peter Leigh* of *Bradley*, Kt.

Richard, the eldest Son of the last Sir *Richard*, was so much in Favour with his Prince, and had so much Honour done him by his Country, that in the Act of Petition of Resumption, *Anno 36 Henry VI*, there was this provisional Clause in his Behalf, *viz.* *Provided always that this Act extend not, nor in any wise be prejudicial unto Richard Molineux of Sefton, Esq; one of the Ushers of our Privy-Chamber, in, of, or to, the Constableness of our Castle of Liverpool; the Stewardship of West Derby-shire and Stafford-shire; the Forestership of our Forest of Symonf-wood, and of our Parks of Croxtath and Toxtath, &c.*

He was afterwards knighted; and by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Sister of *Thomas* Earl of *Derby*, and Daughter of *Thomas*, Baron *Stanley* of *Latham*, he had two Sons, *Thomas*, and *James* Arch-deacon of *Richmond*, and Rector of the Church of *Sephton*; and three Daughters, *Margaret*, marry'd first to *John Dutton*, and then to *William Bulkley* of *Beaumarris*; *Eleanor*, first to Sir *John Leyland* of *Morley*, afterward to *Roger Ashton*; and *Joan*, Wife of *Christopher Barton* of *Smithelisse*,

Sir *Thomas Molineux*, Son and Heir of Sir *Richard*, was in Arms for King *Edward*, under the Duke of *Gloucester*, for Recovery of the Town of *Berwick* from the *Scots*, and on St. *James's Eve* (p) was there made Knight Baneret. He dy'd the 7th of *Henry VII*, leaving by *Anne* his Wife (the eldest of the five Daughters, and Co-heirs of Sir *Thomas Dutton* of *Dutton*) two Daughters; *Jane*, Wife of Sir *Robert Foulshurst* of *Crow*, Kt. and *Elizabeth* of *James Radcliff*, in *Com. Lanc.* and as many Sons; the youngest of whom was *Edward*, Rector of the Churches of *Sephton*, *Salton*, and *Aughton*, 17 *Henry VIII*, and the eldest

Sir *William Molineux* of *Sephton*, Kt. "flourish'd under King *Henry* the VIIIth, being a Man of great Command in *Lancashire*, bringing a considerable Strength of it to the seasonable Succour of the Duke of *Norfolk*; (q) with whom he perform'd signal Service at the Battel of *Flodden Field*," taking there, with his own Hands, two Streamers still in the Family. In this Battel the King of *Scots* and chiefeft Gentry were slain, and the *Lancashire* Archers are said to have had a great Share in the Victory. The King, afterwards, wrote this gratulatory Letter to Sir *William Molineux*. (r)

"Trusty and well-belov'd, we greet you well,
 "and understand, as well by the Report of
 "our right trusty Cousin and Counsellor, the Duke
 "of *Norfolk*, as otherwise, what acceptable Ser-
 "vice you, among others, lately did unto us, by
 "your valiant Towardness, in assisting our said
 "Cousin against our great Enemy the late King
 "of *Scots*; and how courageously you, as a very
 "hearty,

(p) *Nomina Equit. in Bibl. Cotton.*
 p. 113.

(r) *Stow's Chron.* p. 495.

(q) *Fuller's Worthies,*

“ hearty, loving Servant, acquitted your self
“ for the Overthrow of the said late King, and
“ distressing of his Malice and Power, to our
“ great Honour, and to the advancing of your
“ no little Fame and Praise: For which we have
“ here good Cause to favour and thank you, and so
“ we full heartily do; and assur’d may you be,
“ that we shall, in such effected wise, remember
“ your said Service in any your reasonable Pur-
“ suits, as you shall have Cause to think right
“ well employ’d to your Comfort and Weal here-
“ after. Given under our Signet, at our Castle
“ at *Windsor*, the 27th of *November*.

Which Sir *William* marry’d, first *Jane*, sole Daughter and Heir of Sir *Richard Ruge* of *Ruge*, in *Com. Salop*, Kt. by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *John Sheen* of *Sheen-Place*, Esq; and of *Isabel* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Heatb*, Esq; in *Com. Salop*, and had Issue two Sons, Sir *Richard*, and Sir *Thomas*, who dy’d without Issue; and as many Daughters, *Jane* marry’d to *Richard Bould* of *Bould*, Esq; and *Anne*, the Wife of *Alexander Standesh* of *Standesh*, Esq;

His second Wife was *Elizabeth*, sole Daughter of *Cutbert Clifton*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; by whom he had a Son nam’d also *Thomas*, who dy’d without Issue: And *Anne* (Heir to her Brother *Thomas*) marry’d to *Henry Halsfall* of *Halsfall*, Esq;

Sir *William* dy’d *A. D.* 1548, and was succeeded by his eldest Son

Richard, who receiv’d the Honour of Knight-hood at the Coronation of Queen *Mary*, (J) and was High-Sheriff of the County of *Lanc.* 8 *Elix.* and dy’d in the 11th of her Reign, *A. D.* 1568,

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having

(J) *Nomina Equitum in Bibl. Castor.*

having had two Wives; by the first, *Eleanor* Daughter of Sir *Alexander Radcliff* of *Ordshall*, in *Com. Lanc.* Kt. he had five Sons and as many Daughters, 1. *William*. 2. *Richard*, who marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *John Molineux* of *Mellingwood*, by whom he had Issue. 3. *John*, who wedded *Anne*, Daughter of *Richard Ratcliff* of *Langley*. 4 and 5, *Anthony* and *Alexander*. Of the Daughters, *Jane* was marry'd to *Thomas Molineux*, *Alice* to *James Prescot* of *Dreby*, in *Com. Linc.* *Eleanor* to *Francis Sutton* of *Sutton*, in *Com. Cestr.* *Margaret* to *John Warren* of *Poynton* in the same County; and *Anne* to *Thomas Dalton* of *Tburnham*. By his second Wife, *Eleanor* Daughter of *Robert Maghull* of *Maghull*, he was Father to *Thomas*, *Robert*, and *Anthony*; and one Daughter *Eleanor*, Wife of *John Moore* of *Bankhall*, in *Com. Lanc.*

William, the eldest Son of Sir *Richard*, did not survive his Father, but dy'd at *Halfall*, A. D. 1567, leaving (by his Wife *Bridget*, Daughter of *John Carell* of *Warnham*, in *Com. Sussex*, Esq; Attorney of the Dutchy of *Lancaster*) three Sons, 1. *Richard*. 2. *John*, who marry'd *Dorothy*, Daughter and Heir of *John Booth* of *Barton*, and had Issue. 3. *Thomas* and a Daughter *Elizabeth*, Wife of Sir *William Norris* of *Speke*, Knight of the *Bath*.

Richard Molineux succeeded his Grand-father Sir *Richard* in the Estate; but, being under Age, was in Ward to Sir *Gilbert Gerard*, Master of the Rolls; he was knighted by Queen *Elizabeth* the 24th of *June* 1586, aged then 26 Years, and was rais'd to the Dignity of a Baronet by King *James* the 1st, on the 22d of *May*, in the 9th of his Reign 1611.

By his Wife *Fiances*, Daughter of the above Sir *Gilbert*, (from whom the Earls of *Macclesfield*. &c. and the Barons *Gerard* of *Bromley*, descended) he had

had Issue *Thomas* and *William*, who dy'd Infants. *Richard*, that succeeded him. *Vivian*, *Gilbert*, and *Adam*, who dy'd without Issue.

“ *Vivian* was bred at *Brazen-nose* College *Oxon.*
 “ (t) and admitted B. A. July 1, 1612; travell'd
 “ afterward into several foreign Countries; was at
 “ *Rome*, where (tho' puritanically educated under
 “ the Tuition of *Samuel Radcliff* of the same Col-
 “ lege) he chang'd his Religion; return'd a well-
 “ bred Gentleman; was knighted, and in the
 “ grand Rebellion suffer'd for the Royal Cause.
 He translated from the *Spanish* into *English*, a
 Treatise of the Difference betwixt the Temporal
 and Eternal. 8° Lond. 1672.

Which Sir *Richard* had likewise seven Daughters, *Anne* marry'd to Sir *John Byron* of *Newsted*, in *Com. Not. Kt.* *Alice* to Sir *William Dormer*, Kt. Son and Heir to *Robert Lord Dormer* of *Wenge*. *Frances* to Sir *Thomas Gerard* of *Bryn*, in *Com. Lanc. Bart.* *Bridget* to *Ralph Standish*, in *Com. Lanc. Esq;* *Julian* to Sir *Thomas Walmsley* of *Dunkenhagh*, Kt. and *Margaret* to *George Simon* of *Brightwell*, in *Com. Oxon. Esq;*

Sir *Richard Molineux*, Bart. eldest surviving Son of the last Sir *Richard*, succeeded to the Title and Estate; and, by his Majesty King *Charles* the 1st, was farther advanc'd to the Honour of Viscount *Marybourgh* of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by Letters Patents dated at *Westminster* the 22d of *December*, in the 4th Year of his Reign. He marry'd *Mary*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Thomas Carryl* of *Bentone*, in *Com. Suff. Kt.* and had Issue four Sons, 1. *Richard*. 2. *Carryl*. 3. *Philip*. 4. *Francis*: And two Daughters, *Elizabeth* marry'd to Sir *William Stanley* of *Hooton*, Bart. and *Mary* to Sir *George Selby*

(t) *Athen. Oxon.* p. 813.

Selby of Whitehouse, in Com. Dunelm. Kt. This Lord dy'd in the Year 1632, and his eldest Son

Richard succeeded to the Honour and Estate; he marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of *William Seymour*, Marquess of *Hertford*; but dying without Issue, [she afterwards marry'd *Thomas* Earl of *Southampton*] the Honour and Estate devolv'd upon his Brother

Carryl, Lord Viscount *Molineux*, &c. This Lord and his Brother *Richard*, afore-mention'd, took up Arms at the breaking out of the Rebellion, for his Majesty King *Charles* the 1st, and rais'd for his Service two Regiments, one of Horse, and the other of Foot; they serv'd with them during the whole Time of that unnatural War, and were in *Oxford* when it surrender'd to the Rebels. They afterwards attended King *Charles* the 2d, when he march'd out of *Scotland*, and were with him in the Battel of *Worcester*, upon which they liv'd in Retirement for some Time; and Lord *Richard* dying soon after, the Honour and Estate fell, as before is mention'd, to his Brother *Carryl*, who was Out-law'd and excepted from compounding by the Rebels; but, having made some Friends, he at last got Leave to compound for the Estate; and, paying an excessive Fine, was put in the Possession of it, and liv'd to a very great Age. The late King *James* the 2d, on his Accession to the Throne, constituted him Lord Lieutenant and *Custos Rotulorum* of the County of *Lancaster*; as also Admiral of the narrow Seas. He dy'd at his Seat at *Croxsted*, the 2d of *February* 1698. Having marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *Alexander Barlow* of *Barlow*, in *Com. Lanc.* he had Issue three Sons and five Daughters; *Richard*, his eldest Son, marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of the late Marquess of *Powis*, and dy'd at *Powis-Castle* soon after, in his Life-
Time,

Time, without Issue. *Carryl*, the second Son, dy'd an Infant. *William*, his youngest, succeeded him. Of his Daughters, *Mary* marry'd Sir *Thomas Preston*, Bart. *Frances*, Sir *Neal O Neal* of the Kingdom of Ireland, Bart. *Margaret*, *Jenico Preston*, Lord Viscount *Gormanston*, of the Kingdom of Ireland. *Elizabeth*, *Edward Witbrington* of *Horsley*, in *Com. Northumb.* Esq; and *Anne* to *William Witbrington* of *Cheesebarn Grange*, in the same County, Esq;

William Lord Viscount *Molineux*, now living, hath taken to Wife *Bridget*, Daughter and Heir of *Robert Lucie* of *Cherlecote*, in *Com. Warr.* Esq; and hath Issue

1. *Richard*, marry'd to *Mary*, Sister to the present Earl of *Cardigan*, by whom he has two Daughters, *Mary* and *Dorothy*. 2. *Carryl*. 3. *William*. 4. *Thomas*. 5. *Edward*. And five Daughters, *Mary*, *Frances*, *Elizabeth*, *Anne*, and *Bridget*, all living and unmarried in 1713, besides two other Sons, *William* and *Vivian*, who dy'd young.



A R M S.

Azure, a cross Moline, Or.

C R E S T.

Out of a Chapeau Gules turn'd up Ermin, a Peacock's Tail in her Pride proper.

S U P P O R T E R S.

Two Lyons Azure.

M O T T O.

Vivere sat vincere. They us'd anciently en droit devant.

Sir

Sir THOMAS MAUNSEL of MARGAM, Kt. Glamorg. N^o 3.

(22 May, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

English Baron, viz. Lord MAUNSEL,
Vide Peerage of *England*,

GEORGE SHERLEY of STAUNTON, Esq; Leicest. N^o 4.

(ead. Die.)

English Earl, viz. Earl FERRERS, *Vide*
Peerage of *England*.

Sir JOHN STRADLING of St. DONATS, Kt. Glamorg. N^o 5.

(ead. Die.)

THIS ancient and knightly Family is extracted from the Eastern People, call'd *Easterlings* or *Oosterlings*, * who dwelt near the *Baltick Sea*. Sir *William le Esterling*, the first that came into *England*, was one of the twelve Knights that accompany'd *Robert Fitz-Hammond*, Earl of *Gloucester*, (a) to the Assistance of *Justin ap Gorgant*, King of *Glamorgan*, against Prince *Rese*, about the

* Ex *Stemma. de Sir Edw. Stradling, Bast.*
Baronage, Vol. 1. p. 406.

(a) *Dugdale's*

the Year 1090, in the Reign of *William Rufus*; and the said *Robert Fitz-Hammond*, on the Death of Prince *Rese*, turning his Forces against *Justin*, and conquering his whole Dominion, in Recompence to the valiant Services of his Followers, divided the Country amongst them.

Sir *William Esterling* had for his Share, the Castle and Manour of *St. Donats*, &c. which, from that Time, has remain'd the principal Residence of his Descendants. (b) Sir *John Esterling*, Son of that Sir *William*, marry'd *Matilda*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *Robert Corbert*, Kt. and had Sir *Morris*, who, by his Wife *Cicely*, Daughter and Heir to *Picot de Say*, had Issue Sir *Robert Stradling*, the first that abbreviated his Name; which Sir *Robert*, by *Howise* his Wife, Daughter to Sir *Hugh Brix*, Kt. left Issue Sir *Gilbert*, Father to Sir *William*, whose Son Sir *John* had Issue Sir *Peter*; who, in Right of his Wife *Julian*, Daughter and sole Heir to *Thomas Hawey*, became (c) possess'd temp. *Edw. I.* of the Manours of *Hawey* and *Alfreyands*, in *Com. Som.* and *Compton Hawey*, in *Com. Dors.*

The said Sir *Peter* left Issue Sir *Edward Stradling* of *St. Donats*, Kt. who marry'd *Eleanor* Daughter to Sir *Gilbert Stradling*, a younger Branch of this Stock, Heir to her Mother, a Daughter to *Richard Garnon*; of whose Inheritance he possess'd two Manours in *Com. Okon.*

Sir *Edward Stradling*, his Son and Heir, was, with Sir *Henry Power*, return'd Knights of the Shire for the County of *Somerset*, in the Parliament held at *Westminster*, 17 *Edw. 3.* having 12*l.* Allowance for thirty nine Days Expences, coming, * stay, and returning.

In

(b) *Camden's Brit. in Com. Glamorg.* (c) *Ex Stemma penes Edw. Stradling, Bart.* * *Frynn's Parl. Regist. Vol. 4. p. 194.*

In Right of his Wife *Wenlian*, Sister and Heir to Sir *Lawrence*, and Daughter to Sir *Roger Berkrolls*, by his Wife, one of the Co-heirs of *Pagan de Turbervile*, Lord of Castle *Coitif*, he obtain'd the Lordship of *Est Orchard*, in *Com. Glam.* which was given by *Robert Fitzhamon* to Sir *Lawrence Berkrolls*, who was another of the twelve Knights that accompany'd him; and likewise Part of the Inheritance of the *Turbervile's*, another of those twelve Knights; but the Castle of *Coitif*, (d) on Failure of Issue Male of *Berkrolls*, devolv'd to *Gamage* and his Heirs Male, by special Entail.

Sir *William Stradling*, Son and Heir to Sir *Edward*, succeeded to this Estate 9 *Henry* the IVth. He went in Pilgrimage to *Jerusalem*, and was there made Knight of the Holy Sepulchre; and having marry'd *Isabel*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *John St. Barbe*, Kt. was succeeded by *Edward*, his Son and Heir.

Which *Edward* accompany'd his Father to the Holy Sepulchre, and was also made, with him, Knight of that Order, about the Beginning of the Reign of King *Henry* the VIth. He marry'd *Jane*, Daughter to the great *Henry Beaufort*, Son of *John* of *Gaunt*, Duke of *Lancaster*, afterwards made Cardinal of *St. Eusebius*, Bishop of *Winchester*, and Lord Chancellor of *England*, by whom he had Issue

Sir *Henry Stradling*, who in his Passage from *St. Donats*, to his Seat in *Somersetshire*, was taken Prisoner by *Colyn Dolphin*, a Pyrate of *Britany*, * and his Ransom rated so high, that for the Payment of 2200 Marks, he was forc'd to sell his two Manours in *Oxfordshire*, the Castle and Manour of *Rogerstown*, call'd in *Welsh Tre Gwillin*, in the Parish of *Baselk*,

(d) *Merrick's Antiq. of Glamorgan, MSS.* * *Ex Autog. penes Ed. Stradling, Barr.*

Jeſek, together with the Lordſhip of *Sutton* in *Monmouthſhire*. He went afterwards, according to the Devotion of thoſe Times, and viſited the *Holy Sepulchre*, and other reverend Antiquities in *Paleſtine*, where he likewiſe receiv'd the Order of *Knighthood* of the *Sepulchre*; but, in his Return Home, dy'd in the *Iſle of Cyprus*, being under 26 Years of Age, and was bury'd in the City of *Famaguiſta*, leaving Iſſue *Thomas Stradling, Eſq;* for whom this cenotaphial Memorial now remains in the Chapel at *St. Donats*.

“ **H**ERE lyeth *Thomas Stradling, Eſq;* Son to
 “ *Sir Harry Stradling, Kt.* and *Elizabeth* his
 “ Wife, (the Daughter of *William Thomas of Rag-*
 “ *land, Kt.* * in the County of *Monmouth*) who dy'd
 “ at *Cardife*, in the Monastery of *Preaching-Fry-*
 “ *ers*, the 8th Day of *September*, in the Year of
 “ our Lord 1480; whoſe Bones, after the Diſſo-
 “ lution of the ſaid Monastery, *Sir Thomas Strad-*
 “ *ling, Kt.* his Grand-ſon, cauſ'd to be taken up
 “ and carry'd to *St. Donats*, and bury'd by his
 “ Son the 4th of *June* 1537; and afterwards *Sir*
 “ *Edward Stradling, Kt.* the 5th of that Name, tran-
 “ ſlated the ſaid Bones out of the Chancel, in-
 “ to the Chapel annex'd to the ſaid Chancel, in
 “ the Year of our Lord 1573; after whoſe Death,
 “ his Wife was marry'd to *Sir Rees ap Thomas,*
 “ Knight of the Garter, and dy'd at *Piſton*, in
 “ the County of *Pembroke*, the 5th Day of *Fe-*
 “ *bruary*, in the Year of our Lord 1535, and
 “ was bury'd at *Carmarthen*, in the Church of the
 “ Monastery of *Preaching-Fryers*, with the ſaid
 “ *Sir Rees ap Thomas* her Husband.

This

* And Siſter of the whole Blood to *William Herbert, firſt Earl of Pembroke*.

This *Thomas Stradling*, by *Jenet* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Mathew* of *Rador*, in *Com. Glam.* Esq; had Issue two Sons, *Sir Edward* and *Henry*. For *Sir Edward* the eldest, and his Lady, is this monumental Inscription in the aforesaid Chapel of *St. Donats*.

(a) “ **H**ERE lyeth *Sir Edward Stradling*, Kt. the fourth of that Name, Son to *Thomas Stradling*, Esq; and *Jenet* his Wife, (the Daughter of *Thomas Mathew*, Esq; of *Rador* in the County of *Glamorgan*, Esq;) who dy’d in the Castle of *St. Donats* the 8th of *May*, in the Year of our Lord 1535, and was bury’d in the Chancel of the Church there; whose Bones were afterwards translated, by his Grand-son *Sir Edward Stradling*, Kt. the fifth of that Name, to the Chapel, in the Year of our Lord 1578. Here also lyeth *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Sir Thomas Arundel* of *Lanbeyron*, in the County of *Cornwal*, Kt. who dy’d in Child-bed at *Mertbermawr*, the 20th Day of *February* 15 , and was bury’d in the Chancel there with her Husband, the 8th Day of *May*, in the Year of our Lord 15 , and were afterwards, by *Sir Edward Stradling*, Kt. the fifth of that Name, her Grand-son, translated out of the Chancel into the Chapel, in the Year of our Lord 1573.

His Son and Successor was *Sir Thomas Stradling*, Kt. who marry’d *Catherine*, Daughter to *Sir Thomas Gamage* of *Coitif*, Kt. and left Issue

“ *Sir Edward Stradling*, Kt. who was educated in the University of * *Oxford*; but before he took a Degree, travell’d into various Countries; spent

(a) Ex Inscript. * *Athen. Oxon. Vol. 1. Col. 296 & 300.*

" spent some Time at *Rome*, return'd an accom-
 " plish'd Gentleman; and, retiring to his In-
 " heritance, which was large, built a firm
 " Structure on that Foundation of Literature he
 " had laid at *Oxford*, and elsewhere. In 1575,
 " or the Year after, he receiv'd the Honour of
 " Knighthood, became a very useful Man in his
 " Country, and was at the Charge of such *Her-
 " culean* Works for the publick good, that no
 " Man, in his Time, went beyond him, for his
 " singular Knowledge in the *British* Language
 " and Antiquities, for his eminent Encourage-
 " ment of Learning, and learned Men, and
 " for his great Expence and indefatigable In-
 " dustry, in collecting together several ancient
 " Manuscripts of Learning and Antiquity; all
 " which, with other Books, were reduc'd in-
 " to a well-order'd Library at *St. Donat's*, to the
 " great Credit and Renown of the Family.

" He writ a *Welsh Grammar* mostly in *Latin*,
 " of which one gives this Character, *Hæ Insti-
 " tutiones adeo concinne composita, & omnibus suis
 " numeris absoluta, ut eis addi quicquam nec ab eis
 " demi quicquam poterit, nisi secundam hujus operis
 " author in posterum editionem maturet.* He wrote
 " also the Conquest of the Lordship of *Glamor-
 " gan*, or *Morganwe*, with other Pieces; and ha-
 " ving marry'd *Agnes*, Daughter to Sir *Edward
 " Gage of Furlie*, in *Suffex*, paid his last Debt to
 " Nature without Issue, aged eighty Years, or
 " more, and was bury'd in a Chapel he him-
 " self had built, (dedicated to the Virgin *Mary*)
 " joining to the Parish-Church of *St. Donat's*,
 " between the Bodies of his Great Grand-father
 " and Grand-mother, on the North Side; and
 " the Body of his Father on the South Side,
 " leaving his Estate to his next Kinsman, Sir
 " *John Stradling*, Kt. who, with the said *Agnes*,

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" erected

“ erected a Monument for him, with this In-
“ scription,

* “ *Beati mortui qui in domino moriuntur, Requiescunt*
“ *Laboribus suis, & Opera eorum sequuntur eos.*

“ *Mors somnus, Moriens dormit, Lectusque sepul-*
“ *chrum est.*

Ut Dormire leve est, sic neque triste Mori.

Jo. Stradling, Miles, fecit.

“ *Edwardus Stradling, quintus Majorum filius, &*
“ *hæres septemdecimus, Equestris Ordinis sexdecimus,*
“ *hic in Domino obdormivit; Qui juvenis Gallia, Ger-*
“ *mania, Italia, peragratis Redux, Patriæ Principi suo*
“ *semper charus fidelis amantissimus vixit Octogena-*
“ *rius, obiit 15 May 1609, Agnetam, Domini Ed-*
“ *wardi Gage, Mil. filiam, habuit uxorem, quam ma-*
“ *stissimam relinquens Johannem Stradling, Mil. Fran-*
“ *cisci natum è multis juniorem, fil. adopt. Eliz. Goge,*
“ *uxoris nepti multa sobole masculâ fecunda, junctum*
“ *integrâ hæreditate donavit.*

“ *Domina Agneta, Conjux Viro & Job. Stradling,*
“ *Mil. fil. adopt. Patri Pietatis Officii & Amoris, er-*
“ *go ac Posteritati sepeliendâ, hoc Sacrum posuerunt,*
“ *15 May 1610.*

Sir *John*, as was said before, became possess'd of the Estate: He was Grand-son to the afore-said *Henry Stradling*, great Uncle to the last Sir *Edward*; which *Henry* having to Wife the Daughter and Heir to *Thomas Tubb*, Esq; a learned Lawyer, had Issue *Francis Stradling*, who resided at *St. George's*, near *Bristol*; and by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter to *Bartholomew Mitchel*, Esq; was
Father

* *Ex Inscriptione.*

Father to the said Sir *John*, the Heir to Sir *Edward*.

Which *John* was educated in *puerile* Learning, under *Edward Green*, Prebendary of the Cathedral Church at *Bristol*, became a Commoner of *Brazen-nose* College in * *Oxon*. 1579, aged sixteen Years, or thereabouts; and in 1583, took a Degree in Arts, as a Member of *Magdalen-Hall*, being then accounted a Miracle for his Forwardness in Learning, and Pregnancy of Parts; soon after, his great Worth being discover'd in *London*, while he continu'd in one of the Inns of Courts, (but especially after he had return'd from his Travels beyond the Seas) he was courted and admir'd by the learned *Camden*, and others; wrote several Things, and was a good Epigrammatist. Anno 1608, upon the 15th of *May*, King *James* the 1st made him a Knight, being then denominated, *de Com. Salop*; (b) and the next Year, becoming Heir to his Kinsman, he settled at *St. Donat's Castle*, and was advanc'd to the Degree of a Baronet, *A. D.* 1611, at which Time he was esteem'd a most wise and learned Person. In the Year 1620, he was High-Sheriff of the County of *Glamorgan*, and being involv'd in secular Affairs, and the Service of his Country, was taken off Writing 'till the latter Part of King *James* the 1st; at which Time he publish'd *Beati Pacifici*, printed 1623, and *Divine Poems*, in seven several Classes, written to King *Charles* the 1st. He had Issue by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Edward*, Son to Sir *Edward Gage* aforesaid, eight Sons and three Daughters, viz. *Jane*, marry'd to *William Thomas* of *Wanoe*;

D 2 *Elizabeth*,

* *Athen. Oxon. Vol. 1. Col. 429.* (b) *Phillip's Cat. of Knights*, p. 44.

Elizabeth, to—*Jennings* of *Essex*, Esqs; and *Frances*, who; I suppose, dy'd unmarried.

His Sons were, 1. *Sir Edward*. 2. *Thomas*, Lieutenant-Colonel under his Brother *Sir Edward*. 3. *John*, a Captain in the Expedition to the Isle of *Rhee*, under the Duke of *Buckingham*, where he was slain. 4. *Sir Harry*, knighted by King *Charles* the 1st; he was Captain of a Man of War; but after the Parliament, in the Times of the Rebellion, had got all the King's Ships into their Power, he resign'd his Post; and being in *Pembroke-Castle* when it was surrender'd by *Powder* and *Langborne*, he was banish'd to *Ireland*, where he dy'd at *Cork*, and was bury'd in that City. The Lord *Clarendon* writes, that he and *Kettleby* were the only Captains the Parliament could not corrupt. (a) 5. *Edmund* dy'd young. 6. *Francis*, a Captain of Foot in *Ireland*, in the Reign of King *Charles* the 1st, where he dy'd, before the Troubles broke out in *England*. 7. *Donat* dy'd young. And, 8. *George*, D. D. and Dean of *Gloucester*.

Sir Edward Stradling, Bart. the eldest Son, testify'd his Loyalty to King *Charles* the 1st, by accepting a Commission to be Colonel of Foot, at the first breaking out of the Civil Wars: He engag'd at the Battel of *Edgill*, and was there taken Prisoner; (b) from whence being carry'd to *Warwick* Castle, he remain'd in that Garrison 'till his Releasement; after which, coming to *Oxford*, he dy'd in that City, and was bury'd in the Chapel of *Jesus College*.

He marry'd *Mary*, Daughter to *Sir Thomas Mansel* of *Margam*, Bart. and had Issue four Sons and five Daughters, viz. *Jane*, Wife to *Thomas Canne* of *Little-Nash*, Esq; *Dorothy*, to *Henry Hill*,
Joan,

(a) *Clarend. Hist. 8vo. Vol. 2. p. 679.*

(b) *Clarend. ut sup.*

Vol. 3. p. 55.

John, to ——— *Mathews of Landoff, Esq;* *Anne*, and *Elizabeth*, first marry'd to *Edward Turbervile of Sutton, Esq;* and afterwards to *Lewis Thomas, Gent.* The Sons were, 1. *Sir Edward*. 2. *John*, a Major-General to King *Charles* the 1st, in whose Service he was taken Prisoner at *St. Fagans*, and carry'd to *Windsor Castle*, where he dy'd. 3. *Sir Thomas*, a Colonel of Foot in the Reign of King *Charles* the 2d; he was knighted by King *James* the 2d, and made Captain of his Majesty's Foot-Guards, and Serjeant-Porter; he dy'd at *Mertbirmwr*, and was bury'd in the Parish-Church. And, 4. *Mansel Stradling*.

Sir Edward Stradling, Baronet, eldest Son of the last *Sir Edward*, inherited his Father's Virtues and Loyalty; he brought a Troop of Horse to the Assistance of the King at *Newbury*; and, after the Loss of that Day, retir'd to *Oxford*, where he dy'd of a Consumption, and his Body was convey'd thence, and bury'd with his Ancestors at *St. Donats*.

He marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter to *Hugh Perry, Esq;* Alderman of *London*, (afterwards Wife of *Bushy Mansel of Britton-Ferry, Esq;*) by which Lady he had a Son *Edward*, and two Daughters, *Catherine* marry'd to *Sir William Walter, Kt.* and *Jane* to *George Bowen of Kettlehill, in Com. Glam. Esq;*

Edward, his only Son, succeeded to the Title and Estate, and marrying *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Anthony Hungerford of Farley Castle, Com. Som. Esq;* had Issue five Sons and a Daughter, four of which dy'd young, viz. *William, Hungerford, Rachel*, and *Edward*; for the last a Monument was erected by their loving Parents, in the Chapel of *St. Donats, Anno 1683*. The said *Sir Edward* was knighted by King *Charles* the 2d, and dying the fifth of *September 1685*, was bury'd with his An-

cestors in the Chapel aforesaid. He left only two Sons surviving, *Edward* and *Thomas*; the last dy'd since at Sea; the other is the present

Sir *Edward Stradling*, Bart. who is in Possession of *St. Donats*, the ancient Inheritance, and is also possess'd of the Manours and Lordships of *Sully Berkrolls* and *Est Orchard*, two other Donations of *Robert Fitz-hamon*, to Sir *Reynald de Sully*, and Sir *Lawrence Berkrolls*, who were of the twelve Knights that accompany'd him.

He has been return'd to several Parliaments, and is also of the present; and by *Elizabeth* his Lady, Daughter to Sir *Edward Mansell* of *Margam*, Bart. and Sister to the present Lord *Mansell*, hath Issue, now living, two Sons, *Edward*, born the 26th of *March*, A. D. 1699, and *Thomas*, born the 24th of *July*, A. D. 1710.



A R M S.

Paly of six Argent, and Azure on a bend Gules, three Cinquefoils, Or.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath a Stag in full Course, escarfon'd about the Neck, Argent attir'd and ungu'd, Or.

The ancient Crest was a Falcon raising himself upon the Wing, Or. And the Arms under this ancient Crest carv'd over the outer Gate of St. Donats, have

S U P P O R T E R S,

Two Greyhounds.

M O T T O.

Héb dhyw heb I hym, dyne a digon.

Sir

Sir FRANCIS LEKE of SUTTON,
Kt. Derbysh. N^o 6.

(May 22, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

English Earl, viz. Earl of SCARSDALE.

Sir THOMAS PELHAM of LAUGH-
TON, Kt. Sus. N^o 7.

(ead. Die.)

English Duke, viz. D. of NEWCASTLE.

Sir RICHARD HOUGHTON of
HOUGHTON TOWER, Kt. Lanc.
N^o 8.

(ead. Die.)

THIS Family, anciently written *de Holton*,
and *Houghton*, have been of great Emi-
nency in the County of *Lancaster*, in former
Ages, and were denominated, from their Posses-
sions, *Houghton Tower*, a stately and large Stone
Edifice, built upon an high, but very steep Hill,
in the Middle of a Park in the Hundred of *Ley-*
land. The first mention'd, is *Adam de Holton*,
(a) who held one Carucat of Land in *Holton*,
temp. Hen. II; from whom, after two Generati-
ons

b 4

(a) Ex Collect. Reg. Dodsworth.

ons of the same Name, was Sir *Adam de Hoghton*, written Kt. 50 *Henry* the III^d, and 11 *Edward* the Ist; as also among the Witnesses to a Charter of *Henry* Duke of *Lancaster*, to the Abbey of *Whaley*, in *Com. Lanc.* 34 *Edward* the Ist. (b) He had two Sons, *Richard*, stil'd *Filius Dom. Adæ*, 2 *Edward* the Ist; and *Adam de Houghton*, stil'd also in Deeds, *Filius Dom. Adæ*, 20 *Edward* the Ist, and afterwards, *Frater Magistri Richardi*. Which *Richard* was Sheriff of the County of *Lancaster*, 29 *Edward* the Ist, an Office, in those Days, of great Trust and Authority. He had a Son *Richard*, who, dying without Issue, the Estate came to his Cousin and Heir, another *Richard de Hoghton*, Son of *Adam de Hoghton*. Which *Richard* was a Knight, and, in the 16th of *Edward* the II^d, with Sir *Gilbert de Singilton*, Kt. were return'd Knights of the Shire for the County of *Lancaster*, in the Parliament held at *Tork*, (c) and had their Wages allow'd for Attendance, &c. In the 1st Year of *Edward* the III^d, * he paid 13 s. and 9 d. for a third Part of one Knight's-Fee in *Hoghton*, *Cleton*, *Pernwotham*, *Wheleton*, cum *Hepay*, which he held of the Dutchy of *Lancaster*: Which *Richard de Cleton* and *Richard de Fetton* held before. In the same Year he and *Edmund de Neyle* serv'd as Knights of the Shire for the afore-mention'd County, as also in the 11th of that King's Reign, and had their Wages allow'd. He dy'd 14 *Edward* the III^d, (d) having not a little increas'd the Estate, by Means of his Wife *Sybill*, Daughter and Heir to *Henry de Lea*, who had great Possessions, and were Owners of the Manour of *Molington Banaster*, in *Com. Cestr.* (e) in Right of *Clementia*,

(b) *Monast. Ang. Vol. 1. Rot. Pipe 29. E. 1.* (c) *Pryn's Parl. Petiti. Vol. 4. ad Hist. Ann.* * *Extract Rec. Tur. Lond. 1 E. 3. Jones Bradshaw, Barr.* (d) *Escheat 14 E. 3.* (e) *Ex Antiquariis. penes H. Houghton, Barr.*

mentia, Daughter of Robert Banaster, Baron of Manaton, and Wife of William de Lea, who receiv'd the same from her Father in Frank Marriage; and altho' these Leas sometimes seal'd with five Mascles in Bend for Arms, and differ'd in the writing their Names, yet were they nevertheless a Cadet of the first Dynasty of the Lancasters, primitively Barons of Kendal, in Com. Westmorland, and lineal Descendants from Ivo Talbor, Earl of Anjou in France, and Barons of Kendal, temp. W. Conq. Their usual Arms were Argent, three Bars, Sable; the Reverse of which the Family of Houghton now bear.

The said Richard, by his Wife Sybill, afore-mention'd, had Issue Adam de Hoghton, and a Daughter nam'd Sybill, the Wife of William, Son of Richard de Bold.

Adam, last mention'd, is stil'd a Knight in Deeds, 22 Edward the III'd; in which Year he and John Cockaine serv'd in Parliament, as Knights of the Shire for the County of Lancaster, and had, for their Expences, 15 l. 4 s. for thirty Days. (f) In the 37th of that King's Reign he serv'd again, as Knight for that Shire; as also in the 39th, and had, with the other Knight, 17 l. 4 s. for forty three Days Attendance. † He dy'd 10 Richard the II'd, leaving Issue by Ellen his Wife, who surviv'd her Husband, two Sons, Richard and Henry, and as many Daughters. Agnes the eldest, Wife to Sir Thomas, Son of Sir Adam Banaster, Kt. and Sibyll, to William, Brother of that Sir Thomas. Sir Henry de Hoghton, the youngest Son, was one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of Lancaster, 9 Henry the IVth, * and was Progenitor to those of the Name of Pendleton, in that County.

(f) Bryn predict. de iisd. Ann. † Esch. 10 B. 2. * Bryn predict. p. 484.

ty, which, in after Times, went off in two Heirs Females; *Catherine*, marry'd to a younger Son of *Houghton of Houghton*, as hereafter is mention'd; and *Mary*, to *George Singleton of Staying*, and secondly, to *Livesey Comer*.

Richard de Hoghton, elder Brother to the last *Henry*, was return'd with *Robert de Clifton*, as Knights of the Shire for *LANCASTER*, 6 *Richard* the IIId; as also 4 *Henry* the IVth, with *Sir Nicholas de Haverington, Kt.* In which Year the Sheriffs were directed to levy 27 l. for their Coming, Attendance, and Returning, computed sixty nine Days, 38 *Edward* the IIIId. (a) He had License to inclose and impark at *Hoghton*; he founded a Chantry in the Church of *Riblechester*, (b) 7 *Henry* the IVth, and dy'd 10 *Henry* the Vth, (c) leaving his Grand-son *Richard* Heir to the Estate; *Sir William de Hoghton*, his Son, dying before him. He had also another Son *Edward*, who held Lands at *Preston* and *Writtington*, and is suppos'd to be the Ancestor to the *Houghtons* in *Com. Suff.* who are said to be deriv'd from *Edward*, a third Son of this Family. (d)

Richard, Grand-son and Heir of *Sir Richard*, did his Homage, and had Livery of his Lands in *Houghton* and *Lea*, 4 *Henry* the VIth; was a Knight 22 *Henry* the VIth, and dy'd 19 *Edward* the IVth. (e) He had five Sons, *Lawrence*, *Alexander*, *William*, *George*, and *Arthur*; the two last dy'd without Issue; *Lawrence* succeeded in the Estate, and dying the same Year,

Alexander, his Brother, and next Heir, is found to be possess'd of the Inheritance, and was aged twenty six Years, 19 *Edward* the IVth, when

(a) *Ex Autog. penes Bradshaw, Barr.* (b) *Ex Collect. Rog. Dudsworth præd.* (c) *Esch. 10 H. 5.* (d) *Visit Suffex, Anno 1634.* (e) *Esch. 19 Edw. 4.*

(g) when the Office was taken. In the 22d of that King's Reign, having valiantly behav'd himself under the Duke of *Gloucester*, in *Scotland*, he was made Knight Baneret, (b) with several others of prime Note, on *St. James's Eve*. He deceas'd 15 *Henry* the VIIth, leaving a sole Daughter and Heir, aged eleven Years at the Time of the Inquisition; and 17 *Henry* the VIIth, her Mother *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *William Troutbeck*, had Assignation of *Dower*. The greatest Part of the Estate descended to his next Brother and Heir,

William Hoghton, Esq; third Son of *Henry*.

Which *William* was in the Expedition into *Scotland*, under the Duke of *Gloucester*, and receiv'd from him the Honour of Knighthood, at the same Time his Brother, Sir *Alexander*, was made a Baneret. He purchas'd Lands in *Ingolhead*, 11 *Henry* the VIIth, and dy'd in the 17th of that King's Reign, leaving Issue by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of *Richard Southworth* of *Samsbury*, Esq; *Richard* his Son and Heir, aged thirty Years.

This *Richard* was afterwards knighted, and serv'd with *Thomas Butler*, as Knights of the Shire for the County of *Lancaster*, 1 *Edward* the VIth; he marry'd three Wives, first *Alice*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Astton* of *Astton Under-Lyne*, in *Com. Staff.* Esq; and Cosin and Heir of Sir *James Harrington* of *Wolpago*, in *Com. Northampton*, Kt. by whom he left Issue *Thomas*, his Son and Heir, aged forty Years at the Death of his Father, 1 *Eliz.*

The said *Thomas* marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter of *Thomas Gerrard* of *Bryns*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; and dy'd 22 *Elizabeth*, leaving *Jane*, his Daughter and

(g) *Inquis. post. Mort. de eod. ann.* (b) *Nom. Equit. i. Bibl. Cott.*

and Heir, 26 Years old at his Death, and at that Time Wife to *James*, Son and Heir of *Roger Bradshaigh* of *Haigh*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; who had a great Contest about the Estate, which was at length decided for *Alexander*, second Brother, and next Heir Male to *Thomas*, Father of *Jane* afore-mention'd.

Which *Alexander Houghton*, Esq; marry'd twice in the 17 *Elizabeth*, to *Dorothy*, Daughter of *Richard Ashton* of *Middleton*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; and afterwards to *Elizabeth*, Sister of *Thomas* and *Bartolomew Hesketh*, and Widow of *George Warburton*, Esq; but he left no Issue by either of them; whereupon the Estate descended to *Thomas* his half Brother, viz. eldest Son to Sir *Richard Houghton* last mention'd, by his second Wife *Alice*, Daughter of ——— *Morley*.

Which *Thomas* was kill'd in the 49th Year of his Age, at *Lea-Hall*, (an Estate now in the Family) by ——— *Langton* of *Newton*, commonly call'd Baron of *Walton*, 21 Nov. 32 *Elizabeth* 1589. His Wife *Anne*, Daughter of *Henry Kigbley* of *Kigbley*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; became afterwards second Wife to Sir *Richard Sherburn* of *Stonyhurst*, Kt. She dy'd at *Lea*, 30 Octob. A. D. 1609, aged 60 Years; having Issue by her first Husband, 1. Sir *Richard*, Kt. and Bart. 2. *William* of *Grimfargh*, who dy'd A. D. 1642, and left Posterity, which lately became extinct, and the Estate devolv'd to the head Branch of the Family. 3. *Thomas*, who marry'd *Catherine*, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs of *John Houghton* of *Pendleton*, Esq; and left four Daughters and Co-heirs. 4. *Adam* of *Lea-Moor*, who left Posterity. And, 5. *Henry*, who marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Lawrence Townley*, Esq; also two Daughters, *Mary*, second Wife to *Thomas Walmsley* of *Dunken-Hall*, Esq; and *Catherine*, Wife of *Thomas Middleton* of *Leighton*, Esq;

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Sir *Richard Houghton* of *Houghton*, eldest Son of *Thomas*, was under Age at his Father's Death, and in Ward to Sir *Gilbert Gerrard*: He succeeded to a very great Estate, was knighted by Queen *Elizabeth*, and made a Baronet with the first advanc'd to the Dignity. He serv'd in several Parliaments as Knight of the Shire for his County; entertain'd King *James* the 1st at *Houghton-Tower*, for several Days, when that King call'd there in his Progress into *Scotland*, Anno 1617, and dy'd 12 Nov. A. D. 1630, aged 60 Years, 6 Weeks, and 2 Days. *Catherine* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Gilbert Gerrard* of *Gerrard's Bromley*, in *Com. Staff.* dy'd 17 Nov. 1617, aged 48 Years, and 6 Months: He had by her 5 Sons and 8 Daughters, 1. *Gilbert*. 2. *Thomas*. 3. *Richard*. 4. *Ratcliff*. And, 5. *Roger*; slain in *Germany*. The last three left no Issue. Of the Daughters, *Anne* marry'd Sir *John Catton* of *Lanwade*, in *Com. Cantab.* Kt. and afterwards Sir *John Charleton*; *Frances* was living unmarried Anno 1662; *Catherine* was Wife to *James Stewart*, Lord *Galloway*; *Elizabeth* to *Nicholas Girling*, Esq; *Alice* dy'd unmarried; *Gilbert* was marry'd to Sir *George Muscamp* of the County of *Northumberland*; *Margaret* and *Eleanor* dy'd unmarried.

Sir *Gilbert*, his Successor, was 39 Years old at the Death of his Father, and was knighted at *Whitehall* July the 21st 1604: He was in Favour with King *James*, whom he serv'd in a good Post at Court several Years; and after his Death, honourably distinguish'd his Loyalty to King *Charles* the 1st. *Houghton-Tower*, in those unhappy Times, serv'd as a Garrison, and part of it was blown up by Accident, which is since rebuilt. Sir *Gilbert* serv'd also several Years in Parliament as Knight of the Shire for the County of *Lancaster*; was an accomplish'd Gentleman, and, by a prudent Management, made Acquisitions to the Estate that descended

cended to him. He dy'd in *April 1647*, having marry'd *Margaret*, the eldest of the 4 Daughters and Co-heirs of *Sir Roger Ashton*, Kt. Gentleman of the Bed-Chamber, and Master of the Great Wardrobe to King *James* the 1st; to which *Sir Roger*, the said King, by Writ under the Privy-Seal, in the 9th Year of his Reign, granted to his Coat-Armour, an Augmentation out of the two National Badges of *England* and *Scotland*, viz. *A Canton Or, charg'd with a Rose and Trefle, conjoin'd party per pale Gules and Vert*, in Regard of the Marriage of the said *Sir Roger* with *Mary*, Daughter of *Andrew Stewart*, who dy'd in the Life-Time of his Father *Andrew Stewart*, Lord *Avingdale* * in *Scotland*, descended from the Blood Royal: *Sir Gilbert's* Descendants therefore quarter the said Coat in Right of his Lady, who bore him 6 Sons and 4 Daughters.

George, the eldest Son, dy'd unmarried in his Father's Life-Time.

Richard, second Son, succeeded to the Title and Estate.

Roger, third Son, was slain by a Cannon-Bullet at *Hessamore*, A. D. 1643.

Gilbert, fourth Son, marry'd *Lettice*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Sir Francis Gamull* of *Chester*, Kt. and dy'd *Anno 1661*.

Thomas, fifth Son, dy'd young.

And *Henry* took to Wife *Mary*, Daughter of *Peter Egerton*, and Relict of *Sir Thomas Stanley* of *Bickerstaff*, Kt. and Bart.

Of the Daughters, *Catherine*, marry'd *Thomas Preston* of *Holker*, Esq; *Mary*, *Sir Hugh Calverly*; *Margaret*, *Alexander Rigby* of *Middleton*, Esq; and *Anne* dy'd young.

Sir

* Ex Stemmate penes Hen. Houghton, Bart.

Sir Richard Houghton, Bart. was elected Knight of the Shire for *Lancaster*, in the Reign of King Charles the II^d, and departed this Life Anno 1678. He marry'd the Lady *Sarah*, Daughter to *Philip Stanhope*, Earl of *Chesterfield*, and had Issue several Sons and Daughters: Of the Sons, those that arriv'd to Maturity, were *Charles* and *Benjamin*; the latter is now living unmarried, 1713.

Charles succeeded to the Title and Estate, and took to Wife *Mary*, eldest Daughter of *John Skevington*, Lord Viscount *Mazareen*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by whom he had Issue 5 Sons and 6 Daughters: Of the Sons, *Henry*, the eldest, deceas'd at the Age of 21 Years, being enter'd in the *Temple* for his greater Proficiency in the Management of Affairs. *Henry*, *Philip*, and *Skevington* are now living, and *James* dy'd young. Of the Daughters, *Mary*, the eldest, dy'd Anno 1713, *Cordelia*, *Anne*, *Margaret*, *Elizabeth*, and *Lucy*, are all living.

The said Sir *Charles* dy'd at *Houghton-Tower*, 10th of *June* 1711; was bury'd at *Walton* among his Ancestors; and *Henry*, his second Son and Heir, succeeded him.

Which Sir *Henry Houghton*, Bart. is now in Possession of the ancient Inheritance of his Family, and in *Octob.* 1711, marry'd *Mary*, eldest Daughter of Sir *William Boughton* of *Lawford* in *Com. Warw.* Bart. He serv'd in Parliament for the Borough of *Preston*, in the late and the present Reign, and is the 5th that hath born this Title, and the 19th Generation of that Sir-name on Record.

A R M S.



A R M S.

Sable three Bars Argent.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath Argent, and Sable, a Bull passant, Argent; they bore antiently a Bull's Head Argent, collered with three Bars Sable.

SUPPORTERS over the Gates of *Houghton-Tower, &c.*

Two Bulls Argent.

M O T T O.

Malgre le Tort.

Sir HENRY HOBART of INTWOOD, Kt. Norf. N^o 9.

(22 May, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

FROM Sir *James Hobart*, Kt. Attorney-General, and of the Privy-Council to King *Henry the VIIth*, doth the several Branches of the *Hobarts* owe their principal Rise; yet the Family was of genteel Extraction in *Norfolk*, for many Generations before. *John Hobart* is mention'd in Deeds to be Owner of Lands at *De la Tye*, in the said County, Anno 13 *Richard the IIId*, A. D. 1389. His Son *Godfry*, of the same Place, is also mention'd Anno 9 *Henry the IVth*; and his Son *John*, 10 *Henry the Vth*; which *John* had Issue, *Thomas Hobart* of the *Tye* and *Gedford-street*, in the said County, and deceasing 37 *Henry the Vth*,

Vlth, left Issue (by his Wife *Eleanor*, Daughter and Heir of *John Taylor*, alias *Amfrey*) *William*, his Son and Heir; which *William* was Father to *Thomas Hobart*, who resided at *Leyham*, and had Issue two Sons, *William* and *James*: The eldest Son *William* had the Estate at *Leyham*, and having marry'd *Anne*, Daughter to Sir *Philip Tilney*, and Heir to her Mother, from them descended the *Hobarts* of *Monks Illegb*, afterwards of *Lindsey*, and the *Hobarts* of *Milding*, and others who settled in *London*.

James, the younger Son of *Thomas*, and Brother of that *William*, was born in *Norfolk*, and by his prudent Acquisitions, left a fine Estate to his Posterity. He was (says my Author) (a) a right good Man, of great Learning and Wisdom: Being enter'd at *Lincoln-Inn* for the Study of the Laws, he made such Proficiency therein, that 2 *Richard* the III^d, he became one of the Governours of that Society; and 2 *Ncv.* 2 *Henry* the VIIth, was constituted (b) Attorney-General by the King, and afterwards sworn of his Privy-Council. Dr. *Holland*, in the Additions to *Cambden* (c) gives this Account of him, "The River *Tare*, saith he, "receiveth a Brook, which passeth by nothing "memorable, but *Halles-Hall*, and that only "memorable for his ancient Owner, Sir *James Hobart*, Attorney-General, and of the Privy-Council to King *Henry* the VIIIth; by him dubb'd "Knight at such Time as he created *Henry*, his "Son, Prince of *Wales*, who, by building from "the Ground the fair Church of *Loddon*, being "his Parish-Church, *St. Olave's-Bridge* [commonly call'd *St. Tooley's*] over *Waveney*, that divideth *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*, the Cawsey thereby, "and other Works of Piety, deserv'd well of the

E "Church

(a) Fuller's *War.* in *Norf.* (b) *Dug. Origines Jurid.* (c) *Bri-*
tannia in Norf.

“ Church, his Country, and the Common-Weal,
 “ and planted three Houses of his own Issue.”
 From Mr. *Weaver* (*d*) we are inform'd, that
 he was bury'd in *Loddon Church*, by his Wife
Margaret, Daughter of *Peter Naunton*, Esq; that
 dy'd before him, *A. D.* 1484. They had Issue
 two Sons, *Walter* and *Miles*, and a Daughter mar-
 ry'd to ——— *Sampson*.

Walter, the eldest Son, succeeded at *Halles-
 Hall*; and having been knighted, was High-
 Sheriff of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*, 27 *Henry* the
VIIIth. From *Anne*, his first Wife, Daughter
 to *Sir Henry Heydon*, Kt. the *Hobarts* of *Halles-Hall*
 and *Blyford*, in *Com. Suff.* descended; and from
 this *Sir Walter*, by his second Wife, ——— Daughter
 to *John Ratcliff*, Lord *Fitzwater*, and Sister to
Robert Earl of *Suffex*, are deriv'd the *Hobarts* of
Morley, in *Com. Norf.*

Miles, second Son of *Sir James*, was seated
 at *Plomsted*, in the said County of *Norfolk*; and
 having marry'd *Eleanor*, Daughter to *John Blever-
 basset*, had Issue two Sons, *Thomas* and *John*; which
 latter marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Sir Philip Tilney*;
 Kt. and settling at *Wayte*, in *Com. Norf.* became the
 Founder of that Branch.

Thomas, the eldest, succeeded to the Estate at
Plumsted, and by his Wife *Audrey*, Daughter of
William Hare of *Beefton*, in *Com. Norf.* Esq; had two
 Sons, *Miles* and *Henry*; the former receiv'd the Ho-
 nour of Knighthood, inherited the Estate at *Plum-
 sted*, and was succeeded therein by *Sir Thomas*
Hobart, Kt. his Son and Heir.

Henry aforesaid, Brother to *Sir Miles Hobart*, ap-
 ply'd himself to the Study of the Law; and being
 enter'd at *Lincoln's-Inn*, attain'd such Knowledge
 therein, and grew in such Esteem, that 39 *Eliza-
 beth*, he was elected one of the Governours of
 that

(1) *Funera' Mon.* p. 862.

that Society; (e) and in the Parliament that met the same Year, was return'd one of the Burgesses for *Tarmouth*; as also 43 *Elix.* in which Year he was chose Lent-Reader to the said Society of *Lincolns-Inn*, and two Years after, call'd to the Degree of Serjeant at Law. On the Accession of King *James* to the *English* Crown, the Honour of Knighthood was conferr'd both on him the said *Henry*, and his eldest Son *John*, 23 *July* 1603, and in the first Parliament call'd by that King, serv'd for the City of *Norwich*. (f) He was so much reverenc'd for his Abilities and Learning, that in the 4th of that Reign, he was made Attorney of the Court of Wards; and, in the same Year, by Letters Patent, dated *July* 4, constituted the King's Attorney-General. He was advanc'd to the Degree of a Baronet, *A. D.* 1611; and, in the same Year, 16 *Octob.* constituted Lord Chief Justice of the Common-Pleas, which Post he fill'd with notable Sufficiency, and dy'd therein 26 *Dec.* *Anno* 1 *Car. I.* A great Loss to the *Weal* publick, as Sir *Henry Spelman* writes. (g) Since his Death has been publish'd Reports of several Law-Cases, which bear this Title:

The Reports of that reverend and learned Judge, the Right Honourable Sir Henry Hobart, Kt. and Bart. Lord Chief Justice of his Majesty's Court of Common-Pleas, and Chancellor to both their Highnesses Henry and Charles, Princes of Wales, &c.

He lyeth bury'd under a fair Monument, in the middle Isle, on the North Side, in *Christ Church, Norwich*; and had Issue by *Dorothy*, his Wife, Daughter to *Sir Robert Bell* of *Beaupree Hall*, Kt. Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer, three

E 2

Daughters

(e) *Orig. Jurid. Glossar. Lit. 1.*

(f) *Ex Coll. Brown Willis, Arm.*

(g)

Daughters, *Elizabeth*, *Frances*, and *Dorothy*, with several Sons.

John, the eldest, knighted with his Father, succeeded to the Title of Baronet; was seated at *Blickling*, in *Com. Norf.* a Manour his Father had purchas'd, and had built there a stately House; an Estate, formerly in the Noble Family of *Bullen's*, Maternal Ancestors to Queen *Elizabeth*: He was also possess'd of the Estate at *Plumsted*, upon the Failure of the Line of his Cousin *Sir Thomas Hobart*. He serv'd in Parliament for the Borough of *Thetford*, 1 *Car. I.* and for the County of *Norfolk* (b) in the 16th of that Reign. He marry'd two Wives, *Philippe*, Daughter to *Robert Sidney*, Earl of *Leicester*, and *Frances*, Daughter to *John Egerton*, Earl of *Bridgewater*, but left no Issue Male; whereupon the Title and Estate entail'd, descended to his Nephew, *John Hobart*, Esq; Son and Heir of his Brother, *Sir Miles Hobart*, Kt. by *Susan* his Wife, Daughter to *Sir John Peyton* of *Iselham*, Bart.

Which *Sir John Hobart*, Bart. was Knight of the Shire for the County of *Norfolk*, in all the Parliaments call'd by King *Charles* the II^d, and had the Honour of a Visit from that King, at his Seat at *Blickling*, Anno ——— at which Time he knighted *Henry*, his eldest Son. *Sir John* had by *Mary*, his Wife, Daughter of *John Hambden* of *Hambden*, in *Com. Bucks*, Esq; and Widow of *Col. Hamond*, two other Sons, *John*, now a Brigadier-General in the Army of his present Majesty; and *Thomas*, who was of *Lincoln's Inn*, and dy'd unmarried; and two Daughters — marry'd to *Sir Charles Pye*, of the County of *Derby*, Bart. and *Mary*, who dy'd unmarried.

Sir

(b) *Ex Col. Brown Willis, Arm.*

Sir Henry succeeded his Father in the Title and Estate, *Anno* — He was elected one of the Burgesſes for *Lyn Regis*, in the Parliament that met at *Oxford*, 32 *Charles* the II^d, and ſat with his Father, who ſerv'd in the ſame Parliament as Knight of the Shire for *Norfolk*. He appear'd, with the firſt, in Defence of our Liberties and Religion, at the Time of the *Revolution*; and in the Convention-Parliament, (being one of the Knights of the Shire for *Norfolk*) declar'd for the Vacancy of the Throne. He was Gentleman of the Horſe to his late Majeſty King *William*; and, in the ſeventh Year of his Reign, was again elected one of the Knights of the Shire for *Norfolk*, and conſtantly behav'd himſelf like a Man of Honour, and a true Patriot of his Country: Reſenting ſome Words ſpoken by *Oliver L'neve*, Eſq; a Duel enſu'd, wherein he was mortally wounded, and dy'd *Anno* — leaving Iſſue by — his Lady, — Daughter of Sir *John Maynard*, Kt. Serjeant at Law, one Son, *John*, and three Daughters, whereof *Anne* marry'd the Honourable *Charles Howard*, youngeſt Son of *Henry*, late Earl of *Suffolk*, and Brother to the preſent Earl; *Catherine*, the Honourable *Charles Churchill*, Eſq; Colonel of *Dragoons*, and *Dorothy*, unmarried.

The preſent Sir *John Hobart* of *Blickling*, Bart. only Son of Sir *Henry*, was educated at *Clare-Hall*, in *Cambridge*, and afterwards travell'd beyond the Seas; from whence returning, he was elected a Member in the preſent Parliament for the Borough of *St. Ives*, in the County of *Cornwall*, and is as yet unmarried.



A R M S.

*Sable a Star of eight points, Or,
between two Flaunches Erm.*

C R E S T.

*On a Wreath a Bull passant, per
pale Sable and Gules besante.*

Sir GEORGE BOOTH of DUNHAM-
MASSY, Kt. *Chesh.* N^o. 10.
(*ead. Die præd.*)

English Earl, viz. Earl of WARRINGTON.
Vide *Peerage of England.*

Sir JOHN PEYTON of ISLEHAM,
Kt. *Camb.* N^o 11.
(*ead. Die præd.*)

THIS Family, as Mr. Camden observes, derive themselves from the *Uffords*, (a) Earls of *Suffolk*, who descended from *William Malet*, a *Norman* Baron, (b) that was Sheriff of *Yorkshire* in the 3d of *William the 1st*, and from him receiv'd the Grants of many Lordships and Manours; and among others, he possess'd those of *Sibton*, and *Peyton-Hall*, in *Com. Suff.* (c) at the Time of the general Survey. "*Isleham*, says the "*Author* first cited, formerly belong'd to the "*Bernards*, which came to the Family of the "*Peytons*, by Marriage. Which knightly Family

(a) *Cam. Brit. in Camb.* (b) *Dug. Baronage, Vol. 1. p. 110.* (c) *Domest. Lib. in Com. Suff.*

“ mily of *Peyton* flower'd out of the same Male
 “ Stock, whence the *Uffords*, Earls of *Suffolk*, de-
 “ scended ; albeit they assum'd the Sir-name of
 “ *Peyton*, according to the Use of that Age, from
 “ their Manour of *Peyton-Hall*, in *Boxford* in the
 “ County of *Suffolk*.

The first of whom was *Reginald de Peyton*, (d) second Son of *Walter*, Lord of *Sibton*, (a Descendant of the *Malets*) and Dapifer, or Steward, to *Hugh de Bygod* ; for whose Soul he gave to the Market of *Tbetford* divers Lands. He had Issue two Sons,

William de Peyton, who held certain Lands in *Boxford*, of the Fee of the Abbey of *St. Edmundsbury*, as appears by a Charter of his Nephew *John*.

The other was *John de Peyton*, to whom King *Stephen*, and his Cousin-German, *William de Cassineto*, Baron of *Horsford*, granted all his Lands in *Peyton*, well, peaceably, and rightly, with *Soc* and *Sac*, with all Liberties and Appurtenances to hold, as his Ancestors before held the same, and that he should have Warren, &c. The Baron of *Horsford's* Charter begins thus,

Willielmus, filius Roberti filii Walteri, Dapifero suo & omnibus amicis & hominibus, &c. granting to *John*, Son of *Reginald* his Cousin, the Service of *Robert de Ramcsb. t.* in Fee and Inheritance, &c.

Which *John* had Issue four Sons, *John*, the elder, *Robert*, *Peter*, and *John*, the younger.

Robert was Lord Justice of *Ireland*, in the Time of *Henry the IIIId.* and *Edward the Ist.* ; and, being Lord of *Ufford*, assum'd the Sir-name of his Ancestors. Whose Son, *Robert de Ufford*, was created Earl of *Suffolk* II *Edward the IIIId.* † 1336, and made Knight of the Garter. He was at the Battel of *Cagn*, and merited so well, that the

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(d) Ex. Col. Tho. Jekyl ex Evident. de Peyton. † Dug. Bar. vol. 2. p. 47.

King rewarded him with the Honour of *Eye* formerly belonging to his Family.

Brothers to the Earl were *Thomas de Ufford*, Knight of the Garter, “and *John Ufford*, who “was brought up at *Cambridge*, and made Doctor “of Law; promoted first to the Deanry of *Lincoln*, “then to the Chancellorship of *England*, and “lastly, to the Arch-bishoprick of *Canterbury*, “which he never enjoy’d, being cut off by the “Plague, (which consum’d nine Parts of the “Men in *England**) before he receiv’d either “his Pall or Consecration, *June 7, Anno 1348*, “and lyeth obscurely bury’d in that Cathedral “Church.”

Peter de Peyton, Lord of *Peyton-Hall*, who held Lands in *Ramsbot* and *Peyton*, in the Time of King *John*, and took to Wife *Helena*——of whom he had Issue, *Robert de Peyton*, Father to Sir *John de Peyton*, Kt. of the same Places; whose Male-Issue seem’d to fail *temp. Edw. III.*

The fourth Son was *John de Peyton*, Jun. who sold † “*Job. de Peyton fratri meo Primogenito*” to *John*, his eldest Brother, all his Lands which he had in *Boxford*, of the Fee of the Abbey of *St. Edmonds*; which their Father, *John de Peyton*, and *William* their Uncle, formerly possess’d.

Sir *John*, the eldest Son, succeeded, and was Lord of *Peyton-Hall* in *Boxford*, and possess’d Lands in *Stoke-Neyland*, in *Com. Suff.* In which Parish-Church, both his Father and he, with his Wife *Agnes*, and many of his Posterity, lyeth interr’d; as we learn from || Mr. *Weever*, who has transmitted to us their Memorial, in these Words: “At the up-
“per End, in the North Side of this Church
“next

* *Weever's Fun. Mon. p. 222.*

† *Ex Autograph. ejusd. Jo-*

han. || Fun. Mon. p. 776.

“ next to the Chancel, *John de Peyton*, the Son of
 “ *Reginald*, lyeth interr'd under a Marblè Stone;
 “ about the Verge whereof these few *French Words*
 “ following are only remaining;

—*Jena de Peytona*—*Mercye*—*lame Crist*—

“ Under another Marble Stone adjoyning, his
 “ Son, Sir *John Peyton*, Kt. lyeth inhum'd with
 “ this *French Inscription*;

*Vous que par ici passet,
 Par l'ame sire Jehan de Peytona priet.
 Le Cours de oi ici gist;
 L'ame receyue Jhu crist. Amen.*

This Sir *John de Peyton* flourish'd under *Henry* the IIIId, as may appear by a Catalogue of Knights in that Reign; and having Issue by his Wife, *Matilda de Bueris*, (*Buers*) (as is evident by her Arms, impal'd at *Boxford*, after the ancient Manner) three Sons and one Daughter, *Agnes*, mention'd in the last Will and Testament of her Brother, and *William* and *James de Peyton*, who was Witness to a dateless Charter of his Father, and to another of his elder Brother, who was

Sir *John de Peyton*, Kt. Successor to his Father; to whom, and *Clementia* his Wife, 27 *Henry* * the IIIId, *John*, Son of *William de Effington*, gave two Acres of Land, &c.

Anno 14 *Edward* the Ist, a Fine pass'd at *Colchester*, before *Solomon de Ross*, and other Judges; wherein *John de Peyton*, and his Wife, acknowledg'd to *John de Dikely* 13 s. 4 d. Rent in *Bromley*, &c.
 Anno 28 *Edw.* I. This Sir *John* serv'd in the Parliament

* *Ex Chartis Famil.*

liament held at *Westminster*, as one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Suffolk*, * having reasonable Allowance for his Expence; as also in another Parliament, 29 *Edward* the Ist, soon after which he dy'd; for his last Will and Testament bares date the *Monday* before the Feast of *St. Michael*, A. D. 1318, part whereof follows; " In the " Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, &c. " I *John de Peyton*, Kt. &c. make my Will, &c. my " Body to be bury'd in the Parish-Church of *Stoke-* " *Neyland*, near the Altar of *St. Edmund*, in the " Chapel which I built: To *Robert*, my Son, all " my Lands; to *John*, my Son, twenty Marks; " to *James*, my Brother, forty Shillings; to *Gili-* " *an*, my Daughter, a Nun of *Mallines*, twenty " Shillings; to *Agnes*, my Sister, &c. Given at " *Peyton* in *Stoke-Neyland*.

Sir *Robert*, the eldest Son, succeeded, who, in many of his Evidences is stil'd Chevalier and Monsieur; as by a Fine in the King's Court at *York*, 12 *Edward* III, between *Robert de Peyton*, Chevalier, and *Joan* his Wife, Demandants; and *Thomas de Corney*, Rector of the Church of *Boxford de-forciants*, for Lands and Rents in *Effington*, &c. whereby he entail'd the same upon his Heirs Male, by *Joan* his Wife; and, for want of such Issue, upon *John* his Brother, &c. the Remainder, &c. And, in a Letter of *John* of *Eltham*, Earl of *Cornwall*, Son to King *Edward* the IIId, *John*, Son of the noble King of England, to Monsieur *Robert de Peyton salut. &c.* † Anno 23 *Edward* the IIIId, to him and *Joan* his Wife, and *John* his younger Son, *Thomas Welsh* of *Boxford* granted Lands in *Boxford*.

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* *Pryn's Parl. Reg.* vol. 4. p. 10. *Ibid.* p. 16. † Ex Eviden-
hujus Famil.

He dy'd 25 *Edward* the III^d, and was bury'd near his Father. Having had two Wives, first, the Lady *Christiana de Apleton*, Widow of *William de Apleton*, and Heir to Lands in *Haxwell* and *Boxford*; who, leaving no Children, dy'd 19 *Edward* the II^d, and was bury'd at *Stoke-Neyland* with great Pomp, whose Funeral Expences are thus set down, * fifty Quarter of Wheat 4*l.* 10*s.* one Hogshhead of Wine 53*l.* 4*s.* four Muttons 5*s.* eight Barrow-Hogs 24*s.* ten Calves, &c.

His second Wife was *Joan de Marney*, of the noble Family of the *Marneys* in *Essex*, by whom there was Issue Sir *John*, the next Heir; *William*, from whom was a Release to his Father *Robert*, dated 13 *Edward* the III^d; and *John de Peyton*, Junior; to whom *William Castelayne*, *John de Rikell*, &c. granted the Manour of *Badlees*, in *Waldingfield*, 5 *Edward* the III^d.

Sir *John* succeeded, and marry'd *Margaret*, the Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *John Gernon* of *Lees*, in *Essex*, Kt. Lord of *Wicken*, in *Com. Cantab.* in whose Right he possels'd the Manour of *Wicken*; and 17 *Richard* the II^d, jointly with her, held Part of the Manour of *Esfborp*, by the Service of one Knight's Fee; in whose Reign he dy'd, and was bury'd with his Ancestors at *Stoke-Neyland*. She liv'd 'till 2 *Henry* the Vth, and, departing this Life *A. D.* 1414; was bury'd at *Wicken*.

Their Son and Heir, *John de Peyton*, Esq; inherited, who took to Wife *Joan*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Hammon Sutton* of *Wickesho*, in *Com. Suff.* Kt. by whom *Wickesho* came to this Family. Who, by his last Testament, *A. D.* 1404, constituted his said Wife Executrix, *Margaret* his Mother then living; and dying about the 5th of *Henry* the

* *Ex Evid. in Coll. Tho. Jekyll.*

the IVth, was bury'd, as he appointed, with his Ancestors. He left Issue, by his said Wife, (afterward marry'd to Sir Rogery Drury) *Margery*. Wife of *Thomas Daubeny* of *Sharrington*, in *Norfolk*, Esq; and three Sons, *John*, *Thomas*, and *Robert*; to whom their Mother *Joan*, in her Widowhood, gave the Manour of *Wickesho*.

About this Time also there was a Sir *Robert Peyton*, that was with King *Henry* the Vth at the Siege of *Roon*.

John, the eldest, was left a Minor, being fifteen Years old, 8 *Henry* the IVth, * at which Time an Agreement was made between the Lady *Margaret*, his Grand-mother, *Joan* his Mother of the one Part; and *John Burgoyne* of *Drayton*, in *Com. Cantab.* of the other; for an Intermarriage with *Grace*, Daughter of the said *Burgoyne*. Which Marriage took Effect; and from them proceeded two Sons, *John* and *Thomas*, and a Daughter *Anne*, marry'd to *Jeffry Lockton*, Esq; He dy'd in the Flower of his Age, the 6th of *October*, 4 *Henry* the Vth, (†) as appears by Inquest taken at *Fordburn*, before *William Alyngton*, Escaetor, &c.

His Son *John*, aged three Years and three quarters at his Father's Death, dy'd in his Minority the 29th of *October* 11 *Henry* the VIth, as is set forth in the Inquisition taken at *Colchester*, *Tuesday* after the Feast of *St. James*; at which Time a Tenement call'd *Welles*, in *Birch Mag.* in *Com. Eff.* by Reason of his tender Age, was in the King's Hands.

Whereupon *Thomas*, then aged seventeen Years, and seis'd of the Manour of *Essthorp*, was the next

* *Claus.* 25. N^o 36.

† *Inquis.* ejusd.

next Heir; and his Mother *Grace* dying the 6th of *May*, he was found her Heir to the Manour of *Messing*, which was held of the Crown, as of the Honour of *Keynes*, by the Service of one Knight's Fee; also of the Manour of *Bincball*, and the Castle. Upon the Feast of *All Saints*, 18 *Henry* the VIth, (*) his Age was prov'd at *Cambridge*, viz. twenty two Years; at which Time it was sworn by *John Welford*, that he was born and baptiz'd at *Dry-Drayton*, in that County, 7 *Henry* the Vth, A. D. 1418. many agreeing in the Verdict; among whom *Robert Chapman* alledg'd, that the Day on which he was born being the Feast of *St. Valentine*, there was a great Storm: One knew it by the great Wind; another broke his Leg by a fall from his Horse; another, for that his Wife was bury'd; another, for then his Lease was burnt; another, for then his Daughter *Margaret* was burnt; another fell from a Tree and broke his Arm; another, for then his Mother was bury'd, as the several Jurors depos'd upon their Oaths.

This *Thomas* was High-Sheriff of *Cambridge* and *Huntingdon*, 21 and 31 *Henry* the VIth; and, about the 17th of *Edward* IVth, he began to rebuild the Church of *Isleham*, agreeing then with *John Waltham*, alias *Sudbury*, free Mason, for the same. In the Chancel of which Church he lies interr'd, having a Monument erected there to his Memory, viz. his Effigies cast in Brass, with the following Inscription:

“Orate pro animabus Thomæ Peyton,
 “Armigeri, & Margaretæ ac Margare-
 “retæ uxoribus ejus. Qui quidem
 “Thomas

* *Esceat.* 18 *Henry* VI.

“ Thomas obiit 30 die mensis Julii,
 “ A. D. 1484. Quorum animabus pro-
 “ pitietur Deus. Amen.

He marry'd first *Margaret*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *John Bernard* of *Isleham*, Kt. by which Match *Isleham* descended to this Family; and he had Issue by her *Thomas*, *Margaret*, and *Grace*.

His second Wife was *Margaret*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Hugh Francis* of *Giffords*, in the Parish of *Wickhambrook*, in *Com. Suff.* Of this Match proceeded two Sons, 1. *Christopher Peyton*, Esq; who, as Heir to his Mother, had great Possessions in *Wickhambrook* and *Bury*. In the Minority of his Nephew *Robert*, he was, by his Brother *Thomas*, constituted Supervisor in building the Church begun by their Father. In the 12th of *Henry* the VIIth, he was Sheriff of *Cambridge* and *Huntingdon*; and having marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Reginald Brooke* of *Aspall*, in *Com. Suff. Arm.* by her became Ancestor to the *Peytons* of *Bury*. He dy'd 15 *Henry* the VIIth, and, with his Wife, was bury'd in *Isleham* Church, on the Roof whereof are these Words cut in Wood;

“ Pray for the good Prosperity of *Christopher Pey-*
 “ ton, and *Elizabeth* his Wife, and for the Soul of
 “ *Thomas Peyton*, Esq; and *Margaret* his Wife;
 “ and Mother of the said *Christopher Peyton*: And
 “ for the Souls of all the Posterity of the said *Christo-*
 “ pher Peyton, who dy'd March 17, 1485.

Younger Sons of whose Family were *Edward Peyton*, mention'd by *Fox*; *Christopher*, Auditor to King *James* the Ist; neither of whom left Issue Male: And *Henry Peyton* of *London*, Merchant, who had Posterity; and another Sir *Henry Peyton*, Kt. who marry'd the Lady *Mary*, Daughter of *Edward Seymour*, Duke of *Somerset*.

Thomas

Thomas Peyton, the only Son by the first Venter, succeeded in the Inheritance of *Isleham*, and his Father's other Estates, and was chief Heir Male of that noble Family: And by his Wife *Joan*, the Daughter of ——— *Calthorp*, he had the Honour of † *Calthorp*, and Issue, *Robert*, *Thomas*, *John*, and *Robert*; which two last are mention'd in his Brother Sir *Robert's* Will: And four Daughters, *Elizabeth* marry'd to *Edward Langley*, Esq; *Jane*, to *John Langley* of *Lolteworth*, in *Com. Cantab.* Esq; *Anne*, to *John Asleby* of *Harefeild*, in *Middlesex*, Esq; and *Dorothy*, mention'd also in the said Will.

The eldest of whom, Sir *Robert*, inherited, who was Sheriff of *Cambridge* and *Huntingdon*, 14 *Henry* the VIIth; and making his Will the 18th of *March*, 9 *Henry* the VIIIth, dy'd the same Year. By which he bequeath'd many Vestments and Legacies to the Churches of *Denton*, and *Knolton* in *Kent*; *Wicken*, *Spiney*, and *Bokeworth*, in *Com. Cantab.* and, with his Lady *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Cleer* of *Ormsby*, in *Com. Norf.* lieth bury'd in the Chapel of *St. Catherine* at *Isleham*, with this Epitaph;

**Of your Charpty pray for the Soule of
Sir Robert Peyton, Knyght, which de-
parted to God the 18th Day of Marche,
1518; and of the Soul of Dame Elisa-
beth, hys Wyfe, whiche departed to
God in the Year of our Lord 1500.**

They left Issue, 1. Sir *Robert*. 2. *John*, who marry'd *Dorothy*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Tyndall* of *Hockwold*, in *Com. Norf. Kt.* of whom descended

* *Visit. Cantab. per Hen. St. Geor. A. D. 1619.*

cended the *Peytons* of *Knolton* and *Donnington*, *Barts.* as will hereafter be mention'd in their proper Places; and, 3. *Edward*, who dy'd without Issue. Also two Daughters, *Margaret* marry'd to *Francis Jenney* of *Knollball*, in *Com. Suff.* Esq; from whom descend the *Jennys* of that Place. *Elizabeth*, Wife of *William Wigston* of *Wolston*, in *Com. Warw.* Kt. To both which Daughters their Father gave, by Will, each three hundred Marks.

Sir *Robert* was the next Heir, who was Sheriff of the two aforesaid Counties, 17 and 27 *Henry* the VIIIth, and accompany'd that King to the Siege of *Bullen*; and was again Sheriff i *Queen Mary*. He marry'd *Frances*, Daughter and Heir of *Francis Hassylden*, of *Little Cbesterford* in *Essex*, Esq; and of *Steeple-Marden*, in *Com. Cantab.* and *Oksford Shillings*, in *Com. Rutl.* by whose Right he became possess'd of those Places.

This Lady founded the famous Hospital at *Islebam*, and was bury'd by her Husband in that Church, where their Memories are still preserv'd by the following Inscriptions;

“ Pray for the Soule of Sir Robert Peyton,
 “ Knyght, the Son of Sir Robert Peyton, Kt.
 “ whiche married Frances, Daughter and Heyre
 “ of Francys Hassylder, Esq; deceased; whiche
 “ Sir Robert deceased the fyrst Day of August,
 “ A. D. 1550, whose Soul God pardon.

Hic jacet Francisca Peyton, nuper Uxor Roberti Peyton Militis, Eximium Charitatis & Religionis Exemplar, qua, in sempiternam Nominis sui memoriam Publicum Hospitium, de suo Nomine vulgo dictum (Peyton's Hospital) propriis sue sumptibus in Islebam extruxit, perpetuis Censibus dotavit & confirmavit.

Obiit 18 Martis, A. D. 1580.

Quid

*Quid tua Vita? Dolor. Quid mors nisi meta dolorum?
Mors vitam sequitur, vita beata necem,
Ergone Franciscæ vitam lacrimavibus? Absit:
Piscis abesse viris, posset ut esset Deo.*

Their Progeny were six Sons and two Daughters, 1. Robert. 2. William. 3. Richard; of whom we have this Account, from his Epitaph in *Isleham Church*.

Here under lyeth a worthy Esquire that, Richard Peyton byght,

An honest Gentleman, and thyrd Son to Robert Peyton, Knyght.

In Grays-Inn, Student of the Lawe, where he a Reader was;

He feared God, and loved hys Word, in Truth hys Lyfe did pass:

In practising of Justice, loe, was hys whole Delyght;

He never wronged any one to whom he might do Right.

Whom he esteemed an honest Fryend, who he myght stand in stead,

He never left to do hym Good wyth Words, wyth Purse, and Dceds.

Fourteen Years Space he marry'd was unto a beautiful Wyfe,

By Parent named Mary Hyde, they lyved devoyd of Stryfe,

The Earth hym bear twyce twenty Years, and vertyuously he lyved,

A vertyuous Lyfe he dyd embrace, and vertyuously he dyed,

Anno Domini 1574.

*The thyrtyeth Day of Apryl, Year seventy and four,
A thousand fyve hundred being put to that more.*

The three other Sons were *Christopher, Edward, and John*. The Daughters, *Catherine, Wife*

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of ——— *Williams* of ——— *Com. Oxon.* Esq; and *Elizabeth*, Wife of *Thomas Wrenne* of *Hinton*, in *Hadenham* in the Isle of *Ely*, Esq;

Robert the eldest, Lord of *Isleham*, was Knight of the Shire for *Cambridge*, 4th and 5th of *Queen Mary*, and High-Sheriff of the united Counties of *Cambridge* and *Huntingdon*, 9 *Eliz.* and receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood from King *James* the 1st at *Royston*, *November* 1608. He marry'd the Lady *Elizabeth Rich*, Daughter of *Richard*, Baron *Rich* of *Leez*, Lord High-Chancellor of *England*; by whom he had Issue three Sons, *Robert*, who dy'd in his Father's Life-Time; *John*, the Baronet; and *Richard*, who dy'd without Issue: And as many Daughters, *Mary*, wedded first to *Charles Balam* of *Walsoken*, in *Com. Norf.* Esq; 2dly to *Sir Richard Cox* of *Brabam*, in the Isle of *Ely*, Kt. *Frances*, Wife of *John Hagar* of *Burne-Castle*, in *Com. Cantab.* Esq; and *Winifride*, Wife of ——— *Osborne*, Counsellor at Law, then of ——— *Harefleet* of *Kent*; and afterwards of *John Hornbye*, in *Com. Linc.* Esq;

Sir John Peyton of *Isleham*, Kt. succeeded his Father *Sir Robert*, and was Lord of *Peyton-Hall*, in *Boxford*, *Wicker*, and *Wikesbo*, &c. He was Sheriff of the Counties of *Cambridge* and *Huntingdon* 35 *Eliz.* and Knight of the Shire for the last mention'd County, as also 1 *James* the 1st, and the next Year High-Sheriff again; and in the ninth of that Reign, receiv'd the new Order of Baronets.

By his Wife *Alice*, Daughter to *Sir Edward Osborn*, who was Lord Mayor of *London* 25 *Elizabeth*, *A. D.* 1583, and Progenitor to the Duke of *Leeds*. He had five Sons and six Daughters; *Sir Edward*, the next Baronet; *John*, who dy'd without Issue; *Robert*, Fellow of *Queen's College* in *Cambridge*; *Roger*, *William*, and *Thomas*, who was slain

slain at the *Burse* in *Holland*. These left no Issue. The Daughters were *Anne*, marry'd to *Robert* the second Son of *Sir Nicholas Bacon* of *Redgrave*, Bart. *Alice*, Wife of *John*, Son and Heir of *Sir John Peyton* of *Donnington*, Bart. *Elizabeth*, of *Sir Anthony Irby*, in *Com. Linc. Kt.* *Mary*, of *Sir Roger Meers* of *Houghton*, in *Com. Linc. Kt.* from whom proceeded *Peyton Meers*; *Frances* and *Susan Peyton*, dy'd unmarried.

He was succeeded, both in Estate and Honour, by *Edward* his eldest Son, who was bred in Grammar Learning at *St. Edmund's Bury*, and afterward educated at *Cambridge*. He was knighted at *Whiteball* February 4, 1610; and, during his Father's Life, was denominated of *Great Bradley*, in *Com. Suff.* and serv'd in the Parliaments, from the 18th of *James* the 1st, to the 3d of *Charles* the 1st, as one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Cambridge*, and was *Custos Rotularum* thereof; which Office he was depriv'd of by the Endeavours of the great Favourite of *James* the 1st, the Duke of *Buckingham*. Whereat he was so much disgusted, that he first drew his Pen against the Court, and writ with great Acrimony of Stile against * *King Charles* the 1st, and the Royalists; and at length, siding with the Presbyterians in the Times of the great Rebellion, had his Share of Sufferings for that Cause, while the War lasted; which so impoverish'd him, that he sold *Isleham*, (which had continu'd in the Family so many Years) and ruin'd the whole Estate, drawing in his eldest Son to join with him in the Sale thereof, only reserving Annuities for both their Lives.

* *Wood Athena*, vol. 2. p. 87.

This Sir *Edward* first marry'd *Matilda*, Daughter of *Robert Livesay* of *Tooting*, in *Com. Surr.* Esq; by whom he had Issue *John*, and *Edward*, who was a Clergy-man, and left two Sons, *Robert* and *George*.

His second Wife was——— Daughter of —— *Thimiltborp* : By this Venter he had a Son *Thomas*, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, eldest Daughter and Co-heiress of Sir *William Telverton*, from whom descends the Family of *Peyton*, now remaining at *Rougham*, in *Com. Norf.* * He dy'd at *Wicken* in *Cambridgeshire*, in the Beginning of the Year 1657, and left the Title to his eldest Son.

Sir *John*, who had two Wives,——— Daughter of Sir *Edward Bellingham*, who left no Issue. By his second Wife —— Daughter of —— *Hobart*, he had three Sons; *Edward*, who dy'd young; Sir *John Peyton*, Bart. who succeeded him; and *Thomas*, who was first an Ensign, and afterwards Captain in the Guards. A Gentleman of bright Parts, and good Accomplishments, which recommended him to the Notice and Favour of King *Charles* the II; he dy'd a Batchelor. The Father dy'd 1666, and was bury'd in *St. Giles's* in the Fields, *London*.

Which Sir *John Peyton*, the third of that Name, is now living, having serv'd his King and Country in several military Stations; for, presently after the Restoration, he went with the Earl of *Rutherford* to *Tangier*, under whom he serv'd there 'til his Death; and then returning into *England*, he rode in the Guards in the Lord of *Oxford's* Regiment; from whence, by the Interest of the late Duke of *Leeds*, his near Relative, he was preferr'd to be a Lieutenant in Sir *John Ham-*
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* Wood *Ibid.*

mer's Company, in the Duke of *Buckingham's* Regiment, in which he serv'd at Sea the last *Dutch* War; and, when that was ended, went into *Ireland* with the Regiment, 1674. The next Year the Earl of *Essex* gave him a Company, which he exchang'd for a Commission of Lieutenant of Horse. And, in King *James's* Reign, when the Lord *Tyrconnell* turn'd out the Protestants, he agreed with his Secretary to surrender to him his Post, upon Payment of the yearly Value of 100 l. per *Annun* for his Life, which he now receives. During the Administration of the late Earl of *Rochester*, her late Majesty made him Governor of *Ross Castle* in *Kerry*; but his Choice determining him to reside at *Dublin*, he quitted that Post.

He first marry'd—the Daughter of — *Numan*, and Widow of Mr. *Kana O Hara*. His second Wife was — the Daughter of — *Lloyd* of *Morton-Hall*, in *Wales*, Esq; and Widow of *Richard Barry*. His present Wife is *Rebecca Williams* of *Liverpool*, Widow of *Daniel Tomlinson*, Minister. He lives now in *Ireland*, but has no Issue.



A R M S.

Sable, a Cross engrail'd, Or.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath of his Colours, a Griphon seiant, Or; the Tail between the hinder Legs, over the Back, vert.

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LIONEL TOLMACH of HELMING-
HAM, *Esq;* *Suff.* N^o 12.

(May 22, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

Notwithstanding *Hugh Talmashe*, who subscrib'd, about the Reign of King *Stephen*, to the Charter *Sans date*, of *John de St. John*, made to *Eve*, the first Abbess of *Godslow*, in *Com. Oxon.* (a) is the first of the Family I meet with; yet, without doubt, it has flourish'd from the Time of the Conquest; and, in *Doomsday-Book*, *Toedmag* (as the Name was then spelt) is said to possess *Lands*. (*)

The aforesaid *Hugh Talmashe*, or another of the same Name, took upon him, in his old Age, the Habit of a Monk at *Gloucester*; and gave to the Monastery a Mojety of his Town of *Hampton*, which *Peter* his Son confirm'd, in the Time of *Hamlin* the Abbot. (b)

This *Peter* gave two Hides in Sack of the Fee of *Reginald de St. Wallerie*, to the Abbey of *Tame*, in *Com. Bucks.* which were confirm'd 11 *Henry II.* (c)

William Talemache, with *Osbert de Remcs*, gave *Lands* in *Bentley* and *Dodenes*, to the Priory of *Ipswich*, in *Com. Suff.* confirm'd to the said Priory 5 *Job.* (d)

Hugh de Talmache, 25 *Edward* the 1st, held of the Crown the Manour of *Bentley*, and the Manour of *Aketon*, in *Com. Suff.* (e) by Knight's Service;

(a) *Monast. Ang.* vol. 1. (*) *Ex Inf. Lio. E. of Dyfert.*
(b) *Monast. Idem.* p. 115. (c) *Idem.* p. 802. (d) *Mon. Ang.* vol. 2. p. 295. (e) *Chiting's Ten. de Suff. M. S. penes J. Anstis Arm.*

vice ; *William Talmach*, in the 29th Year of the Reign of King *Edward* the 1st, was summon'd, among the Knights in the Counties of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*, to attend the King at *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, with Horse and Arms for an Expedition into *Scotland*. (f)

Sir *Peter Talmache*, Kt. was the first impanell'd on the Jury, about *John de Hasting's* claiming the Stewardship of the Liberty of *St. Edmondsbury*, in *Com. Suff.* which was try'd by Inquisition before the Escaetor, in the Court of *St. Edmond's*, 30 *Edward* the 1st. (g)

John Talmache, temp. *Edward* the IIIrd, held the said Manour of *Bentley* of the King, by Knight's Service (h); at the same Time *Catherine Talmache* (his Mother I presume) held half a Knight's Fee in *Bentley*, in *Capite*.

From the said *John* descended *Lionel Talmache* of *Bentley*, Esq; who marry'd *Anne*, Daughter and Heir to——*Helmingham* of *Helmingham*, in *Com. Suff.* (*) whereby he acquir'd that Inheritance, (which is now the capital Mansion of the Family) and was succeeded therein by

John, his Son and Heir, who marry'd the Daughter and Heir of *Roger Louth* of *Sautrey*, in *Com. Hunt.* and had Issue five Sons and four Daughters; of which *Lionel* succeeded to the Estate.

Which *Lionel*, 1 *Henry* the VIIIth was found, by Inquisition, to hold *Bentley* of the King by Knight's Service. (i) He was High-Sheriff of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk* 4 *Henry* the VIIIth, and in the 22d Year of that King, *Richard Downs* alienated to him the Mansion, Scite, and Precinct, of the late dissolv'd Monastery of *Dognashe*, and the Manours of *Dognashe* and *Charles*, and Lands

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(f) *Claus.* 29 *Ed. I.* 1 m. 17.(g) *Esch.* 30 *Ed. I.* n. 20.(h) *Temures de Suff. pred.* (*) *Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.* (i) *Ej.* 1 *Hen.* VIII.

in *Berghol, Capel, Taddeſton, Sutton, Holbrook, Brabame, Weneham, Copdocks, Stratford, Roydon, Ramyſden,* and *Ipswich.* (k) 38 *Henry the VIIIth,* the King granted him the Manour of *Wansden,* with the Rectory thereof; likewise the Manour and Rectory of *Le Church Hey,* and the Manours of *Buryball, Wyllows,* and *Overball,* to hold of the Crown by Knight's Service. He departed this Life on or before 7 *Edward the VIth,* seiz'd (l) *inter alia* in the County of *Suffolk,* of the Manours of *Dodneyſhe* and *Charles;* together with the Manours of *Rumborough, Thorney, Liefnes,* and *Hyntleſham,* call'd the Priory of *St. Peter's* Manour in *Hyntleſham,* held of the Crown in *Capite,* leaving, by *Editb* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of———*Joice* of *Crekes-Hall,* in *Helmingbam, Esq;* *Lionel* his Son and Heir.

Which *Lionel* purchas'd ſeveral Eſtates in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth.* In the firſt Year *Thomas Colbye* alien'd to him one Meſſuage in *Eccleſſome* and *Monkſſome.* *Thomas Rouſe* ſold him the Manour of *Monkſſome,* and *Thomas Sturgis* the third Part of the Manour of *Framsden* Anno 11 *Eliz.* (m) He held a Moiety of four Parts of the Manour of *Framsden,* with the Appurtenances, and a Moiety of a third Part; likewise forty Meſſuages, twenty Cottages, &c. in *Framsden, Helmingbam, Wynſton, Depingbam, Pentangle, Tborp, Aſhfeild, Sobam, Coun—l,* and *Cretingbam, juxta Framſden, Monydon, Oteley,* and *Claxton;* and the Manours of *Monkiſone* and *Clopton,* and the Advowſons of *Monkiſone* and *Eccleſon;* as alſo the Manours of *Bentley, Buryball, Wyllows,* and *Overball,* held likewise of the Queen in *Capite.* He was knighted by Queen *Elizabeth,* and deceaſing in the 18th Year of her Reign, left, by *Dorothy* his

(k) Tenures præd. (l) Tenures præd. (m) Tenures præd.

his Wife, Daughter to *Richard Wentworth* of (n) *Nettlested*, Esq; *Lionel*, his Son and Heir, aged fourteen Years.

The said *Lionel*, 34 *Queen Eliz.* was High-Sheriff of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*, was afterwards knighted; and, having marry'd *Susan*, Daughter of *Ambrose Fermin* of *Rushbrook*, in *Com. Suff.* Kt. was succeeded in his Estate by a Son of his own Name,

Lionel Talmach, Esq; who was High-Sheriff of *Suffolk* in the 6th Year of King *James* the 1st, and was afterwards advanc'd to the Degree of a Baronet, at the first Institution of the Dignity A. D. 1611. In the 14th of that King's Reign, he was again High-Sheriff of *Suffolk*, and having marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter to *Gregory Lord Cromwell*, was succeeded in Title and Estate by his Son and Heir

Sir *Lionel Talmach*, Kt. and Bart. He was knighted in the Life-Time of his Father, and liv'd in great Honour and Esteem in his County. He serv'd in Parliament for the Borough of *Orford*, the 18th of King *James* the 1st, and 3d of *Charles* the 1st; and, by the Lady *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *John Lord Stanbope* of *Harrington*, had Issue a Son, *Lionel*, and seven Daughters, *Elizabeth* marry'd *William Lord Allington*,—Sir *John Mordant*, Bart.—Sir *Henry Felton*, Bart.—Sir *Robert Brook* of *Nacton*, in *Com. Suff.* another to—*Chomley* of *Vale Royal*, in *Com. Cest.* Esq; another to Sir *Nicolas Bacon* of *Shurbland*, in *Com. Suff.* Kt. the other dy'd unmarried.

Sir *Lionel Talmach* of *Helmington*, Bart. Son and Heir of the last Sir *Lionel*, marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of *William Murray*, Earl of *Dyfert*, in that

(n) Esch. 18 Eliz.

that Part of *Great Britain* call'd *Scotland*. [She was afterwards second Wife of *John Maitland*, Duke of *Lauderdale*.] He had Issue by her eleven Children; those arriv'd to Maturity, were three Sons and two Daughters, *Elizabeth* marry'd *Argybold*, late Duke of *Argyle*, and is Mother to the present Duke. *Catherine* was Wife to the Lord *Down*, eldest Son and Heir of the Earl of *Murray*; and afterwards marry'd the present Earl of *Sunderland*. Of the Sons, *Lionel* the eldest, is now Earl of *Dysert*. *Thomas Tolmach* was Lieutenant-General of the Forces under his Majesty King *William* the III^d; and *William Tolmach*, the youngest, was Captain of a Man of War by Commission from the aforesaid Prince, and dy'd in the *West-Indies*.

Lieut. Gen. *Tolmach* aforesaid, was universally admir'd, few, if any, ever having the Happiness to be so much the Darling of all sorts of People: His earlier Years were spent Abroad in Service of his Country, and the honourable Fatigues of a foreign War; and, when he came Home, not all the Allurements of Court-Favours, under King *James* the II^d, could tempt him to forsake his Country's Cause, or espouse a Party opposite to her Interests. He stuck close to his Honour, at the Expence of a valuable Employment, and much more valuable Expectations, rather than be a Spectator to those Miseries which were about to exercise his native Land; and afterwards vigorously contributed his Assistance at the Revolution, and was firm in his Adherence to it, without being acted by those little Motives of advancing his Fortune or his Figure in the World; esteeming all his Preferments as the Instruments and Opportunities of being more signally and successfully useful to his Country; and, for her Service, was brave in the most dangerous
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Emergencies, and catch'd at all Opportunities to signalize his Courage, without forfeiting his Judgment; exposing himself to Danger, whensoever her Honour or Advantage call'd upon him; and, after seventeen Campaigns, seal'd his Tenderness for her, by laying down his Life in her Service. If all the other Actions of his Life were silent, *Atblone* would speak both his Valour and his Conduct. The unfortunate Expedition against *Brest*, where he commanded in Chief, and lost his Life, could not be imputed to him; for tho' he had too much Honour directly to oppose it, yet he never entertain'd any Thought of succeeding; nor could it be suppos'd he should, when the Expedition was the Talk of the Town for several Weeks before he embark'd. His Death was lamented by all, and some thought he fell a Sacrifice to his Enviars.

Lionel, the present Earl of *Dysert*, Lord *Huntingtower*, &c. inherited those Honours, according to the Laws of *Scotland*. He was elected Knight of the Shire for *Suffolk*, in three Parliaments call'd by King *William*; and, on the Succession of her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, had the Offer of a Baron's Patent the first she would create; but declining that Offer, he was again elected Knight of the Shire for *Suffolk*, 'til the Act of Union of the two Kingdoms declar'd him a Peer of *Great Britain*. He was, in her late Majesty's Reign, Lord Lieutenant, *Custos Rotulorum*, and Vice-Admiral of the County of *Suffolk*, likewise High-Steward of the Town of *Ipswich*. He marry'd *Grace*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Thomas Wilbrham* of *Woodbey*, in *Cheshire*, Bart. and had Issue *Lionel*, his Son and Heir, who departed this Life, leaving a Son and a Daughter, *Lionel* and —; likewise four Daughters, *Elizabeth*, *Grace*, and *Catherine*, now living, and *Mary* deceas'd.

ARMS.



A R M S.

Argent a fret, Or, the Mascbe or Mascble of a Net, Sable.

C R E S T.

On a Torce of his Colours, a Horse-head eras'd Argent, between two Wings, Sable.

Sir GERVASE CLIFTON of CLIFTON, *Knight of the Bath.* Nott. N^o 13.

(22 May, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

OF this Family, *Gervase Holles*, Esq, a laborious Antiquary (a) has given a succinct Account to the Death of *Sir Gervase Clifton*, who was the first created a Baronet; he observes, they took Sir-name from *Clifton*, a Ville about two Miles distant from *Nottingham*, which in its *Saxon* Etimon signifies a Ville situate upon a Rock or shelving Ground, as *Sir W. Dugdale* rightly observes, (b) and upon a Prominent is this seated (yet in a fertile Soil) at the Foot of which the *Trent* runneth. Where the *Cliftons* have a noble Seat, from which, ascending by many Steps, we rest upon the Top, in a fair Bowling-Green, that yields a most pleasant Prospect, overlooking the *Trent*, the Town of *Nottingham*, the Vale of *Belvoir*, and part of the Forest of *Sherwood*.

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(a) *Ex M. S. Gerv. Holles, Arm.*

(b) *Ant. Warw. p. 6.*

They derive themselves from *Alvaredus de Clifton*, a Knight, said to be living in the Time of *William Peverell*, the Conqueror's Bastard; and for Proof of this, *Alvaredus*, and three others of his lineal Posterity, is cited an Authority amongst the Collections of *Mr. Seintlow Kniveton*, thus render'd in *English* :

Memorandum, *Alvared Clifton, Kt. Lord of the Manour of Wilford, with the Apurtenences in Demesne as of Fee, was Warden of the Castle of Nottingham, in the Time of William Peverell; after whose Death, Sir Robert Clifton, Kt. his Son and Heir, was Lord of the said Manour, and Warden of the said Castle; which Manour and Office Sir Gervase Clifton, Kt. Son and Heir of the said Sir Robert, held all his Life-Time. This Sir Gervase made the outer Ward of the Castle, and made the Castle Mills; likewise dug a Trench from the Trent Water to the said Mills, thro' his own Demesne Lands, as far as Kingis Meadow. Moreover, the said Gervase made a Wear [gurgustum] in his Water of Trent, to feed the said Mills.*

In an old Plea-Roll of the Forests, &c. before *Geffry Fitz-Peers*, Anno 33 *Henry the II*d, I find *Gervase de Clifton*. amerced for his Trespass; the same Person who is mention'd above, in relation to *Nottingham Castle*.

Gerbode de Escalt was Lord of *Clifton* and *Langor*, Anno 31 *Henry the II*d, Parcel of the Honour of *Peverell*, to which *Gerbode* succeeded *Gerard de Rodes*; and he granted to *Sir Gervase de Clifton*, all his Lands and Tenements in *Clifton* and *Willesford*, &c. and all kind of Homages and Services, of his Free-Men and Villains of *Clifton*, *Wilesford*, and *Brocton*, &c. as by an *Inspeximus* of King *Edward the Ist*, reciting and confirming the Charter made by *Rodes*.

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Anno 21 Edward the Ist, we find that *Clifton* with the *Soke*, then an *Escheat* to the King, was of the Honour of *Peverell*, valu'd at 40*l. per Annum*, and *Ralph de Rodes* held it of the King by the Service of half a Knight's-Fee; so that as *Rodes* held this Manour immediately of the King, he might grant it about the Beginning of King *John*, to *Gervase de Clifton*, to hold of himself by particular Services, *Anno 5 Joh.* a Fine was levy'd betwixt this *Gervase de Clifton* and *Robert de Alvideleg*, in Relation to an Agreement that the Son of the said *Gervase* should marry the Daughter of the said *Robert*; and therein the said *Gervase* and his Sister *Ismania*, quit Claim all Conventions, and all Charters of Inheritance of the said *Robert*, which concern'd that Marriage. This *Gervase* had also a Daughter *Cicely*, who was the Wife of *Roger de Cressi*, for 3 *Joh.* she being then his Widow, ow'd forty Marks and a Palfrey, to have her reasonable Dower of the Freehold of the said *Roger* in *Nottingham*; and that she might not be compell'd to marry. It seems it came to a Suit, for, in the same King's Reign, she impleaded *William de Cressi*, (Son of *Roger*) for Right of her Dower in *Hoddesac*, *Kelum*, *Pedling*, *Rampton*, *Weston*. and *Marcham*: And the said *William de Cressi*, 5 *Joh.* settled upon her, in Consideration of her Dower, half a Knight's-Fee in *Melton*, with other Lands.

It is conceiv'd, that his Son and Grand-son were both of them nam'd *Gervase*; for, 20 *Henry* the III^d, (thirty two Years after the Time last mention'd) there was a Fine levy'd between *Gervase de Clifton*, (taken for the Son) and *Hugh de Bel*, concerning two Oxgangs of Land in *Wilford*. *Anno 52 Hemy* the III^d, *Gervase* Son of *Gervase de Clifton*, (the Grand-son) gives one Mark for a Writ in *Com. Not.*

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To the last *Gervase*, the Son of *Gervase*, *John* the Son of *Alfred de Sulney*, confirm'd eight Yard Land in *Brocton*, 6 *Edward* the 1st. And, in the 9th Year of the same King's Reign, *Richard de Einolf*, and *Isold* his Wife, granted him an Oxcgang in *Willford*. This same *Gervase* was High-Sheriff of the Counties of *Nottingham* and *Derby*, Anno 7, 9, 10, and 11 *Edward* the 1st; and in 15, 18, 19 Years of that King, he was High-Sheriff of *Torkshire*. In his Shrivaltly of the 18th Year, upon Complaint of *John de Carleton*, he was committed to Gaol for making a false Return of a Writ. In the 20th of *Edward* the 1st, a Mandate was issu'd out to the Sheriff of *Nottingham* and *Derby*, that he should Attach the said *Gervase*, to compel him to give his Accompts for the Time, wherein he was Sheriff of *Torkshire*, at a certain Time appointed; at which Day he came, and accompted accordingly; and the same Year had Allowance for several Sums of Money, which in the 19th, whilst he was Sheriff of *Torkshire*, he had expended by the King's Command.

The same *Gervase de Clifton*, (for he liv'd long) I find to be Lord of the Manour of *Clifton*, cum *Membris*, in the 9th of *Edward* the 1st; as likewise of *Hickeling* and *Brocton*, together with *Richard de Grey*: But in the 17th of the same King, an Office was found after his Death, wherein he is said to dye seis'd of the Manours of *Clifton*, *Willeford*, and *Broughton*, in the County of *Nottingham*; leaving *Robert de Clifton*, the Son of *Gervase*, his eldest Son, (who dy'd before him) his next Heir, and about twenty five Years of Age; who, the same Year, did his Homage to the King, as next Cousin and Heir to his Grand-father, and had Seisin of his Lands accordingly. The next Year, it appears by a Fine levy'd

levy'd by the said *Robert de Clifton*, that he had marry'd his eldest Son *Gervase* to *Margaret*, (the Daughter of *Robert de Pierpoint*) as appears by the Inquisition taken after his Death, being both then very young, and in the Custody of *John de Shirewode*. Nor did *Robert de Clifton* live long after, for we find him dead *Anno 1 Edward the III*; and his Son *Gervase*, then fourteen Years of Age, and marry'd to *Margaret*, the Daughter of *Robert de Pierpoint*.

Gervase de Clifton, (the Son of *Robert*) *Anno 10 Edward the III*; had Liberty of Free-warren granted to him in all his Demesn Lands of *Broughton, Sulney, &c.* in *Com. Not.* I find him a Knight *Anno 18 Edward the III*; for then there was a Fine levy'd between *Gervase de Clifton*, Chevalier, Plaintiff; and *Rob. de Vaus*, and *Amfelice* his Wife, Defendants: By which the said *Robert* and his Wife, granted to the said *Gervase* and his Heirs, two Parts of the Manour of *Normanton* upon *Sore*, for the yearly Rent of 16 *l.* Sterling. He was High-Sheriff of the Counties of *Nottingham* and *Derby*, *Anno 19 Edward the III*; and the next Year Elchaetor of the same Counties. In the 19th Year of that King it appears, that *Robert de Clifton*, his Son and Heir, was marry'd; the said *Gervase de Clifton*, Kt. assuring then, by Fine, the Manour of *Broughton*, with the Advowson of the Church of *Broughton*, upon his Son *Robert de Clifton*, and *Isabel* his Wife, and their Heirs. *Anno 22 Edward the III*; he, with *John de Vaus*, as Knights of the Shire for *Nottingham*, in the Parliament held at *Westminster*, had their Wages allow'd: And the 30th Year of the same King, there was a Fine pass'd concerning the Manour of *Wilford*, between *Gervase de Clifton*, Chevalier, and *Isabella* his Wife, and *Robert* Son of the said *Gervase*, Plaintiffs, &c.

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This Robert his Son, was by Margaret Pierpont his first Wife, and this Isabel his second Wife, was the Daughter of Herbert, alias Finch, and the Widow of William Scot of Braburne, in Kent, as appears by the Epitaph upon her Tomb in that Church. By this last Wife, he had two Daughters, Joan marry'd to John Digge, and Isabel the Wife of John Gerningham, as in a MS of Sir Gervase Clifton, Bart. The first of these Matches is prov'd from the aforesaid Monument in Braburne Church; these following being two of the Lines of her Epitaph;

*Gervasium Clifton istam genuisse Johannam
Sta, lege cui Job. Digge sociatus erat, &c.*

To this Sir Gervase Clifton, King Edward the III, in the 51st Year of his Reign, grants Liberty, calling him his beloved and faithful Gervase de Clifton, Chevalier, that during his Life he be put upon no Assizes or Juries, and Recognizances whatsoever, neither be Mayor, Sheriff, Eschaetor, Coroner, or any Bailiff, or Servant of the Crown, and its Heirs, against his Will. Dated at *Sbene*, 3 July.

The Word (Mayor) might be purposely inserted, because formerly he had been Mayor of *Canterbury*.—The last Mention of him, is in a Deed dated 3 R. 2, whereby he grants a Crest to Richard de Bevercotes of Bevercotes, in *Com. Not.* a knightly Family of great Antiquity. This Grant is seal'd with his Seal of Arms, viz. the Cinquefoils and Lyon rampant, and circumscrib'd thus, *Sigill. Gervas. Clifton Mil.*

After this, I meet with him no more, nor is it likely he liv'd many Years longer, he being then about sixty eight Years of Age, manifest from his being fourteen Years old at his Father's

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Death, *Anno 1 Edward the III.* Neither find I any Thing of his Son *Robert*, who possibly might die before him; only it is suppos'd, that the aforementioned *Isabel*, (Wife of this *Robert de Clifton*) was the Daughter of— *Neville of Rolston*, in *Com. Nott.* for in *Clifton Church* there is a fair Monument of Free-Stone; rais'd about a Yard from the Ground; on the Top of which is the Effigies of a Soldier, with his Wife by his Side. There is no Inscription, only two or three fair Escucheons on the Side of the Monument, whereon is impal'd *Clifton* with a fretty Coat, in which is a *Canton per pale*, and a Ship quarterly, with a *Saltire Ermine*.

It's farther observ'd, that the last nam'd Sir *Gervase Clifton* had License from the King, *Anno 22 Edward the III.*, to alien in *Mortmain* eleven Messuages, five Virgats, and one Ofgang of Land, and three Sol-Rents in *Stanton in the Wolds* and *Clifton*; with the Advowson of the Church of *Stanton* to three Chaplains, to celebrate divine Service every Day in the Church of *St. Mary of Clifton*, for the Health and good Estate of him the said *Gervase* and *Isabel* his Wife.

The next is Sir *John Clifton*, (Son of *Robert*) to him King *Henry the IVth*, by Writ dated the fifth of *February*, in the first Year of his Reign, granted an Annuity of forty Marks yearly, to be receiv'd of the Sheriff of *Nottingham*, for his good and faithful Service already done, and hereafter to be perform'd; and having, *Anno 4 Henry the IVth*, serv'd in the Parliament held at *Westminster*, with Sir *Richard Starbop*; as Knights of the Shire for *Nottingham*, had their Wages allow'd for sixty five Days. He was that Year slain at the Battel of *Shrewsbury*, fighting on the King's Side against the *Piercies*; having, as *Hollinshed* tells us, receiv'd from the King that Morning the Order of Knighthood,

hood, which (if true) must be the Dignity of a Baneret; for 'tis plain from the Record last cited, that he was a Knight before. He marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter of *Sir John Cressy* of *Hodsack*, in the County of *Nottingham*, Kt. and Sister and Co-heir of *Sir Hugh de Cressy*, who dy'd in the 9th Year of the same King: The other Sister *Elizabeth*, was the Wife of *John Markham*: Between which Families of *Clifton* and *Markham*, the Inheritance of *Cressy* was divided, namely, *Haddefoke*, with the *Soke*, viz. *Haddefoke*, *Holme*, *Woodhouse*, *Oulecotes*, *Harmeston*, *Filixthorp*, *Stirape*, *Letwel*, and *Eildingwells*, to *Clifton*, for their Party; and the Manours of *Braytoft*, *Risegate*, *Claypole*, &c. in *Lincolnshire*, to *Markham* for his Share.

This *Sir John Clifton's* Son and Heir was after his own Name, *Sir John Clifton*, as appears from a *Grave-Stone* in *Clifton Church*, which has this Inscription;

Hic jacet Isabella, filia Rob. Franceys de Formarke militis uxor Dom. Johannis Clifton cujus anima propietur Deus.

Upon the Stone are empal'd the Arms of *Clifton*, viz. *Semi de Cinquefoils*, a *Lyon rampant*, with *Franceys* of *Formarke*, viz. *A Chevron* between three *Eagles* display'd.

The next is *Sir Gervase Clifton*, whom I take to be Son of the last, but the Records here are intricate. 23 *Henry* the VIth, *Gervase Clifton* was Lieutenant to *Humfrey* Duke of *Gloucester*, Constable of *Dover* Castle. 27 *Henry* the VIth, the King grants to *John*, Cardinal-Priest of *St. Balin*, and *Gervase Clifton*, Esq; the Custody of all the Lands late *William Horsey's*, deceas'd. Anno 29 *Henry* the VIth, he was Sheriff of *Kent*. In the

30 *H. 6.*, the King granted to him and *John Scott*, Esq; the Custody of two Parts of the Mancours of *Skirbecke, Welles,* and *Frampton*, for twelve Years; and the same Year, to him the said *Gervase Clifton*, Esq; the Custody of all the Temporals of the Arch-Bishoprick of *Canterbury*. In the same 30th, I find him to be Treasurer of the Town of *Calais*, which Office was given him (in Recompence of his good Service) 24 *May*, 29th of that King, *Sir Richard Vernon*, his Predecessor in that Office, having deliver'd up his Letters Patent to be cancell'd. In the 36th Year of the same King, I find a Protection granted by him, (seal'd with his Seal of Arms, and circumscrib'd Sigill. *Gervas. Clifton militis Thesaurarii, Villa de Cales*) to *Richard Kingesmele*, of *Crowley* in the County of *Suffex*, Yeoman, who was to attend him for the safe Keeping, Defence, and Victualling of that Garrison. In the 37th Year of that Reign, he was again High-Sheriff of *Kent*; and it appears, that he had been Treasurer of the King's Household; for there is a Warrant in an uncertain Year of that King, directed to the Keeper of the Privy-Seal, commanding him to direct his Letters to the Chamberlains of the *Exchequer*, to pay to certain Persons the Sum of 460 l. due to them whilst *Sir Gervase Clifton*, Kt. stood Treasurer of the Household. In the 5th of *Edward the IVth*, he, with *Matilda* his Wife, late Wife of *Robert de Willughby*, granted to *Anthony Widevile*, Lord *Scales*, divers Manours in the Counties of *Lincoln, Nottingham, Derby,* and *Warwick*, which were lately the Inheritance of *Ralph Lord Cromwell*. And the Chronicles tell us, that *Richard Duke of York*, in the 18th of *Henry the VIth*, made *Sir Gervase Clifton* Captain of *Ponthoise*, near *Paris*, when the *French King* besieg'd and took the Town by Assault, but lost above 3000 Men before it. And that

that in the 11th of *Edward* the IVth, the *Monday* after the Battel of *Tewksbury*, Sir *Gervase Clifton* (who was then taken Prisoner) was beheaded in the Market-Place there, together with *Edward* Duke of *Somerset*, and others.

This most active and signal Gentleman is believ'd by some of the Family, to be the immediate Ancestor of the Baronets; but 'tis doubted, from an Office found at *Nottingham*, Anno 32 *Henry* the IVth, after the Death of Sir *Gervase Clifton*, Kt. which says, that the said *Gervase* dy'd the 8th of *December*, Anno 32 *Henry* the VIth; and that *Robert Clifton*, Esq; is his Son and next Heir, of the Age of thirty Years and better. Offices are found some Months, and sometimes some Years, after the Death of the Deceas'd; but never any Inquisition found the last Person seiz'd to be dead whilst he was yet living. Besides, *Robert Clifton* (Son and Heir of that Sir *Gervase Clifton* of *Nottinghamshire*, after whose Death this last mention'd Office is found) was High-Sheriff of that County, Anno 29 and 33 of *Henry* the VIth, and 7 *Edward* the IVth, at which Time he was a Knight. And the Office found after his Death says, that he dy'd in the 18th Year of that King, leaving *Gervase Clifton* his Son and Heir, about forty Years of Age. So that upon these Circumstances there were two several Persons of the same Name of Sir *Gervase Clifton* living together, temp. *Henry* VI. That he of *Clifton* (and our Ancestor) was the same of whom, Anno 32 *Henry* the VIth, that Office was found. That the other (who was the Soldier, and lost his Head for the Cause of the *Lancastrians*) was some Cadet, most likely descended from that Sir *Gervase* which marry'd *Scott's* Widow in the Days of *Edward* the IIIrd, because this last wrote himself of *Braburne* in *Kent*.

It is plain there was a *Sir Gervase Clifton* of *Clifton*, temp. *Henry VI*, and that *Robert Clifton* was his Son and Heir, who was High-Sheriff of *Nottingham* and *Derby*, Anno 29 and 38 *Henry* the VIth. And after, in the 7th of *Edward* the IVth, *Robert Clifton*, Kt. is mention'd then as late Sheriff of *Nottingham* and *Derby*. To this *Sir Robert Clifton*, and *Gervase Clifton*, his Son and Heir, King *Edward* the IVth, in the 16th Year of his Reign, granted License to found a College in the Chapel of the *Trinity*, within the Parish-Church of *St. Mary of Clifton*, to the Honour of God and the blessed *Virgin*, pro uno *Custode* & duobus *Capellanis*, to celebrate divine Service every Day for the good Estate of the said King, and *Elizabeth* his Queen, whilst they liv'd, and for their Souls after their Decease; and for the good Estate of the said *Sir Robert Clifton* and *Gervase*, &c. and for the Soul of *William Booth*, late Arch-Bishop of *Tork*, and for the Souls of Dame *Alice Clifton*, late Wife of the said *Robert*, and of *Seth Worsley*, Esq; &c. dated at *Nottingham* Castle 22 July. This *Alice* his Wife, was Daughter of *John Booth*, Esq; and Sister of the Arch-Bishop, as appears by the following Inscription upon her Monument in *Clifton* Church.

Hic jacet Dom. Alicia Clifton, filia Johannis Booth, Armig. soror bona memoria Dom. Will. Booth quond. Ebor. Archiep. & uxor Dom. Rob. Clifton mil. Qua obiit novem die Septemb. Anno Dom. 1478. cujus, &c.

Sir Robert Clifton dy'd 9 April 1478, seiz'd (as appears by the Office found after his Decease) of the Manour of *Clifton-Willeford*, (with the Advowsons of those Churches) and *Haddesoke* with the *Soke*, leaving *Gervase Clifton* his Son and Heir,
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above forty Years of Age; and that he had another Son *Robert Clifton*, who was Arch-Deacon of the *East-Riding*, in *Com. Elor.* He lies bury'd at *Clifton*, with this Inscription upon his Grave-Stone:

Orate pro anima Rob. Clifton, militis fundatoris tertius Capellanor. Collegii in hac Ecclesj. qui obiit novem die Aprilis, Anno Dom. 1478.

Gervase Clifton, his Son and Heir, was High-Sheriff of *Nottingham* and *Derby*, 11 and 17 *E. 4.* And the same King (having made him [his trusty and well-belov'd 'Squire *Gervase Clifton*,] Receiver-General of all his Lordships in the Counties of *Nottingham* and *Derby*, by several Letters Patent; and Steward of his Manours and Lordships of *Gedling*, *Sbe'ford*, and *Stoke-Bardolfe*; and Surveyor of his Works and Reparations in his Castle of *Nottingham*, and of his Repairs in his Lodges of *Beskwood Park* and *Clipston*) assigns certain Persons, in the 20th Year of his Reign, to take up his Accompts. 22 *Edward* the IVth, that King ordains the said *Gervase* Sheriff of the Counties of *Nottingham* and *Derby*, and assigns him 100*l.* out of the Exchequer, for the better sustaining of his Charge in that Office. Anno 1 *Richard* the III, he was made one of the Knights of the *Bath* at the Coronation. And the same King, in the same Year, grants to him and his Heirs Males, for his singular and faithful Service done heretofore, not only in favouring his Right and Title, &c. the Manour or Lordship of *Ratcliffe* upon *Sore*, with Lands in *Kingston*, in the County of *Nottingham*, and Lands in *Kegworth* in the County of *Leicester*, being the Forfeitures of *Henry Stafford*, Duke of *Buckingham*; and the Manour or Lordship of *Overton Longvile*, in the County

of *Huntingdon*, with the Advowson of that Church, late the Inheritance and Forfeiture of *Sir Richard Tocotes*; and the Manour or Lordship of *Dalbury*, and *Dalbury-Lees*, with the Advowson of that Church, and other Lands in *Etwall* and *Winkesworth*, in *Com. Derby*; the Inheritance before of *Henry* late Duke of *Exon*, to hold of that King by Knight's Service, &c.

Sir John Beaumont (in his Poem of *Bosworth-Field*) saith, he was slain there, fighting on *Richard's* Side, against the Earl of *Richmond*, (after King *Henry* the VIIth;) and that *Biron* (being his Friend, but of the other Party) procur'd the Conqueror to restore his Lands to his Son. But 'tis plain he was not slain there, and probably did not serve there; or if he did, it was on the other Side, repenting that he had adher'd to the Usurper; for not long after the Beginning of King *Henry* the VIIth's Reign, we find him not only entrusted, but rewarded by him, being in his third Year made Sheriff of the Counties of *Nottingham* and *Derby*; and the same Year having granted him the Custody of the Manours of *Carleton* in *Lindrike*, and *Kingston* in *Carleton*, being then in the King's Hands, by reason of the Minority of *George* Lord *Fitz-Hugh*; and that he dy'd in the 6th Year of the same King, in the House of the *Fryers Predicants* in *London*, and was bury'd in *Clifton* Church, as appears from this following Inscription upon a flat Marble there :

Orate pro Anima Gervasii Clifton, Militis, Filii & Heredis Roberti Clifton, Militis, Fundatores Collegii de Clifton, fniti & stabiliti per Dominum Gervasium, qui obiit in domo Fratrum Predicatorum apud London, 12° Die Maii, Anno 1491. cujus Corpus abinde per Agnetem Filiam Roberti Constable de Flamburgh, Militis, secunda

dam Uxorem ejusdem Gervasi, & alios ejus Executores, juxta voluntatem suam, istuc honorificè & decenter conductum fuit, & sub hoc Lapide marmoreo humatus; cujus Anima propitiatur Deus — Pro cujus quidem Agnetis prosperitate dum vixerit, & pro cujus Anima cum ab hac luce migraverit, speciales ordinantur Memoria & Orationes per Gardianum & Capellanos Collegii prædicti, juxta Compositionem & Statuta inde ordinata, perpetuis futuris Temporibus devotè faciendæ.

The Inquisition, after his Death, taken at *Blithe*, the 30th of *October*, Anno 7 *Henry* the VIIth, says, That he dy'd the 12th Day of *May* last past, (which was in the 6th Year of that King) and *Robert Clifton*, Clerk, was his Son and Heir, and above thirty Years old at the Death of his Father.

Of this *Robert Clifton* I hear no more, but upon Tradition, that being piously devoted, he became a Secular Priest, dy'd unmarried, and gave his temporal Estate to his younger Brother *Gervase Clifton*, afterwards knighted; for he was made Knight of the *Bath* by King *Henry* the VIIth, in the 10th Year of his Reign, at the Time he created his second Son, *Henry*, Duke of *Tork*. In the 14th Year of that King, *Robert Wield* gave to Sir *Gervase Clifton*, Kt. and *John de St. Andrew*, Esq, all his Lands in *Bovington*, juxta *Sutton*; and in the 17th of *Henry* the VIIth, he was made Sheriff of the Counties of *Nottingham* and *Derby*. I meet with him no more after; but it appears by Inquisition taken after his Son's Death, in the 9th of King *Henry* the VIIIth, that *Robert Clifton* was his Son and Heir; and that he had a younger Son, *Hugh Clifton*, and tho' not mention'd in the Inquisition, he had another Son, *Gervase Clifton*, who
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was of the *Custom-House* at the Port of *London*, and was Father of *Sir Gervase Clifton*, summon'd to Parliament as a Baronet of the Realm, the 6th of *James* the 1st, by the Title of Lord *Clifton* of *Leighton-Bromswold*.

Of his Son *Robert* I find no Mention at all in Record, until the Office found after his Death; yet did he, by his Marriage, add the greatest Lustre of Nobility to his Family; for he marry'd *Anne*, Daughter to *Henry* Lord *Clifford*, and Sister to *Henry*, the first Earl of *Cumberland*, who, thro' the Lines of *Clifford*, *Percy*, and *Mortimer*, was lineally descended from *Lionel Plantagenet*, Duke of *Clarence*, third Son of that victorious Monarch King *Edward* the IIIrd. She was marry'd, after his Death, to *Robert Melford*— This *Robert Clifton* dy'd a young Man, the 3d of *September*, the 9th of *Henry* the VIIIth, leaving *Gervase Clifton* his Son and Heir, not two Years old, as appears by the Inquisition taken at *Nottingham*.

Which *Gervase Clifton* was of full Age, and su'd out his Livery in the 28th Year of *Henry* the VIIIth. In the 33d Year of that Reign, the King grants to his Servant, *Sir Gervase Clifton, Kt.* for the Sum of 65 l. 5 s. his Manour of *Armynt*, in the County of *Tork*, late belonging to the dissolv'd Monastery of the *Virgin Mary* in *Tork*, to him, his Heirs and Assigns for ever. Anno 34, the same King grants him the Ward and Marriage of *Gervase Boswell*; and Anno 38 *Henry* the VIIIth, the Ward and Marriage of *Thomas Fairfax*. These were his Rewards for his Court-Service: As to his civil Employments, he was Justice of the Peace, and *Quorum*, the most Part of his long Life; and I find him Sheriff of *Nottingham* and *Derby* in the last Year of *Henry* the VIIIth, and again the first of the Reign of *Queen Mary*; and after, of *Nottingham* alone, in the 13th of *Queen Elizabeth*.
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He had likewise several military Employments; for he serv'd under King *Henry* the VIIIth, at the Siege of *Bulloigne*, and was knighted, says *Hollinshed* in his Chronicles, at *Muscleburgb* by the Duke of *Somerset*, in the Reign of King *Edward* the VIth. It is likely he was there, but 'tis manifest he was knighted in the Days of King *Henry* the VIIIth. Anno 2 *Eliz.* A. D. 1560, he serv'd at the Siege of *Leith* in *Scotland*, under the Lord *Grey*; and upon Notice of the Peace concluded, Sir *Gervase Clifton* was sent into the Trenches, on the West Side of *Leith*, to command the Soldiers to forbear Hostility; and the next Day (the 7th of *June*) he was sent into the Town, with Sir *Francis Leke*, to cause the Peace to be proclaim'd, where he was feasted by Monsieur *Doyfel*, the Governor.

Notwithstanding this martial Inclination, he was a Gentleman of a most courteous and accostable Disposition; so that he was usually stild, and is remember'd to this Day, by the Name of Sir *Gervase the Gentle*, which Character, they say, Queen *Elizabeth* gave him, if this Distich was hers, (which Tradition affirms) of four of her *Nottinghamshire* Knights.

*Gervase the Gentle, Stanhop the Stout,
Marcham the Lyon, and Sutton the Lout.*

He was twice marry'd, first to *Mary*, Daughter to Sir *John Nevile* of *Cheet*, in *Com. Ebor. Kt.* by whom he had five Children, viz. *Elizabeth*, the first Wife of *Peter Frescheville* of *Staveley*, Esq; *Frances*, *Robert*, *Gervase*, and *Anthony*, which four last dy'd young, unmarried: Their Names and Statues are all on the right Side of his Tomb, and in *Clifton Church*. The second Wife of Sir *Gervase Clifton*, was *Winifred*, Daughter and Heir to *William Thwaytes* of *Owlton*, in the County of *Susfolk*,

folk, Esq; who brought him *George Clifton*, his Heir apparent, who marry'd *Winifride*, the Daughter of Sir *Anthony Thorold*. He dy'd before his Father, 1 *August* 1587, leaving his Wife with Child of Sir *Gervase Clifton*, who was created Baronet, himself being, at the Time of his Death, but twenty Years and seven Months old, as appears upon his Monument.

Sir *Gervase Clifton*, his Father, dy'd in the same Year 1587, on the 20th of *January* next following, as we may see upon his stately Monument, which bears this Inscription :

“ Here lye the Bodies of *Gervase Clifton* of
 “ *Clifton*, in the County of *Nottingham*, Kt.
 “ and Dame *Mary* his first Wife, Daughter
 “ of Sir *John Nevile* of *Cheete*, in the Coun-
 “ ty of *York*, Kt. And of Dame *Winifride*
 “ his second Wife, Daughter and Heyre of
 “ *William Thwaytes* of *Owlton*, in the County
 “ of *Suffolk*, Esq; which Dame *Mary* de-
 “ ceas'd the 10th of *April*, Anno 1564. And
 “ the said *Gervase* deceas'd the 20th Day of
 “ *January*, Anno 1587. And the said Dame
 “ *Winifride* deceas'd ———

The said Sir *Gervase*, at the Time of his Death, left his Grand-son and Heir, but four Months and eleven Days old, as we may see by the Office found for him. Which Sir *Gervase Clifton*, the Grand-son was made Knight of the *Bath*, at the Coronation of K. *James* 1, and afterwards accepted of the Title of a Baronet. He was a Gentleman every Way worthy of his ancient Extraction and deserving Ancestors, having liv'd with as much Lustre and Love in his Country, as any in his Time; being of a Nature like his Grand-father, most affable and courteous; of a Disposition most Noble; of good Erudition; and throughout the
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long and unnatural Rebellion, *temp. Car. I.*, of a most unshaken and unfully'd Loyalty to his lawful Sovereign. For one Thing he was more remarkable, (having in that gone beyond any of our Nation, as yet heard of;) he had six Wives, and marry'd a seventh when he was near seventy Years old. His first two were Earls Daughters; his two second, grave Widows; and the last Couple, young Gentlewomen: But in particular, his first Lady was *Penelope*, Daughter to *Robert Rich*, Earl of *Warwick*, she dy'd 26 October 1613; he had by her *Gervase*, his eldest Son, who marry'd and dy'd without Issue. By his second Lady *Frances*, Daughter of *Francis Clifford*, Earl of *Cumberland*, he had Issue *Clifford Clifton*, and four Daughters; *Margaret*, marry'd first to *Sir John South*, secondly, to *William Witchcot*, Esq; thirdly, to *Robert Lord Hunsdon*. *Elizabeth* was Wife of *Richard Tempest*, Esq; and secondly to *Anthony Eyre*, Esq; *Anne*, to *Sir Francis Rhodes*; and *Lettice*, to *Clifton Rhodes*, Esq; This Lady dy'd November 22, 1627, aged thirty three Years. The third was *Mary*, Daughter of *John Egiock* of *Egiock*, in *Com. Wiggorn*, Esq; Widow of *Sir Francis Leake* of *Sutton*, in *Com. Derby*, and dy'd January 19, 1630. The fourth was *Isabel*, Daughter of — *Meek*, Relict of *John Hodges*, Aklerman of *London*, bury'd at *Clifton*, (as were also his other Ladies) July 10, 1637. The fifth was *Anne*, Daughter of *Sir Francis South*, of *Lincolnshire*, Kt. bury'd at *Clifton* 1 June, 1639. The sixth was *Jane*, Daughter of *Anthony Eyre* of *Rampton*, Esq; (by whom was *Robert Clifton*, who marry'd *Sarah*, Daughter of *Nathaniel Parkhurst* of *Woodford*, in *Essex*, Esq; *Charles*, who dy'd unmarried; and *Jane*, Wife of *Christopher Pack* of *Coates*, in *Com. Leic.* Esq;) she dy'd at *London*, and was bury'd at *Clifton* the 17th of *March* 1655. The seventh Wife of *Sir Gervase*,

Gervase, was *Alice*, Daughter of *Henry* Earl of *Huntingdon*, who surviv'd her Husband, but dy'd the same Year, and was bury'd in *St. Giles's Church, London, 1666*. In the Chancel of *Clifton*, by the Side of the Vault, is a noble *Mausoleum* for those of his Ladies bury'd at *Clifton*; and himself deceasing, *June 28, 1666*, in the 80th Year of his Age, was bury'd with his Ancestors, the 2d of *August*, with great Pomp, attended by the Heralds of the College of Arms; and a very curious Monument is erected to his Memory over the Door into the Vault, containing, *A Busto of himself, within seven Escutcheons Baron and Femme, set circular between two Pillars, with Entabliture and open Pediment, with an Acroster of the Arms and Quarterings manteled and crested*; at the Bottom is an Inscription, *Hic intus cum Partibus & Uxoribus, &c.* which are there specify'd, as we have already mention'd. He was succeeded in the Dignity by his eldest Son,

Sir *Gervase Clifton*, Bart. who marry'd *Sarah*, Daughter of *Sir Thomas Pusey* of *Celston*, Esq; of the ancient Family of the *Puseys*, in *Com. Bucks*; and dying the 14th of *January 1675*, his Nephew succeeded, who was

Sir *William Clifton*, Bart. aged then about 15 Years, Son and Heir to *Sir Clifford Clifton*, Kt. by *Frances*, Daughter of *Sir Hencage Finch*, Kt. Recorder of *London*; which *Sir Clifford* was another Son of *Sir Gervase Clifton*, Kt. and Bart. and had Issue also two Daughters, *Catherine*, marry'd to *Sir John Parsons*, Bart. and *Arabella*, to *Sir Francis Wheeler*, Kt. one of the Admirals under *K. William*, who was unfortunately cast away near *Cadiz*. The said *Sir William Clifton* dying unmarried, was succeeded in Title and Estate by his Cousin, the present *Sir Gervase Clifton*, Bart. eldest Son of *Robert Clifton*, Esq; another Son of *Sir Gervase Clifton*,

Clifton, Kt. and Bart. by his sixth Wife *Jane*, Daughter of *Anthony Eyre*, Esq;

Which Sir *Gervase* now resides at *Clifton*, and hath marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Dudley Bagnall*, of the *Neury*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esq; [which Family is now the only remaining Branch of those two famous Brothers, Sir *Samuel* and Sir *Henry Bagnall*, who were sent into *Ireland* by Queen *Elizabeth*, the first with the Title of Marshal of that Kingdom; and the latter distinguish'd himself very eminently at the taking of *Cadix*, where he receiv'd eight Wounds, and cover'd with Blood, was then knighted] by whom he hath Issue six Sons, *Robert*, *William*, *Dudley*, *Alfred*, *George*, and *Gervase*, and one Daughter, *Jane*, all living unmarried, 1713.



A R M S.

Sable semi de Cinqfoils, a Lyon rampant, Argent.

C R E S T.

Out of a Ducal Coronet, a demy Peacock, per pale Argent, and Sable, her Wings expanded counterchang'd.

M O T T O.

Tenez le Droit.

Sir

Sir THOMAS GERARD of BRYN,
Kt. Lanc. N^o 14.

(May 22, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

AS it was the Custom, in ancient Times, for Persons to assume Sir-names from their Possessions, Offices, &c. so did they likewise frequently vary the same in After-Ages. Hence is it we often meet with several Families of different Appellation, descended from one common Ancestor, as will, among others, evidently appear in the following Account.

Walter Fitzother, at the Time of the general Survey by *William* the Conqueror, was Castellan of *Windsor*, Warden of the Forests in *Berkshire*, and possess'd several Lordships in the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Hants*, and *Bucks*; (a) that *Dominus Oterus* held in the Time of *Edward* the Confessor.

William, the eldest Son of that *Walter*, took the Sir-name of *Windsor* from his Father's Office, and was Ancestor to the Lords *Windsor*, (b) whose Heir is the present Earl of *Plymouth*; and from *Gerald*, Brother to that *William*, the *Gerards*, and many other Families, are lineally descended.

The said *Gerald* is sometimes sir-nam'd *de Windsor*, and also *Fitz-Walter*, (i. e.) Son of *Walter*; the latter *Cambden* stiles him, mentioning, that King *Henry* the 1st gave him *Molesford*, in *Com. Berks*; (c) and that the *Carews*, as well of *England* as *Ireland*, descended from him. He was Castellan of *Pembroke*, which Castle he fortify'd and defended with great Courage against the *Welsh*; and having slain *Oen*, Son of *Cadugan ap Blethyn*, chief Lord
of

(a) *Doomsday*, Lib. de iisd. Com. (b) *Dugd. Baron*, Vol. 1 and 2. (c) *Cambd. Brit. Com. Berks.*

of *Cardigan-shire*, was made Pefident of the County of *Pembrook*. He had by *Nesta* his Wife, Daughter of *Rees*, Son of *Theodore* the Great Prince of *South-Wales*, three Sons, *William*, *Maurice*, and *David*; the latter was Bishop of *St. David's*, *A. D.* 1148, and dy'd 1176.

Maurice Fitz-Gerald, the second Son, was one of the Adventurers with *Richard Strongbow*, Earl of *Pembrook*, in the Conquest of *Ireland*; and with *Robert Fitz-Stephen*, his half Brother, 130 Soldiers, and 300 Foot-Archers, landed at *Barwan*, *A. D.* 1619, took *Weisford*, (a) and by their Valour open'd the Way for subjecting that Dominion to the Crown of *England*: The said *Maurice* settling there, became the Ancestor to several great and noble Families, which flourish'd in that Kingdom, particularly to the Earls of *Kildare*, Premier Earls of that Realm; a younger Branch of which are the Earls of *Desmond*, (third Earl of the said Kingdom) the last of which was *Gerald Fitz-Gerald*, the eleventh Earl of *Desmond*, who had vast Possessions, and many Castles, with *Kerry*, a County-Palatine, a Number of Vassals, and of his Kindred and Sir-name above 500 Gentlemen, with which Power (being encourag'd by the Pope and the *Spaniards*) he rais'd great Commotions in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, and ruin'd himself and almost his whole Kindred.

William Fitz-Gerald, eldest Son of *Gerald*, was possess'd of the Castle of *Karriu*, or *Carrio*, in *South-Wales*, the Inheritance of his Mother; and 12 *Henry* the II^d, held in *England*, in *Com. Bucks*, two Knights-Fees in Hermitage, (b) as also the Manour of *Sperfelt*. He, and *Odo* his Son, gave the Village of *Redbard*, distant a Mile from *Carew-Castle*, to the Knights-Templers, (c) and dy'd 1173.

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(a) *Leic. Ant.* (b) *Lib. rub. in Scac.* (c) *E. Col. Cambdex ex Regist. Sancti Johannis Hierusal.*

From this *Odo*, who had the said Castle of *Karriu*, *Carrio*, or *Carew* as now written, the numerous Family of the *Carews* descend, as we shall farther shew in this Work. From *Raymund*, another of the Sons of the said *William*, sometimes call'd *Crassus*, a principal Sharer in the Conquest of *Ireland*, who had a natural Son nam'd *Maurice*, the Lords *Fitz-Maurice* of *Kerry*, in *Ireland*, derive themselves, the said *Raymund* having no Issue by his Wife *Basilia*, Daughter to *Richard Strongbow*, Earl of *Pembrook*. *Silvester*, *Henry*, and *William*, were other Sons of the aforesaid *William Fitz-Gerald*; the latter is the direct Ancestor to this Family of *Gerard*, that we are to treat of. (d) He was Justice in Eyre, in *Com. Cestr.* and was Father of that *William* who marry'd *Emme*, eldest Daughter and Co-heir to Sir *Richard Kingsley de Kingsley*, in *Com. Cest.* Kt. and of *Joan* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir of *Alex. de Stanton*; whose Mother *Annabella*, was Daughter and Heir of *Randolph Silvester*, 18 E. 1. The said *William Gerard*, 16 E. 1, was one of the Jury on the Death of Sir *Hamon Massy* of *Dunbam-Massy*: He left Issue two Sons, *William* and *John*.
 • *William*, the eldest, marry'd *Matilda*, Daughter to *Henry de Glasebouse*, did Homage to *Edward* Earl of *Chester*, afterwards King E. 2. for his Lands in *Chester*, and dy'd at *Eton-Hall* 26 E. 2. He left Issue two Sons, *William* and *Thomas Gerrard*. The said *Thomas* had *Crewood*, and divers Lands in *Kingsley-Crouton* and *Bradley*, by Gift of his Father, which were confirm'd to him by his Brother, 33 E. 3. From him the *Gerrards* of *Crew*, in *Cheshire* descended, that is now ended in an Heirefs, marry'd to *Edward Norris* of *Speake*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq;
 • *William*, the elder Brother, was aged thirty Years (*) at his Father's Death; and by Marriage

(d) Ex Stem. pnes Sir W. Gerard. (*) Esch. 26 Edward III.

riage with the Daughter and Heir of *Peter de Bryn*, or *Brynbill*, in *Com. Lanc.* became possess'd of that Estate, which he left to his Son *Sir Peter Gerard de Bryn*, who dy'd 4 Ric. 2. leaving *Thomas*, his eldest Son, Heir to the Estate at *Bryn*; to *Peter*, his second Son, he left *Kingsley*; and *John*, his third Son, marrying *Helen*, only Daughter and Heir to *Richard de Ince*, (the intended Wife of *Thomas*, his elder Brother, then engag'd in the Wars against the *Scots*) became possess'd of that Estate; and from them the noble Family of the *Gerards*, Barons of *Gerards-Bromley*, the late Earls of *Macclesfield*, the *Gerards of Flambords*, *Barts*. and other Branches, are descended.

The said *Thomas*, the eldest Son, was knighted in the *Scottish Wars*, having valiantly behav'd himself, and brought considerable Succours to that Service. 17 Ric. 2, being then a Knight, he serv'd in Parliament for *Lancashire*, (*) and left Issue

Sir Thomas Gerrard, Kt. who receiv'd a Commission from *H. 4.* as Duke of *Lancaster*, to appear at *Shrewsbury* with able Men, [*Homines defensibiles.*] The said *Sir Thomas* left Issue a Son of his one Name, the 1st of *H. 5.* who attended that Prince in his glorious Wars against *France*; and *John Gerrard*, to whom a Commission of Array was sent by the said King. The last *Sir Thomas Gerard*, Kt. left Issue *Sir Thomas Gerrard*, Kt. 13 *H. 6.* who was likewise in the Wars against *France*, and dying without Issue,

Sir Thomas Gerard of *Kingsley*, became his Heir, (who was Great Grand-son to *Peter Gerard* of *Kingsley* before-mention'd) who was living temp. *H. 4.*; and marrying *Isabel*, Daughter to *Thomas Strangeways*, Esq; had Issue *John*, who dy'd 10 *H. 6.* Father to *Peter*,

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(*) *Prun's Regist. Vol. 4 p. 423.*

who deas'd 4 H. 7, Father to Sir Thomas Gerard last nam'd, aged 14 Years, Anno 18 H. 7. (†)

Which Sir Thomas marrying Dowse, Daughter to Sir Thomas Ashton of Underlyne, in Com. Lane. Kt. had Issue by her, Peter, who marry'd Margaret, Daughter of Sir William Stanley, Kt. and Heir to her Mother, Margaret, Daughter and Heir to Sir John Bromley of Bromley, in Staffordshire, Kt. but dying before his Father, A. D. 1492, 8 H. 7, was bury'd with his Ancestors, in their Chapel adjoining to the Parish Church of Winwick, and a Monument erected to his Memory, is yet remaining. The said Peter left Issue Sir Thomas Gerard, and four Daughters, Joan, Wife to Richard Done of Uxington, in Cheshire; Isabel marry'd Richard Langton, stild Baron Walton and Newton, in Lancashire; the third Daughter marry'd Will. Ratcliff of Wimberly; and the fourth, John Southworth of Samsbury, Esqrs.

Sir Thomas Gerard succeeded his Grand-father Sir Thomas, in the Estates of Bryn and Kingsley; he brought considerable Succours of his Tenants and Archers out of Brindall, to the Assistance of Thomas Earl of Surry, against the Scots, who, Anno 1513, enter'd Northumberland, whilst King H. 8 was busy in his Wars in France. At Flodden-Field both Armies engaging, Sir Thomas behav'd himself with great Valour; and to the Lancashire Archers, the Fame of that great Victory is generally own'd, wherein the King of Scotland was slain; and the principal of his Nobility and Gentry had the same Fate, or were taken Prisoners.

This Sir Thomas, by Margaret his Wife, Daughter of Sir Edmund Trafford of Trafford, in Com. Lanc. Kt. Widow first to ——— Longford, secondly, to Sir John Fort; had Issue by her Thomas, his Son and Heir, and four Daughters, Margaret, Wife to

(†) Esch. de iisd. Arm.

to *Peter Legh* of *Lyme*, in *Com. Cestr.* *Catbarine*, Wife to *Thomas Houghton* of *Houghton-Tower*; *Elizabeth*, Wife of *Richard Bold* of *Bold*; and ——— Wife to *Richard Ashton* of *Middleton*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esquires.

Thomas, Son and Heir of the last *Sir Thomas*, receiv'd also the Honour of Knighthood; was Knight of the Shire for *Lancashire*, 8th and 9th Years of *Q. Eliz.* and one of the Principal of the Committee of 30 Members, to consult with a Committee of 30 Lords, (*) to make Suit to her Majesty, touching her Marriage and Declaration of a Successor. He marry'd *Jane*, Daughter of *Sir Peter Legh* of *Lyme*, and was High-Sheriff *A. D.* 1548. They left Issue *Sir Thomas Gerard*, Kt. who was High-Sheriff of *Lancashire* 1553 and 1558; and was one of the Commissioners for the Subsidy in the Year 1553, with *Edward* Earl of *Derby*, *Sir Richard Molineux* of *Seston*, *Sir Peter Legh*, *Sir John Holecroft*, *Sir John Atberton*, and *Sir William Norris*: He marry'd *Elizabeth*, eldest Daughter of *Sir John Port* of *Etwall*, in *Derbyshire*, Kt. *George*, Earl of *Huntington*, marry'd *Dorothy* the second Daughter; and *Sir Thomas Stanhope* (Ancestor to the present Earl of *Chesterfield*) *Margaret*, the third Daughter, at *Bryn*, Co-heiresses to the said *Sir John Port*, who was Founder of the Hospital of *Etwall*, and the Free-School of *Repton* in the said County; of which said Hospital and School, worth above 500*l.* per *Ann.* the said three Families are Governours, by the last Will and Testament of the said *Sir John Port*, and by Letters Patent granted by King *Jam.* 1. The said *Sir Thomas Gerard* was cast into the *Tower* twice, being accus'd of a Design to deliver the Queen of *Scots* out of her Confinement; and was forc'd, to procure his own Liberty, to give the noble Estate of the *Bromley's*,

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(*) *Dew's Journal*, p. 126.

descended to him by his Great Grand-mother, to his Kinsman, then Attorney-General, *Sir Gilbert Gerard*, afterwards Master of the Rolls, and give away and Mortgage several Lordships in *Leicestershire*, *Derbyshire*, *Cheeshire*, and *Torkshire*, besides *Brindall*, *Scormensdale*, and half *Kirkby* in *Lancashire*. The said *Sir Thomas Gerard* left Issue *Sir Thomas Gerard*, Kt. and *John Gerard*, who was several Times tortur'd in the *Tower*; out of which he made his Escape, and was chiefly instrumental in building the College at *Liege*, where he dy'd in Opinion of great Sanctity. The said *Sir Thomas Gerard*, Kt. was created a Baronet at the first Institution of that Honour, *Anno 1611, 9 Jac.* The 1000*l.* which he was to have given for it, was return'd, in Consideration of his Father's great Sufferings upon the Queen of *Scots* Account, Mother to the said King, a Grant for perpetuating the Sheriffdom of *Lanc.* in his Family, and some other beneficial Grants were promis'd him; but not perform'd, being alledg'd to be against the Liberty of the Subject. He marry'd *Cecily*, Daughter of *Sir Walter Mainey* of *Kent*, and had Issue *Sir Thomas Gerard*, Kt. in his Father's Life-Time, who marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of *Sir Richard Molineux* of *Sefton*, Kt. and Bart. and a Daughter, *Frances*, Wife to *Ralph Standish* of *Standish*, Esq; The last *Sir Thomas Gerard* had Issue *Sir William Gerard*, Bart. *Richard Gerard*, *Gilbert*, *Peter*, *Thomas*, and *John*, with a Daughter *Frances*, who took a religious Habit at *Graveling* in *Flanders*.

Sir William Gerard marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Sir Cuttbert Clifton* of *Lytbam*, Kt. and just before the unfortunate breaking out of the Civil Wars, he sold *Etwall* in *Derbyshire*, the only remaining Part of his Great Grand-mother *Elizabeth Port*'s large and fair Estate, for an intended Purchase of the whole Manour of *Newton* in *Lancashire*;

cashire; but the Sum design'd for that End, being 10000*l.* was spent in the King's Service; the greatest Part of which was given to the Marquês of *Worcester*, and the Earl of *Derby*, for that Use; the said Sir *William Gerard* was Governor of *Derby* Castle, one of the last in the Kingdom which held out for the King; his Estate was sequester'd, which he was forc'd to purchase from the Parliament.

Richard Gerard, the second Son, born in *October* 1613; at the Age of twenty one, was one of those that went first into *Maryland* with Mr. *Calvert*, the Lord *Baltimore's* Uncle, Lord Proprietor thereof, where he continu'd 'til the latter End of the Year 1635, and then return'd for *England*, where he then continu'd 'til the Year 1638; at what Time he rais'd a Company of Foot, with which he went into the Service of the King of *Spain* in the *Low Countries*, and continu'd in that Service 'til the breaking out of civil Wars in *England*; when the then Queen of *England* coming over into *Holland*, to her Son-in-Law the Prince of *Orange*, to obtain some Succours from him, he then quitted the *Spanish* Service, and came to the Queen at the *Hague*, where her Majesty was pleas'd to order him to raise a Regiment of Foot-Guards, whereof he was to be Lieutenant Colonel; and coming over into *England* with her said Majesty, landing at *Burlington-Bay*, he immediately repair'd to the then Earl of *Newcastle*, from whom he receiv'd his Commission as Lieutenant-Colonel of the said Regiment, dated the 16th of *March* 1642; and then marching with her Majesty to *Oxford*, in his Way was order'd to attack the Town of *Burton* upon *Trent*, then garrison'd by the Parliament; and being join'd by a Party of Horse, under the Command of Sir *Thomas Tyllesly*, the Town was attack'd by the Horse over the Bridge, and

by the Foot thro' the River, in which he receiv'd a Shot thro' his Thigh, notwithstanding the Town was carry'd: After which, he continu'd his March to *Oxford*, where a long Time he lay ill of his said Wound, so that he was not able to take the Field again 'til the second *Newbery-Battel*, where he then commanded the Reserve, consisting of the Regiment of Guards and *Hawkins*; and upon the Surrender of *Oxford*, he had the Benefit of those Articles. Waiting upon his Majesty when he was Prisoner at ———, he was the last Person sent by his Majesty to his Queen, then in *France*. Upon the happy Restoration of King *Charles 2*, in *May 1660*, the first of *January* after, he was sworn Cup-bearer in ordinary, and Waiter to the then Queen-Mother, in which Office he continu'd 'til her Majesty's Death. He departed this Life the 5th of *September 1686*, at *Ince*, which Estate he had purchas'd, and lies bury'd in the Parish-Church of *Wigan*, in the Chancel belonging to the Family. He marry'd two Wives, 1. *Frances*, Daughter of *Sir Ralph Hansly* of *Tickebill Castle*, in the County of *York*, Kt. by whom he had a Son, who dy'd in his Infancy. 2. *Judith*, Daughter to *Sir Nicholas Steward* of *Pateshall*, in the County of *Northampton*, Esq; by whom he had six Sons, *Thomas* and *Richard* living; *William*, *Nicholas*, *John*, and *Charles* dy'd: And three Daughters, *Frances* dy'd Abbess of *Gaunt* in *Flanders*; *Anne* a Nun, at *Liege*; and *Fulima* dy'd in her Infancy.

Thomas Gerard of *Ince*, and *Aspul*, his eldest Son, has six Daughters and four Sons now living; and *Richard Gerard*, his second Son, has Issue one Son and two Daughters.

Sir William last mention'd had Issue *Sir William Gerard*; *Thomas Gerard*, who was a Captain, and afterwards religious; *John Gerard*, who marry'd the Heiress of *Ince*, and *Frances*, Wife to *Frances Howard* of *Corby*, Esq;

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Sir *William Gerard*, the eldest Son, marry'd *Anne Preston*, eldest Sister of Sir *Thomas Preston* of *Mannor*, (whose eldest Daughter and Co-heir *Mary*, marry'd the Lord *Montgomery*; and *Anne*, the second Daughter, is Wife to the Lord *Clifford*) and by her had Issue the present Sir *William Gerard*, *Thomas*, *John*, and *Francis*, who dy'd young: And six Daughters, *Mary*, *Elizabeth*, *Anne*, (who marry'd *Charles Waterton* of *Walton*, in the County of *Tork*, Esq;) *Bridget*, *Frances*, and *Winifred*. The second Wife to the late Sir *William Gerard*, was *Mary Mostin*, Sister of Sir *Edward Mostin* of *Talacre*, Bart. and Widow of *James Pool*, Esq; she is now living.

The present Sir *William Gerard*, marry'd *Mary*, second Daughter of *John Cansfield*, of *Cansfield*, Esq; and *Elizabeth* his Wife; she (by the Death of her elder Sister *Anne*, Widow and Relict of *Richard Sberburn* of *Stonyhurst*, Esq;) became sole Heiress to her Father's Estate, as also to her Mother's, who was Daughter to *James Anderton* of *Bireblay*, Esq; Her Grand-father, Sir *John Cansfield*, behav'd himself with great Courage and Bravery in the late Civil Wars; and King *Charles I.* owns the Preservation of his own Life, and that of his Son the Prince of *Wales*, at the second *Newbery* Battel, in a great Measure due to his Valour, as appears from a Testimonial in *Latin*, under the Hand of that pious King, now in the Custody of the said Sir *William Gerard*. Which Sir *William* and his Lady, were both born the 22d of *June*; he in 1662, and she in 1671. They had first three Daughters, *Anne*, *Mary*, and *Elizabeth*; and since, three Sons, *William*, *John*, and *Thomas*.

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Argent, a Saltier Gules.

C R E S T.
On a Torce a Marmoset proper, chain'd about the Waste with a Ring, Or; but the Family at present bear a Lyon rampant.

Sir WALTER ASTON of TIXHALL,
Knight of the Bath. Staff. N^o 15.

(22 May, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

Whether this Family be a Branch of the *Astons* of *Cheeshire*, or whether they were originally of the County of *Stafford*, and took their Name from the Town of *Aston*, or *Æstow*, in that County, is not determin'd; *Camden* mentions them; for Kindred and Antiquity, to be one of the best in *Staffordshire*. (a) Another Author (b) gives this Account of them; *A more noble Family*, (says he) *measuring on the Level of flat and inadventur'd Antiquity, is not to be met with; they have ever born a good Respect to the Church and learned Men, and not without just Reason, seeing Roger de Moland, Bishop of Litchfield, in the Reign of King H. 3, gave Heywood in this County, to Roger de Aston.* (c)

The said Roger was Son of *Ralph de Astona*, or *de Æstona*, as written 28 E. 1 (d); to which Roger,
Son

(a) *Britannia in Com. Staff.* (b) *Fuller's Worth. de Com. Staff.*
(c) *Erdswick View's of Staff, MSS.* (d) *Ex Stemmat. hujus familiae penes Dom. Aston.*

Son of *Ralyb de Aston of Heywood*, *John* the Son of *Thomas Boxland*, pass'd one Tenement in *Blythbury* with the *Homages, Rents, Warenties, Services, Suits of Court, Reliefs, Wards, and Eschaets.* (e)

Mr. *Erdswick* mentions another good proper House in *Longdon*, usually employ'd to the Use of the younger Brothers of *Aston of Heywood*; for in that Name (saith he) it hath continu'd ever since E. 1, or longer, and divers of the younger Brothers there dwelt. (f)

Sir *John de Aston*, Kt. Son of that *Roger*, (by *Sibyl* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir James de Launda*) was return'd one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Stafford*, 7 E. 3. having with *Sir Richard de Falede*, the other Knight, Allowance of Expences for eighteen Days Attendance on the Parliament; (g) *Anno* 18 E. 3, he was High-Sheriff; in which Year his Son *Roger de Aston* was return'd one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Stafford* at the Parliament then held at *Westminster*; and, with *John de Draycot*, the other Knight, had Writs of Expences issu'd out for twenty eight Days Attendance. This *Sir Roger* was also Knight of the Shire 32 E. 3, with *John de Draycot*, and their Expences were allow'd for thirty Days Attendance. (a)

Son and Heir to *Sir Roger*, was *Sir John de Aston*, Kt. 34 E. 3, whose Mother *Isabel* was living, and in Widowhood 43 E. 3.

After him succeeded *Sir Thomas de Aston of Heywood*, Kt. who serv'd in several Parliaments, from the 3d to the 12th of R. 3, for the County of *Stafford*, as he did also *Anno* 1 and 8 H. 4. (c) After which, viz. in the 10th Year of that King's Reign, he was constituted High-Sheriff of the said County.

(e) *Erdswick prædict.* (f) *Id. ibid.* (g) *Brynn's Parl. Regist.* vol. 4. p. 125. (a) *Brynn. Regist. Parl.* vol. 4. de eisd. ann. (c) *Brynn prædict. de eisd. An.*

ty. He marry'd *Elizabeth*, Sister and Heir of *Reginald de Leigh*, that dy'd Issueless Anno 33 E. 3, Son of *Richard*, Son of *Reginald* Lord of *Parkball*, 10 E. 2. By this Inter-marriage, a good Estate accru'd to him, and Sir *Roger Aston*, Kt. his Son and Heir, marrying *Joyce*, Sister and Co-heir to Sir *Baldwin Frevile*, who dy'd 6 H. 5, had a third Part of that Inheritance. The Ancestors of the *Freviles* had been Barons of Parliament, and were the Heirs-general of the noble Families of *Marmion* and *Montfort de Beaufort*, of whom Sir *William Dugdale* has written largely in his *Baronage*.

The said Sir *Roger de Aston*, 10 H. 6, executed the Office of High-Sheriff for *Staffordshire*, and was one of the prime Gentry return'd by the Commissioners for that County 12 H. 6, A. D. 1433. He dy'd in the 25th Year of that King's Reign, leaving Issue a Daughter *Joan*, Wife of Sir *Roger Draycot*, Kt. and a Son, Sir *Robert Aston*, Kt.

Which Sir *Robert* was High-Sheriff of *Staffordshire*, Anno 31 H. 6, and was living 1 E. 4. He marry'd *Isabel*, Daughter to Sir *William Brereton* of *Brereton*, in *Com. Cestr.* Kt. and had Issue two Daughters, *Pretronel*, Wife of *Richard Bidulf*; and *Isabel*, of *Richard Bagot*, Esqs; and *John*, his Son and Heir.

Which *John* was High-Sheriff, Anno 16 E. 4, and dy'd 1 R. 3, having by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter to *John Delves* of *Daddington*, Esq; two Sons, Sir *John* and *Richard Aston* of *Wharecross*, and many Daughters, viz, *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *John Bassett* of *Blore*; *Isabel*, to *Humfry Okeover* of *Okeover*; *Catherine*, to *Thomas Blount* of *Burton*; *Margaret*, to *Thomas Kynardsley* of *Lokesley*, afterwards to *Ralph Wolsay*, all in *Com. Staff.* *Alice*, to *John Dodd* of *Chorley*; and *Rose*, to *Thomas Cludd* of *Ormesby*, in *Com. Salop*, Esquires; also one to Sir *Andrew Colwich*

wich of Colwich; another to—— Dudley of Sedgley; and a third to—— Bradock of Egbaston.

John, eldest Son and Heir of the last John, made a considerable Figure in the Times he liv'd. In the 11th Year of the Reign of King H. 7, the Bishop of *Litchfield* disputing his Title of hereditary Master and Ruler of the Game of *Caukwood*, the principal Gentlemen of *Staffordshire* sign'd the following Certificate, which, with another sign'd the 6th of *October*, 36 *Eliz.* are in the Possession of the present Lord *Aston*; and on Occasion given, were produc'd and read in the *Chancery Court* in *Hillary Term*, 1712; which Certificates, by Reason of their Antiquity, and the Eminency of the Persons certifying, may not be improper to insert.

A Certificate touching the Game of Caukwood, the 8th of June 11 H. 7.

‘ TO all Christen People, to whom this pre-
 ‘ sent Writing shall come. Wee *Edwarde* Lorde
 ‘ *Dudley*, *John* Abbot of *Crokesden*, *George* Abbot
 ‘ of *Roucester*, *Thomas* Prior of *Trentham*, *Roger* Pri-
 ‘ or of *Renton*, *William* Littleton, Kt. *Hugh* Eger-
 ‘ ton, Sayer, *Humfrey* Pesshall, Sayer, *William* De-
 ‘ thick, Sayer, *John* Harcourt, Sayer, *John* Mit-
 ‘ ton, Sheriff of the County of *Stafford*, Sayer,
 ‘ *Richard* Wrottesley, Sayer, *William* Asley, Sayer,
 ‘ *John* Egerton, Riden of the *Caukwood*, Sayer,
 ‘ —— Sayer, *Rauff* Wolfeley, Sayer, *John* Dray-
 ‘ cote, Sayer, *Hugh* Erdeswick, Sayer, *Lewes* Paget,
 ‘ Sayer, *Thomas* Harcourt, Sayer, *Humfrey* Oker,
 ‘ Sayer, *John* Swynerton of *Iswale*, Sayer, ——
 ‘ Sayer, *Robert* Wodde of *Kele*, Gent. *John* Dray-
 ‘ cote Baylif of *Heywood*, Gent. *John* Ashebey of
 ‘ *Staff.* Gent. —— Gent. *Robert* Dorington of *Co-*
 ‘ *ton*, Gent. *Rauf* Downe, Gent. *Thomas* Rowdon and
 ‘ *Roger*

Roger Buttere, late Baillieffs of the Town of Stafford, Thomas Bolwich, Gent. Deputy to John Aston, Richard Dutton, oon of the Keepers of the Caukewood, John Ellesmere, anoder of the Keepers of the Caukewood, Reynold Weston, oon of the Keepers of the Caukewodde, John Snowe, late a Keeper of the Caukewodde, William Wolseley of the Cauke, late a Keeper of the Caukewood, William Whitby, late oon of the Keepers of the Caukewode, John Weston of Tixfall, oon of the Keepers of the same Wodde, William Holt of Bersdon, Yeoman, send Gretyng in our Lord everlasting. AND forasmuch as we be inform'd, that divers Debats and Variance resten between the Right Reverent Fader in God, late Bishop of Chester, and John Aston of Heywode, in the County of Stafford, Sqyer, of, for, and upon the Right, Title, and Possession of the Office of the Masterhip of the Game and Rule of the Caukewodde: That is to say, whether oon John Aston, late deceas'd, Fader to the seid John Aston that nowe is on Life, should have and be seased in his Lif, and at Tyme of his Deth, the Kaping, Rule, and Governauce of the said Caukewodde and Game, or no. And by cause it is necessarie, requisite, duty, meritorious to every Man, to sey and showe the Truth of every Thyng that he is required unto, as far forth as they knowe: We therefore certifie and showe of very Troth, that we knowe well that the seid John Aston late deceased, Fader to the seid John Aston, now oon Life, was seased of the seid Office, Rule, and Game. And that the seid John his Son, entred into the same after his Deth, and hath had the Possession thereof, and yet hath; and we know also, by the continual making of Officers under hym, and rulyng the Game the while he liffed, and also bitaken of the Fees of Venyson and has

contenued;

' continued; and by diverse Obligations to hym
 ' made by suche Persons as had offended withyn
 ' the Office, durying his Tyme, for their abey-
 ' reing. And all these Premisses be as well knowen
 ' by the Substance of all the Countrey, as by us;
 ' and it openly shewed, and ever hath ben ther,
 ' that the said *John*, late disceased, had the same
 ' Office granted to his Ancestors, and to their
 ' Heirs for ever in Fee, by the Predecessors of the
 ' seid Bishop and Chapter then beying; and so
 ' have continued it sithen till now. All the
 ' which Premisses, as fer forth as it is aforesaid,
 ' and as we know we be, and wil be redy to showe
 ' and sey, when shal be requyred to the same.
 ' In Witness whereof to this Present our seying
 ' and writeing, have sette our Seales the eighth
 ' Day of *Juny*, the xi Yer of Kyng *Henry* the
 ' VIIth.

Underneath was set the Hands and Seals of the several Persons before recited.

*Certificate touching the Mastership of the
 Game of Caukewood, 6 Octob. 36 Eliz.
 A. D. 1594.*

' **T**O all Christian People to whom this Pre-
 ' sent shall come to be seen, read, or heard,
 ' we whose Names are herein contain'd and
 ' subscrib'd, with our Hands and Seals, greeting,
 ' in our Lord God everlasting. Whereas it is a
 ' Thing very fit and convenient for all Men to
 ' witness the Truth, in such Causes, whereof ei-
 ' ther for the present, or in Time to come, there
 ' may arise any Question or Doubt, for that we
 ' understand that the Inheritance of *Caukewood*
 ' and *Bewdextert Park*, with many other Things,
 ' are come to the Hands of our most gracious So-
 ' veraigne

' veraigne Lady Queen *Elizabeth*, upon the At-
 ' taynder of *Thomas Lord Paget*: And therefore
 ' in that her Majesty's Officers should be truly
 ' inform'd what Interest any Man hath, or con-
 ' tinually hath used or enjoyed there. We do
 ' testifie thus much upon our Knowledges, and
 ' upon a true and certain Information, that Sir
 ' *Edward Aston*, Kt. now presently living, Sir *Wal-*
 ' *ter Aston*, Kt. his Father, and Sir *Edward Aston*,
 ' Kt. his Grand-father, and all his Ancestors, since
 ' the 19th Year of K. E. 1, have exercised, used,
 ' and enjoyed the Office of Master of the Game,
 ' in the *Caukewood* and *Bewdertz* Park, as in pu-
 ' nishing such as do offend, in taking Bonds of
 ' such as hunt unlawfully there, for there good
 ' Behaviour to the Game in appointing a Keep-
 ' er to walk, and have care of the Game in
 ' *Caukewood*; in serving many Warrants, in ta-
 ' king as his Fee Deer one Buck and one Doe
 ' yearly, in *Bewdertz* Park; and also your Um-
 ' bles of all Deere, killed either in *Caukewood* or
 ' *Bewdertz* Parke, by taking, as his Fee, all Deer
 ' killed by Casualty or Mischance, and other
 ' Things belonging to that Office. All which is
 ' well known to all the Country, as well as to us.
 ' And that these Things above-written have been
 ' admitted and allow'd, without Contradiction,
 ' by *William Lord Paget*, during his Life, and by
 ' *Thomas Lord Paget*, until five or six Years be-
 ' fore his Departure out of *England*; at which
 ' Time, upon some other Controversies betwixt
 ' the said *Thomas Lord Paget*, and Sir *Walter Aston*,
 ' he did not willingly allow of his Office of Ma-
 ' ster of Game: Yet notwithstanding that he did
 ' not allow thereof, yet Sir *Walter Aston* did use
 ' and enjoy his Office until his Death; and Sir
 ' *Edward Aston* doth presently enjoy it; even until
 ' this Day. And thus much for the certifying a
 ' Truth.

Truth, we all are ready to Witness; that is to
 say, *William* Lord Bishop of *Coventry* and *Litch-*
field, *Christopher Blunt*, Kt. *Henry Griffith*, Esq;
 High-Sheriff of the County of *Stafford*, *John*
Bowes, Kt. *Ralph Egerton*, Kt. *Edward Lyt-*
leton, Kt. *Roder* of *Caukewood*, *Walter Harcourt*,
 Kt. *Thomas Gresley*, Esq; *Ralph Sneyde*, Esq; *Richard*
Bagot, Esq; her Majesty's High-Steward of all
 Liberties of *Caukewood*, *Edward Leigh*, Esq; *Ro-*
bert Stamford, Esq; *Francis Biddulph*, Esq; *Walter*
Fowler, Esq; Borderer and Commoner in *Cauke-*
wood, *Thomas Wolseley*, Esq; Borderer and Com-
 moner in *Caukewood*, *Walter Pouye*, Gent. Borderer
 and Commoner in *Caukewood*, *Anthony Gowre*,
 Gent. Bayley to her Majesty of the Manour of
Heywood, Parcel of the Liberty of *Caukewood*,
Thomas Hand, one of the Keepers of *Caukewood*,
John Osbourne, one other of the Keepers of *Cauke-*
wood, and *John Allyn*, sometimes a Keeper of
Caukewood. Given under our Hands and Seals
 the sixth Day of *October*, in the xxxvith Yeare
 of the Reigne of our Sovereign Lady *Elizab-*
eth, by the Grace of God, of *England*, *France*,
 and *Ireland*, Queen, Defender of the Faith, &c.
 1594.

Underneath their several Hands and Seals were set.

The said *John Aston*, Esq; was made Knight of
 the *Bath*, at the Marriage of Prince *Arthur*, eldest
 Son of K. H. 7, with the Infanta of *Spain*; and in
 the 24th Year of his Reign, was High-Sheriff of
 the County of *Stafford*. He embark'd in the Ex-
 pedition into *Britany*, 3 H. 8, and assisted that
 King at the Sieges of *Terovin* and *Tournay*; and for
 his Conduct and Bravery at the Battel of *Spurrs*; (b)

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(b) *Nomina Equitum sub H. 8. in Bibl. Cotton.*

was then made Knight Baneret in the open Field. He was again High-Sheriff of the aforesaid County 5 H. 8, and in the 17th of that Reign, departed this Life.

He had to Wife *Jorn*, Daughter of Sir *William Littleton*, Kt. (Son and Heir to the famous Lawyer) (a) and Heir to her Mother (his first Wife) *Helena*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Robert Waleys*, Lord of *Wanlip* in *Com. Leic.* and of *Margery* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Richard Byron*, Kt. On which Marriage the Manour of *Tixhall*, or *Ticksfall*, came into this Family. The first Possessor of it after the Conquest, was *Roger de Montgomery*. In the Time of *H. 2*, *Paganus de Gastenoy*, or *Wastenoy*, had it, in which Family it continu'd several Generations, 'til the Daughter and Heir marry'd Sir *John Monstun*. (b) *Rose*, the Wife of that Sir *John*, sold it to the *Littletons*. In the Deed (c) she sets forth who she was, and adviseth with her Council, whether she could sell the same without Peril of her Soul.

Sir *John* had two Sons by the Lady aforesaid, Sir *Edward* and *William*; and two Daughters, *Anne* Wife of ——— *Curson* of *Croxhall*, in *Com. Derb.* and *Helena*, marry'd first to *Hugh Erdswick* of *Sandon*, Esq; and secondly to *John Morgan*, temp. *H. 8*. This Sir *John Aston* and his Lady, lye bury'd in *Leigh Church*, in *Com. Staff.* where remains the Ruins of a curious marble Monument erected to their Memory. It was richly gilded, and rais'd with Inter-columns, on which is represented a Knight in Armour, and a Lady lying by him, both supine, with their Hands elevated in a praying Posture, and proper Symbols of Valour and Virtue, couchant at his Head and Feet. On the

(a) *Coke's Instit.* vol. 1. in præf. ac. (b) *Erdswick præd.* (c) *Ex Inform. W. Ld. Aston.*

the Sides of the Monument are the Figures of their Children, and round the Verge is this Inscription, in the Characters and Abbreviations of that Age.

*Hic jacent corpora Domini Johannis Aston militis
& Domina Johanna Aston, uxoris ejus qui quidem
Dom. Johannes obiit ——— octavo die Mensis May,
Anno Dom. 1523. Et prae dict. Domina Johanna obiit
——— die Mensis ——— Anno Dom. 15——*

Sir *Edward Aston*, Kt. his eldest Son and Heir, succeeded to the Estate; and by Descent from his Ancestors, had Lands at *Estede*, *Mitchel*, *Herlaveston*, and *Landeshorp*, in *Com. Staff.* which *Radulphus filius Willielmi Cameracii*, immediately after the Conquest, gave to *William de Mara*, whose Heir general Sir *Edward* was; but these Lands he exchange'd with King *H. 8*, upon the Dissolution of the religious Houses, for *Matherfield*, commonly call'd *Mayfield*, belonging to the Priory of *Tutbury*, the Site of the Abbey of *Hilton*, *Brodnoppe*, and divers other Lands. (a)

He built a fair House at *Tixhall*, the first Height from the Ground very well wrought of Stone, the rest of Timber and Plaister, where afterwards he resided (b); and by that Denomination I find him High-Sheriff of the County of *Stafford*, Anno 20 *H. 8*, as also 3 and 4 *Phil.* and *Mary*. He dy'd there Anno 10 *Eliz.* having had Issue, by *Joan* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Bowles*, Esq; one of the Barons of the *Exchequer*, and afterwards a Knight, divers Sons and Daughters, viz. *Catherine*, marry'd first to *Stephen Slaney* of *London* Esq; secondly to *William Chetwind* of *Ingestree*, in *Com. Staff.* and lastly to Sir *Edward Cope* of *Canons Ashby*, in *Com. Northamp.* Knights; which Lady was interr'd

(a) *Erdsvick* præd. pag. 233.(b) *Id.* ut sup. pag. 48.

in the Parish-Church of *St. Giles's in the Fields, Middlesex*, to which she was a Benefactress; and her Arms impal'd, with those of her Husband's, are in the Windows of the said Church. *Mary*, marry'd to *Simon Harcourt* of *Stanton Harcourt, Esq;* and *Frances* to *Robert Needham* of *Shenton, in Com. Leic. Esq;* The Sons were, 1. *Walter*. 2. *Leonard*. And 3. *Anthony*.

Sir Edward and his Lady were bury'd in *St. Mary's Church* at *Stafford*, and a costly mural Monument of Alabaster standing upon Columns, was erected to their Memory; whereon are two principal Figures representing them both lying under a Canopy; and the Images of their several Children are carv'd round the Sides of the Tomb. At the Foot of the Monument is a large *Latin* Inscription, which, for Brevity, is here omitted.

Walter Aston, Esq; eldest Son and Heir of *Sir Edward*, succeeded his Father at *Tixhall, &c.* He, with *William Devereux*, was Knight of the Shire for the County of *Stafford*, 6 E. 6, and was knighted by Queen *Eliz.* soon after her Accession to the Crown. In the 12th and 22d Years of her Reign, he was High-Sheriff of the said County, not dying 'til *A. D.* 1589. He built a very goodly Gatehouse of Stone, before the Mansion-house, which, *Mr. Erdswick* saith, was one of the fairest Pieces of Work in those Countries. (a)

He had in Marriage *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Sir James Levison*, by whom he was Father of six Sons, 1. *Sir Edward*. 2. *Robert*, who marry'd *Joan*, Daughter to Judge *Dallyson* of *Parkball*, and had Issue. 3. *Richard*. 4. *William* of *Middlewich*, who left Posterity. 5. *Hastings Aston*. And 6. *Devereux*.

(a) *Erdswick lib. predict.*

reux. The Daughters of Sir *Walter*, were *Joan*, Wife of *William Crompton* of *Stone*; *Margery*, of *Thomas Affley*; *Eleanor*, of *William Peyto*, Esquires; *Mary*; and *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Basil Fielding*, Esq; Progenitor of the Earls of *Denbigh* and *Desmond*.

Edward Aston, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Walter*, was under Age at his Father's Decease, and was in Ward to her Majesty Queen *Elizabeth*, (a) and afterwards receiv'd from her the Honour of Knighthood; and in the 36th Year of that Queen's Reign, was High-Sheriff of his County; an Office which every individual Ancestor had before underwent, from the Time of King *E. 3.* He built a very fair Lodge in *Tixhall Park*, being five Heighths of Stone, and cover'd it with Lead, but liv'd not to finish it. And he purchas'd of Sir *Thomas Grefeley*, the Manour of *Kingston* in *Grotwick*, which had for many Ages remain'd in that Family.

He had two Wives, 1. *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *John Spencer*, and she dying without Issue *A. D.* 1590. He had for his second Wife, *Anne*, Daughter to Sir *Thomas Lucy*, Kt. from whom proceeded three Sons, 1. *Walter*. 2. *Thomas*, bred in the Study of the Laws at the *Middle-Temple*, but dy'd without Issue; and 3. *Edward*, who marry'd the sole Daughter and Heir of *Lee Sadler* of *Temple Dinsley*, in *Com. Hert.* Esq; Of the Daughters, *Joyce* was Wife to Sir *Matthew Colceper*, de *Com. Oxon.* *Elizabeth*, to ——— *Sanbeck* of *Broadway*, in *Com. Wigon.* *Anne*, to *Ambrose Elton* of *Harrcell*, in *Com. Heref.* and *Jane*, to *Thomas Elton*, M. D. and *Catherine*, who dy'd unmarried.

Walter, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Edward*, was

(a) *Erdswick lib. predict.*

in Ward to Sir *Edward Cook*; and soon after he came of Age, was invested Knight of the *Bath* at the Coronation of King *James I*; and in the eighth Year of the same King, coming to *Standon* in *Hertfordshire*, to furnish himself with Horses against the Time that Prince *Henry* was to be created Prince of *Wales*, * he was so taken (as 'tis reported) with the Beauty and Deportment of *Gertrude*, sole Daughter, and (after the Death of her only Brother *Ralph*, without Issue,) Heir of Sir *Thomas Sadler* of that Place, that he shortly after made her his Wife. He was created a Baronet with the first promoted to that Dignity, and was sent Embassador by King *James*, *A. D.* 1620, to manage the Proposal of a Match between *Charles* Prince of *Wales*, and the *Infanta* of *Spain*. He proceeded in that nice and difficult Treaty with great Prudence and Wariness, and with a sincere Zeal to have serv'd his Prince, yet was a true and fast Friend to the then Duke of *Buckingham*. He return'd into *England* just upon the Expiration of King *James*, and was created by Letters Patent, dated 28 Nov. 3 Car. 1, *A. D.* 1627, Baron of *Forfar* in the County of *Angus*, in the Kingdom of *Scotland*, with all Privileges belonging to a Peer of that Realm, for the good Service he had done in *Spain*. At which Time of his Embassy he was seiz'd of divers Manours and Lordships in the Counties of *Stafford*, *Warwick*, *Derby*, and *Leicester*, to the Value of 10000 *l. per Annum* and upwards; the greatest Part of which, he sold and dispended in that Service, to support the Glory of his Country, whilst his Family remain'd at *Tixhall*; where that pious Poet *Michael Drayton* confesseth,

* Hist. Hertford. Sir H. Chamay.

feth, that his Muse oft found safe and sweet Retreat, and thus windeth up his well-wishing to this Family :

(*) " Whose Bounty still my Muse so freely shall confesse,

" That when she lacketh Words, then Signs shall it expresse.

This Lord dy'd *A. D.* 1639, and was bury'd in the Church of *St. Mary at Stafford*. By the said *Gertrude*, his Lady, he had five Sons, and as many Daughters, 1. *Walter*. 2. *Herbert*. 3. *John*, who marry'd *Catherine*, Sister to Sir *John Thimelby*, Kt. 4. *Thomas*. 5. *Walter*, who both dy'd in their Infancies. The Daughters were *Gertrude*, who dy'd an Infant. *Honoria*, who dy'd at *Victoria* in *Spain*, and was brought over and interr'd at *St. Martins in the Fields*, in the Suburbs of *London*. *Frances*, Wife to Sir *William Pershall* of *Canwell*, in *Com. Staff.* Kt. Another *Gertrude*, Wife to *Henry Thimelby*, third Brother of the said Sir *John*, afterwards vail'd at *Lousine*, and *Constance*, to *Walter Fowler*, of *St. Thomas*, near *Stafford*, Esq; He was succeeded in Honour and Estate by *Walter* his eldest Son.

Which *Walter*, Lord *Aston*, adher'd constantly to the King's Party in the great Rebellion; had a Commission for the raising of a Regiment in the Beginning of the War; but being suspected of inclining too much to the *Roman* Catholick Religion, he found Discouragement and did not proceed in it, yet his Affection never waver'd in the Royal Cause. He liv'd in the King's Garrisons all the Time of the War; was in that memorable Siege of *Litchfield* in *Staffordshire*, which lasted 19 Weeks, and was one of the last Garrisons that

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(*) *Polyolbion* in his 12th Song.

held out for the King, and was one of the last Garrisons that held out for the King, and did not then surrender, but with his Majesty's Approbation. My Lord *Aston*, who was then join'd in Commission with Sir *Thomas Tildesley*, the Governor, sent a trusty Servant, in the Habit of a labouring Man, with a Letter to the King; and in that Disguise he got safe to him at *Newcastle*, and brought back the following Answer:

Newcastle, 6 June 1646.

My Lord Aston and Tildesley,

“ THE greatest of my Misfortunes, is, that
 “ I cannot Reward such gallant and loy-
 “ al Subjects as you are, as I ought or would;
 “ for the present I must deal freely with you,
 “ and give you my Directions; which is, that I
 “ can give you no Relief, but I desire you to
 “ hold out 'til *Oxford* be render'd; which will be
 “ rank'd amongst the rest of the good Services
 “ done by you to

Your most assur'd Friend,

*For the Lord Aston, and
 Sir Tho. Tildesley.*

Charles R.

When *Oxford* was surrender'd, and no Conditions made for them in the Articles, as was suppos'd, they made the best they could for themselves, and were only permitted to go to their own Habitations, and compound for their Estates. He liv'd retir'd 'til the Restoration of his Majesty King *Charles 2*; and in 1660, succeeding to his Mother's Brother's Estate at *Standon*, where the Family now usually resides. He had no farther Reward for his loyal Services and Sufferings, but the obtaining Letters Patents, *Anno* 1663,

1663, to him and his Heirs, for a Market (*) to be held on Friday in every Week, and two several Fairs every Year, in the Town of *Standon*; each respective Fair to continue for two Days, without any Accompt to be render'd into the Exchequer.

He had to Wife *Mary*, second Daughter to *Richard Weston*, Earl of *Portland*; Lord High-Treasurer of *England*; and had Issue four Sons, 1. *Walter*, the next Lord. 2. *Thomas*, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *James Ogle* of *Diffington*, in *Com. Northumb.* Esq; 3. *Charles*, dy'd an Infant. And, 4. *William*, who dy'd without Issue. His Daughters were *Elizabeth*, Wife to Sir *John Southcote* of *Messham*, in *Com. Surr.* Kt. *Frances* to Sir *Edw. Gage* of *Hengrave*, Bart. *Gertrude* and *Mary*, who dy'd unmarried; and *Anne*, the Wife of *Hen. Somerset*, Esq; Son and Heir to *John*, second Son to *Henry*, late Marquess of *Worcester*.

This Lord *Walter* dy'd in the 69th Year of his Age, 23 of *April*, *A. D.* 1678, and was bury'd in the Church of *St. Mary* at *Stafford*. *Walter*, his eldest Son, succeeding him in Honour and Estate.

Which *Walter*, Lord *Alton* of *Forfar*, was born in the Year 1633, had two Wives, first, *Eleanor*, Daughter of Sir *Walter Blount* of *Sodington*, Bart. Widow and Relict to *Robert Knightly* of *Offchurch*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq; which Lady departed this Life the 3d of *Dec.* *A. D.* 1674, having been the Mother of five Sons, viz. 1. *Edward-Walter*, five Years old, *A. D.* 1663, who dy'd at *Clermont-Colledge* in *Paris*. 2. *Francis*, dy'd 1694, both without Issue. 3. *Walter*, the present Lord. 4. *Charles*, born *A. D.* 1664, and Capt. of the Band of Pensioners, *temp. Jac. 2*; but following that unhappy Prince into *Ireland*, was kill'd in the Battel at the River *Boyne*,

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(*) *Chauncey's Hertfordshire*, p. *ibid.*

Boyne, unmarried. The 5th and youngest Son *William*, dy'd an Infant. He had two Daughters, *Mary*, who dy'd unmarried, and *Catherine*, that dy'd an Infant. By his second Wife *Catherine*, (who survives him) youngest Daughter to Sir *Thomas Gage of Ferle*, Bart. he had no Issue.

Walter, the present Lord *Aston*, marry'd *Mary*, sole Daughter to the Lord *Thomas Howard*, second Son to *Henry* Duke of *Norfolk*, and Sister to his Grace the present Duke, and hath Issue two Sons, *Walter* and *Edward*, now living *A. D.* 1714; and one Daughter, *Catherine-Elizabeth*, now living; and three others, *Mary-Anne*, *Mary*, and *Anne*, who dy'd Infants.



A R M S.

Argent, a Fess and three Lozenges in chief, Sable.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath of his Colours, a Bull's Head coup'd, Or, arm'd Argent, the Tips of his Horns Sable. The ancient Crest was on a thin Velamen, or kind of Bonet-Gules turn'd up Ermine, the Attire of a Bull, Buffalo or Corne à blazonner, Argent, pointed Or, tipp'd Sable.

M O T T O.

Contra el Rapido Muero.

S U P P O R T E R S.

Two Roman Knights in their Armament proper, Faces, Hands, and Knees bare, having round Bucklers on their exterior Arms; their Scabbards Sable, Sword-bilts and Chapes Or.

PHILIP

PHILIP KNEVIT of BUCKENHAM, Esq; Norf. N^o 16.

(22 May, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

CAmden makes this Name a Corruption of *Dunnevit*; and *Leland* (a) derives it from *Dunnevit*, a Town in *Cornwall*, on the River *Tamar*. The Family is said to be of *Danish* Extraction, and that *Othomarus de Knyvèt*, Lord of the Castle and Borough of *Launceston*, was outed of it at the *Norman* Invasion, for taking up Arms against the Conqueror; but inter-marrying with *Emme*, Daughter to *William Dammartin*, one of the Followers of the aforesaid Prince, was restor'd to his Possessions. From this *Othomarus*, after four Descents, descended Sir *John de Knevit*, Lord of *Southwick*, in *Com. South*. Great Grand-father to Sir *John Knevit*, Father of *Richard*, who had Issue by *Joan* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir to Sir *Robert Wourch*, Kt. Sir *John Knevit*, Lord Chancellor of *England*; all which is testify'd by several Pedigrees, relating to this ancient and renown'd House, as Mr. *Camden* (b) terms it, in his Description of *Norfolk*, where they have flourish'd ever since Sir *John Knevit* was Lord Chancellor of *England*.

This Sir *John* studying the Law, acquir'd the Dignity of the Coif 31 E. 3, (c) and was Justice of the Bench 35 E. 3: He attain'd to be Lord Chief Justice 39 E. 3, and was constituted Chancellor of *England* in the 46th Year of that Reign. He marry'd *Eleanor*, Daughter to Sir *Ralph Basset*, of *Weldon*, a Baron in Parliament, by which Lady he had several Children.

John,

(a) *Itin. Vol. 6. p. 47.* (b) *Britan in Norf.* (c) *Dug. Orig.*

John, his eldest Son, was found by Inquisition 10 *H.* 4, to be Co-heir to the Family of *Basset*, on the Extinction of the Heir-Mails, with Sir *John de Ailsbury*, who had marry'd *Joan*, the other Daughter of the said *Ralph Lord Basset*. This *John Knevit* serv'd in Parliament 21 *R.* 2, as one of the Knights of the Shire for *Huntington*; (c) and by *Joan* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *John Botetort* of *Mendlesham*, in *Com. Suff.* [a Descendant by an Heir-Female, from *Otes Fitz-Otes*, Lord of *Mendlesham*, temp. *E.* 1.] left Issue *John*, an only Son, and two Daughters.

Which *John* receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, and by Marriage with *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Constantine Clifton*, Kt. a Baron in Parliament, became possess'd of a fair Inheritance, and *inter alia* of the Castle of *Buckenham*, in *Com. Norf.* Her lineal Ancestors on the Female Side, were, the Lords *Cailli* and *Cromwell*, and collaterally the noted Families of *Bernake*, *Driby*, and *Tatshall*, Baron of *Tatshall*, in *Com. Linc.* by Tenure whereof *Robert de Tatshall* had *Buckenham* Castle, temp. *H.* 3. by his Wife, eldest of the four Daughters, and Co-heirs to *William de Albini*, fourth of that Name, Earl of *Arundel* and *Suffex*, the first Lord of *Buckenham* after the Conquest. This Sir *John Knevit* was High-Sheriff of *Norf.* and *Suff.* 15 *R.* 2. and, I presume, was bury'd at *Buckenham*; in which Church, many old Monuments, erected for the *Knevits*, (*) are yet remaining, known only by their armonial Ensigns, the Inscriptions being worn out.

John, only Son of the last Sir *John*, was knighted by King *E.* 4, (†) and dy'd 7 *H.* 7, leaving, by his first Wife, *Alice*, Daughter to *Reginald* Lord *Grey* of *Ruthyn*, *Edmund*, his Son and Heir; by his

(c) *Fryn's Regist. Milit. in Bib. Cott.* (*) *Weaver*, p. 855 and 856. (†) *Nom.*

his second Wife *Joan*, Daughter to *Humphry Stafford*, Duke of *Buckingham*, Sir *Edward Knevit*, Kt. who was Sheriff for the Counties of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk* 31 H. 8.

Edmund, the eldest Son, by the first Wife, had the Estate at *Buckenham*; receiv'd the Dignity of Knighthood; and taking to Wife *Eleanor*, Sister to Sir *James Tyrell*, Kt. had Issue a Daughter *Anne*, Wife to Sir *George St. Leger*, and five Sons, *Thomas*, *Edmund*, *Anthony*, *James*, and *William*.

Edmund, second Son. was Serjeant-Porter to the King; and marrying *Jane*, Daughter and Co-heir to *John Bourcier*, Lord *Berners*, the (||) Demesne and Manour of *Ashweltborp* accru'd to him, with other good and ample Possessions. She lyes bury'd in the Church of *Ashweltborp*; and her monumental Epitaph is copy'd by Mr. *Weaver*.

(*) *Jane Knyvet* reflecteth here, the only Heir by Right Of the Lord *Berners*, that Sir *John Bourcier* beight. Twenty Years and three a *Wydoos* Life she ledd, Always keeping Howse, where Rich and Pore were fedd;

Gentill, most quyet, voyd of *Debate* and *Stryf*;
Ever doying Good. Lo! thus she ledd ber Life,
Even to the Grave, where Erth on Erth doth ly,
On whos Soul, God grant of his abundant Mercy.

The xviii of February, MDLXI.

Thomas Kniwet, eldest Son, succeeded his Father Sir *Edmund*, at *Bucknam*; and on the 23d of *June*, 1509, was made Knight of the *Bath*, at the Coronation of *H. 8*. After which, farther improving in the Favour of his Sovereign, he was by the said King made Master of the Horse. He underwent the Office of High-Sheriff for the County of *Norf.*
21 Eliz.

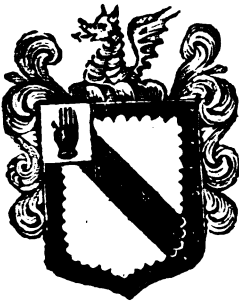
(N) *Le'land's Bin.* Vol. 6. p. 26. (*) *Weaver's Mon.* p. 815.

21 Eliz. and having marry'd *Muriel*, Widow to *Johri Grey*, Viscount *Lisle*, and Daughter to *Thomas Howard*, Duke of *Norfolk*; from them proceeded two Daughters, viz. *Catherine*, marry'd first to Sir *William Farmer* of *Barkam*, in *Com. Norf.* Kt. secondly, to *Nicholas Myne*, Esq; and *Anne*, Wife to ——— *Thoresby*; likewise 3 Sons, viz. Sir *Edmund*, *Ferdinando*; and *Henry*, on whom Queen *Elizabeth*, Anno 1574, conferr'd the Honour of Knighthood. This Sir *Henry* marry'd *Anne*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *Christopher Pickering*; and by her descended, among other Sons, 1. Sir *Henry Knevit* of *Carleton*, in *Com. Wilt*, whose Heirs generally are the Earls of *Suffolk* and *Lincoln*. And, 2. Sir *Thomas Knevit*, who was of the Bed-Chamber to Queen *Eliz.* and next of Council to Queen *Anne*, Wife to King *James I*; to which King he became one of the Gentlemen of the Privy-Chamber, and was entrusted to discover the Powder-Plot, which he happily effected, apprehending the notorious *Guy Faux*, ready prepar'd, with his dark Lanthorn in the Cellar, for perpetrating that most horrid Design; for which, and other his Services to the Crown, the King was pleas'd to create him Baron *Knevit* of *Escrick*; but dying without Issue, the Barony expir'd.

Sir *Edmund Knevit*, Uncle to the Baron, and eldest Son and Heir to Sir *Thomas*, was aged seven Years, 8 H. 8; and in the 1st of Ed. 6, with *Nicholas L'Esrange*, were Knights of the Shire for *Norfolk*. He had Issue by *Anne*, his Wife, Daughter to Sir *Thomas Shellon*, Kt. four Sons, *Thomas*, *Edmund*, *Henry*, and *Anthony*, whereof *Thomas*, his eldest Son and Heir, possess'd *Buckenham*, and was knighted by King *James I*, at the *Charter-House*, 11 May, 1603. He was succeeded by *Philip* his Son and Heir.

Which *Philip Knevit* of *Buckenham*, Esq; was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, at the first
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Institution; but for want of Heirs Male, the said Dignity is now Extinct in this Family.



A R M S.

Argent a Bend Sable, and a Bordure engrail'd of the last.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath a Demi-Dragon, coup'd wing'd in Dorse, Azure langued Gules.

Sir JOHH ST. JOHN of LIDIARD
TREGOZ, Kt. Wilts. N^o 17.

(May 22, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

THIS Family is paternally descended from the Ports, Lords of *Basing* in *Hampshire*, who were great Barons at the Time of the Conquest; and, by maternal Descent, derive their Sir-name of *St. John*, in lineal Succession, from *William de St. John*, who enter'd *England* with the Conqueror, and attended the Army as Grand Master of the Artillery, and Supervisor of the Waggons and Carriages; for which Reason, the *Horie Hames* or Collar was born for his Cognizance.

John de St. John, Son of the said *William*, eminently distinguishing himself with *Robert Fitz-Hammon*, in the Conquest of *Glamorgan*; * and being

* *Dugd. Bar. vol. 1.*

being one of the twelve Knights Associates with the said *Robert*, had, for his Share, the Castle and Manour of *Fonmon, Falmont, or Faumont*, (as severally written) which remain'd in the Family of the Earls of *Bullingbroke*, 'til the Middle of the last Century. This *John* was Heir to his Brother *Thomas*, and enjoy'd the Lordship of *Stanton*, in *Com. Oxon.* since call'd *Stanton St. John*, and had Issue two Sons, *Roger* and *Thomas*; the latter was Progenitor to the *St. Johns*, ancient Barons of *Stanton*; of whom *Sir William Dugdale* has treated in his *Baronage of England*.

The aforesaid *Roger* marry'd *Cicely*, Daughter and Heir to *Robert de Hayz* of *Halfrac* in *Suffex*, and had Issue two Sons, *William* and *Robert de St. John*; the former is mention'd among the Barons and Knights that paid Scutage in *Suffex*, (a) is likewise Witness to his Father's Donation of the Church of *Cotbon*, to the Priory of *Lewes*; (b) and to a Charter of King *R. 1.*, to the Priory of *Godeflow* in *Com. Oxon.* (c) neither of them leaving Issue, their great Inheritance devolv'd on *Mabel*, Daughter of *Muriel*, Wife of *Reginald de Aurevall*, and Sister to the said *William* and *Robert*; which *Mabel* marry'd *Adam de Port*, Lord of *Basing* in *Hampshire*, Son of *John*, Son of *Henry*, Son of *Hugh de Port*, Lord of the said Place, and Proprietor of fifty five Lordships in that County, *temp. W. 1.*, a Person of such ample Revenues, that among the Chartularies of *Hide Abby*, he is call'd *Hugo Portuensis Comes*. (d) Notwithstanding the Greatness of this Family of *Port*, the Children of the said *Adam de Port*, by *Mabel* aforementioned, assum'd the Name of *St. John* from

(a) *Lib. Rub. Scac. & Cot. Bibl. Claudius*, c. 2. (b) *Polc's MS of Charters*, p. 176. (c) *Mon. Ang.* vol. 1. p. 210. (d) *Mon. Ibid.* p. 210.

rom their Grand-mother above cited, as is evident from several Charters.

William de St. John is stil'd Son and Heir of *Adam de Port*, confirming to the Monks of *Boxgrave*, what *Robert de Haya*, *Roger* and *William*, and *Robert de St. John*, his Predecessors, Lords of *Hannac*, had given them. (e) *William* and *Robert*, Brothers to his Grand-mother, having augmented the Number of Monks at *Boxgrave*, from three to fifteen, *William* adding ten, and *Robert* two; the other three were first instituted by *Robert de Haya* aforesaid, Founder of that Priory, which he made a Cell to *Essay* in *Normandy*.

The said *William de St. John* enjoy'd the Barony of *Basing*, and likewise gave to the aforesaid Monks of *Boxgrave*, eleven Virgates of Land in the Town of *Walborneton*, and Pasture for twelve Oxen and as many Cows, &c. and in the Town of *Cancone*, (f) two Virgates of Land, and Pasture for Sheep, Part also of his Wood near *Boxgrave*; and likewise a Virgate in *Halnac*, to the Church of *Boxgrave*, for the Souls of *William* and *Robert de St. John*, and *Adam de Port*, his Father, and *Mabel* his Mother; witness'd (g) *Geffry Peverell*, *Roger Hay*, and *Geffry de St. John*, under the Seal of his Arms, upon a Chief two Mulletts (as now borne by his Descendants.)

Having thus clear'd up the Descent; in which Sir *William Dugdale* agrees, (h) all that I shall farther observe is, that the elder Line of this Family expir'd in an Heir Female, from whom the Title of Baron *St. John of Basing*, came to the Family of *Poynings*, and from *Poynings*, by Patent, is now enjoy'd by the Dukes of *Bolton*, as is mention'd at large in the *Baronage of England*.

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(e) Mon. Ibid. p. 594.
of Charters, p. 176.

(f) Ibid, p. 596.
(h) Baronage of Eng.

(g) Pole's MS

From the remaining Stock descended Sir *Oliver de St. John*, who came to possess the Lordship of *Bletsho*, in *Com. Bedf.* in the Reign of *H. 6.*, by Marriage with *Margaret*, Sister and sole Heir to Sir *John de Beauchamp* (a Cadet of the Lord *Beauchamp's* of *Powick.*) which Estate came to the *Beauchamps* by Inter-marriage, *temp. E. 3.*, of *Roger Beauchamp*, with *Sibil*, eldest Sister and Co-heir to Sir *William de Patishull* of *Patishull*; which *Sibil* likewise brought her Husband the Lordship of *Lidiard Tregoze*, that came to the Family of *Patishull* by Marriage with a Co-heir of the Lord *Grandison*, to whom it descended from a like Vicissitude, *temp. E. 1.*

This *Margaret Beauchamp* had, by her Husband Sir *Oliver St. John*, several Daughters and two Sons, Sir *John* and Sir *Oliver*, and surviving him, was afterwards Wife of *John Beaufort*, Duke of *Somerſet*; who had Issue by her, *Margaret*, Mother to *H. 7.*, King of *England*.

From Sir *John St. John*, the eldest Son, the *St. Johns*, Barons, *St. John* of *Bletsho*, and Earls of *Bullingbrook* descended, which Earldom expir'd *Anno 1711*; but the Barony of *Bletsho* descended to a younger Branch now existing.

Sir *Oliver St. John*, second Son of Sir *Oliver*, had the Lordship of *Lidiard Tregoze*, Part of his Mother's Inheritance, and was, as *Leland* writes (in his *Itinerary*) a stout black Man, and dy'd at *Fonterrabia* in *Spain*. He left Issue, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter to *Henry Lord Scroop* of *Bolton*, a Son *John*, and three Daughters; *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Fitz-Gerald* Earl of *Kildare*; *Eleanor*, to *Thomas Grey* Marquess of *Dorset*; and *Margaret*, Lady Abbess of *Sbaſton*.

Which *John*, his only Son, had to Wife *Fane*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *John Ewarby*, by *Catherine* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir to Sir *Hugh Annesley*

Amesley of *Maple Durham*, from whence proceeded two Sons, *John* and *Oliver*.

John St. John, Esq; the eldest Son, enjoy'd his Patrimony of *Lydiard Tregoze*, and marry'd twice; the last Wife was *Elizabeth*, Daughter to Sir *Richard Wetell*, Knight of the Marches at *Calais*; his first Wife was *Margaret*, Daughter to Sir *Richard Carew* of *Bedington*, Kt. by which Lady he had three Sons, *Nicholas*, *William*, and *John*; whereof the eldest, *Nicholas St. John* of *Lydiard Tregoze*, Esq; had to Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to Sir *Richard Blunt* of *Maple Durham*, in *Com. Oxon.* Kt. and by her had Issue two Sons, *John* and *Oliver*, and five Daughters.

Of *John*, the eldest Son, Mention will be made hereafter.

Oliver the second Son, was sent to study the Law in the Inns of Court; and happening into a Quarrel with one *Best*, Captain of the Guard to Queen *Elizabeth*, and Champion of *England*, kill'd him in single Duel; for which he was forc'd to leave the Kingdom. He first serv'd in the Army of the Lord *Vere*, and Sir *Horace Vere* in *Flanders*, in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*; and in King *James's* Reign went into *Bobemia*, and serv'd in that War, and the *Palatinate*, 'til it was subdu'd by the Emperor; when he return'd to *Flanders*, and continu'd some Years in the Service of the States of *Holland*, against the Arch-duke of *Austria*, 'til the Truce happen'd: He then went into *France*, where he grew into Acquaintance with the Duke of *Buckingham*, who was then sent to treat of a Marriage for the Prince of *Wales*, with a Daughter of *Henry* the Fourth of *France*; and a particular Friendship ensu'd, which lasted as long as they both liv'd. The Duke brought Mr. *St. John* to *England* with him, and by his Favour procur'd him, first to be knighted, and the 3d of *June*, 18

James I., created a Peer of *Ireland*, by the Title of Viscount *Grandison* of *Limerick* (by Reason of his Descent from an Heir Female of that House) with Limitation, for want of Issue-Male, to the Issue of Sir *Edward Villers*, (Half-Brother to the Duke of *Buckingham*) whose Son, Sir *George Villers*, accordingly enjoy'd the Honour, and was Father of *Barbara Villers*, Dutcheſs of *Cleveland*.

He was after ſent into *Ireland*, where he had the Honour to command as General, and was ſome Time Maſter of the Ordnance, and Aid-Deputy of that Realm, Preſident of *Munſter*, and Vice-Preſident of *Connaught*. Whence returning, was by other Letters Patent dated *May 21, 2 Car. I.*, advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baron of this Kingdom, by the Title of Baron *Tregoze* of *Highworth*, in *Com. Wilts.* and made one of the Privy-Council to that King, who granted him the Manours of *Batterſea* and *Wandſworth*, in the third Year of his Reign. He marry'd *Joan*, Daughter and Heir to *Henry Roydon* of *Batterſea* Eſq; and Widow of Sir *William Holdcroft*, Kt. and departing this Life without Issue, his Honours were extinct, and his Brother's Son, Sir *John St. John*, Bart. was Heir to his Eſtate.

Which Sir *John*, his Brother, had the Eſtate at *Lydiard*; and having marry'd *Lucy*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *Walter Hungerford* of *Farley*, in *Com. Wilts*; (afterwards the Wife to Sir *Anthony Hungerford*) had Issue by her, one Son, *John*, and ſeveral Daughters, viz. *Barbara*, marry'd to Sir *Edward Villiers*, Kt. by whom ſhe was Parent to three ſeveral *Villiers*, all Viſcounts *Grandison*; *Lucy*, marry'd to Sir *Alan Apsley*, Kt. Lieutenant of the *Tower*; *Jane*, to — *Aſye*; ſecondly to Sir *Charles Pleydell*; *Catherine*, to Sir *Charles Mompeſſon* of *Sarum*, in *Com. Wilts*; *Anne*, to Sir *George Ayliff* of *Grettenham*, in that County; *Eleanor*, to
Sir

Sir *William St. John* of *Heighley*, in *Com. Glamorg.*

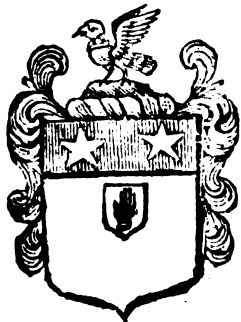
John, the only Son of the last Sir *John*, succeeded at *Lidiard Tregoze*, and was created a Baronet at the first Institution of that Order, the 22d of *May*, 1611: His Uncle, the Lord *Grandison*, gave him his Estate at *Battersea* and *Wandsworth*, &c. He was zealously attach'd to the Interest of the Royal Party in the Civil War, and had three of his Sons slain in the King's Service; *William*, the second Son, was kill'd at the taking of *Cirencester* in *Gloucestershire*, under Prince *Rupert*; *Edward*, the third Son, at the Battel of *Newberry* in *Berkshire*; and *John*, the fifth Son, in the *North*. He marry'd first *Anne*, Daughter to *Thomas Leighton* of *Feckingham*, in *Com. Wilts*; secondly, the Widow to Sir *Richard Grubham*, Kt. He left Issue by the former, a Daughter *Anne*, marry'd to Sir *Henry Frances Lee*, Bart. secondly, to *Henry Wilmot*, Earl of *Rocheſter*. And seven Sons: *Oliver*, the eldest, dy'd in the Life-Time of his Father, having marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Horatio Vere*, Baron of *Tilbury*, and had Issue Sir *John St. John*, Bart. who dy'd three Months before he came of Age, unmarried; *William*, *Edward*, *Nicholas*, and *John*, who marry'd the Daughter of Sir *George Ayliff*; all dy'd without Issue. Sir *Walter* succeeded to the Baronetship and the Estate. *Henry*, the youngest Son, marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter to *Oliver St. John*, Lord Chief Justice of the *Common-Pleas*; and left Issue only a Daughter *Anne*, marry'd to *Anthony Bowyer* of *Camberwell*, in *Com. Surr.* Esq;

Walter, the sixth Son, succeeded at *Lydiard Tregoze*, and to the Estates at *Battersea* and *Wandsworth*, (where, for the most part, he resided) on the Death of his Nephew Sir *John*. He serv'd in Parliament for the County of *Wilts*, and for

the Borough of *Wooton-Basset*. He dy'd *Anno* 1708, at his Seat at *Battersea*, in the eighty seventh Year of his Age, and was interr'd in the Parish Church there, leaving Issue by his Wife *Johanna*, another Daughter of the Lord Chief Justice *St. John*, an only Son, the present Sir *Henry St. John*, Bart.

Which Sir *Henry* serv'd in Parliament the space of twenty one Years, and has been twice marry'd; first, to *Mary*, second Daughter and Co-heir to *Robert Rich*, Earl of *Warwick*, by whom he had only one Son, *Henry*, late Viscount *Bolingbroke*.

By his second Wife, *Angelica-Magdalen*a, Daughter of *George Pellesary*, Treasurer-General of the Marines, and Super-Intendant of all the Ships and Galleys of *France*, under *Louis 14*; he had Issue three Sons, *George St. John*, who dy'd in *Italy*; *John*, and *Hollis St. John*; and one Daughter, *Henrietta*.



A R M S.

Argent, on a Chief Gules, two Mullets, Or.

C R E S T.

On a Mount vert, a Faulcon volant, Or, ducally gorg'd, and membered Gules, belled Gold.

JOHN

JOHN SHELLEY of MICHEL-
GROVE, Esq; Suff: N^o 18.

(May 22, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

THE Difficulty of tracing the Original of a Family, before Sir-names were us'd, is allow'd by all our Genealogists; but by the Similitude of Arms, I conjecture this may be deriv'd from the *Eschalers*, an old *Norman* Family, that enter'd *England* with *William* the Conqueror, (a) and were Barons of Parliament soon after; for *Thomas Shelle*, as the Name was antiently written, temp. E. 1, (b) bore for Arms, *Azure three Eschalops Sable*, which are different only in Colours from those born by the *Eschalers*, modernly call'd *Scales*. The said *Thomas de Schottis* and *Oekbolt*, in the County of *Kent*, had Issue two Sons, *John* and *Thomas*; the latter left one sole Daughter and Heir, *Alice*, Wife of Sir *William Brampton*, Kt. The former marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter and Heir of *John Rolfe*, and had Issue three Sons, *William*, *Thomas*, and *John*, who were all eminent in their Time, and all of them receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood. Sir *Thomas* serv'd as Knight of the Shire for the County of *Bucks*, (c) 21 Ric. 2, and with Sir *Thomas Ailsbury*, the other Knight, had 11 l. 12 s. allow'd for 24 Days Expences. He was attainted, with Sir *John Shelley*, his Brother, for endeavouring to re-throne King R. 2; they were both fast Friends to that Prince, and had perform'd considerable Services in *France*, under that eminent Commander Sir *Robert Knowles*. (d) They bore for their Cognizance, *Sable a Fess, engrail'd between*

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tween

(a) *Dugdale's Baronage*. (b) *Ex Stem. hujus Fam. penes Sir J. Shelley, Bart.* (c) *Fryn's Brev. Parl. Vol. 4.* (d) *Ex Stem. pred.*

tween three *Wbelks* [*Periwinkles*] Or; and Sir *William*, their Brother, bore the same, waving his ancient Bearing, *the Escalops*.

This Sir *William* had Issue two Sons, *Robert* and *Richard*; the former marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir of *John Petit*, who brought him two Sons, *John* and *Thomas*. The latter was of *Hunfden*; and his Posterity, to distinguish themselves from the Family at *Michelgrove*, bore for their Arms, *Argent a Cheveron between three Escalops Sable*.

John, the eldest Son, was a Burgess in Parliament for the Town of *Rye* in *Suffex*, 5, 8, and 9 *H.* 5, and 1 *H.* 6; (e) and having marry'd *Beatrix*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *John Hawkwood*, was succeeded in his Estate by *John* his Son and Heir, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of *John Michelgrove* of *Michelgrove* and *Fauconburst*, in *Com. Suffex*, by *Mary*, his Wife, Daughter of *William Sydney* of *Pensburst*; by whom he became possess'd of those Lordships, the first of which has been the Residence of the Family to this Time.

The said *John* had Issue a Daughter, *Elizabeth*, who was veil'd, and became Abbess of ——— and several Sons, *William*, hereafter-mention'd, *Edward Shelley* of *Warmingburst*, in *Suffex*; *Richard* of *Patcham*, in the same County; and *John*, who was a Knight of *Rhodes*, and lost his Life at the taking that Island by the *Turks*.

William, the eldest Son, succeeded to the Estate at *Michelgrove*, &c. and having been educated in the Study of the Laws, was constituted one of the Justices of the Common-Pleas; (f) and Fines were levy'd before him, from the 18th *H.* 8, to 2 *F.* 6. He was knighted, and possess'd a good Estate in *Warwickshire*, in Right of his Wife *Alice*, Daughter of Sir *Henry Belknap*, and Co-heir to her Brother Sir *Edward Belknap*, viz. the Manours of *Under-
Wetbele*,

(e) *Bryn pred.*(f) *Orig. Jurid. p. 47.*

Wethele, Woolston, and Marston, &c. (g) in the said County. He had Issue three Daughters and five Sons. *John*, who succeeded to the Bulk of his Estate; *Richard* and *James*, who were elected Knights of *Maltba*, 21 Nov. 1557; *Edward*, slain at the great Battel of *Muscleborough* in *Scotland*; and *Thomas Shelley* of *Mapledurham*, in *Com. South.* Ancestor to those of the Name at that Place.

John, the eldest Son before-mention'd, took to Wife *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *William Fitz-Williams* of *Gajus Parkball*, in *Essex*; (who surviv'd him, and was afterwards the Wife of Sir *John Guilford*, Kt.) and dying 16 Dec. 4 E. 6, A. D. 1550, left Issue by her six Daughters and two Sons, *William* and *John*; of the Daughters, *Elizabeth* marry'd Sir *Thomas Guilford*, Kt. *Eleanor*, who dy'd 9 March, 1556, and was bury'd in St. *Magnus*'s Church, *London*, was Wife to *Thomas*, Son of *John Norton* of *Norwood* in *Kent*; *Margaret* marry'd *Edward Gage*, Esq; *Mary*, Sir *George Cotton* of *Warblington*, in *Com. South.* *Bridget*, Sir *Anthony Hungerford* of *Downamney*, in *Com. Wilts*, Kt. and *Anne*, to Sir *Richard Shirley*, Kt.

William Shelley, eldest Son and Heir, was twelve Years old at his Father's Death; and succeeding to the Estate, marry'd two Wives, *Jane*, Daughter and Heir of ——— *Lingen* of *Sutton*, in *Com. Heref.* and *Mary*, Daughter to *Thomas Wriothsley*, Earl of *Southampton*, Widow and Relict of ——— *Lister*, Son and Heir of Sir *Martin Lister*, Kt. He left no Issue by either of them; and was attainted for Treason committed 15 Dec. 25 *Eliz.* (i) whereby his Estate was forfeited to the Crown, during his Life; for he did not die 'til 15 April, 39 *Eliz.* when, by Virtue of the Entail, the Estates, both in *Suffex* and *Warwickshire*, descended to his Brother,

John

(g) Dugd. Warw. (h) Dugd. Ibid. (i) Dugd. pced.

John Shelley, Esq; who marry'd *Eleanor*, Daughter to *Sir Thomas Lovell* of *East-Harling*, in *Com. Norf.* Kt. by whom he had Issue a Daughter, *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Sir Thomas Timperleigh*, in *Com. Suff.* Kt. and two Sons *John* and *Henry*.

The said *John* succeeded to the Inheritance at *Michelgrove*. He sold the Estate in *Warwickshire*, and purchas'd in *Suffex*, where he liv'd in Honour and Esteem. At the first Erection of the Dignity of Baronets, by King *James I.*, he accepted of that Title; and having marry'd *Jane*, Daughter to *Sir Thomas Reresby* of *Triberg*, in *Com. Ebor.* Kt. had Issue by her two Sons, *William* and *John*; the latter dy'd without Issue; the former was knighted, and having marry'd *Christiana*, Daughter of *Sir James Vantelet*, Kt. was succeeded by his Son and Heir

Sir Charles Shelley, Bart. who took to Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Benjamin Weston*, Esq; fourth Son of *Richard* Earl of *Portland*, by whom he had Issue four Sons, *Benjamin*, *Charles*, *John*, and *William*; and two Daughters, *Elizabeth* and *Christiana*. *Benjamin* and *Charles* dying young, the Estate and Title came to *Sir John*, who marry'd *Bridget Nevil*, only Daughter of my Lord *Abergavenny*, and had one Daughter by her, *Frances*, who was marry'd to the present Lord Viscount *Fitz-Williams*. *Sir John* marry'd a second Wife, *Mary*, Daughter of *Sir John Gage*, Bart. and Co-heiress with her Sister, the Viscountess *Faulconberg*. He dy'd 25 April, 1703, leaving, by his second Wife, three Sons, *John*, *Walter*, and *Richard*; and three Daughters, *Mary*, the eldest, marry'd *John*, eldest Son and Heir of *Sir Henry Lawson* of *Brough*, in *Com. Ebor.* Bart. *Elizabeth* marry'd *Edward*, Son and Heir of *Ralph Sheldon* of *Weston*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq; *Catherine* marry'd ——— *Matthews* of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esq;

John,

Sir Francis Barrington, Kt. 139

John, the eldest Son, succeeded his Father in the Title and Estate, and as yet is unmarried.



A R M S.

*Sable a Feß, ingraill'd between three
Wbelks Or.*

C R E S T.

*On a Torce of his Colours a Gri-
phon's Head eras'd Argent, be-
qued, and ducally gorg'd Or.*

*The Test of the Patents of the second
Seal, bears Date 29 June, 1611. R.
Jac. 9. The first was*

*Sir THOMAS SAVAGE of ROCK-
SAVAGE, Kt. Cestr. N^o 19.*

English Earl, viz. Earl RIVERS.

*Sir FRANCIS BARRINGTON of
BARRINGTON-HALL, Kt. Essex.
N^o 20.*

[June 29, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.]

THIS ancient Family was existing in Eng-
land before the Conquest. Mr. Giles Firmin, a
Gentleman of Verity, asserting, (*) *That they have
been*

(*) *Real Christian.*

been possess'd of Barington-Hall for above 1200 Years; and Camden voucheth, (a) That a vast accession of Revenues accru'd to them in the Right of King Stephen, from the Barons Montfitchet.

Sir Odynell Barrington, or Barenton, as the Name was anciently written, descended from Barrington, that serv'd Queen Emme, Wife of King Etheldred, Father of Edward the Confessor, was Baron of Wagon, (b) and incur'd the common Fate of his Country, becoming subject to the Normans; which may be the Reason that none of the Name, either as chief Lords, or Sub-Tenants, in Essex, are mention'd in *Doomsday-Book*; yet Selden finds (c) Radulphus de Barentona to be sworn among others in the Hundred of Trepeflan, in *Coq. Cantab.* to take the Conqueror's Survey; and the Town and Parish of Barrington, near Cambridge, is said to take Name from him.

Sir Eustace de Barrenton (d) had a Grant from ——— Son of William the Conqueror, to hold in Peace all his Lands in Ramelden, Hatfield, Peve-rell, Writy, Ravensfield, Haring, Berking, Slyford, Cberwell and Splow.

Humphrey, his Son and Heir, had a Grant from Albery de Ver (who came in with the Conqueror) by Charter, *Omnib. Homibus suis Francis & Anglis, &c.* to hold Lands in Chirwell, which Eustace de Barenton held of him in Fee and Inheritance; and that he the said Humphry should hold it, as well and honourably, with all incident Customs, as ample, or better than his Father ever held, and by the same Service; Witnesses, Albery de Ver, Robert de Ver, his Sons, Robert Fitz-Williams, &c. He had also a Grant from King Stephen, and Henry Fitz-Empress, of the aforesaid Lands
in

(a) *Britania in Essex.* (b) *Chauncy's Hertf.* (c) *Ead-*
merus. (d) *Ex Evid. hujus Fam. in Chauncy pred.*

in *Ramelden*, &c. and all his Lands in *Bilchanger*. *Humphry de Barenton* is likewise a Witness to the Foundation-Charter of *Woodham-Priory* in *Essex*, temp. H. 2; (e) and was also a Benefactor to the Abbey of *Waltham St. Cross*. *Terram quam dedit Hunfridus de Barenton (f) ipsi Ecclesie.*

The said *Humphry*, in Right of *Grifilde* his Wife, Sister to Sir *Ralph de Mercy*, had the Manour of *Kelvedon* in the County of *Essex*; and Sir *Humphry de Barenton*, their Son and Heir, was High-Sheriff of *Essex* and *Hertfordshire*, 9 R. 1; (g) (an Office in those Days of great Authority) and by his Wife *Auda*, or *Eve*, the only Daughter of Sir *William*, third Son of Sir *Jeffery de Mandiville*, Earl of *Essex*, Founder of the Abbey of *Walden*, he had a Son *Nicholas*, who was knighted, and held the Offices of Woodwary, and cheif Forester of *Hatfield-Forest*, and summon'd before him the Regarderers, Verderers, and Agiftors in the Forest of *Essex*. He took to Wife *Mary*, Daughter of *Jobn Bovile*, and also *Maud*, Daughter of Sir *Ralph Mortoft*, Kt. He had no Issue by the first; but by the latter several Sons, whereof *Nicholas*, the eldest, succeeded to the Inheritance, was knighted; and by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter and Heir to Sir *William Chetwynde*, was Father of another Sir *Nicholas*, *Jobn*, and *Philip*, which latter, by Computation of Time, may be that Sir *Philip de Barrington*, Kt. of the County of *Leicester*, who serv'd King E. 1 in his Wars, and was of the Retinue of the Earl of *Lancaster*. His Arms (h) were; *Argent, a Lyon rampant, queue fourchee Sable, charg'd on the Shoulder with a Flower-de-Lis, Or.*

Sir *Nicholas*, Son and Heir of the last Sir *Nicholas*, marry'd *Alice*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Richard*.

(e) *Mon. Ang.* Vol. 2. p. 1294. (f) *Ibid* Vol. p. 16. (g) *Rot. Pipe ejus Ann.* (h) *Burton's Leicester.*

cbard Belbouse, Kt. with whom he had 10*l.* Rent in *Westball*, of the Gift of her Father, on a Settlement by his Father of the Manours of *Taplow*, *Hatfield*, *Wristell*, *Chigwell*, *Ramelden*, *Bullingbatch*, and *Springwell*. From the said *Alice* proceeded four Sons, *Nicholas*, *Thomas*, *Roger*, and *Sir Philip*, who marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of *Sir William Tey*, Kt. of whom descended the *Barringtons* of *Raleigh-Park*, in *Essex*; the Heir-Male of which, in the fourth Generation inclusive, lies bury'd with his Wife, under a Marble-Tomb, in *Raleigh Church*, with this Infcription in Brass:

Orate pro Animabus Johannis Barrington, Armig. & Thomazine Uxoris ejus—Expectantium Misericordia Dei, qui quidem Johannis, obiit 8^o die Mensis Novembris, Anno Dom. 1416. Et predicta Thomazina obiit 5^o die Mensis Septembris, Anno Dom. 1420, quorum Animabus propitiatur Deus. Amen.

Nicholas Barrington, eldest Son of the last *Sir Nicholas*, and Brother to *Sir Philip*, was living *temp. Ed. 2* and *3*, having to his Wife *Emme*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Sir Robert Baard*, Kt. with whom he had the Manour of *Little*; and she bare him Sons, *Sir John*, *Humphry*, *Thomas*, and *Philip*, and a Daughter, *Lettice*, who liv'd unmarried, and had 10*l.* in *Weston* for Term of her Life. The said *Nicholas* was succeeded by *John* his eldest Son:

Which *John* was knighted, and had the King's Letters Patents, 49 *Ed. 3*, which confirm'd to him in Fee all his Lands at *Hatfield*. *Solut. pro Custodiâ Foresta Terra qua fuit Ada*—at the Rent of 17*s.* and the Land of *Writele*, *necnon à ministerio Patris sui de Foresta Regis tenend.* The said *Ministerium*, or Office of *William de Montifichet*,
in

in *Com. Essex*; and that all Foresters, and Officers of the said Forest, should be observant to the said *John [Barrington,]* to hold of the King, *in capite*, referring to the Charters of King *H. 2, Steph. and H. 3.*

This Sir *John* had in Marriage *Margaret*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *John Blomvile*, Kt. whereof proceeded two Sons, *John* and *Edward*; the latter was possess'd of the Manour of *Graveley*, in *Com. Hertf. (i)* and held a Court there on *Monday* next after the Feast of *Easter*, 12 *H. 4, A. D. 1411.*

John, the eldest Son, was living, *tempt. H. 5*; and by his Wife *Alice*, one of the Daughters and Heirs of *Tbomas Battle*, younger Son of Sir *John Battle*, of *Castel-Anger*, or *Onger-Parke*, in *Essex*, Kt. by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Richard Ennefield*, Kt. had Issue *Thomas*, *Humphry*, and *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *John Sulyard*.

Tbomas, the eldest Son, was the Inheritor of his Father's Lands; and after the Death of his Uncle *Edward Barrington*, was seiz'd of the Manours of *Cbevesfield*, *(k)* *Graveley*, *Lecheford*, and Lands in *Weston*; at the first of which Places he held a Court, 16 *H. 6, 1438*; was High-Sheriff of *Essex* and *Hertford*, 30 *H. 6*. He marry'd *Anne*, the second Daughter, and one of the Heirs of Sir *John Holbeach*, Kt. and of his Wife, the Daughter and Heir of Sir *John Rochford*, Kt. He had to his first Wife, *Margaret*, who, together with him, held the Manour of *Little Chigwell*, call'd *Barrington's Manour*, *(l)* of *Anne*, Dutcheff of *Buckingham*, as of her Hundred of *Aungre*, by the Service of Suit, at the Court of the Sheriff's Turn for the said Manour, and 6 *d.* Rent annually. He lyes bury'd

(i) *Chaucney*, *prod. p. 366.* *(k)* *Ex Chaucney*, *prod.* *(l)* *Eng. 19 H. 6. No. 22.*

ry'd, with his Wife *Anne*, in the Church of *Hatfield Broad-Oak*, with this Inscription :

Hic jacent Thomas Barington, Armiger, & Anna Uxor ejus, qui quidem Thomas obiit 5^o Aprilis MCCCC LXXII; et Anna proximo die sequenti; Quorum, &c.

Wherefore this Distich was made on them, (*m*)

*He first deceas'd; she for a few Hours try'd
To live without him, lik'd it not, and dy'd.*

Humphry Barington, Son and Heir to the said *Thomas*, marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of ——— *Bretton*, and had Issue *Nicholas*, who took to Wife *Anne*, Daughter of *Thomas Darcy* of *Tolston-Darcy*, in *Com. Essex*, (as said by some) and left two Sons, *Richard* and *Sir Nicholas*; which *Richard* was aged twenty Years at his Father's Death, 27 Sept. 21 H. 7. (*n*) The said *Nicholas* had a Wife, nam'd *Elizabeth*, that surviv'd him (but whether she was the Daughter of *Thomas Darcy*, I can't affirm.) The Manours of *Chiversfeild* and *Gravelly* were settled on her before 8 H. 7, (*o*) in which Year, Trustees held a Court for the said Manours, in the Names of the said *Nicholas* and *Elizabeth*; and she, surviving him, held a Court in her own Name, 22 H. 7; and on her Death, both those Manours descended to *Sir Nicholas Barington, Kt.*

Which *Sir Nicholas*, Son to *Nicholas* aforesaid, dy'd about the Year 1521; for in *October* that Year his Will was prov'd, which bore Date 22 July, A. D. 1515, wherein he dispos'd of all his Lands

(*m*) Fuller in *Essex*, p. 240.
m. 74. (*o*) Ex *Chauncy*.

(*n*) *Escaet Essex*, 24 H. 7.

Lands and Manours in Trust for his Heir apparent, *John* (then about eight Years old) when he came to the Age of twenty two Years; *Elizabeth* his Wife surviv'd him, who was Daughter of *Sir John Brocket* of *Brocket Hall*, in *Com. Hertf.* Kt. and afterwards marry'd *William Boughton* of *Lawford*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq;

The said *John Barrington* succeeding to the Inheritance, was living 25 H. 8, 1534, with *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *Thomas Bonham*, by *Catherine* his Wife, Sister to *John*, Baron *Marney*. He had by her a Son, *Thomas*, whom he left under Age; for, during his Minority, his Mother, being Guardian, held a Court at *Graveley cum Gbevesfeild*, A. D. 1546, 38 H. 8, in her own Name; which he afterwards did himself, and sold them to *George Clerk*. He was High-Sheriff of the Counties of *Hertford* and *Essex*, 4 Eliz. and for his Services to the Crown, had a Grant of the Manour of *Bushey*, in *Com. Hertf.* by Letters Patents dated at *Westminster*, Nov. 22: 8 Eliz. by the same Services as it was holden before the Attainder of the Countess of *Salisbury*. He had two Wives, *Alice*, Daughter of *Sir Henry Brooke*, Kt. (by whom he had Issue *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Edward Harris* of *Southmaster*) and *Winifrid*, Relict to *Sir Thomas Hastings*, a younger Son of *George* Earl of *Huntington*, and Daughter and Co-heir to *Henry Pole*, Lord *Mountague*; which *Henry* was Son to *Sir Richard Pole*, Knight of the Garter, by *Margaret* his Wife, Countess of *Salisbury*, Sister and Heir to *Edward* Earl of *Warwick*, and Daughter to *George* Duke of *Clarence*, younger Brother to King E. 4. And of this illustrious Marriage descended two Sons; *Sir Francis Barrington*, who was created Bart. and *Henry*, a Gentleman-Pensioner, who dy'd without Issue. As also a Daughter, *Catherine*, Wife

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of *William*, Son and Heir to *Sir Ralph Bourchier*, Kt.

Francis, Son and Heir, succeeded to a great Estate; he serv'd as Knight of the Shire for *Essex*, in the Parliament held at *Westminster* 43 *Eliz.* and on the Accellion of King *J. 1* to the *English* Crown, was knighted at *Theobalds*, 7 *May* *A. D.* 1603; and by the said Prince farther advanc'd to the Degree of a Baronet, at the first Institution of that Dignity, *A. D.* 1611. He marry'd *Joan*, Daughter to *Sir Henry Cromwell*, alias, *Williams*, of *Hincbingbrook*, in *Com. Huntingdon*, Kt. and had Issue four Sons and five Daughters; 1. *Sir Thomas*. 2. *Robert*, of *Hatfield Broadoak*, who marry'd *Dorothy*, Daughter of *Sir Thomas Eden* of *Suffolk*, Kt. the Widow of — *Barret*, by whom he had Posterity. 3. *Francis Barrington* of *London*, who had a Son *Francis*. And 4. *John*, a Captain, who dy'd in *Germany*. The Daughters were, *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Sir James Altham*, Kt. and afterwards to *Sir William Masham*, Bart. *Mary*, to *Sir Gilbert Gerrard* of *Flamberds*, on *Harrow the Hill*, Bart. 3. — — Wife of *Sir William Meux*, of the *Isle of Wight*. 4. *Ruth*, of *Sir George Lamplugh* of *Cumberland*, Kt. And *Joan*, to *Sir Richard Everard* of *Much Waltham*, in *Essex*, Bart. *Sir Francis* dy'd 3 *July*, 4 *C.* 1, and was succeeded by his eldest Son, *Sir Thomas*, who receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood in his Father's Life-Time

Which *Sir Thomas Barrington*, Kt. and Bart. marry'd first *Frances*, Daughter and Co-heir to *John Gobart* of *Coventry*, Esq; by whom he had a Daughter, *Lucy*, Wife to *Sir Toby Tyrrel* of *Thornodon*, in *Com. Bucks*, Bart. and two Sons; *John*, who succeeded him; and *Sir Gobart Barrington* of *Tofts*, in *Little Badow* in *Essex*, Kt. who marry'd *Lucy*, Daughter of *Sir William Wiseman* of *Tirrells Hall*,
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in *Com. Essex*; and had, among other Children, Colonel *Oliver Barrington*. His second Lady was *Judith*, Daughter to Sir *Rowland Lytton* of *Knebworth*, in *Com. Hertf. Kt.* and Widow of Sir *George Smith* of *Annabals*, in the same County; which *Judith* dy'd without Issue, *A. D.* 1657, aged sixty five Years; and Sir *Thomas*, *A. D.* 1644, and was succeeded by his eldest Son,

Sir *John Barrington*, Kt. and Bart. who marry'd *Dorothy*, Daughter to Sir *William Lytton* of *Knebworth*, by whom he had five Sons; 1. *Thomas*. 2. *Francis*, who dy'd unmarried. 3. *John*, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Edward Hawkins* of *Bishop Stratford*, Gent. and had Issue *John*, his Son and Heir, the present Bart. 4. *Francis*; and 5. *William*, who dy'd without Issue. Also nine Daughters; *Winifrid*, Wife to———*Wiseman*, Son to Sir *Richard Wiseman* of *Tirrell Hall*, in *Essex*, Kt. and *Lucy*, Wife to———*Walter* of *Chepstow*, in *Com. Monmouth*, Esq;

Thomas Barrington, Esq; Heir apparent of Sir *John*, marry'd the Lady *Anne*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Robert Rich*, Earl of *Warwick*; and had by her three Sons, *John*, *Charles*, and *Rich*; and two Daughters, *Mary*, living unmarried; and *Anne*, Wife to Mr. *Charles Shales*, Goldsmith to her late Majesty Queen *Anne*. The said *Thomas* dying in his Father's Life-Time, the Dignity and Estate descended to his eldest Son *John*, as Heir to his Grand-father; which Sir *John*, dying unmarried, was succeeded by his Brother

Sir *Charles Barrington*, Bart. who was several Times elected one of the Knights of the Shire for *Essex*, in Parliament against powerful Opposers, and was made by Queen *Anne*, Vice-Admiral of the said County, was a fast Friend to the Church and Monarchy, and a courteous affable Gentleman, as much esteem'd as any of the County he liv'd in,

and dy'd generally lamented by all his Friends, *January 29 1714* at a Time when they ardently wish'd his Health, in order to his Election as Knight of the Shire in the present Parliament. He marry'd *Bridget*, sole Daughter to *Sir John Munson of Burton, Bart.* and after her Decease, *Anna-Maria*, Daughter to *William Lord Fitz-Williams of Merion*, in the Kingdom of *Ireland*; but by neither of them had any Issue. The greatest Part of his Estate he left by Will to his only Sister, the Wife of *Mr. Shales*; the Title descend- ed to *John*, Son and Heir of *John Barrington*, third Son of *Sir John Barrington*, Grand-father to the late *Sir Charles*.

Which *Sir John*, the present Baronet, is possesst of an Estate at *Dunmow*, and having marry'd *Susan*, Daughter of *George Draper of Hitchin, Gent.* hath Issue two Sons, *John* and *Charles*, and—Daughters.



A R M S.

*Argent, three Chevronells, Gules
a Label of as many Points, Azure.*

C R E S T.

*On a wreath Argent, and Gules,
the Bust of a Man proper
crin'd Sable, Band Silver, vest-
ed Paly, Or and Azure.*

HENRY

HENRY BERKLEY of WIMUND-
HAM, Esq; Leic. N^o 21.

(ead. Die præd.)

THAT this Family was denominated from the great Manour of *Berkley*, in the County of *Gloucester*, all our Genealogists agree; as also that it descended from *Harding*, a younger Son of the King of *Denmark*; or, as others write, a Son of *Ednotbus*, of an ancient and noble Family of the *Saxons*, eminent in the Days of *Edward* the Confessor, who marry'd a Daughter of the King of *Denmark*, by whom he had this *Harding*, who dy'd at *Bristol*, 16 H. 1, 1116, and was bury'd there.

Robert Fitzbarding, his Son, was Mayor and Governor of *Bristol*, as his Father had been; and assisting King *H. 2* with great Supplies of Money in his Wars against King *Stephen*, had, in Reward for his Services, the Barony of *Berkley*, by Gift from that King, who took it from *Roger* Lord of *Dursley* and *Berkley*, who assisted King *Stephen* against him. This *Robert Fitzbarding*, or *Robert* Lord *Berkley*, took his Place as a Peer, 1 H. 2, from whom descended the Barons *Berkley*, of whom the present Earl of *Berkley* is descended, as may be seen at large in Sir *Robert Atkins's* History of *Gloucestershire*, and Sir *William Dugdale's* Baronage of *England*, fol. 349, and is well warranted by authentick Records.

Thomas de Berkley second Son of *Thomas* Lord *Berkley*, and Brother to *Maurice* Lord *Berkley*, became possess'd of the Manour of *Wimondham*, by Marriage with the Heir general of *Hamelin*, who were possess'd of it temp. E. 1, as Mr. *Burton* affirms in his Description of *Leicestershire*.

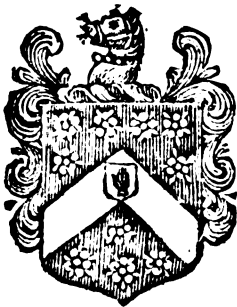
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John de Berkley, Son of the said *Thomas*, was seiz'd of the same 21 E. 3, and in the said Year had Liberty of Free-Warren there granted him by the said King. *Lawrence de Berkley* his Son, was a Knight, and dy'd 1485, 37 H. 6, and was succeeded by his Son, Sir *Thomas Berkley*, Kt. who marry'd *Petronel*, Daughter of *William Brookefby*, and dying 1488, 4 H. 7, a Monument is erected to his Memory in the Church of *Wimondham*; as also for *Maurice Berkley* his Son, who dy'd 1522, 14 H. 8; he was succeeded by *William de Berkley* his Grand-son, *Thomas* his Son dying before him.

Which *William*, by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Baud* of *Somerby*, in *Com. Linc.* Esq; had Issue *Maurice Berkley*, Esq; who, by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of *John Hall* of *Grantham*, was Father of

Maurice Berkley of *Wimondham*, Esq; who was created a Baronet, and no Male Issue existing from him, by his Wife *Catherine*, Daughter of *Nicholas Beaumont* of *Coleorton*, Esq; the said Dignity became extinct.



A R M S.

Gules, a Chevron between ten Roses, six in chief, and four in point, Argent.

C R E S T.

On a Wreatb a Bear's-Head coup'd, Argent, collar'd and mused, Gules, Coller fudded, Or.

WILLIAM

W^m. WENTWORTH of WENTWORTH
WOODHOUSE, Esq; Ebor. N^o 22.

(ead. Die præd.)

Engl^{ish} Earl, viz. Earl of STRAFFORD.

Sir RICHARD MUSGRAVE of HEART-
LEY-CASTLE, in Com. Westmor. Kt.
N^o 23.

(29 June, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

THIS Family is of great Antiquity and Re-
putation; their Name implies some Office
or Command, which they might have upon the
Marches or Mosses towards Scotland, so that *Mus-
grave* signifies as much as *Grave* or Prefect of
those Marches which anciently divided the two
Kingdoms, equivalent to the Markgrave or Palf-
grave among the *Germans*. Others, with more
Probability, think the Sir-name taken from the
Manour or Lordship of *Musgrave*, a Town in
Westmoreland, the old paternal Estate of the Fa-
mily. For it appears by old Monuments and
Evidences, that they were stil'd *de Musgrave*, as
from a Place, not *le Musgrave*, as it would have
been, had it been assum'd from an Office or Quali-
fication. * *Brompton* makes *Musgrave* to be the
same as *Musard*, so as to be interpreted a grave,
musing, thoughtful, politick Person.

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* *Brompton Chron.* p. 963.

The first of that Name who occurs, is *Adam de Musgrave*, Kt. temp. K. *John*, about the Year 1204; he was in great Favour with *Robert de Vipont*, unto whom the King gave the Barony of *Appleby*, and the perpetual Sherifffdom of *Westmoreland*, and held *Musgrave* (a) of him in Cor-nage, as Part of the Barony. *Thomas de Musgrave*, (Son of *Adam*) Kt. is mention'd 40 *H.* 3; and 6 *E.* 1, (with *Ranulph de Dacre*) obtain'd the King's Charter of a Market every Week upon the *Wednes-day*, at *Overton* in *Com. Westm.* (b) As also for a Fair yearly on the Eve, Day, and Morrow of *St. Simon and Jude*. He was one of the Exe-cutors of *Robert de Vipont*, that powerful Baron, and having marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter and Co-heir to *William Ross* of *Yelton*, was Father of Sir *Thomas de Musgrave*, who in 4 *E.* 2, was in the *Scotch Wars*, (c) and was return'd to serve in Par-liament for the County of *Westmoreland*, Anno 14, 15, 17, and 18 *E.* 3. (d) He marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to Sir *William Fitz-Williams* of *Sprotbrough*, and had Issue

Thomas de Musgrave, his Son and Heir; which *Thomas* Anno 20 *E.* 3, upon the Invasion in the North, made by *David Bruce*, King of *Scotland*, joining with the Barons in those Parts, was one of the Commanders in the Van of that Army, * which gave him Battel near *Durham*, utterly routing his Forces, and taking the King Pri-soner. The same Year he was associated with the Bishop of *Carlisle*, and others, in guarding the Marches; and Anno 21 *E.* 3, was made Governor of *Berwick*, and sole Justicier throughout all the King's Lands in *Scotland*, and afterwards accompa-ny'd

(a) *Ex Collect. H. Todd, D. D.* (b) *Carr 6 E. 1. n. 22.* (c) *Rot. Scot., 4 E. 2.* (d) *Pryn. Parl. Regist. vol. 4. de eiusd. an. Dugd. Bar. vol. 2. p. 153.*

ny'd *Ralph* Lord *Nevil* in the *Scotch Wars*. Anno 30 E. 3, he receiv'd Command to reside upon his Lands in the Marches towards *Scotland*, for the Defence of the Country against any Incurfion. 32 E. 3 he obtain'd a Charter for Free-Warren in all his Demefne Lands at *Mufgrave* and *Souleby*, in *Com. Westmor.* with Power to impark his Woods, call'd *Hevenings* in *Mufgrave*, containing two hundred Acres. Anno 33 E. 3, he was made Sheriff of *Torkfhire*, and Governor of *Tork* Castle. 42 E. 3, he was constituted Eschaetor for the Counties of *Tork*, *Northumberland*, *Cumberland*, and *Westmoreland*; and for his good Service had a Grant of one hundred Marks *per Annum* out of the *Exchequer*. 46 E. 3, he was associated with the Bishop of *Carlisle*, and others, in the Office of Warden of the West Marches. At length, after many signal Services, and continual Trusts, he had the hard Fate to be taken Prisoner by the *Scots*, Anno 2 R. 2, with *Thomas* his Son; but procuring *John* Lord *Nevil* of *Raby*, and others, to be Sureties for ten thousand Marks, they were fet at Liberty. This *Thomas*, for his undoubted Loyalty to his Prince, and upon some other Terms and Considerations, had given him, by King E. 3, *Harcla* or *Hartley* Castle, the forfeited Estate of Sir *Andrew de Harcla*, Earl of *Carlisle* (who suffer'd for Treason 15 E. 2.) He was also, for his signal Knowledge in national Affairs, summon'd by Writ, amongst the Barons of this Kingdom, from 24 to 47 E. 3 inclusive. He dy'd 8 R. 2, A. D. 1384, (a) having marry'd *Ifabel*, Daughter to *Thomas* Baron *Berkley*, Widow to *Robert* Lord *Clifford*; by whom he had Issue a Daughter, *Ellen*, marry'd to *Henry* *Wbarton*, and two Sons, *Thomas*, taken Prisoner with his Father, and *William*.

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(a) *Vet. Messa's*,

The said *Thomas*, the Son, was return'd to serve in Parliament, as one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Tork*, (b) 37 and 43 *E.* 3; was Sheriff of *Cumberland*, 16 *R.* 2, and Knight of the Shire for *Westmoreland*, 1 *H.* 4, but dying without Issue 10 *H.* 4, *A. D.* 1409. (c) *Hartley* Castle with *Musgrave*, the ancient Inheritance devolv'd on Sir *Richard Musgrave*, Kt. Son to his Brother *William*.

Which *Richard* was born 2 *H.* 6, 1423, and marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Thomas Betham* of *Betham-Hall*, Kt. by whom he had five Daughters; *Elizabeth*, Wife to *Thomas a Garth*; *Elizabeth*, to *Thomas Middleton*; *Mary*, to *Tomlin Warcopp*; *Margaret*, to *Thomas Elderton*; and *Eleanor*, to—— *Thornborough*, Esqs; and three Sons, *John*, who dy'd without Issue, *Thomas* and *Richard*. The Lady *Elizabeth Musgrave* dy'd 12 *Feb.* 3 *H.* 5, *A. D.* 1419, and Sir *Richard*, 9 *Nov.* 5, *E.* 4, 1464, leaving a Grand-son of his own Name Heir to the Estate, viz. Son of his eldest Son *Thomas*:

Which *Thomas* was a Knight, and had in Marriage *Jane*, Daughter and Co-heir to *William de Stapleton* of *Edenball*, (d) in *Com. Cumb.* Esq; in whose Right he had, among other Lands, the Manour or Lordship of *Edenball*. He dy'd 3 *Jan.* 26 *H.* 6, *A. D.* 1447, having had Issue by his Wife, besides Daughters, four Sons, Sir *Richard*, Sir *John*, *Nicholas* and *William*.

Sir *John Musgrave*, second Son, was knighted at the Battel of *Newark upon Trent*, by King *H.* 7, (e) and was Sheriff of *Cumberland*, 7 *H.* 7, he seated himself at *Fairbank*, *Com. Cumb.* marry'd twice, and had Posterity by both Wives.

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(b) *Fryn.* ut sup. de iisd. ann. (c) *Ex vet. missale prædict.* (d) *Epitaph in the Church there.* (e) *Nom. Milit. temp. H. 7. Cot. Biblio. Claud. C.*

The third Son, *Nicholas Musgrave*, was of *Hayton Castle*;

And *William Musgrave*, the fourth Son was of *Crookdale* in *Com. Cumb.* Progenitors to the *Musgraves* of those Places.

Sir Richard Musgrave, eldest Son and Heir to *Sir Thomas*, as also to his Grand-father *Sir Richard*, took to Wife *Jane*, Daughter to *Thomas Lord Clifford*; and had Issue three Daughters, *Margaret*, Wife to *John Heron* of *Chipchase*; *Mary*, to *John Markindale*, Esq; and *Jane*, who dy'd unmarried. He had also as many Sons, *Edward*, *Thomas*, and *John*.

Edward, the eldest Son, in the Life-Time of his Father, was written of *Caterlane*, in *Com. Cumb.* and with *John Crakantborp*, 5 H. 8, was Sheriff of *Cumberland*. 11 H. 8, he was again in that Post alone; as likewise 19 H. 8, being then or before knighted. By his Wife *Joan*, Daughter and Co-heir to the famous *Sir Christopher Ward*, Kt. Standard-bearer to King H. 8, at the Siege of *Bulloign*. (a) He had Issue, *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *John Latimer*, Esq; *Joan* and *Magdalen*, and three Sons, 1. *Sir William*, Sheriff of *Cumberland* 24 and 33 H. 8, Father of *Sir Richard Musgrave*, Kt. which *Sir Richard* enter'd his Lands of full Age at *Martinmas* 37 H. 8, A. D. 1545, and dying 10 Sept. 1555, 2 *Phil.* and *Mar.* was bury'd at *Edenball*, having had Issue by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Lord Wharton*, a Son *Thomas*, who dy'd on *Sunday*, 3 *March* 7 *Eliz.* without Issue; (b) and only one Daughter *Eleanor*, marry'd to *Sir Robert Bowes* of *Asb*, Kt. whereupon the chief Heir Male remaining was *Simon*, second Son of *Sir Edward* last mention'd.

Which

(a) Fuller's Worthies, in *Com. Ebor.* (b) Ex vet. *Miss. predict.*

Which *Simon* was Sheriff of *Cumberland*, 11 *Eliz.* and the next Year, for his Courage and Fidelity to the Crown of *England*, had the Honour of Knighthood conferr'd on him at *Carlisle*, by the Earl of *Suffolk*. He marry'd *Julian*, Daughter to *William Ellerker* of *Ellerker*, Esq; and was Father to *Christopher*, *Thomas*, *Sir Richard*, and *John*.

Christopher Musgrave, Esq; succeeded his Father, and by *Joan* his Wife, Daughter to *Sir Henry Curwen*, Kt. left Issue

Sir Richard Musgrave, who was made Kt. of the *Bath* at the Coronation of King *J. 1.* and afterwards was advanc'd to the Degree of Baronet, *A. D.* 1611, by Letters Patent bearing date the 29th of *June*, in the 9th Year of that King's Reign. He enlarg'd and beautify'd his Castle of *Hartley*, and being desirous to see foreign Countries, travell'd abroad, and dying at *Naples*, 6 *Nov.* 13 *J. 1.* lies bury'd in the Cathedral Church there; leaving Issue by the Lady *Frances* his Wife, third Daughter to *Philip* Lord *Wharton*,

Sir Philip Musgrave, Bart. his Son and Heir, aged then seven Years. He was committed to the Tuition of his Uncle *Philip* Lord *Wharton*; and when adult, espous'd in Marriage *Juliana*, youngest Daughter to *Sir Richard Hutton*, Kt. one of the Judges of the *Common-Pleas*. On the Irruption of the great Rebellion, *A. D.* 1641, he asserted the Royal Cause with all Courage and dutiful Allegiance; he was made Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, and Governor of the City and Citadel of *Carlisle*. When the King was at *Tork* he waited on his Majesty there, and afterwards at *Oxford*. To the Marquess of *Newcastle* at *Tork*, he sent first six hundred Soldiers, then eighteen hundred, and afterwards to Prince *Rupert* a thousand more, whom he rais'd and list'd in the Counties of *Cumberland* and *Westmoreland*. After the Battel at *Marston-Moor*,

Moor, he, with Sir *Thomas Glenham*, retir'd to *Carlisle*; upon the Surrender of which *Garrison*, (the last that yielded to the Rebels) he attend'd the King at *Cardiff* in *Wales*. At the Desire of some loyal Gentlemen, a new Regiment of Foot being rais'd in *Cumberland*, he was appointed Colonel of it by the King; but in *September* following, *A. D.* 1645, they were all defeated at *Rownton-Moor*, by *Poinz* a Rebel-Officer, and either kill'd or taken Prisoners, Sir *Philip* was among them, and was sent to *Tork*; but had some Favour shewn to him, by Means of his Uncle the Lord *Wharton*, engag'd on the other Side. When King *C. 2* came with his Army out of *Scotland*, *A. D.* 1651, Sir *Philip* did his Majesty all the good Services he could. After the fatal Battel of *Worcester* he went into *France* for some Time, but returning from thence, he liv'd privately at *Oxford*, and where else he could with most Safety, 'til the Cloud of the Usurpation was over. At the Restoration of King *C. 2*, *A. D.* 1660, he was made Governor of *Carlisle*, and had some other Reparation made him by the Crown, for the Sufferings of his Family. He had a Warrant to be Baron *Musgrave* of *Hartley* Castle, but never took out the Patent. He departed this Life at his Seat at *Edenball*, *Feb.* 7. *A. D.* 1678, aged 70 Years; in great Honour and Esteem, for a wise, loyal, and brave Man. He lies interr'd under a Monument of white Marble, in the Chancel of the Parish-Church of *Edenball*, the burial Place of this Family, since that Estate came into it.

He had by his Lady six Sons; Sir *Richard*, *Philip*, who dy'd in *France*; Sir *Christopher*, *William*, and *Simon*, who was unfortunately drown'd; and *Thomas*, Dean of *Carlisle*, and Prebendary of *Durham*; also one Daughter, *Frances*.

Richard

Richard Musgrave, eldest Son and Heir to Sir *Philip*, succeeded him in Title and Estate; he was of an infirm Constitution, and did not concern himself in any publick Affairs, and having marry'd a Daughter of—*Harrison*, in *Com. Ebor*, Esq; he left only one Daughter, *Mary*, marry'd to *Thomas Davyson* of *Blackston*, in *Com. Dunelm*. Esq; whereupon

Sir *Christopher Musgrave*, Kt. Brother to Sir *Richard*, and third Son to Sir *Philip*, succeeded in the Dignity and Estate. While he was young he was very active for the Royal Cause, and suffer'd much by Imprisonment, and otherwise; towards the End of the Usurpation) being found to be concern'd in Sir *George Booth's* Rising. After the Restoration he had a Commission as Captain of the Guards, and was knighted; made Governor of *Carlisle*, and Lieutenant-General of the Ordnance; and in the first Year of her Majesty Queen *Anne*, made one of the four Tellers of the *Exchequer*. He was twice marry'd, his first Lady was *Mary*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Andrew Cogan* of *Greenwich*, Bart. by whom he had two Sons and one Daughter, viz. *Philip Musgrave*, Esq; hereafter-mention'd; *Mary* and *Christopher*. This Lady dy'd in Child-bed at *Carlisle* Castle, 8 July, A. D. 1664, in the 28th Year of her Age, and lies bury'd in the Chancel of *Eden-hal*. His second Lady was *Elizabeth*, Daughter to Sir—*Franklyn*, Bart. by whom he had six Sons, viz. *John*, *Richard*, who dy'd young; *Joseph*, (Burgess for *Cockermouth*, *Com. Cumb.* A. D. 1713,) *Simon*, who dy'd in the *East-Indies*; *Thomas* and *George*, and six Daughters; *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *John Wyneve* of *Brettenbam*, in *Suffolk*, Esq; *Dorothy*, *Frances*, *Mary*, marry'd to *John Hawley* of *Brentford*, *Com. Midd.* Esq; *Anne*, and *Barbara*. He serv'd in Parliament for many Years, and, on all Occasions, demonstrated himself a loyal Subject, an able Statesman, and
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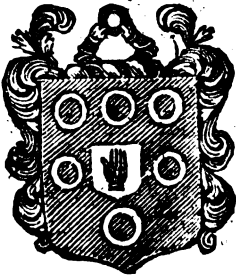
singular Patriot to his Country. He dy'd at London of a Palsy, 30 June, A. D. 1704, in the seventy third Year of his Age, and lyes bury'd near his eldest Son *Philip* aforesaid, who dy'd before him.

Which *Philip* born May 21, A. D. 1660, was a Gentleman of great Hopes, and had all the Advantages of Education, both at Home and Abroad: He marry'd 12 November 1685, *Mary*, eldest Daughter to *George Legg*, Lord *Dartmouth*, then Master-General of the Ordnance. He was Clerk of the Council in the Reign of King *James* the II, and Clerk of the Deliveries in the Ordnance, and dying 2 July, 1689, much lamented by all that knew him, was bury'd in the Chapel of the *Minorities*; (where his Father-in-Law, the Lord *Dartmouth*, was afterwards bury'd, Anno 1691) and left a Son and a Daughter; *Christopher*, now living, and *Barbara*.

Christopher Musgrave, youngest Son of Sir *Christopher*, was born at *Carlisle*, and bred to the Law; and, upon the Death of his elder Brother, succeeded him as Clerk of the Council: He hath serv'd the City of *Carlisle* as their Representative in Parliament, and is at present Clerk of the Ordnance.

Christopher, only Son and Heir of *Philip*, on his Grandfather's Death, succeeded in the Estate and Dignity. As soon as he had pass'd thro' his Education at *Eaton*, and *Christ Church, Oxon*, and was come of Age, his Uncle *Christopher*, by Leave of the late Queen. resign'd to him the Place of a Clerk of her Majesty's most Honourable Privy-Council, which his Father had enjoy'd but few Years. He has serv'd in Parliament for the City of *Carlisle*, and, by his Majesty King *George*, has been continu'd in his Post: He marry'd 21 June, VOL. I. [m] A. D.

A. D. 1711, Julia, Daughter to Sir John Chardin Kt. hath Issue one Son and a Daughter; Philip born April 23, A. D. 1712, and Mary, born 16 April A. D. 1713.



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Azure six Annulets, (three, two, one) Or, alluding to the Arms of the Lords Vipont; which were the same in Substance, both in Charge and Position alike, and only different in Tinctures.

C R E S T.

Out of a Wreath, two Arms counterly embow'd, arm'd, and gauntled, proper, exhibiting an Annulet, Or.

M O T T O.

Sans Changer.

EDWARD SEYMOUR of BERRY-
POMEROY, Esq; Devon. N^o 24.

[*ead. Die præd.*]

Among others who enter'd *England* with the Conqueror, or soon after, were those of the Name of *Seymour*, as the learned *Camden* and other Genealogists agree, and that they were anciently written *St. Maur*; (a) and in old *Latin* Records,

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(*) *Camden's Remains*, p. 113 & 151.

D. S. Mauro, deduc'd from a Place of the same Name in *Normandy*. *Milo de St. Maur*, was one of the *Barons* (b) of the Realm in the Reign of King *John*, as his Descendants were till the Reign of King *Henry* the Vth, when *Richard de St. Maur* left an only Daughter and Heir, the Wife of Sir *William le Zouch*, Kt. But there were several junior Branches of this Family; and the Name I find written *Semere*, *Semor*, and *Seymour*, in the Reigns of King *Henry* the IIIrd and *Edward* the Ist.

Nicolas de Semere (c) is mention'd in a Charter of *Nesta de Cokefeld*, in the Reign of K. *Henry* IIIrd, and in 25 *Ed.* 1. one of the same Name (d) was summon'd among the principal Persons of Note, that held Lands to the Value of 20 *l.* or more, in the Counties of *Somerset* and *Dorset*, to attend the King at *London*, with Horse and Arms, the Sunday after the Octaves of *St. John Baptist*, to go with him beyond the Seas. At the same Time, and on the same Occasion, (e) *Ralph de Seymour* had Summons among those of the County of *Northampton*; and in 29 *Ed.* 1. he was (f) requir'd to appear with Horse and Arms to attend the King in his Expedition against the *Scots*.

William de S. Mauro, (lineal Ancestor (g) of the *Seymours* now existing) by the Aid of *Gilbert* Lord *Mareschal*, Earl of *Pembrook*, recover'd *Wendy* and *Penbow*, (Parts of *Monmouthshire*) from the *Welsh* Nation in 22 *H.* 2. 1240, and was succeeded therein by Sir *Roger*, (*) his Son and Heir, living in the Reign of King *Edward* the Ist, who was succeed-

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(b) *Dugdale's Baron of Engl.* Vol. 1. (c) *Mon. Angl.* Vol. 1, p. 532, 38 b. (d) *E. Lib. MS. contin. Nom. Nob. &c. a temp. R. Steph. ad H. 8.* Not. B. 5. in *Bibl. Joh. Anstis. Arm. Garb. Reg. Arm.* (e) *ib.* (f) *Ryley's Plac. Parl.* p. 484. (g) *Heylyn's Hist. of the Reformation*, p. 2. (*) *Vincent's Elevation in Offic. Arm.* n. 20.

by a Son of his own Name, Sir Roger, L. of *Penbow*, in 8 Ed. 2. who had Issue 2 Sons, *John*, Lord of *Penbow*, and Sir Roger Seymour, Kt. Lord of *Wendy* or *Woundy*, by the Gift of his Brother, and seated at *Evinswinden*, in *Com Wilts*, who made a great Addition to his paternal Fortune, by marrying *Cicely*, 2d Daughter of *John* Lord *Beauchamp* of *Hacche*, and Sister and Coheir to *John* her Brother, who dy'd in 35 Pd. 3, for she had assign'd for her Share on the Partition (b) of the Inheritance of the *Beauchamps*, the Manours of *Hacche*, *Sbepton*, *Beauchamp*, *Murifield*, and the 3d Part of the Manour of *Sbepton-Malet*, in *Com. Somersf.* certain Lands in *Sturminster-Marshal*, in *Com. Dorset*. the Manours of *Boulbury* and *Haberton*, in *Com. Devon.* the Manour of *Dourton*, in *Com. Bucks*; *Little-Haw*, in *Com. Suff.* and two Parts of the Manour of *Selling*, in *Com. Kanc.*

This Sir Roger Seymour had several Sons, whereof *William* inherited the Estate; and in 30 Ed. 3. (*) attended the Prince of *Wales* into *Gascoigny*, having the King's Letters of Protection, dated at *Bamburgh* the 8th of *February* the same Year. He had to Wife *Margaret*, Daughter and Heir of *Simon de Brockburne*, of the County of *Hereford*, by *Joan*, Sister and Heir of Sir *Peter de la Mare*, Kt. and dying in 15 R. 2, was succeeded by *Roger*, his Son and Heir, who marry'd *Maud*, Daughter and Coheir to Sir *William Eflurmi* of *Chadham*, in *Com. Wilts*, Kt. Lord of *Woolphall*, in the same County. Which Family of *Eflurmi*s, were Bailiffs and Guardians of the Forest of *Savernake*, by Right of Inheritance, from the Time of King *Henry* the II^d; in Remembrance whereof, their Hunters Horn, of a mighty Bigness, and tipp'd with Silver,

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(b) *Dugd. Baron. Vol. 1, p. 254.*

(*) *Rymer's Fzd. Tom. 5, p. 845.*

is kept in the Family of the Duke of Somerset (i) as a Monument of their Descent from such worthy Ancestors. This Roger dy'd in 8 H. 5, and was succeeded by John, his Son and Heir.

In this Reign was also Sir Edmond Seymour, Kt. Lord of St. Brigid, infr. Wens, and of Chelney, in Com. Somersf. whose last Will (k) and Testament bears Date in the Year 1421, (10 H. 5) wherein he mentions Joan his Wife, Margery his Daughter, and Richard his Brother, and orders his Body to be bury'd in the Church of St. Brigid of Chelney, if he dies in England, but if in Wales, then in the Church of St. Brigid of Wens.

John Seymour, Son and Heir of Sir Roger, made Woolpball the Inheritance of his Mother, his capital Mansion. He was a very noted and active Person, having been Sheriff of several Counties, and in other publick Offices. In 9 H. 6, he was Sheriff (l) of the County of Southampton, and the Year following for Wiltshire. (m) Also in 12 H. 6, when the Title of the House of York was set on Foot, and all Persons of Note in the several Counties of England, were summon'd to take the Oaths, to preserve the Peace, for themselves and Retainers, he appear'd in Wiltshire, and is the first mention'd in the List after the Knights in that County. He was that (n) Year Sheriff of Dorset and Somersetshire, and knighted before the 15th Year of King Henry the VIth, when he was again Sheriff of the County of Southampton. He was likewise in the same Office for Wiltshire, in 29 H. 6 and one of the Knights (o) for the said County in the Parliament held at Reading, in 31 H. 6. also the Year follow-

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(i) Fuller's Worthies, in Com. Wilts. p. 161. (k) Ex Regist. vocat March (in Curia Prærogativa) p. 426. (l) Fuller's Worthies, in end. C m p. 14. (m) Ib. p. 153, 161. (n) Ib. 287. (o) MS. penes B. Willis, Arm.

ing was a third Time Sheriff of *Southampton*, and departed this Life in the 4th Year of the Reign of King (*) *Edward* the IVth. He had Issue by *Isabel* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *William Mack-Williams* of *Gloucestershire*, who dy'd in 1. R. 3. *John Seymour*, Esq; his Son and Heir, Sheriff of *Wiltshire* (p) in 36 H. 6. and dy'd before his Father in 3 Ed. 4. leaving, by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of *Robert Coker* of *Lawrence Lydiard*, (who deceas'd in 12 Ed. 4) two Sons, *John* and *Humphrey Seymour* of *Evinswinden*, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of ——— *Winslow* of *Burton*, in *Com. Oxon*, and left Posterity; whereof, I presume, the *Seymours* of *Oxfordshire* descend, and those of *Hansford*, in *Com. Dorset*; who have a Chief charg'd with three Martlets, as an additional Distinction in their Arms.

John Seymour, Esq; eldest Son of Sir *John*, took to Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to Sir *George Darell*, and had Issue four Sons, and as many Daughters; *Margaret* marry'd to Sir *William Wadham*; *Jane*, the Wife of Sir *John Huddleston* of *Warleston*, in *Com. Cumber*. *Elizabeth* espous'd to *John Crofts*, Esq; and *Catherine*, who dy'd a Maiden. His Sons were Sir *John*, hereafter mention'd, Sir *Robert Seymour*, 2d Son, Sir *George Seymour*, Sheriff of *Wiltshire* in 14 H. 7, and Sir *William Seymour* made Knight of the *Bath* at the Marriage of Prince *Arthur*, eldest Son to King *Henry* the VIIth.

John Seymour, the eldest Son, was one of the Commanders of those Forces that vanquish'd the Lord *Audley* and the *Cornish* Rebels at *Blackbeath*, in *Kent*, in 12 H. 7. (q) and, for his valiant Deportment in that Engagement, was knighted. by the

(*) *Vincent's Baron. præd.*

(p) *Fuller, ut antea, p. 161:*

(q) *Nom. Equit in Bibl. Claud. Claudim, C. 3.*

the King in the Field of Battel. He serv'd King Henry the VIIIth in his Wars in *France* and *Flanders*; and in the 5th Year of his Reign, for his gallant Behaviour at the Siege of *Tberouene*; and the Battel that ensu'd, call'd by our Historians the Battel of *Spurrs*, had the Honour of Knight Banneret (r) conferr'd on him. In 7 H. 8. he was Sheriff of *Dorsetshire* and *Somersetshire*; as also in 18 H. 8. (s) and was twice Sheriff for *Wiltshire* in 10 & 16 H. 8. In 9 H. 8. being then one of the *Knights* for the Body of that King, (t) he obtain'd a Grant of the Constablewick of *Brisfol* Castle, to himself, and *Edward* his Son, in as ample Manner as *Giles* Lord *D'Aubeeny* held the same. In the Year 1520, he attended on King Henry the VIIIth (u) at the great Interview with *Francis* the French King, between *Guisnes* and *Ardres*, having in his Retinue 1 Chaplain, 4 Servants, and 8 led Horses.

When the Emperor, *Charles* the Vth, came into *England* in 14 H. 8. 1522, he (w) was appointed to attend the King at *Canterbury*, the 27th of *May*, in order to his Reception. In 22 H. 8. he was one of the five of the County of *Wilts* (x) who were appointed to enquire into the Possessions of Cardinal *Wolfey*; and at the 2d Interview with *Francis*, the French King at *Bulloign*, in the Year 1532, (24 H. 8.) he was one (y) of the Grooms of the Chamber, and waited on his Sovereign.

He had the Honour of having his eldest Daughter, *Jane*, marry'd to King Henry the VIIIth, who was not only inclin'd to this Marriage by his own Affections, but by the humble Petition and Intercession

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(r) *Nom. Equit Ib.* (s) *Fuller in eod. Com.* (t) *Dugd. Baron. Vol. 2. p. 361.* (u) *Lib. ut antea, Not. B. 5. penes Joh. Anstis.*
 (w) *Rymer's Fœd. Tom. 12. p. 763.* (x) *Ib. Tom. 14, p. 404.*
 (y) *MS. in Bibl. Joh. Anstis præd.*

of most of the Nobles of this Realm, mov'd thereunto, as well by the Conveniency of her Tears, as in respect that by her excellent Beauty and pureness of Flesh and Blood, (as is worded (z) in the Act of Succession) she was apt (God willing) to conceive Issue.

This Sir John Seymour departed this Life in the Year 1526, (28 H. 8) in the 60th Year of his Age, and had Sepulture in Easton Priory Church, in Com. Wilts. but on the Dissolution thereof, his Remains were remov'd, and bury'd, the 30th of Sept. 1590, in the Chancel of the Parith-Church of Great Bedwin. His Lady (who was Margaret, Daughter of Sir John Wentworth of Nettlested in Com. Suff) surviv'd him, and dy'd in the Year 1550, as her last Testament, and the Probat thereof, shews: "Wherein (a) she bequeaths her
" Body to be bury'd as her Executors think fit;
" and leaves divers Legacies of Plate, Jewels, &c.
" to her Relations; and mentions Edward Seymour
" and Henry Seymour, Sons of the Duke of Somers-
" set, as her Godsons; and constitutes her Son
" Sir Henry Seymour Executor.

Their Issue were six Sons and four Daughters:
1. Jane, marry'd (as before was said) to King Henry the Eighth, and Mother to the pious King Edward the Sixth, of whom she dy'd in Childbed, greatly lamented by the whole Realm, being (b) reputed, (as our Historians relate) not only the fairest, but the discreetest of all the King's Wives, and her Death so much afflicted the King, who always found her humble and loyal, that, notwithstanding several Offers made to him, he continu'd a Widower more than two Years. Elizabeth, second Daughter, was marry'd to Sir Antho-
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(z) An 28. H. 8. (a) Ex Regist. Coode qu. 29. (b) Herbert's Life of K. H. 8. in the 2d Vol. Hist. Eng. p. 196, & 212.

ny Oughtred, 2dly, to Gregory Lord Cromwell, and 3dly, to John Lord St. John, of Basing, afterwards Marquess of Winchester. Margery, third Daughter, dy'd an Infant; and Dorothy was wedded, first to Sir Clement Smith, of Little Badow in Essex, Kt. and, after his Decease, to Thomas Leventbop, a younger Brother of Edward Leventbop of Shingey-Hall in Com. Hertford, Esq. The six Sons were, 1. John, who dy'd unmarried the 15th of July 1520; Edward Seymour, 2d Son, Duke of Somerset; Sir Henry, 3d Son, possess'd of the large Manours of Marvel and Twyford in Com Southamp. knighted at the Coronation of King Edward the Sixth, being one of the Forty in Substitution of Knights of (c) the Bath, that were not created, for want of Time to perform the Ceremony. He was one of the Knights for Wiltshire, in the Parliament (d) call'd by that King, and left a Family, which is now extinct, at Marvel aforesaid. Sir Thomas Seymour, 4th Son, distinguishing himself in several military Commands, was, at length, in 35 H. 8. Marshal of the Forces under Sir John Wallop, that were sent in Aid of Maximilian the Emperor, against the French King, as also of those Forces, sent into France, under the leading of his Brother Edward Earl of Hertford. In the 1st Year of King Edward the Sixth, he was advanc'd to the Title of Lord Seymour of Sudley, elected (e) one of the Knights Companions of the most Noble Order of the Garter, and made Lord High Admiral of England; but having marry'd Catharine Parr, the Widow of the deceas'd King, he grew turbulent, (f) and full of ambitious Designs, which occasion'd his fall, and Death; the Circumstances

(c) *Nom. Equit. prad.* (d) *MS. Penes B. Willis.* (e) *Asbmole's Order of the Garter*, p. 265. (f) *Heyward's Life of K. Edw. 6th*, in *Hist. Eng. Vol. 2.* p. 301, 2.

stances whereof are too long to relate. *John* and *Anthony*, 5th and 6th Sons of Sir *John Seymour*, dy'd young.

Edward Seymour, eldest Son, was educated, first at *Oxford*, and after some Stay there, remov'd to *Cambridge* (g) (whereof he was Chancellor in the Reign of King *Edward the 6th*) from whence returning to his Father at Court, when martial Achievements were encourag'd by King *Henry the Eighth*, he took early to Arms, spent his Youth in the Wars, and landing at *Calais*, with the Duke of *Suffolk*, the 24th of *August*, 1523, (15 H. 8.) was in the Expedition, and at the Taking of *Bray*, *Roye*, and *Montdidier* in *France*; and therein shewing a prudent Conduct. and valiant Behaviour, he had the Honour of Knighthood conferr'd on him by the Duke of *Suffolk* at *Roye*, (b) on *Alhallows Day*, the same Year. In 24 H. 8. being 'Squire for the Body (i) to the King, he was in that gallant Train, which attended on their Sovereign at *Bulloign*, at his Interview with *Francis the French King*. At the Time of his Sister's Marriage with King *Henry the Eighth*, he was one of the Knights for the Body; (k) but on that Solemnity, he had the Title of Viscount *Beauchamp* conferr'd on him, by reason of his Descent from an Heir Female of that House, as before is shewn; and the same Year, (with Sir *Richard Buckley*, Kt.) had a Grant of the Office of Chancellor (l) and Chamberlain of *North Wales* for Life, as also made Captain of the Isle of *Jersey*, upon the Surrender of that Command by Sir *Thomas Vaux* Lord *Harrowden*.

On the 18th of *Oct.* 1537 (29 H. 8.) he was (m) created Earl of *Hertford*. In 32 H. 8. he was sent

(g) *Wood's Athena Oxoniens.* Vol. 1. p. 71. (b) *Nom. Equit. prad.* (i) *MS. in Bibl. Joh. Anstis, prad.* (k) *Baron. of Eng.* Vol. 2. p. 361. (l) *Privat. Sigill.* 28 H. 8. (m) *Poc.* 29 H. 8.

sent over to *France* to dispute the Limits of the *English* Borders, and the same Year (n) elected at *Hampton Court* (9 Jan.) one of the Knights Companions of the Most Noble Order of the Garter. As Cousin and Heir to Sir *William Sturmy*, Knight, viz. Son of Sir *John Seymour*, Kt. Son of *John Seymour*, Esq; Son of Sir *John Seymour*, Kt. Son of *Maud*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *William Sturmy*, Kt. he had Livery of *Sturmy's* Lands. In 33 H. 8. the *Scotch* denying their Homage, (o) he accompany'd the Duke of *Norfolk*, in his Expedition into *Scotland*. In 34 H. 8. he was made Lord Great Chamberlain of *England* for Life; and the same Year, (p) being made Lieutenant-General of the North, he, with an Army well furnish'd, march'd into *Scotland*, when *Leith* and *Edinburgb* were taken and plunder'd. In 36 H. 8. the King being then at the Seige of *Bulloign*, (q) he came to him with several Troops of *Almains*, *French*, and others; and after taking thereof, routed an Army of 14000 *French*, who lay encamp'd hard by.

In 37 H. 8. the *Scots* making several Incurfions on the Borders, in Conjunction with 5000 Auxiliaries from *France*; he being sent against them, (r) destroy'd all the Towns upon the middle Marches, and passing towards the West, made great Spoil in those Parts. Soon after, the *French* endeavouring to regain *Bulloign*, he forc'd their Retreat; and, pursuing the Enemy, besides the Slaughter, gain'd several Trophies of his Success. (s) The next Year, the Earl of *Surrey*, Governor of *Bulloign*, being laid aside, he was put in his Stead, and sent over, with the Lord Admiral, and

(n) *Assmole's Order of the Garter*, p. 265. (o) *Herbert's Life of King H. 8.* in: *Hist. of Eng.* p. 233. (p) *ib.* p. 242, 243. (q) *ibid.*, p. 245. (r) *P.* 251. (s) *Herbert præd.* p. 254, & seq.

and an Army of 9300 Men, to oppose the *French*, then making Head. Soon after, upon Proposals of Peace, he was constituted the Chief of the *English* Commissioners for that Treaty, when a Peace was happily concluded. And now the King lying upon his Death-bed, he was (t) appointed one of his Executors; after whose Decease, (*Jan. 28, 1547*) he immediately repair'd to the young King (u) at *Hertford*; and conducting him to *London*, was, by the Council, (*1 Feb.*) unanimously elected Protector of the Realm, and Governour of the King's Person, until he should accomplish the Age of 18 Years; to which Office he was deem'd most fit, in that he was the King's Uncle by the Mother's Side, very near to him in Blood, but yet of no Capacity to succeed; by Reason whereof, his natural Affection and Duty was less easy to be sway'd by Ambition. On the 10th of *February* following, he was chosen Lord Treasurer; and being no Baron, on the 15th of *February*, (x) was advanc'd to that Degree, with Limitation to the Heirs Male of his Body, by *Anne* his Wife, remainder to *Edward Seymour* his Son, by *Catharine* his first Wife: The next Day he was created Duke of *Somerset*, (y) and to the Heirs Male of his Body by *Anne* his Wife, who was Daughter to Sir *Edward Stanhope* (z) of *Rampton* in *Com. Nott. Kt.* and Heir to her Mother *Elizabeth*, Sister to *John Bourchier* Earl of *Bath*, and Great Granddaughter of *William Bourchier* Earl of *Eve* in *Normandy*, (a) by *Anne* his Wife. Daughter and sole Heir of *Thomas* of *Woodstock*, Duke of *Gloucester*, seventh and youngest Son of King *Edward the Third*.
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(t) *Ex Regist. vocat Allen* (in *Cur. Prærog. Cant.*) qu. 32, & *Rymer's Fœdera*, Tom. xv. p. 117. (u) *Heyward's Life of K. Ed. 6.* in *Hist. Engl.* p. 271, & *Seq.* (x) *Chancey's Hertfordsh.* p. 21. (y) *Pat. 1. Ed. 6.* (z) *Thoroton's Antiq. of Nott.* p. 392, 394. (a) *Sandford's Gen. Hist.*

From which Sir *Edward Stanhope*, (b) (who was knighted with Sir *John Seymour* in the Field of Battle at *Black Heath*, for his valiant Behaviour against the *Cornish* Rebels; as also made Knight for the Body to King *Henry the 7th*, (c) Constable of *Sandale* Castle, Steward of the Honour of *Wakefeld*, &c. and dy'd the 6th of *June*, (d) in 3 H. 8.) are descended the present Earls of *Chesterfield* and *Stanhope*; as also, those of the Name at *Mansfield in Com. Nott.* and (e) at *Elvaston in Derbyshire*; whereof *Charles Stanhope*, Esq; is Joint-Secretary of the Treasury, and his Brother *William Stanhope* a Colonel of Dragoons, has eminently distinguish'd himself, both in the Camp, and as Envoy Extraordinary to the present King of *Spain*.

The said *Edward* Duke of *Somerset*, on the 17th of *February*, was created Earl Marshal of *England* for Life; the 12th of *March* following, he was, by Patent, made Protector and Governour of the King and his Realms; and on the 27th of *May*, (f) had License to retain and keep 200 Persons; as also, a Grant, the 9th of *July*, of 8000 Marks p^{a} Ann. during the Time he should be Protector, &c. He had likewise a special Grant, that he should sit alone, and be plac'd at all Times, as well in the King's Presence in Parliament, as in his Absence, on the Middle of the Bench or Stool, standing next on the Right Hand the King's Royal Seat in Parliament.

In the first Year of his Administration, he warily made a Peace with *France*, turning all his Thoughts to bring about the Match of *Mary Stewart*, sole Daughter and Heir to *James V.* King of *Scotland*, (g) with his Nephew King *Edward*
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(b) *Nom. Equit. in Bibl. Cotton, Claudius C. 3. f. 37.* (c) *Pat. 18 H. 7. p. 1.* (d) *Coles Inq. MS. Not. 61. A. 12. in Bibl. Harleyana.* (e) *Vincent's Baronage, MS. in Off. Arm. No. 20.* (f) *Privat. Sigil. 1. Ed. 6.* (g) *Heyward, pred. p. 278.*

the Sixth, and to that End first assail'd the *Scottish* Nobility by friendly Letters, remembring them of the Promises, Seals, and Oaths, which, by publick Authority, had pass'd, for concluding the Marriage; as also, that the two Princes were agreeable, both for Years and princely Qualities, to be join'd together, and thereby knitt both Realms into one, which would be profitable as well as honourable to both Kingdoms. But these, and many other Reasons, that were enforc'd by the Protector, taking no Effect, he prepar'd an Army, and invading *Scotland*, fought the memorable Battle at *Musselborg*; wherein his undaunted Courage, as well as Conduct, were the principal Means of gaining that signal Victory, which put an End to the *Scots* ever making Head again (to any Purpose) against the *English*.

But this good Duke, (for so he was commonly (b) stil'd) after all the great Services he had done his Country, fell by the Stroke of the Ax, the 22d of *January* 1552, the Power of the King, his Nephew, being not able to save him; his Ruin being projected and perfected (as our Historians agree) by the subtil Artifices of that haughty Man, *John Dudley* Earl of *Warwick*, (afterwards Duke of *Northumberland*) to make Way for his own ambitious and aspiring Designs.

His Character is much impeach'd, by Sir *John Heyward*, in his History of the Life of King *Edward* the VIth, but the Notes thereon, fully manifest the Errors of that Author; who in many Particulars confutes himself. He says of him, (i) "That he was a Man little esteem'd, either for Wisdom or Personage, or Courage in Arms. Yet, in these

(b) Notes on the 2d Vol. of the Hist. of Engl. p. 279. (i) *ib.* p. 279 & 280.

these Words directly following, recites, " That
 " being in Favour with King *Henry*, and by him
 " much employ'd, he was always observ'd to be
 " both Faithful and Fortunate, as well in giving
 " Advice as in managing a Charge: That being
 " Warden of the Marches against *Scotland*, the
 " Invasion of *James* the Vth, was by his Direction,
 " encounter'd and broken, at *Solome-Mosse*, where-
 " of divers of the *Scotch* Nobility were taken
 " Prisoners: That he and the Earl of *Warwick*,
 " with a Handful of Men, to speak of, fir'd *Leith*
 " and *Edinburgh*, and return'd, by a leisurely
 " March 44 Miles thro' the Body of *Scotland*.
 " The next ensuing Year, he invaded the *Scotch*
 " Borders, wasted *Tivedale*, and the *Marches*:
 " That the Year following being sent to view the
 " Fortifications upon the *Marches* of *Calais*, he
 " did not only that, but with the hardy Ap-
 " proach of 7000 *English*, rais'd an Army of
 " 21000 *French*, encamp'd over the River before
 " *Bulloign*, won their Ordnance, Carriage, Treas-
 " ure, and Tents, with the Loss only of one Man,
 " and return'd from thence, by Land, to *Guesnes*,
 " won, in his Way, within Shot and Rescue of
 " *Arde*, the Castle of *Outing*, commonly call'd
 " the *Red Pile*: That he invaded and spoil'd
 " *Picardy*, began the Forts of *Newhaven*, *Blackness*,
 " and *Bullingberge*, and so well apply'd his Endeav-
 " ours, that in a few Weeks, and before his De-
 " parture, they were made Tenable: That upon
 " these, and other like Successes, his succeeding
 " Fortunes were esteem'd, always rather new
 " than strange, and his only Presence was repu-
 " ted a sufficient Surety for an Army. And yet
 " did he never rise thereby, either into Haught-
 " nesses in himself, or Contempt of others, but re-
 " main'd Courteous and Affable, choosing a Course
 " least Subject to Envy, between stiff Stubborn-
 " nesses

“ nefs and filthy Flattery, never aspiring higher
 “ than to be the 2d Person in State.

This Author (*k*) giving an Account of *Muscleborough* Battel, relates, also, several Acts both of Wisdom and Courage in the Duke, so that 'tis wonderful he should so far contradict himself; but it appears, that what he asserts, is from *Saunders* a Jesuit, whose Pen was not directed so much by Truth, as Malice to the Duke, who was a zealous Encourager of the *Reformation*. He was certainly faithful to his Country, studious of its Safety and Honour, and never entertain'd Hopes prejudicial to either. He was Generous, Bountiful, and ready to do good Offices to all that stood in Need; to which Purpose he erected an Office [Master of Requests] for the better taking Care of poor Men's Suits, (*l*) and for the more effectual speeding them, without the Delays and Charges of the Law. Secretary *Cecil* was the first Master thereof, and Sir *Thomas Smith* the 2d; both Persons fam'd for their great Knowledge and excellent Accomplishments, who ow'd their Rise principally to the Duke's Goodness; as did several, whose Families are remaining at this Day. He suffer'd with great Constancy and firmness of Mind, and an entire Resignation to the Will of God, and Charity to all Mankind: *Professing*, (*m*) that he had never offended against the King, either by Thought, Word, or Deed, but had alway been as true and faithful to the Realm as any Man. His Death was very much lamented, People dipping their Handkerchiefs in his Blood, and laying them up as sacred Relicks.

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(*k*) Heyward *prad.* p. 284, 285. (*l*) *Strype's Life of Sir Tho Smith* p. 40. (*m*) *Fox's Acts & Mon. ad An.* 1520, and *Notes on Sir J. H. prad.* p. 324 & 5.

Edward Seymour, Esq; [175]

This great Duke had two Wives; 1st, *Catherine*, Daughter and Coheir of Sir *William Fillol* of *Woodlands*, in *Com. Dorset*, Kt. by whom he had Issue a Son, *Edward*, of whose Posterity I am principally to treat; and by *Anne*, his 2d Lady, Daughter to Sir *Edward Stanhope*, as before was said, had Issue *Edward* his Son and Heir, who, by his Father's Attainder, lost the Title of Duke of *Somerset*, but was created Baron *Beauchamp* and Earl of *Hertford* in the first Year of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*; to which Dignities succeeded *William*, his Grandson, who was restor'd to the Title of Duke of *Somerset*, by Repeal of the Attainder; and those Honours are now enjoy'd, by the Most Noble *Charles Seymour*, Duke of *Somerset*, Great Grandson of *Edward* Lord *Beauchamp*, Grandson of the first Duke of *Somerset*, and *Anne* his Wife, before-mention'd.

Which *Anne*, Dutcheß of *Somerset*, dy'd at *Hanworth* on *Easter* Day, the 15th of *April*, 1587, in the 90th Year of her Age; and, by Order of Queen *Elizabeth*, the prime Officers of State attended at her Funeral, which was very magnificently solemniz'd (w) in *Westminster-Abby*, the 4th of *July*, in 30 *Eliz.* and being very memorable, is worthy relating.

“ First proceeded two Conductors with black
“ Staves in their Hands, then 100 poor Women,
“ two and two; after whom were Gentlemen
“ Attendants on the Earls of *Lincoln* and *Hertford*,
“ the Lord Treasurer, Lord *Henry Seymour* and Lord
“ *Edward Seymour*; in black Cloaks, two and two;
“ then the Dutcheß's Gentlemen in black Cloaks,
“ two and two; then an Officer of Arms, and
“ after him Gentlemen in black Gowns, two and
[n] “ two,

(w) E. Gart, MS. in Museo Ast. mol. Natat. 813.

“ two, with their Hoods on their Shoulders; then
 “ another Officer of Arms, and after him Gentle-
 “ men in black Gowns, two and two, with
 “ their Hoods on their Shoulders; then ano-
 “ ther Officer of Arms, who was follow'd by the
 “ Steward, Treasurer, and Comptroller, with
 “ white Staves in their Hands, and their Hoods
 “ on their Shoulders; after whom came the
 “ Preacher; and after him an Officer of Arms;
 “ then proceeded the Body, born by 27 Gentle-
 “ men, under a Canopy, carry'd by four Esquires.
 “ The Assistants to the Body, were the Earls of
 “ Ormond and Lincoln, the Lord *Henry Seymour*,
 “ and the Lord *Edward Seymour*; between them
 “ proceeded Garter-Principal King at Arms and
 “ two Gentlemen-Ushers, who were follow'd by
 “ the Lord Treasurer, leading the Countess of
 “ *Hertford*, chief Mourner, the Earl of *Hertford*
 “ being Assistant to the Lord Treasurer, and the
 “ Train of the Countess of *Hertford* was born by
 “ the Lady *Burleigh*; then follow'd the Lady
 “ *Mary* and the Lady *Elizabeth Seymour*, the Lady
 “ *Audley* and the Lady *Willoughby*, the Lady
 “ *Dacres* and the Lady *Cobham*, the Lady *Stafford*
 “ and the Lady *Bourchier*, the Lady *Walsingham*
 “ and the Lady *Cheke*, the Lady *Trogmorton* and
 “ the Lady *Gerrard*. Then went Gentlemen in
 “ black Gowns, *French Hoods*, and other Hoods;
 “ follow'd by waiting Gentlewomen in black
 “ Gowns, two and two, and Yeomen in black
 “ Gowns, two and two; then came Gentlemen
 “ and Gentlewomen without Mourning, all in
 “ convenient Order.

I now return to *Edward Seymour*, eldest Son of
 the Duke by his first Wife. Which *Edward* pos-
 sess'd a good Estate at *Berry-Pomeroy* in *Devonshire*,
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purchas'd by his Father (y) of Sir *Thomas Pomeroy*, and was likewise (z) possess'd of the Manour of *Mayden-Bradley*, in *Com. Wilts*, which he purchas'd himself, of the Commissioners appointed by *Queen Mary*, to dispose of Church Lands. He receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, was Sheriff of *Devon*, (a) in 25 *Eliz.* and having taken to Wife *Margaret*, Daughter to *John Welsh*, one of the Justices of the Common-Pleas, had Issue one Son, *Edward*, his Successor.

Which *Edward Seymour* of *Berry-Pomeroy*, was one of the Knights of the Shire in Parliament for the County of *Devon*, (b) in 35 & 43 *Eliz.* as also in the first Year of the Reign of King *James* the 1st, and was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet on the 29th of *June*, *A. D.* 1611, in the 9th Year of the Reign of that King. He marry'd, in Anno 1570, *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *Arthur Champenon*, and departing this Life in the Year 1612, had Issue several Sons and Daughters.

Edward, his eldest Son, knighted at *Greenwich* the 22d of *May* 1603, was (c) sent by King *James* the 1st, on an Embassy to the King of *Denmark*, and succeeding his Father in Title and Estate, was elected one of the Knights for *Devonshire* in the Parliament held in the Year 1619, (18 *Jac.* 1.) and for *Kellington* (d) and *Totnes* in two other Parliaments, whereof the last met at *Westminster* the 6th of *February* 1625, by the Appointment of King *Charles* the 1st; but, on the Dissolution thereof, being in an advanc'd Age, he liv'd retir'd at the Castle of *Berry-Pomeroy*, (e)
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(y) *Risdon's Description of Devonshire*, p. 203. (z) *MS. in Bibl. Harleyana*, Not. 41, A. 21. (a) *Risdon*, p. 135.
(b) *Willis's Not. Parl.* Vol. 2, p. 254. (c) *Ex Inform. Dom. Edward Seymour, Bar.*
(d) *ib.* p. 175, 254 & 284.
(e) *Risdon*, p. 203.

which he made a stately House: This Seat had a fine Prospect, being situate upon a Rock, on a rising Ground, from the East and North over a pleasant Rivulet, (f) running thro' a Deer-Park, which emptieth itself into the *Hemms* at *Little Hemston*; as that doth into the *Dart*, half a Mile from *Totnes*, and the Parish of *Berry* conjoins to that of *Totnes*, by a fair Bridge of about eight Arches, standing over the River *Dart*.

This Castle of *Berry*, the ancient Seat of the *Pomeroy*s, was a great and noble Structure; but in those miserable Times of Confusion, during the Civil Wars in the Reign of King *Charles* the 1st, was demolish'd, and now lyes in Ruins. The Additions this Sir *Edward Seymour* made there-to, is, by Mr. *Prince*, (g) (who relates, that upwards of 20000 *ls.* were bestow'd thereon) thus set forth: " Before the Door of the Great Hall was a
 " noble Walk, whose Length was the Breadth of
 " the Court, arch'd over with curiously carv'd
 " Free-Stone, supported in the fore Part by several stately Pillars of the same Stone of great
 " Dimensions, after the *Corinthian* Order, standing on Pedestals, having Cornices or Friezes
 " finely wrought; behind which were plac'd in
 " the Wall, several Seats of Frieze-Stone also,
 " cut into the Form of an Escallop-Shell, in which
 " the Company, when a weary, might repose
 " themselves. The Apartments within were
 " very splendid, especially the Dining Room,
 " which was adorn'd, besides Paint, with Statues
 " and Figures cut in Alabaster, with admirable
 " Art and Labour; but the Chimney-piece of polish'd Marble, curiously engraven, was of great
 " Cost and Value. Many other of the Rooms
 " were well adorn'd with Moldings and Fretwork;
 " some

(f) *Prince's Danmonii Orientales Illustræ*, p. 489. (g) *ib.* 492.

“ some of whose Marble Clavils were so delicately fine, that they would reflect an Object true
 “ and lively from a great Distance. In short,
 “ the Number of the Apartments of the whole,
 “ may be collected hence, if Report be true,
 “ that it was a good Day's Work for a Servant
 “ but to open and shut the Casements belonging
 “ to them.

At this Seat the said Sir *Edward Seymour* dy'd, about the Year 1641, very much lamented, having, by an obliging Temper, attracted the Love of his Country; and, by a prudent Management, gain'd the Character of a Person of Honour, Conduct, and Experience. He had by *Dorothy*, his Lady, Daughter of Sir *Hemy Killigrew* of *Lathbury*, Kt. several Sons and Daughters: *Elizabeth* was marry'd to Sir *William Courtney* of *Powderam*, in *Com. Devon*, Kt. *Mary* was wedded to Sir *Jonathan Trelawny*, Bart. Father of the present Bishop of *Winchester*; another was espous'd to ——— *Trelawney*, Brother to the said Sir *Jonathan*; and *Amie* was Wife to Dr. *Stourton*.

Of the Sons, *Edward*, the eldest, will be mention'd hereafter; *Hemy*, 2d Son, born in the Year 1612, was a Gentleman vallu'd and esteem'd by Persons of the greatest Note in the Reigns of King *Charles* the 1st and 2d. He was, in his Youth, Page of Honour to King *Charles* the 1st; and, on the Irruption of the Civil Wars, went with the Marquess of *Hertford* into *Somersetshire*, and was with that noble Peer at *Sherburn*, (b) who with only two Troops of Horse and 400 Foot, they courageously withstood the whole Force of the Earl of *Bedford*, consisting of above 7000 Foot, besides Horse, with Cannon, &c. and the Marquess sending the Earl of *Bedford* a

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(b) *Clarendon's Hist.* 8vo. Vol. 3, p, 6 & 19.

Challenge, Mr. *Seymour* was (i) chose to carry it. His Behaviour, in all Respects, won him the Esteem of the whole Court; so that when it was thought necessary for the Prince of *Wales*, afterwards King *Charles* the II^d, to have Servants peculiar to himself: He was then nominated one of the Grooms of the Bed-chamber.

When all was lost in *England*, he went with his Royal Master abroad, and was entrusted with the last Letter and Message that the Prince (k) sent to his Father under Confinement by the Rebels, (dated from the *Hague* 23 *Jan.* 1648) and delivering it the 27th of the same Month; in the Evening of that Day the Sentence of Death was pass'd on his Majesty, was, on that melancholly Occasion, in the deepest Sorrow. He kiss'd the King's Hands, (l) clasp'd about his Legs, and mourn'd in a most lamentable Manner, wherewith his Majesty was very much affected; who, after reading the sorrowing Letter he brought, and heard what he had to say, imparted to him his Answer, the last he sent the Prince. He afterwards attended King *Charles* the II^d into *Scotland*, and was one of the few *English* Servants permitted to be near his Person: Also when the King got safe to *Paris*, after the Battel of *Worcester*, Mr. *Seymour* was one of the first his Majesty took Notice of there, and was sent to the Earl of *Clarendon* at *Brussels*, to require his Attendance when all his other Servants were order'd not to repair to him till farther Orders. His Courage and Integrity were so well known and approv'd, that he was employ'd in Negotiations between his Majesty and his Friends in *England*, in those perilous Times during the King's Exile, and trusted by the Marquess of *Hertford*,
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(i) *Clarendon*, 1b. p. 329. (k) *Wood's Athena, Oxonienses*,
Vol. 2, p. 523. (l) *Wood's Athenæ Oxoniens. præd.*

the Earl of *Southampton*, and others of Honour and Note, with their secret Correspondence, as a Person whom they knew, (as my Lord (m) *Clarendon* relates) the King and Council would believe.

In the Year 1660, he was chosen (tho' Abroad) a Member for *Eaflow*, in the Parliament that brought about the Restoration of the Royal Family, and continually serv'd for that Borough till the Time of his Death. The King, as a Reward for his faithful Services, besides continuing him in his Post of Groom of the Bedchamber, constituted him Comptroller of the Customs, (n) during his own Life, and that of his Brother *John Seymour*, Esq; and also gave him a Patent of Clerk of the Hanaper, for three Lives, and when one of them dropp'd, he got the Patent renew'd. He came to reside at *Langley*, in *Com. Bucks*, (near to *Windsor*) in the Year 1666, renting the House (o) and Park of the Trustees of *Sir William Parsons*, (then deceas'd) and about the Year 1669 purchas'd the said Estate, and got a Grant from the King of the Manour of *Langley*, under a reserv'd Rent of 43*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.* *¶ Ann.* At this Seat he had the Comfort of living in Ease and Quiet the latter Part of his Life, in the general Esteem of all that knew him, being a Gentleman of great Honour, Generosity, Affability, and Charity. He built and endow'd, in his Life-time, an Alms-House at *Langley* for six poor decay'd People; and, by his last Will and Testament, gave 400*l.* to put out poor Boys Apprentices, besides other charitable Legacies to particular Persons.

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(m) *Hist. Rebellion*, 8vo. Vol. 6, p. 522. (n) *Ex Inform. Dom. Henry Seymour de Langley, Bar.* (o) *Ex Inform. — Daw. de Langley.*

He dy'd the 9th of *March* 1686, in the 74th Year of his Age, and was bury'd the 18th following in the Vault, adjoining to the Parish-Church of *Langley*. He took to Wife, 1st, *Elizabeth*, Daughter of ——— *Killigrew*, and Widow of *William Basset* of *Claverton*, in *Com. Somers.* Esq; and she dying without Issue in *June* 1671. He marry'd, 2dly, *Ursula*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Austin*, Bart. and Widow of *George Stowel*, Esq; Brother to *Ralph Lord Stowel*. She bore to him an only Son, *Henry*, born the 20th of *October*, 1674, who, at 7 Years of Age, in Consideration of his Father's approv'd Loyalty and Services, (and while he was living) was, by King *Charles* the II^d, created a Baronct by Letters Patents dated the 4th of *July* 1681.

Which Sir *Henry Seymour*, Bart. after the Advantage of a Learned Education, at Home, travell'd Abroad for his farther Improvement; and, on his Return, was elected to Parliament for the Borough of *Eafflow*, in 10 *W. 3. (q)* as also to six other Parliaments, till the Time of his Death.

In the Year 1710, he was prevail'd on to stand for Knight of the Shire for the County of *Bucks*, in which numerous Election, tho' the first Time of his appearing, he lost it only by a few Votes, [under 20] and that was owing, as 'tis said, to the Nicety of his Honour, in making all his Friends vote for his Collegue, when the like Care was not taken to do him the same Justice. He dy'd at *London* in the Year 1714, unmarried, and was bury'd by his Father at *Langley*; and leaving no Will, his personal Estate (that was very considerable) fell to his Sister; and the Inheritance at *Langley* devolv'd on the present Sir *Edward Seymour*,

(q) *Willis's Not. Parl. Vol. 2, p. 105.*

Seymour, Bart. as Heir Male, who sold it to the Right Honourable *Samuel*, the present Lord *Masham*.

I now return to Sir *Edward Seymour*, Bart. (eldest Son of Sir *Edward Seymour*, Kt. and Bart.) Which Sir *Edward*, born in the Year 1611, was elected one of the Knights for *Devonshire*, (r) during the Life of his Father, in the two last Parliaments call'd by King *Charles* the Ist, and adhering to his Sovereign, in the Times of the Rebellion, had his House of *Berry-Castle*, in *Devonshire* plunder'd and burnt. He sat at *Oxford* among those Members the King conven'd in the Year 1643; and shewing a ready Concurrence in the Measures for establishing Monarchy and Episcopacy, he endur'd many Hardships, till such Time as the Constitution was restor'd by the Establishment of King *Charles* the IId, on the Throne of his Ancestors. (s) He was Vice-Admiral of the County of *Devon*, and a Member in all Parliaments in the Reigns of King *Charles* the IId and King *James* the IId, being elected thereto for the Borough of *Totness*; and departing this Life about the Year 1689, had Sepulture at *Ecrry-Pomeroy*, leaving Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter to Sir *John Portman*, Bart. (who surviv'd him six Years, and was interr'd by her Husband) a Daughter, *Elizabeth*, wedded to Sir *Joseph Tredenham* of *Tregony*, in *Cornwall*, and five Sons; *Edward*, his Successor, *John*, a Colonel in the Army. *Hugh*, kill'd in the *Dutch Wars*. *William*, 4th Son, who dy'd unmarried, *Henry Seymour*, Esq; 5th Son, now living, and Heir to his Uncle, Sir *William Portman*, Bart. whereby he is possess'd of the large Inheritance of the *Portmans*, at *Orchard-*

(r) *Willis's Not. Ib. p. 254.*

(s) *Ex Inform. Dom. Edward Seymour, Bar.*

chard Portman in Somersetshire, &c. and assumes the Name and Arms of Portman, by Act of Parliament pursuant to a Settlement of the said Sir William. He took to Wife, 1st, *Penelope*, youngest Daughter to Sir William Haslewood of Maidwell, in Com. Northamp. Kt. and Coheir to her Brother, Peter Haslewood, of Maidwell, (the other Sister being Wife to the Lord Viscount Hatton) and she dying without Issue, he has since marry'd ——— Daughter of ——— Fitch.

Sir Edward Seymour, Bart. fifth of that Name in lineal Succession, and eldest Son of the last Sir Edward, made a considerable Figure both in Court and the House of Commons, in four several Reigns. He constantly serv'd in Parliament, after his first Election, to the Time of his Death, mostly for the City of Exeter, and once for the County of Devon, and hardly any were better heard, or brought over more to his Opinion, than he did; and to him was owing the Security-Act, as also the Act for Liberty of the Subject. In the Year 1667, he promoted the Impeachment of the Earl of Clarendon, and was the first that motion'd it, and carry'd it up to the Lords. On 25 Febr. 1672, he was unanimously chosen Speaker of that call'd *The Long Parliament*; and the ninth of April following, was sworn of the Privy-Council, and soon after made Treasurer of the Navy. The 6th of March 1679, he was again elected Speaker; at which Time he was of the Privy-Council, and Treasurer of the Navy; yet the King refus'd his Approbation, notwithstanding the Commons made three Representations in his Favour; which occasion'd their Prorogation to the 15th, when they elected Serjeant Gregory. The next Year they were so disgusted at his Behaviour, that they carry'd an Impeachment against him, and a Motion was

was made to remove him from his Majesty's Council and Presence for ever; but that was dropp'd, and no Articles were ever exhibited against him.

When King *James* the 2d ascended the Throne, he was a sedulous Opposer of *Monmouth*, and his Adherents; and afterwards, no less warm in opposing arbitrary Power, and a standing Army. He was one of the first Gentlemen in the West of *England*, that went in to the Prince of *Orange*, Anno 1688; and the Association that follow'd, was owing to his Proposal. In the Convention-Parliament at the Revolution, he oppos'd the declaring the Prince of *Orange* King of *England*; nevertheless, in the Year 1691, he was sworn of the Privy-Council, and constituted one of the Lords of the Treasury, in which he continu'd about two Years; and on his Resignation, had afterwards no Employment during that Reign. Upon the Accession of her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, he was admitted again of the Privy-Council, and constituted Comptroller of the Household; and had an Offer of a Patent for a Baron of the Realm, which he declin'd, and got it conferr'd on *Francis*, the eldest surviving Son of his second Marriage: Being warm in his Adherence to those that oppos'd the Church-Party, and sticking for passing the Bill to prevent Occasional Conformity, he continu'd but two Years in his Post of Comptroller of the Household, and afterwards constantly oppos'd the Measures of the Court, as indeed he had done the most Part of his Life. He dy'd 17 Febr. 1707, in the 76th Year of his Age, and was bury'd at *Maiden-Bradley*. He was endow'd with great natural Parts, which, together with his long Experience in Parliamentary Affairs, gain'd him the first Place among the leading Members of his Party,

Party, by whom he was much regretted. His first Lady was *Margaret*, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs to Sir *William Wale* of *London*, Kt. (who was bury'd in the Vault at *Maiden-Bradley*) by whom he had Issue Sir *Edward Seymour* his Successor, and *William*, General of the Marines, Lieutenant of the Band of Pensioners, and Lieutenant-General under her late Majesty Queen *Anne*.

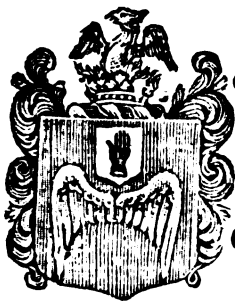
By his second Wife *Letticia*, Daughter to *Francis Popham* of *Littlecote* in the County of *Wilts*, Esq; he had one Daughter *Anne*, unmarried 1710, and six Sons.

1. *Popham*, kill'd in a Duel by Col. *Kirk*.
2. *Francis Seymour*, alias *Conway*, who inherits the Estate of the Earl of *Conway*, whose Name and Arms he bears, and was created Baron *Conway* of *Ragley*, by Queen *Anne*.
3. *Charles*, to whom the Barony of *Conway* is limited.
4. *Henry*, who dy'd unmarried.
5. *Alexander*, living unmarried 1710. And,
6. *John*, deceas'd.

Sir *Edward Seymour*, now of *Berry-Pomeroy* and *Maiden-Bradley*, Bart. hath marry'd *Letticia*, sole Daughter to Sir *Francis Popham* of *Littlecote*, Knight of the *Bath*, and hath Issue 3 Daughters, *Letticia*, *Margaret*, and *Anne*; and 3 Sons, *Edward*, *Francis*, and *Alexander*, 1710.

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*Gules, a Pair of Wings conjoin'd
in Fess, Tips downward, Or.*

C R E S T

*Out of a Ducal Crown, a Phœnix
in Flames, proper, in Memory of
King Edward VI. Their an-
cient Crest was, a Pair of Wings, Tips downward per
pale, Or and Gules, summited with a Ducal Crown,
per pale, Gules and Or.*

*Sir MOYL FINCH of EASTWEL, Kt.
Kent, N^o 25*

(eod. Die præd.)

English Earl, viz. Earl of Winchelsea.

N

Sir

Sir ANTHONY COPE of HANWELL,
Kt. Oxon. N^o 26

(*cod. Die præd.*)

THIS ancient Family descends from *John Cope*, Esq; a very eminent Person in the Reigns of King *Richard* the 2d, and *Henry* the 4th. The former King, in the 22d Year of his Reign, grants in Fee to his trusty and well-beloved Servant *John Cope*, Esq; the Scite and Manour of *Densbanger*, (a) in *Com. Northamp.* and divers other Lands and Rents in *Wickden*, *Wickhamman*, *Pesembam*, *Stony-Stratford*, *Pokesley*, *Witefeld*, and *Moghemoncotes*. Which Manour of *Densbanger*, K. *Henry* the 4th confirm'd to him, in the first Year of his Reign, to hold by the fourth Part of a Knight's Fee; (b) and four Years after, grants unto *John Cope*, (*his Esquire and belov'd Servant*) for Reward of his good and faithful Service, (c) the Manour of *Westbury*, in *Com. Bucks*, of the Value of 20 Marks a Year, forfeited by the Attainder of *Sir Thomas Shelly*, Kt. He was elected one of the Knights for *Northamptonshire*, (d) in the Parliaments from the 1st to the 9th Year of King *Henry* the 4th, and was succeeded by *John Cope*, Esq; his Son and Heir, who had Issue *Alexander Cope* of *Densbanger*, Father (e) to *William Cope*, Esq; who was in the Esteem and Favour of King *Henry* the 7th.

Which *William* had a Grant from the Crown (7 *Maii*, 13 *H.* 7.) when he was Cofferer of the Household

(a) *Ex Autog. penes Dom. Joh. Cope.* (b) *Patt. 1. H. 4. p. 1. M. 24.* (c) *Ex Autog. præd.* (d) *Fryn's Breif Regist. Vol. 4. de iisd. Ann.* (e) *Ex Stemmate penes Dom. Joh. Cope.*

Houſhold to the King, (f) of the Lordſhips and Manors of *Wormleighton*, and *Fenny Compton*, in *Warwickſhire*; (Part of the Inheritance of Sir *Simon Mountfort*, Kt. attained 10 H. 7.) which Lordſhips he kept till 22 H. 7. when he ſold them to *John Spencer*, Eſq; (Anceſtor to the preſent Earl of *Sunderland*) having purchas'd the Manor of *Hanwell*, and a good Eſtate in *Oxfordſhire*. He dy'd in the 5th Year of the Reign of King *Henry* the 8th, and had Sepulture in the Church of *Banbury*, as appears by this Memorial on his Monument.

**Orate pro Anima Willielmi Cope, Ar-
migeri Cofferarii Hoſpitii Excellentif-
ſimi Regis Henrici Septimi qui obiit
... Aprilis 1512. & Jana Uxor eius
obiit, 12 Februarii 1525.**

He left the paternal Coat of his Family, (which was on a *Feſs Argent*, a *Boar paſſant*, *Sable*) and uſ'd ſometime *Three Coffers*, *Sable*, *Keyholes*, *Harps*, &c. *Or*, as a Badge of his Office; but afterwards he had aſſign'd to him, *Argent*, on a *Cheveron Azure*, between 3 red *Roses ſlipt proper*, as many *Fleurs de Lis Or*, alluding to the Royal Badges of the Crown; which the Family now bear. He marry'd two Wives, and had Iſſue by both of them.

By his firſt Wife, he had Iſſue

Stephen Cope, Eſq; Serjeant of the Poultry to the Houſhold of King *Henry* the 8th, (from whom the Family at *Bedbampton* in *Hampſhire*, deſcended, that extinguiſh'd in Daughters.) And

By his 2d Wife, *Jane*, Daughter of Sir *John Spencer* of *Hodnell*, (and Heir to her Mother, *Anne*,

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(f) *Dugdale's Warwick*. p. 405.

Sister and Co-heir to Sir *Richard Empson*, Kt.) he had 3 Sons; *Anthony*, hereafter-mention'd; *William*, who dy'd without Issue unmarry'd; and *George*, who was knighted and seated at *Copes-Ashby*, in *Com. Northamp.* having wedded 3 Wives, but had Issue only by his 1st Marriage, viz. 2 Sons; *Esfasmus*, (Father to Sir *Edward Cope* of *St. Edmundsbury* in *Com. Suff.* Kt.) and *George*, who was bury'd in *Trinity Church London*, 1572, and left 3 Sons, *George*, *John*, and *Erasmus*.

Anthony (eldest Son and Heir of *William Cope*, Esq; the Cofferer) had the Estate at *Hanwell* in *Oxfordshire*; was bred in *Oriel College*, and having excellent Parts, improv'd and cultivated by a learned Education, was soon distinguish'd among his Neighbours, and esteem'd by the most learned Men of that Age, both at Home and Abroad. His Appetite after Knowledge was not confin'd to his own Country only, but by travelling into *France*, *Germany*, *Italy*, and other Parts of *Europe*, he sought the Acquaintance of the most considerable Persons Abroad fam'd for Learning, contracted an Intimacy with many of them, and wrote several Things whilst beyond the Seas as well as at Home; which appears from several Authors, (g) and from an Epigram in his Praise, written by *John Bapt. Mantuan*. He was Vice-Chamberlain to *Q. Catharine*, Wife of King *Henry* the 8th; had the Honour of being made one of the Knights of the Carpet (*) in 1 *Edward* 6. was High Sheriff of *Oxfordshire* and *Berks* 2 *Edw.* 6. and was bury'd in the Chancel of the Church of *Hanwell* four Years after, *Anno* 1551, leaving by *Jane* his Wife a Son, nam'd *Edward*, Heir to his Estate, and a Daughter, *Anne*, Wife to Sir *Kenelm Digby* of *Drystoke*, in *Com. Rutl.* Kt. Which

(g) *Wood's Athen. Oxon. Vol 1.* (*) *Nom. Equit in Bibl. Cott.*

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Which *Edward* marrying *Elizabeth*, a Daughter and Heir of *Walter Mobun* of *Wollaston*, in *Com. Northamp.* Esq; (who surviv'd him, and afterwards marry'd *George Carlton* of *Walton* upon *Thames* in *Surrey*, 2d Son of *George Carlton* of *Baldwin-Brightwell*, in *Com. Oxon.* Esq;) had Issue, besides Daughters, 2 Sons, *Anthony* and *Walter*, who was Master of the Court of Wards in the Reign of King *James* the 1st, and left a great Estate to his sole Daughter and Heir *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Henry Rich*, Earl of *Holland*, Great Grandfather to the present Earl of *Warwick* and *Holland*.

Anthony Cope, (eldest Brother to this *Walter*) succeeded his Father in the Estate at *Hanwell*; was High Sheriff of *Oxfordshire* in the 24th and 33d Years of Queen *Elizabeth*; receiv'd from her the Honour of Knighthood; and, in his own Country, was one of the superior Rank in all publick Employments, and serv'd for the Borough of *Banbury* in five several Parliaments during her Reign. (h) He had by many worthy Acts acquir'd much Reputation, and the Esteem of all that knew him; and no doubt his Character and Interest in the Country induc'd King *James* to appoint him his first High Sheriff of *Oxfordshire* after his Accession to the Crown. That Prince likewise knighted his eldest Son *William* among the first he conferr'd that Honour upon; and when he erected the Degree of Baronets, advanc'd this Sir *Anthony* to that Dignity, (by Letters Patents, bearing Date 29 June, 1611.) He kept an hospitable House in the old *English* Way, and Integrity and Virtue shin'd in all he did. Desiring Retirement in the latter Part of his Life, he recommended to his Country-men his eldest Son, Sir

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William

(h) Ex Coll. B. Willis, Ar. m.

William Cope, for their Knight of the Shire in Parliament, and they manifested their Love, by choosing him in the three last Parliaments of King *James* the 1st. He dy'd, full of Honour, in the 66th Year of his Age, A. D. 1615, and was bury'd in the Chancel of the Church of *Hanwell*, under a fair Marble Tomb, against the North Wall, the Figure of a Knight in full Proportion, lying on his Back, with his Wife by him; at his Feet his Crest, viz. a *Fleur-de-Lis*, with a *Dragon's* Head issuing out of the Top; at her Feet a Bird, with Wings display'd; and over all, this Inscription:

(i) *Hic jacet Sepultus Vir vere nobilis Antonius Cope, Miles & Baronettus, qui obiit postquam conjugium cum duabus Nobilissimis Uxoribus Sanctissime coluerat, & ex earum altera Septem filios & tres filias susceperat, Anno salutis quidem nostra 1615, Ætatis vero sua 66.*

*Epicedion Honoratissimi viri, A. C. olim
Militis & Baronetti
In Effigiem*

Siccine divinum Heroa repones?

Effigies vultus siccine & Ora refers?

Siccine deformis tibi truncus, inutilis excors?

Siccine sordebat, quem pia turba stupet?

At fallor prudenter agis, dum nocte recondis

Discere quæ nequeunt marmora, Musa, dies.

At licet illius non sis praconia fando

Finge tamen vocem, & ultima verba refer

Effigies

(i) Ex MSS. Collect. R. Rawlinson, A.M. è Coll. Div. Joh. Bapt. R.S.S.

Effigies ad Lectorem.

*Qua te fata manent, ex me vel disce viator
 Quo nemo a fatis tutior esse potest
 Est formosa tibi conjunx, numerosaque proles
 Est domus & fundus, gloria, forma, decus.
 Corporis ac animi dotes prudensque piusque
 Siccus eram & sanus (si qua fides populo
 Nam mea me memorare piget) mors illa moratur
 Nil minus ergo etiam te tua fata manent
 Serius aut citius mors ultima linea rerum
 Marmore te condet, cespitibusque teget.*

Conclusio

*Quod mors una docet dixi dehinc cetera mitto
 Una resurgendi spesque fidesque manet
 Una salus Christus, deus & pater unus & una
 Urna domus praesens, una futura polus*

R. H. (i. e. Rob. Harris, Rector hujus Ecclesiae) aeternae

*Memorie
 Summi viri D. D.*

This Sir Anthony Cope, by Frances, his 1st Wife, Daughter of Sir Robert Lytton of Knebworth, in Com. Hertf. Kt. had 3 Daughters; Anne marry'd to Sir John Leigh, Kt. (Ancestor to the present Lord Leigh of Stonley) Elizabeth to Sir Richard Cecil, Kt. (from whom the present Earl of Exeter is descended) and Mary, to Henry Champervorn of Devonshire, Esq; Also 7 Sons; 4 of which liv'd to Mens Estate; William, Anthony, Richard, and John.

Anthony and Richard went into Ireland, and left Families in that Kingdom; the former had 3 Sons, Henry, Anthony, and John; and the later, who was of Wicklow, (by Anne his Wife, Sister to Sir William Walter of Wimbleton, Kt.) had Issue, amongst others, 1. Walter Cope, (who marry'd 2 Wives, ——— Daughter of the Bishop of Kilmore, and ——— Daughter of Henry Lord

Blany, Baron of *Monaghan*, and left Issue *Walter*, his Son and Heir) \Rightarrow *Richard*, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *John Pate* of *Leicestershire*.
 3. *Anthony*. 4. *William Cope* of *Icombe*, in *Com. Gloucest.* who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Francis* Earl of *Westmorland*, Relict of *Sir John Cope*, Bart. hereafter mention'd, and had Issue 2 Sons, *Henry* and *William*, and 2 Daughters; *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Thomas Whitney*, Esq; Son and Heir of *Sir Robert Whitney* of *Herefordshire*, Kt. and *Rachael*, who dy'd unmarried.

Sir William Cope, Kt. and Bart. (eldest Son and Heir of *Sir Anthony*) was elected in the 1st Parliament call'd by King *James* the 1st, a Burgess for *Banbury*, (m) and for the County of *Oxon*, one of the Knights of the Shire in three other Parliaments, viz. 12, 18, and 21 of that Reign, and was High Sheriff of *Oxfordshire* 17 *Jac.* 1. which sufficiently testifies he was a Gentleman of Worth and Interest in his Country. He dy'd the 2d of *August* 1637, and was bury'd the 22d of the same Month, in the Chancel of the Church of *Hanwell*. By *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and sole Heir of *Sir George Chaworth*, Kt. he had 2 Sons, *John*, his Successor, and *Jonathan*; and 3 Daughters, *Frances*, who marry'd *Robert*, Son and Heir of *Sir Robert Lee* of *Billeslee*, in *Com. Warw.* Kt. *Mary* and *Ursula*, who dy'd unmarried.

Jonathan, 2d Son, marry'd *Anna*, Daughter of *Sir Hatton Farmer* of *Eston*, in *Com. Northamp.* was seated at *Rawton-Abbey* in *Staffordshire*, and left Issue *Jonathan*, his Son and Heir, Father to the present *Sir Jonathan Cope*, who was created a Baronet by her Majesty Queen *Anne*, and is a
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(m) E. Coll. B. Willis, Arm.

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Member in the present Parliament for the Borough of *Banbury*.

Sir *John Cope*, Bart. (eldest Son of Sir *William*) marry'd first *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *John Walter*, Kt. Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer, who dy'd, leaving him an only Daughter, *Anne* : He afterwards marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Francis* Earl of *Westmorland*, and had Issue 3 Sons: *Anthony*, *William*, who dy'd young, and *John* : Also 2 Daughters; *Mary*, who dy'd an Infant, and *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Thomas Estcourt* of *Sbipton-Estcourt*, in *Com. Glouc.* Esq;

Sir *Anthony Cope*, Bart. (eldest Son of Sir *John*) marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of *Dutton* Lord *Gerrard*, of *Gerrard's-Bromley*, in *Com. Staff.* and had Issue a Daughter, *Mary*, and 3 Sons, *John*, *Anthony*, and *Henry*, who all dy'd young; the later lyes bury'd at *Hanwell*, with this Inscription to his Memory :

Memoria Sacrum.

Hic jacet Magna indolis Majoris Spei adolescentulus Henricus Cope, nobilissimorum Parentum D. Anton. Cope, Baronetti & Mariæ Uxoris ejus filius unicus, & unica dilectus, qui Sabbatico Anno hic transacto requievit in Domino, aeterno Sabbato fruiturus, transtulit eum Dominus, cum annum agerit octavum, ipso die dominico Junii 8. A.

Dom. 1652.

Dominus dedit, Dominus abstulit

Dominus reddit.

This Sir *Anthony* was bred in *Oriel* College, *Oxon*, and serv'd for *Banbury* at the Restoration of King *Charles* the 2d; and the next Year, in the first Parliament call'd by that Prince, was chose Knight of the Shire for the County of *Oxford*.

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In which Parliament he sat till he dy'd, Anno 1675, when, for Want of Issue, the Title and Estate devolv'd on his Brother the present

Sir *John Cope*, Bart. who was bred up at *Queen's Coll. Oxon*, and having travel'd into *France, Italy, and Germany*, at his Return, had an honourable Command in *Dunkirk*, when that Fortrefs was deliver'd to the *French*; and on the Death of his Brother, was chose in his Room, Knight of the Shire for the County of *Oxford*, and was likewise elected for the same County in two other Parliaments, in the Reign of King *Charles* the 2d, and also in the 1st Year of King *William* and *Queen Mary*, and in the 10th of *William* the 3d, for *Banbury*. (u) He took to Wife *Anne*, Daughter of *Mr. Philip Booth*, by whom he had Issue a Daughter, *Elizabeth*, who dy'd young; and after her 7 Sons successively, of whom *John, Anthony, and Charles, and Gallen*, a Captain of Horse, are now living; and *Daniel, Alban, and William*, are deceas'd; the later was a Captain in the Royal Regiment of Foot-Guards.

John, his eldest Son and Heir apparent, now residing at *Bramzell*, in the County of *Southampton*, had his Education in *Oriel Coll. Oxon*, and *Anthony* at *Cambridge*; and about the Year 91 they both travel'd Abroad, and spent about 2 Years in the Academy of *Wolfenbuttle*, from whence they pass'd by most of the Courts in *Germany* into *Italy*; and at their Return Home, *John*, the eldest Brother, was knighted by King *William* the 9th of *January, 1697*, who in the 4th of *Queen Anne*, serv'd in Parliament for the Borough of *Plympton*, and has been elected in all Parliaments since, for the Borough of *Tavestock, in Com. Devon*.

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(i) E. Coll. B. Willis. pred.

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He marry'd in the Year 1696., *Alice*, Daughter of Sir *Humphry Monoux* of *Wootton*, in the County of *Bedford*, Bart. having Issue *Monoux*, *Anne*, *John*, and *Philip*.

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Argent, on a Chevron Azure, between Three Red Roses slipped proper, as many Fleurs-de-Lis, Or.

C R E S T.

A Fleur-de-Lis Or, from a Dragon's Head the Top, issuing Gules.

Sir THOMAS MONSON of CARLTON,
Kt. *Linc.* N^o 27

(*ead. Die prad.*)

THE first of this Family that resided at *South-Carlton*, was Sir *John Monson*, Kt. Son and Heir of *John Monson*, Esq; and *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *William Hanford*, Kt. Son and Heir of *John Monson*, an eminent Merchant of the Staple, in the Beginning of the Reign of King *Henry* the 6th, (denominated of *East-Reson*, in *Com. Linc.*) who was Son and Heir of another *John*, mention'd 2 R. 2. (1378.)

The said Sir *John Monson*, Kt. lyes bury'd in *South-Carlton* Church, under a Marble Tomb, whereon is the Effigies in Brass of a Knight and his Lady, and the Arms of *Monson* impaling *Gules*

Gules, 3 Water-buckets Erm for Meers, with this Inscription :

Hic jacet Johannes Hunson, Miles,
qui obiit 26 Die Maii, Anno Dom. 1542,
and Dorothea Uxor ejus, &c.

He had by a former Wife *Beatrix*, Daughter of
—— *Thurst*, Merchant, a Son *Thomas*, (who
was of *South-Kelsey*, and had many Children, but
left no Issue Male.) By the Lady mention'd in the
Inscription, Daughter of —— *Meer*, of the
Marsh: He had 2 Sons, *William* and *Robert Munson*
of *Belton*.

William, the eldest Son and Heir, was High She-
riff of *Lincolnshire*, 1 *Edw. 6.* and, with his Wife,
lye bury'd at *Carlton*, with the following Inscrip-
tion to their Memory :

Hic jacent Willielmus Hunson, Ar.
qui obiit 15^o Die Octobris Anno 1558
& Elizabetha Uxor ejus filia Roberti
Cirewhit Militis que obiit 8^{vo} die Octo-
bris Anno Domini 1546 &c. (a)

John, their only Son that surviv'd to Ma-
turity, marry'd *Mary*, Daughter to Sir *Robert*
Hussey of *Blankney*, in *Com. Linc.* and Sister and
Co-heir to *Thomas Hussey*, by whom he had Issue
2 Daughters and 4 Sons, viz. *Robert*, who dy'd
without Issue. 2. Sir *John*. 3. *George Monson* of
Southam, who, by *Eleanor* his Wife, Daughter and
Co-heir of —— *Farmer*, left Posterity; and
4. *William*. A Memorial in the said Church of
Carlton, gives this Account of his Death.

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(a) Ex MS. Coll. Gerv. Holles.

Hic jacet Johannes Munson, filius & haeres apparens Willielmi Munson, Arm. qui obiit 17^o die Novembris Anno Domini 1552.

John Munson, 2d Son of the said *John*, (and eldest surviving) succeeded in the Inheritance at *Carlton*; was knighted at *Greenwich* in 28 *Eliz.* and likewise lyes bury'd with this short *Memento*:

Johannes Munson Miles obiit 20 die Decembris Anno Domini 1593.

The Crest to his Arms, is a *Moon* griping the *Sun*; and his Motto, *Prest pur mon pais*. He had Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *Robert Dighton* of *Stanton*, Esq; 5 Sons, 3 of which were knighted, *Sir Thomas*, *Sir William*, and *Sir Robert*.

Sir William Monson, 2d Son, was, from his Youth, in the Sea-Service, and early distinguish'd himself, serving many Years in several Capacities, till Merit rais'd him to the Degree of an Admiral, by Commission from Queen *Elizabeth*. In the Expedition under the Earl of *Essex* on the *Spanish Coast*, in 1536, when *Cadiz* was sack'd and taken, he, with many more, for their Valour, (b) were knighted. The next Year being likewise in Commission under the said Earl, in order to intercept the *Spanish Plate-Fleet*, this *Sir William*, and the Earl of *Southampton*, had their Station on the West Side of *Gratióra*, and were the first Discoverers (c) of that Fleet; but the Earl of *Essex*, and most of the Ships, being at some Distance, the *Spaniards* escap'd into *Ter-cera*,

(b) *Camden's Ann. of Q. Eliz.* p. 463.

(c) *Ibid* p. 474.

œra, all but 3 Ships that were taken : He was afterwards employ'd in several Stations ; and in the Year 1602, had, with Sir *Richard Levison*, the principal Command^r of a Royal Fleet, to annoy the Coasts of *Spain*. This Service they perform'd so effectually, that for many Days together no Vessels dar'd to go in or out of their Harbours ; but their chiefest Glory, was the taking a vast Carract of 1600 Tuns, just arriv'd from the *Indies* at *Sesimbra*, a small City in *Portugal*, fortify'd with a Castle of 12 great Guns, under which the Carract lay ; and on the West Side had 11 Gallies, each of them with 5 Guns mounted, and their Stems foremost. These Advantages of the Enemy did not deter the Admirals from venturing on her ; and after 7 Hours Dispute, the Marquess of *Santa-Crus*, (who was on Board with 300 *Spanish* Gentlemen) capitulated, delivering the Carract and Cargo, worth a Million of Ducats. (d)

These Services recommended Admiral *Monson* to the Favour of King *James* and King *Charles* the 1st ; for he liv'd 'till the Civil Wars (e) with an untainted Reputation, for Conduct and Bravery, and settling in *Surrey*, left Posterity.

He compil'd large Tracts of naval Affairs in 6 Books, publish'd in a Collection of Voyages, printed *Anno* 1703, wherein his Capacity in Maritime Business, and the excellency of his natural Parts, sufficiently appear ; the whole being written with a true Zeal for the Publick, and without Prejudice or Affectation.

The excellent Advice he gives to his eldest Son, is likewise a good Instance of his virtuous

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(d) *Camden's Eliz.* p. 573.

(e) *Ex pref* in *Coll. of Voyages*.

Inclination ; and the small Estate, he declares he leaves him, after so many Toils and Dangers, plainly shews the Honesty of his Life. "The first Book of his Tracts, is chiefly a Collection of every Year's Actions in the Wars against Spain, on our own and the Spanish Coasts, and in the West-Indies. A brief Narrative; for no more is said, but the Force they were undertaken with, and the Success of the Enterprize; yet the Design is to shew the Reasons, either why they miscarry'd, or why so little Advantage was made where they succeeded. In some he is more particular than in others, and what perhaps may be still of Use, he at last sets down the Abuses in the Fleet, and the Methods for redressing them. His 2d Book, continues somewhat of the Method of the First, beginning with Fatherly Instructions to his Son; whence he proceeds to the Peace with Spain, which puts an End to the warlike naval Actions, yet not to his Command, being employ'd against Pirates: He inveighs against the Dutch, shews the Ill-managment of a Design against Argier, and makes very notable Remarks on the Attempt upon Cadix, by King Charles the 1st; proposing Methods how Spain might have been much more endanger'd with other Particulars, about the Shipping of England, and Sovereignty of the Seas. The 3d Book only treats of the Admiralty; that is, of all Things relating to the Royal Navy, from the Lord High Admiral to the meanest Person employ'd Ashore, and to the Cabin-Boys at Sea; and from a compleat Fleet to the smallest Vessel; and Part of it; with Instructions for all Officers, the Size of all Sorts of Guns, all Sorts of Allowances on Board the King's Ships, and excellent Directions for fighting

“ing at Sea; an Account of all the Harbours
 “in these three Kingdoms, with many more cu-
 “ribus Matters accurately handl’d. The 4th
 “Book is of another Nature from any of the
 “rest, being a brief Collection of *Spanish* and
 “*Portuguese* Discoveries, and Conquests in *Africk*,
 “*Asia*, and *America*, with some Voyages round
 “the World, and somewhat of *English* and *French*
 “Plantations. The 5th Book, is full of Projects
 “and Schemes for managing Affairs at Sea to
 “the best Advantage for the Nation. The 6th
 “and last treats of Fishing, to shew the infinite
 “Addition of Wealth and Strength it would
 “bring to *England*, with all Instructions necessa-
 “ry for putting such a Design in Execution.

Sir Robert Monson, (3d Son of Sir John) serv’d
 in two Parliaments for the City of *Lincoln*, in
 the Reign of Queen *Eliz.* and left Issue *Sarah*,
 his Daughter and Co-heir, who marry’d Sir *Vin-*
cent Corbet of *Morton-Corbet*, Bart. and was crea-
 ted (for Life) Vicountess *Corbet* of *Lynchdale*, in
Com. Bucks, by Letters Patents, bearing Date 23
 Oct. 1679.

Thomas Monson (eldest Son and Heir of Sir John)
 had his Education in *Magdalen* College in *Oxford*;
 serv’d in Parliament for *Great Grimshy* in *Lin-*
colnshire, 27 *Eliz.* was knighted, and 3 Years
 after was High Sheriff of the said County;
 and in the 39th of that Reign, serv’d in Par-
 liament for the City of *Lincoln*. (f) About the
 Year 1605, when he took the Degree of Master
 of Arts at *Oxford*, he was Master of the Armory,
 and Master Falconer to his Majesty King *James*
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(f) Ex Coll. Brown Willis, Arm.

the 1st; and in Truth, (says my Author) (g) such a one as no Prince in Christendom had the like. He had the Dignity of a Baronet conferr'd on him, 29 June, 1611; was afterwards twice brought to his Trial on Suspicion of being concern'd in the poisoning of Sir *Thomas Overbury*, (b) but his Innocency clearly appearing, he was discharg'd. He was a Person of excellent Breeding, and a great Lover of Ingenuity, especially of Music, which he much delighted in, as being himself an excellent Master in the Profession, which made him bountiful to the Practisers thereof. He liv'd to a very advanc'd Age, even to the Time of the Civil Wars, the sad Effects whereof he very much lamented; and during those Troubles, wrote a Book by Way of Advice to his Grandson, (i) entitled, *An Essay on Afflictions*, which was printed 166½, with another (he had also written) concerning *Adoration, Alms, Fasting, and Prayer*. He marry'd *Ann*, Daughter to Sir *Edmund Anderson*, Lord Chief Justice of the Common-Pleas, and had Issue 3 Daughters and 4 Sons; 2 of which liv'd to Maturity, Sir *John* and Sir *William*; the later was created by King *Charles* the 1st, Viscount *Castlemain* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, but unmindful of the Favours of his Sovereign, and his own Allegiance, sided with the Rebels; for which he was degraded of his Honours soon after the Restoration. He had 3 Wives: 1. *Margaret*, Daughter to *James Stewart* Earl of *Murray*, Widow to *Charles Howard*, Earl of *Nottingham*. 2. *Frances*, Sister to Sir *Thomas Alston*, Bart. (by whom he had Issue *Alston Mounson*,

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(g) Wood in *Athen. Oxoniensis*, p. 796.

(b) Wood *pred.* (i) Wood, *Vol. 2*, p. 708.

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son, Esq;) and the 3d was *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *George Reresby*, Bart. Widow and Relict of Sir *Francis Foljamb*, Bart. and also of Capt. *Horner*.

Sir *John Munson*, Bart. (eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Thomas*) was born in the Parish of *St. Sepulchre's*, *London*, and spending some Time in one of the Inns of Court, made such Proficiency in the Study of the Law, that his Opinions therein was much esteem'd; and had he thought fit to have been of the *Long Robe*, would have been much follow'd. He was invested Knight of the *Bath* at the Coronation of King *Charles* the 1st, and serv'd in the two first Parliaments call'd by that King; (k) in the later, as one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Lincoln*; and in the other, for the City of *Lincoln*. On the breaking out of the Civil Wars, he retir'd to *Oxford*, and was there created Doctor of the Civil Laws, in the Year 1642, being at that Time universally esteem'd; and Mr. *Wood*, in his *Athena Oxonienses*, says of him, *That he was as wise a Man as any of his Cotemporaries in Oxon, and assisted in all Councils, and was at all Treaties, particularly in that concerning the Surrender of the Garrison of Oxford to the Parliament, A. D. 1646, and afterwards suffer'd much for his Loyalty; but at length was permitted a quiet Retirement.* Having marry'd *Ursula*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Robert Oxenbridge*, Kt. (by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Henry Cock* of *Broxburn*, in *Com. Hert.* Kt.) he came possess'd (*Anno* 1645) of the Manor of *Broxburn*, &c. at which Seat he afterwards resided, for the most Part of his Life, having made a fair Park about the Manor House, keeping a free

(k) *M.S. penes B. Willis, Arm.*

free and bountiful Table, very hospitable to his Neighbours, and very charitable to the Poor. He was qualify'd with excellent Parts, both natural and acquir'd, which render'd him a great Patriot to his Country, (l) being endow'd with a rare Spirit, a wise Understanding, and a singular Judgment, which naturally led him to a strict Observance of all moral Duties, and made him somewhat severe in Acts of Justice. He was exemplary in his Devotions, firm to his Church, and loyal to his Prince; and having liv'd to the Age of 84 Years, departed this Life A. D. 1684. He was bury'd with his Ancestors in *South-Carlton*, leaving *Vrsula* his Wife surviving, by whom, he had Issue a Daughter, *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *Sapcot*, Lord Viscount *Beaumont*, of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, and an only Son, *John Monson*, who dy'd in his Life-time.

Which *John* serv'd for the City of *Lincoln* in the Parliament that restor'd King *Charles* the 2d, (m) was made Knight of the *Bath* at his Coronation, and was a Justice of Peace and one of the Deputy-Lieutenants for *Hertfordshire*. He was admir'd by all that knew him, (n) being a Gentleman of a chearful Temper, ready Wit, quick Apprehension, good Elocution, free from Partiality, of great Prudence and Moderation, and in all Things well accomplish'd for Business, which made him acceptable in all Companies, and his Death generally lamented. He deceas'd in the Life-time of his Father, (as before was said) 14 Oct. A. D. 1674, having had by *Judith* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Thomas Pelham*, Kt. and Bart. (Great-Grandfather to *Thomas*, the present Duke

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(l) *Chauncey's Hertf.* p. 289.

(m) *M.S. penes B. Willis.*

(n) *Chauncey trad.*

of *Newcastle*) a numerous Issue, 10 Sons; whereof 5 liv'd to Mens Estate, and a Daughter, *Bridget*, marry'd to Sir *Charles Barrington*, Bart. Of which Sons, *George* (the youngest surviving) hath taken to Wife *Anne*, Daughter of *Charles Wren* in the *Isle of Ely*, Esq; and hath Issue now living, 5 Sons, viz. *John*, *George*, *Charles*, *Henry*, and *William*.

James, 9th Son, dy'd in the 28th Year of his Age, A. D. 1683; and *Philip*, 10th Son, dy'd at the Age of 22, the Year after; and a Monument is erected to their Memories; but the Inscription thereon being long, and printed in *Chauncey's Hist. of Hertfordshire*, I omit.

Sir *Henry Mounson*, Bart. (Successor to his Grandfather) was elected for the City of *Lincoln* in the two last Parliaments call'd by King *Charles* the 2d, and in that Parliament call'd by King *James* the 2d. He was a Gentleman much esteem'd for all the good Qualities of a Christian, Friend, and Benefactor, were inherent in him. He marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Charles Lord Cheyney*, Viscount *Newhaven*, and dy'd without Issue, the 6th of *April*, 1718, *William*, his Brother, succeeding him.

Which Sir *William* serv'd in Parliament for the City of *Lincoln*, (7 W. 3.) and is at this Time a Member for *Aldborough in Com. Ebor*. He marry'd *Leticia*, Daughter of *John Lord Paulet*; (Sister to *John* the present Earl *Paulet*) but as yet hath no Issue.

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Or, two Cheverons Gules.

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A Lyon rampant Or, sustaining a Pillar Argent.

CHARLES VAVASOR of KILLINGTHORP,
Esq; Linc. N^o 28

By a special Clause of Precedency, according to a Patent
dated June 22 A. D. 1631, R. 7. Car 1.

GEORGE GRESELEY of DRAKELOW,
Esq; Derb. N^o 29

(eod. Die præd.)

THE Original of this Family, (denominated from Grefeley, in *Com. Derb.*) anciently written Grefele, Grefelei, Greflea, Grefly, &c. I find to be from Malabulcius, Unkle to the famous Rollo, sometime Duke of Normandy, and Progenitor to William the Conqueror. From which Malabulcius, descended Roger de (a) Toeny, Standard-Bearer of Normandy, whose younger Sons, Robert and Nigell, accompany'd William the Conqueror into England;

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(a). Dugd. Lar. of Engl. Vol. 1. p. 156.

and the former, at the Time of the general Survey, (14 W. 1.) possess'd near 150 Lordships, whereof *Stafford* being his Residence, he thence fir-nam'd (b) himself, and was Ancestor to the noble Race of the *Staffords*; of whom *Humpbrey* was created Duke of *Buckingham* by King *Henry* the 6th, with Precedency before all Dukes, both in *England* and *France*, the Blood-Royal excepted.

Nigell, aforesaid, held *Drachelawe*, and 11 other Lordships, in *Derbyshire*, as appears by *Doomsday-Book*, and is the direct Ancestor to this Family of *Grefeley*, still possessing that Lordship; (c) and *William*, the Son of this *Nigell*, was Founder of the Monastery of *Grefeley*, now in Ruins; (d) (but the Estate and Manor still remains with the Family) *Robert de Greflei*, (whom I take to be Son and Heir of the said *William*) in Anno 1134, (35 H. 1.) founded an Abbey of *Cistercian* Monks at *Swireshed*, in *Com. Linc.* (e) and (inter alia) gave thereunto his Mill at *Mancestre*, in *Com. Lanc.* having his principal Seat at that Lordship. *Robert de Grefleia*, and *Henry* his Brother, are likewise mention'd in Sir *William Dugdale's Monasticon*, as Witnesses to a Deed of *Robert*, Abbot of *Burton on Trent*, and in a Charter of *K. John*, confirming Grants to the *Knights Hospitalers* of *St. John of Jerusalem*; for therein *Ralph de Grisclia*, by the Concession of his Brethren, *Robert Nigell*, *Henry*, and *William*, and of *William*, Earl *Ferrars*, their Lord, gives to those *Knights* all their Fee and Tenement in *Hedria* and in *Raveston*, with all the Appurtenances.

From this *Robert* descended the *Grefeley's* that had Summons to Parliament among the Barons of

(b) *Dug. Ib.* (c) *Ibid. p. 156.* (d) *Ex Inf. Tho. Grefley de Netherseal, in Com. Leic. Arm.* (e) *Mon. Ang. Vol. 1. p. 773, n. 40 & 50.*

of the Realm, (f) whereof *Thomas de Greflei* having Summons to Parliament from 1 'till 4 E. 2 inclusive, dy'd without Issue; and *Joan*, his Sister, became his Heir, who marry'd *John*, the Son of *Roger de la Warre*, and brought a fair Inheritance to that noble Family, from whom the present Lord *de la Warr* is descended.

William de Greflei of *Drachelawe*, (Brother or Son to the aforesaid *Robert*) had Issue Sir *Geffery de Grefeley*, who was return'd with *Robert de Freicville*, Knights of the Shire for *Derby*, at the Parliament held at *London* in 28 Ed. 1. and in the same Year and the following, return'd for the same County with *Ralph de Frechville*, in the Parliaments held at *Lincoln*. (g) This Sir *Geffery* had Issue by his Wife *Margaret*, (Daughter of *Matildis de Somerville*) *William*, his Son and Heir, who, by his Charter, (stiling himself *William de Gresselee*, (h) Son and Heir of *Geffery de Gresselee*) gave Land in *Kingeston* to the Priory of *Roucester*, in *Com. Staff.* and, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *John Bakepaiz*, Lord of *Benton*, left Issue *Geffery de Grefley*, Father to *Peter*, (i) who had to Wife *Joan*, Daughter of *Robert* Lord *Stafford* of *Eggington*, and was succeeded in his Estate by *Geffery*, his Son and Heir, who marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of *John Gernon* of *Lovington*, and left Issue 2 Sons, Sir *John* and Sir *Nicholas Grefeley*; the former was High Sheriff of *Staffordshire* 46 Ed. 3. and took to Wife *Alice*, Daughter of ——— *Smyner-ton* of *Smyner-ton*, but dy'd without Issue Male.

Sir *Nicholas* was living in 3 R. 2. and having marry'd *Thomazine*, Daughter of *Thomas Gwaste-*

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(f) Dugdale Bar. Vol. 2. p. 608. (g) Willis's Not. Parl. Vol. 2. p. 217. (h) Mon. Ang. Vol. 2. p. 269. (i) Ex Stem. huj. Fam. in Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.

ness of *Staffordshire*, and the Heir of that ancient Family, a great Addition was made to his Estate, which descended to *Thomas* his Son and Heir.

Which *Thomas de Greseley* was return'd one of the Knights for *Derbyshire* in the Parliament held 2 H. 4. (k) and before that Time had receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood. He was likewise elected for the said Shire in the Parliaments held in 2 and 5 H. 5. serv'd High Sheriff of *Staffordshire* 1 H. 6. and was return'd among the Knights of the said County in 12 H. 6. (l) He marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of *Thomas Walsh* of *Walsh*, in *Leicestershire*, and left Issue *John*, his Son and Heir.

Which *John* marry'd (in the Life-time of his Father) *Margaret*, Daughter of *John Claret*, de Com. Ebor. and had by her a Daughter, *Catherine*, marry'd to Sir *William de Peto*, Kt. about the 4th of H. 6. for which he, Sir *William*, (with others) stood engag'd (24 H. 6.) in a Statute-Merchant for large Sums of Money taken up by him for the King's Service. (m) This Sir *John Greisley* was elected one of the Knights for *Staffordshire*, in the Parliament held in 31 H. 6. and one of the Knights for *Derbyshire* (n) in 39 H. 6. and was succeeded by a Son of his own Name. *John Greseley*, who likewise serv'd in Parliament in 17 Ed. 4. for *Derbyshire*, and afterwards receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood. He left Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Thomas Stanley* of *Elford*, Kt. a Son *Thomas*, Heir to his Estate.

Which *Thomas Greseley* was likewise a Knight, and taking to Wife *Anne*, Daughter to ——— Ferers of *Tamworth-Castle*, in Com. *Warw.* Kt. had Issue 5 Sons, whereof *William*, the eldest, succeeded to the Estate at *Drakelow*. Which

(k) Not. Parl. prad. p. 220. (l) Fuller's Worthies in Com. Staff. (m) Dugd. Warw. p. 380. (n) Not. Parl. prad. p. 221.

Which *William* serv'd King *Henry* the 8th in his Wars of *France*, and was with him at the Siege of *Teroven* and the Battle of *Spurrs*, and receiv'd from him the Honour of Knighthood the 14th of Oct. at *Lisle*.(*) He marry'd *Benedict*, Daughter of *Henry Vernon* of *Haddon*, but dy'd without Issue, so that *George*, his Brother, became Heir to the Estate.

Which *George Grefeley* was seated at *Colton*, in *Com. Staff.* was made Knt. of the *Bath* at the Coronation of *Q. Anne Bullen* 25 *H. 8.* and having marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of *John Mulsho* of *Northamptonshire*, and *Catherine*, Daughter of *Edward* Lord *Dudley*; had by the former an only Son, *William*, who succeeded to the Estate; and, by the later, 2 Sons, *Edward* and *Thomas*, and a Daughter, *Catherine*.

The said *William* was High Sheriff of *Staffordshire*, in 4 *Eliz.* and afterwards receiv'd from that Queen the Honour of Knighthood. He left Issue by *Catherine* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Edward Aston*, Kt. Ancestor to the present Lord *Aston*) a Son *Thomas*, his Successor in the Estate.

Which *Thomas Grefeley* resided at *Drakelow*, and likewise possess'd the Estate in *Staffordshire*; of which County he was High Sheriff, in 25 *Eliz.* and in the 33d and 45th of that Queen's Reign, High Sheriff of *Derbyshire*. He was knighted at *Worsop*, in *Com. Nott.* (20th April 1603) having met King *James* in his Journey from *Scotland* to take Possession of the *English* Crown. (o) He marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter of Sir *Thomas Walsingham*, Kt. and had Issue 5 Sons and 3 Daughters; *Henry*, the eldest Son, dy'd *A. D. 1583, et. 4*; and *George*, his Brother, succeeded to the Estate.

Which *George Grefeley*, Esq; residing at *Drakelow*, in *Derbyshire*, (the ancient Possession of his
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(*) *Nom. Equit in Bibl. Cott.* (o) *Philpot's Cat. of Knights.*

Ancestors from the Conquest) was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet June 29, A. D. 1611. He was a Gentleman of good Parts, an Encourager of Learning, and Sir *William Dugdale* ow'd (in some Measure) his Rise to him; for Sir *George* being well known to *Thomas* Earl of *Arun- del*, Earl Marshal of *England*, introduc'd him to his Acquaintance (p) on his first Coming to *London*. He serv'd in Parliament 3 Car. 1. for *Newcastle-Underline*, in *Staffordshire*, and having marry'd *Susan*, Daughter to Sir *Humphry Ferrers*, of *Tamworth-Castle* in *Com. Warw.* Kt. had Issue an only Son, *Thomas Grefley*, Esq; who marry'd *Bridget*, Daughter to Sir *Thomas Burdet* of *Bramcot*, in *Com. Warw.* and *Formark*, in *Com. Derb.* Bart. and dy'd in the Life-time of his Father, having had 10 Children. 1. *Jane*, 2. *Henry*, 3. *George*, who dy'd Infants; 4. *Thomas*, Successor to his Grandfather; 5. *Frances*, the Wife of *John Whitehall* of *Pipe-Ridware*, in *Com. Staff.* Esq; 6. *Bridget*, marry'd to *Thomas Brene*; 7. *George*, who marry'd *Jane*, Daughter of *Thomas Nelson* of *Northampton*, and dy'd without Issue; 8. *Catherine*, wedded to *Rich. Dyot* of the City of *Litchfield*, Esq; 9. *Elizabeth*, Wife to *Philip Trafford* of *Swithamly*, in *Com. Staff.* 10. *Mary*, marry'd to *John Harpur* of *Little-Over*, in *Com. Derb.*

Sir *Thomas Grefley*, Bart. who succeeded in the Estate and Title, took to Wife *Frances*, Daughte r and Co-heir of *Gilbert Morewood* of *London*, and afterwards of *Netherseale*, in *Com. Leic.* Esq; and had Issue 3 Sons and 11 Daughters: 1. *Frances*, Wife of *William Inge* of *Thorp Constantine*, in *Com. Staff.* Esq; 2. *Bridget*, 3. *Elizabeth*, who dy'd Infants; 4. *Dorothy*, marry'd to *Thomas Ward*; 5. *Mary*, wed-

(p) *Woods Atheneæ*, Oxon, Vol. 2. p. 693.

wedded to *Daniel Walson* of *Burton*, in *Com. Staff.* Esq; 6. *Grace*, marry'd to *Robert Roby* of *Dunnington-Castle*, in *Com. Leic.* 7. *William*, his Successor; 8. *Anne*, 9. *Catherine*, who dy'd Infants; 10. *Letitia*, living unmarried; 11. *Thomas Gresley* of *Netherseal*, in *Com. Leic.* Esq; (who hath taken to Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *John Lee* of *Ladyhole*, in *Com. Derb.* Gent. and Heir to her Brother, and hath Issue now living *Lee Gresley*, *William*, *John*, and *Elizabeth*) 12. *Isabel*, who dy'd unmarried; 13. *Charles Gresley* of *Dunstall*, in *Com. Staff.* (who by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir of *John Bot* of *Dunstall*, aforefaid, hath Issue 3 Daughters, *Elizabeth*, *Frances*, and *Anne*) 14. *Sarah*, marry'd to *Paul Balladon* of *Stapenbill*, in *Com. Derb.* Esq;

This Sir *Thomas Gresley* had Sepulture in *Gresley Church*, in *Com. Derb.* and his 2d Son, *Thomas Gresley*, of *Netherseal* in the County of *Leicester*, Esq; (his Executor) hath erected to his Memory a noble Monument, with a Bust as big as the Life, kneeling in an Arch, and all the Matches of the Family, according to the Pedigree, in proper Shields round it, and his Off-spring and their Matches underneath it; also the proper Achievements of the Family, with the Motto, *Meliore fide quam fortuna*; and this Inscription:

Sir Thomas Gresley
of Drakelow,
in the County of Derby, Baronet
died the 5th of June 1699,
aged 70.

Sir *William Gresley*, Bart. (Son and Heir of Sir *Thomas*) marry'd *Barbara*, Daughter to *John Walcot* of *Walcot*, in *Com. Salop.* Esq; and Relict of *Richard Okeley* of *Okeley* in the said County, Esq; and had Issue 2 Sons, *Thomas*, and (*William*, who dy'd

dy'd an Infant) also a Daughter, *Bridget*, marry'd to *Adam Ottley* of *Pichford*, in *Com. Salop*, Esq; and dying 17 Oct. 1710, in the 48th Year of his Age. His only Son, Sir *Thomas Gresley*, succeeded in Title and Estate, who is now under Age, and of *Baliol College* in *Oxon*.



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Vaire Ermin and Gules.

C R E S T

A Lion passant Ermin, arm'd, langu'd, and collar'd, Gules.

PAUL TRACY of STANWAY, Esq;
Glouc. N^o 30

(eod Die prad.)

THE Sir-name of *Tracy* accrew'd to this Family from a maternal Ancestor, descended from the *Tracy's* (Barons of *Barnstaple*, in *Com. Devon*.) that came in with the Conqueror, and were denominated from the Town of *Traci*, (a) in *Normandy*; but by paternal Descent, this Family is lineally descended from *Goda*, Daughter to King *Etbeldred*; and *Walter de Maunts*, or *de Maigne*, a noble *Norman*, whose Son *Ralph* was Earl of *Hereford* in the Time of *Edward the Confessor*.

Which

(a) *Camden's Remains*, p. 113.

Which *Ralph*, Earl of *Hereford*, A. D. 1051, join'd with *Leofrick*, Earl of *Mercia*, and *Siward*, Earl of *Northumberland*, against *Goodwin*, Earl of *Kent*, then in Rebellion against King *Edward the Confessor*, and afterwards with Earl *Odo*, and above 50 Ships, was sent against *Harold*, who then infested the *English* Coast with Pyracies; (b) but when King *William the Conqueror* was possess'd of this Realm, he was displac'd by him of the Earldom; and his Son *Harold* succeeded only as Lord of *Sudely* and *Todingtune*, in *Gloucestershire*. (c) The Castle of *Ewyas*, and other Lands, secur'd (doubtless) by his Intermarriage with *Maud*, Daughter to *Hugh Lupus*, Earl of *Chester*. Which *Harold* founded the Priory of *Ewyas*, and left 2 Sons, *John de Sudley*, his Successor in that Barony, (d) and *Robert*, fir-nam'd from his Possession *Ewyas*; from which *Robert* many honourable Houses descend.

John, aforesaid, by Marriage with *Grace*, Daughter to *Tracy*, (of the Family of the Barons of *Barnstaple*, in *Com. Devon*) had Issue 2 Sons, *Ralph*, Baron of *Sudley*, Progenitor to the *Sudleys*, Barons of *Sudley*: The Heirs Male of which Line, fail'd about the Reign of King *Edward* the 3d, and the Title convey'd, by an Heir Female, to the *Boteler's*; thereupon summon'd Peers of the Realm; and is now Part of the Title of *James Brydges*, the present Earl of *Carnarvon*. (e)

William, 2d Son, was, from his Mother, fir-nam'd *Traci*; (f) and he, or his Posterity, differenc'd their Coat-Armour from the elder House of *Sudley*, by adding an *Escallop Sable*, between the Two *Bendlets*, as now us'd. This *William de Tracy*,
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(b) *Dugd. Bar. of Engl. Vol. 1. p. 21.* (c) *Ibid. v. 428.*
(d) *ib.* (e) *Seager's Baronagium Geneal. in Bibl. Cott.*
(f) *Ex Stem. sub. Manu. W. Cambden. Clar.*

liv'd in the Reign of King *Hen. 2.* and held Lands of his Brother, *Ralph de Sudley*, by one Knight's Fee; (g) which in all Likelihood was the Manor of *Todington*; for it appears by *Doomsday-Book*, that it was held by the Lord *Sudley*, of the Manor of *Sudley*; and in the Reign of King *Edward* the 1st, the *Tracy's* are expressly said to be possess'd of it; and this *William*, in a Deed of *Otwell*, Lord of *Sudley*, (Son and Heir to the said *Ralph*) is call'd his Unkle; but that this is the same Sir *William Tracy* that was one of the Four concern'd in the Assassination of that turbulent and ambitious Prelate, *Becket* of *Canterbury*, for his violent Invasion of the Royal Prerogative of his Sovereign, King *Hen. the 2d.* does not appear, tho' *Fuller*, in his *Worthies of England*, makes him to be Sir *William Tracy* of *Todington*, whom he characterizes for a Man of 'high Birth, State, and Stomach, a Favourite of the King's, and his daily Attendant; but I am not of his Opinion, and 'tis evident there were others of the same Name living at that Time. *Oliver Tracy* (Son and Heir of *William*) is mention'd among the Knights in *Gloucestershire*, that paid Scutage (b) the 2d of King *John*; and his Son *William* is recorded among the Knights of the same County in 17 *Ed. 1.* and, with *Ralph de Sudley*, his Kinsman, is said to command under King *Edward* the 1st, in his victorious Expeditions into *Scotland*. He left Issue a Son of his own Name.

William Tracy, of *Todington*, in *Gloucestershire*, who was in *Wardship* to *Lawrence Tresham* 27 *Ed. 1.* at which Time he is certify'd to hold 40 l. Lands; and in the Beginning of the Reign of King (i)
Edward

(g) Lib. Rub. in Scac.

(b) Ex Autog. Camd. præd.

(i) M.S. hujus Fam. penes Mr. Justice Tracy.

Edward the 2d, was at the *Tournament* at *Dunstable*, as appears by an old Draught of a Knight in Armour, bearing a Standard with the Arms of the Family, *Two Bends*, and an *Escallop* in the chief Point. In 17 *Ed.* 2. he was jointly, with *John Bermansel*, High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire*; which Office, in those Times, was of great Authority. He left Issue a Daughter, *Margery*, Wife of *John*, (k) Son of *John Archer*, (of the ancient Family of the *Archers*, in *Com. Warw.*) and a Son, *Henry Tracy*.

Which *Henry* had Issue a Son of his own Name, *Henry Tracy*, whose Son *Thomas* was High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire*, in 33 or 34 of *Edw.* 3. and continu'd 4 Years successively, says *Sir Rob. Atkins*; (*) but *Fuller* (l) makes it to be *John Tracy*, his Son, whom he fixes for High Sheriff in 38 *Edw.* 3. [1363] and for 5 Years after. This *John Tracy* was Knight of the Shire for *Gloucestershire* in 32, 37, 40, and 43 *Edw.* 3. (m) in the Parliaments held at *Westminster* those Years; and both Authors agree, this *John*, then a Knight, was High Sheriff again 45 *Edw.* 3. *A. D.* 1366: He was living 37 *Edw.* 3. and gave the Advowson of the Church of *Toding*, and an Acre of Land to the Abbey of *Hales*; and left Issue *Henry*, Father to *John Tracy* of *Todington*, who was High Sheriff 2 *R.* 2. *A. D.* 1379, and left Issue *William Tracy*, who was High Sheriff 18 *R.* 2. *A. D.* 1395, Father to another

William Tracy, who marry'd *Alice*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Guy de la Spine*, Great-Grandson to *William de la Spine*, who marry'd *Joan*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Sir Simon de Colton*, [now *Coughton*] Knt. in *Com. War.* who were all Persons of great

(k) *Dugd. Warw.* p. 597. (*) *Gloucest.* p. 780. (l) In his *Worthies of Engl.* (m) *Pryn's 4th Vol.* p. 245, 263, 272, 276, 280.

great Account, and flourish'd at that Place before the Reign of King *Hen. 2.* (o) so that the Arms of *de la Spine*, viz. *A Cheveron between Three Crêscents*, and *Cocton*, may be quarter'd by this Family: This *William* was High Sheriff 5 *H. 5.* and one of those Persons of Quality in *Com. Gloucest.* who bearing ancient Arms from his Ancestors, and holding by Tenure, had Summons in 7 *H. 5.* (p) to serve the King in Person for Defence of the Realm; and was succeeded by a Son of his own Name, *William*, who was High Sheriff of his County in the 22 and 23 *Hen. 6.* and left his Estate to a Son of his own Name.

A fourth *William*, who was High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire* 29 *H. 6.* *A. D.* 1449, and a Commissioner to array Soldiers in the said County, 36 *H. 6.* (q) and having marry'd *Margery*, Daughter to Sir *John Pauncefoot*, left Issue 2 Sons, *Henry* and *Richard*.

Which *Henry* marry'd *Alice*, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs of *Thomas Baldington* of *Adderbury*, in *Com. Oxon*, Esq; and had Issue 2 Daughters and 3 Sons, *William*, *Richard*, and *Ralph*, a Monk, who dy'd *A. D.* and was bury'd in *Todington* Church near the Pulpit, as is express'd by a Brass Inscription.

William Tracy, as eldest Son and Heir of his Father, enjoy'd the Lordship of *Todington*, and having had the Honour of Knighthood conferr'd on him, was High Sheriff of his County 5 *H. 8.* *A. D.* 1512: He was a Gentleman of excellent Parts and sound Learning, and is memorable for being one of the first that embrac'd the *Reform'd Religion* in this Kingdom, as appears by his last Will, dated 22 *H. 8.* which was condemn'd in
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(o) *Dugdale's Warw.* p. 558. (p) *Ex Rot. penes Camere scac.*
(q) *Patr. de iisd. an.* p. 1. in d. M. 7.

the Bishop of *London's* Court after his Decease, and an Order sent to *Parker*, Chancellor of *Worcester*, to raise his Body; but he too officiously burning the Corps: (the Recorder only warranting him to raise the Body according to the Law of the Church) He was 2 Years after succeeded by the Heirs of the said *Sir William Tracy*, fin'd 400*l.* and turn'd out of his Chancellorship. This his last Testament being very curious, it's not, I hope, improper to incert.

I *In the Name of God Amen.* I *William Tracy* of *Todington*, in the County of *Gloucester*, Esq; make my Testament and last Will, as hereafter followeth:

“ First, and before all other Things, I com-
 “ mit my self to God, and to his Mercy, be-
 “ lieving, without any Doubt or Mistrust, that
 “ by his Grace, and the Merits of *Jesus Christ*,
 “ and by the Virtue of his Passion and Resur-
 “ rection, I have, and shall have, Remission of
 “ all my Sins, and Resurrection of Body and
 “ Soul, according as it is written: *I believe that my*
 “ *Redeemer liveth, and that at the last Day I shall*
 “ *rise out of the Earth, and in my Flesh shall see my*
 “ *Saviour.* This, my Hope, is laid up in my
 “ Bosom.

“ And touching the Wealth of my Soul, the
 “ Faith that I have taken and rehears'd, is suffi-
 “ cient, (as I suppose) without any other Man's
 “ Works or Merits. My Ground and Belief is,
 “ that there is but one God, and one Mediator,
 “ between God and Man, which is *Jesus Christ*;
 “ so that I accept none in Heaven or in Earth,
 “ to be Mediator between me and God, but only
 “ *Jesus Christ*; all others to be but as Petitioners
 “ in receiving of Grace, but none able to give

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“ Influence of Grace ; and therefore will I bestow
 “ no Part of my Goods for that Intent, that
 “ any Man shall say or do to help my Soul, for
 “ therein I trust only to the Promises of *Christ*.
 “ *He that believeth, and is baptiz'd, shall be sav'd ;*
 “ *and he that believeth not, shall be damned.*

“ As touching the burying of my Body, it
 “ availeth me not whatsoever be done thereto ;
 “ for *St. Augustine* saith, *De Cura agenda pro Mor-*
 “ *tuis*, that the Funeral Pumps are rather the
 “ Solace of them that live, than the Wealth
 “ and Comfort of them that are dead, and there-
 “ fore I remit it only to the Discretion of my
 “ Executors.

“ And touching the Distribution of my tem-
 “ poral Goods, my Purpose is, by the Grace of
 “ God, to bestow them to be accepted as the
 “ Fruits of Faith ; so that I do not suppose that
 “ my Merit shall be by the good bestowing of
 “ them, but my Merit is the Faith of *Jesus Christ*
 “ only, by whom such Works are good ; accord-
 “ ing to the Words of our Lord : *I was hungry,*
 “ *and thou gavest me Meat, &c.* and it followeth,
 “ *That ye have done to the least of my Brethren ; ye*
 “ *have done it to me ;* and ever we should consider
 “ that true Saying, *That a good Work maketh not*
 “ *a good Man, but a good Man maketh a good Work ;*
 “ *for Faith maketh a Man both good and righteous ;*
 “ *for a righteous Man liveth by Faith, and whatsoever*
 “ *springeth not of Faith, is Sin.*

For my temporal Goods, &c.

The said Sir *William* marry'd *Margaret*, Daugh-
 ter of Sir *Thomas Throgmorton* of *Corse-Court* in *Com.*
Gloucestr. and had Issue by her 2 Daughters and
 3 Sons, *William*, *Richard*, hereafter-mention'd,
 and *Robert*, who dy'd without Issue.

William,

William, the eldest, succeeded at *Todington*; and, by ——— his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Simon Digby* of *Colehill*, in *Com. Warr.* Knight, was Father to *John Tracy*, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *John Lord Chandos*, of *Sudley*, who had Issue by her a Daughter, *Elinor*, Wife of *Anthony Kington* of *Quenington*, and 5 Sons, *John*, *Giles*, *Edward*, *Frances*, and *Nicholas*; whereof *John*, the eldest, succeeded to the Estate, and receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood (*) from *Queen Elizabeth*, in her Progress to *Bristol*, in the Year 1574, and was afterwards High Sheriff of the County of *Gloucester* in 20 *Eliz.* and one of the Knights of the Shire in the 39th of that Reign, (r) and having marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Sir Thomas Throgmorton*, Kt. had Issue 5 Sons, *Thomas*, *John*, *William*, *Anthony*, and *Henry*; likewise 2 Daughters, *Mary*, the Wife of *Horace Lord Vere*, of *Tilbury*; and *Dorothy*, marry'd first to *Edward Bray*, and afterwards to *Edward Conway*, Esq;

John (eldest Son of *Sir John Tracy*) was knighted by King *James* the 1st; and, for his great Merits and Accomplishments, rais'd by King *Charles* the 1st to the Dignity of a Peer in *Ireland*, by the Title of Viscount and Baron *Tracy* of *Ratchcol*, by Letters Patents, bearing Date 12 *Jan.* (1642) 18 *Car.* 1. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Sir Thomas Shirley*, of *Isfeild*, in *Com. Suff.* Kt. and was succeeded in his Honours by *Robert*, his eldest Son.

Which *Robert* Viscount *Tracy*, had 2 Wives; from his first Marriage descends *Thomas-Charles*, his Grandson, the present Viscount *Tracy*, now Lord of the Manor of *Todington*, who took to

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Wife

(*) *Nom. Equit* in *Bibl. Cott. Claudius C.*(r) *M. S. penes Brown Willis, Arm.*

Wife (Dec. 27, 1712) *Elizabeth*, eldest Daughter of *William Keyt*, Esq; (who dy'd in the Life-time of his Father, Sir *William Keyt*. Bart.) and hath Issue 1 Son, *William*, and a Daughter, *Jane*; and, by the 2d Venter of the said *Robert Viscount Tracy*, (Son and Heir of *John*, the first Viscount) who was knighted by King *James* the 1st, and serv'd in the Life-time of his Father in several Parliaments, as Knight for *Gloucestershire*, is descended Mr. Justice *Tracy*, deservedly made one of the Court of Common-Pleas by his Majesty King *William*, and continu'd by our present Sovereign King *George*, who hath now living (by *Anne* his Wife, eldest Daughter of *William Dowdeswell* of *Pool-Court*, in *Com. Wig.* Esq;) 3 Sons, *Robert*, *Richard*, and *William*, and 2 Daughters: *Anne* marry'd to *Charles Dowdeswell* of *Forthampton-Court*, in *Com. Glouc.* Esq; deceas'd, and *Dorothy* unmarry'd.

I now return from whence I digrest, to *Richard Tracy*, (2d Son of Sir *William* who dy'd in the Reign of King *Hen.* 8.) of whom, and his Lineage, I am principally to treat. This *Richard* had, by Gift of his Father, the Manor of *Stanway*, in *Com. Glouc.* Part of the Possessions of the Abbey of *Tewksbury*, that came to him by a Grant from the Crown, on the Dissolution of the Monastick Livings: He was well educated, and wrote learnedly of his Father's Faith several Treatises in the *English* Tongue, and that most remarkable one, entitled *Preparations to the Cross*, written experimentally; (as the *Decem Scriptores* mentions) (s) having suffer'd much in his Estate for his Father's reputed *Heretical Will*: He also wrote prophetically, Anno 1550, (few Years before the Beginning of Queen *Mary*) another *Treatise*, *To teach*
one

(s) *Cont.* 9, No. 58.

one to die, which is annex'd to his *Preparation to the Cross*, which was re-printed, and falsely ascrib'd by the *Editor*, to be compos'd by *John Fritb's* being one of the Three that was found in the Belly of a *Cod* brought into the Market to be sold at *Cambridge*, *A. D.* 1526, wrapp'd about with Canvas, very probably what that voracious *Fish* plunder'd out of the Pocket of some shipwreck'd *Sea-man*. In the 2d of *Eliz.* this *Richard* bore the Office of High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire*, and having marry'd *Barbara*, a Daughter of *Thomas Lucy* of *Charlcote*, had Issue 3 Daughters and 3 Sons, *Paul*, *Nathaniel*, and *Samuel*.

Paul Tracy, the eldest, succeeded his Father, and having serv'd the Office of High Sheriff of his County, in 20 *Eliz.* also in the 8th of *K. James* the 1st, had the Dignity of a Baronet confer'd on him *A. D.* 1611, by Letters Patent, bearing Date the 29th of *June*. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Ralph Shakerley*, and had a numerous Off-spring, 10 Sons, *Richard*, *Paul*, *Shakerley*, *Alexander*, *William*, *Nathaniel*, *Thomas*, *Nathaniel*, and *John*, who hath dy'd Issueless; and a 10th Son, who, at his Baptism, receiv'd the Name importing his Birth, *Vicesimus*; and 10 Daughters, *Anne*, Wife of *Edward Hall*, in *Com. Wigorn*; *Lucia*, Wife of *Bray Ailworth* of *Ailworth*, in *Com. Gloucest.* Esq; *Alice*, *Hester*, *Elizabeth*, 2 *Susans*, *Barbara*, *Margaret*, and another.

Sir Richard Tracy, eldest Son, succeeded in the Title and Estate: He receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood in the Life-time of his Father, and was High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire* 4 *Q. Mary* and had Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter to *Sir Thomas Coningsby* of *Hampton*, in *Com. Heref.* 2 Sons *Humphry*, *Richard*, and *John*, that liv'd to Maturity; whereof the eldest,

Sir *Humphry Tracy* of *Stanway*, Bart. was High Sheriff of his County 15 Car. 1. and suffer'd much for his Loyalty ; having been sequester'd in the Great Rebellion, and paid 1500*l.* for Composition, as appears by the List of Compounders. He dy'd 1651 without Issue ; and

Sir *Richard Tracy*, Bart. his Brother, became seiz'd of his Title and Estate ; and he likewise dying without Issue, was succeeded by his Brother *John*, the 3d and youngest Son of Sir *Richard Tracy*, Bart. before-mention'd.

Which Sir *John Tracy* of *Stanway*, Bart. departing this Life without Children, A. D. 1677, the Title of Baronet ceas'd in this Family : He left the Manor of *Stanway*, and other his Inheritance to *Ferdinando Tracy*, (Unkle to the present Lord Viscount *Tracy*) 2d Son of *John*, Viscount *Tracy*, Son and Heir of *Robert*, Viscount, Son and Heir of *John*, the first Viscount, Son and Heir of Sir *John Tracy*, Son and Heir of *John Tracy*, Esq; Son and Heir of *William Tracy* of *Todington*, Esq; who marry'd the Daughter of Sir *Simon Digby* of *Colehill*, in *Com. Warw.* Kt. and was elder Brother to *Richard Tracy* the first, who was seated at *Stanway*.

Which *Ferdinando Tracy* of *Stanway*, Esq; marry'd ——— Daughter of Sir *Anthony Keck*, Kt. and left Issue *John Tracy* of *Stanway*, Esq; who hath taken to Wife *Anne*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Atkins*, late Lord chief Baron of the Exchequer, and hath Issue several Sons and Daughters.

A R M S



A R M S

On two Bends, Gules; between 'em, in the chief Point, an Escallop, Sable.

C R E S T

An Escallop, Sable int. two Wings of the same.

The Lord Tracy has the Wings Argent, and places the Escallop on a Chapeau, Gules, doubled Ermin.

Sir JOHN WENTWORTH of GOSFIELD,
Kt. *Essex.* N^o 31

(*ead. Die præd.*)

HE was descended from Henry Wentworth, 2d Son of Sir Roger Wentworth of Nettlested, in *Com. Suff.* (Ancestor to the Barons Wentworth of Nettlested) who was 3d Son of John Wentworth of Elmsal, Great-Grandson to (a) John Wentworth, who was 2d Son of Sir William Wentworth of Wentworth-Woodhouse, in *Com. Ebor* lineal Ancestor to Thomas, present Earl of Strafford.

Which Henry Wentworth aforesaid, was seated at Codham in *Essex*; and, by Jane his Wife, Daughter and Heir of Henry Fitz Simon, had Issue 5 Sons, whereof Roger, the eldest, succeeded to the Estate at Codham, being 17 Years old at the Death of his Father. He was knighted; and, by Anne his 1st Wife, (b) Daughter of Humphry Tirrell,

(a) *Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.* (b) *Ibid.*

vell, and Heir to her Mother, *Isabel*, Daughter and Heir of *John Helion*, by his Wife *Edith*, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Ralph of Gosfield*, became possess'd of a good Estate at *Gosfield*; and had Issue by her 2 Daughters and 4 Sons; 1. *Sir John Wentworth* of *Codbam-Hall*, in *Wetberfield*, in *Com. Essex*, Kt. 2. *Henry*, hereafter-mention'd; 3. *Roger Wentworth* of *Bocking*; 4. *John Wentworth* of *Bumsted*.

Henry aforesaid, 2d Son, was seated at *Mountney-sing*, in *Essex*, and dy'd in the Life-time of his Father, leaving Issue (by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *Reginald Hammond*) *John*, his Son and Heir.

Which *John* was possess'd of the Estate at *Gosfield*, in *Essex*; was High Sheriff of the County aforesaid, in the 23d and 34th *Eliz.* and Knight of the Shire in Parliament (b) in the 39th Year of that Reign. He marry'd 2 Wives, *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Sir Christopher Heydon* of *Norfolk*, Kt. and *Dorothy*, Daughter of *Sir Richard Southwell*, Kt. and departed this Life 13 April, A. D. 1587, leaving by his 1st Wife 2 Sons, *John* and *Henry*; whereof *John*, the eldest, possessing the Estate at *Gosfield*, and having marry'd *Cecelia*, Daughter of *Edward Umpton*, and Sister and Co-heir to *Sir Henry Umpton*, Kt. was Father to

Sir John Wentworth of *Gosfield*, Kt. who was created a Baronet 29 June, A. D. 1611, 9 Jac. 1: and having marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter of *Sir Moyl Finch*, Kt. had Issue by her 1 Son, *Henry*, that dy'd an Infant; and 4 Daughters, *Elizabeth* and *Cecilia*, who dy'd unmarried; *Anne*, wedded to

(b) *M. S. James Brown Willis, Arm.*

to *William Lord Grey of Werk*; and *Catherine*, to *Thomas Lord Wentworth, Earl of Cleveland*. This *Sir John* departed this Life in *Oct. A. D. 1631*, and his Lady surviving him, dy'd in *Sept. 1639*; and leaving no Male Issue, the Title expir'd, and their 2 Daughters were Heirs to the Estate.

A R M S,



Sable, a Cheveron between Three Leopards Faces, Or, a Half Moon on a Mullet, for Difference, as a younger House.

C R E S T.

Out of a Crown a Unicorn's Head, coup'd, Argent, attir'd, arm'd, and bearded, Or, with Difference as before.

Sir

Sir HENRY BELLASSIS of NEWBO-
ROUGH, Kt. Ebor. N^o 32

(*eod. Die præd.*)

English Viscount, viz. Viscount Falconberg.

Sir WILLIAM CONSTABLE of FLAMBO-
ROUGH, Kt. Ebor. N^o 33

(*eod. Die præd.*)

AFTER the Norman Invasion of this Realm, as Sur-names accru'd to Families by Little and Little, so were they not fully settled, till the Reign of King *Edw.* 2. and as some were denominated from their Possessions, and others from the Places their Ancestors were born at; so likewise divers Families had Names from Offices, as by many Instances might be produc'd; whereof the learned *Cambden* has observ'd, (*a*) That the distinct Families of the *Constables*, in the County of *Tork*, took the Name from some of their Ancestors, which bore the Office of *Constables* of some Castles. And our Genealogists agree, that *Robert*, a younger Son of the *Lacy's*, (Barons of *Halton*, and *Constable* of *Chester*) (*b*) took his Sur-name from his Father's Office.

John

(*a*) *Remains*, p. 116.

(*b*) *Seager's Baron*. in *Bibl. Cotton*.

John de Lacy, Baron of *Halton*, Constable of *Chester*, and Lord of *Flamburgh*, in *Com. Ebor.* gave to the aforesaid *Robert* (Sur-nam'd *Constable*) his Lordship of *Flamburgh*, which descended to *William Constable* his Son, or Grandson, who is commemorated 4. *H.* 3. *A. D.* 1260; and, by *Julian* his Wife, left Issue *Robert*, his Son and Heir, who was Knighted, with three hundred more, at a grand Festival at *Whitfontide*, in the 34th Year of the Reign of King *Edward* the 1st, at the same Time that the Honour of Knighthood was conferr'd by the King, (c) on *Edward* Earl of *Carnarvon*, his eldest Son, which was to adorn the Splendour of his Court, and augment the Glory of his intended Expedition into *Scotland*. He was living 13 *Edw.* 2. and was Father to Sir *Marmaduke Constable*, Kt. Sheriff of the County of *Tork* in the 40th Year of the Reign of King *Edw.* 3. who had Issue Sir *William Constable*, Kt. who, by his Wife, the Daughter of the Lord *Fitz-Hugh*, had Issue *Robert*, his Son and Heir, who was High Sheriff of *Torkshire* in the 8th, 9th, and 18th Years of King *Richard* the 2d. He had in Marriage ——— Daughter of *William Skipwith*, and was succeeded by his Son, Sir *Marmaduke Constable*, Kt. who took to Wife *Catherine*, Daughter and Heir of *Robert Cumberworth*, (by *Sibil* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Richard Argum*) and had Issue 4 Sons, whereof *Robert*, the eldest, succeeded at *Flamburgh*.

Which *Robert* was a Knight, before the 16th of King *Henry* the 6th, in which Year he was High Sheriff of *Torkshire*, and likewise in the 2d and 3d Years of King *Henry* the 4th. He took to
Wife

(c) *Asmole's Order of the Garter*, p. 39.

Wife *Anne*, Daughter of *Sir William Gasgoigne*; had Issue 5 Sons and 2 Daughters; whereof *Robert*, the eldest, had the Estate of his Father at *Flamburgh*, serv'd in Parliament as one of the Members. for *Torkshire*, (d) in 17 *Edw. 4*; was High Sheriff of the said County 2 Years after; and, by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter of *William Wentworth*, had Issue 7 Daughters, that marry'd, and 5 Sons, two of which were Heads of Families, *Marmaduke* and *William Constable* of *Caysthorp*. The said *Marmaduke* had the Estate at *Flamburgh*; and, by *Jocosa* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Humphry Stafford*, Kt. had Issue 4 Sons, that were all knighted. 1. *Robert*; 2. *Marmaduke Constable*, Ancestor to the Family at *Everingham*; (whereof *Marmaduke* was created a Baronet July 20, 1642.) 3. *William Constable* of *Hatfield*, in *Holderness*; 4. *John Constable* of *Knowlton*, in *Com. Nott*.

Robert Constable (eldest Son and Heir of *Marmaduke*) was knighted on the 17th of *June*, A. D. 1497, in 12 *Hen. 7.* (*) at the Battle of *Blackbeath* in *Kent*, having valiantly behav'd himself against the Lord *Audley* and the *Cornish* Rebels. He was afterwards concern'd in the Risings about Religion, in the 28th of the Reign of King *Henry* the 8th, and pardon'd for the same; but being in the Commotion in *Lincolshire* with *John Lord Hussy*, and others, occasion'd by the Assessment of a Subsidy, was attainted, and hang'd in Chains at *Hull*. (e) He left Issue by *Jane* his Wife, Daughter of *William Ingleby*, Esq; *Marmaduke*, his Son and Heir.

Which

(d) *M. S. pnes B. Willis, Arm.*

(*) *Nom Equit in Bibl. Cotton. C'aulius C.*

(e) *Baker's Chron, p. 410.*

Which *Marmaduke* serv'd King *Henry* the 8th in his Wars; was with him at the Siege of *Tero-ven*, and the Battle that ensu'd thereupon, and afterwards had the Honour of Knighthood conferr'd on him (14 Oct.) at *Lisle*, when the King and Court was there; and growing into his Esteem and Favour, was a Servant to that King, 'as appears by Letters Patents, dated 29 *May*, 32. of his Reign, wherein he had a Grant of the Monastery and Manor of *Neneaton*, (f) in *Warwickshire*, with all the Lands in that County thereto belonging. He was afterwards (in the first Year of King *Edward* the 6th) made a Knight-Banneret in the Camp of *Roguesborough*, by the Earl of *Surry*, General of the Army. He resided mostly at *Nunceaton*, in *Com. Warw.* whereof he dy'd (g) seiz'd 28 *April*, 2 *Eliz.* leaving *Robert*, his Son and Heir, 30 Years of Age. This Sir *Marmaduke* lyes bury'd on the North Side of the Chancel of that Church, under a fair Tomb, whereon is the Effigies of a Knight in *Armour*, lying on his Back, his Head resting on a Pillow, his Hands conjoin'd in Prayer, and at his Feet a Lion Couchant; and round the Verge, is this following Inscription :

Here lyeth Sir Marmaduke Constable, Knpyght, which dyed the xx daye of Aprill, 19 yere of our lord, M. D. & threescore, Sone and heyre to Sir Robartt Constable, Knpyght, lord of Flam- bourghe and Home. Spaldyng- more, and the sayd Sir Marmaduke hadde too Wiffe, Elizabethhe, dawghter to
to

(f) *Dugdale's Warwick.* p. 768.

(g) *Esf.* 2 *Eliz.*

to the lord Darffe, by hur he hadde too
 Sons, Robert and Marmaduke, and
 viii Daughters; the second Wyff,
 Margaret Bootlic Daughter of Wil-
 liam Bootlic, Gent.

Robert Constable (eldest Son of *Sir Marmaduke*) sold the said Monastery and Manor of *Nuneaton*, in 6 *Eliz.* to *Sir Ambrose Cave*; (b) and, by *Dorothy* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir John Wdrington*, Kt. Relict of ——— *Fenwick*, left Issue *William*, his Son and Heir. The said *Robert* was knighted by the Earl of *Suffex* *A. D.* 1570, (i) being with the said General in the Expedition that Year into *Scotland*, when they march'd to *Edinburgh* in Aid of the young King, [after *James* the 1st of *England*] against the *Hamilton* Faction.

William Constable (Son and Heir of *Sir Robert*) had the Estate at *Flamborough* in *Yorkshire*, and * embarqu'd with the Earl of *Essex* (*A. D.* 1599.) in his Expedition (k) against the Rebels in *Ireland*, and for his Services, was there knighted: The next Year being concern'd with the said Earl in his Rising, in order, as was pretended, to remove the evil Counsellors of the Queen: He was arraign'd for High Treason; but, on a special Letter from the Queen, that he, and others, were unwittingly drawn in, was remanded without Trial; (l) and, on the 20th of *March* following, had her Majesty's Warrant to *Sir John Popham*, Kt. Lord Chief Justice, to be admitted to Bail. He was created a Baronet by Letters Patents dated the 29th of *June*, *A. D.* 1611,

(b) *Dugd. prad.*
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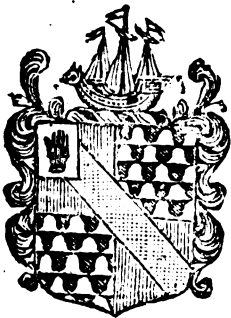
(i) *Camden's Eliz.* p. 121.

(k) *Cam-*

(l) *ib.* p. 549.

1611, 9 Jac. 1. and having serv'd in Parliament for the Borough of *Knareborough*, in the 21st Year of that King's Reign, and Knight of the Shire (*m*) for the County of *Tork*, 1 Car. 1. and for *Knareborough*, in all succeeding Parliaments, to the Time of his Death; became a great Stickler for the Liberty of the Subject; and having been imprison'd on Account of Ship-Money, was so imbitter'd, that he went in with all the Extravagancies of those malignant Persons that brought King *Charles* the 1st to the Block; and was among those that sign'd the Warrant for his Death; but, during the Usurpation, departing this Life, escap'd the Punishments of his Crimes, which he would undoubtedly have undergone, had not his Death prevented the Execution of the Law; for in the General Pardon that pass'd after the Restoration of King *Charles* the 2d, this Sir *William Constables* Lands, &c. were excepted; as likewise all Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, as tho' that Act had never pass'd; so that his Dignity expir'd with him.

A R M S.



Quarterly, Gules, and Vairy;
over all, a Bend, Or.

C R E S T.

A Ship, with Tackle, Guns, and
Apparel, all Or.

Sir

(m) *M. S. penes B. Willis, Arm.*

Sir THOMAS LEIGH of STONELY, Kt.
Warw. N^o 34

(*Eod. Die prad.*)

English Baron, viz. Lord Leigh.

Sir EDWARD NOEL of BROOK, Kt.
Rutl. N^o 35

(*Eod. Die prad.*)

English Earl, viz. Earl of Gainsborough.

Sir

Sir ROBERT COTTON of CON-
NINGTON, Kt. Hunting. N^o 36.

(29 June, A. D. 1611. 9 Jac. 1.)

ALL Authorities agree, that this ancient Family (to which the learned World is so much indebted) is descended out of *Cheshire*, where there are two Towns of the same Denomination, one in the hundred of *Northwich*, the other in *Broxton*, tho' neither of them mention'd in *Doomsday Record*. The first of the Name we find in those Parts was *John de Cotun*, Son of *Matildis de Lache*, who was the Daughter of *Gralam de Lostock*; which *John* had Lands in the Manour of *Lachemanbank*, which he gave to the Abbey of *Vale Royal*, temp. E. 1. (a)

Co-temporary with this *John* was *Simon*, the Son of *William de Coton*, who had Issue another *William*, who was twice marry'd, to *Isabel* and *Foar*. *Edmund* was his Son and Heir, living 16 E. 3, who by his Wife *Catherine* had Issue *Robert* and *William*.

Robert was of *Coton* near *Hanbury*, in *Com. Staff.* and is mention'd in Deeds, 30 E. 3; but this Line determin'd in Daughters and Heirs Females, about the Time of H. 5. (b)

William Cotton aforesaid, about the latter End of E. 2, marry'd *Agnis*, Daughter and Heir of *Walter de Ridware* of (c) *Hampshall Ridware*, in *Com. Staff.* by *Foan* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Walter Walheif*, and his Wife *Juliana*, Daughter and Heir of *John Basyng*, by which Marriage that Manour and other Possessions accru'd to him.

○

John

(a) *Mon. Ang.* vol. 1. p. 957. (b) *Visit. de Com. Hunt.*
Bib. Cott. Julian. F. 8. (c) *Erdswick MSS. View of Sta.*

John Cotton, Son and Heir to the said *William*, bore the Arms of *Ridware*, making *Hampstall Ridware* his chief Residence; and having marry'd *Isabel*, Daughter and Heir of *William Falconer* of *Tburcaston*, in *Com. Leicest.* had Issue

Sir *Richard Cotton* of *Ridware*, Kt. who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Sister, and afterwards Heir of Sir *Hugh Venables*, Baron of *Kinderton*, from which Marriage proceeded two Sons, *John* and *William*.

From *John*, the eldest, who enjoy'd the Estate at *Ridware*, and was living 35 H. 6, and 2 E. 4, descended the *Cottons* of *Ridware*, in *Com. Staff.* and the *Cottons* of *Bould* and *Cruckmarsh*, in the same County.

William, the Brother of the said *John*, was slain at the Battle of *St. Albans*, 23 May, 33 H. 6, in those fatal Contentions between the Houses of *Tork* and *Lancaster*. (d) He marry'd *Mary*, Daughter and Heir of *Robert Wesenbam*, Son of *Hugh Wesenbam*, by *Agnes*, Daughter and Heir of *John Bruce*, Lord of *Connington* in the County of *Huntingden*, and *Exton* in *Com. Rutl.* By which Marriage he came possess'd of the first of those Lordships, the Seat of his Posterity to this Time.

It was once the Seat of *Turketile*, or *Turchil*, the *Dane*, Earl of the *East Angles*, who invited over *Swaine*, King of *Denmark*, to invade *England*; and he, with most of that Nation, being exil'd by King *Edward* the Confessor, this Seat, with other large Possessions, were given by the said King to *Waltheof*, Earl of *Northumberland* and *Huntingdon*, to whom King *William* the Conqueror gave in Marriage his Sister's Daughter. (e) Afterwards *Connington*, and the Earldom of *Huntingdon*, came to *David* King of *Scotland*, (Son of King *Malcolm* 1, and

(d) *Vita Dem. Rob. Cotton, Bark. prefixa Catalog. Bib. Cotton.*

(e) *Weaver's Man. p. 496.*

and *Margaret*, Sister and Heir to *Edgar Etheling*, partly by Inter-marriage with Earl *Waltheof's* Daughter, and the like Vicissitudes, brought that Manour into the Family of *Bruces*; for *Robert Bruce* of *Annandale*, (Brother to *Malcolm*, *William*, and *Alexander*, successively Kings of *Scotland*,) having marry'd *Isabel*, Daughter and Heir of *David* Earl of *Huntingdon*, acquir'd this Lordship of *Connington*, and leaving 2 Sons by her, *Robert* and *Bernard*.

Robert Bruce, the eldest, had a just Claim to the Crown of *Scotland*, and his Son *Robert* the 3d, obtain'd the full Possession of that Kingdom, in Right from whom his Majesty King *George* now possesses the Crown.

Bernard Bruce, Brother to the aforesaid *Robert*, and Uncle to *Robert* the first King of *Scotland*, had the Lordship of *Connington*, with other fair Manours in *England*; which Lordship came by Marriage to *Wesensbam*, and from thence to *Cotton*, as aforesaid.

The said Lady *Mary*, Daughter of *Robert Wesensbam*, having bury'd her Husband *William Cotton* was marry'd 2dly to Sir *Thomas Billing*, Kt. Chief-Justice of *England* in the Reign of King *E. 4*; and 3dly to *Thomas Lacey* of *Grancestre*, near *Cambrids*, and dying 14 *March*, *A. D.* 1499, was bury'd in the South Isle of the Church of *St. Margaret Westminster*, by her 1st Husband; (which Isle in that King's Time she had piously repair'd.) *Weaver* exhibits the graphical Drafts of both their Monuments. He is represented in Armour with a Surcoat of his Arms, upon his Knees at Prayer, a Book before him, and behind a Grappa of 15 Children, all mature grown, whereof 8 seem to be Sons, the other Daughters; in a Scrole *S. boc. o. m.*

His eldest Son and Heir, who succeeded him, was *Thomas Cotton of Connington, Esq;* High-Sheriff of *Cambridge and Huntingdonshires*, 15 H. 7; who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to——*Knightsley of Falvesly*, in *Com. Northamp.* and had Issue 3 Daughters, *Eleanor*, Wife to *Robert Mulsho*; *Mary*, to——*Grantoft of Stanton*, in *Com.*—— and *Margaret*, a Nun at *Barking*, in *Com. Essex.* Also 5 Sons, *Thomas, William, George, Anthony*, and *Richard.*

Thomas succeeded to the Estate; was likewise High-Sheriff of the Counties of *Cambridge and Huntingdon*, 4. H. 8; and departing this Life about the 10th Year of that King's Reign, left his Wife a Widow, and his eldest Son in Ward, and was bury'd in the Abbey of *Saltry*, in *Com. Hunt.* as we are inform'd from a Cenetophial Inscription set up by his great Grand-son *Sir Robert Cotton, Bart.* in the Church at *Connington, viz.*

Asta, te amabo lege.

* *Domum cum vivus non parabam in
quá quiescerem mortuus; unam Saltreá
curabat mihi haeres benignus; sin haerede
benignior Pronepos híc me restitisset,
latuissim Majoribus rudere Cænobii.*

*Sum Thomas Cotton, quem Autoritas
Adulta, patriusque amor, casta conjux,
Paris filia, dulcesque liberi, ornárant
At mors mihi eripuens, Patriam amicam
posteris, Johannam viduam marito,
Haeredem pupillum custodi reliquit.*

Anno Salut. 1519.

Vale.

Et abi in rem tuam.

His

* *Inscrip. eiusd.*

His Wife therein mention'd was *Joan*, Daughter of *John Paris* of *Linton*, in *Com. Cantab.* Esq; by whom he had Issue a Daughter, *Eleanor*, and 2 Sons, *Thomas*, and *Richard Cotton*, Clerk.

Thomas Cotton, Esq; was High-Sheriff of *Huntingdon* and *Cambridge*, Anno 1 E. 6, and having marry'd *Lucia*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Thomas Harvy* of *Elmestoke*, in *Com. Linc.* Esq; had Issue *Thomas*, *Robert*, *Philip*, *Lawrence*, *John*, *Kvilioc*, and *Jane*.

Thomas, the eldest Son, succeeded to the Inheritance, and marry'd 2 Wives, 1st. *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Francis Shirley* of *Stanton*, in *Com. Leicest.* Esq; by whom he had 1 Son, Sir *Robert*, hereafter mention'd, and 5 Daughters, *Lucy*, Wife to—*Talcarne*, of *Ashton* in *Essex*; *Dorothy*, to *Maurice Baude* of *Somerby*, in *Com. Linc.* *Johanna*, to *John Baude* of the same Place; and *Rebecca*, to *William Mulsho* of *Thingdon*, in *Com. Northamp.* Esqs; The said *Thomas* took to his second Wife *Dorothy*, Daughter of *John Tamworth* of *Hawsted*, in *Com. Leicest.* Esq; by whom he had three Daughters, *Catherine* and *Rebecca* unmarried, A. D. 1613, and *Frances*, marry'd to Sir *Edward Montagu* of *Boughton*, in *Com. Northamp.* Kt. and 4 Sons, viz. *Thomas Cotton* of *Gedding-Abbey*, in *Com. Hunt.* who marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of *Robert Price* of *Washingly*; and had Posterity *Henry Cotton* of *Broughton*, in *Com. Northamp.* *Ferdinand*, and *John*, both Merchants.

Robert, only Son by the 1st Wife, was born 22 Jan. A. D. 1570, * in the Village of *Denton*, near *Conington*, (part of his Ancestors Inheritance) his Parents having remov'd thither, not long after their Marriage, as well for the Splendor of his Birth, as to be more at Liberty from the Incommodiousness of their own Seat, arising from

* Ex ejus vita in Bibliot. Cott.

a great Accession of new Domesticks. He was no less illustrious in his Descent from his Mother, a *Shirley* (whose chief is the present Earl *Ferrers*,) than from his Father. But he render'd his Family more Eminent by his own Life, his sublime Disposition, strong Judgment, excellent Endowments of Mind, and other Qualifications, that makes his Name shine to Posterity. After King *James I* came to the *English* Crown, who by reason of his Descent from the *Bruces*, acknowledg'd him his Cousin, he wrote himself in his Books *Bruceus*, not in Arrogance and Ostentation, but in Distinction to those of the Name of *Cotton*, of other Families; and as my Author observes, in a grateful Sense of the divine Favour for that Extraction, and to excite an Emulation in his Issue, to follow the Virtues of such glorious Ancestors. It is not doubted, but being the First-born, he had an Education agreeable to the promising Hopes of his future Accomplishments. After his juvenile Studies, he was sent to *Trinity-College Cambridge*, where he thought it not sufficient to be register'd among Academicks, and wear the Habit only, unless by his Studies he could be a Benefit to his Prince and Nation. This he made good on leaving the University, not suffering his Nature to flag, nor the Vigour of his Mind to be emasculated by pleasure and domestick Delights; Queen *Elizabeth* then reign'd, whose Favour was only to Men of Desert, which so inflam'd her Subjects, especially such whose happy Birth had rais'd them above the Vulgar, that in divers Capacities; some in maritime Affairs, either in new Discoveries, or in Hostility against an Enemy, or planting new Colonies; others in military Matters, others in Embassies, &c. and such as staid at Home sedulously apply'd themselves in Business of the Court, in
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the Law, Mathematicks, Mechanism, and in national History and Antiquities, of singular Use in civil Affairs; which last, Sir Robert, at the Age of 18 Years made Choice of, and at length above the Reach of any private Purse, acquir'd such a Library of rare and exquisite Manuscripts, that Britain, as long as Britain, nay, the whole Christian World is his Debtor. He maturely began his great Collection, A. D. 1588, when finding his residing at Home not altogether adequate to his Purposes, he came up to London, associated himself with Camden, and became a Member of the Society of Antiquaries. That learned Man had such an Esteem for him, that he dedicated his Remains to him, and when he dy'd was a Benefactor to his Library. He travell'd into the North with Mr. Camden, Anno 1599, to view the *Pi&s* Wall, and other Northern Antiquities: Those Parts being plentifully stor'd with the Roman Relicks, occasion'd thro' their long Residence there to repress the Barbarities of the *Pi&s*; and by this Means, and the Affinity of their Faculties, he came acquainted with the Lord William Howard of Naworth, and other Nobles; which being cultivated and maintain'd, introduc'd the Marriage between his Son, and a Daughter of that noble House.

The Reputation he attain'd, when young, by his Learning and Industry, increas'd with his Years, in solid Erudition and Prudence; the same Tenour and Mode of Life, without Idleness or Luxury; the same Ardency and Diligence to obtain antique Books continu'd; but not for the sake of Pomp or Shew, or by reading them to find Discourse for vain Speculations, but to fit him for more arduous Enterprizes.

Upon the Peace intended between Queen *Elizabeth* and King *Philip* of *Spain*, he furnish'd *England* with Arguments for its Precedency before that Realm, which was foreseen would be a Preliminary, and contested at the Congress.

A. D. 1603, he receiv'd knighthood from King *J. I.*, being one of those many he conferr'd that Honour on before his Coronation. (a) During this Reign, and in the many and various Difficulties arising in State-Points, Sir *Robert* was look'd upon, by common Suffrage, one of the best instructed therein; hence *Henry* Earl of *Northampton*, and Lord Privy-Seal, 1608, became his familiar and perpetual Friend, consulted him in what he publickly deliver'd, made him his Confident, and found a Return of Wisdom and Fidelity.

He became soon after known to *Henry* Prince of *Wales*, who requir'd his Information in reference to his Court and Palace. He was advis'd withal in the Case of the Union of the two Kingdoms, by *Robert* Earl of *Salisbury*, and the afore-said Earl of *Northampton*. The Commissioners of the Earl Marshalship refer'd to his Arbitration the different Judgments of the Heralds concerning Precedency among the City Magistrates; and his Opinion was likewise desir'd by several others in many different Cases of Moment.

The same Year, 1608, he is nominated, with the Earl of *Northampton* and others, in the Commission for better ordering and providing for the Navy, render'd almost useles by Inactivity and Neglect, and assisted in composing a Treatise on that Subject.

A. D. 1609, he wrote upon Duelling and single Combat, us'd before either King, High-Constable, and Marshal.

About

(a) *Philpot's Cat. of Knights.*

About the Years 1609 and 10, the Nation being weak in Treasure, Projects were set on foot to replenish the same without Burthen to the Subject, and Danger to the Laws; Sir *Robert*, among others, had this Province, being a Person whose Judgment had sifted the Deeds of past Ages. They pitch'd on a new Order of hereditary Knighthood, call'd Baronets, propos'd for the Fine of 1000 l. each, which would raise annually 100000 l. and this at last was accepted, and Sir *Robert* himself dignify'd with the same, in the 9th Year of King *Ja.* 1.

About the 14th Year of this Reign, he compendiously wrote the Life of King *Hen.* 3, for the expeditious reading of King *Jac.* 1, that he might use it as a Mirrour; and that King designing a Marriage with *Spain* for his Son Prince *Charles*, which the *English* dislike'd, Sir *Robert* had the Honour to manage this Affair, representing the History of the *Austrian* Leagues, Truces, &c. Anno 1625, and stood in Defence of the Duke of *Buckingham*, when the *Spanish* Embassadors endeavour'd to displease the King against him, whom they conceiv'd broke off the intended Match. Neither was he a less Patron to Ecclesiasticks, asserting their Cause against the *Puritans*, from the Constitutions of the Empire, and the Laws of our *Saxon* Kings. He wrote many other Tracts, some of which were publish'd after his Death. During the Reigns of King *Jac.* 1, and *Car.* 1, he was frequently a Member of the House of Commons; none more judicious and intelligent of our Constitution, where he behav'd himself as a loyal Subject to his Sovereign, and an honest Representative to his Country: But whilst the Constitution of his Body promis'd long Life, a sudden Fever seis'd him; labouring under which, and foreseeing his Death, he prepar'd him

himself for it like a true Christian, and made his Will, (a) leaving his only Son *Thomas* his Heir and Executor, settling the great beneficial Treasure of his Library, which he had been 40 Years collecting, at a vast Expence, upon the said *Thomas*; and after him, upon his Grand-son *John*, therein express'd, aged at that Time, 10 Years, and afterward to his right Heirs never to be alienated.

He dy'd, after two Days Sickness, on the 6th of *May A. D. 1631*, aged 60 Years, 3 Months, and a few Days, at his House in *Westminster*, whence, with solemn Pomp, he was carry'd to *Connington*, as he appointed in his Will; and was interr'd on the South Side of that Church, under a fair Monument erected by the Piety of his Wife and Son; Which Lady was *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir of *William Brocas* of *Tbedingworth*, in *Com. Leicest. Esq.* whereon is this Inscription:

*Robertus Cottonus, Miles & Baronettus, Dominus hujus
Manerii de Connington.*

*Antiquæ & nobilissimæ Familiæ Bruceorum ejusdem
Manerii Dominorum, per Parentalem Successionem
Heres.*

*Sagacissimus Antiquitatum hujus. Gentis Indagator
Et Conservator notissimus.*

*Natus 22 Januarii MDLXX. Dentoniæ
Obiit 6 Die Maii MDCXXXI. in Domo sua
Westmonasteriensi.*

*Et juxta hic conditur, expectans Resurrectionem
Felicem.*

Communis Mundo superest Rogus.

Thomas, his only surviving Son, succeeded in Title and Estate; and by his Wife *Margaret*, Daughter to *William Lord Howard* of *Naworth-Castle*; 3d Son to *Thomas Duke of Norfolk*, had Issue 1
Son

(a) *Ult. Volunt. ejusd. Rob.*

Son *John* and 2 Daughters, *Lacy*, marry'd to Sir *Philip Woodhouse*, Bart. and *Frances*. He marry'd, 2dly. *Alice*, Daughter and sole Heir to Sir *John Constable* of *Drononby*, in *Com. Ebor.* Kt. by whom he had two Daughters, *Frances*, marry'd to Sir *Thomas Proby*, Bart. and *Alice*, marry'd to Sir *Humphry Monox*, Bart. likewise 5 Sons, 1. *Thomas*, who dy'd unmarried at the Age of 17 Years. 2. Sir *Robert Cotton* of *Hatley St. George*, in *Com. Cantab.* Kt. born Anno 1640, and now living, who for several Years was one of the Commissioners of the Post-Office (which Sir *Robert*, by *Gertrude* his Wife, second Daughter to Sir *William Morrice* of *Werington*, in *Com. Devon.* Principal Secretary of State to King *Charles 2*, hath Issue *Robert* his Son and Heir, born 2 Jan. 1687.) 4. *Philip Cotton* of *Coxington*, *Com. Camb.* Esq; (*) aged 38 Years 1684, who marry'd twice; but having no Issue by either of his Wives, left his Estate to his Nephew *Thomas Cotton*, Esq; now living, Son of *William Cotton* of *Cotton-Hall*, in *Com. Cestr.* Esq; youngest Son of the said Sir *Thomas*.

Which Sir *Thomas Cotton*, Bart. dy'd 13 May 1662, aged 68 Years, and was bury'd in the Church at *Connington*, near his Father, under a Monument erected for the Preservation of his Memory, with this Epitaph:

*Tho. Cottonus, Baronettus, Rob. è proximo fiti
Filius Hares, & Imitator paterna sedulitatis in
conquirendis Britannica Antiquitatis Monu-
mentis.*

H. S. E.

*Oppressa Patria, & Regi Carolo 1° fidem prestitit.
Bibliothecam inestimabilem summo Studio nec mi-
noribus Impensis conservavit, locupletavit, & Posses-
sionati*

(*) Visit *Cantab.* 1684.

ritati erudita dicavit. Duas Uxores lectissimas feminas sibi sociavit; Ex priori Filium Johannem, Filias Luciam, & Francescam suscepit: Ex posteriori tres Filios (uno pravepto) et duas Filias superstites reliquit.

Obiit May 13 A. D. 1662.

*Johannes Cottonus D. Amantissimo possuit
Quantula pars Hominum Exuvia.*

John, the eldest Son, was his Successor in Title and Estate. He was born in the Year 1621; had likewise 2 Wives, *Dorothy*, Daughter and Heir to *Edmund Anderson* of *Eworth*, in *Com. Bedf.* Esq; Grandson to Sir *Edmund*, Lord Chief Justice of the Common-Pleas, by whom he had a Son *John*, and a Daughter *Dorothy*, marry'd to

—— By *Elizabeth*, his 2d Lady, Daughter to Sir *Thomas Honeywood* of *Markshall*, in *Essex*, Kt. he had 4 Daughters and 3 Sons, *Thomas*, *Robert*, and *Peter*, of whom *Robert* only survives at *Gedding*, in *Com. Hunt.* Of the Daughters, 2 dy'd unmarry'd, and *Mary*, the youngest, is living unmarry'd, Anno 1713.

The said Sir *John* lyes interr'd under a handsome Monument at *Connington*, whereon is this Inscription:

H. S. E.

D. *Johannes Cottonus*,

Baronetus, D. Thoma Filius, & D. Roberti nepos dignissimus, avitarum virtutum, pariter ac lauti Patrimonii Hares, quas egregius animi, & ingenii dotibus studiisq; ——— Literaturæ adauxit & ornavit Bibliothecam, ab avo in adibus Cottonianus Westmonasterii fundatam ——— Historia et Antiquitatis Britannica Sacrarium, ut in omne ævum integra & inviolabilis servaretur. Pro pietate & præclarissimo de Patria optime merandi studio, in publicos literatorum Usus transferri, et perpetuo

nexu

nexu addici; lege Parliamentaria curavit. Tandem Saturdierum, & illebata apud omnes Fame, duodecimo Die Septembris. A reparata hominum salutis M DCC II. Octogesimo primo Aetatis Anno, Strattonia in Agro Bedfordienfi placide obdormivit in Domino, per quem expectat felicem & beatam Resurrectionem.

Memoria Justi cum laudibus.

John, only Son of the said Sir *John*, by his 1st Lady, marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of Sir *George Downing*, Kt. and Bart. and dying in the Life-Time of his Father, Anno 1681, at the Age of 31 Years, left 2 Sons, the present Sir *John*, and *Thomas*; likewise a Daughter *Frances*, marry'd to *William Hanbury*, Esq;

Which Sir *Jon Cotton* of Connington, Bart. now living, serv'd in Parliament Anno 1711, as one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Huntington*; and having took to Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *James Herbert* of *Kingsley*, in *Com. Oxon*, Esq; hath Issue one Son *John*.



A R M S.

Azure an Eagle display'd, Argent, which were the Arms of Ridware. The Arms of Cotton were Argent a bend Sable, between 3 Pellets.

C R E S T.

Out of a Crown proper, a Demi-Eagle display'd, Argent bequ'd, and membered Gules.

ROBERT

ROBERT CHOLMONDELEIGH of
CHOLMONDELEIGH, Esq; Chesb.
N^o. 37.

(ead. Die pred.)

Irisb Earl, viz. of LEINSTER, and
Englisb Baron, viz. Lord CHOL-
MONDELEIGH of WICHE-MAL-
BANC, [Extinct.]

JOHN MOLINEUX of TEVER-
SAL, Esq; Nott. N^o 38.

(ead. Die pred.)

HAVING already treated of the Original of this Family Page 14, I there deferr'd giving an Account of the Descendants of *Thomas*, 2d Son of *Sir Richard Molineux*, Kt: Which *Thomas* was possess'd of *Hoghton Hawton*, or *Houton*, in *Com. Nott.* and by Deed bearing Date 23 June, 15 E. 4. (a) entail'd the said Manour, for want of Heirs Male of his own Body, on *Thomas Molineux* of *Seston*, Esq; Son and Heir of *Richard*, Brother of him the said *Thomas*, and his Issue-Male lawfully-begotten. He was one of the Privy-Council to King E. 4; and behaving himself valiantly in the Expedition into *Scotland*, Anno 1482, was made a Knight Banneret, by *Richard* Duke of *Glouster*, at *Berwick*; (b) and in the said Year he built

(a) *Thorosen's Ant. of Nott.* (b) *Nom. Equit. in Bib. Cotton.*

built the Church and a fair House at *Hawton*; and dying 6 H. 7, was bury'd in the North Isle of the Chancel of the said Church, where an old cross-legg'd Monument of a Knight is yet remaining, on which is the Arms of a *Cross Molina quaterpeirc'd*. He marry'd, 1st, *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Markham* of *Cotbam*, Kt. who bore him a Son *Robert*. 2dly, *Catherine*, Daughter of *John Cotton*, by whom he had 2 Sons, *Sir Edmund*, one of the Justices of the Common-Pleas & E. 6, and *Ansbory*, D. D. Rector of *Septon* and *Walton*, and eminent for Learning and Sanctity; and 2 Daughters, *Ellen*, marry'd to *John Bond* of *Coventry*, re-marry'd to *Laurenca Ireland*; and *Margaret*, to *Sir Hugh Willoughby*, Kt.

Sir Edmund Molineux purchas'd the Manour of *Tiborp*, *juxta Newark*, which his Descendants enjoy'd.

The aforesaid *Robert*, only Son of *Sir Thomas* by his 1st Wife, succeeded to the Inheritance at *Hawton*, and deceasing 13 April. 1539, lyes bury'd under a plain Stone in the Chancel of *Hawton*; he had by *Dorothy* his Wife, Daughter of *Thomas Pentrell* of *West-Hallam*, in *Com. Derb.* Esq; 3 Sons; *Thomas*, who dy'd without Issue; *Richard* and *William*, and 4 Daughters.

The said *Richard*, 22 H. 8, had Lands in *Hawton*, &c. settled on him, in Consideration of a Marriage between him the said *Richard*, and *Margaret*, Daughter of *Edmund Bussy*, of *Hatber*, in *Com. Linc.* which Marriage took Effect, and he had Issue by her a Son and a Daughter; *Francis* and *Mary*.

Which *Francis* marry'd *Elizabeth*, eldest Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Greenbalgh*, Son of *Roger Greenbalgh* of *Tiversal*, in *Com. Nott.* Esq; by whom he came possess'd of the Manour of *Tiversal*. He

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was High-Sheriff of the County of *Nottingham* 24. *Elix.* and had Issue 5 Sons, whereof

Thomas, the eldest, succeeded to the Manours of *Hawton* and *Tiversal*; and by his Wife *Alice*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Cranmer* of *Aflacton*, in *Com. Nott.* Esq; had Issue 2 Sons, *John* and *Thomas*, and a Daughter *Alice*, who had for 2d Husband Sir *John Iborold*. This *Thomas*, dying *Anno* 1597, was succeeded in the Estate by *John*, his eldest Son.

Which *John* was knighted by King *James* the 1st at *Whitehall*, *Nov.* 10 1608, and the next Year was advanc'd to the Degree of a Baronet. He liv'd in great Splendour, beyond the Income of his Estate, (tho' large) and was forc'd to sell Part of it. He mortgag'd his Manour of *Hawton* to Sir *John Leek*, which afterwards became the Inheritance of the Earl of *Scarfsdale*. He marry'd 2 Wives, 1st, ——— Daughter of *John Markbam* of *Sedgbrook*, in *Com. Linc.* Esq; by whom he had *Francis* his Successor. 2dly, *Anne*, Daughter of Sir *James Harington* of *Ridlington*, in *Com. Rutl.* Kt. Widow of *Thomas Foljamb*, by whom he had a Son *Roger*, who marry'd a Daughter and Co-heir of *Robert Monson*.

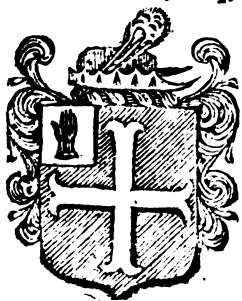
Sir *Francis Molineux*, Bart. Son and Heir of Sir *John*, made *Tiversal* his principal Residence for some Years, 'till he settled it on *John* his eldest Son, having made *Keeton* a fit Habitation, where he dy'd 12 *Octob.* 1674, aged 72 Years. He marry'd *Theodocia*, Daughter of Sir *Edmund Heron*, Knight of the *Bath*, by whom he had Issue *John* his Successor, and *Francis* of *Mansfield*, in *Com. Nott.* who marry'd ——— Daughter of Lord *Darcy* of *Hornby-Castle*, *Yorkshire*, by whom he had Issue 2 Sons; *Darcy Molineux*, the eldest, took to Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Mr. *Basset* of *Doncaster*, in *Com. Ebor.* and left Issue 2 Sons, *William* and *John*.

Francis,

Francis, 2d Son now living, marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of *Charles Tanckred* of *Whakley*, in *Com. Ebor* Esq; and hath Issue 4 Daughters, of whom *Dorothy* marry'd *Lucius Henry* Lord *Falkland*, who hath by her 2 Sons and one Daughter.

Sir *John Molyneux*, Bart. was born in the Year 1623; and taking to Wife *Lucy*, Daughter of *Alexander Rigby*, and Widow of *Robert Hesketh* of the County of *Lancaster*, had Issue 3 Sons, *Francis*, *John*, who dy'd unmarried; *Thomas*, formerly a *Turkey-Merchant*, but now of *Preston* in *Lancashire*, who marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of ——— *Mundy* of *Allestree*, in *Com. Derb.* Esq; and hath Issue Sons now living, *Rigby* and *Thomas*. Sir *John* had likewise several Daughters, of whom *Mary* marry'd the Honourable *Rich Leek*, Esq; Father of the present Earl of *Scarfsdale*; and *Elizabeth*, *Edmond Jodrell* of *Erdley*, in *Com. Cestr.* Esq;

Sir *Francis Molyneux* of *Teversal*, Bart. now living, succeeded his Father Anno 1691; hath serv'd in Parliament, as one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Nottingham*; and having marry'd *Diana*, Daughter of *John How* of *Langor-Castle*, in *Com. Nott.* Esq; and Sister to the late *Scroop*, Lord Viscount *How*, had Issue 7 Sons, 1. *John*, 2. *Scroop*, 4. *Charles*, and 6 *William*, all deceas'd; *Francis*, 2d Son, *Charles* and *William*, 5th and 7th Sons, are now living; and 3 Daughters, *Annabella*, who marry'd *John Plumptre*, Esq; Member in the present Parliament for the Town of *Nottingham*; *Lucy*, who marry'd *Charles Croke Lisle* of *Moyles Court*, in *Com. South.* Esq; and *Diana* unmarried.



A R M S and C R E S T.

The same as the Lord Viscount Molineux of Sephton, with difference.

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Sir

Sir FRANCIS WORTLEY of
WORTLEY, Kt. Ebor. N^o 39.

(ead. Die præd.)

THIS Family, according to the Custom of ancient Times, is denominated from their Possessions in the Wapentake of *Staincroß*, in the West Riding of *Tork*. The 1st mention'd is *Ralpb de Wortley*, Lord of *Wortley*, (a) who by *Winifred* his Wife, Daughter of *John Fleming* of *Watbe*, had Issue Sir *Nicholas Wortley*, Kt. 1 *H.* 3, 1217; who marry'd *Rosamund*, Daughter of *Eustace* Lord *Veseie*, from whom, after 6 Generations, descend'd *John de Wortley*, mention'd 10 *R.* 2, who marry'd 2 Wives; by *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *Peter de lay Hays*, Kt. he had Sir *Nicholas Wortley*, Kt. who likewise marry'd 2 Wives, and was succeed'd in his Estate by *Nicholas* his Son and Heir, who by *Isabel* his Wife, Daughter of *William Tunstall* of *Tburland*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; was Father to

Sir *Thomas Wortley*, Kt. who was of great Note in the Reigns of *E.* 4, *Ric.* 3, *H.* 7, and *H.* 8. He was one of the Knights for the Body to all those Kings, as we are inform'd from a Memorial engraven in *Roman* Capitals, on a great Stone, near a Lodge that he built in *Wharnccliffe* Chace. (b) He liv'd in such Grandeur, that King *H.* 7 sent him a Letter, requiring him to provide 100 of his Servants to be in Readiness for War, on a Day's Warning, when the Capt. of *Berwick* should send for them. (c) He was High-Sheriff

(a) *Ex Stem. penes R. Thoresby de Leeds.* (b) *Ex Coll. Reg. Dodsworth in Bibl. Bodl.* (c) *Ex Coll. R. Dodsworth præd.*

Sheriff of the County of *Tork*. in 6 and 17 of the King's Reign; and having marry'd 3 Wives, had by *Elizabeth*, his 3d Lady, Daughter of *William Fitz-Williams* of *Aldworth*, Esq; *Thomas*, his Son and Heir.

Which *Thomas Wortley*, Esq; had, by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter to Sir *Thomas Savile* of *Tbornbill*, Kt. *Francis Wortley*, Esq; who was *Custos Rotulorum*, Justice of the Peace, &c. in 22 *Eliz.* and was succeeded in his Estate by his Son,

Sir *Richard Wortley*. knighted by K. *James* the 1st at *Tork*, the 17th of *April*, 1603, and departing this Life the 25th of *July* following, was bury'd in *St. George's Chapel* at *Windsor*, and a Monument is erected to his Memory. He had, by *Elizabeth* his Wife; Daughter of *Edward Boughton* of *Cawston*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq; 3 Sons, *Francis*, *Edward*, and *Thomas*, who were all knighted, and 4 Daughters; *Mary* marry'd to the Baron *Hilton* of *Hilton*, in *Com. Dur.* *Anne*, to Sir *Rotheram Willoughby*. Kt. *Elizabeth* to Sir *Henry Crofts*, Kt. and *Eleanor* to Sir *Henry Lee*, Kt. and Bart. Ancestor to the present Earl of *Litchfield*. The above-mention'd Lady surviv'd Sir *Richard*, and was, in 2d Marriage, Wife to *William Cavendish* Earl of *Devonshire*.

Sir *Francis Wortley* of *Wortley*, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Richard*, was knighted at *Theobalds*, 15 *Jan.* 1610, and advanc'd by King *James* to the Dignity of a Baronet 29 *June* the Year following. He had all the Advantages of Education, and was well learn'd in the *Greek* and *Latin* Authors; of a ready quick Wit, a good Speaker, and was well seen in Poetry, as appears by several of his Compositions in Print and Manuscript. He was loyal to his Majesty King *Charles* the 1st; and laments, in his Poems, the Deaths of several slain in that King's Service. He left an only Son,

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Sir.

Sir Francis Wortley, Bart. who serv'd Deputy-Lieutenant, Justice of the Peace and all other Offices suiting his Condition, in the West Riding of *Torkshire*, in the Reign of *K. Cha. 2*; but leaving no Issue Male, the Title is extinct. He settled his Estate on the Honourable *Sidney Mountague*, Esq; 2d Son to the Rt. Hon. *Edward* Earl of *Sandwich*, (he having marry'd *Anne*, his only Daughter) on Condition he chang'd his Name to *Wortley*; which was comply'd with by the said Mr. *Mountague*, who has two Sons by her, *Edward Wortley* alias *Mountague*, and *Sydney Wortley* alias *Mountague*, Esqs.

A R M S.

Argent, 3 Beazants on a Bend,
Gules, between 6 Martlets of
the same.



C R E S T.

On a Torce an Eagle's Gamb,
[Thigh] Or, resant; on the Top
3 Ostriches Feathers, Argent.

Sir GEORGE SAVILE of *THORN-*
HILL, Kt. Ebor. N^o 40.

[29 Junii, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. I. 9.]

SOME imagine those of this Name to be descended from the Family of *Savelli* in *Italy*, accounted one of the ancientest in the World; whereof some were Consuls before and after the Time of our Saviour, as Mr. *Wood* (a) has observ'd; and Mr. *Richardson*, giving an Account of *Sir John Savile*, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer, (before his Reports of Law Cases in the Reign of *Q. Elizabeth*) mentions the

(a) *Wood's Athena*, Vol. 1, p. 285, 286.

the Duke *de Savilli* to own as his Relation, *John* 2d Son of that Sir *John*, when he made him a Visit in *Italy*. How this is made out I can't conjecture; but that the Name and Family were numerous in *Torkshire*, and came into *England* out of the Province of *Anjou* in *France*, several Pedigrees testifie; having match'd with the Heirs of *Rockley* of *Rockley*, *Golker* of *Golker*, *Tankersley*, *Rochdale*, *Copley*, and other worthy Families, before the Reign of King R. 2. About which Time Sir *John Savile*, the lineal Heir-Male in the 9th Generation, marry'd *Isabel*, Daughter and Heir to *Thomas Eland* of *Eland*, in the said County; by whom he came possess'd of that Estate, which for some Time was the principal Residence of his Descendants. He had several Sons:

Henry, 2d Son, (and on Failure of the Issue of his Brother, chief Heir-Male,) marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of *Simon Thornbill* of *Thornbill*, in *Com. Ebor.* Esq; Son and Heir of Sir *Bryzn Thornbill*, Kt. a Person of great Note, *temp. E. 3.*, having serv'd in several Parliaments as Knight of the Shire, and was descended from *Jordan de Thornbill*, who had great Possessions in *Ovenden*, *Skircoate*, *Rishworth*, *Norland*, *Barkisland*, &c. as by Evidence sans Date; to which *Jordan Hamlin Plantagenet* Earl *Warren*, Owner of the Manour of *Wakefield*, confirm'd his Inheritance in *Sowerbyshire*, (*circa* 1169.) (b)

The said *Henry Savile* by this Match became possess'd of a great Inheritance, as the Manour of *Thornbill*, and great Royalties in *Sowerbyshire*, which were confirm'd to *Edward Savile*, Esq; by Decree in the Dutchy Chamber in *Michaelmas Term*, 6 and 7 *Eliz.* He left Issue Sir *Thomas Savile*, of *Thornbill*, Kt. from whom proceeded Sir *John Savile*, Lord of *Thornbill*, *Eland*, and *Tankersley*, who,

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(b) Ex Coll. Rad. Thoresby de Leeds.

by *Alice* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir William Gascoign* of *Gawtborp*, in *Com. Ebor. Kt.* had Issue 3 Sons, *John*, *William*, and *Thomas*. From *John*, the eldest, descended (by a natural Son of *Henry*, his Grand-son) the *Savile's* Earls of *Suffex*, *William*, 2d Son, dy'd without Issue.

Thomas, 3d Son was of *Lupset*, and had Issue *John Savile* of the said Place, Father of *Henry Savile* who was Sheriff of *Torkshire*, and one of the Council for the North, *temp.* Queen *Eliz.* and by *Johanna* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *William Vernon* of *Barrowby*, in *Com. Leic. Esq;* had Issue

Sir George Savile of *Thornbill*, Kt. who was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, *A. D.* 1610, and lies bury'd in *Thornbill* Church, under a curious Monument, with a Knight's Statute to the Life in Marble, and this Inscription in Gilt Letters.

‘ Here lyeth the Body of *Sir George Savile*, Kt.
 ‘ and Bart. of *Thornbill*, in the County of *Tork*,
 ‘ who had first to Wife the Lady *Mary*,
 ‘ Daughter of *George* Earl of *Shrewsbury*, by
 ‘ whom he had Issue one Son; and afterwards
 ‘ he took to Wife *Eliz.* Daughter to *Sir Ed-*
 ‘ *ward Ayscough* of *South Kelsey*, in the Coun-
 ‘ ty of *Lincoln*, Kt. by whom he had Issue
 ‘ 3 Sons and 4 Daughters. He departed this
 ‘ Life the 12 Day of *Nov.* 1622, in the
 ‘ 72d Year of his Age; to whose Memory
 ‘ the said Dame *Eliz. Sav.* by her last Will
 ‘ and Testament appointed this Monument
 ‘ to be erected, who is likewise interr'd in the
 ‘ Chappel of *Herbury*.

George, only Son by the first Marriage, resided at *Soothill*, in *Com. Ebor.* was knighted, and marry'd

2 Wives, *Sarah*, Daughter and Co-heir to *John Rede* of *Cotesbrook*, in *Com. North.* and *Anne*, eldest Daughter of *Sir William Wentworth* of *Wentworth Woodhouse*, Kt. and Bart. by the former he had no Issue, by the other he left 2 Sons, *George* and *William*, and deceasing in his Father's Life-Time, Anno 1618, was succeeded in the Estate by his eldest Son

Sir George Savile of *Thornhill*, Bart. as Successor to his Grand-father, and he dying unmarried, the Title and Estate fell to *William* his Brother.

Which *Sir William Savile*, Bart. stood firm in his Allegiance to King *Cha. 1.*, advanced his Interest all he could, and was a great Sufferer in his Cause. He fortified his House at *Thornhill*, and made it a Garrison for the King, which being afterwards taken by the Rebels, was demolished. He married *Anne*, Daughter to *Thomas Lord Coventry*, Keeper of the Great Seal, and left Issue

Sir George Savile, Bart. famous for several miscellaneous Tracts, which he wrote with great Judgment, was one of the greatest States-men in his Time, and contributed all he could to bring about the Restoration of the Royal Family; which being effected, he was, in Consideration of his own and his Father's Loyalty to King *Ch. 1.*, as also his own Deserts from King *Ch. 2.*, created Baron *Savile* of *Eland*, and Viscount *Halifax*; and afterwards, Anno 1682, advanced to the Titles of Marquess and Earl of *Halifax*, and in the same Year constituted Lord Privy Seal. He was likewise President of the Council in the Reign of King *Ch. 2.*; and dying in the Year 1695, left behind him a great Character for his Wisdom, Integrity, Conduct, and many other excellent Qualifications. The Reigns of King *Charles* and King *James 2.*, when the Councils often changed, proved the Integrity of the Courtiers, and very few but

went in too much, either to the Prerogative of the Crown, or the Rights of the People; yet this Lord demean'd himself so well, that he was look'd on by common Suffrage as a true Patriot, both to his King and Country, and very few were they that spoke ill of him. He left Issue *William*, who succeeded to his Honours, and marry'd two Wives; but leaving no Issue by either of them, the Titles of Marquess, Earl, and Viscount *Hallifax*, and Baron *Savil* of *Eland*, expir'd; but the Dignity of Baronet descended to a colateral Branch, as I shall hereafter shew; viz. to the Heirs of *Sir George Savile, Kt.* and *Bart.* first mention'd, by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Sir Edward Ascough, Kt.* Relict to *Sir George Savile* of *Wakefield, Kt.* by whom he had 3 Sons and 4 Daughters, as express'd on his Monument; which were,

1. *Sir John Savile* of *Lupsete*, in *Com. Ebor.* who marry'd two Wives; *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *John Armitage* of *Kirklees, Esq;* (by whom he had only a Daughter, who marry'd *William Hustler* of *Cleveland, Esq;*) and *Anne*, Daughter of *Sir John Soame, Kt.* by whom he had 2 Sons, *John* and *Thomas*; and 2 Daughters, *Mary*, Wife of — *Fennison* of *Newcastle, Esq;* and *Anne*, of *John Harris* of *London, Esq;* *John* and *Thomas*, the Sons, dy'd without Issue; the former succeeded *William* Marquess of *Hallifax* in the Baronetship, and dy'd unmarried about the Year 1704; whereupon that Title descended to the Heirs of *Henry Savile* of *Bowling*, in *Com. Ebor. Esq;* 2d Son of *Sir George Savile, Kt.* and *Bart.* and Brother to *Sir John* of *Lupsete* before-mention'd; who had likewise a Sister *Mary*, marry'd to *John Archer* of *Grays-Inn, Esq;*

Which *Henry* was 67 Years old *Anno* 1666, and had Issue, by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *Robert Crewse* of *London*, Merchant, several Sons and Daughters; of whom *Elizabeth* marry'd the Count *Montfelo,*

Montfelto, and *Anne*, Sir *Robert Forbes* of the Kingdom of *Scotland*. Of the Sons, *George*, who was 22 Years old 1666, dy'd unmarried; as did likewise *Henry*, *Edward*, *Robert*, and others; none leaving Issue, except *John Savile*, his 2d Son, a reverend Divine, who was Rector of *Thornhill*, in *Com. Ebor.* and dying Anno 1701, had by *Barbara* his Wife, Daughter of *Thomas Jennison*, Esq; one Son *George* the present Baronet, and 2 Daughters; *Anne*, who marry'd Sir *Nicholas Cole*, Bart. and *Gertrude*.

Which Sir *George Savile*, Bart. now living at *Ruford*, in *Com. Not.* succeeded his Cousin Sir *John* in the Dignity, Anno 1704; and was before that Time seiz'd in Possession, or Reversion, of most of the ancient Estate of the Family, by Virtue of a Settlement made by the Marquess of *Hallifax*; and as yet is unmarried, 1714.



the Engraver the other was omitted.

A R M S.

Argent on a Bend Sable, 3 Owles engrail'd of the first.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath an Owl Argent, and sometimes a Queen's Head under the Shoulders Couple, Garment Gules, crin'd and crown'd, Or, out of the Crown 5 Jewels proper, which was the Crest of Thornhill, and by Mistake of

M O T T O.

Be fast.

WILLIAM

WILLIAM KNIVETON of MIRC-
CASTON, Esq; *Derb.* N^o 41.
(29 June, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

OF this ancient Family, in the Reign of King E. 1, were 2 eminent Branches, both of which may claim Seniority by the bearing of Arms, one having a *Bend vair*, the other a *Cheveron*, alike in Tinctures; but I rather think this of *Mircaston*, or *Mercaston*, the younger House.

Matthew de Kniveton was possess'd of *Bradley*, in *Com. Derb. temp. E. 1*, and left Issue *Henry*, of the same Place, cited in Charters 23 and 27 E. 1, Ancestor to the *Knivetons* of *Bradley*, of which House I take *John* to be, who was one of the Knights of the Shire for *Nottingham*, 1 H. 4; and by a natural Son of that House the *Knivetons* of *Woodthorp*, in *Com. Derb.* descend, which had its Beginning from *Francis Kniveton*, about the Close of Queen *Elizabeth's* Reign. They took their Name (I suppose) from *Kniveton*, in *Com. Not.* some of them having Possessions there before the Reign of King E. 1. (b)

Matthew de Kniveton, Brother to the said *Henry*, and Son of the said *Matthew*, by *Matildis* his Wife, had Issue two Sons; *Thomas*, commemorated 15 E. 2, and *William de Kniveton* of *Ashborne*, mention'd in Charters 15 E. 2, 5 and 7 E. 3; (a) who, by his Wife *Margery*, had Issue *Nicholas*, *William*, *Thomas*, *Henry*, Rector of *Norbury*, A. D. 1390, 14 R. 2. *John*, *Robert*, Vicar of *Darbrug*, and Founder of a Chantry there, who dy'd 16 R. 2. *Nicholas de Kniveton* was of *Mercaston*, in *Com. Derb.* and deceas'd 46 E. 3, leaving Issue by *Joan*, his Wife, *Nicholas Kniveton* of *Underwood*, and *Thomas de Kniveton* of *Myrcaston*, 14 R. 2, who marry'd *Margaret*,

(a) *Ex Col. Tho. Jekyll. Arm.*

(a) *Thoroton's Not.*

garet, Daughter of—*Curson*, Widow and Relict of *Okeover*, and dy'd 25 H. 6, leaving several Sons, of whom *John*, as eldest enjoy'd the patrimonial Inheritance at *Mercaston*, Anno 25 H. 6; but having no Issue by *Margaret* his Wife, *Nicholas*, his Brother, as next Heir, succeeded.

This *Nicholas*, in 7 E. 4, and 5 H. 7, underwent the Office of High-Sheriff of the Counties of *Nottingham* and *Derby*; and by *Joan* his Wife, left Issue a Son of his own Name.

Which *Nicholas* was one of the Esquires of the Body to King H. 7; was twice marry'd; by his first Wife *Joan Maliverer*, he left Issue

John Kniveton of *Mercaston*, Esq; who marry'd *Joan*, Daughter to Sir *Nicholas Montgomery* of *Cubley*, Kt. from whom proceeded 2 Sons, *John* and *Nicholas*.

John, the eldest Son, was denominated of *Harteshorne* and *Underwood*; and dying in the Life-Time of his Father, left Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Dethick* of *Newball*, in *Com. Derb.* Esq; *Thomas*, Heir to his Grand-father.

Which *Thomas* marry'd *Joan*, eldest Daughter and Heir of *Ralph Leech* of *Chatsworth*, in *Com. Derb.* Esq; and had Issue 5 Daughters, 1. *Elizabeth*, Wife to *William Kniveton* of *Bradley*, Esq; the chief Heir of the *Bradley* Branch. 2. *Margaret*, to *Gabriel Armstrong* of ——— in *Com. Not.* 3. *Jane*, to *Griffin Harmead* of *Northumberland*. 4. *Anne*, to *George Sutton* of *Over-Haddon*, in *Com. Derb.* and *Mary* to Sir *George Chaworth* of *Annesley*, in *Com. Not.* Kt. also 3 Sons, 1. *William*. 2. *George*, who dy'd in his Passage to *Ireland*; and *Saintlow Kniveton*, Esq; a noted Antiquary.

William Kniveton, eldest Son and Heir, succeeded his Father at *Mercaston*, and was High-Sheriff of *Derbyshire* 29 Eliz. and Knight of the Shire in Parliament 1 Jac. 1, and by that King was advanc'd to the Degree of a Baronet 1611, and serv'd again High-

High-Sheriff of the said County, in the 12th Year of his Reign. He marry'd *Matildis*, Daughter and sole Heir to *John Rollesly* of *Rollesly*, Esq; by whom he had Issue 3 Daughters, *Elixabeth*, Wife to *Thomas Kniveton* of *Moginton*; *Margaret*, to *Davenport* of *Henbury*, Esq; and *Joan*, to *Greves*, Rector of *Braillesford*; and 3 Sons, *Gilbert*, *Rollesly*, and *William*.

Gilbert, his eldest Son, was knighted at *Greenwich*, 29 May 1605, and being upon the Death of his Father, a Baronet, and inheriting *Mircaston*, was constituted High Sheriff of *Derbysire*, Anno 21 Jac. 1. By his Wife *Mary*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Andrew Grey* of the County of *Hertford* and *Essex*; he had (I presume) *Sir Thomas Kniveton*, Bart. one of the Gentlemen-Pensioners to King *Charles* the 2d and King *James* the 2d; in whom, I am inform'd the Title became extinct.



A R M S.

Gules a Chevron vair, Argent and Sable.

C R E S T.

On a Torse Argent and Gules, an Eagles Head couped Or, between two Wings Sable.

Sir PHILIP WOODHOUSE of *KIMBERLY*, Kt. *Norf.* N^o 42.

(*Ead. Die pradiſt.*)

OF this Sirname are several Families of antient Extraction, that have been denominated (according to the Custom of former Ages) from their Possessions.

Possessions. This in the County of *Norfolk*, has also been very eminent, and were Gentlemen of good Rank in the time of King *John*. (a)

John de Woodhouse, Son of *John de Wodehouse*, or *Woodhouse*, of *Kimberley*, Esq. (by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter to *Sir Tho. Falstaff*, Kt.) was Gentleman of the Privy-Chamber to *H. 4*, & in great Favour with *K. H. 5*; having serv'd under him in his Wars, in *France*, and behaving himself with great Bravery at the Battle of *Agincourt*, had a Grant from the said King, in the 5th Year of his Reign, of the Manor call'd the *Priory*, or House of *Welles*, in *Com. Norf.* (b) an alien Priory to *Caen* in *Normandy*; with all the Rents, Services, Knights Fees, and Advowsons of Churches, with other Ecclesiastical Benefices thereunto belonging in *England*; to hold in *Capite*, at the Rent of a *Rose*, payable at the Feast of *St. John Baptist*, for all Services, Demands, &c. He serv'd in 4 several Parliaments, (c) as Knight of the Shire for the County of *Norfolk*, from 11 *H. 4*, to the End of the Reign of *K. H. 5*; and was so well respected, and in such Trust with the last Prince, that he was, with *Henry Lord Fitz Hugh* and others, left one of his Executors. (d) And departing this Life the 9th of *H. 6*. *Henry* was found his Son and Heir, aged 24 Years, and upwards; at which Time a Writ was Issued out to the Escheator of *Norfolk*, (e) requiring him to take Fealty and Relief, for the Manor of *Welles*, &c. and to give him Possession. This *Henry* dying without Issue, *John*, his Brother, was Heir to the Estate.

Which *John*, 12 *H. 6*. (f) upon Commissioners being appointed to Summons all Persons of best Note, and tender them an Oath for the keeping the Peace,

(a) *Peacham in Blazonry. p. 235.* (b) *Mon. Ang. vol. 1. p. 575.* (c) *Ex. Coll. Brown Willis, Arm.* (d) *Stows Chron. p. 362. & Cottons Records.* (e) *Rot. fin. 9. H. 6.* (f) *Fullers Worthy's. Com. Norf.*

Peace, and observing the Kings Laws, for themselves and Retainers; was return'd as one of the principal Gentlemen of *Norfolk*. He took to Wife *Constance*, (g) Daughter and Co-heir to *Thomas Gedding*, de *Com. Suff.* Esq; and had Issue, *Edward*, *John*, *Bertram*, *Ferom*, and a Daughter *Eleanor*; 1st married to *Edmund Hastings*, 2dly to—*Bosone*, 3dly to—*Cresnor*; Esq; She dy'd 1487. (h) and lies bury'd by her first Husband, in the *Black Fryers* at *Norwich*.

Edward, eldest Son to the last *John*, succeeded to the Estate at *Kimberly*, &c. receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, and marry'd 2 Wives; by the 1st he had no Issue, by the latter, a Daughter and Heir of—*Swathing*, Esq; he had a Son, *Thomas*, who inherited his Estate.

Which *Thomas* was made Knight of the *Bath*, at the Marriage of Prince *Arthur*, eldest Son of King *H. 7.* (i) with the *Infanta* of *Spain*; and having espous'd *Thomasine*, Daughter to Sir *Roger Townshend*, Kt. had Issue 3 Sons, *Roger*, *John* and *Richard*, with two Daughters, *Catbarine*, marry'd to Sir *Thomas Lovell* of *Barton-Bendish*, Kt. and *Elizabeth*, to *Thomas Wingfield* of *Dunham Magna*, both in *Com. Norf.*

Roger succeeded to the Estate; was knighted by *K. H. 8.*; and having marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir to Sir *Robert Ratcliff*, had Issue 4 Daughters, and as many Sons, *Thomas*, *William*, *George*, and *John*. *William*, the 2d Son, was knighted, and was Vice-Admiral of the *English Fleet* (k) at *Muscleborough* in *Scotland*.

Thomas, the eldest Son, was possess'd of the Estate, was High-Sheriff of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*, (l) 1 *Ph.* and *Mary*, having before that Time receiv'd the Honour

(g) *Ex. Visc. Suff. temp. Eliz.* (h) *Waver's Mon.* p. 805.
 (i) *Nom. Equir. sub. H. 7.* in *Bibl. Cotton.* (k) Sir *John Heyward* in *vita* Ed. 6. p. 15. (l) *Fuller* in *Com. Norf.*

Honour of Knighthood. He serv'd in Parliament for *Tarmouth*, 4 & 5 *Ph.* and *Mary*, and also 1 *Eliz.* was again High-Sheriff 5 *Eliz.* and by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter to Sir *John Shetton*, Kt. had Issue 2 Daughters, *Amy* and *Elizabeth*, and 4 Sons, *Roger*, *Loy*, *John*, and *Thomas* : He was succeeded by *Roger* his eldest Son.

Which *Roger* serv'd in Parliament for the Borough of *Aldborough* in *Suffolk*, 13 *Eliz.* was knighted by that Queen at Sir *Edward Clere's* House in *Norfolk* (m) 27 August 1578. and in the 28th of that Reign serv'd again in Parliament with *Philip* his eldest Son ; the former for *Tbetford*, the latter for *Castlerising* : Having marry'd *Mary*, Daughter to *John Corbet* of *Sproufton*, Esq; (who surviv'd him, and afterwards marry'd *George Kemp*, Esq;), he had Issue a Son and a Daughter, *Philip* and *Catharine*.

The said *Philip* was also knighted by Queen *Elizabeth* ; and on the Accession of his Majesty King *James* the 1st to the Crown of *England*, went with *Thomas*, his eldest Son to meet that King, in his Way from *Scotland* to *London* ; and at Sir *George Fermour's* House, in *Northamptonshire*, his Majesty conferr'd the Honour of Knighthood on his Son ; and on the 1st Creation of Baronets, Sir *Philip* accepted of that Title. He departed this Life An. — and had Sepulture with his Ancestors ; leaving by *Grifild* his Wife, Daughter of *William Telverton*, of *Rougham*, and Widow of *Hamon L'Esrange* of *Hunston*, Esq; Sir *Thomas* aforesaid, Heir to the Title and Estate.

Which Sir *Thomas* serv'd for *Tbetford*, in 2 Parliaments, in the Reign of King *Charles* the 1st ; and having marry'd *Blanch*, Relict of *Christopher Peyton*, Esq; and Daughter of *John Cary* Lord *Hunsdon*,

(m) Cat. of Kn. predict.

Hunfdon, after Viscount *Rochfort*, had Issue *Philip*, his Son and Heir, who succeeded him.

This Sir *Philip Woodhouse*, Bart. was one of the Burgesses for *Thetford*, in the Parliament that Restor'd King *Charles* the 2d ; and by his Wife *Lucy*, eldest Daughter of Sir *Thomas Cotton* of *Connington*, Bart. had Issue *Thomas*, Heir to the Estate and Title.

Which Sir *Thomas Woodhouse*, Bart. marry'd *Ann*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *William Airmin* of *Osgodby*, in the County of *Lincoln*, Bart. whom he left a Widow, and had by her the now Sir *John Woodhouse*, Bart. She afterwards marry'd *Thomas* Lord *Crew*, who had by her 4 Daughters, the eldest of which marry'd the present Duke of *Kent* ; and the youngest the present Earle of *Arran*, Brother to *James*, late Duke of *Ormond*.

Sir *John Woodhouse* of *Kimberly*, in *Com. Norf.* Bart. now living, hath serv'd as Knight of the Shire for the said County in Parliament ; and having been Twice marry'd, first to *Elizabeth Benson*, Sister of the present Lord *Bingley*, by whom he had no Issue, secondly to *Mary Farmor*, the Daughter of *William* Lord *Lempster*, by *Catbarine Paulett*, Half-Sister to the present Earl *Paulett* ; hath Issue Two Sons, *William* and *Airmine*, and One Daughter named *Sophia*.



A R M S.

Sable a Cheveron Or, Gutte de sang, between 3 Cinquefoils Erm. which Gutte de sang has been born since the Battle of Agincourt.

C R E S T.

On a Wreatb, a Demi-Woodman proper in both Hands a Clubb Sable.

M O T T O.

Frappe Fort.

Sir

Sir WILLIAM POPE of WILCOTT,
Kt. Oxon. N^o 43.

(*eadem Die pred.*)

DEscended from Sir *Thomas Pope*, Kt. living in the Reign of King *Edward* the 4th, whose Son, *William Pope*, was seated at *Doddington* in *Oxfordshire*; and by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter of *Edward Tate* of *Stanlack* in the said County, Esq; left Issue *John Pope*, who resided at *Rockeston* (now written *Wroxton*) near *Banbury*; who by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *John Brocket* of *Brocket-Hall*, Kt. was Father of

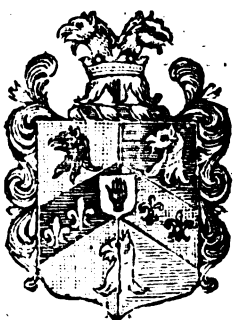
Sir *William Pope* aforesaid, who was made one of the Knights of the *Bath* at the Coronation of King *James I*; advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet by the said King, 29 *June*, A. D. 1611; and created Baron of *Belturbet*, and Earl of *Downe* in the County of *Cavan* in *Ireland*, by Letters Patent bearing Date at *Westminster*, 15 O^r. 1628, in the 4th of King *Charles I*.

Thomas Pope, his Grandson, Earl of *Down*, &c. was left under Age, in the Guardianship of *John Dutton* of *Sherburn* in *Gloucestershire*, Esq; who took great Care of his Education; so that he became a learned and accomplish'd Gentleman: He dy'd in *St. Mary's* Parish in *Oxon*, 28 *Dec.* 1660, aged 38 Years, leaving behind him only a Daughter, nam'd *Elizabeth*, begotten on his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter and one of the Heirs of *William Dutton* of *Sherburn*, Esq; which said *Elizabeth*, his Daughter, was first marry'd to Sir *Francis-Henry Lee*, Bart. and was Mother to the present Earl of *Litchfield*; and 2dly, to *Robert* Earl of *Lindsey*. The Earldom of *Down*, &c. descended to

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Thomas

Thomas Pope, Esq; his Unkle; whose Male Issue also dying, the Title of Baronet expir'd with the Earldom, and the Estate went away among three Daughters. The eldest, *Beata*, marry'd *William Some of Suffolk*, Esq; *Frances*, 2d Daughter, marry'd *Sir Francis North*, afterwards Lord North of *Guilford*, whose Son, the present Lord *Guilford*, is now in Possession of *Wroxton*, a very fine Seat, Part of the Possession of the Earl of *Down*. *Finetta*, youngest Daughter, marry'd *Robert Hyde*, Esq; Son of *Alexander Hyde* Bishop of *Salisbury*.



A R M S.

Party per Pale, Or and Az. on a Cheveron of the same five Flower-de-Lizes, between three Gryphons Heads eras'd, all counterchang'd.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath 2 Gryphons Heads eras'd, addors'd, gorg'd with a Crown, all counterchang'd.

S U P P O R T E R S.

On the dexter Side a white Greyhound, py'd sable, collar'd Gules, fludded Or. Sinister Side, a Wolf proper, with Collar and Chain, Or.

Sir JAMES HARINGTON of RID-
LINGTON, Kt. Rut. N^o 44.

(ead. Die pred.)

THIS Family, anciently written *Haverington*, is denominated from their Possession, a Lordship of the same Name in *Com. Cumb.* yet their chiefest

chiefeft Seat and Residence was, from King E. 1st's Time, at *Aldingham*, in *Com. Lanc.* a Manour that came to *Robert de Haverington*, or *Harrington*, by the Marriage of *Agnes*, Sister and Heir to *William de Cancefeld*, Son and Heir of *Richard de Cancefeld*, (a) by *Alice* his Wife, Sister and Heir of *Michael*, Son of *William*, Son of another *Michael Flameng*, all Lords of *Aldingham*; alluding to which Marriage of *Cancefeld*, *Harrington* bore Arms a *Field cancellata*, or *clathrata*, latticed, as the *Cancefeld's* themselves originally did in Equivocation of their Name, or Right of *Flaming*.

The Sons of this *Robert* and *Agnes*, were *John Harrington*, and another *Robert*, who by a Daughter and Heir of ——— *Banister*, had Sir *Nicholas*, Father of 3 Sons, 1. Sir *William Harrington* of *Hornby*, Knight of the Garter, temp. H. 5; and Founder of that knightly Line, that oppos'd the House of *Tork*; a Branch of which was those of *Stepney*, in *Co. Mid.* temp. E. 6. 2. Sir *James* who gave Beginning to the *Wolfage* Race, whose Heir Females, Sisters and Co-heirs of *Urwich*, *Bradshaw*, and *Verdon*, being 10 in Number, about the Reign of King *Henry 8*, were marry'd to *Stanley* of *Hoton*, *Ashton* of *Ashton*, *Under-line*, *Tresham*, *Myrfield*, *Norris*, *Standish*, *Hilton*, afterwards to *Pilkington*, *Ashton* of *Chatterton*, *Leicester* of *Toft*, and *Lumley* of *Clipsam*, dividing a fair Inheritance between them. And, 3d, Sir *Nicholas Harrington* of *Heyton*, whose Posterity resided there in the Beginning of the last Century, enrich'd by two Inter-marriages with the Daughters and Heirs of *Latham* and *Twyford*.

John, the eldest Son of the said *Robert* and *Agnes*, in the 34th of E. 1., attending the King in his Expedition into *Scotland*, receiv'd the Honour

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of

(a) Ex Coll. Reg. Dodsworth.

of Knighthood with Prince *Edward*, by bathing and other Ceremonies; and 4 *E.* 2, had Summons to fit himself with Horse and Arms, to appear at *Carlisle*, and march against the Scots. 12 *E.* 2, he obtain'd a Charter of Free-Warren in all his Demefn Lands within his Lordship of *Austwyke*, in *Com. Ebor.* and *Thirnam*, in *Com. Lanc.* and 14 *E.* 3, had the like Charter for Free-Warren at *Wytherslack*, in *Com. Westmorl.* with License to impark 600 Acres of Wood in *Moor* and *Marrish*, within the Precincts of his Lordship of *Aldingham*. 20 *E.* 3, being of the Retinue of *William d' Eincourt*, he assisted him in the Defence of the Marches towards *Scotland*, and was summon'd to Parliament amongst the Barons of the Realm, from 18 *E.* 2, 'till 21 *E.* 3, (a) in which Year he dy'd, having had Issue by his Wife *Margaret*, Daughter of Sir *Richard Barlingbam*, Kt. a Son,

Robert Harrington, who dy'd in the Life-Time of his Father, leaving Issue by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir to *John de Multon*, Baron of *Egremond*, 1. *John*. 2. *Robert*. And, 3. *Simon*.

John, the eldest, was Baron *Harrington*, upon his Grand-father's Death, being summon'd to Parliament *Anno* 22 *E.* 3, and dy'd the 37th of that King's Reign, seiz'd of a third Part of the Manour of *Multon*, in *Com. Linc.* also of the Manours of *Aldingham*, *Thirnum*, and a Moiety of the Manour of *Ulveston*, in *Com. Linc.* Likewise of the Manour of *Austwyke*, in *Com. Ebor.* and of those of *Millum*, *Mosearghe*, *Haverington*, with its Members, and a third Part of the Manour of *Egremond*, in *Com. Cnm.* from whom descended the Barons *Harrington*, terminating in an Heir Female

(a) *Dugd. Bar. voi. 1. p. 99.*

male *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *William Bowvile*, Junior, whose Son *William*, commonly call'd Lord *Harrington*, and slain at the Battel of *Wakefield*, 39 *H. 6.*, by his Daughter *Cicely* (Wife of *Thomas Grey* Marquess of *Dorset*) convey'd the Title of Lord *Harrington*, together with that of *Bovvile*, to the Family of the *Greys*, both of which are now extinct.

Of *Simon*, the 3d Son, who marry'd *Alice*, Daughter and Heir of *John Bishton* of *Bishton*, in *Com. Salop.*, proceeded *Simon Harrington*, Treasurer of the *Middle-Temple*, temp. *H. 6.*; and *Edmond Harrington* of *Bishton*, Progenitor to the *Harrington's* of that Place, living *A. D. 1631*, and bearing for a Distinction, an Addition to their Arms of a chief *Argent*, charg'd with 3 *Trefoils proper*, quartering, *Warren* and *Cuts*, Heirs of which Families this Branch had match'd withal.

Robert Harrington, the 2d Brother to *John* and *Simon*, was a Knight, and dy'd 22 *R. 2.*, leaving Issue Sir *John Harrington*, Kt. who by Marriage with *Agnes*, Daughter and Heir of *Lawrence Fleet* of *Fleet* in *Holland*, in *Com. Linc.* was possess'd of that Inheritance, which he left to his Son *John de Harrington*, (c) who had in Marriage a Daughter of Sir *John de la Launde*, who had Issue

John, his Son and Heir, who chose for his Residence *Exton*, in *Com. Rutl.* which he acquir'd by his Wife *Catharine*, Daughter and Heir to Sir *Thomas Colepeper*, which descended to

Robert de Harrington, their Son and Heir, who was *Anno 7* and 13 *H. 7.* High-Sheriff for the County of *Rutland*, and dy'd seisd of *Exton*, with the Appurtenances in *Gretham*, *Cotsmore*, *Whitwell*, and *Barnardshill*, 12 *Feb. 16 H. 7.*; (d) after whose Death all the said Lands descended to *John Harrington*,

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rington,

(c) *Stemma de Harrington Wright's Rutland.*(d) *Wright's Rutland, predict.*

rington, his Son and Heir, at that Time 30 Years of Age.

This *John* was also High-Sheriff of *Rutland*, 8 and 13 *H. 8*, and having by his Will, dated 13 *April*, 15 *H. 8*, devis'd all his Lands and Tenements in *Cotesmore* and *Gretbam*, to *Robert* his younger Son, departed this Life on the 5th of *Novem.* in the 15th Year of King *H. 8*, and was bury'd at *Exton*, in the Body of the Church, towards the South Side, under an ancient aral Monument erected for him and his Wife, with the cumbent Statues of a Man in Armour, with a Lyon at his Feet, and his Wife by his Side, both with elevated Hands conjoin'd for Prayer. Round the upper Rim of the Stratum is,

Mate pro animabus Johannis Harrington & Alicia uxoris eius; qui quidem Johannes obiit v. die mensis Novemb. Anno Dom. MCCCCXXIII, & praedicta Alicia obiit die Mensis MCCCC— quorum &c.

This *John*, by *Alice* his said Wife, Daughter of *Henry Southell*, in *Com. Linc.* had Issue two Sons, *Sir John* and *Robert*; from the latter the *Harringtons* of *South Witham* are descended. Another Son I take to be *Sir James Harrington*, who *temp. H. 8.* purchas'd the Manour of *Kelston*, with the Appurtenances, and all that Grange call'd *Ketelthorp Grange*, in *Com. Rutl.* and from him is branch'd out the *Harringtons* of *Kelston*; and by a younger Son of them, the *Harringtons* of *Compton*, in *Com. Somersf.*

But I return to *Sir John Harrington*, the eldest, who was possess'd of *Exton*, to which he added Lands at *Burley on the Hill*, purchasing a third Part of that Manour 3 *E. 6*; and having executed the Office of High-Sheriff for *Rutland*, 12 *H. 8*, his Father then living, and afterward, *viz.* 25 and 32 *H. 8*, between which Years he receiv'd the

the Honour of Knighthood. He also underwent the same Shrievalty in the 6th of E. 6, wherein he departed this Life; for 1 Q. Mary, it was then found by Office, that he held the Manour of *Exton* of the Queen, as of her Honour of *Huntingdon* by Knight's Service, and the Rectory of *Exton*, of the Queen in *capite*, by Knight's Service.

This Sir *John* betroth'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of *Robert Moton* of *Peckleton*, in *Com. Leic.* had Issue by her four Sons, *James*, *Edmund*, *Robert*, and *John*, whereof

James succeeded his Father at *Exton*, and was High Sheriff for the County the latter Part of 6 E. 6, and again 3, 8, 20, and 28 *Eliz.* He dy'd *A. D.* 1591, and was bury'd at *Exton*, having a curious Monument erected for him and his Lady, in the North Wall of the Chancel, standing upon 3 Steps; upon which is a Basis sustaining two vaulted Niches, wherein the Effigies of a Knight and his Lady kneeling, opposite to each other, at Prayer against an Altar, whereon lye Books; over each of their Heads is their gentilitial Arms, and upon the Summit of the Whole the grand Escotcheon of *Harrington*, quartering 23 Bars, *Cancefeld*, *Flaming*, *Culpeper*, *Hardreshall*, *Mussenden*, *Green*, *Irby*, viz. a Fret without the Fess, and a Mullet on a Canton, *Bruce* of *Anandale*, Scot Earl of *Huntington*, *Waltbeof* Earl of *Northumberland*, the 3 Garbs of *Chester*, and *Hugh Lupus*, *Moton*, &c. from all which Families he was deriv'd. The Inscription under the said Monument exhibits his Lady and Children.

Hic situs est Jacobus Harrington de Exton, Miles, cum Uxore Lucia, Gulielmi Sidnei, Militis, filia; ex qua liberos suscepit 18, quorum matrimonium contraxerunt tres filii & filia cetero: Maximus natu filius Johannis, Miles, heredem duxit Roberti Kelway. Curuile
Q 4 *Hardorum*

Wardorum & Liberationum Supervisoris. Secundus, Henricus, Miles, uxorem duxit unam ex heredibus Francisci Agar a Consiliis Hibernicis. Tertius, Jacobus, Armiger, uxorem habuit unam ex heredibus Roberti Sapcot, Armigeri. Filia natu maxima Elisabetha nupsit Edwardo Montigue, Militi. Secunda, Francisca, Gulielmo Lee, Militi. Tertia, Margareta, Don Benito de Sisneros, Hispano, de familia Ducum de Fantafgo. Quarta, Catherina, Edwardo Dimmock, Militi. Quinta, Maria, Edwardo Wingfelde, Militi. Sexta, Mabilia, Andrea Noeli, Militi. Septima, Sara, maritum habuit Dominum Hastings, Comitis Huntingdonia heredem. Octava, Theodocia, Dominum Dudley de Castro Dudley. Idem Jacobus & Lucia quinquaginta annos in matrimonio vixerunt. Illa prior diem obiit annum agens septuagesimum secundum; ille jam octogennarius fato functus est, anno Assertionis Humanae 1591, Reginae 34. Uterq; filium Jacobum solum Executorem constituerunt; qui ad parentibus suis iusta perageret, pietatisq; suae testimonium posteris relinqueret, hoc monumentum, in perpetuam illorum memoriam, posuit, consecravitq;

*Si Genus antiquum, veteresq; per Atria cere,
 Si propria Virtutis adorea Clavus equestris;
 Si Soboles numerosa, & quinquaginta per annos
 Inter utramq; facem cuncta caruisse Querela;
 Canities si sera, & Mors matura, beatus;
 Deniq; si cersus, cersuq; beator omni,
 Larga manus, sincera fides, reverentia Cali,
 Felicem aut vitam, aut mortem fecere beatam,
 Nobis & vitam, & mortem, animasq; reposcunt
 Sidera, composuit cineres, iussitq; sub ipso
 Heredis pietas requiescere Mausoleo.*

Of which Marriages, relating to the Daughters, I shall only add, that the Dukedom of Fantafgo afterwards fell to Bonitto, Husband of the said Margareta; and that he had by her one sole Daughter and

and Heir, who is said to have marry'd the Duke of *Feria*, and by him to have had one Daughter, who marry'd a King of *Portugal*, (a) and, in general, that from the abovemention'd Sir *James Harrington* and his Lady, have been and are descended, or nearly ally'd to their Descendants by Collaterals, no less than eight Dukes, three Marquesses, seventy Earls, nine Counts, 27 Viscounts, and 36 Barons, of which Number 16 were Knights of the Garter (b).

Sir *John Harrington*, the eldest Son, stil'd sometime of *Burley*, was High Sheriff of *Rutland* 36, 40, and 44 *Eliz.* and 1 *Jac.* advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baron, by the Title of (c) Lord *Harrington* of *Exton*: The same Year he had the Tuition of the Lady *Elizabeth*, Daughter to King *James*, 'till her Marriage with *Frederick* Count Palatine of the *Rhine*. Whereupon, 11 *Jac.* he attended her into that Country; but, in his Return thence, dy'd at *Worms* in *Germany*, 24 *Aug.* 1613, leaving Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *Robert Kelway*, Esq; (d) *John* Lord *Harrington*, his only surviving Son; who dying without Issue at *Kewe* in *Surry*, the 27th following, the Title became extinct; and his two Sisters were Heirs to his Estate; *Lucy*, then the Wife of *Edward Russel* Earl of *Bedford*, who had two third Parts; and *Frances*, who became the Wife of Sir *Robert Chichester* of *Ralegh* in *Com. Dev.* Knight of the *Bath*, had the other third Part; whose Daughter and Heir, *Anne*, was marry'd to *Thomas Bruce* Earl of *Ailesbury*.

Sir *Henry*, the second Son of Sir *James Harrington*, marry'd *Cicely*, Daughter and Heir of *Francis Agar*, Esq; of the King's Privy Council in *Ireland*, and of *Elmesthorp* in *Com. Leicest.* having Issue two Sons

(a) Toland's *Life of Harrington*, affix'd to *Oceana*, &c. p. 41.
 (b) MSS. Tilson. (c) Dugd. Bar. vol. 2. p. 416. (d) Essex. & 4 *Jac.* Wright's *Rutland*.

Sons by her; Sir *John*, who leaving only a Daughter, *Sarah*, marry'd to *John Fretcheville*, afterwards Baron *Fretcheville*.

Jacob, the second Son, succeeded at *Elmsthorp*.

But Sir *Henry* had also a 2d Wife, *Ruth*, Daughter to *James Pilkington* Bishop of *Durham*; by whom was a Son, Sir *William*, whose Heir-General is *Dingly* of the Isle of *Wight*.

Sir *James*, the third Son of Sir *James* by the Lady *Lucy*, was of *Ridlington* in *Com. Rutland*, for which County he was High Sheriff 35 *Eliz.* (the next Year after his Father's Death) being then a Knight; and by his Majesty King *James*, was afterwards advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, 29 *June, A. D. 1611*; having espous'd *Francis* Daughter and Co-heir of *John Sapcoat* of *Elton* in *Com. Bedford*, he had Issue three Sons, 1. Sir *Edward*, 2. Sir *Sapcoat Harrington*, Kt. who marry'd, 1. *Jane*, Daughter of Sir *William Samwell* of *Upton* in *Com. Northampton*, Kt. by whom he had the famous *James Harrington*, Groom of the Bed-Chamber to King *Charles I.* and Author of the *Occana*; he dy'd without Issue, and was bury'd at *St. Margaret's Westminster, A. D. 1677*. Sir *Sapcoat* marry'd, secondly, *Jane*, Daughter of Sir *John Woodward*, by whom he had several Children.

John Harrington, third Son of Sir *James*, marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of ——— *Norwood*, by whom he had Issue.

Sir *Edward Harrington*, eldest Son of Sir *James*, succeeded to the Title of Baronet; he had before receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood; for 14 *J. I. A. D. 1616*. he is so stil'd in a Deed with Sir *Edward Noel*. He was High Sheriff of the County of *Rutland*, 19 *Jac. I.* and in the same Post 12 *Car. I.* He marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter and Heir of *John Doyly, Esq;* of *Merton* in *Com. Oxon*, by whom he had that Seat and Estate, now in the Family. He had

had by her a Daughter, *Bridget*, Wife of *Sir John Gots*, of *New Place* in *Com. Hertf.*

Sir James Harrington of *Ridlington* and *Merton*, *Bart.* Son and Heir of *Sir Edward*, (whom he succeeded in Dignity and Estate.) Abetting the fatal and unjust Sentence pass'd by rebellious Subjects upon *King Charles I.*, was, after the Restoration of the Royal Family, degraded of his Dignity and Estate by Act of Parliament. He marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Edmund Wright*, afterwards Knight, and Lord-Mayor of the City of *London*, by whom he had a numerous Issue: But by Reason of the aforesaid Degradation, the Title expir'd; tho' his Descendants are yet possess'd of *Merton* in *Com. Oxon.*



A R M S.

Sable a Frett Argent.

C R E S T.

A Lyon's Head eras'd, Or, collar'd Gules, buckled of the first.

M O T T O.

Nodo firmo.

Sir HENRY SAVILE of *METHLEY*, *Kt.*
Ebor. N^o 45.

(29 June, *A. D.* 1611. *R. Jac.* 9.)

HAVING already treated of this Family in the *Saviles* of *Thornbill*, Page 22, which is the eldest House; I shall now observe, that *Thomas Savile* of *Newsted*, in *Com. Ebor.* had Issue two Sons, (d) *Sir John Savile*, *Kt.* who by *Mary* his Wife,

(d) *Ex Stemmate Familie per Glover.*

Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Henry Risworth* of *Risworth*, was great Grand-father to Sir *John Savile*, Kt. who marry'd the Heiress of *Eland*, as therein is mention'd.

Henry Savile, the other Son of the said *Thomas*, having marry'd *Eleanor*, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Copley* of *Copley*, possess'd that Lordship, and a fair Inheritance in her Right, a Fine being levy'd thereof 4 H. 4. (b) He had Issue 3 Sons, *John*, *Thomas*, and *Nicholas*; from *John* the Line of *Copley* descends, as I shall further shew in the Baronets created by King *Cha. 2*.

Thomas, 2d Son, marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *John Stansfeild* of *Stansfeild*, and had Issue 4 Sons, 1. *John Savile* of *Hullingridge* near *Eland*, who marry'd *Alice*, Daughter of *Ralph Lister* of *Hallifax*, whence are descended that Line. 2. *Thomas*, who marry'd *Elizabeth* Lady *Waterton* of *Walton*, but had no Children. 3. *Henry*. And 4. *Nicholas*, of *Newball*, near *Eland*; which

Nicholas by his Wife *Margaret*, Daughter of *William Wilkinson*, had Issue 4 Daughters and 2 Sons, *John* and *Thomas*, Ancestor to the *Saviles* of *Wellborne*.

John Savile of *Newball*, Esq; eldest Son and Heir of *Nicholas*, marry'd *Margery*, Daughter of *John Gleadhill*, and had Issue, 1. *Nicholas*, who marry'd *Fennet*, Daughter of *Thomas Foxcroft*, and had Posterity. 2. *John*, who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Thomas Frigot* of *South Kirby*, Esq; 3. *Henry*, of whom hereafter. 4. *Thomas*, who marry'd *Fennet*, Daughter of *Nicholas Boothroyd*; from him descend the *Saviles* of *Watergate* near *Hallifax*; and 4 Daughters, *Agnes*, Wife of *Thomas Harrison* of *Woodhouse*; *Alice*, of *Robert Holt* of *Stubley*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; *Fane*, of *Thomas Gleidhill* of *Barkestrand*;

(b) *Es. Coll. Rad. Thoresby.*

land; and Elizabeth, of John Blythe of Quarnby, Esq;

Henry, the 3d Son, seated himself at Bradley near Hallifax, in Com. Ebor. and having in Marriage Ellen, Daughter of Robert Ramsden, had Issue 3 Sons, Sir John, Sir Henry, and Thomas, a Student in the University of Oxford, where he was elected Proctor, A. D. 1592, but dy'd unmarried.

Sir Henry aforesaid, born at Bradley, on the last of Nov. A. D. 1549, was enter'd in Oxford Anno 1561, (a) and admitted Batchelor of Arts in Lent 1565; and growing famous for his Learning in the Greek Tongue and Mathematicks, (in which last he voluntarily read a L ecture for some Time to the Academians) he was, about the Year 1570, elected Proctor of the University for 2 Years together. In 1578 he travell'd into France, and other Countries; and improving in Learning, Languages, and the Knowledge of the World and Men, became an accomplish'd Person; and on his Return was instituted Tutor to Queen Elizabeth for the Greek Tongue, who taking a Liking to his Parts and Personage, got him elected Warden of Merton College, and in the Year 1596, Provost of Eaton, which College he made his chief Endeavour to improve with Riches and Literature. He was afterwards employ'd by Queen Elizabeth, as her Resident in the Low-Countries. When King James I came to the Crown, he had a great Respect for Mr. Savile and his Learning, and would have advanc'd him to a higher Place, either in Church or State; but he refus'd it, and only accepted of the Honour of Knighthood, at Windsor, 21 Sept. 1604; and soon after Henry, his eldest Son, dying, and no hopes of settling a Family, he bestow'd much of his
Wealth

(a) Wood's Athen. Oxon. p. 395.

Wealth in publishing Books. He collected the best Copies of *St. Chrysoftom*, and imploy'd learned Men to transcribe and make Annotations on them, which he fairly set forth at his own Cost (computed at 8000*l.*) in a most beautiful Edition; but the Papists at *Paris* had their Emisfaries in *England*, who surreptitiously procur'd this Knight's learned Labours, and sent them over weekly by the Post into *France*, *schedatim*, Sheet by Sheet, as here they pass'd the Press; and *Fronto Duceus*, a *French* Cardinal, printed them as receiv'd out of *England*, only joyning thereunto a *Latin* Translation, and some other inconsiderable Additions, insomuch that there were two Editions of *St. Chrysoftom* at the same Time. He was an excellent Mathematician, witness his learned Lectures on *Euclid*; for which Science he founded two Lectures in *Oxford*, allowing a liberal Salary to the Professors. He was admir'd by all the learned Men Abroad, of different Perswasions, and the Encomium given him by divers Authors, would make a Manual, as *Mr. Wood* observes. He dy'd in *Eaton* College, 19 *Feb.* 1621, and was bury'd in the Chapel there, under a black Marble, and the University of *Oxon* erected in *Merton* College a sumptuous honorary Monument to his Memory. *Elizabeth*, his Daughter and sole Heir, became the Wife of *Sir John Sidley* of *Ailesford* in *Co. Cantii*, *Bart.*

Sir John Savil, the elder Brother, was bred to the Profession of the Law, and so profited therein, that he was call'd to the Dignity of the Coif, being made a Serjeant at Law, 29 *Nov.* 26 *Eliz.* and afterwards one of the Barons of the Exchequer, by Patent, 1 *July*, 40 *Eliz.* and King *James* continu'd the same Favour, by Patent, 4 *April*, in the first Year of his Reign. He imitated that excellent Person his Brother, *Sir Henry Savile*, in publick
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Charities, there being scarce a Manour of his in *Torkshire*, that is not beholding to his Munificence. There is extant of his, *Cases in his own Court, and those of the Common-Pleas, in the Reign of Q. Elizabeth*. He marry'd four Wives: 1. *Jane*, Daughter of *Richard Garth*, of *Morden* in *Co. Surrey*, by whom he had *Sir Henry Savile*, who was created *Baronet*; and two Daughters, *Elizabeth*, Wife of *Sir John Jackson* of *Hickleton*, *Kt.* and *Jane*, of *Sir Henry Goodrich* of *Ribston*, *Kt.* 2dly, *Elizabeth*, eldest Daughter of *Thomas Wentworth* of *North-Elmsall*, Widow and Relict of *Richard Tempest* of *Bowling*, *Esq;* by whom he had a Son named *John*, of whom hereafter. 3. *Dorothy*, Daughter of the Lord *Wentworth* of the *South*, Widow and Relict of *Sir William Widmerpool*, *Kt.* and *Sir Martin Forbisher* of *Altofts*, *Kt.* And, 4th, *Margery*, Daughter of *Ambrose Peate* Citizen of *London*, and Widow of *Sir Ferrom Weston*; but by these last Wives he had no Issue.

Henry, the eldest Son of *Sir John*, was of *Methley* in *Co. Ebor.* and receiv'd the Honour of *Knight-hood* at the Coronation of *K. James*, and was created a *Baronet* *A. 1611*. He was several Times *Vice-President* of the Council establish'd in the *North* Parts of the *Kingdom of England*, *Deputy-Lieutenant* and *Colonel* of a *Militia-Regiment* of *Foot* in the *Wapentake* of *Agbrigg* and *Morley* in the *County of York*; and serv'd in *Parliament* as one of the *Knts.* of the *Shire*. He marry'd *Mary*, Daughter and *Co-heir* of *John Dent* Citizen of *London*, who surviv'd him, and was marry'd a second Time to *Sir William Sheffeld*, *Kt.* He had Issue several Sons and Daughters that dy'd young, and a Son *John* who just arriv'd at Years of Age, dy'd in *France* in the *Life-Time* of his *Father*, who dy'd 23 *June* 1632, in the 53d Year of his Age; so that the *Dignity* became extinct, and the *Estate* descended, to *John Savile*, *Esq;* his half Brother, who also inherited

herited the same by Conveyance from Sir *Henry*. This *John* was an ingenious Gentleman, travell'd into *France* and *Italy*, where he was received with great Civility by several Princes. He was High-Sheriff of *Torkshire*, 24 *Car.* 1, and dy'd about the Year 1651; he marry'd first *Mary*, Daughter of *John Robinson* of *Rytber*, near *Selby* in *Com. Ebor.* by whom he had Issue 2 Sons and 4 Daughters that dy'd in their Infancy: He had to Wife, 2dly, *Margaret*, Daughter of Sir *Henry Garraway*, Kt. Lord Mayor of *London*, who bore him 2 Sons, *Henry*, born 30 *Dec.* 1641, and dy'd 20 *Dec.* the Year following; and *John*, born *Anno* 1644: Also 6 Daughters, *Margaret*, Wife of Sir *William Ingleby* of *Ripley*, Bart. *Elizabeth*, of *Leonard Wastell*, Esq; *Catherine*, of Sir *William Cholmley* of *Whitby*, Bart. and afterwards of Sir *Nicholas Stroud*, Kt. *Anne*, *Mary*, and *Dorothy*, who was Wife of *John Clavering* of *Newcastle upon Tyne*, Esq; Son and Heir of Sir *James Clavering* of *Axwell*, *Com. Pal. Dunelm.*

John Savile of *Metbley*, Esq; now living, his only surviving Son and Heir, is possess'd of a great Estate, and by *Sarab*, Daughter of *Peter Tryon* of *Harringworth* and *Bulwich*, in *Com. Northamp.* Esq; hath Sons and Daughters, whereof *John Savile*, his eldest Son and Heir, marry'd one of the two Daughters and Co-heirs of Sir *John Banks* of *Alesford* in *Kent*, Bart. who dy'd about 2 Years ago, leaving 2 Sons, the eldest *John Savile*, was unfortunately drown'd in *May* 1713.

Arms and Crest the same as Sir George Savile of Thornhill, with due Difference.

H E N R Y

HENRY WILLOUHY of RISLEY, Esq;
 Derb. N^o 46.

(ead. Die prad.)

THIS Family, anciently fir-nam'd *Bugg*, have been seated in *Nottinghamshire* for many Generations, and took the Name of *Willoughby* from their Possessions in that County. *Ralph Bugg* had 2 Sons, *Richard* and *Ralph*, to whom King *H. 3.*, in the 50th Year of his Reign, granted the Manour of *Bingham*; whose Son *Richard* firnam'd himself from his Manour, was knighted, and left Issue, from whom the *Binghams* descended (a)

Richard before-mention'd, the other Son of *Ralph Bugg*, was possess'd of the Lordship of *Wilugby*, which gave Denomination to his Posterity. Sir *Richard Wilugby*, his Son, (b) purchas'd the Manour of *Wollaton* of Sir *Roger de Mortein*, 11 E. 2; and increas'd his Patrimony very considerably. He purchas'd a 3d Part of the Manour of *Risley*, in *Com. Derb.* and several other Lands, and dying 18 E. 2, left Issue

Sir *Richard Willoughby*, one of the Judges in the Reign of King *E. 3.*, who by his 1st Wife *Isabel*, Daughter to Sir *Roger de Mortein*, had several Sons that dy'd without Issue; so that *Risley*, by Entail, came to *Hugh Willoughby*, Clerk, who dy'd 7 H. 4, and is Ancestor to the *Willoughbys* of *Risley*, as Dr. *Thoroton* writes in his *Nottinghamshire*; but I rather think them descended from Sir *Henry Willoughby*, Kt. Banneret, who was possess'd of *Wollaton* by lineal Descent from the said Sir *Richard*, was Knight for the Body to King *H. 8.*, and dy'd 20 May, 1528, as I am inform'd from

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(a) *Thoroton's Nottinghamshire.* (b) *Thoroton prad.*

the Inscription on his Monument at *Wollaton*, in an Arch between the South Ile and the Chancel, whereon is the Effigies of a Knight in Armour, with 2 Wives by his Side, and underneath 2 Sons in Armour, and 2 Daughters in the Drefs of the Times.

Which Sir *Henry* had 2 Sons, Sir *Henry Willoughby* of *Wollaton*, Kt. (whose Grand-son, Sir *Frances*, left 6 Daughters his Co-heirs, the eldest of which brought that Inheritance by Marriage to the Great-Grandfather of the present Lord *Middleton*,) and *William Willoughby*, who dy'd in his Father's Life-Time, (c) having marry'd *Helena*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *John Egeiton* of *Wrimhill*, in *Com. Cest.* Kt. (who dy'd 9 H. 8) by whom he had Issue.

Sir *Hugh Willoughby* of *Risley*, in *Com. Derby.* Kt. whom I take to be the famous Navigator (for he was of this Family) who was sent out with 3 Ships in the Reign of King *E. 6.* A. D. 1553, (d) to discover *Cathay*, and other Northern Parts: He sail'd in *May*, and having spent much Time about the Northern Islands, subje&t to *Denmark*, where he found no Commodity but dry'd Fish and Train-Oyl, was forc'd, about the Middle of *September*, to put into a Harbour of *Laplant*, call'd *Arsina*, where they could find no Inhabitants, and thinking to winter there, was froze to Death: However, *Richard Chancellor*, who commanded the 2d Ship in this Expedition, having lost Sir *Hugh*, made his Way for *Wardhouse* in *Norway*, the appointed Place, if parted by Storms, and after 7 Days Stay, proceeded on his Voyage so fortunately, that within few Days he arriv'd on the Coasts of *Muscovy*, where he was friendly receiv'd by the Natives; and *John Bazilowitz*, the Great Duke,

(c) Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm. (d) Collection of Voyages, 4 Vols.

Duke, or Czar, with whom he settled a Trade, and was the first Discoverer of *Russia*. The said Sir *Hugh Willoughby* left Issue by *Johanna* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Nicholas Strelley*, Kt. by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *John Spencer*, Henry (e) his Son and Heir.

Which *Henry Willoughby* of *Risley*, Esq; was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet by his Majesty King *James A. D.* 1611; and dying, without Issue-Male, the Title became extinct.

Anne, his sole Daughter and Heir marry'd Sir *Thomas Aston* of *Aston*, (f) in the County Palatine of *Chester*, Bart. by whom he had Sir *Willoughby Aston*, Bart. and other Children.



A R M S.

On a *Barulet Gules*, 3 *Water-budgets*, *Argent*.

C R E S T.

On a *Wreath* an *Owl Argent*, *beak'd*, *legg'd*, and *crown'd*, *Or*.

Sir LEWIS TRESHAM of RUSHTON, Kt.
Northamp. N^o 47.

(29 June, *A. D.* 1611. *R. Jac.* 1. 9)

OF this Family long seated in *Northamptonshire*, the first I meet with is *Thomas Tresham*
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(e) *Thoroton's Not. præd.* p. 223.
Bucklow Hund. p. 214.

(f) *Leicester's Antiq. of*

of *Sywell*, in the said County, who by the Daughter and Heir of *Rempston*, left Issue Sir *William Tresham*, Kt. Attorney-General to King *H. 5.* (a) who marry'd ——— Daughter of *William Vaux* of *Harroweden*; of which Family was the Lord *Vaux*, from whom proceeded 2 Sons, *Thomas* and *Henry Tresham* of *Newton*, in the said County; which he came possess'd of by Marriage with *Alice*, Daughter and Co-heir to Sir *Edward Mulsho*, and is Ancestor to the *Treshams* of *Newton* (who bare the same Arms as the elder Branch, differencing only by altering the Tinctures) of which Line was Sir *Thomas Tresham*, Kt. High-Sheriff of *Northamptonshire*, in the 8th Year of King *James 1.*

Sir *Thomas Tresham*, Son and Heir of Sir *William*, settled himself at *Rushton*, in *Com. Northamp.* and was Comptroller of the Household to King *H. 6*; he marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter to the Lord *Zouch*, and was succeeded by his Son and Heir *John Tresham* of *Livedon* and *Rushton*, who had to Wife *Elizabeth*, sole Daughter and Heir to *James Harrington* of *Hornby* and *Wolfsage*, Esq; of whom proceeded

Thomas, their Son and Heir, who was High-Sheriff of *Northamptonshire*, 16 *H. 8*, and being afterwards knighted, serv'd the same Office in the 31st Year of that King's Reign, having marry'd *Anne*, Daughter and Co-heir of *William Parr*, afterwards Lord *Parr* of *Horton*; he had Issue *John*, that dy'd in his Father's Life-Time, leaving Issue by *Eleanor* his Wife, Daughter to *Anthony Catesby* of *Wishton*, 2 Daughters, viz, *Muriel*, Wife to the Lord *Vaux*, another marry'd to *George Walton*; also 2 Sons, Sir *Thomas* and *William*. Which Sir *Thomas* was a Person of great Command in his County, and was zealous (against the

(a) *Ex Stem. sub Manu. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.*

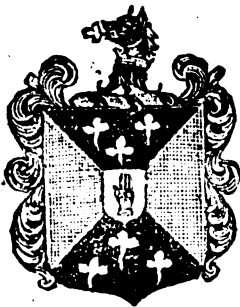
the Court-Faction) in proclaiming and promoting Queen *Mary's* Pretensions to the Crown; she therefore constituted him High-Sheriff in the 2d and 3d of her Reign, and likewise the first and last Prior of the re-erected Order of St. *John of Jerusalem*. Dying without Issue, his large Lands descended to his Kinsman and Heir, *Thomas Trelham*, Son to his Brother *William*.

Which *Thomas* was knighted 18 July, A. D. 1575, at *Killingworth*, in *Com. Warw.* by Queen *Elizabeth*. (a) *Fuller*, in his *Worthies*, gives this Character of him, "Hard to say, whether greater his Delight or Skill in Buildings, tho' more forward in beginning, than fortunate in finishing his Fabricks, amongst which the Market-houle at *Rothwell*, adorn'd with the Arms of the Gentry of the County of *Northampton*, was highly commendable, who was zealous in the *Romish* Perswasion, which afterwards cost him a long Confinement in *Wistich* Castle.

He marry'd *Muriel*, Daughter to Sir *Robert Throckmorton* of *Coughton*, in *Com. Warw.* Kt. having by her many Daughters, and being a great House-keeper, match'd most of them into worshipful and wealthy Families, viz. *Frances*, to *Edward* Lord *Stourton*; *Elizabeth*, to *William* Lord *Monteagle*; *Catherine*, to *John* *Webb* of *Oldstock*, in *Com. Wilts.* Esq; *Mary*, to *Thomas* Lord *Brudenel* of *Dene*; *Anne*, to *William* *Fletcher* of *Sussex*; and *Bridget*, to *Edward* *Parham* of *Somersetshire*, Esqs; He had also 3 Sons, 1. Sir *Francis*, who marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *John* *Tuften*, by whom he had no Issue-Male, and falling into the Gunpowder Conspiracy, was attainted of High Treason. 2. *Lewis*. 2. *William*, who marry'd the Daughter to ——— *Reed* of *Cotesbrook*, in *Com. Northamp.*

(a) *Nom. Mil. Bibl. Cotton.*

Lewis, the 2d Son, succeeded his Brother, and having receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, the Day and Year aforesaid. He left Issue *Sir Thomas Tresham*, Bart. with whom (I suppose) this Dignity expir'd.



A R M S.

Parti per Saltire, Sable and Or, in chief, and in base each, 3 Trefoils slipp'd, 2, 1, and 1, 2.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath a Boar's Head eras'd, Sable, ducally gorg'd, arm'd crin'd, and vorant a Trefoil, Or.

THOMAS BRUDENEL of DEAN,
Esq; Northam. N^o 48.

(ead. Dicm præd.)

English Earl, viz. Earl of CARDIGAN.

Sir GEORGE St. PAWLE of SNAR-
FORD, Kt. *Linc.* N^o 49.

[June 29, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. I. 9.]

THE Gentleman abovemention'd leaving no Issue by his Wife *Frances*, Daughter of *Sir William Wray*, (who afterwards marry'd *Robert Rich*, Earl of *Warwick*) this Title is extinct; and his Sister *Faith*, Wife of *Sir Edward Tyrmitt* of *Stanfeild*, Bart. became his Heir. The said *Sir George* was Son of *Thomas St. Paule* of *Snarford*, *Esq; Brother*

ther and Heir of *John St. Paule* of the said Place, who dy'd without Issue, Son of *George St. Paule* by his first Wife, Great Grandson to *William St. Paule* of *Suarford*, Esq; Son of *Thomas de St. Paule*, who by marrying the Daughter and Heir of *John de Suarford* of *Suarford* in *Com. Linc.* Esq; about the Reign of *K. Edw. 3.* became possess'd of that Estate, which he made his principal Residence, tho' he was before possess'd of *Byron* in *Com Ebor.* which came to him by lineal Descent from *Bryan de St. Paule*, who liv'd in the Time of King *Stephen.*



A R M ' S .

*Argent a Lyon rampant, double
Quive Gules, crested Or.*

C R E S T .

*On a Wreath Argent, and Gules,
an Elephant Or, Bands and
Girths, Gules, on the Back a
Castle battel'd, Argent.*

Sir WILLIAM TYRWHIT of STANTFIELD,
Kt. Linc. N^o 50.

(29 June, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

THAT this Family has been for many Generations of knightly Dignity and large Possessions in the County of *Lincoln*, several Authorities evince (a) *Sir William Terwhitt* of *Kettleby*, *Kt.* for whom a Monument is erected in the Cathedral Church of *Lincoln*, (b) who dy'd ----- 1522,

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(a) Ex *Stemmata Injus Familæ sub Max. Tho. Tel. Arm.*
(b) Ex *Collect. Ger. Holles, Arm.*

14 H. 8. was Son and Heir of Sir *Robert Terwbitt* of the said Place, Grandson of Sir *William Terwbitt*, Son of Sir *Robert Terwbitt*, Son of Sir *William Terwbitt*, by the Daughter and Heir of *Gravet*, Son of *Robert Terwbitt*, Temp. *Edw. 2.* all Lords of *Kettleby*, in *Com. Linc.*

Which Sir *William* first mention'd, by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Robert Constable* of *Flamburgh*, Kt. had Issue *Robert*, his Son and Heir; and two Daughters, *Agnes*, the Wife of *Thomas* Lord *Burgh*, and *Elizabeth*, the Wife of Sir *William Skipwith*, Kt.

The said *Robert* was likewise knighted; and, by his Wife, the Daughter of Sir *Gilbert Taylboys*, Kt. had Issue 3 Sons, *William*, *Robert*, and *Philip*, and several Daughters. *William*, the eldest Son, lies bury'd in the Chancel of the Church of *Scotter*, under a Marble Tomb, (c) whereon the following Memorial was engrav'd in Brass:

Hic jacet *Willielmus Tyrwhit, Miles,*
qui obiit 19^o Die Martii, Anno Dom.
1541. cuius, &c.

Under another Monument against the Wall, is this Inscription:

Marmaducus Tyrwhit, 4^{tns}
Filius Will. Tyrwhit, Militis,
Obiit 21 Die Januarii, Anno 1599.
Ætatis suae 66. Uxor ejus fuit
Helena filia Leonelli Beresby.

Robert, the eldest Son of the said Sir *William*, inherited the Estate at *Kettleby*, &c. was a Person of great Note, and lies bury'd in the Chancel of *Beakly* Church, under a stately Monument of white

(c) *Ex Coll. Gerv. lib. 123, p. 41.*

white Alabaster; (d) upon the Flat whereof, about a Yard high, lieth in full Proportion, the Effigies of a Knight, in compleat Armour, with his Wife on his left Side, their Hands elevated, his Head girt with an Oaken Wreath, and under his Feet an Ape Guardant. Under her Head a Pillow, and at her Feet a Lion. On the Sides, in a Border, between two Verges, above the Pedestals that sustain a Canopy, is the 128th Psalm in Metre; and below, in another Border, are the Statues of 21 Children, Sons and Daughters, four of them Infants in Swathing-Clothes; and under them in another Border, the several Escutcheons of their Arms differenc'd. On the Wall Side adjoining, is rais'd another Quadrate, supported by two Columns, the Sides hollow'd and adorn'd with carv'd Work, the Edges garnish'd with Gold. On the Top, in the Middle, is a Death's Head; and at one End, Fame with her Trumpet; under which is written, *Fame soundeth on Hye*. At the other End, Time wing'd, with a Forelock, holding in one Hand a Sickle, in the other an Hour-Glass; under which is written, *Time Truth doth Trye*. In a Quadrate are Escutcheons of the Arms and Quarterings of him and his Lady empal'd, supported by two Savages, with Clubbs in their Hands, mantl'd Gules doubled Or; the Crest, a Lapwing's Head eras'd; and the Motto, *Tempus Esprova Verite*. Within a Square, is a Table with this Inscription:

Hic jacet Robertus Tyrwhit, de Kettleby, Miles, qui obiit 13 Die Novembris, Anno Dom. 1581, ac etiam Elizabetha Uxor ejus quae obiit Die.

Below,

(d) Ex Coll. Gerr. Holles, prod.

Below,

*Vigilate et Orate, quia nescitis
dicm neq; boram.*

From this *Sir Robert*, notwithstanding he had so many Children, none are existing of the Male Line as I can hear of; so that the principal Branch remaining, is from *Philip Tirwitt*, third Son of *Sir Robert*, by his Wife the Daughter of *Sir Gilbert Taylboys*, who was likewise Father to *Sir William Tyrwhit*, before-mention'd, and to *Robert*, who was knighted, and left only a Daughter and Heir.

Which *Philip Tirwitt* was seated at *Barton* upon *Humber*, in the County of *Lincoln*; and by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir of *Edward Barnaby*, had Issue *Edward*, his Son and Heir, who settled himself at *Stainfeild*, in *Com. Linc.* and by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *William Dallyson* of *Laughton*, and Sister to *Sir William Dallyson*, one of the Justices of the *King's-Bench*, had Issue two Sons, *Philip* and *Roger*.

Philip, the eldest Son, succeeded to the Estate at *Stainfeild*; and with his eldest Son *Edward*, waiting on his Majesty King *James* the 1st at *Belvoir* Castle, when he lay there in his Way from *Scotland*, to take Possession of the Crown of *England*, had the Honour of Knighthood conferr'd both on himself and his said Son, by that King, who likewise conferr'd on the said *Sir Philip* the Dignity of Baronet, *A. D.* 1611. He marry'd *Martha*, Daughter of *Sir Anthony Thorold* of *Marston*, in *Com. Linc.* Knight, and dying the 5th of *February* 1624, was succeeded in Title and Estate by the said *Sir Edward*, his Son and Heir.

Which *Sir Edward Tyrwhitt* of *Stanfeild*, *Kt.* and *Bart.* marry'd 2 Wives, *Faith*, Daughter of *Thomas*,

mas, and Sister and sole Heir to Sir *George St. Paule* of *Snarford*, Bart. by whom he had Issue 2 Sons, *Philip* and *Edward*, and 3 Daughters; 1st *Martha*, who marry'd Sir *William Helwish*, Kt. 2d *Mary*, Wife of *Charles Pelham* of *Manton*, in *Com. Linc.* 3d, *Elizabeth*, Wife of *Gervase Elways*, of *Gainsborough*, 2d Son of Sir *Gervase Elways* of *Worlaby*, in *Com. Linc.*

By *Elizabeth*, his 2d Wife, Daughter of *George Chute*, of the County of *Kent*, Esq; he had Issue *Edward Tyrwhitt*, *Mary*, and *Anne*.

Philip aforesaid, succeeded to the Title and Estate, and having marry'd *Anne*, 2d Daughter of *Nicholas* Lord Viscount *Castleton*, Grand-father of *James*, the present Viscount, created likewise Baron *Sanderfon* of *Saxby*, by his present Majesty King *George*, and had Issue 4 Sons, *Philip* his Successor, *Edward* and *William*, who dy'd without Issue, and *Nicholas*, who marry'd a Daughter of Sir *Thomas Grantham*, and had 3 Sons, all dead, without Issue: Sir *Philip* had likewise 2 Daughters. *Faith*, marry'd to Sir *George Heneage* of *Hainton*, Kt. and *Frances* to ——— *Monson*, of *Nortbrop*, both in *Com. Linc.*

Sir *Philip Tyrwhitt*, of *Stanfeild*, Bart. Son and Heir of Sir *Philip*, marry'd ——— Daughter of Sir *Erasmus de la Fountain* of *Kirby-Bellers*, in *Com. Leic.* Kt. by whom he had 12 Children, Sons and Daughters; only one Daughter liv'd to be of Age, and marry'd Sir *Edward Southcot* of *Witham*, in *Essex*, Kt. and of the Sons, the present Sir *John Tyrwhitt* only survives.

Which Sir *John Tyrwhit*, succeeded his Father in his whole Estate at *Stanfeild*, &c. and is a Member for the City of *Lincoln* in the present Parliament. He marry'd first *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Francis Philips* of *Kempton-Park*, in *Middlesex*, Esq; by whom he had 3 Daughters; and after her Death, *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *William Drake* of
Shar-

Sbardelows, in *Com. Buck.* Kt. by whom he had 5 Sons, *John de la Fountain Tyrwhitt*, and *Montague Tyrwhitt*, who are now living; and *Henry, William*, and *James*, deceas'd; likewise 5 Daughters, *Mary, Elizabeth, Juliana, Francis*, and ———

A R M S.

Gules, 3 Lapwings Or.

C R E S T.



On a Torce, a Woodman proper; about the Waste, a Garland Vert.

M O T T O.

Me Stante Virebunt.

Sir ROGER DALLYSON of LAUGHTON,
Kt. Linc. N^o 51.

(eadem Die prad.)

IS descended from *William Dallyson* of *Scotney* and *Laughton*, in *Com. Linc.* who dy'd 38 H. 8. and by his Wife, the Daughter of *Sir George Wastneys* of *Headon*, in *Com. Nott.* had Issue 2 Sons, *William* and *George*; for the former, a Monument is erected in *Lincoln Cathedral* with this Inscription: (a)

*Willielmus Dallyston, unus Iusticiar.
de Banco regis, filius Willielmi Dal-
lyston de Laghton, obiit Anno Primo
Elizabetha, Anno Domini 1558. Eliza-
betha*

(a) *Ex. Coll. Gerv. Holles.*

hetha Uxor ejus, filia Roberti Dighton de Sturton Parva filii, eorundem Wilhelmus, Robertus, Rogerus, & Thomas. filia Elizabetha Jocosa, Barbara, Maria, Jana.

The said *George Dallyson*, by his Wife, the Daughter and Heir of *Hopkinson of Kilmington*, had Issue *William*, his Son and Heir, Father to *Sir Roger Dallyson*, Knt. (b) whom I take to be the Person that was created a Baronet; and that he left no Issue by his Wife the Daughter of ——— *Tirwhit*; for the Title has been extinct in this Family many Years.



A R M S.

Gules, 3 Crescents Or, a Canton Ermin.

C R E S T.

An arm'd Man, holding out a Battel Ax all proper.

Sir EDWARD CARR of SLEFORD,
Kt. Linc. N^o 52:

(Ead. Die pradiſt.)

THE Carrs in the North of England, are Ancestors to this Family; *Richard Carr* being a 2d Son of *John Carr*, who was living Temp. H. 7. The said *Richard*, by his Wife, a Daughter of *Sir John*

(b) Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.

John Elmedine, of the Bishoprick of *Durham*, had Issue 2 Sons, *James* and *George*; the former dy'd without Issue, and the latter being possess'd of *Sleford* in the County of *Lincoln*, lies bury'd in that Parish-Church, as appears by this Inscription round the Verge of a Tomb: (a)

Hic jacet Georgius Carr, & Anna Urogeius, qui quidem Georgius obiit Anno Dom. 1521.

He left Issue *Robert*, his Son and Heir, for whom a sumptuous Marble Monument is erected in the Church of *Sleford*, setting forth his Marriages and Issue, viz. (b)

“ Here lyeth bury'd *Robert Carr*, Esq; who,
 “ by his first Wife *Elizabeth*, the Daughter
 “ of *William Caudron*, Esq; had Issue 4 Sons
 “ and 3 Daughters: *George Carr*, his eldest
 “ Son, by *Mary*, the Daughter of *Ambrose*
 “ *Sutton*, Esq; had Issue *Robert Carr*, the
 “ now Heir living. *Robert Carr*, his 2d Son,
 “ first marry'd *Mary*, the Daughter of *Henry*
 “ Earl of *Worcester*, and afterwards he mar-
 “ ry'd *Cassandra*, the Daughter of *William*
 “ *Price*, Esq; *William Carr*, his 3d Son, mar-
 “ ry'd *Bridget*, the Daughter of Sir *John*
 “ *Chaworth*, Knt. one of the Gentlemen of
 “ the Queen's Majesty's Privy-Chamber: And
 “ *Edward Carr*, his 4th Son, marry'd *Katbe-*
 “ *rine*, the Daughter of *Charles Bolle*, Esq;
 “ *Elizabeth*, his eldest Daughter, first marry'd
 “ *William Fairfax*, Esq; and afterwards *Chri-*
 “ *stopher Kelke*, Esq; *Anne*, his 2d Daughter,
 “ first marry'd *Robert Whitbcote*, Esq; and af-
 “ terwards

(a) Ex Coll. Ger. Holler.

(b) Ex Coll. Rad. Thoresby.

“ afterwards *Christopher Legarde*, Esq; And
 “ *Bridget*, his 3d Daughter, marry'd *Richard*
 “ *Rosfiter*, Esq;
 “ The first said *Robert Carr*, secondly mar-
 “ ry'd *Anne*, the Daughter of *Sir George*
 “ *Talboyes*, Knt. then Widow to *Sir Edward*
 “ *Dymocke*, Knt. and thirdly *Anne*, the
 “ Daughter of *Charles Knivet*, and dy'd with-
 “ out Issue by them the 11th Day of *Sept.*
 “ *Anno Domini* 1590.

The 3 eldest of the Sons mention'd in the said Inscription, *George*, *Robert*, and *William*, (who was knighted) left no Issue Male, except *George*, whose Son *Robert* dying an Infant, the Estate descended to *Edward Carr*, 4th Son.

Which *Edward* was knighted at *Belvoir* Castle by King *James* the 1st, when he lay there in his Way from *Scotland*, to take Possession of the Crown of *England*, and was afterwards advanc'd by him to the Dignity of a Baronet 29 *June*, *A. D.* 1611. His Death, Marriages, and Issue, appears from the following Inscription on a Monument in the Church of *Slesford*.

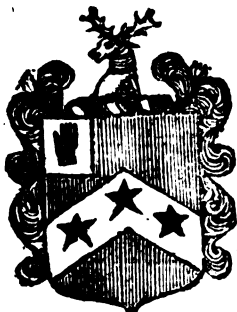
“ Here lyeth the Body of *Sir Edward Carre*,
 “ Knt. and Bart. who marry'd two Wives,
 “ the first was *Katherine*, Daughter of *Charles*
 “ *Bolle*, Esq; by whom he had no Issue; his
 “ second Wife, was *Anne*, the Daughter of
 “ *Sir Richard Dyer* of *Stoughton*, in the Coun-
 “ ty of *Huntingdon*, Knt. by whom he had
 “ Issue two Sons and one Daughter, viz. *Sir*
 “ *Robert Carre*, Bart. *Rocheſter*, and *Lucy*. He
 “ departed this Life the 1st Day of *Octob.*
 “ *Anno Domini* 1618.

His Lady surviv'd, and dy'd *Anno* 1639.

Sir

Sir Robert Carre, of Slesford, Bart. marry'd Mary, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir Richard Gargrave of Nosthall, in Com. Ebor, Kt. He dy'd in the Year 1667: His Lady surviving him 'till the Year 1675. They had Issue one Son, Robert, and three Daughters; Lucy, who dy'd Anno 1667, and was marry'd to Francis Lord Holles; Mary, who dy'd Ann. 1685, and was the Wife of Sir Adrian Scroop, Kt. Father of Sir Carr Scroop, Bart. and _____ wedded to Sir Thomas Trollop, Bart.

Robert, only Son and Heir of Sir Robert Carr, was knighted; and succeeding in the Baronetship and the Estate, was constituted Chancellor of the Dutchy of Lancaster, by King Charles the IIId, and sworn of his Privy-Council: He dy'd in Novemb. 1682, leaving Issue by his Lady Elizabeth, Daughter of Sir John Bennet, Kt. and Sister to Henry Earl of Arlington, principal Secretary of State to King Charles the IIId; one Son, Edward, who succeeded him in the Estate and Title; and dying the Year after, in the 21st Year of his Age, the Title became extinct, and the Estate devolv'd on his Sister and sole Heir Isabella, who afterwards marry'd the Right Honourable John Harvey, the present Earl of Bristol, who had Issue by her the Right Honourable Carr Lord Harvey, and 2 Daughters, Isabella, and Elizabeth, of whom she dy'd in Child-bed the 7th of March, 1692.



A R M S.

Gules on a Chevron, Argent, 3 Mulletts Sable.

C R E S T.

A Stag's Head coup'd, Argent, attir'd Or, gorg'd with 2 Barrs, Genews Gules.

Sir

Sir EDWARD HUSSEY of HON-
NINGTON, *Kt. Linc.* N^o 53.

(29 June, *A. D.* 1611. *R. Jac.* 9.)

THIS Name in Registers, Records, Histories, and other Memorials, is variously written, as *Hussey*, *Husse*, and anciently *Huse*, *Hussee*, *Hussy*, *Hoese*, *House*, *Hofate*, and *Hofatus*; yet the Persons and Family must be understood the same, as will appear also by some Inscriptions produc'd in this Account; and, as Mr. Camden has observ'd. (*)

A Family under one of these Names, descended from *Geofry de Hoese*, (one of King *Hen. II*'s Justices-Itinerant for the Counties of *Cambridge*, *Huntingdon*, &c.) divers of whose Posterity had Summons to Parliament, as Barons of this Realm, in the Reigns of the 3 *Edwards*, (a) chiefly residing at *Harting* in *Com. Suff.* and bore the *Barry Coat* of Arms. Likewise *Temp. E. 1*, was Sir *John Huse*, who bore for Arms *the green Cross, with a Label of 3 Points Gules*; and had Issue a Son *Roger*, who was Baron of *Beechworth*; and left a Son, *John Hussee* 40 Years old at the Death of his Father, *An. 35 E. 3*. There were also of this Name, afterwards, *Hussee* Barons of *Galtrim* in *Ireland* (b). And the *Hussees* of good Possessions and knightly Dignity in *Com. Not.* (c) But whether this, under our Consideration, owes its Original to those of *Beechworth*, or the other Barons, can't so well be made out, tho' by their Arms they appear to be descended from those of *Beechworth*.

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(*) *Camd. Remains*, p. 191. (a) *Dugd. Baron. Vol. 1, p. 622*, & seq. (b) *Ann. of Ireland*. (c) *Thorpren's Notting* p. 133

Our Historians in later Times mention several other of the Name, and doubtless of the same Blood; *Temp. E. 4.* we find Sir *Thomas Hussey* rank'd among the Lords, (d) taken Prisoners in the Battel at *Levells Plain*, near the River *Dowele* in *Herts-shire*, where *H. 6th's* Forces were surpriz'd and routed by the Lord *Montacute*, *A. D. 1463*: (e) But whether he be the same *Thomas*, who was Brother to Sir *William Hussey*, Lord Chief Justice, I can't determine. *An. 12 E. 4.* *Gilbert Hussey* was one of the Burgesses for *Grantham*, in the Parliament then held at *Westminster* (f). And Sir *Edward Hussey* attended King *H. 8.* at the Siege of *Terouenne*, in 1513 (g).

The first Person I can with any Assurance fix on, as Ancestor to this Branch, is Sir *William Hussey*, who had Issue *John Hussey*, of *Old Sleesford*, in *Com. Linc.* Father of Sir *William Hussey*, Kt. and *Thomas Hussey*, (a) who was Father of *Gilbert* and *Peter Hussey*.

Sir *William*, *An. 7 E. 4.* was one of the Commissioners of Sewers, for the Parts of *Kesteven* in *Com. Linc.* (b) and in the same Year, was one of the Burgesses for *Grantham*, in Parliament held at *Westminster*, (c). After which, on *June 16, 11 E. 4.* was constituted Attorney-General, with Power to depute Clerks and Officers under him in each Court of Record (d). On *Octob. 14, 17 E. 4.* he was call'd by Writ, to take the Degree of Serjeant at Law *June 9* following (e). - And lastly, made Lord Chief Justice of the Court of *King's-Bench*, *May 7, 21 E. 4.* (f) wherein he was continu'd by Patent, 1 R. 2. He was living *Temp. H. 7.* as is

(d) *Trussel's Hist.* p. 183. (e) *Habington's Hist. of K. E. 4.*
 (f) *Prynne. Parl. Regist. Vol. 4. p. 983.* (g) *Baker's Chron.*
 (a) *Ex. Col. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.* (b) *Dugd. upon Drains, p. 204.*
 (c) *Prynne ut sup.* (d) *Origines Jurid. Chron. Serie, p. 71.*
Pat. ejusd. An. p. 1. m. 28. (e) *Id. ib.* (f) *Id. ib.*

is evident by this Inscription over his Arms [*the Coat Quarterly, 1 and 4 the Cross, 2 and 3 Barry*] in the Semicircular or Bow Window, of *Gray's Inn Hall, (g)*

W. House, Miles, Capitalis Jusficiarius de Banco Regis, Temp. R. Hen. 7,

Which Arms are likewise in one of the Windows of the Chapel belonging to that House, impailing those of his Wife, with this Memorial.

Will. Husse, Miles, Capitalis Jusfic. ad Flacita coram Rege, & Elizabetta, Uxor ejus, Filia Thome Berkley, Arm. (b)

She was of the *Berkleys* of *Wyndham*, in *Com. Leic.* and Sir *William* had Issue by her *Elizabeth*, Wife of *Richard Grey*, Earl of *Kent*, and *Mary* of *William Lord Willoughby*, also three Sons, *John*, *Robert*, and *William*.

John Hussey was in Arms 2 *Hen. 7.* for that King, at the Battel of *Stoke*, against *John* Earl of *Lincoln*, (r) and his Adherents. *Anno 9 Hen. 7.* he was High Sheriff of *Lincolnshire*, *Anno 12 Hen. 8.* being then a Knight, he serv'd in Parliament for the County of *Lincoln*: *Anno 13 H. 8. A. D. 1522.* he went over with Cardinal *Wolfey* into *France*, and the same Year he was made chief Butler of *England*: *Anno 21 H. 8.* he was one of the Knights for that King's Body, and that Year was summon'd to Parliament as a Peer of the Realm, bearing the Title of Lord *Hussey* of *Sleaford*. 22 *H. 8.* he was one of the Lords who subscrib'd that Declaration then writ to the Pope, whereby they intimated to his Holiness, that unless he did

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(g) *Id. ib. p. 302.*
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(b) *Id. ib. p. 309.*

(r) *Drig. Bar.*

comply with King *Henry* in that Cause of his Divorce, his Supremacy would not much longer be own'd in this Realm. (s) But in the 28 *H. 8.* being in the Commotion in *Lincolnshire*, with the Prior of *Barlings*, and others, occasion'd by the Assessment of a Subsidy, he was attainted of High Treason: His Manor of *Sleaford*, with Lands to the Value of 5000 *l. per Ann.* adjacent, confiscated, and he beheaded at *Lincoln* in *June*, *A. D. 1537.* This Attainder was revers'd in Parliament 5 *Eliz.* but neither the Estate or Honour restor'd.

His first Wife was *Anne*, Daughter to *George* Earl of *Kent*, by whom he had Issue 2 Sons, who dy'd without Issue, and 5 Daughters; his 2d Wife was *Margaret*, Daughter and Heir to *Sir Simon Blont*, of *Mangerfield*, in *Com. Gloucestr.* as appears by his Arms impaling hers, in the said Chapel of *Gray's-Inn*, (t) by whom he had Issue *Sir William Hussey*, *Sir Giles Hussey*, and *Sir Gilbert Hussey*, all Knights.

Sir William was appointed to go to the Wars of *France*, *Anno 3 H. 8. A. D. 1512*, and knighted by that King (u) the following Year, upon the taking of *Tournay*. *Anno 1524*, he was sent with the Order of the Garter to *Ferdinand*, Arch-Duke of *Austria*; and in the 22 *H. 8.* he was High Sheriff of *Lincolnshire*; and dying 3 and 4 *Philip* and *Mary*, left by his Wife, the Daughter, and at length sole Heir to *Sir Thomas Lovell*, Kt. only 2 Daughters, *Nella* marry'd to *Richard Disney* of *Norton Disney*, Esq; and *Anne*, to *William Gell* of *Darley*, in *Com. Derb.* Esq;

Sir Giles Hussey was of *Caythorpe*, in *Com. Linc.* and knighted by the Earl of *Surrey*, who was Admiral upon the sacking of *Morlaix*, on the Coast of *France*, 1522.

William

(s) *Herbert's Hist. H. 8.*

(t) *Dug. Original. Jurid. p. 309.*

(u) *Baker's Chron.*

William Hufsey, youngest Son of Sir *William Hufsey*, Lord Chief Justice, and Brother to the Baron, marry'd *Anne*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *John Salvaine*, Kt. of whom descended the *Hufseys* of *Com. Ebor*, which Line terminated in one Daughter and Heir, marry'd to Sir *John Ryther* of *Ryther*, and afterwards to *Robert Constable* of *Flamborough*, in the same County.

Sir *Robert Hufsey*, second Brother of the Baron, had a Seat at *Halton* in *Lindsey*, near *Spileby*; and at *Linwood*, in the Parish of *Blankney*, in *Com. Linc.* Anno 17 H. 7. he was a Commissioner of the Sewers (w) for the Parts of *Kesteven*. He was afterwards knighted, and executed the Office of High Sheriff for that County Anno 34 H. 8.

By *Anne*, his first Wife, Daughter and Co-heir to Sir *Thomas Say* of *Lyston-Hall*, in *Com. Essex*, Kt. he had Issue *Thomas*, who dy'd Childless 2. Q. *Eliz.* and 5 Daughters, viz. *Margaret*, Wife to *William Thorold*, Esq; *Anne*, to *Matthew Thimelby* of *Pelham*, in *Com. Linc.* secondly, of Sir *Robert Savile*, Kt. by whom she was Mother to *John*, Baron *Savile* of *Pontefract*; *Dorothy*, first marry'd to *Sutton*, and afterwards to *John Maffingberd*, Esq; *Mary*, to *John Monson* of *Carleton*, in *Com. Linc.* Esq; and *Elizabeth*, to *Robert Horsman*, Esq; Sir *Robert* afterwards marry'd *Jane*, Daughter to ——— *Stidolf*, in *Com. Surr.* and had Issue by her,

Sir *Charles Hufsey* of *Honnington*, in *Com. Linc.* Kt. who was High Sheriff of that County Anno 33 *Eliz.* and afterwards receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood. He left Issue by *Ellen* his Wife, Daughter to *John Birch* of *Suffex*, Esq; chief Baron of the Exchequer, two Sons, *Edward*, and Sir

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Charles

(w) Dig. upon Draining.

*Charles Hussey of Holton, in Com. Linc. Kt. who, with Sir Willoughby Hickman, for their Loyalty to King Charles Iit, paid 2474*l.* between them, as Composition-Money for their Estates, during the Rebellion against that King. (x)*

*Edward, the eldest Son and Heir, was knighted at White-ball the 26th of March A. D. 1608, and was created a Baronet A. D. 1611: He was High Sheriff of the County of Lincoln 16 Jac. 1, and 12 Car. 1, and serv'd as Knight of the Shire in the Parliament call'd to meet at Westminster the 13th of April 1640, which was dissolv'd the 5th of May following, commonly stil'd the short Parliament. After this, he was in Arms for King Charles Ist; and, upon that Account, was a very great Sufferer in the Civil Wars: Being plunder'd at several Times to the Value of 10000*l.* His Lands were likewise sequester'd, and a Fine of 9000*l.* set upon him for his Composition, as appears by an Acquittance for one Moiety thereof; the Original of which, is still in the Hands of the Family; and that which follows, is a true Copy from it.*

R *Eceiv'd by us Richard Waring and Michael Herring, Treasurers (of the Moneys to be paid into Goldsmiths-Hall) of Sir Edward Hussey of Honington, in the County of Lincoln, Kt. and Bart. the Sum of four thousand five hundred Pounds, in Part of nine thousand Pounds, impos'd on him by the Lords and Commons, as a Fine for his Delinquency to the Parliament. We say receiv'd this 12th Day of Dec. 1647, in Part,* 45*col.*

Richard Waring,
Michael Herring.

For

(x) *Lloyd's Memoirs, p. 691.*

For raising this Sum, he sold 500 l. per Ann. in *Lincolnshire*; and was so remarkable for his Loyalty and Zeal for Monarchy and Episcopacy, that in the Propositions from the Parliament at the Treaty at *Uxbridge*, 20 Car. 1. A. D. 1644, he, (amongst many others) was to be remov'd from his Majesty's Councils, and he restrain'd from coming within the Verge of the Court, (a) and from bearing any Office, or having any Employment in the State without the Consent and Advice of both Houses. He dy'd Anno 1648, having marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *George Aton*, Esq; and sole Heir apparent [Sisters Daughters] to *Thomas Taylor* of *Doddington-Piggot*, in *Com. Linc.* Esq; by whom he had Issue 5 Daughters: *Jane*, marry'd to *Sir Thomas Williamson*, Bart. *Mary*, to *Sir Robert Bolles*, Bart. *Rebecca*, to *Sir Robert Matkbam* of *Sedgbroke*, in *Com. Linc. Kt.* *Bridget*, to *Sir Thomas Clifton* of *Lytham*, Bart. and *Anne*, to *Charles Pelbam* of *Broocklesby*, in *Com. Linc.* Esq; Also four Sons, 1st *Thomas*, 2d *John*, a Captain, who was slain at *Gainsborough*, in Behalf of the Royal Cause, unmarried; 3d *Charles*, who was created a Baronet, as will hereafter appear; and *Edward*, who dy'd unmarried A. D. 1650.

Of these, *Thomas Husley*, Esq; the eldest Son, dy'd in his Father's Life-time; having had Issue by *Rhoda* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir to *Tho. Chapman* of *London*; 3 Daughters; *Rhoda*, marry'd to *John Ancots* of *Astrop*, in *Com. Linc.* *Jane*, unmarried 1713; and *Mary*, marry'd to *Thomas Ball* of *Minthead*, Esq; also two Sons, *Sir Thomas* and *Sir William*, who marry'd *Mary*, Daughter to *Sir John Buckworth*, Bart. and went Embassador from *King William* to the Ottoman Port, where he dy'd at *Adrianople* without Issue.

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Sir

(a) *Rushworth's Collect.* p. 3. Vol. 2. p. 851, 852.

Sir Thomas Hussey of Honington, Bart. and of Doddington-Piggot, in Right of his Grand-Mother, succeeded his Grand-father in Dignity and Estate. He serv'd once in Parliament for the City of Lincoln, and several Times for that County, *temp. Will. and Mary*, and having marry'd Sarab, Daughter of Sir John Langham, Kt. and Bart. dy'd Anno 1706, having had Issue 7 Sons, who all dy'd unmarried, in the Life-time of their Father: Also 4 Daughters; of which, Rhoda dy'd unmarried; Rebecca is unmarried 1713; Sarab, Wife to Robert Aprece of Waslingby, in Com. Hunt. Esq; and Elizabeth likewise unmarried 1713.

Whereupon this Baronetship descended to the present Sir Edw. Hussey of Caythorp, who, by that Accession, has a just Claim to Precedency, according to the Patent, dated 29 June, A.D. 1611. Which Sir Edward Hussey, Bart. is Son and Heir to Sir Charles Hussey, 3d Son to Sir Edward Hussey of Honington, Kt. and Bart. the first that was created to the Dignity.

Which Sir Charles seated himself at Caythorp, in Com. Linc. serv'd for the said County in the first Parliament call'd by King Charles the II^d after his Restauration; and by that Prince, in Consideration of the eminent Loyalty and Sufferings of his Family, was created a Baronet July 21, 1661. This Dignity he enjoy'd but a short Time, dying A. D. 1664; having had Issue by his Wife Elizabeth, Daughter to Sir William Brownlow of Humby, Bart. 3 Sons and 3 Daughters; Mary marry'd to Thomas Powchin of Barkby, in Com. Leic. Esq; Jane, to Thomas Hatcher of Carby, in Com. Linc. Esq; and Anne remaining unmarried. His Sons, were Charles, Edward, and John.

Charles, the eldest Son and Heir, succeeded in the Estate and Dignity, but dy'd unmarried, Anno 1680, whereupon

Sir

Sir *Edw. Hussey*, his next Brother and Heir, enjoys this Title by a double Patent, as Heir to his Brother, and likewise Cousin and Heir-Male to Sir *Tbo. Hussey* of *Honington*, Bart. the last of that Line, as before was mention'd. He now resides at *Welburn*, in the County of *Lincoln*, and hath serv'd in several Parliaments for the City of *Lincoln*, in the Reigns of King *William* and Queen *Anne*. He took to Wife first, *Charlott*, only Child of *Daniel Brevint*, D. D. Dean of *Lincoln*; by *Anne* his Wife, descended of the *Carterets* of the Isle of *Fer-sey*. By which Marriage he had 11 Children, whereof 3 are now living, viz. *Thomas*, *Charlotte*, and *Sarah*. He afterwards marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to Sir *Charles Devic*, Bart. by which Lady, he had 3 Sons and 1 Daughter; but of these, only *Henry* and *Edward* are living.



A R M S.

Quarterly, 1st and 4th, Or, a Cross Vert, 2^d and 3^d Barry of 6 Ermins and Gules, both by the Name of Hussey.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath Or, and Vert, an Hind Argent, ducally gorg'd and lined Or. The Family now bear the Hind regardant, and at a Lodge under a Tree proper.

M O T T O.

Vix ea nostra Voca.

L'ESTRANGE

L'ESTRANGE MORDAUNT of MASSING-
HAM, Esq; Norf. N^o 54,

(29 June, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

Osbert le Mordaunt, a Norman Knight, (a) who was possess'd of Lands in Radwell, by Gift of his Brother, is the first mention'd of this Family, as appears by this Charter :

Eustachius de Sancto Egidio omnibus hominibus & Amicis suis, tam Francigenis quam Anglicis, salutem. Sciatis me dedisse & hac presentis Charta confirmasse, Osberto dicto le Mordaunt, fratri meo, pro homagio & servitio suo, terram meam de Radwell, cum omnibus pertinentiis & libertatis suis, sibi & Hereditibus ejus, tenendum de me & Hereditibus meis liberè & quietè, honorificè & hereditariè, sicut illum Ego inter alia recepi ac tenui de Donatione & Munificentia Willielmi Illustrissimi Regis Anglia, pro servitiis quae Pater meus in Conquestu & Ego sibi fecimus, per Servitium dimidiae Partis Feodi unius Militis pro omni Servitio seculari. Ego verò praedictus Eustachius de Sancto Egidio & Haeredes mei praedictam terram praedicto Osberto & Haeredibus ejus contra omnes homines & feminas warrantizabimus. His Testibus, Ranulpho filio Thoma Herveo, filio Richardi, Willielmo. Breto, Johanne Calvo, Rogero le Puer, Johanne Pippard, Richardo le Mole, & multis aliis.

He had Issue 2 Sons, *Osmund* and *Baldwin*, as I find by Charters of the said *Osbert* and his Son *Osmund*; the former giving Land in *Radwell* to his younger Son *Baldwin*, which his Brother confirm'd to him.

Eustach le Mordaunt, Son of the said *Osmund*, by Marriage with *Alicia*, eldest Daughter and Co-heir of *William de Aluo*, became possess'd of the

(a) *Halfhead's Genealogy, and Rec. de Fam. Mordaunt, &c.*

the Lordship of *Turvey*, in *Bedfordshire*; a Moiety of which he had in the Life-time of her Father, as appears by his Charter without Date, wherein he gave to the said *Eustach* and his Heirs, a Moiety of all his Lands in the Vill of *Turvey*, by the Service of half a Knight's Fee. *Robert le Mordaunt* his Brother, being a Witness (among others) to the Charter.

Several Deeds of this *Eustach* are extant, by the Name of *Eustachius Mordawnt de Wabull*. He gave in free Alms to the Canons of *St. John* the Evangelist of *Caudewell*, for the Health of his own Soul, his Wives, and the Souls of his Ancestors and Successors, the Church of *St. John Baptist* of *Batonenci*, and 10 Acres of Land in *Turvey*; and a Fine was levy'd 9 R. 1, between the said *Eustach* and *Gilbert*, Son of *William*, concerning one Virgate of Land, with the Apurtenances in *Radwell*, which *Osmond*, Father of the said *Eustach*, held.

William Mordawnt, Son and Heir of the said *Eustach*, was Lord of *Turvey*, *Radwell*, *Astbull*, and other Lands, and was succeeded therein by *William*, his Son and Heir, who was likewise possess'd of *Chicheley*, and had License from King *Edw.* the 1st, in the 25th Year of his Reign, to enclose his Pasture of *Wolescy*, his Field call'd *Turvey-Lees*, his Pasture of *Manselgrove*, and other his Lands in *Turvey*, to form a Park. He had Issue by *Rose* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Ralph Wake*,

Robert, his Son and Heir, mention'd in Charters 16 *Ed.* 2 and 7, and 29 *Ed.* 3, and in that Reign was Knight of the Shire for *Com. Bedf.* He had Issue *Edmund le Mordaunt*, who added to the Possessions of his Ancestors *Cliston* and *Shepbaell*, and liv'd in the Reign of King *Edw.* 3, as appears by his Charters. He was succeeded by *Robert*, his Son and Heir, mention'd 49 *Edw.* 3, and 14 R. 2, who had Issue by *Agnes*, his Wife, Daughter and Heir
of

of *John Strange of Ampton-Tudworth, in Com. Suff.* by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *William Butler of Walden*, a Son of his own Name, *Robert*, at Man's Estate 13 H. 4, and was living 27 H. 6, having sery'd in Parliament for *Bedfordshire*, 29 H. 5. He marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *John Holdenby of Holdenby, Esq;* and was succeeded by *William*, his Son and Heir, who was living 11 Edw. 4, and having marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter to *John Pecke of Topbill, in Com. Staff.* had Issue 2 Sons, *John* and *William*; *John*, the eldest Son, was Chancellor of the Dutchy of *Lancaſter*, from whom the present E. of *Peterborough*, is lineally descended.

William Mordaunt, 2d Son, covenanted 14 Feb. 10 H. 7. to marry *Anne*, 2d Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Huntington of Hempsted in Essex*, 5 June, 10 H. 7, which was consummated, accordingly, his Brother *John Mordaunt* settling on her, as a Jointure, the Manor of *Woodend*, with the Appurtenances, and several Lands and Tenements in *Rocksden, Bedeford, Chalnestre, Colmouthe, and Collesden, in Bedfordshire*; and all his Lands and Tenements in *Tychmerch, and Clopton in Northamptonshire*; and the said *Thomas Huntington*, her Father, settled on them after, his Death, and on *John Paris of Linton, in Cambridgeshire, Esq;* (who had marry'd his other Daughter) all his Manors and Lands in *Cambridgeshire* and *Essex*. From which Match proceeded

Robert Mordaunt, their Son and Heir, who was seated at *Hempsted in Essex*; and by Marriage with *Barbara*, Daughter and Heir of *John L'Esrange of Massingham, in Norfolk*, by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas L'Esrange of Walton in Warwickshire*, became possess'd of both those Estates. He had Issue several Sons: *Henry Mordaunt*, one of the youngest of them, had Lands at *Grimston and King's-Lynn, in Com. Norf.* and lyes interr'd

Interr'd in St. Margaret's Church in that Town, [King's-Lynn] with Anne his Wife, Daughter of — Poley, in Com. Bedf. by whom he had Issue

L'Estrange Mordaunt, born at Lynn about the Year 1572, who was bred to Arms in his Youth, and signaliz'd himself in the Low-Country Wars, between the Spaniards and the States of Holland, in the Reign of Queen Eliz. and during his Stay there, marry'd Margaret, Daughter of — Charles, of the Dutchy of Brabant. He was afterwards call'd into the Service of the said Queen against the Rebels in Ireland, where he remain'd several Years, 'till he succeeded to the Estate of his Ancestors at *Massingham*, &c. by the Death of his Father and his Uncles; when he return'd into *England*, and was created a Baronet 29 June, A. D. 1611. He departed this Life in the Year 1627, and was bury'd at *Massingham*, leaving 2 Sons, *Robert* and *Henry*; the latter was Father to L'Estrange Mordaunt, who marry'd *Barbara*, Daughter of *Richard*, and Sister of Sir *Nevil Catlin*, of *Kirby-Cane*, Kt. by whom he had Issue *Henry Mordaunt*, now of *Congham* in *Norfolk*; and *Barbara*, marry'd to Capt. *Brown* of *Scarning* in the same County.

Robert was knighted in the Life-time of his Father, and succeeded him in the Title and Estate. He resided for the most Part at *Hempsted* in *Essex*; at which Seat he dy'd, Anno 1638, and had Interment there, leaving by *Amy* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Austin Southerton*, in Com. *Norf.* Kt. 3 Sons; *Charles*, *William*, and *Robert*, who liv'd to Mens Estate, and all of them left Issue now living.

Charles, the eldest, succeeded in the Baronetship and the Estate, resided at *Massingham*, and, during the Civil-Wars, testify'd his Loyalty to King *Charles* the 1st, had his Estate sequester'd, and

and was one of those shut up in *Lynn*, when it was besieg'd by the Rebels. He dy'd at *London* July 10, A. D. 1647, and was bury'd at *Massingham*, as we are inform'd from the following Inscriptions :

On a Grave-Stone is this :

Hic Sublicantur Reliquia Domini Caroli Mordaunt de Massingham, Militis & Baronetti, Filii & heredis Roberti Mordaunt, Militis item & Baronetti; qui filius fuit, itidem, heresq; Domini L'Esrange Mordaunt. De quo Domino Carolo plura ad murum orientalem legantur. 1648.

And on a Marble Monument, in Golden Letters,

Sir Charles Mordaunt, Kt. and Baronet, dy'd at London, July the 10th, 1648, aged 33. He was marry'd to Catharine, the Daughter of Sir Lionel Talemache of Helmingham, in Suffolk, Knight and Baronet, by whom he had Sir Charles, his eldest Son, Catherine, Talemache, (dying before his Father) John, Henry, (departed also) Elizabeth, Amy.

*Here remains in civil Trust,
His belov'd bewailed Dust;
Whose Goodness is secur'd from Feeds
Of finding any Sepulchre.*

For Sir Charles, his eldest Son, (who marry'd Elizabeth, Daughter of ——— Johnson, and Neice to Sir William Turner, Kt. Lord Mayor of London, and dy'd without Issue) is this Epitaph :

Carolus Mordaunt, Baronettus, Caroli Mordaunt, Baronetti, & Catharina Talamach, Filius, humanitatis & virtutis Exemplar, obiit Anno 1664 Die 24 Aprilis Anno Etatis 25, in aeternum doloris

Et amoris Monumentum Elizabethatori integerrima Marmor hoc posuit.

Talemache, the next Brother, dying before his Father, as is mention'd on the Monument, *John*, his Brother and Heir now living, succeeded in the Title and Estate.

Which Sir *John Mordaunt*, Bart. residing at *Watton* in *Warwickshire*, has been chose one of the Knights of the Shire for that County, in several Parliaments. He took to Wife *Anne*, Daughter of *John Risley*, of the Friery in *Bedford*, Esq; who deceas'd, leaving one Daughter that dy'd young; and having afterwards marry'd *Penelope*, Daughter of Sir *George Warburton* of *Areley* in *Cheshire*, Bart. Aunt to the present Sir *George*, had Issue 6 Children; of whom, 2 Sons and 2 Daughters are now living.

Charles, and *John*.

Penelope, marry'd to *Joseph Herne*, Esq; Member in the present Parliament, and

Catharine, unmarried.



A R M S.

Argent, a Chevron between 3 Moors Sable

C R E S T.

On a Wreath, a Black-Moor's Head Comp'd, at the Shoulders proper, girt about the Temples with two Ribbons wreath'd, and terminating in a double Bear-Knot, Or and Azure.

THOMAS

THOMAS BENDISH of STEEPLE-
BUMSTED, Esq; Essex. N^o 55.

(ead. Diem prad.)

THE ancient Sur-name of this Family, was *Wesley*, which it exchang'd for that of *Bendish*, the Name of a Lordship in *Radwinter*, of considerable Note, in the Reigns of *Edw. the Confessor* and *Will. the Conqueror*, of which this Family was possess'd soon after the Conquest, and made it the chief Place of their Residence for several Ages past.

The first of this Family, that occurs in the ancient Records, is *Peter de Wesley, aliàs Bendish*, (a) who flourish'd in the Reign of *H. 3d*, and left a Son and Heir,

Gerard de Wesley, aliàs Bendish, who marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter and Heir of *Richard de Burghwell*; and by her, had Issue

Ralph de Wesley, aliàs Bendish, of *Radwinter*, who liv'd in the Reign of *Edw. the 2d*; and by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *John de Grauncetre*, had Issue 2 Sons, *Ralph* and *Thomas*.

Which said *Ralph de Wesley, aliàs Bendish*, of *Radwinter* aforesaid, had for Wife *Jemima*, or *Jacoba*, Daughter and Heir of *Henry Griggs*, by whom he had 3 Sons; *John Bendish*, his eldest Son and Heir, that dy'd *sans prole*, *Thomas*, and *Richard*, who marry'd *Margerey*, Daughter of *John Bullen, aliàs Butler*, of *Walden*, in *Essex*; and by her, had *Agnes* his sole Daughter and Heir.

Bumsted,

(a) Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, & Stemmate penes H. Bendish, &c.

Thomas Bendish of *Radwinter*, aforesaid, Esq; 2d Son of the said *Ralph*, succeeded, and was the first of this Family who purchas'd Lands in *Steeple-Bumsted*, by the Name of *Thomas Fitz-Ralph*, in the 3d Year of *Edw.* the 2d. His Wife was *Alice*, Daughter of *William Helyon*, descended from *William de Helyon*, who, in the Reign of King *Stephen*, held 10 Knights Fees in *Bumsted Helyon*, which were given by *Maude*, the Empress, to *Albeey de Vere*, the first Earl of *Oxford* of that Family. This Gentleman dy'd 16 *Edw.* 2, having by his Wife aforesaid, *John*, *Edmund*, and *Robert*; both of which, viz. *John* and *Robert*, dying Issueless,

Edmund, the 2d Son, was Heir, who espous'd *Alice*, Daughter of *John Benyngton*, Esq; and *Isabel*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *John Beauchamp* of *Hertfordshire*, Kt. This *Alice*, was Sister and Heir to *William de Benyngton*.

This *Edmund* being a martial Man, accompany'd King *Edw.* the 3d at the famous Siege of *Calais*, in the — Year of his Reign; and to furnish himself for the same, mortgag'd the Manor of *Bendish-hall*, in *Radwinter*, to the Monks of *Feversham*, in *Kent*; but staying somewhat longer than he thought of, he came over (*b*) before the Mortgage was laps'd, to confer with his Creditors, who commending his Care, desir'd him not to suspect any hard Dealing from them, considering his being in the King's Service, was of it self, sufficient Cause to excuse his Delay of Payment on the Day assign'd; upon which he return'd to the Siege again; but when the Day came, the Monks, for all their good Words, made sure of this Manor, and held it continually, without any farther Recompence, maugre all the Friendship this

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Gentle.

(b) *Hollinghead's Chron.* p. 106.

Gentleman could make: He took this cousening in such Disdain, that he left this Caution (in Writing) to Posterity, *to beware how they trusted either Knaue Monk or Knaue Fryer.* Thus this noble Lordship was extorted from the Family.

This Gentleman, with *John Wythorne*, Rector of *Halsted*, gave one hundred Pound Sterling to the University Chest of *Cambridge*, founded by *Walter Neel*, about 19 *Edw. 3*, 1345. He had Issue *Thomas* and *Edmund*, and dying 16 *Rich. 2*, was succeeded by

Thomas Bendish, Esq; his eldest Son and Heir, who had two Wives: First, *Margaret*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Bradfeild* of *Barrington*, in the County of *Cambridge*, Esq; by whom he had Issue 2 Sons, *Edmund* and *Thomas*; and two Daughters; *Joan*, the eldest, marry'd to *John Wilford* of *Crocbeston*, in the County of *Southampton*, Esq; *Alice*, the 2d Daughter, to *Walter Gerard* of *Steeple-Bumpsted*: She had 40 l. for her Portion. *Edmund Bendish*, the eldest Son, was of *Barrington* aforefaid, and marry'd *Elenor*, Daughter of *John St. George*, Esq; Son and Heir of *Sir Baldwin St. George*, of *Hatley* in *Cambridgeshire*, Kt. He was return'd for a Gentleman of that County the 12th of *Hen. 6*, 1433. From him are descended the *Bendishes* of *Barrington*, still living in an honourable Degree.

His 2d Wife was *Alice*, sole Daughter and Heir of *Sir Walter Clopton* of *Topsfield-Hall*, in *Hadley* in *Suffolk*, Kt. of *Rhodes*, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Baldwin Figott*, Kt. by whom he had Issue 2 Sons and 2 Daughters. *Thomas Bendish* of *Hadley*, Esq; who dy'd without Issue: And another *Thomas Bendish*, Founder of the *Suffolk* and *Norfolk* Branch of this Family, who dy'd the 15th *Hen. 7*. *Alice* was marry'd to *Richard Ongar* of
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Teldbam ; and Elizabeth, to John Huntingdon. In the 3d of Hen. the 4th, he founded an Obite for the Souls of Edmund Bendish and Alice his Wife, and for the Souls of all the faithful deceas'd : He was return'd as a Gentleman of Essex, the 12th of H. 6, 1433, and dy'd the 26th of that Reign, 1448, leaving Edmund Bendish his Son and Heir, of the Age of 40 Years: He was seiz'd of the Manors of Bendishe's-Bloys and Lacheleys; of Lands and Tenements call'd Reyles, and Rapcotes, and Fitz-Aleyns in Steeple-Bumsted, with a Toft call'd Baylours; and the Manors of Mortisfawe, and Bendishes in Radwinter.

Thomas Bendish, his 2d Son by the first Venter, succeeded him in the Essex Estate, and was seated at Steeple-Bumsted.

He had two Wives: By Joan, the Daughter of — Fitz-Williams, his first Wife, he had Richard and Thomas; and by Joan, the Daughter of John de Throghill, he had 2 Sons, Ralph and John, and an only Daughter nam'd Mand: He purchas'd the Manor of Bour-ball, which afterwards became the Seat of his Family. He dy'd 2 R. 3.(c) seiz'd of the same Estate with his Father, leaving Richard his Son and Heir.

Which Richard Bendish of Steeple-Bumsted, Esq; marry'd Anne, Daughter of ——— Roydon of Roydon-ball, in Essex, Esq; his Issue was a Son and Daughter, Richard and Margaret: He left this World the 20th of Feb. 1486, and was bury'd at the upper End of the North Isle of the Church of Steeple-Bumsted, where a Monument is erected to his Memory. He had another Wife call'd Joan, as she is nam'd in the Inquisition post Mortem, who dy'd 4 H. 7.

Which said Richard Bendish of Bour-ball, Esq; marry'd ——— sole Daughter and Heir

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(c) Est. 2, Rich. 3. Fol. 122.

of *John Newport* of *Pelham*, in *Hertfordshire*, Esq; and by her, had *John Bendish*, his Son and Heir. Hedy'd the 27th of *Sept.* 15 H. 8, 1523, and was bury'd by his Father.

John Bendish of *Steeple-Bumpsted*, Esq; was of the Age of 7 Years at his Father's Death. He had for Wife *Margery*, Daughter of *Thomas Crawley* of *Loughts*, in *Com. Essex*, Esq; He dy'd the 20th of *August* 1585, and lies interr'd near his Father. His Son and Heir was

Thomas Bendish of *Steeple-Bumpsted*, Esq; who had four Wives; *Elenor*, the Daughter and Co-heir of *John Ford* of *Fratring*, in *Com. Essex*, Esq; the next was ——— Daughter of ——— *Fincham*, ——— the Name of the third we cannot recover. *Margery*, Daughter of *Rook Green* of *Little-Samford*, Esq; was the fourth and last Wife: He had no Issue but by his first; which were three Sons, *viz. John*, that dy'd unmarried before his Father; *Thomas*; (and *Richard*, who had two Wives, *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Edmund Swannington* in *Norfolk*, by whom he had an only Son of both his Names; and *Margaret*, Daughter of *Thomas Golding* of *Foenham* in *Suffolk*, Esq; by whom he had 3 Sons, *John*, *Richard*, *William*, and one Daughter *Elizabeth*) and three Daughters; *Barbara*, marry'd to *Tho. Smith* of *Walsoken*, in *Norfolk*; *Elizabeth*; to *John Pepys* of *Cottenham*, in *Cambridge*; and *Elenor*, to *Robert Bryan* of *Bolingbrook* *Lincolnshire*.

This Gentleman dy'd the 24th of *Feb.* 1603, aged 63 Years, and lies bury'd at *Fratring*, near *Colchester*, with the following Inscription on his Tomb:

Hic jacet Thomas Bendish, Armiger, Filius & Hares Johannis Bendish de Bumpsted; ad Turrim in Comitatu Essexiæ; duxit in Uxorem Elinoram

Elinoram Filiam & Coheredem Johannis Ford de Horkeſſy Magna, Armigeri, per quam Terras ad Fratring Halle pertinentes, aliasq; alibi jacentes habuit. Mortuus eſt xxiii Feb. Anno Domini 1603. Etatis ſue lxii. reliquit Filios Thomam & Richardum, Filiaſq; Barbaram, Elizabetham & Elinoram.

Besides the Estate already mention'd, he dy'd seiz'd of the Manor of *Waltons* in *Bumpſted ad Turrim*. *Turbuts* in *Stamborne*; *Hayes-Croft* and *Iſgreenes*, in *Finchingſield*. The Reversion of the Manor of *Crawly-Bury*. A Farm call'd *Marwood*, in *Elmedon*. The Rectory of *Haverbill*. The Reversion of the Manor of *Chawreth*. The Manor of *Fratring*, and several considerable Farmes in *Fratring*, *Bentley*, and the Parts adjacent: *Seggeshall* in *Over-Yeldam*. The Moiety of *Dangewell-hall*, and the Manor of *Blunt's-hall*, in *Great Oakley* and *Wikes*. *Bowerland* in *Wikes*. The Moiety of *Spoon's-hall*, a Manor in *Pebmersh*, Lands lying in *Wethersfield* and *Haverbill*.

Thomas Bendish of *Steeple-Bumpſted*, Esq; his 2d Son, succeeded, being 35 Years of Age at his Father's Decease; he was, by the Favour of his Prince, created a Baronet of *England Anno Dom, 1611*, the third of the County of *Essex*. He was twice High-Sheriff of the said County, viz. the 16th of King *James* and the 6th of King *Charles* the 1st, and dy'd at *Bower-hall* in *Bumpſted*, the 26th of *March 1636*, aged 71 Years, and was there bury'd with his Ancestors. He marry'd *Dorothy*, Daughter of *Richard Cutts* of *Arkesden*, in *Essex*, Esq; by whom he had two Sons; *Thomas*, his eldest Son and Heir, of the Age of 29 Years, at the Time of his Father's Death; and *John*, that dy'd an Infant; and 2 Daughters, *Dorothy*, mar-

ry'd to Sir *Thomas Harton* of *Burtop-Lazers*, in the County of *Leicester*, Kt. and *Elenor*, to *Miles Feruely* in *Suffolk*, Esq; He was succeeded in Dignity and Estate by

Sir *Thomas Bendish*; who, by his Lady *Anne*, Daughter and Co-heir to *Henry Baker* of *Sbobery*, in the County of *Essex*, Esq; had a numerous Posterity. *Thomas Bendish*, that dy'd unmarried in the Life-time of his Father, *John*, *Richard*, *Robert*, *Henry*, and *Andrew*, and six Daughters; *Dorothy*, first marry'd to ——— *Williams*, 2dly to ——— *Bowyer*; *Abigail* to *Edwards*, *Anne* to Sir *Jonathan Dawcs*, *Elizabeth* to *Mr. Cartwright*, Merchant of *London*, *Diana* to Sir *Strensham Masters*, and *Susan*, to Sir *William Hooker*, Kt.

This Gentleman was a notable Instance of Loyalty to his Prince, having suffer'd very much in the Civil Wars.

He had a chief Hand in drawing up and presenting the *Essex* Petition to the King and Parliament, in order to reconcile them; for which good Office, he was, by the said Parliament, imprison'd in the *Tower* 22 Months, and his Estate sequester'd for Malignancy.

He sent three thousand Pounds of his own proper Money to his Royal Master, when under Restraint at *New-Castle*. A great Sum of Money in those Days, to come from the Purse of a private Subject.

Notwithstanding, he fell under the Displeasure of the Parliament, yet several Years after, they would have made Choice of him to be their Ambassador Extraordinary to the *Ottoman* Porte; but no Argument of theirs could prevail with him to enter on this honourable Employment without the King's Commission, which the King readily granted, and therein gave him Liberty to use the Seal of the Parliament of *England*.

He

He enter'd on his Embassy 1647, being the 23d Year of his Majesty's Reign; and he resided at the *Turkish* Court about 14 Years. He was a Person every Way equal to such a Province, and fill'd that great Post with admirable Sufficiency. Never any Ambassador acting more for the Honour of his Prince, and Benefit to the *Turkey* Company. Tho' his great Services to the latter were rewarded with Calumny and Reproach.

Besides his Skill in Languages, he was a Person of consummate Prudence, and invincible Courage.

How well he understood his Character, and how jealous he was of the Honour of his King and Country, will appear by the following Instances.

The Grand Visier would have publickly affronted him at an Audience, in causing the Chairs to be remov'd out of the Room; Sir *Thomas* made one of his Gentlemen kneel, and lean upon his Hands, and then sat down on him, before he would deliver his Embassy.

At another Audience, when the Grand Visier would have plac'd the *French* Ambassador above him, he justl'd him from his Chair, and took his Place; telling him, that he was Ambassador from a crown'd Head, who was King of *France*, as well as *England*.

Some Time after, some Disputes happening between the Grand Visier and Sir *Thomas*, the latter rose up, and kicking the Stool from him whereon he sat; said his Master was dishonour'd, and he would have Reparation for the Affront.

The Grand Visier, after this, admir'd his Gallantry, and was very Civil to him.

King *Charles* the first, had such a Sense of his gallant Behaviour, and the eminent Service he had done the *Levant* Company, that he wrote

him a Letter of Thanks from the *Iste of Wight*, a little before his Decollation.

Upon that King's Death, he vigorously espous'd the Interests of the King his Son, and renew'd the Capitulation between the Grand Seignior and the King, by the Title of *Charles the II^d*, King of *England, Scotland, France, and Ireland, &c.*

In the Year 1649, he was confirm'd in his Commission of Embassador Extraordinary by King *Charles the II^d*. And in 1653, when the Protector sent Mr. *Richard Lawrence* to *Constantinople*, with Letters of Revocation to Sir *Thomas Bendish*, from that his said Embassy. He shew'd the Value he had for the King's Commission, by telling *Lawrence* that he was sent by the King, and would not deliver up his Commission without his Majesty's Order. Upon which, Articles of High-Treason were presented against him by *Paul Haget*, before the Rump-Parliament, wherein the chief Crime set forth, was, the Zeal and Affection he bore to his Majesty's Person and Government; and that by his Authority he acted. But in Consideration of the eminent Services he had perform'd, he was suffer'd to live in Retirement at his own Seat: And the Restoration ensuing soon after, King *Charles the II^d* gave him a very honourable Testimonial of his great and good Services.

He gave Way to Fate about the Year 1674, at his Seat in the County, the Place of his Nativity, aged 60 Years, and more, and was interr'd at *Bumpsted* amongst his Ancestors. His Lady, the faithful Companion of his Travels, dy'd before him at *Constantinople*, but was sent over, and likewise bury'd at *Bumpsted*. He was succeeded in Dignity and Estate

By

By Sir *John Bendish*, his Son and Heir, who marry'd *Martha*, Daughter and Heir of *Richard Bette-son* of *London*, Esq; by whom he had a numerous Issue:

Thomas, *John*, *Richard*, *Charles*, and *Robert*, who all dy'd young.

Henry, the present Baronet, and 3 Daughters:

Anne, eldest Daughter, dy'd young.

Martha, ——— and

Sarah marry'd *John Ficks-Crouch*, of *Batton-Ende*, in *Com. Essex*, Esq;

Sir *John* dy'd 1706, aged 78, and was bury'd at *Bumsted* with his Lady, who dy'd the Year before.

Sir *Henry Bendish*, the youngest of 5 Sons, is the present Baronet, and last Male of this ancient Family of the *Bumsted-Line*: One of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County of *Essex*, and Deputy-Lieutenant.

He marry'd *Catharine*, Daughter of Sir *William Gosling*, Sheriff of *London*, and hath Issue one Son, *Henry*.



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Argent, a *Chevron Sable*, between 3 *Rams Heads Erased Azure*, *Horns Or*.

C R E S T.

Out of a Naval Crown Or, a *Talbot's Head coup'd of the same*, *Langued Gules*.

Sir

Sir JOHN WYNNE of GWYDER,
Kt. Carnarv. N^o 56

(Ead. Die pradiſt.)

OUR *British* Genealogists deduce this Family from *Owen Gwineth*, Prince of *North-Wales*, (a) Son of *Griffith ap Conan*, King of the ſaid Country, the 7th in lineal Deſcent from *Roderick*, the Great King of all *Wales*, who began his Reign Anno 843, and was ſlain by the *English* in the Year 877. (b)

The before-mention'd *Owen Gwineth* made many victorious Expeditions againſt the *Normans* in *South-Wales*, defeated the Earl of *Cheſter*, and repulſ'd King *Henry* the II. His Life is written at large in the *History of Wales*, publiſh'd by *Dr. Wynn*. What I ſhall farther add of him is, that he rul'd 52 Years, and marry'd 2 Wives; *Gladis*, Daughter to *Traboru ap Craddock ap Gwyn*, and *Chriſtian*, Daughter to *Grono ap Owen ap Edwin*; by *Cladis*, his 1ſt Wife, he had Iſſue *Ferweth*, from whom deſcended *Lewellin*, the laſt Prince of *Wales*, who left only a Daughter, *Catherine*, who marry'd *Ehilib ap Ivor*; and the ſaid *Philip* having Iſſue by her only a Daughter, *Eleanor*, the Wife of *Tho. Lbyuellin ap Owen ap Meredith ap Owen ap Griffith ap Rys*, Prince of *South-Wales*, who had likewiſe only Daughters; *Margaret*, one of them, marry'd *Sir Tudor ap Grono*, Kt. Grandfather to *Sir Owen Tudor*, Kt. who marry'd *Catherine*, Daughter to *Charles*, the ſimple King of *France*, and Widow to *H. 5*, King of *England*, by whom he had Iſſue *Edmund*, Earl of *Richmond*, and *Jasper* Earl of *Pembroke*, and Duke of *Bedford*.
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(a) Ex Coll. Hugh Thomas.

(b) Powel's Hiſt. Wales.

The said *Edmund* Earl of *Richmond*, by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter to *John Beaufort*, Duke of *Somerset*, was Father of *H. 7*, King of *England*.

The said Prince *Owen Gwideth*, by his 2d Wife *Christian*, Daughter of *Grono ap Owen ap Edwin*, Lord of *Engleseild*, had Issue *David*, *Roderick*, and *Cadwallon*, Abbot of *Bardsey*; and by other Women, *Conon*, *Lewelyn*, *Meridith*, *Howel*, *Ririd*, Lord of *Clochbran* in *Ireland*, and several others.

David usurp'd the Government of *Wales* after his Father's Death, pretending that *Ferwith*, his half Brother, was unfit to reign, by Reason of the Deformity of his Face, having broken his Nose; and strengthening himself by Alliance, in marrying *Emma*, Sister to King *H. 2*, of *England*, banish'd his Brethren, imprison'd his Brother *Roderick*, and kept in Confinement *Lewellin*, Son of his Brother *Ferwith*, but *Roderick* breaking Prison, enter'd the Isle of *Anglesey*, and was receiv'd of the People as Sovereign Lord thereof; and soon after, recover'd all that Part of *Wales* lying above the River *Conway*; leaving his Brother *David* no other Part than *Ruddlan-Castle*, and the Territory adjacent, which he held with a Garrison of *English*.

Giraldus Cambrensis, who travel'd thro' *Wales* with *Baldwin*, Arch-bishop of *Canterbury*, preaching the Christian Doctrine among the People, relates (in his Book *Itenerarium Cambria*) that the Arch-bishop lodg'd one Night with the said *David* at *Ruddlan-Castle*; and that *Roderick* was Prince at such Time as the Arch-bishop was in *Anglesey*, and had in his Court *Lewellin*, his Nephew, Son of *Ferwith*, who afterwards was Prince; and for his many Victories, stil'd *the Great*.

The said *Roderick*, to strengthen himself with the Power of *South-Wales*, marry'd *Agnes*, his own Cousin, Daughter to the Lord *Rys*, Prince of *South-Wales*.

Wales, and had Issue *Griffith, Thomas*, and others; which *Thomas*, was Lord of *Brin-Lbuyd* on *Rbiwluyd*, and marry'd *Morret*, Daughter to *Einion ap Seisylt*, by whom he had Issue *Cariadoc ap Thomas*, Lord of the same Place, who had Issue by *Eva* his Wife, Daughter to *Gwin ap Griffith*, Lord of *Kegidsey*, 2 Sons, *Einion ap Cariadoc*, Lord of *Penychen*, in *Com. Carnarv.* (a Manor to this Day call'd *Lly-Eirigan ap Cariadoc*) and *Griffith ap Cariadoc*, Lord of *Friwluyd*, (where the Ruins of his Manor-House doth likewise appear) *Ithrad Escobion*, and other Possessions. He marry'd *Lbeky*, Daughter to *Lbuarcb Vychen, ap Lbuarcb Goch*, and had Issue a Son, *David*, and a Daughter, *Grevil*, marry'd to *Iriion ap Einion*.

David ap Griffith, marry'd *Eva*, Daughter and Heir of *Griffith Vychen ap Griffith*, and had by her that Land, which, in the Extent of *North-Wales*, is call'd *Gwely Griffry*, in *Penyve*, in *Evioneth*, in *Carnarvonshire*; he had Issue by her 3 Sons, *David*, *Meredith*, and *Howel*, as appears by the Record of the Extent of *Denbigb, temp. Ed. 1.* *Henry Lacy*, Earl of *Lincoln*, having the Gift of it from that King on the Conquest of *Wales*, and minding to make a princely Seat of the Castle of *Denbigb*, compell'd the Children of *David ap Griffith*, to exchange their Possessions about *Denbigb* for other Lands of less Value. From this *David* and his Brother *Meredith*, are no Issue remaining in Credit, their Posterity, by Division and Subdivision of *Gravel Kind*, [the Destruction of *Wales*] being brought to the Estate of mean Freeholders, and their Descent forgotten.

From *Howell ap David*, the other Brother, the Lineage continu'd in Wealth and Credit. He marry'd *Eva*, Daughter and Heir to *Jevan ap Howell ap Meredith*, and had large Possessions with her in *Evioneth*, that to this Day remain to his Posterity.

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He had Issue by her several Sons; *Meredith*, *Robert*, *Tudor*, *Griffith*, and *David*, seated at *Henblas* in *Maestbebrwyd*, in *Denbysshire*, whose Issue terminated in Heirs Female.

Meredith ap Howel, the eldest Son, marry'd *Morfydd*, Daughter to *Evan ap David ap Trahayarn Goch*, of *Llun*, descended of the House of *Rys ap Tewdor*, and in the Extent of *North-Wales*, 26 E. 3, is found to be one of the Heirs of *Gwely Griffri*. He had Issue 2 Sons, *Robert* and *Evan*; and a Daughter, nam'd *Marsh*, marry'd to *Jenkyn Conway* of *Ruddlan*, of whom the *Conways* of *Ruddlan* and *Botritban*, descend.

From *Jevan ap Meredith*, the younger Son, who was Constable of *Crikeith*, and stood fast to the *English* in the Time of *Owen Glendwr's* Rebellion, and for that Reason, had his Houses at *Keven y Vann* and *Kefelgyfarch*, burnt, descended several worthy Families, viz. *Sir William Morris* of *Klynenev*, Kt. the *Anwylls* of *Park* in *Merionethshire*, the *Lloyds* of *Rhwedock* in the same County, the *Brinkers* of *Brinker*, and the *Madrins* of *Madrin*, both in the County of *Carnarvon*.

Robert ap Meredith, elder brother to the said *Evan*, embark'd with *Owen Glendwr* in his Rebellion; for which Reason, in the 9th Year of King *Hen. 4.*, (c) he had his Pardon. *Rys Goch*, or *Tri*, a Bard, of that Time made a Song on him, shewing what notable Qualities he had, and yet durst not name him therein, for that he was an Out-law when he made it, but sheweth in the Song his Descent from *Griffith ap Conan*, King of *Wales*, and that he was the Hope of the Stock. The Curious in that Language may be desirous of seeing a Specimen of the Poetry of those Times, which I hope will excuse my inserting it.

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(c) Ex Orig. fenes J. Wynne, Bart.

Hir y bu Ruffudd ruddbar
 Waydan. fab Cynan ein car
 Argoesgeirch bir gwaywysgwyd
 In gorwedd Lew Flangledd llwyd
 Ai dalaith Lwybr goddaith llaw
 Flynmodd gynt yn Kelffeiniaw
 Tan oerfab bid tan arfoll
 Na Chryn ddyn ni ch rynodd oll
 Mac arno gainge llatbarfainge llu
 Etifedd propr yn tyfu
 In dwyn ystod fragod frig
 Garw ben bydd gwr bonheddig
 O bryd a llafu byfryd bedd
 Ag ysgytbr brwdr ag ofgedd
 O champau a hwydan Naid
 Frytanawl ben Frytaniaid
 Om gosyn emyn y mival
 Dyn anosbarthus ei dal
 Pivy i bonw nirn difeirwir
 Bedydd ar du-gwerydd dir
 T gwr elwir yn gainc
 Dylwyth fawr ar dalaith fainc
 Alexander niferoedd
 A mur a phen maior boff oedd
 Trystan ddoethbran a ddeithbryw
 Dulath anr ei dalaith yw
 Bonedd ond odid bettnoeth
 Tewsg yn ben farwn coeth
 Rhwng Hafrem hoywddwr gloyw glan
 Llu gwrth alli y garthan
 Ni ad gwawd pechawd heb pwyll
 O garidaith gensfigendyll
 Son am y Cymro os iach
 Pwylllog doeth a fo Pellach
 Pe megid ewrid arraith
 Cenau o Neb Cynan iaith

*Hir ddewr lan bardd Eryr lid
Henw mygr o bwn y megid
T mgroesed gwawd dafawd ben
Tmgais ni wn i amgen*

Rys Goch or Yri ai cant.

It was the Custom of the *Welsh* Nation, to have the chief Actions of their Ancestors, and their Pedigrees, set forth in Songs; but from the Reign of King *Ewd. 1*, they were disus'd, that King having caus'd all the *Welsh* Bardsto be hang'd by martial Law, as Stirrers of the People to Sedition, and the Example was follow'd 'till the Reign of King *Hen. 4*, when farther Liberty 'was given to sing, as heretofore.

The said *Robert ap Meredith*, liv'd to be very aged before he marry'd, near 80 Years old, as appears partly by Record, and partly by Tradition, and then took a Liking to *Anguarod*, Daughter to *David ap Lhynellen ap David ap Enion Vychan*, whom he marry'd, and had Issue by her an only Son, *Jevan*, and Daughters.

Which *Jevan*, being a Child of tender Age at the Death of his Father, was under the Guardianship of *John ap Meredith ap Jevan*, his next Kinsman, viz. Grand-son to this Father's Brother, who cross marry'd him and his Sister with *Howel ap Rys ap Howell Vaughan*, of the House of *Bron-y-Foel*, in *Eviometh*. The said *John ap Meredith*, (being Cousin to *Sir Owen Tudor*, who marry'd *Catharine*, Widow of King *Hen. 5*) went with 100 Gentlemen of *North-Wales*, his Kinsman, to visit the said *Sir Owen*, who was in Trouble at *Rwsg-Castle*, call'd *Brynbyga*, on Account of that Marriage; and the Queen having it objected to her, that the Kindred and Country of the Husband she had marry'd, were

were vile and barbarous, was afterwards desirous of seeing some of his Kinsmen; for being a *French* Woman, she knew no Difference between the *English* and *Welsh* Nation; upon which, Sir *Owen* sent for, and brought into her Presence the said *John ap Meredith*, and *Howell ap Llewelyn ap Howell*, his near Cousins, Men of goodly Stature and Personage, but destitute of all Learning; for when the Queen had spoken to them in divers Languages, they were not able to answer a Word, which caus'd her to say, they were the goodliest Dumb-Creatures she ever saw.

But to return to *Jevan ap Robert ap Meredith*, he was a Man of great Stature, comely Personage, and hardy Courage, as appears by the *Welsh* Songs made to him; and behav'd himself valiantly in the *Lancastrian* Interest, and stood so firm to that Cause, with his whole Kindred, *David ap Jenkin*, and other Captains, that even in the 6th of *Edw. 4.*, they were in Arms, and wasted with Fire and Sword, the Subburbs of the Town of *Denbigh*, and kept that Country in Subjection 'till the Arrival of *William Herbert*, Earl of *Pembroke*, with a great Army, who executed his Charge with great Rigor, wasting the mountainous Countries of *Carnarvon* and *Merionethshire*, and took in the Castle of *Hardlech*, held by *David ap Jevan ap Eingan*, for the two Earls, *Henry* Earl of *Richmond*, and *Jasper* Earl of *Pembrook*; which forc'd the said *Jevan* to leave his own House, and conceal himself the best he could: He lay at Night in a Rock, call'd *Ogofilen*, in *Betkelert*; and in the Day which the *Lancastrians* his Friends and Followers, skirmish'd with the adverse Party in the straight and rough Passage of *Nanbwynen*, which oblig'd the Earl to send him an Offer of Protection, which he accepted, as appears by the Earl's Deed, under his Hand and Seal.

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After this, on a private Feud with *Howel ap Rys ap Howell*, (who marry'd his Sister) there grew such Animosities, that each other assembled his Relations and Friends, and endeavour'd to mischief one another all they could: The said *Jevan* narrowly escap'd with his Life, in two Snares laid for him; yet he nevertheless generally got the better of his Adversary, 'till in the End, a Plague, which frequently follows Wars and Desolation, and happen'd soon after the Earl of *Pembroke's* Expedition, took him away, at his House in *Keselgyfarch*, in the Flower of his Age, being one and thirty Years old. He left 3 Sons by *Catharine* his Wife, Daughter of *Rbys ap Hoel Vycan*.

Meredith ap Jevan, the eldest, was in the Lifetime of his Father, at Nurse with a Free-Holder, in the Hundred of *Tfscorum*, Owner of the *Creige* in *Kanvair*, two Miles from *Carnarvon*, and the best Man in the Parish. *Carnarvon*, in those Days, grew great as well by Trade of Merchandize, as also for that the King's Exchequer, Chancery, and Law-Courts, for all *North-Wales*, was held there, whereby Civility and Learning flourish'd in that Town, and thither was *Meredith ap Jevan* sent to School by the Free-Holder before-mention'd, who gave him all his Lands, having no Children of his own, and took such Care of his Education after the Death of his Father, that he learned the *English* Tongue, *Latin*, and other Languages, which his Brothers wanted, that were at *Evioneth*, near their Father's House. Having liv'd at *Creige* 'till the Age of 20 Years, he took a Liking to a young Woman in that Town, *Alice*, Daughter of *William ap Griffith*, Sheriff of the County of *Carnarvon*, and Daughter-in-Law to one *Spicer*, whom he marry'd; and while he liv'd there, had by her 2 Daughters; *Fonell*, first marry'd to *Edward Griffith*, and after-

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wards to Sir *John Puleston*; and *Catbarine*, marry'd to *Rowland Griffith* of *Plás Newydd*: Being likely to have more Children, and his House proving too streight, he had Intentions of returning to his Inheritance in *Evioneth*, but alter'd his Resolution, on Consideration of Quarrels between his Kindred and Neighbours in that Country, whereupon he purchas'd a Lease of the Castle and Fiefs of *Dolwyddelan*, of the Executors of Sir *Ralpb Berkinet*, which was excepted out of the Act of Resumption of King *Richard's* Grants, made in the 3d Year of King *H. 7.* Removing hereupon to *Dolwyddelan*-Castle, in the 24th Year of his Age, he first took Care to secure himself against Thieves and Robbers that infested the Hundred of *Nanconwy*, and were harbour'd in a Lordship belonging to the Knights of St. *John* of *Jerusalem*, call'd *Spytty Jevan*, that had large Privilege of Sanctuary, a peculiar Jurisdiction not govern'd by the King's Laws. These kept the Country about almost desolate, which had been thinly inhabited for some Time, and over-grown with Woods, from the Time *Owen Glendour's* Wars began, *Anno 1400*, which continu'd 15 Years, (it being his Policy to bring all Things to Waste, that the *English* should have no Resting-Place in the Country) it was therefore much wonder'd why *Mercedith ap Jevan* should choose to reside there and leave his own Inheritance? But he answer'd his Friends, that he should find Elbow-room in that waste Country; and he had rather fight with Outlaws and Thieves, than with his own Blood and Kindred; for there were such Dissensions and Striving for the Master of the Country, that much Blood was spilt. After he had liv'd some Years at *Dolwyddelan*-Castle, he built a House in *Penanmen*, the best Ground in *Dolwyddelan*; and likewise remov'd the Church from a Place call'd *Bryny Bedd*,
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to the Place it now standeth, being Part of the Possessions of the Priory of *Bethkelert*, which by the Glass-Windows, appears to be finish'd in the Year 1512. This Church, which is very strongly built, the Castle, and the House of *Penanmen*, stand three Square, a Mile distant from each other; for he remov'd the Church, which stood in a Thicket, that he might have divers Places of Retreat, and might not be surpriz'd by those Robbers aforementioned, who had to their Back-Stay, Friends and Receptors in all the County of *Merioneth* and *Powysland*. Upon which Account, when he went to Church on a *Sunday*, he was forc'd to leave his House under a Guard of Men, and have the Doors well fasten'd, with a Watch-man to look out, who stood on a Rock, whence he might see both the Church and the House, and raise the Country, if Necessity requir'd. In his first Coming there, tho' he had 20 tall Archers that went with him to Church, and elsewhere, yet he never dar'd to make known when he went Abroad, or go or come the same Way.

To strengthen himself, he provided out of Countries adjacent, the tallest and strongest Men he could hear of, and planted Colonies, filling every empty Tenement with a Tenant; most whereof were on the King's Land, and many of their Posterity now remain. This drew divers able Men to dwell in the Country, looking on him as their Defender and Captain; and after some Years, he was able to bring 140 tall Bow-Men (of his Followers) that were ready on all Events; each of them had a Jack, or Molett-Coat, a good Steel Cap, a Sword and Dagger, Bow and Arrows, Horses, and chasing Slaves; and, with the Inhabitants of the Country, he was at last able to curb that Sanctuary of Thieves and Robbers, which at all Times were above 100, well hors'd

and appointed. He dy'd *Anno* 1525, having marry'd 5 Wives, and been Father of 26 Children; 10 by his 1st Wife, 2 by the 2d, 9 by the 3d, and 5 by the 2 later: Amongst his Sons, *John Wynne ap Meredith*, the eldest, had the Estate at *Gwedir*.

Humphry Meredith had the Estate at *Keselgyfarch*, from whom the *Wynns* of the said Place, and others, are descended.

Cadwalladar, another Son, had likewise Posterity. Both these were by the 3d Wife.

By the 4th Wife, was *John Coetmor*, Father of *William*, Father of *John Williams*, Goldsmith of London, who had Issue Sir *John Williams*, of the Isle of *Thanet*, Bart. Sir *Edmund Williams*, Bart. and Sir *Maurice Williams*, Kt. are likewise descended from him.

John Wynne ap Meredith, of *Gwedir*, dy'd 1553, and by *Ellen Lloyd*, his Wife, Daughter of *Moris ap John ap Meredith*, of *Ruedoc*, had Issue 5 Sons and 2 Daughters: *Morris Wynne* of *Gwedir*, *Griffith Wynne* of *Berthdda*; *Robert Wynne* of *Conwey*; *Owen Wynne* of *Carmelwr*, who had all Posterity: And 5 *John Wynne*, Doctor of Laws, who dy'd Issueless, and left 40*l.* per *Annum* to St. *John's* College in *Cambridge*.

Maurice Wynne, of *Gwidder*, in the County of *Carnarvon*, Esq; marry'd *Jane*, Daughter of Sir *Richard Buckley* of *Beaumorris*, Kt. and had Issue 4 Sons and 3 Daughters; of which, the eldest Son, *John*, succeeded to the Estate at *Gwidder*, receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, and was afterwards advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, *A. D.* 1611: He was a sober discreet Gentleman, addicted to Reading, and an Encourager of Learning: He collected from Chronicles and Records, a History of his Family, which I have seen, and from whence this Account is for the most Part extracted

tracted, which shews he had examin'd the several Histories of his Country, and was well vers'd in the Laws and ancient Customs thereof; and throughout the whole, an Air of great Probity appears, and an Exactness in collecting many minute Particulars of Quarrels and Divisions, as well of other Families related to him, as his own. He marry'd *Sidney*, Daughter of Sir *William Gerrard*, Lord Chancellor of *Ireland*, by whom he had 9 Sons and 2 Daughters: *Mary*, Wife of Sir *Roger Moflyn*, and *Elizabeth*, Wife of Sir *John Bodvil*. Of the Sons, *John*, the eldest, succeeded to the Title and Estate, and dying unmarried, was succeeded by *Richard* his Brother, who likewise dying Issueless, the Title and Estate fell to *Owen*, another Brother.

Which Sir *Owen Wynne* of *Gwidder*, Bart. marry'd *Grace*, Daughter to *Hugh Williams*, and was succeeded in Title and Estate by *Richard* his Son and Heir, who left Issue an only Daughter, *Mary*, 1st Wife of *Robert*, the present Duke of *Ancafter*, who hath Issue by her *Peregrine*, Marquess of *Lindsey*: The said Lady was a noble Fortune to the Duke, the Estate at *Gwidder*, and other her Inheritance, being computed at 6 or 7000 l. per Ann. The Title descended to the present Sir *John Wynn*, eldest Son and Heir of *Henry Wynn*, Esq; 6th Son of Sir *John Wynn*, Kt. and Bart. *William*, 4th Son, leaving only a Daughter, *Sidney*, Wife of *Edward Thelwall*, Esq; and *Morris*, 5th Son, dying without Issue.

Which Sir *John* now living, is possess'd of a good Estate at *Walstay* in Right of his Lady, the Daughter and Heir of ——— *Walstay* of *Walstay* aforesaid, who deceas'd without Issue.



A R M S.

*Vert, 3 Eagles display'd in Fess,
Or.*

C R E S T.

On a Torce an Eagle display'd, Or.

Sir WILLIAM THROCKMORTON
of TORTWORTH, Kt. Glou. N^o 57

(eadem Die prad.)

T*Hrockemertona, Tbrockmorton, or the Rockmoor-* Town, from whence this Family is denominated, is situated in the Vale of *Evesham*, in the Parish of *Flatbury*, anciently written *Flandenburgb*, in *Persbore* Hundred, *Com. Wigorn.* a Manor containing two Hamlets, *Hull*, aliàs *Hill*, and *Moor*.

Johannes de Tbrockmertona was Lord thereof about 60 Years after the *Norman* Conquest, *A. D.* 1130: (a) Which leaves no Room to doubt, but that this Family possess'd it at the Entrance of the *Normans*, or long before, the Etymology of the Name being either *Britishh*, or, as more probable, *Saxon*.

From this *John* descended *Henry de Tbrockemerton*, who made a Grant of a Yard of Land in *Hulla*, temp. *H. 3.* *A. D.* 1220. (b)

Robert de Tbrockemerton, (his Son, I presume) *A. D.* 1252, 36 *H. 3.* gave the King half a Mark for

(a) *Stemmap. per W. Dugd. Gart.*
(b) *Chartes Antiq. penes Famil.*

for a Writ, &c. *brevi Vi & Armis habendo coram Justic. ad primam Affissam, &c.* (c) and Mandat thereupon was to the Sheriff of *Worcester, &c.* A Pedigree of this Family made *circa* 1580, begins with him, mentions also one *Adam de Throckemerton*; and that the said *Robert* had Issue *Simon de Throckemorton*, who, with *Isabel* his Wife, 50 H. 3. A. D. 1266, paid half a Mark to have a Writ of Oyer and Terminer *ad banum*; and a Mandat thereupon was directed to the Sheriff of *Worcestershire.* (d) He had Issue two Sons, *John* and *Giles*; which last had an annual Revenue out of the Manor of *Throckmorton, A. D. 1330.*

John, the eldest, was possess'd of *Throckmorton* 13 E. 3. A. D. 1339, and had in Marriage (e) *Agnes*, or *Anne*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Richard Abberbury* of *Abberbury* in *Com. Oxon.* and was succeeded in the Lordship of *Throckmorton, &c.* by *Thomas*, his Son and Heir, who was of the Retinue of *Thomas Beauchamp*, Earl of *Warwick*, 20 R. 2, (f) Escheator to the King for the County of *Worcester* 3 H. 4. (g) Constable of *Elmley-Castle* 6 H. 4. (h) and having had to Wife *Agnes*, Daughter and Heir of ——— *Besford*, was the Father of *John Throckmorton* of *Throckmorton*, who was employ'd in the Service of *Richard*, (Son of *Thomas*) Earl of *Warwick*, at *Caen* in *Normandy*, 5 H. 5. and being brought up in the Study of the Laws, was afterwards of his Council. In 4 H. 6. he was a Commissioner, with sundry other Persons of Eminency, for proposing a Loan of Money from the King's Subjects in the County of *Warwick*, and 9 H. 6. one of the general Attorneys, constituted by

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(c) Rot. fin. ejusd. Ann. M. 7. (d) Rot. fin. ejusd. An. M. 1.
 (e) Evidentia apud Coughston. (f) Rot. Comp. Ballivi. Warwici.
 Com. de eod. Anno penes Pierpont. (g) Rot. fin. ejusd. Anni.
 M. 18. (h) Ex Comp. Ballivi Warwici penes Savage de Elmley.

the said Earl, for managing all his Affairs during his Abode beyond Sea, being the same Year retain'd of his Council for Life, and an Annuity of 20 Marks *per An.* granted him for the Service. 12 *H. 6.* he was constituted a Commissioner for Conservation of the Peace in that County; and 17 *H. 6.* one of the Executors to the before specify'd Earl: Upon whose Death the same Year, he was join'd in Authority with *Richard, Duke of York, Richard Earl of Salisbury,* and others (i) of Quality, for the Custody of all the Castles, Lordships, &c. belonging to the said Earl, during the Minority of *Henry,* his Son and Heir. 17 *H. 6.* he was again in Commission of the Peace; and having been a Knight, and one of the Chamberlains of the Exchequer to the said King; for which Respect he had the Title of Under-Treasurer of *England.* He made his last Testament dated at *London April 12, 23 H. 6,* whereof *Ralph Boteler, Lord Sudley,* then Treasurer of *England,* was Overseer, and dy'd the same Year, leaving his Body to be bury'd at *Fladbury;* which was done accordingly. *Eleanor* his Wife surviving, by whom he had two Sons, *Thomas* and *John,* and six Daughters; *Eleanor* marry'd to *Richard Knightly of Fawesley in Com. Northamp.* who dy'd 1477; *Matilda* to *Sir Thomas Green of Greens-Norton, Kt.* *Margaret* to *John Rous,* *Agnes* to *John Winslow,* *Elizabeth* to *Robert Russell,* and ——— to ———

Their Mother *Eleanor* was Daughter and Co-heir of *Sir Guy de la Spine, or de Spineto, Lord of Coughton in Com. Warw.* whose Father *William* held notable Employments in the said County *temp. E. 2.* and was Grandson to another *William de Spineto,* by *Idonea* his Wife, Daughter of *Simon de Cocton, Kt.* the lineal Heir Male of *Ralph, Son of Willi-*
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(i) *Dug. Warw. p. 559.*

am de Coston, Lord of that Manor before the Reign of *H. 2.*

By the aforesaid Marriage, *Thomas Throgmorton*, her eldest Son, became possess'd of the said Manor of *Coughton*, the Seat of his Posterity for many Generations, and the present Possession of Sir *Robert Throgmorton* of *Weston* in *Com. Bucks.* Bart. chief Heir Male of this Family in lineal Succession from the said *Thomas*; and Sir *Nicholas Carew* of *Bedington*, Bart. is paternally descended from him, with several other Branches, as I shall farther demonstrate when I come to treat of them in their proper Places.

John Throgmorton, second Son of Sir *John* and the said *Eleanor*, became possess'd of fair Possessions in the County of *Gloucester*, by Marriage with *Isabel*, Daughter and Coheir of *Edward Bruges* of *Lone* in the said County, Esq; and dying 16 *H. 6.* 1436, left Issue

John Throgmorton, who marry'd two Wives, *Anne*, Daughter of *Thomas Scargill*, and ——— Daughter of ——— *Nansan*. By the first he had *Christopher Throgmorton*, who marry'd a Daughter of Sir *John Harley* of *Herefordshire*, was High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire* 5 *H. 7.* and had three Sons and five Daughters.

William Throgmorton, eldest Son and Heir, was High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire* 21 *H. 8.* and by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter and Coheir of Sir *David Matthew* of *Ruyder*, Kt. had three Sons and three Daughters; and by this Marriage the Manor of *Totworth* came to the Family. From *Anthony*, his second Son, are descended the *Throgmortons* of *Cheston* in *Com. Hertford.*

The eldest Son and Heir was Sir *Thomas Throgmorton*, who was High Sheriff of *Gloucestershire* 5 *Pbil.* and *Mary*, and resided at *Coß-Court* in that County. He marry'd *Margaret*, one of the six Daugh.

Daughters and Coheireffes of *Thomas Whittington* of *Pawntley*. He dy'd 1586, leaving two Sons and two Daughters, one the Wife of *Sir John Tracey* of *Tuddington, Kt.*

Sir Thomas Throgmorton, Kt. eldest Son of the last *Sir Thomas*, was High Sheriff of the County of *Gloucester* 30 and 43 *Q. Eliz.* and dy'd in the Year 1607, having marry'd two Wives, *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Sir Richard Berkeley* of *Stoke*, and a Daughter of *Sir Edward Rogers*. By the first he had Issue

William Throgmorton, Esq; of *Tortworth*, who was first knighted by King *James*, and afterwards created a Baronet 9 *Jac. 1.* He marry'd *Ciceley*, Daughter and Coheireffs of *Thomas Baynam* of *Clowerwall* in the County of *Gloucester*, with whom he had that Manor; which, with the Dignity, descended to his Son and Heir,

Sir Baynam Throgmorton, Bart. who made his Residence at *Clowerwall*, marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of *Robert Hopton, Esq;* and one of the 4 Sisters and Co-heirs of *Ralph Lord Hopton*, fam'd for his great Service against the Rebels, in the Reign of King *Charles the 1st*, by whom he had Issue

Sir Baynam Throgmorton, Bart. in whom this Title became extinct. He marry'd 2 Wives; by the 1st he had only a Daughter, marry'd to *Capt. Crimshaw*; by his 2d Wife, *Catharine*, Sister of *Sir Richard Edgcomb* of *Mount-Edgcomb*, in *Devonshire*, he had likewise an only Daughter, *Catharine*, marry'd to *Thomas Wyld, Esq;* a Member in the present Parliament for the City of *Worcester*, and one of the Commissioners of the Revenue in the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

A R M S.



A R M S.

Gules on a Cheveron Argent, barry of 6 Sable.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath, a Falcon volant, proper, arm'd and jess'd Or, in Memory (as said) of one of this Family, who hawking in the County of Southampton, his Hawk flew a Patridge over Sea, into the Isle of Wight, and kill'd it. The ancient Crest was an Elephant's Head.

M O T T O.

Virtus sola Nobilitas.

Sir RICHARD WORSLEY of AP-
PLEDORECOMBE, [within the Isle
of Wight] in the County of Southamp-
ton, Kt. N^o 58.

(29 June, A. D. 1611. 9. Jac. I.)

THIS Family is originally of *Lancashire*, and descended from Sir *Elias de Workedeslegb.* or *Workedeley*, who was Lord of the Manor of *Workedeley*, in the Reign of K. *William* the Conqueror, which Name, the Place, as well as Family, generally retain'd 'till the latter Part of the Reign of *Edw. 1.*, as appears by an ancient Taxation-(a) Roll of *Salford Wapontake*, dated the 23d of that King, wherein *Henry de Workedeley*, the chief Lord, *Elias* and *Nicholas*, two collateral Branches, are inserted; but 1 *Hen. 4.*, the Parliament-Roll (b) shews

(a) Ex Autograph. penes Rob. Worsley, Bar.

(b) Rot. Parl. 1. Hen. 4. M.

shews the Name to be then written *Worlesley*; for *Robert de Worlesley* petition'd that King against *Nicholas de Worlesley*, *John Massey*, (afterwards a Knight) and others, concerning the Manor of *Worlesley*, which *Sir John Massey* had by marrying *Alice* the only Sister of *Sir Jeffery de Worlesley*, Kt. the eldest Line of this House.

From the before-mention'd *Robert de Worlesley*, who was twice Kt. (c) of the Shire for the County of *Lancaster*, temp. Ric. 2, is lineally extracted *Thomas Worlesley* of *Hovingham*, in *Com. Ebor*, Esq; now the chief Branch.

Jordan de Worlesley, a younger Brother of this Stock, about the Time of King *Hen. 4*, chang'd the paternal (d) Coat of Arms, from *Argent, a chief Gules*; to *Argent, a Chevron between three Ger-Falcons close Sable, beak'd, member'd, and jessed, Or*; a Practice not unusual in those Days, as by many Instances (well known to the Curious) might be shewn, tho' the Reasons for such Alterations are not at this Distance so easily discover'd or explain'd. Which *Jordan* was the direct Ancestor to *Hugh Worlesley* (as the Name was then wrote) of *Worlesley-Hall* and *Worlesley-Mains*, near *Wigan* in *Lancashire*, whose younger Son, *Sir James Worlesley*, Kt. being bred up by King *Hen. 7*, as Page of his Chamber, and by King *Hen. 8*, made Yeoman of his Wardrobe, was afterwards advanc'd by the said King to the Government of the Isle of *Wight*; in which Post he dy'd, Anno (e) 1538. And having marry'd *Anno*, the only surviving Daughter of *Sir John Leigh* of *Flamberdston*, in *Com. Dorset*. Kt. (by his last Wife *Agnes*, the Heirefs of *Hackett*) had by that Match the Manor and Lordship of *Appledorecombe*, (in the Parish

(c) *Brynne's Brief Register*, Vol. 1, 117 and 50.

(d) *Ex Stemmate Familia per Will. Ry' ex Facialem Lancastr. delineat.*

(e) *Registrum vocat Dingby (in Curia Erarogativa) qu. 22.*

riſh of *Godſhill*) which thence became the principal Seat of his Poſterity. The ſaid *Anne* his Wife ſurviv'd him, by whom he left Iſſue 2 Sons, *Richard* and *John*. In Relation hereto, before I proceed, it will not be improper to obſerve, that *Sir Robert Worſley*, Kt. (of *Booths*, in *Com. Pal. Lanc.* the ſixth Male Heir, in an immediate Deſcent from *Robert de Workeſley* aforemention'd) did by Deed (f) of Settlement, made the 16th Day of *April*, in the 5th Year of the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, entail his Eſtate [after ſeveral Limitations thereof, according to Proximity of Blood] on the ſaid *Richard* and *John Worſley* ſucceſſively, and their ſeveral Heirs Male, lawfully begotten, and to be begotten, with Remainder over, to the [right] Heirs of the ſaid *Sir Robert* for ever.

Richard Worſley, Eſq; the eldeſt Son, ſucceeded his Father (*Sir James*) in the ſame Command, then ſtil'd Captain of the *Iſle of Wight*; and by *Urſula* his Wife, the Daughter of *John St. Barb*, Eſq; (who was afterwards marry'd to *Sir Francis Walsingham*, Kt. the memorable Secretary of State, ſub *Elizabetha Regina*) had Iſſue only 2 Sons, *John* and *George Worſley*, both accidentally blown up with Gun-powder in their Infancy; whereon *Appledorecombe*, and the whole Eſtate, devolv'd to their Uncle

John Worſley, then of *Swainton* in the *Iſle of Wight*, Eſq; (2d Son of *Sir James*) who left Iſſue by *Jane* his Wife, the Daughter of *Richard Meux*, Eſq; Son and Heir of *Sir Richard Meux*, Kt. of *Kinxſton*, in the ſaid *Iſle*, two Sons, *Thomas*, and *Richard* who deceas'd about the Age of 18 Years, unmarried.

Thomas

(f) *Coke's Entries*, Fol. 258 b. 259 a. Et vide *Ibid*, Fol. 159, b Col. 2.

Thomas Worsley of *Appledorecombe*, Esq; (the eldest Son and Heir of *John*) marry'd *Barbara* the Daughter of *William St. John* of *Farley-Chamberlain*, in the County of *Southampton*, Esq; by whom he had Issue 2 Sons; 1st *Richard*, 2d *John Worsley* of *Gatcombe*, in the aforesaid Isle: As also one Daughter, *Barbara*, who dy'd unmarried. Which *John*, by *Cecelie* his Wife, the Daughter of *Sir Edward Richards* of *Taverland*, in the same Isle, Kt. was Father to *Sir Edward Worsley*, Kt. from whom the *Worsleys* of *Gatcombe* descend.

Sir Richard Worsley of *Appledorecombe*, Kt. (eldest Son of *Thomas*) was created a Baronet by Letters Patent, bearing Date the 29th Day of *June*, in the 9th Year of the Reign of King *James I.* He marry'd *Frances* the Daughter of *Sir Henry Nevil* of *Billingbere*, in the County of *Berks*, Kt. and dying about the Year 1621, left Issue by her 4 Sons and 3 Daughters; 1st, *Sir Henry*, 2d, *Richard*, who dy'd unmarried; 3d, *Thomas Worsley* of *Bimbridge*, in the Isle of *Wight*, who, by *Sarah* his Wife, the Daughter of _____ *Roe*, of *Shropshire*, left Issue *George*, and *Robert* who dy'd sine prole; which *George Worsley* marry'd Daughter of *Mr. Lisle*, of the Isle of *Wight*, and had Issue *John* and *Sarah*, which *John Worsley* is now Vicar of *Gatcombe*; and by *Margaret* his Wife, the Daughter of _____ *Hancock*, hath Issue *Frances*, *Margaret*, and *Robert*; 4th, *John*, who dy'd unmarried. *Anne*, the eldest Daughter of *Sir Richard*, marry'd *Sir John Leigh* of *Bury St. Edmund*, in *Com. Suff.* Kt. but left no Issue. *Elizabeth*, 2d Daughter, Wife of *Sir John Meux* of *Kingston*, aforementioned, Bart. and *Dorothy*, 3d Daughter, who deceas'd without Issue.

Sir Henry Worsley (eldest Son of *Sir Richard*) succeeded his Father in the Dignity of a Baronet; he

he marry'd *Bridget*, the Daughter of Sir *Henry Wallop* of *Farley-Wallop*, in *Com. Southampton*, Kt. and dy'd the 11th of *September* 1666, having Issue by her 3 Sons and 6 Daughters; 1st, *Henry Worley*, Esq; who dy'd young; 2d, *Sir Robert*; 3d, *Sir James Worley* of *Pilewell*, in the aforesaid County, Kt. who marry'd *Mary*, the eldest Daughter of *Sir Nicholas Stuart* of *Hartley-Maudnit*, in the same County, Bart. and dying ——— *March*, 1695, by her left Issue, 1st, *James Worley* of *Pilewell* aforesaid, Esq; 2d, *Charles Worley* of the *Middle Temple, London*, Barrester at Law; 3d, *Stuart*, since deceas'd, unmarried; and 4th, *John*, who dy'd an Infant. *Sandys*, Wife of *Mr. Peter Bettefworth* of *Brockenburst*, in *Hantshire*, *Bridget, Mary*, and another *Mary*, who all three dy'd Infants. *Elizabeth* (eldest Daughter of *Sir Henry*) and *Frances*, 2d Daughter, dy'd both in their Infancy. *Frances*, 3d Daughter, marry'd to *John Williams* of *Luell*, in *Com. Dorset*, Esq; *Fane*, 4th Daughter, Wife of *Sir George Browne* of *Wolverton*, in *Com. Southamp.* Kt. *Anne*, 5th Daughter, dy'd an Infant; and *Bridget*, 6th Daughter, deceas'd, unmarried.

Sir Robert Worley of *Appledorecombe*, Kt. and Bart. Son and Heir of *Sir Henry*, marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of the honourable *James Herbert*, Esq; of *Kingsley*, in the County of *Bucks*, (second Son of the Right Hon. *Philip* Earl of *Pembroke*, &c. Lord Chamberlain of the Household to King *Charles I.*) and dy'd *Dec.* 19, 1675, having Issue by the said *Mary* his Wife, (afterwards marry'd to the Right Hon. *Edward* Earl of *Gainsborough*) 3 Sons and one Daughter, viz. 1st, *Sir Robert*, 2d, *James*, who deceas'd in his Infancy; 3d, Colonel *Henry Worley* of *Compton*, near *Winchester*, unmarried; who was Envoy Extraordinary to the King of *Portugal* from the late Queen, and is still

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continu'd in that Character by his present Majesty;
and *Jane*, late Wife of Sir *Nathaniel Napier*, Bart.

The present Sir *Robert Worlesley* of *Appledorecombe*,
Bart. (eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Robert*) marry'd
the Honourable *Frances Thynne*, only Daughter of
the Right Hon. *Thomas* Lord Viscount *Weymouth*,
&c. by whom he had Issue, 1st, *Thomas*, 2d, *Mary*,
who dy'd Infants; 3d, *Frances*, Wife of the Right
Hon. *John* Lord *Carteret*; 4th, *Henry*, who dy'd
young; 5th, *Robert*, who dy'd in the 19th Year of his
Age; 6th, *Catharine*, who likewise dy'd an Infant;
7th, *Jane*, who also dy'd young; 8th, *Elizabeth*;
and 9th, Mr. *Thynne Worlesley*, both living, and very
young.

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Quarterly, 1st and 4th; Argent, a
Chief, Gules, 2d and 3d the
Coat aforementioned, viz. Ar-
gent, a Chevron between 3 Ger-
Falcons close Sable, beak'd,
membred, and jessed, Or.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath, a Wolf's Head e-
ras'd, Or.

RICHARD FLEETWOOD of CALDWICH,
Esq; Staff. N^o 59.

(29 June, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

THIS Family, which had been seated in *Lan-*
cashire for many Ages, came at the Begin-
ning of the last Century to reside in *Stafford-*
shire. (a)

John

(a) Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.

John Fleetwood, Lord of the Manour of *Plumpton*, in *Lancashire*, had Issue *Henry*, his Son and Heir, living in 3 *H. 6*, Father of *Edward Fleetwood*, Esq; who, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *Roger Holland*, had Issue *William Fleetwood*, Esq; who resided at *Heskin*, in *Com. Lanc.* and having marry'd *Helen*, Daughter of *Robert Standish*, from them proceeded 4 Sons: *John*, the eldest, will be mention'd hereafter.

Thomas, 2d Son, was Father of Sir *Will. Fleetwood* of *Cranford*, in *Middlesex*, Kt. Receiver of the Court of Wards, who, by his Wife *Jobanna*, Sister of the Lord *Clifton*, had Issue several Sons and Daughters: *Milo*, his eldest Son, succeeded in the Office of Receiver of the Court of Wards.

Robert Fleetwood, 3d Son, was Father of *William Fleetwood*, an eminent Lawyer of the *Middle Temple*, who was elected (b) Autumn Reader of that Society in 5 *Eliz.* and in the 11th Year of the said Queen was double Reader thereof. About which Time being made Recorder of *London*, he was call'd to the Degree of Serjeant at Law, and in 1592 made the Queen's Serjeant. He was not only a learned Man, and a skilful Antiquary, (c) but marvellous merry and pleasant in his Conversation; and a Poet of those Times, in certain Verses, (d) describes his Learning, Justice, and Eloquence.

He purchas'd an Estate at *Missenden*, in *Co. Bucks*, and dying in the Year 1593, left 2 Sons, Sir *William Fleetwood*, who succeeded in the Estate at *Missenden*, (from whom the Family now remaining in that County is descended, whereof *John Fleetwood*, Esq; is Knight of the Shire in the present Parliament)

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(b) *Wood's Athen. Oxon*, Vol. 1. p. 229. (c) *Wood's præd.*

(d) *Tho. Newton in illustrium aliquot Ang. Encomiis.*

ment) and Sir *Thomas*, who was Attorney to Prince *Henry*, eldest Son of King *James* the 1st.

John, eldest Son and Heir of *William Fleetwood* of *Heskin*, before-mention'd, was seated at *Penwortham* in *Lancashire*, and having marry'd *Jane*, Daughter and Coheir of *Thomas Langton*, Baron of *Walton*, and Lord of *Newton*, his Estate was thereby considerably augmented; and he had Issue by her 3 Sons and several Daughters: *Thomas*, his eldest Son, marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *Richard Sberburn* of *Sberburn*, Kt. and left Issue *Richard*, his Son and Heir.

Which *Richard* was the first that resided in *Staffordshire*; and being seated at *Caldwich*, in the said County, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Barone t A. D. 1611. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *John Pershall* of *Hordeley*, Esq; (created afterwards a Baronet) by whom he had 5 Sons, *Thomas*, *Richard*, *William*, *Robert*, *Henry*, and a Daughter, *Mary*.

Thomas, the eldest, succeeded to the Title and Estate, and had Issue the present Sir *Richard Fleetwood* of *Caldwich*, who is very aged, and hath Issue *Thomas*, his Son and Heir.



A R M S.

Nebule, Party per Pale, Or and Azure, 6 Martlets counter-chang'd.

C R E S T.

A Wolf (or Tyger) triplant, looking backward, Or; wounded in the Shoulder, Gules.

T H O.

(e) Ex Inform. Dom. Bryan Broughton de Broughton, Bar.

THOMAS SPENCER of YARNTON,
Esq; Oxon. N^o 60

[29 Junii. A. D. 1611. R. Jac. I. 9.]

THE learned *Camden*, (a) in his Remarks on Surnames, mentions the *Spencers* to be descended from the *Despencers*; and that their Name was assum'd from the Office of *Steward*; whereto our Genealogists agree. The first that occurs in our Records, is *Robert Despencer*, who sat among the Barons assembled in Council with King *William the Conqueror* (b) at *London* in the 17th Year of his Reign, A. D. 1082; as also the Year following, when they set their Hands and Seals to the Charter (c) of the King (dated at *Westminster*) for removing the secular Canons out of the Church of *Durham*, and placing Monks in their Stead. He was likewise a Witness to the King's Act, (d) granting the whole City of *Bath*, with the Coinage and Toll thereto belonging, to *John Bishop of Bath*, and his Successors, for the better Support of his See. This *Robert Despencer* was *Steward* to the King, and is recorded by the Monks of *Worcester* as a very powerful Man; (e) and that he took the Lordship of *Elmeleigh* from them, which they could never after regain. At the Time of the general Survey, in 18 *Will. the Conqueror*, he held (f) 4 Lordships in *Warwickshire*, 15 in *Lincolnshire*, 17 in *Leicestershire*, and the great Ma-

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(a) *Remains*, p. 121, & 126. (b) *Monast. Ang. Vol. 1,*
 p. 43, b. (c) *ib. p. 44, 17, b.* (d) *ib. p. 185, b.*
 (e) *Regist. de Wigorn. in Bibl. Cotton.* (f) *Doomsday, Lib. in*
ibid. Com.

nour of *Wicvene* (g) in *Greteflanc* Hundred in *Gloucestershire*.

He was succeeded by his Son *William le Despencer* (or *Steward*) to King *Henry* the 1st, Possessor of the Manour of *Elington*; and he, by *Tburstan le Despencer, Steward* to the same King, (h) who had several Sons. From *Almerick* (i) (who succeeded his Brother *Walter*) descended *Hugh Despencer*, one of the greatest Barons of his Time, and *Geffery Despencer*, hereafter mention'd.

The said *Hugh* was one of those Nobles who took Arms in Defence of their ancient Privileges, in the Reign of King *Henry* the 3d, and was chosen (k) one of the 12, (in 42 H. 3.) who with 12 other Barons, nominated by the King, were to amend and reform what they should think amiss in the Kingdom: Likewise in 44 H. 3, was advanc'd to that great Office (l) of Justicier of *England*, (which in those Days comprehended the Jurisdiction of all the present Law Courts.) In 48 H. 3, he appear'd in Arms against the King at *Northampton*; as also at the Battel of *Lewis*, the 14th of *May* the same Year, and therein behav'd himself very bravely, taking (m) Prisoner *Marmaduke de Twenge*, who compounded to pay a Ransom of 700 Marks for his Liberty. After this Battel, (where the King was taken Prisoner) the Barons made him Governour of *Oxford Castle* in (n) *Suffolk*; as also of the Castles of the *Devizes* in *Wiltshire*, *Bernard Castle* in the Bishoprick of *Durham*, *Oxford*, and *Nottingham*: And on the 8th of *June* following, the King sends his Writ (o) for all

(g) *Atkins's Hist of Glouc.* p. 717. (h) *Camden's Remains*, p. 247. (i) *Dugdale's Baron.* Vol. 1, p. 389. (k) *Brady's Hist. of Engl.* Vol. 1, p. 625. (l) *M. Westm. in Ann.* 1260 & *M. Paris.* (m) *Clause* 49. H. 3. m. 8. (n) *Pat.* 48. H. 3. m. 7. (o) *Pat.* 48. H. 3. m. 11.

all the Cities, Burghs, and Towns on the Coasts of *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*, to be obedient to the Directions of *Hugh Despencer*, his Justiciary : Being likewise the 8th of *September* following, constituted one of the six Procurators (p) and Commissioners to treat in the Presence of the King of *France*, and *G. Bishop of la Sabina*, Legat of the Apostolick See, or either of them, about the Reformation of the State of the Kingdom, with Power to do whatever they thought fit in that Matter : He was likewise one of the three Barons (q) confided in to be always about the King ; nevertheless, he afterwards fell off from them, being disgusted at the haughty Behaviour of *Mountfort Earl of Leicester*, (r) who took all the Profits and Revenues of the Kingdom, and Ransom of Prisoners, to his own Use, which, by Agreement, was to be divided ; and the said Earl was thereupon constituted Justiciary in 49 *H. 3* : However, he put himself in Arms again with them, and fighting with great Courage at the Battel of *Evesham*, which happen'd on the 5th of *August*, the same Year, (s) (49 *H. 3*.) he there lost his Life.

This *Hugh* (by *Aliva* (t) his Wife, Daughter of *Philip Basset of Wicomb*, in *Com. Bucks*, Widow of *Roger Bigod*, Earl of *Norfolk*) was Father of *Hugh le Despencer*, of full Age, in 10 *Ed. 1*, who with *Hugh le Despencer*, his Son, are they whom our Historians so largely treat of, differencing them by *Hugh Despencer*, Senior, and *Hugh*, Jun. the one Earl of *Winchester* in 15 *Ed. 2*, and the other Earl of *Gloucester*, in Right of his Wife (u) *Eleanor*, eldest Daughter and Coheir of *Gilbert*.

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Earl

(p) *Brady ut antea*, p 645. (q) *Id.* p. 649. (r) *Brady*, p. 650. (s) *Id.* p. 652. (t) *Par.* 49. *H. 3. m. 5.*
 (u) *Cook's (Clavencieux sub Eliz. Reg.) Pedigrees of ancient Nobility*, *Not. B. 15*, in *Bibl. Joh. Anstis, Arm. Gart. Reg. Arm.*

Earl of *Clare*, *Gloucester*, and *Hereford*, (and of *Joan* his Wife, one of the Daughters of King *Edward* the 1st.) Both of these *Despencers* were the most powerful Persons of their Time, Possessors of the greatest Estates, (w) and the unhappy Favourites of King *Edward* the 2d. *Hugh*, the Father, had honourably distinguish'd himself under King *Edward* the 1st, in his Wars in *Wales*, *France*, *Flanders*, and *Scotland*, and was likewise employ'd on several extraordinary Embassies; and *Hugh*, the Son, (Chamberlain to King *Edward* the 2d) was not less remarkable for many brave Actions in the Wars of *Scotland* and *France*; but firmly adhering to that unfortunate Prince in all his Troubles, they both suffer'd Death; the Elder, (tho' in the 90th Year of his Age) being condemn'd unheard, and immediately executed, before the Face of his own Son, and the King; and the younger (tho' he had by Capitulation, Safety, as to his Life and Limbs, when he stoutly defended the Castle of *Kaerfilli*) would not forsake his Prince, but venturing with him to the last, and being again taken, underwent the Fate of his Father; and King *Edward* being afterwards deposed, was most barbarously and inhumanly murder'd.

This *Hugh Despencer*, the younger, left Issue 4 Sons, (x) *Hugh*, *Edward*, *Gilbert*, and (y) *Philip*; which last was Ancestor to Sir *Philip Spencer*, a Baron of the Realm, whose Daughter and Heir *Margaret*, marry'd Sir *Robert Wentworth*, from whom those of that Name at *Elmsal*, in *Com. Ebor.* descend. From *Hugh Despencer*, the eldest Son, descended *Thomas* Earl of *Gloucester*, who exhibiting

(w) *Dugd. Baronage, Brady's Hist. &c.* (x) *Mon. Ang. Vol. 1. s. 156. b.* (y) *Pedigrees of Nobility, by Cook. prad.*

ting his Petition in Parliament in 21 R. 2, (a) had Revocation of the Judgment of Exile against his Great-Grandfather, *Hugh le Despencer*. In which Petition it appears, (b) that the said *Hugh* was then possess'd of no less than 59 Lordships in sundry Counties, twenty eight Thousand Sheep, one Thousand Oxen and Steers, twelve Hundred Kines, with their Calves, Forty Mares, with their Colts, of two Years, a Hundred and Sixty drawing Horses, two Thousand Hogs, three Thousand Bullocks, Forty Tuns of Wine, six Hundred Bacons, Fourscore Carcasses of *Martinmas* Beef, six Hundred Muttons; in his Lardere, Ten Tuns of Cyder; Armour, Plate, Jewels, and ready Money better than ten Thousand Pounds, Thirty Six Sacks of Wool, and a Library of Books.

This *Thomas* Earl of Gloucester, marry'd *Constance*, (c) Daughter of *Edmund* of Langley, Duke of York, Son to King *Edward* the 3d, and left one Son, *Richard*, who dy'd at 14 Years of Age; as also a Daughter, *Isabel*, betroth'd, first, to *Richard Beauchamp*, Earl of Worcester, and surviving him, was espous'd to *Richard Beauchamp* Earl of Warwick, by whom she was Mother to *Henry* Duke of Warwick, who dy'd without Issue Male.

The direct Line thus failing, the Head of the Family now remaining, is the most honourable *Charles*, the present Earl of Sunderland, descended from *Geffery*, Brother of *Hugh*, (d) Son of *Tburstan*, first treated of.

Which *Geffery* was the first Founder (*) of *Marlow* Abby in Com. Bucks, and a Witness to

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King

(a) Rot. Parl. 21. R. 2. n. 35. (b) *Ib.* n. 60, 64 & 65.
 (c) Ex Stemmate. (d) Descent of Nobility, Not. B. 20 in Bibl. Joh. Anstis, Arm.
 (*) Mon. Ang. Vol. 1, p. 445.

King Henry the 2d's Confirmation (1) of Lands to *Bungey Abby in Com. Suff.* Which King, in the 26th Year of his Reign, (among other Grants) confirms the Donation of *Geffery Despencer* of the Church (2) of *Boynnton*, to *Bridlington Priory, Com. Ebor.* He dy'd in 26 H. 3, (1251) leaving Issue *John*, his Son and Heir, under Age, whose Guardianship (e) was granted to *Emma*, his Mother.

This *John Despencer* was of full Age in 40 H. 3; at which Time being stild Son (f) of *Geffery*, (and holding 60 l. per Ann. Land in *Com. Leicest.* and 15 l. Land in *Com. Southamp.*) he was call'd to receive the Honour of Knighthood. In 41 H. 3. (1256.) Pope *Alexander* directs his Bull to the Bishop of *Salisbury*, wherein he sets forth, that *John Despencer*, (g) by Petition, prays, that he may build a Chapel, and have a Chaplain in his Manour of *Swalefield*, (which he is ready to endow) by Reason his said Manour lies in a Forest wherein he liv'd, and that it was unsafe for him and his Family to go to the Mother-Church, many Thieves harbouring in the said Forest: Which Matter the Pope refers to the said Bishop to determine.

This *John* took Part with the Barons in their Wars against King Henry the 3d, and was taken Prisoner at the Battel of *Northampton*. On which Account, his Manours (h) of *Castle Carlton* and *Cavenby*, in *Com. Linc.* were extended by the King; but when the Barons prevail'd, he, with *Adam Despencer*, (i) were releas'd. *Roger de Mortimer*, by the King's Writ, (dated 4 Junii, 1264) being requir'd

(1) *Mon. Ib. p. 516.* (2) *Ib. Vol. 2, p. 163. b.* (e) *Vis. de Com. Northamp. A. D. 1617.* (f) *MS. in Bibl. Cotton. Claudius E. 2.* (g) *Rymer's Fadera, Vol. 1, p. 610.* (h) *Esch. incerti Temp. R. H. 3, No. 190, in Turr. Lond.* (i) *Brady's Hist. p. 643.*

requir'd (among other his Prisoners taken in *April* last at *Northampton* Fight) to bring them (k) to *London*, in order to their being set at Liberty. He dy'd before the 3d Year of King *Edward* the 1st, as appears by Inquisition taken (l) at *Gertre*, *Com. Leicest.*

His Son and Heir was (m) *William le Despencer*, fil'd of *Belton*, at an Inquisition taken at *Bredon* 8 *June*, 34 *Ed.* 1, concerning the Right of electing a *Priorefs of Langley*, (n) *Com. Leicest.* He resided at *Defford*, in *Com. Wigorn*, whereof he dy'd possess'd, about 3 *Ed.* 3, as appears by Inquisition taken that Year at *Perfbore*, which likewise shews (o) that *John* was his Son and Heir, and of full Age.

The said *John* was in the Retinue of *John King of Castile*, in his Voyage to *Spain*, (p) and on that Account had the King's Letters of Protection for one Year, bearing Date 6 *Mar.* 1386. (9 *R.* 2.) He was afterwards Squire of the Body to King *Henry* the 5th: (q) and Keeper of his great Wardrobe, and attending him in his warlike Expeditions in *France*, was (r) at the Siege of *Roan*. He had by *Alice* his Wife, (Daughter and Heir of *Deverell*) *Nicholas*, his Son and Heir, (s) who, by *Joan* his Wife, Daughter of ——— *Pollard*, had Issue 2 Sons, *Thomas* and *William*. Which *Thomas* was Father of *Henry Spencer* of *Badby*, in *Com. Northamp.* who is fil'd Son and Heir of *Thomas Spencer*, in a Book of Subsidies, granted in 13 *H.* 6, and this *Henry* having marry'd *Isabel*, Daughter and

(k) *Rymer's Fæd. Vol. 1, p. 791.* (l) *Esch. 3. E. 1. N. 2.*
 (m) *Descent of Nobility, præd. & Vis. de Com. Northamp.*
 (n) *Mon. Ang. Vol. 481. b.* (o) *Esch. 3 Ed. 3. in Turr.*
 (p) *Rymer's Fæd. Vol. 7, p. 500.* (q) *Ib. Vol. 9, p. 271.*
 (r) *MS. in Mus. Ashmol. Not. 1120.* (s) *Ex Stemmate.*

and Coheir of ——— *Lincoln*, had Issue 4 Sons, *John, Thomas, William, and Nicholas*, and departed this Life about 17 *Ed. 4.*; his last Testament being dated *Anno 1476*, wherein he made his Sons *John* and *Thomas* his Executors, and *Isabel*, his Wife, Overseer, sealing it with the Arms the Family now bear, viz. *Quarterly*, in the 2d and 3d, a Fret over all, on a Bend, three Escallops. He was succeeded by his eldest Son,

John Spencer, Esq; who is mention'd in several Deeds of Feofment with Sir *Edward Rawleigh* of *Farneborough*, Kt. and others, particularly in 13 & 19 *Ed. 4.* when he seal'd with the Arms of his Mother and Wife together, being both Heirs, viz. *On a Cross 5 Stars of 6 Points*, (his Mothers) and, *a Chevron between 3 Cinquoils*, bis Wife's, who was Daughter and Heir of *Warsted*, by whom he had 3 Sons; 1. *William*, hereafter mention'd. 2. *John Spencer*, of *Hodnell*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq; who dy'd in 12 *H. 7.* (t) and held Lands in 18 several Lordships, as appears by his last Will and Testament, by which he appoints his Body to be bury'd in the Chancel of the Parish-Church of *Hodenbull*, and constitutes his Nephew, *John Spencer* of *Snitterfeld*, Son of his Brother *William*, one of his Executors, entailing his Lands on him in Default of Issue Male of his Son *Thomas*, and in Default of Issue of him, the said *John*, to the Heirs Male of *Thomas*, his late Brother.

Which *Thomas* (3d and youngest Son) had Issue *William*, who had the Estate at *Badby*, in *Com. Northamp.* whose Son, *Thomas Spencer*, Esq; was of *Everton*, and left one Son, *William Spencer*, Esq; who dying without Issue, his 4 Sisters were Heirs to his Estate, viz. *Catharine*, marry'd to *Thomas Brown*, Esq; *Mary*, to *Richard Wallop*, Esq; 3d Son of

(t) *Regist.* (in *Curia Prærogat. Cant.*) vocat Horn. qu. 4.

of Sir *Oliver Wallop* of the County of *Southampton*, Kt. *Susan*, wedded to *John Temple* of *Stow*, in *Com. Bucks*, Esq; Ancestor to the present Lord *Cobham*; and *Dorothy*, espous'd first to *George Cope* of *Canons Ashby*, in *Com. Northamp.* and 2dly to *Gabriel Poultney* of *Misterton*, in *Com. Leicest.* Esq.

William Spencer, Esq; (eldest Son and Heir of *John*, beforemention'd) was written of *Rodburn*, in *Com. Warw.* in 1 H. 7. which Estate was granted to the said *William* on the Attainder of *William Catesby*, Esq. (u) He had in Marriage *Elizabeth*, Sister to Sir *Richard Empson*, Kt. from whom proceeded a Daughter, *Jane*, and two Sons, *John* and *Thomas* :

John Spencer, the eldest Son, took to Wife *Isabel*, one of the Daughters and Coheirs of *Walter Graunt*, Esq; and thereby became possess'd of a very good Inheritance at *Snitterfield*, in *Com. Warw.* of which Place he was (x) denominat'd in 2 H. 7, and constituted one of the Executors to his Cousin *John Spencer* of *Hodenbull*, Esq; as before was said. In 22 H. 7, he purchas'd the great Lordship of *Wormleighton*, in *Com. Warw.* (y) and soon after began the Structure of a fair Manour-House, wherein (when Inquisitions were taken, concerning Wastes and Inclosures of Lands, in 9 & 10 H. 8.) he was certify'd to have his Residence with sixty Persons of his Family, being a good Benefactor to the Church in Ornaments, and other Things. He was knighted by King *Henry* the 8th; and by his last Will and Testament, it appears, that he was possess'd of a very great Estate, was a noble House-keeper, had a great Reverence for the Clergy

(u) *Dugdale's Warw.* p. 220.

(x) *Regist. de Horn* præd.

(y) *Dug. Warw.* p. 405.

Clergy, was very liberal to his poor Neighbours, as also bountiful to his Tenants and Servants: He in a manner re-built the Churches of *Wormleighton, in Com. Warw.* and *Brinton and Stanton, in Com. Northamp.* and gave thereto Vestments and Chalice; but his other Bequests to Religious Houses, and for Reparations of Churches, are too numerous to be inserted; as are also his Charities to his Servants, and others; whereby it's evident that he had a noble Spirit, temper'd with the greatest Humanity: He was likewise so honest and just, and of so pious a Disposition, " That
 " he requires his Executors to recompense every
 " one that can lawfully prove, or will make Oath,
 " that he has hurt him in any wise, so that they
 " make their Claim within two Years, tho' (as
 " is recited) he has none in his Remembrance,
 " but he had rather charge their Souls than his
 " own should be in Danger: And requires his
 " Executors to cause Proclamation thereof to be
 " made, once a Month, during the first Year after
 " his Decease, at *Warwick, Southampton, Coventry,*
 " *Banbury, Daventry, and Northampton.*

" By this Testament, (z) which is dated the
 " 12th of *April 1522,* in 13 *H. 8.* he bequeaths
 " his Body to be bury'd in the Chancel of *Brinton*
 " Church *in Com. Northamp.* before the Image of
 " our Blessed Lady, and that his Executors cause
 " a Tomb to be made as nigh the Wall as they
 " can, behind the Sepulture.

He lies bury'd, according to his Appointment, as appears by a Monument now remaining, on the North Side of the Chancel of the Church of
Brinton,

(z) *Ex Regist. vocat Manwaring, fol. 24.*

Brinton, shewing the Figures of a Knight in Armour, and his Lady in the Dress of the Times, lying on their Backs, under an Arch of Free-stone, curiously adorn'd with Carvings; and against the East Wall, is this Inscription in Capitals, setting forth his Marriage and Issue.

Here lieth the Bodies of Sir JOHN SPENCER, Knight, and Dame Isabel his Wife, one of the Daughters and Coheirs Of Walter Graunt of Snitterfield, In the Countie of Warw. Esquire. Her Mother was the Daughter and heire of Humphrie Rading of the Wich, in the Coun. of Worcester, Esq. Which John and Isabell had Issue Sir William Spencer, Knight. 1. Anthony Spencer. 2 who died without Issue. Jane, Wife to Richard Knightley, Esquier, Sone and Heire of Sir Richard Knightley of Fawsley, in the Countie of North. Knight. Isabel married to Sir Nico. Strelly of Strelly in the Countie of Nott. Knight; Dorothee married to Sir Rich. Catesbie of Legers Ashbie in the Coun. of North. Kni. Which Sir John Spenc. departed this Life the 14 of Apr. A°. Dni. 1522.

Sir *William Spencer*, his eldest Son, (a) receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood from King *Henry* the 8th, at *Tork Place*, (now call'd *Whitehall*) A. D. 1529, the Parliament then sitting; and two Years after, viz. in 23 & 24 H. 8. (b) was Sheriff of *Northamptonshire*, during which he dyed. His last

(a) *Nom. Equit. in Bibl. Cotton, Claudius, C. 3.*

(b) *Fuller's Worthies, in Com. Northamp.*

last Testament bears Date the 17th of *June*, in 24 *H. 8.* “ Whereby he bequeaths his Body to be “ bury’d at *Brinton*, in such Manner as his Executors should think fit : Orders his Father’s “ Will to be comply’d with, in every Article “ not then perform’d : Appoints Dame *Susan*, his “ Wife, Sir *Nicholas Strelley*, Kt. *Anthony Cope*, Esq; “ *Walter Smith*, Esq; and two others, his Executors, “ charging them to take care of *John* his only “ Son, then very young ; and departing this “ Life 5 Days after, viz. 22 *June*, lies buried “ according to his Desire.

A fine Altar-Tomb, cover’d with Grey Marble, being erected to his Memory, against the North East Wall of the North Chancel, or Burial-Place of this Family ; round the Verge whereof is this Inscription :

*Hic jacent Dominus Willus. Spencer, Miles,
 Et Dna. Suzanna, ux. ejus, qui obiit xxii^o
 die mens. Junii, Anno Dni. Millmo. CCCCXXXII,
 quor Aibus. propitiet. Deus, Amen.*

Over the said Tomb, on a Tablet under an Arch, is this Epitaph in Capitals.

HERE LIETH THE BODIES OF SIR WILLIAM SPENCER, Knight, and Dame Susan his Wife, Daughter of Sir Rich. Knightley, of Fausley in Comit. Northamp. Knight, and had Issue by her Sir John Spencer, Knight, there onlie Sonne, Isabel married to Sir John Cotton, of Lanwade in Com. Cam. Knight. Jane Wife to Sir Rich. Bruges of Shefford in Co. Berk, Knight, Dorothy married to Tho. Spencer of Everton in Co. Northamp. Esq; Anne Wyfe to Sir John Goodwin of Winchington in Co. Buck, Knight, Whick Anne died without Issue ; Marie Wyfe to Tho.

Tho. Boles of Walington in Co. Hertforde, Esquier; which Sir William died the xxii Daye of June, An. Dni. 1532.

Sir John Spencer, aforefaid, was Sheriff of Northamptonshire in 5 Ed. 6, and elected (c) one of the Knights of the Shire in Parliament for that County in 4 & 5 Ph & Mary; before which Time he had receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, and the Year following was again Sheriff of that County; as also in 13 Eliz. And in the 15th Year of the Reign of that Queen, was by Writ (d) appointed (with other Justices of the prime Quality in the County of Northampton) a Commissioner to enquire after such Persons as acted contrary to an Act 1 Eliz. entitled, *An Act for the Uniformity of Common-Prayer, Service in the Church, and Administration of the Sacraments*. He was a great Oeconomist, yet kept a plentiful Table according to the old English Way, as is manifest from his last Will (e) and Testament, bearing Date 4 Jan. 1585, wherein he orders Hospitality to be kept in his Houses of *Althorp* and *Wormleighton*, by his Heir, after his Decease, according as he had done. He was bountiful to his Servants; and it also appears that he delighted in Retiredness; was an Encourager of Industry, and so much avers'd to an unactive Life, that tho' he was possess'd of a noble Estate, yet the Allurements thereof were not powerful enough to prevent his Thoughts how he might benefit his Country; so that he daily busy'd himself, that it might not be said he did ill in doing nothing. His chief Recreation was breeding of Cattel; for, at his Decease, he had
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(c) MS. penes, B. Willis, Arm. (d) Rymer's Fœdera, Vol. 10. p. 724, 725. (e) Ex Regist. vocat. Spencer, par. 1. qu. 17, in Curia Prerogativa.

numerous Flocks of Sheep, &c. in his Grounds and Parks of *Altbop* and *Wormleighton*. He left great Estates to four of his Sons, who were Heads of as many Families. And, by his Will, aforesaid, desires to be bury'd in a decent Manner, without Pomp, (after the Worldly Fashion) in the Church of *Brinton*, where his late Wife, Dame *Catherine Spencer*, lyeth bury'd: Also that they give before his Burial xli. in Alms, and cause a Tomb, such as they think fit, to be plac'd where he and his said Wife lye bury'd. Accordingly I find one erected to his Memory, neatly painted, gilt, and adorn'd with Arms, (in the Middle of two others) in the Burial-Place of this Family, between the South Chancel and North Chancel, representing (under an Arch of elegant Workmanship, embelish'd with Roses, Lozenges, &c. of different Colours) the Proportions of a Knight in Armour, with his Lady, in the Habit of the Times, lying on their Backs, finely cut in Marble, and against the Wall is the Inscription, shewing his Marriage and Issue, and that he dy'd the 8th Day of *November 1586*.

His Lady was *Catherine*, one of the Daughters of *Sir Thomas Kitson* of *Hengrave*, in the County of *Suffolk*, Kt. by whom he had 5 Sons and 6 Daughters: *Margaret*, marry'd to *Giles Allington* of *Horsbeath*, in *Com. Camb.* Esq; and surviving him, to *Edward Eldrington*, Esq. *Elizabeth*, wedded to *George Cary*, Lord *Hunsdon*; *Catherine*, espous'd to *Sir Thomas Leigh* of *Stonley*, in *Com. Warw.* Kt. *Mary*, betroth'd to *Sir Edward Aston* of *Tixall*, in *Com. Staff.* Kt. but dy'd without Issue; *Anne*, the Wife of *William Lord Monteagle*, but had no Issue by him, and being afterwards marry'd to *Henry Lord Compton*, surviv'd him likewise; and was, 3dly, the Wife of *Robert Sackville*, Esq; Son and Heir of *Thomas Lord Buckhurst*, Lord High Treasurer of *England*;

England; *Alice*, youngest Daughter, was marry'd to *Ferdinando E.* of *Derby*; and, in 2d Nuptials, was the Wife of *Sir Thomas Egerton*, Kt. Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal of *England*: Of the Sons, four of them were Heads of Families, as before was observ'd; and *Edward*, the youngest, dy'd without Issue.

Sir John Spencer, the eldest, was knighted by *Queen Elizabeth* in 1586, the memorable Year of the *Spanish* Invasion; and departing this Life the 19th of *January* 1599, had likewise Sepulture at *Brinton*, under a noble Monument near the middle Window of the Chapel, opposite to that of his Father's; and the Figures of him and his Lady, are in full Proportion, lying on their Backs, with an Arch over them, curiously embellish'd and gilt, and supported by 8 Pillars, viz. two at each Corner; four of which are square and painted, the other four black Marble, of the *Corinthian* Order. At the Head, against the North Wall, is the Inscription, which mentions only his Marriage and Issue. His Lady was *Mary*, sole Daughter and Heir of *Sir Robert Catlyn*, Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, and his Issue an only Son,

Robert Spencer, knighted by *Queen Elizabeth*, Possessor of a very great Estate, and was reputed to have the (f) most Money of any Person in the Kingdom, when *King James* ascended the Throne; which, together with his noble Extraction, and many excellent Accomplishments, render'd him so conspicuous, that he was promoted by that Prince before his Coronation, to the Dignity of a Baron (g) of the Realm, by the Title

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(f) *Lloyd's Memoirs of Loyalists*, p. 421.

(g) *Pet. 1, Jac. 1, p. 14.*

of Lord *Spencer* of *Wormleighton*, the Ceremony of his Creation (*b*) being perform'd at *Hampton-Court*. This noble Lord was the same Year sent Ambassador to present *Frederick* Duke of *Wirtemberg* with the Habit and Ensigns of the most noble Order of the Garter, and arriving at the City of *Stutguard* the 2d of *November*, was receiv'd by the Duke with the highest Marks of Esteem. The Manner and Pomp of this Investiture, is set forth by Mr. *Ashmole*, (*i*) who observes, that the Lord Ambassador *Spencer*, (who represented the Sovereign) and the Elect Duke, were so richly attir'd, glistering with Gold and Jewels, that they attracted the Admiration of all the Spectators.

After his Return to *England*, he sought no Employment at Court, but he constantly attended his Duty in Parliament; and, on all proper Occasions, appear'd a loyal Subject to the King, a good Patriot, and a Maintainer of the Liberty of the Subject. He had excellent Parts, which were improv'd and cultivated by a close Application to the Service of his Country, and the Knowledge of Men and Business; whereby he grew into the Esteem of the wisest Men of the Age. His quick Apprehension and readiness of Thought was very remarkable; and, in the Debates in Parliament, as few spoke better, so none had a more favourable Attention; on which Account he was nominated in most Committee's on publick Affairs and Conferences with the Commons, as the Journals of the House of Lords shew.

He is applauded by most of the Historians of that Age. *Camden*, in his *Britannia*, makes this honourable Mention of him, viz. *Althorp*, the Seat of the noted Family of the *Spencers*, Knights, ally'd
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(*b*) *Camden's Annals of King James in Hist. Engl. Vol. 2, p. 641.*
 (*i*) *Ashmole's Order of the Garter. p. 411 to 413.*

to very many Houses of great Worth and Honour : Out of which Sir Robert Spencer, the 5th Knight, in a continu'd Succession, a worthy Encourager of Virtue and Learning, was, by his most serene Majesty King James, lately advanc'd to the Honour of Baron Spencer of Wormleighton. And another Author (k) who wrote of those Times, gives this Account of him. " Spencer, (like the old Roman, chosen Dictator from his Farm) made the Country a virtuous Court, where his Fields and Flocks brought him more Calm and happy Contentment, than the various and mutable Dispensations of a Court can contribute : And when he was call'd to the Senate, was more vigilant to keep the People's Liberties from being a Prey to the encroaching Power of Monarchy, than his harmless and tender Lambs from Foxes, and ravenous Creatures.

This Lord Spencer liv'd a Widower 30 Years, his Lady dying in Childbed, (l) and departing this Life the 25th of October, A. D. 1627, was bury'd in great Splendor, with his Ancestors, at Brinton, the 5th of November following, under a noble Monument at the Head of his Grandfather's, under a like Arch, equally adorn'd, but supported by four Pillars of the Corinthian Order. The Figures of him and his Lady are likewise in the same Posture : He in Armour, with a Helmet on his Head, she in the Dress of the Times, veil'd to her Knees : And under the Arch, at their Feet, is a Memorial of his Marriage and Issue in Gold Letters, on a black Marble Tablet. His Lady was Margaret, one of the Daughters and Coheirs of Sir Francis Willoughby of Wollaton, in Com. Nott. Kt. and his

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(k) Wilson's Life of King James 1st, in Hist. of Engl.

(l) Descent of Nobility, MS. ut antea.

Successor was his 2d Son, *William Lord Spencer*; *John*, his eldest Son, dying at *Blois* in *France*, without Issue.

Which *William Lord Spencer* was made Knight of the Honourable Order of the *Bath* at the Creation of Prince *Charles*, in *Anno* 1616; and was elected all the while he liv'd a Commoner, one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Northampton*, (m) in three several Parliaments in the Reign of King *James* the 1st, and two others, call'd in the first Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the 1st. He inherited all his Father's publick and private Virtues, as well as his Honour and Estate; as we are fully inform'd from the Inscription on his Monument, which sets forth, that he was adorn'd with all Virtues; a tender Husband, loving Father, faithful Friend, a sincere Worshipper of God, a most devoted Subject to his King, and a Patriot of his Country. He dy'd in the 45th Year of his Age, on the 19th of *December*, and was bury'd at *Brinton* the 27th of the same Month, *A. D.* 1636. His Lady, *Penelope*, Daughter of *Henry* Earl of *Southampton*, liv'd with him 22 Years, and was with Child by him at his Decease. She mourn'd her Lord's Death with an unfeign'd Sorrow; and refusing several advantageous Offers of Marriage, continu'd a Widow one and thirty Years, (having Sepulture at *Brinton*, 16 July, *A. D.* 1627) leaving a very shining Character, for her Constancy of Mind, prudent Conduct, unaffected Piety, and Love to her deceas'd Lord, for whom she erected a noble and stately Monument of black and white Marble at *Brinton*; the Figures of a Baron and Baroness lying in their Robes of State on a black Marble Tomb; their Hands lift-
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(m) *MS. penes, B. Willis, Arm.*

themselves; (p) and if some Men had not shuffl'd Demands into their Propositions, on purpose that they might have no Satisfaction.

He therefore entirely left them, waited on King Charles the 1st at *Tork*, lent his Majesty 15000*l*. join'd the Earl of *Northampton* with 1200 Men, engaging his Brothers and all his Friends in the Service. For which approv'd Loyalty, and other his great Merits, he was rais'd to the Degree and Dignity of an Earl, by the Title of Earl of *Sunderland*, on the 8th of *June*, A. D. 1643; at which Time of his Creation, he was said to be ally'd to all the Nobility then at Court, except Duke *Hamilton*.

As he was much concern'd at the View of the Calamities threatning the Kingdom, he could not content himself, as a quiet Spectator, but always engag'd with the most Forward in any dangerous Enterprize; and after the raising the Siege of *Gloucester*, being with the King in the first *Newberry* Fight, (20 *September*, 1643) in a Dispute about a rising Ground, not far from his Majesty, he lost his Life; and, by the Lord *Clarendon*, (q) is thus remembred: *Here fell the Earl of Sunderland, a Lord of great Fortune, tender Tears, (being not above three and twenty Tears of Age) and an early Judgment, who having no Command in the Army, attended upon the King's Person, under the Obligation of Honour; and putting himself that Day in the King's Troop a Volunteer, before they came to charge, was taken away by a Cannon Bullet. He was certainly a great Loss to his Country, being (as another Author (r) characterizes him) 'Virtuous, above Vice, as well as without it; a good Patriot, promoting Trade, Manufactures, and the Privile-*

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(p) *Lloyd, præd.*
(r) *Lloyd, præd.*

(q) *Hist. Rebellion, 8vo. Vol. 3, p. 349.*

‘ges of his Country; a good Neighbour, below’d
 ‘of all, a discreet Landlord, a noble House-keeper,
 ‘a Friend to the Learned, and an exemplary Ma-
 ‘ster of a Family.’ He marry’d before he was 20
 Years of Age, the Lady *Dorothy Sidney*, Daughter
 of the Right Honourable *Robert Earl of Leiceſter*,
 a Lady of ſingular Beauty, and admirable En-
 dowments of Mind; commemorated by the ſam’d
 Mr. *Waller*, in ſeveral Copies of Verſes, under the
 Name of *Sachariſſa*, the moſt celebrated in his
 Poems: She was likewise remarkable for Conſtan-
 cy and Love to her Lord; for tho’ ſhe was left a
 very young Widow, yet ſhe entertain’d no
 Thoughts of a 2d Marriage, but liv’d retir’d, a
 rare Example of all Chriſtian Virtues. Her Houſe
 at *Alkborp*, (*Wormleighton* being burnt by the Re-
 bels 19 *January* 1645) was a Sanctuary to the
 loyal Sufferers and learned Clergymen in the
 Reign of King *Charles* the 1ſt, and the following
 Uſurpation; neither did the Poor know the Want
 of her Charity. She departed this Life at _____
 and was bury’d by her Lord at *Brinton* 25 *February*
 168 $\frac{1}{2}$: They left Iſſue only two Daughters and an
 only Son.

Robert Earl of Sunderland, brought up under the
 Tuition of *Dr. Pierca*, (s) who gives this Character
 of him: “ That his choice Endowments of Nature
 “ having been happily ſeaſon’d and crown’d with
 “ Grace, gave him at once ſuch a Willingneſs and
 “ Aptneſs to be taught, as reconcil’d his greateſt
 “ Pains with Eaſe and Pleaſure, and made the
 “ Education of his dear Lord not ſo much his
 “ Employment as his Recreation and Reward.

This Earl was Principal Secretary of State to
 King *Charles* the 2d, (t) and one of his prime Mi-
 niſters.

(s) *Lloyd ut antea*.
Vol. 1, p. 246.

(t) *Pointer's Chronological History*,

nisters : He likewise bore the same Employment in the Reign of King *James* the 2d, and was also President of the (u) Council, and Knight of the most noble Order of the Garter. He was likewise in the special Favour of King *William*, who constituted him Lord Chamberlain of his Houshold ; and, on his said Majesty's leaving the Kingdom in the Year 1697, he was one of the Lords Justices for the Administration of the Government, during his Absence. He departed this Life at his Seat at *Althorp*, the 28th of *September*, 1702 ; and the 7th of *October* following, had Sepulture with his Ancestors at *Brinton*. *Anne*, his Lady, surviv'd him till the 16th of *April* 1715, and the 26th of the same Month was bury'd by him. She was youngest Daughter to the Right Honourable *George*, (*Digby*) the last Earl of *Bristol*, and they had Issue that liv'd to Maturity, two Sons and two Daughters ; whereof

Charles, the present Earl of *Sunderland*, succeed- ed his Father. He was chosen, as soon as he came of Age, a Member of the House of Commons ; and, in *June* 1705 ; was sent Envoy Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Emperor of *Germany*, to make the Compliments of Condolance on the Death of the Emperor *Leopold* the 1st ; and to endeavour, by the Queen's Mediation, to compose the Differences between his Imperial Majesty and his Subjects in *Hungary* ; (w) pursuant to which, a Treaty was set on Foot at *Tyrnau* the 28th of *October* ; and after several Conferences with Count *Berczini*, and other *Hungarian* Deputies, he return'd to *Vienna* to acquaint his Imperial Majesty with his Negotiations : At which
Time

(u) *ib* p. 331.

(w) *Pointers*'s 2d Vol. p. 520, 521, 522,

523.

Time meeting his Grace the Duke of *Marlborough*, (who, after the Campaign, came to confer with his Imperial Majesty) his Lordship, with his Grace, on the 22d of *November* the same Year, set out for the Court of *Berlin*; and after the Fatigue of a Journey of 532 Miles in eight Days, in a very hard Season, arriv'd there, and went to Court the same Night; his Majesty of *Prussia* receiving them with the greatest Esteem and Honour.

On the 6th of *December*, his Lordship, with his Grace, arriv'd at *Hanover*, where they were kindly and graciously receiv'd by his Electoral Highness, (our present most Gracious Sovereign) the Electress Dowager, &c. and after some Conferences there, and at the *Hague*, they embarqu'd, and arriv'd in *England* the 30th of *Decemb.*

The Year following his Lordship was (x) sworn one of her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy-Council, and one of her Principal Secretaries of State; and was also one of the Commissioners for treating of a Union between *England* and *Scotland*; and the Articles concluded on, were ratify'd and confirm'd. In 1710, on the Change of Measures at Court, he was remov'd from being Secretary of State, without any Blemish on his Character; (y) and her Majesty, as a Testimony of her being satisfy'd with his Services, was pleas'd to send him Word, *That she design'd to present him with 3000 l. per Ann. for his Life*; but his Lordship, with a Generosity and Integrity, hardly parallel'd in these corrupt Times, answer'd, *He was glad her Majesty was satisfy'd he had done his Duty, but if he could*

(x) *Ib.* p. 559.
p. 230.

(y) *Annals of Q. Anne, Year the 9th,*

could not have the Honour to serve his Country, he would not plunder it.

At his present Majesty's first coming to the Council-Board, the 22d of *September* 1714, he was sworn of the Privy-Council, and declar'd Lord-Lieutenant of *Ireland*; but tho' his ill State of Health would not permit his going over, yet he was watchful for the Good of that Kingdom; and, by his Interest, Matters were manag'd with such Prudence and Discretion, that no Disturbance happen'd there when the Rebellion broke out in *England*.

February 10, 1715, he was constituted Joint Vice-Treasurer of *Ireland* with *Henry* Earl of *Rochester*; and, in *May* following, on the Death of the Lord *Somers*, elected one of the Governours of the *Charter-House*; a Trust which none have of late been chosen to, but of the Prime Nobility, and chief Officers of State: Also in *July*, the same Year, (1716) made sole Vice-Treasurer of *Ireland* for Life, and embarking about the same Time with his Majesty for *Holland*, waited on him to *Hanover*, return'd with him to *England*, and soon after was again sworn Principal Secretary of State.

March the 16th, 1717, he was declar'd Lord President of the Council; and on the 23d of the same Month, constituted first Lord-Commissioner of the Treasury, and resigning his Place of Lord-President of the Council, he was made Groom of the Stole to his Majesty, whom he waited on at *Hanover* in the Year 1719; and, on his Return, was elected one of the Knights of the Most Noble Order of the Garter. In all these honourable Offices, his Lordship has shew'd a generous Concern for the Good of his Country, and an Integrity superior to private Views: Inheriting the Spirit and Virtues of his Great Ancestors.

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Having thus trac'd the principal Branch, from Sir *John Spencer*, the eldest Son of Sir *John Spencer*, (by *Catherine* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Thomas Kitson*) I now return to the 2d Son, which was, *Thomas Spencer* of *Claverdon*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq; who having purchas'd the said Manour of the Crown, built a fine House there; and, for the Hospitality he kept thereat, (says (z) Sir *William Dugdale*) was the Mirrour of that Country. He dy'd without Issue, and lyes bury'd under a noble Monument erected to his Memory in that Church. His Estate, by his own Settlement, devolv'd on the *Spencers* of *Tarnton*, descended from *William*, his Brother, who was 3d Son of the said Sir *John*, of whom I am principally to treat. *Richard*, the 4th, of *Offley*, in *Com. Hertford*, was Ancestor (a) to Sir *Brocket Spencer*, created a Baronet by King *Charles* the 1st.

The said *William Spencer* (3d Son of Sir *John*) possess'd a fine Estate (b) at *Tarnton*, in *Com. Oxon*, and receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood from Queen *Elizabeth* in the Year 1592: He dy'd on the 18th of *December* 1609, and lyes bury'd with his Lady, under a curious Altar-Monument rais'd against the North Wall, near the East Window of the South Chancel of the Church of *Tarnton*; which is compos'd of different Sorts of Marble, and adorn'd with Arms of War; as Battle-Axes, Swords, Carbines, Standards, Sheafes of Arrows, &c. On the Tomb, under an Arch, lyes the Figure of a Knight on his Back, compleatly arm'd, (excepting his Head-Peice) and his Lady on his left Hand in the Habit of the Times. His Head rests on a Griphon's

(a) *Ant. of Warwickshire*, p. 497, 498.

(a) *Chauncey's*

Ref. p. 405.

(b) *E. Lib. MS. A. Woods in Museo Ashmol.*

Ms. E. 143, p. 81, a. & 82 b.

phon's Head, (his Crest) and hers on a Pillow, with their Hands in a devout Posture. The Arch is supported by four Pillars of the *Corinthian* Order; and at the Top, between two Pyramids, is a Shield of the Quarterings of Arms belonging to the Family, viz. 7 Coats. On the Side of the Tomb is a Tablet, and two Men kneeling on Cushions, on the right Side thereof; as also four Women on the Left: And another Tablet under the Arch, exhibits this Inscription in gilt Letters.

Syr WILLIAM SPENCER, Knight, Lord of this Manour, third Sonne of Sr. JOHN SPENCER, of Althorp, in the Countie of Northampton, Knt. here resteth, with MARGARET his Wife, Daughter of FRANCIS BOWIER of Middlesex, Esquier, leaving Issue two Sonnes and five Daughters: They both, as they virtuously and laudably lived, so, in assured Hope to live eternally in Christ, ended this transitory Life; he the 18th of December 1609, she the 19th of June 1608.

On the Tablet mention'd to be between the two Men and four Women, is an Inscription in Capitals, setting forth their Marriages and Issue, viz.

‘ *Syr Thomas Spencer, Sonne and Heir, married Margaret, Daughter of Richard Brainthwait, Serjeant at Lawe; George Spencer, second Sonne; Elizabeth, eldest Daughter, Wyfe to Syr Thomas Russel of Strensham, in the Countie of Worcester, Knight; Katherine, second Daughter, Wyfe to Sr. Henry Mountague, Knight, the King's Serjeant at Lawe; [who was created Earl of Manchester, Ancestor to Charles the present Earl] Mary, third Daughter, Wyfe to Syr Maximilian Dalyson.*

‘ of

- ' of Haling, in the Countie of Kent, Knight ;
- ' Alice, fourth Daughter, Wife to Syr Thomas
- ' Colvyle of Newton, in the Countie of Cam-
- ' bridge, Knight ; Margaret, fifth Daughter,
- ' Wife to Sir John Woodward of Evelsham, in
- ' the Countie of Worcester, Knight.

Sir *Thomas Spencer*, before-mention'd, (Son and Heir of Sir *William*) succeeding at *Tarnton*, was created a Baronet the 29th of *June*, A. D. 1611, in the 9th Year of the Reign of King *James* the 1st ; also on the 24th of *May* (c) the Year following, was honour'd with Knighthood at *Whiteball* with Sir *Lyonel Talmach*, Bart. He rebuilt (d) the Tower at the West End of *Tarnton Church* ; as also a noble Manour-House near the old one, by the said Church. This Sir *Thomas* was famous in his Time (e) for the great Hospitality he kept there, his Charity to the Poor, and other excellent Qualities. He departed this Life on the 16th of *August* 1622, and was bury'd by his Father. His Lady, who surviv'd him, was marry'd, 2dly, to *Richard Butler*, Viscount *Montgarret*, and was bury'd at *Tarnton* in the Year 1655. By her first Husband she had Issue Sir *William Spencer*, Kt. and Bart. as also 4 other Sons, *John*, *Thomas*, *Richard*, and *Edward*, with 4 Daughters, *Alice*, *Anne*, *Margaret*, and *Catherine*.

Sir *William Spencer*, after he became a Baronet, was (as his Father had been) knighted by King *Charles* the 1st at (f) *Oxford*, 27 *August* 1629, and succeeding to the Estate of his Great Unkle, *Thomas Spencer* of *Claverdon*, in *Com. Warw.* was thereby possess'd of a very great Inheritance. He took

(c) *Philpot's Catt. of Knights*, p. 50.
 pred. (e) *Ib.*

(d) *MS. A. Woods*,

(f) *Philpot*, p. 142.

took to Wife *Constance*, eldest Daughter of Sir *Thomas Lucy* of *Charlecote*, in *Com. Warw. Kt.* (who was, in 2d Marriage, the Wife of Sir *Edward Smith*, Kt.) and had Issue a Son, Sir *Thomas Spencer*, Bart. and a Daughter, *Alice*, marry'd to *Francis Keyt* of *Mecleton*, in *Gloucestershire*, Esq; Brother to Sir *John Keyt* of *Ebrington*, in the same County, Bart.

Sir *Thomas Spencer*, Bart. took to Wife *Jane*, Daughter of Sir *John Garrard* of *Lamer*, in *Com. Hertf.* Bart. and was bury'd with his Ancestors at *Tarnton*, under a noble and curious Monument of white Marble, erected to his Memory, against the North Wall of the South Chancel. It represents the Statues of seven Persons in full Proportion, in modern Dresses. His own Figure stands on a Pedestal, with his Lady's on his Right Hand; the Figure of his Son is plac'd on his left, and on her right Hand sits a Daughter lamenting, and under her another Daughter. On the Son's left Hand is also a Daughter; and under her another, all Weeping. Under Sir *Thomas Spencer* is a Tablet, representing the Inscription hereafter-mention'd; and on the right Side of the Tablet, under the Statue of the first Daughter, is another kneeling, her Hand reposed on a Skull; and, beneath her is another praying, laying her Hand on an Hour-Glass; and lower is another. Over all is a Shield of the Arms and Quarterings of the Family; and the Inscription on the Tablet is as follows:

Dedicated

*Dedicated to the immortal Memory
Of*

*Sr. THOMAS SPENCER als SPENSER BARONET. Lord of this Mannor
of Yarrnton, who died the 6th of March 168 $\frac{1}{2}$ aged 46 years.*

*Dame JANE bis Wife (Daughter of Sr. JOHN GARRARD of Lamer in the
County of Hartford Bart.) who died the 30th of April 1712 Aged 74
years and of their 9 Children of whicb*

*5 died in bis Life time (viz) THOMAS. THOMAS. JANE. MARGARET. all
Infants. & WILLIAM who lived to the Age of 26 yrs. was a Gent. of great
bopes, and died unmarried the 13th of Sept: 1683. & 4 survived him
all Daughters and cobetrs. viz*

*JANE married to ROBT. SPENCER L^d. Viscount Tyveot of the Kingd^m. of Scotland
CONSTANCE married to GEORGE MARWOOD Esq; only Son of Sr. HENRY
MARWOOD of Busby in Cleaveland in the County of York Bart.*

*ELIZABETH first marry'd to Sr. SAMUEL GERRARD of Brasserion in the County
of York Knt. afterward to FRANCIS BASSET*

& KATHERINE married to JOHN DORMER of Alcot in the County of Orford Esq;
in Cornwall, Esq;

Sr. THOMAS was of a very ancient and noble Extraction descended frō R. DE SPENSER a Baron in the Time of WILL. the Conquerour & nearly allied to the Right Hon^{ble}. family of the SPENSERS Barons of Wormleighton and Earls of Sunderlaed.

He was a most accomplished Gentleman, truly great, generous hospitable and Charitable, by his last Will be hath charged an inclosed ground in this Parish

Call'd Windmillfield w^{ch} the payment of ten pounds a year for ever to the uses following, (viz.) three pounds to be paid Yearly to the successive Vicars of this Towne upon this condition that they shall every Year, in this Chapel, on the Birth day w^{ch} was New years day, on the day of his death, & on the day of the death of Dame JANE his Wife read the

Morning Service as directed in the Liturgy of the Church of England : and seven pounds a year to be applied to the repairing and beautifying this Chapel and the Monuments of his family if need be, otherwise toward the relief & support of the Poor of this Parish at the discretion of the Vicar & Church wardens for the time being.

The Title of Baronet became extinct on the Death of this Sir Thomas Spencer. His eldest Daughter, *Jane*, lies bury'd at *Tarnton*; and, on an oval black Marble, in an Alabaster Compartment, (above which are two different Shields, each'd charg'd with *Spencer's Arms*, and over each a Viscount's Coronet) is the following Inscription:

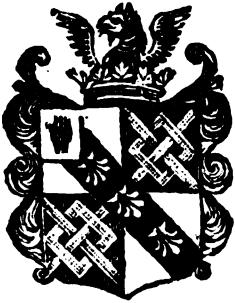
*In hopes of a
joyfull Resurrection
Here lyes JANE
Viscountess TIVEOT Eldest
Daughter of the second Sr. Tho:
Spencer Baronet of this place Wife
to ROBERT Lord Viscount TIVEOT
second Son to William Ld. Spencer
of Wormleighton. Deceased
the 10th of June 1689
Immodicis brevis est Ætas
et rara Senectus.*

For Elizabeth, 3d Daughter, is this Inscription on
a black Marble, on the Ground by the other.

*Here lyeth the Body of
Dame ELIZABTH GERARD
late Wife of
FRANCIS BASSET Esqr.
her second Husband
who died April the 13th
1705
aged 41 Tears
Amisam complete querimur
in qua una Desiderabamus nihil*

For Catharine, 4th and youngest Daughter, is
this, on a like Stone.

*M. S.
Here rests
In hopes of an happy Resurrection
CATHERINE 4th Daughter and Cobeirefs of
Sir THOMAS SPENCER Baronet
who was a second time married to
the Hon^{ble}. GEORGE MORDAVNT
Viscount of Avilon and Baron of Rigate
Deceased May the 26th 1714.
With unavailing Tears he mourns her end
Loosing his Double Comfort Wife and Freind.*
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A R M S.

Quarterly, *Argent and Gules*; in the 2d and 3d, a *Fret, Or*, over all on a *Bend, Sable*, three *Escalops of the first*, with due *Difference*, as a younger *Line*.

C R E S T.

Out of a *Crown, Or*, a *Gryphon's Head between two Wings, Arg.*

Sir JOHN TUFTON of HOTH-
FEILD, Kt. Kent. N^o 61.

(*ead. Die prad.*)

English Earl, viz. Earl of Thanet.

Sir SAMUEL PEYTON of KNOWL-
TON, Kt. Kent. N^o 62.

[*ead. Die prad.*]

HAVING already treated of this Family Page 64, wherein I propos'd to deduce the Descent of Sir *John Peyton*, Kt. 2d Son of Sir *Robert*, and having therein mention'd the said Sir *John* to marry *Dorothy*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Tindal*,
I find

I find it a Mistake, for it should be Sir *John Tindal*, Knight of the *Bath* at the Coronation of Queen *Anne Bullen*.

Which Sir *John Peyton* had by Gift of his Father the Manors of *Calthorpe*, in *Burnam St. Martyns*, and *Knowlton*, (a) in the County of *Kent*; and by the aforesaid *Dorothy* his Wife, left Issue 2 Sons, *Thomas*, and *John*, who was a Person of great Note, and an eminent Soldier in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, as I shall make appear when I treat of him and his Descendants that were created Baronets by King *Charles* the 2d, of whom Sir *Sewster Peyton* of *Downington*, in the Isle of *Ely*, is now living.

The said *Thomas*, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *John*, succeeded to the Estate at *Knowlton*, and was one of those that receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood (at the *Tower*, *May* 4. 1603) from King *James* the 1st, before his Coronation. He departed this Life in the Year 1611, and was bury'd at *Knowlton*, leaving by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Martyn Calthorpe*, Kt. Lord-Mayor of *London*, 4 Daughters that marry'd; and Sir *Samuel Peyton*, Kt. his Son and Heir. He receiv'd Knighthood *May* 15, 1608; and in the same Year his Father deceas'd, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet: He had Issue by *Mary* his Wife, eldest Daughter, and one of the Heirs of Sir *Roger Ashton*, Kt. 3 Sons and 3 Daughters; whereof *Anne*, the eldest, marry'd *Henry Oxenden* of *Herne*, in *Kent*, Esq; Of the Sons, *Samuel*, the 2d, dy'd unmarried; *Edward*, the youngest, left Issue a Son, that lost his Life in the *Dutch Wars*.

Thomas, the eldest, succeeded to the Estate at *Knowlton*, and to his Father's Title. He gave early Demonstrations of his Affections to King *Charles* the 1st, and hazarded his Fortune in his

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(a) *Visit. de Cantii A. D. 1619.*

Service : He endeavour'd all he could, to bring the County of *Kent* (in which he had a good Interest) to join against the Rebels ; but being overpower'd, he was taken Prisoner, and committed to the *Tower* ; and from thence, was transported to *Fersey* : He remain'd 8 Years in Durance, 'till after the Death of his Sovereign, when he was set at Liberty, and permitted to compound for his Estate ; and then retiring to his Seat at *Knowlton*, was still active in the Royal Cause : The Hardships he had undergone, heightning his Displeasure against the Party that oppress'd him ; and tho' he was wary in attempting any Thing against them without a Probability of Success, yet he kept a constant Correspondence with King *Charles* the 2d, in his Exile ; and the Friends of that King in *England*, entrusted him in all their Transactions, and pursu'd his Advice in many weighty Points. The King was so entirely satisfy'd in his Abilities and Conduct, that he nominated him [by Patent bearing Date at *Brussels* March 11, 1659.] among Commissioners, whom he empower'd to treat with his Subjects, and engage as many of them as they could in his Service. In which Commission, he, with others, were so active, and proceeded with that Wariness and Diligence, that most of the Nobility and Gentry in *England* were engag'd, and a Day in *July* (b) fix'd for their Rising ; but the Defeat of *Sir George Booth* and his Party, who were in Arms before the Day prefix'd, crush'd their Design. However, *Sir Thomas Peyton's* Zeal and Diligence met with a Reward from the King, who, by Patent dated at *Brussels*, granted him a third Part of the Farm of the Revenue arising by the Duty on Coals. The Restoration soon after ensuing, he waited on his Majesty in *Kent*,
when

(b) *Cantin. Baker's Chronicle.*

when he pass'd thro' that County from *Holland*, and was very graciously receiv'd, and grew so much in his Favour, that he might have had what he pleas'd; but he chose to live at Ease in the latter Part of his Life, and contented himself in the Enjoyment of the politest Company of that Age, being every Way so much a Gentleman, that his Conversation was coveted and admir'd by all. He departed this Life Anno — and was bury'd in *Westminster-Abbey*, leaving no Male Issue, so that the Title became extinct.

He marry'd 3 Wives; but by the last had no Issue. His first Wife was —, Daughter of Sir *Peter Osborn*, by whom he had 3 Daughters, that liv'd to Womens Estate; *Dorothy*, the eldest, marry'd Sir *Bazil Dixwell* of *Bromehouse*, in *Kent*, Bart. and was Mother of the present Sir *Bazil Dixwell*, Bart. Lieutenant of *Dover-Castle*, and Auditor of the Revenue of the Excise.

Catharine, 2d Daughter marry'd Sir *Thomas Longville* of *Wolverton*, in *Com. Bucks*, Bart. of *Nova Scotia*, and dy'd about six Weeks after.

Elizabeth, youngest Daughter, marry'd *William Longville* of the *Inner-Temple*, Esq; and deceas'd Anno 1715, leaving one Son, *Charles*.

Sir *Thomas*, by his 2d Wife *Esther*, Relict of Sir *William Swan*, had Issue one Son, *Thomas*, who dy'd of the Small-Pox about Years of Age, and a Daughter *Esther*, who marry'd *Thomas Sandys*, Esq;

A R M S and C R E S T,

*The same as the Family of Iselham, (vide Pag. 69.)
a Mullet for Difference.*

Sir

Sir CHARLES MORRISON of CASHIO-
BURY, Kt. Hertf. N^o 63.

(Ead. Die prædict.)

William Morysine, or Morison, (a) of this Family, possess'd Lands at Chardwell, in Com. Ebor, about the Reign of King Hen. 6, which descended to a Son of his own Name, living at the same Place, who by Elizabeth his Wife, Daughter of Roger Leigh of Preston, in Com. Ebor, had Issue Thomas Morysine of Chardwell, and afterwards of the County of Hertford; and marrying a Daughter of Thomas Merry of Hatfeild, in the said County, had 2 Sons, Richard and Fines, and a Daughter ——— marry'd to Stephen Hales of Coventry.

Fines brought up in University-Learning, was Fellow of Peter-House in Oxford; and after having taken his Master's Degree, study'd the Civil Law; and in 1589, at the Age of 23 Years, obtain'd License of the Master and Fellows of his House to travel; (b) and leaving the University, went to London to follow such Studies that might be of Use to him in his Course of Travels. He embark'd at Leigh in Essex, May 1, 1591; and after spending 7 Years in foreign Countries, return'd into Ireland Anno 1598, and became Secretary to Sir Charles Blunt, Lord Lieutenant of that Realm. After his Death, which happen'd about 1614, were publish'd his Travels in a thick Fol. entitled *An Itinerary; containing his ten Tears Travels thro' the twelve Dominions of Germany, Bohmerland, Switzerland, Netherland, Denmark, Poland, England, Scotland, and Ireland, divided in three Parts, Lond.*

1617,

(a) Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.

(b) Wood's Athena, Vol. 1, p. 765.

1617, first written in *Latin*, and afterwards translated into *English*.

Sir *Richard Morysine*, or *Morison*, his Brother, spent likewise several Years in the University of *Oxford*, took a Degree in Arts, afterwards travell'd, and making great Improvement in the *Latin* and *Greek* Tongues, became an accomplish'd Gentleman, and well known among the Great Men of his Time. In 1537, *July* 17, he (being newly return'd from *Padua*) was made Prebendary of *Tatminster secunda*, in the Church of *Salisbury*, and being at length recommended to King *H. 8.*, as a Person of Worth and Parts, was sent by him Embassador to the Emperor *Charles* the 5th; as he was afterwards by King *Edw. 6.* At which Time, he shew'd himself a great Friend to, and a Protector of *Pet. Martyr*, when he encounter'd the *Triumviri* in a solemn Disputation in the Divinity-School; afterwards having the Honour of Knight-hood conferr'd on him, went into *Italy*; and before his Return, dy'd at *Strafsburgh* in *Germany*, (being there in voluntary Exile for the Protestant Religion) *March* 17, 1565. He wrote several Things; was esteem'd a very learned Man; an Encourager of Learning, and very liberal to several noted Scholars: He obtain'd by his own Endeavours (c) a fair Estate, as the Manor of *Whitebury* or *Whicbury*, with all its Appurtenances, in *Wilts* and *Hampshire*; the Manor of *East-Chinolk* in *Somersetshire*, the Manor of *Cashbury* in *Hertfordshire*: (where he had begun to build a stately House) All which descended to his Posterity. He had a natural Son nam'd *Marcellus Morysine*; and by *Bridget* his Wife, Daughter of *John Lord Hussy*; (who afterwards marry'd *Henry* Earl of *Rutland*, and after him, *Francis* Earl of *Bedford*)

(c) *Wood. Ibid.*, p. 81.

ford) one Son, *Charles*, and 3 Daughters; *Elizabeth*, Wife of *William Norrys*, who afterwards marry'd *Henry Clinton*, Earl of *Lincoln*. *Mary*, who marry'd *Bartholomew Hales* of *Chesterfeild*, and *Jane*, wedded to *Edward Lord Russel*, who dy'd without Issue in the Life-time of his Father, *Francis* Earl of *Bedford*.

Which *Charles Morrison*, aforesaid, Son and Heir of *Sir Richard*, receiv'd the Honour of Knight-hood from Queen *Elizabeth*, and finish'd the House his Father began, at *Cashiobury*, in the Parish of *Watford*, a stately Structure in the midst of a Park with beautiful Gardens and Wood-walks, that were much improv'd by the late Earl of *Essex*, to whom the Estate descended; as will hereafter be mention'd. This *Sir Charles Morrison* lies bury'd in *Watford* Church, on the South Side of a Chapel (in the Chancel) which he had built, and a noble Monument is erected to his Memory: On each Side, two Angels sounding Trumpets, a double Arch underneath, in which were five Cherubins; and a Table within the Arch, with this Inscription:

Non Humilii Serpit alata Virtus.

And the Outfides of these Arches are supported two Marble Pillars; and between them are two Tables of black Marble, and this Inscription engrav'd in the first Table.

Virtuti, Honori & aeterna Memoria

Clarissimi & ornatissimi viri Domini Caroli Morrisoni, Equitis Aurati, istius Ecclesiae Patroni hereditarii, & hujus Sacelli Fundatoris, Patris Optimi & longe charissimi, Carolus Morrisonus Eques Auratus, & Baronettus, Pientissimus Filius hanc

hanc Aram Sepulbralem (Supremum Amoris & Pietatis Officium Parenti bene merenti exolvendo) in spem certissimorum gloriosa & beata Resurrectionis pienter & officiosè consecravit.

In the other Table, is this Inscription :

Qui sumptâ in Uxorem Dorotheâ Nicolai Clark, Armigeri, Filiâ, liberos ex eâ duos suscepit adhuc Superstites ; eundem Carolum Filium unicum ; & Filiam itidem unicam Dominam Brigittam, nobilissimâ Viro Roberto, Comiti Suffexia, elocatum.

Obiit pridie Calendas Aprilis Anno à Partu deipara milleesimo quingentesimo nonagesimo nono ; Ætatis suæ quinquagesimo primo.

Underneath these two Tables, his Portraiture lies drawn in Armour, leaning upon his left Elbow, with his Hand upon the Hilt of his Sword ; and under that, are two small Tables in Marble, with this Inscription on the first Table :

Patrem habuit, amplissimum virum, Dominum Richardum Morisonum, Equitem Auratum, omnè nobiliori Literaturâ instructissimum, & multis apud Casarem, aliosque Orbis Christiani Principes Legationibus magna cum laude defunctum.

On the other Table is written,

Matrem, illustrem Heroinam, Dominam Brigidiam, Johannis Baronis Hussey Filiam, Rutlandia & deinde Bedfordia dotali jure Comitissam.

At the End of this Monument stands the Portraiture of Sir Charles Moryson in Armour, (who was his Son) kneeling on his Knee, with a Canopy over

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his Head; and at the West End stands the Effigies of his Daughter *Bridget*, Countess of *Suffex*, with a Canopy over her Head.

The said *Sir Charles Moryson* (Son and Heir of *Sir Charles*) was made Knight of the *Bath* at the Coronation of King *James I*, and was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet 29 *June*, *A. D.* 1611, and leaving Issue an only Daughter, (from whom the present Earl of *Essex* is descended) the Title expir'd with him; his Character, Marriage, and Issue, is set forth by two Inscriptions on a sumptuous Monument, in *Watford Church, Com. Hertf.* erected to the Memory of him and his Lady, with their Effigies curiously wrought in Marble; as also the Effigies of two Sons that dy'd young, and the Daughter before-mention'd. On a Table, within an Arch, is this Inscription:

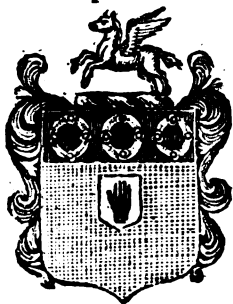
Splendidissimo & clarissimo Viro Domino Carolo Morysono, celeberrimi Ordinis Balnearii Equiti Aurato, & Baronetto, eximiam ejus erga Deum Pietatem, erga Homines Virtutem, Generis Splendores. Ingenii Acumen, egregiam in publicis Provinciæ, in qua florebat Negotiis administrandis Prudentiam, & Dexteritatem, Corporis Venustatem, Morum Suavitatem, & Elegantiam, Humanitatem, & Beneficentiam, bonis omnibus clarissimo, & omni Laude cumulando: Florente adhuc Ætate, postquam viginti & alterum annos, cum amantissima Conjugæ, concordissime & conjunctissime, sine querela, seu nebula ulla, (utroque eorum mutuo amore invicem, ita contendente, ut dubium reliquerent uter in amore superior fuerit) vixisset; immatura morte præcepto dulcissimo & desiderantissimo Conjugi, & Baptista, et Hickso Morysonis suavissimis Filiolis, in ipso Blandissimo Pueritiæ flore extinctis Mariæ pre-nobilis viri Domini Baptisti, Vicecomitis CAMB DEN, & Baronis de Elmingdon, Filia-

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rum altera, uxor desolatissima, & mœstissima Mater, tot domesticis Funeribus contra Votum superstes; hoc mortale Monumentum immortalis Amoris & Pietatis, in spem beatæ Reparationis, & ad gratissimam delectissimi Conjugis & virtutem suarum Memoriam perpetuo colendam & celebrandam, hic, Majorum suorum Conditorio cum Luctu & Lacrimis posuit & consecravit.

In another Table, under the Effigies of his Lady, is written,

Natus est decimo octavo die Aprilis, Anno Salutis humana milleffimo quingentesimo octogesimo septimo; denatus vicesimo die Sextilis, Anno milleffimo sexcentesimo vicesimo octavo; unica tantum Filia superffite Elizabetta, illustri Viro Domino Artburo Capel, ampliffimi Viri Domini Artburi Capel, Equitis Aurati, & Primogenito Filio Nepoti enupta.



ARMS

Or, on a Chief Gules, 3 Chaplets Gold.

CREST

A Pegasus, rising Or.

Sir HENRY BAKER of SISINGHURST, Kt. Kent. N^o 64.

(eod. Die præd.)

THIS Family has been eminent in the County of Kent, ever since the Reign of King

Hen. 8, when Sir *John Baker* was Chancellor of the Exchequer, and one of his Privy-Council. He was sent Embassador in the Year 1526 jointly with *Hemy Standish*, Bishop of *St. Asaph*, to *Denmark*; (a) before which Time, he had receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, and was afterwards made Chancellor, in which Post he continu'd 'til his Death. He was the only Privy-Counsellor that refus'd signing King *Edward's* Will, setting aside the Succession of his Sisters, *Mary* and *Elizabeth*; (b) for which Reason, when Queen *Mary* ascend'd the Throne, she likewise continu'd him Chancellor of the Exchequer, and swore him of her Privy-Council; but no other Preferment was conferr'd on him, by Reason (I presume) of his not complying with her in Religion. He dy'd the same Year that Queen deceas'd, (c) and was succeeded in his Seat and Estate at *Sifingburst* in *Kent*, by *Richard* his Son and Heir, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *John Dingley*, Relict of *George Barret*, by whom he had likewise *John Baker* of *London*, who had Issue Sir *Richard Baker* of *Highgate*, in *Com. Midd.* knighted at *Theobald's May* the 7th. 1603, Author of the Chronicle of the Kings of *England*, and several Treatises. He was educated in *Hart-Hall* in *Oxford*; and in 1620, was High Sheriff of *Oxfordshire*, being then Lord of the Manor of *Middle-Aston*, and other Lands in that County; but having thro' Suretiship (d) much impair'd his Estate, and undergone many Cares and Troubles, he departed this Life the 18th of *February* 1644, in the *Fleet* Prison, and was bury'd in *St. Bride's* Church near *Fleet-street*, *London*. By his Wife *Margaret*, Daughter of Sir *George Manwaring* of *Ight-*

(a) Wood's *Athene Oxon*, Vol. 1. (b) Baker's *Chron.* p. 446.
 (c) Baker *pred.* (d) Wood's *Athene*, Vol. 1.

Ightfeild in *Shropshire*, Kt. he had Issue 2 Sons, *Thomas* and *Arthur*, and 3 Daughters.

Richard, the eldest Son of Sir *John Baker*, resided at *Sifinghurst*, receiv'd the Honour of Knight-hood, and was sworn of the Privy-Council to Queen *Eliz.* He marry'd two Wives; *Mary*, Daughter of ——— *Gifford*, by whom he had 2 Daughters, *Grisogna*, Wife of *Henry Leunard*, Lord *Dacres*, and *Cecilia*, Wife of Sir *Richard Blount*, Kt. Mother of Sir *Charles Blount*. By *Catharine*, his second Wife, Daughter and Heir of *John Tirrel* of *Heron* in *Essex*, he had 2 Sons, *John*, and *Thomas Baker*, who was knighted by King *James* the 1st, at the Charter-House, 1603; and was seated at *Witingham* in *Com. Suff.* and had Issue by *Constantia* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *William Kingmill*, Kt. 2 Sons, *Thomas* and *Richard*, and 2 Daughters.

John, eldest Son of Sir *Richard*, had the Estate at *Sifinghurst*, and by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Thomas Guildford* of *Guildford* in *Kent*, had Issue 2 Sons, *Henry* and *Edward*.

Henry, the eldest, succeeded to the Estate at *Sifinghurst* in *Kent*, and having been knighted, was afterwards advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet 29 June 1611. He marry'd *Catharine*, Daughter of Sir *John Smith* of the County of *Kent*, Kt. but the Title has been extinct in this Family many Years.



A R M S.

*Azure, 3 Swans Heads eras'd
Argent, beak'd Gules.*

C R E S T.

*A dexter Arm erect, Sleeve A-
zure, holding in the Hand a
Club Or.*

ROGER APPLETON of SOUTH-
BEMFLEET, Esq; Essex. N^o 65.

(*cod. Die pred.*)

A Family of this Name was anciently seated in the Western Parts of England, bearing Arms Or, a Fess Sable between three Apples Vert; and in Yorkshire, are 7 Towns call'd Appleton, in Lancashire one, and another in Norfolk; which last, I conceive, gave Appellation to this Family; some of whom were seated at *Waddingfeild-Magna* in that County, in which Church lay *John Appulton*, who dy'd 14 H. 4, A. D. 1416, who, as Principal of the Lineage, bore *Three Apples Gules, Leaves and Stalks Vert*. Near whom also were several others interr'd, viz. *John Appulton*, who dy'd the 9th of April 1481, and *Margaret* his Wife, who dy'd the 4th of July A. D. 1463. *Thomas Appulton* of *Waldingfeild-Magna*, dy'd the 4th of October A. D. 1507. *Margery Appulton* dy'd the 4th of Nov. A. D. 1504, and *Robert Appulton*, Gent. the 27th of Aug. 1526. *Roger Appulton*, 12 of H. 6, was return'd by the Commissioners among the Gentry of the County of *Kent*, and was doubtless a Descendant from the

the *Waddingfield* Stem. But how transplanted thither, we know not, unless by the Marriage of *Isaac*, a *Kentish* Family.

Thomas Appleton, of the County of *Kent*, marry'd *Foyce*, Daughter of *Sir Robert Tirrel* of *Heron*, Kt. with whom he had the Manor of *South-Bemfleet* in *Essex*, which came *inter alia* to the said *Sir John Tyrrel*, by Marriage with *Eleanor*, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs of *Sir William Coggeshal*, Kt. a Descendant from *John de Coggeshal*, who dy'd seiz'd of the said Manor 35 *Edw. 3.* (a) The said *Roger* had Issue by the aforesaid Marriage, *Roger Appleton* of *Darford* in *Kent*, Esq; his Son and Heir, who had also the Manor of *South-Bemfleet*, in the Hundred of *Baystable*. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *John Selyard* of *Wetherden*, in *Com. Suff.* and had Issue by her *Henry Appleton*, his Son and Heir, of *Darford* and *South-Bemfleet* aforesaid, Esq; who had in Marriage *Margaret*, Daughter of *John Roper* of *Kent*, Esq; Attorney-General to King *Hen. 8.* from whom proceeded a Son and a Daughter, *Roger* and *Margaret*, Wife of *John Uffet* of *Somerton*, in *Com. Suff.* Gent.

Roger, only Son, succeeded his Father, [*Henry Appleton*] in his Estate, and espous'd *Agnes*, Daughter of *William Clarke*, Sister and Heir of *Walter Clarke* of *Hadley*, in *Com. Suff.* which Marriage produc'd four Daughters and 5 Sons; 1st, *Henry*; 2d, *William Appleton* of *Kettlebaston* in *Com. Suff.* Ancestor to a Family at that Place; 3d, *Roger*; 4th, *John*; and 5th, *Edward*. The said *Roger* was knighted, and dy'd the 27th of *Feb. 4* and 5 *Queen Mary*, (as appears by Inquisition taken the 6th of *June*, 2d of *Queen Eliz.*) and left *Henry*, his Son and Heir, aged 18 at the Time of Enquiry.

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(a) *Esch. 35 Edw. 3. int. Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.*

Which *Henry Appleton* having marry'd *Faith*, Daughter of *William Cardinal* of *Great Bromley* in *Com. Essex*, Gent. had Issue 2 Sons, *Roger* and *Edward*; also a Daughter *Editb.* He dy'd the 2d of *Novemb. 4 Jac. 1.* at which Time, *Roger*, his Son and Heir, was of the Age of 35 Years.

Which *Roger* being possess'd of the Manor of *South-Bemfleet*, &c. in *Essex*, and likewise of Lands in *Kent*, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet *A. D. 1611*, and departing this Life in the Year 1614, left Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Thomas Mildmay* of *Moulsham* in *Essex*, Ancestor to the Lords *Fitz-Walter*, (who was afterwards Wife of *John Paschall* of *Badow* in *Essex*) a Daughter marry'd to *Francis Goldsmith* of *Darford* in *Kent*, Esq; and a Son,

Sir Henry Appleton of *South-Bemfleet*, Bart. who receiv'd Knighthood in the Life-time of his Father, the 27th of *June 1613*, from King *James I*st at *Greenwich*, and having marry'd _____ Daughter to *Ralph Sheldon* of *Beoley*, in *Com. Wigorn*, Esq; (a noted Collector of *Heraldick Treatises*) had Issue by her (as I presume)

Sir Henry Appleton, Bart. who marry'd *Magdalen*, Daughter of *Sir John Wats*, Kt. Lord-Mayor of *London*, and was Father of *Sir William Appleton*, Bart. who had a Son *Sir Henry Appleton*, Bart. who marry'd a mean Woman, (and, as I am inform'd) run out the whole Estate, and departing this Life about the Year 1709, left a Son, an Infant, whose Name I can't learn.

A R M S.



A R M S.

Argent, a Fess engrail'd Sable, (originally plain) between three Apples slipp'd and leav'd, proper.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath, an Elephant's Head coup'd, Sable, ear'd and tush'd, Or, about his Trunk a Serpent entwinn'd, proper.

Sir WILLIAM SIDLEY of AILES-
FORD, Kt. Kent. N^o 66.

(eod. Die prad.)

THIS Family (of very good Antiquity in the County of Kent) was anciently seated near Romney-Marsh, where there are Lands now call'd Sidley's, and Sidley's Marsh; and afterwards fix'd at Southfleet in the said County, and built a Mansion-Seat there, temp. Edw. 3, as appears by their Arms in an old Hall, and the Date 1337. (a)

John Sidley of Southfleet, was Auditor of the Exchequer; and by his first Wife Elizabeth, Daughter and Co-heir to Roger Jenkes of London, had Issue two Sons. William, eldest Son, High Sheriff of Kent, 1 E. 6; and Martin Sidley of Morley in Norfolk, who marry'd the Daughter and Heir to Mountney of Mountneysing, in Essex; and, by her, was Ancestor to the Sidleys of Norf.

William Sidley aforesaid, marry'd the Daughter and Heir to Roger Grove of London; and had Issue, Sir John Sidley of Southfleet, and Nicholas, who marry'd Jane, Daughter and Heir of Edward Isaack, and

(a) Supplement to *Bevage of England*.

and was Father to Sir *Isaac Sidley* of *Great Chart*, who was created to the Title of Baronet the 14th of *Sept.* 1621, of whom and his Descendants, Mention will be made in the proper Place.

Sir *John Sidley*, of *Southfleet* aforesaid, was High Sheriff of *Kent* 9 *Eliz.* and by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *John Colepepper*, had Issue three Sons: 1st, *William*, 2d, *Richard* of *Southfleet*, and 3d, *John*.

William; (eldest Son of Sir *John*) was created (b) Baronet A. D. 1611, and resided at the Fryars in *Ailesford*, the fair Habitation, saith Dr. *Holland* (in his Additions to *Cambden*) of Sir *William Sidley*, painfully and expencefully studious of the common Good of his Country, as both his endow'd House for the Poor, and the Bridge there, with the common Voice, do testify. He marry'd *Elizabeth*, Relict of *Henry* Lord *Bergaveny*, and Daughter of *Stephen Darell* of *Horsmanden* in *Kent*, Esq; and left Issue Sir *John Sidley*, Bart. who, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and sole Heir of the learned Sir *Henry Savile*, Kt. had Issue three Sons that succeeded to the Title and Estate; viz. Sir *William*, Sir *Henry*, and Sir *Charles Sidley*; the two first dy'd unmarried.

Sir *Charles* was a posthumous Son; a most ingenious Gentleman; who has given the World a Specimen of his Wit and Gallantry, in several Poems, Letters, and Speeches, that he left behind him both in Print and Manuscript: He marry'd *Catherine*, 3d Daughter to *John Savage*, Earl *Rivers*, and had no other Legitimate Issue but one Daughter, so that the Title is extinct.

The said *Katherine* his Daughter, was created for Life (the 20th of *Jan.* 1 *Jac.* 2 1685) to the Title of Countess of *Dorchester*, and Baroness of *Darlington*, in *Com. Dunelm.* She is now marry'd to Sir *David Collyer*, Kt. (created Baron *Portmore* of

(b) *Britannia* in *Kent*.

of the Kingdom of Scotland, and afterwards Earl of Portmore, by King Will. 3) who hath Issue by her 2 Sons, David and ——— But before Marriage, she had two natural Children by King James the 2d: A Son, who dy'd an Infant, and a Daughter nam'd Katherine Darnley, first marry'd to James Annesley, Earl of Anglesey, and secondly to John Sheffeld, the present Duke of Bucks and Normandy.



A R M S.

A Fess Unde, between 3 Goats Heads eras'd Argent, attir'd Or.

C R E S T.

A Goat's Head Coupie of the same.

Sir WILLIAM TWYSDEN, of EAST PECKHAM, Kt. N^o 67.

(eod. Die præd.)

THAT this Family is denominatèd from a Place call'd *Twisden*, a Manor in or near *Gouderst* in *Kent*, several Authorities evince; (a) and Mr. *Philpot*, in his Survey of the County aforesaid, gives an Account, that *Twisden* was possess'd by a Family of the same Name.

Adam de Twisden was living there 21 *Edw. 1.*, and dying without Issue, *John*, his Brother and Heir, succeeded to the Estate; and by *Christiana* his Wife, had Issue *Thomas de Twisden*, who is men-

(a) Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, & Stemmate penes William Twisden, Bar.

mention'd in Deeds in the Reigns of King *Edw. 2.* and King *Edw. 3.*: he was Father to *John de Twysden*, who marry'd *Christiana*, Daughter of ——— *Rogers*, and had Issue *Roger*, his Son and Heir.

Which *Roger Twysden*, Esq; in the Reign of King *Rich. 2.* was Steward of the Abby of *St. Augustine*, a Place of great Trust in those Times; (as *Mr. Philpot* observes) (*b*) and in the 5th Year of King *Hen. 4.* affix'd to a Deed the Signature or Impression of a *Cockatrice* in Wax, which at this Time is the *Crest*, annex'd to the Paternal Coat of the Family. He was also living in the Reign of *Hen. 5.* as appears by several Charters (*c*) with the same Seal appendant. Having marry'd the Daughter and Heir of *Tbo. Chelmington* of *Chelmington*, in *Great Chart* in *Kent*, the Manor of that Name accru'd to him; and *Roger Twysden*, his Son and Heir, made it his Residence.

This *Roger* was 50 Years old 18 *H. 6.* as appears by an Inquisition; and by *Anne* his Wife, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs of *John Baker* of *Coldbam*, in *Folkdefton* in *Kent*, had Issue a Son, *Thomas*, who succeeded him in his Estate.

Which *Thomas Twysden*, Esq; took to Wife *Bennetta*, Daughter of *Richard Lewkenor*, Esq; (Relict of *William Barnes*, and afterwards Wife of *Vincent Finch*) He had Issue by her two Sons, *William* and *Roger Twysden*:

William, the eldest, marry'd ——— Daughter of ——— *Colepeper* of *Wakeburst* in *Suffex*, Esq; and departing this Life without Issue, *Roger*, his Brother and Heir, succeeded to the Estate.

Which *Roger Twysden*, Esq; wedded *Jane*, Daughter of *Christopher Cooper* of *Stone*, and Widow of ——— *Sharp* of *Chart* in *Kent*, and had Issue by her 3 Sons, *William*, *Christopher*, and *Thomas*, who dy'd

(*b*) *Villare Cantianum.*

(*c*) *Ex. Coll. Tho. Jekyl, præd.*

dy'd *Anno* 1590, and lies bury'd in the Church of *Great Chart*, under a Grave-Stone, the Effigies (*d*) of a Youth in a Gown, (with short Hair, his Hands in a praying Posture, and a Sachel under his right Arm) being depicted thereon in Brass.

William Twysden of *Chelmington*, Esq; (eldest Son of *Roger*) encreas'd his Patrimony very considerably; for by Marriage with *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Roydon* of *Roydon-Hall* in *East Peckham* in *Kent*, (by *Margaret Wheatenball* his Wife) he came possess'd of her Father's Estate; (the Seat of his Posterity to this Time) and his Wife surviving him, was afterwards marry'd to *Cuthbert Vaughan*, Esq; and lastly to Sir *Thomas Golding*, Kt. She dy'd *Aug.* 19, 1595, aged 73, and lies bury'd in *Peckham Church*, under a Monument erected to her Memory; she left two Children by her first Husband, *viz.* a Daughter *Margaret*, marry'd to *Richard Deering* of *Pluckley* in *Kent*, Esq; and a Son, *Roger Twysden*, of *Roydon-Hall*, Esq; who was High Sheriff of *Kent* 41 of Queen *Eliz.* and having marry'd *Anne*, eldest Daughter of Sir *Thomas Wyat*, Kt. (who was beheaded in Queen *Mary's* Time, 1553) had Issue 3 Daughters: *Elizabeth*, Wife of *John Ashburnham* of *Brombam*, in *Suffex*; *Margaret*, of *Henry Fane* of *Hadlome* in *Kent*; and *Bennetta*, of *Bathurst* of the same County, Esqs; also 2 Sons, *William* and *Thomas*. The said *Roger*, and *Anne* his Wife, lie bury'd in *Peckham Church*; a fair Monument being erected to their Memory; and the Inscription thereon informs us, that they were both born on the same Day, in 1542, and that she dy'd *June* 4, 1592, aged 50; and he, in *Nov.* 1603, aged 61; and farther sayeth, *That*
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(d) MS. in Biblioth. Harley.

in their Lives they were bless'd of God, and belov'd of Men.

William Twysden, Esq; eldest Son and Heir, succeeded to the Estate at *Roydon-Hall*, and was knighted by King *James* at the *Charter-House* the 11th of *May* 1603, being among those that conducted him to *London* when he came first from *Scotland*, to take Possession of the *English Crown*; and that King afterwards advanc'd him to the Dignity of a Baronet *A. D.* 1611. He had a learned Education, and was well read in the *Hebrew* and *Greek* Languages, which inclin'd him to the purchasing many valuable Manuscripts and Books; for being of a sober Disposition, he knew the Value of the Improvement of the Mind; and having excellent Parts, he determin'd to make himself useful to his Country, both in his Studies, and the Choice of his Company; he set a good Example to the Age he liv'd in, and many were edify'd by his Conversation. The Collections he made, were likewise of Use to the Publick, both in Defence of the Reform'd Protestant Religion, and the ancient Constitutions of the Kingdom. He liv'd to the 63d Year of his Age, when he dy'd much lamented, *Jan.* 8, 1627; and *Anne*, his Lady, who surviv'd him, follow'd *Novemb.* 4, 1638, aged 64. She was Daughter of *Sir Moyle Finch* of *Eastwell* in *Kent*, *Kt.* and *Bart.* and her Mother, who was the sole Daughter of *Sir Thomas Heneage*, *Kt.* (Treasurer of the Chamber, Vice-Chamberlain of the Household, Chancellor of the Dutchie of *Lancaster*, and one of the Privy-Counsellors to Queen *Elizabeth*) was a Lady of such excellent Endowments, that King *James* the 1st advanc'd her to the Dignity of Viscountess of *Maidstone*; and King *Charles* the 1st to a higher Title, creating her Countess of *Winchelsea*; which Honours, were limited to the Heirs of her Body; and the
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Earls of *Wincbelsea*, *Nottingham*, and *Aylesford*, descend from her. •

Sir *William Twyſden* had Issue 5 Sons and two Daughters, that liv'd to Maturity:

1st, *Roger*, his Successor. •

2d, *Thomas*, who was brought up in the Study of the Law; and on the Restauration of King *Charles* the 2d, made one of the Justices of the *King's-Bench*; and being seated at *Bradburn* in *Kent*, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet; of whom, and his Descendants, Mention will be made in the proper Place.

3d *William*, who dy'd unmarried'd *July* the 30th, 1641, aged 36, and lies bury'd at *Bath*.

4th, *John*, who was a Fellow of the College of Physicians at *London*, took his Doctor's Degree in the Faculty, and was a Person of general Learning, as his Works, both in Physick and Mathematicks, which are printed, testify. He likewise wrote *A Disquisition touching the Sybills and Sibilline Writings*, &c. (c) and having liv'd unmarried'd to a great Age, (81) dy'd *Sept.* the 13th, 1688, and receiv'd Sepulture in *St. Margaret's Church Westminster*.

5th, *Francis*, who also deceas'd unmarried'd, aged 63, and was bury'd *A. D.* 1675, in *East-Malling Church* in *Kent*, in a Vault where his Brother, Judge *Twyſden*, was afterwards laid.

Elizabeth Twyſden, eldest Daughter, was marry'd to Sir *Hugh Cholmley* of *Whitby* in *Yorkshire*, Bart. and *Anne*, youngest Daughter, was Wife to Sir *Christopher Telverton* of *Easton Mauduit*, in *Com. Northamp.* Bart. Ancestor to the Lord Viscount *Longueville*; and from a Daughter of the said Lady, the present Earl of *Manchester* descends.

Sir *Roger Twyſden*, Bart. (eldest Son of Sir *William*) was 31 Years old at his Father's Death.

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(c) *Wood's Athena Oxon, Vol. 2. p. 341.*

He obtain'd from King *Charles* the 1st a Charter of Free Warren, to make the Park the House at *Peckham* is at present ſurrounded with. He aſſiſted Mr. *Philpot* in his Survey of *Kent*; and that Author (f) returns him Acknowledgments, as a *Perſon to whom for his learned Conduſt of thoſe his imperfect Labours, thro' the gloomy and perplex'd Paths of Antiquity, and the many Difficulties that aſſaulted him, he was ſignally oblig'd.* He was indeed a Perſon every Way accompliſh'd, well verſ'd in the learned Languages, and exemplary in his Devotion to the eſtabliſh'd Church of *England*. He kept a ſteady Loyalty to his Prince, and deteſting the un- dutiful Behaviour of many of his Subjects, was not content to ſit ſtill, but enter'd with the firſt in oppoſing their arbitrary Proceedings, which drew on him a ſevere Perſecution, and he was confin'd 7 Years a Priſoner, his Eſtate ſequeſter'd, his Timber cut down, and a large Fine paid when he was reſtor'd to his Eſtate; for the Uſurpers permitted him to compound, after they had brought all Things to their own Deſire. When he came again to his Seat, he liv'd retir'd during thoſe troubleſome Times; and his greateſt Comfort, was the converſing with the learned Fathers of the Primitive Church, and the ancient Laws and Conſtitutions of his Country; hoping for a Time when both might be vindicated; which he afterwards ſaw accompliſh'd, having the Satisfaction of ſeeing the Reſtoration. And the *Decem Scriptores* appearing in the World, with ſeveral other Collections were owing to his Endeavours, and he wrote a learned Preface before them; and was the Author of *The Hiſtorical De- fence of the Church of England*. He finiſh'd his Courſe in the 75th Year of his Age, 7 June, A. D.

1672,

(f) *Villare Cantii.*

1672, in the general Esteem of all that knew him, for Sanctity, Innocency, and other Chriſtian Virtues. *Iſabella*, his Wife, youngſt Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Nicholas Saunders* of *Surrey*, Kt. (a Lady of rare Patience and Prudence, in ſtruggling thro' many Troubles and Hardſhips in aſſiſting her Husband in his long Imprisonment) dying before him in the Year 1655, aged 52, and both lie bury'd at *Peckham*, having Iſſue 3 Sons and 3 Daughters.

1ſt, *William*, who ſucceeded to the Title and Eſtate.

2d, *Roger*, educated in the Profeſſion of the Law, who dy'd unmarried Feb. 20, 1676, aged 35.

3d, *Charles*, who travell'd to *Turkey*, the Holy Land, *Egypt*, and ſeveral Courts of *Europe*; was eſteem'd an ingenious Perſon, and took the Degree of Doctor of Phyſick: He dy'd unmarried in the 45th Year of his Age, A. D. 1690.

Anne, eldeſt Daughter, was marry'd to *John Porter* of *Lamberburſt*, in *Com. Cantii*. Eſq; who dying without Iſſue ſoon after his Marriage, ſhe has ſince remain'd a Widow.

Iſabella, 2d Daughter, is now living unmarried. And,

Frances, youngſt Daughter, was marry'd to Sir *Peter Killigrew* of *Arwenæck* in *Cornwall*, Kt. and Bart. and dy'd Anno 1711.

Sir *William Twyſden*, Bart. (eldeſt Son of Sir *Roger*) was born in the Year 1635; and by Reaſon of his Father's Imprisonment, and the Civil Wars, went Abroad very young; and returning back with the Reſtoration of the King, he liv'd for a ſhort Time in *England*, and then travell'd a ſecond Time, both in *France* and *Italy*, whereby he became an accompliſh'd and well-bred Gentleman; and having made many uſeful Obſervations on the Manners and Customs of foreign

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Countries, was the more in Love with his own. He ſerv'd in ſeveral Parliaments, (a) and in the 1ſt of King *James* the ſecond was elected one of the Knights of the Shire for *Kent*.

He lik'd the Company of ſober Perſons, and was averſe to Exceſs or Extreameſ in any Kind. He liv'd as became his Quality, and knew the Bounds between Oeconomy and the Extravagancy of the Age. He employ'd his vacant Hours in the noble Library his Father and Grandfather had furniſh'd; having the ſame Honour for Learning and learned Men, and underſtanding ſeveral Languages himſelf, was delighted in their Converſation.

He dy'd at *London* November 27, 1697, and was bury'd at *Peckham* with his Anceſtors. His Lady, *Frances*, Daughter and Heir of *Jofias Croſs*, Eſq; ſurvives him; a worthy Example in her Love to her Huſband, Tenderneſs for her Children, and Chriſtian Reſignation, in patiently bearing the Loſs of ſeveral of them taken off in the Flower of their Age, in Defence of their Country. They had 9 Sons and 3 Daughters; of whom, thoſe that ſurviv'd to Maturity, were as follow:

Roger, their eldeſt Son, was born in 1666, but dy'd in the Year 1685.

Thomas ſucceeded to the Title and Eſtate.

William is the preſent Baronet.

Charles dy'd Anno 1698, aged 20.

Heneage was a Captain of Foot in Sir *Richard Temple's* Regiment, and being *Aid-de-Camp* to the Duke of *Argyle*, was mortally wounded in the Battel of *Blaregnies*, 1709, in the 29th Year of his Age; to whoſe Memory, a handſome Monument of black and white Marble is erected in the North Iſle of *Westminster-Abbey*, with the following Inſcription: M. S.

(a) Ex Coll. *Brown Willis*, *Arm.*

M. S.

HENEAGII TWISDEN,

Gulielmi Twiſden Baronetti,

Et Franciſca Uxoris,

Filii, natu Septimi,

Qui

In accerrimo illo

Prope Blarenniam Hannonienſem Praelio,

Dum Celiſſimo Fortiſſimoque Principi

Johanni, Argathelique Duci,

Fœderatorum primam Actem dirigente,

Legatus Caſtrenſis aſſiſteret,

‘ Srenne dimicans, occubuit.

‘ Erat

‘ Parentum Optimorum

‘ Proles haudquaquam degener,

‘ Nec indignus tanto Ductore Miles.

‘ Domi

‘ Egregia Comitac ac Benevolentia,

‘ Integritate ac Modestia,

‘ Incorrupta erga Amicos fide,

‘ Summa in Deum & parentes Pietate.

‘ Militia

‘ Fortitudine invicta,

‘ Indefeſſa Laborum Tolerantia,

‘ Mente inter Pericula inconcuſſa,

‘ Spectabilis

‘ Tot tantisque Virtutibus,

‘ Privatis, Civilibus, Bellicis,

‘ Clarus,

‘ Triſte ſui Deſiderium,

‘ Omnibus quibuſcumque innotuerat.

‘ Reliquit;

‘ Illi vero longe triſtiſſimum,

‘ Qui

‘ Conſuetudinis perjucunda

‘ Diurnaque Officiorum Conjunctioſis Memor,

‘ Amico ſuo uſque deſcendo

‘ Honorarium hoc Marmor,

‘ Ingentis Amoris

‘ Monumentum exiguum P.

Obiit, A. D. MDCCIX, Aet. Suae 29.

John, eighth Son, was a Lieutenant in Sir *Cloudsley Shovel's* Ship, and was cast away with him in the 24th Year of his Age, *A. D.* 1707.

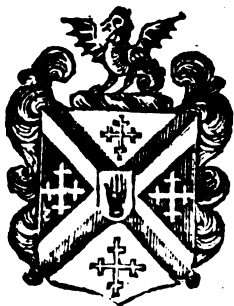
Josias, youngest Son, was a Captain of Foot, and receiv'd a mortal Wound by a Musquet Shot in *Flanders*, Anno 1708, aged 23. They are both commemorated by Inscriptions on two small neat Tables on each Side the aforesaid Monument in *Westminster-Abbey*.

Anne, eldest Daughter of Sir *William Twysden*, dy'd unmarried.

Frances and *Isabella* are both living.

Sir Tho. Twysden, Bart. (2d, but eldest surviving Son of Sir *William*) was 21 Years of Age at his Father's Decease; and soon after travell'd into *France*, during the short Interval of the Peace of *Reswick*. He marry'd (in the Year 1710) *Catharine*, Daughter and sole Heir of Sir *Francis Withers*, Kt. one of the Judges in the *King's-Bench*, and departing this Life the 10th of *October*, 1712, left one Daughter, born in *Decemb.* 1711; and *Catharine*, another Daughter, is born since his Decease; so that the Title and Estate descended to his Brother,

Sir William Twysden, Bart. who hath marry'd *Jane*, Daughter of *Francis Twysden*, Esq; youngest Son of *Sir Thomas Twysden* of *Bradburn*, Bart. (one of the Justices of the *King's-Bench*, before-mention'd) and hath Issue 3 Sons, *William*, *Thomas*, and *Philip*, who was born *Sept.* 17, 1713; also two Daughters, *Anne* and *Jenny*.



A R M S.

Party per Salteir, *Argent* and *Gules*; a Salteir between 4 *Crosses cross'd*, all counter-chang'd.

C R E S T.

A *Cockatrice* Seijeant, *Gules* proper.

Sir

Sir EDWARD HALES of WOODCHURCH,
Kt. Kent. N^o 68

(*cod. Dię prad.*)

THE Town of *Hales* in the County of *Norfolk*, in all Likelyhood, gave Name to this ancient Family ; for *Roger de Hales* (19 *H.* 2) gave a Tenement, which he was possess'd of in the said Town, to the *Abbey of Bungey* (a) in that County ; and another *Roger de Hales*, 18 *Edw.* 1, was return'd by the Sheriff of *Norfolk*, (b) as a Knight or Freeman, on the Jury, in a Cause between the King, the Bishop of *Norwich*, and *Robert Tate-shale*, &c. whom I take to be the same Person, whose Daughter *Alice* was so beautiful, as to captivate *Thomas of Brotherton*, Earl of *Norfolk*, and *Marshal*, one of the younger Sons to King *Edward* 1 ; from which Marriage proceeded *Margaret*, who was created Dutcheſs of *Norfolk* for Life, 21 *R.* 2, from whom, by the Lord *Segrave*, her Husband, the illustrious House of the *Howards* descend, enjoying the Dukedom of *Norfolk*, and the hereditary Earl-Marſhalſhip of *England*.

By what Means the Family came into *Kent*, doth not appear ; but that they gave Name to their Habitation in *Halden*, call'd from them *Hales-Place*, Mr. *Philpot* voucheth in his Survey of *Kent*. From whence, (saith he) as from their Fountain, the several Streams of the *Hales's*, that in divided Rivulets have spread themselves over the whole County, did break forth. (c)

Nicholas Hales of *Hales-Place*, had Issue Sir *Robert Hales*, who was Knight-Prior of the Hospital

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(a) *Mon. Angl. Vol. i.* (b) *Ryley's Placit. Earl. p. 46.*
(c) *Philpot's Will. Cant.*

of *St. John of Jerusalem*, and Admiral of the North Parts of *England* in the Reign of *K. Edward 3*, and was constituted Treasurer of *England* 1 *Feb. 4. R. 2*; (d) but in the same Year had the hard Fate, in the Beginning of the Insurrection under *Wat Tyler*, (call'd afterwards *Jack Straw*) to be dragg'd from his Habitation, and suffer Death on *Tower-Hill*, and his House at *Hybury*, built like another Paradise, was utterly destroy'd in that popular Fury, as the Chronicler testifies. (e)

Sir *Nicholas de Hales*, Kt. Brother to this Sir *Robert*, left Issue *Thomas de Hales* of *Hales-Place*, who had 3 Sons, 1. *John*, 2. *Thomas*, (from whom descended *Stephen Hales* of *Newland* in *Warwickshire*, Son and Heir of Sir *Charles Hales*, Kt.) 3. *Henry*, whose Son *George* was of *Ledenham* in *Kent*, and was Father to *Edward Hales* of *Rumford* in *Essex*.

John, the eldest Son, was possess'd of *Hales-Place*, and was succeeded therein by *Henry Hales* his Son and Heir, who took to Wife *Julian*, Daughter and Heir of *Richard Capel* of *Lenden* in *Tenterden*, Esq; and had Issue two Sons, *John* hereafter mention'd, and *Thomas*, who was Father of Sir *Christopher Hales*, a noted Lawyer in the Reign of *K. H. 8*, having been Solicitor-General, Attorney-General, and Master of the Rolls to the said King. (f)

John aforelaid (eldest Son and Heir of *Henry Hales* of *Hales-Place*) had Issue a Son of his own Name, *John Hales*, who study'd the Law at *Grays-Inn*, of which Society he became Autumnal Reader 5 *H. 8*; and 1 *Octob. 1523*, the 14th Year of that King's Reign, was constituted third Baron of the Exchequer, and afterwards, viz. *May 14, 1529*, 20 *Hen. 8*, second Baron of the Exchequer. He was seated at the *Dungeon* near *Canterbury*, and had Issue *James*, his Son and Heir. Which

(d) *Dugdale's Orig. Jurid.* (e) *Twisden Dec. Scripior. Ce.*
2634 & seq. in *Knighston.* (f) *Dugdale's Orig.*

Which *James* likewise study'd the Law at *Grays-Inn*, and having been Autumnal Reader, 24 *H. 8.*, was chosen double *Lent-Reader*, 28 *Henry 8.*, and Serjeant at Law the 35th of that Reign; (g) and was made on the Coronation of King *Edw. 6.*, one of the forty-Knights, after he was crown'd, the Ceremonies of the *Bath* being omitted for Want of Time. (h) In the 3d Year of that Reign he was constituted one of the Justices of the Common-Pleas, and was the only Judge that refus'd to subscribe the King's Will for disinheriting the Ladies *Mary* and *Elizabeth*; yet, in the next Reign, by the Influence of *Stephen Gardner*, Bishop of *Winchester*, (i) and Lord Chancellor, he was committed to Prison, and hardly us'd, for urging the Observation of some Laws of King *Edw. 6.*; and tho' the Queen, in Consideration of his Fidelity to her Interests, order'd his Release, yet he afterwards grew melancholy, and in that Change drown'd himself, near his House in *Kent*, Anno 1555. He left Issue by his Wife ——— Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Hales* of *Henley* upon *Thames*, in *Com. Oxon.*, 2 Sons and a Daughter.

Humphrey, his eldest Son, had the Seat and Estate of the *Dungeon* near *Canterbury*, and was Father to Sir *James Hales*, knighted by Queen *Eliz.* at *Cobham-Hall*, in *Sept.* 1573, Progenitor to several Branches of the *Hales's* in *Kent*.

Edward, 2d Son of Judge *Hales*, was seated at *Tenterden*, and by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter to *John Honeywood* of *Seen* in *Kent*, had Issue 2 Daughters, *Jane*, Wife of Sir *John Honeywood* of *Elmsted*, Kt. and *Elizabeth*, marry'd to *William Austin* of *Tenterden*, Esq; likewise 3 Sons, *John* and *Edward*, who left no Issue, 3. *William*, who was Successor both to his Father and Brothers in the Estate at *Tenterden*; and having marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter to

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(g) *Dugd. Orig. prad.* (h) *Nom. Equit. in Bibl. Cotton.*(i) *Fuller's Worthies.*

Paul Johnson of *Netbercot* in the Isle of *Thanet*, Esq; had two Daughters, *Mary* and *Elizabeth*, and one Son, *Edward*.

Which *Edward Hales* became possess'd of a good Estate, by Marriage with *Deborah*, Daughter and Heir of *Martin Harlackenden* of *Woodchurch*, Esq; and having receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet 29 *June*, A. D. 1611. He serv'd in several Parliaments, and being strictly devoted to the Liberty of the Subject, took Part with those that rais'd the Rebellion against King *Charles* I. He dy'd in the Year 1654, and lyes bury'd at *Tunstal*, under a noble Marble Monument, with his Effigies cut in full Proportion. He had Issue by the aforesaid *Deborah* 4 Sons, *John*, *Samuel*, *Edward*, and *Thomas*; and having bury'd her, marry'd a 2d Wife, *Martha*, Daughter of Sir *Matthew Carew*, Kt. and Relict of Sir *James Cromer* of *Tunstal*, Kt. whereby he added a fine Estate to his Family.

John, his eldest Son, having marry'd *Christian*, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs of the aforesaid Sir *James Cromer*, dy'd in the Life-time of his Father, and left Issue,

Sir *Edward Hales*, Bart. who, in his younger Years, risk'd his Person and Fortune, in endeavouring the Rescue of King *Charles* I, from his Imprisonment in the Isle of *Wight*, and from the Hands of those desperate Men that brought him to the Scaffold; of which Enterprize my Lord *Clarendon* gives the following Relation: " Mr. L' E. " *Arange* [the famous Sir *Roger*] (says he) (k) had " a great Friendship with a young Gentleman, " Mr. *Hales*, who liv'd in *Kent*, and was marry'd " to a Lady of a noble Birth and Fortune, he being Heir to one of the greatest Fortunes in that " Country, but was to expect the Inheritance from " the

(k) Hist. Rebel. Eng. vol. 5. p. 134.

“ the Favour of an old severe Grandfather, who,
 “ for the present, kept the young Couple from
 “ running into any Excess; the Mother of the
 “ Lady being of as sour and strict a Nature as
 “ the Grandfather, and both of them so much of
 “ the Parliament Party, that they were not wil-
 “ ling any Part of their Estates should be hazard-
 “ ed for the King. At the House of this Mr.
 “ Hales Mr. *L' Estrange* was, when, by the Com-
 “ munication which that Part of *Kent* always hath
 “ with the Ships which lye in the *Downs*, the Re-
 “ port first did arise, That the Fleet would pre-
 “ sently declare for the King; and those Sea-men
 “ which came on Shore, talk'd as if the City of
 “ *London* would join with them. This drew ma-
 “ ny Gentlemen of the Country, who wish'd
 “ well, to visit the Ships, and they return'd more
 “ confirm'd of what they had heard. Good Fel-
 “ lowship was a Vice spread every where; and
 “ this young great Heir, who had been always
 “ bred among his Neighbours, affected that which
 “ they were best pleas'd with; and so his House
 “ was a Rendezvous for those who delighted in
 “ that Exercise, and who every Day brought him
 “ the News of the good Inclinations of the Fleet
 “ for the King; and all Mens Mouths were full
 “ of the general Hatred the whole Kingdom had
 “ against the Parliament, as well as the Army.”

In this Posture of Affairs, Mr. *L' Estrange* easily
 induc'd Mr. *Hales* to put himself at the Head of
 his own Country, that was willing to be led by
 him; and his Lady, who was full of Zeal for the
 King, joining with him, the young Gentleman
 resolv'd to do somewhat for his Majesty's Service,
 at a Juncture when the *Scots* were ready to march
 into *England*, and most Parts of the Kingdom ready
 to rise; but being not enough conversant in the
 Affairs of the World, he referr'd himself and the
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whole Business to be govern'd by Mr. *L' Efrange*, who was believ'd, by his Discourse, to be an able Soldier. Accordingly, Letters were sent to particular Gentlemen, and Warrants to the Constables of Hundreds, requiring, " In his Majesty's Name, " all Persons to appear at a Time and Place appointed, to advise together, and lay hold on such Opportunities as should be offer'd for relieving the King, and delivering him out of " Prison." And meeting accordingly, they unanimously elected Mr. *Hales* for their General, declaring, They would be ready to join, and march as he directed: And, accordingly, a good Body of Horse and Foot were drawn together at *Maidstone*, Mr. *Hales* having taken up, on his own Security, near 80000 *l.* to defray the Expence; *(l)* and they were so strong, that the Commander of the Parliament Forces sent to suppress them, wrote Word, That he durst not advance. On the News of this Commotion, (the first in the Kingdom) the Earl of *Norwich* was dispatch'd to *Kent*, to command as General. Upon which Mr. *Hales* retir'd, with his Friend Mr. *L' Efrange*, to *Holland*; not that his Affection was in the least declin'd, but being threaten'd by his Grandfather on the one Side, and his Wife by her Mother, on the other, he was willing to put his Wife out of Reach of her Mother, resolving to return himself, and venture his Person in the Service; which he did after heartily endeavour to do; *(m)* but that Body rais'd in *Kent*, being afterwards dispers'd by Faction and ill Counsel, he remain'd in *Holland*, and was ever after forc'd to abscond, and, for the most Part, live beyond the Seas, on Account of the great Debts he contracted for the King's Service. He dy'd in *France*, some Years after the Restoration, and left Issue by his Lady, one of the Daughters and

(l) *Ex Inf. Dom. Johan. Hales, Bar.* *(m)* *Clar. Hist. præd.*

and Coheirs of *Thomas Lord Wotton, Edward*, his Successor, *John*, now living, of the *Inner Temple*, Esq; *Charles* and *Thomas*, who dy'd unmarried.

Sir Edward Hales, Bart. (Son and Heir of *Sir Edward*) was in much Favour with King *James 2.* Under which King he had a Regiment of Foot, was one of his Privy Council, and one of the Lords of the Admiralty, Deputy-Governor of the Cinque-Ports, and Lieutenant-Governor of the Tower of *London*. At the Revolution brought about by his Majesty King *William*, he was confin'd for a Year and an half in the Tower; (m) and on his Release went to *France*, was at *La Hogue*, to embark for *England*, when Admiral *Russell* burnt the *French Ships*; and, in Consideration of his Services, was created Earl of *Tenterden* in *Kent*, by the late King *James*, whilst he was in that Kingdom, where he dy'd, and was bury'd in the Church of *St. Sulpice* in *Paris*. He marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of *Sir Francis Windibank*, and had Issue 5 Sons and 7 Daughters. Of the Sons, the present *Sir John Hales* and *James* only survive. *Edward*, the eldest, was kill'd at the Battel of the *Boyn*, fighting for King *James* the 2d. *Charles* and *Robert* liv'd to Mens Estate, and dy'd unmarried. Of the Daughters,

Anne is living, unmarried.

Mary marry'd ——— *Bauwens*, Esq; Judge of the Admiralty at *Ostend*.

Frances marry'd the Rt. Hon. *Peter* Earl of *Fingall* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

Jane, *Elizabeth*, and *Catharine*, are likewise unmarried. And *Clare* wedded Mr. *Hussey* of the Kingdom of *Ireland*.

Sir John Hales, Bart. now living, hath marry'd two Wives, *Hellen*, Daughter of *Sir Richard Bealing* of the Kingdom of *Ireland*; and another *Hellen*,
Daughter

(m) Ex Inform. Dom. J. Hales præd.

Daughter of *Samuel Bagnall* of the *Newry* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, Esq; By the former he hath Issue now living, two Sons, *Edward* and *John*, and a Daughter, *Frances*, marry'd to *George-Henry* the present Earl of *Litchfield*. By his present Lady he hath Issue three Sons, *James*, *Alexander*, and *Philip*.



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Gules, three broad Arrows Or, Feather'd Argent.

C R E S T.

An arm'd Arm embow'd proper, garnish'd Or; bounded about with a Ribbon Gules, holding an Arrow headed and feather'd Argent.

WILLIAM MONYNS of WALTERSHIRE, Esq; Kent. N^o 69.

(eod. Die prad.)

THIS Family is descended from Sir *Simond Monins*, Kt. of the Castle of *Navon* in *Normandy*, (a) who had two Sons, *Theobald* and *Stephen*; the latter marry'd *Anabella*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Hugh Mountford*, and had Issue Sir *Alexander*, who marrying *Joselyn*, the Heir of Sir *Robert Poulton*, Kt. had that Inheritance. His Son *Simon* was of *Dover*, and was Father of *Robert Monins*, who marry'd one of the Heirs of *Craythorn*, and had Issue three Sons, *John*, *Thomas*, and *Solomon*. *John*, the eldest, marry'd *Mabell*, the Daughter and Heir of *Bartholomew Pysinge*, and had

(a) Ex Stemmate hujus Fam. penes Tho: Monyns de Lond.

had two Sons, *William*, who dy'd in Ward, and *John*, who marrying *Joan* the Heir of *Sholden*, was Father of *Symond*, *John*, and *Thomas*. *Symond* marry'd one of the Heirs of *Halden*, and was the first writ of *Waldworthshire*; he had Issue *Nicolas*, who marry'd one of the Heirs of *Bewfield*, was Father to *John*, *Richard* of *Byttenden*, and *Stephen* of *St. Margaret's* of the *Cliffe*, Esq; The said *John Monyns*, by his Wife, one of the Daughters and Coheirs of ——— *Colby*, had Issue 4 Sons; whereof *Robert* was his Heir, who had in Marriage one of the Heirs of *John Greenford*, Esq; and was Father of *John* written of *Swanton*; who had 2 Sons, *Edward*, and *John*, Lieutenant of the Castle of *Dover*; from whom descended *Thomas Monins* of *Dover*, now living, Father of *Thomas* of *London*, and *Richard*, now of *St. John's* College, *Cambridge*, and *William*, Brother of the said *Thomas* of *Dover*, had Issue *William*, now living.

Edward, the eldest Son of the aforesaid *John*, was written of *Waldworthshire*: He marry'd *Parnell*, Daughter and Heir of *Anthony Leverick* of *Hearne*, Esq; and had Issue *Richard Monyns* of *Saltwood* Castle, who dy'd Anno 3 *Eliz.* and by his Wife *Catharine*, Daughter of *Thomas Stydolffe*, had 2 Sons, *John* of *Swanton*, who dy'd without Issue, and Sir *Edward Monyns*, Kt. who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Thomas Lovelace*, and was Father of

Sir *William Monyns*, who was created a Baronet June 29, A. D. 1611; and having marry'd *Jane*, Daughter of *Roger Twysden*, Esq; had Issue several Sons and Daughters, *Edward*, *Thomas*, *John*, and *William*. Of his Daughters, those that marry'd were *Anne*, Wife of Sir *Richard Bettefon*, Kt. and *Jane*, of Sir *Timothy Thornbill*, Kt. *Edward*, the eldest Son, succeeded to the Title and Estate, and dying without Issue Male, the Title became extinct. He had a Daughter *Susan*, who marry'd *Peregrine*,

Peregrine, the second Son of *Montague* Earl of *Lindsey*.



A R M S.

Gules, three Crescents Or.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath a Crescent Or.

Sir THOMAS MILDMAI of MOULSHAM-
HALL in Chelmsford, Kt. *Essex*.

N^o 70.

(*ead. Die prad.*)

THIS Family is said to descend from *Hugh Mildmey*, who was living *Anno* 13 King *Stephen*, (a) and had Issue *Robert* his Son and Heir, mention'd 19 *H.* 3, who had two Sons, *Roger* and *Herbert Mildmey*.

Roger was written of *Hamleton*, 12 *Edw.* 1; and from him, after three Generations, descended *Henry Mildemey*, styl'd of *Stonehouse* in *Com Gloucest.* 24 *Edw.* 3, from whom, in the fifth Descent, was *Walter Mildmay* of *Writtle* in *Essex*, who by his Wife, a Daughter of ——— *Everard*, had 2 Sons, *John* (who left only 2 Daughters his Co-heirs) and *Thomas Mildemay*, who had a Grant from King *Henry* 8, in the 29th Year of his Reign, of the *Manour* of *Chelmsford* in *Essex*, Parcel of the Possessions of the *Priory* of *Essing-Spittle* in *London*: He had
by

(a) *Chauncy's Hertf. & Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.*

by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter of — *Read*, 4 Sons and 5 Daughters.

Thomas, his eldest Son, marry'd *Hawise*, Daughter of *William Gunston* of *London*, and had Issue by her 7 Sons and 8 Daughters. He departed this Life the 21st of *September* (8 *Eliz.*) 1566, and his Wife *October* 8 the Year after, and both of them were bury'd in the Church of *Chelmsford*.

Thomas Mildmay (eldest Son and Heir of the said *Thomas*) was knighted by Queen *Elizabeth*, and resided at *Moulsham-Hall* in *Chelmsford*; and having marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of *Henry Ratcliff*, Earl of *Suffex*, departed this Life 26 *July*, 1608, leaving Issue a Daughter, *Anne*, Wife of Sir *Roger Appleton*, Bart. *Thomas Mildmay*, Heir to the Bulk of his Estate, *Henry Mildmay*, and *Anthony*, (b) Carver to King *Charles* the 1st, who carefully and constantly attended him during his Imprisonment in the *Isle of Wight*, and in *Hurst-Castle*, and with Mr. *Herbert*, (afterward Sir *Thomas Herbert*, Bart.) were the two authoriz'd to bury the King.

Thomas, the eldest Brother of the said *Anthony*, succeeded to the Estate at *Moulsham-Hall*, receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood from King *James*, and afterwards the Dignity of a Baronet, 29 *June* A. D. 1611. He marry'd two Wives, *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *John Puckering*, Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal of *England*, and *Anne*, Daughter of — *Savile*; but by neither of them left Issue; so that the Title became extinct, but the Estate descended to *Henry*, his Brother and Heir; who was knighted, and resided at *Woodham-Walter* in *Essex*; and after his Brother's Death, and the Decease of *Edward* Earl of *Suffex* and Lord *Fitzwater*, laid Claim, Anno 1640, (by Reason of his Descent in Blood from *Elizabeth*, sole Daughter and Heir to *Walter*

(b) *Wood's Athena Oxon*, Vol. 2.

Walter Lord Fitzwater) to the Title of Lord Fitzwater; and *Benjamin*, his Grandson and Heir, had Summons to Parliament (22 Car. 2) as Lord Fitzwater; and *Charles*, his Son and Heir, now enjoys the Title.



A R M S.

*Three Lyons rampant Azure,
arm'd and langued Gules.*

C R E S T.

A Lyon of the same.

Sir WILLIAM MAYNARD of EASTANES-
PARVA, Kt. Essex. N^o 71

(eodem Die prad.)

English Baron, viz. Lord MAYNARD.

HENRY LEE of QUARENDON, Esq;
Bucks. N^o 72

(eodem Die prad.)

English Earl, viz. Earl of LITCHFIELD.

Sir

Sir ROBERT NAPIER of LUTON-
HOO, Kt. Bedf. N^o 73

(Sept. 24, A. D. 1611. R. Jac. 9.)

Several Pedigrees, (a) and the Certificate of Sir Archibald Napier of Merchiston in Scotland, Kt. Deputy-Treasurer of that Kingdom, and of the Privy-Council to King Charles 1, declare this Family to be descended from the antient Earls of Lenox, created to that Title in the Reign of Malcolm 3, about the Year 1057, the Surname of Napier being taken from the following Event :

King David Bruce of Scotland, in his Wars with the English, convocating his Subjects to Battel, the Earl of Lenox sent Donald, his second Son, with such Forces as his Duty oblig'd him to: And coming to an Engagement, and the Scots giving Ground, this Donald snatch'd his Father's Standard from the Bearer, and valiantly encountring the Enemy with the Lenox Men, chang'd the Fortune of the Battel, and obtain'd the Victory: Whereupon every one advancing, and reporting their Acts, (as the Custom was) the King declared, That they had all done valiantly, but that there was one amongst them who had *Na' Pier* [no Equal]: Upon which, the said Donald took the Name of Napier, and had, in Reward of his Service, the Land of Gosfeild, and other Estates in Fyfe.

Alexander Earl of Lenox, elder Brother to this Donald, had two Great Grand-daughters Coheirs to his Grandson; the eldest married Sir John Monteith of Rosco, who was Earl of Lenox during his natural Life, according to the Laws and Cust-

A a oms

(a) Ex Stem. penes Sir Nath. Napier, Bar^t. de Com. Dor^s. & Tho. Jekyl, Arm.

oms of the Country, but having no Issue by her, the Earldom of *Lenox* came to the Descendants of the youngest, who married *Allan Steuart* Lord *Darnley*, whose Heir-Male in the sixth Descent, *Matthew* Earl of *Lenox*, was Father to *Henry* Lord *Darnley*, who had Issue *James I.* King of *Great Britain*.

The beforemention'd *Donald*, who took the Name of *Napier*, had several Sons; *Alexander*, the eldest, had the Land of *Gosfeild*; and his Grandson, *Sir Alexander Napier*, was written of *Merchiston*, (his Habitation) and was succeeded therein by *Sir John Napier*, his Son and Heir, who added greatly to his Possessions, by Marriage with the Granddaughter and Coheir of the aforesaid *Sir John Monteith*, Earl of *Lenox*, who had a Son by his first Wife, the Daughter and Heir of *Rosco*; and great Conteſts aroſe after his Death about the Title and Honour of *Lenox*, between the Lord *Darnley*, the House of *Glenegis*, who had married the eldest Granddaughter of the ſaid *Sir John Monteith*, and *Sir John Napier* aforesaid, but *Sir John* relinquish- ing his Claim and Suit, had the Lands of *Rosca*, and *Blair Invaſes*; and the Lord *Allan Darnley*, in Teſtimony of Affection to the *Napiers* of *Merchiston*, and in return of their Renunciation to the Claim of the Earldom of *Lenox*, oblig'd himſelf, and his Heirs, to ſupport and maintain the ſaid Houſe of the *Napiers*, and their Heirs, in all juſt Pretenſions and Engagements, as appears by Evi- dence remaining in the Family at *Merchiston*.

Archibald Napier, Son and Heir of the ſaid *Sir John*, was living *Temp. Jac. II.* of *Scotland*, and ha- ving married a Daughter of *S. Douglas* of *Whitting- ham*, had Issue *Sir Alexander Napier*, Kt. who ſuc- ceeded his Father at *Merchiston*, and by his Wife, Siſter to *Robert Steuart*, Earl of *Athol*, had Issue three Sons, *Sir Alexander*, *James*, and *John*; the latter
came

came into *England Temp. H. 7*, and is Ancestor to the *Napiers of Oxfordshire and Dorsetshire*.

From Sir *Alexander*, the eldest, descended Sir *Archibald Napier of Merchiston*, Kt. Deputy-Treasurer of *Scotland*, &c. who testify'd under his Hand and Seal of Arms, dated the first Day of *June*, 1625, That Sir *Robert Napier*, Kt. and Baronet, Sir *Nathaniel Napier*, and others therein specify'd, were of his Kindred and Blood, allowing them to bear his *Arms, Crest, and Supporters*, with due Difference.

The said Sir *Robert Napier*, Kt. and Bart. was Grandson of the last mentioned Sir *Alexander Napier of Merchiston*, who had two Sons of the Name of *Alexander*; the eldest was Great-Grandfather to the said Sir *Archibald*; and the youngest, for Distinction, was call'd *Sandy*, and having spent part of his Youth in foreign Parts, came into *England*, and settled at *Exeter*, and by *Ann* his Wife, Daughter to *Edward Birchley of Herefordshire*, had Issue four Daughters, and three Sons:

1. *John*, whose Daughter and Heir *Ann* became the Wife of *Matthew Stoker of Basingstoke*.

2. Sir *Robert Napier*, who purchas'd the Estate at *Luton-Hoo* in *Bedfordshire*, (a fine Seat, with a Park, in the Parish of *Luton*, that was antiently the Possessions of the Family of *Hoo*) and was knighted by King *James I.* in his Progress Anno 1611, and farther advanc'd by the said King to the Dignity of a Baronet, *Sept. 24, 1612*: He married two Wives, *Margaret*, Daughter to *Richard Barnes*, Citizen and Mercer of *London*; and *Mary*, Daughter to *John Robinson*, Merchant, and had Issue *Robert, Richard, Alexander, Christiana, Sarah, and Magdalen*.

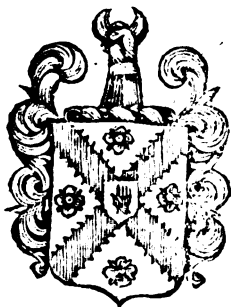
Robert, the eldest Son, received the Honour of Knighthood from King *James I.* at *Whitehall*, *April 30, 1623*, in the Life-time of his Father, and as-

terwards succeeded him in the Estate and Title: He married two Wives, *Frances*, Daughter of Sir *William Thornhurst* of Kent, Kt. by whom he had a Son *Robert*, and a Daughter *Frances*: And secondly, *Penelope*, Daughter of *John Egerton*, first Earl of *Bridgewater*, by whom he had two Sons, *John*, and *Alexander*; he settled his Estate on *John* and *Alexander*, his Sons by the second Marriage, and surrender'd his Patent of Baronet, to the Intent the said Dignity should be granted to himself, with Remainder to the said *John* and *Alexander*, but dying in the Year 1660, before a new one pass'd the Seals, *John*, the eldest Son aforesaid, being possess'd of the Estate, had the Patent granted to him by his Majesty King *Charles II.* bearing Date, *March 4, 1660*, whereby he was created to the Degree of a Baronet, with Precedency according to the Patent his Father surrender'd, with Remainder to *Alexander*, his Brother, and his Heirs Male, and likewise to the Heirs Male of Sir *Robert Napier*, Kt. Grandfather to him the said *John*.

Which Sir *John Napier*, Bart. was elected Knight of the Shire for the County of *Bedford*, in the — Year of the Reign of King *Charles II.* and having afterwards the Misfortune of receiving two Falls from his Horse, was so craz'd that a Commission of Lunacy was awarded against him; and dying in the Year 1712, left Issue by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Theophilus Biddulph*, Baronet, (Sister to Sir *Michael*) four Sons, *Theophilus*, *Archibald*, *Edward*, and *Alexander*, (since dead) with two Daughters, *Susan*, who married *John Higb Lord*, Esq; and *Frances*, unmarried.

Theophilus, eldest Son and Heir, succeeded to the Title and Estate, and afterwards married *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *John Rotheram*, Esq; but as yet hath no Issue surviving.

A R M S.



A R M S.
*Argent, a Saltire ingrailed between
 4 Roses Gules, with due difference.*

C R E S T.
*On a Wreath, a Cubit-Arm vested
 Gules, turned up Argent, holding
 in an Hand proper, a Crescent of
 the first.*

S U P P O R T E R S.
Two Eagles close.

PAUL BAYNING of BENTLY-PARVA,
Esq; Essex. N^o 74

(eod. Die prad.)

English Viscount, viz. Viscount BAYNING.

Sir THOMAS TEMPLE of STOW, Kt.
Bucks. N^o 75

(eodem Die prad.)

English Baron, viz. Lord COBHAM.

THOMAS PENYSTON of LEIGH, Esq;
Suffex. N^o 76

(eodem Die prad.)

THIS Family is said to be descended from
 Sir Thomas de Penynton of Truro in Cornwall,
 who was living in the Time of William the Con-
 queror, (a) and had Issue 3 Sons, Sir John de Penynton,
 A a 3 Thomas,

(a) Ex Stemmate in Collect. Tho. Jekyll Arm. & Sing. Segar.

Thomas, and *William*; and the said *John*, with *William* his Brother, are Witnesses to the Foundation-Charter of the Nunnery of *Kirkleys*, in *Com. Ebor.* made by *Reimes Flandrensis*.

Sir Giles Penynton, Kt. the 4th in Descent from *Sir John*, built *Penynton* in *Com. Ebor.* and enjoyed great Possessions in *Cornwall* by *Isabel* his first Wife; but *Sir Geoffery*, his Son and Heir, (who resided at *Penynton*, *Temp. H. 3.*) was by his second Wife *Maud*, Daughter of *Richard* Lord *Harcourt*; and *Edmond Penynton*, Grandson to the said *Sir Geoffery*, was by Marriage with *Beatrix*, Daughter and Heir of *Sir Geoffery Falconberg*, (second Son to the Lord *Falconberg*) possess'd of the Mannor of *Beconsfeild*, in *Com. Bucks* (*Temp. Edw. 2.*) which descended to *Sir Walter Penynton*, Kt. his Son and Heir, who by *Dorothy* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Humpbrey Ingleby*, Kt. had Issue *Sir George Penynton* Kt. who married *Mary* Daughter and Heir of *Sir William Harpden*, and was Father of *Sir Thomas Penynton*, Kt. who largely endowed the Abbey of *Missenden*, in *Com. Bucks*, in the Reign of *Ed. 2.* and by *Isabel* his Wife, Daughter and Coheir of *John Beauchamp*, Lord of *Haurage* in the aforesaid County of *Bucks*, and Baron of *Holt*, had Issue *Sir John Penynton*, Kt. who was possess'd of *Haurage* in the Reign of *Richard 2.* and having wedded *Eleanor*, Daughter and Heir of *John Chesham* of *Chesham-Boys* in *Com. Bucks*, (who afterwards married *Sir Thomas Cheyrey*, Kt.) had Issue *Sir Richard Penynton*, Kt. Lord of *Haurage*, and in right of his Wife *Margaret*, Daughter and sole Heir of *Sir Philip Hennis*, Kt. was likewise Lord of *Marshall*, and *Thomas* his Son and Heir succeeded him therein, who was a Knight in the Reign of *K. Edw. 4.* and by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *Richard Bulstrode* of *Hedgley*, had Issue *Thomas Penynton*, Lord of *Haurage* and *Marshall*, Father of *Anthony*, who had several Sons, of which *Thomas*, the eldest, had the Estate in
Buck-

Buckinghamshire: And from *Anthony*, fecond Son, the *Penyftons* in *Torkfhire* defcend.

The faid *Thomas Penyfton*, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *Humpbrey Affheild* of *Heathcop*, had Ifue feveral Sons and Daughters who left Pofterity; *Thomas*, the eldeft Son, dyed in his Life-time, and left Ifue by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter and Coheir of *John Somer* of *Newland* in *Kent*, Efq; (who afterwards married Sir *Alexander Temple*) an only Son *Thomas*.

Which *Thomas Penyfton* fucceeding to his Mother's Inheritance, became feated at *Leigh* in *Suffex*; and having received the Honour of Knighthood, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet *A. D.* 1611: He married 3 Wives. *Ann*, 4th Daughter of Sir *William Stonehoufe*, and *Martba*, 4th Daughter of Sir *Thomas Temple* of *Stow* in *Bucks*, Kt. and Bart. were two of them; he had a Son by the former, and a Daughter by the latter, but they both dyed Infants: By *Elizabeth*, Daughter and foie Heir of Sir *Thomas Watfon* of *Halflead* in *Kent*, Widow of Sir *William Pope*, he had two Daughters, and two Sons, *Tbomas*, his Succelfor, and *John*, who dyed in the Year 1632, and was buried at *Leggs*: Of his Daughters, *Elizabeth* married *John Haftings* of *Yef-ford* in *Com. Oxon.* and *Dalisford* in *Com. Wigorn*; and the other was the Wife of Sir *James Aftry*, Kt. Mafter in the Court of Chancery.

Which Sir *Thomas Penyfton*, Baronet, (Son of Sir *Thomas*) having married *Elizabeth*, foie Daughter and Heir of Sir *Cornelius Fermadow*, had Ifue 3 Sons, 1. Sir *Thomas Penyfton*, Bart. (whodyed unmarried, and was buried in the Parifh of *St. Dunftan's* in *Fleet-ftreet*) 2. Sir *Fermadow Penyfton*, Bart. who married the Reli& of — *Paul*, and left no Ifue furviving; and *Charles*, his Brother, dying before him unmarried, the Title became extinct.



A R M S.

Argent, three Cornish Choughs proper.

C R E S T.

A Gyphon passant Sable, beaked and member'd, Or.

Sir JOHN PORTMAN of ORCHARD-
PORTMAN, Kt. Somerset. N^o 77

(Nov. 25, A. D. 1612, R. Jac. 10.)

DE *Portu* has been the Surname of an eminent Family, anciently Lords of *Basing*, in *Com. Hant.* and *de Porta*, or *de la Porta*, of another in the Western parts of *England*, chang'd afterwards to *Port*, or *Old-Port*, in *Com. Devon.* of which Castle they were Owners.

Of Affinity to this Name, and of like Derivation, is the Family of *Portman*: *Robert Portman* was a Burgess in Parliament for the Town of *Dunwich*, Anno 4. E. 3. (a) *William Portman* is a Witness, 38 E. 3. to a certain Deed dated at *Taunton*, and 43 E. 3. to a Charter made by *Stephen Carr*, (b). Anno 36 and 46 Ed. 3. 10. 11. 15. 23. Ric. 5. and 7 H. 5. the same Person, or another of the Name, served in several Parliaments for the Borough of *Taunton* in the aforesaid (c) Years: Son and Successor to him (I conjecture) was *Walter Portman*, who also served in those great Assemblies for

(a) *Prynne Parliam. Regist. Vol. 4. p. 963.* (b) *Foot. MS. of Cart. Devon. p. 58.* (c) *Prynne ut sup.*

for *Taunton* in 9 *H. 5.* (d) and in 4 Parliaments in the Reign of *King Henry* the VIth. He took to Wife *Christian*, Daughter and Coheir of the Family of *Orchard*, in *Com. Somers.* whereby he became possess'd of that Inheritance, which has been ever since the capital Mansion of his Posterity. This *Walter* dying (e) in 14 *Ed. 4.* was succeeded by *John* his Son and Heir, Father of *William Portman* of *Orchard*, who, by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of *John Gilbert*, (f) left Issue *Henry Portman*, Sheriff of *Somersetshire*, in 11 *Eliz.* who (g) receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood in *Anno* 1574, and departing this Life in the Year 1590, had Issue by *Joan* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Mitchel* of *Carrington*, Esq; 2 Sons; *Hugh*, (b) elect-ed one of the Knights for *Somersetshire* to the Parli-ament held in 39 *Eliz.* and dy'd *A. D.* 1603.

John Portman, his Brother, succeeded to the Estate at *Orchard*, and taking to Wife (i) — Daughter of Sir *John Puckering*, Kt. Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal of *England* in the Reign of *Q. Elizabeth*, had Issue *John*, his Son and Heir.

Which *John Portman* of *Orchard*, knighted at *Whiteball* the 3d of *Feb.* 1604, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet 25 *Nov.* 1612, 10 *Jac. 1.* He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of Sir *Henry Gifford* of *Hampshire*, and left Issue 4 Sons, whereof the eldest,

Sir *Henry Portman*, Bart. marry'd *Anne*, Daughter to *William Stanley* Earl of *Derby*, and departing this Life without Issue, in the Year 1621, was succeeded by *Hugh*, his Brother, who dying without Children, the Estate, and Title of Baronet, descended to *William*, his youngest Brother.

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(d) *Pryn's Brief. Regist. V. 4. p. 1135.* (e) *Vif. de Com. Somers. in Offic. Arm.* (f) *Fekyll's Liber Baronetorum.* (g) *Fekyll's Liber Baronetorum MS. p. 120.* (h) *MS. penes B. Willis, Arm.* (i) *Fekyll prad.*

Which Sir *William Portman*, Bart. elected for *Taunton*, in the two last Parliaments of King *Charles* the 1st; was Loyal to his Sovereign, and sat with those Members the King conven'd at *Oxford*, in the Year 1643. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter and Coheir to *John Calles* of *Barton*, in *Com. Somers.* Esq; and had Issue by her one Son,

Sir *William Portman*, Bart. (born A. D. 1644,) who was made Knight of the *Bath* at the Coronation of King *Charles* the 2d, was elected for *Taunton*. in the first Parliament call'd by that Prince, and serv'd as one of the Knights for *Somersetshire*, and for that *Borough*, in all other Parliaments, to the Time of his Death, in the Year 1695. He marry'd 3 Wives; the first, a Daughter of Sir *John Cutler*, Bart. the 2d, a Daughter to Sir *John Southcot*, Kt. and his last Wife was Daughter to Sir *John Holman*, Kt. but by neither of them left Issue surviving, whereby the Dignity of Baronet ceas'd in this Family. He left his Estate to his Nephew, *Henry Seymour*, Esq; 5th Son of Sir *Edward Seymour*, Bart. who, pursuant to an Act of Parliament, bears the *Arms*, and hath taken the Name of *Portman*.



A R M S.

Or, a Flower-de-Luce, Azure.

C R E S T.

A Talbot seiant, Or.

Sir NICHOLAS SAUNDERSON of SAXBY,
Kt. Linc. N^o 78.

[eod. Die prad.]

English Viscount, viz. Viscount *Cassleton*.

Sir MILES SANDYS of WILBERTON in
the Isle of ELY, Kt. Camb. N^o 78

(eodem Die prad.)

THIS Gentleman was 3d Son of *Edwin Sandys*, Archbishop of *Tork*, whose Father, *William Sandys* of *London* (descended from those of his Name seated at *Hawkesbed* in *Lancashire*) had seven Sons, whom he well provided for, and most of them left Families; the said *Edwin* was his eldest Son, and was educated at *Cambridge*, of which University he was Vice-Chancellor, when King *Edw. 6.* dyed; and having, by Order of the Duke of *Northumberland*, preach'd against Queen *Mary* before that University, and defended the Title of the Lady *Jane*, (a) behav'd himself with that Prudence and Moderation, that tho' he pleas'd the Duke, yet the Offence to the other Side was not so great, but that his Friends prevail'd for his Pardon, and after almost a Year's Imprisonment, he was discharg'd; but disliking the Proceedings of Bishop *Bonner*, and those of the same Principles, he presently fled to *Germany*, and openly professing the Protestant Religion, did not return till Queen *Elizabeth* ascended the Throne, who nominated him to the Bishoprick of *Worcester*, in the second Year of her Reign, Anno 1559, (b); and the next Year translated him to the Bishoprick of *London*, which See he fill'd for six Years, and then was translated to the Archbishoprick of *Tork*, Anno 1576; and departing this Life in the Year 1588, left behind him an admirable Character for Learning, Probity, and other Christian Virtues, which drew

(a) *Hist. Eng. Vol. 2. p. 332.* (b) *Heylin's Help to Hist.*

drew a Blessing on his Posterity, three of his Sons being knighted, and adorn'd with all Felicities of Body and Mind: *Samuel*, his eldest Son, of *Omberley* in *Worcestershire*, was High Sheriff of that County, *A. D.* 1619, and is Ancestor to those of his Name remaining there.

Edwin, Second Son, went to the University of *Oxford* in *September*, 1577, (c) at the Age of 16, or thereabouts, and became a Pupil to the famous *Mr. Richard Hooker*, who made use of his, and the Judgment of *George Cranmer*, when he compiled his Books of *Ecclesiastical Polity*. He was admitted Probationer Fellow of *Corpus Christi* College, *Jan.* 23, 1579, being then Batchelor of Arts; and on the 17th of *March*, 1581, was collated to the Prebendship of *Wetwang*, in the Church of *Tork*: Afterwards proceeding in his Faculty, he left his Fellowship, travelled into several Countries, and at his Return grew famous for his Learning, Prudence, and Virtue. In the Month of *May*, 1602, he resign'd his Prebendship, and had the Honour of Knighthood conferr'd on him by King *James I.* Anno 1603, and was afterwards employ'd by that Prince in several Affairs of great Trust and Moment. He was a leading Man in all Parliamentary Affairs, well vers'd in Business, and an excellent Patriot to his Country: In Defence of which, by speaking too boldly in Parliament, he, with *Selden*, was committed into Custody the 16th of *June*, 1621, and not delivered thence till the 18th of *July* following, which was voted by the House of Commons a great Breach of their Privileges. He was Treasurer to the Undertakers for the *Western Plantations*, which he effectually advanc'd, was a Person of great Judgment, a solid Statesman, of a commanding Pen, and, as my Author saith, (d) *Ingenio & Gravitate Morum insignis.*
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(c) *Wood's Athene Oxonienses. Vol. 1. p. 462.* (d) *Wood, ibid.*

He wrote while he was at *Paris*, Anno 1599, *Europa Speculum: Or, A View or Survey of the State of Religion in the Western Part of the World.* Wherein the Roman Religion, and the pregnant Policies of the Church of *Rome* to support the same, are notably display'd, &c. He left 1500*l.* to the University of *Oxford*, for the Endowment of a *Metaphysick Lecture*; and departing this *Eite* in the Year 1629, was buried in the Church of *Northbourn* in *Kent*, where he had a Seat, and a fair Estate, which descended to *Richard* his Grandson, who was created a *Baronet* by King *Charles II.* Jan. 23, 1684.

George, another Son of the Archbishop, was likewise a most ingenious Person, and is famous for his *Travels* and *Poems*.

Miles Sandys, 3d Son, beforemention'd, was also a Gentleman of polite Parts and Learning; and being possess'd of a fair Estate at *Wilberton* in the Isle of *Ely*, received first the Honour of Knighthood from King *James*, and afterwards the Dignity of a *Baronet*, A. D. 1613. He had the Honour to serve the County of *Cambridge* as one of the Knights of the Shire in Parliament, the 3d Year of the Reign of King *Charles I.* and having married *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Edward Cooke* of *North Cray* in *Com. Cantii*, Gent. had Issue seven Sons and a Daughter, who all dyed without Children.

Miles, the eldest, was knighted in his Father's Life-time, and on his Death, Anno 1644, succeeded to the Title of *Baronet*, but having no Issue by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Park* of *Wisbitch* in the Isle of *Ely*, the *Baronetship* became extinct.

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A R M S.



Or, a Fess wavy, between 3 Cross
Crosslets Fitch Gules.

C R E S T.

A Gryphon Sergreant party per Fess,
Or and Sable.

WILLIAM GOSTWICK of WILLINGTON;
Esq; Bedf. N^o 80

(eod. Die prad.)

THIS antient Family was possess'd of *Willington in Com. Bedf.* in the Reign of King *Henry 3*, (a) *William de Gostwick* being Lord thereof, *An. 1209, 9 H. 3.* and his Son *Hugo Gostwick* in the Reign of King *Edw. 1*, from whom, after six Generations, descended Sir *John Gostwick* of *Willington*, Kt. living in the Reign of King *Henry 6*, who left Issue Sir *John Gostwick*, Kt. who was Treasurer of the First-Fruits and Rents to King *Henry* the 8th, and afterwards Master of the Horse to that King, (b) and is supposed to lie buried under an antient Tomb on the North-side of a Chapel, in the Church of *Willington*, (the Burying-place of the Family) but the Brass at Top being taken away, the Inscription is lost: He married *Margaret*, Daughter of *Oliver* Lord *St. John* (c) and had Issue by her, *John*, his Son and Heir.

Which *John Gostwick*, lies buried on the South Side

(a) Ex Coll. S. Segar. (b) Ex Inf. Dom. Will. Gostwick, Baronet. (c) Ex Stemmate Coll. Tho. Jekyl,

side of the Chappel aforesaid, under a large old Tomb, with this Inscription over it:

Armiger ille Johannes Gostwyke
 Hoc opus fieri fecit: Si ergo
 Quid valeant pia Vota;
 Largire Pater, ut Aeterna fruatur
 Posteritate.

1541.

He married *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *William Peters*, Kt. and was succeeded in his Estate by his Son *William Gostwick*, Esq; who married *Martha*, Daughter and Coheir of Sir *Humphrey Ratcliff* of *Elstow* in *Suffex*, Kt. (by his Wife *Isabel*, Daughter and Heir of *Edmund Harvey* of *Elstow*, Esq;) and by her was Father of a Son of his own Name, who succeeded him in the Estate.

Which *William Gostwick* was by King *James I.* advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, *A. D.* 1612, and a noble Tomb is erected to his Memory in the Middle of the Chapel aforesaid, in the Church of *Willington*, the Image of a Knight in Armour, in full Proportion lying thereon, and on the North side of the Tomb this Inscription.

Here lyeth the Body of Sir *William Gostwyke*, Bart. who had to Wife *Jane Owen*, the Daughter of *Henry Owen*, Esq; by whom he had Issue seven Sons, and four Daughters. He with a most Christian Resolution, and assured Hope of a joyful Resurrection, departed this Life the 19th of September, 1615, in the 50th Year of his Age: The Lady *Jane Gostwyke*, his Widow, to perform her last Duty and Love to the sacred Memory of her dear Husband, at her own Cost and Charge, caused this Monument to be erected.

On

On the South Side of the same Tomb.

*Ask who lies here, and do not weep,
He is not dead, he doth but sleep;
This Stony Register is for his Bones,
His Fame is more perpetual than these Stones :
And his own Goodness with himself being gone,
Shall live when earthly Monuments are none.*

Edward Gostwick, his eldest Son, was knighted at Whiteball, Anno 1607, and succeeded his Father in the Title and Estate, and had Sepulture with his Ancestors ; and to preserve his Memory, a fine Monument is erected for him, which shews the Images of a Knight and his Lady kneeling in Niches in the Wall, and underneath the Images of seven Children in the same Posture, and the following Inscriptions :

In Obitum Domini Edvardi Gostwyke, Equitis & Baronetti. Chronogramma.

Edvardus Gostwyke, defunctus est 20 Die Sept. A. D. 1630, Ætat. 42.

In Obitum selectissima Domina, Chronogramma.

*Adproperatq; Viro conjungens Uxor amata,
6to Dic Julii, A. D. 1633, Ætat. 42.*

Epitaphion.

*Eximium fidei Exemplum, et socialis Amoris,
Gostwyki inscriptum Nomine Marmor habet.
Vixerunt Pietate pares, nullisq; secundi,
Alter in alterius totus Amore fuit :
Ille prior fato cessit, ne cederet illa,
Nec tamen illa suo cessit Amore Viro.*

Ille

Ille ubi sex Annos numerarat terq; quaterq;

Anna, meos vixi, dixit, & occubuit :

Illa ubi compleerat dilecti Conjugis Annos,

Vixi, Edvarde, meos, dixit, & occubuit.

Sic Animis vixere parescum Conjuge Conjux :

Annis, atq; Animis; occubueris pares.

This Sir *Edward*, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *John Wentworth* of *Gosfeild* in *Com. Essex*, Esq; (and Sister to Sir *John Wentworth* of the same Place, Knight and Baronet) had Issue three Sons and four Daughters, answering the Figures in the aforesaid Monument; the Sons were *Edward*, *Thomas*, and *William*; and the Daughters, *Elizabeth*, *Francisca*, *Margaret*, and *Jane*.

Sir *Edward Gostwick*, Baronet, (eldest Son of Sir *Edward*) marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *William Lytton* of *Knebworth* in *Com. Hertford*, and had Issue five Sons and one Daughter: *Edward* dy'd young in the Life-time of his Father: *William*, now the Baronet, *Charles*, *John*, and *Rowland*, all dead unmarried, and the Daughter also.

Which Sir *William Gostwick*, the present Baronet, hath been elected, in several Parliaments, one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Bedford*, viz. from the Tenth of King *William* to the Twelfth Year of her late Majesty Queen *Ann*; and having marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of Sir *Philip Boteler* of *Watton-Woodhall* in *Com. Hertf.* Knight of the *Bath*, hath Issue two Sons and three Daughters, *John*, now living, and *William*, who dyed an Infant, as did also *Elizabeth* and *Mary*; and *Ann*, now living, marry'd *Edward Neltbrop*.



A R M S.

*Argent, a Bend Gules, between 6
Cornish Choughs proper, on a
chief Azure, 3 Mulletts Argent.*

C R E S T.

*A Gripon's Head Coupie Or,
between 2 Wings Azure.*

THOMAS PUCKERING of WESTON, Esq;
Hertf. N^o 81

(eod. Die prad.)

WAS Son and Heir of Sir *John Puckering*, Kt. who was Son and Heir of *William Puckering* of *Flamborough* in *Yorkshire*.

Which Sir *John Puckering* having been brought up in the Study of the Law in *Lincolns-Inn*, was elected one of the Governors there, 18 *Eliz.* (a) and the next Year read in that Society on the *Quadragesima*, was call'd to the Degree of Serjeant at Law, 1580, 22 *Eliz.* and having serv'd in several Parliaments, was chosen Speaker of the House of Commons 27 *Eliz.* (b) made the Queen's Serjeant, and receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood 30 *Eliz.* and in the 34th Year of that Reign had the Custody of the Broad-Seal of *England* committed to his Charge. He dy'd within four Years after, leaving by *Ann* his Wife, Daughter of *George Chowne* of *Kent*, *Thomas* aforesaid, Heir to a fair Estate.

Which

(a) Dugdale's Origines. *(b)* Ex Coll. B. Willis, Arm.

Which *Thomas Puckering*, Esq; seated at *Weston* in *Hertfordshire*, (an Estate his Father had by Grant from the Crown (c)) was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet in the Tenth Year of King *James* the first, and afterwards resided at the Priory near *Warwick*: He marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *John Morley* of *Halmaker*, in *Com. Suffex*, Kt. and having only three Daughters, the Title dy'd with him. His Estate (after the Death of his Daughters without Issue) came to his Nephew Sir *Henry Newton*, Baronet, who took upon him the Name of *Puckering*. Of which Sir *Henry* I shall hereafter treat.



A R M S.

Sable a Bend fusilie, Cotized Argent.

C R E S T.

A Stag Courfant, Or.

Sir WILLIAM WRAY of GLENTWORTH,
Kt. *Linç.* N^o 82

(Nov. 25, A. D. 1612, R. Jac. 12.)

SIR *Christopher Wray*, Kt. Lord Chief-Justice of *England*, Father of Sir *William* above-mention'd, was the first of this Family that resided at *Glentworth*; but his Ancestors were antiently seated in the Bishoprick of *Durham*, and afterwards possess'd Estates in *Richmondshire*, *Com. Ebor.*

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John

(c) *Chauncey's Herf.*

John Wray, of *Richmond*, by *Alice* his Wife Daughter of *Thomas Clyburn*, had Issue *Richard Wray*, who by his Wife Daughter of *John Udall*, had Issue *Humphrey Wray*, who marry'd a Daughter of *Warcop*, and was succeeded in his Estate by *Robert*, his Son and Heir, who by his Wife, a Daughter of *John Danby*, had Issue four Sons, *William*, *Thomas*, *John*, and *Christopher*.

William, the eldest Son, had to Wife Daughter and Heir of *Jackson* of *Snydall*, in *Com. Ebor* and had Issue several Sons and Daughters; four of the Sons, *Christopher*, *Richard Thomas*, and *Leonard*, liv'd to Men's Estate, and had Posterity.

Christopher, the eldest, born in the spacious Parish of *Bedall* in *Torkshire*, and educated in *Magdalen College, Cambridge*, was enter'd for the Study of the Law at *Lincolns-Inn*, and so profited thereby, that he rais'd a considerable Fortune, and was by Queen *Elizabeth* (who knew well the Deserts of her Ministers and Servants) promoted to the high Station of Chief-Justice of *England*. He had serv'd for *Burrowbridge* in *Torkshire* in all the Parliaments (*) call'd by *Q. Mary*; and being an eminent Lawyer and well vers'd in Parliamentary Proceedings, was chosen Speaker of the House of Commons, in the next Reign. 4 *Eliz.* he was elected Autumn-Reader (a) to the Society of *Lincolns-Inn*, to which Persons of great Learning were always chosen. The Year following, Quad-Reader of the same Society, and was again Autumn-Reader 9 *Eliz.* in which Year, on the 18th of *June*, he was call'd to the Degree of Queen's Serjeant at Law, and soon after knighted, and the 14th of *May*, 14 *Eliz.* (b) promoted to be one of the Justices of the Common-Pleas, and two Years after, viz. the 8th of *Nov.*

* *Ex Col. B. Wilis.* (a) *Dugd. Orig.* (b) *Pat. 14, Eliz. p. 10.*

16 *Eliz.* (d) was constituted Lord Chief-Justice of the Queen's Bench. He dy'd *May 7, 1592*, after having sat on that Bench 17 Years, and fill'd it with notable Sufficiency: His Piety, Probity, and Justice, rendering him rever'd by the greatest Men of that Age, and his Death generally lamented. Her Majesty Queen *Elizabeth*, had so just a Sense of his Merits and Services, that she gave him the Profits of her Coinage, 'till he had built that noble House now remaining at *Glentworth*. He was indulgent to his Servants, and charitable to the Poor, as appears from his last Will and Testament, made the 30th of *July, Anno 1589*, wherein he gives to the former several Annuities and Legacies, and orders several Sums of Money to be distributed to the latter, and enjoins his Son *William*, his Heirs and Assigns for ever, Owners of his Manor and Lands of *Glentworth*, to find and maintain six poor Persons of honest Conversation and Religion, in the Alms-House at *Glentworth*, [built by him] with Ten-pence *per Week*, a Gown Yearly, and three Loads of Ash-Wood, and three Loads of Turf, and that the said poor People should have their Dinner every *Sunday* in *Glentworth-Hall*, if able to come thither, and a House kept, else every one a Penny-Loaf of Bread. And if his Son, his Heirs, or Assigns, make Default of Payment in form aforesaid, he empowers the Dean and Chapter of *Lincoln* to distrain yearly on the Tenants for the Money, Wood, &c. and also for 3*l.* every Month after such Default of Payment.

He gave to the Master and Fellows of *Magdalen-College* in *Cambridge*, the Annual Rent of 6*l.* 1*s.* and 8*d.* payable half-yearly for the Maintenance of one Fellow of the said College. And to the

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(d) *Pat.* 15. *Eliz.* p. 9.

Governors of the School of *Kirton* in *Lindsey*, 5 L. Yearly, for the Maintenance of an Usher, enjoining Penalties on Default of Payment.

He liv'd to a great Age, had his perfect Senses the Day he dy'd, and made a Codicil to his Will, wherein he gave other Legacies, and enumerates most of those he had before bequeath'd: He appoints his Son sole Executor, and the Lord Treasurer *Burleigh*, and Sollicitor-General *Egerton*, (after Lord-Chancellor) Supervisors, and left both of them Legacies. He lies bury'd in the Chancel of the Church of *Glentworth*, under a noble Monument, whereon is the Effigies, in full Proportion, of a Judge in his Robes, with his Lady by him, and this Inscription:

Capital. Jusliciar.

Quisquis es (o hospes) Manes reverere sepultos :

*Qui jacet hic, nostri Gloria Juris, erat
Christopherus Wrayus, Re justus, Nomine verus ;
Quique Pia Minuit, Cognitione, Fide.*

En fuit : En non est : Rapidum rotat omnia Fatum

Heu moritur nobis : ipse sibi supereff :

*Terram Terra Petit : Cinerem Civis ; Ætheraq; Æther ;
Spiritus ætheri possidet Astra Poli.*

Obiit Die Sept. Maii

Anno D. 1592,

Æ Elizab.

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He left Issue by *Ann* his Wife, Daughter of *Nicholas Girlington* of *Normanby*, Esq; one Son, *William*, and two Daughters, *Isabel*, marry'd to *Godfrey Foljamb*, Esq; 2dly, to *Sir William Bowes*, Kt. 2dly, to *John Lord Darcy*; and *Frances*, first marry'd to *Sir George St. Paul* of *Snarford*, Baronet, and afterwards to *Robert Rich*, Earl of *Warwick*.

William, his only Son, serv'd in Parliament for *Grimsby*,

Grimby, in his Father's Life-time, was knighted by Queen *Elizabeth*, and elected Knight of the Shire for the County of *Lincoln*, in the last Parliament she call'd; and by King *James* the first was created a Baronet, A. D. 1612. He dy'd the 13th of *August*, A. D. 1617, at *Ashby* in the County of *Lincoln*, (at which Seat he chiefly resided after his second Marriage, whereby he came possess'd of several Lordships in *Norfolk* and *Suffolk*) and was bury'd in that Church under a sumptuous Marble Monument, the Effigies of him and his second Lady lying in full Proportion thereon.

He had Issue by his first Wife *Lucy*, third Daughter of Sir *Edward Mountague* of *Poughton*, in *Com. Northampton*, Kt. (Ancestor to the Dukes of *Mountague*, the several Earls of *Manchester*, *Sandwich*, and *Hallifax*) six Sons, *Christopher*, *John*, *William*, *Edward*, *Nathaniel*, and *Benjamin*: And by his second Wife, *Frances*, (Relict of Sir *Nicholas Clifford*, and Daughter to Sir *William Drury* of *Hawsted*, in *Com. Suff.* Lord-Deputy of *Ireland*, and Coheir to her Brother Sir *Robert Drury* of the same Place) two Sons, *Christopher*, hereafter mention'd, *Charles*, who dy'd in *Spain*, and a Daughter, *Frances*, Wife of Sir *Anthony Irby*, Kt. Of the Sons of the first Marriage, only *John* and *Edward* surviv'd to Mens Estate; the latter was Groom of the Bed-Chamber to King *Charles* the first, and marry'd *Elizabeth*, sole Daughter and Heir of *Francis* Earl of *Berkshire*, and Baron *Norris* of *Rycot*, in *Com. Oxon*; but having Issue by her no Son, and but one Daughter, who was the second Wife of *Mountague Bertie*, Earl of *Lindsey*, *James Bertie*, (eldest Son by the said Marriage) had the Title of Baron *Norris* allow'd him, by Descent from his Mother, at the Restoration of King *Charles* the second, and was afterwards created Earl of *Abingdon*.

John (eldest Son of Sir *William Wray*) was
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knighted in the Life-time of his Father, and succeeded to the Title, and the Estate at *Glentworth*: He serv'd as Knight of the Shire for *Lincoln*, in three several Parliaments call'd by K. *Charles* the first: (e) And by *Griffilla*, his Wife, Daughter and Heir of Sir *Hugh Bethell* of *Ellerton*, in *Com. Ebor.* Kt. had Issue four Sons and three Daughters, *John*, *Christopher*, *William*, *Theophilus*, and *Bethell*; *Frances*, who marry'd *John Hotbam*, Esq; Son and Heir apparent of Sir *John Hotbam*, Baronet; *Griffil*, the Wife of *Anthony Thorold* of *Marston*, Esq; and *Theodofia*, wedded to Sir *Richard Baker*, Kt.

Sir *John Wray*, (eldest Son of the last Sir *John*) marry'd first *Elizabeth*, Daughter of Sir *Henry Willoughby* of *Risley*, in *Com. Derb.* Bart. and Widow of Sir *Simon de Ewes*, Bart. and she deceasing without Issue, he took to his second Wife, *Sarah*, Daughter of Sir *John Evelyn* of *West-Dean*, in *Com. Surr.* by whom he had an only Daughter, *Elizabeth*, who was his Heir, and marry'd the honourable *Nicholas Saunderson*, (eldest Son of Sir *George Saunderson*, Bart. Lord Viscount *Castleton* of the Kingdom of *Ireland*) who had Issue by her *Wray Saunderson*, who marry'd the honourable *Mary Watson*, eldest Daughter of the Right honourable the Earl of *Rockingham*, and dy'd without Children; *Elizabeth*, his Mother, surviving, who was possess'd of the *Glentworth* Estate on the Death of her Father, Sir *John Wray*, Baronet, all his Brothers dying without Issue, so that the Male-Line of the prior Marriage of Sir *William* (the first created to the Title of Baronet) being extinguish'd, the said Dignity descended to the Heirs of the said Sir *William* by his second Wife, *Frances*, Daughter of Sir *William Drury*; and having already mention'd that *Christopher* was the only surviving Son of the said

(e) See Coll. B. Willis Arm.

said Marriage, all that I shall farther observe of him, is, that by Settlement of his Father, he was possess'd of the Estate at *Ashby in Com. Lincoln*, and was likewise denominat'd of *Barlings* in the said County. He receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood from King *James*, serv'd in several Parliaments, and by his Wife *Albina*, second Daughter and Co-heir to *Edward Cecill*, Viscount *Wimbleton*, third Son of the Earl of *Exeter*, had Issue four Sons, *William*, *Edward*, *Drury*, and *Cecill*.

William Wray of *Ashby*, Esq; the eldest, born about the Year 1625, was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, June 27, A. D. 1660, in the twelfth Year of King *Charles II*; at which Time he serv'd in Parliament for *Grimsbey*; and departing this Life, A. D. 1670, had Issue by his Wife *Olympia*, Daughter to Sir *Humphrey Tuston*, Kt. and Bart. (a younger Son to *John* Earl of *Tbanet*) a Daughter, *Tuston*, marry'd to Sir *James Mountague*, Kt. (Brother to *Charles*, late Earl of *Halifax*) and four Sons, *Christopher*, *Edward*, *William*, and *Drew*, who all dy'd without Issue.

Christopher, the eldest, succeeded his Father in the Estate and Title: And on the Death of his Cousin, Sir *John Wray* of *Glentworth*, succeeded in that Baronetship; but dying without Issue, the Patent his Father receiv'd from King *Charles II*, became extinct; and that of *Glentworth* descended to *Baptist Edward Wray*, Esq; Son of *Edward*, (second Son of Sir *William Wray*, Baronet) by his Wife *Dorothy*, Daughter and Heir of *Hanibal Horsley* of the *Isle of Wight*, Esq; and Widow of the honourable *Fane*, Esq; which Sir *Baptist Edward Wray* dy'd likewise without Issue; and the Title a third Time came to a collateral Branch in the Person of *Drury Wray*, third Son of Sir *Christopher*, eldest Son (by the second Venture) of Sir *William Wray* before mention'd.

Which Sir *Drury Wray*, Baronet, was born in
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Lincolnshire, July 29, 1633, and became possess'd o a fair Estate of Inheritance in *Ireland*, by Marriage with *Ann*, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Casey* of *Rathcannon* in the County of *Limerick*, Esq. (by his Wife *Bridget*, Daughter and Coheir of Sir *John Dowdall*, Kt.) he had Issue by her three Sons, *Christopher*, *William*, (who dy'd in the Life-time of his Father) and *Cecil*, with several Daughters. Sir *Drury* dy'd the 30th of *October*, Anno 1710, and was bury'd in the Church of *Clonara*, in *Com. Limerick*.

Christopher, his eldest Son, succeeded to the Title and his Mother's Estate in *Ireland*. He was in Arms for his Majesty King *William* at the Battel of the *Boyne*, and other Actions in that Kingdom; and afterwards serv'd in the Wars in *Flanders*, *Spain*, and *Portugal*, in the Reign of Queen *Ann*, and eminently distinguish'd himself at the Head of his Regiment at the Attack of *Ostend*. In the Year 1710 he was preparing to go again for *Spain*, and being at *Portsmouth* to embark with the Fleet, dyed there unmarried, Nov. 21, 1710, and was interr'd in the Church of that Town. He was a sober discreet Gentleman, and had behav'd himself with great Conduct and Bravery in all the Actions wherein he was concern'd; which, together with a Gentleman-like Behaviour, won him the Regard of his Superiors, and the Esteem of all that knew him. The Title and Estate devolv'd to *Cecil*, his only Brother.

Which Sir *Cecil Wray* was a Captain in the same Regiment with his Brother, and serv'd in *Flanders*, *Spain*, and *Portugal*, and is now High-Sheriff of *Lincolnshire*; the Lady *Elizabeth Saunderson* before-mention'd, (who dy'd at *Tork* April 7, 1714) having left him a considerable Estate in the Counties of *Norfolk* and *Yorkshire*, being Part of the
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antient Inheritance of the *Wrays* of *Glentworth*.



A R M S.

Azure, on a Chief Or, three Martlets Gules.

C R E S T.

On a Torce Or and Azure, an Efrich Or.

M O T T O.

Et Juste et Vray.

Sir WILLIAM AYLOFFE of BRAXTED-
MAGNA, Kt. *Essex.* N^o 83

[Nov. 25, A. D. 1612, R. Jac. 12]

THE antient Seat and Habitation of this Family was at *Bocton-Alolph*, (a) near *Wye*, in the County of *Kent*, of which Town they were possess'd in the Reign of *Henry 3*, and might be of *Saxon* Extraction; for *Mr. Philpot* observes, (b) that "*Boughton Alulph* had that appellative Distinction united to its Name, to intimate to us, that in the *Saxons* Time it own'd the Jurisdiction of one *Alulphus*, a *Saxon*. And that it was a Family in *Kent*, appears from *Mr. Weaver's* Funeral Monuments, who cites this old Epitaph in *Milton Church*. (c)

Thomas Alefe, Esq; and Margaret hys Wyff
Ly under this playn Ston

God

(a) Ex Stemmate hujus Fam. penes Sir Benj. Ayloff, Bart. (b) *Villare Cantian*, p. 85. (c) *Weaver's Mon.* p. 282.

God grant hem evirlastyng Lyff
 To whom we hop thar gon
 He dyed as her ys to be sine
 One Thowsand five bundryd thirty nine
 Who so that for ther Sowles will pray
 God give hem meed at Doomyday.

About the Reign of King *Henry 6*, *John Ayloff* (d) was seated at *Horn-church* in the County of *Essex*, and by *Ann* his Wife, Daughter to *Tho. West*, had Issue *Thomas Ayloff* of the same Place, a Man of great Fame and Fortune, living *Temp. Ed. 4*, (e) he had Issue by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter to *William Byrch*, by *Alice* his Wife, Daughter to *Roger Grice*, a Son and a Daughter, *Agnes* marry'd to *John Bruges*, Lord Mayor of *London*, 13 *H. 8.* and *William Ayloff*, who succeeded in the Estate, and had Sepulture in *Horn-church*, with this Inscription (f) to preserve his Memory.

“ Off your Charitie pray for the Soule of *William Aylaffe*, Gentyلمان, Owner of the Manor of *Brytonisse*, in the County of *Essex*, within the Lordship of *Havering* of the *Bower*: And also Owner of *Great Braxted*, with divers others to him belonging, which *William* wedded *Audery* Daughter of Sir *John Shaw*, Knight, and Alderman of *London*, and had three Children by the said *Audery*, *William*, *Thomas*, and *Agnes*, which deceased the xth Day of *August*, the Yer of our Lord *MVCXVII. ix* Yer of the Reigne of King *Hen. the VIII.* and lyeth buried under this Ston. And for your Charitie say a *Pater-noster*, and *Ave.*

Thomas, the youngest of the two Sons mention'd
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(d) Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm. (e) Ex Stemmate præd. (f) Off. Arm.

in the said Inscription, was a Merchant, free of the Company of Barber-Surgeons in *London*; and when *Bridge-Ward* was finish'd, 4 *Ed. 6.* the first elected Alderman of it: He was afterwards knighted; and dy'd 1 and 2 *Ph.* and *Mary* (g) seiz'd of the Manor of *Netber-Chisul*, alias *Little-Chisul*, in *Com. Suff.* with the Advowson of the Church, leaving *William*, his Son and Heir, by his Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *James*, and Sister of Sir *Edward Walsingham*, who had Issue a Son of his own Name, *William Ayloff*, Esq; who was brought up to the Study of the Law in *Lincolns-Inn*, and elected to the Degree of a Serjeant (b) in *Michaelmas* Term, 19 *Eliz.*

William Ayloff, Esq; eldest Brother to the afore-said *Thomas*, succeeded to the Lordships of *Brittons*, *Great Braxted*, &c. was High-Sheriff of *Essex* and *Hertfordshire*, 6 *Eliz.* and left Issue by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter to *Thomas Bernardiston* of *Ketton*, in *Com. Suff.* *William*, his Son and Heir.

Which *William* was High-Sheriff of the County of *Essex*, 36 *Eliz.* and having marry'd *Jane* Daughter to *Eustace Sulyard* of *Flemings*, in *Com. Suff.* Esq; had Issue three Sons, 1. *William*. 2. *Thomas*, who marry'd *Guicciardine* of the Family of the *Guicciardines* of *Italy*, and was Father to *Guicciardine Ayloff*, Secretary of the Dutchy of *Lancaster*. *Gregory*, third Son, dy'd without Issue.

William Ayloff (eldest Son and Heir of the last *William*) succeeded to the Estate, and residing at *Braxted-Magna*, was knighted by King *James* at the Charter-House, with many more, on his first Arrival at *London*, and was afterwards advanc'd by the said King to the Degree of a Baronet, *A. D.* 1612. He marry'd three Wives, first *Catherine*, Daughter and Coheir to *John Sterne* of *Melburn* in *Cambridgeshire*, and had Issue by her three Sons and four

Daughters.

(g) *Esch.* 1 & 2 *Ph.* & *Mary.* (h) *Dugdale's Chron. series.* p. 55.

Daughters; *Mary*, Wife of Sir *Anthony Thomas*, Kt. *Elizabeth*, Wife of *Gervase Lee* of *Norwell* in *Com. Nott.* *Anne*, and *Jane*, wedded to *Edward Kigbley* of *Grays* in *Essex*, Esquire. Of the Sons, *William*, the eldest, dy'd in the Life-time of his Father, in the *West-Indies*. *Benjamin*, second Son, succeeded in Title and Estate. *James*, third Son, had his Mother's Estate at *Melburne* in *Cambridgeshire*; and from his first Wife *Jane*, Daughter to Sir *William Herris* of *Sbenfeld* in *Com. Essex*, Kt. descended *William Ayloff* of *Basingburn* in *Com. Cantab.* Esq; and by his second Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Thomas Penyston* of *Rocheſter*, Esquire, *Thomas Ayloff*, Doctor of the Civil Laws, now living.

Sir William Ayloff, Bart. by his 2d Wife *Barbara*, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Lexton*, had two Sons that liv'd to Mens Estate; 1. *Thomas*, of *Grays-Inn*, Esq; who had in Marriage *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Edward Wentworth* of *Bocking* in *Essex*, Esq; and was Father to *Benjamin Ayloff* of *Grays-Inn*, now living, who marry'd *Victoria*, Daughter to *Alexander Ereskin*, Son to the Earl of *Mar* in *Scotland*.

John, second Son, was a Colonel in the *West-Indies*, and dy'd, leaving no Children.

Sir William, by *Alice*, his third Wife, Daughter of ——— *Stokes*, had Issue a Son *Joseph*, who was also of *Grays-Inn*, and marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of *Henry Ayscough* of *Yorkshire*, and left Issue *Joseph Ayloff*, Esq; now living, Barreſter at Law.

Sir Benjamin Ayloff, Baronet, eldest Son of *Sir William*, was eminent for his Loyalty to King *Charles* the first, who appointed him High-Sheriff of the County of *Essex*, on the Commencement of the Civil War, as a Person in whom he could confide; and *Sir Benjamin* faithfully discharg'd the Trust repos'd in him, by endeavouring, with all his Interest, to hinder the Effects of the Ordinance of Parliament for settling the Militia in that County; but

but being over-power'd by the prevalent Party, he was imprison'd in the *Tower*, had his Estate sequester'd, and was afterwards sent to *Tarmouth*, with many more, to be banish'd to the Plantations in the *West-Indies*; but that cruel Order being recall'd, he had the Satisfaction, after many Hardships, to see the Restoration of the Royal Family; and serv'd in Parliament as one of the Knights of the Shire for *Essex*, in the first Parliament after the King return'd. He departed this Life about the Year 1663, having (as his Father) marry'd three Wives; by *Alice*, the first Wife, Daughter of — *Archdale*, and likewise by the last, he had no Issue that surviv'd; by *Margaret*, his second Lady, Daughter of *Thomas Fanshawe*, Esq; Remembrancer of the *Exchequer*, he had one Daughter, *Catharine*, Wife of *Thomas Hardwiche* of *Leeds in Com. Ebor.* Esq; and three Sons, 1. *William*, 2. *Benjamin*, 3. *Henry*, who had to Wife *Dorothy*, Daughter and Heir to *Richard Bulkeley* of *Cbedle in Com. Cestr.* Esq; Widow of *William*, Son of Sir *Adam Littleton* of *Essex*, Bart. and was Father to the Reverend Mr. *John Ayloff*, now living, Minister of *Stanford-Rivers* in *Essex*, Heir apparent to the Title, after the Death of Sir *Benjamin*, the present Baronet.

William, eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Benjamin*, embark'd with his Father in the Service of K. *Charles I.*, and was Colonel of a Regiment in *Colchester*, when it was besieg'd and surrender'd. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter to . . . *Orbye*, and Relict of *Fredrick de la Tremoville*, Count de *Lavall* and *Benon*, Baron de *Moleon* and *Didon*, in the Kingdom of *France*, who bore him two Sons; *Benjamin*, who dy'd an Infant, and *William*, who deceas'd at the Age of 18 Years, *A. D.* 1664, in the Life-time of his Father, who departed this Life in the Year 1675; whereupon the Title descended to *Benjamin*, his Brother and Heir.

Which

382 Sir Marmaduke Wyvell, Kt.

Which Sir *Benjamin Ayloffe*, Bart. is an eminent Merchant of the City of *London*; and having marry'd *Martha*, Daughter to Sir *John Tyrell* of *Heron* in *Essex*, Knight, had one Son, *John*, who dy'd about the Age of 20, and two Daughters, *Margaret*, marry'd to the Rev. Mr. *Richard Jenks*, Minister of *St. Dunstan's in the West*, *London*, and *Martha*, the Wife of Mr. *John Preston* of *London*, Merchant.



A R M S.

Sable a Lyon rampant Or, coller'd Gules, between three Crosses, Forme of the second.

C R E S T.

A demy-Lyon rampant, coup'd Or, coller'd Gules.

Sir MARMADUKE WYVELL of CON-
STABLE-BURTON, Kt. Ebor. N^o 84

(*cod. Die prad.*)

THE Name of *Wyvel*, occurs in the Lists of those that came into *England*, on the *Norman* Invasion of *William the Conqueror*; and that some of the Family were eminent many Ages past, is evident from several Authorities.

Sir *William Dugdale*, in his *Monasticon Anglicanum*, mentions their charitable Donations of Lands in *Torkshire*, in the Reign of *K. Henry III*; and *Robert de Wyvill* was return'd one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Leicester*, (a) in the Parliament

(a) *Ex Collect. Browne Willis, Arm.*

Parliament summon'd to meet, *Anno* 1294, (23 *Edw.* 1.) likewise *John de Wiwell* was summon'd (b) among other great Persons, by the King's Writ (dated at *Northampton*, 2 *March*, 29 *Edw.* 1.) to appear before him, with his Dependants, well accouter'd with Horse and Arms, at *Berwick upon Tweed*, to oppose the Incurfions of the *Scots*. A Descendant of the same Lineage, was another *Robert de Wyvell*, of *Constable Burton*, (c) whose Son and Heir, *Marmaduke Wyvell*, made a large Accession to his Estate, by marrying *Agnes*, Sister and Coheir of *John*, Son and Heir of *Sir Ralph Fitz-Randol*, Knight, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Coheir of *Ralph*, Lord *Scroop*, of *Massam*.

Which *Marmaduke* was elected one of the *Burgesses* for *Rippon*, in *Com. Ebor.* in the Parliament that met at *Westminster* (*Oct.* 5.) in the 1st Year of the Reign of *Queen Mary*, and afterwards receiv'd the Honour of *Knighthood*. On his Decease,

Christopher Wyvell, his Son and Heir, succeeded to the Estate; and having marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of the Honourable *John Scroop*, a younger Son of *Henry*, Lord *Scroop*, of *Bolton*, had Issue *Marmaduke Wyvell*, who succeeded him.

Which *Marmaduke* was elected a *Burgess* for *Richmond*, in *Com. Ebor.* in several Parliaments in the Reign of *Queen Elizabeth*, who conferr'd the Honour of *Knighthood* on him, and constituted him *Vice-Chamberlain* of her Household, as appears as well from other Authorities, as from his Picture with a Key, now remaining in the Family.

After King *James's* Accession to the Throne, he chose Retirement in the Country; but that Prince honour'd him with the Title of *Baronet*, by Letters Patents bearing Date *Nov.* 25. *A. D.* 1611.

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(b) *Claus.* 29 *Edw.* 1. in *Dorso.* (c) *Ex Liber Baronetorum sub Manus Tho. Jekyll de Bocking, Arm.*

He lies bury'd at *Massam*, under a noble Monument, (erected to his Memory) shewing the Images of a Knight in Armor, and the Statue of a Lady in white Marble, both in full Proportion; and under them the Statues of six Children, and the following Inscription, (d) setting forth his Descent, &c. viz.

Hic jacet Marmaducus Wyvell, Miles, primus sui nominis Baronetus, Filius & Hæres Christopheri per Margaretam filiam Johannis Scroop. Christopherus fuit filius & hæres Marmaduci: & Agnetis unius quinq; Sororum & Cohæredum Johannis, filii & hæredis Radulphi Fitz Randoli, Militis, & Elizabethæ Unius Trium Sororum & Cohæredum Radulphi Dom. Scroop de Massam. Marmaducus fuit filius & hæres Roberti, filii & hæredis Roberti, & Joannæ; filia & hæredis Johannis Pigot. An. Dom. 1613.

Quo exstructum fuit hoc Monumentum. Marmaducus, & Magdalena filia Christopheri Danby, Militis, habuit Videntes sex filios & duas filias; ejus tunc hæres apparens fuit Christopherus, filius Christopheri, Marmaducus filius Marmaduci, Barbara unigenita, sua vixit ad ætatem annorum 76, & Mortuus anno Mediatoris sui unici, cui sit omnis Gloria & Benedictio, MDCXVII.

Mensisq; Januarij 9.

Those Sons in the afore-mention'd Inscription, who marry'd and left Issue, were *Christopher*, and *Francis*, who was Rector of *Spenithorp*, in *Com. Ebor.*

Christopher, the eldest, dy'd in the Life-time of his Father, and by *Fine*, Daughter of Sir *Robert Stapleton* of *Wighill*, in *Com. Ebor.* Knt. had Issue 4 Sons and 6 Daughters; 3 of the Sons, *Marmaduke*, *Edmund*, and *William*, liv'd to Mens Estate, and were marry'd, as were also 5 of the Daughters.

Marmaduke, the eldest Son, succeeded his Grandfather in Title and Estate; and departing this Life,

(d) Ex Collect. Rad. Thoresby de Leeds.

Life, *Anno* 1648, had Issue by *Isabel* his Wife, Daughter and sole Heir of *Sir William Gascoign* of *Sedbury*, in *Com. Ebor.* 7 Sons (e) and 8 Daughters. 1. *Christopher* his Successor. 2. *William*, who dy'd unmarried. 3. *Marmaduke*, a Merchant in the Isle of *Scio*. 4. *John*. 5. *Robert*. 6. *Henry*, a Dr. of *Physick*, 7. *Francis*. Of the Daughters, *Mary* marry'd *Arthur Beckwith* of *Aldbrough*, *Jane*, *Robert Wyld* of *Hunton*; *Isabel*, *James Darcy*, 6th Son of *Conyers Lord Darcy*; *Grace*, *George Wetbam* of *Cliff*; *Olive*, *Geo. Meinill* of *Aldbrough*, Esquires; *Eliz.* *Sir William Dalton* of *Hawkswell*; *Anne*, *Tbo. Dalton*, younger Brother of the said *Sir William*, and *Dorothy* unmarried, 1665.

Sir Christopher Wyvell, Baronet, (eldest Son and Heir of *Sir Marmaduke*) was chosen one of the Burgesses in Parliament for *Richmond*, in *Com. Ebor.* on the Restoration of *King Charles* the Second; and having marry'd *Ursula*, eldest Daughter of *Conyers Lord Darcy* and *Conyers*, Earl of *Holderness*, had Issue 7 Sons and 5 Daughters. Those that liv'd to Men and Womens Estate, were *William*, aged 20, at the Time of the Visitation of the Heralds, *August* 19, 1665. *Francis*, now living, his Majesty's Receiver-General of the Land-Tax for *Yorshire*, *Durham*, and *Northumberland*; who by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Will. Caley* of *Brompton*, in *Com. Ebor. Bar.* had only 3 Daughters; *Ursula*, who married——*Chivers* of *Torkshire*, Esq; *Barbara*, who dy'd unmarried; and *Frances*, now living, unmarried. *Christopher*, 3d Son, was Dean of *Ripon*, and left 2 Sons now living, *Christopher*, and *William*. Of the Daughters, *Dorothy* was Wife of *Charles Tankard*, Esq; Son and Heir of *Sir Charles Tankard* of *Whixley*, in *Com. Ebor, Knt.* *Barbara*, of *St. John Thompson* of *Crawley*, in *Com. Bedford*, Esq; and *Ursula*.

C c 2

Sir

(e) *Sir William Dugdale's Visite of Yorkshire A. D. 1665.*

Sir *Will. Wyvell*, Baronet (eldest Son and Heir of Sir *Christopher*) marry'd *Anne*, Daughter to *James Brook*, Esq; Lord Mayor of *Tork*; and departing his Life in the Year 1684, left Issue 2 Daughters, *Ursula* and *Priscilla*, and 3 Sons, *Marmaduke*, *Darcy*, and *John*, who was Chaplain to the Bishop of *London*, and Rector of *Orset* in *Essex*, and dy'd 21 *June*, 1717.

Sir *Marmaduke Wyvell*, Baronet, now living, (Heir to his Father in Title and Estate) serv'd in Parliament as one of the Burgesses for *Richmond*, 7 *W.* 3. and in the 1st Year of *Q. Anne*, was constituted one of the Commissioners for the Duties on Salt, from whence he was remov'd to be Commiſſioner of Excise; in which Posts, he has continu'd to the present Time. He hath taken to Wife *Henrietta-Maria*, Daughter of Sir *Thomas Tarburgh* of *Snaith*, in *Com. Ebor*, Knt. (descended from the ancient Family of *Tarburgh* of *Tarburgh* (f) in *Lincolnshire*, that was of Knightly Degree, and denominated of the said Place soon after the Conquest) by whom he hath Issue living, *Marmaduke*, *Thomas*, and *Christopher*; and 5 Daughters, *Henrietta-Maria*, *Anne*, *Margaret*, *Ursula*, and *Mary*.

Marmaduke, eldest Son and Heir apparent, marry'd 1716. *Cary*, Daughter of *Edward Coke* of *Hokam* in the County of *Norfolk*, Esq; great Grandson and Heir of the famous Lord Chief Justice *Coke*, who wrote the Commentaries on the Laws.



ARMS.

Gules 3 Cheverons interlac'd in base Vary, and a Chief Or.

CREST.

On a Wreath a Wyvern with the Wings elevated Argent, breathing Flames proper. JOHN

(f) *Sir William Dugdale's Viſit. præd.*

JOHN PERSHALL of HORSLEY, Esq;
Staff. N^o 85.

(eod. Die prad.)

THE Lordship of *Pershall*, in *Com. Staff.* gave Denomination to this Family, that was anciently of the Sirname of *Swinerton*; Sir *John Swinerton*, Knt. leaving the Manor of *Pershall* to his Son *Richard*, 55 H. 3. (a) His Posterity retain'd the Name of *Pershall*.

Which *Richard de Pershall* was a Knight, and a Person of great Power in *Staffordshire*, having been High-Sheriff (an Office in those Days of great Authority) 7 Ed. 3. and from the 11th to the 15th of that King; and by Marriage with *Margaret*, Daughter and Heir of *Hugh* Lord of *Knighton*, added the Manor of *Knighton* to his Possessions, which descended to *Adam de Pershall*, his Son and Heir, who was likewise Sheriff, 15 Ed. 3. and made a like Accession to his Estate, by Marriage with two Heirettes, the Daughters of *John Weston*, Lord of *Weston Lizard*, and *John de Caverswall* of *Bishops Offley*; by the former he had Issue *Adam de Pershall*, who resided at *Weston*, whose Grandson and Heir, Sir *Adam Pershall*, Knt. left only 2 Daughters and Coheirs; *Margaret* marry'd to *Richard Mitton*, who was possess'd of *Weston*; and *Johanna*, the Wife of — *Birmingham*. Their Father, Sir *Adam*, dy'd Anno 1439, and either he or his Grandfather lies bury'd under an ancient Tomb in the Church of *Weston*. (b)

C c 3

Richard

(a) Ex Stemmate hujus Fam. penes B. Broughton, Baronet. & Collect. Tho. Jekyll, Arm. (b) Ex Monum. de Com. Staff. in Bibl. Asumoleana, Dorf. 853.

Richard Pershall (Son and Heir of *Adam de Pershall*, by *Agnes* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *John de Caverswall*) was a Knight, and became possess'd of a considerable Fortune by Marriage with *Johanna*, Daughter and Heir of *Reginald Cbetwynde*, by whom he had Issue,

Sir *Thomas Pershall*, Knt. 4 R. 2. who by his 1st Wife *Philippa*, had Issue 2 Sons, *Richard* and *Nicholas*, who marry'd *Temp. H. 4.* two Sisters Coheirs, the Daughters of *Hugh Malpas* of *Cbeckley*, who marry'd the Daughter and Heir of *Adam de Prayers*, who marry'd *Hellen*, Daughter and Heir of *Richard Blackenball* of *Blackenball* in *Cbeshire*, who marry'd the Daughter and Heir of *Hugh Wistaston*, and was possess'd of *Cbeckley* by his Father's marrying the Daughter and Heir of *Robert Prayers*, and all the Lands belonging to those Families by the said Marriages, came to the *Pershalls*. *Richard*, the eldest, left only 2 Daughters, marry'd *Temp. H. 7.* to *Grosvenor* and *Pigot* of *Cbeshire*: Of *Nicholas* his Brother, Mention will be made hereafter; for I shall now take Notice, that Sir *Thomas Pershall*, by his 2d Wife *Alice*, Daughter and Heir of *Roger Knightley* of *Gowfell*, in *Com. Staff.* left Issue *Humphrey Pershall*, Father to *Hugh Pershall*, who by his Wife *Isabela*, Daughter and Heir of *John Stanley* of *Pipe*, had 3 Daughters his Coheirs; *Catbarine* marry'd to Sir *John Blount* of *Kinlett*, in *Com. Salop*, Knt. *Isabella* to *Richard Fane* of *Tunbridge* in *Kent*, and *Jocosa* to *Humphrey Wolreth* of *Dudmanslow*, in *Com. Salop*.

The remaining Descendants of this Family in the Male Line, was from *Nicholas Pershall* before-mention'd, which I now come to treat of. The said *Nicholas* having (by *Hellen* his Wife, the Daughter and Heir of *Hugh Malpas*) left Issue *Hugh* his Son and Heir, the 1st that resided at *Horsley*, in *Com. Stafford*.

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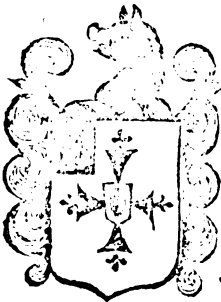
Which *Hugh* was High Sheriff of *Staffordshire*, 4 H. 7. and by *Julian* his Wife, Daughter of — *Corbet* of *Morton-Corbet*, Esquire, had Issue *Humphrey Pershall* of *Horsley*, who marry'd *Hellen*, Relict of *Henry Delves*, Esq; and Daughter to *Humphrey Swinerton* of *Swinerton-Castle*. He had Issue by her several Sons; *Richard*, whose Son *Henry* dy'd without Issue; *John Pershall* of *Checkley*, and *William Pershall*; from whom descended *John Pershall* of *Naples* in *Italy*.

John Pershall of *Checkley*, by *Hellena* his Wife, Daughter of *John Harcourt* of *Rampton*, in *Com. Staff.* had Issue *Richard* his Son and Heir, who marry'd *Issabel*, Daughter and Heir of *Francis Rolleston* of — in *Com. Derb.* who had by her 7 Sons and 2 Daughters. *John*, one of the Sons dy'd in *Barbary*, and *Thomas*, the eldest, succeeded to the Estate, resided at *Horsley*, and by his Wife, the Daughter of — *Fettiplace* of *Berkshire*, Esq; had Issue *John*, his Son and Heir.

Which *John Pershall* of *Horsley*, Esq; was created a Baronet by King *James*, Nov. 25. in the 10th Year of his Reign, and 4 Years afterwards was Sheriff of *Staffordshire*. He marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Ralph Sheldon* of *Beoly*, in *Com. Wigorn*, Esq; and had a numerous Issue. Those that marry'd were, 1. *Thomas*. 2. Sir *William Pershall*, who marry'd 2 Wives, *Mary* Daughter to *Richard Thimelby* Esq; and *Frances* Daughter to *Walter Lord Aston*. *John Pershall*, 3d Son, marry'd *Bridget* Daughter of *Robert Knightley* of *Warwickshire*. Of the Daughters, *Anne* marry'd Sir *Richard Fleetwood*, Baronet; *Elizabeth*, *William Scott* of *Suffex* Esq; *Dorothy*, *William Stanford* of *Perryball*, Esq; *Jane*, *Richard Colvert* of *Corkerem* Esq; *Katherine*, *James Pool* of *Wirbal*, Esq; *Margaret*, *Richard Brent*, Esq; and *Frances*, *John Stanford* of *Sayford*.

Thomas (Son and Heir of Sir *John Pershall*, Baronet) was 17 Years old, 1614, and took to Wife *Bridget*, Daughter of Sir *William Stafford* of *Blatherwick*, in *Com. North. Knt.* by whom he had *John* his Son and Heir, and 4 Daughters; *Bridget*, marry'd to *George*, Son of *William Maffey*, Esq; *Anne*, to *Christopher Hawley*; *Eliz.* to---Son of Sir *Robert Bosvile* of *Bianno*; and *Lettice*, to *John Barber* of *Flashbrook*, Gent.

Sir *John Pershall*, Baronet, (Son and Heir of the said *Thomas*) marry'd *Frances*, Daughter of *Thomas Leigh* of *Adlington*, in *Com. Cestr.* Esq; and was succeeded in Title and Estate by *Thomas* his Son and Heir; which Sir *Thomas Pershall*, Baronet, departed this Life about 2 or 3 Years past, and leaving no Issue Male, the Title of Baronet ceased in this Family; *John* his only Son dying some Years before him, who had Issue 2 Sons that dy'd young, and 2 Daughters; the eldest of which, *Frances*, marry'd *Thomas Ireland*, of the County of *Salop*, Esq; (since deceas'd, leaving Issue by him one Son) and *Arabella* is unmarried.



A R M S.

Argent, a Cross forme flourette
Sable, on a Canton *Gules*, a
Wolf's Head of the 1st.

C R E S T.

A Boar's Head Coupee *Gules*,
Crined and Tusked *Or*, Langued
Azure.

FRAN-

FRANCIS ENGLEFIELD of WOTTON-
BASSET, Wilts. N^o 86.

(cod. Die præd.)

THIS Family, surnam'd from the Town of *Englefield*, or *Englesfield* in *Berkshire*, are said to be possess'd thereof in the second Year of the Reign of King *Egbert*, 246 Years before the *Norman* Conquest; at which Time was an Oratory, as appears by a Terrier of the Land belonging to the same, where it is call'd *Cantaria de Englefield*.

In several Pedigrees, *Hasculfus de Englesfyld* is first mention'd, as Lord of *Englesfyld*, (a) about the Time of King *Canutus*, &c. and also in the the 4th Year of *Harold* 1. or *Harefoot*, and in the Reign of *Hardicnute*, and dy'd in the Days of *St. Edward* the Confessor. This *Hasculf* purchas'd an Hide of Land in *Englefield*, of *Hasculf de Pinkeny*, to which Deed *Hely Englefield*, Son to another *Hasculf Englefield*, was a Witness.

Guy (Son and Heir of *Hasculf*) liv'd *Temp. Will.* 1. and was Father to *Hely Englefield*, *Temp. Will.* 2. who had Issue two Sons, *William* and *Peter*; the former gave the Parsonage of *Englefeld* to the Abbey of *Reading*, *Joseph* then Abbot, in the Reign of King *Hen.* 1. as appears by his Deed *sans Date*, seal'd with the Seal of the said *William*; which recites that he gave the said Parsonage to the said *Joseph*, and the Convent there,
and

(a) *Ex Col. Tho. Jekyll de Bocking, Ar. & Visit. Com. Berks, &c.*

and their Successors, in Consideration that his Ancestors in Time past had done so long before his Days.

This Gift of the Church of *Englefeld*, soon after is mention'd in a Charter of King *Hen. 2.* wherein he confirms the several Donations to the Abbot of *Reading*, but without Notice of the Donor's Name. (b)

This *William* had 3 Sons; Sir *William*, who dy'd without Issue, Sir *Alan Englefeld*, and *Thomas*.

William (Son and Heir to Sir *Alan*) is commemorated *Temp. Rich. 1.* and was Father to *John Englefeld*, of *Englefeld*, who had Issue Sir *William Englefeld*, whom I take to be the same Person mention'd with *Geffry de Leuknors*, in an Inquisition to enquire about Lands given by King *John* to *Margery de Lacy*, to found the Priory of *Acornbury*, (c) in *Com. Hertford*, and by the Name of *William de Englefeld*, is recorded as one of the Justices itinerant for the Counties of *Suffex*, *Southampton*, and *Wilts*, *Anno 1255*, 39 *H.* 3. and for *Norf. and Suff.* 41 *H.* 3. 1257. and 46 *H.* 3. 1262, for *Bedf. Essex*, *Hertf.* and *Kent*; and 47 *H.* 3. 1263, for *Southampton* and *Wilts.* (d)

He had two Wives, and Sir *John de Englefeld* was his Son and Heir; whose Son Sir *William* dy'd in *France* in the Reign of King *Edw. 1.* having had Issue Sir *Roger Englefeld*, *Andrew*, and *Willam*.

Sir *Roger* afore said, was return'd one of the Knights for *Berkshire*, in the Parliament held 6 *Ed. 2.* (e) and dying 36 *E. 3.* left by *Joan* his Wife, a Daughter *Alice*, marry'd to *Mortely*, and two Sons, Sir *Philip*, and *William*.

Sir

(b) *Mon. Angl. Vol. 1. p. 418.* (c) *Mon. Ang. Vol. 2. p. 330.*
 (d) *Origen jured. Chron. ser. de eod. an.*
 (e) *Frynn's Register, pag. 443.*

Sir *Philip*, as eldest Son, enjoy'd the ancient Inheritance, and marry'd 3 Wives, first, *Joan*, second, *Elizabeth*, and lastly, *Alice*, Daughter and Coheir to *Walter Rossel*, (which *Alice* surviving her Husband, was afterwards marry'd to *William Fawkenore*) by whom he had the Isle of *Rossel*, *Udlington*, *Eton* and *Teagden*, in *Com. Salop*, and d'y'd 7 H. 6. But from *Joan* his 1st Wife proceeded two Sons, Sir *John*, and *Philip*; Brother to whom I presume was *Nicholas Englefeld* of *Ricot*, Esq; Comptroller of the Household to King Ric. 2. who dy'd Apr. 1. 1415, as his Epitaph testifies in *Ashton Church* in *Essex*; (a) which *Nicholas* left only two Daughters and Coheirs, marry'd to *Fowler* and *Quatermains*.

Sir *John Englefield* aforesaid, serv'd in Parliament as Knight of the Shire for *Berks*, (b) 21 of King *Richard* 2. He had Posterity to the 3d Generation. But then the Line expiring without Issue Male, the Estate came to the Descendants of his Brother *Philip*, who had Issue a Daughter *Pbilippe*, marry'd to *Edward Brudenel* of *Ayno*, in *Com. Northampton*, Ancestor to the Earls of *Cardigan*; and two Sons, viz. *Pbilip Englefield* of *Englefield*, High Sheriff of *Berkshire*, 8 H. 6. and *Robert Englefield*, who dy'd 13 *Edw.* 4. and was succeeded in the Lordship of *Englefield* by his Grandson *Thomas*. (*John* his Son and Heir, who had to Wife *Joan*, Daughter to *John Milburne* of *London* dying 3 *Edw.* 4. in his Life-time) Which *Thomas* receiv'd, with many more, the Honour of Knighthood (c) on the Marriage of Prince *Arthur*, Son to King *Hen.* 7. having, Anno 1496, been elected Speaker of the House of Commons, and was made Judge

(a) *Weaver's Mon.* p. 660. (b) *Pryn's Parl. Regist.* p. 443. (c) *Nim. Milit.* in *Bibl. Cotton.*

Judge or Justice of *Chester*, Aug. 20. 19 H. 7. which he held 'till his Death, and was Speaker of the 1st Parliament, call'd by King H. 8. He had Sepulture on the North Side of the Chancel of the Church of *Englefield*, under a fair gray Marble Monument, (*d*) at the Head of which, in Plates of Brass, is the Figure of a Knight in a kneeling Posture, habited in Armor, over which is a Surcoat of his Arms quartering a *Fefs* between six *Martlets*; the Figure of his Wife kneeling opposite, with a Table and Dish between them, and behind him five Sons; and out of his Mouth proceeds in an Escrole, *O bone Jesu tu novisti & potes, & vis bonum animabus nostras nos nec novimus nec possumus.* Out of hers, in a like Escrole; *Tu pro pietate tua ineffabili nobiscum dispones secundum quod noveris tibi velle & nobis prodesse.* What remain'd of that Epitaph as it was taken by Mr. *Ashmole*, A. D. 1665, was,

Here lyeth sure Thomas Engleilde,
 Margery his Wiffe the whych sure
 The 2d Day of April, the Year of our
 On whose Souls Jesu have . . . (v & xiiii

i. e. 1514, (about the 6th H. 8.) in which Year the Chapel on the North Side of the Church was built, as appears by an Inscription in the North Window,

The aforesaid *Margery* was Daughter to Sir *Richard Danvers*, Knt. and of his Sons, I find *Richard* dy'd without Issue Male, and *Thomas* succeeded to the Inheritance.

This *Thomas Englefeld* underwent the Office of High Sheriff of *Berkshire* and *Oxfordshire*, 11 H. 8. and having been educated at the *Middle Temple*, was the next Year Autumnal Reader, and the Year

(*d*) *Ex Mon. de Com. Berks. in Bibl. Ashm. darf. 853.*

Year after call'd to the Dignity of the Coif (c) by the Kings Letters Patent, dated (*Decemb. 3. 15 H. 8.*) at *Hampton-Court*. He had 100*l.* per *Ann.* granted him for Life, and 3 Years after was constituted one of the Justices of the Common-Pleas. He was Knighted, and departed this Life *A. D. 1573.* as a Memorial (on the right Side of the East Window against the Wall in the Church of *Englefield*) evidences; containing the Pictures of him and his Lady; he in his Judicial Robes, she in a Surcoat of her Arms plac'd against a Faldstool, and both kneeling, with 3 Sons behind him, and 9 Daughters behind her. Out of his Mouth a Scrole containing the two first Verses of the 103d Psalm; Out of her Mouth, *O Beata benedicta & gloriosa Trinitas, Pater & Filius, & Spiritus Sanctus—Tibi laus, tibi gloria, tibi gratiarum actio.* Above the Figure is the quarter'd Arms of the Family, and under them this Inscription.

Here lyeth Sir Thomas Englesfyld Knt. Son and Heir to Sir Thomas Englesfyld Knt. hereby lying, and One of the Kings Justices of the Comyn Place; and Dame Elizabeth bes Wyffe: The whych Sir Thomas deceasyd the 28th Day of September, in the Year of our Lord God 1573, on whos Soule, and all Chrysten Soules Jhu have Mercy, Amen.

The said *Elizabeth* was Daughter to *Sir Robert Throckmerton* of *Coughton*, in *Com. War.* who bore him 3 Sons, *Francis*, *John* hereafter mention'd, and *Thomas*, and 9 Daughters, as the Figures before-mention'd shew.

Francis, the eldest Son, succeeded to the Inheritance: (a) He purchas'd *Erdington*, in *Com. Warw.* 21 *H. 8.* and having receiv'd Knighthood 22 *Feb.*
Anno

(c) *Origin. juridic.* (a) *Dugd. Warwic.*

Anno 1 Ed. 6. was that Year High Sheriff of *Berkshire* and *Oxfordshire*. He was afterwards Master of the Court of Wards, and of the Privy Council to Queen *Mary*. But being a great Enemy to the Lady *Elizabeth*, upon the Account of Religion, when she ascended the Throne, he, in very Zeal, with the Lord *Morley*, Sir *Thomas Shelley*, Sir *John Gage*, and others, retir'd beyond Sea. (b) And tho' he had a most large Inheritance here in *England*, liv'd for the most part in *Spain*, where he was a most industrious Agent to sollicit the Cause of (c) the Queen of *Scots*, both to his Holiness, and to the Catholick King. He was also a great Promoter of and Benefactor to the *English* College at *Valladolid* in *Spain*, where he was interr'd, 1571. He marry'd *Catharine*, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Fettiplace*, Esq; but left no Issue, so that the Estate descended to his Nephew, viz. the Son of his Brother *John Englefield*, Esq; for whom in the North Wall of the Chapel of *Englefield* is a Brass Plate fasten'd, and thereon is insculp'd the Portraiture of a Man in Armor, with his Wife, and the following Inscription.

Here lyeth buried John Englefield, Esq; second Son to Sir Thomas Englefield Knight, who had to Wife Margaret Fitton, Daughter to Str Edward Fitton of Gawsworth, by whom he had an only Child nam'd Francis, yet living; who married Jane, eldest Sister to Anthony, now Viscount Montague, and had Issue by her four Sons, and one Daughter. The said Margaret, after she had liv'd a Widow 38 Tears, caus'd this Monument to be made in the Tear 1605, in Remembrance of her said Husband, who died the first Day of April, 1567.

And

(b) *Cambden's Elizab.* (c) *Fuller's Worthies, in Com. Berks.*

And on a white Marble set in a black Grave-stone under the said Plate in the Wall, is her *Obit.*

Here lyeth buried John Englefield, Esq, and Margaret his Wife, whose Monument is in the North Side of this Chapel; which Margaret died the 29th of August, 1612.

Thomas Englefield, Esq, only Son aforesaid, was of Wotton-Basset, in Com. Wilts, (of which Place his Father was also nominated) as well as Englefield in Berkshire.

In the 10th Year of King *James, A. D. 1611.* he was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, and liv'd till 1631, as appears by a beautiful Monument in the North Chapel of *Englefield Church*, against the North Wall, adorn'd with the Portraitures of a Knight in Armor, and his Lady, both kneeling at a Desk, four Sons behind him, and one Daughter behind her, in praying Postures; on the Side of the Desk the Arms of *Englefield* impaling *Brown*. Under the said Monument, on a Marble Stone, is a Brass Plate with this Inscription.

Here lyeth interr'd the Body of Sir Francis Englefield, Baronet, (only Son of John Englefield, Esq, and Margaret his Wife) who married Jane, eldest Daughter to Anthony Viscount Mountague, by whom he had Issue 10 Children, viz. Thomas, Dorothy, Francis, Thomas, John, Anthony, William, Mary, Margaret, and Henry, of which Thomas the eldest, Dorothy, and John, died before their Father. He died the 25th of Octob. Anno Dom. 1631, being 69 Tears, 3 Months, and 27 Days old.

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Of the Daughters, I find *Mary* marry'd to—*Morgan*; of the Sons, *Thomas* marry'd *Mary* Daughter to *William Wollescot* of *Shenifield* in *Berks*, and *Anthouy*, who was of *Whiteknights* in the Parish of *Sunning* in *Perks*, aged 50 Years, 1665, had by his Wife *Susan*, Daughter to——*Ryley* in *Com. Oxon.* Sons and Daughters.

Sir Francis Englefield, Baronet, (eldest Son and Heir of *Sir Francis*) receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood from King *James* the 1st at *East-Hamsted*, Aug. 10. 1622.—He resided sometimes at *Sholby*, in *Com. Leicest.* which Estate came to him in Right of his Wife *Winefred*, Daughter and Coheir to *William Brookesby*, Esq; and in his Behalf I meet with this indemnifying (c) Letter of King *Charles* I.

CHARLES REX.

WHEREAS Our Trusty and Well-beloved *Sir* *Francis Englefield*, Knight and Baronet, being a Recusant, is thereby subject to our Laws and Statutes in that Case provided: These are to signify Our Royal Will and Pleasure, that no Person or Persons shall, at any time hereafter, sue, prosecute or implead, either by Way of Indictment, Information, or otherwise, against the said *Sir Francis*, for being a Recusant, or convicted by Virtue of any of our Laws or Statutes against Popish Recusants, 'till we shall signify our Pleasure to the contrary. Given under our Signet at our Palace of Westminster, Decemb. the 6th, in the 10th Year of our Reign.

This *Sir Francis* had Issue a Daughter *Mary*, marry'd to *Christopher Roper*, Lord *Tenham*, and *Charles* his Successor.

Which *Sir Charles Englefield*, Baronet, (as I am inform'd) marry'd——natural Daughter of *Thomas* Lord *Colepepper*, by *Mrs. Susan Willis*, but hath no Issue.

A R M S.

(c) Bibliotheca Regia, p. 255.

A R M S.



Barry of 6 pieces, Gules and Argent, on a chief Or, a Lyon passant Azure. Which are in several places of the Windows of the Church of Englefield.

C R E S T.

On a Wreath a Cubit Arm Couped, and erect, per pale Azure and Gules, turned up Argent, holding a Branch proper. Anciently a Spread-Eagle and pale, Azure and Gules.

Sir THOMAS RIDGWAY, of TOR, Kt.
Devon. N^o. 87,

(*cod. Die præd.*)

THIS Family anciently written *Ridgway*, *alias*, *Peacock* (alluding to which, the ancient bearing of Arms was *Three Peacocks Heads eras'd*) has been in *Devonshire* for many Generations, as appears from the Collections of the best Antiquary of that County (*Sir William Pole's Manuscript of Deeds and Charters.*) The Name may be presum'd to be local, there being two Places so call'd in the said County, one near *Plimouth*, and the other in the Parish of *Owlscomb*, near *Honiton*. (a.)

The first that advanc'd this Family I take to be *Stephen Ridgway*, who was one of the Stewards of the City of *Exeter*, 6 *Edw. 4.* 1466, and Mayor thereof, 7 *H. 7.* Son or Grandson to whom, in all

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(a) *Prince's Worthies of Devon.*

Probability, was *John Ridgway* of *Tor* in *Com. Devon.* Esq; who was elected one of the Representatives for the City of *Exeter*, in the two first Parliaments call'd by *Queen Mary*; (b) He left Issue by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *John Wentford*, *Thomas* his Son and Heir, who took to Wife *Mary*, eldest Daughter of *Thom. Southcot*, Esq; and Coheir to her Mother *Grace*, Daughter and Heir of *John Barnhouse* of *Marsh* in *Com. Devon.* Esq; from which Match proceeded a Son of his own Name, *Thomas Ridgway*, hereafter mention'd; and in Commemoration of them are the following Inscriptions in the Parish-Church of *Tor Mohun*,

Æterna Memoria Sacrum

Johannis Ridgeway, Armiger, Vir libere & ingenue educatus, aucti ingenii, & in Rebus agendis egregie versatus, eoque nomine de Patria & Republica optime meritus, summa & integra Fidei apud Reges Henricum Octavum, Edwardum Sextum, & Mariam Reginam. Pater Thomæ Ridgeway hic conditi, Avus Thomæ Ridgeway, Militis, Filii & Hæredis ejusdem Tho. Ridgeway, hoc loco etiam requiescentis, & cujus digna Memoria Monumentum hoc nunc quoque posteritati commendatur. Elizabetham Wentford Fæminam omni lunde dignam hac æde sepultam habuit conjugem; e qua sobolem reliquit, Thomam, hic placide dormientem, Filium unicum Hæredem; Filias vero duas, Primogenitam——Hugoni Earth, Arm. conjugatam, Alteram——Prideaux, Armigero in Matrimonium datam.

Thomas Ridgeway, Armiger (Cujus Memoria hoc Monumentum præcipue conservatur) duplici ut superius

(b) *Willis's Not. Parl. in Devon.*

rius narratur, connubio felix, priorem Conjugem (e qua sola sobolem reliquit) habuit Mariam primogenitam Thomæ Southcott, Arm. Matris suæ Gratiæ Barnehusii, Cohæredem, ex his nata numerosa Progenies Filii octo. viz. Tho. Filius & Hæres, Eques Auratus (dignissima Fœminæ Cecilix Macwilliam paternæ Hæreditatis Cohæredi Matrimonio junctus) quibus nati Filii tres; Robertus, juvenili ætate Equestri Dignitate ornatus, qui Elz. unicam Filiam & Hæredem Simonis Weston Militis in conjugem duxit; Edwardus & Macwilliam: Filia duæ, Maria in cunis defuncta, & Cassandra, Francisco Willoughbye, Equiti Aurato nupta. Georgius, Richardus, Johannes, Petrus superstites, Southcottus, Ægidius & Guilielmus, defuncti. Filia vero septem, Elizabetha (sola e Filiabus adhuc vivens) Thomæ Roche de Essex, Arm. in nuptiis data, multiplici sobole beata; Gratia, Jacobo Walsh, Arm. conjugata; Gertruda, Maria, altera Gratia, Philadelpa una & altera, omnes defunctæ.

Thomæ Ridgway Armigero claris natalibus orto, virtute propria clariori, moribus suavissimis, Pietate in Deum, Comitatus in Amicos, Hospitalitate in omnes, insigni; literis tam Divinis tam humanis non mediocriter imbuto; Pacis Justitiæque, annis plus minus novem moderatori vigilantissimo, litum ac controversiarum inter proximos pendentium, prompto & equissimo discussori Patriæ studio, industria ac sollicitudine plurimum consulenti, duplici connubio felici (priore è clara Southcottorum Familia, & Barnehusii Cohærede Famina Virtute, Pietate, ac Modestia ornatissima, multiplici sobole, octo Filiis & septem Filiabus fœcunda, & altera e clara Miliorum (communiter Miles) Familia oriunda, vitam hanc molestiis & curis plenissimam, Anno Dom. 1598, Mense Junii, placide relinquenti, hic requiescenti perfectam Corporis & Animæ gloriam, & glorificationem in Christo expectanti.

Thomas Ridgeway Filius, Hæres, & Equestri Dignitate ornatus, in vicissimi Regis Jacobi primi in Regno Hib. Vice-Thesaurarius ac Præceptor Generalis, & Thesaurarius (ut vocant) ad Guerras, unusque è Secretioribus ejusdem Regni Consiliis, summi Amoris, Officii & Pietatis ergo maestissimus posuit.

Which Thomas (Son and Heir of Thomas Ridgeway) distinguish'd himself very eminently against the Rebels in *Ireland*, in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, and planted the 1st Protestant Colony in that Kingdom. He was High-Sheriff of *Devonshire*, 1600, and in the same Year receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood. At the Accession of King *James* to the Throne of *England*, he was elected one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Devon*, in the 1st Parliament call'd by that Prince, who well discerning his Merits and Services, employ'd him in some of the highest Places of Trust and Command in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, and swore him of his most Honourable Privy Council. He was Deputy-Treasurer of that Kingdom, and Commander-General and Treasurer of Wars for many Years; was esteem'd an able Counsellor, full of Honour and Fidelity. He was, as was said before, first knighted, afterwards, viz. Nov. 25, 1612, advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet, and in the Year 1616, as a peculiar Mark of the Royal Favour, promoted to the Peerage of the Kingdom of *Ireland*, by the Titles of Baron of *Gallen-Ridgway*. and on the 23d of *August*, 1622, was promoted to be Earl of *Londonderry*. He lyes interr'd in the Isle belonging to his Family, in the Parish-Church of *Tor Mobun*. He marry'd one of the Maids of Honour to Queen *Elizabeth*, *Cecilia*, Sister and Coheir of *Henry Mackwilliam*, and had Issue 3 Sons and 2 Daughters, as before is mention'd in the Inscriptions, *Cassandra*,

dra, one of the Daughters, was Grandmother to the present Lord *Middleton*.

Robert, the eldest Son, succeeded in his Titles and Estate; he was honour'd with Knighthood when very young, and marry'd in his Father's Lifetime *Elizabeth* the only Daughter and Heir of Sir *Simon Weston* of *Lackfield*, Knight, by whom he left Issue 2 Sons, *Weston* his Successor, and *Shalloon*.

Weston Earl of *Londonderry*, &c. marry'd *Martha* Daughter of Sr. *Richard Temple*, Baronet, Father of the present Lord *Cobham*, and left Issue 2 Sons, *Robert* and *Thomas*, with several Daughters.

Robert, the eldest Son, succeeded to the Title and Estate, and departing this Life, *March* 7th, 171 $\frac{3}{4}$, was bury'd the 19th following with his Ancestors in the Church of *Tor Mobun*, leaving only two Daughters his Coheirs.

A R M S.



Sable a Pair of Wings conjoin'd, and elevated *Argent*.

C R E S T.

A Camel Couchant *Argent*, Bridle and Trappings *Sable*, with a Coffer on his Back *Sable*, garnish'd *Or*.

S U P P O R T E R S.

Two Falcons *Argent*, Beak and Legs *Or*, accolled with Chaplets of *Roses Gules*.

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WILLIAM ESSEX of LAMBORNE Esq;
Berks. N^o 88.

(25 Nov. A.D. 1612. R. Jac. 10.)

THE Surname of this Family accrew'd from the Office of Sheriff of the County of *Essex*, hereditarily possess'd before the Conquest. *Wynmark* was Father to *Robert*, who liv'd in the Time of *Edward* the Confessor, and *Swene de Essex*, his Son, at the Time of the General Survey made by the Conqueror, had no less than 55 Lordships in the said County, 9 in *Suffolk*, with 41 Burgessees in *Ipswich*, and the Manor of *Wedresley* in *Huntingtonshire*; the Castle of *Raleigh* in *Essex*, call'd in *Domesday* *Riganea*, he re-edify'd, or built, and in the Church, he, or some of his Descendants, lye bury'd under a Tomb which makes a Shew of great Antiquity. (a)

By *Gunnora* his Wife, who gave the Church of *Frammingham* to the Priory of *Tbetford* (b) he had issue *Henry* and *Robert*, a Witness to a Charter which King *Hen. I.* made to the Priory of *Levesham* in *Kent*. (c)

Henry, eldest Son and Heir to *Swene de Essex*, was Sheriff of *Buckinghamshire* and *Bedfordshire*, 2 & 3 *H. 2.* (d) and gave the Church of *Walden* to the Nuns of *Clerkenwell*, and his Lordship of little *Fraincham* to the Knights-Templars. He left Issue by *Cecilia* his Wife, Sir *Henry* and *Hugh*.

This Sir *Henry* was styl'd *Constabularius Regis*, 3 *H. 3.* and enjoying the Office of Standard-bearer

(a) *Mon. Weavers.* p. 603.

(b) *Mon. Ang.* Vol. 1. p. 667.

(c) *Mon. Ang.* Vol. 2. p. 877.

(d) *Rot. pip. de iisd. an.*

bearer to the King by Inheritance, behav'd himself so unworthily in that Expedition which the King himself about that Time made into *Wales*, (throwing down that Ensign, and betaking himself to Flight; whereby the *Welsh* became so animated, and the *English* so discourag'd, through a sudden Apprehension of the King's being slain) that the whole Army fell presently into Confusion, and was utterly routed. For which high Misdemeanor, being charg'd (a) with High Treason by *Robert de Montfort* (an eminent Nobleman) and in a solemn Trial by Battle clearly vanquish'd, he was to have suffer'd Death by the Law, had not the King's Clemency interpos'd, who, sparing his Life, caus'd him to be shorn a Monk in the Abby of *Reading*, and seiz'd on his whole Estate, which had the Reputation of an Honor or Barony; for by that Name it is recorded in the Sheriffs Accompts.

He had two Sons that were Knights; and *Alice* his Wife, Sister to *Alberic E. of Oxford* surviv'd him, and was marry'd secondly to *Roger Fitz Richard*, Lord of *Warksworth* and *Clavering*.

Hugh de Essex aforesaid (Brother to the said Sir *Henry*) confirm'd the Donation of *Walden*, made by *Cicely* his Mother and *Henry* his Father, 4 R. 1. *Richard* Bishop of *London* corroborating the same. He also granted to the Monks of *Hatfield*, Lands in *Goldangre*, of the Gift of *Fulk de Mures*, and a Rent of (b) 4 s. one of the Witnesses being *Ralf de Essex*; which Charter was seal'd with the Arms of an *Orle. Hugh*, Grandson and Heir to the said *Hugh*, dy'd seiz'd of Lands, &c. in *Rywehall in Com. Essex*, as appears by an Inquisition taken there 34 H. 3. whereby another *Hugh de Essex* was found his Son

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and

(a) *Matth. Paris in An. 1163. 9 H. 2.*

(b) *V. sit. Essex. p. Claving. Chester.*

and next Heir, aged then five Years. From whose Daughter *Anne*, Wife to *John Prayers*, descended the *Bouchiers* Earls of *Bath*. About which Time *Walter de Essex* was High Sheriff of *Essex* and *Hertford*, 53 and 56 *H. 3.* and 1 and 2 *Ed. 1.* and a Benefactor to *St. Paul's London.* (b)

A younger Brother to the last *Hugh* was *John de Essex*, who dy'd seiz'd of Lands in *Radiswell in Com. Essex*, *An. 18 Ed. 1.* as is evident by Inquisition taken there, leaving another *John Essex* his Son and Heir, who dy'd seiz'd also of those Lands, and was dead 35 *E. 3.* (c) having had Issue by *Joan* his Wife two Sons, *John* and *Thomas*, whereof the former dy'd issueless, and from the other descended *William de Essex*, who serv'd in Parliament for the City of *London*, *Anno 6 R. 2.* (d) leaving *William* his Son and Heir, who was of *Wandon Green in Com. Mid.* and relinquish'd his Paternal Coat of Arms, assuming to himself the bearing of the *Eagles*, by Concession of the King of Arms. He was a Burgess in Parliament 28 *H. 6.* for *Dorchester*; and in the Reign of King *Edward 4.* was one of the Remembrancers of the Exchequer, and Under-Treasurer of *England*; and by *Editb* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Maro of Stepney*, left Issue *Thomas* his Son and Heir, who succeeded in *Wandon-Green*; and departing this Life, was bury'd at *Kensington in Com. Middlesex*, having this Sepulchral Epitaph, (e)

Hic jacet Thomas Essex, Armiger, filius & haeres Gulielmi Essex, Armigeri, Rememoratoris Domini Regis Edwardi quarti in Scaccario ac Vicethesaurario Anglia. Qui obiit 10 Nov. 1500.

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(b) *Mon. Angl. Fol. 3 p. 321.* (c) *Inq. 35 E. 3.*
 (d) *Prynne's Parl. Register, eod. anno.* (e) *Wezper's Man. p. 524.*

*Quæ sola virgineo nata laudamus honore,
Me protegens, Nato fundito vota tuo.*

By *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *William Baltborp* of *Elston* in *Com. Leicest.* he had a Son *William*; which *William* came possess'd of *Bewcote* and *Lamborne* in *Com. Berks*, in Right of his Wife; was a worthy Man in his Generation, and of great Command in that County, whereof he was four times Sheriff, together with that of *Oxfordshire*, viz. 1, 10, 16 and 32 *Hen. 8.* and the Year after serv'd in Parliament as Knight of the Shire for the said County. He receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood on or before the 10th Year of that King; and by his Wife *Elizab.* Daughter and sole Heir of *Thomas Rogers* of *Benham*, whose Grandfather, *John Rogers*, had marry'd *Elizabeth* Daughter and Heir of *John Shotelbroke* of *Bewcote* in *Com. Berks*, left Issue *Thomas* his Son and Heir, who was likewise knighted.

Which Sir *Thomas Essex* marry'd *Margaret* Daughter to *William Lord Sandys*, and had Issue *Thomas*, his Son and Heir, who was living at *Lamborne*, 1584, having to Wife *Elizabeth* Daughter to Sir *Edward Palmer* Knight, by whom he had Issue 5 Sons, and 3 Daughters, and lies bury'd in the Middle of the Chapel in *Lamborne* Church. (on the North Side of the Chancel) under a fair rais'd Monument, the Statues (as big as the Life) of a Knight and his Lady lying thereon; he with his Surcoat of Arms over his Armour, his Head resting on a Helmet, and an Eagle's Head with a Firebrand in its Mouth, and his Feet on a Dolphin bow'd; she in her usual Habit and Attire, her Feet resting on a Goat with Wings, and round the Ledge this Epitaph:

Here

Here lyeth the Bodies of THOMAS ESSEX Kt. who deceased the 29th of August, in the Teer of our Lord God One thousand five hundred fifty and eight, and Dame Margaret bis Wife——

Thomas Essex Esq; his eldest Son, marry'd *Joan*, Daughter to *Thomas Harrison*, and left Issue a Son and a Daughter; *William*, and *Joan*, Wife to *William Anderson*, Esq; second Son to the Judge of that Name.

This *William* was created a Baronet, Nov. 25. in the 10th Year of King *James*, and was possess'd of great Estate, the Revenues of a Baron, as one writes. (a) He marry'd *Jane* eldest Daughter to Sir *Walter Harcourt*, of *Stanton-Harcourt* in *Com. Oxon.* and had Issue *Charles* his Son and Heir.

This Sir *William*, indulging himself in a licentious Course of Life, wasted his great Fortune, and in his old Age, compell'd by his Wants and his Son's Invitation, (b) accepted of the Command of a Company of Foot in the Parliament-Army, at the first breaking out of the Rebellion against King *Charles* the 1st; and serving in the same Regiment whereof his Son was Colonel, was taken Prisoner at the Fight at *Edgehill*; in which Battle he likewise suffer'd the Misfortune of losing his Son by a Musket-Shot; and he afterwards dying without Issue Male, the Title became extinct.

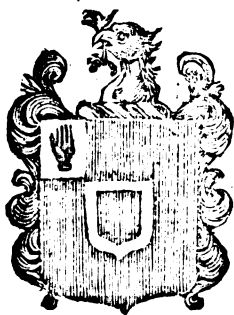
The aforesaid Colonel *Charles Essex* was bred a Page under the Earl of that Name, and afterwards prefer'd by him to a Command in *Holland*, (c) where he liv'd with very good Reputation, and preserv'd the Credit of his decay'd Family.

(a) *Fuller's Worthies in Berk.*

(b) *Clarendon's Hist. 8vo, Vol. 3. p. 55.*

(c) *Ibid. p. 54.*

Family. But as soon as the said Earl accepted of the Command of General of the Parliament Army, he thought his Gratitude oblig'd him to run the Fortune of his Patron; and out of pure Kindness to the Person of the Earl, as many others did, engag'd himself against the King, without any Malice or Rebellion in his Heart towards the Crown. He had the Command of a Regiment of Foot, was Serjeant Major-General of the Army, and esteem'd the best and most expert Officer therein, and of whom they had the best Opinion, and his Loss was much regretted by them. He had (as my Lord *Clarendon* writes) " preserv'd a
 " good Reputation in the World, till this last
 " Action, which was now the worse, over and
 " above the guilt of Rebellion, by his having
 " sworn to the Queen of *Bohemia*, by whose In-
 " tercession he procur'd Leave of the Prince of
 " *Orange* to go into *England*, that he would never
 " serve against the King.



A R M S,

Sir William, Effex, Baronet,
 reassum'd the ancient bearing of
 his Family, viz. Argent an Orle
 Gules.

C R E S T.

An Eagles Head couped Or, in the Beak a Leg of
 a Fowl eras'd alaquise Gules.

Sir

Sir EDWARD GORGES of LANGFORD,
Kt. Wilts. N^o 89

(*ead. Die prad.*)

THIS Family, by paternal Extraction, was of the Surname of *Russel*, (of the same Lineage as the Dukes of *Bedford*) and derive their Surname of *Gorges* from a maternal Ancestor, as will appear by the following Account. *Ivo de Gorges*, the first of the Name that I meet with, is a Witness to a Charter *Temp. H. 1.* which *Geva* (Daughter to *Hugh Lupus* Earl of *Chester*) made to the Priory of *Canewell* in *Com (a) Staff.* and Contemporary with him was *Patrick de Gauges*, who gave half a Carve of Land in *Kirkby-Mesperton* to the Abbey of *St. Maries* at *York*, mention'd in a Confirmation-Charter of King *Hen. 2.* (b) After him was *Ralph de Gorges*, who flourish'd under the Reign of King *Henry 3.* and was Governor of the Castles of *Sherburne* and *Exeter*, and High Sheriff of *Devonshire*, 54 of that King's Reign; and having been sign'd with the Cross, dy'd in or before the 56 *H. 3.* *Ellen* his Wife, Daughter and Coheir to *John de Morevill* (who brought him the Manor of *Bradpool*) surviving him, and dy'd *Anno 20 Ed. 1.* This *Ralph* had also a former Wife, who was Daughter and Heir of *Foliot* of *Warleigh* in the Parish of *Tamerton*, from them called *Tamerton Folict*; for 29 *Ed. 1.* *Thomas de Gorges*, (I presume his Son) was one of the Knights of *Devonshire*, who were summon'd to arm with Horse and Armour at *Berwick* upon *Tweed*, (c) upon an intended Expedition into *Scotland*,

(a) *Mon Angl. Vol. 1;*
Plac. Parl. p. 487.

(b) *Monast. Ibid.*

(c) *Ryley*

land; and 21 E. 1. upon an Assesment he held *Tame: ten Foliot*; (d) which Estate continu'd about six Descents in this Line, till *Jane*, Daughter and Heir of *John Gorges of Warleigh*, convey'd it by Marriage to the *Bonviles of Sbute*. Brother to this *Thomas* in all Probability was *John*, who in the said 29 Ed. 1. was summon'd among the Knights of the County of *Northampton*, on the like Expedition; and from one of them descended Sir *George Gorges*, Governor of *Cardiff Castle* 14 Edw. who was taken Prisoner by *Mortimer Earl of March*, (e) and the *Gorges of Alderston in Com. Northampton*. The aforesaid *Ralph* left Issue 'ir *Ralph Gorges*, who marry'd *Eleanor*, who surviv'd him; for in a Deed, dated 14 Edward Son of King Edw. she wrote her self *Alianor* late the Wife of *Ralph Gorges*, sealing with *Escutcheons of Arms of Losengy* and of a *Gross Moline* plac'd alternately and circular round the Seal. This *Ralph* had Issue another *Ralph*, and either he or his Father, the aforesaid *Ralph*, in the Reign of King Edward 1, was Marshal of the King's Army in the Wars of *Gascoigne*, and had the Misfortune to be made Prisoner by the *French*, 22 Edw. 1. but commanded again in the Wars of *Gascoigne*, 28 of that Reign; and 3 Years afterwards went against the *Scots*, viz. 31 Edw. 1, at which Time he held one Fee in *Brainston in Com. Devon*. (f)

He was summon'd 3 Edw. 2. among the Peers of the Realm; and 14 Edward Son of Edward the King, styling himself therein Lord of *Wraxhall*, he granted to *John de Penderon* and *Anne* his Wife 20 *libratas terræ* in *Dunkerton*, *Credelington*, and *Otwike*, which *John Champneys* Lord of *Colnehall* us'd

(d) Pole Mss. Cart. dom. de Com. Devon. p. 429. (e) Dugd. Bar. in Mortimer. (f) Pole Mss. præd. p. 405.

ns'd to pay him for the Manor of *Dunkerton*; dated at *Glaston*, with a Seal of Arms *Losengy* appendant to it: (g) More of him may be seen in Sir *William Dugdale's* Baronage (b) (who coalesces these two *Ralphs*.)

He dy'd seiz'd of the Manor of *Wraxball*, *inter alia*, 17 *Edw.* 2. leaving *Ralph* his Son and Heir; but whether he was seiz'd of *Wraxball* in Right of Marriage, or by Descent, or Purchase, I can't determine, tho' I find one *John de Wraxball* High-Sheriff of *Dorset.* and *Somerset.* 6 and 8 *Ed.* 3.

Ralph Gorges his Son dy'd without Issue and *Eleanor* his Sister became his Heir, who was Wife of *Theobald Russel* of *Kingston Russel in Com. Dorset.* Son of Sir *William Russel*, Knight, of the same Place, and Lord of half the Barony of *Newmarch*, in Right of his Mother *Isabella*, Daughter of *James de Newmarch* Baron of *Dercham*; which Sir *William* descended from *Robert Russel*, who had Lands in *Normandy*.

The said *Theobald*, by another Wife, *Eleanor*, Daughter and Heir to *John de la Tour*, had Issue *William Russel*, Progenitor to the Dukes of *Bedford*; but by his Wife *Eleanor* aforefaid, Sister to *Ralph Gorges*, he had, among other Children, *Theobald* hereafter mention'd, and Sir *Ralph Russel* of *Kingston Russel*; whose Son, *Mauritius Russell*, dy'd 11 *H.* 6. and left Issue Sir *Ralph Russel* of *Kingston Russel* who dy'd issueless, and left 2 Sisters his Coheirs. The said *Theobald*, younger Son of *Theobald*, assum'd the Surname of *Gorges*, (i) and bore the Arms of that Family; which occasion'd a Dispute between him and *Warbleton*, 21 *Ed.* 3. before *Henry E.* of *Lancaster*, and others
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(g) *Pole Ibid.* p. 36. (b) *Dugdale Bar. Vol.* 2.
(i) *Camden's Remains,* fol. 125.

at the Siege of the Town of St. Margarets, both claiming to bear *Losengy Or* and *Azure*. How this was determin'd I don't find, but in this Controversy he was written *Theobald de Gorges*, and *Horsley*. He was High Sheriff for the Counties of *Dorset* and *Somerset*, 35 *Edw.* 3. and serv'd in Parliament with *Maurice de Bruine* as Knight of the Shire for the County of *Southampton*, (k) 50 *Ed.* 3. having their Writ of Expences for . 15 *l.* 12 *s.* for 39 Days Attendance. He departed this Life 4 *R.* 2. seiz'd of the Manor of *Wraxhall*, leaving by his Wife *Mary*, Daughter to *Tbo. Beauchamp* of *Hatch* 4 Sons.

Sir *Ralph* who dy'd without Issue, and was succeeded by his Brother *Bartholomew*, who also dy'd without Issue 20 *R.* 2. After whom *William* the 3d Brother inherited, who likewise dying issueless, *Thomas Gorges*, 4th Son of Sir *Theobald*, succeeded, and dy'd 5 *Hen.* 4. having had Issue by *Agnes* his Wife, *John*, who dy'd seiz'd of *Wraxhall*, 2 *H.* 5. and Sir *Theobald* succeeded his Brother in the Estate at *Wrokeshall*. This Sir *Theobald* held *Horsington*; was a Knight-Banneret; and in the Reign of *H.* 6. was Lieutenant of (l) *Normandy*, under *Richard* Duke of *Tork*, then Regent of *France*, and had a Salary of the King for his Government and Maintenance, as appears by Acquittance given to *Richard Wigmore*, Receiver-General to the said Duke, under the Hand and Seal of the said *Theobald*. He dy'd 9 *Edw.* 4. having been twice marry'd; by *Joane*, his 1st Wife, Daughter to ——— *Hanchford*, he had Issue two Daughters, *Elizabeth*, Wife of *Thomas Grenvile*, and *Jane*, to *John Hatch* of *Dillon in Com. Devon.* and a Son, *Walter*; by his second Wife, *Joane*, Daughter to *John Beauchamp*
of

(k) *Ex Coll. Tho. Jekyll.*
Vol. 4. p. 312.

(l) *Fryn's Parl. Regist.*

of *Lillesdon*, he had Issue *Richard Gorges*, to whom his Father gave Lands in *Sturminster* and *Hafington*, and dy'd 20 *Edw.* 4.

Walter Gorges dy'd in the Life-time of his Father *Sir Theobald*, and left Issue (by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter and Heir to *Sir William Oldell* of *Oldball*, Knight, by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter to *William Lord Willoughby* of *Eresby*) *Edward* his Son and Heir.

Which *Edward Gorges* succeeded his Grandfather as Heir to the Estate, and receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood at the Creation of *Arthur* Prince of *Wales*, Son of King *Henry 7.* (m) and having marry'd *Anne*, Daughter to *John Howard* Duke of *Norfolk*, had Issue by her 3 Daughters, and 5 Sons. 1. *Sir Edward*. 2. *Edmund*, who marry'd the Daughter of *Sir John Walsh* of *Gloucestershire*, and left Posterity. 3. *William*, who marry'd *Winifred* Daughter to *Richard Badock*, and had a Family. 4 and 5, *Thomas* and *Nicholas*.

Sir Edward Gorges (eldest Son of *Sir Edmund*) marry'd two Wives; first—Daughter to—*Newton*, by whom he had Issue *Edward*, from whom descended *Sir Edward Gorges* of *Wraxhall* in *Somersetshire*, Knighted 6 *Jac.* 1. Father to *Sir Robert Gorges* of the same Place.

By his second Wife *Mary*, Daughter to *Sir Anthony Poynts*, (by his Wife, the Daughter and Heir to *Sir William Hudfield*) he had Issue two Daughters, *Elizabeth* and *Frances*, and four Sons, who were all knighted. 1. *Sir William*, who marry'd the Daughter of *Rudockshud*, and dy'd 28 *Eliz.* 1516. 2. *Sir Arthur*, who had to Wife *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Henry Clinton*, Earl of *Lincoln*. 3. *Sir Ferdinand*, Captain of the Castle of *Plymouth*,
A. D.

(m) *Nom. Millit. in Bibl. Cotton.*

A. D. 1597, who was Father of *John*, who had to Wife *Frances*, Daughter to *Thomas Clinton*, Earl of *Lincoln*.

Sir *Thomas Gorges*, 4th Son, was of *Langford*, in *Com. Wilts.* and was bury'd at *Salisbury* 16 May A. D. 1610. He wedded *Hellena*, Daughter to *George Wolgargus Swavenburg*, a *Swede*, Widow and Relict to *William Parr*, Marquess of *Northampton*, who brought him 2 Daughters, *Elizabeth* and *Frances*; with 4 Sons, who were all knighted: 1. *Edward*, 2. *Theobald*, who marry'd _____ Daughter to *Henry Hole* of *Sapeyton*, in *Com. Som.* 3. *Tillot*, 4. Sir *Robert Gorges* of *Redlincb*, in the said County of *Somerset*, Kt. who, by his 1st Wife *Mary*, Daughter and Heir of *William Harding* of *Swerey*, had Issue 4 Sons: *Thomas Gorges*, Æt. 10, 1623, *William*, *Robert*, and *Walter*.

Edward (eldest Son of Sir *Thomas*) succeeded to the Estate at *Langford*, and was knighted by King *James* the 1st, (9 April, 1603) having met him at *Widerington*, in *Com. Northumb.* when he first enter'd the Borders of *England* to take Possession of the Crown. He was afterwards advanc'd by the said King, the 25th of *Nov.* A. D. 1612, to the Dignity of a Baronet, and created a Peer of the Kingdom of *Ireland* (by the Title of Baron of *Dundalk*, in the County of *Louth*) 13 July, in the 13th Year of his Reign. This Lord was twice marry'd: By his 1st Wife, _____ Daughter to Sir *Robert Osborne*, he had Issue a Son, *Thomas*, who dy'd in the Life-time of his Father: By _____ his 2d Wife, he had _____

Richard Gorges, his Son and Heir, who succeeded to the Titles, and with whom, I suppose, they became extinct; for I can hear of no Descendants remaining.

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Lozengy, otherwise masculy, Or and Azure, a Chevron, Gules; but the ancient Arms was White Pooll, (in Latin Gorges) alluding to the Name; those at Tamerton, bore Or, 3 Bars Azure, 6 Martlets, 3, 2, 1, Azure, as in the Windows of Tamerton Church appears.

C R E S T

A Greyhound's Head comp'd, proper, or Argent, collar'd, Gules.

EDWARD DEVEREUX of CASTLE-BROM-
WICH, Esq; Warw. N^o 90

(eod Die prad.)

English Viscount, viz. Viscount Hereford

REGINALD MOHUN of BOCONOCK,
Esq; Cornw. N^o 91

(eod. Die prad.)

Baron of England, viz. Lord Mohun, and extinct.

Sir

Sir HARBOTTLE GRIMSTON of BRAD-
FIELD, Kt. Essex. N^o 92

(eod. Die præd.)

THIS Family denominated from their Possessions in the County of *Tork*, is descended (as Mr. *Camden* has attested) from *Silvester de Grimston*, (a) who did Homage to *William the Conqueror* for *Grimston-Hoxton*, *Tonsted*, and for other his Lands held of the Lord *Roos*; as of his Manor of *Roos* in *Holderness*. Which Lord was Chamberlain of the Household to the King Anno 1067.

William de Grimston of *Grimston*, the 7th in lineal Descent from the said *Silvester*, had Issue (by *Armatreda* his Wife, Daughter of Sir *Roland Ryson* of *Ryson*, Kt. in *Holderness*) 3 Sons; 1. *Thomas*, whose Posterity remain'd in *Torkshire*; 2. *Robert*; 3. *John*, Dean of *Windsor*, 6. H. 5. *Robert*, aforesaid, 2d Son, became seated in *Suffolk* temp. H. 5. by marrying the Daughter of Sir *Anthony Spilman*, Kt. and *Edward*, his Son and Heir, succeeded him in Lands at *Risebangles* and *Ipswich*, in the said County.

Which *Edward* marry'd 2 Wives; *Philipa*, Relict of *Thomas* Lord *Roos*, and Daughter of *John* Lord *Tiptoft*, (and Sister and Co-heir to *John Tiptoft*, Earl of *Worcester*, and Constable of *England*) and *Mary*, Daughter of *William Drury*, of *Rougham* in *Suffolk*, Esq; He had no Issue by the former; but by the later, he had 3 Daughters and 4 Sons. From *John*, the 3d Son, the *Grimston's* of *Norfolk* and *Essex* descended. *Edward*, eldest Son,

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Son,

(a) Ex Stem. hujus Fam. sub. Manu. W. Camden, Clar. R. Arm.

Son, marry'd *Margaret*, eldest Daughter of *Thomas Harvey*, Esq; and left Issue *Edward*, his Son and Heir; who, by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of *John Garnish*, of *Kenton* in *Suffolk*, Esq; had a Son nam'd also *Edward*, who had the Estate at *Risebangles*, and serv'd in several Parliaments in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*, for *Ipswich* in *Suffolk*. He marry'd 2 Wives, and had Issue by the 1st a Son of his own Name.

Edward Grimston, Esq; who was seated at *Bradfeild* in *Essex*, serv'd in Parliament for *Eye* in *Suff.* 31 *Eliz.* his Father then living, and having in Marriage *Join*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Risby*, of *Lavenham* in *Suffolk*, Esq; (whose Mother was Daughter and Co-heir of *John Harbottle* of *Crosfeild*, in *Com Suff.* Esq;) He considerably enlarg'd his Estate, and dy'd the 15th of *August* 1610, leaving 2 Sons, *Harbottle* and *Henry*, who both receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, and marry'd 2 Sisters.

Sir Harbottle, the eldest, became possess'd of the Estate at *Bradfeild*, and was advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet 25 *Nov. A. D.* 1612: He was well esteem'd in his Country, and was elected Knight of the Shire for *Essex* in 3 Parliaments, in the Reign of King *Charles* the 1st, and dy'd about the Year 1640. He marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Ralph Copenger* of *Stoke*, in *Kent*, Esq; who brought him 5 Sons, *Edward Harbottle*, *Hemy*, *Thomas*, and *William*.

Edward, the eldest, marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Thomas Massam*, Esq; and dy'd in the Lifetime of his Father, leaving no Issue; whereupon the Inheritance, and the Title of Baronet, (after his Father's Decease) devolv'd on his Brother *Harbottle*.

Which *Sir Harbottle Grimston*, Bart. having his Education in the Inns of Court, was well learn'd in

in the Laws, and the ancient Customs, and Usage of Parliaments, and behav'd himself with a steady Zeal to the true Interest of his Country, in those trying and distracted Times, during the Reign of King *Charles* the 1st, and the Usurpation that follow'd: He knew, and observ'd, the Bounds between arbitrary Power and a legal Duty: He oppos'd and refus'd the Payment of illegal Taxes, (on which Account, his Father had been imprison'd in the Fleet) and in the Parliament that met the 3d of *April* in the Year 1640, was one of the first that insist'd on the calling those Persons to Account who advis'd the levying Ship-Money; and in an excellent Speech on that Subject, said, (b) "He was perswaded that they who gave their Opinions for the Legality of it, did it against the *Dictamen* of their own Conscience." But as he only intended the Reform of such Abuses and Invasions on the Liberty and Property of the Subject, so did he endeavour, with all his Interest, the pacifying the Minds of Men that were set upon extravagant Demands from their Sovereign; for he rather continu'd to sit with the long Parliament, than concur with them, till after the Treaty with the King, in the *Isle of Wight*: When he was one of the Commissioners sent to treat with his Majesty; and, as my Lord *Clarendon* observes, (c) behav'd himself so, that his Majesty was well satisfy'd with him; and pressing the Acceptance of the King's Concessions, after his Return from thence, was, with others, excluded by Force from the House: He was the more obnoxious, for having been instrumental in procuring Part of the Army to

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(b) *Claren. Hist.* 8vo. Vol. 1, p. 133. (c) *Hist. Rebel.* 8vo. Vol. 6. p. 755.

be disbanded; and the Houses of Lords and Commons signify'd to him by Letter, (d) (29 May, 1647) that they appointed him one of the Commissioners for disbanding them at the several Places of Rendezvous. When the King was brought to his Trial, the Persons then in Power had such Apprehensions of his Duty to his Majesty, and his Interest with the Army and People, that they put him under Confinement, and did not release him till after the Death of the King, as appears by the following Warrant:

YOU are, on Sight bereof, to set at Liberty Sir Harbottle Grimstone, be having engag'd himself not to act, or do any Thing to the Dis-service of the Parliament or Army. Given under my Hand the 30th Day of Jan. 1648.

To the Marshal-General
or his Deputy.

Fairfax.

When he had sign'd a Protestation, declaring all Acts to be void, which from the Time of his Expulsion, had been done in the House of Commons, he contented himself with waiting the Return of the People to their Allegiance, and liv'd Retir'd, 'till General *Monk* pav'd the Way for the Restoration of the Royal Family: At which Time, the Corporation of *Colchester* (e) sent him the following Letter:

Honourable Sir,

AS we cannot but with Thankfulness acknowledge the Mercy of God to the Nation in general, so more particularly to this Town

(d) *Ex Autog. penes Will. Grimston, Arm.*

(e) *Ex Autog. W. Grimston præd.*

‘ Town, that after the many Changes and Al-
‘ terations we have been tofs’d in, that now there
‘ is (as we are credibly inform’d, and do believe)
‘ a free Admiffion of the Members of the late Par-
‘ liament, fo long interrupted by Force, we cannot
‘ but with much Earnestnefs, (in the Behalf of our
‘ felves, and the free Burgeffes of this Town)
‘ make our humble Request, that you will be
‘ pleas’d to return to that Truft to which you were
‘ fo freely and unanimously elected, in the Year
‘ 1640, which we do the rather request out of the
‘ former Experience; that not only this Town,
‘ but the Nation in general, hath had of your
‘ faithfulness and Ability; and the many Mife-
‘ ries and Calamities we have groan’d under fince
‘ your Abfence: And as we formerly had the
‘ Honour of fending fo eminent and worthy a
‘ Member, fo we fhall hope, (by the Bleffing of
‘ God upon your Endeavours) that not only our
‘ felves, but the whole Nation in general, fhall
‘ have Caufe to blefs God for your Return; and,
‘ in his due Time, reap the Benefit of your Coun-
‘ cils, and labour in that great Affembly. Sir,
‘ We fhall not farther trouble you at prefent,
‘ than to affure you we are, as by many former
‘ Favours, bound to be

Your faithful and humble Servants,

*Colchefter, 23.
Feb. 1659.*

*Tho. Peeke, Mayor.
John Shaw, Recorder.*

*Sir, The reft of the Alder-
men, viz. Mr. Reynolds, at
Eaftgate, Capt. Rayner, and
Mr. Jeromy Daniel, are not
in Town.*

*John Radhams,
John Gaell,
Tho. Reynolds,
John Milbanks,
Peter Johnfon,
And. Fomental,*

Aldermen.

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On the calling of a new Parliament, all those that meant well to the King, contriv'd his Election for Speaker; and the noble *Author* before-mention'd, tells us, *That he submitted to it out of a Hope and Confidence, that the Designs it was laid for would succeed.* And King *Charles* the 2d had so just a Sense of his Merits and Services towards the *Restoration*, that he advanc'd him the 3d of *Nov.* the same Year, (d) to the honourable Post of Master of the *Rolls*, (and appointed him of his *Privy-Council*) which he very judiciously executed, to the Satisfaction of all concern'd in the Law, and his compiling and publishing the *Reports of Law Cases* of *Sir George Crook*, one of the *Justices of the Common-Pleas*, sufficiently demonstrate his Learning therein: He was likewise well read in the Writings of the ancient Fathers of the Church, and wrote in *Latin*, for the Use of his Son, a small Manual of the *Duty of a Christian*: He likewise left in *Manuscript* a particular *Journal* of the several *Debates* in the *Treaty* in the *Ile of Wight*, wherein he was concern'd; among which are many weighty Arguments concerning the Liberty of the Subject, and the Authority of Church-Government: He was a Member for *Colchester* in all Parliaments, from 15 *Car. 1.* to the Time of his Death, and was as well heard as any in the House of Commons: As his Views and Designs were directed to the Good of the Publick, which he had always at Heart, he was the less Sollicitous, in the Reign of King *Charles* the 2d, to be Great at Court, tho' he held a Friendship and Correspondence with many of the leading Men, particularly the Earl of *Clarendon*, as appears by Letters between them:

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(d) *Dugd. Orig. Jurid.*

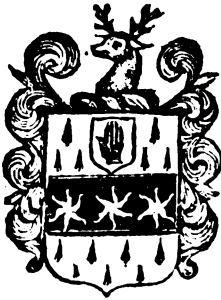
He was an honourable Friend, a kind indulgent Father and Master, and finish'd his Course like a pious, charitable, good Christian, with a full Assurance of Happiness in another World, in January 1683, possess'd of a large Estate, which descended to *Samuel*, his only surviving Son and Heir, by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir George Crook*, before-mention'd : He had by her 5 other Sons that dy'd before him, and 2 Daughters.

Mary, who marry'd *Sir Capel Luckin*, Kt. and Bart. and *Elizabeth*, *Sir George Grubham-How*, Bart. and, by a 2d Wife, the Relict of *Sir Thomas Meauty's*, (Daughter and Heir of *Sir Nicholas Bacon*, of *Culford-Hall* in *Suffolk*, Kt.) he had an only Daughter that dy'd young.

Sir Samuel Grimston, Bart. (only surviving Son of *Sir Harbottle*) was born the 7th of *Jan.* 1643, and having all the Advantages of Education, was a Gentleman well esteem'd ; he serv'd in five several Parliaments for the Borough of *St. Albans*, during the Reigns of King *James* the 2d, King *William*, and Queen *Mary* ; his chief Residence being at *Gorbambury*, in *Com. Hertf.* (a Seat and Manor his Father had purchas'd of the Heirs of *Sir Thomas Meauty's* ;) He marry'd two Wives, *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Heneage Finch*, Earl of *Nottingham* ; and *Anne*, Daughter of *John* Earl of *Thanet* ; by the former he had an only Daughter, the Lady *Elizabeth*, who marry'd *William Savile*, Marquess of *Halifax* ; by the other, he had a Son and a Daughter ; *Edward*, born the 22d of *July*, 1674 ; and *Mary*, born the Year after ; but they both dy'd young ; so that the Dignity of Baronet expir'd with the said *Sir Samuel*, who departed this Life in the 52d Year of his Age, *A. D.* 1700, leaving a great Estate to *William*, 2d Son of *Sir William Luckin* of *Messing-hall*, in *Essex*, Kt. and Bart. (who was Son and Heir of *Sir Capel Luckin*, Bart.

Bart. by *Mary* his Wife, eldest Daughter of *Sir Harbottle Grimston*, Bart. and Sister to the said *Sir Samuel*, under certain Limitations; and that he should bear the Name of *Grimston* for ever.

Which *William Grimston* of *Gorbambury* in *Hertfordshire*, Esq; is now Member in the present Parliament for the Borough of *St. Albans*, and having marry'd *Jane*, Daughter of *Mr. James Cook*, Citizen of *London*, hath Issue 4 Sons, *Samuel*, *James*, *Harbottle*, and *George*.



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Ermin on a Fess, Sable, 3 Estoils, Or.

C R E S T.

A Stag's Head coup'd, Or.

M O T T O.

Grata Dei Grata.

Sir THOMAS HOLTE of ASTON
juxta BIRMINGHAM, Kt. Warw.
N^o 93

(*Eod Die prad.*)

THE ancient Deeds and Writings of this Family being destroy'd, when *Aston-House* was plunder'd, in the Time of the Rebellion,
A. D.

A. D. 1641. the first that I can discover, (a) is Sir *Henry Holt*, Father to Sir *Hugh Holt*, who marry'd *Matilda*, Daughter to Sir *Henry de Erdington*, Baron of *Erdington*, (by *Joan* his Wife, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Thomas de Wolvey*) and had Issue by her a Son, *John*, at *Holte*, and dy'd, leaving her a Widow, Anno 16, E. 2. (b)

John, his Son, had to Wife *Alice de Castello*, or *Castell*, Daughter, and at length sole Heir to Sir *George de Castell*, descended from the *Castells* ancient Lords of *Witbibroke*, in the County of *Warwick*; and, by a Female Ancestor from *Reginald de Asseles*, Lord of *Nechels*: And, Anno 4 *Edw.* 3. *Alice*, (then Widow of Sir *George*, Neice and Heir to *Aliva*, one of the Co-heirs to *Simon de Asseles*) in Consideration of 40 Pounds, pass'd away all her Inheritance in the Manour, unto *Simon del Holt* of *Bermingham*, and his Heirs; which Estate is still in the Family.

This *Simon del Holt*, was Son of *John*, aforesaid; and, by his Wife, *Albreda de Bermingham*, (a Daughter of a noble and eminent House, Progenitor to the Earls of *Louth*, in *Ireland*.) had Issue 2 Sons, *John* and *Walter*.

John Atte Holte, call'd *Senior*, in Respect of his Son, was living 21 *Edw.* 3. and had also 2 Sons, *John* and *Walter*. The first of which purchas'd the Manor of *Dudston*, 38 *Edw.* 3. for 40 Marks of *John de Grimesarve*. And *Maud de Grimesarve*, (40 *Edw.* 3.) convey'd the Manor of *Aston* to the said *John Atte Holte*, (denominated of *Bermingham*) as her Charter, dated at *Aston* on the Sunday next before the Feast of *St. Agapite the Martyr* testifies. (c)

This

(a) Ex Stemma penes Car. Holt Bart.

(b) Dugd. Warw.

(c) Dugd. p. 21.

This *John Holt* having had in Marriage *Eleanor Durvassal* of *Spernall*; and the Heir of that Family dy'd Childless; and *Walter Holt*, his Uncle, succeeded in the Estate.

Which *Walter*, Anno 49 *Edw.* 3. and 1 *Ric.* 2. underwent the Office of Escheator to the King for Counties of *Warwick* and *Leicester*, a Service in those Times of great Trust, and wherein none but Persons of noted Worth and Quality were employ'd. (d) In the later of which Years, he was the principal Commissioner assign'd in that County of *Warrick*, for levying and collecting a Fifteenth and Tenth, then granted to the King in Parliament; and, by a Feoffment to one *William Whetele*, and other Persons in Trust, he settled the Manor of *Aston* to the Use of himself, and *Margery* his Wife; (Daughter of ——— *Bagot*) as also to his own right Heirs: And departing this Life, left Issue 3 Sons, *John*, *Simon*, and *William*: His Wife *Margery* surviving, who, the better to secure her Estate, enfeoff *John* of *Gaunt*, Duke of *Lancaster*, Sir *William Bagot* of *Bagington*, and other Persons of Quality.

John, the eldest Son, was stil'd of *Tardy*, and had Issue *Andomar Holt*, his Son and Heir, who was dispossess'd of *Aston*, by his Uncle, *William Holt*, who having great Favour and Countenance from King *Hen.* 4. got a Grant of the said Estate for Life, in the 1st Year of his Reign, in Consideration of the good Service done, and to be done, as the Words of the Patent import. Which King challeng'd a legal Title thereto, as Son and Heir to *John* Duke of *Lancaster*, above-mention'd; whereas that Duke was only a Feoffee. In the Patent, the King calls this *William Holt*, *dilectus Armiger noster*; wherc:

(d) *Dugd Warw.* p. 637, 638, &c.

whence it is conjectur'd, he was his Servant before he attained the Crown.

Notwithstanding the aforesaid Grant, Sir *William Bagot*, another Trustee, set on Foot his Title to *Aston Manor*, 5 H. 4. and, in Conclusion, there was a Reference betwixt them made to *Edward Duke of York*, and *Richard Beauchamp*, Earl of *Warwick*, to whose Arbitration they bound themselves to submit in 200 l. Bonds apiece: The Particulars of the Award, Sir *William Dugdale* (who mentions it) had not seen, but *William Holt* kept the Possession. For 14 Hen. 6. he releas'd to *Ward* and *Shyngler*, (as Feoffees) all his Right therein; and the next Year, for the better corroborating his Title, *Andomar*, his Nephew, the right Heir, releas'd to him his Right and Claim, and dy'd without Issue.

This *William Holt*, Anno 12 Hen. 6. was one of the chief Persons in *Warwickshire*, chosen to make Oath for Performance of divers Articles, concluded in the Parliament then held, having the Stile of *William Holt de Aston*, Armiger; but, for ought appears, the Estate he had granted by King Hen. 4. was only for Term of Life; so that the Inheritance resting in the Crown, occasion'd *John Holt*, his Nephew, (2d Son to his Brother *Simon*) Anno 19 Hen. 6. to procure a Patent thereof, with all the Liberties and Privileges thereto belonging, (therein particularly express'd) for himself and his Heirs, to be held of the chief Lord of the Fee, and not of the King in Capite.

This *John* (Son and Heir of *Simon Holt*, by *Matilda* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Richard Collyng* of *Bigg-North*, in *Com. Salop*, Esq; being so vested in the Manor of *Aston*, as aforesaid: Taking likewise Notice of a certain Act of Re-assumption, made in the Parliament held at *Westminster*

minster 29 *Hen. 6.* exhibited his Petition to the King, that the same Act might not be prejudicial to him, nor unto *Margaret* his Wife, nor the Heirs of the said *John*, in Respect of the said Patent, considering that it had been duly recover'd (as the said Petition alledged) according to due Course of Law, before the Justices of the Common-Pleas, in the tenth Year of the said King's Reign, by the said *Aymer Holt*, Cousin and Heir [i. e. Grandson] to the before specify'd *Walter*, against *William Holt*, Esq; then Tenant thereof, by Virtue of certain Letters-Patent to him made, which Petition was accordingly granted.

Of this *John*, I farther find, that he was constituted Escheator of *Warwick* and *Leicestershire*, Anno 16 *Hen. 6.* and became afterwards a Esquire of the Body to the same King; who, in Recompence of his Fidelity and Diligence, made him Ranger of *Sutton Chase* for Life. The Words of which Patent (e) being memorable, I shall insert them: "*Rex, &c. Sciatis quod de gratia nostra speciali, ac consideratione diutini & continui servitii quod Humilis servitor noster, Joh. Holt, Armiger, de Hospitio nostro, nobis impendit, & impendere proponis in futuro Concessimus ei Officium de Ridership, infra Chaceam de Sutton, in Com nostro de Warwici, quod per Rebellionem Ricardi nuper Comitis Warwici vacat, & de dono nostro existit Habend. &c. Prefato Johanni seu deputato suo sufficientii, pro termino vite sue &c. Teste Rege apud Coventre, xxiii May.*"

He left Issue by *Margery* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Richard Delabere* of *Kynardley*, in *Com. Heref. Kt.*

William Holt, Esq; who marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of *William Cumberford* of *Cumberford*, in *Com.*

(e) Pat. 38, Hen. 6.

Com. Staff. Esq; and left a Son of his own Name, *William*, who succeeded to the Estate.

Which *William Holt*, Esq; lies bury'd in the North-Isle of the Church, at *Aston*, under a curious Marble Monument, whereon his Effigies, cut out in Sculpture, lies in Armour under a Surcoat, his Hands conjoin'd and erect, his Head resting on an Helmet for Pillow, and at his Feet a Lyon couchant: Round the Monument on the Sides, in the several Areas, or Inter-columns, are Angels crown'd and vested in long Robes, exhibiting before their Breasts Shields, containing the Arms of *Holt*, impaling the Arms of *Knight*; and Single, the Arms of *Delabere*, *Comberford*, &c. The Inscription round the Verge, is,

“ Of your Charity, pray for the Soule of William
 “ Holt, Esquyre, sometime Lord of this Towne,
 “ and Joane his Wife. Which William dy'd the
 “ xxviii September, the Yeare of Howre Lord
 “ MCCCXXIII.

But the Date of the Year is either mistaken, or imperfect, thro' Time. His Wife was Daughter of *Adam Knight*, of *Sbrewsbury*, Esq; and he had Issue by her

Thomas Holte, who was a learned Lawyer, and Justice of *North-Wales*, temp. *Hen. 8.* As also in Commission for the Peace in his County, the greatest Part of that King's Reign; and also in Commission for the taking the Surrender of religious Houses in that County. He wedded *Margery*, eldest of the seven Daughters and Co-heirs to *William Willington* of *Barcheston*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq; (a wealthy Merchant of the Staple) who surviving him afterwards, became the Wife of Sir *Ambrose Cave*, Kt.

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The said *Thomas* was bury'd with his Ancestors at *Aston*, under a prostrate Stone, whereon are the Portraitures of himself, and his Wife; and a Shield of Arms over their Heads, viz. *Holt* impaling *Willington*; and, in the Middle Part, the following Tetrastick.

“ *Thomas Holt here lyeth in Grave : Ihu. for this Passion*
 “ *Of him have thou Compassion, And his Soule do save.*”

Below are the Ichnographical Figures of their Sons, and 2 Daughters. Round the whole, (in a Bordure, having at the four Angles quadrangular Circles, figur'd with the Symbols of the four Evangelists, viz. a Cherub, Lyon, Bull, and Eagle) is this Incription :

“ *Of your Charity, pray for the Sooles of Tho-*
 “ *mas Holte, Esquier, late Justice of North-*
 “ *Wales, and Lord of this Town of Aiton, and*
 “ *Margaret his Wife: Which Thomas deceas'd*
 “ *the xxiii Day of Marche, Anno Dom'*
 “ *MCCCCXLV. whose Sooles God pardon.*”

Edward Holt (Son and Heir of the said *Thomas*) had his Education with Sir *John St. Leger*, (then of *Weobly-Castle*, in *Com. Wigorn.*) as by his Fathers Will appears, and was constituted one of the Justices of Peace for *Warwickshire* 14. *Eliz.* and in the 26th of that Reign, High Sheriff of that County. He had Sepulchre with his Ancestors in the Parish-Church of *Aston*: A curious Mural Monument being erected to his Memory, with this Memorial, in Roman Capitals.

“ *Here*

" Here lyeth buried Edward Holte, Esquier, and
 " Dorothy his Wife : Edward was Lord of
 " this Town, and Patron of this Church and
 " Vicaridge: He was also Lord of Duddeston
 " and Nechels, and other Lands with-
 " in this Parish. Who dyed about Candlemas,
 " being about the Age of One and fifty Tears, in
 " the xxxvth Tear of the Reigne of Queen
 " Elizabeth, and in the Tears of our Saviour
 " Christ 1592.

By Dorothy, Daughter of John Ferrers of Tamworth-Castle, Esq; he had a Son,

Thomas Holt, Esq; who was of full Age at the
 Death of his Father, was High Sheriff of the
 County of Warwick, 42 Eliz. and receiv'd the
 Honour of Knighthood (18 April 1603) from
 King James I. at Grimston, in Com. Ebor. when he
 arriv'd there from Scotland, in his Way to London,
 to take Possession of the Crown of England; and was
 afterwards farther advanc'd by that Prince, to the
 Dignity of a Baronet, 25 Nov. in the 10th Year
 of his Reign. He was a Gentleman well read in
 most Parts of Learning, and vers'd in several Lan-
 guages; was highly esteem'd in his Country by
 Men of all Conditions, being of an even Tem-
 per, truly Just, Charitable, and exemplary in
 his Life and Conversation: Having amply in-
 creas'd his Estate, which receiv'd a very large
 Accession by his first Marriage, he enclos'd the
 Park, began the Structure (in April 1618) of that
 ancient and noble House now remaining at Aston
 Stockland's, which, (Sir William Dugdale says (f) for
 Beauty and State much exceeds any in those

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Parts:

(f) *Ibid ut ante.*

Parts: He was nominated by his Majesty King *Charles* the 1st, to go Embassador into *Spain*, but by Reason of his great *Age* he got himself excus'd: Upon the Irruption of the Civil Wars, he heartily assisted the King with his Purse; but being very old, and of a quiet Disposition, stay'd at his own Seat, without following the Camp, and had the Honour of a Visit from the King, who lay at his House two Nights, about six Days before the Battel of *Edge-hill*: His Affections to the Royal Cause being visible; and his Son actually in the Service, the Rebels plunder'd his House, imprison'd him, decimated his Estate, and forc'd such Contributions, that the Damage he sustain'd, was computed at 20000*l.* (g) He dy'd in the 83d Year of his Age, *A. D.* 1654, having by his last Will and Testament assign'd 300*l.* for the erecting an Hospital at *Aston*, for 5 Men and 5 Women, appointing a Rent-Charge out of his Manor of *Erdington*, of 88*l.* per *Ann.* for their Support.

He marry'd 2 Wives, *Grace*, one of the Daughters and Co-heirs to *William Bradburne* of *Hough*, in *Com. Derby*. Esq; and *Anne*, Daughter of *Sir Edw. Littleton* of *Pilleton-Hall*, in *Com. Staff.* Bart. but by her had no Issue. By his first Lady he had 15 Children; most of which liv'd to Men and Womens Estate. Of his Daughters, *Anne* marry'd *Walter Gifford* of *Chillington*, in *Com. Staff.* Esq; *Katherine* was Wife of — *Roper*, and *Grace* of *Sir Richard Shugborough* of *Shugborough*, in *Com. Warw.* Kt. but of the Sons, no Issue is surviving, except from *Edward*, his eldest Son, who was one of the Grooms of the Bedchamber to King *Charles I.* and attended him during the Rebellion; and was, with other his Majesty's Friends, in *Oxford* when
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(g) *Ex Inform. Dom. Car. Holt, Bart.*

it was besieg'd; but falling ill of a Feaver, dy'd before the Surrender thereof, and lies bury'd in *Christ Church*, leaving Issue by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter of *Dr. John King*, Bishop of *London*; *Robert*, Successor to his Grandfather, and *John*, who dy'd unmarried: Also 3 Daughters; *Grace*, wedded to *George Hampson*, Esq; *Katherine*, Wife of *Sir Edward Nevill*, Kt. and *Bart.* and *Elizabeth*, of ——— *Duncomb*, Esq;

Sir Robert Holt, Bart. (Grandson and Heir to *Sir Thomas*) did his best Endeavours for the Restoration of the Royal Line, and for his known Loyalty, (b) was appointed High Sheriff of *Warwickshire* the 1st Year after the Return of *King Charles*; and the Year following, (13 *Car.* 2.) was elected Knight for that County in Parliament. (i)

He marry'd first *Jane*, Sister to *William Lord Brereton* of *Brereton*, in *Com. Cestr.* who dy'd in Child-bed of her only Son, the present *Sir Charles Holt*; and after her Decease, taking to Wife *Mary*, Daughter of *Sir Thomas Smith* of *Hough*, in *Com. Cestr.* Kt. had 8 Children, whereof 1 Son, nam'd *Robert*, is now living unmarried, 1714, and no Issue remaining of the rest. He dy'd 3 *Oct.* 1679, and was interr'd by his first Wife, in the parochial Church of *St. Clement's Danes*, *Midd.* His only Son, by his first Venter, succeeding him in Title and Estate.

Which *Sir Charles Holt*, Bart. hath serv'd as one of the Knights of the Shire in Parliament for the County of *Warwick*, in the 1st Year of *King James II.* and having marry'd *Anne*, eldest Daughter and Co-heir of *Sir John Clobery* of *Winchester*, Kt. hath Issue *Clobery*, *Anne*, *Jane*, *Mary*, *Charles*, *Frances*, *Selena*, *John*, *Diana*, and *Elizabeth*, all being unmarried 1714. Ff2 A R M S

(b) *Ex Inf. Dom. Car. Holt*, Bart. (i) *E. Col. B. Willis*, Arm.



A R M S

Azure, two Bars Or, in chief a Cross Patee, Fitch of the same.

C R E S T

A Squirrel sejant, Or, in the Fore-feet an Hasle Branch slipp'd vert, Nuts proper.

M O T T O.

Exalter & Humiles.

Sir THOMAS BLACKSTON of BLACKSTON, Esq; Durb. N^o 94

[May 27 A. D. 1615, R. Jac. I. 13.]

WAS Grandson and Heir of *John Blackston* of *Blackston*, Esq; (by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *George Bowes* of *Stretbam-Castle*) and Son and Heir of *William Blackston*, Esq; Which *Thomas* having marry'd *Mary*, Daughter of *Sir Henry Constable* of *Burton-Constable*, in *Com. Ebor.* and Sister to *Henry* Lord Viscount *Dunbar*, was created a Baronet, as before specify'd; and left an only Son, who dy'd without Issue, (a) with whom the Dignity expir'd; which Son, (as I presume) was *Sir William Blackston*, who was a Co-

(a) *Ex Inf. Blackston Bowes, Arm.*

Sir Rowland Egerton, Kt. 435

a Colonel of Horse in the Service of King Charles the 1st, in the Time of the Rebellion, and eminently distinguish'd himself on several Occasions; and in the Attack on *Masseys*'s Quarters, at *Monmouth*, A. D. 1643, was desperately wounded. (b)

A R M S,



Argent, two Bars, Gules; in chief, three Cocks of the 2d.

C R E S T.

A Cock Or, crested, armed, jollop'd, and collar'd, Gules.

Sir ROBERT DORMER of WING, Kt.
Bucks. N^o 95

[June 10, A. D. 1615, R. Jac. I. 13.]

English Baron, viz. Lord Dormer.

Sir ROWLAND EGERTON of EGERTON,
Cestr. N^o 96

[April 5, A. D. 1617, R. Jac. I. 15.]

THIS Family descends from *William le Belward*,
(a) *de Malpas*, who, by *Beatrix*, a Daughter
Ff 3 and

(b) *Rushworth's Collect. Vol. 5, p. 742.*

(a) *Ex Stem. hujus Fam. penes Joh. Egerton de Oulton, a Gulielmo Dugdale. Milite Amorum Rege.*

and Co-heir of *Ranulph* •Earl of *Chester*, had Issue 3 Sons : 1. *David*, 2. *Robert*, (from whom the present Earl of *Cholmondeley* is descended) and 3. *Richard*. His Paternal Coat-Armour was, *Gules*, 3 *Pheons*, *Argent*, which was also for several Descents, born by his Successors following :

David, the eldest Son, sur-nam'd *Le Clerc*, and sometimes *de Malpas*, was Lord of half that Barony, in Right of his Wife *Margaret*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Ralph*, Baron of *Malpas*, by *Beatrice*, Sister of *Hugh Keveliock*, Earl of *Chester* ; of which Marriage proceeded, 1st *Sir William de Malpas* ; (who had no lawful Issue) 2d *Philip*, who was only lawful Heir to his Brother ; 3d *Peter*, who was sur-nam'd *Thornton*, and *David*, Lord of *Golbourne*. from whence he took his Name.

Philip, aforesaid, 2d Son of *Dan David*, Baron of *Malpas*, was sur-nam'd *Gough*, or, *The Red* ; and seating himself at *Egerton*, a Manor near *Malpas*, (obtain'd by him of *Wion de Egerton*) according to the Custom of the Age, left that Sur-name to his Posterity ; (b) for of his Wife, *Katherine*, (or as others *Ancharet*) Sister to *Richard de Hulton*, proceeded 2 Sons, *David* (call'd *de Egerton*) and *Hova*.

David de Malpas, alias *de Egerton*, wedded *Cicilie*, Daughter and Heir to *Randolph de Thornton*, by whom he had Issue

Philip, who succeeded him, and was High Sheriff of the County of *Chester*, in the 23d and 24th Years of King *Edw. I.* (c) which in those Times was an Office of great Authority ; and marrying *Margaret*, Daughter of — *Wrenbury*, (whose Mother, *Katherine*, Lady of *Wrenbury*, gave with her *totam terram suam de Wardhill*) had Issue by her *David* (cf

(b) *Cambden's Remains*, loco *Sur-names*, & *Britannia in Com. C^{est}r.* (c) *Leicester's Antiq. of Cheshire.*

(of whom hereafter) *Uryan*, and Sir *Brym de Malpas*, alias *Egerton*, Kt. of *Rhodes*; (or of the Order of St. *John of Jerusalem*, now call'd *Knights of Malta*) also *John*, *Richard*, and *Philip*.

From *Uryan*, (who bore, for Distinction, a *Fess Argent*, interpos'd between the three *Silver Pheons*, on a *red Field*) by *Alice* his Wife, a Daughter and Heir of *Caldicot de Caldicot*, descended the *Egertons* of *Caldecot* and *Wrinehill*, who vary'd the *Fess* to *Ermin*, and were enrich'd by the Inter-marriages of *Almaly Haselwell*, *Hawkstones* of *Wrineford*, or *Wrinehill*, and *Hill* of *Mountbill*, a younger Branch whereof are the *Egertons* of *Bettley* in *Staffordshire*, whose chief Heir-Mail, Major-General *Randolph Egerton*, is commemorated with his first Lady, *Penelope*, Daughter to *Robert Needham*, Lord Viscount *Kilmurrey*, in the Abbey Church of *Westminster*, A. D. 1670, where she was bury'd, leaving no Heirs Male: Neither had he any Issue by his 2d Wife, *Elizabeth*, Daughter to *Henry Murray*, Esq; (by *Anne*, Daughter to the Viscount *Banning*.) Of the *Caldecot* House are likewise descended (by a younger Son) the *Egertons* of *Walgrange*, in *Staffordshire*, bearing for their Coat *Armorial*, *Sable*, a *Cheveron*, between 3 *Pheons*, *Argent*; and of another younger Son of *Uryan* aforesaid, the *Egertons* of *Dynham*, in *Norfolk*, *Wiltoughby* in *Lincolnshire*, and of *Knockfergus* in the Kingdom of *Ireland*, are deriv'd

David de Egerton, eldest Son and Heir of *Philip*, last mention'd, and elder Brother of the aforesam'd *Uryan*, was High Sheriff of *Cheshire*, 7 Ed. 3. A. D. 1333, (d) and having to Wife *Isabella*, Daughter to *Richard Foulshurst* of *Crew*, in that County, left Issue 3 Sons, *Philip*, *Uryan*, *David*, and *Robert Egerton* of *Bickerton* in *Cheshire*.

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Philip,

(d) *Leicester's Antiq. of Cheshire.*

Philip, the eldest Son, was sometimes call'd *the Large*, from his Stature; and, by his 1st Wife *Ellen*, Daughter of Sir *John St. Peter*, had Issue 3 Daughters; *Ellen*, Wife of Sir *William Brereton*, (who had the Possessions of *Malpas*) 2. *Isabel*, marry'd to Sir *John Delves*; also a Son nam'd *David*, who marry'd a Daughter of — *Venables* of *Kinderton*, but had no Issue; whereupon, as next Male Heir, and by Virtue of a Fine levy'd by his Brother,

Urian Egerton succeeded as Lord of *Egerton*, varying the Coat Armour born by his Ancestors, the *Belwards* and *Egertons*, viz. *Gules*, 3 *Pbeons Argent*; to *Argent*, a *Lyon Rampant*, *Gulcs*, between 3 *Pbeons Sable*, as now us'd. This *Uryan*, by *Amelia* his Wife, Daughter of *John Warburton* of *Warburton*, had Issue *John*, his Son and Heir. Which

John de Egerton marry'd *Matilda*, Daughter of *David de Malpas*, and left Issue Sir *John Egerton* of *Egerton, Kt.* who, with Sir *Hugh Venables*, Sir *Thomas Dutton*, Sir *Richard Molineux*, Sir *William Troutbeck*, Sir *John Leigh*, and Sir *John Done*, having receiv'd the young Prince's Livery of the Swans, fought strenuously for the House of *Lancaster*, under the Lord *Audley*, General for King *Hen. 6.* and seal'd their Loyalty to their Prince with the Loss of their Lives, being slain with many other of the principal Gentry of *Cheeshire*, in the great and bloody Battel on *Bloore-beath*, in *Staffordshire*, fought Sept. 23, *A. D. 1459.* (s) by *Richard Earl of Salisbury*, in Behalf of the *Tork* Interest. This Sir *John* had, by his Wife *Margaret*, Daughter of Sir *John Fitton* of *Cheeshire*,
Philip

(s) *Smith's Pale-Royal of England.*

Philip Egerton; (who succeeded him) also *William, Ralph, Hugh, and Peter*.

Philip, last nam'd, marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter to *William Manwaring* of *Ightfield*, Esq; (or as others, to *John de Waren*) and had Issue 3 Sons:
1. *William*, who marry'd *Margery*, Daughter of *Sir Ralph Egerton* of *W'rinebill*, but had no Issue;
2. *John*, (hereafter-mention'd) 3. *Sir Ralph Egerton* of *Ridley*, in *Com. Cestr. Kt.* also 4 Daughters:
1. *Anne*, marry'd to *John Starkey* of *W'renburgy*;
2. *Katherine*, Wife of *John Almore*, Esq; 3. *Ellen*, marry'd to *Richard Wilbrabam* of *Woodhey*, Esq; and lastly, *Elizabeth*, Wife of *John Dod* of *Clover*, in *Com. Salop.* Which *Sir Ralph Egerton* of *Ridley*, aforesaid, was, with *Roger Manwaring*, made Eschaetors of *Cheeshire* for their Lives; and the Survivor of them, 7 July, 1 Hen. 8. And under that King he was one of the Gentlemen-Ushers of the Bed-chamber; and in the 6th Year of his Reign was constituted Ranger of the King's Forest of *Delamere*, during Life. (f) From him, and *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter and Heir of *Ralph Basset* of *Blore*, sprung the *Egertons* of *Ridley*, whose chief Descendant is now seated at *Shaw* in *Lancashire*; and of this *Ridley* Branch, (natural Son of *Sir Richard Egerton*, and *Alice Spark* of *Bickerton*) was *Sir Thomas Egerton* of *Dodleston*, Solicitor-General, Attorney-General, Chamberlain of *Chester*, Master of the Rolls, and Lord-Keeper of the Great Seal successively, in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth*; made Baron *Ellesmer*, Viscount *Brackley*, under King *James* 1. and the Progenitor of the Earls of *Bridgewater*, whose younger Branches are the *Egertons* of *Tatton*, in *Com. Cestr.* and of *Newborough* in *Staffordshire*, having

(f) *Leicester's Antiq.* p. 86.

ving the Addition of a *Bordure ingraill'd, Sable*, in their *Arms*, with their due filial Distinctions.

John Egerton of *Egerton*, Esq; (the second, but eldest surviving Son of *Philip*, aforesaid) marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir of *Hugh Done* of *Oughton*. in *Com. Cestr.* (call'd *Oldeton*, (g) in *Doomsday Book*, held at the Time of the Conquest by *Nigel*, Baron of *Haulton*) and in this Lady's Right, he obtain'd that Manor; and (*Leland* mentions this *John* to reside there, as then the eldest House of the *Egertons*) (b) his Issue by her was *Philip*, his Successor, and *Susan*, Wife of *Randle Egerton* of *Dynbam*.

Which *Philip Egerton*, of *Egerton* and *Oulton*, Esq; had in Marriage *Jane*, Widow and Relict of *Winnington*, Daughter, and at length Heir to *Sir Gilbert Smith* of *Cuerdley*, in *Lancashire*, (Brother to *William*, Bishop of *Lincoln*, and Founder of *Brafen-Nose* College in *Oxford*) whence proceeded a Daughter, *Margaret*, Wife of *Sir Hugh Stanley* of *Oulton*, and *Sir Philip Egerton* his Successor, who was High Sheriff of *Cheeshire* 5 *Q. M.* and having marry'd *Eleanor*, Daughter to *Sir Randal Brereton* of *Ipsstones*, was succeeded by his Son and Heir

John Egerton, Esq; who had to Wife *Jane*, Daughter to *Richard Moslin* of *Talacre*, in *Flintshire*, Esq; who bore him a Daughter, *Elizabeth*, (marry'd to *Sir William Stanley*, Esq; Son and Heir to *Sir Rowland Stanley* of *Hooton*) and 2 Sons; 1. *John*, 2. *Philip*, who dy'd without Issue.

Which *John* possess'd his paternal Inheritance, *A. D.* 1580, and was usually call'd *Black Sir John*, being knighted by Queen *Elizabeth*, *A. D.* 1599, and having marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter of the
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(g) *Lib. Domsday in Riseton bund.*

(b) *Leland's Coll. Vol. 1, p. 27.*

aforesaid Sir Rowland Stanley, had Issue, 1st Philip, aged 6 Years, A. D. 1580, at which Time he dy'd. 2. Rowland, his Successor, of whom hereafter. 3. John, basely kill'd by one Morgan, after having given Life to his Murderer, with whom he had a Duel, A. D. 1608. Peter, 4th Son, who marry'd Margaret, Daughter to Sir Thomas Hawes, Kt. and Alderman of London, by whom he had Issue a Daughter, marry'd to — Cox, Father of John Cox, Keeper of the Council-Chamber at Whitehall, in which Office he dy'd, A. D. 1711, and 5 Richard Egerton, who dy'd without Issue: His Daughters were Frances, Wife of John Winshall of Winshall, Esq; (whose Daughter marry'd — Cholmondley of Vale Royal) 2. Margaret, marry'd to Thomas Hall, also to Lawrence Whittaker of London, Esq; and Mary, to Richard Cartwright of Aynhoe, in Northamptonshire, Esq; The said Sir John had a second Wife, Anne, Daughter to Robert Barnard, Esq; and dying at London April the 27th, A. D. 1614, in the 63d Year of his Age, was bury'd at Madeley, in Staffordshire, in July following, being succeeded by his eldest Son,

Sir Rowland Egerton, of Egerton, Kt. whom his Majesty King James I. advanc'd to the Degree of a Baronet, A. D. 1617, by Letters-Patent, bearing Date the 5th of April, in the 15th Year of his Reign: He was possess'd of a very great Estate, in the Counties of Chester, Stafford, Salop, Bucks, Northampton, and Flint, and was a Person of great Abilities, and steady Loyalty to King Charles the 1st, during the Rebellion that overwhelm'd this Kingdom, as appears as well by other Testimonies, as from a particular License granted him by that King, upon a full Satisfaction of his future as well as past Fidelity and good Services, (as is therein express'd) to continue at his Seat at Farthinghoe in Northamptonshire, when others that had

had Seats, &c. in the more Northern Counties, were enjoin'd by Proclamation to repair to him. He dy'd suddenly of an Apoplexy at *Farthingboe*, aforefaid; and in that Church was bury'd, *Oct. 3, A. D. 1646*; as was also his Lady, *Bridget, 20 July, A. D. 1648*.

She was Daughter to *Arthur Lord Grey, Baron of Wilton*, Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* to *Queen Elizabeth*, a Knight of the Garter, and Sister of the whole Blood, and Heir to *Thomas Lord Grey*, the last of that Line, which had enjoy'd the Peerage even from the Reign of King *Edward 1*. The said *Sir Rowland* had Issue by her 3 Daughters; *Sibil*, 1st, marry'd to ——— *Bellot of Moreton*, in *Ceshire*, afterwards to *Edmund Anderson* of *Broughton*, in *Com. Lincoln*, Esq; *Elizabeth*, to *Sir William Radcliffe* of *Foxdenton*, in *Lancashire*, Kt. and *Mary*, who dy'd unmarried. Also 6 Sons; 1. *Thomas*, who marry'd *Barbara*, Daughter of *Sir John St. John* of *Lydyard-Tregoz*, in *Wiltshire*, Bart. but dy'd without Issue in the Life-time of his Father, (whom he constituted his Executor) *A. D. 1641*, and lies bury'd at *Farthingboe*. 2. *Sir John*, his Successor. 3. *Arthur Egerton*, who dy'd without Issue. 4. *Philip*, knighted soon after the *Restoration*, by King *Charles* the 2d, for his Loyalty during the preceding Rebellion. Which *Sir Philip* obtain'd of his Father the ancient natural Estates in *Ceshire*, and marry'd *Katherine*, Daughter and Heir to *Piers Conway* of *Hendry*, in *Com. Flint*, Esq; by whom he had 2 Sons; *John Egerton*, now living at *Oulton*, whose present Lady is *Elizabeth*, Sister to the present Earl of *Cholmondeley*, and *Philip Egerton*, Doctor of Divinity, Rector of *Astbury* in *Ceshire*. Also 2 Daughters; *Mary*, Wife of *Richard* Lord Viscount *Bulkeley*, of *Cashells* in *Ireland*, Father by her to the present Lord of that Name; and *Bridget*, who dy'd unmarried.

marry'd. The other Sons of Sir Rowland, were Rowland Egerton of Chedleton, in Com. Staff. and Charles Egerton of Walasea, in Chesbire, who both dy'd without Issue.

Sir John Egerton, Bart. (eldest surviving Son and Heir of Sir Rowland) resided sometime at Wrinebill, in Com. Staff. where he dy'd, A. D. 1675, and had Sepulture at Madeley; having Issue by Anne his Lady, Daughter to George Wintour of Derbam, in Com. Gloucest. Esq; one Son, the present Sir John, and 3 Daughters; Bridget, Wife first of Ralph Thicknesse of Balterly, in Com. Staff. Esq; secondly, of Timothy Hyldeyard, de Com. Linc. Margaret, marry'd to Windsor Finch of Rusbeck, in Worcester-shire, Esq; and Anne, to John Gardiner of Brackley, in Com. Northamp. Esq;

Sir John Egerton, Bart. now living at Farthing-boe, in Northamptonshire, marry'd A. D. 1684, Elizabeth, Daughter of William, and Sister and sole Heir to Edward Holland of Denton and Heaton, in the County of Lancaster, Esq; by whom he had Issue six Sons: 1. Holland, 2. John, who dy'd of the Small Pox A. D. 1709; 3. Edward, 4. Ralph, 5. Thomas, and 6 William. Also 2 Daughters, Anne and Elizabeth, both unmarried. His said Lady dy'd of the Small Pox 31 May, 1701, and was interr'd at Madeley: And he hath since (viz. A. D. 1703) marry'd Anne, sole Daughter and Heir of Francis Wolverston of Statsold, in Staffordshire, by whom he has a Daughter nam'd Katherine.

Holland Egerton. Esq; eldest Son and Heir Apparent to Sir John, is Possessor of his Mother's Estate at Heaton, in Com. Lanc. and had in Marriage (A. D. 1712) Eleanor, youngest Daughter to Sir Roger Cave of Stanford, in the County of Leiceſter, Bart. (by his second Wife Mary, Sister to the the Right Hon. William Bromley, Esq; late Speaker of the House of Commons, and Principal Secretary

Secretary of State) by whom he had 2 Sons: John Egerton, born 31 Jan. 17 $\frac{1}{3}$; Holland Egerton, born 11 August, 1714, who dy'd in March following; and a Daughter, Mary, born Jan. 15, 17 $\frac{1}{3}$, now living.



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Argent, a Lyon Rampant, Gules, between 3 Pheons, Sable; but the Family anciently bore Gules, 3 Pheons Argent.

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On a Wreath, 3 Broad Arrows; 2 in Saltire, and 1 in Pale, Or, plum'd and barb'd, Sable, band-ed together with a Garter, Gules, fimbriated and tassell'd Gold.

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Leoni non sagitis fido.

ROGER TOWNSEND of RAINHAM, Esq;
Norf. N^o 97

[April 6, A. D. 1617, R. Jac. I. 15.]

English Viscount, viz. Visc. Townsend.

SIMON

SIMON CLARK of SALFORD, Esq;
Warw. N^o 98

[May 1, A.D. 1617, R. Jac. I. 15.]

THIS Family, sur-nam'd from a Female Ancestor, is paternally descended from the ancient Family of *Woodchurch* of *Woodchurch*, in *Kent*, that was possess'd of the said Place at (or soon after) the Conquest; for *Ralph de Woodchurch*, Son of *Anchetellus de Woodchurch*, is said to be *Custos castri London*, (a) in the Reign of King *William Rufus*; and Mr. *Philpot*, in his Discourse on *Woodchurch*, in the Hundred of *Blackburr*, (b) gives an Account, ' that it was the Habitation of a Family of as deep Root in Antiquity as any in that Track; who extracted their Sur-name, as well as borrow'd their first Original, from that Place. *Roger de Woodchurch*, (he says) is the first who does occur; who in ancient Evidences and Deeds, not cloister'd within any Date, finds a frequent Mention; and from him (as appears by an old Pedigree of this Family) did it devolve to his Grandchild Sir *Simon de Woodchurch*, who is in the Register of those eminent Persons, who accompany'd *Edw. I.* in his victorious and triumphant Expedition into *Scotland*. where his Victories entail'd upon his Memory the Character of *Maleus Scotorum*; but in this Sir *Simon* the Name, tho' not the Male Line, determin'd; for he, by matching with *Susan*, Heir of *Henry le Clerke* of *Munfiddle*, brought a large Inheritance to own the Signiory of *Woodchurch*; and his

(a) *Ex Coll. Tho. Fekyll, Arm. in Stem. hujus Fam.*

(b) *Villare Cantianum*, p. 369.

his Successors, in Gratitude to a Family, which had added so much of Splendour, and annex'd so plentiful a Revenue to his Name, alter'd their paternal Appellation from *Woodchurch* to *Clerke*: And so in all their Deeds, subsequent to this Match, have written *Clerks, alias Woodchurch*, ever since. But as all Families have their Descent and Period, as well as Gradation and Ascent, so had this; for after this Manor had for so many hundred Years continu'd in this Family, which had been productive of Men which had been planted in Places of the greatest Eminence, by which they were oblig'd to perform their Service to their Country, it came down at last to *Humphry Clark, Esq;* who, about the Year 1594, pass'd it away by Sale, to *Walter Harlackenden, Esq;*

Which *Humphry Clerk*, (Son of *John Clerk* of *Woodchurch*) was afterwards of *King's-North* in *Kent*; (c) and, by *Margaret* his Wife, Daughter of *John Maney* of *Biddenden*, had Issue 4 Daughters that were marry'd, and 2 Sons; 1st *Humphry Clark*, of *Buckford*, in *Great Chart*, (Father to another *Humphry*, who had a Son *Francis*) 2d *Walter Clarke* of *Rudcliffe*, in *Com. Bucks*, Esq; who marry'd *Elizabeth*, Daughter of *Simon Edolph*, Esq; and had Issue 4 Sons, *Simon*, *Martin*, *John*, and *Humphry*; and a Daughter *Anne*, the Wife of *Abel Barnard*.

Simon, the eldest Son, marry'd *Margaret*, Daughter and Co-heir of *John Alderford* of *Abbots Salford*, in *Com. Warw.* Esq; which induc'd him to purchase in that County several Manors, and a good Estate, particularly the Manor of *Salford-Priors*, (d) where he resided, and was created a Baronet, *A. D.* 1617. He was an Encourager of Sir *Dugdale*,
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(c) *E. Coll. Tho. Jekyll, Arm.* (d) *Dugdale's Warwick. p. 634.*

in his writing the *Antiquities of Warwickshire*; and on the Importunity of this Sir Simon and his Lady, he came first to London, (e) accompanying them in their Journey in *Easter Term*, 1638, who afterwards introduc'd him to Sir *Henry Spelman*. He had Issue by the said *Margaret*, 3 Sons; *John*, *Peter*, and *Woodchurch*; also a Daughter, *Elizabeth*. But no farther Account, to be depended on, can I obtain; the Estate in *Warwickshire*, being out of the Family, and Sir *Simon Clarke*, the present Baronet, (as I am inform'd) very poor.

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Three Swords erect, *Argent*, Hilt, and Pomels, *Or*.

C R E S T

A naked Hand coup'd at the *Wrest* proper, holding a *Sword*, as before recited.

EDWARD FITTON of GAWSWORTH,
Esq; Cest. N^o 99

[Oct. 2, A. D. 1617, R. Jac. I. 15.]

THE first of this Family, written of *Gawsworth*, (a) was Sir *Edward Fitton*, Kt. Son of *John Fitton*, by his Wife, a Daughter of *Brereton*. Which Sir *Edward*, by *Mary* his Wife, Daughter of *Sir Guschurch Harbottle*, Kt. had 3 Daughters and 4 Sons; of which *Edward*, the Eldest, succeeded

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(e) *A Wood's Athena, Oxon, Vol. 1, p. 694.*

(a) *E. Coll. Tho. Jekyl, Arm.*

ceeded at *Gawsworth*, was Sheriff of *Cheeshire* in 23 *Hen. 8.*, and made one of the Knights of the *Bath* at the Coronation of Queen *Anne Bullen*, in 25 *Hen. 8.* (*) and, in 36 *Hen. 8.* again Sheriff (b) of the aforesaid County; and having marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Peter Warburton*, Esq; was succeeded by a Son of his own Name.

Edw. Fitton, who was elected one of the Knights of the Shire for the County of *Chester*, in the first Parliament call'd by *Q. Mary*; (c) afterwards receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood, was High Sheriff of the said County when Queen *Elizabeth* ascended the Throne; and giving Proofs of his Loyalty and Affection to the Protestant Interest, he was sent with Forces, in the Beginning of her Reign, against the Rebels in *Ireland*; and in the Year 1566, marching with Sir *Henry Sidney*, Lord-Deputy, from *Tredagh*, thro' *Ulster* to *Galway*, was there establish'd President of *Connaught*; and, in three Years Time, by Valour in the Field, and severe Justice in the Courts, so quell'd the stubborn Hearts of the Rebels, that his Province had but very little Disturbance. (d) ° By these, and other Services in that Kingdom, he acquir'd a good Reputation; was sworn of the Council, and made Treasurer (e) of *Ireland*. He marry'd *Alice*, Daughter and Heir of Sir *John Holcroft* of *Holcroft*, in *Com. Cest.* Kt. and left Issue 2 Daughters and 3 Sons; *Edward*, *Richard*, and *Alexander*: The two later settled in *Ireland*; and, with their elder Brother, had a considerable Part of the Earl of *Desmond's* Estate, that was forfeited for Rebellion against Queen *Elizabeth*.

Edward

(*) *Nom. Equit in Bibl. Cott. Claudius C.* (b) *Leicester's Chests.*
 (c) *Willis, Nct. Parl. Vol. 1.* (d) *Cox's Hist. of Ireland,*
Vol. 1, p. 354 (e) *Camden's Elin. p. 164.*

Edward (eldest Son of the last Sir *Edward*) was knighted with the Lord Chancellor *Gerrard*, by Sir *William Pelham*, Lord Justice of *Ireland*, on the 11th of Oct. 1579, when he was sworn in his Office. He succeeded his Father at *Gawsworth*, and having a very good Estate in *Ireland*, he resided for the most Part in that Kingdom, being promoted to the honourable Post of Lord President of *Munster*. (f) He was a wise and learned Knight, and Master of Arts in *Oxford*. Dying at *London*, he was bury'd at *Gawsworth*, A. D. 1605, leaving a Son of his own Name, Successor to his Estate.

Which *Edward Fitton* of *Gawsworth*, was created to the Dignity of a Baronet by Letters Patents dated Oct. 2, 1617, and departing this Life in *May*, 1619; left Issue by *Anne* his Wife, Daughter of ——— *Barret*, an only Son, *Edward*, and several Daughters; whereof *Penelope*, marry'd Sir *Charles Gerrard*, Kt. Father of *Charles* Earl of *Macclesfield*; *Mary*, Sir *John Brereton*, Kt. Son and Heir of *William* Lord *Brereton*; *Jane*, to *Tho. Minshull*, Esq; and *Frances*, to *Henry Manwaring* of *Cunningham* in *Cheshire*, Esq;

Sir *Edward Fitton*, Bart. (Son and Heir of the last Sir *Edward*) engag'd in the Service of King *Charles* the 1st, during the unhappy Rebellion; rais'd a compleat Regiment of Foot at the Beginning of those Troubles, and at *Tork* receiv'd his Commission to be Colonel. His Behaviour in those Times was very eminent, his Majesty's Service being always at his Heart, which dispos'd him to march with his Regiment into the *West*, to the Siege of *Bristol*; and on the Surrender of that City to Prince *Rupert*, he was left in Garrison, and dy'd of a Consumption

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(f) *Ashmole's Gen. Coll. MS. Dors. 854*

there, in *August*, A. D. 1543, leaving no Issue, tho' twice marry'd; so that the Title of Baronet ceas'd. *Felicia*, his last Wife, (6th Daughter of *Richard Sneade* of *Keele*, in *Com. Staff. Esq;*) surviv'd him, and marry'd Sir *Charles Adderley* of *Warwickshire*, Kt. After the Decease of this Sir *Edward* great Conteſts aroſe about his Eſtate; his Sisters, as Co-heirs, enter'd on it; and, upon three ſeveral Verdicts and Judgments at Law, were evicted out of it by Mr. *William Fitton*, (Son of *Alexander Fitton*, 2d ſurviving Son of Sir *Edward Fitton*, *Treasurer of Ireland*) by Virtue of a Conveyance alledg'd to be made by the ſaid Sir *Edward Fitton*, ſettling his Eſtate (on his own Decease, without Issue) on his next Male Kinſman, the ſaid *William Fitton*, and the Heirs Male of his Body: Accordingly the ſaid *William*, and his Son, *Alexander Fitton*, enjoy'd for ſome Years the ſaid Eſtate; but after the Reſtoration of King *Charles* the 2d, the Lord *Gerrard*, (after Earl of *Macclesfield*) commenc'd a Suit againſt the ſaid *Alexander*, (Son of the ſaid *William Fitton*) on a Will he produc'd of the ſaid Sir *Edward Fitton*, his Uncle, deviſing the Eſtate to him; upon which a Trial at the *King's-Bench* Bar enſu'd, and the ſaid *Alexander* ſet forth a Deed Poll, bearing Date 3 *April*, 18 *Car. 1.* wherein the ſaid Sir *Edward Fitton* debarr'd himſelf to ſettle (in caſe he had no Issue) his Eſtate, by Will, on any others, but the Jury, after a full Hearing, found for the Lord *Gerrard*, who afterwards got Poſſeſſion of the ſaid Eſtate, and maintain'd it againſt the Pretenſions of the *Fittons*, who gave him much Diſturbance by ſeveral Suits, as may be ſeen more at large in their ſeveral printed Narratives, wherein both charge each other with Perjury and Forgery.

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On a Bend Azure, 3 Garbs, Or.



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On a Chapeau, Azure, furr'd, &c.
a Rose proper.

Sir RICHARD LUCY of BROXBOURN,
Kt, Hert. N^o 100

[March 11, A.D. 1617, R. Jac. I. 15.]

THIS Family is generally said to take the Name of *Lucy* from a maternal Ancestor; (tho', thro' Distance of Time, it can't evidently be made out) and that learned Antiquary Sir *William Dugdale* proves it to be paternally descended from *Gilbert de Gaunt*, Son of *Baldwin*, Earl of *Flanders*, whose Sister, *William the Conqueror* marry'd; of whom, and his Descendants he gives a long Account, in his *Barronage of England*, and *Antiquities of Warwickshire*.

This *Gilbert de Gaunt* assisting his Unkle, *William Duke of Normandy*, in the Conquest of *England*, had, in Reward for his Services, (beside other Possessions) the Lands of one *Tour*, a *Dane*; and, at the Time of the general Survey, (14 W. 1.) held (a) one Lordship in *Berkshire*, 2 in *Oxfordshire*, 3 in *Torkshire*, 6 in *Cambridgeshire*, 2 in *Buckinghamshire*, 1 in *Huntingdonshire*, 5 in *Northamptonshire*,

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(b) *Dugd. Bar. of Engl. Vol. 1. p. 400.*

1 in *Rutland*, 1 in *Leicestershire*, 1 in *Warwickshire*, 11 in *Nottinghamshire*, and 112 in *Lincolnshire*, of which *Folingham* was one; and the Head of his *Barony*, where he seated himself; and marrying *Alice*, Daughter and Heir of *Robert*, Son of *Hugh Mountford*, had Issue 3 Sons.

And *Hugh*, from the Eldest, descended the *Gaunts*, Earls of *Lincoln*, which Line extinguish'd in Daughters, in the Reign of King *Edward* the First.

Hugh, the Youngest, assum'd the Name of *Mountfort* from his Mother, (b) (as was usual in those Days) she being a very great Inheritrix; for *Hugh Mountfort*, her Grandfather, an expert and valiant Soldier, accompanying *William the Conqueror* into *England*, and sharing in the Victory over King *Harold*, had by his Gift 28 Lordships in *Kent*, besides a large Proportion in *Romney-Marsh*, 16 in *Essex*, 51 in *Suffolk*, and 19 in *Norfolk*.

Which *Hugh*, Son of the said *Alice Mountfort*, taking to Wife *Adelina*, Daughter of *Robert Melent*, Earl of *Leicester*, (c) had Issue 2 Sons and 2 Daughters; *Robert*, the eldest Son, dying without Issue, was succeeded by his Brother, *Thurstan de Mountfort*, who erected a strong Castle in *Warwickshire*, whereunto was given, from its pleasant Situation, the *French* Name, *Beldeser*, which continu'd the chief Seat of his Descendants for divers Ages. He had 2 Sons; *Henry de Mountfort*, who succeeded at *Beldesert*, (whose Descendants were Barons of the Realm) and *Thurstan*, sur-nam'd *de Charlecote*, from the Manor of *Charlecote*, the ancient Possessions of the *Melkents*, Earls of *Leicester*; (d) which, by the Marriage aforesaid of

(b) *Ibid*, ut præd. p. 407. (c) *Dugdale's Ant. Warw.* p. 592.
(d) *Ib.* p. 255.

of *Hugh de Mountfort*, with *Adelina*, accru'd (no doubt) to *Thurstan*, his Father, Son of the said *Hugh*, with other large Possessions belonging to the *Mellents*.

The said *Thurstan de Charlecote*, had a Son *Walter*, to whom *Henry de Mountfort*, with *Alice de Harcourt*, the Widow of *Robert de Mountfort*, his elder Brother, gave all his Right in the Village of *Charlecote*; which Grant King *Richard 1.*, by his Letters Patents, bearing Date at *Dover 6 Decemb.* — confirm'd to the same *Walter* and his Heirs, adding divers Immunities and Privileges thereto; all which were ratify'd by King *John*, in the 5th of his Reign.

From this *Walter de Charlecote*, (who was a Knight) by *Cicely* his Wife, descended *William*, that assum'd the Sur-name of *Lucy*, (as Sir *William Dugdale* (e) thinks) from his Mother, that might be an Heir to some Branch of that Family, the *Lucy's* being denominated from a Place of the same Name in *Normandy*, (f) and eminent Barons of the Realm, being Lords of *Egremont* and *Cockermouth*; which Baronies devolv'd on two Co-heirs, marry'd to *Lambert* and *Alan de Multon*, Brothers; the Eldest of whom had *Egremont*; and *Alan*, the Youngest, (whose Posterity took the Name of *Lucy*) *Cockermouth*; (g)

Of the said *William de Lucy*, Sir *William Dugdale* gives this (h) Account; that he had a Confirmation of the Lordship of *Charlecote* from *Thurstan de Mountfort*, Son and Heir of *Henry de Mountfort*, above-specify'd, and was in Arms with the Barons against King *John*; but returning to his Allegiance in 1 H. 3. had his Lands seiz'd upon

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(e) *Ibid. ut præd. p. 396.* (f) *Camden's Remains.* (g) *Dugd. Baron. Vol. 1.* (h) *Ant. of Warw. p. 396, & seq.*

for that Offence, restor'd to him, as appears by the King's Mandate to the Sheriffs of *Worcester, Gloucester, Warwick, and Leicestershires*, within which Counties this Estate lay. In 6 *H. 3.* he had the King's Letters Patent, confirming to him the Hundred of *Kinton*, that had been granted by King *H. 2.* to *Walter*, the Son of *Thurstan de Charlecote*, but had been seiz'd by King *H. 3.* with the Demesns of the Crown, and such Escheats as had happen'd.

This *William de Lucy* was a Knight in 17 *H. 3.* and Executor to his Brother, *Stephen de Lucy*, by whose Death he had a great personal Estate. In 18 *H. 3.* *Walter de Lascy*, (a great Baron) conferr'd on him and his Heirs the Stewardship of all his Lands in *England*, with two Carucates, part of the Demesne of *Ludelow-Castle*. In Consideration of which two Carucates, the said *William* and his Heirs were to be Constables of that Castle, and maintain there, as formerly, a Priest, a Porter, and two Centinels; but when the said *Walter* and his Heirs came thither, then he and his Heirs were to remain in the outer Ward. And farther it was agreed, that the said *Walter* and his Heirs should fortify and defend it themselves, at their own Costs, in Times of Hostility. And that the said *William* and his Heirs might take the accustomed Rates assess'd on Bread and Beer, in the Town of *Ludelow*, in the Absence of the said *Walter* and his Heirs; and that he and they should have Fewel in the Woods belonging thereto. And farther, that when ever the said *William* and his Heirs, by Command of the said *Walter* and his Heirs, should be call'd to hold their Courts, receive Accompts, or other Occasions; that he and they should have Entertainment for themselves and Horses, at the Charge of the said *Walter* and his Heirs; which agreement beareth
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Date at *Trim* in *Ireland*, 1 *Augusti*, 18 *H. 3.* In 20 *H. 3.* the Custody of *Warwickshire* and *Leicestershire* was committed to his Charge, together with the Castle of *Kenilworth*; in which Trust he continu'd for the Space of 3 Years; and in 25 *H. 3.* was join'd in Commission with the then Sheriff, *Philip de Assells*, and others, for viewing all the Castles in *Warwickshire*, and certifying their Defects to the King. In the next Year, he is mention'd to be sign'd with the Cross for a religious Crusade: And this *William* was he that founded the Monastery of *Tbelesford*, stiling himself in the Charter *filius Walteri de Cberlecote*, giving Lands for the building a Church and an Hospital for the Relief of poor People, receipt of Pilgrims, and Sustenance of religious Men, there serving God for ever. Adding to this his Gift, the Advouson of the Church at *Cberlecote*, and confirming half a Yard-Land, which *Cicely* his Mother had granted. He bore for his Arms, *Verry, 3 Lucies hauriant, Argent*, as appears by the Impression of one of his Seals; but by another, the Distinction of the *Furr* is omitted. He marry'd 2 Wives; *Isabel*, Daughter to *Absolon de Aldermoneston*, with whom he had certain Lands given him by *Gervase*, Abbot of *Pershore*. The 2d was *Maud*, Sister, and one of the Co-heirs to *John Cotele*, of whose Inheritance he had the Manor of *Berenton* in *Hantsire*; and departed this Life about 32 *H. 3.* leaving Issue.

Sir William Lucy, Kt. his Son and Heir, of whom is nothing memorable but his Marriage, which was with a great Heir, viz. *Amicia*, Daughter and Heir to *William de Furches*, and Heir also of *William Fitz-Warin*, by whom he had Issue *Fouk de Lucy*.

Which

Which *Fouk* was of the Retinue to *Peter de Montfort*, one of the rebellious Barons that took up Arms against the King, in 48 *H. 3.* and was in such Fayour with them, that being indebted to one *Elyas le Blund*, a Jew of London, he procur'd a special Mandate (dated 7 *Maii*, 49 *H. 3.*) to the Commissioners, in whose Hands the Estates of the Jews then seiz'd on were intrusted, to deliver up the Bonds, and discharge him thereof; acquitting him of all Interest, but reserving the Payment of the Principal into the Exchequer; the Barons at that Time having the King's Person in their Custody, and made Use of his great Seal, &c. in his Name.

But these Barons being soon after utterly vanquish'd at *Evesham*, their Estates were confiscated, and the Estate of this *Fouk de Lucy* was given to *Robert Walerand*; however, by that favourable Decree, call'd *Dictum de Kenilworth*, he was admitted to Composition, and enjoy'd his Estate again.

This *Fouk* took a Liking to good Horses; for in 11 *Edw. 1.* he gave 10 Marks to two *Londoners*, that were Merchants of Horses, for a black Horse; about which Time a fat Ox was sold but for 16 s. In 14 *Edw. 1.* he was one of the Justices for the Goal-Delivery at *Warwick*; as also 17 *Ed. 1.* and 15th of that King's Reign, when he was one of the 4 *Knights* to take Care for the Conservation of the Peace in the County of *Warwick*, according to the Statute of *Winchester*; and having been a Benefactor to the Canons of *Tbelesford*, dy'd 21 *Ed. 1.* leaving Issue, by *Petronil* his Wife, *William Lucy*, his Son and Heir, then 26 Years of Age.

Which *William* had Livery of his Father's Lands the same Year he dy'd, and was a Knight in 2 *Ed. 2.* if not sooner; and bore for his Arms,
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Gules, seme of Croflets, with three Lucies bauriant, Argent, as by his Seal appears. He was a Person of great Note, for he serv'd as Knight for *Warwickshire* in the Parliament held at *Westminster* 6 *Ed.* 2. in that at *Tork*, 15 *Ed.* 2. and likewise in the Parliaments held 16 and 17 *Ed.* 2. 2 and 10 *Ed.* 3. (i) He was often in Commission for Goal-Deliveries at *Warwick*, and for Conservation of the Peace, according to the Statute of *Winchester*. In 15 and 16 *Ed.* 2. for choosing Foot-Soldiers, and conducting them to *Newcastle upon Tyne*, to march against the *Scots*. In 18 *Ed.* 2. for ordering the Knights, Esquires, and other Soldiers that were to serve on Horse-back with the King, in his Wars of *Gasgoin*: He was likewise a Benefactor to the Canons of *Thelisford*; and, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, had Issue a Daughter, marry'd to *Geffery*, Son of *Robert Lascells*, and *William*, his Son and Heir.

Which *William de Lucy*, in 15 *Ed.* 2. was in the *Welsh* Expedition; and in 18 *Ed.* 3. was a Knight, being then in Commission to enquire and certify the Names of such in his County, who had from an C Shillings to 1000 *l. per Ann.* deducting the Services and necessary Reprizes. In 19 *Ed.* 3. he receiv'd Summons, with many other Persons of Quality, to attend the King in his *French* Expedition, provided with Horse and Arms, at which Time the famous Battel of *Cressy* was fought, he being of the Retinue of *Thomas Beauchamp*, Earl of *Warwick*, but exempted from Attendance at that Time, being then join'd in Commission with the Sheriff to array 160 Archers in *Warwickshire*, for the King's Service. He dy'd about 22 *Ed.* 3. and, by *Elizabeth* his Wife, left Issue *Thomas Lucy*, who had 2 Wives; *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Heir
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(i) *Pryn's Regist. de iisd. Ann.*

of *Guy* [Son of] *Fitz-Robert*, and *Phillippe*; which last, 28 *Ed.* 3. join'd with him in a Grant of certain arable Land in *Cberlecote*, to the Canons of *Thelesford*, to pray for the Souls of *William de Clinton*, Earl of *Huntington*, and them the said *Thomas* and *Phillippe*.

This *Thomas* had Issue *William Lucy*, who being a Knight in 5 *R.* 2. was the same Year retain'd to serve *John of Gaunt*, Duke of *Lancaster*, and King of *Castile*, with one Esquire for Life, as well in Times of War as Peace; for which Service, to have 20*l.* per *Ann.* besides his Diet; and, in 1 *H.* 4. was one of the Knights for *Warwickshire*, in the Parliament then held at *Westminster*.

To him succeeded *Thomas*, his Son and Heir, retain'd also with the said Duke of *Lancaster* for Term of Life, to serve him as well in Times of Peace as War; for which he was to have 10 Marks per *Ann.* Wages. This *Thomas* being a Knight, in 7 *H.* 4. serv'd the same Year for his County in Parliament; and the next Year was constituted Sheriff of *Warwick* and *Leicestershires*, and was of the Retinue to *Richard Beuchamp*, Earl of *Warwick*, for which he had 20*l.* per *Ann.* Fee. He wedded *Alice*, only Daughter of *Sir William Hugford* (but by the Death, without Issue of *Margerie*, Daughter to *William*, Son and Heir to the said *Sir William*) and at length his Heir, whereby he had a fair Inheritance lying in the Counties of *Bedford* and *Salop*: And departing this Life 28 *Julii*, 3 *H.* 5. left *William* his Son and Heir, 12 Years of Age; the said *Alice* marrying *Richard Archer*, Esq; within eight Weeks after his said Decease.

This *William* was, during his Minority, in Ward to *John Boteler* of *Werrington*, in *Com. Lanc.* Esq; and in 2 *H.* 6. upon the Death of *Eli-zabeth*,

zabeth, Widow to Sir *John Clinton*, was found Cousin and Heir to her. In 14 *H. 6.* he was Sheriff of *Warwick* and *Leicestershires*; as also 28 *H. 6.* and the same Year join'd in Commission with the Lord *Grey of Groby*, and others, for treating with the People about a Loan to the King; as likewise (31 *H. 6.*) with *Humbry Duke of Gloucester*, and others. He adher'd to the House of *Tork* in their Quarrel with the *Lancastrians*; for 38 *H. 6.* he had a Protection from the Earls of *March* and *Warwick*, dated 18 *July*, and ended this Life 16 *Ed. 4.* leaving by *Elizabeth* his Wife, Daughter to *Reginald Lord Grey of Ruthyn*, *William*, his Son and Heir, 26 Years of Age.

This *William* was in Commission of the Peace in 11, 12, 13, and 14 *Ed. 4.* in which 14th Year he had, for some great and special Considerations, the Gift of 160 *l.* bestow'd on him by the King, out of the Profits of *Warwickshire* and *Leicestershires*, being the same Year Sheriff of those Counties. In 20 *Ed. 4.* I find he was a Knight; and in 1 *H. 7.* he was created Knight of the *Bath* at the Queen's Coronation. 5. *H. 7.* he was in Commission for arraying Men in *Com. Warwickshire*, upon King *Charles 8.* King of *France*, threatning an Invasion, and the next Year releas'd to the Canons of *Thelesford* certain Privileges, that he and his Ancestors had, *viz.* Toll Tack, Stallage, and Bloodshed: And, by his Testament, bearing Date 2 *July* 1492, bequeath'd his Body to be bury'd in the Church of *Stratford* upon *Avon*, leaving Bequests to 8 Churches next adjoining, to *Cberlecote*, and for the Observation of his Exequies, divers Sums to the House of *Thelesford*, Nuns of *Pinley*, the Canons and Vicars of *Warwick*, and to the Wardens and Priests of *Stratford*; dying the Day after.

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He marry'd first *Margaret*, Daughter to *John Brecknock*, Treasurer to King *Hen. 6.* by whom he had Issue, *Edmund*, *Henry*, and *Humphry*; and *Rose* wedded first to *John*, Son of *Sir Thomas Poultney*; 2dly to *John Braconbridge*. His 2d Lady was *Alice*, Daughter of *William Hambury*, which *Alice* dy'd 10. *H. 7.* and was bury'd on the left Side of her said Husband, as in her Life-time she desir'd: She had by him, *William*, *Edward*, and *Mary*, afterwards Wife of *John Densell*.

Edmund Lucy, Esq; (eldest Son and Heir of *Sir William*, succeeded in the Estate at *Cberlecot*, aged 28; and in 2 *H. 7.* was a Commander in the King's Army at the Battel of *Stoke*. And in *April 7 H. 7.* retain'd, by Indenture, to serve the said King in his Wars for one Year, with two Men at Arms, having with him his Custrell (*k*) and his Page, and three Demi-lances, 30 Archers on Foot, and 6 Bills of good and able Persons; taking for himself, and Men at Arms, 18*d.* per Diem, for his Demi-lances, 9*d.* and Archers and Bills 6*d.* per Diem. This being the Time that King *Henry* took his Voyage into *France*, and besieg'd *Bulloin*. In 10 *H. 7.* (20 *Sept.*) he had Summons among divers Persons of Quality, to attend the King, ready fitted, to be made a Knight of the *Bath* at the creating the King's Son Duke of *York*: But it seems he did not appear; for in *April* following, his Testament bears Date, where-in he is stil'd Esquire; and, among other Matters relating to his Funeral, &c. willed his Burial to be in the Monastery of *Thelesford*, near his Mother. He had by *Jane* his Wife, Daughter of *Richard Ludlow*, (and afterwards Wife of *Richard Hungerford*) 2 Sons, *Thomas* and *Edmund*; and a Daughter, *Anne* marry'd to ——— *Leigh*.

Thomas,

(k) A Groom of the Stable.

Thomas, eldest Son and Heir, succeeded at *Cherlecote*, and was one of the Sewers to King *Henry* the 8th in the 1st Year of his Reign; at which Time he obtain'd Letters Patent, bearing Date Sept. 21, for the Custody of all the Lands belonging to *George Catesby*, (of *Ashby-Legers*, in *Com. Northamp.*) Esq; then deceas'd, to hold, during the Minority of *William Catesby*, his Son and Heir. He was a Knight 6 H. 8. and in 16 H. 8. Sheriff of *Warwick* and *Leicestershires*. He took to Wife *Elizabeth*, Widow of the said *George Catesby*, Daughter to *Sir Richard Empson* of *Easton-Neston* in *Northamptonshire*; and, by his Testament, ult. Julii 17 H. 8. bequeath'd his Body to be bury'd in the *Grey-Fryars* at *London*; appointing, among other exequal Matters, a grave Stone, &c. with the Portraiture of himself, his Lady, and Children, and his Arms at the four Corners; and dying the same Year, (3 Sept. 1525) was bury'd before the Altars in the said *Grey-Fryers*, now call'd *Christ Church*, near *Smithfield*. He left 3 Sons and 3 Daughters; *Anne*, wedded to *Thomas Herbert*; *Radegund*, marry'd to ——— *Betts*; and *Barbara*, to *Richard Tracy* of *Stanway*, in *Com. Gloucest.* Esq; of his Sons, *William*, the Eldest, had the Estate at *Cherlecot*; to *Thomas*, 2d Son, he gave the Manor of *Cleybrook*, in *Com. Leicest.* and to the Heirs-Males of his Body, with Remainder to *Edmund* his youngest Son, to whom he bequeath'd the Manors of *Beckering* and *Sbarpenbo* in *Seginbo*, and *Richmont* in *Bedfordshire*, with Remainder to *Thomas* aforesaid, for want of Issue-Male of the said *Edmund*.

William Lucy (eldest Son and Heir of the said *Sir Thomas*) marry'd *Anne*, Daughter of *Richard Farmer*, Esq; and dy'd 5 Ed. 6. leaving Issue *Thomas*, his Son and Heir, *Richard*, *William*, *Timothy*, and *Edward*; and these Daughters;
Alice

Alice marry'd to *William Fuller*, *Mary* to *Christopher Hales*, *Jane* to *George*, Son of *Sir Robert Verney*, Kt. *Martha* and *Joyce*.

Thomas (eldest Son and Heir of the said *William*) succeeded at *Cherlecot*, and, in 1 *Eliz.* rebuilt the Manor-House of *Brick*, as it now stands. In 7 *Eliz.* he receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood; and in 13 *Eliz.* was elected Knight of the Shire for the County of *Warwick*, and likewise in the Parliament held in the 27th of that Queen. (1) When he dy'd I don't find; but he surviv'd his Lady, and erected a fair Tomb on the South Side of the Chancel, at *Cherlecot*, on which is the Effigies of a Knight in Armour, with his Lady by him, in prostrate Postures; their Hands conjoin'd in Prayer, their Heads on a Pillow; and at their Feet his and her Crest. On the exterior Side, in the two Columns, are the Effigies of his Son in Armour, and a Daughter kneeling on Cushions, in praying Postures; and, over all, in a Table fix'd against the Wall between two Pillars, adorn'd with Arms, and a quarter'd Achievement, is this Inscription:

HERE ENTOMBED LYETH, the Lady Joyce Lucy, Wife of Sir Thomas Lucy of Cherlechte, in the County of Warwick, Kt. Daughter and Heir of Thomas Acton, in the County of Worcester, Esq; who departed out of this wretched World to her heavenly Kingdom, the 10th Day of February, in the Tear of our Lord God, 1595; and of her Age lx and three: All the Time of her Life, a true and faithfull Servant of her good God, never detected of any Crime or Vice; in Religion most sound;

(m) MS. penes B. Willis, Arm.

sound; in her Love to her Husband, most faithful and true; in Friendship most constant; to what in Trust was committed to her, most Secret; in Wisdom, excelling; in governing her House, and bringing up of Youth in the Fear of God, that did converse with her, most rare and singular; a great Maintainer of Hospitality; greatly esteem'd of her Betters; mistlik'd of none, unless of the Envious. When all is spoken that can be said, a Woman so furnish'd and garnish'd with Vertue, as not to be better'd, and hardly to be equall'd by any. As she liv'd most Virtuouly, so she dy'd most Godly. Set down by him that best did know what hath been written to be true.

Thomas Lucy.

The said Sir Thomas left Issue a Daughter, Anne, wedded to Sir Edward Aston of Tixhall, in Com. Staff. Kt. and a Son of his own Name.

Thomas Lucy, who receiv'd the Honour of Knighthood in the Life-time of his Father; and after marrying 2 Wives, dy'd 1 Jac. 1. A. D. 1603, and lies bury'd in a Chapel on the North Side the Chancel of the Church of Cherlecote, under a sumptuous Monument. (erected by Dame Constance, his Lady, who surviv'd him) but without any Inscription: (n) The Effigies of a Knight in Armour lying on his Back under a Canopy, his Hands conjoin'd, his Head on a Cushion, and his Crest at his Feet; and, between two Enarchings, is a Pilaster exhibiting a Final of the Figure of Time, the whole supported by two Pillars, with the Achievement of the Family, and Lucy impaling Kingsmill, &c. On the Basis, the Figures of 14
 H h Children

(n) Ant. of Warw. p. 400.

Children kneeling; two in Armour singly, and the others, two and two in Gruppa; and, adjoining to the same, (on a protuberant Stone) is the Figure of his last Wife, (*Constance*, Daughter and Heir of *Sir Richard Kingmill*,) kneeling on a Cushion at Prayer.

This *Sir Thomas*, by *Dorothy* his first Wife, Daughter of *Nicholas Arnold*, Esq; had one Son, *Thomas*, who dy'd young, and a Daughter, *Joyce*, marry'd to *Sir William Cook*; and, by the Lady *Constance*, before-mention'd, 6 Sons.

Thomas the eldest was knighted; and succeeding at *Cherlecote*, had the Honour of being elected Knight of the Shire (*o*) for the County of *Warwick*, in six several Parliaments, from the 18th of King *James* the 1st, to the Time of his Death, the 8th of Dec. 1640. His Character and Virtues is set forth in a *Latin* Inscription, (on a noble and curious Monument (*p*) erected to his Memory at *Cherlecote*; the Effigies of him and his Lady lying at full Length under a Canopy, supported by four Pillars; at their Feet, the Figure of a Gentleman riding a manag'd Horse; and, at their Head, a Study of Books) importing, that he was the Ornament and Delight of his Country; glorying more in Vertue than the Blood of his Ancestors; wherein he was greater, and more illustrious. How much his Country lov'd him, and he his Country, the Assemblies in Parliament demonstrated; and, as no one better minded, so none study'd less their domestick Affairs. He was a most indulgent Husband to his Wife and Children, and a kind Master to his Servants. His Tables were open to the Learned;

nor

(*o*) *MS. penes Brown Willis, Arm.*

(*p*) *Ant. Warw. præd. p. 422.*

nor were his Gates fast to the Poor. He gave, Yearly, Cartloads of Food to divers Parishes, and daily busy'd himself in some Work, that it might not be said he did Ill in doing Nothing. The manag'd Horse was his chief Exercise, and that (by a Bruise in his Bowels,) occasion'd his Death, in the 56th Year of his Age. *Alice*, his Lady, Daughter and Heir of *Thomas Spencer* of *Claverdon*, Esq; surviving, who brought him several Sons, from whom the Family now residing at *Cherlecote*, is descended.

Richard, his Brother, (2d Son of Sir *Thomas Lucy*, and the Lady *Constance*) was knighted at *Whitehall* 8 Jan. A.D. 1617, and advanc'd to the Dignity of a Baronet on the 11th of *March* following being seated at *Broxburn* in *Hertfordshire* in Right of his Wife, who was *Elizabeth*, Daughter and Co-heir of Sir *Henry Cock*, of the said Place, Kt. (g) and Widow of *Robert West*, Esq; Son and Heir of *Thomas Lord De la Warr*, and likewise of Sir *Robert Oxenbridge*: She dying A.D. 1645, Sir *Richard Lucy* marry'd, 2dly, *Rebecca*, Daughter and Co-heir of *Thomas Chapman* of *London*; and was succeeded in his Estate and Title of Baronet by his Son and Heir.

Sir *Kingsmill Lucy* of *Facombe*, in *Com. Southamp.* who afterwards purchas'd a Seat and Estate at *Netley*, in the same County, and for the most Part resided there; but departed this Life at *Facombe*, in which Church he had Sepulture. He marry'd the Lady *Theophila*, 2d Daughter of *George Earl of Berkeley*, and left Issue one Son, the present Sir *Perkeley Lucy*, and 2 Daughters; *Theophila* marry'd to Sir *William Ingoldsbj*, Bart. and *Mary*, who dy'd unmarried.

Which

(g) *Chauncy's Hertf.* p. 289.

Which Sir *Berkley Lucy*, Bart. hath marry'd *Katherine*, Daughter of *Charles Cotton* of *Berresford*, in *Com. Staff.* Esq, and had Issue 5 Sons and 2 Daughters; of which, only one Son, *Theophilus*, and a Daughter, *Mary*, are surviving.



A R M S.

Gules, 3 Lucies [Fishes] bauriant, Argent, between 10 Cross-Crosslets, Or.

C R E S T.

Out of a Ducal Coronet, a Boar's Head coup'd, Ermin, between 2 Wings vert, tusk'd and crin'd, Or.

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