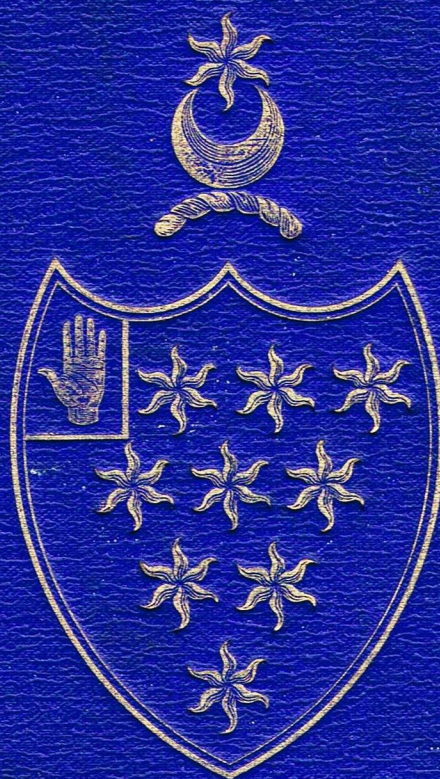


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Prefatory Chapter.



The early Alstons, that is to say, those of whom we catch occasional and stray glimpses prior to 1564, appear to have belonged to "that great body of Freeholders, the yeomanry of the Middle Ages, a body which, in antiquity of possession and purity of extraction, was probably superior to the classes that looked down upon it as ignoble." *

The English yeomen in the past were a stay-at-home people, passing uneventful lives on their own acres, which frequently remained in the hands of the same family for five or six generations, and were handed on from father to son with a regularity that betokened long life and but natural decay. Each died as a rule well stricken in years, piously bequeathing in his last will and testament his soul to God, his body to the earth from whence it came, and his lands to his descendants. In nearly every county there are yet to be found several families of yeomen living in the same quiet remote parishes in which their ancestors resided two centuries or more ago. Each family is represented in the Church Register by an uninterrupted succession of entries of births, marriages, and deaths, in which the same Christian names occur over and over again in a manner very confusing to the genealogist. These Registers, however, do not usually commence at an earlier date than the sixteenth century, and as a rule, therefore, are not of much service in throwing light on the origin of a family.

"From the wills of the yeomen of 250 or 300 years ago we can extract much that throws an interesting light on their ways of life, and a little, too, that in the musty parchment still preserves its pathos, and may supply us often with the only information we possess of many an unhistoric line, and these somewhat monotonous characters are eminently suggestive of peaceful and contented lives. The usual bequests to the Church and to the Poor, and the promise of twelve or twenty pence to the ringers for the ringing of their knells, indicate the simple faith and religious practice of our yeomen ancestors. The well-to-do yeoman bequeathed to his eldest son his principal belongings, his house, his acres, his "waynes and plough geare," his live stock, and a few hundred pounds; to his wife a house, a feather-bed furnished and 10 pounds a year, 50 shillings to be paid quarterly; to his other sons two kine apiece; to his daughters a silver spoon and a cow apiece, to be delivered into their own hands, and not into their husband's; to his grandchildren a sheep apiece; to a favourite niece a black heifer or a white ewe; 20 shillings to the poor, and 20 shillings to the Church, and "20 pence to the ringers for the ringing of my knell."

"Usually these ancient yeomen were but little affected by the wars and political factions of their times. They were not troubled with ambition, and few cared to wander far from the vicinity of their birth-place. From the stationary conditions of their lives and from the nature of their pursuits and surroundings, they acquired a solid mediocrity of character to which the long persistence of families in the same locality and in the same station is mainly due. England in truth owes much to their lack of aspiration, and to their home loving ways. It is, however, remarkable that the rise of a family into a condition of opulence is, as a rule, shortly followed by its dispersal, until, within a generation or two, the home of the name for centuries knows it no more." †

Of the origin of the name Alston as a surname it is difficult to speak with certitude. It is probable that the first permanent surnames were the appellations of the place of birth, or residence, or of a favourite ancestor. Surnames were not in use in England and Scotland before the Norman Conquest, and they are first to be found in the Domesday Book. Many surnames such as Mortimer, Warren, Mowbray, Clifford, Arundel, and the like which are "accounted great names of antiquity" (according to Camden), were first assumed at the time of the Conquest. The employment of a second name, a custom introduced by the Normans, who themselves had not long before adopted it became in course of time a mark of gentle blood, and it was deemed "a disgrace for a gentleman to have but one single name, as the meaner sort had." It was not, however, until the reign of Edward II. that the practice had become general amongst the common people."

"Coming to the origin of surnames, we have it from Camden that those most ancient and of best account were derived from places in Normandy, or in the neighbouring parts of France, and that, in fact, there was no village in Normandy that gave not its name to some family in England. However, a far greater number of family names originated from places, there being, as Camden observes, scarcely a town, village, hamlet, or place in England which has not afforded names to families. The ancient manors gave their names to their lords, and the numberless small estates similarly gave their names to their possessors. In the great majority of cases, as Camden well remarks, the place bore its name before the family did its surname, and the old antiquary becomes a little wrathful with those men who "think their ancestors gave names to places." ‡

Now there are several places in England bearing the name Alston, to which I shall advert more fully, and near one of them, Alston in Lancashire, there are to be found persons having the name as a surname. Nevertheless, the close connection between Alston and the Saxon personal name Alstan or Ealhstan, cannot be lightly passed over in favour of the place name theory. It has been a subject of discussion whether the Anglo-Saxons did not use surnames. There is no question that they frequently distinguished themselves by appellations added to their original or Christian name to indicate some personal peculiarity of office, trade, affinity, or possession. § One Saxon M.S. seems clearly

* Stubb's Constitutional History of England, 1884, iii., 569.

† Guppy's Homes of Family Names in Great Britain, p. 1-3, Lond., 1890.

‡ Guppy's Homes of Family Names in Great Britain, p.p., 15-16.

§ Turner's History of the Anglo-Saxons, Vol. 3, ch. vii, p. 8.

to express an actual surname, that of *Hatte*, a whole family bearing it.* Granting the occasional assumption of surnames by the Anglo-Saxons, and bearing in mind that one probable source of surnames was the desire to exhibit descent from or kinship with some prominent person, it is possible that the surname Alston is the direct lineal representative of the Saxon name Alstan. An argument in favour of this also is that the position and possessions of the family in East Anglia, so far back as any account can be unearthed, were of a nature to render less probable the idea of the migration thither of the founder of the family from any of the places Alston in times subsequent to the general adoption of surnames. The growth and ramification over a county of a family of importance was necessarily a slower process in ancient days, ridden as the country was with tortuous feudal restrictions, forbidding the free passage of either land from man to man, or man from land to land, than in these days of millionaires and motors.

Whatever doubt there may be as to the derivation of the surname from the place name there can be little or none as to the substantial agreement of both in meaning. The situations of the places denominated Alston, on the stony slopes of barren moors and fells indicate the relevancy of the appellation, and the weakness of ancient Anglo-Saxon parents for indulging their vanity by dubbing their children with fantastic and lofty names was as pronounced as it is in the case of the modern Anglo-Saxons their children. "*Wulf*—wolf, and *stan*—stone, were things possessing qualities they desired to cultivate in their offsprings, hence both were frequently compounded with adjectives for use as proper names. Of names with *stan* as a termination there are many instances: Dunstan—the mountain stone, Aethelstan—the noble stone, Alfstan—the elf stone, Hebstan, Werstan, &c., besides Ealhstan or Alstan. Verstegan in his *Restitution of Decayed Intelligence*, thought the meaning of Alston was "*most noble*" or "*excellent*." The termination of the name apparently escaped him altogether. A punning allusion to the meaning seems to have supplied the family mottoes, "*Immobilis*" and "*Immotus*," and another more obscure analogy seems to account for stars being chosen for the armorial bearings.

Turning to the places called Alston we find there are four. The most important of these is Alston in Cumberland, the next Alston in Lancashire, the third Alstonfield (or Alstonefield) on the borders of Derbyshire and Staffordshire, then Alston on the borders of Gloucestershire and Worcestershire. There is also a town called Beer Alston in Devonshire. I have seen Alciston in county Devon written Al'ston. With one of these only, Alston in Lancashire is the surname now-a-days to be found in any way connected. Supposing the surname to have been adopted from the place, it would thus appear that Alston in Lancashire has the first claim to be considered the *cunabula gentis*, but I will make no pretence at a decision. It may not however be amiss to consider briefly the topography of these different places. Each has its possibilities as the home of the race and is therefore of interest.

Alston in Lancashire is a township in the ecclesiastical district of Longridge, on the western side of Longridge Fell, forming a part of that village in the hundred of Amounderness, six and a half miles north-east from Preston, and near to the Longridge Station, on the Preston and Longridge Railway. Longridge Church is in the township. The area is 1,989 ac. es, chiefly applied to pasture and meadow; its rateable value is £7,800, and the population in 1881 was 1,589. The earliest historical trace we have of inhabitants in Lancashire is by the names of the rivers, of which the Lune, or Alauna, the Seteia, and Belisarna, afford evidence that that this was known to, or occupied by, the Iberians, like the other Western portions of the Island. Whether it was included in the Belgian occupation is unknown, but the Romans found there the great Celtic tribe of the Brigantes; this was overcome by Agricola, and the district was brought within the Roman Province of Maxima Cæsariensis. By the Romans, it was as thickly settled as the rest of the island, but of this occupation only the ancient names of a few stations remain, although there are many names given by the Early English inhabitants which bear witness to the Roman occupation. The Roman Road, Watling Street, passed from Manchester north-west through Blackburn to Ribchester; other roads were south-east from Manchester and south-west into Cheshire; one westward in the direction of Warrington, and from Pendleton near Manchester roads diverge north-west to Blackrod near Chorley, and north-east into Yorkshire.

On the decline of the Romans the district was occupied by the Welsh, and commonly formed part of the Kingdom of Cambria, which was occasionally independent, and occasionally under the supremacy of the English Commonwealth of North Cambria. About 680 King Egfrid overcame part of the shire, but although gradually and regularly occupied by the English, it did not wholly fall into their power till the time of King Edward the Elder, about 921. The topography is very deficient in the names of the great English clans which mark the epoch of early invasion; and the names of places derived from persons belong chiefly to a much later date. The county is mountainous in the north and east, level in the south and west. In some parts are peaty and boggy stretches called Mosses, the result of the growth of a kind of moss called "*Sphagnum*;" but most of these peaty lands are now drained and yield excellent crops. Specimens of the stone tools which were used by the earliest human inhabitants of our island have not occurred very plentifully in Lancashire, objects of a large and conspicuous nature only having been found.

Alston in Cumberland is comparatively a much larger and more important place than Alston in Lancashire, although itself only a small market and union town with a terminal parish on the road from Penrith to Newcastle. It is the head of a County Court district, with a station on a branch from Haltwhistle of the North-Eastern Railway; fifty miles from Newcastle by rail, and nineteen north-east from Penrith by road. The town is somewhat irregularly built, situated in a mountainous district between the rivers South Tyne and Nent; rising from nine hundred to a thousand feet above the level of the sea, and surrounded by mountains rising to nearly three thousand feet. The Church has been thrice built, first in 1154, on the same site in 1768, and again in 1869-70. There is a Town Hall, a handsome Gothic building of stone. The Market Cross in the centre of the Market-place is a square covered building open on all sides, having in the centre a stone column rising to the roof. It is the reproduction of a former Cross built in 1765 by the Right Honourable Sir William Stephenson, Bart., Lord Mayor of London, a native of the district. There are various Institutes and Clubs. A weekly Market is held on Saturdays, and Fairs for horses and cattle several times a year. Silver is always found in the lead ore. Copper and "Black Jack," or native sulphide of zinc, and umber are found. "Crow Coal," a peculiar variety having very little flame, burning slowly with an intense heat, and used principally for lime burning, is found on Alston Moor. There are limestone

* Cott. M.S. Lib. B. 6.

quarries, limestone breaking and umber works, a knit hosiery factory, two corn mills, a saw mill, and a small colliery near Ayleburn. There are many natural beauties and curiosities in the neighbourhood. Nent Force is a romantic cascade of considerable height, and just below it the river Nent joins the South Tyne. Large caverns are met with in the lead mines, and being formed of variegated spar in numberless forms of crystallization, present a very beautiful and even splendid appearance. The Roman road called the "Maiden Way" crossed the west side of the parish, where its remains are very distinct in several places. An inscribed altar has been found here; at Hall Hill are the remains of a Roman Camp, in which silver denarii have been met with, and two bronze vessels. At Ganigill is a field called "Chesters." Upon Hall Hill, a little below Tyne Bridge, and opposite the confluence of the Nent and South Tyne, are the foundations of an ancient fortress once surrounded by a moat. Tutman's Hole is a large cavern in Gildersdale Forest of unknown length, but said to have been explored for more than a mile from its mouth. Small Trout abound in the rivers and grouse upon the moor, where grow clustered brambles like cranberries, commonly called "cloudberryes." The country-side dwellers therein and their manners have been well described in a recently published volume of tales.

Of the aborigines of Cumberland nothing is said to be known, but some of the geographical names are supposed to attest Iberian occupation, as the Tyne, Tees, and Nent. The Celts succeeded the Iberians, but the Belgae do not seem to have reached so far. Of supposed Druidical remains there are many in the hills. At the time of the Roman invasion, the great Celtic tribes of the Brigantes had possession, and were beaten A.D. 120 or 121 by the Romans. Hadrian then caused the wall known by his name to be built from frith to frith across the island. Various Roman roads and stations are still to be traced besides the great Roman wall. The Scots and Picts harassed the county in the latter part of the Roman time and long after. The Welsh inhabitants constituted a kind of state, which has been called Cumbrian, extending from the Mersey to the Clyde. The English gradually pressed on the border and exterminated the Welsh, or drove them as exiles into Wales. Cumberland was then held as a dependency of the English in Northumbria or the Scotch lowlands. In 945 it was held by Malcolm, King of Scotland, and from time to time by other Scots Kings until 1237 when it was finally annexed to England. Being on the borders of Scotland it was the seat of frequent wars and forays, and also suffered severely in the Parliamentary war, and in the advances of the Old and Young Pretenders. The natural beauties of the county in the shape of the mountains and waters of the Lake country are well-known. The climate on account of these hills is among the wettest in England. At Keswick the yearly fall sometimes reaches 70 inches of water, and snow lodges on the mountain tops every winter. Many traces of prehistoric man have been found. Only three instances it is said are known of celts or axe heads having been found in England with the wooden handles still attached, and two of these were found in Cumberland. Rude stone circles, and the remains of what appear to be stone-pit dwellings occur among the mountains.

Alstonfield (or Alstonefield) is a village or parish of well built houses, in a picturesque position above the western declivity of Dove Dale on the borders of Derbyshire. The scenery of the parish traversed, as it is, by the meandering streams of the Dove and Manifold is wild and picturesque: on the hill side at Welton is a large natural hollow, called "Thor's Cave": above the glen rises the tree-girt church of Grindon; below this, near Welton Mill the Manifold sinks underground and only rises again at Ilam just before its confluence with the Dove, the rocks of this locality are of considerable height, and the mountain streams afford excellent sport to the angler. The Church of St. Peter is a building of stone with a few Norman remains, but is chiefly of late perpendicular date. In the churchyard are an ancient stone font and stone coffin, as well as portions of several early crosses. The register dates from the year 1538.

The area of the parish is rather over more than twenty-three thousand acres. The soil is loam; subsoil, limestone, gritstone, and clay. The land is chiefly in pasture. The population is about 3,500.

The entire district was first held by the Iberians, perhaps by the Silures who were driven out by the Welsh. At the time of the Roman conquest the tribes in possession were the Coritani and Cornavii, and the country was made part of the province of Flavia Caesariensis. Many remains of circles, cairns, and barrows are to be found on the uplands. The land was afterwards taken by the middle English, and shared the lot of the great kingdom of Mercia. Most of the local names in the neighbourhood are English, and there are a few referring to the religion of Woden. In the time of Ethelred I, the Northmen overran the country and long held it. It was part of the great federation of the Five Burghs.

Alston in Gloucestershire is a hamlet belonging to the parish of Overbury in Worcestershire, and was formerly in the latter county, but was transferred by Act of Parliament early in this century. There is a chapel of ease. The soil is chiefly clay, subsoil clay. The area is rather over a thousand acres, and the population is about seventy.

This part of Gloucestershire and Worcestershire was first occupied by the Iberians who long lingered here. Their last chief tribe the Silures, offering a stubborn resistance to the Belgae and Celts. By the Romans it was included in the province of Flavia Caesariensis. After their abandonment of Britain it was seized by the Celts, and then by the middle English, with whom it formed part of their kingdom of Mercia.

Beer Alston is a town of about 1,000 inhabitants, about two miles north of the village of Beer Ferrars in co. Devon. It was formerly a parliamentary borough, but was disfranchised by the Reform Act of 1832. There is a chapel of ease (Holy Trinity), erected in 1848. Large quantities of fruit are grown locally, especially blackberries, called locally "mazards." There is a school for girls and infants founded by Mr. John Maynard, Sergeant-at-law, one of the prosecutors of Strafford and Laud. He was M.P. for Beer Alston in 1661, and died October 9th, 1690.

So much for the possible cradles of the families of Alston. There is plenty of room for search in the archives of the Public Record Office and in the rolls of the various manorial courts respecting the association of persons bearing the name of Alston with these places, and the possible derivation of the surname from them. I regret I cannot myself give the time to it. We will now turn from places of the name to persons who have borne it. First, we may remark its comparative rarity. In Kelly's 1905 *Post Office London Directory* (Court section), the name occurs sixteen times, and includes repetitions of some mentioned in the County Directories. In the Commercial section the name occurs eighteen times, and includes some reckoned in the Court section. In Slater's

1893 *Directory of Scotland*, it occurs twice in Edinburgh, and very occasionally in the counties. In Slater's *Irish Directory* (1893), it is not to be found in Dublin at all. Among Kelly's *Provincial Directories (Court Sections)* it occurs in that of Kent (1903) six times, including repetitions of some in the *London Directory*, the owners following their profession or other vocation in London, and residing out of town. In Surrey (1903) it occurs seven times, in Sussex (1903) three, in Essex (1902), a seat of the East Anglia family, three times (there are also two farmers of the name), in Herts three times, and in Middlesex three times only. In the *Cumberland, Derbyshire, and Staffordshire Directories* it is not to be found in the Court sections, nor traceable, so far as I have gone, in any of the other sections. In Gloucestershire (1902) it occurs three times. The infrequency of the name in these counties in light of the existence of the place name is curious, especially as in Kelly's *Directory* of the county of Lancaster are to be found three Alstons in the *Court* Section, two publicans, two followers of the craft of St. Crispin, two cloggers, two drapers, five farmers, and two shopkeepers. The frequency of the name in Lancashire lends some colour to the theory that Alston near Ribchester may be the place whence the family originally sprang.

The genius of the family seems ever to have been that for the middle course. Not by any sudden meteor flight did it reach a dazzling and giddy height, tumbling thence precipitately like so many. No Alston appears to have sought the dangerous atmosphere of the Court, when it was the fashion for knight or squire so to do. Even in the parlous times of the Commonwealth and Rebellion, when the downs of to-day were the ups of yesterday, it steered its way carefully step by step. A few, it is true, suffered the amercement of a tithe of their possessions under Oliver Cromwell's celebrated ordinance, and Viscount Castlemaine, the regicide, who married Frances Alston, was deprived of all his honours and degraded at the Restoration of Charles II. for the part he had played in the Commonwealth; along with Sir Henry Mildmay and Sir Robert Wallop, he was sentenced to be drawn on a sledge with a rope about his neck from the Tower to Tyburn and back again, and to be imprisoned in the Tower for life. Of his end I have learned nothing.

Several Alstons have sat in Parliament at different times, and some have been soldiers and sailors, but generally it may be said they have not been

"The State's whole thunder born to wield,
And shake alike the Senate and the Field."

The care and administration of lands and estates, the learned professions, the courts of law, the service of the Church, and the hospital have been their fields of action, and in these they have never failed to achieve success justifying their rank and station.

In the faculty of physic the family achieved considerable renown in the person of Sir Edward Alston, Knt., President of the College of Physicians. Born of wealthy parents, he went through the usual University training of the gentleman of the time, successively taking his degrees of Bachelor and Master of Arts, and then obtaining the M.D. degree and a Fellowship of the College of Physicians. Presumably he was proficient in the practice of his profession, for he died very rich at his house in Great St. Helens, Bishopgate. But over and above his medical skill he possessed address in affairs, foresight, and administrative capacity of no mean order. The practice of medicine was much less restricted then than now. Like most early institutions trying to regulate a profession, the College of Physicians had great difficulty in restraining unqualified practitioners. Many of these were no doubt quite as able as their duly licensed brethren for the science of Medicine was not then the exact science it is now, and the question was rather a political one of the expediency of enforcing submission to a central controlling body. At length an opportunity arose to win over the better class of the unlicensed, and deal a death blow to the pretensions of unscrupulous men who sought not to cure, but to take advantage of the ills that human flesh is heir to. During the desertion of the city consequent on the visitation of the plague in 1665, thieves broke into the treasury of the College and stole the funds. This was a grievous predicament for the association to be in, and the Fellows were at a loss to know what to do, when Sir Edward Alston came forward with a proposal which eventually found acceptance. Briefly it was that admission to the Fellowship of the Society should be accorded to the unlicensed practitioners of the Rebellion on payment of certain fees. The plan worked well. Seventy new Fellowships were created, the moneys paid for the diploma fee fattened the lean chests of the treasury, and the new Fellows, jealous of the privileges they had acquired, helped the College in establishing its authority over the faculty. Two better birds were never killed by one stone.

Another blow awaited the College. No sooner had it got over the difficulty of the thieves than the Great Fire of 1666 destroyed the whole of the buildings. Again Sir Edward Alston was to the front—promising the wherewithal out of his great store of inherited and accumulated wealth for the purpose of rebuilding. At this point a quarrel arose among the Fellows about the site. A new election for the Presidency came along and Sir Edward was thrown. Disgusted at the treatment he had suffered, he withdrew his promise and never afterwards renewed it. If the quarrel was wholly and solely about the site, the action of the Fellows would appear to be rather hypercritical. Any site *with* a College is better than a particular site *without* a College.

Sir Edward left no male heirs. His brother Sir Joseph was already rich and on the highway to the baronetcy he obtained in 1681. So the great medical fortune was left to his two daughters, one of whom became an ancestress of the later extinct Earls of Warrington, and of the present Earl of Stamford's family. The younger, Sarah, was thrice married, first to George Grimston, the son of the then Master of the Rolls, Sir Harbottle Grimston; secondly to John Seymour, afterwards fourth Duke of Somerset; and lastly to Henry Hare, Lord Coleraine. She died without issue, and was buried in Westminster Abbey. The Duchess gave a notable instance of her regard for the family of Somerset, having by her Will, dated May 17th, 1686, settled in the strictest terms of the law the manors of Powsey and Tilcombe-cum-Oxenwood, and Harding Farm with their appurtenances, in Wiltshire, on the successive Dukes of Somerset, descendants of Edward Seymour, the first Duke. She likewise founded the noble almshouse at Froxfield in the said county for thirty widows not having £20 a year, one half the widows of clergymen, the other of laymen,* and several other charities existing in great activity to-day, including the well-known Somerset School at Tottenham. A handsome monument of the Duchess Sarah is in Westminster Abbey, where

* Collin's *Peerage* (Lond., 1812), Vol. i, p. 183.

it is visited yearly by a deputation of the scholars of Tottenham School, who lay on it a simple tribute of flowers to the memory of their foundress and benefactress.

"The actions of the just
"Smell sweet and blossom in the dust."

In 1642 a baronetcy was conferred on the Bedfordshire branch of the East Anglian family in the person of Sir Thomas Alston, and in 1681 another baronetcy was conferred on Sir Joseph Alston, of Chelsea. Unfortunately the fate that overtakes most honours sooner or later—the want of a male heir has overtaken both dignities. In 1790 the last Odell Baronet died leaving no surviving relative in the male line, Odell Castle and estates having already been alienated by the will of the penultimate baronet. In 1819 the last Chelsea Baronet died, his only son having predeceased him in 1802, leaving three daughters but no male heirs. Claimants to both baronetcies—"soi-disant" baronets as "G.E.C." calls them—have not been wanting. Admittedly in the case of the Chelsea title there are one or two male descents from the first baronet capable of further exploration. But it is hardly possible that the title is in abeyance. In any case intending claimants are reminded that the honour would be now a very barren one, the Chelsea Alstons having lost most of their territorial consequence a century before the supposed extinction of the title. How it happened that so level headed and prudential folk bred a spendthrift like Sir Evelyn Alston is unaccountable. Circumstances may perhaps explain it, the early deaths of the third and fourth Baronets possibly throwing the estates free from any restrictions of settlements and entails into the hands of the fifth Baronet. But against him and his character too much must not be alleged, for little is known. In Burke's *Extinct Baronetage* it is recorded that he had sold his properties before 1721 to Sir Peter, afterwards Lord King, but Burke falls into the strange error of confusing him with his son of the same name who died without issue in 1783. After disposing of the bulk of his estates he settled at Reigate and built himself a mansion there, but this he seems also to have parted with. Of him thereafter until his death in 1750 nothing is known except what concerns his intemperance of conduct. Perhaps in his early years dazzled by the sole ownership of a fine estate, and courted for the sake of it, and being of an open-handed and generous disposition, he yielded too much to the fascinations and allurements which beset the youth of the early Georgian era who was born with a silver spoon in his mouth.

Another member of the family who attained a certain distinction was Archdeacon Alston, some time Treasurer and Prebendary of St. Paul's. He was a Fellow of Clare Hall, Cambridge, and successively Archdeacon of Middlesex and Essex.

A distinguished descendant of the Chelsea baronets was the late Augustus J. C. Hare, the well-known author of the "Memorials of a Quiet Life," "Walks in Rome," and other interesting literary works. It was in his possession that I made the interesting discovery of the "Character Bible" of old Sir Joseph the founder, who mentions it and describes it in his will as being "writt by myne owne hand."

I have traced no connexion between the East Anglian Alstons, those in Scotland, and those in Lancashire, although the Scottish Alstons bear the same arms as the East Anglian duly differenced. Not merely in England have the Alstons justified themselves. There have been migrations to the various new lands east and west, affected by the self-reliant and colonising Briton during the past three hundred years, and many a name figuring in my brief record as a name and nothing more, is in all probability that of a forefather of our Alston namesakes and cousins beyond the sea. Reference must here be made to Joseph Alston, the Governor of South Carolina, statesman and millionaire, who married Theodosia, the daughter of Aaron Burr, one of the Vice-Presidents of the United States. He and his wife were conspicuous figures in Burr's romantic schemes, and had it not been for that perverse destiny which makes the best laid schemes of mice and men gang aft agley, the throne of Mexico might have been occupied by descendants of the ancient and knightly house of the Alstons of Great Britain. Burr, it will be remembered by those acquainted with this period of American history, had the misfortune to kill his political rival and censor, Alexander Hamilton, in a duel. He was deposed from the vice-presidency and overwhelmed with obloquy, had literally to fly for his life to the west. Meeting there with a rich Englishman named Blennerhassett, he concocted with him the romantic and daring project of seizing the throne of Mexico. As Aaron I. he was to reign over the land of the Aztecs. From the British Government he hoped for concurrence and help. Funds were to be raised from relations and supporters, troops from the adventurous youth of Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Ohio, New York and other neighbouring states. Influenced perhaps by his wife Theodosia, Joseph Alston became a party to his father-in-law's filibustering designs. Theodosia was to be chief lady of the court and rank as an imperial princess, and their son, Aaron Burr Alston was appointed heir presumptive to all his grandfather's *chateaux en Espagne*. But Burr's rebellious and audacious hopes were dissipated into thin air by the defection of his intended commander-in-chief—General Wilkinson. He had to fly disguised, and was captured, and being put upon his trial at Richmond in 1807 narrowly escaped condemnation. Even when liberated he had to remain in close hiding on account of his unpopularity until he could get away secretly to England. In England he obtained the patronage of the leaders of society and literature by his winning personality, becoming a frequent guest at Holland House and making the acquaintance of Scott in Edinburgh. Subsequently he fell into poverty, and became an object of suspicion to European Governments, and was ostracised by his fellow Americans in Paris. Trouble after trouble came upon him. His grandson Alston the idol of his imperial dreams, his favourite "Gampillo," as he affectionately called him, sickened and died. Worse still, his daughter, bitterly bereaved by the death of her only child and eager to meet her father, after untold effort succeeded in raising the wherewithal to recross the Atlantic, sailed for New York on a Charleston steamer which never found its port. That it was boarded by pirates and that poor Theodosia with other passengers was compelled "to walk the plank" is the tale not verified though widely believed. The uncertainty which clung about her fate caused her father more suffering than if actual details had reached him. Until her father's disgrace Theodosia Alston was a leader of society both in Charleston and New York, renowned as much for the shining qualities of her intellect as for the marked elegance of her manners. With her father's history after her death I have no concern here, but it may not be amiss to

mention that resuming the practice of the law he lived down the scandals of his earlier years, and, after recouping his fortune by marrying a rich widow, died respected and honoured at the patriarchal age of four score.*

Another American Alston who achieved renown was Washington Allston, the Royal Academician. Born at Waccamaw in South Carolina in 1779, he graduated at Harvard College in 1800, and entered the schools of the Royal Academy in London soon after. His first work of importance, "The Dead Man Revived," gained a prize of Two Hundred Guineas from the British Institute, and was purchased by the Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts. In 1818 he returned to his native country and spent the remainder of his life there. In 1831 he published a poem, "The Sylphs of the Season," and a little later two others. His romance of "Monaldi" which followed these attracted some attention in the literary world and has been dramatised. "With the name of this painter," † says Tuckerman, speaking of American Art "painting reaching its acme of excellence among us. In genius, character, life, and feeling, he emulated the Italian masters, partook of their spirit, and caught the mellow richness of their tints." Another writer says, ‡ "the method of Alston was to suppress all the coarser beauties which make up the substance of common pictures. He avoided bright eyes, curls and contours, glancing lights, strong contrasts, and colours too crude for harmony. He reduced his beauty to elements so that an inner beauty might play through her features." Washington Alston died in 1843. He was remarkable also for the use he first made of asphaltum in painting. ††

Of the Alstons in Scotland, whom I imagine to be really an off-shoot of the East Anglian family, I can glean but little. Charles Alston, 1663—1760, a scientific writer, was born at Eddlewood, and educated at Glasgow. On his father's death the Duchess of Hamilton took him under patronage and wished him to study law, but he preferred to turn his attention to medicine. He went to Leyden to study under Boerhaave, where he made the acquaintance of Dr. Alexander Monro. On the return of the two to Edinburgh they revived the medical lectures in the University, Alston being appointed lecturer in Botany and Materia Medica, and also (1716) superintendent of the Botanical Gardens; these posts he held until his death, 22nd November, 1760. He was the author of various medical papers, as well as of an index of the plants in the Edinburgh Garden (1740), which is preceded by a Latin introduction to Botany, and of the "Tirocinium Botanicum Edinburgense" (1753), in which he attacked the Linnaean system of classification. His lectures on Materia Medica were prepared for publication after his death by his friend and successor, Dr. J. H. Hope, and appeared in 4to volumes in 1770. Robert Brown dedicated to him the apocynous gems, "Alstonia." See also Pulteney's sketches of *Progress of Botany* (1790), ii, 9-16; also Rees' *Cyclopaedia*.

Edward Richard Alston (1845—1881), the eminent zoologist, was born at Stockbriggs, near Lesmahagow, on the 1st December, 1845, and being delicate in youth was chiefly self educated at home. He very early contributed to the *Zoologist* and various Scottish Magazines, and ultimately became an acknowledged authority on Mammalia and birds. His principal papers on the proceedings of the Zoological Society (1874-80) are upon rodents, especially American Squirrels (1870 and 1879). The division in Mammalia in Salvin and Godman's "Biologia Centrali-Americana," was written by him though its publication was incomplete at his death. In 1880 he was elected Zoological Secretary of the Linnaean Society, which office he held till his death from acute phthisis on 7th March, 1881. In 1874 he largely assisted Prof. T. Bell in the second edition of "British Quadrupeds." All his papers are valuable and remarkable for conciseness and lucidity. G. T. Bellamy. *Obituary notice. Proc. Linn. Soc.*, 1880-81, p. 16.

In the course of the four hundred pages that comprise my work many interesting glimpses are to be obtained of the personalities of those who figure therein, of their characters and doings, and of the household life and domestic and local customs of bygone times. The Wills and Chancery Suits are especially rich mines. Of one of the patriarchs of the family, Thomas Alston, we are told that he was commonly known as the "blew devill," because he was "wont to goe cladd in blew cloth" and had a very red face. Of his temper nothing is said, but we can imagine something. Another Thomas is described as "le unthrift," and was imprisoned in the Fleet. Our interest is aroused by the legacies left by Sir Edward Alston, the "Kinge's Phisitian," to the old spectacle woman by Crosby House gate and to the bricklayer who bricked up the vault that preserved the President's goods through the Great Fire. What were the ins and outs, the rights and wrongs of the differences between the last Sir Thomas Alston of Odell and his wife which brought about the end of that family? Old Sir Joseph, the merchant baronet of Chelsea, provided and kept his own coffin in his dwelling house. He transcribed the Bible in character, that is, shorthand. What we are told makes us feel we should like to know more of him and of his first wife, the Dutch woman. One of his daughters married a Clayton of La Vache, a well-known estate in the county of Buckingham. This property was derived by the Claytons from the Fleetwoods, and passed through the Alstons to the Hares. Thus there was a link with Oliver Cromwell, he being a kinsman of the Fleetwoods. Sir Evelyn Alston the elder must have been an interesting character in spite of his faults and failings. We are told by the local chronicler of his chosen place of residence, Reigate, that he used to drive around in a coach and six, preceded by a band! What were the objections of Penning Alston to Edward Skynner as a suitor for his daughter's hand? Were there two Anne Strattons? Who was Thomas Alston of Chelsea? Was Katherine, the wife of Peter Alston of Bramford, the lady whose maiden name was the malodorous one of Buggs, really so extravagant as her enemies alleged? "Twenty gowns of wrought velvet, tufftaffeta, satin damask, and other stuffs, and petticoats suitable to them all laid very thick with gold and silver lace" certainly sound unfit for her degree, and must have made a sad hole in her husband's money bags. Are we to believe what one deponent said, that Joseph Alston of Loughton feigned madness because he had no money or credit wherewith he might maintain himself? How long did he abide with Galliard, the "person noted for curing lunatics"? The suit Wynn v. Alston on page 201 gives us an idea of what it meant being a ward of Chancery in those days.

* An interesting account of the Burrs and Alstons by Edgar Fawcett with portraits and illustrations, including one of Theodosia Alston, appeared in the *Cosmopolitan Magazine* for October, 1897, under the title—"A Romantic Wrong-Doer."

† Tuckerman's *Book of Artists*.

‡ Alston's Heads, *Atlantic Monthly*, February, 1865.

†† "The Life and Letters of Washington Allston," by Dr. Flag. (*Bentley, London.*)

How slack a man of business was Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abbey his law proceedings with his coachmaker show. Was it for this debt that he, the Sheriff of his County, was committed to the Fleet prison? Possibly he began the wastage of the family estate that was completed by his son Sir Evelyn. What exactly were the occupations *pharmacopola* and *pannicularius* referred to on page 220, and what a sinister note is that appended in Latin to the burial entry of Elizabeth Alston, May 8, 1609, "*Gravida ante nuptias.*" Alas! frail woman!

The interest of such a compilation as mine is of necessity confined principally to those who belong to or are connected with the various Alston families whose pedigrees are set forth in it, and even among those many will probably consider there is a large amount of chaff and little grain. But for myself I confess so consuming a desire to know who and what my ancestors were and how they lived their lives that every fact, however trivial, is of value in my eyes. This account of the Alstons, begun originally to clear away the mistakes and to fill the gaps in the printed pedigrees, has far outgrown its contemplated dimensions. But the task—and the labour has involved the sacrifice of hundreds of leisure hours—has not been without its delights and rewards as it went along. Pleasant friendships have arisen from it, and if those who bear the name Alston, or are descended from Alstons, find in it something inspiring them, from a shame of being worse than their elders were, to strive all their power so that they may become better in some habits, nay, may increase their virtues, my labour will not have been in vain.

Finally, I have to thank all my correspondents and helpers in all ranks of life and in all parts of the world, without whose goodwill and assistance the accomplishment of my end would have been impossible.

As these pages are about to go to press, Vol. IV. of G. E. C.'s "*Complete Baronetage*" reaches me. I cannot cite any better testimonial to the thoroughness and accuracy of my researches than Clarenceux's acceptance of my pedigree of the Alston baronets of Chelsea, associated as it is with a note of acknowledgement of my assistance. In an earlier volume (Vol. II), Clarenceux also refers in kind terms to the information supplied by me concerning the Alston baronets of Odell.

The Royal Descent of the Chelsea Alstons from Edward I. was also accepted and included by "J. R. S. G." in his "*Portfolio of Royal Descents*," published in 1902.

LIONEL CRESSWELL.



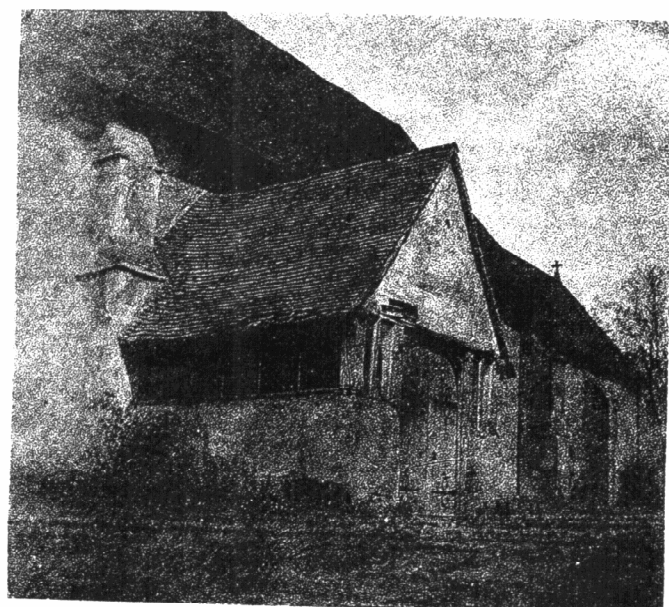
Siam Hall, Newton, N. Sudbury.
The Ancient homestead of the Alston family.
 (now (1896) converted into a farmhouse)

*Burnt to the ground in the summer of 1954
 when undergoing repairs.*

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NEWTON CHURCH, nr. Sudbury, co. Suff.



PORCH OF NEWTON CHURCH.

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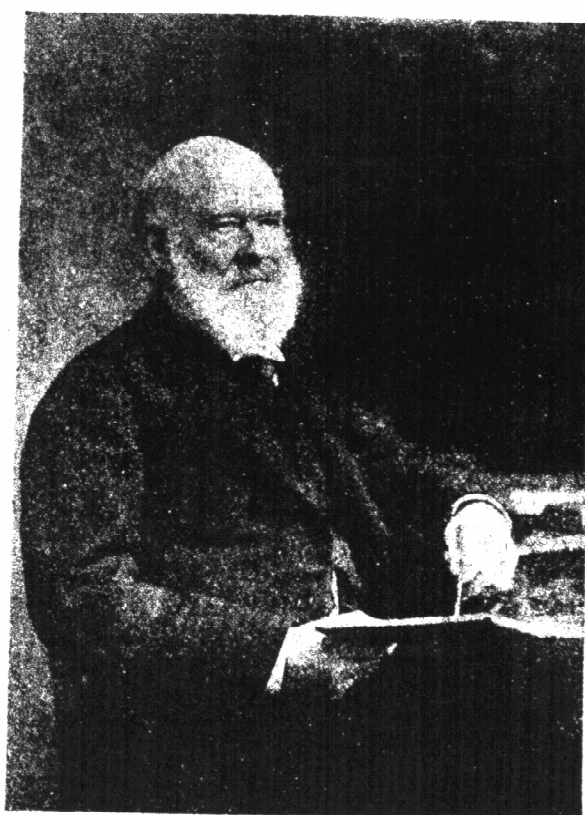


ALSTON PORTRAIT.

SIR JOSEPH ALSTON, 1st Bt. of Chelsea(?)

In possession of Mr. WILLIAM HEAD.

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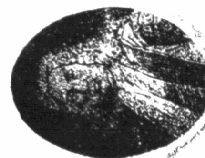
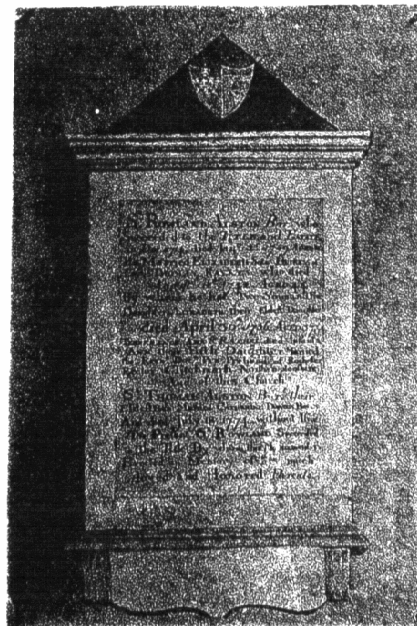
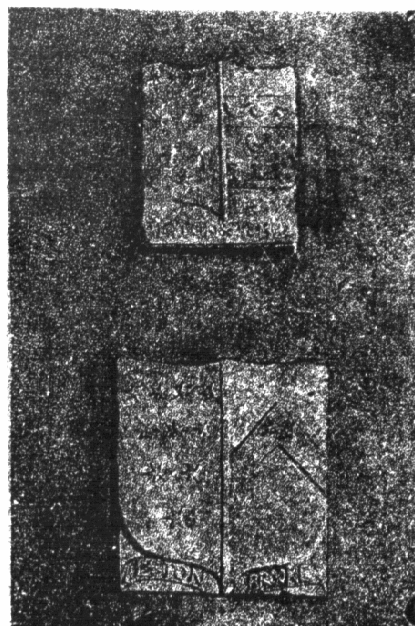
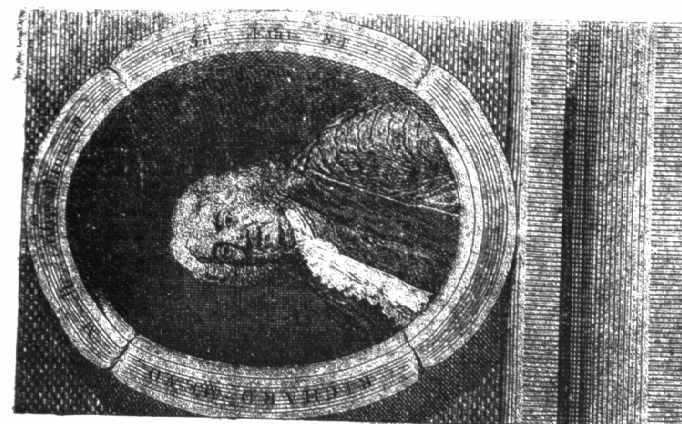
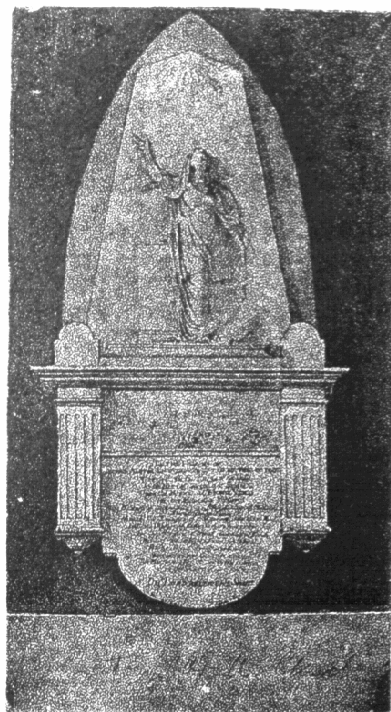


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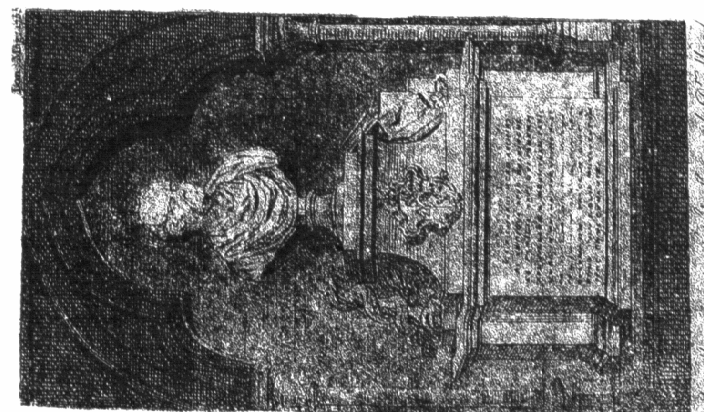
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DR. MEAD.

RICHARD M. GREGG, a 30-year-old American, who came to the country in 1907, was the first to be sentenced on conviction for the crime of passing counterfeit money. He was arrested in 1912, while on a tour of the West, and was sentenced to the Federal Reformatory for Women at Alderson, Wyo., for a term of 10 years. He was released in 1922, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 1924, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 1934, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 1936, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 1946, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 1948, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 1958, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 1960, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 1970, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 1972, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 1982, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 1984, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 1992, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 1994, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 2002, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 2004, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 2012, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 2014, for a term of 10 years. He was released in 2022, and was again sentenced to the same institution in 2024, for a term of 10 years.



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MURAL TABLETS IN ODELL CHURCH.

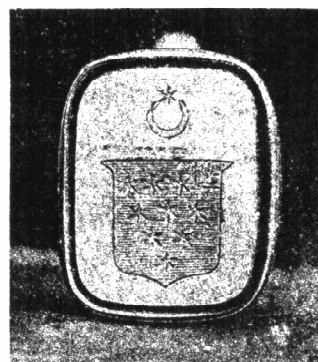
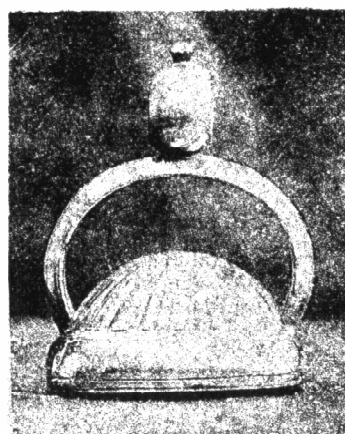
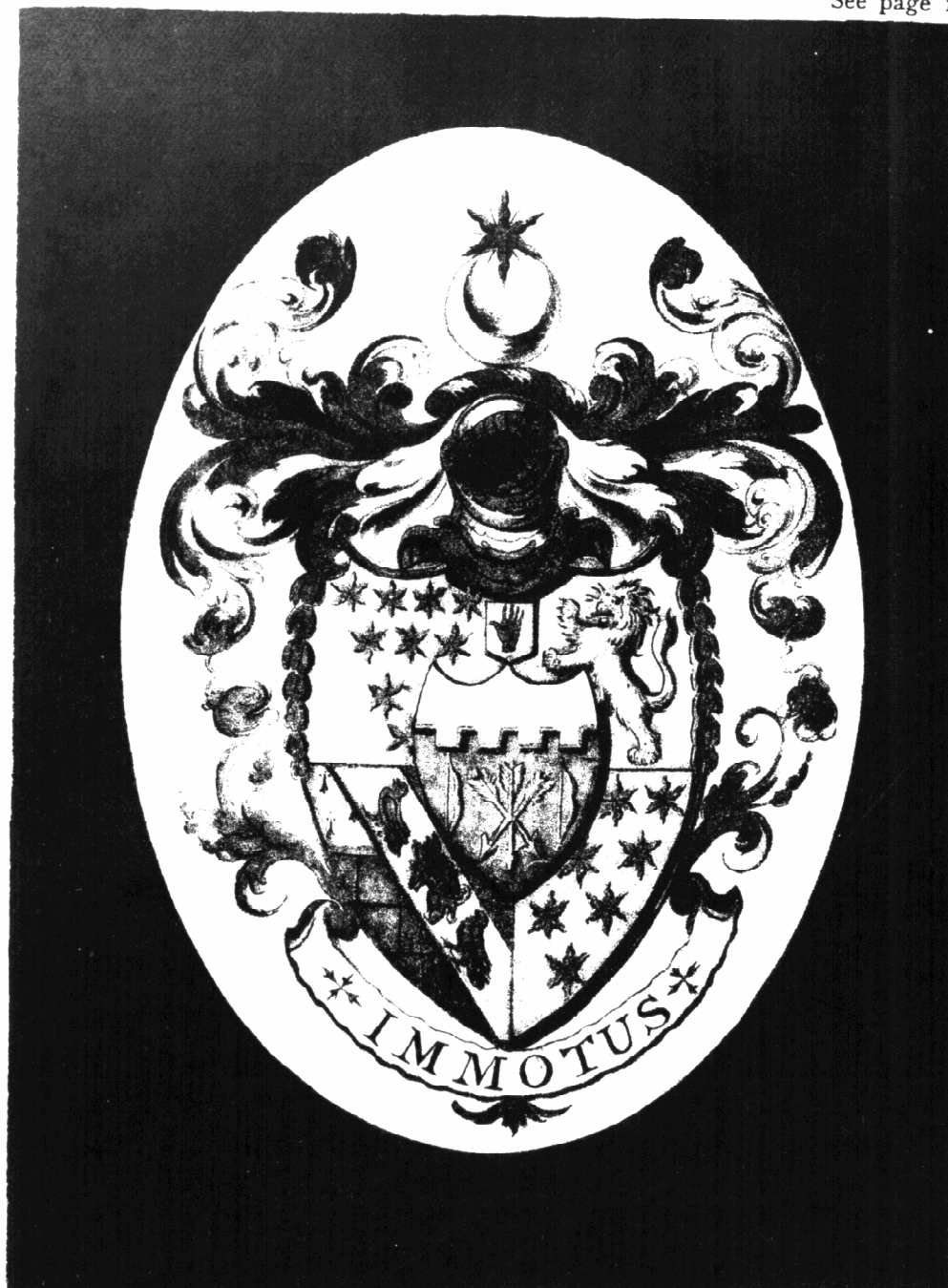
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ARMS OF SIR THOMAS AND LADY CATHERINE
DAVIES ALSTON.

See table 16.

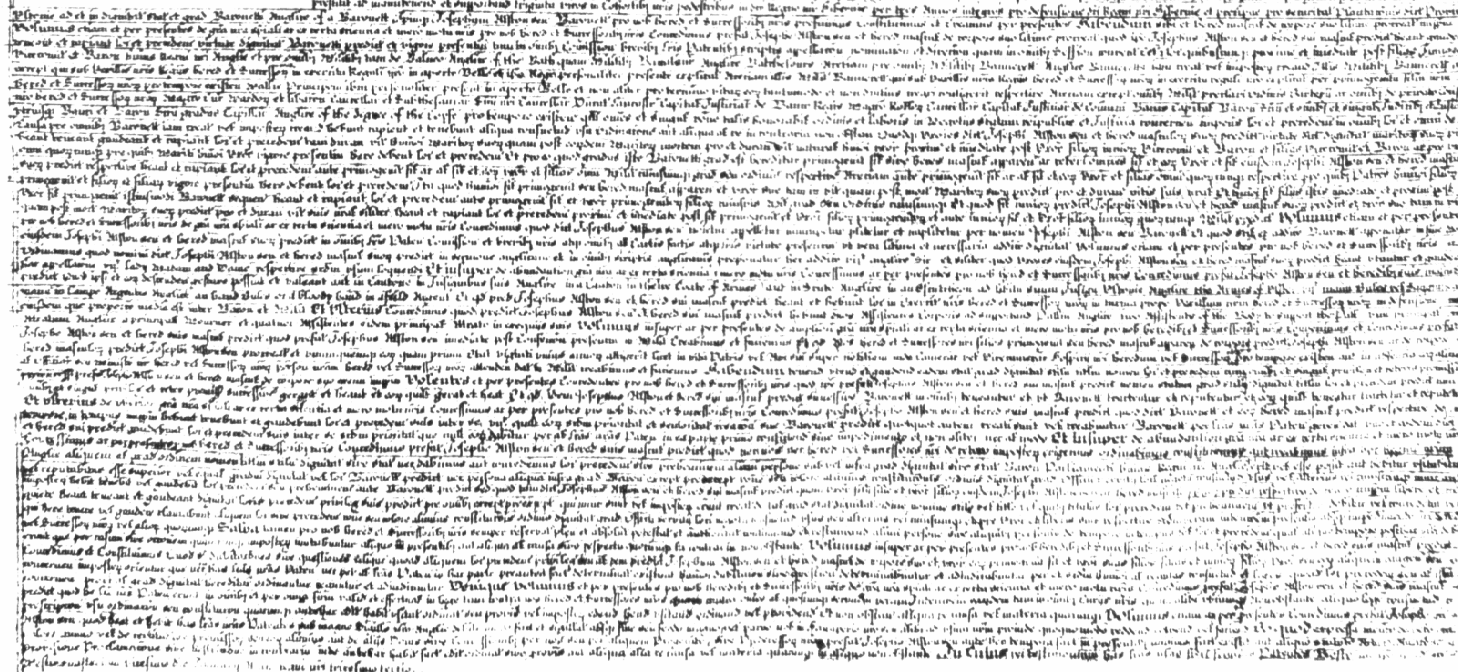
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SEAL OF SIR WILLIAM ALSTON, Bt.

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My Son Evelyn Alston was born y^e twelfth
day of November 1692. - - - - -

My Son Evelyn was born y^e thirteenth
day of October in y^e year of our Lord 1713. -

My Daughter Penelope was baptiz^d the
sixteenth day of July in y^e year of our Lord
1718. being then about three weeks old. -

My Son Joseph was born the nineteenth
day of February in y^e year of our Lord
1719. - - - - -

My Son William was born y^e tenth day
of April in y^e year of our Lord 1722. -

My Daughter Sarah was born y^e twentieth
day of January in y^e year of our Lord 1727.

My Son George was born y^e twenty eighth
day of December in y^e year of our
Lord 1730. - - - - -

I^r Evelyn Alston
bought this Book
of Samuel Smith
of Reigate the twelfth
day of August

1735

Photographs of Fly Leaf in
SIR EVELYN'S Copy of Chamberlayn's
Magna Britannia Notitia
in possession of the Compiler.

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MRS. THOMAS ALSTON, née. Raynsford.

CAPTAIN THOMAS ALSTON, of Odell.

See table 16a.
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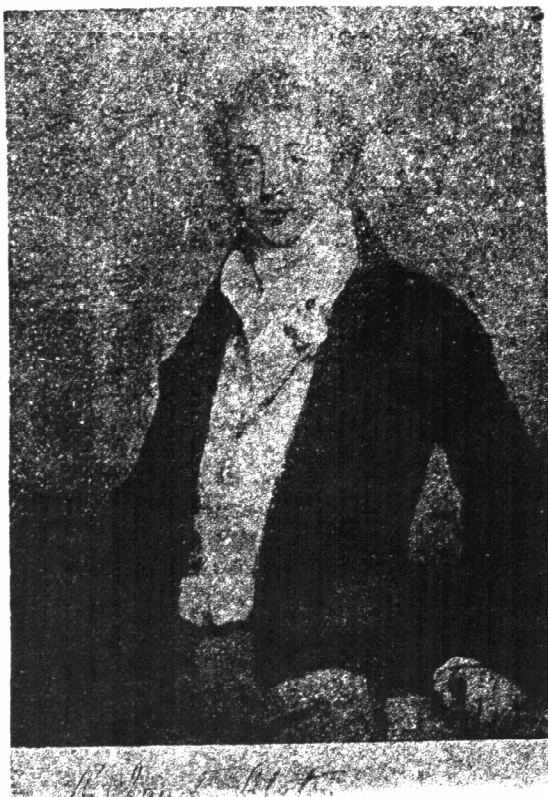
Portrait of Mrs. Alston

Portrait

Portrait of Captain Alston

Mrs. Thomas Alston née Raynsford.

Capt. Thomas Alston of Odell.



FROM PORTRAIT OF
MRS. ISAAC ALSTON (SEILE).

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ROWLAND ALSTON.

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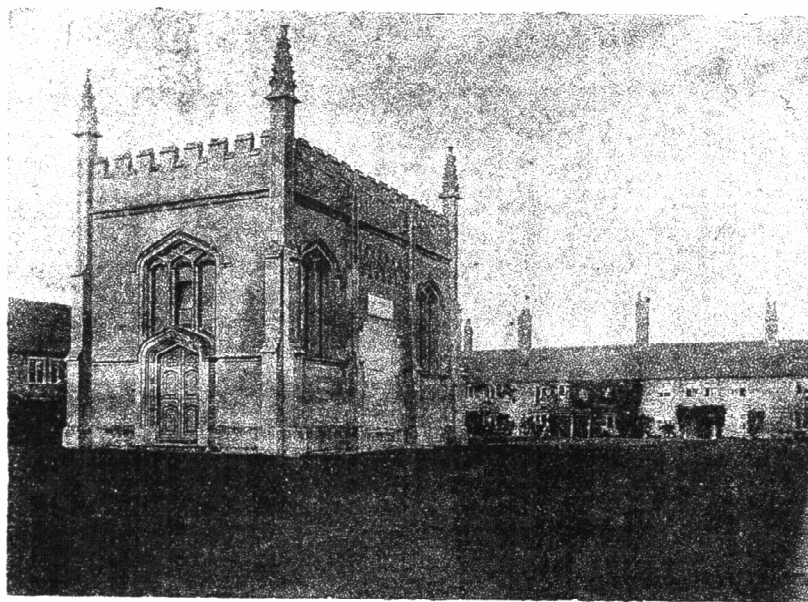
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From a plate in Haulkner's Hist. of Chelsea.

Alston House, Chelsea.

*Purchased by Sir Joseph Alston B^t about 1660.
Supposed to have been the residence of Sir Thomas More*



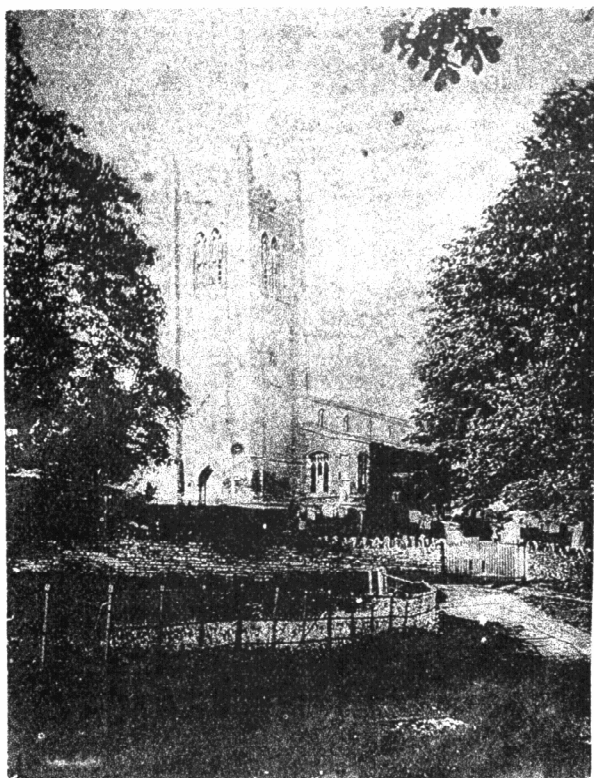
THE SOMERSET HOSPITAL AND CHAPEL,
FROXFIELD, CO. WILTS. See page 279.

A
SERMON
AT THE
FUNERAL
OF THE
Lady ELIZABETH ALSTON,
WIFE OF
Sir THOMAS ALSTON,
Knight and Baronet;
Preached in the Parish-Church of Woodbill
in Bedfordshire, Septemb. 10. 1677.
By WILLIAM DILLINGHAM, D.D.
and Rector there.
Now Published at the Intiance of her nearest Relations.
LONDON,
Printed for Jonathan Robinson, at the Golden
Lion in St. Pauls Church-yard. 1678.

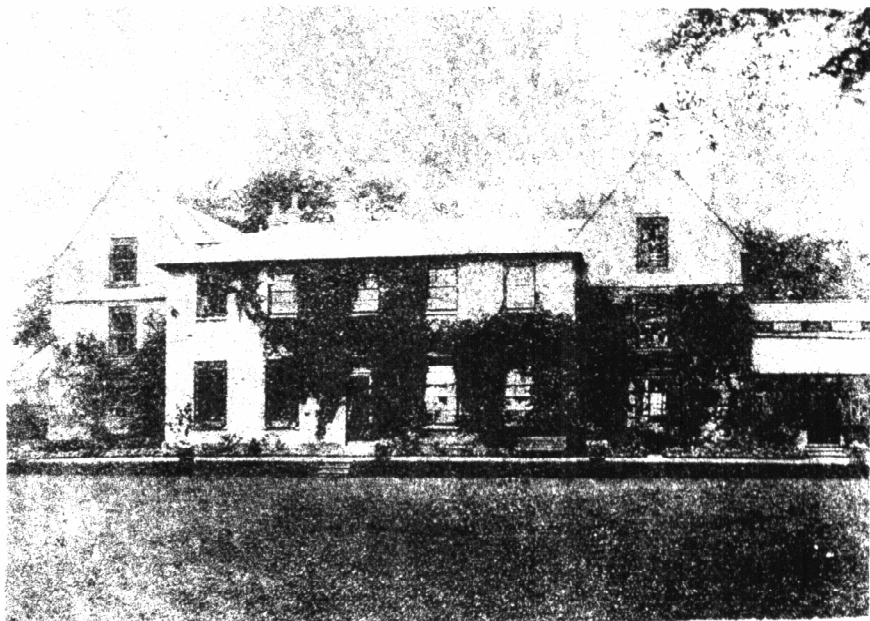
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The Waters of Marah Sweetned.
A
SERMON
Preached at the FUNERAL
OF
Mrs. CLARE WITTEWRONGE,
Eldest Daughter to Joseph Alston Esq;
AND
Late Wife to John Witte wronge Esq;
Who was Interred at Stantonbury in the County of
Ducks. Octob. 22. 1669.
By Mr. John Mafen, Minister.
1 Cor. 15. 56, 57. The sting of death is sin, &c. But thanks
be to God which giveth us the victory, through our Lord
Jesus Christ.
Col. 3. 4. When Christ who is our life shall at, ear then shall
ye also appear with him in glory.
LONDON,
Printed by John Macock, 1671.

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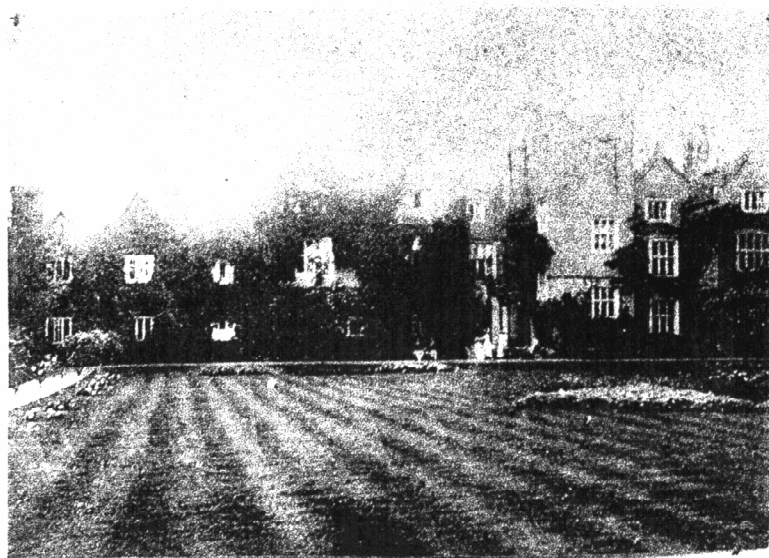
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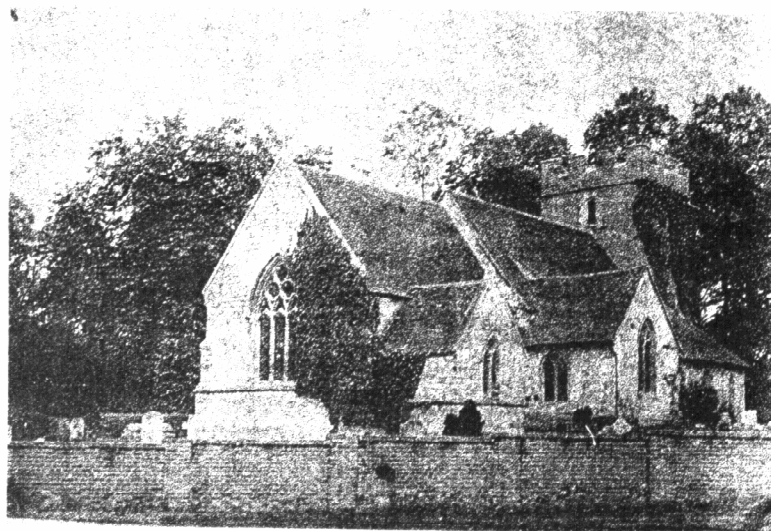
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See page 350. SARAH (ALSTON),
DUCHESS OF SOMERSET.



STEMMATA ALSTONIANA.

GENEALOGICAL MEMORANDA OF THE ANCIENT FAMILY OF ALSTON.

Baronets of Odell, in Bedfordshire; and Chelsea, in Middlesex.

Odell Baronetcy created 13th June, 1642;
extinct 29th June, 1790.

Chelsea Baronetcy created 20th January, 1681;
extinct 6th March, 1819.

Arms: Azure, ten estoiles or, four, three, two, and one.

Crest: Out of a crescent argent an estoile, or.

Motto: Immotus.

Seats: Stisted, Essex; Newton, Suffolk; Sayham (now Siam) Hall, Suffolk; Odell Castle, Bedfordshire; Alston House, Chelsea; Bradwell Abbey, Bucks.; and Long Ditton, Surrey.

Early History.

IN the reign of Egbert, the eighth Bretwalda, who by his subjugation of rival monarchs, paved the way for the consolidation of the kingdom into one whole under his descendant Athelstan, we find the name Alstan borne by one of the most famous of his men, the Warrior Bishop of Sherborne. In Turner's *History of the Anglo Saxons*, we read that he was placed by Egbert in charge of the military expedition against Kent, which had for its object the making of Ethelwulph (Egbert's son and successor) king of that division of the country. On the accession of Ethelwulph he attained still greater dignity. "He had possessed the favour of Egbert, and on his death became the political and military tutor of Ethelwulph; and was powerful, war-like, and intelligent. He had the good fortune to enjoy his preferments for fifty years. He endeavoured to rouse the King (Ethelwulph) to those exertions which his dignity made a duty. He provided supplies for his exchequer, and he laboured to organise a military force. His wise measures, though sometimes baffled by an incompetent execution, and by the suddenness of aggressions, which no vigilance could prevent, had the general success of punishing many insults, and of preserving his country from a permanent conquest (by the Danes)."

These harmonious relations did not however continue between Ethelwulph and the able ecclesiastic without interruption, for later we read: "A successful conspiracy against the power of Ethelwulph menaced him with deposition and exile. In the fifth year of Alfred's age, his father, although he had three elder sons, seems to have formed an idea of making him his successor. This intention is inferred from the facts that Ethelwulph sent him at this time to Rome with a great train of nobility and others, and that the Pope anointed him King at the request of his father. Matthew of Westminster says: "*Causa autem bifaria erat una quod filium juniorem Alfredum quasi aliis a sorte regni exclusis in regem Romae fecerat coronari.*" The conspiracy was conducted by Alstan the Bishop, to whom Ethelwulph owed his prosperity; and Ethelbald, the eldest of the legitimate princes was placed at the head. The Earl of Somerset participated in the rebellion. The principal object was to defeat the plans of Ethelwulph in favour of Alfred, and to invest Ethelbald with the crown. The popular reason was, the elevation of Ethelwulph's new wife (Judith, daughter of Charles, King of France) to the dignity of Queen. The crimes of Eadburga (wife of Brihtric or Beorhtric, King of Wessex, and daughter of Offa) had incited the Anglo-Saxon nation to forbid the wife of any other of their Kings to be crowned. But Ethelwulph's visit to Rome without having resigned his crown may have begun the discontent. Two of the preceding sovereigns of Wessex who had taken this step; Cadwalla and Ina, had first abdicated the throne, though Offa retained it during his journey. Ethelwulph had been in the church and had not the war-like character of Offa to impress or satisfy his thanes and earls. For him therefore to pursue the steps that were so like a re-assumption of his early ecclesiastical character may have dissatisfied the fierce Anglo-Saxons, who thought little of religion until some event roused them to renounce the world altogether.

In Selwood Forest the revolted assembled in strength. The King's absence favoured the scheme; and as his devotion to the Roman See, combined with the prospect of a stripling's succession to the prejudice of brothers, who to priority of birth added maturity of age, may have diminished the general loyalty, so the circumstances of his marriage concurred, fortunately for the conspirators, to complete his unpopularity. When Ethelwulf returned, he found the combination too powerful to be resisted, but the nobles of Wessex would not permit him to be absolutely dethroned; they promoted an accommodation between the two parties on the plan, that Ethelbald should be put in possession of West Saxony, the best portion of the monarchy, and that Ethelwulf should be contented with the Eastern districts which Ethelstan had enjoyed. The King averse to war, and perhaps intimidated by the strength of his opponents, submitted to the proposition.

Nine years after the death of Ethelwulf in 867, we read in Asser (1) that "in this year Alstan died, the celebrated bishop and statesman."

It is recorded in *Domesday Book*, as Blomefield in his "History of Norfolk" (2) notes, that one Alstan, a landowner, of Stanford, in Norfolk, was ousted from his possessions by the Conqueror. Ferguson, in his "Surnames as a Science" (Routledge, 1883, p. 7), quotes from the *Liber Vitae* concerning one Scott, described as "Alstani filius," who in the time of William I, "for the redemption of his soul, and with the consent of his sons and of all his friends made a gift of valuable land to the Church." The form Alestan is also of frequent occurrence in the East Anglian *Domesday*. And it is said that in the time of Edward III, long before it was possible to obtain the stamp of gentility by the purchase of armorial bearings with pounds, shillings, and pence, a Hugh Alston bore the shield, "Azure, ten stars, or four, three, two and one;" the same blazon being exactly that of the arms of the different branches of the family at the present day, and of the quarterings of those descendants of the family in the female line duly entitled by heirship. (3) I give this statement for what it is worth. Truth compels me to say that I can trace no authority for it, and there is no such early record in the College of Arms.

In the reign of Edward I, William Alston, of Stisted, in co. Essex, for want of warranty of Brookscroft, in Stisted, did grant and confirm to John LeCarpenter, of Naylinghurst, so much of the better land in Stisted except his Mansion house there. Henry Alston and Robert Alston are mentioned in the *Rotuli Hundredorum* as having lands at Fulbourn, co. Cambridge. Among various memoranda relating to the Chetwode family, who were the owners of the Odell Estates before their purchase by William Alston, occurs the following: "Sciunt, &c. quod ego Ioh'es de Chetwode d'nus de Okeley dedi d'no Iohanni de Alston rectori eccl' iae de Norton Subter Lymam omnes terr' meas et ten'ta mea quae habeo infra dominium de Okeley et Norton Subter Lymam. A^o 19R. 2 (1398) (4) The will of a Thomas Alston, of Sudbury, was proved in 1469. Thomas' wife, Isabell, is mentioned as then living.

Research in the Public Record Office and among the Manorial and Court Rolls of many places in East Anglia would undoubtedly bring to light much interesting information concerning the earlier Alstons, though it is questionable whether the pedigree could be carried back in a connected fashion much farther than the point where my tables begin—the middle of the 16th century. The task of attacking the archives of the Record Office and of the Manor Courts is one for which I have not myself the necessary resource of leisure, but I can commend it to any Alstons as a capital means of killing any of their time that may be running to waste, or, if done by deputy, to those Alstons across the seas who are reputed to be millionaires beyond the dreams of avarice, as an equally capital means of keeping the edges of their "unearned increment" well trimmed.

The self constituted task of my leisure has been to set in order what is already conveniently accessible but scattered and undigested. Leaving the earlier Alstons, therefore for the present I will begin with

(1) Asser 18.

(2) Vol. I, p. 540.

(3) See Wotton's *Baronetage*, "Alston."

(4) *Vide Miscell. Cen. et. Her Second Series Vol. I. p. 59.* Evidences ex Chartis Richardi Chetwood de Warkworth in com. North'ton Militia, 27 November, 1614.

TABLE I.

JOHN ALSTON

of Newton in Suffolk the most remote ancestor in the direct connected line. But of him there is little known except that he is stated to have been descended from the above-mentioned William, of Stisted, in Essex. Investigation has brought to light several Alstons living in the neighbourhood of Newton and Sudbury as contemporaries of John, so that it will not be rash to assume that the migration from Stisted occurred some while anterior, and that the family had ramified around its new settlement. Probably too its position had become established and assured, for John was father of

WILLIAM ALSTON

also of Newton, who was a prosperous landowner, resident upon and cultivating his own estate which was of respectable dimensions. There is some doubt as to the number of times William was married. In the pedigree registered by one of his great great grandsons, William Alston of Odell at the Herald's Visitation of Bedfordshire in 1634 his wife is said to have been (Ann), the daughter of (Thomas) Simonds, and her arms are given as "Azure a chevron inter 3 trefoiles slipped d'or."⁽¹⁾ The inclusion of the Christian names within brackets indicates some uncertainty about them, and that about the name Ann is strengthened by the patriarch's mention in his will of his "wyffe Elizabethhe" without any reference to a previous marriage. It is not unusual for a trifling vagueness to exist about great great grandparents' surnames, to say nothing of their Christian names, and it may not have occurred to the Odell family to verify their pedigree by reference to their ancestor's will, even if facilities for doing so were then allowed. On consideration I have decided to regard Ann as a misnomer, and William to have had only one wife—Elizabeth Simonds. This view is supported by Elizabeth's will, to which her son Edward was executor. William Alston died in the winter of 1563-4, his burial being recorded in the Newton registers as having taken place on the 30th January. Husband and wife were not long divided by death, for although no entry of her burial has been found, her will in which she describes herself as widow is dated 14th May, 1564-5, and was proved on the 30th of the following month (June), in the Archdeaconry of Sudbury. William Alston's will is dated 18th October, 1563, being made probably at the beginning of the illness which terminated fatally. It was proved on the 23rd October, 1567, in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, and is notable as being the earliest Alston will among the testamentary archives of that Court now in the safe keeping of Somerset House. The will begins with the usual pious formula of the commendation of the testator's soul to God and his "bodye to therthe," accompanied by the bequest of certain benefactions to be bestowed "amongeste the poore" at his funeral. Then follow the various dispositions of his estate among his wife and children. He had issue three sons and two daughters, of whom at least two sons and the daughters were living at his decease.

EDWARD ALSTON
continuator of the family;
of whom hereafter.
See Table 2.

WILLIAM ALSTON
mentioned in his father's and
mother's wills. Resided at
Middleton, Co. Essex. Will
dated 1st February, 1564.
Proved in the Prerog. Ct. of
Canterbury, 16th May, 1565,
by John Wynterflod, his
executor. No children are
mentioned, therefore it is
likely he died without issue.
His wife Alys is mentioned
and he left a benefaction to
the poor of Newton out of
his tenement of Priors, Sud-
bury, which he inherited
from his father. (2) He also
mentions a kinsman of his
father's, one Henry Smyth.

ROBERT ALSTON
not mentioned in either of
his parent's wills and in no
other record of the family
except the will of his nephew,
Thomas Alston, of Edward-
ston, who refers to a certain
property having belonged to
his "deceased uncle Robert
Alston." Possibly he
pre-deceased his father a
bachelor.

ANNE ALSTON
mentioned by her married
name of Loder in her
brother William's will.
Under her father's will she
inherited the tenement in
Sudbury called "Ye Bell."

ALICE ALSTON
mentioned by her married
name of Kingsbury in her
brothers William's will.
Inherited lands in Cornard
bought of "Mr. Paston."

ALICE KINGSBURY
mentioned in her uncle
William Alston's will. Also
in her grandfather Alston's
will, at the making of which
she was under 22 years of
age.

(1) Harl. MSS., No. 1390, Brit. Mus.

(2) This charity still continues, being upheld by a recent test action. See post letter from Rev. C. J. Stower, Vicar of All Saints, Sudbury. It was really first imposed by William Alston, senr., by his will, which see

From TABLE 1.

TABLE 2.

EDWARD ALSTON,

Lord of Sayham, Sayme, or Siam Hall, as it is now called, in Newton, near Sudbury, in the Hundred of Babergh, Co. Suffolk, the eldest son of William Alston, of Newton, became on his father's death the head of the family, and by the death of his brothers, William and Robert, without issue, the sole continuator of the main stock. When and how he acquired the Manor of Seyme Hall, which does not seem to have been possessed by his father, I do not know. The Manor was held of the King as of His Honour of Clare by Knight's Service. Edward married (1) Elizabeth, daughter of John Coleman, whose arms are recorded in the Bedfordshire Visitation before referred to as "p. fesse ar. and sa. a crosse patonnée bet. four mollets all counterchanged." By her he had issue two sons and a daughter; (2) at Newton on the 16th December, 1590, Elizabeth Bull, widow of Waldringfield Parva, who was buried there on the 26th June, 1591; and (3) Christian whose marriage settlement is referred to in his Will. Some confusion has existed regarding the second and third wives in other pedigrees, the marriages being reduced to two and a sort of composite never-existent wife—Christian Ball—being evolved. The third marriage must have followed speedily on the death of Edward's second wife, for he himself was buried on the 14th November, 1592, at Newton, about eighteen months after her death, and was followed by his relict, Christian, about a year after, she being also buried at Newton on the 28th September, 1593. By neither his second nor third wives had Edward Alston any further issue. His Will dated 10th January, 1592 (34 Eliz.) was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on the 6th May, 1593. It is a very lengthy one, indeed the Alston Wills as a rule exhibit much of the redundancy of verbiage that delighted the hearts and filled the pockets of attorneys of past ages. It begins, "I bequethe my sowle unto Almighty God who hath created redemed and sanctified me and all His electe people, hoping faithfully and most assuredly to be saved in the daye of the general resurrection and judgment by the only merittes and passion of our Lord and Savyor Jesus Christ." It recites the antenuptial settlement of a rent charge out of the Manor of Sayham Hall on his wife, Christian, and desires his heir, William, to pay it punctually. Mentions his ownership of the Crown Inn in Sudbury (now the Rose and Crown Hotel, a fine old fashioned hostelry recently sold (1898) by its Alston owners to the landlord), (1) which with all the "seelinges, portalles, wainscottes, glasse, settelles, benches and shelves he gave to his younger son, Thomas To a favoured servant, one William Cockerell of Newton, he gives "six busshelles of rye or mislyn (a mixture of rye and oats), of the measure commonly called sudburye measure." He is provident as to his transactions in grain, ordering his executors to complete any sales or gifts of corn he may have bargained for or promised. Finally, he appoints his younger son, Thomas, sole executor, trusting that he will see his Will truly and faithfully performed according to his special trust and confidence in him, and makes him residuary devisee. Among the witnesses to the Will are Edmond Waldegrave, a member probably of the now noble, but at that time knightly family settled in the district; and Thomas Gosse, with whose family there existed cross alliances by the marriages of John Gosse to Elizabeth Alston, and Thomas Alston to Susan Gosse in 1579. On the death of the patriarch Edward Alston the family was divided, his two sons becoming the progenitors of branches co-equal in affluence and eventually of rank. It will be observed that Edward was the last ancestor in common of the baronetical families of Odell and Chelsea. His children were

WILLIAM ALSTON
(See Table 3).

THOMAS ALSTON
(See Table 24).

ALICE ALSTON
Married to
Kinge, and had issue,
a daughter, Elizabeth,
married to one Scott.
Mother and daughter
are mentioned as living
in Edward Alston's Will,
therefore living 1591.

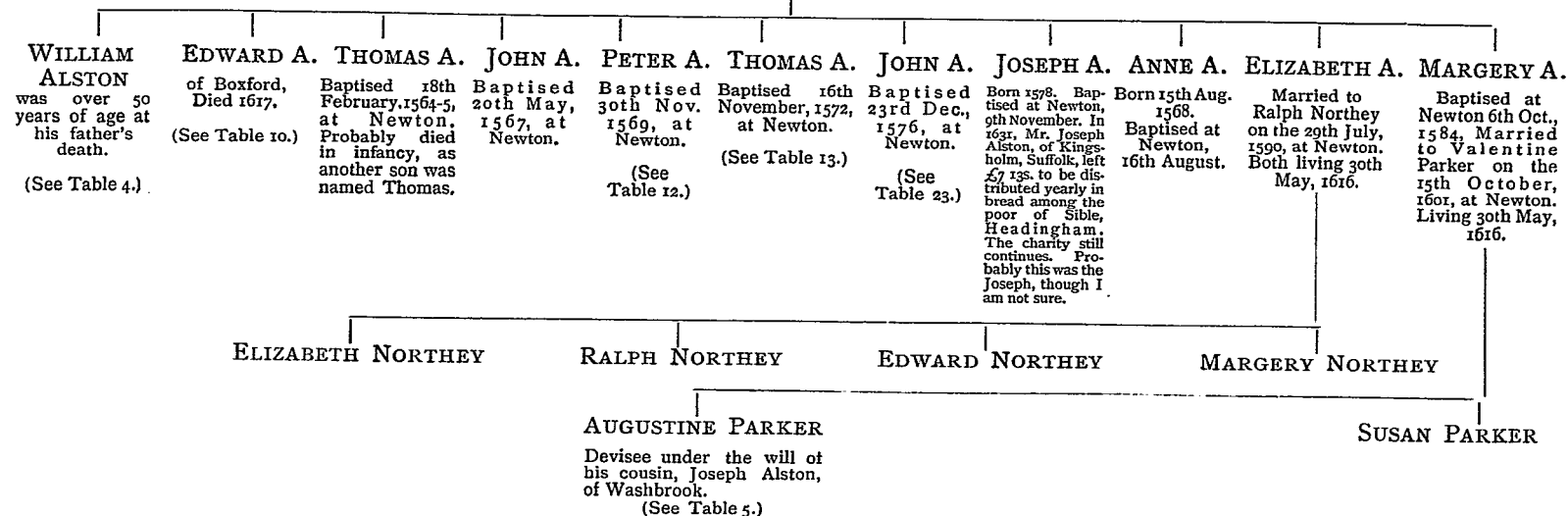
(1) As I am informed by the Rev. David Hughes, a resident of Sudbury, to whose kindness I am indebted for the examination of some old registers.

From TABLE 2.

TABLE 3.

WILLIAM ALSTON,

the eldest son and heir, received the Manor of Sayham Hall and other estates under the will of his father. He is described as of Sible Hedingham, co. Essex; and also of Sayham Hall, and was born in 1537. He married (1) Margery Holmested, daughter and co-heir (with her sister Dorothy, the wife of Thomas Alston) of Henry Holmested, of Maplestead, co. Essex, by his wife the daughter of Serjeant Benlosse or Bendlowes. William Bendlowes, Sergeant-at-law, died 19th November, 1584, and with his wife, Elizabeth, was buried under the south window of the chancel of Great Bardfield Church, Essex, where are their figures in brass, with a Latin inscription. Sergeant Bendlowes held this Church and the advowson of the living, and obtained a licence in 1556 to convert the vicarage into a rectory, and having leased out the great tithes for 500 years at 20 marks yearly, settled on the rector and his successors the yearly sum of £6 13s. 4d., being one moiety of the 20 marks, the other moiety he employed in founding a chantry in the church dedicated to the Holy Trinity. The arms of Holmested are "Sable, three horses' heads, erased, bits, reins, and tassels, argent, a canton ermine." In 1574 John Holmested, of Great Maplestead, gent., whose wife was then living, was lord of the manor of Dynes Hall. (1) William Alston died on the 9th of January, and was buried at Newton, on the 13th January, 1617-18, aged 80, and his will was proved P.C.C. 29th January, of the same year. He had married (2) on 12th September, 1608, Parnell Ellice, of Newton, widow, but had issue only by his first wife. In the pedigree recorded in the Bedfordshire Visitation William Alston is said to have married Dorothy, daughter and coheir of Henry Hampstead, of Halstead, Co. Essex. This statement contains as many inaccuracies as the famous one about the lobster being a red fish that crawls backwards, seeing that William did not marry Dorothy but Margery, that her surname was Holmested, not Hampstead, and that she was of Maplestead in Essex, and not Halstead. The inquisition post mortem of Thomas Alston, junr., of Edwardston (nephew of William) puts this beyond doubt by its recitation of the inheritance by the deceased Thomas from his mother Dorothy Holmested of the moiety of the Rectory and Vicarage of Gt. Maplestead. William Alston's will dated 30th May, 1617, describes him as of Hedingham Sible and as being "all this tyme sicke in bodie but of good and perfect remembrance" revokes all former wills and recommends his soul to God and his body to decent burial by his executor. The Manor of Seyme Hall is given to his son William for life, and then to William Alston, his grandchild. His extensive landed possessions are carefully parcelled out among his children, and considerable bequests in money are also made to them. All his grandchildren are affectionately remembered, and his servants are not forgotten. An inquisition post mortem was taken at Bury St. Edmund's, 20th August, 16 Jac. I. It recites his inheritances and purchases, his death on the 9th January, 1617-18, the finding of William his son to be his next heir, and he to be of the age of 50 years and more. It also states that the Manor of Seyme Hall and the land occupied therewith was holden of the King as of His Honour of Clare by Knight's Service at one Knight's fee, and to be worth besides all reprises, £6 13s. 4d.



(1) Note from a MS Book of the Rev. F. Simpson Alston.

TABLE 4.

WILLIAM ALSTON,

In the inquisition post mortem at Bury St. Edmunds, 20 August, 16 Jac. I., on the death of William Alston his father, William was found to be his next heir, and of the age of 50 years and more. He received the Manor of Sayham Hall and other estates. His first wife, Marian, was buried at Semer, 24th April, 1601; his second wife, Anne, whom he married in 1607, appears to have been the daughter of Thomas Neuce, Prebend of Ely, Rector of Oxburgh, co, Norfolk, and Vicar of Gazeley, she was baptised at Gazeley 25th October, 1578, and had as brother Philip Neuce. His will, dated 14th July, 1632, codicil dated 3rd December, 1632, was proved P.C.C., 17th February, 1633-34, by his son, Joseph, executor. Therein he states that his sons, William, Ralph, Edward, and Thomas were provided for. Settled the Manor of Sayme Hall on his son Joseph, subject to the payment of debts and legacies, also make suitable bequests to his sons, Benjamin, Jacob, Jonas, and Tobias. Mentions his daughter, Margaret, wife of Francis Coleman, and his daughter, Elizabeth Chaplin, and also that his sons, Jonas, Jacob, and Tobias were under 24 years of age. After his death an inquisition post mortem was taken at Bury St. Edmunds (16 April, 10 Charles I). It recites the settlement of Sayme Hall and 200 acres of land in Newton and Little Cornard on himself for life, and then on Joseph, his son, with remainders to Jacob, Jonas, and Tobias; the death of William Alston on 5th November, 9 Car. I, and that William was his next son and heir and was of full age. Also that the Manor of Sayme Hall, &c., were held of the King as of His Honor of Clare by Knight's Service. In the registers of Burials at Newton there is an entry of the death of William Alston, 5th November, 1633, and a note that the mortuary was paid by Joseph Alston. By his first wife, Marian, he had issue

WILLIAM ALSTON	RALPH ALSTON	EDWARD ALSTON	THOMAS ALSTON	MARGERY ALSTON	ELIZABETH ALSTON
(See Table 5.)	Baptised at Semer, 1596. Attorney-at-Law. Living 9th June, 1641, being then mentioned in his brother's will. Was he the Sir Ralph Alston, Knt., of Lincolnshire, 1660 (?)	Baptised at Semer, 20th June, 1598. Settled at Pentlow. Edward Alston was evicted from his living (See Walker's "Sufferings of the Clergy.") Possibly was the Edward mentioned in the Register of Queen's Admissions "1614, 9th February, Edwardus Alston, Suffolk, Tutore Maj. Growse, Baker's MSS., Pub. Lib., Cam. Rector of Pentlow. Married, at Brockley, 19th January, 1625, Millicent, daughter of Simon Wells, D.D., Rector of Brockley, who died 1635, she was buried at Stanton, Suffolk, 24th March; and (2) Faith, daughter of Randolph Lister, late Rector of Alpheton, at Alpheton 11th July, 1639.	Baptised at Semer, 6th January, 1599. Living 30th May, 1616, and 9th June, 1641.	Married to Francis Coleman, Gent., before 14th July, 1632, and had issue. Was living in 1641, being then mentioned in her brother William's will.	Married to one Chaplin, before 14th July, 1632, and had issue. Was mentioned in her brother William's will.
				EDMUND COLEMAN Godson of his uncle William Alston, in whose will (1641) he is mentioned.	WILLIAM CHAPLIN Godson of his uncle William Alston.

By his second wife, Anne, William Alston had issue as below. Their marriage licence is dated 29th June, 1607, she is described as Ann Malyn, of Gazeley, widow. She survived him many years; her Will dated 16th May, 21 Car. I, being proved P.C.C., 30th April, 1661, by Philip Neuce and John Tracy, executors, Jonas Alston, the principal executor, having died before probate. Anne desired to be buried in the Church of Gazeley near her father and mother. Among other relations she mentions her nephew Philip, son of her brother Robert, and Johan Sims, her sister.

NEUCE ALSTON	JOSEPH ALSTON	BENJAMIN ALSTON	JACOB ALSTON	JONAS ALSTON	TOBIAS ALSTON	ANNE ALSTON	JANE ALSTON
buried 24th October, 1624, at Newton.	of Sayham Hall and Kersey, Suffolk, Married (1) before 17th March, 1638, Elizabeth, daughter of Benjamin Brand, of Edwardston Hall, but she d.s.p., and (2) Frances, daughter of Wm. Clapton, of Gaselyns Hall, in Groton, married at Letheringham, 27th June, 1654. Had issue. Mentioned as eldest son in his mother's Will. He was living in 1664 at Hindolveston, co. Norfolk. He died before 27th July, 1692, but his wife was then living.	living in 1633-4, and mentioned in his father's Will.	living in 1633-4, and mentioned in his father's Will as being then under age.	living in 1632 at the date of his father's Will, being then under age; was appointed principal executor under his mother's Will, but was deceased before probate. Died between 16th May, 21 Car. I., and 30th April, 1661.	baptised April 2nd, 1620, at Newton, living in 1632, not named in his mother's Will, 1645, therefore then probably dead.	mentioned as wife to John Tracy, jun., in her mother's Will.	buried 25th April, 1621, at Newton, aged 6 years.
JOSEPH ALSTON born 1655, being aged 9 in 1664.	WILLIAM ALSTON	FRANCES ALSTON	ROBERT ALSTON	ELIZABETH ALSTON	PAUL TRACY	JAMES TRACY	SARAH TRACY
					mentioned in their grandmother Alston's Will.		

From TABLE 4.

TABLE 5.

WILLIAM ALSTON

of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law, who was settled at Marlesford, in Suffolk, of the age of 21 and more at father's death. He married (1) AVICE, daughter and co-heir of Jeffery Pitman, Esquire, of Woodbridge, High Sheriff of Suffolk in 1625, and had issue by her, who died 1634, but none apparently by his second wife, MARGARET, the widow of Henry Groom, Gent., of Ufford. The latter was living 9th June, 1641. Will dated 9th June, 1641, proved in the Prerogative Court or Canterbury, 6th August, 1641, by Alice Alston, daughter and executrix. *Inter alios* the testator mentions his wife, Margaret, and his kinsmen, Jeffery Burwell and Thomas Paul. By the inquisition post mortem taken at Bury St. Edmunds, 14th September, 17 Car. I (1641), it appears the jury found he died on the 11th June, 1641, that Samuel was his son and next heir, and was of the age 11 years on the 10th January then last, and that Avica, and his executrix (Alice), daughters, were still living, as well as Margaret, his relict. 19 *Fac. Johes Bull alien Willo Alston, gen.* 1638 *Willus Alston, alien Rob Haley.* 17 Car. 1641, *Willus Alston, gen. lib. tenens obiit Samuel Alston fil. sen. prd. Rot. Cur de Harborough Hall in Aspal.* 5 Car. *Willus Alston de Woodbridge, gen. ad. Willus Alston and Avice ux. ejus sunt redd.*—*Farningham Court Books.*

WILLIAM A.
Baptised at Woodbridge,
5th March, 1628. A^o 9
Car. 1633. Willus Alston
obt. post ult. An (8th Nov.
8 an). S. Alston, est
frater et heres Willi
Alston, jun. nup. defti.
Willus Alston, senr,
pater, prd Samlil,
admiss. durant minor
etat prd Samlil.
*Rot. Cur de Har-
borough Hall in Aspal.*

SAMUEL
ALSTON
(See Table
6)

THOMAS A.
of the Inner
Temple, Barris-
ter-at-Law, d.s.p.
Baptised at
Woodbridge, 3rd
July, 1631. Was
living in 1712,
being then men-
tioned in his
sister Mary's
Will.

AVICE A.
Under 21 at father's death.
Married to Sir THOS. FOSTER,
Knt., son of Lord Chief Justice
Foster. Baptised at Woodbridge,
17th Dec., 1620. Died 26th April,
1656; buried at Thorpe, near
Chertsey, Surrey.
In the Church of Thorpe, by
Chertsey, Surrey, on a black
marble grave stone is the In-
scription:
"Here lieth buried the body of
Mrs. AVICE FOSTER, wife of
THOMAS FOSTER, of Foster's
Esq., together with Mr ROBERT
their eldest sonne at his age of
20 yeares. She was the eldest
daughter of WILLIAM ALSTON, of
Marlesford, in the County of
Suffolk, Esq. She was the tender
mother of eleven children. She
departed this troublesome life
the 26th day of April, A.D. 1656,
at her age of 35 yeares. Thus see
He giveth His beloved rest."
*Manning and Bray's History of
Surrey, Vol. 3, p. 245.*

ALICE A.
Baptised at
Woodbridge, 1st
May, 1623. Mar-
ried to DANIEL
CLENCH, of
Burgh, Suffolk.
Died 1673,
whether any
issue is un-
known. She was
executrix to her
father's Will.

ELIZABETH A.
Baptised Wood-
bridge, 17th January,
1627. Married to
THOMAS MANN,
Esq., of the Inner
Temple and Yox-
ford, Usber of the
Rolls, and had issue
JOHN MANN, of Ips-
wich ancestor of the
Baronets of that
name, and in the
female line of the
4th and subsequent
Earls Cornwallis,
and the later Heron
Baronets. See No.

MARY A.
Baptised at
Woodbridge,
20th November,
1632; buried
there 1st Sep-
tember, 1633.

MARY A.
Will dated 19th Feb-
ruary, 1712, and
proved P.C.C. 7th
May, 1714. Testa-
trix describes herself
as of Reading, and
desires to be buried
in Shinfield Church.
Mentions her
brother Thomas
Alston. Gives her
book called
"Gerrard's Herbal,"
to her cousin, Prue
Downing. Many
persons mentioned,
and many bequests
made to friends and
relatives.

(See Table 7)

Issue 11 Children.

THOMAS FOSTER

AVIS FOSTER
received her Aunt
Mary's Silver-Plate
on latter's death in
1714.

MARGARET F.

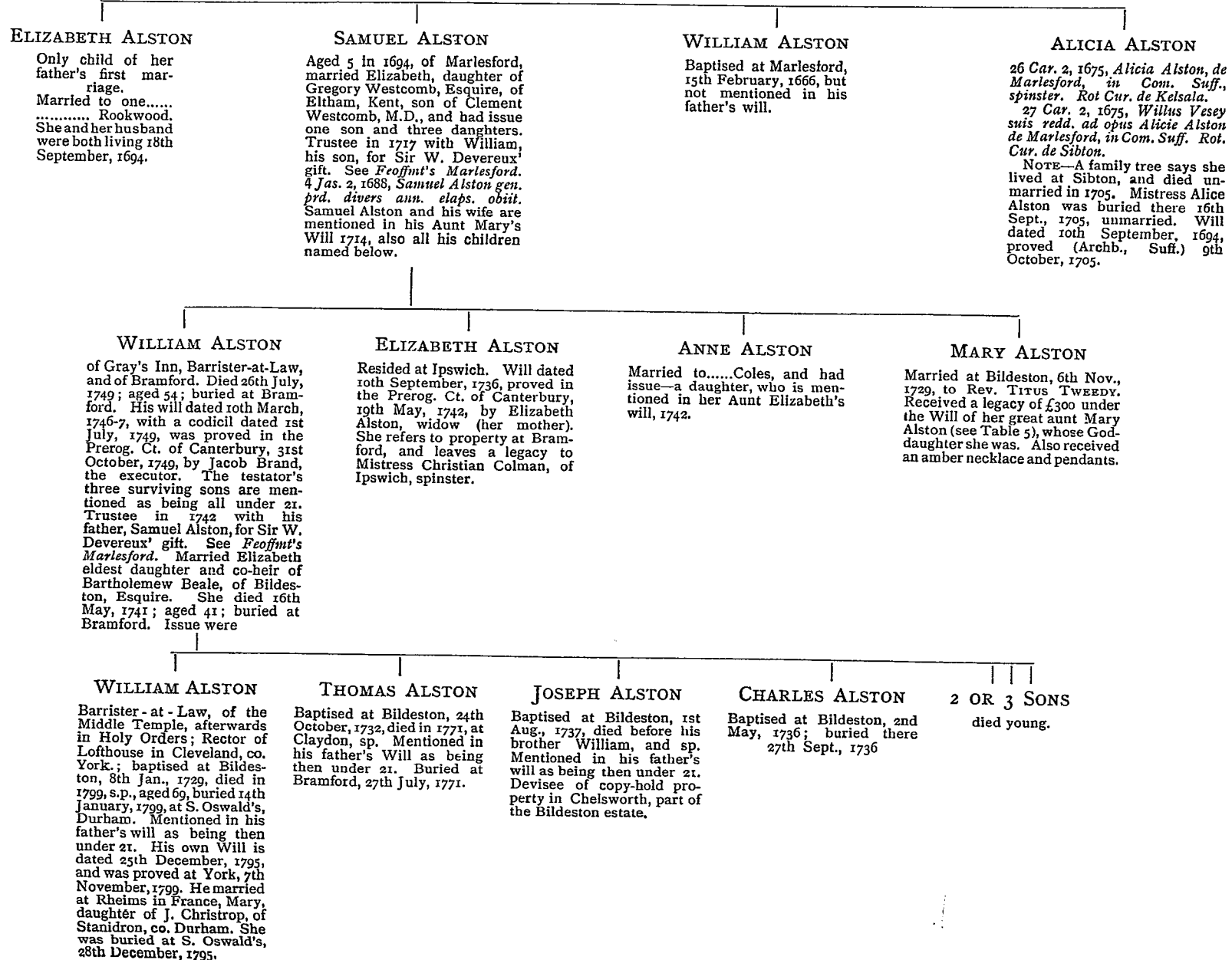
AVIS F.

From TABLE 5.

TABLE 6.

SAMUEL ALSTON

second but eldest surviving son at his father's death. Mentioned as being then under 14 years old, was aged 11 on 10th January, 17th Charles I. Resided at Marlesford. Justice of the Peace and Major of the Militia, 1667. Took part in the engagement with the Dutch at Felixstowe. Married (1) Elizabeth, daughter of Edward Mann, of Ipswich, and had issue one child, a daughter, and (2) Alice, daughter of Francis Nicholson, Esquire, of Chapelle, in Essex, and had issue as below. She was Buried at Marlesford, 10th Oct., 1686. Samuel was sometime a Trustee of Sir W. Devereux's gift e.g. 1676. See *Feoffmt's Marlesford*. His will, dated 15th December, 1675, was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury 20th June, 1676, by Alice Alston his relict and executrix. In it he desires his children to act dutifully towards their mother, and his son to stay with his mother during the time contracted for, that he might acquire the profession he was bound to. He was buried at Marlesford 21st December, 1675.

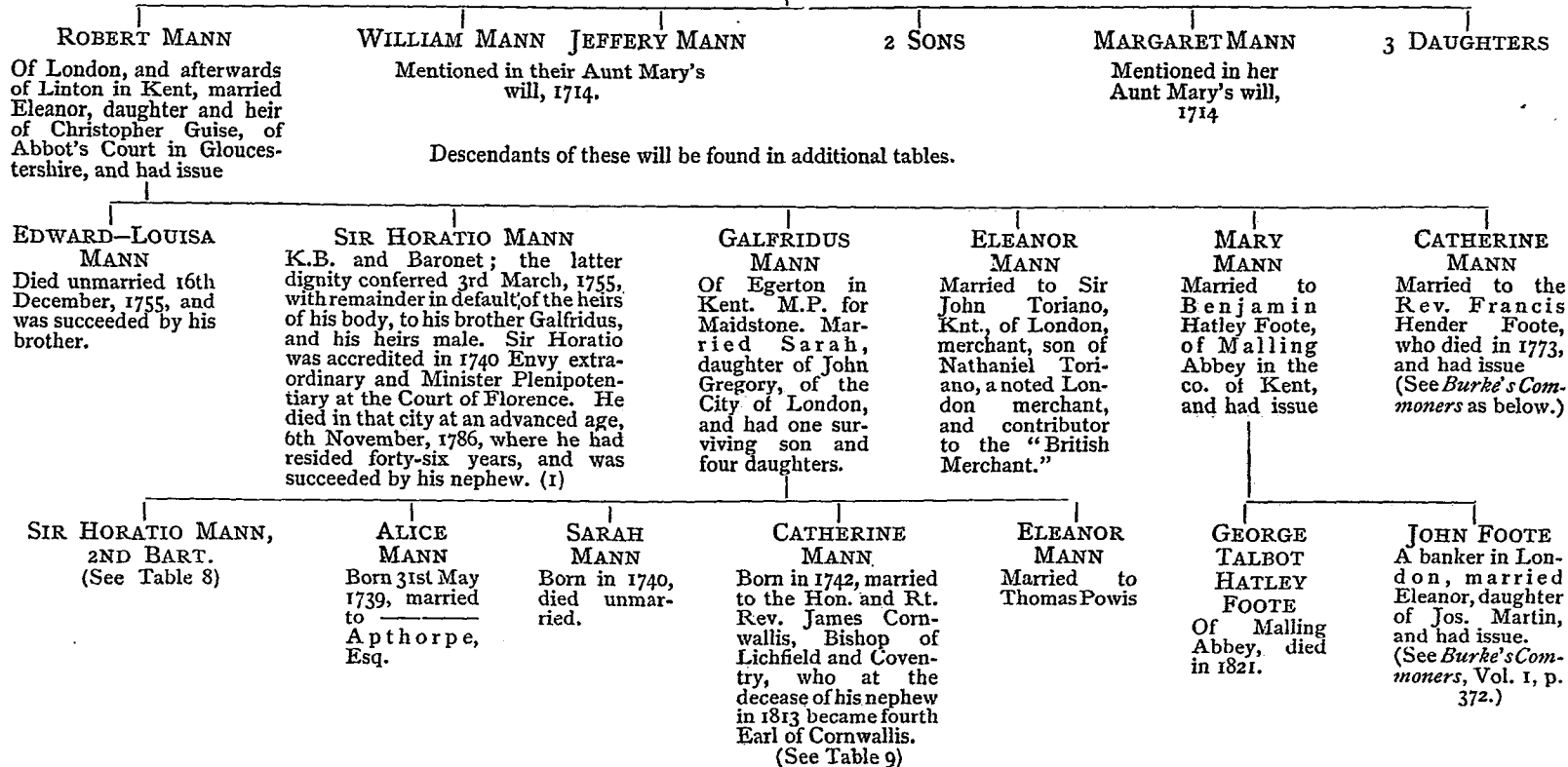


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TABLE 7.

ELIZABETH ALSTON,

Daughter of William Alston, of Marlesford, was married to Thomas Mann, of the Inner Temple, and Voxford; Usher of the Rolls. She was baptised at Woodbridge on the 17th January, 1627. They had issue, five sons and four daughters. Thomas Mann was the son of Edward Mann, of Ipswich, by Dorothy (daughter of Sir Francis Mannock, of Stoke Nayland in Suffolk?), his wife (See *Burke's Extinct Baronetage*, Mann of Linton). *Arms*: Sable on a fess counter embattled, between three goats passant argent as many ogresses.



(1) See *post* for biographies of Sir Horatio Mann and his kinsmen, Gother and William Mann. Gother was the son of Cornelius Mann and a cousin of Sir Horatio. William was the grandson of Gother. See additional tables for their Alston descent.

From TABLE 7.

TABLE 8.

SIR HORATIO MANN, 2ND BART.,

M.P. for Sandwich, succeeded his uncle in November, 1786, having previously succeeded to his father's estates. In January, 1774, he acted as proxy at the installation of his uncle, Sir Horatio; as Knight of the Bath, and receiving on the occasion the honour of Knighthood himself, was afterwards called Sir Horace Mann for distinction. He married in 1765, Lady Lucy Noel, daughter of Baptist, fourth Earl of Gainsborough, and had three daughters. He died on the 2nd April, 1814, when the Baronetcy expired. He and his wife, the "fair and fragile and Lady Lucy," visited the elder Sir Horatio in Florence in 1775, and are frequently mentioned with much tenderness and affection in the correspondence with Walpole. Sir Horace became a famous Kentish magnate, and was a staunch supporter of the Hambledonion Cricketers. (1)

LUCY MANN
Married in 1786 to James
Mann, Esq., of Egerton
Lodge, near Lenham.

EMILY MANN
Married in 1792 to Robert
Heron, Esq., afterwards Sir
Robert Heron, Bart.

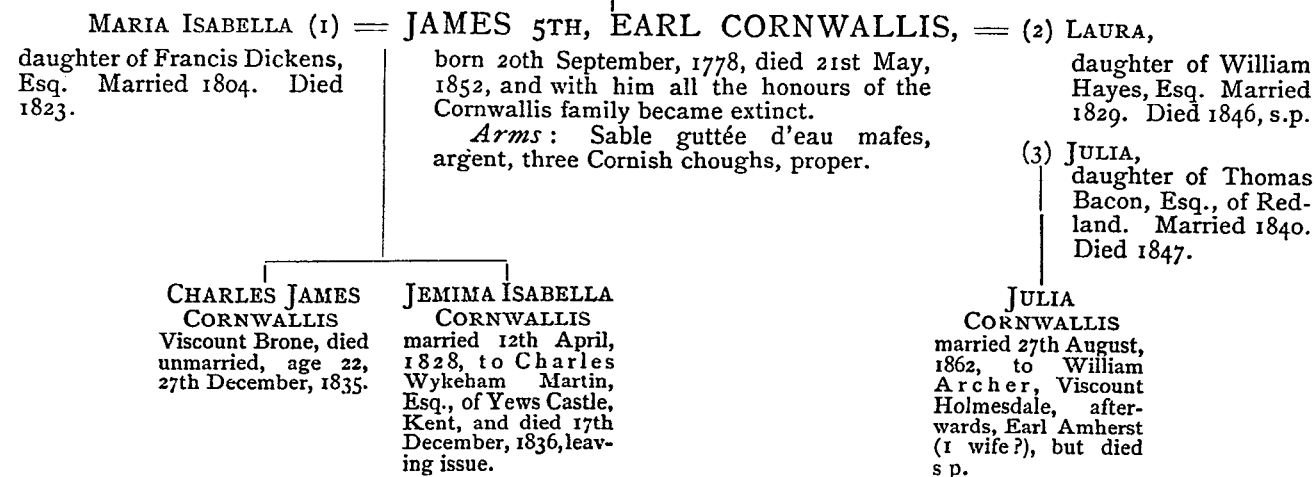
HARRIET MANN
Married 29th July, 1801, to
Colonel Rochford, of Ire-
land.

From TABLE 7.

TABLE 9.

CATHERINE MANN,

daughter of Galfridus Mann, Esq., of Egerton, and sister of Sir Horace Mann, 2nd Bart. Born in 1742. Married to James Cornwallis, D.C.L., Lord Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry, and 4th Earl Cornwallis. (2) The Earl died in 1824, leaving an only son.



(1) See Hasted's "Kent," and Nyren's "Young Cricketer's Tutor," ed. Whibley, pp. xi, xxii, 94. Also see Dict. of Nat. Biog., *Mann*.
(2) See Dict. of Nat. Biog., Cornwallis.

From TABLE 3.

TABLE 10.

EDWARD ALSTON,

Second son of William Alston, of Sible Hedingham, Lord of the Manor of Shelland Hall, and of Boxford, co. Suffolk. Married (1) in 1596, Susan, daughter of John Brand, senr., but she d.s.p., and was buried 6th December, 1566, at Boxford; and (2) Anne, sister of Joseph Ardley, by whom he had issue three sons and three daughters, and who survived him and died his widow 10th April, 1626, being buried at Boxford on the 12th April. Edward appears to have embarked in the manufacture of cloth, at that time an industry localised in East Anglia, and not as now in the West Riding of Yorkshire. That he prospered in it and invested his profits in land explains his possession of the large estate he disposed of by his Will. He died 22nd January, 1617, and was buried at Boxford, on the 26th of the same month. His tombstone with an inscription still exists there so the Rector informs me. His Will dated 21st January 1617, was proved P.C.C., 9th February 1617-18. It recites the settlement he made on his wife Anne, and refers to his having lived at one time at Polstead. An inquisition post mortem taken at Ipswich, 18th April, 16 James I (1618), specifies the lands inherited by him from his father, and purchased by him from Sir John Deane, Kt., Sir William Waldegrave, Kt., Thomas Lord Wentworth, and others. It also mentions John, his eldest son, as being aged 12 years and 23 weeks at his father's death. Anne Alston's Will dated 31st January, 1622, was proved P.C.C., 26th April, 1626, by John Brand, her brother-in-law. She mentions all her children and many of her kinsfolk and friends.

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JOHN ALSTON
Baptised 10th August, 1605, at Boxford, died shortly before attaining his majority, and was buried at Boxford, 12th May, 1626. From the inquisition post mortem taken at Hadleigh, 7th June, 2 Car. I, it appears he died on the 10th May, that his mother died on the 10th April previous, and that his brother Joseph was the next heir, and was then aged 11 years 13 weeks.

JOSEPH ALSTON.
(See Table II)

EDWARD ALSTON
Baptised 8th January, 1617, at Boxford, died 1628, d.s.p. Mentioned in his father's and mother's Wills. Buried at Hadleigh 15th October, 1628, aged 12.

ANNE ALSTON
Baptised 15th October, 1607, at Boxford, living 18th December, 1643, married to Henry Payne, of Wertington, Suffolk. Mentioned in her father's and mother's Wills, and (with her children) in her brother Joseph's Will, 1643. Henry Payne was living 2nd July, but died before 1630, 13th September, 1639. From him and his wife Anne Alston was descended the Rev. William Grigson Rector of Whinburgh, co. Norfolk whose correspondence on his Alston genealogy has been lent to me by the Rev. F. Simpson Alston.

SUSAN ALSTON
Baptised 26th October, 1609, at Boxford, married 10th October, 1632, at Woolpit, co. Suffolk, to Edmund Bright, of Mildenhall and Bury. Mentioned in both her parent's Wills. She died before 19th December, 1643.

BRIDGET ALSTON
Baptised 29th August 1611, at Boxford, married to Rev. Edward Bridgeman, living in 1643. Mentioned in her parent's Wills, and also with her children in her brother Joseph's, 1643 Issue untraced.

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From TABLE 10.

TABLE II.

JOSEPH ALSTON,

Second son of Edward Alston, of Boxford, under whose Will he obtained the Manor of Shelland Hall. Heir to his elder brother, John, who died a minor. Born and baptised at Polstead 8th February, 1614-5; of Washbrook and Netherhall; married at Parham, 28th February, 1635. Died 21st December, 1643. Buried at Bramford. Married Mary, daughter of Edmund Warner, of Parham; she was baptised there 22nd July, 1617, and died 17th September, 1687. Buried at Bramford. An inquisition post mortem taken at Ipswich, 6th May, 21 Charles I, enumerates the lands inherited and purchased by Joseph Alston, and recites his Will dated 18th December, 19 Charles I, his death on the 21st December, 1643, at Washbrooke, and that his wife survived him, and was living at Stowmarket at the time of the inquisition. It was also found that his next heirs were his daughters Mary and Susan, and that Mary was 4 years old on the 24th March, 1645, and Susan 2 years old on the 12th August, 1644, and had died on the 4th December, 1644, at Beeston, in Norfolk. The Will of Joseph's widow, Mary Alston, dated 18th August, 1685, was proved P.C.C., 19th September, 1687, by Dorothy Warner, her sister and executrix. She devised all her Manors to her sister in fee, making her sole devisee and executrix.

ANNE ALSTON
Not mentioned
in her father's Will or
in the inquisition post
mortem, therefore must
have died in infancy.

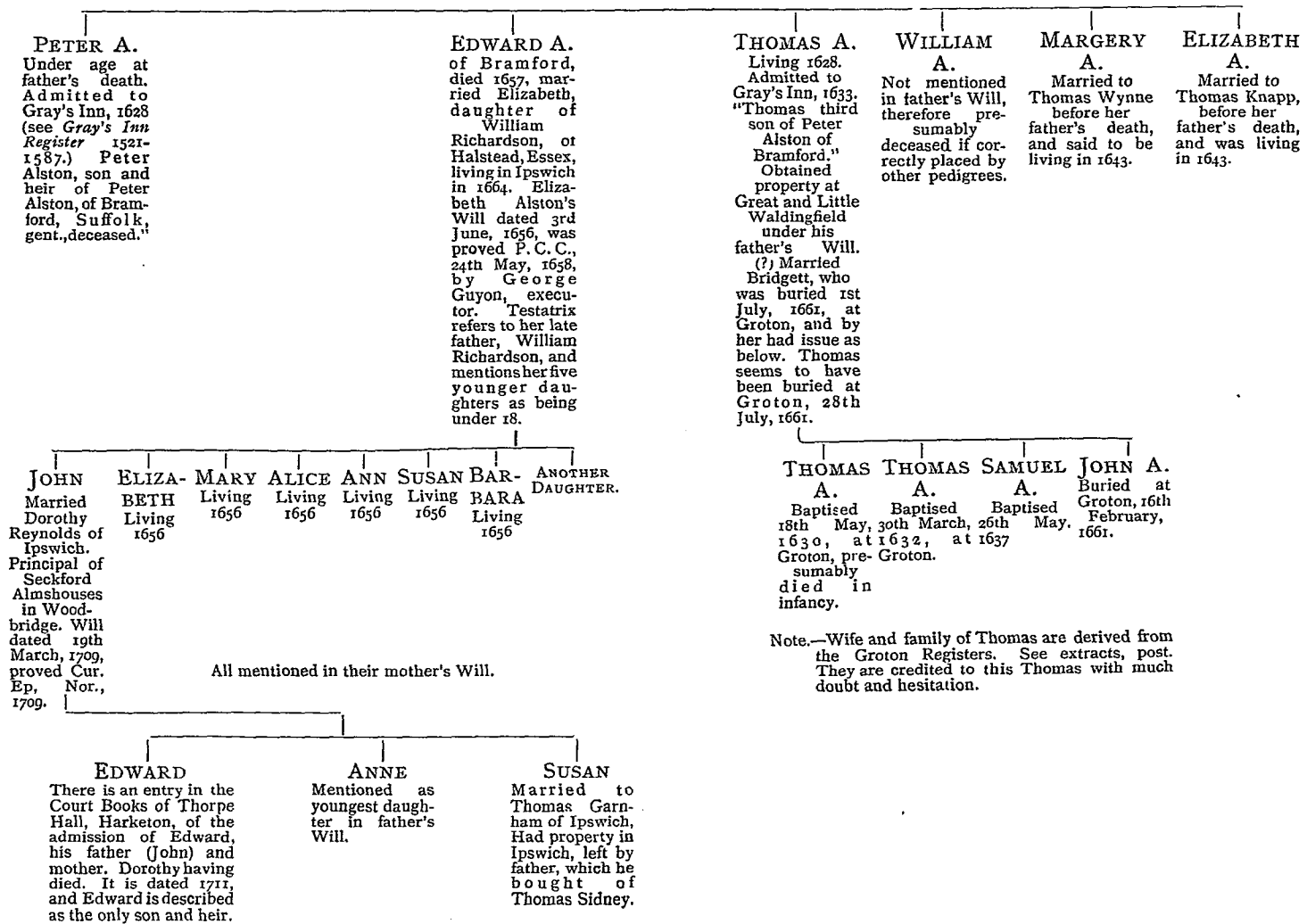
MARY ALSTON
Born 24th March, 1641 (?), daughter and
heir, died intestate, 11th December, 1709,
buried at Bramford. Administration to
the estate of Lady Mary Hanmer, late of
Kensington, co. Middlesex, widow, was
granted (P.C.C.) 26th December, 1709, to
Samuel Alston, consobrinus ac proximus
consanguineus defunctae. Married to
Sir John Hanmer, of Hanmer, co.,
Flint, 3rd Bart, M.P., Major-General, who
died 1701, s.p. See Collins' *Baronetage*,
Vol. 1, 415. Sir John Hanmer served with
great honour as commander of a regi-
ment under King William at the battle
of the Boyne. His nephew and successor
in the Baronetcy—Sir Thomas Hanmer,
filled the Speaker's Chair in 1712, and
was the subject of Dr Johnson's couplet:
"Illustrious age, how bright thy glories
shone,
When Hanmer filled the chair, and
Anne the throne."

SUSAN ALSTON
Died young, at Beeston
Norfolk, 4th December,
1644, aged two years and
four months.

TABLE 12.

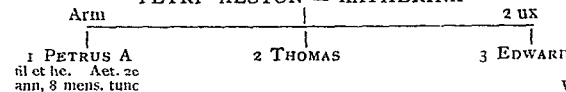
PETER ALSTON,

Baptised at Newton, 30th November, 1569; died 3rd April, 1628. Will dated 26th, codicil 27th March, 1628; proved 16th May, 1629, by Peter Alston, his son. Married (1) Elizabeth, daughter of Francis Petlow, of Framsdon, and had issue; (2) Katherine, daughter of Edward Buggs, and sister of Sir Anthony Buggs. She is said in some pedigrees to have died without issue. In his Will Peter Alston refers to his father's Will and his brother Edward's Will, and mentions that Joseph Alston, son of his brother Edward, was in wardship to him the testator. He devised property at Great and Little Waldingfield to his son Thomas, mentions his children, Peter, Thomas, and Edward, all being under 21, also his daughters, Elizabeth and Margery, wife of Thomas Wynne. See note below * from the inquisition post mortem (Peter Alston's) taken at Ipswich, 4 Car. I. In Winthrop's "Hist. of New England," Vol. I, p. 352, in a letter of John Winthrop's to his son John, dated 7th April, 1628, occurs the note: "Tell your uncle Downing that Peter Alston is dead." J. W. came from Groton.



* "Inquis, capt., Apd., Ipswicke, 19th September, 4 Car. I. p.m."

PETRI ALSTON = KATHERINA



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From TABLE 3.

TABLE 13.

THOMAS ALSTON,*

Baptised at Newton, 16th November, 1572. Buried there 25th January, 1619-20. Of Gedding Hall, Polstead, co., Suffolk. Married at Newton, 28th April, 1606, Frances, daughter of Simon Blomevil or Blomfield, of Coddendam and Monk's Eleigh or Illey, in the same county. She was baptised at Coddendam, 8th September, 1612. Survived her husband and married secondly to Sir John Temple Knt., of Stow and Stantonbury, Bucks., second son of Sir Thomas Temple, of Stowe, Bart. Sir John died 23rd September, 1632, and Lady Temple 1st September, 1644. Thomas Alston's will, dated 11th January, 1619-20, was proved P.C.C., 4th February, 1619-20, by Frances, his relict. He died possessed of Gedding Hall and lands in many parishes, some derived by inheritance from his ancestors and others by purchase. An inquisition post-mortem was taken at Ipswich, 11th April, 18 James I., when the jury found that Thomas Alston had married Frances Blomefield, that his will was dated 11th January then last past, and that he died 21st January, 17 Jac., I., and that William Alston was his son and next heir, and was then aged 13 years and four months. On the 26th November, 1647, commission was granted to John Alston, brother of William, who died at Woodhill, or Odell, co. Bedford, Dame Frances Temple being dead and having left some of his (Thomas') effects unadministered. Lady Temple's will was proved 9th August, 1646; she having died and been buried 11th September, 1644, at Odell. On the north side of the Chancel of Odell Church is a marble monument commemorating Lady Temple.

(14)

WILLIAM ALSTON	SIR THOMAS ALSTON	SIR EDWARD ALSTON	JOHN ALSTON	FRANCES ALSTON
Purchaser of the estates at Odell, in Bedfordshire. Born at Newton, Barrister-at-Law of the Inner Temple. Buried at Odell, 16th March, 1637-8. Will dated 2nd March, 1637, proved P.C.C. 8th Mar. 1637-38, by his mother, Dame Frances Temple, widow, <i>Inter alia</i> William left a legacy to the poor of Newton, where he was born, and mentions his good cousin, Dr. Alston (afterwards Sir Edward Alston, Kt., P. Coll. Phys.) Had (along with his mother Lady Temple), a monument erected to his memory in the Chancel of Odell Church by a bequest of £125, under the will of his brother. Sir Thomas Alston the first Baronet of Odell. Had, in 1630 a grant of the office of Custos Brevium in Com. Banco, and in 1634 a further grant of Keeper of the Briefs in the King's Bench in Reversion, a place of considerable profit and honour, being usually conferred only on the nobility or some of the eminent persons,† He was a pious and charitable man, giving to the Church of Odell a large chalice of silver with a cover gilt, completing a peal of five musical bells, and other benefactions. <i>Pat. 10 Car 1, p. 32, n. 10.—1634—Rex 40 die Dec. Concessit Willielmo Alston, armigero officium custodis omnium et singularum Brevium et Rotulorum de et in Commune Banco in reversione P.S.—Rymer's Foed, Vol. 19, p. 604.</i>	Kt. and Bt., baptised 28th August, 1609. (See Table 14.)	Baptised 22nd May, 1611. (See Table 19.)	Mentioned in his father's will. (See Table 20.)	Baptised 18th May, 1618. (See Table 22.)

* In the *Bibliotheca Topographica Britannica*, Lond., Printed by and for J. Nichols, MDCCXC, Vol. IV, 31 et sequitur, it says, "Thomas Alston, of Polstead, in Suffolk, was the fourth son of William Alston, of Sayham, and Margery Holmstead, of Maplestead. Yet it appears from an ancient pedigree in the British Museum that his wife was Catherine, daughter and heir of Henry Hampstead, and that he was the eldest son of Edmund Alston, of Saxham, and Elizabeth his wife, daughter of John Coleman; and grandson of William Alston, of Newton, and Anne his wife, daughter of Thomas Simmonds." The confusion here between this Thomas and his uncle Thomas is an illustration of the difficulty sometimes caused to the genealogist by similarity of Christian name.

† Rym. Foed. tom VIII, part III, fol. 163; and part IV, fol. 113.

From TABLE 13.

TABLE 14.

SIR THOMAS ALSTON, KT., AND BT.,

Baptised at Newton, 28th August, 1609. Of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law, and of Odell Castle, Beds. High Sheriff of Bedfordshire in 1641. Created a Baronet by King Charles I, 13th June, 1642. Married in 1640 (?) Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Rowland St. John, K.B., of Woodford, co. Northampton, and granddaughter of Oliver, 3rd Lord St. John, and had issue. Sir Thomas died 11th July, 1678, and was buried at Odell. His will was proved P.C.C., 19th July, 1678. Lady Elizabeth Alston was buried 18th August, 1677, at Odell.† They are said to have had issue, seven sons and two daughters (*Bibliotheca Topographica Britannica*, Vol. IV), but I have been unable to trace more than I give here

THOMAS ALSTON	ROWLAND	SIR ROWLAND ALSTON	FRANCES ALSTON	ELIZABETH ALSTON	EDWARD
Baptised at Odell, 11th May, 1647, died at Oxford, <i>vita patris</i> , 2nd June, 1668, unmarried, Matriculated at St. Edmund Hall, Oxford, 1666, aged 18. Buried at Odell, 2nd July, 1668.	Baptised at Odell, 26th July, 1650, buried there 11th October, 1650.	(See Table 15)	Married to Sir John Pickering, Knt. and Baronet of Nova Scotia, of Titchmarsh, Northants. She died 1703. Married at Odell, 24th January, 1669. A son, St. John Pickering, was born at Odell, 13th April, 1671.	Baptised 28th May, 1657, at Odell. Married (1) Staveley Stanton, of Birchmoor, Beds.; (2) Montague Pickering, brother of Sir John.	Born at Odell, 18th November, 1655; buried there 1st November, 1658.

† A sermon at the funeral of Lady Elizabeth Alston, wife of Sir Thomas Alston, Kt., and Bt., preached in the Parish Church of Woodhill, in Bedfordshire, Sept. 10th, 1677, by William Dillington, D.D., and rector there. Now published at the instance of her nearest relations. Lond. 4to 1678, pp. 44

From TABLE 14.

TABLE 15.

SIR ROWLAND ALSTON,

Second Baronet of Odell Castle, married the Hon. Temperance, second daughter of Thomas, second Lord Crewe of Stene (who outlived him, and married (2) Sir John Wostenholme, Bart., of Forty Hill, in Enfield, Middlesex, who died 1708. Lady Wostenholme died 18th October, 1728; Sir Rowland died September, 1697, and was buried 24th September, 1697, at Odell. Sir Rowland and Lady Alston had 13 children, and Lady Alston's second husband had an equal number by his first marriage but none by her. *Bibl. Top. Brit.* Notwithstanding her large family, she found means to perform several great and generous actions. She rebuilt the most considerable part of the Castle, and gave to the Church of Odell, a Pulpit Cloth and Cushion of crimson relief embroidered with her cypher and paternal crest, and a Silver Plate for the Service of the Altar.

*SIR THOMAS Died unmarried, buried 25th December, 1714, M.P. for town of Bedford, 1698.	SIR ROWLAND Baptised at Odell, 6th Sep- tember, 1679. (See Table 16)	VERE JOHN Baptised at Odell, 13th November, 1685. (See Table 17)	MARY Married James Selby, Sergeant-at-Law, of Wavendon, and had issue. She died and was buried 2nd April, 1729, having survived her husband who was buried 29th April, 1724	ELIZABETH Baptised at Odell, 18th November, 1682. Married (1) Rt. Hon. General Steuart; (2) Henry Rowe, Esq., of Epsom. She died 21st May, 1756, and Henry Rowe died 17th April, 1769. Both buried at Epsom. In Chester's <i>West- minster Abbey Register</i> , p. 318, are given the following: "Buried June 10th, 1626, the Rt. Hon. General William Steuart, Esquire, in the Duke of Buckingham's vault, in K. H. 7th's Chapel." The inscription on his coffin plate, exposed in 1867, describes him as follows: "General of the Foot, Commander-in-Chief of all of her late Majesty's forces in Ireland, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, and one of her said Majesty's Privy Council in the aforesaid kingdom, died June 4th, 1726, aged seventy-four. Le Neve says in one of his M.S.S., but without giving any authority that he was descended from the Steuarts, Earls of Cathness. He married (1) Catherine Viscountess Grandison. A fortnight after her burial he obtained a license from the Faculty Office to marry Elizabeth, second daughter of Sir Rowland Alston, and Bart of Odell, a lady very much his junior. and the marriage took place shortly after. If any excuse for this hasty action were necessary, it is probably to be found in the fact that his former wife, Vicountess Grandison, had been insane for some time before her death. A few days later on, 15th February, 1725-6, the newspapers of the day reported that he had been dangerously ill of an apoplexy and he lived only about four months after his second marriage. His widow re-married Henry Rowe, of Epsom, co., Surrey, Esq., and died 21st May, 1756. He left no issue by either wife. His will dated 3rd May, 1726, was proved 16th November following by his relict, Elizabeth, and his nephew, James Steuart. He left considerable legacies to his brother, John Steuart, Esq., his sister Elizabeth Dob- son, widow; his nephews, Col. John Steuart, and Charles Steuart, Esq., and his nieces, Elizabeth, wife of Rev. Benjamin Gregory, Mrs. Jane Nugent, Eleanor Wilder, widow, Mary, wife of Ryley, and Rose, wife of but Brigadier William Steuart, who had been ungrateful, &c., he cut off with a shilling. He bequeathed £5000, Irish Money, to erect and endow a school for twenty poor boys in the parish of St George's, Hanover Square, where he lived.	ANNE Baptised at Odell, 1659. Married to Richard Mead, M.D. of Harrold, in Beds., and d.s.p. There is a bust of Dr. Mead in Westminster Abbey, with an inscription.	RACHEL Baptised 20th Feb- ruary, 1682; buried 30th January, 1684.
ST. JOHN Buried at Odell, 23rd March, 1681.	CREWE Baptised at Odell, 10th August, 1678. Died intestate, administration being granted 5th March, 1703, to his mother. Lady Temper- ance apparently held a post on the "Essex" ship.	ST. JOHN Baptised at Odell, 21st March, 1680.	HORACE Baptised at Odell, 12th February, 1683; buried there 25th February, 1691.	Thomas James Selby, of Wavendon, and Whaddon Hall, who d.s.p.		TEMPER- ANCE Buried 8th April, 1688
				PAULET Baptised at Odell, 21st May, 1691; buried there 5th August, 1692.		TEMPER- ANCE Baptised at Odell, 14th May, 1698
						JEMIMA Baptised at Odell, 23rd July, 1689; buried there 18th June, 1690
						ANN Baptised at Odell, 28th November, 1689

* Sir Thomas devised to his brother Rowland, the succeeding Baronet, the manors, messuages, lands, tithes, rectories, &c., in Great Odell, Little Odell, Steventon, Pavenham, Harrold, Sharnbrooke, Felmersham, Carleton, Chellenton, Hunwick and Paddington, also reversion of lands settled on testator by late Lord Crewe. After various legacies he gives instructions in case he dies in London, that only one coach and six horses are to attend his "corps in an hearse" to Odell, and desired to be carried from his mansion house there to his grave in the Chancel of Odell Church after dark by tenants. Sister Mary to examine all papers and writings except parchments, and all of a private character. His Will dated 9th December, 1714, was proved 3rd March, 1714-15, in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury.

From TABLE 15.

TABLE 16.

SIR ROWLAND ALSTON, 3RD BART.,

Of Odell Castle, Bedfordshire, M.P. for County Beds. in three Parliaments, 1722—1734. Married Elizabeth, only daughter and heiress of Captain Thomas Raynes, and had issue as below. Sir Rowland died 2nd January, 1759, aged 80, and was buried on the 12th. Lady Alston died August 12th, 1742, aged 44, and was buried at Odell 20th August, 1742. Administration of her goods, chattels, and credits was granted to Sir Rowland on the 1st December, 1742 (P.C.C.).

SIR THOMAS ALSTON	SIR ROWLAND ALSTON	ELIZABETH A.	ANNE A.	TEMPERANCE	ANNE	RACHEL
4th Baronet, M.P. for County Beds., 1747. Married Catherine Davis, daughter and co-heiress of Doctor Bovey. He died 18th July, 1774, and was buried on the 26th July, 1774, at Odell. Sir Thomas Alston, by his Will dated 6th September, 1766, proved 21st November, 1776, by Margaret Lee, spinster, of Great James Street, St. Margaret's, Westminster, executrix, a definitive sentence having first been pronounced for the validity of the Will, left all his property to the said Margaret Lee. She is said to have been his housekeeper, and he had children by her.	Colonel of the 1st Foot Guards, 5th Baronet, High Sheriff of Beds, 1779. Married Gertrude, daughter of the Rev. Thomas Durnford, Rector of Rockbourne and Witchbury, Hants., sister of Stillingfleet Durnford, D.D., Chaplain of the Tower, but d. s.p., 20th June, 1790, aged 64, and was buried at Odell, 8th July, 1790. His Will dated 22nd March, 1790, was proved PCC by Dame Gertrude Alston, his relict, sole executrix and devisee, 13th July, 1790. Lady Alston died March, 1807. Dame Gertrude Alston's Will was proved PCC, 1807. She died in Harley Street, Cavendish Square, Sir Rowland and Lady Alston were married in the Tower. Sir Rowland was High Sheriff of Beds, 1779.	Died unmarried buried 7th May, 1756, at Odell.	Married Rev. Robert Pye, Prebendary of Rochester, and Rector of Odell and Titchmarsh, and had issue one daughter ANNA PYE Married to Fitzherbert, Esq., but d. s.p. Mrs. Pye survived her brother, Sir Thomas.	Died in infancy; buried 29th May, 1725, at Odell.	Died in infancy; buried at Odell, 4th May 1725	Died in infancy.
<p>* The Will of Dame Catherine Davies Alston, widow and relict of Sir Thomas Alston, late of Odell, co. Bedford, Bart., deceased, dated 24th August, 1774, with codicils dated 7th April, 1778, and 2nd May, 1778, was proved P.C.C. 25th June, 1778.</p> <p>Dame Alston is described as of Stafford in the index. She names her son John, aged 14; her son Charles, aged 4; her daughters, Hannah, aged 11; Frances, aged 18; and Catherine, aged 17. She gave to John Wasse, Esq., of Stafford, an annuity of £200 a year out of her estate.</p> <p>On the death of Sir Rowland the Odell Baronetcy became extinct. The title was nevertheless assumed by John Alston <i>als</i> Wasse, and on his death by his brother Charles Alston <i>als</i> Wasse. See additional Tables.</p> <p><i>Burke's Extinct Baronetage</i> incorrectly states that the family property by the Will of Sir Rowland's predecessor, Sir Thomas, devolved on Thomas Alston that gentleman's illegitimate son. <i>Burke's Landed Gentry</i> (1894 edition) also incorrectly indicates the same. Margaret Lee however was the sole devisee and legatee under Sir Thomas' Will, hence it must have been from her that Thomas Alston, the founder of the present family, derived the property.</p>						

From TABLE 15.

TABLE 17.

(REV.) VERE JOHN ALSTON,

in Holy Orders. Rector of Odell, died 20th, and was buried at Odell 23rd June, 1762, aged 77, having had by Sarah, his wife, who predeceased him, and was buried at Odell, 8th February, 1740, an only daughter

TEMPERANCE ALSTON,

who was married to the Rev. Arthur Bedford, Vicar of Sharnbrook and Poddington, in Beds., and died *vita patris*, 1742, Oct. 26th, aged 25, buried at Odell, leaving two daughters

TEMPERANCE BEDFORD	ANNE BEDFORD
married to the Rev. Daniel Shipton, of Husborne Crawley, Beds., Rector of Wavendon, Bucks., and Willen, and had an only daughter and heiress. By the will of her cousin, Thomas James Selby, of Whaddon Hall and Wavendon, Bucks., Temperance succeeded to a part of his estate in 1772.	married John Kent, of Wavendon and had issue
CHARLOTTE SHIPTON (See Table 18)	JOHN KENT.

The Will of a William Alston of Pavenham, co. Beds., was proved in 1736 by his widow, Anne. In it the testator refers to his father, Mr. Vere Alston, leaving him a legacy for mourning and one of books. Testator also leaves a legacy for mourning to his "father's wife." I have hesitated to place this William as the son of the Rev. Vere by a first marriage, although I cannot see any reason to suppose he was not. He appears to have died childless, and was probably young and not long married.

SIR EDWARD ALSTON, KNT.,

of the Inner Temple, Barrister-at-Law, and of Alvercote, co., Oxford, Marken Frith, Strixton, and Bozeat, co. Northants, born and baptised at Newton, 22nd May, 1611. Married (1) Esther (or Hester), daughter and co-heir of Sir William (or Edward) Ashcombe, of Ascot, in Oxfordshire, by whom he had issue. In 1660 a Sir Edward Alston the Royal Licence to impark 160 acres at East Barnet. *Pat. 12, Car. 2, Pt. 35, No. 33.*

WILLIAM ALSTON	THOMAS A.	EDWARD A.	JOHN A.	CHARLES ALSTON	CATHERINE A.	FRANCES A.	FRANCES A.
Of Strixton, died unmarried. Will dated 22nd August, 1688, proved P.C.C. 23rd July, 1690, by Rev. Charles Alston, D.D., executor. Testator mentions his brother Edward, and sister Catherine Wiseman, widow.	Baptised at Odell, 1st April, 1635. died unmarried.	Baptised at Odell, 14th March, 1641, died unmarried. Of St. Andrews Holborn, co. Middlesex, d.s.p. Will dated 23rd June, 1715, proved P.C.C. 2nd November, 1716, by the Rev. Vere John Alston, cousin and executor.	Baptised at Odell, 7th April, 1643. Died unmarried, insane from the effects of a blow with a quarter staff. Buried at Strixton.	In Foster's <i>Alumni Oxonienses</i> , the following account of Charles Alston is given: "Fellow of Clare Hall, Cambridge, B.A. 1669, M.A. 1673, D.D. 1685, Rector of Strixton, 1681, Vicar of Northall, Middlesex, 1685, Prebendary of St. Paul's, 1681, Treasurer of St. Paul's, 1707, Archdeacon of Middlesex, 1689 and of Essex, 1689, died intestate 1714, son of Sir Edward Alston, of Strixton, Northants." Unmarried. Occurs as a subscriber to Collin's <i>Eccles. Hist.</i> , 1708. See also Neve's <i>Mon. Angl.</i> , Vol. 1, 292. Administration granted to Catherine Wiseman, 31st August, 1714. Portrait supposed to be in possession of Richard Almack, Solicitor, of Long Melford.	Baptised 24th February, 1639, at Odell, married John Wiseman, Esq., of Bozeat, Co., Northants, and had issue one son and three daughters. Mentioned as living in her brother Edward's Will, 22nd October, 1716	Baptised 5th January, 1633, at Odell, buried there, 1st April, 1634. ? Blades gives 31st December, 1633, for this baptism	Baptised at Odell 30th March, 1636
					JOHN WISEMAN Succeeded to Strixton on the death of Dr. Charles Alston.	KATHERINE W.	HESTER W. ELIZABETH W.

Sir Edward Alston married (2) Anne, widow of William Stratton, of St. Clement's Danes. Her will was proved P.C.C. as of Chelsea, Middlesex, 29th July, 1696. She was buried in the Chancel of Molesey Church, Surrey. Sir Edward died 1682, and was buried at Strixton. He was knighted at Oxford, in 1643. By his will which was proved 12th January, 1682, Sir Edward Alston bequeathed to his son William his coach and harness, two suits of armour, two cases of pistols and holsters. He refers to the possession of lands in Devonshire, and mentions the sum of £3,500 due to him, with interest from lands formerly conveyed by his daughter Elizabeth Dennis, deceased, being her marriage portion, the said sum being awarded by a decree in Chancery. Principal and interest amounting to £4,579 19s. 2d. Remainder of estate is to be divided between children—William, Edward, John, Charles, and daughter Wiseman, William and Charles being named as executors.

JOHN ALSTON,

Barrister-at-Law, of the Inner Temple, and of Pavenham, Bedfordshire, married on the 4th January, 1634, at Odell, Dorothy, daughter of Sir John Temple, Knt., of Stanton, Bucks., said to be a descendant of Leofric, Earl of Chester, and his wife, Lady Godiva. "1681, *John Alston, of Woodbridge, Gent., and Dorothy, his wife, adm'd.*" *Court Books of Thorpe Hall, Harketon.* "1711, *John Alston and Dorothy, his wife, died.* Edward A., only son and heir of Dorothy, adm'd." *Court Books of Thorpe Hall, Harketon, &c.*

WILLIAM ALSTON	THOMAS	EDWARD	JOHN	FRANCES	ELIZABETH	MARY	MARY	DOROTHY	SARAH	FRANCES
Baptised at Odell, 13th August, 1637. Admitted a student of St. John's College, Cambs., 10th April, 1654. October 16th, married a daughter of Brooks, Esquire, but d.s.p.	Citizen of London, and Member of the Grocers' Company. Will dated 18th June, 1675, proved P.C.C. 2nd July, 1678, by John Alston, his father executor. Mentions his brothers and sisters.	Only son living in 1711.	Married Anne Wallis. (See Table 22.)	Baptised at Odell, 20th March, 1625. Married to Edward Reynolds, D.D., Archdeacon of Norfolk, and Rector of Kingsthorpe, co. Northampton. Only son of Rt. Rev. E. Reynolds, D.D., Bishop of Norwich. Frances survived her husband, he dying 28th June, 1698, aged 69, and being buried 1st July following at Kingsthorpe.	Baptised 25th March, 1639, at Odell. Married in 1661 to Longworth Crosse, of St. Michael Wood Street, gent.	Baptised 27th November, 1642, buried at Odell, 13th May, 1644.	Married to John Leman	Baptised 13th August, 1637, the same day as her brother William. ? Was she twin with him. Married to Thomas Wells, Esq.	Mentioned in her cousin Edward's Will, 1715.	Married to Whitelocke. Mentioned in her cousin Edward's Will, 1715.

From TABLE 20.

TABLE 21.

JOHN ALSTON,

Son of John Alston of Pavenham
there 15th August, 1687.

Married Annie Wallis. Appears to have had issue as below and to have himself been buried

KATHERINE
Buried 22nd May, 1679, at
Pavenham.

SARAH
Baptised 2nd May, 1680, at
Pavenham.

DOROTHEA
Baptised 23rd July, 1684, at
Pavenham.

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From TABLE 13.

TABLE 22.

FRANCES ALSTON,

Born and baptised at Newton, 19th May, 1618; married after 3rd August, 1642, (1) to George Gooday, Esq., of Bowers Hall, Pentlow, and Gray's Inn, Barrister-at-Law, and (2) married to William Lord Monson, Viscount Castlemaine, in the Peerage of Ireland, who was deprived of all his honours and degraded at the Restoration of Charles II because of the part he had played in the Commonwealth. He was sentenced with Sir Henry Mildmay and Sir Robert Wallop to be drawn on a sledge with a rope about his neck from the Tower to Tyburn and back again, and to be imprisoned in the Tower for life. By him Frances Alston had issue as below. She predeceased him, he subsequently marrying Elizabeth, daughter of Sir George Peresby, Kt.

ALSTON MONSON

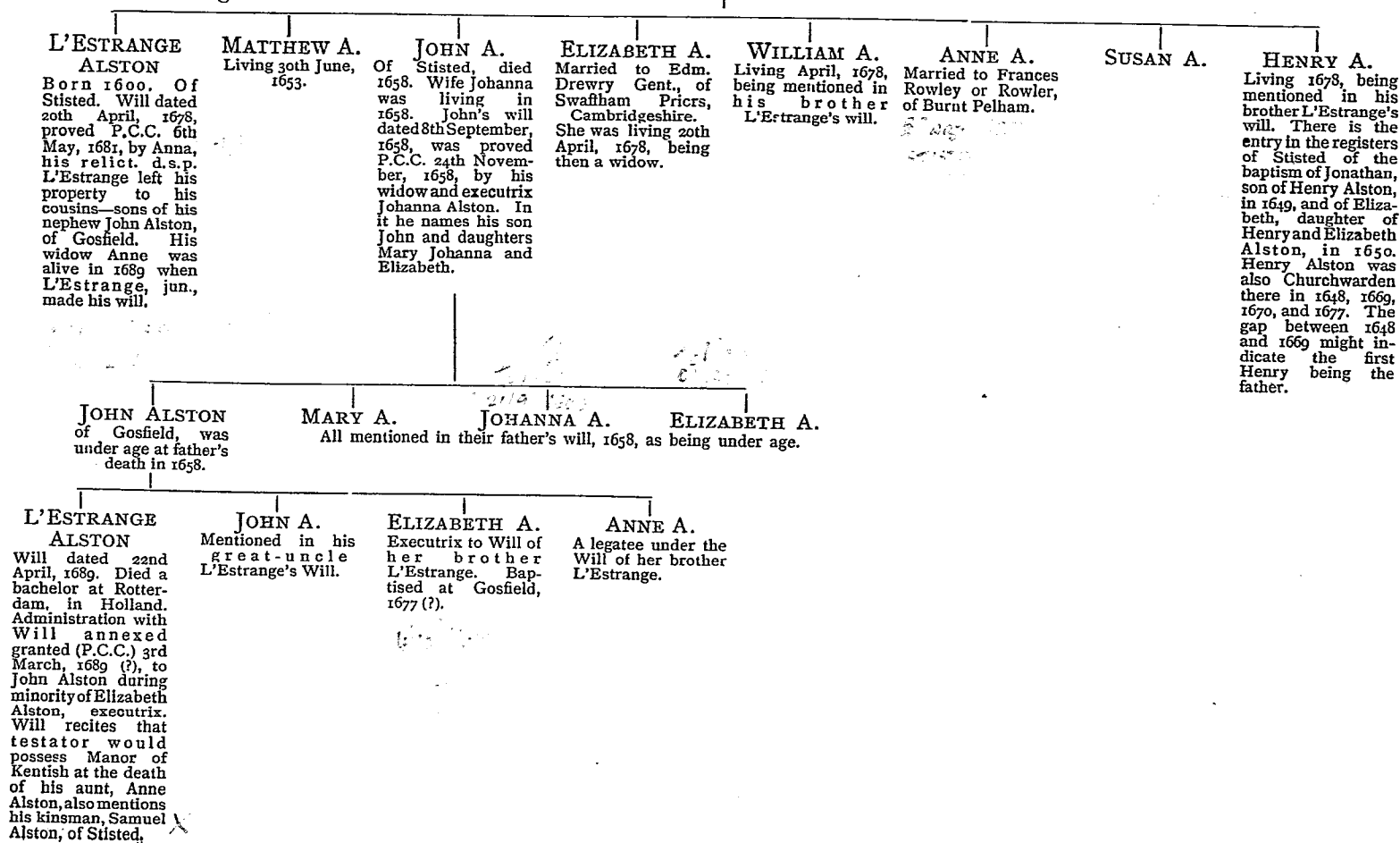
FRANCES MONSON
of East Barnet, Administration
P.C.C., 18th July, 1660.

From TABLE 3.

TABLE 23.

JOHN ALSTON

fourth son of William Alston, of Sible Hedingham. Baptised at Newton, 23rd December, 1576, appears to have settled at Stisted. Married Anne, daughter of Thomas Crocherode, of Toppesfield, Essex, by Anne his wife, daughter of Thomas Mordaunt, of Hempstead, in the same county, by Barbara, his wife, daughter and heir of John Le Strange, of Little Massingham, co. Norfolk. Mrs. Alston was living in 1653. John Alston's will is dated 30th June, 1653, and was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, on the 26th November, 1656, by his sons and executors—L'Estrange and William. He mentions his wife Anne as living, his daughter, Mrs. Drury, and his sons, John, Matthew, and Henry. He was possessed of the Manor of Kentish at Stisted, and of lands at Boxford and Hadleigh.



THOMAS ALSTON

Of Edwardston, co. Suffolk, younger son of Edward Alston, of Sayme Hall; born about 1554, being in his 60th year at the time of his death according to the Newton registers. Married (1) Dorothy, daughter and co-heiress of Henry Holmested, Esquire, of Maplestead, co. Essex. She was the sister of Margery, the wife of his brother William, and, being a co-heiress with her, entitled her descendants to quarter the same arms—"Sable three horses' heads, erased, bits, reins, and tassels argent, a canton ermine." According to the inquisition taken on the death of her son Thomas, Dorothy died on the 3rd April, 1579 (21 Eliz.). There is no entry of her burial at Newton. By her Thomas had two sons and two daughters. (2) Susan Gosse by whom he had five sons and three daughters and who survived him. The marriage of Thomas and Susan Gosse took place at Newton on the 15th November, 1579. If any excuse is to be found for him marrying so soon after the death of his first wife it lies in the fact that the day had been chosen by two other Alstons for their nuptials, Elizabeth Alston being married to John Gosse (perhaps a brother of Thomas' wife), and Ann Alston to Thomas Coleman.

In an old pedigree it is said that Thomas was commonly known as the "blew devill," because he was "wont to goe cladd in blew cloth," and had a very red face. Inferentially he was a gentleman of choler. The azure of his shield had possibly something to do with his liking for "blew cloth." According to the registers of Newton and an inquisition post mortem taken at Ipswich on the 5th October, 18 Jac. I (1620), Thomas Alston died on the 6th June, 1614, in his 60th year. His Will dated 26th September, 1613, was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 30th June, 1614. It begins, "In the name of God Amen the six and twentieth Daye of September Anno Domini one thousand six hundred and thirteene and in the yere of the raigne of oure soveraigne Lord James by the Grace of God of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland Kinge, defender of the faith and vidlt of England ffrance and Ireland the eleaventh and of Scotland the seaven and fortithe." The testator desires to be buried in the Church of Newton, makes various benefactions to the poor, gives to his wife Susan a right of partial habitation of his Capital Messuage and residence—Deanes—thus, "One little parlor and the chaumber over the same, the kitchen and the chaumber over the kitchen, the greate malting house and the chaumber over the same. And all the highe sollers (solar—an open gallery, balcony, or loft from *Lat.* solarium), and chaumbers called the apple sollers the garden and the orchard to the same garden adjoining, and the use and occupaon of a Boorecote (a sort of labourer's shanty or bothy) standing in the said orchard, the Kytchen yard and all the coates standing in the same yard togeather with francke and free Libertie of ingress egress and regresse carriage and recarryage" to them and to "ye Backhouse Brewhouse Woodyard and Pumpe." His lands of which he possessed a considerable number were divided among his children. His son Samuel was appointed sole executor, and Richard Skynner, of Sudbury, supervisor, with five pounds for his "paynes." Among the witnesses signatures is that of John Kingsbury, who was possibly a cousin, son of his aunt Alice.

Inquisitions post mortem were taken 5th October, 18 Jac. I, and at Bury St. Edmund's 31st October, 2 Car. I (1626). It recites a settlement of lands made on his son Samuel, the properties inherited and acquired, the date of death and of the Will. Attached to the Will are two schedules of the goods and chattels left to the testator's wife Susan and his son Abraham. They are interesting, as exhibiting the furnishings of a house of the better class in Jacobean times.

Susan Alston survived her husband about ten years, being buried at Newton on the 28th January, 1625-6. Her Will dated 24th January, 1625-6, was proved on the 20th April following in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury by her son Samuel, executor. She mentions most of her children and step-children, including her eldest daughter Susan (Mann), who curiously enough is not mentioned in her father's Will. Why?

By Dorothy his first wife Thomas had issue :

By Susan his second wife :

THOMAS ALSTON	EDWARD A.	ALICE A.	ELIZABETH A.	THOMAS ALSTON	ABRAHAM A.	ISAAC A.	SAMUEL A.	WILLIAM A.	EDMOND A.	SUSAN A.	AMY A.	DOROTHY A.
(See Table 25.)	(See Table 26.)	Said to have been living unmarried 1591, but was to have been mentioned in her father's Will (1614), and aged 37. The would there-fore prob-ably be then dead.	Born about 1572, living unmarried 1591. Appears to have been buried at New- ton, 8th May, 1609, being then aged 37. The entry of her burial has the note: "gravidu ante nuptias."	(See Table 100.)	Buried at New- ton, 3rd Feb- ruary, 1624-5. Married Mar- garet Cocke, of Ipswich. Will dated 4th Octo- ber, 1624, proved 26th April, 1625, in the Arch- deaconry of Sud- bury. Had issue an only daughter	Of Edward- stone, died 1625; mar- ried 20th April, 1619, Susanna Knopp, at Newton. He died 22nd June, 1 Car. I, s.p., and left his prop- erty to his wife for life, and then to his brother Samuel, Inq.	Buried 11th May, 1631, at Newton. Married Rose, daughter of Thomas Gardener, of Shimpling, but had no issue. Will dated 22nd April, 1631, proved 19th May, 1631-102.	Living 1631. (See Table 101.)	(See Table 102.)	Married in 1602 to Joseph Mann. Liv- ing 1631. Men- tioned as eldest daughter in her mother's Will.	Married to John Cord of Sud- bury. Liv- ing 1648. Men- tioned in her father's Will, also as a legatee under her mother's Will. Abra- ham's and Edward's Wills. Had issue	Born 24th Jan- uary, 1596, at Newton. Mar- ried 30th Nov- ember, 1626 to Thomas Edwards. Men- tioned in her mother's and her brother Abraham's Wills
	Ancestor of the Chelsea Barons.				MARGARET Mentioned in her father's Will. Baptised at Newton, 28th July, 1624; died unmarried June, 1625, before 22nd August, 1642, when adminis- tration was granted (Archd. Sudb.) to Samuel Alston her next of kin, and cousin.	Mentioned in p. m., Eve- 7th Novem- ber, 1 Car. I. Buried at Newton 25th June, 1625. Will dated 21st May, 1 Car. I (1625). His widow afterwards married to one Wether- all, and living 22nd April, 1631.	BAB 155. 11 202 102				3 CHIL- DREN Mention- ed in their uncle Abra- ham's Will	

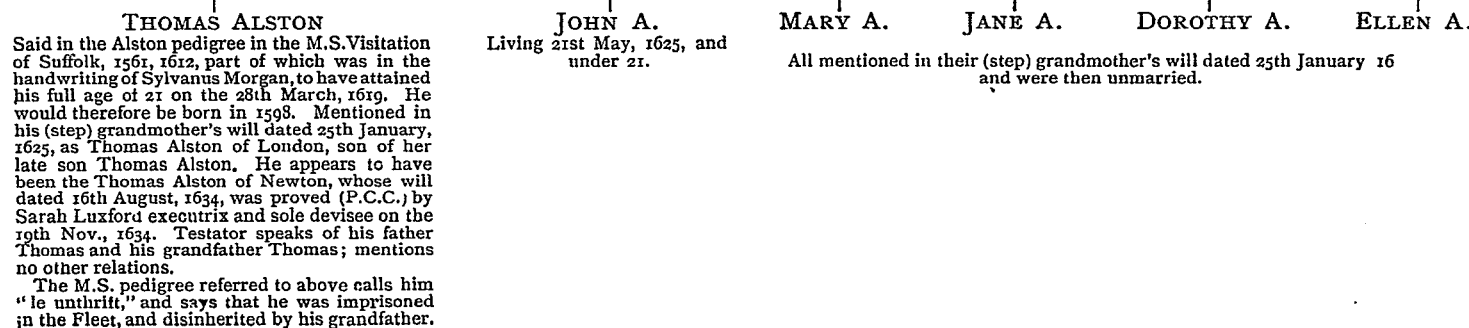
Burke's *Extinct Baronetage* says that Thomas Alston, of Edwardstone, married (1) Dorothy Holmested, &c., and (2) by whom he had another son Thomas Alston, of Newton, married to Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas West, of London, and was father of Thomas Alston, of Newton.

From TABLE 24.

TABLE 25.

THOMAS ALSTON,

Eldest son and heir of Thomas Alston of Edwardston by Dorothy (Holmested), his first wife. From an inquisitio post mortem taken at Great Dunmow, co. Essex, on the 28th September, 2nd Jac. I. (1604), the jury found that Dorothy Holmested the mother of the deceased was seized of a moiety of the Rectory and advowson of the Vicarage of Great Maplestead, and that she was married to Thomas Alston and had issue the above-named Thomas; that Dorothy died on the 3rd April, 21 Eliz. (1579), her husband surviving and being seized for life of her property with remainder to Thomas their son. That Thomas their son died 14th July 2 Jac. I. (1604) leaving a son also called Thomas, and that on the 3rd May prior to the inquisition Thomas Alston the father (*i.e.*, husband of Dorothy) died, and that the property was held of the King *in capite* by Knight Service. I have not been able to find anything about Thomas' wife.

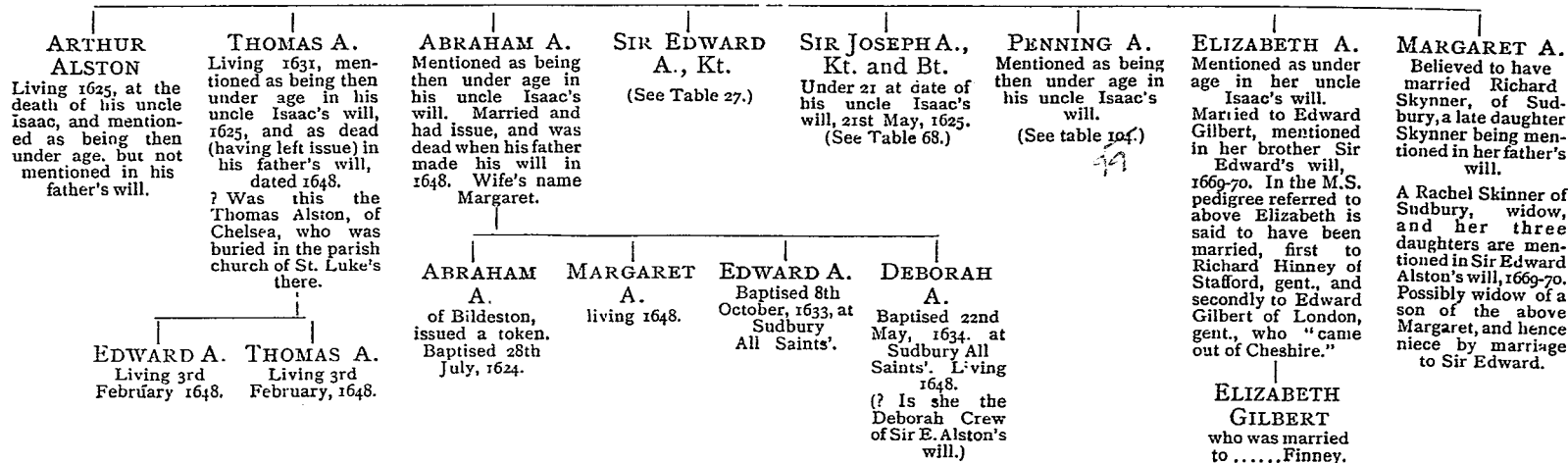


From TABLE 24.

TABLE 26.

EDWARD ALSTON,

Of Sudbury and Edwardston, married (1) Margaret, daughter and heiress of Arthur Penning, of Kettleborough, co. Suffolk, and sister of Anthony Penning of Ipswich, High Sheriff for Suffolk 1607. Accepted at Kettleborough, 16th July, 1575. By her he had issue. He married (2) Frances, sister of George Chauncey, but does not appear to have had any issue by her. Edward's will dated 3rd February, 1648, with a codicil of the same date was proved at London 12th May, 1651. In it he mentions his wife Frances, her late brother George Chauncey, his sister Amy Curd, his grandchildren (children of his late son Thomas, and those of his late son Abraham), his son Edward Alston, M.D., of St. Mary Hill, London, his son Joseph and his wife and three children, his son Penning and his wife, his son-in-law Gilbert, and some kinsfolk—Cancellors and Manns. Edward Alston and seven of his children are mentioned in his stepmother's will dated 25th January, 1624-5.



From TABLE 26.

See p. 275.

TABLE 27.

See p. 202 Vol. 1 of Munk's Roll of the Royal College of Physicians.

SIR EDWARD ALSTON, KNT.,

of St. John's College, Cambridge; graduated B.A., 1615; M.A., 1619; M.D., 1626; Fellow of the College of Physicians, 1631; Treasurer, 1649-54. An eminent Physician, ultimately becoming President of the College of Physicians 1653-66. Knighted 3rd September, 1660. Died very rich at his house in Great St. Helen's, Bishopsgate, 24th Dec., 1669 (see Roll of Royal College of Physicians by William Munk, M.D., Vol. 1, p. 202), (see also Foster's *Alumni Oxonienses*). He married Susanna, daughter of Christopher Hudson, Esquire, of Norwich, and relict of — Hussey, Esquire, and had issue two daughters. While President of the College of Physicians, he increased the power of the College by a judicious inclusion of physicians who during the Rebellion had practised without the College license. Thus seventy honorary fellows were created at once, the diploma fees filled the almost empty College chest, but while the College was unguarded during the plague thieves carried off the money. When in the following year fire inflicted a still more serious loss on the Society, Sir E. Alston promised money to rebuild the College, but a quarrel arose as to the site, and at the Annual Election he was not again chosen President. He withdrew his promise of money and never renewed it. He published in 4to. a collection of Grants to the College of Physicians, London, 1660. In a list of the principal inhabitants of London, 1640, in Billingsgate Ward, appears the name of Edward Alstone, Dr. in Phisick. *Miscell. Gen. et Her.*, 2nd series, Vol. 2, p. 36. Sir Edward's will dated 24th November, 1669, with codicil, was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on the 24th of January, 1669-70. Sir Harbottle Grimston, Bart., Master of the Rolls, and George Lowe were named executors. Sir Edward desired to be buried in the Parish Church where he died. The testator's property after payment of legacies was subjected to the dispositions and appointment of his surviving daughter Dame Sarah Seymour, wife of John Lord Seymour. Among the legacies is one to a spectacle woman by Crosby House gate (the Alston arms, by the way, are in one of the glass windows of the old Crosby Hall in the city of London, possibly because of some connection Sir Edward had with the place), and another to a bricklayer, Norkett, who bricked up the vault that preserved the testator's goods at the time of the Great Fire. Limited administration was granted 13th December, 1698, to George Earl of Warrington and George Lowe. Administration to the effects of Susanna Alston was granted to Lady Seymour her daughter, 15th August, 1670 (P.C.C.).

MARY ALSTON

Married to Sir James Langham, 2nd Bart., of Cottesbroke, Northants (see Collins' *Baronetage*, Vol. 3. Lady Langham was buried on the south side of the altar in St. Helen's Church, Bishopsgate, London, on the 12th of September, 1660, aged 32. The Rev. J. A. L. Airey, Rector of St. Helen's, has given me a very curious and interesting photograph of the leaden shroud enclosing the remains of Dame Mary Langham. The remains were found in the works connected with the restoration of the church in 1891-3. The coffin case had moulded into dust, but its memorial plate was found resting on the shroud, thus identifying the remains. Sir James was the son of Alderman Sir John Langham, Sheriff of London, who was created a baronet at the Restoration as a recompense for his sufferings in the royal cause, having been twice committed to the Tower with the Lord Mayor and others for refusing to publish an Act for the Abolition of Royalty. Sir James, who died in 1699, was three times married, Mary Alston being his first wife, by her he had an only child and daughter

MARY LANGHAM

who was married to Henry, Earl of Warrington (see Burkes' *Extinct Peerage*.)

(See Table 28)

Arms of Langham:—Arg. 3 bears heads, erased sa muzzled, or Crest: A bear's head erased as in the arms. *Motto*—Nec sinit esse feros.

SARAH ALSTON

Married (1) to George, eldest son of Sir Harbottle Grimston, 2nd Bart., Master of the Rolls, who died 5th June, 1653.* (2) To Lord John Seymour, afterwards 4th Duke of Somerset, who died April 29th, 1675, and was buried in Salisbury Cathedral. (3) To Henry, 2nd Lord Coleraine, from whom, however, she is said to have lived apart during the last years of her life. The Duchess died s.p. 25th October, 1692, and was buried November 2nd, in Westminster Abbey, under a very noble monument. The unofficial register says she was buried near the monument of Lord Norris, which is in the Chapel of St Andrew. See Chester's *Registers of Westminster Abbey*.

* In the Church of Bradfield, in Essex, are several memorials to the Grimstone family, including one to Sir Harbottle. He was Master of the Rolls from 1660 to 1667, and was born at Bradfield Hall about 1594, and died in January, 1683, and was buried in St. Michael's, St. Albans, Herts.

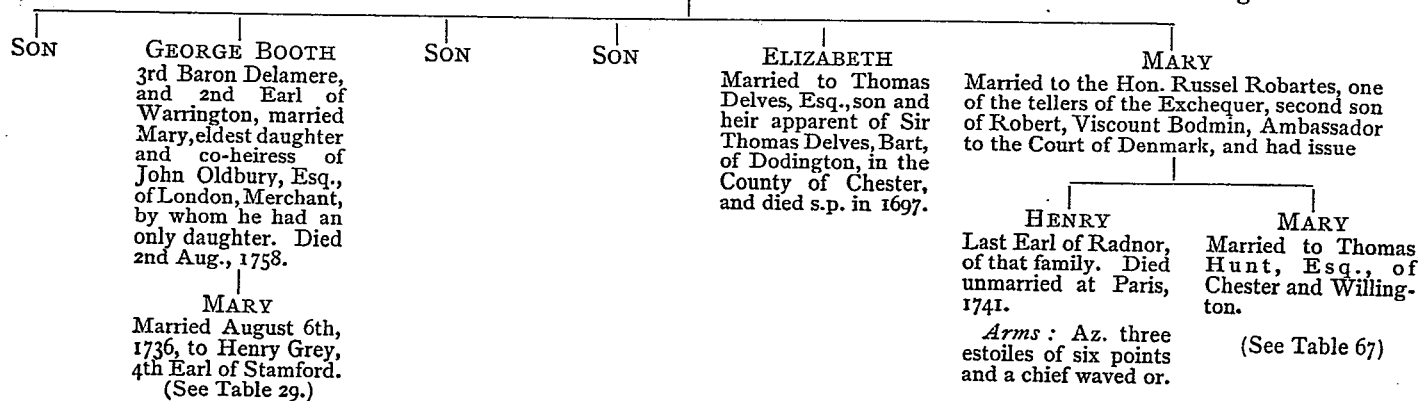
I have been at some pains to trace the descendants of the "Kinge's Phisitian" as Sir Edward is called in an old pedigree. Several of the following Tables are devoted to them.

From TABLE 27.

TABLE 28.

MARY LANGHAM,

Daughter and sole heiress of Sir James Langham, Bart., of Cottesbrooke, in the County of Northampton, and granddaughter of Sir Edward Alston, was married to Henry Booth, second Baron Delamere. This nobleman, who had been committed to the Tower prior to the death of King Charles II, was brought to trial in the reign of King James II for high treason, before the Lord Chancellor Jeffreys, constituted High Steward on the occasion, and a select number (27) of peers, but was most honourably acquitted. After which he lived in retirement until the revolution, when espousing the cause of the Prince of Orange, he was deputed with the Marquis of Halifax and the Earl of Shrewsbury upon the arrival of the Prince at Windsor, 17th December, 1688, to bear a message to the fallen monarch requiring that His Majesty should move from Whitehall. An office which his lordship executed so delicately, that King James was afterwards heard to remark, "that the Lord Delamere, whom he had used ill, treated him with so much more regard than those to whom he had been kind, and from whom he might better have expected it. His lordship was afterwards sworn of the Privy Council, and appointed Chancellor of the Exchequer, an office which he held but one year. Upon his retirement he was advanced to the dignity of Earl of Warrington, by letters patent, dated 17th April, 1690. He had four sons and two daughters. His lordship who published a vindication of his friend Lord Russell, and other literary productions mentioned in Walpole's catalogue, died on the 2nd January, 1693-4, and was succeeded by his second but eldest surviving son.



Arms of Booth : Baron Delamere, of Dunham Massey, in the county of Chester, and Earls of Warrington—Three boars' heads erect and erased sa.
—Burke's *Extinct, &c., Peerage*.

From TABLE 28.

TABLE 29. LADY MARY BOOTH,

Only daughter of George Booth, 2nd and last Earl of Warrington, and 3rd Baron Delamere, of that family, married in 1736 to Henry Grey, 4th Earl of Stamford. The Earl died in 1763.

GEORGE HARRY GREY 5th Earl. (See Table 30)	BOOTH GREY (See Table 58)	JOHN GREY Married 22nd July, 1773, Susannah, daughter of Ralph Leycester, Esq., of Toft, co. Chester, and had issue (See Table 59)	MARY GREY Married to the Hon. George West, died in 1783. ? George Augustus, second son of John, 7th Baron De la Warr, who d.s.p. 1771 See Burke's <i>Extinct, &c.</i> , <i>Peerage</i> .	ANNE GREY Died unmarried, 1743.
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From TABLE 29.

TABLE 30. GEORGE HENRY GREY,

Fifth Earl of Stamford, born 1st October, 1737, created, 22nd May, 1796, Baron Delamere of Dunham Massey, co. Chester, and Earl of Warrington, the honours enjoyed by his maternal grandfather. He married, 1763, Lady Henrietta Cavendish Bentnick, daughter of William, second Duke of Portland, and by her (who died 4th June, 1827) left issue

GEORGE HARRY GREY 6th Earl. (See Table 31.)	WILLIAM BOOTH GREY born 10th Sept., 1779, married (1) 7th April, 1802, Frances Anne, eldest daughter of Thomas Price, Esq., of Duffryn, co. Glamorgan (which lady died in 1837), and married, (2) 28th Aug. 1838, the Hon. Frances Somerville (who died in 1849), sister of the 16th Lord Somerville. He died s.p., 11th March, 1852.	ANCHITEL GREY born 16th Dec., 1774, died un- married, 20th Dec., 1833.	HENRIETTA GREY married 26th Oct., 1785, to Sir John Chetwode, 4th bart. of Chetwode, and died 12th July, 1826. (See Table 36.)	MARIA GREY married to John Cotes, Esq., of Woodcote, co. Salop, and died in 1838 (See Table 48.)	LOUISA GREY died unmarried Feb., 1830.	SOPHIA GREY married 21st Oct., 1809, to Booth Grey, Esq., of Aston Hayes, co. Chester, and died 7th Jan., 1849. s.p.	AMELIA GREY married 18th Oct., 1800, to Sir John Lister Kaye, 1st bart. of Grange, and died 29th Oct., 1849. (See Table 50.)
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From TABLE 30.

TABLE 31. GEORGE HARRY GREY,

6th Earl of Stamford, Lord Lieutenant and custos rotulorum of the co. Chester. Born 31st Oct., 1765; married 23rd December, 1797, Lady Henrietta Charlotte Elizabeth Charteris, eldest daughter of Francis Lord Elcho (eldest son of Francis, 6th Earl of Wemyss, who predeceased his father), by whom (who died 30th Jan., 1838), he had issue. His Lordship died 26th April, 1845.

GEORGE HENRY GREY
Lord Grey, of Groby, born 5th April, 1802, summoned to the House of Lords in his father's barony of Grey, of Groby, in 1832, married 20th December, 1824, Lady Katherine Charteris-Wemyss, 4th daughter of Francis, 7th Earl of Wemyss and March, and died 24th Oct., 1835, leaving by her (who died 4th Jan., 1844) issue

HENRY BOOTH GREY
born 29th Jan., 1807, an Officer in the Army, died March, 1857.

HENRIETTA CHARLOTTE GREY
married 16th Dec., 1820, to the Rev. James Thomas Law, son of the Rt. Rev. George Henry Law, Bishop of Chester, after Bishop of Bath and Wells, and died March, 1866.

JANE GREY
married 8th Nov., 1825, to Sir John Benn-Walsh, 1st Lord Ormathwaite, and died 22nd June, 1877.

(See Table 33)

(See Table 32)

GEORGE HENRY GREY
7th Earl, born 7th Jan., 1827, married (1) 23rd December, 1848, Elizabeth, daughter of John Billing, of Wincanton, co., Somerset (she died 22nd Oct., 1854), and (2) 29th Aug., 1855, Katherine, daughter of Henry Cocks, Esq. The Earl was Hon. Col. 7th Lancashire Rifle Volunteers. Hed.s.p., 2nd Jan., 1883, when the Earldom of Warrington and Barony of Delamere became extinct.

MARGARET HENRIETTA MARIA GREY
married 6th October, 1846, Henry John Newsham Millbank, J.P. and D.L. (who died 4th June, 1872), son of Mark and Lady Augusta Henrietta Millbank, of Thorp Perrow, and died 7th March, 1852, (she was his first wife. Mr. Millbank re-married, and had further issue by his second wife.)

KATHERINE HENRIETTA MARIA
married 12th June, 1869, to Arthur Duncombe, Esq. (grandson of Charles, 1st Lord Feversham), D.L., M.P. for East Riding, County Yorkshire, 1885-92. M.A., Barrister-at-Law. Born 1840.

LOUISA
born 28th Jan., 1849, married 2nd Jan., 1868, to Francis Arkwright, Esq., of Coton Hall, Warwickshire, M.P. for East Derbyshire, great grandson of Sir Richard Arkwright, the famous inventor. She died s.p. 1873.

ALICE LOUISA DUNCOMBE
Born 1874.

CICELY D.
Born 1877.

MURIEL KATHERINE D.
Born 16th March, 1880.

Arms of Grey.—Barry of six, arg. and azure. Crest.—An unicorn passant erm. armed, maned, tufted and unguled, or, in front of a sun in splendour. Motto.—A ma puissance.

Arms of Millbank.—Gu, a bend erm, on a canton, or, a lion's head erased of the field. Crest.—A lion's head gu charged with a bend erm.

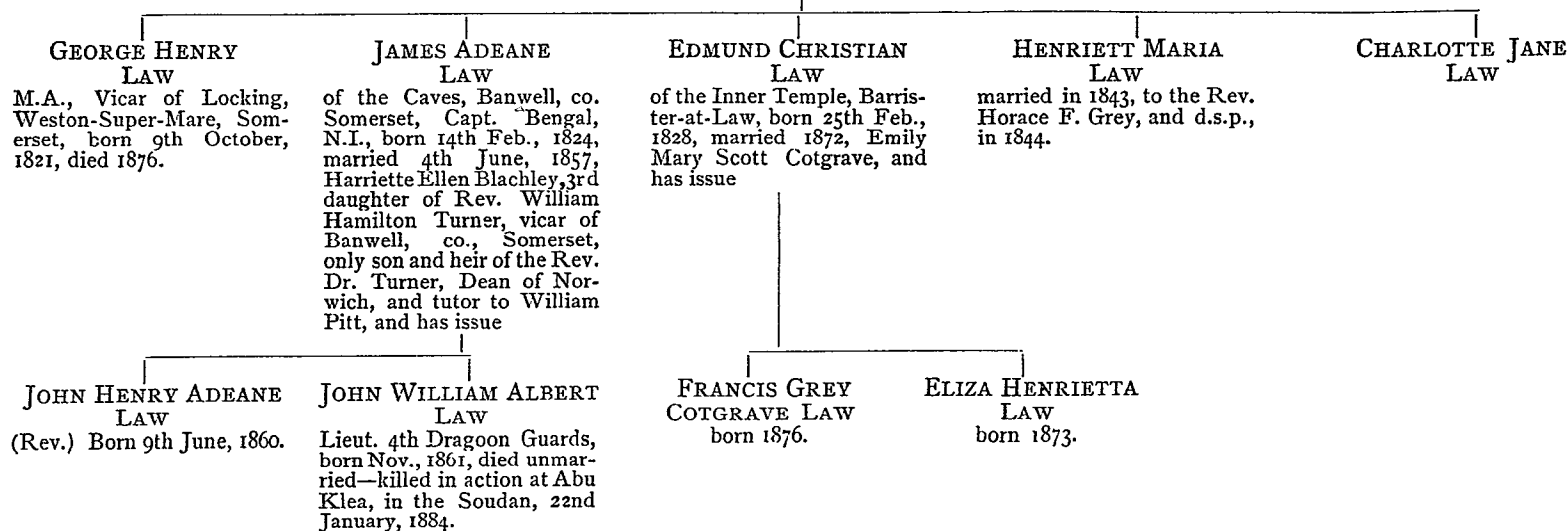
Arms of Feversham.—Per chevron engrailed gu and arg. three talbot's heads, erased, counter charged. Crest.—Out of a ducal coronet, or, a horse's hind leg sa the shoe arg. Motto.—Dei, regi, patriae.

From TABLE 31.

TABLE 32.

LADY HENRIETTA CHARLOTTE,

eldest daughter of George Henry, 6th Earl of Stamford and Warrington, married 16th December, 1820, to the Rev. James Thomas Law (eldest son of the Rt. Rev. George Henry Law, Bishop of Chester, and afterwards of Bath and Wells, brother of Edward, 1st Lord Ellenborough), Chancellor of the diocese of Lichfield. She died in 1866, he in 1876.



Arms of Law (Earls of Ellenborough).—Erm. on a bend engrailed between two cocks gu., three mullets pierced or, Crest—A cock gu. chained round the neck and charged on the breast with a mitre. Motto.—Compositum jus fasque animi.

From TABLE 31.

TABLE 33.

LADY JANE GREY,

Youngest daughter of George Henry, 6th Earl of Stamford and Warrington. Married 9th November, 1825, to Sir John Benn Walsh, 2nd Baronet, Lord Lieutenant of the County of Radnor; born 9th December, 1790; M.P. for Sudbury, and afterwards for Radnorshire from 1846 to 1865. Raised to the peerage as Baron Ormathwaite, 16th April, 1868. Lady Ormathwaite died 22nd June, 1877.

SIR ARTHUR BENN WALSH
2nd and present Baron Ormathwaite, of Ormathwaite, County Cumberland, and a Baronet. Lord Lieutenant of the County Radnor. M.P. for Leominster 1865—1868, and for Radnorshire 1868—1880. Hon. Colonel of the 3rd Battalion South Wales Borderers: formerly Captain 1st Life Guards. Born 14th April, 1827. Married 20th July, 1858, Lady Katherine Emily Anne Somerset, daughter of Henry, 7th Duke of Beaufort, K.G., and has issue

(REV.) DIGBY BENN WALSH
M.A., Incumbent of Trinity Church, Trowbridge, married 25th Sept., 1855, Fanny Matilda, daughter of Henry Shond, Esq., and died 2nd April, 1869
(See Table 34)

MARIA KATHERINE BENN WALSH
Married May, 1859, to Horace Trelawny, Esq., of Shotwick Park, near Chester, late Captain Royal Horse Guards, and has issue
(See Table 35)

AUGUSTA ROSA BENN WALSH
Married 14th July, 1872, to Charles Edward Barnett, Esq., son of Charles George Barnett, Esq., of Sunningdale, Berks., J.P., and has issue

ARTHUR HENRY JOHN BENN-WALSH
D.L., M.P. co. Radnor 1885-92. Late Lieutenant 1st Life Guards and Royal East Kent Yeomanry Cavalry; born 10th April, 1859, married 26th July, 1890, Lady Clementine Pratt, only daughter of John, 3rd Marquis Camden, and has
A daughter, born 24th April, 1894.

CHARLES EDWARD B.-W.
Captain and Adjutant 3rd Battalion Rifle Brigade; born 3rd July, 1862.

GEORGE HENRY WILLIAM B.-W.
Late Lieutenant Grenadier Guards, and A.D.C. to Governor-General of Canada; born 5th Dec., 1863.

GERALD B.-W.
born 16th Dec., 1864.

GUY ROBERT B.-W.
born 24th Dec., 1868, died 11th May, 1883.

NIGEL CHRISTOPHER B.-W.
B.A., Oxon., barrister-at-law; died 2nd April, 1867.

REGINALD B.-W.
born 16th July, 1868.

MARGARET BLANCHE B.-W.
EDITH KATHERINE B.-W.
EMILY GERTRUDE B.-W.

Arms of Benn (-Walsh) Barons Ormathwaite.—Arg. a fess. sa. cotised wavy gu. between six martlets of the second. *Crest*.—Agryphon's head erased per fess, wavy arg and ermine beak and ears or. *Motto*.—Veritas et virtus vincunt.

From TABLE 33.

TABLE 34.

HON. AND REV. DIGBY BENN-WALSH,

Second son of Sir John Benn-Walsh, 1st Lord Ormathwaite, M.A., Incumbent of Trinity Church, Trowbridge. Married 25th September, 1855, Fanny Matilda, daughter of Henry Stroud, Esq., and died 2nd April, 1869, leaving issue.

ARTHUR GEORGE DIGBY BENN-WALSH Born 1856.	HARRY JOHN DIGBY B.-W. Born 1859.	WALTER CHARLES DIGBY B.-W. Born 1864, died 1873.	JANE GREY DIGBY B.-W.	CATHERINE MAUD DIGBY B.-W.
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From TABLE 33.

TABLE 35.

HON. MARIA KATHERINE BENN-WALSH,

Elder daughter of John, first Lord Ormathwaite. Married, 1859, to Horace Trelawny, Esq., of Shotwick Park, County Chester, late Captain Royal Horse Guards.

FLORENCE	MAUD	HILDA	LILIAN	MINY
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A branch of the ancient Cornish family of Trelawny, of Trelawny.

Arms.—Arg., a chevron sa between three oak leaves slipped ppr.

Crest.—A wolf passant ppr.

Motto.—Sermoni consona facta.

Seat.—Shotwick Park, Great Langhall, County Chester.

From TABLE 30.

TABLE 36.

LADY HENRIETTA GREY,

Eldest daughter of George Henry, 5th Earl of Stamford and Warrington, married 26th October, 1785, to Sir John Chetwode, 4th Baronet of Chetwode, and died 12th July, 1826. Her husband survived her, remarried and died 17th December, 1845, but left issue only by his first wife.

SIR JOHN 5th Baronet, born 12th November, 1783, married (1) 16th October, 1821, Elizabeth Juliana, eldest daughter and co-heir of John Newdigate Ludford Esq., of Ansley Hall, co. Warwick, which lady died 17th June, 1859; he married (2) 17th January, 1861, Arabella Phillis, widow of James Reade, Esq., of Lower Berkeley Street, Portman Square, which lady died 26th June, 1873. Sir John assumed by Sign Manual in 1826, the prior and additional surnames of Newdigate-Ludford. He d.s.p. 8th September, 1873, and was succeeded by his nephew, now Sir George.	(REV.) GEORGE (See Table 37.)	CHARLES Born 6th June, 1794, d.s.p. 1st February, 1836.	(REV.) HENRY Born 26th November, 1798. Married Mari- anne, daughter of John High- field, Esq., of Liverpool, and d.s.p. 1843.	RICHARD Born 15th Jan- uary, 1804. Major-General in the Army. Died unmarried 18th October, 1871.	PHILIP Lieut. R.N., born 16th May, 1805, married Joanua, daughter of J. G. Alleyn, Esq., and died in 1844, leaving by her (who died 7th July, 1868) an only child DOROTHY- BOUGHEY Married 16th August, 1864, to the Rev. John T. Vaudey, M.A., of Wyke Regis, Dorset.	FREDERIC born 24th June, 1810. In the Army. Married 1835, Elizabeth daughter of James Finlay, Esq., and died 1863, leaving a daughter ELIZABETH LOUISA Married 1856, to Richard King, Esq., and died 1879.	HENRIETTA DOROTHY Married 9th February, 1808, to Sir John Fenton Fletcher Boughey, Bart. (who died 1823.) She died 22nd January, 1849 leaving issue. (See Table 40.)	ANNA MARIA Married 23rd December, 1811, to the Rev. Richard Farrer, of Ashley, co. Northampton, and died 25th October, 1851. ELIZABETH deceased LOUISA Died 16th May, 1868. CHARLOTTE deceased SOPHIA died unmarried. CAROLINE died unmarried 12th June, 1838.
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From TABLE 36.

TABLE 37.

REV. GEORGE CHETWODE,

Second son of Sir John Chetwode, 4th Baronet, of Chilton House, Bucks., M.A., Rector of Ashton-under-Lyne, and perpetual Curate of Chilton, born 1st November, 1791, married (1) 1818, Charlotte Anne, daughter of Morton Walhouse, Esq., and sister of Edward John, 1st Lord Hatherton, and had issue by her (who died in January, 1837). He married (2) 1st September, 1840, Anna Maria, widow of Leslie Jones, Esq., and daughter of Very Rev. Dr. Shipley, Dean of St. Asaph. (3) 27th February, 1849, Elizabeth Anne, widow of Fiennes Trotman, Esq., which lady died 13th June, 1861, and (4) 30th April, 1868, Elizabeth Sophia Ricketts, of Dorton and Boarstall, Bucks., widow of Charles Spencer Ricketts, Esq., R.N. He died August, 1870.

GEORGE MORETON Deceased.	SIR GEORGE Heir to his uncle. (See Table 38.)	AUGUSTUS LITTLETON, M.A. Born 7th November, 1833, married 2nd December, 1858, Eliza- beth, only daughter of Samuel Evans, Esq., of Darley Abbey, co. Derby.	EMILY HYACINTH ANNE Married 24th July, 1845, to Joseph Bailly, Esq., of Shenly House, Bucks.	HYACINTHE LAURA Married 7th July, 1868, to the Rev. William Mondeford Bramston, M.A., of Ongar, Essex. (See Table 39.)
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From TABLE 37.

TABLE 38.

SIR GEORGE CHETWODE, 6TH BART.,

of Chetwode, co. Buckingham, and of Oakley, co. Stafford; late liet.-col. 8th Hussars. Born 20th July, 1823, succeeded his uncle as 6th Bart., 8th Sept., 1873, married 21st Oct., 1868, Alice Jane, 2nd daughter of Michael Thomas Bass, Esq., of Rangemore, M.P. (see Burton B. in the peerages) and had issue

PHILIP WALHOUSE
CHETWODE
Lieut. 19th Hussars,
b. 21st Sept., 1869.

GEORGE KNIGHTLEY
C.
R.N., b. 10th Dec.,
1877.

EVELYN HAMAR C.
b. 18th Nov., 1870, m.
19th Mar., 1892, to Percy
Alfred Leyland Laming,
Esq.

LAURA GREY C.
b. 1st July, 1872.

FLORENCE
HYACINTHE C.
b. 11th Dec., 1876.

Creation of Chetwode baronetcy, 6th April, 1700. *Arms.*—Quarterly arg. and gu. four crosses forme counterchanged. *Crest.*—Out of a ducal coronet, or a demi-lion rampant issuant gu. *Motto.*—Corona mea Christus. *Seats.*—Oakley, near Market Drayton; Chetwode, Buckingham; and Agden, Cheshire.

From TABLE 37.

TABLE 39.

HYACINTHE LAURA CHETWODE,

Second daughter of the Rev. George Chetwode, and grand-daughter of Sir John Chetwode, 4th Baronet; married 7th July, 1868, to the Rev. William Mondeford Bramston, M.A., of Ongar, Essex.

FRANCIS CHETWODE
BRAMSTON
b. 12th April 1872, d. 7th
September, 1873.

MABEL CHARLOTTE B.

ELEANOR HYACINTHE B.

Arms of Bramston of Skreens. Or on a fesse sable three plates arg. *Crest.*—A lion sejant collared sa. charged with three plates arg.

From TABLE 36.

TABLE 40.

HENRIETTA DOROTHY CHETWODE,

Eldest daughter of Sir John Chetwode of Oakley, Staffordshire, married 9th February, 1808, to Sir John Fenton Boughey, M.P. for the co. Stafford, who had assumed by sign manual the latter surname on inheriting his cousin's estates. Lady Fenton Boughey died 22nd January, 1849. Sir John died June, 1823.

SIR THOMAS FLETCHER FENTON 3rd Bart. (See Table 41.)	JOHN FENTON F. in holy orders, Rector of Forton co. Stafford, born 6th June, 1811, died 21st June, 1853.	GEORGE FENTON F. (See Table 43)	WILLIAM FENTON F. (See Table 44)	EDWARD FENTON F. born 4th July, 1818.	ANCHITEL FENTON F. born 1819. Major 81st. Died 1856.	ROBERT FENTON F. born 18th September, 1822, died 12th Sept., 1887.	CHARLES FENTON F. retired Vice- Adm. Born 12th Dec., 1823, died Sept., 1894.	ANNE HENRIETTA married 21st June, 1832, to the Hon. and Rev. Everard Robert Bruce Fielding (who died 1854), and died 21st August, 1879. d.s.p.	HENRIETTA DOROTHY married 1836, to Walter Peter Giffard, Esq., of Chillington, who died 1877. She died 7th Sept. 1889, leaving issue. (See Table 45)	ANASTASIA ELIZABETH married (1) 28th April, 1840, to Edward Joseph Smythe, Esq., eldest son of Sir E. J. Smythe, Bart., of Acton Burton, Shrop- shire, and was left a widow in 1841. She was married (2) 16th May, 1848, to Edward Henry 2nd son of Sir Edward Mostyn, 7th Bart. of Talacre, and died 23rd Nov., 1893. (See Table 47)	ELIZA- BETH married 8th June, 1843, to the Rev. Robert Dayrell. Died 1876. (REV.) FRANCIS ROBERT DAYRELL, B.A., born March, 1852, married Violet Elizabeth, daughter of W. A. Egton of Barford Ho, co. Warwick. Capt. 49th Regt. and has FRANCIS WILLIAM born 8th June, 1882. VIOLET ELIZA- BETH MILDRED born 24th Dec., 1879, (See Dayrell in Burke's Landed Gentry.)
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Creation of Baronetcy 24th August, 1798.

Arms.—Quarterly: 1st and 4th, sa., a cross, wavy, ermineois, between four plates, each charged with an arrow, in bend dexter of the first, for Fletcher; 2nd and 3rd arg., three bucks' heads, erased and affronté, ermines, for Boughey.

Crests.—Fletcher: A plate charged with a pheon, per pale, ermine and sa. Boughey: Out of an Eastern crown, gold, the points alternate, or and arg., a buck's head, ermines, attired and collared of the first.

Motto.—Nec quaerere nec spernere honorem.

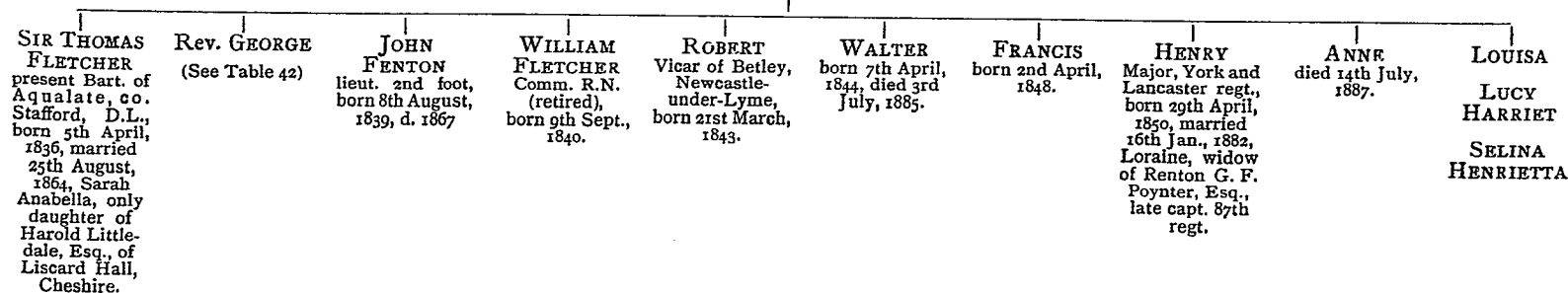
Seat.—Aqualate, Newport, Shropshire.

From TABLE 40.

TABLE 41.

SIR THOMAS FLETCHER FENTON BOUGHEY, 3rd BART.,

Born 22nd January, 1809, married 27th December, 1832, Louisa Paulina, youngest daughter of Thomas Giffard, Esq., of Chillington, and by her (who died 10th Dec., 1879) had issue as below. Sir Thomas died 6th Oct., 1880.

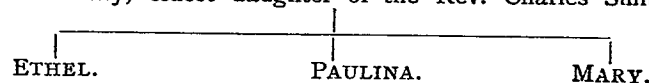


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TABLE 42.

(REV.) GEORGE BOUGHEY,

M.A., Rector of Forton, Newport, co. Stafford, second son of Sir Thomas Fletcher Fenton Boughey, 3rd Bart., born 2nd May, 1837, married 20th April, 1875, Theodosia Mary, eldest daughter of the Rev. Charles Smith Royds, of Haughton, co. Stafford.

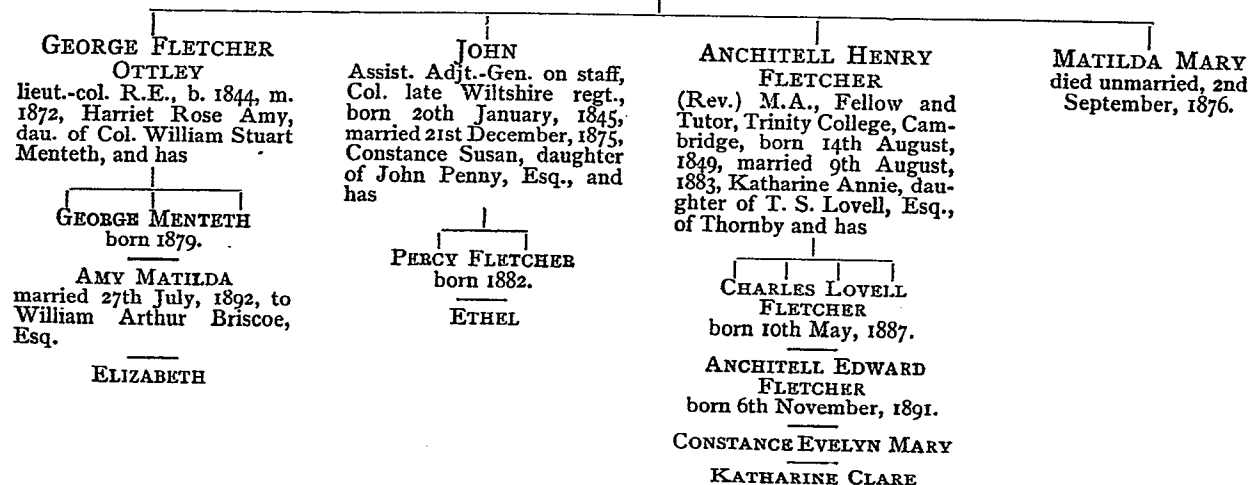


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TABLE 43.

GEORGE FENTON FLETCHER BOUGHEY.

3rd son of Sir John Fenton Boughey, M.P., 2nd Bart., lieut.-col. 59th regt., born 9th September, 1813, married at St. Peter's Church, Antigua, 16th December, 1842, Matilda Elivra, daughter of Hon. G. W. Ottley, M.L.C., Antigua, died 20th July, 1855.

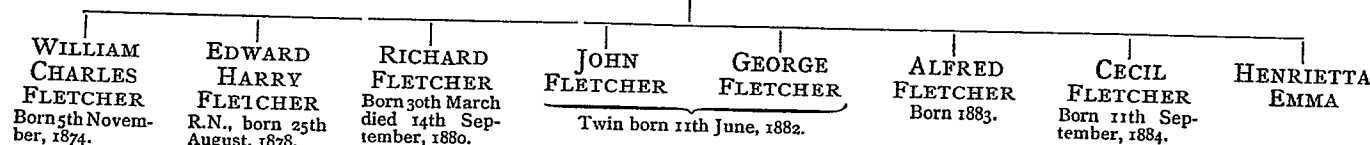


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TABLE 44.

WILLIAM FENTON FLETCHER BOUGHEY,

M.A., Barrister-at-Law, Recorder of Shrewsbury, 1867-79, and Stipendiary Magistrate for South Staffordshire, 1879-85, born 9th November, 1814. Fourth son of Sir John Fenton Boughey, M.P., 2nd Baronet. Married 30th April, 1874, Caroline, daughter of Rev. Benjamin Lucas Cubitt, Rector of Catfield, and died 14th July, 1890.

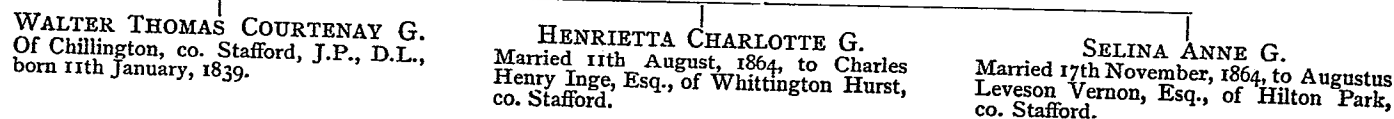


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TABLE 45.

HENRIETTA DOROTHY BOUGHEY,

Second daughter of Sir John Fenton Fletcher Boughey, 2nd Baronet of Aqualate. Married 7th July, 1836, to Walter Peter Giffard, Esq., of Chillington, co. Stafford, who died 6th March, 1877, leaving issue.



(See Table 46.)

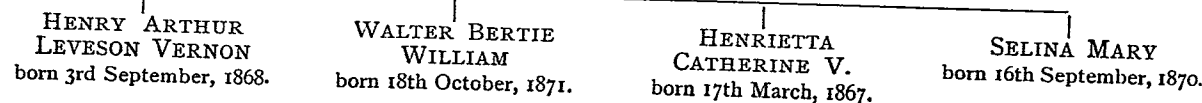
Arms of Giffard.—Quarterly 1st and 4th az. 3 stirrups with leather, or 2nd and 3rd gu. three lions passant in pale arg.
Crests.—A tiger's head couped full-faced spotted various, flames issuing from its mouth ppr. granted in 1513. A demi-archer bearded and couped at the knees in armour, ppr. from his middle a short coat paly arg. and gu. At his middle a quiver of arrows, or, in his hands a bow and arrow drawn to the head or. granted in 1523.
Motto.—Prenez haleine, tirez fort (take breath, pull strong).
Seat.—Chillington, near Wolverhampton.

From TABLE 45.

TABLE 46.

SELINA ANNE GIFFARD,

Younger daughter of Walter Peter Giffard, Esq., of Chillington, Co. Stafford. Married 17th November, 1864, to Augustus Leveson Vernon, Esq., of Deans Field, Brewood, Co. Stafford, and of Hilton Park, J. P. and D. L.



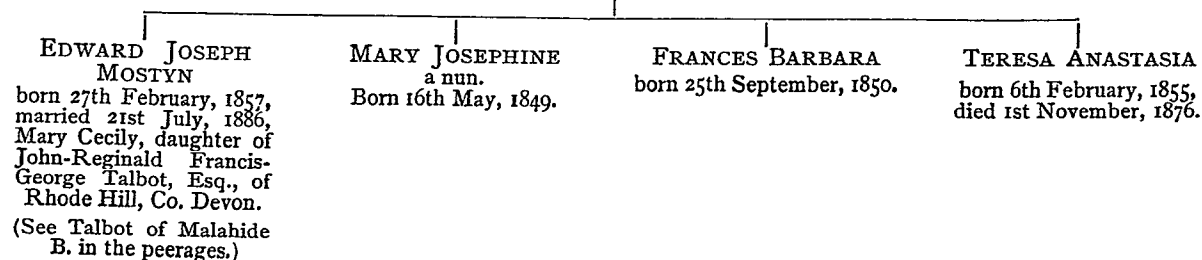
Arms of Vernon.—Arg. fretty sa.
Crest.—A boar's head erased sa., ducally gorged or.
Motto.—Vernon Semper viret.
Seat.—Hilton Park, Wolverhampton, co. Stafford.

From TABLE 40.

TABLE 47.

ANASTASIA ELIZABETH BOUGHEY,

Daughter of Sir John Fenton Fletcher Boughey, 2nd Bart. of Aqualate. Married (1) 28th April, 1840, to Edward Joseph, eldest son of Sir Edward Joseph Smythe, 6th Bart. of Eshe Hall, co. Durham, who d.s.p. 28th August, 1841; and (2) to Edward Henry Mostyn, Esq., of Arundel, Sussex, J.P. and D.L. for Flintshire, 2nd son of Sir Edward Mostyn, 7th Bart. of Talacre Rhyll, co. Flint, and died 23rd November, 1886, having had issue.

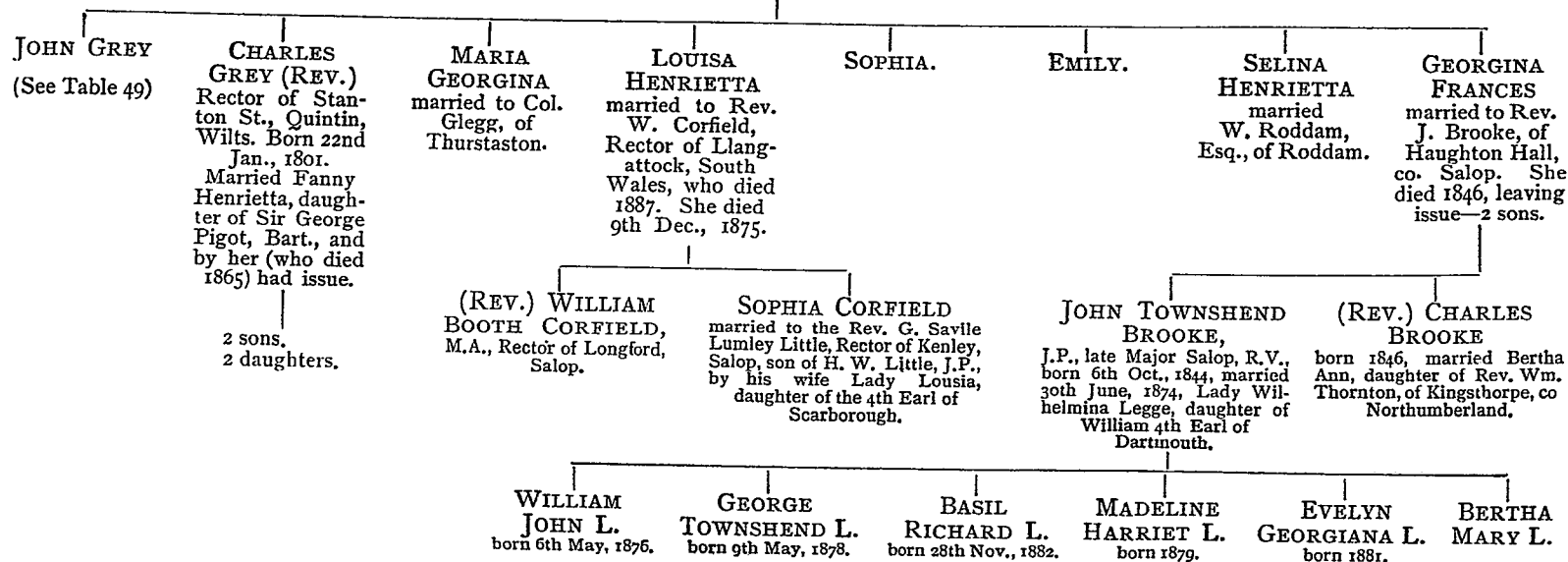


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TABLE 48.

LADY MARIA GREY,

3rd daughter of George Harry, 5th Earl of Stamford and Warrington, married 1794 to John Cotes, of Woodcote, co. Salop, M.P. for Wigan 1782-1806, and Shropshire from 1806 until his death, 1821. She was his 2nd wife (no issue by 1st), and died 1838. He died 24th August, 1821. She left issue.

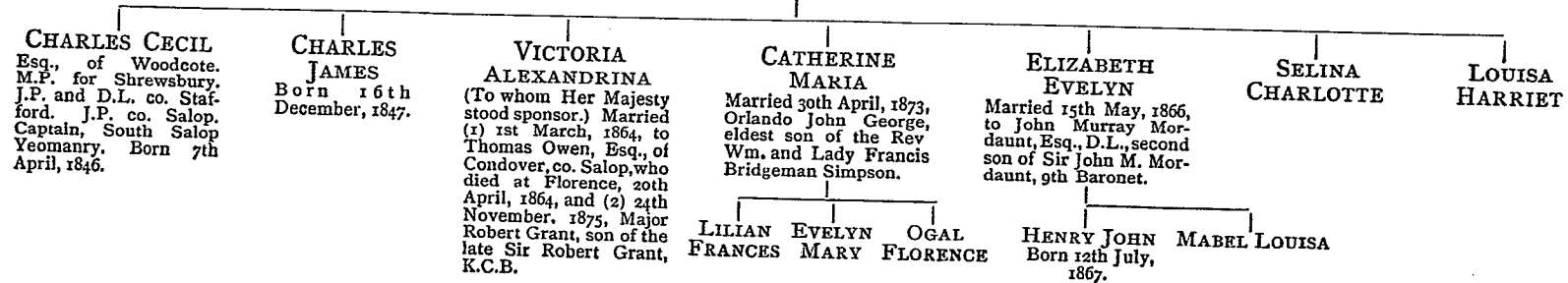


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TABLE 49.

JOHN COTES,

Of Woodcote, J.P. and D.L. Born 17th July, 1799. High Sheriff, 1826. M.P. for North Shropshire, 1832-34. Married 5th September, 1839, Lady Louisa Harriet, third daughter of Charles Cecil Cope, 3rd Earl of Liverpool, and had issue



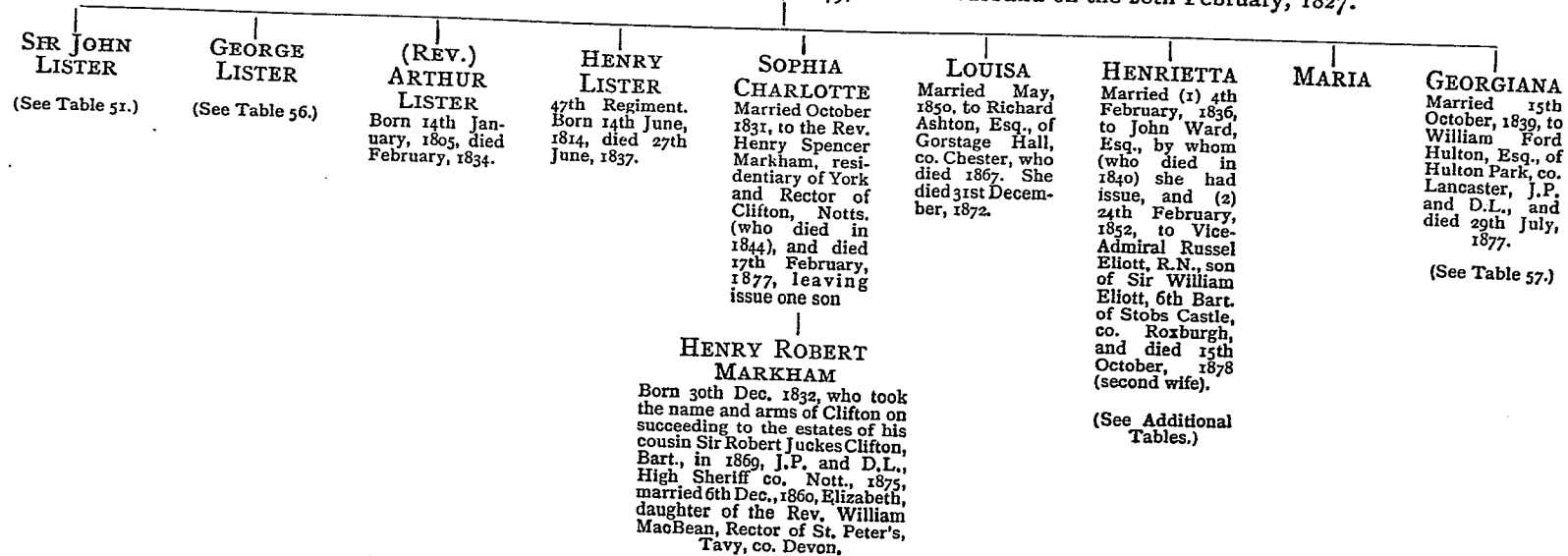
Arms.—Quarterly 1st and 4th erm. 2nd and 3rd paly of six or and gu.
Crest.—A cock ppr. combed wattled and legged or.
Motto.—Soli Dei honor et gloria.
Seats.—Woodcote, Newport, co. Salop, and Pitchford Hall, Shrewsbury.

From TABLE 30.

TABLE 50.

LADY AMELIA GREY,

Fifth and youngest daughter of George Harry, 5th Earl of Stamford and Warrington, married 18th October, 1800, to Sir John Lister-Kaye, Bart. (created 28th December, 1812). Lady Lister-Kaye died October, 1849, and her husband on the 28th February, 1827.

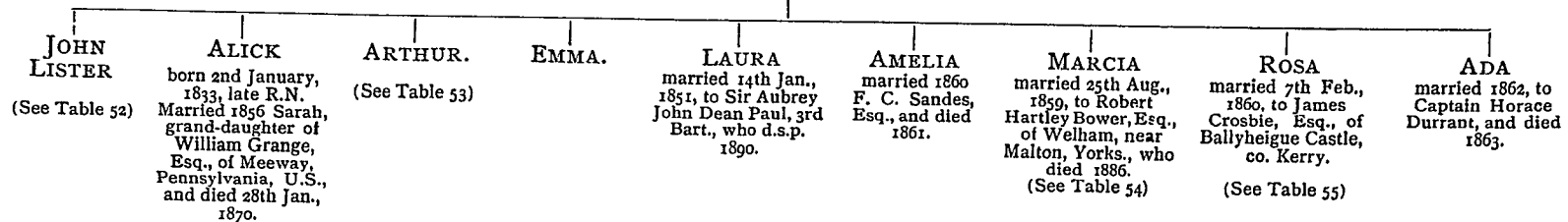


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TABLE 51.

SIR JOHN LISTER KAYE,

2nd Bart., born 18th August, 1801, married 21st October, 1824, Matilda, only daughter and heir of George Arbuthnot, Esq., and niece of the Rt. Hon. Charles Arbuthnot, and of Rt. Rev. Alexander Arbuthnot, Bishop of Killaloe, by whom (who died 4th April, 1867) he had issue as below. Sir John married (2) 10th August, 1869, Elizabeth Margaret, 2nd daughter of the late Rev. John William Bower, of Barmston, York. He died 13th April, 1871, and was succeeded by his grandson.



Creation of Lister Kaye baronetcy, 28th December, 1812.

Arms.—Quarterly 1st and 4th arg. two bendlets, sa. for Kaye. 2nd and 3rd erm. on a fesse sa. three mullets or, for Lister; the whole within a bordure wavy, az.

Crests.—Of Kaye: A goldfinch ppr. charged on the breast with a rose gu. Of Lister: A buck's head ppr. erased wavy or attired sa. in the mouth a birdbolt bend-ways, of the third, flighted arg.

Motto.—Kynd Kynn Knawne Kepe.

Seat.—Denby Grange, Wakefield, Yorkshire.

From TABLE 51.

TABLE 52.

JOHN LISTER KAYE,

eldest son of Sir John Lister Kaye, 2nd Bart. Born 3rd September, 1827, married 25th May, 1852, Lady Caroline Pepys, 3rd daughter of William Weller, 1st Earl of Cottenham, and died 12th April, 1855, leaving two sons.

SIR JOHN PEPYS LISTER KAYE
3rd and present baronet of Denby Grange, Co. York, late Lieut. Royal H. Guards, D.L. Born February, 1853, succeeded his grandfather as 3rd Bart., 13th April, 1871, married 5th Dec., 1881, Natica, 2nd daughter of Señor Antonio Yznaga del Valle, of Ravenswood, America, and of Cuba, and had issue

JOHN DIGBY
born 15th September, 1882, died same year.

CECIL EDMUND
D.L. York. Born January, 1854, married 16th September, 1880, Lady Beatrice Adeline, daughter of the 6th Duke of Newcastle, and has had

PELHAM HENRY
ALEXANDER
born 4th Aug.,
1890, died 26th
Feb., 1891.

KENELM
ARTHUR
born 27th
March,
1892.

ADELINE
CECILIA
born 24th
Sept., 1881.

FRANCES-
LOIS
born 28th
Oct., 1882.

FLORENCE
born 2nd
May, 1885.

From TABLE 51.

TABLE 53.

ARTHUR LISTER KAYE,

third son of Sir John Lister Kaye, 2nd Bart. Born 12th May, 1834. Late Captain R.A., served in the Crimea. Married 8th October, 1867, Eugenia, youngest daughter of the Rev. John William Bower, M.A., Rector of Barmston, co. York., and died 5th December, 1893. He had issue

LISTER
born 19th Decem-
ber, 1873.

ARTHUR
born 15th March,
1876.

HERMIONE
married 12th
December, 1893,
to William
Murphy Grim-
shaw.

AMELIA

VIOLET
EUGENIA

From TABLE 51.

TABLE 54.

MARCIA LISTER KAYE,

Fourth daughter of Sir John Lister Kaye, 2nd Baronet. Married 25th August, 1859, to Robert Hartley Bower, Esq., of Welham, near Malton, Yorks. (who died 1886) and had by him

ROBERT LISTER BOWER
Born 1860, late Lieut. 3rd Batt. King's
Royal Rifles; served all through the
Egyptian and Soudan Campaigns.

OTHERS

Arms of Bower.—Sa a humanly couped at the thigh transpierced by a broken spear in bend ppr. on a canton arg. a tower gu.
Crest.—A human leg transpierced as in the arms.
Motto.—Esse quam videri.

From TABLE 51.

TABLE 55.

ROSA LISTER KAYE,

Fifth daughter of Sir John Lister Kaye, 2nd Baronet. Married 7th February, 1860, to James Crosbie, Esq., of Ballyheigue Castle, co. Kerry, J.P. and D.L. Lieutenant-Colonel Kerry Militia. High Sheriff 1862.

PIERS LISTER CROSBIE
Died at Eton, 14th April,
1878.

JAMES DAYROLLES C.

KATHARINE MATILDA
C.

ROSA C.

MARCIA C.

Arms of Crosbie, of Ballyheigue.—Quarterly 1st and 4th arg. A lion rampant within a bordure engrailed gu. for Talbot; 2nd arg. a lion rampant sa armed and langued gu in chief two dexter hands apaume of the third for Crosbie; 3rd gu three cinquefoils two and one erm for Hamilton.
Crests.—1st Talbot, on a cap of maintenance azure turned up ermine a lion passant gu. 2nd Crosbie, three swords one in pale with point upwards, and two in saltire with points downwards entwined with a serpent all ppr.
Motto.—Pret d' accomplice.

From TABLE 50.

TABLE 56.

GEORGE LISTER KAYE, Esq.,

Second son of Sir John Lister Kaye, 1st Baronet. Born 14th November, 1803. Lieutenant-Colonel 5th West York Militia. Married 24th August, 1847, Louisa Jessie, second daughter of Captain Dowker, Captain 5th West York Militia, and died 18th September, 1871, having by her (who died October, 1862)

CHARLES WILKINSON
Of Osberton Lodge, Notts.
Born 28th March, 1849,
Married 5th May, 1881, Lucy
Adela, daughter of John
Champion, Esq., of Ranby
House, Notts, and has had

GEORGE LISTER
Born 19th March, 1885.

RUSSELL born 1887.

CHARLES born 1890.

MABIE
Died 23rd January, 1894.

KATHLEEN

GEORGE
HARRY
Born 8th July,
1852.

ALAN
Married 12th June, 1879,
Mary Jane, eldest daughter
of the Rev. Edward Stans-
field, Vicar of Rustington,
Sussex, and had issue

CAROLINE MARIA
Born 4th September, 1880,
died 13th September, 1885,

MURIEL AGNES
Born 1883, died 9th Septem-
ber, 1884.

JESSIE MARIA
Married 6th February, 1872,
to Joseph Charlton Parr,
Esq., of Grappenhall Heyes,
Cheshire, J.P., and has issue

ROGER
CHARLTON
Born 3rd Nov.,
1874.

KATHARINE
AGNES.

CAROLINE
Died 22nd
June, 1873.

ELINOR
JESSIE.

MARGARET
ALICIA.

LOUISA

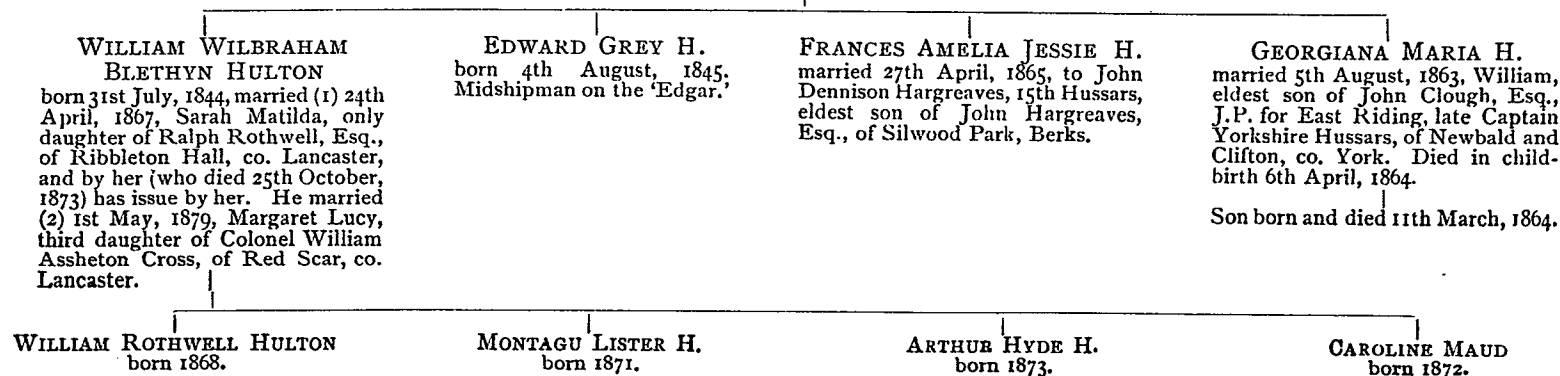
Arms of Parr.—Arg two bars az. a bordure engrailed sa.
Crest.—A female's head couped below the shoulders vested,
az on her head an antique crown or.
Motto.—Faire sans dire.

From TABLE 50.

TABLE 57.

GEORGINA LISTER KAYE,

Youngest daughter of Sir John Lister Kaye, Bart. Married 15th October, 1839, to William Ford Hulton, Esq., of Hulton Park, co. Lancaster, J.P. and D.L. She died 29th July, 1877, having had issue



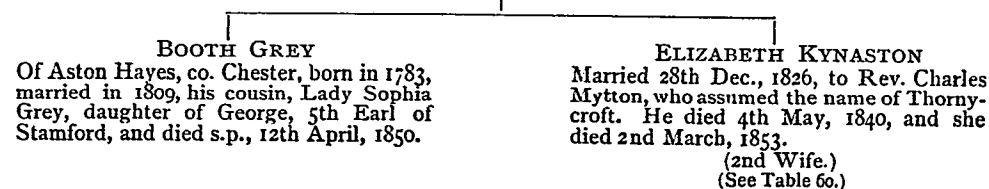
Arms of Hulton.—Arg, a lion rampant gu.
Crest.—Out of a mural crown a stag's head, with a branch of hawthorn ppr.
Motto.—Mors flecti nescia.

From TABLE 29.

TABLE 58.

HON. BOOTH GREY,

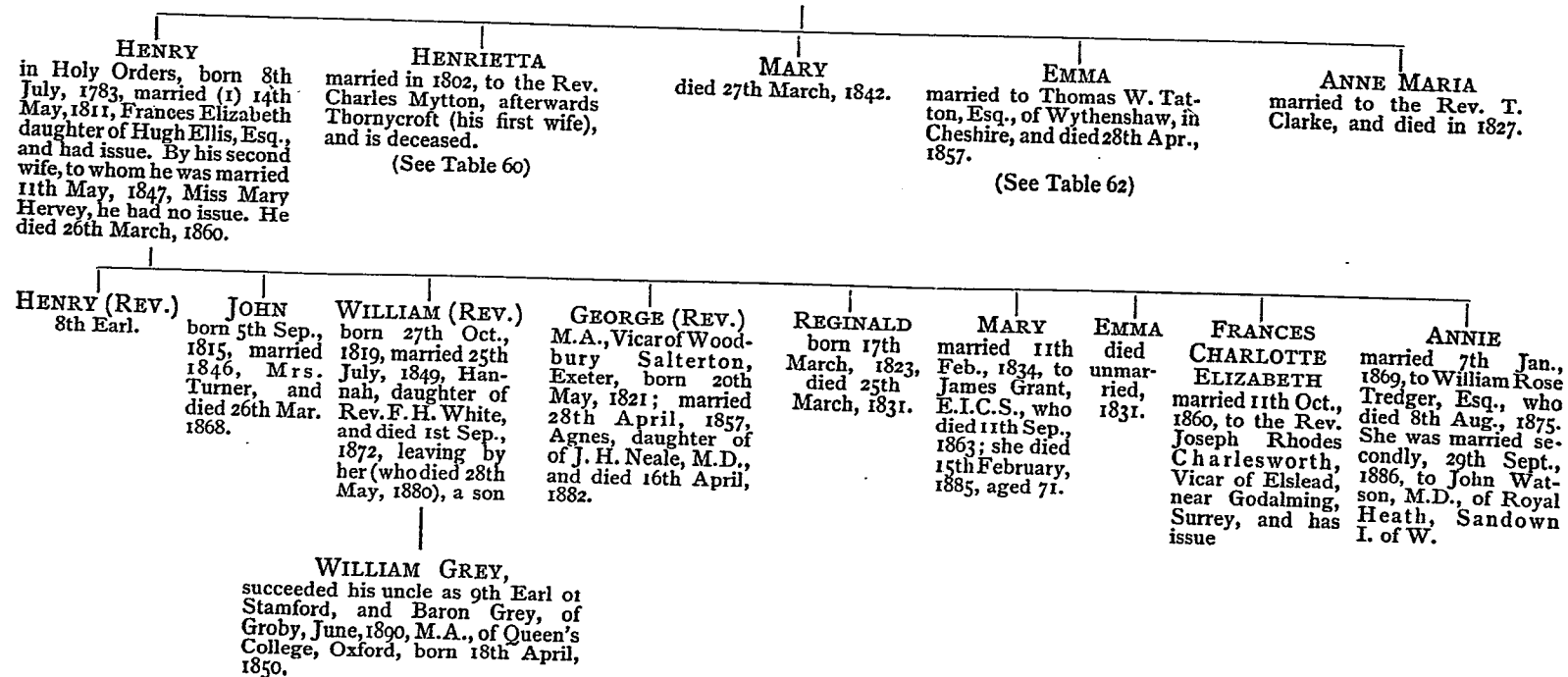
Second son of Henry, fourth Earl of Stamford. M.P. for Leicester. Married 10th May 1782, Elizabeth, daughter of Charles Mainwaring, Esq., of Bromborough, Cheshire, by whom (who died 4th July, 1823) he left in 1802



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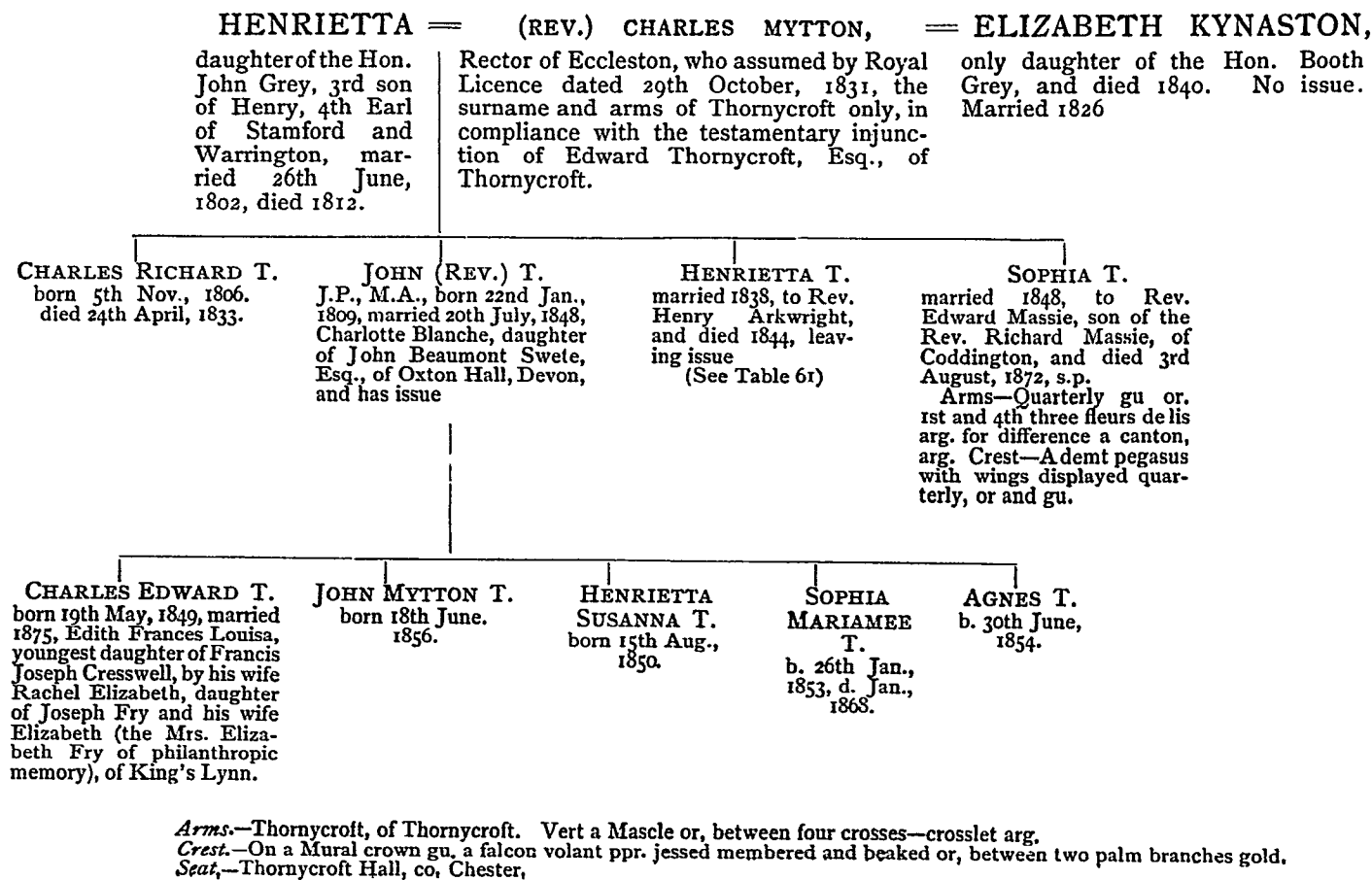
TABLE 59.

HON. JOHN GREY,
third son of Henry, 4th Earl of Stamford, married 22nd July, 1773, Susannah, daughter of Ralph Leycester, Esq., of Toft, co. Chester, by whom he left issue



From TABLES 58 and 59.

TABLE 60.



From TABLE 60.

TABLE 61.

HENRIETTA THORNYCROFT,

Daughter of Rev. Charles Thornycroft, Thornycroft, County Chester. Married to Rev. Henry Arkwright (great grandson of the famous inventor, Sir Richard Arkwright). She died, 1844, and was his first wife.

HENRY JOHN
Born 10th Feb., 1844.

HENRIETTA BECK

SOPHIA MAY

MARY ANN LOUISA

Arms of Arkwright, of Hillersley.—Arg. on a mount vert., a cotton tree fructed ppr., on a chief az. between two bezants, an escutcheon of the field charged with a bee, volant ppr.
Crest.—An eagle rising, or, in its beak an escutcheon pendant by a ribbon gu, thereon a hank of cotton arg.
Motto.—Multa tui fecique.

From TABLE 59.

TABLE 62.

EMMA GREY,

daughter of the Hon. John Grey, 3rd son of Harry, 4th Earl of Stamford, married in 1807 to Thomas William Egerton, born 29th October, 1783. Her husband assumed the surname and arms of Tatton, on succeeding to the Wythenshawe property of his father, William Tatton-Egerton.

THOMAS WILLIAM
J.P., and D.L., High Sheriff
of co. Chester, 1848, Lieut.
Col. 3rd Cheshire Rifle Vol-
unteers, born 2nd June, 1816,
married 25th January, 1843,
Harriet Susan, eldest daugh-
ter of Robert Townley
Parker, Esq., of Cuerden
Hall, co. Lancaster, and by
her (who died 20th February,
1873), has issue

EMMA
married 24th Jan.,
1832, to Sir Henry
Mainwaring, Bart.
(See Table 63)

HENRIETTA
married 6th November, 1845,
to the Hon. and Rt. Rev.
John Thomas Pelham,
Bishop of Norwich, son of
Thomas, 2nd Earl of
Chichester.
(See Table 65)

LOUISA
married 1844, to Rev.
Charles Turner.

SOPHIA
married 1840, to
John Dixon,
Esq., of Castle,
co., Chester.
(See Table 66)

SUSANNA
THEODOSIA

ANNA
MARIA

THOMAS EGERTON
J.P., born 31st May,
1846.

ROBERT GREY
born 7th Dec., 1847.

REGINALD ARTHUR
born 13th March, 1857.

MARY EMILY

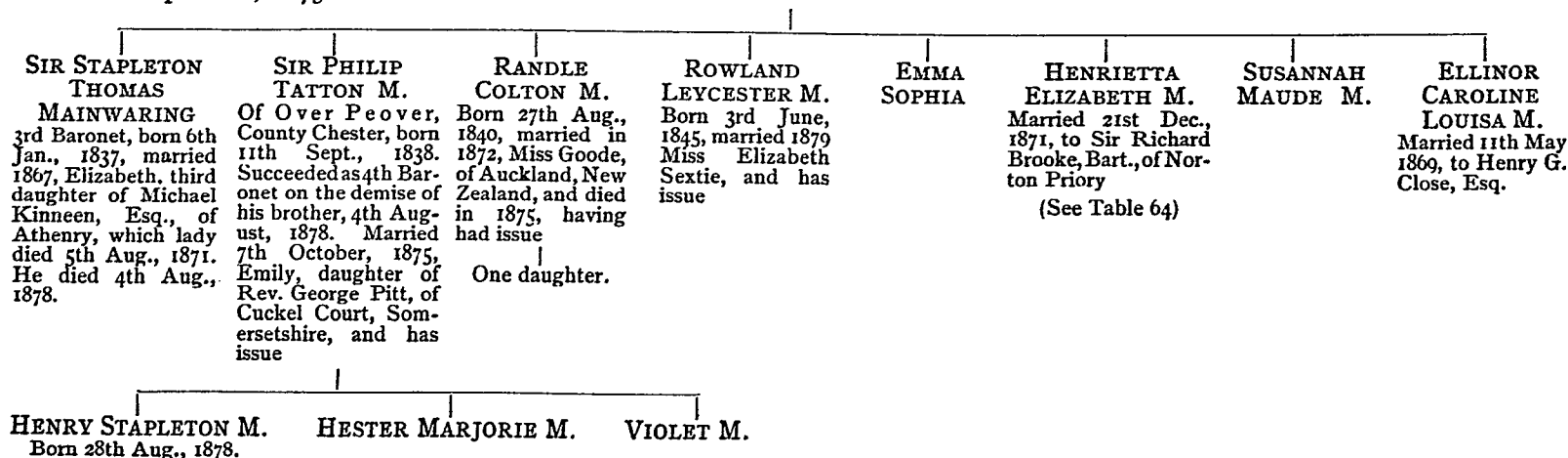
Arms.—Quarterly arg. and gu. a crescent in each quarter counter changed.
Crest.—A greyhound sejant arg. collared and tied to a tree ppr.
Motto.—Crescent.
Seat.—Wythenshawe, near Northendon, co. Chester.

From TABLE 62.

TABLE 63.

EMMA TATTON,

Daughter of Thomas William Tatton, of Wythenshawe, Cheshire. Married 24th January, 1832, to Sir Henry Mainwaring, 2nd Baronet, of Peover Hall, Cheshire, who was born 3rd November, 1804. She died 10th September, 1886, aged 77. Sir Henry died 28th September, 1875.



From TABLE 63.

TABLE 64.

HENRIETTA ELIZABETH MAINWARING,

Second daughter of Sir Henry Mainwaring, Bart. Married 21st December, 1871, to Sir Richard Brooke, Bart., of Norton Priory, County Chester (second wife), and had issue

CONSTANCE IDA
Born 19th Oct., 1872.

ROSALIND HESTER
Born 23rd Feb., 1876.

Arms.—Or a cross engr. perpale gu. and sa.

Crest.—A brock or badger ppr.

Motto.—Tarte without fraudi.

Seats.—Norton Priory, Runcorn, Cheshire, and Ashley Moor, Orleton, R.S.O., Herefordshire

From TABLE 62.

TABLE 65.

HENRIETTA TATTON,

Second daughter of Thomas William Tatton, of Wythenshawe Hall, Cheshire. Married 6th November, 1814, to the Hon. and Right Rev. John Thomas Pelham, D.D., Bishop of Norwich, 1857-93, third son of Thomas, second Earl of Chichester. Born 21st June, 1811. She died 31st December, 1893, and the Bishop died 1st May, 1894.

HENRY FRANCIS PELHAM
Fellow Exeter College,
Oxon. Born 19th Sept.,
1846, married 30th July, 1873,
Laura Priscilla, 3rd daughter
of Sir Edward W. Buxton,
Bart., and has issue
(See Additional Tables.)

JOHN PELHAM
Bannington (Rev.), Vicar
of Higham, Colchester, born
7th Jan., 1848, married 19th
July, 1884, Caroline,
daughter of Rev. William
Butler, of Lawreath, co.
Cornwall.

SYDNEY (REV.)
B.A. Born 16th
May, 1849.

HERBERT (REV.)
Born 23rd Jan., 1885.
Killed by a fall in
Switzerland, 30th
May, 1881.

FANNY

Arms.—Quarterly 1st and 4th. Three pelicans arg. vulning themselves ppr., 2nd and 3rd gu., two pieces of belts with buckles erect in pale the buckles upwards arg.

Crest.—A peacock in pride arg.

Supporters.—Dexter, a horse of a mouse colour, sinister a bear ppr., each collared with a belt, arg. buckle and pendant on.

Motto.—Vincit amor patriae.

From TABLE 62.

TABLE 66.

SOPHIA TATTON,

Daughter of Thomas William Tatton, of Wythenshawe, and of Emma, his wife, daughter of Hon. John Grey, third son of Harry, fourth Earl of Stamford. Married 14th May, 1840, to John Dixon, of Astle Hall, County Chester, and Gledhow, County York. Captain and Brevet Lieutenant-Colonel 1st Royals, J.P. and D.C. Born 19th February, 1799.

GEORGE
J.P., born 1802
Educated at
Eton. Lord of
the Manor of
Astle. Patron of
one living. Late
Capt. 25th King's
Own Borderers,
and Major 5th
Cheshire Rifle
Volunteers, suc-
his father, 1873.

JOHN
WIKHAM
born 1st May,
1843, died 1863.

CHARLES
EGERTON
Lieut. 13th
Regt. Royal
Irish, born
12th Dec., 1848

HENRY
GREY
Lieut. 25th
Regt. King's
Own
Borderers,
born 14th
Aug., 1850.

FREDERICK
PARKER
born 17th Aug.,
1852.

WILLIAM
ARTHUR
TATTON
born 13th Feb.
1894.

EDWARD
WIKHAM
born 2nd Nov.,
1860.

ANNA
LOUSIA
married 4th
Feb., 1874,
Rev. W. H.
Arundell,
Rector of
Cheriton,
Fitzpaine,
Devon.

SOPHIA
LYDIA
married (1) to
Richard
Grahame, Esq.,
who died 1874;
2nd, to Capt. W.
Lisle Blenkin-
sop Coulson,
late 25th Regt.
King's Own
Borderers.

JESSIE
MARIA

ELEANOR
GEORGINA

Arms.—Gu. a fleur de lis, or a chief ermine.

Crest.—A demilion rampant arg.

Seats.—Astle Hall, Chelford, Crewe, Cheshire.

From TABLE 28.

TABLE 67.

LADY MARY ROBARTES,

Granddaughter of Henry, 1st Earl of Warrington. Married to Thomas Hunt, Esq., of Mollington, grandson of Thomas Hunt, Esq., M.P. for Shrewsbury, in the Parliament of the Commonwealth and High Sheriff for Shropshire, 1656, who after the Restoration of Charles II, purchased the estates of Boreaton. The Hunts of Boreaton, as well as the Hunts of County Stafford, are said to derive from Richard de Venator, who lived temp.—Edward I. Thomas Hunt and Lady Mary, his wife, had issue

GEORGE HUNT
of Lanhydrock, co. Cornwall, M.P. for
Bodmin, died 8th Nov., 1798.

THOMAS HUNT
married Mary, daughter and coheirress
of Peter Bold of Bold Hall, Lancashire,
and had

ANNA MARIA
heirress of Lanhydrock. Married
15th Nov., 1804, to the Hon.
Charles Bagenal Agar.
(See Additional Tables).

ANOTHER DAUGHTER
died young.

Arms of Hunt of Boreatton.—Pepale arg. and sa. asaltire counterchanged.

Crest.—A talbot sejant sa collared or, lined, az., the line tied to a halbert in pale of the second headed of the last.

Seats.—Boreatton Park, Shrewsbury, and Kibworth Hall, Leicester.

SIR JOSEPH ALSTON, BART.,

born at Edwardston, was a minor on 21st May, 1625. Brother of the eminent President of the College of Physicians, was created first a Knight, and then elevated to the higher rank of Baronet on 20th January, 1681. Married (1) Mary Crookenberg, one of the daughters and co-heirs of a wealthy Dutch merchant, of Bergen-op-Zoom, in the province of Brabant. Her dowry was £12,000. Sir Joseph, who took up his residence in London, purchased (after the death of the Countess of Devonshire), the historic Shrewsbury House, Chelsea, said to be at one time the residence of Sir Thomas More, and re-named it Alston House. His wife died there in 1671, and her funeral sermon was preached by Dr. Littleton, who published it shortly after in 4to. The exact date of purchase of this house is unknown, but Sir Joseph was in possession of it in 1664. He also purchased the estate of Bradwell Abbey, co. Bucks., two miles south of Wolverton, and a quarter of a mile west of Bradwell. The Abbey was formerly the Benedictine Priory of St. Mary, and was partly rebuilt as a mansion. It had a moat and a long avenue of trees. It is now a farm house, and the estate belongs to the Mercers' Company. He died in 1688, and was buried at Chelsea, 31st May, 1688. In the Chelsea Registers are various entries relating to the family, including that of Lady Alston, buried 7th February, 1671. On the North Wall of the Chelsea Church is the Monument of Thomas Alstone, Esquire, of the County of Suffolk, the date of which is obliterated. Sir Joseph married again, but the marriage was issueless. Sir Joseph Alston's Will dated 17th March, 1684, and proved 12th June, 1688 (P.C.C., 74 Exton), is a much more interesting document than the usual run of Wills, revealing as it does many pleasing traits of the aged merchant baronet's personality and a deep and devout faith in his religious belief. It begins, "In the name of God Amen. I Sir Joseph Alston of the parish of Chelsea in the County of Midd. Barritt. being in good health of body and of perfect and disposing mind and memory thanks be therefore given to Almighty God and calling to mind the uncertainty of this present life that I am borne to change the same as my former deare wife hath done. And alsoe that as the change and death of this life is most certaine to every living creature so the time to us is most uncertaine as a signall prooffe thereof the Lord hath manifested unto mee in my last most deare and well beloved consort. Giveing thanks to God for all his benefitts bestowed upon me in this life doe make and ordaine this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following that is to say first and principally I commend my Soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator the ffather of our Lord Jesus Christ and to Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer by whose death and passion I faithfully beleive to bee saved and to the Holy Ghost the Comforter of his elect three persons and one invisible imortall onely wise God blessed for evermore before Whome I shall at the generall day of Judgment appear with joye in the Robes of Christs Righteousness through whose meritts I beleive my sinns shall not be imputed to me and by whome I hope and beleive I shall enter into that everlasting Kingdome of Heaven with the faithful members of that triumphant church whereof Jesus Christ is the head." After this pious but lengthy confession of faith, Sir Joseph orders his body to be buried in the Parish Church of Chelsea, "in the same place where my deare beloved wife lyeth buried, my coffin to lye upon her coffin under the pew where we alwaies satt together in the Chancell and to be buried in the coffin which I have provided and which is now in a closset at my dwelling house at Chelsea."

Sir Joseph died possessed of a very considerable estate, out of which he made many bequests to kinsfolk and dependents. Among the more interesting are those of his "great silver Bason and Ures," his "two silver flaggons, one paire Silver Candlesticks the best paire," his "own Watch" his "Seale gold ring" and his "Character Bible writt" with his own hand to his son Joseph, also to the same son after his (testator's second) wife's decease the use of his great necklace of pearls for life, and then to Joseph Alston his grandson (Joseph's son). To Mary, wife of his son Isaac, his "greate Diamond Jewell." The rent of a certain house he orders to be distributed among his poor kindred as his executors think fit, which he says he does "In token of my thankfulness to Almighty God who did blesse extraordinarily my poore endeavours in the aforesaid parish of St. Edmond's the King where through his mercy and goodnesse I gott my estate. And I doe order and appointe that my said executors shall keepe a bagg on purpose to putt the rent of the said house in and not to make any other use of it."

Sir Joseph desires Dr. Littleton to preach his funeral sermon upon the same text he preached upon at his former wife's funeral, *i.e.*, Acts xiii 39, with £5 for mourning and £5 for his sermon. Not more than £300 to be spent on his funeral for rings, mourning, and other charges. He appoints his sons Joseph and Isaac executors, enjoining "them to be very carefull and faithfull in the performance of this trust which I repose in them as they will answer for it at the great day of account."

The Will of Sir Joseph's second wife and relict, Dame Anne Alston (of whom the parentage is unknown), is dated 19th April, 1694, and was proved 29th July in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. It shows her to have been possessed of considerable means of her own, most of which she left to her niece, Lady Anne Clarke, wife of Sir James Clarke, Knt., and that lady's children. *Inter alia*, she leaves to Christ's Hospital the tenement known as the White Horse in the New Palace Yard, Westminster. The bequest being subject to revocation and reversion to Lady Clarke's heirs if the children should ever be brought up as papists.

Sir Joseph had issue by his first wife, Mary Crookenberg.

SIR JOSEPH A. 2nd Baronet. (See Table 69)	EDWARD A. born 5th May, 1650, in the parish of St. Edmund, the King Lombard Street. (See Table 89)	ISAAC A. (See Table (90))	BENJAMIN A. baptised at St. Luke's, Chelsea, 14th August, 1659 Not mentioned in his father's Will, therefore probably died young.	CLARE A. Died 12th October, 1669, buried at Stan- ton Bury, Bucks. Married to John Wittewrong, eldest son of Sir John Wittewrong, Bart., of Rothamstead, Herts. Their daughter, Mary Wittewrong, married a Mr. Crompton of Lon- don. Sir John re- married and died about 1703.	MARY A. baptised at St. Luke's, Chelsea, 7th May, 1661, and buried there 21st June, 1663.	MARY A. baptised at Chelsea, 21st June, 1663, married to James Clayton, only son and heir of Sir Thomas Clayton, Knt., of La Vache, co. Bucks, and Warden of Merton College, Oxford, by Bridget, daughter of Sir Clement Cotterell, Knt. He was of LaVache, and Lord of the Manor of Chalfont, St. Giles, Bucks, where he died without issue, 28th November, 1714, in his 65th year, and was buried in the church. Mary Alston was his second wife and survived him till May, 1730. On the 1st June, 1677, he had licence from the Vicar-General to marry Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Richard Grubham Howe, of Wishford, co. Wilts, Bart, who died in child-bed, 9th April, 1681, and was buried in Merton College Chapel (see Chester's Regis- ters of Westminster Abbey, p 24).	OTHER CHILDREN all died young
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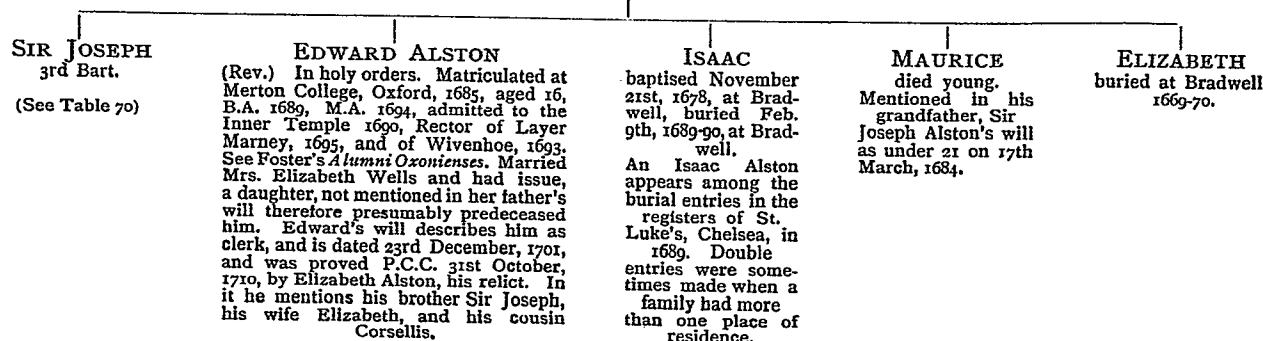
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TABLE 69.

SIR JOSEPH ALSTON,

Second Baronet, of Chelsea, succeeded to the title on the death of his father the first Baronet in 1688. Resided at Alston House, Chelsea, and Bradwell Abbey, Bucks. High Sheriff of Bucks, 1670. Married Elizabeth, daughter of Maurice Thompson, and sister of John, first Baron Haversham (see Burke's *Extinct Peerage*). He died, however, shortly after his father, 14th March, 1689-90, at the age of 49, and was buried in the Chancel of Bradwell Church, March 21st, where his memorial slab still exists. He had issue as below. His widow is said in a family pedigree to have married secondly, Cornelius Alston, of Camberwell.

Sir Joseph's will dated 19th February, 1688, was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 19th June, 1689. He describes himself as of Bradwell Abbey, and desires to be buried in the Parish Church there. To his wife Dame Elizabeth he leaves certain property at Bradwell, a moiety of the household goods, and the coach and chariot with four coach-horses or mares. To his son Joseph he leaves his great silver basin and spirit pot, two great silver flagons, a pair of silver candlesticks, chafing dishes, silver tankard, and other silver plate and the best velvet bed-mantle. To his son Edward the plate with the pot and cover that his uncle, Sir Edward Alston, gave him, a pair of silver candlesticks, two silver wrought salvers, wrought cup with the cover and the pink coloured satin lace mantle. To Isaac, his son, three silver salvers, a silver teapot, six silver cups, six silver gilt spoons, a little pair of silver candlesticks, a tankard, two silver plates, two silvers porringers, any other silver plate there may be, and the laced mantle of cloth of silver. Dame Elizabeth to divide the linen that is in a trunk lined with "skye coloured sarsnett" as she shall think fit amongst the three sons. Mr. Mathew Disney to preach his funeral sermon and to receive five guineas for it.



From TABLE 69.

TABLE 70.

SIR JOSEPH ALSTON

Succeeded as third Baronet, of Chelsea, and Bradwell Abbey, Bucks., High Sheriff of Bucks., 1702. Married (1) 23rd January, 1690, Penelope, daughter and co-heir of Sir Edward Evelyn, Baronet, of Long Ditton, Surrey, a kinsman of John Evelyn, the Diarist and author of "Sylva." Died at Bath, buried 29th January, 1715-16, at Long Ditton. Admin. P.C.C., 6th June, 1716. Lady Penelope died 22nd June, aged 42; and was buried 28th June, in Long Ditton Church, where there is said to have been a memorial tablet with a long inscription to her memory. See *Wotton and Collin's Baronetages, Evelyn, of Long Ditton*. The following inscription has been taken from Aubrey, Vol. 1, p. 244, the original not now being in evidence.—"Here lyes the Body of Dame Penelope Alston wife of Sir Joseph Alston Bart. Daughter and Heire of Sir Edward Evelyn Bart. who had for her portion these two mannors of Long Ditton and had seaventeen children, ten of which she buried and seaven survived her, viz., Joseph, Evelyn, Cornelius, Sons, and Penelope, Elizabeth, Theodosia and Diepatris Daughters. Obiit 22 Junii 1714 Ætatis suae 42. Likewise Here lyes in the same grave under the same stone the Body of the abovesaid Sir Joseph Alston Bart. Obiit..... ætatis suae....." The inscription is said to have been in an oval. Lady Penelope's mother, the wife of Sir Edward Evelyn, was Mary, daughter and co-heir of Charles Balam, of Sawston, Cambridgeshire, grandson of Charles Balam, and his wife, Mary Peyton, the daughter of Sir Robert Peyton, Knt., of Iselham, by Frances Hasilden, whose descent has been deduced from Edward I, and Eleanor of Castile, by R. E. Chester Waters, Esq., in his account of the extinct family of Chesters, of Chicheley. Hence the descendants of this marriage are of the Blood Royal. A summary of the ancestry of Lady Penelope, which I have been at some pains to elucidate is exhibited elsewhere in a chart-pedigree. It will be seen that besides going back through the Plantagenets to many of the chief sovereigns and founders of dynasties of the middle ages—Norman, Saxon, Scottish, French, Spanish, Italian, German, Danish, Scandinavian, and even to the later Greek and Roman Emperors, the blood of many of feudal barons of England ran in her veins, and that she was a lineal representative of such historic figures as "Strongbow," Earl of Pembroke, the conqueror of Ireland, Llewellyn, Prince of Wales, John Baliol, King of Scotland, and Ranulph de Granville, the famous justiciar and author of "The Antient Laws of the Realme England." A younger sister of Lady Penelope Alston, Sophia, married Sir Stephen Glynnne, Bart., of Hawarden, and became the ancestress of Mrs. Gladstone, wife of the Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone, and of the present Viscounts Cobham, Lady Penrhyn, Sir William Earle Welby Gregory, Bart., Lord Welby, and others.

SIR JOSEPH baptised 15th September, 1691, at Long Ditton, succeeded as 4th Baronet, but died in 1718 leaving no issue. Married 1718, Lucy, only daughter of Richard Thursby, Esq., of Abington and Hanslope, by Lady Elizabeth, his wife, sister of John, second Earl of Halifax. Administration to Sir Joseph's property was first granted in 1718 to the Hon. Edward Montague, curator of Dame Lucy Alston, a minor. On her death in 1728, a regrant was made to John Hoare, husband of Penelope Alston, sister of Sir Evelyn Alston, Bart., and Elizabeth, the wife of Robert Chase, the only surviving next-of-kin.	SIR EDWARD EVELYN Born and baptised at Kingston, 9th March, 1696, buried at Long Ditton, 18th April, same year. (See Table 74)	CORNELIUS baptised 2nd December, 1698, at Long Ditton. Godson to Cornelius Alston, of Camberwell his grandmother Alston's 2nd husband.	WILLIAM buried at Long Ditton 1st January, 1711-12.	PENELOPE baptised 4th April, 1694. Married to Jno. Hoare, Esq. Mentioned in admin. of her brother, Sir Joseph's property. Married before 12th July, 1716; died intestate before 15th July, 1726.	SOPHIA baptised at Long Ditton 10th December, 1699, buried there 18th January, 1711-12.	ELIZABETH baptised 16th March, 1701. Married to Robert Chase, Esq. Mentioned in the Admin. of her brother, Sir Joseph's property.	ANNA baptised at Long Ditton 28th June, 1702, buried there 31st March, 1703.	ELLINOR buried at Long Ditton, 15th July, 1708.	MARY buried at Long Ditton, 18th May, 1714, named after her deceased sister.	THEODOSIA	DIE PATRIS baptised at Bradwell, August 5th, 1705. So-called from being born on her father's birthday.
		EDWARD baptised at Bradwell, (Bucks), September 4th, 1706. Named after his deceased brother.					KATHARINE baptised at Bradwell, January 29th, 1708, buried there 16th January 31st, 1708.	MARY baptised at Bradwell (Bucks), July 1697, buried there October 7th, 1710.			

Sir Joseph married (secondly) Lady Charlotte Mordaunt, sister of Charles, third Earl of Peterborough, the famous Peninsular Commander-in-Chief. In Collins' and other Peerages Lady Charlotte is merely said to have been married to Benjamin Albin, who was her first husband. The union with Sir Joseph must have been a hasty and short one, for Lady Penelope Alston only died June 28th, 1714, and Sir Joseph died January 29th, 1715-16. Lady Charlotte Alston did not long survive her husband, for her will dated 4th February, 1716-17, was proved on the 3rd February, 1719-20, by the Hon. George Mordaunt, executor. In it she refers to a law suit in the High Court of Chancery respecting a considerable sum of money due to her first husband, Benjamin Albyn, mentions her stepchildren Elizabeth, Diepatris, Cornelius, and Theodosia Alston, her niece Margaret—Viscountess Kerrim, and her sister the Hon. Sophia Hamilton.

TABLE 71.

SIR EVELYN ALSTON, BART.,

Second son of Sir Joseph Alston, 3rd Baronet of Chelsea, Bradwell Abbey and Long Ditton. Born November 12th, 1692, at Long Ditton; baptised November 14th at Long Ditton; succeeded as 5th Baronet on the death of his elder brother, Sir Joseph Alston, without issue, in 1718; died at Reigate, co. Surrey where he was buried April 15th, 1750. The maiden surname of his wife is not given in the contemporary (Collin's and Wotton's) *Baronetages*, and has so far defied my research, but from the entries of the baptisms of his children, William and Sarah, in the Registers of Reigate Church, her christian name appears to have been Sarah. In a re-administration, 1737, on the death of Lady Lucy Alston, the widow, Sir Evelyn is mentioned together with Penelope Hoare, wife of John Hoare, and Elizabeth Chase, wife of Robert Chase, as being the only surviving next-of-kin to Sir Joseph Alston, the 4th Baronet, his brother, whom he succeeded in 1718. He is said, in Burke's *Extinct Baronetage*, to have disposed of his estates to Sir Peter King, afterwards Lord King, before 1721. He retired to Reigate where he built himself a residence called "Redstones" as appears from a brief account of him in a M.S. Record of Reigate written by an aged inhabitant named Ridgeway (who was buried in 1818 in the Churchyard there). A copy of this account has been kindly sent to me by the Rev. John Newman Harrison, Vicar of Reigate, from which I extract the following:—"South of Frenches, about a mile or something more, is a house upon a hill called "Redstones," from the colour of the stone and earth near it. Sir Evelyn Alston lived at it. Some say that he built it, others that he altered and repaired it. He came in his coach to it and lived at it some years until he had spent all his fortune; he used frequently to come to the town and get tipsy and have music to play to him all the way home. He had four children, two sons and two daughters; Sir Evelyn the eldest, and William that used to live at Oxted. One of his daughters married a William Attree, the other daughter Penelope died single. The title last was in William Alston of Lingfield, in Surrey." Burke's *Extinct Baronetage* falls into a curious error by marrying him to his son Evelyn's wife in 1766, and making him die without issue in 1783. Reference to Collin's *Baronetage*, a contemporary publication, 1741; or Wotton's *Baronetage*, 1771, would have prevented the error. In the former it says—Vol. 3, pt. 2, Lond. 1741, p. 609—"Sir Joseph the eldest son succeeded his father, and took wife ——— Thursby and died without issue, whereupon the title devolved upon his brother Sir Evelyn Alston the present baronet who married ——— by whom he has two sons Evelyn and William, and one daughter." By his wife Sarah, who appears to have been buried August 17th 1764 at Reigate, he had issue

JOSEPH ALSTON	SIR EVELYN ALSTON	SIR WILLIAM ALSTON	GEORGE ALSTON	PENELOPE ALSTON	SARAH ALSTON
born 19th February buried January 24th, 1722, at Reigate.	born 13th October, 1713, 6th Baronet, appears to have been married twice. An entry at Reigate records the baptism of Mary Ann, daughter of Sir Evelyn and Mary Alston, April 18th, 1751, a year after his father's burial, and he married at Marylebone, Elizabeth May, of that parish, March 13th 1766. A letter of Sir William Alston's, the 8th baronet, dated 26th Feb., 1810, says that Sir Evelyn had a son who predeceased his father, dying at sea about 1770-80. D.s.p. His Will is dated 17th April 1781, and in it he mentions his wife and sisters Penelope Alston, and Sarah, the wife of William Attree, of Redhill. In Wotton's <i>Baronetage of England</i> (Kimber and Johnson), Lond., 1771, p. 465, it says— <i>Sir Evelyn Alston the late baronet who married ——— by whom he had two sons, Evelyn and William, and one daughter. He was succeeded in dignity and estate by his eldest son Sir Evelyn Alston the present baronet, who married in March, 1766, Mrs. May, of Marylebone.</i> Lady Elizabeth Alston's will dated 13th March 1783, was proved P.C.C., 19th September 1783.	born 10th April, 1722, at Reigate, 7th Baronet. (See Table 72)	born 28th Dec., 1730, baptised January 20th, 1730, at Reigate.	baptised 16th June 1718, "being then about three weeks old." Died unmarried. Living when her brother Sir Evelyn made his wife. A letter of Pen- elope's nephew, Sir William gives the date of her birth as 1st June, 1718.	born 20th January, 1727, baptised February 14th, 1728, at Reigate. Married to William At- tree, of Redhill. Mentioned in her brother's Will, 1783.

The birth entries of Sir Evelyn the elder's children, all appear in his own handwriting on the fly-leaf of a copy of Chamberlayne's *Magnae Britanniae Notitia*, presented to the Editor by Miss S. Alston Cutler.

From TABLE 71.

TABLE 72.

SIR WILLIAM ALSTON, BART.,

Born 10th April, at Reigate, and baptised there April 14th, 1722. Succeeded as 7th Baronet on the death of Sir Evelyn, his brother, in 1783. Died at Oxted, 1802, as appears from an entry in a Family Bible belonging to a great great grandson, Mr. William-Alston Head, of East Grinstead. He eloped with and married at the Fleet, September 10th, 1745, Elizabeth Weare or Weaire, of Oxted, in Surrey. Mr. W. A. Head has supplied me with a certificated copy of the entry of the marriage. Of the lives of this Sir William and his wife nothing has come down to or been ascertained by the compiler except a vague tradition that owing to the extravagance of his father he and his brothers were in their early life forced into uncongenial occupations to make ends meet, and that in later life he obtained some some reputation as a breeder of horses. He was over sixty years of age when his brother, the previous baronet died. Sir William apparently died intestate. He had issue

SIR WILLIAM ALSTON, BART.	EVELYN ALSTON	SARAH ALSTON	GEORGE ALSTON
(See Table 73.)	Born October 3rd, baptised October 13th 1747, at Oxted, Surrey; died April 7th 1799, buried at Bletchingley, Surrey. Married Mary ——— and left an only daughter.	Born September 12th 1749, baptised September 25th at Oxted; died unmarried 7th November 1770.	Born January 19th 1754, baptised February 10th at Oxted; died s.p. March 13th 1806, at Oxted buried March 17th.
	SARAH ALSTON Baptised November 12th, 1770, at Bletchingley, Surrey. (See Table 88)		

From TABLE 72.

TABLE 73.

SIR WILLIAM ALSTON BART.,

Succeeded as 8th Baronet on the death of his father in 1802. Born November 15th, 1745. Married December 18th, 1770, at Lingfield Church, Surrey, (1) Mary Rose, by whom he had issue one son and two daughters. In the possession of Mr. William Alston Head, of East Grinstead, are several pedigrees and letters in the handwriting of Sir William recording the dates of birth of himself, brothers, and sisters, and their deaths. The death of his only son, the last male heir of his race, is said to have been the cause of deep grief and suffering to him, and rendered him indifferent to the assumption of the hereditary honours to which he succeeded a few months after that sad event, although at one time, I have been told, he desired his widowed daughter-in-law to apply for a patent of precedence, the original patent of the baronetcy entitling the eldest son of the owner to knighthood on the attainment of his majority. Later (presumably after his second marriage and failure of the birth of an heir) he went so far as to lay aside his title altogether, and in his Will simply describes himself as William Alston, of Lingfield. In all respects he appears to have afforded a remarkable contrast to his grandfather, Sir Evelyn, being economical and wise, where the latter was improvident and reckless. In the attempt to recoup the fortunes of the family, a hard task, when an estate has taken many generations and marriages with many heiresses in the making, he embarked what came to him of the wreck of the family's fortune in the timber trade, at that time a lucrative one in the southern counties from the demand for timber for the "wooden walls" of England, and himself devoted many of his years to the fostering of his interests. He is also said to have been successful in some lottery speculation. He acquired considerable landed property in and around Lingfield, which he divided between his granddaughters, the three daughters and co-heiresses of his only son, and his two daughters. His second wife, Ann, by whom he had no issue, died, and was buried August 4th, 1820, in the vault he built in Lingfield Churchyard. He himself died March 6th, 1819, and was buried March 21st. Mr. W. A. H. has a memorial ring with the particulars engraved thereon. The old baronet is said to have been careful and precise in his costume, favouring the mode of his younger days—knee breeches, silk stockings, and shoes with silver buckles. He was exceedingly fond of his rubber of whist, to the mysteries and rigour of which he early introduced his orphan granddaughters. His second marriage is said not to have been felicitous.

WILLIAM ALSTON
(See Table 74)

SARAH ALSTON
(See Table 82)

ELIZABETH ALSTON
(See Table 87)

From TABLE 73.

TABLE 74.

WILLIAM ALSTON,

Of Lingfield, only son of Sir William Alston, 8th and last Chelsea Baronet, predeceased his father in 1802. Up to the time of printing these tables I have been unable to find any entries of the baptisms of William and his two sisters. They are all however mentioned in letters and pedigrees of their father's in Mr. W. A. Head's possession. Probably the early married life of Sir William and his wife was not spent at Lingfield. He was buried May 25th, in the family vault at Lingfield. He married September 10th, 1793, at Lingfield, Elizabeth, only daughter and heiress of John Brister, of Crowhurst, by Susannah his wife. She was baptised January 6th, 1773, at Crowhurst by the Rev. William Dodd, at that time the Curate. She was a familiar figure in the early life of the compiler's mother and uncles and aunts. A visit to the old lady in the summer when the cherries and strawberries were on, and in the autumn when the orchards were full, was the height of promise and enjoyment. She survived her husband many years, dying at her residence at Dorman's Land, aged 82. Her daughters were

SUSANNAH ALSTON
(See Table 75.)

MARY ALSTON
Baptised December 12th,
1796, at Lingfield. Died un-
married, 1874, at Dorman's
Land. She bequeathed her
property to her nephews and
nieces.

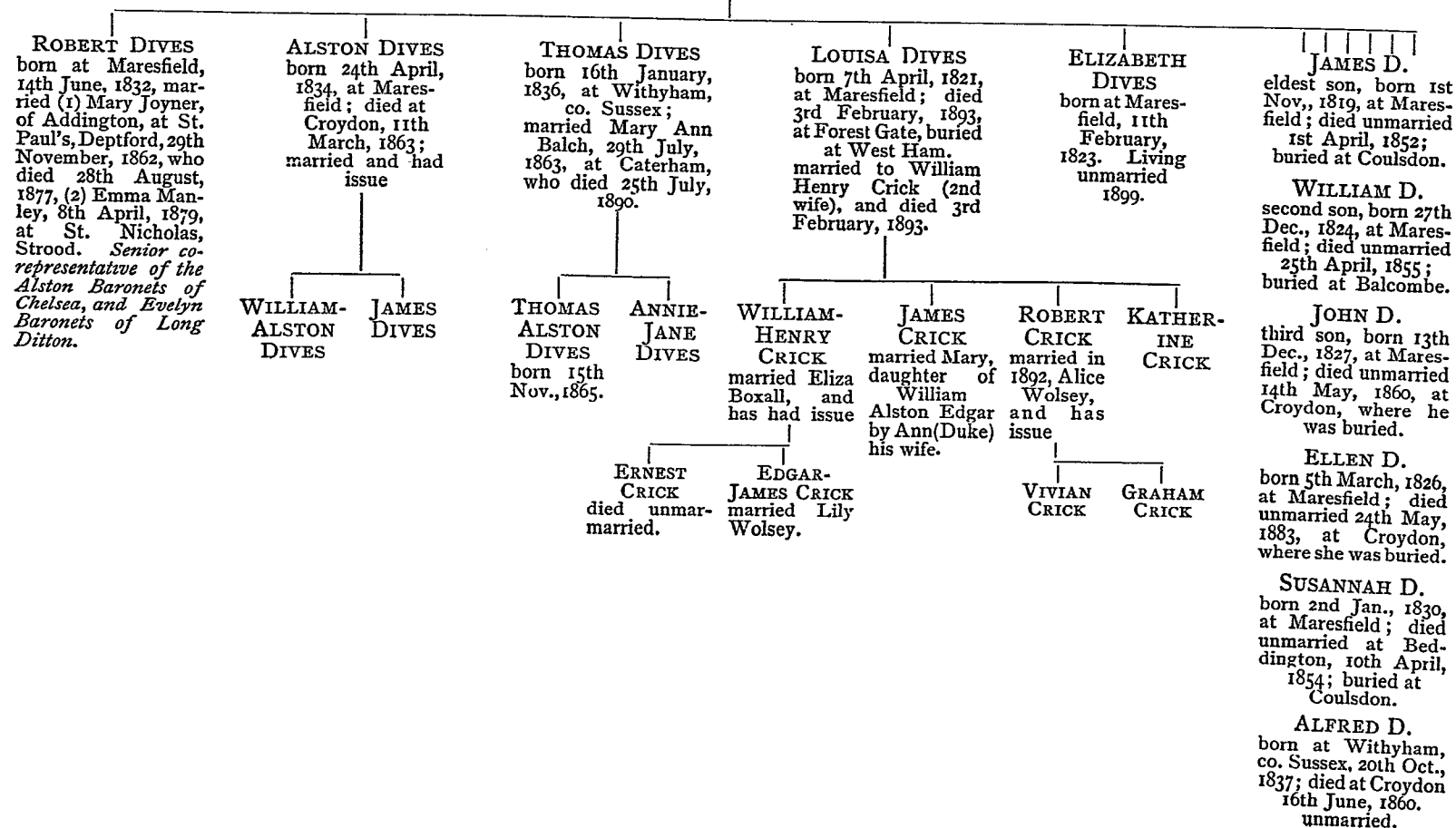
ELIZABETH ALSTON
Born December 1st,
baptised Dec. 27th, 1799, at
Lingfield.

(See Table 76.)

TABLE 75.

SUSANNAH ALSTON,

Eldest daughter and co-heiress of William Alston, and grand-daughter of Sir William Alston, 8th Baronet, of Chelsea, baptised December 13th, 1793, at Lingfield; married January, 1819, to James Dives, of Blackham Court, Sussex, a cousin of her sister Elizabeth's husband. Mary Alston and Mary Dives signed the register. James Dives was born at Waspborn Chailey 3rd May, 1792; died at Beddington 10th October, 1853, and was buried at Coulsdon. The family of Dives is of old standing in the Southern Counties. Sir Lewis Dyves will be remembered as the bold and gallant Cavalier whose repeated escapes from the Tower, when imprisoned there by the Parliamentarians, are recounted by John Evelyn in his Diary. Through her ancestress Lady Edward Evelyn, Susannah Alston was 20th in descent from Edward I and Eleanor of Castile, and also from John Baliol, King of Scotland, 26th in descent from William the Conqueror and Matilda of Flanders, 27th in descent from Malcolm, King of Scotland, 34th in descent from Alfred the Great, 36th in descent from Egbert, first King of England, and 36th in descent from Charlemagne, Emperor of the West. See *Chart Pedigrees* for detailed descent from the Blood Royal. Mrs. Susannah Dives died at Beddington 9th February, 1853, and was buried at Coulsdon.



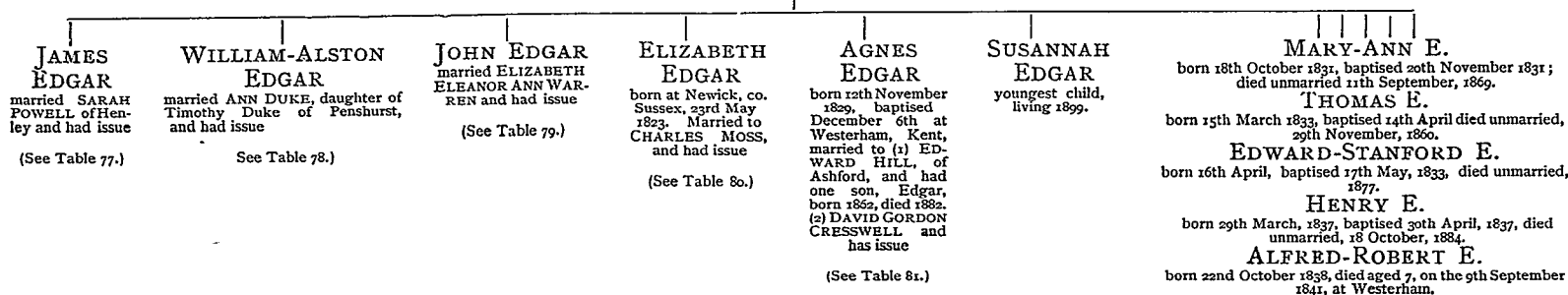
Communicated and revised by Robert Dives and others.

From TABLE 74.

TABLE 76.

ELIZABETH ALSTON,

Third and youngest daughter and co-heir of William Alston, and granddaughter of Sir William Alston, 8th Baronet of Chelsea, baptised 27th December, 1799, at Linfield; married to James Edgar, of Lingfield, June 11th, 1822; Mary Alston and George Chapman signed the register. James Edgar who was born at Lingfield, 28th June, 1800, was the eldest son of James Edgar of Lingfield by his wife Susannah daughter of John and Susannah Stanford and grandson of James Edgar also of Lingfield and his wife Susannah Potter. This last named James was a Scotsman and like many "brither Scots" before and since, sought that bourne—England—from which, it is said, none ever returned to his native land. He came from Dumfries about the year 1757, and settled at Lingfield, where he practised medicine. He was a scion of the very ancient Scottish border family of Edgar, the history of which in its various branches was industriously compiled by Captain J. H. Lawrence-Archer, about twenty-five years ago. The fortunes of the Wedderly branch of the Edgars are said to have supplied Sir Walter Scott with the material for the "Bride of Lammermoor." There are certainly many marked and curious coincidences between the Edgars and Ravenwoods. The Master of Ravenswood is named Edgar; both families were connected with the Humes, Douglasses, and Chieslys, and had law-suits with the last, and both were turbulent and impoverished by espousing and adhering to the losing cause. There were other minor coincidences of names and dates. John Edgar of the Keithock family, died a prisoner in Stirling Castle, for his share in the rebellion of 1715. James, his brother, fled to Italy and became the confidential secretary and companion of the Chevalier St. George. The Edgars were also among the few families who disobeyed the Act of James VI, c. 21, in not having their arms matriculated at the Lyon Register then established. Elizabeth Edgar died 28th October, 1864, and was buried at Dartford, Kent, through the Evelyns Balams, Peytons Stapyltons de la Poles and de Clares, Elizabeth Alston was 20th indescend from Edward I and Eleanor of Castile, also from John Baliol, King of Scotland, 26th in descent from William the Conqueror and Matilda of Flanders, 34th in descent from Alfred the Great, 36th in descent from Egbert, first King of England, and 36th in descent from Charlemagne, Emperor of the West. She was about five feet eight inches in height, good looking, upright in carriage, and of a fine presence. A faded photograph now in the possession of the editor is the only portrait of her there is. See CHART PEDIGREES for detailed descent from the Blood Royal. James Edgar predeceased his wife he having died in 1861, buried 21st February.

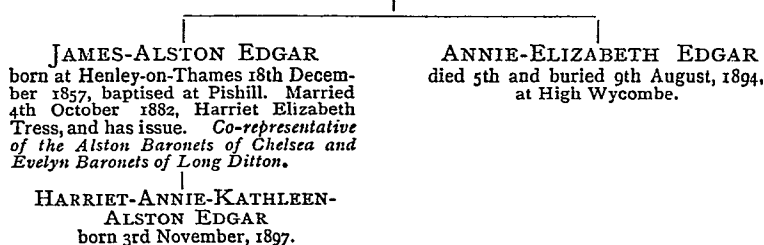


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TABLE 77.

JAMES EDGAR,

Eldest son of James Edgar, of Lingfield, and Elizabeth Alston. Born at Westerham, Kent, 4th April, 1825; baptised there 8th May; died 13th March, 1867, at Henley-on-Thames. Married 1st February, 1857, Sarah Powell, of Upper Assenden, Henley-on-Thames.



Communicated and revised by James-Alston Edgar.

From TABLE 76.

TABLE 78.

WILLIAM-ALSTON EDGAR,

Second son. Born at Westerham 15th September, 1826; baptised 22nd October, 1826; died at Betteshanger, 8th March, 1868, where he was buried. Married at St. Saviour's Church, Southwark, 30th October, 1849, Ann, daughter of Timothy, Duke of Penshurst.

WILLIAM-ALSTON EDGAR
born at Betteshanger 27th September,
1853. Married 11th September, 1879,
Isabella, only daughter of A. A. Grace-
wood, of Bexley Heath, and has issue.

ALSTON EDGAR
born 28th July, 1880.

KEITH EDGAR
born 21st May, 1882.

NIEL EDGAR
born 15th May, 1884.

CATHLEEN EDGAR
born 16th Jan., 1887.

BASIL EDGAR
born 17th Feb., 1894.

HENRY EDGAR
born at Betteshanger 4th Aug.,
1855. Married his cousin
Catharine-Mary Duke
on the 7th May, 1881, at
St. Michael's, Lower Sydenham,
and has issue, a daughter

EVELYN EDGAR
born 3rd November, 1891.

ALFRED-THOMAS
EDGAR
born 26th February, 1865,
died 14th November, 1870.
Buried at Brockley.

ELIZABETH-ANN
EDGAR
born at Betteshanger.
Married 30th Sept., 1883,
to her cousin Arthur Duke.

MARY EDGAR
born at Betteshanger.
Married 8th January,
1890, to her cousin James Dives
Crick, grandson of Susannah
Alston.

From TABLE 79.

TABLE 79.

JOHN EDGAR,

Third son of James Edgar, of Lingfield, and Elizabeth Alston. Born at Westerham, 21st February, 1828; baptised March, 1828; died 23rd June, 1868; married Elizabeth Eleanor Ann Warren, in 1849.

JOHN ALSTON EDGAR

ALFRED EDGAR

ELLEN EDGAR

From TABLE 76.

TABLE 80.

ELIZABETH EDGAR,

Eldest daughter of James Edgar of Lingfield, and Elizabeth Alston. Born at Newick, co. Sussex, 23rd May, 1823; baptised 21st June; died 22nd November, 1892; buried at Nunhead Cemetery. Married in 1860, to Charles Moss who predeceased her, and had issue an only daughter

AGNES MOSS
Married to James-F. Pullin, grandson of
James Pullin, of Uplingham Court, near
Cullompton, and has issue

WINIFRED-AGNES PULLIN
born 9th January, 1888.

DOROTHY-DAPHNE PULLIN
born 20th January, 1890.

LESLIE-MARJORIE PULLIN
born 18th September, 1891.

Communicated and revised by Mrs. Agnes Pullin.

From TABLE 76.

TABLE 81.

AGNES EDGAR,

Second daughter of James Edgar and Elizabeth Alston. Born 12th November, baptised 6th December, 1829, at Westerham. Married (1) to Edward Hill, of Ashford, who died 11th March, 1864, and had issue one son Edgar, born at Ashford, 15th November, 1862, died unmarried 21st March, 1882, and (2) on the 3rd May, 1865, at All Saints, Poplar, to David Gordon, son of James Cresswell, by Sarah his wife, daughter of Robert McConnell, of Rathmelton, co. Donegal, who died 19th October, 1887. The Ulster branch of the Cresswell family was founded by Captain Robert Cresswell, one of the "49 Officers." He was a scion of the family of Cresswell, of Cresswell, co. Northumberland. Like many others from Northumberland and the Scottish border, he was a soldier of fortune and adventurer in Ireland, where he died in 1652. In 1666 a grant of lands in various parts of Ireland, amounting to upwards of 5,000 acres was made to Ulick, Marquis of Clanricarde, and the representatives of Captains Robert Gore and Robert Cresswell and another officer John Hughes, in lieu of arrears of pay.

EDGAR HILL
born at Ashford, 15th November, 1862,
died 21st March, 1882.

LIONEL CRESSWELL
born 19th January, 1866, at New-
town Ards, co. Down. Matricu-
lated 1886, at the University of
London. Called to the bar at the
Middle Temple in Easter Term, 1888
Married Margaret-Anne daughter
of Charles Woodcock, by his wife
Marianne Corker, and has issue.

LILY ALSTON CRESSWELL
born 9th December, 1868, died 18th
July, 1874.

NOEL-ALSTON
CRESSWELL
born at Fagley, co. Yorks., 9th
May, 1888, died 1st October, 1888.

MARGARET-IANTHE-ALSTON
CRESSWELL
born 3rd August, 1889, at Fagley,
co. Yorks., baptised privately by
the Vicar of the Parish Church,
Eccleshill.

RUTH-INEZ-ARNOLD-ALSTON
CRESSWELL
born 28th April, 1892, at Fagley,
co. Yorks., baptised privately by
the Vicar of Eccleshill.

HELEN-ROSALIND-ALSTON
CRESSWELL
born 1st July, 1893, at Fagley,
co. Yorks., baptised privately by
the Vicar of the Parish Church,
Eccleshill.

JOAN-
DE-CLARE
-ELEANOR
-EVELYN-
ALSTON
CRESSWELL
born at
Calverley,
Sunday, 29th
Jan., 1899.

Arms of Cresswell—Gu. three plates each charged with a squirrel sejant of the field.
Crest—A squirrel sejant cracking a nut or.

From TABLE 73.

TABLE 82.

SARAH ALSTON,

eldest daughter of Sir William Alston, 8th Baronet, married to John Head, of Lingfield; she was buried April 23rd, 1858, in the family vault, at Lingfield. Her husband predeceased her in 1831. Sarah Alston was 19th in descent from Edward I, and his Queen, Eleanor of Castile, and also from John Baliol, King of Scotland, 25th in descent from William the Conqueror and his Queen, Matilda of Flanders, 26th in descent from Malcolm, King of Scotland, 33rd in descent from Alfred the Great, 35th in descent from Egbert, first King of England, and 35th in descent from Charlemagne, Emperor of the West. See *Chart Pedigree* for her detailed descent from the Blood Royal.

WILLIAM-ALSTON HEAD
married Ellen Ticehurst, of
Battle. Died 4th April, 1879.

(See Table 83)

JOHN HEAD
married Anne Cave,
of Fletching.
Died 1890.

(See Table 84)

GEORGE HEAD
married Sarah Searle,
of Edenbridge.

(See Table 85)

SARAH HEAD.
married to Henry Cutler, formerly
of Ifield, Sussex, deceased.

(See Table 86)

From TABLE 82.

TABLE 83.

WILLIAM ALSTON HEAD,

Eldest son of John Head, of Lingfield, by Sarah his wife, eldest daughter of Sir William Alston, 8th Bart. Born 1808, baptised at East Grinstead. Married Ellen Ticehurst, of Battle, and died in 1879, having had issue

WILLIAM -ALSTON HEAD born 24th Sept., 1832, at East Grin- stead, a Solicitor, 1859 Unmarried 1899	JOHN TUR- NER HEAD born Feb., 1834, at East Grin- stead, died in infancy.	ROBERT- TURNER HEAD born 1st May, 1835, at East Grin- stead, L.R.C.P., Medical Officer, Bal- sham, Cambs(1898) married Isabella Morrison 10 CHILDREN	GEORGE HEAD born 31st March, 1837, at East Grinstead, married 1 CHILD in America	THOMAS- ALSTON HEAD born 1st Feb., 1840. Died in infancy, buried at Lingfield	CHARLES -JOHN HEAD born 6th Jan- uary, 1842, at Battle. Sus- sex. Unmarried 1899.	FRED- ERICK HEAD born 28th Nov., 1843, at East Grinstead. Died a minor; buried at Highgate Cemetery.	ARTHUR HEAD born 12th March, 1845, at East Grinstead. Married Frances Ticehurst. 2 CHILDREN	EVELYN- ALSTON HEAD Solicitor, born 9th July, 1849, at East Grin- stead, mar- ried Edith Catherine Pearless, 1883 WINIFRED -MARY- ALSTON HEAD GWENDO- LINK- NORA- ALSTON HEAD Communi- cated by Evelyn Alston Head	PERCY- TURNER -JONES HEAD born 9th Sept., 1850, at East Grinstead. Married Louisa Wraith. 2 CHILDREN	ROW- LAND TICE- HEAD born 7th Dec., 1852, at East Grinstead, died there 13th May, 1878,	ELLEN HEAD born 1st Oct., 1838, at East Grin- stead. Unmarried 1899.	KATH- ERINE- SARAH HEAD born 14th Oct., 1847, at East Grin- stead. Unmarried 1899
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Communicated and revised by W. Alston Head

From TABLE 82.

TABLE 84.

JOHN HEAD,

Second son of John Head and Sarah Alston. Born 28th July, 1810; baptised at East Grinstead; married at Fletching, in Sussex, Ann Cave, and died in 1890, being buried with his wife at Fletching.

JOHN- TURNER HEAD	WILLIAM- CAVE HEAD died unmarried, 1873.	FREDERICK -HERBERT HEAD married Lucretia Chapple.	GEORGE- GABBATAS HEAD	FRANCES- ANN HEAD married to Surgeon Major Ticehurst, of Bombay (deceased). Died in India.	SARAH- ELLEN HEAD now resident at Lewes, Sussex.	EMILY- MARY HEAD married to C. Hodgkinson.	MATILDA- ALICIA HEAD married to G. H. Taylor.
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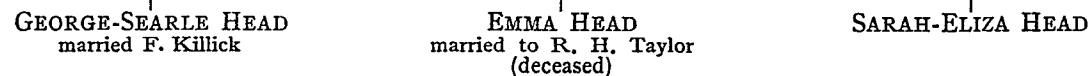
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From TABLE 82.

TABLE 85.

GEORGE HEAD,

Third son of John Head of Lingfield, and Sarah Alston his wife. Born 22nd November, 1812; baptised at East Grinstead; married Sarah Searle of Edenbridge, who was born 18th December, 1814. Both buried at East Grinstead.



Communicated and revised by Miss Sarah Ellen Head.

From TABLE 82.

TABLE 86.

SARAH HEAD,

Only daughter of John Head and Susannah Alston. Married to Henry Cutler, formerly of Ifield, Sussex, deceased.



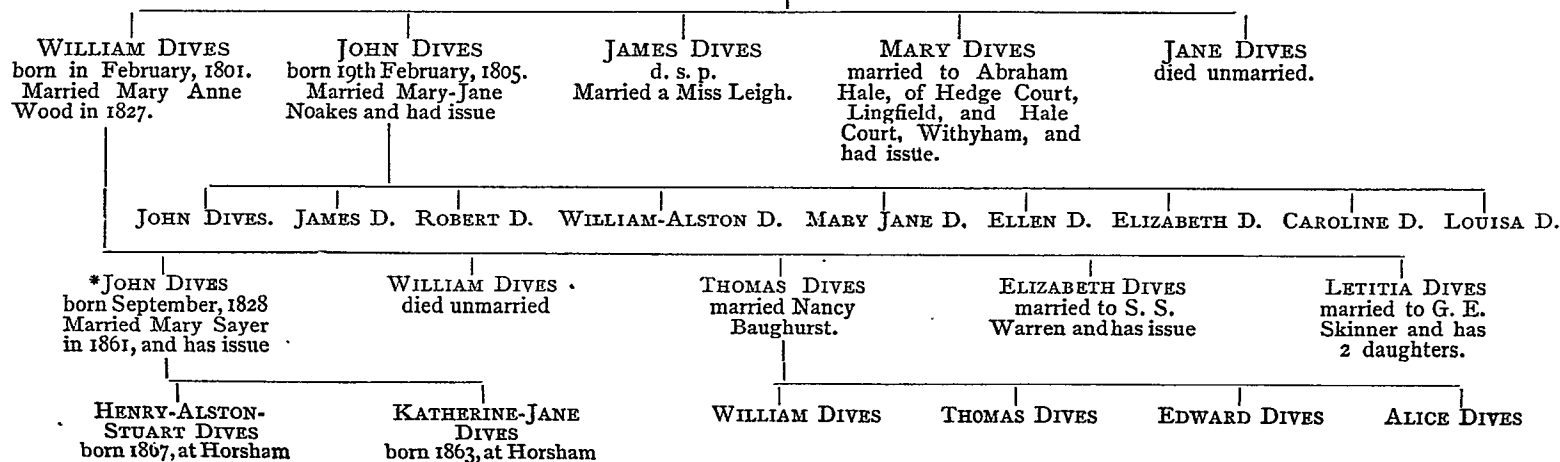
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From TABLE 73.

TABLE 87.

ELIZABETH ALSTON,

youngest daughter of Sir William Alston, 8th Baronet of Chelsea, married to John Dives, of Lingfield, Vexour and Lamberhurst, who was born in April, 1769, and had issue. Elizabeth Alston was 19th in descent from Edward I and his Queen, Eleanor, of Castile, 25th in descent from William the Conqueror and his Queen, Matilda of Flanders, 33rd in descent from Alfred the Great, 35th in descent from Egbert, first King of England, and 35th in descent from Charlemagne, Emperor of the West. A letter of her father's, dated 26th February, 1810, mentions her marriage and her family of three sons and two daughters.



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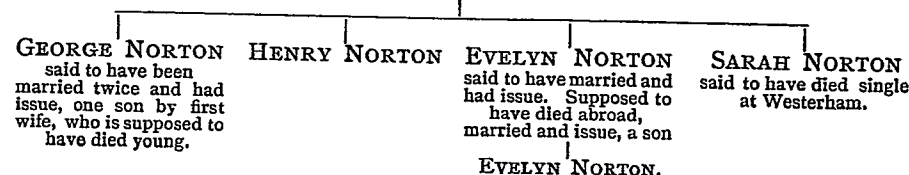
TABLE 88.

EVELYN ALSTON,

Second son of Sir William Alston, 7th Bart. Born 3rd, and baptised 13th October, 1747, at Oxtead, Surrey. Died 7th April, 1799, and buried at Blechingley, Surrey. By his wife, Mary, he left an only daughter. Evelyn died intestate, administration being granted P.C.C. in 1799, to Mary, his relict.

SARAH ALSTON,

Who was baptised 12th November, 1770, at Blechingley, and became the wife of George Norton, of Westerham, and left issue. On the 23rd January, 1826, limited administration, *de bonis non*, of her father's estate was granted to her

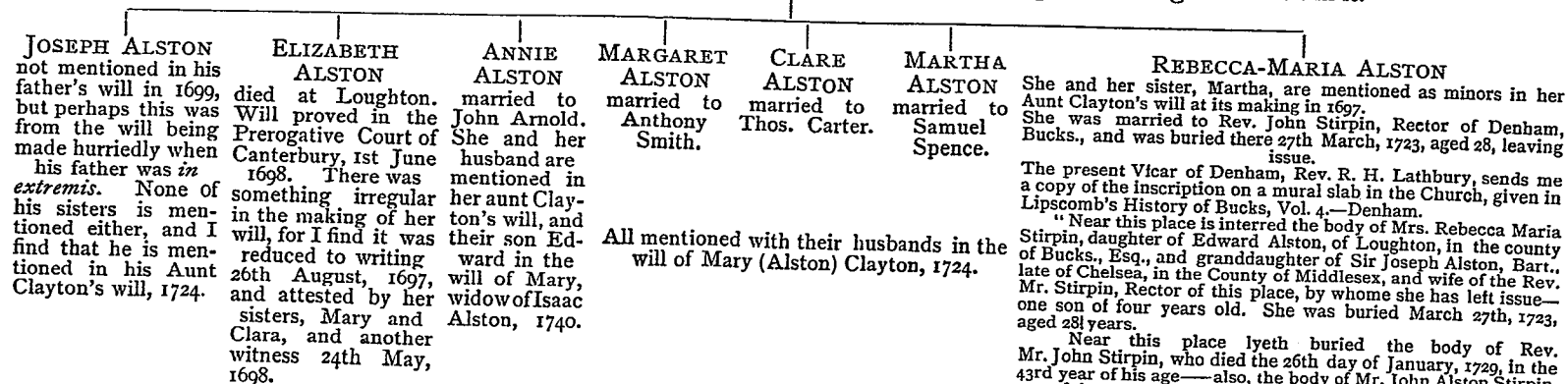


From TABLE 68.

TABLE 89.

EDWARD ALSTON,

Second son of Sir Joseph Alston, 1st Baronet of Chelsea. Born 6th May, 1650, in the parish of S. Edmund, the King Lombard Street. Matriculated at Magdalen Hall, Oxford, 1670, aged 19 (Foster's *Alumni Oxonienses*). Married Mary, daughter of Captain Thompson, and had issue as below. Died 1699. His Will describes him as of Loughton, co. Bucks., Esq. It is dated 20th April, 1699, and was proved P.C.C. 9th May, 1699, by Mary, his relict. The Will is very short, no other persons being mentioned in it.



Gu. on a bend three..... S. impaling Az. ten Mulletts*
or, 4, 3, 2, 1.
*Heraldic error for étoiles.

From TABLE 68.

TABLE 90.

ISAAC ALSTON,

Third son of Sir Joseph Alston, 1st Bart. Born at Edwardston. Said to have begun the New House there but did not live to complete it. Died intestate, administration granted P.C.C. 11th February, 1688-9. He married Mary, daughter and co-heir of Henry Seile, of London, she died 17th December, 1740, aged 92, and was buried at Edwardston. Had issue

JOSEPH ALSTON
baptised at S. Luke's, Chelsea,
31st May, 1675, buried there 22nd
October, 1675.

ANN ALSTON
baptised at S. Luke's, Chelsea,
10th January, 1663.

MARY ALSTON
buried 27th July, 1679, at S.
Luke's, Chelsea.

JOSEPH ALSTON,

Of New House, who wedded Laurentia, only daughter and heir of the Rev. Charles Trumbull, L.L.D., Rector of Hadleigh, and of Stisted, Essex, who was ejected from his living for refusing to swear allegiance to the Prince of Orange when he became William III. (See Shaw's *Survey of London*). Was Chaplain to Archbishop Sancroft. The uncle of Mrs. Laurentia Alston, Sir William Trumbull, Knt., was Secretary of State to King William III. Portraits of the Rev. C. Trumbull, Mrs. Laurentia Trumbull, and Sir Wm. Trumbull, when young, are in the possession of Mr. Theodore Hare. At East-Hampstead (Marquess of Downshire's), are portraits of Sir W. Trumbull and all his wives, also of the Rev. C. Trumbull and his wife. Trumbull tombs exist in East-Hampstead Church. Joseph Alston died of gout, 11th October, 1736, aged 60, and was buried at Edwardston. His will dated 5th June, 1734, was proved P.C.C. 22nd October, 1736, by his daughter, Margaret Hare, executrix. He mentions his mother as living, and desired to be buried in the chancel at Edwardston, between his late wife and daughter, Mary. Mrs. Alston died 28th February, 1717, aged 37, and was buried at Edwardston.

JOSEPH
ALSTON
baptised 6th
March, 1706, at
Hadleigh, only
son; died
unmarried 9th
December, 1733,
aged 27; buried
at Edwardston,
20th December,
1733.

ELIZABETH
Baptised 1st May,
1700, at Hadleigh;
buried there 21st
October, 1701.

MARGARET
ALSTON
Baptised 1st July,
1701, at Hadleigh.
Married to the Right
Reverend Doctor
Francis Hare,
Bishop of
Chichester.
Devisee of her
father's property for
life. Her son
Robert Hare was
reversioner to his
mother under his
grandfather Alston's
will.
(See Table 91.)

LAURENTIA
Baptised 14th Aug.,
1702, and buried
16th August, 1702,
at Hadleigh.

LAURENTIA
Baptised 24th Aug.,
1703, at Hadleigh.
Died unmarried,
1717, aged 15; buried
at Edwardston;
second daughter.

MARIA
Baptised 24th
February, 1705,
at Hadleigh.
Died unmarried,
31st Aug., 1726,
aged 22; buried
at Edwardston,
in the Chancel.

ANNE
ALSTON
Baptised 24th
August, 1708, at
Hadleigh.
Married to
Stephen Soame,
Esq., of Little
Thurlow,
Suffolk. Eldest
son of Sir
William Soame,
Kt., of Thurlow.
Mentioned as
living in her
father's will
in 1730.

ELIZABETH
Died Aug. 5th, 1724,
aged 15, buried at
Edwardston.

CHARLOTTE
ALSTON
Baptised 2nd Feb.,
1710-1, at Edward-
ston. Married to
Francis (Hare)
Naylor, Esq., of
Hurstmonceaux
Park, Sussex, son of
the Bishop of
Chichester. Francis
assumed the name
and arms of Naylor.
See Lond. Mag., June,
1743, p. 311.
Charlotte is
mentioned as living
in her father's will.
Francis Naylor d.s.p.
in 1775. He was a
member of the
notorious "Hell-
Fire" club which
held its orgies in the
ruined abbey at
Medmenham, on the
Thames. See
"Memorials of a
Quiet Life." Char-
lotte and her
husband are buried
at Little Thurlow.

From TABLE 90.

TABLE 91.

(MARY) MARGARET ALSTON,

Daughter and coheir of Joseph Alston, of New House, Edwardston, and of Easthamstead, co. Berks. Married to Francis Hare, D.D., Bishop of Chichester, as his second wife. The Bishop was born 1st November, 1671, and died 26th April, 1740. Mrs. Margaret Hare, who seems to have adopted and used the name of Mary (her letters being signed Mary) probably after the death of her great aunt Clayton, whose estate of La Vache she inherited, died in December, 1784, and was buried at Chalfont St. Giles. Mr. Augustus C. J. Hare tells me he has a very pretty portrait of his ancestress, Margaret Alston, taken at the time of her marriage to Bishop Hare. The eldest son of this marriage was

(REV.) ROBERT HARE
of Hurstmonceaux Castle and the Vache, godson and protégé of Sir Robert Walpole assumed the surname of Naylor, born 17th March, 1730, died 1797, married (1) 1752, Sarah, daughter and coheir (with her sister Helena, wife of John Lefevre, of Heckfield) of Lister Selman, Esq., of Chalfont St. Peters, Co. Bucks, and had issue as below. He married (2) Miss Henrietta Henckell, and had several children who all died young or unmarried. The Rev. Robert Hare was a Canon of Winchester.

FRANCIS-HARE
NAYLOR
Born 1753, died 16th April, 1815.
(See Table 92.)

(REV.) ROBERT-HARE
NAYLOR
of Hurstmonceaux, Sussex.
Born 1756, died 24th Feb.,
1832.
(See Table 96.)

ANNA-MARIA
married to Colonel Bulkeley.
She died in November 1810, and
was buried at Chalfont St. Giles.
Their only child, Anna Maria,
died unmarried in 1822, and was
also buried at Chalfont St. Giles.

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From TABLE 91.

TABLE 92.

died 6-4-1806
Memorial in Twyford Church
W. Winchester.
GEORGINA SHIPLEY
4th daughter of Jonathan Shipley,
Bishop of St. Asaph by Anne
Maria his wife, daughter of Hon.
George Mordaunt, and niece of Charles
the famous Earl of Peterborough.

FRANCIS-HARE NAYLOR
Born 1753, died 16th April, 1815.

(2) ANNA MARIA
Widow of Lieut. Col. Ridgway
Mealy.

FRANCIS-
GEORGE HARE
Born 6th Jan., 1786,
died 1842.
(See Table 93.)

(REV.)
AUGUSTUS-
WILLIAM
HARE
Born 17th Nov.,
1792. Rector of
Alton Barnes.
Married 2nd June,
1829, Maria,
daughter of the Rev.
Oswald Leicester of
Stoke, Salop, d.s.p.
1834. His widow
died at Holmhurst,
13th Nov., 1870.

(VEN.) JULIUS-
CHARLES
HARE
Rector of Hurst-
monceaux and
Archdeacon of
Lewes. Born 13th
Sept., 1795; married
Nov. 1844, Jane
Esther, daughter of
Rev. Michael
Maurice, and d.s.p.
23rd Jan., 1855.

MARCUS-
THEODORE
HARE
(See Table 94.)

ANNA-MARIA-
CLEMENTINA
HARE
Died young 24th
March, 1813.

GUSTAVUS-
EDWARD-
COCKBURN
HARE
(See Table 95)

REGINALD-
JOHN HARE
Sub-inspector of
Constabulary in
Australia. Born
29th Dec., 1812.

GEORGINA-
FRANCIS HARE
Married to the
Rev. John Frederick
Denison Maurice.

Arms—Gu. two bars or a chief indented arg.
Crest—A demi lion rampant arg. ducally gorged or.
Motto—Odi profanum.
Seat—Holmhurst, near Hastings.

From TABLE 92.

TABLE 93.

FRANCIS-GEORGE HARE,

Born 6th January, 1786. Died 1842. He married 29th April, 1828, Ann Frances, eldest daughter of Sir John-Dean Paul, Bart., and by her (who died 1863) had issue.

FRANCIS-GEORGE-HARE,
of Gresford, co. Denbigh. An Officer
1st Life Guards. Born 6th July, 1830.
D. s. p. 1868.

WILLIAM-ROBERT
HARE
born 18th October, 1831.
D. s. p. 18th March, 1867.

AUGUSTUS-JOHN-CUTHBERT
HARE

born 13th March, 1834. Author of
"Memorials of a Quiet Life," "Walks
in Rome," "Cities of Northern and
Central Italy," and other very well known
works.

Mr. Hare possesses the "Character Bible" of his
ancestor Sir Joseph Alston, 1st Bart.—a bible written
entirely in shorthand and handsomely bound, with
engraved silver clasps; also a portrait by Cornelius
Jansen, the only one apparently in existence of Sir
Edward Alston, Kt., President of the College of Physicians.
Mr. Hare has kindly looked over the Tables
relating to his family and has also supplied me
with interesting notes about the relics of his Alston
ancestors, in his possession at Holmhurst. The story
of the descendants of Margaret Alston was long ago
given to the world by Mr. Hare in his fascinating
"Memorials of a Quiet Life."

ANN-FRANCES-MARIA-
LOUISA HARE
died unmarried 26th May, 1868.

From TABLE 92.

TABLE 94.

MARCUS-THEODORE HARE,

Of Rockend Torquay, and Court Devon. Lieutenant R. N. Born 9th November, 1796. Married 24th September, 1833, Lucy Anne, 2nd daughter of John Thomas, Lord Stanley of Alderley, and died 30th July, 1845, having had issue.

MARCUS-AUGUSTUS-STANLEY
HARE

of Court Grange, Devon. Captain R. N.
Born 25th June, 1836. J. P. for Devon.
Married 17th June, 1873, Matilda Jane,
2nd daughter of William Tollemache,
Esq., by his wife Lady Anna Maria, 3rd
daughter of Edward Adolphus 11th Duke
of Somerset, and had issue.

ETHEL-LUCY HARE
born 14th May, 1875.

MATILDA-MAUD HARE
born 16th May, 1877.

CAPTAIN M. A. S. HARE was lost in
H.M.S. "Eurydice," 24th March, 1878.

THEODORE-JULIUS HARE
born 12th March, 1839, married 26th
February, 1863, Mary, 2nd daughter of
John Hargreaves of Silwood Park,
co. Berks., and has issue.

MARCUS-LEONARD-THEODORE
HARE
born 1878-

EVELYN-MARIE HARE.

MABEL-AVENA HARE.

LUCY-CAROLINE-ISABELLA
HARE

married (1) 1862, to Charles Harcourt
Chambers, who died in October, 1876,
leaving issue; (2) to Charles Strong.

From TABLE 92.

TABLE 95.

GUSTAVUS-EDWARD-COCKBURN HARE,

Of Kircullen House, co. Galway, for some time in the Prussian Army. Born 15th September, 1811. Married in 1840, Sarah Anne, daughter of Samuel-P. Wright, of Wood Green, Middlesex.

GUSTAVUS-
JULIUS-CHARLES
HARE
born 20th May, 1841.
died 1876.

FRANCIS-
AUGUSTUS HARE
born 18th June, 1845.

FREDERICK-
ARTHUR HARE
born 20th January, 1852.

REGINALD HARE
born 25th December,
1854.

EDWARD-GEORGE
-SYDNEY HARE
born 15th April, 1861.

GEORGIANA-
MARIA HARE
married in 1859, to Fred-
erick Hallowes,
Captain R. N.

From TABLE 91.

TABLE 96.

REV. ROBERT HARE,

Rector of Hurstmonceaux, Sussex. Born 1756. Died 24th February, 1832. He married:

(1.) HARRIET,

eldest daughter of Henry Hume Spence, Esq., of Malling, near Lewes, and had four daughters, of whom two died young, the other two were

JULIA-MARIANNE
HARE,
married in 1810, to Sir
Alexander Taylor, M.D.
of Pau, France.

AMELIA HARE,
married in 1821, Edwin
Sandys, 4th son of Sir
John Dashwood, Bart.,
of West Wycombe,
co. Bucks.; she died
1857, leaving issue.
(See Table 97.)

(2.) ANNE,

daughter of John Alleyne, Esq., of Barbados, and had

ROBERT HARE,
a Major in the Army. Married
in 1828, Charlotte, youngest
daughter of the Rev. Thomas
F. Fuller, of Heathfield,
Sussex, and d. s. p. 1864.

CLARENCE
HARE,
died unmarried
18th October,
1863.

LAURENTIA-
ANNE HARE
born 1802.
died 1803.

LOUISA-
ANNE HARE
&
TERESA-
ANNE HARE
(twin)
born and died
1803.

(3) ANNE
daughter of
Sir Thomas
Frankland,
widow of John
Lewis, of
Hampton
Court, and
mother of Sir
Cornwall
Lewis.

From TABLE 96.

TABLE 97.

AMELIA HARE,

Youngest daughter of Rev. Robert Hare by his first marriage. Married 1821, to Edwin Sandys, 4th son of Sir John Dashwood Bart., of West Wycombe, co. Bucks. She died 1857.

SIR EDWIN-HARE DASHWOOD
Bt., born 7th, September 1825. Served in
10th Regiment. Married 25th October,
1852, Roberta Henrietta, daughter of Sir
Robert Abercromby, 5th Bart., of
Birkenbog.
(See Table 98.)

AMELIA-CAROLINE
DASHWOOD
married to Captain Henry Storey,
late R. N.
AMELIA STOREY
married to Captain Buscarlet.

From TABLE 97.

TABLE 98.

SIR EDWIN-HARE DASHWOOD

Born 7th September, 1825, served in 10th Regiment. Married 25th October, 1852, Roberta Henrietta, daughter of Sir Robert Abercromby, Bart., of Birkenbog. He died 8th May, 1882.

SIR EDWIN-ABERCROMBY
DASHWOOD
born 28th October 1724. Married 24th
August 1889, Florence, only daughter of
Frederick Norton, of Dargaville,
New Zealand, and by her (who married
(2) 2nd June, 1894, William Selby-
Lowndes, eldest son of William
Selby-Lowndes, of Whaddon Hall)
had a daughter. Sir Edwin died 7th
April 1893.

FLORENCE EMILY
born 11th August 1890.

GEORGE-
JULIUS-
HARE
DASHWOOD
born at Nelson,
19th August,
1856. Died un-
married 30th
November,
1878.

SIR ROBERT-JOHN
DASHWOOD, (Bart.)
of West Wycombe, co. Bucks. D. L.
Born at Nelson, New Zealand, 3rd June,
1859. Captain 3rd Oxford Lt. Infantry.
Married 25th July, 1893, Clara Adelaide
Ida Conyers, eldest daughter of Major
William Bayford Lindsay, formerly 14th
Regiment; and has issue.

ROBERT-FRANCIS-LINDSAY D.
born 17th September, 1894;
died 16th March, 1895.

FRANCIS
DASHWOOD
born at Frieberg
in Breisgau,
Germany, 18th
August 1865.

EMILY-
BERTHA
DASHWOOD

MARY-
ELIZABETH-
GORDON
DASHWOOD

JOHN-LINDSAY
D.
born 25th April
1896.

ROBERT-HENRY-
LINDSAY D.
born 27th Nov.,
1897.

Arms of Dashwood.—Arg. on a fesse double cotised gu. three griffins heads erased or.

Crest.—A griffin's head erased per fesse erminois and gu.

Motto.—Pro Magna Charta.

Seat.—West Wycombe Park, Bucks.

Revised by Sir Robert-John Dashwood Bart.

From TABLE 26.

TABLE 99.

PENNING ALSTON,

of Saint Botolphs, without Aldersgate, London. Born at Edwardston, a minor, 21st May, 1625, died 27th April, 1668, buried at Saint Botolphs. Will dated 5th March, 1667, proved P.C.C., 16th May, 1668, by Sir Edward Alston, Knight, Joseph Alston (afterwards the baronet), William Cole and Richard Chandler, executors. The will is long and the property possessed by Penning Alston was large. Among other bequests he gave a piece of plate, "a standing cupp of the price of £30" (still in use), to the Grocers' Company, of which he was a member; also mentions his sister Elizabeth Gilbert and her daughter, his cousin Abraham Alston and other relatives. His wife, JUDITH CHANDLER, whom he married before 3rd February, 1648, was also buried at Saint Botolphs. Her Will dated 18th January, 1677, with a codicil 17th April, was proved P.C.C., 2nd June, 1683, by Edward Atwood, her executor, and by it she benefited the Parish of Edmonton. She desired to be buried with her husband in the chancel of Saint Botolphs. *Merchant Taylor's Company, Charities 1687*; JUDITH ALSTON gave £300 to pay to the rector of St Andrew's, Holborn, and St. Mary's, Whitechapel, £1 a year each for the use of their poor.—Herbert's *History of the London Livery Companies*, Vol. 2, p. 519 Issue, one daughter

SARAH ALSTON,

who was married to one Harrington. She was living in 1683, and is with her husband mentioned in her mother's will. But no children are mentioned.

From TABLE 24.

TABLE 100.

THOMAS ALSTON

Eldest son of Thomas Alston by his second wife Susan (Gosse). Died at Assington, co. Suffolk, intestate, 29th September, 9, Jas. I. Administration granted (Archd. Sudb.) to Elizabeth his widow, 10th October, 1611. Inquisition post mortem 7th November, 9, Jas. I. Married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas West, of London. She was living 7th November, 9, Jas. I. Had issue.

(REV.) THOMAS ALSTON,

M.A., of Assington, co. Suffolk. Aged 2 years, 5 months and 3 weeks, at the death of his father. Educated at Queen's College, Cambridge, where he founded a Scholarship. He desired that this scholarship should be called "Alston's Scholarship," and that scholars of the name of Alston or natives of Suffolk should be preferred to it. Graduated B.A. in 1629. Died s.p. 2nd Dec., 1690. Will dated 1st May, 1690, proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 31st Jan., 1690-91. Bequeathed a charity to the church-attending poor of Assington, that is now administered by the local Council. He also gave to the Vicar of Assington and his successors, hoping which some worthy and charitable persons would make some additions thereto, certain books with his name at the beginning or stamped at both sides T.A. also the shelves in his study and the register of the books bequeathed, to be examined and compared with the books therein deccribed on the vicarage changing hands. The present vicar, the Rev. E. H. C. Stephenson, tells me that these books are still there.

From TABLE 24.

TABLE 101.

WILLIAM ALSTON,

Son of Thomas Alston, of Edwardson, by his second wife Susan (Gosse). The inquisition post mortem taken at Ipswich, 5th October, 18, Jac. I. on the death of his father Thomas recites a feoffment dated 19th January, 4, Jas. I, on the marriage of William with Mary, the daughter of Robert Parke, and that the marriage took place. William is also mentioned in his brother Samuel's will dated 22nd April, 1631. He appears to have had issue as below, they being named in his mother's will 1625, and he described as of Water Belchamp, co. Essex. On the 15th August, 1648, administration to the effects of William Alston, of Water Belchamp, in Essex, was granted to Robert Finch and his wife, Mary, daughter of the said William.

WILLIAM ALSTON mentioned as the eldest son in his uncle Isaac's will. Also mentioned in his grandmother's (Susan Alston) will 1625.

ABRAHAM ALSTON mentioned as under 20 years old in his uncle Abraham's will 1624. Also mentioned in the will of his cousin, Sir Edward Alston, Knight, M.D., President of the College of Physicians, as of Water Belchamp, co. Essex (1668).

ROBERT ALSTON mentioned as under 20 years old in his uncle Abraham's will 1624. He married and had issue.

CORNELIUS ALSTON of Camberwell, died s.p. Will dated 8th February, 1702, proved (P.C.C.) 3rd May, 1703. Desired to be buried at Castle Heddingham, Essex. Married Lady Elizabeth, widow of Sir Joseph Alston, 2nd Baronet of Bradwell.

REBECCA A. married to one Smith, and said to be living in 1690.

FRANCES A. married to one Williamson, and said to be living in 1690.

RACHEL A. married to one Rinch, and said to be living in 1690.

ANNA A. married to one Hurrell, and said to be living in 1690, being then mentioned in the Rev. Thomas Alston's will.

MARY A. married to Robert Finch. She and her husband were executors of her father's will.

TABLE 102.

EDMOND ALSTON,

Son of Thomas Alston by his second wife Susan Gosse. Baptised at Newton 23rd December, 1576. Buried there 24th July, 1640. His widow Rachel, who is mentioned in her brother-in-law, Isaac Alston's will 1625, was buried at Newton, 16th March, 1660; she was the daughter of Richard Skinner, of Braintree. They had issue as below. Edmond Alston's will dated 22nd July, 1640, was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, on the 25th November, 1640, by his youngest son and executor, Edward Alston. It describes the testator as of Newton (he having been the devisee for life of the ancestral homestead, Deanes, under his brother Samuel's will 1631). The reversioner of Deanes was Edmund Alston, junior, see below.

THOMAS ALSTON Baptised at Newton, 14th December, 1608. Buried at Newton, 21st December, 1608.	EDMUND A. born 15th March, 1611, died 1678, married Sarah, daughter of William Collard, of Barneston, Essex. (See Table 103.)	SAMUEL A. Baptised at Newton, 26th November, 1618. Buried there 25 January, 1686, married Ellen, daughter of Hamlet Fryer, of Stansfield, Suffolk, she died 1681. (See Table 104.)	EDWARD A. Baptised at Newton, 29th May, 1621. Married (1) Mary Weatherall, daughter of Rev. Thomsa Wetherall, at Newton, 1st November, 1642; her father was Rector of Newton; she died 1650; and he married (2) Anne, who died 1689 (See No. 21) See Table 105)	RACHEL A. Baptised at Newton, 5th Aug., 1610. Received £400 under her father's will.	MARIA A. Baptised at Newton, 26th April, 1614. Married 20th June, 1633, to Thomas Sewell, son of John Sewell, of Henny. Morant's <i>Essex</i> , vol. 2, page 273, says:—Thomas Sewell, of Great Henny, Gent. married Rachel, daughter of Edward Alston, of Newton, Suff., Gent. This is an egregious error, for Thomas S. and Maria Alston were married at Newton, 20th June, 1633, the parentage of both being given in the register there.	ANNA A. Baptised at Newton, 5th December, 1615.	SUSANNAH A. baptised 23rd September, 1623, died 13th June, 1624. ISAAC A. baptised 22nd September, 1625. ROSA A. baptised 13th May, 1627, died 31st August, 1628. THOMAS A. baptised 11th January, 1630, died 10th August, 1632.
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From TABLE 102.

TABLE 103.

EDMUND ALSTON,

Baptised at Newton, 15th March, 1611; buried there 11th Sept., 1678. His wife predeceased him and was buried at Newton 21st August, 1678. She was Sarah, daughter of William Collard, of Barneston, Essex. Had issue as below. His will dated 13th September, 1678, was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury by his son and executor Edmund, on the 14th November, 1678. It describes the testator as of Newton, and gives to his son Edmund all his lands in Newton, Waldingfield, Edwardston, Boxford and elsewhere.

<p>EDMUND ALSTON Baptised at Newton, 25th Jan., 1643; buried there 22nd Oct., 1645.</p>	<p>EDMUND ALSTON Born 21st July, and baptised at Newton 31st July, 1650. Married (1) MARY, who was buried at Newton 23rd September 1680. Had issue (2) JANE, who died 1695-6. Had issue</p>	<p>RACHEL ALSTON Baptised at Newton 6th April, 1638. Married to Dawson, and had issue</p>	<p>JUDITH ALSTON Baptised at Newton 14th Jan., 1640-1; married by licence 1662, at Edward- ston, to Francis Goodridge, of Newton. Mentioned in her father's will.</p>	<p>SARAH ALSTON Baptised at Newton 17th, Dec., 1646; married by licence at Edwardston 19th April, 1666, to Robert Ponder, of Boxford; buried 24th October, 1685, at Edwardston. Mentioned with her children in her father's will.</p> <p>ROBERT PONDER EDMUND PONDER SAMUEL PONDER SARAH PONDER</p>			
<p>EDMUND ALSTON Buried at Newton 18th October, 1678.</p>	<p>DOROTHY A. Baptised at Newton 12th October, 1677; buried there 26th Nov., 1678. Mentioned in her grandfathers' will.</p>	<p>ISAAC A. Baptised at Newton 13th Sept., 1682. In the Register it says: "Isaac, son of Isaac and Jane Alston." The father's name is supposed here to have been inadver- tently written Isaac instead of Edmund.</p>	<p>EDWARD OR EDMOND ALSTON of Lavenham Hall; baptised 4th Aug., 1685, at Newton; buried 23rd May, 1752, at Newton. Married Sarah Pratt, and had issue</p>	<p>JOSEPH A. Baptised 7th March, 1686-7, at Newton. In the Register of Burials there is an entry 1687-8, Feb. 21st—Joseph, son of Edmd. Alston, inf.</p>	<p>JOSEPH A. Baptised at Newton 16th April, 1691, but not mentioned in his father's or mother's will. No entry is forthcoming from the Newton Registers.</p>	<p>JOAN A. Baptised at Newton 21st July, 1689; buried there 24th July, 1689.</p>	<p>SARAH A. Mentioned as living 1678 in grandfather Alston's will.</p>
<p>EDWARD ALSTON Baptised 11th June, 1710; died 27th Nov., 1740. Coelebs.</p>	<p>JOSEPH ALSTON Baptised at Newton 29th April, 1720.</p>	<p>SARAH ALSTON Married 18th July, 1741 buried 1st Dec., 1756. Married to her Kinsman, Thomas Alston, of Newton. (See Table 118.)</p>					

From TABLE 102.

TABLE 104. SAMUEL ALSTON,

Of Newton, third son of Edward Alston by his wife Rachel, daughter of Richard Skinner, of Braintree. Baptised at Newton 26th November 1618. Buried there 25th January 1686. Married Ellen daughter of Hamlet Fryer of Stansfield, Suffolk. She was buried at Newton 19th December 1681. Samuel had the estate of Deanes under the will of his uncle and godfather, Samuel, and by his will dated 24th February 1685, proved (Archd. Sudb.) 18th March 1686, by his son Edmund, sole executor, he passed it on to his eldest son also called Samuel.

SAMUEL ALSTON baptised 14th December 1643, at Newton. Married and had issue—a son. Living 24th February 1685-6. — SAMUEL ALSTON mentioned by his grandfather. Samuel Alston in his will dated 24th Februa 1685-6.	EDMUND A. born 11th, baptised 16th May 1647, at Newton. Probably died young as another son was named Edmund.	EDWARD A. born 10th Mar., baptised 25th of same month, 1648, at Newton. Died 21st, and buried 23rd November 1653, at Newton. ? Whether the entry of this burial is that of Edmund, Edwd. and Edmd. are easily mistake-able in old registers, when so abbreviated and in the falsied hand-writing of an ancient parish clerk.	FRYER A. baptised 23rd June 1660, at Newton, buried there Sep. 1683. Will dated 15th September 1683, proved P.C.C. 15th October 1683, by his brother Edward.	EDMUND A. born 17th July baptised 30th July 1659, at Newton. Living 18th March 1686-7.	ELLEN A. baptised 31st August 1641. Married to Giles Duncombe. Living 24th February 1685-6.	RACHAEL A. born 18th April baptised 27th April 1651. Married to Samuel Goldsmith. Living 24th February 1685-6.	PARNELLA. born 31st March baptised 17th April 1653. Married to Thomas Hammond, of St. Catherine's, London, on the 9th October 1654, at Newton. Thomas H. was citizen of London.	ELIZABETH A. born 20th, baptised 21st December 1654, at Newton, and buried there 5th September 1666.	DOROTHY A. born 2nd, baptised 3rd November 1657, at Newton. Married there on the 11th February 1685-6, to Henry Stillman, widower of Colchester.
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* A note dated 1674 copied from the Newton Registers many years ago by Professor Liveing of Cambridge states that Samuel and Edward Alston paid the rent charge laid on their tenements of Birchetts and Priours by their great grandfather Edward Alston and his father William Alston. Money distributed in the presence of Edmund, Samuel and Edward Alston.

From TABLE 102.

TABLE 105. EDWARD ALSTON,

Baptised at Newton 29th May 1621. Married (1) 1st November 1642 Mary Wetherall, daughter of Rev. Thomas Wetherall B.D., Rector of Newton, who died at Newton, 11th December, in childbed and was buried there 13th December 1650; (2) Anne, who was buried 12th September 1689 at Newton. Edward Alston died 21st April 1690 at Newton. His will dated 18th November 1680 was proved (Cur. Ep. Nor.) 21st June 1690. In it he mentions his eldest son Edward and his sons Isaac, Samuel, and others.

EDWARD ALSTON B.D. Baptised at Newton, 12th November 1643; of E. Berg-holt, Rector of Newton; died there 11th Feb., 1722. Married Frances Tabor, daughter of Nicholas Tabor, of Cambridge at Newton 29th May 1699. Had issue (See Table 106.)	THOMAS A. born 2nd December, Baptised at Newton, 13th December 1650, he died 14th Dec., 1718. Seems to have been the legatee of the Rev. Thomas Alston's plate.	ISAAC A. born 7th Sep., baptised 16th September 1655, died 29th September 1683.	SAMUEL A. born 8th May baptised 17th May 1657, living 1st May 1690. being then men-tioned in the Rev. Thomas Alston's will.	EDMOND A. born 3rd March 1660, buried 13th March 1659-60.	MARY A. born 31st October and baptised at Newton, 30th Nov., 1645. Married 11th June 1674, at Newton, to Charles Andrews of Sudbury, and died in 1675 at Newton 8th August, buried 10th August.	SUSAN A. born 19th February and baptised at Newton 27th February, 1647. Married 11th April, 1671 at New-ton to William Cocks, of Sudbury. In the registers of Ed-wardstone there is also an entry of the marriage in the note 'By Licence.'	RACHEL A. born. & baptised 10th March, 1654, died unmarried. Buried 16th October 1680, at Newton.
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From TABLE 105.

See page 208.

TABLE 106.

(REV.) EDWARD ALSTON,

Sidney College, Camb., B.A., 1664, M.A., 1668, B.D., 1675. Rector and patron of Newton. Rector of Brantham, with the Chapel of East Bergholt. Baptised at Newton, 12th November 1643. Eldest son of Edward Alston by his first wife Mary, daughter of the Rev. Thomas Wetherall. Married Frances, daughter of Nicholas Tabor, of Cambridge, at Newton, 29th May, 1679. Died 18th February, 1721-2, and was buried at Newton, 23rd February, 1721-2. Will dated 3rd October, 1719, proved P.C.C. 30th May, 1722, by Samuel Alston, sole executor. Rev. Edward Alston desired to be buried at Newton, by his wife. Mentions properties received from his grandmother Wetherall. Frances Alston died before 3rd October, 1719, and was buried at Newton. A tombstone in the floor of the Chancel of Newton Church exhibits the Alston Arms—Azure 10 étoiles 4, 3, 2 and 1 with Helmet Mantling and Crest a Crescent with the inscription "In Memory of the Rev. Edward Alston, B.D., late of East Bergholt in this County, and Rector of this parish, who died 18th February, 1722, aged 79 years."

EDWARD ALSTON
baptised 12th Aug., 1680,
at Newton. Died 1705(?)
Married Rebecca—(?)
died 21st July, 1705, s.p.,
aged 25.

(REV.)
WILLIAM ALSTON
devisee under his father's
will of the advowson of
Newton, purchased
by his father from
Elizabeth Hutchinson,
widow, Lady of the
Manor of Newton Hall.
Received his father's
divinity books.
(See Table 107)

THOMAS ALSTON
baptised 22nd August,
1681. Devisee of pro-
perty, under his father's
will, in Groton, Great
Cornard, and Assington.
Buried 20th Aug., 1759.
Married Mary—who
died 1755.
(See Table 108)

NICHOLAS
ALSTON
baptised 12th or 26th
October, 1682. (See
registers of E. Bergholt,
and Newton.) Buried at
Newton, 2nd May, 1683.

NICHOLAS
ALSTON
baptised 20th December,
1683, at East Bergholt.
Buried 2nd June, 1742,
at Newton. Married
Elizabeth Fairbrother,
of East Bergholt, in 1711,
who died in 1752.
(See Table 110)

SAMUEL ALSTON
youngest son, born 14th and baptised at
East Bergholt 25th January, 1686-7. De-
visee under his father's will of copyholds
at East Bergholt. Received his father's
books on law. Died 9th, buried 13th Octo-
ber, 1752, at Newton. Samuel's will, dated
4th October, 1752, was proved P.C.C.,
4th November, 1752, by Edward Alston,
his nephew; testator describes himself
as of Newton, gives his property every-
where in Suffolk and Essex to Edward,
son of his late brother Nicholas.
Mentions his brothers, William and
Thomas, and their children.

From TABLE 106.

TABLE 107.

(REV.) WILLIAM ALSTON,

Of Sidney College, Camb. B.A. 1711. M.A. 1715. Born 6th, and baptised at East Bergholt, 14th, January, 1685-6. Rector of Newton and Little Waldingfield, 1722-1761. Second son of Rev. Edward Alston, B.D. Devisee of advowson of Newton under his father's will. Also received his father's divinity books. Married (1) Annie Ellis, at St. Martin's, Colchester, a cross entry of the marriage being made in the Newton registers. She was buried on the 9th September, 1748, at Newton, and the Rev. William himself was buried there also on the 30th August, 1761. Will dated 11th June, 1760, proved (Cur. Ep. Nov.) 31st August, 1761. Second wife's name unknown, she was living 11th June, 1760. He had issue.

(REV.) SAMUEL ALSTON.
primogenitus. Born 9th, and privately
baptised on the 29th January, 1716-7;
afterwards received into the Church in
April of the same year. Of Trinity Hall
Camb. L.L.B. 1743; L.L.D. 1748. Rector
Gunthorpe and Bale, and vicar of
Burnham Overly, co. Norfolk. Married
Mary, daughter of James, and niece of
Daniel Collyer, of Wroxham Hall, co.
Norfolk. She died before 5th April,
1758. Administration was granted P.C.C.
5th April, 1758, of the effects of Samuel
Alston, L.L.D., of Gunthorpe, co. Norfolk,
widower, to Joseph Alston, uncle and
curator to Samuel Alston, an infant
under 21.

SAMUEL ALSTON,
Surgeon, of Halstead. By his will, dated
2nd December, 1774, and proved P.C.C.
17th January, 1781, he made his uncle
Joseph Alston, of Halstead, sole executor,
devisee, and legatee. A Samuel Alston
was buried at Newton, 30th December,
1780.

EDWARD ALSTON
of Bildeston. Surgeon.
Born on Good Friday,
27th March, 1719. Bap-
tised in April. Buried
13th January, 1775, at
Newton, s.p. (?) Will
dated 8th October, 1774,
proved (Archd. Sudb.)
2nd March, 1775.

WILLIAM ALSTON
born 20th April, and
baptised 4th May, 1722,
at Newton. Buried
18th July, 1733, at
Newton.

THOMAS ALSTON
born 24th April, bap-
tised 3rd May, 1728, at
Newton. Living 31st
August, 1761.

JOSEPH ALSTON
born 9th Dec., 1730.
Baptised 8th January,
1730-1. Buried 26th May,
1781, at Newton. (?)
Sometime of Bures St.
Mary, co. Suffolk, after-
wards of Halstead,
Essex. Surgeon.
Married Susannah
Chaplyn, only child of
John Chaplyn, M.D., of
Sudbury. Married at
Great Waldingfield, co.
Suffolk, 20th March 1755.
She died at Newton.
15th December, 1813,
aged 95. Monument
there.

From TABLE 106.

TABLE 108.

THOMAS ALSTON,

Of Boxford, a Surgeon, born 1681, buried 28th October, 1759, married Mary — who was buried at Newton 10th March, 1755. Third son of the Rev. Edward Alston, B.D., Rector of Newton and godson to his father's cousin the Rev. Thomas Alston of Assington (see last-named's will dated May, 1690, proved P.C.C. 31st Jan., 1690-1, Table 100). Received his father's books on medicine. Devisee under his father's will of property at Grotton, Great Cornard, and Assington. Will dated 25th September, 1758, proved (Arch. Sudb.) 2nd November 1759.

SAMUEL ALSTON buried 22nd January, 1721-2.	EDWARD ALSTON born 1709-10, baptised at E. Bergholt 25th Jan., 1709-10.	MARY ALSTON baptised at Boxford 12th Feb., 1711, died 1752, married to James Wheeley, of Colchester. Mentioned in her grandfather Alston's will, 1722; buried at Newton 17th May, 1752 (or 14th March). (?)	LUCY ALSTON baptised at Boxford 4th June, 1723, died unmarried; buried 20th Jan., 1750, at Newton.	ANNE PHILIPPA ALSTON baptised at Boxford 31st Oct., 1712, died 24th Sept., 1753, buried there on the 29th; married to Rev. George Benyon, of Boxford, who died 10th Dec., 1767, aged 53, buried there on 15th of same month.	THOMAS ALSTON baptised at Boxford 3rd June, 1714.	ELIZABETH ALSTON born 1720, baptised at Boxford 30th Aug. 1720, buried 13th March, 1753, at Newton (or 29th May, 1736).	WILLIAM ALSTON baptised 12th June, 1716, at Boxford; died 1737-8, buried at Newton 5th Feb.	GEORGE ALSTON born and died 1728, baptised at Boxford 16th April, buried at Newton 27th Dec.	THOMAS ALSTON baptised at Boxford 28th Aug., 1718, supposed to have practised as a Surgeon at Thorpe-le-Soken. Living 25th Sept., 1758. (See Table 109).	CATHERINE ALSTON born at Boxford, baptised there 31st March, 1726; living unmarried 2nd Nov., 1759.
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From TABLE 108.

TABLE 109.

THOMAS ALSTON,

Surgeon, of Thorpe-le-Soken. Baptised at Boxford 28th August, 1718. Living 25th September, 1758. Died intestate about 1762. Married and had issue, of whom

WILLIAM ALSTON
was living at Rochester 27th Nov., 1811, and was buried there.
Married Sarah Loder. A Mr. William Alston, of Rochester, was a Subscriber to the History of Rochester in 1817.

WILLIAM SPICE ALSTON said to have died in 1836-7, unmarried.	DAVID THOMAS ALSTON of Cheyney Rock, Isle of Sheppy and Savage Gardens. Married Elizabeth — who died 17th January, 1840, aged 30; and (2) Ellen Taylor, niece of James Harmer, of Ingress Abbey Kent, 23rd Feb., 1841; she died 15th Sept., 1850, aged 49. David Thomas Alston died 28th Nov., 1855. His will, dated 27th Mar., 1855, was proved 1st April, 1857 by Ellen, his relict. He is said to have made beneficent use of the wealth he amassed from his oyster fisheries.	DAVID ALSTON of 31, King William Street, London, and Cheyney Rock. He died 15th Sept., 1850, aged 49 (<i>Gent's Mag.</i>) Will, dated 8th Dec. 1847, was proved by Jane Alston, his widow, 14th Oct., 1850. He appears to have left two daughters	MARRIANNE ALSTON married to — Smith.	KATHERINE ALSTON married in 1811 to Sir Richard Dobson, Kt., M.D., F.R.S., who died in Gloucester Place, 1st Sept., 1847, aged 73, and was buried 9th of same month, at St. Mary's, Chatham. Lady Dobson died in 1812.	ELIZABETH ALSTON married in 1816 to William James Chaplin, of Hyde Park Gardens and Ewhurst Park, Hants. M.P. for Salisbury and Sheriff of London 1845-6. She was born at Rochester 1787.
JAMES HARMER ALSTON	ALICE ALSTON (2 dau.) married (1) to Charles Lake, junr., of Milsted; (2) 14th Dec., 1861, at S. George's, Hanover Square, to George William Roper, 2nd son of Lieut. Col. Tyler, D.L., of Lynsted Lodge Court, Kent.	CATHERINE-SARAH ALSTON elder daughter, married 23rd Nov., 1847, at S. Magnus the Martyr, to the Rev. Geo. Bryant, M.A., incumbent of Trinity Church, Sheerness. (<i>Gent's Mag.</i>)	JANE ALSTON married to Josh. Gosling, son of Josh. Arnold. (<i>Globe</i> , 31st Mar. 1856).	(COLONEL) JOHN WORTHY CHAPLIN V.C., C.B., born 1840, served with 67th Regt. in Chinese Campaign, 1860; Afghan war, 1879-80, in command of 8th Hussar. Retired 1888. (Kibworth Hall, Kibworth Harcourt, Leicester).	ROSA CHAPLIN married 1st March, 1860, at St James', Paddington, to C.W. Chaplin.
Other issue.					

NOTE.—This stem is chiefly taken from the late Rev. E. Constable Alston's M.S.S., and is probably a conjectural and imperfect descent.

TABLE 110. NICHOLAS ALSTON,

Of Newton. Baptised October, 1682. Buried 2nd June, 1742, at Newton. Married Elizabeth Fairbrother, of East Bergholt, 1711. She died 1751-2. Nicholas Alston, in March, 1713, bought of Ralph Creffield, a messuage next to the mansion house of Edward Alston, deceased, also an orchard containing one acre, late in said Edward Alston's occupation, also a field called Baals, containing four acres, also a field called Lodgers, containing two acres next the highway leading from Newton Green to Assington, late in said Edward Alston's occupation, also a meadow, called Bridgham's Bottom, next a lane called Boxford Lane, late in Edward Alston's occupation. (From a deed belonging to the late Rev. E. Constable Alston.) Nicholas Alston's will is dated 20th March, 1741, and was proved (Archd. Sudb.) 8th June, 1742. Elizabeth (Fairbrother) Alston's marriage settlement is dated 21st September, 1711. She was buried at Newton, 13th March, 1752-3. Her will dated 24th April, 1752, was proved (Archd. Sudb.) 27th March, 1753.

EDWARD ALSTON
of Newton, baptised 2nd July, 1712, buried 16th October, 1785, married in 1744, Elizabeth Toller, of Stanway, Essex. Will dated 24th March, 1784, proved (Archd. Sudb.) 14th February, 1786. (See Table 111)

THOMAS ALSTON
Baptised 23rd June, 1713, at Newton. Buried there 16th Oct. 1793. Married Sarah Alston, only daughter of Edward Alston, of Lavenham, 3rd December, 1741, at Newton, by licence. Sarah, his wife, was buried at Newton, 1st December, 1756. (See Table 118)

ROSE ALSTON
Married Steward, and had issue. First buried at Assington, 29th October, 1741, and then exhumed and re-interred at Newton, 2nd June, 1742.

From TABLE 110.

TABLE 111. EDWARD ALSTON,

Of Newton, son of Nicholas Alston, baptised 2nd July, 1712, buried 16th October, 1785, married 1744, Elizabeth Toller, of Stanway, Essex. Marriage Settlement dated 2nd February, 1744. Elizabeth Alston was buried at Newton, 14th July, 1775. Edward Alston's will is dated 24th March, 1784, and was proved (Archd. Sudb.) 14th February, 1786. By a deed dated 1780, Edward Alston, mentioning a deed (supposed to be a marriage settlement) dated 2nd February, 1744, limits and appoints a capital messuage and land late in the occupation of Elizabeth Alston, widow, and a field called Christianfield, in Assington, containing nine and a half acres, and a field called Paled Hales (?), containing eight acres, to the use of his son, Thomas Alston; and all lands late Creffield's, to the use of his sons, Samuel Alston and Toller Alston, then to the use of his son, Edward Alston, and then to his son Thomas Alston. Elizabeth Alston's will, dated 20th July, 1770, with a codicil, 10th July, 1775, was proved in the Perogative Court of Canterbury 31st August, 1775, by her husband and son, Edward. She describes herself as wife of Edward Alston, of Newton; refers to the indentures of lease and release dated February, 1744, the said Elizabeth being then Elizabeth Toller, of Stanway, co. Essex, mentions her property there at Copford and at Lexden. Also mentions her daughters, Elizabeth, Lucy, and Judith, all under 21.

EDWARD ALSTON
baptised 17th September, 1747. (See Table 112.)

ELIZABETH ALSTON.
born 22nd December, 1752, "the day after S. Thomas, a few minutes past 12 of the clock in the day," baptised same day. Buried at Newton, 1831, married by licence 9th April, 1776, at Groton, to Rev. John Thurlow, L.L.B., Vicar of Gosfield, and J.P. for co. Essex; Rector of Chelmondston, co. Suffolk. He was of Clare Hall, Camb. He died at Gosfield, 26th August, 1830, aged 76.

TOLLER ALSTON
born 17th Oct. 1754, buried 12th July, 1755.

SAMUEL ALSTON
baptised 24th April, 1759, at Newton, buried at Great Waldingfield, 1835, s.p. 'Born 24th April, 48 minutes past 9 o'clock at night,

THOMAS ALSTON
'born 11th April between 2 and 3 o'clock of ye morning, being Easter Monday, baptised 12th April, 1757. (See Table 113.)

LUCY ALSTON
born 29th Feb., 1756, baptised at Newton, next day, godmothers her Aunt Alston, wife of her uncle Rev. W. Alston, of Waldingfield, and her Aunt Judith Lee; godfather, her Uncle Thomas Alston of Lavenham. Married to Thomas Leake, of Chelsea.

JUDITH ALSTON
baptised 2nd October, 1762, died unmarried at Gosfield, in 1833, buried there.

TOLLER ALSTON
baptised 31st December, 1766, died s.p. after 1786, at Gosfield, buried there in 1790.

From TABLE 111.

TABLE 112. EDWARD ALSTON,

Born 14th Sept., 1747 (Holy Rood), baptised at Newton on 17th of the same month. Godfathers: Thomas Alston, of Boxford, great uncle, and Samuel Alston, of East Bergholt, great Uncle; Godmothers: his Grandmother Alston, of Newton, and his Grandmother Lee, of Stanway, Living 9th November, 1811, then of Deptford, co. Kent. Surgeon. Married (1), (2) Hannah Priscilla Gooch, of Swainsthorpe. A photograph of a miniature belonging to his daughter Mrs. Leeder in the late Rev. E. Constable Alston's possession.

PERCIVAL-EDWARD ALSTON
only son of first marriage.

SUSANNA ALSTON
married to her cousin, John Thurlow, of Gosfield. Only daughter of first marriage.

EDWARD-TOLLER ALSTON

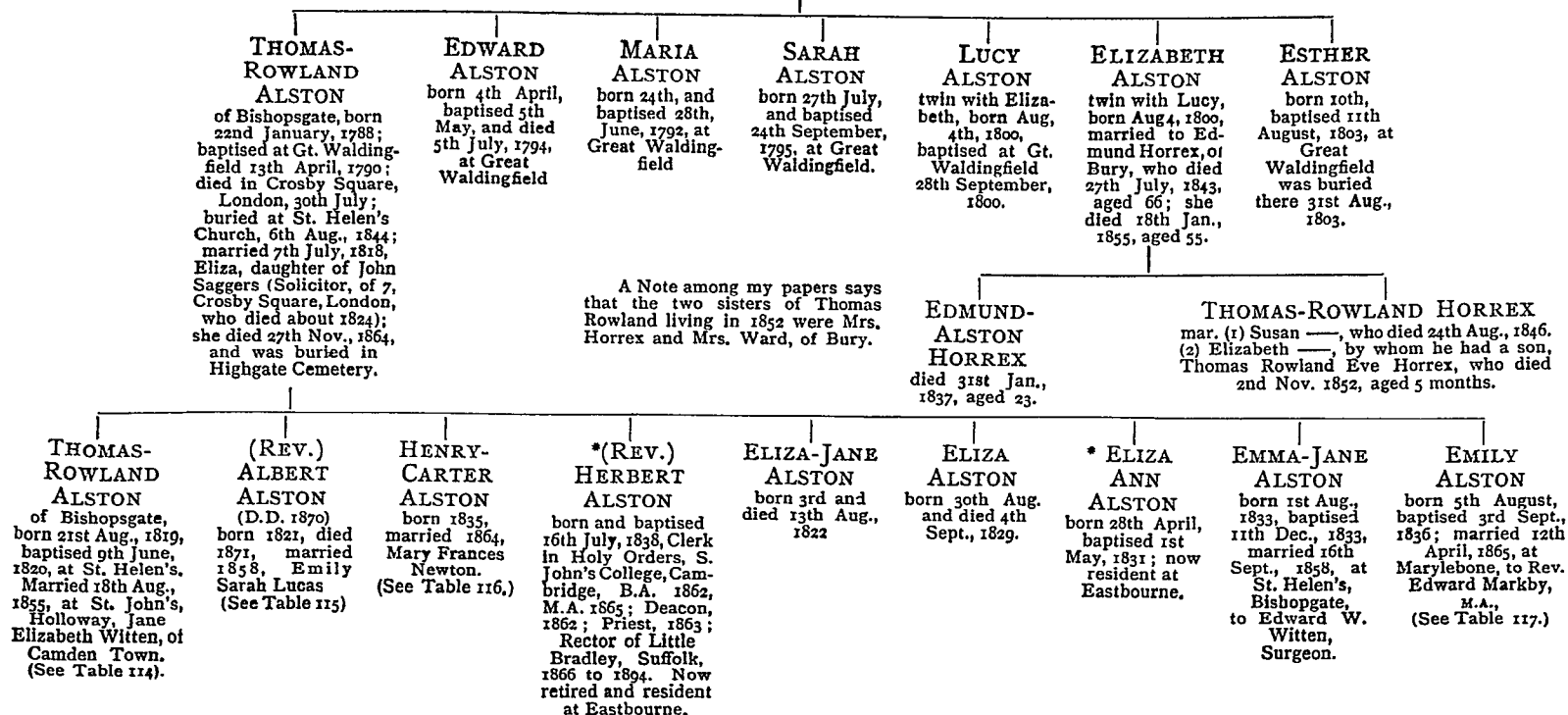
HENRY ALSTON

HANNAH-CATHERINE -SUTTON ALSTON
married in 1854, to Edmund Leeder of Woodton, Norfolk.

MARCIA-ANNE ALSTON
married in 1854, the same day as Hannah, to Thomas Morgan of Enfield, Middlesex. a Trustee of Sadler's Wells Theatre.

THOMAS ALSTON,

Born 11th April, 1757; baptised at Newton next day; buried at Gt. Waldingfield 28th March, 1824. Married Alice Theobald, who was buried at Gt. Waldingfield 6th August, 1827, aged 61. Thomas Alston is said to have ruined himself at Newmarket. Was living at Newton 10th January, 1788.



* Miss Alston and her brother, the Rev Herbert Alston, have performed numerous benefactions of a public and charitable nature, amongst others may be mentioned the installation of the very fine stained glass windows in Little Bradley Church, at the restoration which occurred during the Rev. H. Alston's Incumbency. Miss Alston presented the fourth window in the Chancel in memory of E. G. Barnbrook, a girl reared in the workhouse, who worked nobly in the cause of Christ (subject: "The Tokens of the Passion"), and her brother, then the Rector, presented the third window in the Chancel in memory of his brother, the Rev. Dr. Albert Alston (subject: "The Infant Saviour with the Virgin Mother, St Joseph and an Angel kneeling in adoration of the Infant"), the east window in memory of his parents (subject: "Christ on the Cross," in the centre light, with the "Virgin and St. John, and Nicodemus, and the Centurion" in the left and right lights respectively); the south Chancel window as a thank offering for the Restoration of the Church (subject: "The Entombment, and the three Marias at the Tomb"); the south nave in memory of his brother, Thomas Rowland Alston (subject: "The Prodigal Son"). The Rev. H. Alston has also generously presented Vans to the Church Army, four to be used in his old diocese of Ely, and one in the diocese of Chichester, and also founded the Refuge at Ilford for discharged prisoners.

Miss Alston has also proved herself more than a mere verbal well-wisher of the City of London School, as the following extract from the Report of the Schools Committee presented 25th June, 1896, bears witness.—Benefactions pages 9 and 10.—"Miss Eliza Ann Alston, who on previous occasions has proved herself to be a most generous benefactress and supporter of the School, as is witnessed (1) by her gift of the Stained Glass Windows at the east end of the Great Hall (at a cost of £700); (2) by the gift of £25 a year (involving an investment of an adequate capital amount) in perpetuity, for the aid of pupils who, with considerable intellectual ability, might from pecuniary difficulties be unable to pursue their course of study, has kindly sent donations in successive years (£50 a year from 1893, making a total of £200) to enable boys of the School to proceed to some fixed place of residence on the Continent, there to study the language. The payment from these gifts have been made in accordance with Miss Alston's wish that they should be donations on account of the "Harris Scholarship," which she desires should be the initiation of a permanent "Harris Scholarship." Your Committee have not lost sight of this wish, and on the 6th November, 1895, referred the question to the consideration of the Sub-Committee.

Miss Alston also presented last year Ten Guineas for two prizes of Five Guineas each; one for the best Latin verse in memory of the late Sir J. R. Seeley, the other for the best English Essay on the late Professor Huxley.

In addition to these benefactions, this lady has established two prizes for Science, one of the value of about £3 for the Senior Division, and one of the value of about £2; twelve for the Junior Division, to be given each year in perpetuity." (*Vide* Benefactions, pp. 9 and 10.)

Of the Stained Glass Windows referred to in the report, one known as the English Window contains heads of Chaucer, Bacon, and Sir Isaac Newton, and full length portraits of Shakespeare, Milton, and Spencer, and the Greek Window contains heads of Plato and Thucydides, and Herodotus, and full length figures, of Aeschylus, Homer, and Sophocles. The English Window is to the memory of Miss Alston's parents, and the Greek Window to the memory of Dr. Mortimer, a former Headmaster of the School.

The "Harris" Scholarship is so called in compliment to an Assistant Master of fifty years' standing in the School.

From TABLE 113.

TABLE 114.

THOMAS-ROWLAND ALSTON,

Of Bishopsgate, born 21st August, 1819, baptised 9th June, 1820, at St. Helens, married Jane-Elizabeth Witten, daughter of James Witten, of Camden Town, 18th August, 1855, at St. John's, Holloway.

ALBERT-WITTEN ALSTON Lieutenant 1st Tower Hamlets Rifle Volunteer Brigade 16th Feb., 1884; Captain 19th Jan., 1889; resigned Commission 28th Jan., 1891. <i>21912</i> born 1856, married 1886, Gertrude Eliza- beth, daughter of Alexander Thwaites, and has issue THOMAS-ROWLAND A. born 1888. EDITH-MARY A. S.P. born 1891. MABEL-GERTRUDE A. born 1892, died 1895. DOROTHY- MARGARET A. S.P. born 1897.	ROWLAND ALSTON born 1857, married 1889, Alice-Maud, daughter of George- Thompson Powell, and has issue PHYLLIS A. born 1890. CEDRIC- ROWLAND A. born 1893. AUBREY- ROWLAND A. born 1896. and DOUGLAS ROWLAND A. born 1898.	EDWARD ALSTON born 1859.	THOMAS-ROWLAND ALSTON born 1860, married 1882, Addie Eliza Carr, of Min- nesota, U.S.A. and has issue ADELAIDE- MARY A. born 1883. ALBERT- ROWLAND A. born 1889.	HARRY ALSTON born 1862, married 1887, Isabella-Char- lotte Roberts, and has issue HARRY- CLAUDE A. born 1888. <i>21912</i> ERIC A. born 1891.	CHARLES-JAMES ALSTON born 1865. (married)	ALFRED ALSTON M.A., Wadham Col- lege, Oxford, Curate of Christ Chnrch, Crewe, born 1871.	MARY-JANE ALSTON married to Peter-Lloyd Armstrong Williams, 1897 and has issue ROWLAND MONTAGUE born 1898.
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DEATHS

ALSTON.—On October 24th, 1957, ALICE MAUD ALSTON, of Cedar Cottage, Purley, aged 92 years, the beloved wife of the late Rowland Alston, of Sydenham, and mother of Phyllis, Cedric, Aubrey, and Douglas. Funeral at Elmers End Cemetery on October 31st, at 3.30 p.m.

Revised by Albert Witten Alston.

From TABLE 113.

TABLE 115.

REV. ALBERT ALSTON, D.D.

S. John's College, Cambridge, B.A. 1843, M.A. 1846, D.D. 1870, born 29th June, 1821, baptised 22nd May, 1821, at St. Helens, died November 14th, 1871, married 19th October, 1858, at Holy Trinity, Upper Tooting, Emily Sarah Lucas, who died June 2nd, 1870, and was buried at Highgate, 9th June. Dr. Alston was also buried at Highgate. He was Curate of S. George's, Hanover Square, from 1848 to 1857.

GILBERT-ROWLAND ALSTON M.A., L.L.B., S. John's College, Cam- bridge, barrister-at- law, Inner Temple and Lincoln's Inn, born July 17th, 1859, baptised at West Tarring, Sussex, mar- ried 8th September, 1894, his cousin, Mil- dred Taylor.	HUGH-JONES ALSTON born 11th July, 1863, baptised at All Saints' St. John's Wood when Dr. Alston was curate there. Died 4th Mar. 1898; buried at Elmers End, Kent, 7th Mar.	LILIAN-FRANCES-FITZROY ALSTON baptised privately.	CLARA-BEATRICE ALSTON born 28th July, 1862, baptised privately, died August 31st 1869, buried at West Tarring, 4th Septem- ber, 1869	ETHEL-MARY ALSTON born 15th December, 1864, baptised at All Saints' aforesaid, died 24th March, 1864 buried at Highgate, 28th March
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Revised by Gilbert Rowland Alston.

From TABLE 113

TABLE 116.

HENRY-CARTER ALSTON,

Born 22nd June, baptised 25th June, 1835, married 21st July, 1864, at S. Peter's Kensington, Mary-Frances Newton, of Avenue Road, S. John's Wood, and died 1893.

HALLAM-NEWTON ALSTON Solicitor, born 24th April, 1865	NORMAN-GRAHAM ALSTON born 28th October, 1868	ELLEN-BLANCHE ALSTON born 1st June, 1866, died 30th November, 1867	EMMA-LOUISA ALSTON
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Revised by Hallam-Newton Alston.

From TABLE 113.

TABLE 117.

EMILY ALSTON,

Born 5th August, baptised 3rd September, 1836. Married 12th April, 1865, at Marylebone, to the Rev. Edward Markby, M.A., now Rector of Holy Trinity, Huddersfield, and has issue.

FREDERICK EDWARD
MARKBY
born 28th Jan., 1872. Now a
Missionary in India.

HERBERT
MARKBY
born 4th Sept., 1873.
M.R.C.S. and L.R.C.P.

ALFRED
WILKINSON
MARKBY
born 3rd Sept., 1875.

AMY
MARKBY

EVA
MARKBY

EMILY
FLORENCE
MARKBY

From TABLES 103 and 110.

TABLE 118.

THOMAS ALSTON=SARAH ALSTON,

baptised at Newton, 23rd June, 1713, mentioned as of Lavenham, 19th October, 1769, and of Manningtree, co. Essex, 11th June, 1787. died about 1793, buried at Newton.

only daughter of Edward Alston, of Lavenham. Marriage settlement dated 28th and 29th September, 1741. Married at Newton, 3rd December, following. Buried there 1st December, 1756.

EDWARD ALSTON
born 28th October, 1742;
baptised 1743, married Frances
Constable, only child of Daniel
Constable, of Manningtree, and
Bures. Marriage settlement
dated 18th and 19th October,
1769. Buried at Manningtree,
12th August, 1820, aged 77. Mrs.
Alston predeceased her husband.
Edward's watch and chain, with
silver seal bearing the Alston
arms, now in A. E. Alston's
possession.

THOMAS
ALSTON
born 21st Oct.,
1745;
drowned. Was
living 24th April,
1752. Died s.p.

JOSEPH
ALSTON
born 3rd March,
1748;
living 24th April,
1752, also in 1803
Died between
1803 & 1805, s.p.

SARAH
ALSTON
born 15th Oct.,
1744;
died an infant,
1744, buried at
Newton, 22nd
October.

SARAH
ALSTON
born 27th July,
1747; died un-
married about
1803. Lived at
Cambridge and
Manningtree.
Buried at Man-
ningtree.

ELIZABETH
ALSTON
married (1) to John
Ardley, who died s.p.;
and (2) to John Everett.
She died at Manning-
tree, sometime after
1805.

EDWARD-DANIEL ALSTON
born 23rd October, 1773,
died at Palgrave, 28th June, 1843,
aged 69, *Ipsw. Journ.* July 1st, 1843;
married 17th Jan., 1814, lived at
Diss; married at Great Maple-
stead, Eliza Freeborn, daughter
of John Freeborn, of Great
Maplestead, Essex, who was
born 1788, and died 7th April,
1824. Obituary notice in *Ipswich
Journal*, April 10th, 1824;
marriage notice in New Monthly
Mag, February 1824, p.96. An
altar piece in Manningtree
Church, an oil painting of Our
Saviour, was presented by
Edward-Daniel Alston. Had
issue.

DANIEL-CONSTABLE
ALSTON
born 15th Sept., 1778, died 23rd
Sept., 1846, lived at Manningtree,
See D. C's obit. notice, *Ipsw.
Journ.* Sept. 26, 1846.
There is a Tablet to him on the
wall of Manningtree Church.
(See Table 125)

FANNY-CONSTABLE
ALSTON
born 14th,
baptised 16th
Aug., 1770, died
sp. 1835, married
(1) to William
Leach, of Man-
ningtree; (2) to
Joseph Page, of
Manningtree.
d. s. p. (?)

ANNE
ALSTON
born 7th Jan.,
baptised 14th
January, 1772,
Married to
Thomas Scri-
vener, of Stut-
ton, at Manning-
tree, 5th Dec.,
1805. Died 1855
at East Berg-
holt, s.p.
Thomas Scri-
vener was born
9th Nov., 1767,
died 2nd Oct.,
1839, and was
buried at
East Bergholt.

SARAH ALSTON
born 1st March,
1780, married to
Thomas
Osmond (Sur-
geon), of Thorpe-
le-Soken, leav-
ing a son,
Thomas Edward
also a surgeon at
Thorpe-le-Soken
born July 16th,
1810, *Ipsw. Journ.*
Nov. 11th, 1843
THOMAS-
EDWARD
OSMOND
died 14th Sept.,
1864, aged 86.

MARY-NEWMAN
ALSTON
born 1777, died
an infant

REV. EDWARD-CONSTABLE
ALSTON
(See Table 119.)

ELIZA ALSTON
born 31st Aug., 1817, died
at Palgrave, 6th August,
1843, *Ipsw. Journ.* August
12th, 1843, buried at
Manningtree.

EMMA-SARAH ALSTON
born 27th July, 1819, married 8th
February, 1844, at Saxmundham,
to Charles Thomason Thompson,
of Diss, son of the late Rev. Mar-
maduke Thompson, Rector of
Brightwell, Berks., *Ipsw. Journ.*
Feb. 10th, 1844. Died at Santa
Cruz, Tenerife, 28th February,
1846, Obit. notice, in *Ipsw Journ.*
Apr. 4th, 1846

EMMA-ELIZA THOMPSON
born 6th October, 1845, baptised
at Diss, died unmarried at
Bedford, July 14th, 1893.

CAROLINE ALSTON
born 17th February, 1824, married
28th October, 1845, at Aldeburgh,
to Henri J. Donnet, of La Ter-
rasse, Dussac near Lanouaille,
Dordogne, in France, *Ipsw.
Journ.* November 8th, 1845
Caroline was born blind. She
died at La Terrasse, 14th June,
1871, and was buried on the 16th
in the church-yard at Dussac.
Her husband died October 5th,
1888. He was born 16th May,
1814.

Revised by Rev. F. S. Alston, of West Ashby, and A. E. Alston, of Manningtree.

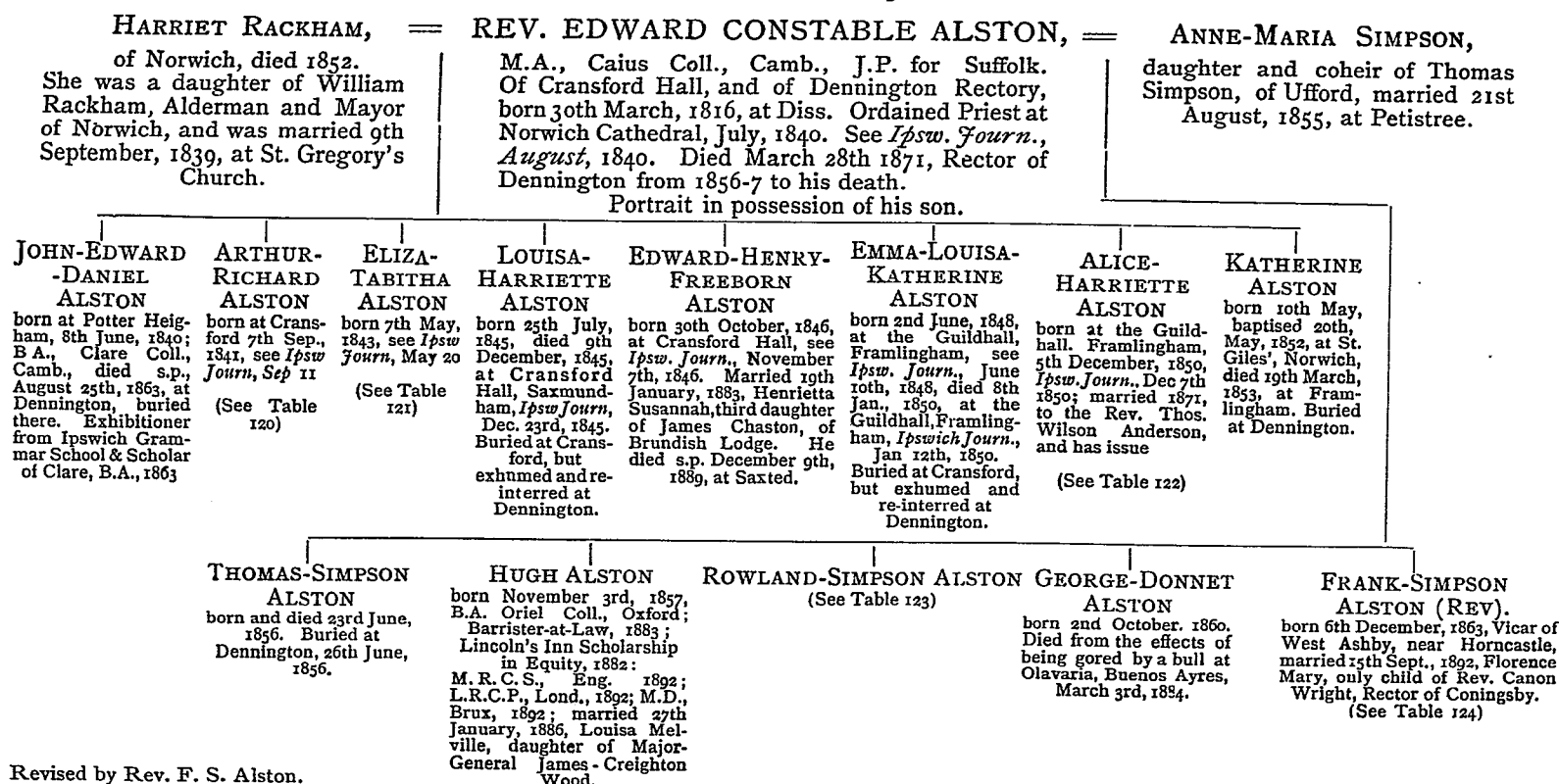
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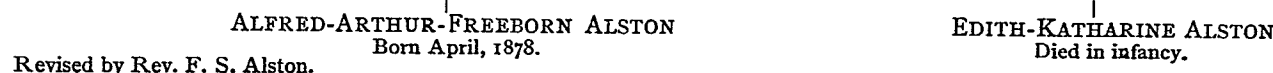


Revised by Rev. F. S. Alston.

From TABLE 119.

TABLE 120.

ARTHUR-RICHARD ALSTON,
Second son of Rev. Edward-Constable Alston. Born 7th September, 1841. Sometime Lieutenant 64th Regiment. Married September, 1873, Katharine Cartwright, and died in India, 1st January, 1884. Had issue as below. Mrs. Alston married secondly Capt. Galbraith, late 42nd Highlanders on the 16th March, 1899.

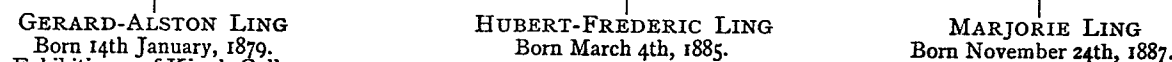


Revised by Rev. F. S. Alston.

From TABLE 119.

TABLE 121.

ELIZA-TABITHA ALSTON,
Born May 7th, 1843. Married at Skeyton, December, 13th, 1876, to Frederic Gaskell Ling, Solicitor, of Framlingham, Suffolk.



Revised by Mrs. Ling.

From TABLE 119.

TABLE 122.

REV. THOMAS-WILSON ANDERSON (1)		ALICE-HARRIETTE ALSTON		REV. EDWIN-HENRY OAKLEY	
Rector of Skeyton, Norfolk. Married at Southwold August 29th, 1871. Died May 20th, 1882.		Born 5th December, 1850.		Rector of Lamarsh, Essex. Married June 29th 1886.	
HENRY-EDWARD ANDERSON	ALFRED-JOHN ANDERSON Born and died 1873.	Alice-Elizabeth ANDERSON Born August 21st, 1874.	AGNES-MAUD ANDERSON	FREDERICK-CHRISTIAN OAKLEY Born September 27th, 1888.	

Revised by Rev. Mrs. Oakley.

From TABLE 119.

TABLE 123.

ROWLAND-SIMPSON ALSTON,					
Born 10th February, 1859, baptised 17th April, at Dennington. Married December 6th, 1881, in Queensland, Elizabeth Annie Jones, and has issue. Settled at "Newton" Lower Herbert, North Queensland, in 1880.					
FRANK-NEWTON ALSTON Born January 31st, 1884.	HUGH-GEORGE ALSTON Born May 19th, 1885.	ROWLAND-EVELYN ALSTON Born 1893.	KATHARINE-ANNE ALSTON Born 1882, died 1891.	EDITH ALSTON Born 20th July, 1888, died 1891.	

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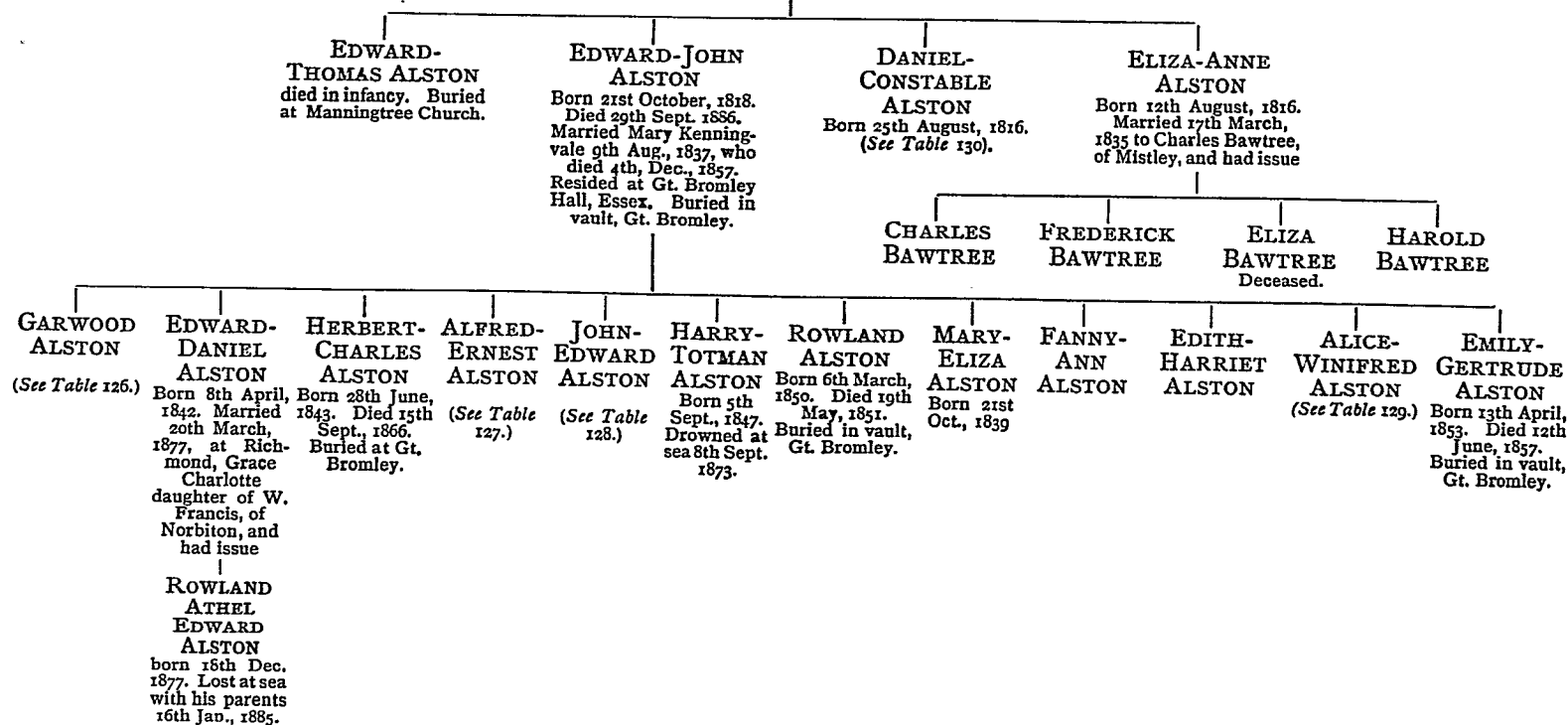
(REV.) FRANK-SIMPSON ALSTON,			
Born 6th December, 1863, baptised 17th January, 1864, at Dennington. Educated at Marlborough. M.A., Exeter College, Oxford. B.A. 18th June, 1885; ordained Deacon by the Bishop of Lincoln on Trinity Sunday, 5th June, 1887, and licensed to the curacy of Coningsby. Ordained Priest by the Bishop of Lincoln on Trinity Sunday, 27th May, 1888. Vicar of Wispington 21st June, 1890. Now Vicar of West Ashby, near Horncastle, Lincs., 13th January, 1896. Married September 15th, 1892, Florence-Mary, only surviving child of the Rev. Canon Arthur Wright, M.A., J.P., Rector of Coningsby, and great niece of Sir John Franklin, and has issue			
JOHN-FRANKLIN ALSTON Born June 30th, 1893. Baptised 9th August, at Coningsby.	EDWARD-CONSTABLE ALSTON Born 8th January, 1895. Baptised 10th February, at Wispington.	ROWLAND-WRIGHT ALSTON Born 10th January, 1897. Baptised 30th March, at West Ashby. <i>Died 21 Dec. 1958 See page 402 C.</i>	EVELYN-HARRIET-HAIRBY ALSTON <i>Rev. ALSTON</i> Born 25th February, 1899. Baptised 5th of April, at West Ashby. <i>Married Robert Jones Died 7 March 1965</i>
Revised by Rev. F. S. Alston.			
ARTHUR-HUGH-GARFIT-ALSTON Born 1903 <i>Died in Barcelona 1958 See page 402 A.</i>			

From TABLE 118.

TABLE 125.

DANIEL-CONSTABLE ALSTON

Born 15th September 1778. Married Elizabeth Totman, daughter and heiress of John Totman, of Great Bromley, Essex. Resided at Manningtree. D.C.A. died 23rd September, 1846, and his widow on 26th Nov., 1852, aged 69. Both are buried in the family vault, Manningtree Church.

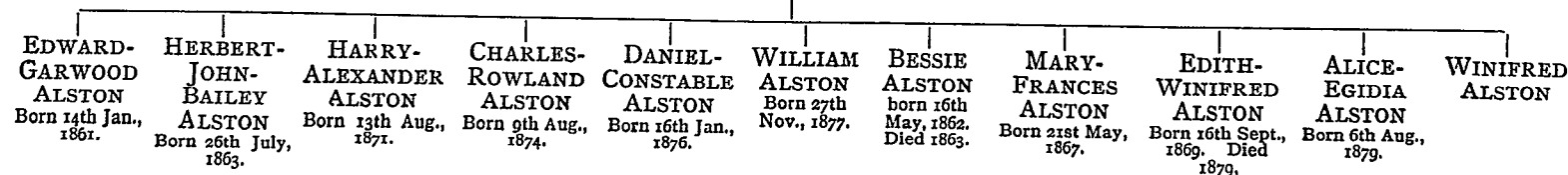


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TABLE 126.

GARWOOD ALSTON

Born 13th May, 1838. Married, 1860, Elizabeth Annie de Witt, and has issue

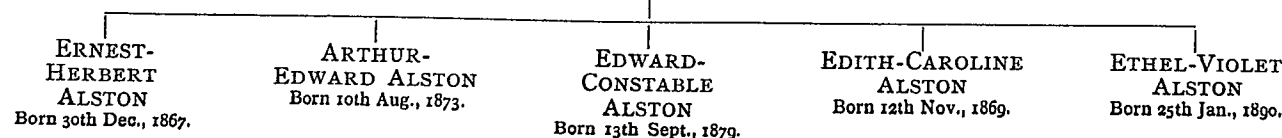


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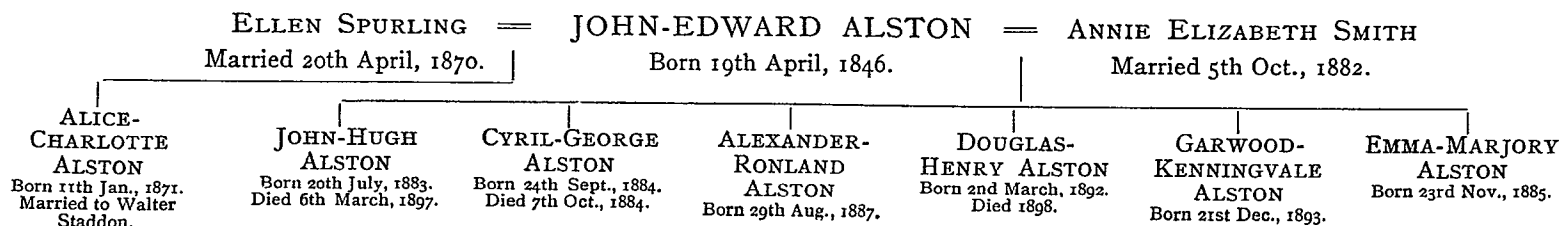
ALFRED-ERNEST ALSTON

Born 23rd Aug., 1844. Married 7th March, 1867, Edith Emma Harwood Stacy, and has issue



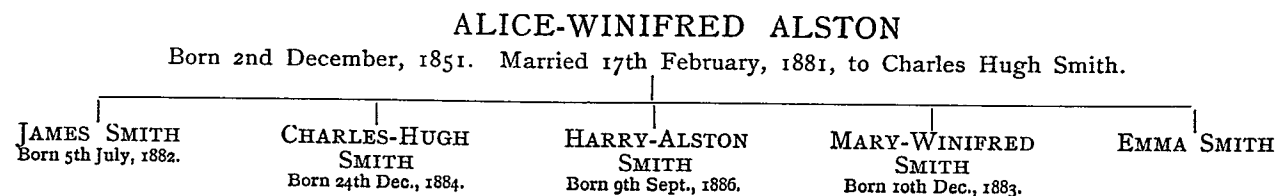
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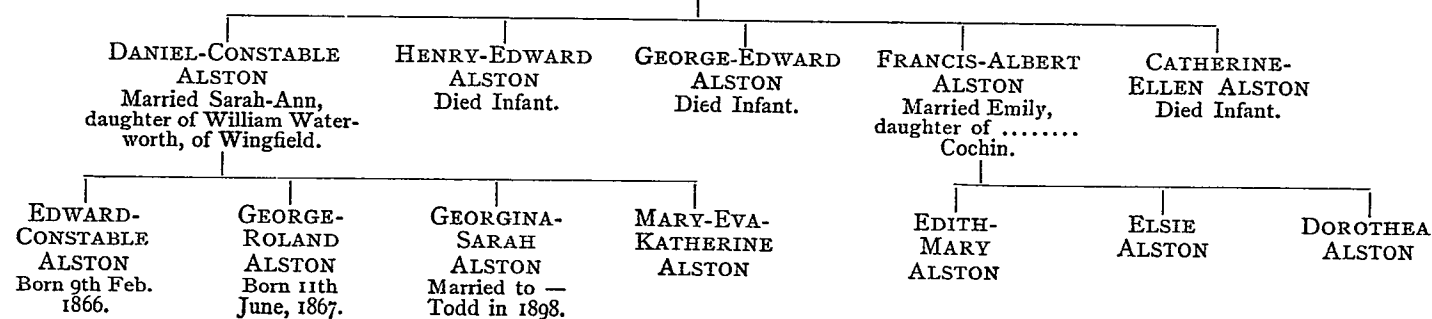
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TABLE 130.

DANIEL-CONSTABLE ALSTON.
 Born 25th August, 1816. Died 15th March, 1845. Married 7th November, 1843, Susannah, eldest daughter of Jeremiah Wase, of Bruisyard Hall. She died 4th Oct., 1855, aged 54. Buried in vault, Manningtree Church.



Communicated by Ed. Constable Alston.

Alston of Odell Castle.

See Table 16.

TABLE 16a.

The present family of Alston of Odell descend from Thomas, a natural son of Sir Thomas Alston, Bt., the last baronet but one of that line. The mother of Thomas was Margaret Lee, to whom Sir Thomas left all his property. In some extracts taken from the parish registers of Odell, Jan. 11th, 1803, by E. D. Alston, there appears the baptism "July 25th, 1758, of Rowland, son of Thomas Alston, Esq., and Margaret Lee, spinster," but the register is said to be defective earlier where probably the baptism of Thomas appeared. Rowland died in 1787, his will, dated 31st July, 1780, being proved (P.C.C.) 24th May, 1787, by his mother, the sole executrix, who is described as Margaret Lee, *widow*. She afterwards (in 1792), became the wife of Robert Garstin, a younger son of the family of Garstin of Braganstoun (Ireland), who thus became of Harrold House, co. Beds., in which county he was appointed D.L., and Lt. Col. of Militia. In 1809 he served as High Sheriff for the county, in which year (24th July) his wife died whom he survived till 26th July 1815. Thomas, who was a Cornet and (in 1774) Captain in the Royal Regiment of Horse Guards, married, in 1778, Elizabeth, daughter of Justinian Raynsford, of Brixworth, County Northants, and had issue

THOMAS Born 1779, died s.p.	JUSTINIAN Born 1780. (see table 16b)	ROWLAND Born 1782. (see table 16c)	THOMAS born 1783. Lieut. 40th Regt. of Foot. Fine Sculptur'd monument in Odell Church by Bacon. Killed at the Siege of Monte Video, 3rd Feb., 1807.	VERE- JOHN Born 1788. (see table 16d)	HENRY- FREDK. (see table 16e).	(REV.) CHARLES- WILLIAM- HORACE born in 1801. Rector of Wembdon Somerset. Died 10th Aug., 1870.	ELIZABETH- JANE Born 1786. Died at Odell. at Sidmouth, 1810, aged 19.	CHARLOTTE- TEMPERANCE Born 1792, died at Sidmouth, 1810, aged 19.	FRANCES- MARGARET Born 1795. Died 14th Jan., 1869.	EMMA- MARIA Born 1797. Died 15th March, 1883.	CAROLINE- MATILDA Born 1799. Died 28th July, 1871.
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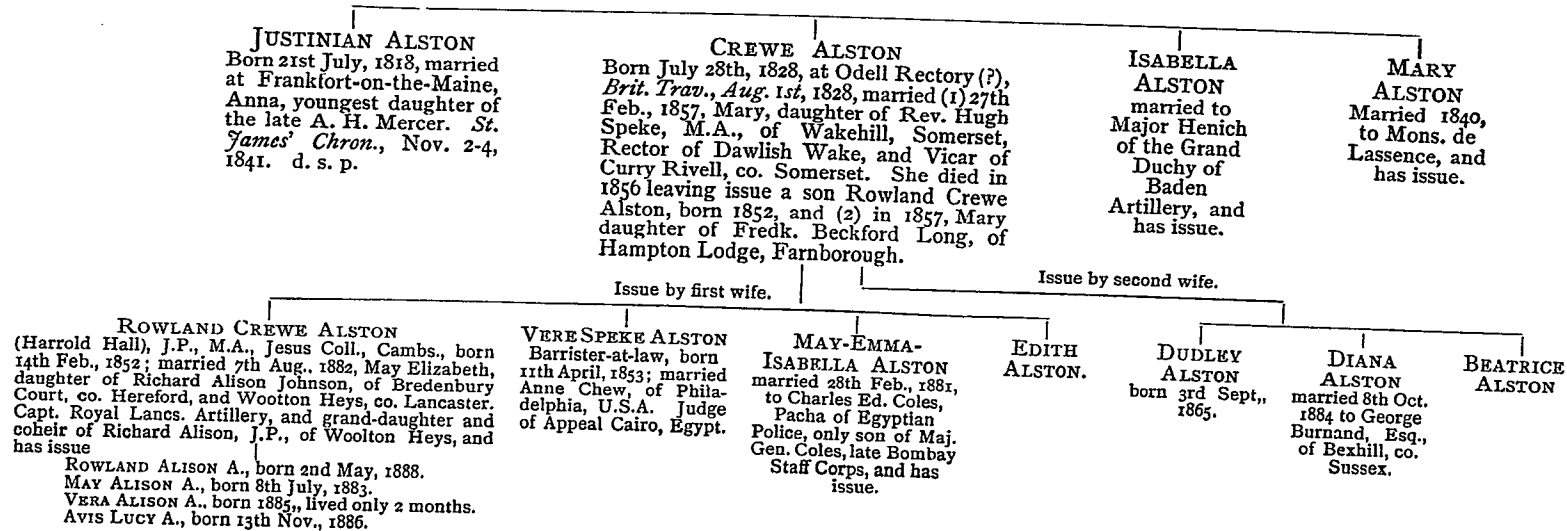
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From TABLE 16a.

TABLE 16b.

JUSTINIAN ALSTON,

Born 1780, married 20th June, 1816, Mary, daughter of General John-Manners Ker by his wife Isabella Errington (*See Genealogist*, Vol. 2, No. 15, p. 179). Justinian Alston died 11th January, 1848, his wife having pre-deceased him in 1845, dying at Winterbach in Germany, and had issue



Revised by Alex. R. Alston.

DEATHS

ALSTON.—On Oct. 7, 1948, at Villa Odell, Cagnes-sur-Mer, France, ROWLAND ALSTON ALSTON, formerly of Odell Castle, Bedfordshire, aged 60.

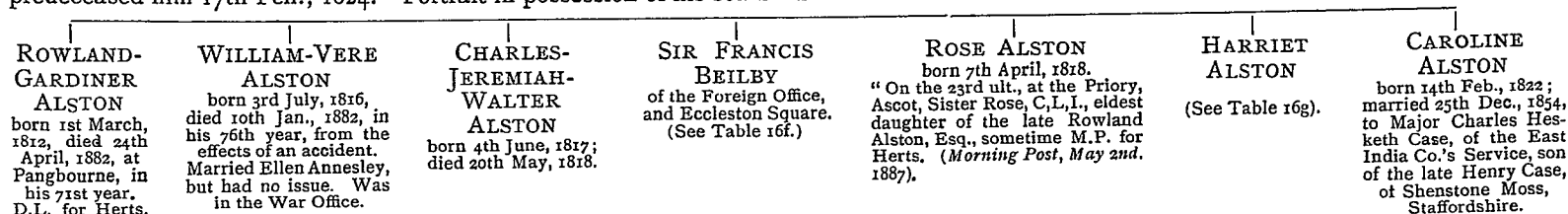
ALSTON.—On December 30th, 1961, peacefully, at The Priory, Rochampton, AMELIE SERAPHINE, widow of CAPTAIN ROWLAND ALSTON ALSTON, of Villa Odell, Cagnes sur mer, France, A.M. Cremation at the Downs Crematorium, Hartington Road, Brighton, Thursday, January 4th, at 2.30 p.m.

From TABLE 16a.

TABLE 16c.

ROWLAND ALSTON,

Born 7th June, 1782. M.P. for County of Herts. Married 26th May, 1810, Rose, eldest daughter and coheir of Jeremiah Milles, D.L., of Pishobury, Sawbridgeworth, Herts. Ensign in the Third Regiment of Guards. Served with distinction in the expedition to Copenhagen, 1801, under Lord Cathcart. Deputy Lieutenant for Herts. Deputy Grand Master for Essex. Died 21st Nov., 1865, his wife having predeceased him 17th Feb., 1824. Portrait in possession of his son Sir Francis B. Alston.



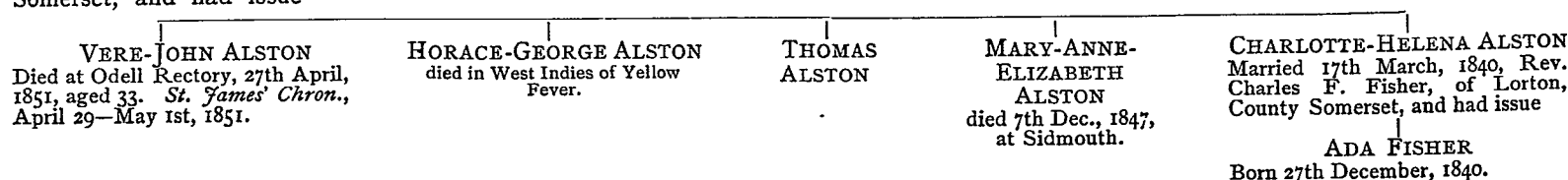
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From 16a.

TABLE 16d.

(REV.) VERE-JOHN ALSTON,

Born 1788. Rector of Odell. Married August, 1813, Elizabeth Mary, daughter of Rev. James Bernard, of Combe Flory, co. Somerset, and had issue



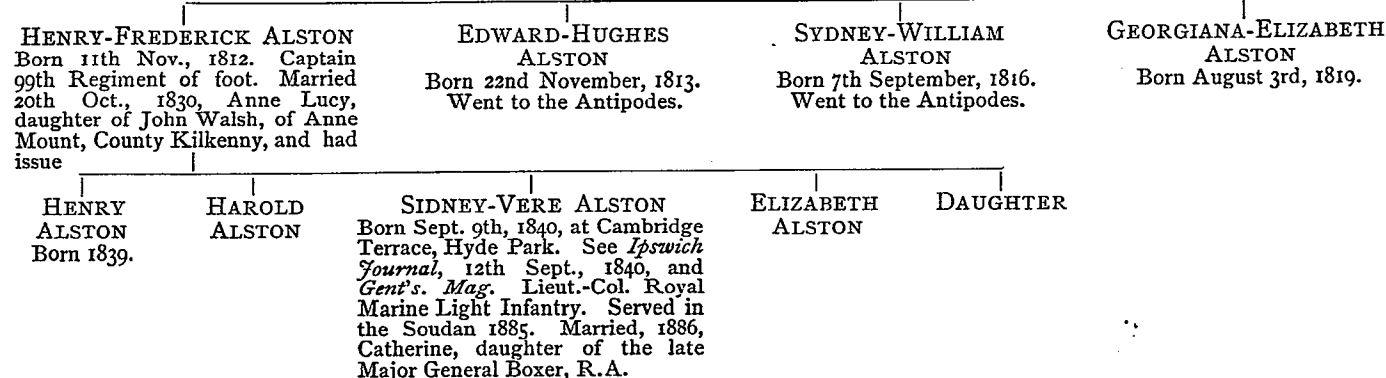
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TABLE 16e.

HENRY-FREDERICK ALSTON,

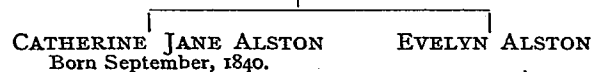
Born 23rd January, 1790. Married (1) Elizabeth, daughter of David Ball, of Satborough, co. Somerset, and by her had issue



Henry-Frederick married (2) Louisa-Sophia, daughter of Nicholas Raynsford, of Brixworth, widow of Captain Henry Lock, and had issue

RAYNSFORD-GEORGE ALSTON
Born August 5th, 1828.

H. F. married (3) Jane, daughter of Alex. Nicholson, of Ufford, Suffolk, 29th October, 1839, at Ufford, who died 18th October, 1877, at Clacton-on-Sea, and had issue



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TABLE 16f.

SIR FRANCIS-BEILBY ALSTON, K.C.M.G.

Fourth and only surviving son of the late Rowland Alston, M.P. Born 29th November, 1820. Educated at Eton. Entered the Foreign Office 1839; Chief Clerk 1866; Created Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George. Retired 1890. Was Lieutenant Hertfordshire Militia; Past Grand Warden; J.P. for the county of Middlesex and London. Married Emily Louisa Caroline, eldest daughter of Bridges Taylor, H.B.M.'s Consul for Denmark, and nephew of Lt. General Sir Herbert Taylor, G.C.B., G.C.H., P.C., Private Secretary to George III., George IV., and William IV., and has issue

<p>ALEXANDER-ROWLAND ALSTON born 2nd July, 1863. Educated at Eton. Married at St. George's, Hanover Square, 12th July, 1898, Muriel Marian Beatrice, eldest daughter of the Rev. Canon Blundell, Chaplain in Ordinary to the Queen. Rector of Halsall, Ormskirk, Lancashire, and niece of Col. Blundell, C.B., M.P. for the Ince Division of Lancashire, and has issue</p> <p>ALEXANDRA-ROSE ALSTON born 27th May, 1899.</p>	<p>BEILBY-FRANCIS ALSTON born 8th Oct. 1868. Appointed Clerk in the Foreign Office, 1890.</p>	<p>EDWARD-GARDINER ALSTON born 22d Aug., 1871. Educated at Rugby. Lieut. Coldstream Guards. Distinguished himself in suppressing slave trade in British Central Africa. Vice-Consul for Nyassaland. Died 14th April, 1897, of fever. Had been recommended to Her Majesty for the Order of St. Michael and St. George for his brilliant services when death occurred (<i>Vide London Gazette</i>, 1897).</p>	<p>CONYERS-WILLIAM ALSTON born 12th Feb., 1873. Rugby and Queen's Coll., Oxford.</p>	<p>ROWLAND-ERNEST ALSTON born 7th June, 1874. Educated at Rugby. Captain 3rd Bedfordshire Regiment.</p>	<p>FRANCIS-GEORGE ALSTON born 19th July, 1878. Educated at Eton.</p>	<p>ELCA-ROSE ALSTON born 25th Feb., 1865. Married Nov., 1888, to Edward-Constable Curtis of the Hall, Berk-hampstead, co. Herts. She died 31st July, 1889, s.p.</p>	<p>NORAH-FRANCES ALSTON married 24th Dec., 1895, to Godfrey William Paget Mellor, son of the Right Hon. John William Mellor, M.P. Deputy Chairman of the House of Commons, and has issue</p> <p>WINNIE MELLOR died infant, 1897.</p>	<p>AVICE-THERESE ALSTON born 20th Mar., 1870. Died 20th July, 1870.</p>	<p>ELCA-TEMPERANCE ALSTON</p>
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Revised by Alexander-Rowland Alston.

ALSTON.—On 9th February, 1958, JANE MADELINE, widow of COLONEL CONYERS WILLIAM ALSTON, and beloved mother of Rose and Diana. Interment at Sharnbrook Church, Friday, 14th February, at 2 o'clock.

ALSTON.—On March 10, 1961, at Sandacre, Sandling, Hythe, Kent, BRIGADIER-GENERAL FRANCIS ALSTON, C.M.G., D.S.O., late Scots Guards, aged 82, youngest son of the late Sir Francis Alston, K.C.M.G. Funeral private. No mourning.

From TABLE 16c.

TABLE 16g.
HARRIET ALSTON

Born 13th June, 1819. Second daughter of Rowland Alston, of Pishobury, Herts.; married, 19th October, 1841, at Marylebone, to Sir Thomas-Neville Abdy, Bart. (created 8th January, 1850). Lady Abdy died 8th July, 1877, having had issue as below. The family of Abdy is of considerable antiquity. Sir Thomas was M.P. for Lyme Regis 1847-52; and High Sheriff for Essex in 1875. He died 20th July, 1877.

SIR WILLIAM-NEVILLE ABDY
2nd Bart., of Albyns, co Essex, High Sheriff 1884. Born 18th June, 1844. Married, 10th July, 1883, Marie-Therese Petritzka, of Prague, in Austria.

ANTHONY-CHARLES-SYKES ABDY
late Captain 2nd Life Guards. Military Attaché at Vienna 1885. Born 19th Sept., 1848. Married, 4th November, 1886, Hon. Alexandrina Victoria, daughter of 4th Lord Macdonald, and has

GRACE LILIAN ABDY
born 22nd Sept., 1887.

VIOLET ABDY
born 4th January, 1892.

ROBERT-JOHN ABDY
late Lieutenant 4th Dragoon Guards. Born in 1850, died 3rd June, 1893.

HENRY-BEADON ABDY
born in 1853. Married Fraulein — and has issue

WILLIAM-NEVILLE ABDY.

ROBERT-HENRY-EDWARD ABDY.

GLADYS ABDY.

GRACE-EMMA-TOWNSHEND ABDY

married 19th March, 1872, to Lord Albert Leveson-Gower, 2nd Life Guards, who died 23rd December, 1874. and has issue, one son

FREDERICK LEVESON-GOWER

Arms of Abdy.—Or. two chevrons between three trefoils, slipped sable.

Crest.—An eagle's head, couped, proper.

Motto.—Tenax et fidelis.

Seat.—Albys, near Romford.

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See TABLE 16.

TABLE 16x.

DAME CATHERINE (DAVIES BOVEY) ALSTON

After her separation from her husband, Sir Thomas Alston, Bart., of Odell, is alleged to have cohabited with John Wasse, of Stafford, and by him had issue. (Dame Catherine died 30th January, 1843, in Harewood Square, in her 81st year.) Catherine Davies-Bovey was the only daughter and sole heiress of the Rev. Thomas Davies-Bovey, of Stow, Co. Cambridge, by his wife, Catherine Shaw. *Burke's Extinct Baronetage* says that Sir Ralph Bovey, of Hillfields, in the Co. of Warwick, was created a Baronet on the 30th of August, 1660, and married Mary, daughter of William, Lord Maynard, but died without legitimate issue in 1679, when the estates passed, under Sir Ralph's will, to his natural son.

JOHN
assumed the title and name of Sir John Alston; was a fellow commoner of Christ Coll., Camb. Died 20th February, 1807, aged 44. Will proved PCC 1807. Married Elizabeth, daughter of Charles Wasse, on the 8th Feb., 1787.

A SON
died in infancy.

KATHERINE-ELIZABETH
born 11th Mar., 1789.

CHARLES
likewise assumed the title and name of Sir Charles Alston on the death of his brother; was born 17th December, 1769. Married Mary, 3rd daughter of John Williamson, and relict of Colonel Pigot. Married at Bath 28th September, 1807

CHARLES-TWISLETON
Student of Corpus Christ. Died 16th Jan., 1834, in Curzon Street, aged 22

HANNAH
born 1763

FRANCES
living 24th August, 1774. then under 18

Katharine
living 24th August, 1774. the under 18

MARIANNE-LOUISA
born 6th April, 1810. Married to Turner Messiter, Barrister at Law, at Stafford.

TABLE A.

An Alston family, springing from the Alston country, yet not linked to the main stock is this of which the pedigree here follows. That the founder, John Alston, sprang from one of the patriarchs indicated in the foregoing pages I have little doubt, but which I cannot determine without further evidence.

(1) ——— = **JOHN ALSTON**, = (2) **MARTHA STOCK**, OF WETHERSFIELD, co. Essex.
of Edwardstone. died September, 1728, aged 75.

JOHN ALSTON
born 1680, living 1754,
aged 74. Portrait in
Hall at Nayland.
A John Alston and
Sarah Holder were
married at Groton,
15th April, 1723, and
a Joseph Holder was
present at the mar-
riage of John Smith
and Mary Alston,
15th Oct., 1754.

SAMUEL ALSTON
of Edwardstone, born about
1682, married Sarah ———?
died 20th Feb., 1754, aged 64,
buried at Edwardstone.
Portrait at Nayland. Probate of
Will granted March 12th, 1751,
Bury St. Edmunds. Will
dated 12th Dec., 1751. Sarah
Alston, his wife, died 20th May,
1732, aged 40, and was buried
at Edwardstone on 25th of same
month. Small oval oil-painting
of Samuel and his wife were
given to Charles Alston, (the
eldest of Table A1,) by Catherine
Mary Downing, and transferred
by Charles-Barron Alston to
Dr. Fenn, in whose possession
they now are.

THOMAS ALSTON
(of Kirby & Boxford)
born 1693, died 1774.
Portrait at Nayland.

JACOB ALSTON
died 1760.
(See Table A12).

THOMAS ALSTON
GRACE ALSTON
married to
Samuel
Breame.

Note.—According to a Geneal. Table
compiled by Charles Alston (the eldest of
Table A1), there were two John Alstons
in this generation; one by the first mar-
riage, of whom nothing is recorded, and
another by the second, having issue, as
here given. But Dr. Fenn rejects C. A's
pedigree in this and other particulars.

JOHN ALSTON **THOMAS ALSTON** **JACOB ALSTON**

SAMUEL ALSTON
baptised at Edwardstone,
21st October, 1722. Of
Nayland, only son, Attorney,
died 3rd June, 1796, at an
advanced age. "Tuesday
last, died at advanced age,
Mr. Alston, of Nayland,
Attorney-at-Law," *Ipsw.*
Journ., June 11th, 1796.
Purchased Nayland after his
marriage. Portrait at
Nayland. Married 2nd
August, 1758, at St. James',
Westminster, Mary,
daughter of Jacobus
Vanderzee, Attorney, of
Nayland, to whom S. A. had
been articled. (J. V. died
1746). Mrs. Alston died in
1800, and was buried in the
vault at Nayland with her
husband.

SARAH ALSTON
born 1726, died 1760.
Married at Edwardstone,
12th Nov., 1745, to William
Sudell, of Colchester, born
1721, at Edwardstone.
Portrait at Nayland.

WIL- LIAM SUDELL
born 1754, died 1803.
Articled to his
uncle Samuel Alston
at Nayland

GEORGE SUDELL

SARAH SUDELL
born 1748, died 1823.

ANN ALSTON
born 1727, died 1761, married
(1) Jacob Alston, (2) John
East, of the parish of
Hadleigh, at Groton, by
license, 5th September,
1759. Portrait at Nayland.

JACOB ALSTON
born 1758.
Articled to his uncle
Samuel Alston at Nay-
land. Died of a fever
Friday, 7th Aug. 1778.
Buried at Edwardstone.

ANN EAST

MARY ALSTON
baptised 6th February
1731, died 1768, married to
John Smith, of
Edwardstone and (or) Box-
ford, at Groton, by licence
15th October, 1754.

JOHN SMITH **SAMUEL SMITH.**

MARTHA ALSTON
—
ELIZABETH ALSTON
—
JOHN ALSTON
all died infants, and
were buried at
Edwardstone.

JAMES ALSTON.
born 1759. An
Attorney at
Bocking.
(see Table A1).

GEORGE (REV.) WILLIAM A.
(see Table A2).
born 1772, died
Feb. 6, 1839, at
Norwich.
Clerk in
Holy Orders.

SAMUEL A.
born 1764, died
28th July, 1835,
aged 70. Attor-
ney at law.
(see Table A8.)

MARY A.
married 20th
January 1795,
died 1842.
(see Table A9.)

SARAH A.
born 1778,
died
unmarried
1837.

ANNA-MARIA A.
died unmarried 26th
July, 1815, aged 46,
buried at Edward-
stone, born at
Nayland, 1769.

HARRIET A.
died unmarried,
born at Nayland,
1773.

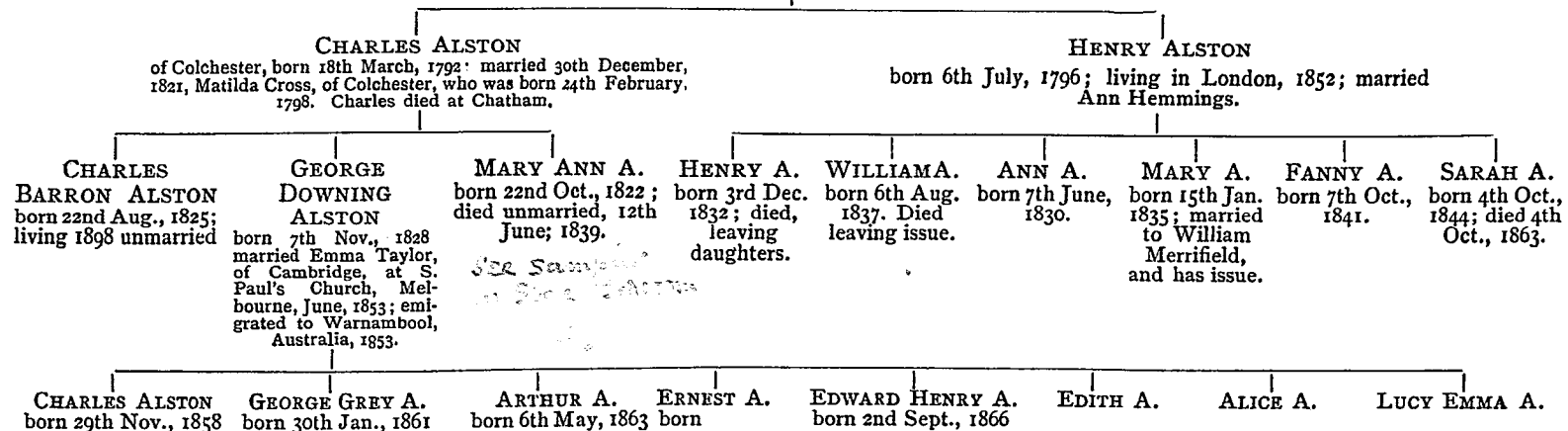
CHARLOTTE A.
born 1762, died
of a decline
1797.

From TABLE A.

TABLE A1.

JAMES ALSTON

Attorney-at-law, of Bocking, co. Essex; eldest son of Samuel Alston, of Nayland; born 1759; died December, 1806; married Ann, second daughter of S. Newton, of Bocking, and had issue



Revised by Professor G. and Dr. E. Liveing.

From TABLE A.

TABLE A2.

MARY CREEK (1)

"Tuesday, 22nd May, was married Mr. George Alston, Attorney-at-Law, Nayland, in this county."—*Ipsw. Journ.*, May 26th, 1798.

Buried at Little Horkesley. Tombstone there.

GEORGE ALSTON

of Nayland, Attorney, married (1) Mary, daughter of James Creek, of Little Horkesley, Suffolk, 22nd May, 1798, see *Ipsw. Journ.*, May 26, 1798. Died January, 1831, aged 68.—See *Ipsw. Journ.*, Feb. 5th, 1821, *obituary notice* "Yesternight, died at his residence, at Nayland, in the 68th year of his age, George Alston, Esquire."

(2) ANNE VANDERZEE

his cousin, daughter of James Vanderzee, of Billericay, Essex, Attorney, 2nd wife. Died February, 1856; buried at Nayland.

(REV.) GEORGE ALSTON
(See Table A3.)

SAMUEL A. ALSTON
of Nayland, born 1809, died 1887, unmarried.
A. 17. 1887

REV. EDWARD A. ALSTON
born 1810, died 1871 unmarried. M.A. Fellow of St. John's Oxford.

CHARLES A. ALSTON
born 1812, died 1878, unmarried.

MARGARETTA A. ALSTON
born 1807, died 1868.

MARIA A. ALSTON
born 1815, died 1871, married 19th May, 1840, to Thomas Harold Fenn Surgeon (See Table A7)

MARGARET ALSTON
born 1813, living 1898, at Nayland, in the house purchased by her grandfather, Samuel Alston. The house is said to date from Edward IV, and shows some good specimens of oak carving. It formerly belonged to the Parker family, now of Long Melford.
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Revised by Rev. A. E. Alston.

From TABLE A2.

ANNE-CHARLOTTE OXENDEN = (REV.) GEORGE ALSTON = ISABEL-TRAVERS (SMYTHIES),
who died at Kirkheath, co. York, 27th June, 1841,
Obituary Notice in *Gent's Mag.*, Aug. 1848,
p. 221.

TABLE A3.

born 1800, died 1879, Rector of Studland, Dorset, sometime Vicar of Horndon on the Hill, co. Essex, and a Fellow Commoner of Queen's College, Cambridge, married (1), "On the 3rd inst. was married at Limpsfield, in Surrey, by the Rev. Robert Mayne, George Alston, Esq., Jnr., of Hadleigh, in this County, to Anne Charlotte, 3rd daughter of Sir Henry Oxenden, of Broome Park, in the County of Kent, Bart.," *Ipsw. Journ.*, Oct. 11th, 1828. 3rd Oct., 1828, at Limpsfield, Surrey, Anne Charlotte, daughter of Sir Henry Oxenden, Bart. The Rev George Alston was bred to the Law, and afterwards went to sea, but abandoned those professions for Holy Orders.

daughter of Sir Eaton Travers, Knt., G.H. (Guelphic Order of Hanover), Admiral R.N., and widow of the Rev. Charles Smythies, of Colchester (who was father of Charles Alan Smythies, Bishop of Zanzibar). Born 1822, died 1883.

ALFRED- HENRY A. (See Table A4.) p. 292	EDWARD GRAHAM A. Queen's Advocate, of Sierra Leone, (See Table A5.) p. 293	GEORGE A. born at Hadleigh, died in infancy.	WILLIAM- EVELYN A. Surgeon-Major, J.P., &c., of Sand- gate, Kent, died 1896. See Table A6.)	WALTON A. born at Clontarf, 29th October, 1835, died a minor.	HUBERT- GEORGE A. born 1866, Lieu- tenant H.M.S. "Aga" court, Chatham.	EDITH ISABEL A. married to Rev. Francis Nugge, now Rector of Shelton, Newark, 3.2.7.1859.	MAUDE A. ETHEL A. MILDRED married married to to Charles Smith Ernest Lloyd Morris. 1899. died in infancy.
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From TABLE A3.

TABLE A4.

ALFRED-HENRY ALSTON,

Captain, R.N., born at Hadleigh, 7th Oct., 1829. Died 22nd Jan., 1874. Married at Ramsgate, 23rd Feb., 1865, Jessie Rosalie, daughter of John Gilmore, Captain, R.N. In 1852 the late Commander Alston, R.N., volunteered and was accepted for the Arctic Expedition in search of Sir John Franklin. He saw much service in China, and was instrumental in the capture of the celebrated Commissioner Yeh surrounded by high walls with massive gates; men were despatched for ladders, and beams to use as battering rams. Every moment was valuable for Yeh was known to be inside the building, and delay might allow him to escape. Alston, then a Midshipman, saw that if he could squeeze himself through the opening under the great gate he might open the gate to the attacking force. The fort was commanded by Tartan troops. There was the risk of being killed even before he could rise from the ground. He crawled under with difficulty, and opened it, the troops having fled the moment before. He rushed after the flying Chinese and overtook two mandarins. One tapping himself on the chest, said—"Me Yeh! Me Yeh!" Alston seized him, making a sudden snatch at the other, but only succeeded in securing the feather from his cap. He was, however, immediately secured by some of the Brigade, who rushed in first through the open gate. The feather thus taken from Yeh's cap was some years after presented to the Queen by Captain Alston's widow and graciously accepted. From 1852 until 1864 Captain Alston was almost constantly in active service, and from his well-known character was selected as Naval Instructor to Prince Alfred when His Royal Highness was on board the "St. George." Subsequently being interested in the training and reformation of outcast lads, he took command of the training ships "Chichester" and "Cumberland" respectively. Then he became interested in the reclamation of criminals, and obtained the Governorship of the Monmouthshire County Prison at Usk, but the work proved too great a strain, and being seized with paralysis of the brain he died in 1874. Captain Alston was the author of a very valuable manual of instruction in practical seamanship for young officers, which is used in the Navy and Naval Schools. He also wrote a book entitled, "Ready, O, Ready, or these Forty Years," containing much of his early experience. He was distinguished for his piety and his bravery. "We were always ready to follow Alston anywhere," said one of his messmates, now a distinguished officer. On one occasion he narrowly escaped losing his own life in attempting to save that of a boy who fell overboard one winter's day when a heavy gale was blowing, and a swift tide was running down the Thames.

HUGH-DURRANT A. born 2nd Dec., 1865, at Porthean, Cornwall, Surveyor of Mines.	ASHTON A. born 8th Mar., 1867, at Greenhithe, in the service of the Hudson Bay Co.	ALFRED-GILMORE A. born 10th Oct., 1868, at Greenhithe, Lieutenant, R.N.	HAMILTON- GALBRAITH A. born 22nd April, 1871, at Rowin, Scotland, died July, 1887.	JOHN-OXENDEN A. born 16th April, 1874, at Charlton, Kent. Missionary "Irish Church Missions."	ADELAIDE A.
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(Communicated by J. Oxenden Alston.)

From TABLE A3.

ELIZABETH ABBOTT
daughter of Edward Abbott, of
Wretham, co. Norfolk. She
died 1865.

TABLE A5.

EDWARD GRAHAM ALSTON
second son of Rev. George Alston, Rector of Studland,
born 6th September, 1832. Married twice. Died
12th November, 1872, in Sierra Leone. M.A. Trinity,
Cambridge. Barrister-at-Law. Settled first in
British Columbia. Afterwards appointed Queen's
Advocate Sierra Leone. *Vide* Miscellanea for Memoir.

ANNA MARIA TUZO,
daughter of Henry
Tuzo, of Quebec and
Bermuda, West India
Merchant of French
extraction (name
said to be originally
Touzeau of Anjou).

(Rev.) ALFRED-
EDWARD ALSTON
Rector of Earl's
Framingham, co.
Norfolk. Born 1862,
at Victoria, B.C.

CONSTANCE-JANE
ALSTON
born at Victoria, B.C.

HENRY-GEORGE
ALSTON
of the Order of S.
Benedict. Born at
Victoria, B.C., 1869.

REV. WILLIAM-
TUZO ALSTON
Clerk in Holy Orders,
Born 1871 at Victoria,
B.C.

CHARLOTTE-
MARIA ALSTON
born at Victoria,
B.C.

Revised by Rev. A. E. Alston.

From TABLE A3.

TABLE A6.

WILLIAM-EVELYN ALSTON,

born in Ireland 29th October, 1835. M.D., Surgeon-Major, J.P., &c., of Sandgate, Kent. Died 19th October, 1896. Married Elizabeth Rouse, daughter of (Hon.) Robert Fitzgerald, of Sidney, N.S.W., 5th January, 1867.

WILLIAM-EVELYN
ALSTON
M.B., born 15th Feb.,
1868, B.A., Clare
College, Cambridge,
married 1st Nov.,
1893, at Durham,
Clara, daughter of T.
H. Harrison, of
Rochdale, and has
issue.

DORIS-EVELEEN
ALSTON
born 11th Sept., 1895,
at Isleworth.

ROBERT-GRAHAM
FITZGERALD
ALSTON
born 7th Jan., 1870.
Now in Ceylon.

(REV.) ARTHUR-
FAWSSETT
ALSTON
M.A., Clare College,
Cambridge, Clerk in
Holy Orders. Born
30th Dec., 1872.

ERNEST-ALFRED-
BROOKE ALSTON
born 29th Oct., 1878.

LILA-ELIZABETH
ALSTON

DORA-GLADYS-
OXENDEN
ALSTON
(nee Fawssett)

(Communicated and revised by Rev. A. E. Alston, Mrs. E. G. Alston, Miss Charlotte Alston, and Dr. W. E. Alston.)

From TABLE A2.

TABLE A7.

MARIA ALSTON.

Born 19th July, 1815. Died March, 1871. Married to Thomas-Harrold Fenn, Surgeon, born 1815, died 1870. Married "May 9th, at Nayland, Suffolk, Thomas Harrold Fenn, Esquire, of Rushall Cottage, Wilts, to Maria youngest daughter of the late George Alston, Esquire, of the same place (Nayland)." — *St. James' Chronicle*, May 21-23, 1840.

EDWARD-
LIVING FENN
M.D., a physician
at Colchester,
born 1843, married
(1) Katherine P.
Julius (2) Edith
Todd, both of
Richmond,
Surrey, and has
issue.

ERNEST-
HAROLD
FENN
born 1850, Surg-
Lt.-Col. in Scots
Guards, and C.I.E
married Bertha
Jobson, and has
issue—1 son and
1 daughter.

ANNIE-
VANDERZEE
FENN
married to Rear-
Admiral George
W. Hand, and
has issue, 4 sons, &
1 daughter.
*Margaret Rose
Katherine.*

ISABELLA-
LOUISA FENN
married to Rev.
Digby H. Coles,
Chaplain Indian
Government. He
died in 1877,
leaving issue, a
daughter.

THEODORE-
GEORGE FENN
born 1846, Lieut.
R.N., married
Margaret Play-
ford, of Forest
Row, Sussex. He
died in 1889,
leaving issue—4
sons and 2
daughters.

LUCY-
VANDERZEE
FENN
married to Surg-
Major Hopkins,
Indian Med. Serv.
who died in 1893.
and has issue—
3 sons and 2
daughters.

CATHERINE-
MARIA FENN
married to Herbert
A. Giles, Esq.,
H.B.M., Consular
Service in China,
now Professor of
Chinese, Cam-
bridge University,
Catherine died
1882, in China,
leaving issue—4
sons and 2
daughters.

MARGARETTA-
FENN
—
HENRIETTA-
FENN
—
Both died young.

Revised by Dr. E. L. Fenn.

From TABLE A.

TABLE A8.

SAMUEL ALSTON

Born 17th September, 1764, died 28th July, 1835, at 4-45 a.m., buried at St. Martin's Church, Monday, 3rd August, 1835. Attorney at Leicester. Will dated 20th June, 1832, proved 5th August, 1835. Married Catherine Sultzer, Born 5th November, 1773, married Monday, 31st December, 1798, at St. Martin's Church, Leicester, by the Rev. Joseph Gregory, Vicar. Died 25th April, 1852, about 10 a.m., Holywell Toft, Giggleswick, Yorks. Buried at St. Martin's, Leicester, Saturday, 1st May, 1852. Date of Will, 2nd November, 1837, proved 14th September, 1852.

SAMUEL ALSTON
born 11th May, 1800, at 1-20 a.m., christened Tuesday, 7th October, Godfathers, his uncles George Downing and William Sultzer; Godmother, his grandmother, Mrs. Sultzer. Died unmarried, Sunday, 6th October, 1825, at 8-30 a.m., aged 25.

MARIA ALSTON
a twin (other still-born) born October 21st, 1805, at 8-20 a.m., christened Wednesday, 9th April, 1806, Godfather, her great uncle Nichols, and Godmothers, Mrs. King, and her great aunt, Mrs. Leach. Died at Weymouth, 1st May, 1873, buried at Radipole, 6th May. Married 28th October, 1830. "Thursday, Sennight was married at the St. Martin's Church, Leicester, by the Rev. R. Ingram, B.D., the Rev. Rowland Ingram, M.A., of Wing, Rutland, to Maria, only child of Samuel Alston, Esq., of Leicester, *Ipsw. Journ.*, November 6th, 1830. The Rev. Rowland Ingram was afterwards Rector of Great with Little Ellingham, co. Norfolk.

SAMUEL ALSTON INGRAM
Born 17th February, 1837, married Ann Jane Parker at St. Paul's, Rockhampton 22nd March, 1882, living in Queensland.

(REV.) DELAVAL SHAFTO INGRAM
born 22nd October, 1840. Formerly Head Master of Felsted School, now Rector of Oakley, nr. Harwich. Married 7th January, 1868, Elinor, daughter of Rev. J.I. Weldon, D.C.L., Head Master of Tonbridge School.

MARIA INGRAM
born 1st October, 1831, living unmarried.

CATHERINE INGRAM
married to her second cousin, Professor Livinge of Cambridge, 14th August, 1860 died s.p., buried at Cambridge. Nov., 1888.

FRANCES INGRAM
born 15th March, 1834, Died 2nd September, 1834.

HENRIETTA INGRAM
born 13th March, 1835, living unmarried.

ANNA INGRAM
born 10th November, 1838, died 5th December, 1852.

SARAH INGRAM
born 19th October, 1844 married 1885, to William Vawdrey Lush F.R.C.P., M.D., of Weymouth.

SAMUEL ROWLAND INGRAM
born 22nd March, 1883.

THOMAS HENRY INGRAM
born 26th April, 1887 died 26th Jan., 1888.

GEORGE ALFRED INGRAM
born 4th November 1888.

THOMAS INGRAM
born 21st May, 1893.

ALBERT INGRAM
born 26th February, 1895.

MARIA INGRAM
born 6th May, 1884.

HENRIETTA ELIZA INGRAM
born 4th September, 1885.

SARAH ELIZABETH INGRAM
born 1st Aug., 1890, died 11th November, 1891.

ANN JANE INGRAM
born 1897.

ROWLAND WELDON INGRAM
born 6th March, 1870.

GEORGE DELAVAL INGRAM
born 20th Mar., 1872, died 15th May, 1875.

ROBERT INGRAM
born 4th November 1875.

ARTHUR CHARLES INGRAM
born 28th March, 1877.

RALPH EDWARD ALSTON INGRAM
born 3rd November 1885.

ELINOR MARIA INGRAM
born 9th Nov., 1868, died 10th May, 1875.

KATHERINE FRANCES INGRAM
born 11th January, 1874.

LAURA INGRAM
born 25th April, 1878

ANNA MARION INGRAM
born 12th October, 1879.

MARGARET SHAFTO INGRAM
born 28th July, 1884.

DOROTHY EDITH INGRAM
born 20th August, 1887.

Revised by Rev. D. S. Ingram, Great Oakley Rectory, Harwich.

From TABLE A.

TABLE Ag.

MARY ALSTON.

eldest daughter of Samuel Alston, of Nayland. Born 6th of June, 1761, the day of the Transit of Venus, at 9 a.m. Married at Nayland, 27th January, 1795. See *Ipswich Journal*, 31st January, 1795. Died there 5th March, 1840. George Downing, of Lincoln's Inn, Barrister-at-Law, only son of the Rev. George Downing, Rector of Ovington, Essex, and Prebend of Ely. Born Christmas Day, 1762, died 9th October, 1800. Provincial Grand-Master for Essex (Freemasons). Senior Lieutenant Light Horse Volunteers. Portrait and Memoir in *European Magazine*, vol. 39, p. 83, February, 1801. Monument in S. Paul's, Covent Garden. Portrait in *Gent's Mag. and Freemasons' Pocket Book*.

? 8th April CATHERINE MARY DOWNING See page 402 B.

born 6th March 1798, in London, married at Stoke-by-Nayland in 1821, died in October, 1872, buried at Nayland. Her husband Edward Liveing, Surgeon, of Nayland, was born 1796, at Harwich, died 10th March, 1843, aged 47. Monument in Chancel of Nayland Church.

GEORGE DOWNING LIVEING	EDWARD L. M.D., Fellow Registrar of the Royal College of Physicians.	ROBERT L. M.D. (See Table Aix).	THOMAS L. born 7th Mar., 1841, died in infancy. Died 28-3-41 Buried at Nayland	MARY KATE L. born 9th July, 1822, died in 1888, unmarried, buried at Chobham, Surrey.	FRANCES L. born 28th Jan., 1824, died 1843, unmarried, buried at Nayland. D. 24-4-1843 aged 19	SARAH- ANN L. born 14th Dec., 1825, died 1845, unmarried, buried at Nayland. D. 22-2-1845 aged 18.	ANNA- MARIA L. born 6th Jan., 1830, married to William Howard, of the Merchant Service, retired. LOUISA C. HOWARD	HARRIET L. born 9th June, 1836, married to Archibald William Mac- donald, M.A., Trinity College, Dublin, who was some time in Holy Orders, and Chaplain to Lord Monteaigle afterwards M.P. for Queen's County. ONE SON.	CHARLOTTE L. born 4th Nov., 1838, died 16th Nov., 1896, un- married, buried at Cambridge.	ELLEN L. born 16th June, 1843, died 1863, at Torquay, unmarried.
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Reverend to Hayland the grounds
of the church commemorating the
execution of King George V. was
in the garden at Hayland Court.

From TABLE Ag.

TABLE Aio.

See p. 227 Vol. 4 *Monk's Book of the
Royal College of Physicians*

EDWARD LIVEING,

born 8th February, 1832. M.D. Cambridge. Fellow of King's College, London, Fellow and Registrar of the Royal College of Physicians, London. Married first at Stoke-by-Nayland, August, 1854, Frances Jane, only daughter of Lieutenant Henry Boden Torlesse, R.N., many years Police Magistrate in Tasmania. She was born 12th November, 1831, and died 3rd August, 1884, and was buried at Stoke. Married, secondly, 1893, Harriet Susan, daughter of Rev. J. Wilson Brown, M.A., Rector of Stowlangtoft, Suff. Issue by first marriage as below—

EDWARD-HENRY
TORLESSE
LIVEING

born 30th June, 1855, at
Nayland. Assoc. R.
Sch. of Mines, Prof. of
Mining, York. Coll.,
Leeds.

Died Dec 14 1895

Buried at Stoke-by-Nayland

(Rev.) HENRY-
GEORGE
DOWNING L.

M.A., Oxon. Vicar of
St. Barth's, Winchester.
Born 9th Mar., 1861.
Married Margaret,
daughter of George
Rands, Senr. Solicitor,
of Northampton, and
has issue 1 son, 3
daughters.

WILLIAM-
ROBERT-
FRANCIS L.

Solicitor,
born 9th Feb., 1866,
married Miss A. Fleck,
and has issue 1 son.

FRANCES L.
married at Stoke to F.
C. Holland, Solicitor,
and has issue 1 son,
1 daughter.

MARGARET L.
married Nov., 1891, at
Marylebone, to George
Rands, Junr., of
Northampton, Solicitor,
and has issue—2 sons, 1
daughter.

LIVEING.—On March 18, 1947, at Burgh Heath.
MARGARET, wife of the REV. HENRY GEORGE DOWNING
LIVEING, aged 88.
LIVEING.—On April 17, 1947, very peacefully, at
Burgh Heath, the REV. HENRY GEORGE DOWNING
LIVEING, aged 86.

See Table 1 (c)
Bygone days

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ROBERT LIVEING, *Royal College of Physicians.*

Revised by Dr. E. Liveing.

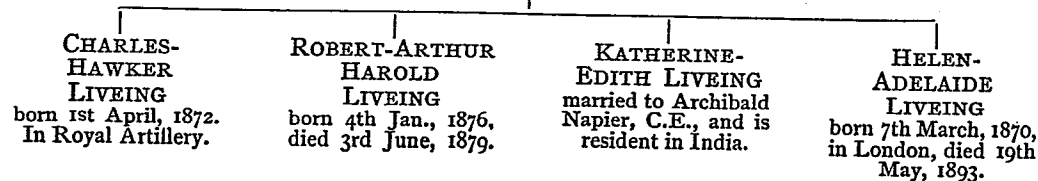
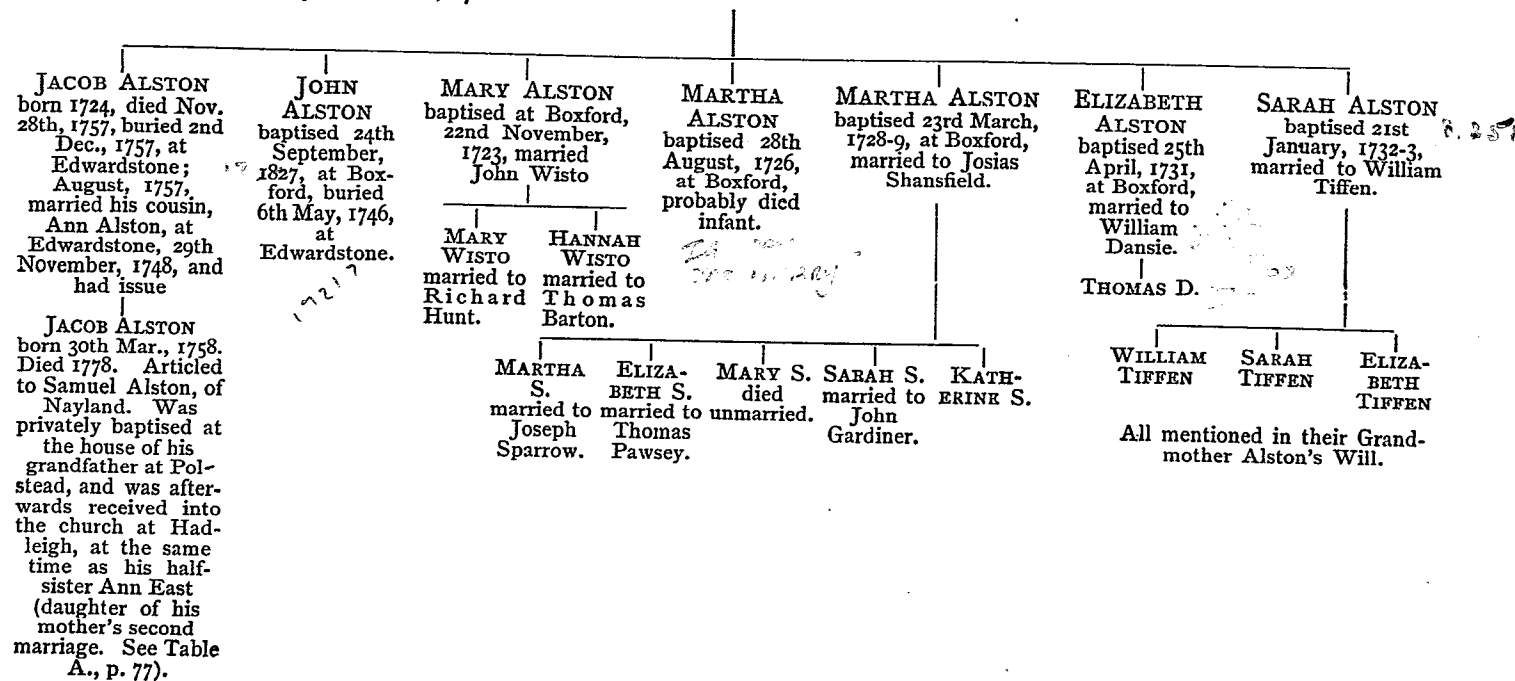


TABLE A12.

JACOB ALSTON

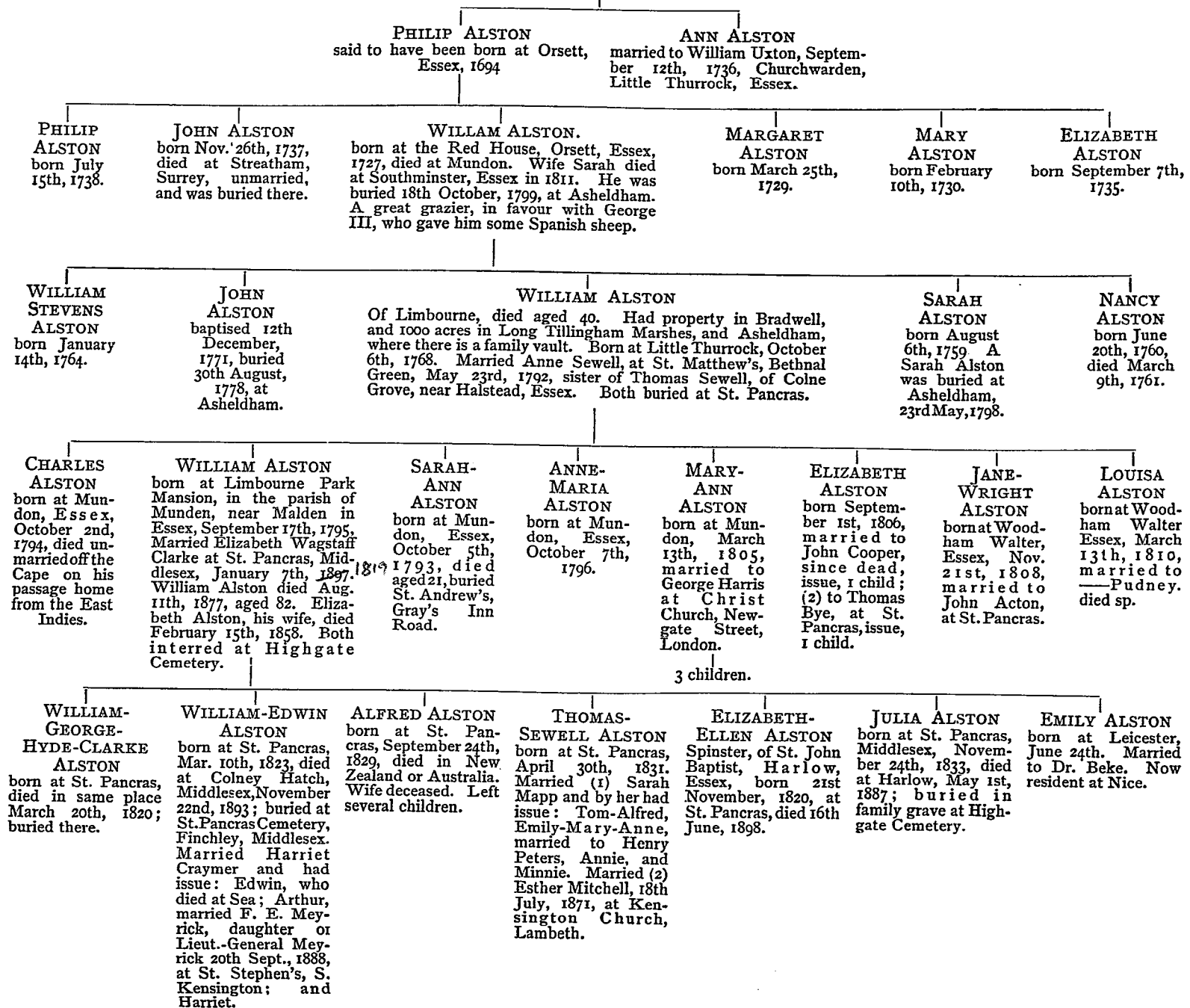
of Wrens, Polstead (probably born 1696). Died 18th May, 1760. Will, dated 12th April, 1759, was proved P. C. C., 3rd July, 1760. Elizabeth Alston, *widow*, was buried at Edwardstone 24th August, 1781. The Will of Elizabeth Alston, of Newton, co. Suff., widow, dated 6th October, 1779, was proved 27th October, 1781.



Revised by Drs. Fenn and Liveing.

Another Alston family of East Anglian origin whose connection is not established is this:

ALSTON,



Alston Wills,

PROVED IN THE PREROGATIVE COURT OF CANTERBURY, AND NOW
DEPOSITED AT SOMERSET HOUSE.

Willm Alston
of Newton.

Stanarde 27.

In the name of god Amen. I Willm Alston of newton in the Countie of Suff. husbondman, this 18th day of October 1563 Do make and declare my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge fyrste I commende my soule to god my bodye to therthe and at my buriall day I will that ther shalbe bestowed at my funerall and emongeste the poore £10 wherof in boxforde 20s. and nayland 20s. and within one yere next after my decease I will ther shall be distributed emongest the poore people of Sudbury Boxfford Nayland and assington by myne Executor £6 8s. 4d. *Item* I will that Alice Rose shall have Duriinge and by all the terme of her naturall lyffe weakly 6d. and at everye Xpemas a smoke and a peticote to be payed and delivered by myne Executors. *Item* I gyve and bequethe to Elizabethe my wyffe all my landes and ten^{ntes} comonlye called or knowne by the name or names of Ballys newton house lockers and cantinges withe all and singuler ther Appurten^{nces} for terme of her naturall lyffe and after her decease I will that all the said landes and tenem^{tes} withe all and singuler ther appurten^{nces} shall remayne to Willm my sonne duriinge his lyffe and after ther decease I will all the premisses as well free as bonde shalbe sold by my Executors and supervisors or by so many of them as to that sale will assent and agre and all the money comynge of that Sayle to be distributed emongest my Childrenes Children by the better advise of thos that shall make the sayle. *Item* I gyve and bequethe vnto my said wyffe halfe my howsolde stuffe and vtinseles of howsolde 6 mylche nete fyve seme of Barlye 3 seame of wheate 20 sheppe one horse or geldinge or 3^l in money for him at her Choyse and tenne poundes in money the said 10^l to be payde wthin 2 yeres next after my Deceasse in eyther yere a like porcon by myne Executors and the aforesaid 6 mylche nete fyve seme Barlye 3 seme wheate 20 sheppe and the horse or geldinge or 3^l in money for him I will shalbe payed and delyvered by my sonne Willm only In consideracon wherof I gyve and bethethe (*sic*) vnto my said sonne Willm my lease and terme of yeres of and in the mannor of newton withe all the appurten^{nces} together w^t all my corne haye and Stover and all that to my husbandry appertayneth as horse cattall cartes ploughes and other necessities whatsoever together w^t thother halfe of my housolde Stuffe and vtinsyles of howsolde my best bedd and the chest on the sollar *Item* I gyve and bequethe vnto the said Willm all those my landes and tenem^{tes} withe all and singuler ther appurten^{nces} sett lying and beinge in Nayland boxford and hadleye fee or in eyther of them now or late in the tenure and occupacon of Willm Whiteting John Sendell and John Garrard or ther assignes duriinge and by all the terme of his naturall lyffe and after his decease I will that all the last recyted prmisses shall remayne to Willm the sonne of Edward my sonne and his heirs ffor ever *Item* I will that the said Willm my sonne owte of the prmisses Duriinge his lyffe shall beare and pay yerly towards the payment of theis my legacies 3^l *Item* I gyve and bequethe vnto my said sonne Willm and his heirs my tenement in Sudbury which I purchased of Burrell and my tenement in Newton called priors w^t all the yarges gardens and groundes to them or eyther of them belonginge or appertayninge and in respecte therof I will that my said sonne Willm his heirs or assignes for ever shall yerly pay or cause to be payed for and towards the relife of the poore peopell of Sudbury 16s. and of the pore peopell of newton 10s. *Item* I gyve vnto Anne my Daughter and her heirs my Tene^{nt} in Sudburie called the bell w^t all that therto appertayneith and in money 15^l to be paid w^tin two yeres next after my decease in eyther yere alyke porcon *Item* I gyve to Alice my Daughter and her heirs my tow Croftes in Cornard w^o I bought of Mr. paston and in money 15^l to be payed as before is appointed ffor Anne *Item* I gyve to Alice her daughter 20^l at the day of her mariage or at the age of 22 yeres w^h shall fyrst happen *Item* I will that every man-srunte in my howse at my decease above thage of 18 yeres shall have as of my gyfte 20s. and beinge 18 or under 6s. 8d. and eny woman-srunt 5s. vsinge themselves honestly to me and my Executors evry of them for his or her pte *Item* I gyve to Thomas the sonne of Edward my sonne and his heirs all yt. my ten^{nt} called waspes w^t all the groundes therto belonginge or appertayninge now or late in ye occupacon of Rbrt. Bartlott or his assignes and I will that any thinge before writen not w^t standinge yt. ye said Robte John Harland and Alice Kettell my ten^{nts} shalbe cleare acquitted and dyscharged of the halfe yere ferme of there severall porcon wch shall happ^e next after my decease All the Residue of my goodes and chattells redde mony and debtes I gyve them to my executors whome I ordaine and make Edward and William my sonnes and I ordeyne and make Supvisors thereof Thomas barrow esquire and John holt gent and I gyve to eyther of them 5^l and yf any of the above named legatories do dysturbe trouble or vext myne executors in execution of this my will and Testament that I will his or her legacy shalbe wthholden and by the said supvisors to the poore people dystrubuted ffor witnes whereof I ye said Willm ye ffather after I had hard all ye prmisses red ded set herunto my marke and desired Sondry witnesses to sett ther markes also By me Thomas Barrowe, by me Thomas West.

Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury before Walter Haddon, Doctor of Laws, by Edward Alston Executor on the 23rd October, 1567.

See Table 1 page 3.

**William
Alston**
of Middleton.

Morrison
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The will of William Alston of Middylton co. Essex yeoman dated 1st Feby 1564

I give to my wife Alice and her heirs a piece of land called le lamplande in Myddleton in a field called Stower felde—Also 6 milch beasts, six horses, one cart and cart harness for horse, one plough, harness for horse or in lieu thereof £12, 5 seames of wheat or mystelon, 10 seames of barley or mavlte

I give to Symon leafflyn and his heirs my tenement in Sudbury, late buretts and my tenement in Newton called Priors with all the yards, gardens and grounds belonging thereto, which I had as bequest from my late father Will. Alston the sd Symon Laffelyn and his heirs to pay annually to the poor of Sudbury 16s. and to the poor of Newton 10s.

I give to Edmond Colman the son of John Colman my posted bedstead, fether bed, bolster Coverlett, blankets and sheets, the table and frame for the same, the joyned stools standing in my parlour and £10 in money—The said Edmond to receive the above bequests at the age of 21, should he die before attaining his majority, the £10 to be given to the poor of Sudbury.

I give to Alice Kingsburye my sister's daughter £5 and such household stuff, not otherwise bequeathed, as I inherited from my father.

Also to my wife Alys such other household stuff as I am proper owner of but no part of the goods of Robart Messynge, late of Sudbury.

To each of my household servants 20s. except Alice Kingsbury

„ Richard Kitstone 20s.

„ „ Walter of Naylond £10

„ John Garrard „ £10

„ my sister Anne Loder £3 6s. 8d.

„ „ Alice Kingsburye £3 6s. 8d.

To the poor of Myddleton £4

„ „ „ Newton £6

„ „ „ Sudbury and Ballyngdon £8

„ „ „ Boxford £5

„ „ „ Naylond £5

„ „ „ Assington 40s.

To Alice Barker dau of Richard Barker my bed and bedstead now standing at Sudbury

To each of the children of Robert Messynge 20s. at the age of 21

To Alice Norfolk of Myddleton 6d. weekly for her life

To Olive Knyght 20s.

„ „ Gates widow 20s.

„ Robart Plampeyn 40s.

„ George Wynterflod 40s.

The residue of my estate I give to my executor John Wynterflod of Assington

I appoint Symon laffelyn supervisor of this my will to whom I give £3 for his trouble.

(Signed) WILLIAM ALSTON.

Witnesses : Richard Sendell, Robart Plampeyn, Rich Corker gent., John Hartwell.

I give to each of my godchildren 12d.

„ to Henry Smyth my father's kinsman 20s.

Proved 16 May 1565 by John Wynterflod executor named in will.

See Table 1 page 3.

Edward
Alstone
of Newton.

Nevill
44.

In the name of god amen The tenth daye of Januarye in the foure and thirtieth yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god Quene of Englande Fraunce and Ireland Defendor of the faith etc. I Edward Alstone of newton in the County of Suff. and within the Dioces of Norwiche yeoman being of perfecte healtie and good remembraunce the praise be given vnto god therefore and revoking and renouncing all other Willes and testaments by me at any time made before the daye of the date hereof doe nowe make and ordayne this present wrighting conteyning and declaring therein and thereby my true Testament and Last Will in suche manner and forme as is herevnder specified (that is to saye) first and principally I bequeathe my Sowle vnto Almighty god whoe hath created redemed and sanctified me and all His electe people hoping faithfully and most assuredly to be saved in the daye of the generall Resurrection and iudgement by the onely merittes and passion of our Lord and Savyor Jesus Christ And I will my bodye to be buried in Christian Buriall in Newton aforesaid by the good discreacon of my Executor herevnder named. *Item* whereas I the saide Edward by my Deede of graunte made before the mariage had and solemnized betwene me and Christian Nowe my Wyfe have given and graunted vnto her the same Christian and her assignes one Annuitye or Rent charge of ffive poundes to be pceived and taken yearely owte of my Mannor of Sayham Hall in the saide County of Suff. for and in Recompence and full satisfaction of all her dower and Righte and title of Dower whiche she oughte to have or may Lawfully clayme of in or to the same Mannor and all other my Landes Tenementes and Hereditamentes with their appurtennces my minde and will is and I doe ordayne devise and appointe that William Alstone my oldest sonne his heires and assignes shall yearely well and truly content and pay the same Annuitye or Rent charge vnto her the said Christian my wyfe and her assignes during her naturall lyfe out of for and in respecte of the Scite and Landes of the same Mannor whiche shall descend or be otherways given or devised vnto him by this my will according to the effecte of my said deede and my true entent and meaning therein and hereby declared. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto Thomas Alstone my youngest sonne and to his heires and assignes for ever all that my parcell of Land conteyning in Lengthe thirty foote and in breadthe twenty foote be it more or Lesse some time being parcell of a Crofte called Marche Crofte in Newton aforesaid with the Cottage therevpon now standing and builte And all my Revercon Remainder Righte title and interest whiche I nowe have or oughte to have of in or to the same Lande and Cottage and every of them as they bene now in the tenure or occupacon of one Emme Harkwoode widowe. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto the same Thomas my sonne his heires and assignes for ever all that my parcell of Lande and pasture conteyning by estimacon halfe an acre be it more or Lesse nowe or Late being parcell of my Tenement called Burchettes as the same peece nowe lyeth enclosed from the residue of the same Tenement into a greater feild neere vnto the Cheife Mansion howse wherein I nowe dwell in Newton aforesaid. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto the said Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes for ever the Messuage and Mantion howse of my said Tenement called Burchettes and the yarde garden and Orcharde therevnto belonging with th appurtennces in Newton aforesaid for and in respecte and to th intent that he the same Thomas my sonne his heires and assignes possessors and owners of the same Messuage and mancon howse for the time being for ever shall from and after the daye of my decease at the feast of All Saintes yearely or within one moneth next after every of the same ffeastes well and truly paye or cause to be paide owte of and for the same one annuall Rent or some of Tenne shillinges of Lawfull Englishe Money for and towards the reliefe of the poore people of Newton aforesaid; and to thintent also that he the same Thomas his heires and Assignes shall permit and suffer one Marye Englishe to inhabitt and have her dwelling during her naturall Lyfe in that parte of the same messuage wherein she nowe dwelleth withoute any manner of Rent or money or other proffit by her to be yealded or paide for the same during the saide terme *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto the said Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires executors and administrators all and all manner of seelinges portalles waincottes glasse settelles benches and shelfes scituate standing or being in or abowte the saide Mancon howse wherein I nowe dwell in Newton aforesaid and in and abowte the Messuage or Inne called the Crowne and other the Messuages in Sudburye in the saide County of Suff. nowe or late in the severall tenures or occupacons of Thomas Foxe and John Godfrye or either of them And moreon my Will minde and true intent is that the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes shall and maye from henceforthe for ever peaceably and quyetly and withoute any expulcon eviction Lett or disturbaunce of the saide William Alstone my eldest sonne his heires and assignes or any of them have holde and enioye all and singuler those messuages howses buildings yarges gardens orchardes Landes tentes meadowes pastures feedinges woodes groves marshes Rentes Reversions services tithes tenthes wayes Libertyes easementes profittes comodities and hereditamentes whatsoever with all and every their appurtennces scituate Lying or being in the Counties of Suff. and Essex or in any of them which bene conteyned or expressed in all and singuler my deedes ffeoffamentes grauntes Conveyaunces and other writings vnder my hande and seale vnto him the same Thomas by me thereof made and delivered before the date or time of the making of theis presentes according to the purporte and effecte of the same severall deedes ffeoffamentes conveyaunces and wrightinges And my true intent and meaning in them and herein declared *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto the saide William Alstone my sonne my Closse of Lande called or knowne by the name of Startoppes with the appurtennces scituate and being in Boxforde in the said County of Suff. to have and to holde the same vnto the saide William my sonne his heires and assignes for ever vnder the Condicton and with such limitacon and in suche manner and forme as is herevnder expressed and declared that is to saye that by the same William my sonne his heires executors or assignes or some or one of them shall well and truly content and paye or cause to contented and paied according vnto this my Last will vnto ffoure of the Children of the same Thomas Alstone my sonne borne of the bodye of his first wyfe the Some of three score poundes of Lawfull money of England in manner and forme following that is to saye vnto Alice Alstone one of the saide Children thirty pounds thereof To Thomas Alstone the yonger one other of the same Children Tenne poundes thereof To Edward Alstone one other of the same children Tenne poundes thereof And vnto Elizabeth Alstone the fourth of the same Children Tenne poundes residue of the saide three score poundes to be paide vnto every of them severally at his and her severall age of Eightene yeares. And if it shall happen any of the saide fowre Children to dye or departe this Lyfe before his or her said age of Eightene yeares then my Will and minde is that the part and porcon of the saide three score poundes to such of the same Children so dying bequeathed shall remayne and be paide given divided to and amongst so many of my saide sonne Thomas his said fowre Children as shall Live and attayne vnto his or her saide age of eightene years viz. : vnto every one of them parte and parte a lyke at their severall ages aforesaid And if the said Will^m my sonne his heires Executors and Administrators shall make defaulte to paye vnto the saide children or to any of them his her or their parte or porcon of the saide money vnto them in forme aforesaid bequeathed or any parte thereof And also shall vpon any Reasonable request or requestes to any of them after to be made by any suche Childe or Children whoe shoulde or oughte to have the same in forme aforesaid denye or refuse or doe neglecte to paye the

same within fourtene dayes next after any such requeste made That then and from thenceforthe all the wholle estate righte vse and interest of the same William Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes of in and vnto the saide Closse of Lande called Startoppes with thappurtenneces together with all and every gifte bequest devyse discent and title thereof vnto the same William his heires and assignes or any of them devised bequeathed Limited made descending or coming shall cease and determyn, and shall from thenceforthe be vterly voide and of no force nor effecte any Clause sentence or article in this my Will conteyned or any other acte or thing to the contrary thereof in any Wise notwithstanding And my Will and mind is that they then ymediatly from and after any such defaulte and denyall refusall or neglecting of payment of the saide money or any parte thereof to the saide children or any of them whoe oughte to have the same in forme aforesaide first happening the saide Closse of Lande called Startoppes with the appurtenneces shall wholly remaine and be vnto the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes for ever vppon and under the Lyke condicon That he the same Thomas my sonne his heires executors administrators or assignes shall well and truly content and paye or cause to be contented and payde the Lyke some of three score poundes, to and emongest the saide ffowre Children borne of the bodye of his saide first wyfe or to or emongest so many of them as shall attayne or come vnto the saide age of Eightene yeares in suche manner and forme as is above specified and at suche time and times as they or any of them shall reasonably requyre or demaunde the same after the attaynement vnto his or her age aforesaide. And I will and bequeathe the Scyte of my Mannor of Seyham Hall and all the howses buyldinges Landes Tenementes meadowes pastures ffeedinges Woodes vnderwoodes groves Rentes Revercons Services Comons wastes Tenthes and tithes herbage porcons of tythes and hereditamentes now being any parte member or parcell of the saide Mannor or now incident or belonging vnto the same Mannor Excepte all and every suche parte parcell and porcon of them and of every of them and all and every suche Rent charge and proffitt yssuing and going owte of the saide Mannor as bene otherwise given willed or bequeathed by this my will to any other person or persons or whereof I have heretofore made and delivered any ffeoffament deede or any other Writing or conveyance vnto the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne or vnto the aforesaide Christian my Wyfe or to any other person or psons to any other vse or vses vnto the saide William Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes to his and their owne vse and vses for ever for and as a full third parte and more of all and singuler my Landes Tenementes and Hereditamentes whatsoever. And for a full satesfaction and recompence of all manner of Landes Tenementes Rentes thirde partes Rightes and demaundes whiche he the same William my sonne and his heires or any of them shall maye or oughte to clayme have or demaunde by from and after my Decease by reason of any tenure by knighte service tenure in *Capite* or for or by reason of any other cause matter or meanes whatsoever Provided neverthesse and I will and ordayne that if the aforesaide William Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes or any of them or any other person or persons by any of their comaundementes consentes or agreementes shall at any time or times hereafter for or by reason of any tenure by knightes service tenure in *Capite* or for any other cause or matter make any actuall entrie into the landes tenementes and hereditamentes which bene by this my will or by any other Deede ffeoffament conveyance or Wrihting by me made and signed with my seale given willed devised conveyed or graunted vnto the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne or into any parte or parcell of the same with any intent or purpose to frustrate or make voide any parte of my saide will or any gifte graunte devise estate or matter conteyned ordayned made or Limited in or by my saide will or in or by any such deede ffeoffament conveyance or wrihting by me made and signed as is aforesaide or shall sue to have or recover from the same Thomas my sonne or any of his heires or assignes any parte of the same landes tenementes or hereditamentes so given Willed devised conveyed or graunted vnto the saide Thomas my sonne contrary to the purporte or effecte of my saide will or of any such deede ffeoffament conveyance or writing by me thereof made as is aforesaide or contrary to my minde will or true intent of or in the same my Will deede ffeoffament conveyance or writing or in any of them expressed and declared or shall make doe committ or comaunde or procure to be donne or made any other acte or actes thinge or thinges whatsoever whereby the saide Landes Tenementes Rentes Revercons and Hereditamentes or any of them or any parte or parcell of any of them by my saide Will deeds ffeoffaments conveyances and writinges or by any of them given devised willed or graunted vnto the saide Thomas my sonne and his heires or vnto the saide Christian my Wyfe or to any of them shall not or maye not remayne contynue or be had and enjoyed by the same Thomas his heires and assignes and by the saide Christian and her assignes or by any of them in suche manner and forme as they bene herein or in or by my saide Deedes ffeoffamentes conveyances and writinges or any of them given graunted Limited devised or appointed or if he the same William my sonne his heires or assignes or any of them shall refuse or denye or doe not within three moneths next after that he or they shalbe therevnto reasonably requyred by the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires or assignes Lawfully clearly sufficiently and perfectly convey and assure or cause to be conveyed and assured vnto the same Thomas his heires and assignes all and singuler the saide Landes Rentes Tenthes tithes and Hereditamentes with th appurtenneces vnto him the saide Thomas by my saide will Deedes ffeoffamentes conveyances and writinges or any of them given graunted assigned Limited or devised or menconed to be given graunted or devised according to the purporte and effecte of my saide will deedes ffeoffamentes conveyances and writinges and of every or any of them or contrary to my true intent and meaning in any of them expressed or declared or any estate right interest possession Reversion vse condicon clayme or Demaunde of in or vnto the same Landes tenementes and hereditamentes or any parte or parcell thereof whiche shall or may Descend accrewe or come vnto him the same Will^m his heires and assignes or any of them by or after my death by suche good sufficient Lawfull and reasonable release and releases confirmacon Deede or Deedes enrolled ffyne or ffynes ffeoffamentes Recoveryes or other good reasonable and sufficient assurances and conveyances whatsoever with warrantye or warrantyes thereof against him the same William his heires and assignes as shalbe in that behalfe devised or advised and required by and at the Costes and charges in the Lawe onely of the same Thomas his heires or assignes or some or one of them who shall have or shoulde or oughte to have any estate title interest Reversion or vse of in or to the same Landes tenementes and hereditamentes or any of them by force or vertue of my saide will or Deedes ffeoffamentes conveyances and writinges or any of them according to my grauntes minde purpose and true intent in them or any of them expressed and declared That then immediatly from and after suche entrie sute recovery deniall acte thinge or defaulte as is aforesaide first had made Donne comitted or procured by the said William my sonne his heires or assignes or any of them and from thenceforth at all times after the wholle estate righte title and interest of the same William my sonne his heires and assignes of in and to all and every parte and parcell of the saide Mannor of Sayham Hall with the appurtenneces given bequeathed Limited declared or intended to come Descend remayne or be vnto him the same William Alstone his heires and assignes or any of them by this my Will or otherwise shall cease and be clearly frustrate and voide to all intentes constructions and purposes And I will and bequeathe and my full minde and true intent is that all and singuler the same

parte parcell and porcon of my saide Mannor of Sayham Hall and of all the Landes tenementes Tithes tenthes and hereditamentes of the same Mannor by this my Will given devised bequeathed or Lymited or declared or intended to Descende come remaine or be vnto the saide William my sonne his heires and assignes as aforesaide shall then immediately and from thenceforthe at all times after wholly be and remaine vnto the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes during and vntill suche time as the saide William my sonne his heires or assignes at his and their owne proper Costes and charges shall have Lawfully clearly and sufficiently conveyed and assured vnto the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes all and singuler the aforesaide Landes tenementes and Hereditamentes with their appurtenneces which bene vnto him the saide Thomas in and by my saide Will Deedes ffeoffamentes conveyances and Writinges sealed or any of them Willed devised given graunted or intended according to the estate or estates and interestes And my true mind and intent thereof Limited declared or expressed in my saide will Deedes and writinges sealed and in every or any of them discharged of and from all and singuler other rightes titles estates uses charges condicions Demaundes and encumbraunces whatsoever before that time had made Donne or procured by him the same William my sonne his heires or assignes or any of them or by any of their consentes meanes or Comaundementes And when and as soone as the saide Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes shall have all and singler the saide other Landes tenementes and hereditamentes with th appurtenneces by this my Will and by my saide Deedes or other Writinges aforesaide and every of them devised willed conveyed or graunted clearly perfectly and sufficiently conveyed and assured vnto him the same Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes according to the Limitacons effectes and my true intent and meaning thereof in my saide Will and other my saide severall Deedes and writinges thereof expressed and declared. Then I will and my minde and true intent is that the saide estate and interest of the saide Thomas my sonne his heires and assignes of in and to all and singuler that parte partes parcell and porcons of my saide Mannor of Sayham Hall and of all and singler the aforesaide Landes tenementes rentes services tithes and hereditamentes to the same Mannor apperteyning and belonging which bene before by the expresse wordes of this my will or my true meaning herein expressed Willed devised Limited or Lefte to Descend vnto the saide William my sonne and his heires shall then cease and be from thenceforthe frustrate and vtterly voide and of none effecte And that then and from thenceforthe and at all times after all and singuler the same parte partes parcells and porcons of the same Mannor Landes tenementes tithes and hereditamentes of the saide William my sonne and his heires so as is aforesaide Willed devised Limited or Lefte to descend by or according to the saide former expresse wordes of this my Will and the true intent thereof shall all wholly remaine and be againe vnto him the saide William my sonne his heires and assignes for ever according to the effecte Limitacon and my true minde and intent thereof in and by my saide former Wordes of and in this my Will first above expressed Devised and Declared and not otherwise nor in any other manner nor forme And all the Residue of all and singuler my Landes Tenementes meadows pastures feedinges Woodes vnderwoodes Rentes Revercons tithes and hereditamentes whatsoever scituate Lying or being in the Countyes of Essex and Suff. or in either of them with all and singuler their appurtenneces whiche be not otherwise by me willed devised Limited or disposed vnto the said William Alstone my sonne and his heires by the expresse wordes of this my testament and Last will and my full minde and intent in them expressed and declared I give and bequeathe them all wholly vnto the aforesaide Thomas Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes to the onely vse and behoofe of him the same Thomas his heires and assignes for ever. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto Alice King my daughter fferty shillinges of Lawfull money of England And vnto Elizabeth Skott the daughter of the same Alice I doe give ffive shillinges of Lyke Lawfull money to be paide vnto either of them by my Executors within one moneth next after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto William Cockerell of Newton sometimes my servaunte Six busshelles of Rye or mislyn of the measure comonly called Sudburye measure to be delivered vnto him within halfe a yeare next after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto every one of my seruntes dwelling with me whiche shall have served me one wholle yeare next before my Decease one seame of barlye of the same measure to be delivered vnto every of them within one yeare next after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeathe to and amongst poore people dwelling in the saide County of Suff. Twenty Busshells of rye or mystlin to be distributed amongst them where most neede shall requyre by the good discreacon of my Executors within one yeare next after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto the poore people of the parrishe of Edwardstone Twenty shillinges of Lyke Lawfull money. To the poore people of the parrishe of St. Peter in Sudbury Twenty shillinges of Lyke Lawfull money. To the poore people of the parrishe of St. Gregoryes in Sudbury Twenty shillinges of Lyke Lawfull money. To the poore people of the parrishe of Assington tenne shillinges of Lyke Lawfull money. To the poore people of the parrishe of greate Horkesley Tenne shillinges of the Lyke lawfull money. To the poore people of the prishe of Boxforde Tenne shillinges of the lyke lawfull money. To the poore people of the parrishe of great Waldingfeild Tenne shillinges of the Lyke Lawfull money. And to the poore people of the parrishe of Litle Waldingfeild Tenne shillinges of the lyke Lawfull money. All which saide Legacies of money bequeathed to poore people as is aforesaide my Will and minde is that they shalbe paide by my Executors within one moneth next after my decease. *Item* I will and my minde is that all and every suche person and persons as I have souled or shall sell any Corne vnto by my Executors during my Lyfe shall have the same well and truly paide and delivered vnto them by my Executors according to the forme and effecte of their severall bargaines thereof made. And also my Will and minde is that all my saide bargaines of Corne and all my Legacies of Corne in and by this my Testament and Last Will given or bequeathed together with all suche other Corne as shalbe necessarily spent abowte the Execucon of my ffuneralls and every of them shalbe all borne paide and discharged by my Executors of and with suche Corne as I shall have in my howses barnes and sallers at the time of my decease. And for defaulte of sufficient Corne there to be had to performe the same That then the residue thereof vnperformed shalbe supplied and borne with such other Corne as I shall have growing on my groundes at the same time of my decease. And of this my saide Last Will and Testament I doe ordayne make constitute and appointe the aforesaide Thomas Alstone my youngest sonne to be my true sole and onely executor trusting that he will see the same my Will truly and faithfully performed according vnto my speciall trust and confidence in him reposed in that behalfe. And finally my will and minde is that my saide Executor shall have and take all my plate Jewells and ready money, and all the debtes which bene owing vnto me by any person or persons all and singuler my billes of debtes obligacons and writinges obligatory and all other my goodes chattelles howsehold stuff Implementes and moveables whatsoever whiche be not otherwise by me expressly before given or bequeathed by this my Will for and towards the payment of my debtes whiche I doe owe unto others and the payment and satisfaction of my Legacies And for and towards the execucon and due performance of this my saide Last Will and Testament And my saide Legacies and Debtes being truly and fully satisfied and my saide Will being fully and truly performed and fulfilled there with in every pointe and

respect I doe give and bequeathe all the whole overplus and Remaynaunte of all and every of them vnto my saide Executor to his owne onely and proper vse for ever. In wittnesse whereof I have sett and subscribed my name to theis presentes And to the Last leafe thereof I have sett my seale the daye and yeare first above written. By me Edward Alstone Readd sealed subscribed and published in the presence of vs the wittnesses herevnder named Edmond Waldegrave per me Johem Skynner Per me Thomam Gosse Per me Richum Skynner Per me Johem Thomam Alston Junr.

Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, before William Lewyn, Doctor of Laws, by Thomas Alston, Executor, on 26th May, 1593.

See Tables 1 and 2 pages 3 and 4.

**Edward
Alston**
of London.

Montague
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The will of Edward Alston Citizen and Iremonger of London 19th Dec. 1592 (44 Eliz.) of the Parish of Christ Church, Newgate, London.

I desire that my debts being paid and my funeral performed, my goods shall be divided into three equal parts—one part I give to my wife Elinor—the 2^d part to my daughter Joyce and a posthumous child if such should be born to me—the 3^d part to be reserved to pay the legacies hereafter bequeathed.

I remit to my father Richard Alston the debts owing to me, except £20 which he shall pay to such of my sister's children as have most need thereof.

I remit the debts owing to me by my brother Robt. Alston.

I give to my Cosen James Alston and his wife Joyce a ring each worth 20/-

to my Cosen Will. Alston a ring worth 10/-.

to my Uncle Thomas Mydleton and his wife each a ring of gold—price 20/-

to my Uncle Frauncis Pember and his wife the same

to my father-in-law Walter Wordell and his wife do.

to my Uncle Deavereux Pember a ring price 10/-

to Leonard Crosse Dyer my best suit of apparel being silk grograine—to his wife 5/- for a ring—and to his 2 daughters £10 each

to my neighbour Will. Compton Apothecary a good paire of new worsted stockings

I give to my Uncle Wade and his wife 10/- each for rings

The residue of my property I give to my wife whom I make sole executrix

I appoint my loving friends Fran. Pember, James Alston, and Tho. Midleton Overseers of this my will.

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON,

Witnesses: JAMES AWSTELL, THOMAS MIDLETON, EDMUND PERKINS, ROGER HARRIS, not. pub.

Proved: 9th Feby 1601-2 by THOMAS WARDE not. pub. acting for Ellinore relict and executrix named in above will.

Unplaced in the Tables. No kinship with the Alstons of Newton being yet found.

Editha Alston
Admon
June, 1611.

Editha Potkyn als Alston

Tertio die eminauit Commissio Edwardo Potkyn marito Edithæ Potkin als Alston nuper de Lighe infra poam. de Yeatminster in Com Dorset defunct habentz etc. Ad administrand bona iura et credita dict def de bene etc iurat.

Apparently one of the West of England Alstons, of which family further evidences will be found among these Wills. John Alston, a participant in the Monmouth rebellion was probably of this stock. No affinity has been traced with the Newton Alstons.

In the name of God amen the Six and Twentieth Daye of September Anno Domini one thousand six hundred and thirteene and in the Yere of the raigne of owre soveraigne Lord James by the grace of god of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland kinge defender of the faithe and vidlt of England ffrance and Ireland the eleaventh and of Scotland the seaven and fortithe. I Thomas Alston the elder of Newton nere Sudburye in the County of Suffk yeoman beyng of good and perfecte memorye (thankes be vnto god therfore) Revoking all other willes and testamentes by me formerlie made Do nowe make publishe and declare this present writing to be and conteyne my true last Will and Testament in manner and formee folowinge: ffirst and principallie I Commend my soule vnto Almightye god my Creator hoping and most steadfastlie beleiving to be saved in the daye of the generall resurrection and Judgment by the only merites and passion of my Lorde and Savvoure Jesus Christe. And my bodye I will to be buryed in the Church of Newton aforesayed or elsewhere in Christian buryall by the good Discretion of my executor hereafter named. *Item* I do give and bequeathe vnto Abraham Alston my sonne my Capitall messuage called Deanes wherein I nowe dwell in Newton aforesayed: And all and singular the howses buildinges yarges gardens orchardes and three Closes of pasture to the same adioning and therewith vsed with all and singular their appurtenneces sometymes Roger Warrens gent deceased as they are scituat and lying together in Newton aforesayed and nowe are in mine own possession and all and singular the seelinges portalls waynescottes benches paynted cloathes shelves doores glasse and latteys standing hanging fixed or belonging to or abowte the same Mesuage And all that my Coppiehold peece of land called the half acre holden of the Mannor of Newton hall which I late purchased of Henry Winterflood. And also all that my Landes and groundes called or knowne by the severall names of Mottes Smythes Bochyvalls Beaneland and fullers sometymes parcell of the possessions of William Muriell and Alice his wife lying in Newton aforesayed (except one Tenement called Mottes newelie repayred, and a cottage in the occupacon of Elizabeth Manning with the yarges and gardens thervnto adioyning and belonging) And one Close of Lande conteyning by estimacon fowre Acres nowe latelie severed and enclosed adioyning to the same Tenement and yarges hereafter by this my Will given vnto Isaak Alston my sonne And all those my coppiehold or Custumary Landes and tenementes in Newton aforesayed called greate Hales with th appurtenneces houlden of the aforesayed Mannor of Newton hall: And also all and singular those my Barnes Closes Croftes and peeces of Lande meadowe pasture and wood called or knowne by the severall names of Coles als Cowles Cooles broome als Cowles broome, the seaven acres greate Gatsomes litle Gatsomes and the litle pasture betwene the saied twee Gatsomes in Newton aforesayed. And also I give and bequeathe vnto the saied Abraham my sonne All that my peece or parcell of Custumary Lande called Damsell conteyning by estimacon one Acre be yt more or lesse holden of the Mannors of Butlers in Newton aforesayed which I late purchased of one John White and Henry Hedd or one of them. And also all that my peece of Coppiehold Lande called Gatsomes lying betwene or neere vnto other of my freehold Landes likewise called Gatsomes. The which saied peece of Coppiehold Lande I late purchased of Henry Hed and ys houlden of the saied Mannor of Butlers. And also all that my peece of freehold Lande called Lampeland als the light land sometymes Robert Alstons my vncl Deceased lying in Newton aforesayed. And also all that my peece of pasture of late belonging vnto the Tenement Birchettes and nowe severed from the same Tenement and layed to the feilde next adioyning vnto my saied Messuage called Deanes in Newton aforesayed. And also all those my Coppiehold Landes and pastures in Newton aforesayed called Catles houlden of the saied Mannor of Butlers. And moreover I do give and bequeathe vnto the saied Abraham my sonne all that my peece or peeces of Leased Lande conteyning by estimation one acre be yt more or lesse lying neere vnto Lyes grove lying in Newton and Cornard or in one of the same parishes which I houlde of ffrancys Daniell Esquire by Indenture for the tearme of divers yeres yet to come: And also all and all manner of wayes pathes hedges ditches fences Commons Liberties and easementes Commodities and appurtnnces whatsoever to the aforesayed Messuages Tenementes Landes and Premisses before given by this my Will and to every or any of them appertayning or belonging or demised vsed or occupied with the same. To have and to houlde my saied Capitall Messuage called Deanes: And all suche other of my Messuages landes and premisses as are freehold vnto the saied Abraham my sonne his heires and assignes: To the onlie vse and behoofe of the saied Abraham his heires and assignes for ever: vppon and vnder suche conditions and provisoes and liable chardgable and chardged with all suche estates interestes Rentes paymentes and Limitacons as are hereafter in and by this my Will Limited mentioned and expressed—And to have and to houlde all and singular my aforementioned Custumary Landes Tenementes and premisses vnto hym the same Abraham his heires and assignes to his and their owne vses lyable chardgable and chardged with all suche paymentes Rentes and Limitacons as are likewise hereunder mentioned and expressed: And to have and to houlde my saied peece or peeces of Lease land vnto the sayed Abraham his executors and assignes for and during all suche tyme and terme of yeres as are vnexpired and yet to come by vertue of the saied Lease vnto me made by the sayd ffrancys Danyell chardgable also with the same Rentes paymentes and Limytacons hereafter expressed: provided allwayes and I do hereby will ordayne and Declare my mynde intent and true meaning to be notwithstanding any thing before in this my Will declared that Susan my wife during the tearme of her naturall life shall have hold possesse and enioye to and for her vse and for her familie and others resorting vnto her all those partes and roomes parcell or belonging vnto my aforesayed Capitall Messuage called Deanes which ben hereafter particularlye expressed that is to say, One litle parlor and the chaumber over the same, the kitchen and the chaumber on the same kytchen the greate malting house and the chaumber over the same: and all the highe sollers and chaumbers called the Applesollers the garden and the Orchard to the same garden adioyning. And the vse and occupacon of a Boorecote standing in the saied Orchard, the kytchen yard and all the Coates standing in the same yard together with francke and free Libertie of ingress egresse and regresse Carryage and recarryage into and from all and every of the same parlor chaumbers howses yarges gardens Coates and roomes: and also francke and free libertie and authoritie to come goe carry and recarry into and from ye Backhouse brewhouse woodyard and pumpe of and belonging to my sayed Messuage called Deanes and every of them for her necessarye baking brewing washing laying Carryage fetchng of wood and other her necessarye Workes and buisenesses there to be done at all tymes during the saied terme of her naturall life: And further my will and meaning ys that the saied Susan my wife shall vphold maynteyne and keepe all and every the houses buildinges Roomes and premisses Devised vnto her as is aforesayed in good and sufficient reparacons during the saied terme of her naturall life. And moreover I will and bequeathe vnto ye sayd Suzan my wife sufficient firewood and fewell growing or to be growing vppon the saied Landes and groundes before by this my Will Devised vnto the saied Abraham my sonne or elsewhere for her necessarye vse and expences during the saied Terme of her naturall life: All which saied firewood and fewell my will and mynde ys that he the same Abraham his heires

executors and assignes and all suche person or persons as shall have houlde and enioye the sayed Messuage Landes and premisses given by this my Will vnto the sayed Abraham at his and their owne propper costes and chardges at all tymes during the terme of life of my sayed wife shall provide and finde and cause to be felled and made and to be carryed into and layed in the wood yard belonging vnto my sayed Messuage to and for the vse of her the same Susan to be expended and occupied at my sayed Capitall Messuage called Deanes and not elsewhere: Provided furthermore and I do hereby Lymit and appoynte that yf the same Susan my wife shall after my decease marry and take to her husband any other person or shall alien sell Demise graunte or doe awaye the sayed howses roomes and premisses devised vnto her as aforesayed or any of them to any other person or persons; Then the estate for life given by this my Will vnto her the same Susan of and in the same howses Roomes and premisses shall cease Determyn and become vtterlie voyde and of none effecte (any thing before in this my Will conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding). And I do hereby require and chardge the aforesayed Abraham Alstone my sonne his heires and assignes possessors and owners of the tenement called Birchettes to paye or cause to be payed yerelie out of and for the same tenement vnto the poore people of Newton aforesayed Tenne shillinges of lawfull money of England according to the Will of my late father Edward Alston deceased in that behalfe made and appoynted. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto Edmond Alston my sonne all those my Coppiehold or Custumary Landes and tenementes called or knowen by the names of Brookes Warrens als warners Harpeffield woodley and Prickes or by any other names whatsoever holden of the Mannor of Newton hall aforesayed and by and latelie purchased of Henry Winterflud (except one peece called the halfe Acre lying in or neere the feild called Outfeild which before by this my Will is given vnto Abraham my sonne) And also I do give and bequeathe vnto the same Edmond all that my peece of Coppiehold Lande lying nere vnto Hoppers Tye the which I do hould of the Mannor of Ashington in the sayed Countie of Suffk. To have and to hould the same Coppieholde and Custumary Landes and Tenementes with their appurtennces (except before excepted) vnto the same Edmond his heires and assignes for ever according to the customes of the severall Mannors whereof the same are holden. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto the sayed Edmond Alston my sonne all those my Closes peeces and parcells of Lande called or knowen by the names of Coppyns and ffritters als Coppyns and ffritthes conteyning by estimacon fortie Acres be they more or lesse sometymes Roger Warrens deceased as they are lying and beyng in Newton aforesayed and in Ashington or in one of them in the sayed Countie of Suffk. with all and singular wayes pathes Commons Liberties privileges and appurtennces to the sayed Landes or any parte thereof in righte belonging or used or occupied with the same To have and to hold the sayed Landes called Coppyns and ffritters with their appurtennces vnto the same Edmond my sonne his heires and assignes to and for his owne vse and vses for ever, vpon and vnder the Conditions and provisoes and liable chargeable and chardged with all and suche Rentes sommes of money and other chardges Limitacons and vses as are hereafter in and by this my Will expressed and declared touching and concerning the same: And further I do give and bequeathe vnto him the sayed Edmond my sonne All that my Lease estate righte tittle interest and terme of yeres to come of and in all those Closes peeces and parcells of Lande and pasture called Reves and Taylors als the Twelve Acres conteyning together twentie acres by estimacon be they more or lesse together wth the vsuall and accustomed waye leading vnto and from the same Closes and apperteyning to the same oner and thorough my other Landes and groundes late Edward Alstons my fathers, and which of late were in the ferme or occupacon of William Alston my brother vnto and from the highewaye there called Crabbes lane. And also I do give and bequeathe vnto the same Edmond my sonne all that my Lease righte tittle interest and terme of yeres yet to come of and in all that my Close of Lande called litle Martyns conteyning by estimation twoe acres in Newton aforesayed. To have and to houlde the sayed Closes peeces and parcells of Lease land of pasture called litle Martyns Reves Taylors als the twelve Acres and the waye aforesayed with their appurtennces And all my sayed estates tittle interestes and termes of yeres yet to come vnto the sayed Edmond Alston my sonne his executors Administrators and assignes to and for his and their owne use and behoofe for and during the whole terme termes and number of yeres which ben yet to come and vnexpired by force and vertue of the sayed severall Leases of the sayed landes and premisses made liable and chardgable and chardged vnto and wth all and singular suche yerelie Rentes Covennts grauntes Agreementes Devises Conditions Provisoos and limytacons as are reserved Covennted graunted and agreed vpon in and by the Indentures of the same Leases and every of them and in and by this my last will and testament. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto Isaacke Alston my sonne all that my tenement called Mottes in Newton aforesayed with all and singular the houses buildinges barnes stables yarges gardens and Orchardes therunto apperteyning or belonging: And one Cottage with thappurtennces now in the occupation of Elizabeth Manning widowe And also one Close of lande conteyning by estimacon fower Acres be it more or lesse nowe lately enclosed and severed from the Residue of the same tenement and next adioyning vnto the sayed Tenement and yarges and to the Towne Crofte there: And my further will and meaning ys that the sayed Isaacke his heires and assignes Tennts and owners of the sayed Tenement Mottes and close of land adioyning shalbe owners of and have possesse and enioye all the Trees quicksettes fences and inclosures in and abowte the same Tenement and premisses to his and their owne vses for ever and shalbe chardgeable with the making and keeping of the same ffences and enclosures for ever. And also I do give and bequeth vnto the same Isaacke my sonne all my Lease estate interest and tearme of yeres wch I have and are yet to come of and in all those Closes meadowes peeces and parcells of Lande meadowe pasture and wood ground lying and beyng in Newton greate Cornard litle Cornard and Sudburie or in any of them which I hould of the Demise Lease and graunte of ffrancys Daniell Esquire by Indenture dated the twentieth daye of Aprill in the three and fortith yere of the Raigne of owre late soveraigne Lady Quene Elizabeth for divers yeres yet to come together with the Indenture of the same Lease (except one parcell of Land conteyning by estimacon one acre lying neere vnto Lyes grove and before by this my will given and devised to the aforesayed Abraham my sonne). And also I doe further give and bequeathe vnto the same Isaacke my sonne All that the Rtorye parsonage and priorye of Edwardstone in Edwardston or elsewhere in the sayed Countie of Suffk: And all my Leases for yeres estate estates terme and termes Reversions righte tittle interest and Demaund which I have or ought to have of in and to the same, and of in and to all and singular the Messuages buildinges Barnes stables yarges gardens orchardes gleabelandes meadowes pastures feedinges wooddes tithes tenthes services oblations emolumentes Liberties privileges Commons wast groundes hedges ditches wayes Commodities and profittes whatsoever beyng any parte member or parcell of the sayed Rectorye and all and all manner of Rentes reserved vpon any Lease or Leases by me made of any the Messuage gleabelandes tithes and premisses aforesayed To have and to hould the sayed tenement called Mottes Cottage howses buildinges yarges gardens orchardes and lande beyng freehold with their apprtnneces vnto the sayed Isaacke Alston my sonne his heires and assignes To the onlie vse and behoofe of the same Isaacke his heires and assignes for ever.

And to have and to hold the sayed Rectorye parsonage and priorye of Edwarston and all and singular the sayed Leases estates Rightes terme and termes of yeres Interestes and Demaundes of in and to the same and of in and to all and singular the sayed Messuages howses buildinges barnes stables yards gardens orchardes gleabelandes meadowes pastures feedinges Tythes Rentes services and oblacons Emolumentes liberties wayes hedges Dytyches Commons and Commodities parcell or belonging vnto the sayed Rectorye parsonage or priorye or to any of ye Leases aforesayed given or devised vnto the sayed Isaacke my sonne as ys aforesayed (except before excepted) with all and singular theire appurtenances vnto him the same Isaacke my sonne his executors Administrators and assignes to his and theire owne propper vse and vses for and during the whole terme termes and number of yeres yet to come and vnexpired of and in them and every of them mentioned and Comprised in the sayed severall grauntes Indentures and writings touching and concerning the sayed severall Leases liable chardgable and chardged to me with all and every suche rentes services conditions Covenntes agreamentes and chardges as ben in the same severall Leases and in the grauntes assignmentes and writings thereof or concerning the same lymited Covennted graunted or agreed vpon to be done and performed on the parte of me myne executors Administrators or assignes and also liable chargeable and charged together with my freehould Landes and tenementes before given to the same Isaacke my sonne by this my Will vnto and with all and every suche estates Condicons Lymitacons provisoes paymentes of money and other chardges as are hereafter in and by this my sayed will lymited expressed and Declared touching or concerning the same. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto Samuell Alston my sonne all those my twee tenementes peeces and parcells of Land pasture and wood ground with theire appurtenances which I of late purchased of one Robert Cooke: To have and to hould the same vnto the sayed Samuell my sonne his heires and assignes for ever. Also I do give and bequeathe vnto the sayed Samuell Alston my sonne All those my Coppiehould Landes tenementes and hereditamentes with theire appurtenances which I late purchased of William Hoyer lying in Newton aforesayed and holden by Coppie of Courte roll of the Mannor of Newton hall. And also all that my Close or feild of Customary Land with th appurtenances nowe or late parcell of a tenement called Groomes holden of the Mannor of Boorehouse in Edwardston as the same Close dothe lye on the other side of the highwaye over against the house of the sayed tenement called Groomes together with all wayes pathes Commons hedges ditches profittes easementes and appurtenances therunto belonging or occupied or enjoyed to or with the same or any parte thereof: To have and to hould all and singular the sayd Coppiehould or Customary Landes and tenementes with all and singular theire Appurtenances vnto the sayed Samuell my sonne and his heires according to the customes of the severall Mannors whereof the same premisses are holden. *Item* whereas one William Shave of Sudburie ffishmonger hath mortgaged Conveyed and assured vnto me and myne heires one Capitall Messuage or tenement late Barnard Milles and all the houses buildinges yards and gardens to the same Messuage adioyning and belonging scituat and lying in the parische of Saint Gregorie in Sudburie aforesayed with Condition for Redemption thereof by payment of six skore poundes of lawfull englishe money at such dayes and tymes and in suche manner as in and by one Deed indented to me therof made bearing Date the twee and twentieth day of Julie in the Eleaventh yere of the kinge's Ma'tys. Raigne that nowe ys of England (wherunto Relacon beyng had) more at large appeareth, I do hereby give Devise and bequeathe the sayed Messuage Tenement and premisses and all my estate Righte title and Interest therein together with the sayed Deede Indented and all bondes and Evidences concerning the same vnto the sayed Samuell Alston my sonne: To have and to hould to hym the same Samuell his heires and assignes by and vnder such provisoes Conditions and agreamentes as in and by the sayed Deede Indented are mentioned and expressed. And my Will is that yf the sayed Six skore poundes or soe muche thereof as shall after my decease growe due to be payed shalbe tendered to be payed for Redemption of the sayed premisses according to the purporte of the same Deed Indented: That then the sayed Samuell my sonne his executors administrators or assignes shall receyve have and take the same for and towards the performance of this my Will. *Item* I do give limytt devise and appoynte and by this my Will doe declare and ordayne that the aforesayed Susan my wife for and towards some parte recompence and satisfaction to be made vnto her for her Dower and righte Title and Interest of Dower which she hath or maye hereafter Clayme challenge have or demaunde of in or to all and singular the messuages Landes Tenementes and hereditamentes whereof I am nowe seised or that at any tyme during the Coverture and marriage betwene her and me I have ben seised or shall stand seised of an estate of Inheritance whereof she maye should or oughte to be endowed by the Lawes of this Realme of England *One Annuitie or yerelie Rent chardge of fortie poundes of lawfull money of England* to be yerelie yssuing goyng out or payable out and for all and singular my Messuages Landes Tenementes and Hereditamentes as well freehould as coppiehould and Lease or ffermehoude before by this my Will given and bequeathed vnto the aforesayed Abraham my sonne: To have and to hould and yerelie to perceyve receyve and take the same Annuitie or yerelie Rent of fortie poundes vnto her the same Susan and her Assignes from and after the daye of my decease for and during the terme of her naturall life (yf she the same Susan during the same terme shall contynewe widowe sole and vnmarried) and noe longer nor in any other mannner at the feastes of Saint Michael the Archangell and the Annunciacon of oure Ladye the Virgin by even and equall porcons in every yere to be payde. The first payment thereof begynning at the ffeaste of Set Michael th-Archangell next coming after the day of my Decease or within one monethe next ensewing the same ffeaste. And also I doe give bequeathe limytt assigne and appoynte vnto her the same Susan my wife in parte of a further recompence and satisfaction of her aforesayed Dower and right title and interest of Dower which she shall or maye have challenge clayme or Demand of in and vnto all and singular the Messuages Landes tenementes and hereditamentes which she maye have clayme or demaund of in and to all and singular the Landes Tenementes and Hereditamentes wherof I have ben nowe am or hereafter shalbe seised during the Coverture and marriage betwene her and me: *One other Annuitie or yerelie rent chardge of tenne poundes of lawfull monye of England yssuing goyng out or to be payed out of and for* all and singular my Landes tenementes and Hereditamentes scituat lying or beyng in Newton and Ashington aforesayed or elswhere in the sayed Countie of Suffk. as well freehould as Lease or ffermehold which are and ben in and by this my will given bequeathed Lymited or appoynted vnto the aforesayed Edmond Alston my sonne. To have hould perceave receive and take the same Annuitie or yerelie rent of Tenne poundes vnto her the sayed Susan and her assignes from and after the daye of my decease for and during the terme of her naturall life (yf she shall so longe be and contynewe a widowe sole and vnmarried and not otherwise nor in any other manner), at the ffeastes of Saint Michael tharchangell and the Annunciacon of or Ladye the virgin by even and equall porcons yerelie to be paid. The first payment thereof to begynne at the ffeaste of Saint Michael tharchangell which shall first come next after the day of my Decease or within one moneth next ensewing the same ffeaste: And moreover I do give bequeathe limitt assigne and appoynte vnto the sayed Susan my wife in pt of a further Recompence and satisfaction of her aforesayed Dower and title of Dower of and in all and singuler the Landes

tenementes and hereditamentes whereof I have ben nowe am or hereafter shalbe seised during the Coverture or mariage betwene her and me One Annuitie or yerelie Rent Chardge of ffortie poundes of lawfull money of England yssuing goyng and to be payed out of and for all and singuler those my Landes tenementes meadows pastures feedinges and hereditamentes lying and beyng in Newton Edwardston litle waldingfeild and Milding or any of them as well freehold as Lease or fermehold which have and ben before in and by this my Will given bequeathed Lymited appoynted by this my Will vnto the aforementioned Isaacke Alston my sonne. To have hould and enioye perceave receive and take the saied Annuitie or yerelie Rent chardge of ffortie poundes vnto her the saied Susan my Wife and her Assignes from the Daye of my decease for and during the terme of the naturall life of her the same Susan (yf she shall so longe be and contynewe a widowe sole and vnmarrayed) and not otherwise nor in any other manner at the ffeastes of Saint Michaelle ye Archangell and the Annunciacon of our Ladye the virgin by even and equall portions in every yere to be payed: The first payment thereof to begynne at the ffeaste of Saint Michaelle tharchangell next comming after the Daye of my decease or within one moneth next ensewing the same ffeaste. And I do further will graunte ordayne assigne and appoynte and my true meaning and intent ys that yf when and as often as yt shall happen the sayed severall Annuities or yerelie Rentes herein above limited and bequeathed to be payed unto the sayed Susan my Wife or her assignes in manner and forme aforesayd or any of them or any parte or parcell of anie of them to be behinde and vn timer payed after any of the saied ffeastes and dayes at in or vpon the which the same shalbe due or ought to be payed as is aforesayd: That then and soe often and from thencefourthe at all tymes after yt shall and may be lawfull vnto and for her the saied Susan and her assignes to enter into all and singuler suches of the saied Messuages Landes tenementes hereditamentes Leased groundes and fermes given or bequeathed vnto my sayed sonnes or any of them in forme aforesayd out of and for the which the same Annuitie or yerelie Rent or Rentes or any of them or any parte or parcell thereof ys limited to be yssuing goyng out or payable and shalbe so vn timer payed or into any parte or parcell of the same And there to distrayne for the same rent so beyng behinde and vn timer payed and for the Arrerages thereof (yf any be) and the distresse and distresses there founde and therefore taken to leade drive beare and carry away and the same to ympound Detayne withoute and keepe vntill the same yerelie rentes or every of them and the arrerages of them and every of them for which the same Distresse is or shalbe taken shalbe vnto her the sayed Susan and her assignes fullie satisfied contented and payed: Provided allwayes that yf my sayed sonnes or any of them or any of their heires or assignes shall faile or make defaulte of or in the payment of the Rent Rentes or sommes of money bequeathed or limited to be yssuing or goyng out or payable out of or for the Landes tenementes ffermes or hereditamentes vnto hym or them given or bequeathed by this my Will in forme aforesayd and do not paye or satisfie the same and all the arrerages thereof (yf any or be) within one moneth next folowing next after any of the same ffeastes at in or vpon the which the same is herein above lymited and ought to be payed according to my mynde and true intent in that behalfe herein above declared: That then and from thencefourthe at all tymes after yt shall and may be lawfull vnto and for the saied Susan and her assignes to enter into all and singuler suches of the saied Messuages Landes Tenementes ffermes and hereditamentes given or bequeathed unto my sayed sonnes or any of them in forme aforesayd out of and for the which the same Rentes or any of them or any parte or parcell thereof is limited to be yssuing and payable and shalbe so vn timer payed by the space of one moneth next folowing any of the saied ffeastes wherein the same shalbe due or payable: And shall take the possession therof to her and their owne vse and behoofe and quietlie have houlde and enioye the same and receive perceave and take all the Rentes yssues and profittes therof to her and their owne vse without any interruption eviction lett or disturbance of my sayed sonnes and their heires or any of them or of any of their Tenntes or ffermors in that behalfe during and vntill suche tyme as she the same Susan and her assignes shall be of and with the saied Rentes yssues and profittes of the same Landes Tenementes ffermes and hereditamentes fullie satisfied Contented and payed of and for all the saied Rentes payable out of and for the same vnto her devised given or Limited to be payed according to this my Will and to my true meaning and intent herein expressed and declared (any matter or thinge in my saied Will conteyned or specified to the Contrarye therof in any wise notwithstanding). Provided allwayes and I do will ordayne Limitt and appoynte and my will and full mynde and true intent ys that yf the aforesayd Susan my Wife or any other person or persons for her or in her name or to her vse shall by her meanes or consent recover or obteyne in any of the Courtes of oure Sovereigne Lord the Kinge his heires or Successors or shall obteyne or effectualle Demaund or sue to have any Dower Joynture or Rent or any other Revenewe profit or recompence of for or in respect of her Joynture or Dower of in and for or out of any of the Messuages Landes Tenementes or hereditamentes whereof I am nowe owner and do stand seised or that I have ben owner or shall stand seised of any estate of inheritaunce at any tyme during the Coverture or marriage had betwene her and me other then of and for suche Landes Tenementes hereditamentes Rentes estate and estates Righte Interest and recompence onlie as in that behalfe ys and ben vnto her given bequeathed or Limited and appoynted by the expresse wordes of this my will according to my true meaning and intent herein before declared. That then and from thencefourthe all and every of my guiftes legacies bequestes and devises of all and every of the Messuages Landes Tenementes Rentes sommes of money paymentes and other thinges before in and by this my Will given willed bequeathed Limited or assigned vnto her the sayed Susan my Wife shall be of noe force nor effecte but shalbe then and from thencefourthe vtterlie frustrate and voyde to all intentes Constructions and purposes (any *sic*) or expressed to the Contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding) Provided also and I do hereby will and declare my mynde to be that yf it fortune the aforementioned Abraham Alston my sonne to dye before his full age of thirtie yeres without yssue of his bodye lawfullie begotten then living. Then all and every the aforesaid Messuages Landes tenementes meadows pastures feedinges wood groundes and hereditaments as well freehold and Coppiehold as Lease or fermehold with all and singular their apprtennances And all the estate right title interest and terme of yeres of and in all and singuler the same premises given bequeathed Limited and appoynted vnto and for the saied Abraham his heires executors or Assignes by this my will shall from thencefourthe goe remayne and be vnto my sonnes Edmond Samuell and Isaacke To the onlie vse and behoofe of them their heires executors and assignes for ever vpon Condition notwithstanding that yf William Alston my sonne his heires executors or assignes do paye or cause to be payed vnto them the same Edmond Samuell and Isaacke their executors or assignes the somme of nyne hundred poundes of lawfull money of England, within twelve monethes next after the daye of the decease of the same Abraham in manner and forme folowing that is to saye vnto the sayed Edmond three hundred poundes therof vnto the saied Samuell other three hundred poundes therof: And vnto the sayed Isaacke three hundred poundes residue of the saied nyne hundred poundes: Then my mynde and will is that my sayed guifte and bequest of the same Messuages Landes and tenementes hereditamentes and premisses and all the whole estate and Estates Rightes Interestes and demaundes so given bequeathed lymited or disposed of vnto the same Edmond Samuell and Isaacke as ys aforesayd shalbe vtterlie frustrate voyde and of none effecte. And my further will

and meaning ys and I do hereby give devise lymit and appoynte that ymmediatlie vppon and after the payment of the same nyne hundred poundes soe as ys aforesayed made, the saied Messuages Landes tenementes hereditamentes and premisses freehold Coppiehold and fermhold or Lease landes with all and singular theire appurtennces and the whole estate Interest terme and Demaund of and in the same premisses given lymited and appoynted by this my will vnto the saied Abraham my sonne as before is mentioned shall from thencefourthe all whollie goe remayne and be vnto the sayed William my sonne To the onlie vse and behoofe of hym the same William his heires executors and assignes for ever (notwithstandinge any thinge herein above conteyned to the Contrarye). And furthermore my will and mynde ys that ymmediatlie after the payment of the sayed nyne hundred poundes as aforesayed they the sayed Edmond Samuell and Isaacke my sonnes shall doe and suffer to be done all and every lawfull and reasonable act and actes in the Lawe by ffeoffment Release Assignement confirmacon or otherwise for the more full and perfect Conveying assuring releasing Assigning and confirming of the same Messuages Landes Tenementes Hereditamentes and Premises vnto and for the vse of the sayed Will^m my sonne his heires executors and assignes as by hym the same William his heires executors or assignes or any of his or theire Counsell learned in the Lawe shalbe reasonable devised or advised and required at his and theire owne propper costes and chardges: Provided neverthesse and my Will and mynde ys that yf yt shall happen the saied Messuages Landes Tenementes hereditamentes and premisses before given lymited and devised by this my Will vnto the sayed Abraham my sonne to come to the handes and possession of the aforesayed Edmond Samuell Isaacke and William or to any of them by force of this my Will after the decease of hym the same Abraham that yet notwithstanding she, the sayed Susan my Wife shall have possesse and enioye such parte of my sayed Messuage howses yarges and premisses as are before given and bequeathed vnto her by this my Will for and during the estate and interest therof and therein given vnto her by the same my Will and that all and singuler the same Messuage Landes tenementes hereditamentes and premisses so comming to theire or any of theire handes or possessions after the death of the same Abraham as aforesayed shalbe liable chardgeable and chardged with all suche Annuities Rentes paymentes condicions limitacons and estates vnto and for her the same Susan as the same before in and by this my will are liable chardgeable and chardged withall. *Item* I do give and bequeath vnto the aforesayed William Alston my sonne all that my Lease estate righte interest and terme of yeres yet to come and vnexpired of in and vnto all those my peeces and parcells of meadowe ground with theire Appurtennces lying in a meadowe called Northmeadowe in Sudburye in the sayed Countie of Sufk. To have and to hould the same peeces and parcells of meadowe ground with theire appurtennces vnto the same William my sonne his executors Administrators and assignes for and during all my estate interest and terme of yeres yet to come of and in the same. *Item* I do give and bequeathe vnto Amye Alston my daughter one hundred poundes And vnto Dorothy Alston my daughter I do likewise give and bequeath one hundred poundes to be payed vnto eache of them by myne executor at theire severall ages of eightene yeres or in or vppon the dayes of theire severall mariages which shall first happen. And yf it fortune any of my sayed twoe daughters to depart this life vnmarrried or before they shall attayne vnto theire saied severall ages of eightene yeres Then my mynde and will is that the Legacey or somme of money given and appoynted to the same my daughter deceasing by this my Will shall goe and be payed to the same my daughter which shall survive at her day of mariage or age of eightene yeres which shall first happen as aforesayed. But yf it happen both my sayed daughters Amye and Dorothy to dye vnmarrried or before they come to theire saied severall ages of eightene yeres: Then my will and mynde ys that the same twoe hundred poundes given as aforesayed shalbe distributed and payed vnto and amongst all my sonnes and daughters borne of the bodye of Suzan my wife viz.: to every of them parte and parte alike. *Item* I give and bequeathe vnto ye saied Susan my wife all my plate of silver which by expresse wordes in my life tyme be not otherwise given or appoynted by me to be delivered to some other person or persons for his or theire owne vses. And I do likewise give and bequeathe vnto her the same Susan all suche goodes Chattells and househoulde stuffe as are mentioned and expressed to be given her in a schedule or writing to this my will annexed and subscribed with my owne hand. To have holde and enioye the same plate of silver (excepte before excepted) and all the same goodes chattells and housholde stuffe in the saied Schedule or writing mentioned to be given her vnto the same Susan my wife her executors Administrators and assignes as her and theire owne propper goodes and chattells for ever. And I do allso give and bequeathe vnto the aforesayed Abraham Alston my sonne all suche my goodes chattells Cattells and howsehold stuffe as are mentioned and expressed to be given vnto hym in a schedule or writing subscribed with my owne hande and to this my Will likewise annexed To have hould possesse and enioye the same goodes Chattells Cattell and household stuffe vnto the same Abraham his executors and assignes to his and theire owne propper vse and vses for ever. *Item* my will and mynde is that my executor hereunder named shall have perceyve receave and take all suche debtes and sommes of money as shalbe owing vnto me by my sonnes Edward Alston William Alston Edmond Alston Isaacke Alston and Abraham Alston and every or any of them or by any other person or persons whatsoever And allso all suche other stocke and store of Cattell corne haye ymplementes of houshold and husbandrye which are or shalbe myne the same Thomas in the Custodies or possessions of them the same William Edmond Isaacke and Abraham my sonnes or any of them at the Tyme of my decease for and towards the payment of my Debtes and Legacyes and performance of this my Will (excepte only all such Debtes sommes of money corne haye Cattell ymplementes of houshold and husbandrye as by the expresse wordes of this my Will or by any Schedule or Schedules to the same annexed or by any other Writing vnder my hand are or shalbe otherwise given disposed of acquitted or discharged. And of this my Testament and last will I do make ordayne and appoynt the aforesayed Samuel Alston my sonne to be the sole and only executor Requyring hym to see the same the same in all thinges dulye and trulie performed according to my speciall truste in him reposed. And I do hereby nominate and appoynt my welbeloved freind Richard Skynner of Sudburye gent to be Supervisor of the same my Will desyryng hym to be ayding and assisting vnto my saied Executor with his best advice and directions in the due performance of the same And for his paynes to be taken in that behalfe I do hereby give vnto hym fyve poundes of lawfull english money to be payed vnto hym by my sayed executor within one yere next after my decease. And in witnessse that this present writing ys and doth Conteyne my true last will and testament to every leafe or sheete thereof I have written my name with myne owne hand and to this leafe or sheete and allso at the head of this present writing I have set my seale the daye and yere first aboue written By me Thomas Alston. Sealed and published in the presence of Thomas Plampin Robert Abbott the marke of John Marshall John Kingsbury Thomas Wix per me Richum Skynner Samuel Alston Isaacke Alston Abraham Alston

A Schedule or writing conteyning and expressing all suche goodes Chattells and houshold stuffe as are given meant and intended by this my Will hereunto annexed to and for the onlie vse benefitt and behoofe of Susan my Wife her executors and assigs as foloweth vizt:

Inprimis in the litle parlor one Joyned table with a frame, one ioyned forme, fower ioyned stooles, one Cupbord one presse, one greate Chest called the blue chest, one still *Item* in the litle parlor chaumber called the best chaumber one posted Bed with a tester valence and Curtens and a flockbed, twoe fetherbedes, twoe feather bolsters, one paire of Blankettes and Couering of blue and white, one greene Rugg to laye on the bed, twoe pillowes, all which are belonging to the saied Bedd: One running bed vnder the saied highbed with a matt of flege, one other fetherbed, one feather bolster, one paire of Blankettes, one Covering of Darnacle, one twilt to Cover the bed, twoe pillowes, all which belonge to the saied Bedd in the saied Chaumber, one long table, with a Carpet lined, twoe ioyned formes, sixe ioyned stooles, one ioyned chayer, twoe turned highe chaires, twoe lowe stooles couered with greene, one litle side table with a Carpet of greene for the same table, one payer of bellowes, one paire of Cobyrons, one fire forke, fyve quishions of Darnacle, one fire panne, one greate ioyned Cheste *Item* halfe the brasse, halfe the pewter, halfe the spittes, halfe the Dripping pannes, halfe the brewing Vessell, shalfe the vessells in the dayrie (except the cheesepresse), all the bees and beeskepps that standeth in the kitchen yarde, halfe the sheetes and halfe the tablecloths and halfe the tablenapkins and all the best of the Lynnen not otherwise given: so muche breadcorne and drinke corne as she and her Companye shall reasonable spend before Michaelmas 1614, halfe the Cheeses *Item* in the kitchen one plancke table with a frame, two Trammells and the barre of yron that the Trammells hange on. By me Thomas Alston

A Schedule or writing mentioning and expressing all such goodes Chattells and househould stuffe as are given meant and intended by my Will hereunto annexed to be to and for the only vse benefitt and behoofe of Abraham Alston my sonne his executors and assignes for euer as foloweth vizt.

Inprimis in the Hall one longe ioyned table with a frame, One ioyned sidetable wth a frame, One ioyned square table with a frame, One longe plancke forme for the long table, Sixe ioyned stooles, all the Benches in the hall, twoe highe old. turned chayers, One lowe turned chaire, one childes chaire, one litle cupbord, one plancke greate stoole to cutt out meate: Three trammells and the barre they hange on, the greatest payer of Cobirones, one payer of tongues, one fier panne, one fire forke of yron, sixe quishions of Lyst *Item* in the greate parlor one longe ioyned table with a frame, one side ioyned table with a frame, one linary table, tenne ioyned stooles, twoe litle footstooles, one greate Cubbord with a Cloathe, twoe Carpetes for the longest Tables and the side table. *Item* in the mill house the mill with all thinges belonging to the saied mill and allso the pumpe and allso the Lead of furnesse *Item* one carte, one Tumbrell, one other Tumbrell Cowpe one ploughe with all the yrones and traize that belongeth to the Carte and ploughe, one Bushell and one Skreene for corne *Item* halfe the brasse halfe the pewter halfe the spittes, halfe the Drippingpannes halfe the brewing vessells halfe the vessells in the Dayerie and the Cheesepresse wholie, the moulding bourd and tubbes and troughes for that vse of bakinge wholie *Item* in the maydes chaumber the Chaumber over the hall the chaumber over the greate parlor where my sonnes lye all suche thinges whatsoever as be of myne in the sayd chaumbers (except such money and evidence and all other thinges that be in the Chest with twoe haspes standing vnder the windowe) halfe the sheetes and halfe the table clothes and so much breadcorne and drinkcorne as shalbe fitt to be spent and in reasonable manner before Michaelmas 1614 and at the mancon howse called Deanes, halfe the cheese By me Thomas Alston

Proved on the 30th June 1614 by Samuel Alston son and executor in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury at London before Master Edmond Pope and Sir John Benet Knt.

See Table 24 page 22.

**William
Alston.**
Of Hedingham
Sible.
Meade
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In the name of God : Amen : the Thirtieth daye of Maye in the yeares of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord James by the grace of god kinge of England ffrance and Ireland defender of the faith etc. the fowerteenth and of Scotland the Nyn and fortieth I William Alston of Hedingham Sible in the Countie of Essex yeoman (beinge all this tyme sicke in bodie but of good and perfect remembrance for the which I give vnto Allmightie god most hartie thanks) revokeinge all other and former wills and testamentes Legacies and bequestes by me heretofore made doe make ordayne and declare this to be my last will and testament, in manner and fourme followinge, firste and principallie I doe humbly comend my soule into the handes of Allmightie god, hopinge and stedfastlie beleivinge throughe the deathe blood shedding and resurrection of Jesus Christ my onelye saviour and Redeemer to have free pardon and remission of all my sinnes. And my bodye I willingly comitt to the earth to be decently buried att the discretion of my executor *Item* I give to the poore people of Hedingham Sible aforesaid the some of ffive markes of lawfull money of England to be distributed at the discretion of my executor *Item* I give vnto the poore people of Newton in the Countie of Suff. the like somme of five markes of like money to be likewise paid at the discretion of my executor *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Peter Alston my sonne and to his heires for ever All those my Messuages landes woods Tenements and hereditaments as well free and Ch^{rg}hold as Coppye and Customarie hold which I late purchased of John Deeks John Curd and Ralphe Turner scituate lyeinge and beinge in Boyton and in Stoke next Clare Chilton and Clare or in any other towne hamblett or parish there nere and adjoyninge in the said Countye of Suff.: And all soe all the landes tenements and hereditam^{ts} with th appurtennces which I late purchased to me and my heires of Samuell Coleman gent scituate lyeinge and beinge in Greate Walldingfeild and Little Walldingfeild or elsewhere in the said Countye of Suff. And all soe all those landes and tenements which I late purchased of Stephen Pillgrim lyeinge and beinge in Clare aforesaid in the said Countie of Suff.: To have and to hold all and singuler the said Messuages lands Tenements hereditaments and other the premises with th appurtennces vnto the said Peter my sonne his heires and assignes for ever. All soe I give and bequeath vnto the said Peter my sonne all such Cattle howshold stuff and implements of husbandrye as he nowe hath in his handes custodie and possession And I doe all soe give and forgive vnto the said Peter all such debts somes and some of money as the said Peter doth nowe owe vnto me *Item* I give vnto the said Peter the some of one Thowsande fflower hundred and Thirtie poundes of lawfull money of England to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of fflower Hundred Threescore and sixteene poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence percell thereof within fflower moneths next following after my decease, and the like some of

fflower hundred Threescore and Sixteene poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence (being allsoe one other percell thereof) within one yeare next followinge after my decease. And the like some of fflower hundred Threescore and Sixteene poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge the residue of the said some of One Thousand fflower hundred and Thirtie poundes) to bee likewise payd within eighteene monethes next after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Elizabeth Northye my daughter the some of Twoe hundred poundes of lawfull money of England to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of Threescore and sixe poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence pcell thereof within fflower moneths next after my decease, and the like some of threescore and sixe poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence (being one other pcell thereof) within Twelve moneths next after my decease and the like some of Threescore and sixe poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence being the residue of the said some of Twoe hundred poundes within Eighteene monethes next after my decease. Alsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said Elizabeth One Annuitie or yearely Rente of Tenne poundes of lawfull money to bee yssuinge and goinge out of all my landes and Tenements whatsoever scituate lyeinge and beinge in Wickham St Pawle Pebmarsh little Mapleston and Gestingthorpe in the said Countie of Essex to be payd vnto the said Elizabeth my daughter duringe the Terme of her naturall life att twoe usuall feastes in the yeare (that is to saye) att the feastes of Thannunciacon of the blessed virgin Marye and St Michael Tharchangell by even and equall portions the first payment thereof to begin att such of the said feastes as shall first happen next after my decease. And if yt shall happen the said Annuitie or yearely Rente of Tenne poundes or any parte thereof to be behind and vnpaid att any of the said feastes wherein the same oughte to be payd as aforesaid That then and from thenceforth yt shall and maye be lawfull to and for the said Elizabeth or her assignes into the sayd landes and tenements, whatsoever scituate lyeinge and beinge in Wickham St Pawle Pebmarsh little Mapleston and Gestingthorpe aforesaid or any of them to enter and distreyne and the distresse and distresses there soe hadd or taken to leade drive beare or carrie awaye and the same to detayne witholde and keepe vntill the said Annuitie or yearely Rente (with tharrages thereof yf any be) shalbe to the said Elizabeth or her assignes fullie satisfied and payd. Alsoe I doe give and forgive to Ralphe Northye my sonne in lawe all such debtes some and somes of money as the said Ralphe Northye doth nowe owe vnto me vppon Condicion notwithstandinge and soe as the said Ralphe shall within one yeare next after my decease conveye and assure vnto Edward Northye his sonne and to his heires the Reversion and remaynder of all that Messuage or Tenement with thappurtennece nowe in the occupation of the widdowe Langley scituate lyeinge and beinge in a streete called Maydenborough streete otherwise St Ellins in the parish of St Nicholas in Colchester in the said Countie of Essex To have and to hould the said Messuage or Tenement with th appurtennces ymedietely from and after the decease of the said Ralphe vnto the said Edward Northye and his heires for ever. *Item* I give vnto John Allston my sonne all my howshold stuffe and ymplements of husbandrie and all my Corne and Cattle which are remayninge and growinge all or vppon the ffarme called Bloyes scituate and beinge in Sibble Hedingham aforesaid. Allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said John my sonne and to his heires all that my Messuage or Tenement called or knowne by the name of Awbins or otherwise and all the howses buildings lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever to the said messuage or tenement belonginge or apperteyninge or to or with the same nowe or latelie vsed and enioyed scituate lyeinge and being in Boxforde in the fee of Hadley in the said Countie of Suff. Allsoe I doe give and bequeath vnto the said John my sonne and his heires all that my Messuage landes tenementes and hereditaments with thappurtennces which I late purchased of Richard Sendall and Stephen Cooke nowe in thoccupation of John Coppin or his assignee or assignes scituate lyeinge and beinge in Boxford aforesaid in the fee of Hadley in the said Countie of Suff. Allsoe I doe give and bequeath vnto the said John my sonne the some of Twoe thousand One hundred Thirtie and three poundes sixe shillings and eight pence of lawfull money of England to be payd and satisfied in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of Seaven Hundred and Eleven poundes pcell thereof within fflower monethes next after my decease and the like some of Seaven hundred and Eleven poundes (beinge one other pcell thereof) within twelve monethes next after my decease. And the some of Seaven Hundred and Eleven pounds Sixe shillings and eight pence being the residue of the said some of Twoe Thousand One hundred Thirtie and three poundes sixe shillings and eightpence within Eighteene monethes next after my decease. Allsoe I doe give and forgive vnto the said John my sonne All and everie such debt some and somes of money whatsoever as he doth nowe owe vnto me. *Item* I doe give and bequeath vnto Margery Parker my daughter one Annuitie or yearely Rente of Tenne poundes of lawfull money of England to be issuinge and goinge out of all my freehold landes and tenements with their appurtennces which I latelie purchased of Henrye Jackson John Lumpkyn and Nicholas Maffen and everie or any of them scituate lyeinge and beinge in Greate Waldingfeilde and Little Waldingfeilde in the said Countie of Suff. to be payd to the said Margerye or her assignes yearely duringe the terme of her naturall life att Twoe usuall feastes or Termes in the yeare (that is to saye) att the feastes of Thannunciacon of the blessed virgin Marye and St Michael Tharchangell by even and equall porcons the first payment thereof to begin att such of the said feastes as shall first happen next after my decease. And if yt shall happen the said Annuitye or yearely Rent of Tenne poundes or any parte thereof to be behinde and vnpaid att any of the said feastes wherein the same ought to be payd as aforesaid that then and from thenceforth it shall and may be lawfull to and for the said Margerye and her assignes into the said last mentioned premisses and everie parte thereof to enter and distreyne and the distresse and distresses there soe hadd and taken to leade beare drive or carrie awaye and the same to detayne withold impounde and keepe vntill the said Annuitie or yearely Rent with tharrages thereof (if any bee) shalbe vnto the said Margerye or her assignes fullie satisfied and payd. Allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said Margerye the some of Twoe hundred poundes of lawfull money of England to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of threescore and sixe poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence (pcell thereof) within fflower monthes next after my decease and the like some of Threescore and sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fower pence (beinge one other pcell thereof) within Twelve monethes next after my decease. And alsoe the some of Threescore and sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fower pence (beinge the Residue of the said somme of Twoe hundred poundes) within Eighteene monthes next after my decease. *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Edward Allston my sonne and his heires All that my Messuage landes and tenementes with th'appurtennces lyeinge and beinge in Buers St Maries in the County of Suff. which I late purchased of John Sympson. Allsoe I give and bequeath to the said Edward and his heires all those my messuages landes tenements and hereditamentes with their appurtennces which I late purchased of Thomas Glover scituate lyeinge and beinge in Great Waldingfeilde aforesaid and Acton in the said Countie of Suff. Allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said Edward my sonne the some of One Thowsand Twoe hundred Threescore and sixteene poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence of lawfull money of England to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to

saye) the some of fflower hundred Twentie and ffive poundes (pcell thereof within fflower monethes next after my decease and the like some of fflower hundred and Twentie and ffive poundes (beinge one other pcell thereof) within Twelve monethes next after my decease) and the some of fflower hundred Twentie and sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge the residue of the said some of One Thowsand Twoe hundred Threescore and sixteene poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence) within Eighteene monethes next after my decease Allsoe I give and forgive vnto the said Edward my sonne All such debtes somes and some of money as the said Edward doth nowe owe vnto me *Item* I give and bequeath vnto William Allston my grandchild the eldest sonne of William my sonne One Annuite or yearelye Rente of fffitie poundes of lawfull money of England to be yssuinge and goeing out of all my Messuages landes tenementes and hereditamentes whatsoever with their appurtenneces scituate lyeinge and beinge in Thaxted in the said Countie of Essex And out of all my said Messuages landes tenementes and hereditaments with their appurtenneces which I late purchased of Henry Jackson John Lumpkyn and Nicholas Maffen and every or any of them scituate lyeinge and beinge in Great Waldingfeild and Little Waldingfeild afforesaid in the said Countie of Suff: And out of all my aforesaid landes and tenementes whatsoever scituate lyeinge and beinge in wickham St Pawle Pebmarshe Little Maplestode and Gestingthorpe in the said Countie of Essex to be yearelye payd vnto the said William Allston my grandchild for and duringe the Terme of Tenne yeares next after my decease I give and bequeath vnto the said William my graundchild One other Annuitye or yearelye Rente of Thirtie poundes of like money to be issuinge and goeing out of all and singular the said Messuages landes tenementes and hereditamentes with their appurtenneces last before mentioned and expressed for and duringe the Terme of Eleven yeares to begin after the expiration of the said Terme of Tenne yeares the said severall Annuityes or yearelye Rentes to be yearelye payd vnto the said William my graundchild att twoe ffeastes or dayes in the yeare (that is to saye) at the feastes of Thannuntiation of the blessed virgin Marye and St Mychaell tharchangell by even and equall porcons the first payment of the said first Annuitye of fffitie poundes to begin att such of the said feastes as shall first happen next after my decease And if yt shall happen the said Annuityes or yearelye Rentes or either of them or any parte or pcell of them or either of them shall happen to be behinde and vnpayd att any of the said ffeastes wherein the same ought to be payd as aforesaid that then and from thenceforth it shall and maye be lawfull to and for the said William my graundchild and his assignes into all and singular the aforesaid last mentioned premisses and everye parte thereof to enter and distreyne and the distresse and distresses there soe had and taken to leade drive beare and carrie awaye and the same to detayne withold impound and keepe vntill the said Annuityes or yearelye Rentes with tharrerages thereof (if any be) shalbe to the said William my grandchild or his assignes fullie satisfied and payd *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Thomas Allston my sonne and his heires for ever All my Messuages landes tenementes and hereditamentes whatsoever lyeinge and beinge in Thaxted afforesaid in the said Countie of Essex or in any other towne there neere adioyninge Allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said Thomas my sonne and his heires All my Messuages landes tenementes woods and hereditamentes with their appurtenneces scituate lyeinge and beinge in Greate Maplested Little Maplested Gestingthorpe wickham St Pawle Pebmarsh and Twinsted in the said Countie of Essex Alsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said Thomas my sonne and his heires All my landes and tenementes with their appurtenneces which I late purchased of Thomas Canham scituate lyeinge and beinge in Greate Waldingfeilde afforesaid in the said Countie of Suff: And allsoe all those my messuages landes and tenementes with their appurtenneces which I late purchased of Henry Jackson John Lumpkin and Nicholas Maffen and everie or any of them And all other my landes and Tenementes whatsoever not before given or bequeathed both ffree and Coppyhold scituate lyeinge and beinge in Greate Waldingfeilde afforesaid and Mellford in the said Countie of Suff: (except one Messuage and all landes both free and Coppyhold which I late purchased of Thomas Parish thelder lyeinge and beinge in Greate Waldingfeild afforesaid *Item* I give and bequeath vnto William Allston my eldest sonne all that my Capitall Messuage Mannor or Mansion howse called or known by the name of Saymehall with all the howses edifices buildings yards gardens landes Meadows pastures feedings woodes Rentes and hereditamts whatsoever to the said Capitall Messuage Mannor or Mancon howse belonginge or appertayneinge or to and with the same nowe or latelie used occupied or enjoyed with all and everie of their appurtenneces scituate lyeinge and beinge in Newton and Little Cornerd in the said Countie of Suff: And allsoe all manner of Tyethes cominge growinge or renewinge in or vpon the said landes tenementes and premisses or any parte thereof To have and to holde the said Capitall Messuage Mannor or Mansion howse called Saymehall and everie other the said last menconed premisses with their and everie of their appurtenneces to the said William Allston my sonne and his assignes for and duringe the Terme of his naturall life vpon and vnder the condicon and proviso here after mentioned And after the decease of the said William my sonne then I whollie give and bequeath the said Capitall Messuage Mannor or Mantion howse and all and everie other the premisses with their appurtenneces to the said William Allston my grandchild the eldest sonne of my said sonne William and to the heires of the said William my grandchilde for ever vpon and vnder the Condicon and proviso hereafter likewise expressed. Allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said William my sonne All that Messuage or Tenement wherein one Jeffrye Tanner doth nowe inhabite and dwell with all the howses buildings yeardes orchardes gardens landes meadowes pastures feedings and hereditamentes what soever to the said Messuage belonginge or appertaineinge or to or with the same nowe or latelie used occupied or enjoyed late Robert Cricke nowe in thoccupation of the said Jeffrye Tanner his assignee or assignes scituate lyeinge and beinge in Boxford Edwardston and Newton in the said Countie of Suff: Allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said Will^m my sonne All that my Tenement and landes with thappurtenneces which I late purchased of Tho: Cooke scituate lyeinge and beinge in Newton afforesaid And allsoe all those my lands and tenementes which I late purchased of John Rye nowe or late in the tenure and occupacon of the afforesaid Jeffrye Tanner and Tho: Butcher or of one of them or of one of their assigne or assignes lyeinge and beinge in Boxford and Newton afforesaid Allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said William my sonne All that parcell of land comonlie called or known by the name of Startoppes als Startowtes with their appurtenneces lyeinge and beinge in Boxford afforesaid And all those my landes Tenementes and hereditaments whatsoever with their appurtenneces which I late purchased of Thomas Parishe as well free and Ckehold as Customarie and Coppyhold scituate lyeinge and beinge in Greate Waldingfeild afforesaid in the said Countie of Suff: And allsoe I give and bequeath vnto the said William my sonne All that my Messuage or Tenement with thappurtenneces which I latelie purchased of Giles Sheldrake lyeinge and beinge in Chilton or the hamlett of Clare in the said Countie of Suff: nowe in th occupation of — Ling or his assignes To have and to hold all and singular the before laste menconed premisses with th'appurtenneces vnto the said William my sonne and his heires for ever provided allwayes and vpon Condicon notwithstandinge that if the said William my sonne or Will^m my grandchild or either of them theire or either of their heires doe or shall att anye tyme hereafter (vpon

reasonable request vnto him them or any of them by anye other of my Children or their heires to be had or made) denye and refuse to assure Release ratyfy and confirme vnto them and everie of them and their heires with warrantye against them and either of them theire and either of their heires All and everye the howses landes tenements or hereditaments both freehold and Coppyhold and the Rentes vnto my Children or any of them severallie and respectiue in and by this my last will and Testament given and bequeathed and accordinge to the tenor effect and true intende of this my said will, or that the said William my sonne and William his sonne or their heires or any other pson or psons clayminge by or vnder their or any of their estate right title or interest meanes or assent by reason of anye tenure in Capite or knight service or wante of surrender or otherwise doe or shall att anye tyme hereafter by Accon entrie clayme or otherwise evicte interrupt or disturbe any thestate right title interest or possession of any my Children of or in any the howses landes tenementes rentes and premisses vnto them or any of them severallie and respectiue in and by this my said last will and testament given and bequeathed and contrarie to the trewe intende tenor and effect thereof; That then I will it shall and may be lawfull to and for everie of my Children both sonnes and daughters and the heires of them soe denied and refused by the said William my sonne or William his sonne their or either of their heires to be secured as aforesaid or whoe by any their Accon entrie or Clayme shalbe be evicted or disturbed of or in anye the howses landes tenementes or Rentes vnto them or any of them in and by this my will severallie and respectiue given and bequeathed, and contrarie to the tenor and true intende thereof shall or may enter into the said Mannor or reputed Mannor of Samiehall withall and everie the landes tenementes and hereditamentes to the same belonginge or therewith vsed or occupied and to the said William my sonne and to William his sonne given and bequeathed as aforesaid and the yssues and profitts thereof to have hould detayne and keepe to his and their proper vse and benefytt for and duringe soe longe tyme and vntill the said William my sonne or Willm his sonne or their heires doe or shall assure convey release or confirme vnto them and everie of them severallie and respectiue all and everie the messuages landes and tenementes with their appurtenances both freehold and Coppyhold and Rentes vnto them and everie of them severall given and bequeathed according to the tenor effect and true intende and meaninge of this my will with warrantye against the said William my sonne and his heires and all persons clayminge by from or vnder them the said William and William or any of them as by all or any of my said sonnes and daughters (other then the said William my sonne) his and their Councell learned in the lawe and at his and their proper costes and chardges in the lawe shalbe reasonablye devised or advised and required. And allsoe vntill they and everie of them soe evicted and disturbed contrarye to this my will be satisfied and payd all and everie their costes and chardges in the lawe for or by reason of anye such Clayme Entrie eviction or disturbance aforesaid *Item* I give and bequeath vnto the said William my sonne the some of One thousand ffive hundred and fflower score poundes of lawfull money of England to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of ffive hundred Twentie and sixe pounds thirteene shillings and fower pence (percell thereof) within fflower monethes next after my decease And the like some of ffive hundred Twentie and sixe pounds thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge one other pcell thereof) within twelve monethes next after my decease. And the like some of ffive hundred Twentie and sixe pounds thirteene shillings and fower pence beinge the residue of the said some of One Thousand ffive hundred and fflower score poundes within Eighteene monethes next after my decease *Item* I give vnto the said William my sonne All and everie my goodes and Chattells att his howse in Cornerd And allsoe all and everie my howsehold stuffe whatsoever nowe beinge in the parlor at Saymehall aforesaid And alsoe my best fetherbed and Coverlett and the Cubberd and Countertalle in the parlour chamber there and the twoe tables in the hall there and the brasses and copper in the brewinghouse there And allsoe all other the brewing vessels there And allsoe the Cesterne there for the wettinge of Barley And I further will and bequeath all other the howsehold stuffe in my howse of Saymehall not before bequeathed to the said William and Peter my sonnes to be equallie divided betweene them *Item* I doe give and forgive vnto the said William my sonne all such debtes some and somes of money as the said William doth nowe owe vnto me *Item* I give and bequeath vnto the said William my grandchild the some of fflower hundred poundes of lawful money of England to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to say) the some of One hundred thirtie and three poundes sixe shillings and eight pence (pcell thereof) within fflower monethes next after my decease and the like some of One hundred thirtie and three poundes sixe shillings and eight pence beinge one other pcell thereof within Twelve monethes next after my decease And alsoe the like some of One hundred Thirtie and Three ponndes sixe shillings and eight pence being the residue of the said some of fflower hundred poundes within Eighteene monethes next after my Decease. *Item* I give vnto Margery the eldest daughter of my said sonne William the some of Twoe hundred poundes to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of Threescore and sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence (pcell thereof) within fflower monethes next after my decease. And the like some of threescore and sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge one other pcell thereof) within Twelve monethes next after my decease. And alsoe the like some of threescore and sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence being the residue of the said some of Twoe hundred poundes within eighteene monethes next after my decease. *Item* I give vnto Elizabeth one other of the daughters of my said sonne William the some of Twenty poundes of lawfull money and to Elizabeth her daughter twoe vnites or Twentie shillinge peeces of gould to be payd within fflower monethes next after my decease *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Ralphe Edward and Thomas Three other of the sonnes of the said William my sonne the some of one hundred fflower score and tenne poundes a peece to be payd vnto them in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of One hundred fflower score and tenne poundes to the said Ralphe within fflower monethes next after my decease And the some of One hundred fflower score and tenne poundes to the said Edward within twelve monethes next after my decease and the some of One hundred fflower score and Tenne pounds vnto the said Thomas within Eighteene monethes next after my decease And if yt shall happen that the said William Ralphe Edward and Tho: sonnes of the said William my sonne or any of them to departe this life without issue of their bodies before their portion or portions are to be payd by vertue of this my will then my will and meaninge is that the parte or portion of him or them so dyeinge shalbe equally divided to and amongst the said William Ralphe Edward and Thomas and everie of them that shalbe then liveinge Alsoe I give and bequeath vnto everie other of the Children of my said sonne William (that is to saye) Joseph Beniamyn Anne Jacob Jonas and Jane to everie of them the some of One hundred and Thirtie poundes a peece of lawfull money of England to be payd vnto the said William my sonne his executors or assigns to their vse in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of Twoe hundred and threescore poundes pcell of their severall portions within fflower monethes next after my decease And the like some of Two hundred and Threescore poundes (beinge one other pcell of their said severall portions) within Twelve monethes next after my decease

And the like some of Two hundred and Threescore poundes (beinge the residue of their saide severall portions) within Eightene monethes next after my decease And my will and meaninge is that my said sonne William shall pay vnto the said Joseph Beniamyn Anne Jacob Jonas and Jane their said severall portions at their severall ages of Eightene And if any of them happen to dye before their parte or porcon is to be payd by vertue of this my will then I will that the portion of him or them soe dyeinge shalbe equallie devided to and amongst them the said Joseph Beniamyn Anne Jacob Jonas and Jane and everie of them that shalbe then liveinge And further my meaninge and will is that vpon the payment of the said porcons vnto my said sonne William my executor shalbe thereof clerelye discharged *Item* I give and bequeath vnto John Joseph Anne Susan and Bridgett beinge the Children of my sonne Edward the some of One hundred and Twentie poundes a peece of lawfull money of England to be payd vnto the said Edward my sonne his Executors and assignes in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of Twoe hundred poundes (pcell of their said severall porcons) within fower monethes next after my decease And the like some of Twoe hundred poundes (beinge one other pcell of their said porcons) within Twelve monethes next after my decease And alsoe the like some of Two hundred poundes (beinge the residue of their said severall portions) within Eightene monethes next after my decease. And my will and meaninge is that my said sonne Edward shall paye vnto the said John Joseph Anne Susan and Bridgett their said severall portions at their severall ages of Eightene yeares And if any of them happen to dye before their parte or porcon is to be payd by vertue of this my will then I will that the parte or portion of him or them soe dyeinge shall be equallie devided to and amongst them the said John Joseph Anne Susan and Bridgett and everie of them that shalbe then liveinge And further my will and meaninge is that vpon the payment of the said porcons vnto my said sonne Edward his executors or assignes, my executor shalbe thereof absolutely discharged *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Peter Edward Thomas William Margerie and Elizabeth beinge the Children of my said sonne Peter or vnto everie of them the some of One hundred and Twentie poundes a peece of lawfull money of England to be payd vnto my said sonne Peter his executors or assignes in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of Twoe hundred and ffortie poundes (pcell of the said severall porcons) within fower monethes next after my decease And the like some of Twoe hundred and ffortie poundes (beinge one other pcell of the said porcons) within Twelve monethes next after my decease, And alsoe the like some of Twoe hundred and ffortie pounds beinge the residue of the said porcons, within Eightene monethes next after my decease And my will and meaninge is that my said sonne Peter shall paye vnto the said Peter Edward Thomas William Margerie and Elizabeth their said severall porcons att their severall ages of Eightene yeares And if any of them happen to die before their parte or porcon is to be payd by vertue of this my will then I will that the pte or porcon of him or them soe dyeinge shalbe equallie devided to and amongst them the said Peter Edward Thomas William Margerie and Elizabeth and everie of them that shalbe then liveinge. And further my will and meaninge is that vpon the payment of the said porcons vnto my said sonne Peter his executors or assignes my executor shalbe there of absolutely discharged *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Le Strange Martha John Elizabeth William Anne Susan and the last borne sonne beinge the children of my said sonne John vnto everie of them the some of One hundred and Thirtie poundes a peece of lawfull money of England to be payd vnto my said sonne John his executors and assignes in manner and forme following (that is to saye) the some of Three hundred ffortie And sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence percell of their said severall porcons within fflower monethes next after my decease And alsoe the like somme of Three hundred and ffortie sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge one other pcell of their said porcons) within Twelve monethes next after my decease And alsoe the like some of Three hundred ffortie and sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge the residue of their saide porcons) within Eightene monethes next after my decease And my will and meaninge is that my saide sonne John his executors and assignes shall paye vnto the saide Le Strange Martha John Elizabeth William Anne Susan and the last borne sonne their said severall porcons att their severall ages of Eightene yeares And if any of them happen to dye before their pte or porcon is to be payd by vertue of this my will Then I will that the pte or porcon of him or them soe dyeinge shalbe equallie devided to and amongst them the said Le Strange Martha John Elizabeth William Anne Susan and the last borne sonne and everie of them that shalbe then liveinge And further my will and meaninge is that vpon the payment of the said porcons vnto my said sonne John his executors or assignes that my executor shalbe there of absolutelie discharged *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Elizabeth Northy my grandchild the eldest daughter of Elizabeth Northye my daughter the some of One hundred Threescore and Tenne poundes of lawfull money of England to be payd in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of ffftie and sixe poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence (pcell thereof) within fflower monethes next after my decease And the like some of ffftie and sixe poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge one other pcell there of) within Twelve monethes next after my decease And likewise all the like some of ffftie and sixe poundes Thirteene shillings and fflower pence (beinge the residue of the said some) within Eightene monethes next after my decease *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Ralphe Edward and Margerye beinge the other Children of my said daughter Elizabeth and to everie of them the some of One hundred and Thirtie poundes a peece of lawfull money of England to be payd vnto Ralphe Northye their father in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of one hundred and Thirtie poundes (pcell of their said portions) within fower monethes next after my decease. And the like some of One hundred and Thirtie poundes (beinge one other pcell of their said portions) within Twelve monethes next after my decease. And alsoe the some of One hundred and Thirtie poundes (residue of their said porcons) within Eightene monethes next after my decease. And my will and meaninge is that the said Ralphe Northye the father shall paye vnto them the said Ralphe Edward and Margerye his Children their severall portions given vnto them by this my will att their severall ages of Eightene yeares And yf any of them happen to dye before their parte or porcon is to be payd by vertue of this my will, then I will that the parte or porcon of him or them soe dyeinge shalbe equallie divided to and amongst the rest of the Children of my said daughter Elizabeth that shalbe then liveinge And further my will and meaninge is that vpon the payment of the said portions vnto the said Ralphe Northye the father his executors or assignes my executor shalbe thereof absolutelie discharged *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Augustine and Susan Parker beinge the Children of my daughter Margerye to either of them the some of One hundred and Twentie poundes of lawfull money of England to be paid vnto Augustine Parker their father his executors or assignes in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) the some of fflower score poundes (pcell of their portions) within fflower monethes next after my decease and alsoe the like some of fflower score poundes beinge one other pcell of their said porcons within Twelve monethes next after my decease And alsoe the some of fflower score poundes (beinge the residue of the said some of their said porcons) within Eightene monethes next after my decease And my will and meaninge is that

the said Augustine Parker shall paye vnto the said Augustine and Susan Parker his Children their said severall portions att their severall ages of eightene yeares And if either of them happen to dye before their parte or portion is to be payd by vertue of this my will then the survivor of them to have the portion of him or her soe deceased And further my will and meaninge is that vpon the paymente of the said porcons vnto the said Augustine Parker the father his executors or assignes my executor shalbe thereof absolutelye discharged *Item* I give and bequeath vnto William Thomas Edward and John sonnes of the said Thomas my sonne to everie of them the some of One hundred and Twentie poundes a peece to be payd vnto them at their severall ages of Eightene yeares *Item* I give and bequeath vnto Walter Ruffle sometymes my servante the some of sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fflower pence of lawfull money of England to be payd within sixe monethes next after my decease *Item* all the residue of my goodes and Chattells whatsoever (my funerall chardges and debtes and legacies beinge payd And this my will in everie thinge performed) I give and bequeath vnto Thomas my sonne whome I doe nominate and appointe my sole executor of this my last will and testament And I doe alsoe give and bequeath vnto the said Thomas my sonne All those Messuages landes tenements and hereditaments with their appurtennces which I late had to me and my heires by any Conveyance or assurance of from Edward Roane gen Humfrey Roane gen and Henrye Gridley and everie or any of them whatsoever scituate lyeinge and beinge in Stamborne and Ashen als Essee or elsewhere in the said Countie of Essex: To have and to hould all and singular the said landes tenements and hereditamentes with their appurtennces together with the right title interest and demaunde of me whatsoever of or in the said premisses to thonlye proper vse and behoofe of the said Thomas my sonne his heires and assignes for ever. In Wittness whereof I have herevnto subscribed my name vnto everie sheete conteyninge Tenne sheetes of paper And allsoe vnto this my will have sett my seale the daye and yeares first above written 1616 - William Allston. This present writinge was read subscribed sealed and published by the said William Allston the Testator for his last will and Testament the last daye of Maye 1616 in the presence of Will^m Garnham Peter Poole Jo: Mallowes Simon Blomfeild Roger Barwick and Rob^t Poole.

Proved on the 29th January 1617 by Thomas Alston Son and Executor in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury before John Bennet, Knight, Doctor of Laws.

See Table 3 page 5.

Edward
Alston,
Of Boxford.

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The will of Edward Alston dated 20 Jan^y 1617 of Boxford in the County of Suff. and Diocese of Norwich Clothier.

I desire to be buried in Christian burial where it shall please my executors

I bequeath to my loving wife Anne three messuages or tenements with the yards and gardens adjoining, a croft of land on the east side of sd tenements, also a little tenement called Priors with garden and land adjoining with all the leades Cisterns glasse dores waynscott &c. situate in Stone street Boxford This bequest for my wife's joynture and dower according to a deed made between me and Richard Simnell gent. late of Colchester.

Also to my wife £500 and the use of all my plate and household stuff during her life.

On the death of my wife the same household stuff and plate to be equally divided amongst my three daughters Anne, Susan and Bridgett

To each of my three daughters Anne, Susan, and Bridgett £500 to be paid on their attaining the age of 20 years.

To Joseph Alston my sonne my manor called Shelland Hall with all the houses and lands thereto belonging, in Ratlesden Shelland and Woolpett co. Suffolk also any lands in above towns, which I purchased of St John Deane Knt. also my messuages with the houses orchards and gardens in Sudbury Suff. Also my message and lands in Buers (Suff.) late my father's William Alston I give to my son Joseph and his heirs male the above mentioned lands with remainder to Edward Alston my son and John Alston my son

I give to Edward my son my messuages lands tent^s and heredit^s in Nayland Stoke next Nayland Missington Assington Clare Stoke next Clare and Chilton street (Suff.) Also my message wherein I lately dwelt, with the houses yards and gardens belonging in Polsted Suff. All my freehold and copyhold lands tenement^s and heredit^s in Polsted, all my lands in Boxford near White Street purchased from Adam Wyntropp gent Will. Pond and Stephen Kembold also my message yards and grounds in Boxford purchased from John Salter I give to my son Edward the above lands and to his heirs with remainder to my son Joseph and his heirs, also in default of rightful issue, remainder to John Alston my son and his heirs.

My executors shall hold the said messuages &c. devised to my sons Joseph and Edward until they reach the age of 13 years, the profits arising from said property to go to the discharge of the legacies. My executors also to receive the rents accruing from the manor and lands bequeathed to Joseph and Edward from the time of their reaching the age of 13 till they attain the age of 21 the money to be applied to the use of said sons respectively.

My tenements in White Street Boxford I give to the use of the poor people of said town—i.e. the rents arising therefrom to be used to purchase yearly 30 ells of the best canvas to be given to 15 poor people the week before Christmas.

To Edward Garrold my god son £5.

I give to my eldest son John a full third part of all my freehold lands and tenements, with the residue of all my estates, to be held by my executors until John is of age with remainder to my sons Joseph and Edward and my 3 daughters.

My said wife Ann to have the government and education of all my children, my executors to pay her £20 a year for each child until they are of age—in case of my wife's death the executors to have the care of the children. Also £20 a year to my wife when the payments for the children cease, as an increase to her jointure.

I give to my son Edward all my leasehold lands in Polsted.

To John my lands in Bromford (Suff.) with a proviso that the sd John shall do all that is necessary to assure the lands devised to Edward and his heirs

I give to John and his heirs my copyhold land and tenements in Groton with my house in Stone street Boxford holden of the manors of Groton Hall and Peyton hall

If my daughters marry without the consent of their mother their legacies to lapse

To Mr. Joseph Byrd parson of Boxford £5 to buy a piece of plate
 To my godson Edward Andrew son of Francis Andrew of Hadley 20 marks
 I appoint my son John residuary legatee with remainder to Joseph and Edward and to my daughters provided the said John does not fall into any riotous or disordered course of life and is governed by my said wife and my brother Peter Alston, it shall be at the discretion of my brother to pay to my wife or any of my other children the sum of £1000 out of the moneys accruing to John if he leads a well ordered life.
 Sicklemore Meadow in Bramford may be bought from Lord Wentworth for my son John if my brother thinks it advisable
 I appoint my son John and my brother Peter executors, to the latter £40 for his trouble, but he is not to be exempted from paying his debts to my estate
 To my uncle Julian Lufkyn 40/- if he be not chargeable to my wife
 To my mother Ardley £5
 To my sister wife of Richard Ardley £5
 To William Lufkyn £5.

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON
 Witnesses: John Brond Francys Andrew John Hart

To Anne Ardleigh and — Harke servants 20/- each and to — Bacon 10/-
 Proved 9 Febr 1617-18—by Peter Alston the brother executor named in above will, with power reserved to John Alston the son and executor

See Table 10 page 11.

Thomas
 Alston
 Of Polstead.
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The will of Thomas Alston 11th Jan^y 1619-20 of Polsted co. Suff. yeoman- (dioc. of Norwich)
 I desire to be decently buried at the discretion of my executrix.
 I give 40 marks to be distributed amongst the poor people of Sudbury Mellford, Lavenham great Waldingfield, little Waldingfield, Edwardston, Mounts Illeigh, Groton, Boxford, Polsted, Stoke next Nayland, Nayland, Assington and Newton
 To Mr. James Bromwell of Polsted }
 „ Mr. Joseph Byrde of Boxford } 20/- each
 „ Mr. Tho. Nicholson of Croxton }
 „ Mr. Tho. Dewsley of Edwardston }
 „ Mr. Tho. Chamber of Assington }
 I give to Frances my wife to hold in trust for my son William (until his majority) the lands mess. tent^s and hered. lately purchased from Anthony Pennyng Esq.
 to Frances my wife my lands Tent^s and hered. in Enepested and Frating co. Essex also lands in Ashen als Esse co. Essex, in trust for my second son Thomas
 to Frances my wife my mess. lands tent^s and hered^s in Stisted co. Essex, also ditto in great Waldingfield bequeathed to me by my father William Alston in trust for my third son Edward.
 to Frances my wife my lands tent^s hered^s in Thaxted co. Essex, left me by my late father also my lands tent^s and hereds. in great Maplested little Maplestead, Twynsted, Pebmarshe, wickham St Paule and Gestingthorpe — also my Messuage in Edwardston — copyhold Lands in Melford Suff. devised to me by my father in trust for my youngest son John Alston
 Having obtained judgment in the Court of Common Pleas West^r against Nicholas Heyward the same is defeizanted by deed between me and Thomas Robinson and his heirs — this money to be assured to my son John upon his giving a release to his brothers for the lands left to them respectively — should he refuse to do this, he forfeits the lands bequeathed to him.
 The Manor called Geddingehall wherein I now dwell with the lands belonging thereto, also a tenement and land called the further Birchfeilde assured to me and to my wife for her jointure to revert on the death of Frances my wife to my second son Thomas
 My wife to use the profits of the lands left to her as followeth £200 yearly for the maintenance of herself and all my children until said children are of age, the residue of the profits to be divided between my four sons, my daughter Frances and the child to be born
 To Frances my wife my household stuff and implements, plate and Jewels, Corne in my barns and on the ground, cattle and tools of husbandry.
 To Margaret Hills my servant 40/-
 „ Suzan Cunnle }
 „ „ Marchant } 20/- each
 „ John Agas }
 „ John Smyth my apprentice 20/- at the expiration of his apprenticeship
 The residue of my goods and chattels unbequeathed to be equally divided between my wife and children—my wife to have the use of the same until said children are of age.
 Should my wife remarry she is to render an account to my brother in law Symon Bloomfeilde and to my four sons of all my saide goods unbequeathed and to enter into a bond of £12000 to pay the portions of my children and to join with my eldest son in assuring the Reversion of my mansion and lands to Thomas my son—my wife to undertake the bringing up and education of all my children
 My brother in law Symon Bloomfield to be Supervisor of my will and to receive £40 for his trouble.
 I appoint my wife sole executrix

(Signed) THOMAS ALSTON
 Witnesses—John Hammond—John Potter—John Thompson the elder—

Proved the 4th February 1619-20 by Frances Alston relict and executrix named in s^d will—

See Table 13 page 14.

Anne Alston
Of Boxford
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The will of Anne Alstone of Boxford co. Suffolk widow late wife of Edward Alstone of Boxford Clothier dated Jan^{ry} 31—
1622—
I give to my son John Alstone £10 in gold 22 sheep, and 5 milch beasts.
to my eldest dau. Anne £80 to be paid to her when she is 18
to my dau. Susan £80 at the age of 18
to my dau. Bridgett £80 at the age of 18
to my son Joseph £50 at the age of 21
to my son Edward £50 at the age of 21
to Margaret Ardlie, my sister in law widow 24s/- annually until my son John is 21 years of age, also £5.
to John Ardlie her eldest son £5—
to Thomas Ardlie son of Margaret 20/-
to Richard Ardlie son of Margaret 20/-
to Margaret Ardlie dau. of Margaret 20/-
to my brother John Ardlie £10
to his five children, John, Thomas, George, Symon and Bridgett each 20/-
to my brother Joseph Ardlie £10
to Thomas Ardlie my half brother £5
to Robert Ardlie my half brother 40s/-
to my sister Bridgett Berrye £10
to her five children, Thamar, Bridgett, Anne, Thomas and John each 20/-
to Anne Ardlie my kinswoman £10 also my best stuff gown
to Bridgett Alston my dau. my Tenement at eleaven Heath with 18 acres of freehold land
to the poor of Boxford £5
to Mr. Bird Parson of Boxford £5
to Mrs. Bird 5 pieces to buy a ring
I appoint my brother in law Mr. John Brande of Edwardston and my dau. Anne Ardlie my executors

The marke of ANNE ALSTON

Witness: Joseph Bird, parson of Boxford

Proved: 26 April 1626 by John Brand brother and exec. named in above will, with power reserved to Anne Ardlie dau. of testatrix

See Table 10 page 11.

Susan Alston
Of Newton
Hele
55

The will of Susan Alston of Newton co. Suff. widow the 24th Jan^{ry} 1625/6
I give to the children of my eldest dau. Susan Mann £170 to be divided amongst them according to the discretion of my exec^r and according as my daughter shall report to him concerning their dutiful behaviour towards her
I give to the children of Amy Curd my dau. £45
I give to Dorothy Alston my dau. my great silver bowl and my newest silver bowl, for which she is to pay her sisters Susan Man and Amy Curd 20s/- each
also to Dorothy my best joyned bedstead feather bed, flock d^o., 2 bolsters, a paire of blankets a dornakle coverlett of blue and white, a green rug, 2 pillows, green curtains and furniture belonging to the bed, the trundle bedstead running under the said joyned bedstead and bedding belonging thereto 8 pair of sheets 4 pair of pillow beers, bord cloth, a dozen napkins, silver salt a trencher silver salt, all gilt, a dozen new silver spoons without knoppes one wine scott Chest 6 joyned stools 2 joyned forms two chairs two boxes, 3 Dornikle cushions, one joyned table and another ioyned table standing in the house called Rogers wherein my son Samuel now dwells. I desire that all my brass pewter dripping pans spits and dairy vessels shall be equally divided between Samuel my son and Dorothy my daughter
I also give to Dorothy my dau. £300—£200 to be for her and heirs—Should she die before the whole of the money is paid by my exec^r £100 to be divided between Susan Man and Amy Curde her sisters—to the said Amy one of my best brass kettles
I give to the eight children of Will. Alston my son of Water belchamp co. Essex £32
to William my son and Mary his now wife 20s/- each.
to Edmond Alston my son and Rachel his wife 20/- each
to the children of said Edmond £28
to my dau. in law wife of Samuel my son 20s/-
to Edward Alston my son in law and his wife 10/- each
to their seven children £7. 10—
to Thomas Alston the son of Tho. Alston the younger my late son decd 20s/-
to the Children of Tho. Alston the elder my son in lawe decd viz to Tho. his son 10/- to John 20/- to Mary his dau. 20/-
to Dorothy his dau. 20/- to Jane 10/- and Ellen 20/-
to Susan Alston my god-daughter dau. of Edward Alston son of Edward Alston of Edwardston my son in law 20/-
to Mr Wytherall parson of Newton 20/-
to Mr Richard Skinner of Sudbury 20/-
to Tho. Willcoxe my servant 5/-
to John White my servant 5/-
to maidservants 5/-
to the poor of Newton 40/-
The residue of my property I give to my son Samuel to his own use for ever and appoint him sole executor of this my will

Marke of SUSAN ALSTON

Witnesses: Tho: Weatherell, John Smith, Tho: Fryth

Proved the 20th April 1626 by Samuel Alston son of above and executor named in will

See Table 24 page 22.

John Alston
of Boxford
Admon
1626
June

John Alston of Boxford Bachelor. Letters of administration granted 30th June 1626 to John Brand ("Johannis Bronde" in original) uncle on the mother's side during the minority of Joseph Alston brother
See Table 10 page 11.

Peter Alston
Of Bramford
Ridley
47

The will of Peter Alston of Bramford co. Suff. dated 26 March 1628
I give to Katherine my wife according to the obligation entered into between me and her father Edward Buggs before our marriage, my mess. or ten. with the lands &c. in Great Waldingfield and little Waldingfield co. Suff. my mess. called Bullen with the houses, buildings lands meadows pastures &c. thereto belonging in Bramford

I also give to my wife all her apparel and £10 I desire her to give a release in writing to any claim she may have upon my other property, should she claim more than the above messuages and lands, the above bequest to be void.

I give to Peter Alston my eldest son and heir apparent and to his heirs all my messs lands tens. and hereds in Clare, Stoke next Clare, Chilton and other towns, co. Suff. also a mess. and appurs. in Bramford—my water mill, called Laxfield Mill, with the houses gardens streams and lands. also 40 acres called Alderfeildes with a house, barn, stable in Bramford or some town near.

I give to Thomas Alston, my son, my mess. near the Bridge in Bramford with the yards gardens &c. On the death of my wife (should I have no issue by her) the mess.s. and lands devised to her, shall come to my said son Thomas and his heirs. I give to Thomas my son all my copyhold lands and tens in Great and Little Waldingfield

I give to Edward Alston my son my manor of Lovetostes *als* Luftostes with all the lands feedings rents reversions tens and hereds in Bramford Burstall and other towns in Suff. which I purchased from Thomas Lord Wentworth, except the mess. and lands reputed to be part of the manor of Lovetostes and before given to my son Peter and the scite of the house in which I now dwell

The above bequests to my three sons to be in full satisfaction of any sums of money left to them under of the will of my late father Will. Alston gent.

I give to my dau. Eliz. Alston £600 when she is 18, over and above any money left her by my father

My executors to receive the rents of the mess. left to my sons Thomas and Edward and apply the same to their education or to put them to a trade or profession until they reach the age of 21 years—My dau. Elizabeth to receive 40 marks yearly towards her maintenance until she receive her legacy—Should Elizabeth die before receiving her legacy—the money to be divided between my 3 sons and my dau. Margery now the wife of Thomas Wynne

I give to my executors and their heirs all such mess. ten. and hered. in Shelleigh co. Suff. all mortgages &c for the payment of my debts and legacies.

I desire my executors to pay to the children of my brother Edward Alston such legacies as shall be unpaid at the time of my death, so far as the goods of the s^d Edward deceased received by me shall enable them—

I give to my son Edward Alston all my household stuff, plate bedding linen and other utensils, carts, tombrells plows &c in the manor of Lovetostes—the s^d Edward to pay to each of his brothers and sisters £10. in default the s^d goods to be equally divided

Being guardian to Joseph Alston son of my brother Edward, I desire my executors to take over the wardship and to attend to the education of s^d Joseph and his brothers and sisters

I leave to the poor of Bramford £10

The residue of my property to be divided between my said three sons and dau. Elizabeth

I give to my son in law Thomas Wynne and Francis Andrew of Hadleigh co. Suff. in trust the mess. of Lovetostes, wherein I now dwell with the houses buildings barns, lands &c. as were demised therewith by Lord Wentworth to Thomas Denton (except such as are before given to Peter my son) during the life of my wife Katherine with remainder to my son Edward—The rents of said property to be applied to the education of Edward my son by the said Thomas Wynne and Francis Andrew.

I appoint my son Peter and Francis Andrew executors & give the latter £40 for his trouble

(Signed) PETER ALSTON

Witnesses: Daniel Bacon, Nicho: Hayward

Codicil appointing Francis Andrew guardian of Peter the son, should he be under age at the time of his father's death—27 March 1628

Proved: 16 May 1629 by Peter Alston the son

See Table 12 page 13

John Alston
of Hedingham
Admon
1630
July

John Allston of Hedingham co. Essex. Letters of administration granted 14th July 1630 to Mary Scott *als* Alleston, Anna Some *als* Alleston and Suzanne Scot *als* Alleston daughters of the deceased.

Dorothy
Edwards
als Alston
Admon
1631
Decr

Dorothy Edwards als Alston of Stoke by Clare co Suff Letters of Administration granted 16th Decr 1631 to Thomas Edwards husband of deceased.
See Table 24 page 22.

Samuel
Alston
Of Newton
St John
48

The will of Samuel Alston (22 April 1631) of Newton, co. Suff. gent.
I revoke all former wills by me made
I desire to be buried according to Christian burial, at the discretion of my loving wife and executors hereunder named—
I bequeath to Rose, my wife, my Messuage called Deanes in Newton, wherein I now dwell, with the Houses, buildings, millhouses, mills, yards, gardens and orchards belonging to the same—4 acres of pasture land adjoining my brother Edmond's orchard—the piece of ground called the Walke leading to Newton Church with the appurtenances, except my greate barne, chafehouse, stable, and one yard called the Dogs Kennel which I leave to my brother Edmond Alston and his heirs. My executor to provide my wife yearly with sufficient firewood for her use

Also to my wife my best bedstead standing in the Messuage called Rogers in Newton—also one field bedstead with bedding and furniture and a joined bedstead—All my silver plate, pewter and brass—six pair of Sheets, six pair of pillow beeres, 2 dozen napkins six pillows and 4 board cloths—my Virginalls, 6 joined stools wrought and to be wrought by her with needlework, my little roan nag, all my Cheese and butter, 5 quarters of wheat, 5 quarters or seames of malt, all my hens, geese, ducks and other poultry—

The Chests desks and boxes in the house I now dwell containing my bonds, evidences and writings to go to my executor immediately upon my decease.

I give to my wife in full satisfaction of all dower or thirds an annuity of £100 payable out of other my messuages, lands &c. freehold and copyhold, lying in the parish of Newton, great Cornard, little Cornard and Sudbury or my landes called Groomes and Turrells in Edwardston co. Suff.

I give to my brother William Alston of Water Belchamp co. Essex, my lease unexpired of the Rectory, parsonage or Priory of Edwardston co. Suff. with the lands tythes tene^{ts} and appur^{ts} thereto belonging, except the tithes of the ten^{ts} or farms of Groomes and Turrells

also to my brother Will. the Rectory tithes and Lands of Little Waldingfield co. Suff. and the advowson of the vicarage of Little Waldingfield—and all other my Mess. Lands tenements and hereds in Little Waldingfield Edwardston, Great Waldingfield and Milden co. Suff provided he pay to my brother and executor out of the profits of above Rectory and lands an annuity of £100—and to Rose my wife and Susan Witherall my sister annually £40 until one of them dies

to the King for the rent tenth or fee ferme of the said Rectory of Little Waldingfield 40/- yearly

to the Lord Bishop of Ely and his successors £20 yearly rent of the Rectory of Edwardston

Within three months of my death, my brother William shall enter into a bond of £1,000 to pay the several annuities rents &c to hold my executor freed from any claims respecting sd annuities, otherwise the bequests to sd William to be void and Edmond my brother and executor to inherit the same.

To Dorothy Edwards my sister £100

To my sister Wetherall a gold piece of 20/-

To my sister wife of Will. Alston a gold piece of 20/-

To brother Edward Alston and Margaret his wife 20s/- each

To Doctor Alston his (Edward's) son 40/- to Thomas Alston his son £10 to Abraham Alston his son £5

To Penning

To Joseph

To Elizabeth

} 3 other children of said Edward Alston 40/- each—

To Thomas Alston, my kinsman, eldest son of Tho: Alston my eldest brother who died at Edwardston an annuity of £10 during the continuance of my lease of the Rectory of Edwardston, provided he do not molest my executor or any other person to whom I have left my lands &c—

I give unto John Alston brother of Thomas £3 and to each of the daughters of Thomas my eldest brother 40/-

To my welbeloved father in law Thomas Gardiner of Shimpling 40/- to buy a nag

To Robert Gardiner his son 40/- for rings

To Eliz. Gardiner his dau. 40/-

To my bro. Henry Harrington and Marie his wife 40/- each for rings

To Mary Harrington my kinswoman 40/-

To Susan Alston dau. of my bro. Will. 40/-

To each child of my said bro. Will. 20/-

To each child of my sister Manns 20/-

To each child of my bro. Edmond 40/-

To Mr. Quarles, minister of Newton £5

To my kinsman Richard Skynner of Sudbery, gent, £3 to Margeret his wife 40/-

to Richard Skynner my godson, son of above, a piece of silver, value £3 or £3 in money

(Various legacies to men-servants)

to the poor of Newton 40/-
to the poor of Edwardston 40/-
to the poor of Little Waldingfield 20/-

to Edmond Alston my brother and Executor my mess. lands, ten. and hereds called Groomes and Turrells, also my lands and premises in Newton, Great and Little Cornard Sudbury or elsewhere in Suff. except the house called Deanes which he shall only enjoy for his life which after the death of his father and the lapse of the interest of my wife shall remain to Samuel Alston my godson—one of the sons of him the sd. Edmond to hold and enjoy sd lands in the same manner as my brother Abraham did, under the will of my father Thomas Alston, upon condition of dutiful behaviour to his parents, else the bequest lapses to Edmond, eldest brother of said Samuel.

I give to Edmond my brother two tenements Croft of land and piece of wood called Lyes Grove in Newton with remainder to said Samuel his son and his heirs male

to Edmond my bro. all my ready money, corn and grain—all my furniture of husbandry, my goods chattells, cattle and household stuff, not otherwise disposed of with my bonds, bills debtes owing to me in my own right or as executor of the several wills of Thomas and Susan Alston my father and mother and Isaac and Abraham Alston my brothers. All which Mess. &c. &c. I give to Edmond towards the payment of my debts, the annuity of £100 to my wife and £60 yearly to my sister Wetherall, £10 yearly to Joyce Palfyn. £5 yearly for the education of Thomas son of Amy Curd my sister, until he attains the age of 15 when £20 is to be paid to apprentice sd. Thomas to some good trade or profession and £10 at the expiration of his apprenticeship to help him set up in his trade or profession

To Susan Mann my sister, wife of Joseph Mann an annuity of £10

To Amy Curd my sister £10 annually

To Thomas Alston of Cambridge my nephew son of Tho. Alston late of Assington (my brother of the whole blood deceased) £10 annually dnring the continuance of my lease of the Rectory of Edwardston

Edwardston Priory being charged with an annuity of £20 to Edmond by the will of my brother Isaac, I desire that the Rectory and lands may be freed from said annuity, as I have left to said Edmond such a good estate in lands etc—Edmond to give an acquittance for said annuity—or if he refuse to do so, Groomes and Turrells to belong to William Alston my brother—

I give to Abraham Alston my godson, son of Abraham Alston of Sudburie gent. £5

Edmond Alston my brother to be sole executor and Richard Skynner Supervisor of this my will

Signed: SAMUEL ALSTON

Witnesses: Joseph Mann, Thomas Alston, Rich. Skynner, Robert Salmon—

Proved: 19 May 1631 by Edmund Alston brother and exec. named in will.

See Table 24 page 22.

**William
Alston
Of Seymehall
Seagar**

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The will of Will. Alston the elder of Seymehall par. of Newton co. Suff. gentleman dated 14 July 1632

I give to the poor of Newton 40/-

I give my mess. or tens called Moundkyns with the houses, buildings, barns, stables, yards, orchards, and gardens belonging, situate in Newton, with about 9 acres of land to Tobias Alston my son and his heirs, with remainder to Benjamin, Jacob, Jonas and Joseph my sons

I bequeath to Joseph Alston my son my Manor mess. tent called Seymehall co. Suff. with all the mess. houses buildings, barns, stables, yards, orchards situated in the townes parishes hamlets and fields of Newton, Seyme, Boxford, Edwardston, Groton, Assington, Chilton and Little Cornard, co. Suff. my wife Anne nevertheless to have her right of dower and thirds in above manor or to a yearly sum of money to be paid by said Joseph in lieu thereof—Failing male issue to Joseph, the above lands to devolve to Jacob and Jonas two other of my sons, with remainder to my son Tobias, failing his issue, to the right heirs of my said son Joseph.

I have also settled upon my said son Joseph my mess. or ten. called Harriotts with 70 acres of land in Edwardston—also a cottage and water mill adjoining with the yards orchards gardens streams and appur^s belonging in Boxford and Edwardston, 10 acres of pasture moor and fen land in Boxford and Newton, 3 pieces of land with a chase way leading from Boxford lane to Newton mill—a little Aldercare cont^s 6 acres in Boxford, 10 acres of meadow and pasture called Sturtupps or Startowtes in Boxford and Newton—

My said mess of Harriotts and the last ment^d lands I settled on my son Joseph to enable him to pay legacies unto Jonas, Jacob and Tobias my sons

I have already provided for my son Benjamin—

I have already assigned to my son Joseph, 21 acres called Little Churchfield in Bullmer, 3 acres called Bromety, 6 acres called Pickney or Pynckney Corner and all other my lease lands in Bullmer—also the two mess. or ten. called Millers and Swaynes in Bulmer also 2 Closes of 12 acres, and a cottage in Bulmer, also that mess. called the house in the wall and all my other freehold lands and tent^s in Bulmer

I give to my son Jonas £300

I give to my son Jacob £300

I give to my son Tobias £100

The sons above named to give to their brother Joseph on receiving their legacies an acquittance for any sum due to them by the will of their grandfather Will. Alston

To Benjamin my son £5

To Joseph my son all my land tent^s and hereds. not before bequeathed—also to Joseph my best Coverlet and best feather bed, Cupboard and Counter table in the parlour Chamber, my silver Can with the Cover

I give to Anne my wife the use of all my household implements, plate and linen during her life, the same to be divided at her death amongst my four sons Joseph Jonas Jacob and Tobias—

The residue of my goods chattels ready money &c I leave to my son Joseph towards the better performance of this my will and I appoint him sole executor of my will

I give to every of my sons by my first wife Will. Ralphe Edward and Thomas whom I have sufficiently advanced during my lifetime 10/- to buy rings
to my dau. Anne Tracy 10/-

(Signed) WILL^m ALSTON

Witnesses : John Smith Thome Butcher. Francis Coleman.

Should I and my wife die before my son Tobias attains the age of 24 when his legacy of £100 is to be paid him, my executor is to pay him £6 annually towards his maintenance, until he is 24 years of age—

WILL. ALSTON. Witness : Fran. Coleman. 3^d. Dec, 1632.

Proved: 17 Febr^y 1633/4. by Joseph Alston son and executor named in will.

See Table 4 page 6.

Gregory
Alston
Of Edwardston
Seager
42
1634

Gregory Alstone of Edwardstone in the County of Suffolk and Dioces of Norwich, Weaver, Desires to be buried in the Churchyard of the parish of Edwardstone—

By a deed of enfeoffment 16 Sep. 16 Jas. I in favour of his four sons Richard, Thomas the elder, Peter and Anthony two messuages or tenementes with a barne, other buildings, orchards and gardens adjoining, three crofts of land one called Slodes, the other two called the Lords crofts were assigned, but to be enjoyed by him the said Gregory and Abigail his wife during their lives—on the death of Gregory and his wife the four sons mentioned above to inherit said lands and buildings provided the sum of £70 is paid to certain persons named in will out of the proceeds of said messuages &c—

To Thomas Allston grandchild £8 provided he shall enter into bond not to trouble or vex the sons in possession of said lands, should he refuse the legacy to be void—

£10 to Thomas Allston the younger, testator's son.

£10 to Robart Allston the younger, testator's son.

£10 to Samuel Allston the younger, testator's son.

To testator's 4 daughters, Mary Susan, Mary and Abigail £8 each

These legacies to be paid within one year of the death of Gregory tee testator or of Abigail his wife, whichever shall be the longer liver—

The legacy to Thomas Allston grandchild to be equally divided among the four daughters, should said grandchild die or refuse to give bond as directed

The legacies of £10 each to Thomas the younger Samuel and Robart, should one brother die, to be divided between the survivors. In the same manner, should one daughter die before receiving her legacy, the money to be equally divided between the survivors.

Should the 4 sons Richard, Thomas the elder, Peter and Anthony not carry out the testator's wishes with regard to the payment of the £70, the deed of feofment to be void—the lands, tenements &c to be given to Samuel Allston son of testator and his heirs, with power to sell the said tenements and lands and raise the money to pay the legacies, any overplus to be shared equally by said Richard, Thomas the elder, Peter and Anthony—

The three daughters Susan, Sara and Abigail to have the use of said messuages and lands for one year after the death of testator or of Abigail his wife, which ever shall live the longer.

To three daughters Susan, Sara and Abigail £20 each on attaining the age of 21 years.

To Thomas Allstone the younger 40s/-

To Mary Waspe daughter of testator wife of Thomas Waspe 20s/-

To sons Samuel and Robert and daughters Susan Sarah and Abigail, the inward household stuff to be equally divided

To sons Samuel and Robert all the rest of the moveable goods and Chattels, household stuff and household implements, they to pay all debts legacies and funeral expenses and are appointed sole executors

Richard Hale yeoman of Edwardstone intreated to be supervisor of this will and for his pains to have 3s/4d

Probate 13 May 1634 granted to Robert sole executor

Thomas
Alston
Of Newton
Seager
98

The will of Thomas Alston of Newton Co. Suff. Gent : dated 16 August 1634.

I desire to be buried according to the discretion of my executrix

I give to my dear friend Sara Luxford of London widow all my lands, ten^{ts} mess. heredit^{ts} with the appur. in Newton, co. Suff. little Oxley co, Essex belonging to me after the decease of my fater Tho. Alston and grandfather Thomas Alston

To Mr. Tho Elliott of Rivett co. Suff. gent £200 to be paid him by my executrix

To Mr. George Garter 40/- for a mourning cloak and 20/- for a ring.

To Mr. John Clarke merchant taylor 20/- for a ring and to his wife 20/- to buy a muff

To Richard Lindsey Esquire } 20/- for rings

„ Robt Pickering gent }

The residue of my goods to Sara Luxforde widow whom I appoint sole executrix—

overseers : Rich. Lindsay and Robt Pickering

signed : THOMAS ALSTON

witnesses : Robert Catlin, Katherin — John Clarke Antho : Hudson Scr.

Proved : 19 Nov^r. 1634 by Sara Luxford executrix named in will.

See Table 25 page 23.

**Abraham
Alston**
Of Sudbury
Admon
1634-5
January

Abraham Alston of Sudbury co. Suff Letters of administration granted 8 January 1634-5 to Deborah Alston relict.
See Table 26 page 23. (the Abraham Alston senior of the Table).

**William
Alston**
Of the Inner
Temple
Lee
25

The will of Will. Alston of the Inner Temple Esquire dated 2^d March 1637
I desire to be decently buried at the discretion of my executrix
By an Indenture dated 1st March I have settled all my Manors, lands ten^{ts} and heredit^{ts} to the use of myself and my heirs and in default of such issue to my mother Dame Francis Temple widow and her heirs, with a power of revocation reserved to me—
I now confirm the said indenture—any lands which I have bought in the names of my younger brethren, I direct shall be conveyed to my mother and her heirs—I appoint my mother sole executrix and leave to her the residue of my estate—
signed : WILLIAM ALSTON—*witnesses* : Edward Alston—Henry Teague, Joseph Alston, Isaac Allen, Row: Jewkes Will. Jenins, Andrewe Baddeley.

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I give for beautifying the parish Church of great Woodhall one hundred marks
for beautifying the inside of the Temple Church £20
to the poor of the parish of G^t Woodhall £10
to the poor of the parish of Stevinton Bedf. £5
to the poor of the parish of Patenham Bedf. £5
to the poor of the parish of Newton Suff where I was born £5
I give to my nephew and godson eldest son of my brother Edward £300
to my nephew and godson, eldest son of my brother John £300
to my cousin M^r Doctor Alston £40
to my cousin M^r Will Blomfeild of the Temple £20
to my servant Rich. Cecill £20
(*legacies to other servants*)

signed : WILL: ALSTON

witnesses : Edward Alston, Joseph Alston, and others same as to will—

Proved: 8 March 1637/8 by Lady Fran. Temple widow, mother of testator and executrix named in will.
See Table 13 page 14.

**Frances
Alston**
Coventry
97

The will of Francis Alston spinster of the parish of St Martins in the Fields Middlesex
To her brother M^r Thomas Jeyne of Tewsbury Gloucester her watch
To her sister Elizabeth Jeyne £100
To each of the eight children of Thomas Jeyne £20 on their coming of age
To her cousin's M^r — Sprint of Hempstead) two youngest sons £10 each, on their attaining the age of 21 years.
To her niece Anne Painter £10
To Johanes Griffin *alias* Viney silver tankard
To Anne Huccumbe 3 silver spoons
To Mary Alexander widow 20^s/-
To Anne Taylor 20^s/-
To Susan Vian 20^s/-
To Peter Palmer 20^s/-
To Thomas Ellyott 20/-
To William Recte 20/-
To Robert Almon 20/-
To Marie Hurst, Winifred Walter, Anne Hushe Anne Stratford Elizabeth Heskins and Joyce Mose 5/- each—All these legacies to be paid within six months of the death of testatrix
Unto Frances Baller and Margaret Baller a debt of £19 owing to said testatrix by William Button Esquire with interest of said debt—
To Mrs. Thomesine Parkhurst the wife of Farmando (*sic*) Parkhurst gent and to Joane Noy her sister a debt of £20 due from S^r William Howard knight, son of the Earl of Arundell also another debt of £5 due from M^r. — Dowthwait of Bridgewater Somerset
To Marie Sotherne daughter of Henry Sotherne £5—
To Philipp Glisse son of James Glisse £5—
To Alice Witt wife of Hugh Witt £5—
40/- to the poor, to be distributed at her funeral—
The residue of the goods left to Elizabeth Jeyne sole executrix, who is entreated to see the will duly executed—
July 13. 1640.
Proved July 23 1640

Edmund
Alston
Of Newton
Coventry
149

The will of Edmund Alston of Newton co. Suff. gent dated 22nd July 1640
I give to Edward my youngest son my mess. wherein I now dwell, situate in Newton with lands belonging thereto—4 acres of land in Sudbury called Fryers Meadow, farm called Assington house with the lands belonging thereto, 1½ acres of meadow in Chafford and all other lands and tent^s now in my possession except two acres of meadow lying in north meadow which I give to my son Samuel and his heirs, also two tenements to Samuel on the death of my wife Rachel, with remainder to my son Edward and his heirs

Edward to pay to my sister Wetherall an annuity of £60

I give to my wife Rachel an annuity of £60 in lieu of her thirds and dower—also half my plate brass, pewter, linen, all the furniture in the kitchen and Parlour chamber, the great *Civer lyn* which her father gave her —Mr. Perkyns booke, one spit and one dripping pan

I give to my dau. Rachael £400 part of this sum to be paid by Mr Winniffe out of the Priory of Edwardston, also one feather bed and bolster

to my son Edmund one silver cup

to my dau. Maryone a silver cup

to my son Samuel upon the death of my sister Wetherall my mess. and lands called Motts—

all other my goods and chattels not bequeathed I give to my son Edward and his heirs whom I appoint sole executor with remainder to my sons Edmund and Samuel

signed: EDMOND ALSTON—

witnesses: Henrie Haddridge: Edmond Alston jun^r Thomas Wells.

Proved: 25 Nov. 1640 by Edward Alston son and executor named in will.

See Table 102 page 63.

William
Alston
Of Marlesford.
Evelin
108

The will of Will. Alston of Marlesford co. Suff. gent dated 9 June 1641

I desire my executors to receive the rents and profits of my mess. tent^s and heredit^s in Marlesford and Parham, co. Suff. until my son Samuel be 21 when said Samuel is to have possession of said property—

My lands and tent^s in Aspoll or near thereto I give to my son Samuel at the age of 14, my executors to receive the rents of lands and tenements in Framsdan and Creatingham co. Suff. during Samuel's minority—

The said Samuel not to interfere in any way with the lands left to my son Thomas—

My executors to hold in trust for my son Thomas until he is 14, my mess. lands, Tenements and heredit^s in Eyle co. Suff. also until Thomas is 21, my land sand tands and tent^s in Woodbridge, co. Suff.

I give to Margaret my wife my mess. lands &c in Hacheston, near Parham, Suff. with remainder to my son Thomas.

Also to my son Thomas my mess. lands etc in Walton, co. Suff said Thomas not to interfere in any with lands left to Samuel—

I desire my executors to receive the rents of certain lands in Walton in trust for my dau. Avis until she is 21—

My executors to hold in trust for my daughter Elizabeth until she is 21, the rents of my Mess. and lands in Chelmsford co. Essex called the Beerehouse

I give to my dau. Avis £20 yearly, until she is 21—the same to my dau. Elizabeth—to be paid out of the profits of the lands left to them—

I give to my dau. Mary £20 yearly until she is 21

to my dau Avis £500 on her marriage or age of 21

to my dau. Eliz. £800

to my dau. Mary £1000

according to bonds entered into between me and my kinsmen Thomas Kant and Jefferie Burwell

I desire that Margaret my wife may have all goods, chattels, cattle, plate and household stuff, which were hers before our marriage, she to give to my son Thomas and dau. Marie £100 at her decease

I give to my three brothers, Raphe, Edward and Thomas £5 each

to Edmund Coleman } kinsmen and godsons £4 each

to Will. Chaplyn }

to my sister Coleman 20/- for rings

to my sister Chaplyn 20/-

to Mary Cranwell wife of Richard 20/-

to the poor of Marlesford 40/-

to the poor of Wickham 40/-

to the poor of Woodbridge 40/-
to the poor of Ufford 20/-
to the poor of Hacheson 20/-
I give to my dau. Avis my best down bed, bolster and other things belonging thereto
to my dau. Elizabeth my next best bed, bedstead bolster &c.
to my dau. Marie one other feather bed, bedstead bolster &c.
the residue of my property I give to my executor towards the payment of my debts &c &c—
to my executor my best gelding.
I appoint Avis my dau. sole executrix, desiring her to have a due regard to the education of my children
I appoint my friend John Lane supervisor

signed: WILL. ALSTON

witnesses: Thomas Dowsing—Francis Dowsing Joane Bridges

Proved: 6 August 1641 by Alicie (*sic*) Alston dau. and sole executrix

See Table 5 page 7.

**William
Alston**
Of Belchampwater
Admon
1648
August

William Alston of Belchampwater co. Essex. Letters of Administration granted 15 August 1648 to Robert Finch and Mary his wife daughter of the deceased
See Table 101 page 62.

**Edward
Alston**
Of Sudbury
Grey
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The will of Edward Alston of Sudburie co. Suff. gent, dated Feby. 3 1648-9
I give to Fraunces my wife an annuity of £20 according to an obligation given unto M^r George Chauncey her late brother before our marriage. also the sum of £40, my silver Tankard, and the goods and chattels belonging to her before our marriage

I give to my son Edward Alston Doctor in Physick of St Mary Hill, London, one great gold ring which was his own mothers—to his wife 40/- for a ring and the same amount to his two daughters for rings—

I give to the Children of my late son Thomas Alston as followeth—vizt.

To Edward Alston £70

To Thomas Alston £60

I give to the children of my late son Abraham Alston vizt.

To Abraham Alston £70

To Margaret } his sisters £50 each
To Deborah }

to their mother Deborah Steele my dau. in law £20

I give to Mistris Jane Coe my wives sister £20

I give to the Children of my late dau. Margaret Skynner as followeth

To Richard Skynner £10

To Edward Skynner £50

To John Skynner £50

To Margaret Skynner £100

The grandsons to receive their legacies at the age of 21 the grand-daughters at 20.

I give to my Cousin Ellinor Cancellor £5

I give to my son Peninge Alston and his wife 40/- each to buy them rings.

I give to Joseph Alston and his wife and 3 children 40/- each for rings

I give unto my son Gilbert, my dau. his wife and to their two daughters 40/- each.

To the poor people of Edwardston £5 to be distributed as followeth: Anne Wasse who was once my servant to have 10/- the £4 10 to be distributed at the discretion of the Churchwardens and Minister of Edwardston.

To the poor of Sudbury £5 viz. To Gregory Parish 50/- To St Peter's parish 30/- To All Saints 20/- this money to be distributed with the approval of my kinsman M^r Joseph Mann of Sudbury.

20/- to be paid for my funeral sermon.

I give to Amy Curd my sister 20 nobles

to Edward Skynner my godson £5 besides his former legacy.

to my kinsman Joseph Mann 40/- to his wife 40/-

Should any of my grandchildren die before the age at which they are to receive their said legacies, the survivor or survivors to receive the same in equal parts, except Richard Skynner shall have no parte of the legacy of his said brothers' or sister's.

I give my household stuff, implements and furniture, and plate not before bequeathed to my wife and to the said Abraham Margaret Deborah Edward and Thomas Alston, Edward, John, and Margaret Skynner my grandchildren—to be equally divided, my wife to have the first choice—My own two sons Edward and Joseph I empower to make the division—
 I give to my loving kinsman Samuel Skynner £5 and my kinswoman his wife 40/-
 I appoint my sons Doctor Alston and Joseph Alston executors—
 Codicil. I nominate my son Penning Alston joint executor with my other two sons, and I give to Sarah his dau. 40/- for a ring.

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON

witnesses: Joseph Alston, Joseph Mann, Samuel Skynner.

Proved: 12th May 1651 by Edward Alston Doctor of Physic Penning and Joseph Alston sons of dec^d and executors named in will.

See Table 26 page 23.

John Alstone
 of
 Melbury Osmond.
 Aylett
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 1655

John Alstone late of Melbury Osmond in the County of Dorset husbandman 10 February 1653 wishing to make his last will did declare the same by word of mouth—he gave and bequeathed all his goods to Edith Alstone his wife during her natural life and upon her decease to his daughter Jone the wife of Henry Board—Edith his wife to be sole executrix
 Proved in London 22^d January 1654.

Another of the West Country Alstons

John Alston
 of Stisted.
 Berkeley
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The will of John Alston of Stysteed co. Essex, gent. dated 30 June 1653.
 I give to Lestrangle Alston my eldest son my manor house farm or messuage called Kentish, in Stysteed or in Bocking, now in my occupation—also my messuage called Awbones in Boxford and Hadley co. Suff., another farm in Boxford or Hadley, also my messuage lying in Tappesfield co. Essex provided he pay to my daughter Elizabeth wife of Edmond Drury of Sofham Priory Cambridge gent. an annuity of £12

I give also to my said son L'estrangle my messuage with the appurtenances lying in Wethersfield co. Essex, my goods, chattels, corn, utensils and household implements which are in or about my manor of Kentish aforesaid, the down bed, bolsters, pillows, coverings, bedstead, curtains, valence, standing or being in my farm called Hoses in Topsfield now in the tenure of my son William Alston—(the said L'estrangle to enjoy the above after the death of the testator or of Anne his wife)

I give to John Alston my son my messuage or farm called Hackseld and Tomlyns Bloyes in the parishes of Toppesfield, Wethersfield Heddingham Sibble co. Essex $\frac{1}{2}$ acre of land formerly used as a garden abutting towards the East and South on the Lands called Nattalls and towards the west on the Common called Morris green—also another parcel of land of about 5 acres—about $7\frac{1}{2}$ acres of pasture—two groves about $5\frac{1}{2}$ acres, called Nuttall's grove—3 closes or parcels of land called Bakers, 7 acres more or less—5 closes of about 12 acres called Collyers grove abutting towards the North and West on the highway from Heddingham Sibble to Topsfield—5 parcels of land of about 10 acres called Wrights layes—a croft of about 3 acres adjoining with a drift way through it leading to a little meadow, the said meadow of about $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres—the spring or wood ground called great Wrights of 18 acres—the above lands being part of the messuage called the Hostage lately bought from Edward Aldred late of Heddingham Sibble, gent.

I give to John Alston my son the half of my goods, etc. (the down bed and appurtenances belonging thereto excepted) in my farm called Hoses in Toppesfield after the death of Anne my wife

I give to my son Mathew Alston my farm, messuage or tenement called Hoses in Toppesfield now occupied by my son William, Mathew to enjoy the same on the death of my wife Anne.

I give to William Alston my son, my messuage farm or tenement in Heddingham Sibble, 3 acres of pasture called Priests grove, a little piece of pasture at the end of Priests grove, about $8\frac{1}{2}$ acres of wood called Priests grove, leading from Heddingham Sibble towards Wethersfield, being part of the messuage or farm called the Hostage—an acre of meadow land, also about 5 acres called Little Wrights—also my mess. called the Park in Wethersfield, a cottage with its appurtenances. I give also to my son William on my death and the death of my wife, half of my good, chattels, household implements &c (the down bed and its appurtenances excepted) in my farm called Hoses.

I give to my dear wife Anne $\frac{1}{4}$ of the best cows on my farm called Kentish, she to have the use of all my utensils and household implements during her life

I give to my son Henry Alston 1/-

I appoint my sons L'estrangle and William executors of this my will

(Signed) JOHN ALSTON

Witnesses: John Laplove, John Grigs, Uriah Wilsmore.

Proved 26th Nov^r 1656 by William and L'estrangle Alston sons of deceased and executors named in will.

See Table 23 page 21.

**Elizabeth
Alston**
of Bramford.
Wotton
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The will of Elizabeth Alston wife of Edward Alston of Bramford co. Suff. gent. dated 3^d June 1656
I make this will with the consent of my husband to dispose of £200 and a certain quantity of plate bequeathed to me by my late father William Richardson of Halsted Essex, gent. £100 I have already disposed of to my two eldest daughters, Elizabeth and Alice—

The other £100 I give to my five younger daughters viz. Mary, Anne, Susan, Barbara and Martha £20 each at the age of 18 or days of marriage

I give to my son John Alston the plate left me by my father.

I appoint my brother in law George Guyon of Coggeshall co. Essex gent. executor of this my will

(Signed) ELIZABETH ALSTON

Witnesses: Edward Alston, Thos. Reene, John Colman.

Proved: 24 May 1658 by George Guyon the executor named in will.

See Table 12 page 13.

**Thomas
Alston**
of Smyrna.
Admon.
1658
June

Thomas Alston on y^e five and twentyeth day Issued forth letters of Adcon to Edward Alston Esq^r y^e. nral and lawful father of Thomas Alston late att Smirna in Turkey in y^e parts beyond y^e. seas Batchelor decd to adiser the goods chattells and debts of y^e said decd he being first sworn duly to administer etc—

Unplaced.

John Alston
of Stisted.
Wotton
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The will of John Alston of Stisted co. Essex, gent dated 8th September 1658—

I give to my son John all my lands called Colurds, Wrights and Nottalls in the parish of Siblhiningam (*sic*).

I desire that my wife Joanna may take the profit of all the rest of my Lands and Tenements towards the payment of the education of my three daughters, Mary, Johanna and Elizabeth—she is to pay them each £100 at their age of 21—Should my wife die before my daughters are 21, my son John is to pay to each the said sum of £100, also another hundred pounds to each on their attaining the age of 24—for the due performance of said bequests, I give to my son John after his mother's death, all my lands and tenements in Topsfield Sibblehinengam and Weathersfield with right of entry to daughters should my son John refuse to pay said bequests.

I give the residue of my goods and Chattels Cattle household stuff, money, plate and jewels to Joanna my wife for the due performance of this my will and appoint her executrix—

(Signed) JOHN ALSTON

Witnesses: Henry Alston, Elizabeth Alston.

Proved: 24th November 1658 by Johanna Alston relict and executrix named in will.

See Table 23 page 21.

Anne Alston
of Moulton.
May
54

The will of Anne Alston of Moulton co. Suffolk widow, dated 16 May 1660

I desire to be buried in the chancel of Gasely near where my father and mother are buried

I give to the poor of the parish of Gasely 20/-

I give to the poor of the parish of Moulton 20/-

I give to my eldest son Joseph 20/- and my Bible

I give to Jonas Alston my son, my messuage in Moulton wherein I now dwell—with the houses and lands belonging—the whole to him and his heirs male or in default of heirs to Paul Tracy my grandchild and his heirs, with remainder to James Tracy his brother—

I give to Anne Tracy my daughter wife of John Tracy, the younger, gent. all my wearing linen and the trunks wherein the same is kept

I give to Sarah Tracy my grandchild, my brown box with the linen therein, also £20 to be paid within four years after my death.

to my brother Phillip Newce and to Johan Sims my sister 40/- each

to Elizabeth Miller my sister all my wearing apparel also £4

to Anne Beadle my sister's daughter £10.

to Will Lewin my sister's son 20/-

to Philip the son of my brother Robt Newce 20/-

to Mary Hayward my niece wife of John Hayward 20/-

I give to Jonas my son my messuage or tenement in Boxted, co. Suff. and all other my lands goods &c for the payment of my debts and legacies and appoint him sole executor of this my will—Should my son Jonas refuse to act, the above bequest to become void and I desire my brother Philip Newce and my son in law John Tracy to be executors and devise to them the above lands for the performance of this my will—which lands are then to be sold, any overplus to be paid to my said son Jonas

(Signed) ANNE ALSTON

Witnesses: Thomas Waters, Phil. Morse.

Proved: 30 April 1661 by Philip Newce and John Tracy executors named in will Jonas Alston first executor being dead

See Table 4 page 6.

The will of Penning Alston of the parish of Saint Buttolph without Aldersgate London esquire dated 5 March 1667
I give to my nephew Mr Joseph Alston the younger his heirs and assigns the reversion upon the death of Mrs Whittingham of my messuage called Weston Grange co. Suffolk.

I give in trust (to pay debts funeral charges and legacies) to my brother Sir Edward Alston of London, Knight Doctor in Physic, Richard Chandler of London, gent, my brother Joseph Alston of London, merchant, and William Cole of Gray's Inn, Esq. my Manor or Lordship of Knettishall Stanton, Salehouse and Hopton co. Suff., the rest of my lands and tenements in the parish of Aye, co. Suffolk and any other lands in Suffolk these lands to be put up for sale within a year of my death and the proceeds to be applied as directed.

The leases of my houses and tenements in Aldersgate St. London, the furniture of my dwelling house, the plate, linen, bedding, hangings and other household implements, also £100 in money to my wife Judith

I give to my niece the Lady Sarah Seymor £100 for her own use

To my daughter Sarah £20

To my niece Mrs Elizabeth Finney £50

To my cousin Mr Abraham Alston £100

To my cousin Mistress Rachel Skinner £100

To my cousin Mistress Deborah Crewes £80

To Mistress Mary Page of the parish of Newington co Midd. widow £10

To George Almery of the Inner Temple Lond. gent. £20 if he pay me the debt of £150 now owing

To Mr Will. Farre of the par. of St Andrew's Holborn £5

To my two maid servants 40/- each.

To the Hospital of Christchurch Lond. £50

To the poor of the parish of St Buttolph without Aldersgate £5

To the poor of the parish of Edwardston, Suffolk, where I was born £5

To the Grocers Comp^y Lond. of which I am a member one standing Cup of silver and gilt plate of the price of £30, my Trustees to buy the same. My Coat of Arms to be engraven thereon with this inscription *Ex dono Penning Alston Arm.*

My Trustees to receive my Corn money which I paid to the said Company with the interest thereof, the same to be distributed amongst the poor Alms-men of Grocers Hall London.

To the following persons for mourning

To my brother Sir Edward Alston and his lady £10 each.

To my brother Mr Joseph Alston and his wife £10 each.

To my sister Mrs Elizabeth Gilbert and her daughter my niece £10 each—

To my nephew Mr Joseph Alston the younger and to his wife £10 each—

To the Hon^{ble} the Lady Seymour and to her husband £10 each

To my dau. Sarah such mourning as the said Sir Edward Alston and her mother shall think fit

To my brother Mr Rich. Chandler and his wife £10 each.

To my brother Johnson £10

To William Cole £10

To Doctor Wells for preaching my funeral sermon £3

for two hundred rings or so many of them as shall be used all of them at the price of 8/- except three at 20/- upon which my coat of arms is to be enamelled, the said three rings to be for my brothers Sir Edward Alston and Joseph Alston and my sister Mrs Elizabeth Gilbert.

My funeral to take place from Cook's Hall. I desire to be buried in the parish Church of St Buttolph without Aldersgate as near my Pew Door as may be. I desire that there may be a Velvet Pall and escutcheons of my arms. I desire Mr Cole, my brother Chandler, my brother Johnson, Mr Farre, Mr John Mynne and Mr John Townsend to be pall bearers and to have Love scarves and gloves

The Manor of Ewden als Greenland parish of Hambledon in the co. of Bucks, with the woods, and grounds of about 430 acres for which I am to pay £7000, I leave in trust to Sir Edward Alston, Joseph Alstons Will. Cole and Rich. Chandler to be applied to the purposes hereafter named—the premises are to be let for their uttermost yearly value and out of the proceeds my daughter Sarah is to receive £80 annually for her own separate use—Edward Skynner of London merchant who makes some pretence of contract or marriage with my said daughter shall not intermeddle with said annuity.

to my wife Judith £200 annually in lieu of Dower or her thirds.

The residue (if any) of the rents arising from said manor to be employed in paying my debts (if any) or put out at interest by my said trustees for performing the trusts hereby imposed on them—the bequest to my daughter Sarah to be void if she is or shall be married to said Edward Skynner, or if she allow him to receive any benefit from said annuity, or if she marry without the consent of her mother and Sir Edward Alston—Should the said Edward Skynner die and my daughter Sarah remain unmarried or marry with the consent of her mother and Sir Edward Alston, then the said manor of Greenlands is to be sold and the sum of £4000 to be given to my daughter Sarah as her portion—the residue of the money arising from such sale to be laid out for the best advantage of my wife Judith, during her lifetime—at her death the further sum of £2000 to be paid by my Trustees to my daughter Sarah or her child or children, provided she married with the consent above mentioned. Should Sarah die without issue, I give to my Niece the Lady Sarah Seymor £2000 for her own separate use, her husband Lord John Seymour not to intermeddle—

to my Niece Mrs Elizabeth Fynny £1000

to my Cousin Abraham Alston £500

to my Cousin Mrs Rachel Skinner and her 3 daughters £500 to be equally divided between them

to my Cousin Deborah Crewes £200

to Christ's Hospital London £500

to St Bartholomew's Hospital London £200

Such there be any residue after paying above legacies the same shall be paid to such poor widows and fatherless children as my trustees shall think fit, my poor kindred to be first preferred

I give to my Trustees my goods, chattels, mortgages, debts, Worme (*sic*) seeds &c towards the payment of my debts and legacies, they to have free egress and ingress to my house in Aldersgate St. for the space of three months, I also appoint my Trustees, executors of this my will—I give to my executors £20 annually, during the continuance of their trust.

(Signed) PENNING ALSTON

Witnesses: G. Almery, Francis Bull, Thomas Fox, Peter Cox.

CODICIL

31 March 1668

Besides the cup given to the Grocers' Company, I bequeath to said Company £100 for the augmentation of their public stock, to be paid to them out of the proceeds of the sale of my lands in Suffolk

I revoke the bequest of £80 annually to my daughter Sarah on her marriage with any man other than the said Edward Skinner

My Trustees to pay all taxes for the house in Aldersgate St. which I have left to my wife Judith

I remit any interest due to me from Mr George Almery on a loan of £120, as a return for his care in my affairs during my sickness

(Signed) PENNING ALSTON

Witnesses: James Pearson, Peter Cox, Thomas Wellings.

I also give to my daughter Sarah £20 more annually, so long as she continues unmarried, or on the same conditions as the £80 is devised to her by my will and this Codicil—(Signed) PENNING ALSTON

Witnesses: Elizabeth Gilbert, Mary Alexander, G. Almery.

I further give to Deborah Crewes £20 which with the former legacy of £80 will make £100

Also to my Niece Mrs Eliz. Finney another £50

(Signed) PENNING ALSTON

4 April 1668

Witnesses: G. Almery, Peter Cox, Thomas Wellings.

I desire that the legacies to my wife may be made up to £200—(Signed) PENNING ALSTON—

Witnesses: G. Almery, Eliz. Gilbert.

I desire that the £100 left to my Cousin Rachel Skinner shall remain in the hands of my brothers Sir Edward and Joseph Alston Esq—she to receive the interest and the principal at her death to be divided between her surviving daughters or daughter

April 9. 1668 (Signed) PENNING ALSTON

Witnesses: Eliz. Gilbert, Mary Alexander.

Proved: 14 May 1668 by Sir Edward Alston, Joseph Alston, William Cole and Richard Chandler executors named in will.

See Table 99 page 62.

Sir Edward
Alston Knt.

of London.

Penn

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Table 29

The will of Sir Edward Alston Knt of the parish of Great St Helen's Doctor of Physic, 24th Nov^r 1669
I give to Dame Susanna my wife the use of all my jewels plate goods chattels and household stuff and an annuity of £200 to be paid by my executors out of the interest of my money

I give to my grand-daughter Mrs Mary Langham daughter of Sir James Langham £20 in old gold

To Deborah Crew £100

To Abraham Alston of Walter Beauchamp co. Essex £100

To Mary Crew daughter of said Deborah £50

I desire my executors to pay into the hands of Mr Amos Martin, within 3 months of my wife's death the sum of £400 to be disposed of as follows:

The interest of £100 to be paid to Rachel Skinner of Sudbury, widow, or to her husband if she marries again, or if she dies and does not remarry to her three children. The other £300 to be paid to her 3 daughters on their coming of age, the interest to be paid, until that time to their mother towards their maintenance

I give to Deborah Wathing and Sarah West daughters of Francis and Hester Browne of Worlingworth Suffolk £20 each on the death of my wife

I give to Sir Harbottle Grimston Bart. Master of the Rolls £100

to George Lowe of Lincoln's Inn, £50 and appoint these two gentlemen my executors, to whom also I leave the residue of my estate to be disposed of as my daughter Dame Sarah Seymour the wife of John Lord Seymour shall desire

(Signed) ED. ALSTON

witnesses: Thos. Alston, Ed. Alston, Will Phillipps, Peter Bennett.

A Declaration of such Legacies as I entrust my daughter Dame Sarah Seymour to give to certain persons

To Sir John Langham £20 in Guinea gold as a testimony of my thankfulness to him

To Sir James Langham £10

To my cousin Steeven Langham £10, to his wife £10, to his son and daughter 40/- each in old gold—

To Mrs Waterhouse, Sir John Langham's housekeeper £10

To my sister Alston wife of Penning Alston dec^d £5

To my cousin Sarah Harrington £5

To my brother Joseph Alston's wife £5

To Mrs Chandler for her kindness to my Cousin Harrington £5

To Mr Burrows Minister at St John Langham's £5 and to his five children 20/- each—

To a spectacle woman by Crosby house gate 40/-

To Sarah my maid 20/- and £5 more if she stays with my wife
 To Mathew Offley such clothes of mine as are fit for his wear and my velvet coat if he intends to practise Physic also
 some of my Physic printed books
(Legacies to Sir John Langham's servants, to Lady Seymour's servants and other maids—)
 To Mary Crew daughter of Deb Crew £50 besides the £50 left in my will ; this £100 to be put into the hands of Arthur
 Arts for the maintenance of said Mary Crew until her marriage
 To my Sister Gilbert £5
 To my Cousin Eliz. Finny £5
 To Mr Norbett a Brickler *(sic)* who brcked up my vault and thus preserved my goods in the time of the great fire 40/-

14 Decr 1669 (Signed) ED. ALSTON

Witnesses: Amos Martin, Peter Bennett. Mathew Offley

Proved with Codicil 24 Janry 1669/70 by George Low and Sir Harbottle Grimston executors named in will.

See Table 27 page 24.

Letters of administration (with the will annexed) were granted 13 December 1698 to George Earl of Warrington and George Low.

Dame Susan Lady Susan Alston of London Letters of administration granted 15 August 1670 to Sarah Lady Seymour daughter of
 the deceased

Alston

of London.

Admon.

1670

August

See Table 27 page 24.

Samuel
Alston
 of Marlesford.
 Bence
 113

The will of Samuell Alston of Marlesford. co. Suffolk Esq. dated 15 Decr 1675
 I give to my welbeloved wife Alice my messuage wherein I now dwell and appurtenances in Marlesford, with the lands, tenements meadows feedings thereto belonging, another tenement with the lands belonging, also in Marlesford and all other my copy and freehold lands in Marlesford with remainder to my son Samuel
 I give to my daughter Elizabeth my lands and tenements in Framesdon and Creatingham, co. Suffolk also an annuity of £24 arising from certain lands and tenements in Ipswich
 I desire my wife to sell my lands and tenements in Aspoll, Stonham and Debenham co. Suffolk and to pay the mortgage thereon to my friend Mr Jordon—any overplus arising from the sale, I give to my wife desiring her to be good to my children, especially to my daughter Alice.

I desire my son Samuel to give a release to my wife of any claim he has to the lands in Aspoll Stonham and Debenham —should he refuse to do this I give to my wife and her heirs certain lands in Marlesford called Drylands, containing about 50 acres being part of the farm I now live in—and the bequest to my son Samuel to be void.

All my personal estate I give to my wife and desire her to pay my debts and appoint her sole executrix

I appoint John Barker of Wickham Market, Suffolk gent. supervisor of this my will.

I desire my children to act dutifully towards their mother and my son to stay with his master during the time contracted for, that he may acquire the Profession he is bound unto

The legacies and bequests to my wife to be in lieu of her Dower or Thirds—

(Signed) SAM. ALSTON

Witnesses: Jo: Pulham, James Mawling, Edm. Jordan.

Proved: 20 June 1676 by Alice Alston relict and executrix named in will

See Table 6 page 8.

Thomas
Alston
 of London.
 Reeve
 73

The will of Thomas Alston Citizen and Grocer of London dated 18 June 1675
 I appoint my father John Alston the elder of Pavenham co Bedford, Esq sole executor and leave to him all my estate to pay my debts and funerall charges—the residue (if any) to be divided amongst my brothers and sisters

(Signed) THO: ALSTON

Witnesses: Ri. Highmore, Tho: Bettesworth.

Proved: 2^d July 1678—

See Table 20 page 19.

**Sir Thomas
Alston St.
and Bart.
Of Odell.
Reeve
73**

The will of Sir Thomas Alston of Odell in the County of Bedford Kn^t and Bart.—25 April 1678
I desire to be buried in the Church of Odell—
I give to my son Rowland all the furniture in my house at Odell, plate and books—Brewing Vessels, Carts Ploughs
I give to my son in law Sir John Pickering £20
to my daughter Dame Frances Pickering wife of above £40
to my grandson Gilbert Pickering £20
to my son in law Stavely Staunton £20
to my dau. Elizabeth Staunton £40
to all the children of the said Stavely and Elizabeth Staunton £10 each
to my grandchildren, children of my son ——— Alston £10 each
to my brother Sir Edward Alston £10
to my brother John Alston £10
to my nephew William Alston son of Sir Edward £20
to my nephew Charles Alston to buy books £50—
to my daughter Alston wife of my son Alston £20 for a ring
I desire my executor to spend £120 in erecting a tomb in the Chancel of Odell in memory of my brother Will. Alston
decd and my mother Dame Frances Temple decd
to my servant Henry Woodward £20
to my servant Richard Clarke £5
to my servant Thomas Sherman £5
I give to the poor of the parish of Odell £5
I give to the poor of the parish of Stevington £3
I give to the poor of the parish of Patenam, Carleton and Cherrington each 40/-
I give to my son Rowland £500 owing to me by Lord Crew and Sir Thomas Crew
The residue of my estate I give to my sons in law Sir John Pickering and Stavely Staunton whom I appoint joint
executors, to whom also I leave my farm and lands in Kimberley co. Norfolk to be sold in payment of my debts and
legacies—
But should my son Rowland Alston give sufficient security to the executors above named for the due performance of
my will, then I desire that he may be executor and receive the lands and farm in Kimberley
(Signed) THO: ALSTON

Witnesses : Rob^t Guy, John Ekins, Henry Woodward, Tho: Sharman,

Proved: 19 July 1678 by Rowland Alston son and executor named in will.

See Table 14 page 15.

**William
Alston
Of Dedham.
Reeve
120**

William Alston of Dedham in the County of Essex, Stapler, bequeaths to his loving wife Sarah the Tenements in
Dedham known by the name of the New Rowe—
To Servant Anne Nooth one Tenement parcell of the said New Rowe for her life, should the said servant die before his
wife, the Tenement to go to the wife for her natural life
To son Edward Alston the Lands and Tenements in Yalding Ashe Elmington and Wingham in the County of Kent,
also after the death of Anne the servant and Sarah the wife, the Tenements called the New Rowe in Dedham—
To same son £100 and his best Mare—the money to be paid to said son within six months of testator's death by the
executrix
20s/- to the poor of Dedham.
Testator's brother Edward Alston to be supervisor of the will and Sarah testator's wife sole executrix—
Proved 9 November 1678—by the executrix
Unplaced.

**Edmund
Alston
Of Newton.
Reeve
120**

The will of Edmund Alston of Newton, co. Suffolk gent. dated 13 Sept. 1678—
I give to my son Edmund Alston and his heirs my messuage lands and tenements both Copyhold and freehold in
Newton, Waldingfield, Edwardston, Boxford or elsewhere
I give to my daughter Goodridge one of my Silver spoons
I give to my daughter Ponders Children, Robert, Edmund, Samuel and Sarah 40/- each
to my grandchild Sarah Dawson a silver spoon.
to my grandchild Dorothy Alston a silver spoon.
I give to my son Edmund the residue of my estate to pay my debts &c—and appoint him sole executor
(Signed) EDMUND ALSTON.

witnesses : Sam^l Alston, Edw^d Alston, Josias Scawen, Tho: Buckley, Mary Russell,

Proved: 14 Nov^r 1678 by Edmund Alston son and executor named in will.

See Table 103 page 63.

**L'Estrange
Alston**
of Stisted.
North
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The will of L'Estrange Alston of Stisted, co. Essex gent. dated 20th April, 1678
I give to Anne my wife for her life, my manor house, called Kentish with the lands Tenements Woods Commons &c. belonging thereto, situate in Stisted and Bocking, co. Essex, with remainder to my Cousin John Alston, eldest son of my Nephew John Alston of Gosfield co. Essex, failing his issue to L'Estrange Alston another of the sons of my said nephew John Alston—

I give to my wife also until my said Cousin John Alston attains the age of 21, my messuage and lands in Wetherfield, Essex, with remainder to the said L'Estrange Alston—

To Elizabeth Alston one of the daughters of my Nephew John Alston the elder the sum of £100 on her reaching the age of 21—to be paid to her either by the said John or Lestrangle Alston

I give to my wife until L'Estrange Alston is 21 all my messuage lands &c, situate in Boxford and Hadley, co. Suff. and in Toppesfield, co. Essex, or elsewhere unbequeathed, with remainder to said John Alston; provided they pay to my sister Elizabeth the wife of Edmond Drewry gent. dec^d an annuity of £12, according to the terms of the will of my late father John Alston—also that they pay to Anne Alston another of the daughters of my nephew John Alston the elder, £100 on her coming of age.

I give to William and Henry Alston, my brothers, 10^s/- each

I appoint my wife Anne sole executrix and give her all my goods, chattels and personal estate

(Signed) L'ESTRANGE ALSTON

witnesses: Tho. Ferrand, John Pennock, Eliz. Cornell, George Lawsell.

Proved 6 May 1681 by Anne Alston relict and executrix named in will.

See Table 23 page 21.

**Sir Edward
Alston Knt.**
of Bozeat.
Drax
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* Does not state how much money is to be expended for this land.

The will of Sir Edward Alston—of Bozeatt in the County of Northampton Knt
Bequeaths to eldest son William, Coach and Harness, 2 suits of Armour, 2 cases of Pistols and Holsters
To son William and Grandson John Wiseman all the furniture that was in the great parlour and the best chamber, also in the withdrawing room

To second son Edward £500 to be paid within six months after testator's lands in Devonshire shall be sold—also another sum of £500, which money is to be held by testator's sons William and Charles, they paying to Edward each quarter £7. 10—as interest—Should Edward marry and have a child some land to be bought * and settled upon him and his

To said son Edward the black Gelding which he sometimes rides, also the bed and furniture in the Chamber usually occupied by testator

To third son John Alston the sum of £300 to be paid within 6 months after sale of lands in Devonshire, also the bed and furniture in the Chamber he usually occupied

To fourth son Charles Alston the sum of £1000 to be paid within 6 months after the sale of the lands in Devonshire, also the bed and furniture of the White Chamber, all testator's Books at Bozeat and Strixton and elsewhere—

To five grandchildren £100 to be paid after sale of lands in Devonshire—to Grandchildren the little plate which testator leaves—

The sum of £3,500 due to testator with interest to be paid out of the Lands formerly conveyed to testator by daughter Elizabeth Dennis deceased being her marriage portion, to be reckoned as part of testator's estate, the said sum being awarded to him by a decree in Chancery, the total amounting to £4579 .. 19 .. 2

The remainder of the estate to be equally divided amongst all his children William, Edward, John, Charles, and daughter Wiseman

The sons William and Charles named as executors

Proved 12 Janry 1682

See Table 19 page 19.

Judith Alston
of London.
Drax
67

The will of Judith Alston widow of Penning Alston late citizen and grocer of London dated 18 Janry 1677/8.
I desire to be buried within the Chancel of St Buttolph, Aldersgate, London

I give to the minister of St Buttolph for preaching my funeral sermon £3 and to the poor of said parish £3.
to the poor of Edmonton, co. Middlesex £5

I give the sum of £24 to buy 60 rings, value 8/- each to be given to 60 persons attending my funeral—

I give rings value 20/- each to John Beresford, citizen and apothecary, Edward Atwood, citizen and painterstainer, James Gurdon Esq. and Joseph Girdler Esq.

£4 to be spent in gloves for persons attending my funeral—

£5 for a Coffin and £3 for velvet pall and Scouchens (sic)

to my cousin Richard Chandler 20/- for a ring

to Mr Will. Jenkyn minister £5

to my daughter Sarah Harrington and her husband £15 each to buy mourning

I desire that my said daughter may have the use of my household goods at Edmonton and that she shall live in my house there—on her death my nephew James Littlepage to enjoy the same, and at his death the said goods to be sold.

My daughter Sarah to have the use of my plate and household goods which are in London, for her life and the interest of the money with remainder to any child or children of my said daughter on their reaching the age of 21—Should she die without issue the goods to be sold and the money paid into the hands of John Beresford and Edward Attwood and applied to such Charitable uses as they think fit.

I appoint Edward Attwood sole executor and give him £10 for a legacy

(Signed) JUDITH ALSTON

witnesses: Tho: Avis, Tho: Fox, Rich^d Greenaway.

CODICIL 17 April 1683

I give to Dr Edward Stillingfleete Minister of St Andrew's Holborn—Doctor Edward Fowler minister of St Giles, Cripplegate—Mr Will. Paine, Minister of St Mary Matfellow *als* Whitechapel, the sum of £300 in trust for my kinsman James Littlepage who is now in certain remote parts, beyond seas—the said sum to be held in trust for him, until he return and settle in England—my daughter Sarah Harrington in the meantime to receive the interest of said sum of £300.

On the death of my dau. and kinsman, the respective ministers of above named churches each to receive £100 the interest of said £100 to be spent in Coale for the poor of said parishes

I give to each of the ministers of said churches at the time of my death 20/- each for rings.

(Signed) JUDITH ALSTON

witnesses: Tho: Staesmore, Eliz: Carter, Wm Smythies.

Proved: 2^d June 1683 by Edward Atwood executor named in will

See Table 99 page 62.

Fryer Alston The will of Fryer Alston of Newton, gent dated 15 Sept. 1683.

of Newton,
Drax
110

I give my brother Samuel Alston £5

I give my sister the wife of Giles Duncombe 20/-

I give to Rachel Goldsmith 20/-

I give to my sister Parnell Alston £10

I give to Dorithie Alston £5

I give to Frier Goldsmith £8

I give to my father Mr Samuel Alston, my best clothes, my sword, 3 periwigs, 2 hats all my books except my Bible which I give to my sister Dorothy Alston

to my brother Edmond Alston my moneys, bills, bonds and all my other goods to pay all my debts, funeral expenses &c— and appoint him sole executor

(Signed) FRIER ALSTON

Witnesses: Katherine Merrydale, Parnell Hall, Eliz. Carter, Mary Carter.

Proved; 15 October 1683 by Edmond Alston executor named in will.

See Table 104 page 64.

Maria Alston

of Moulsey.
Foot
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Will of Maria Alston of Moulsey in the County of Surrey widow dated 18th August 1685

Devises to her sister Dorothy Warner and her heirs, the Manors, Messuages, Lands Tenements and hereditaments and real estate in any part of England—also to said Dorothy Warner her ready money, plate, jewells, wearing apparel, debts owing, and all personal estate whatsoever—the said Dorothy Warner appointed full. and sole executrix—All other wills revoked.

Witnesses: Edmund Warner, Esther Maria Foord, Charles Minors.

Probate granted 19 Sept 1687

See Table 11 page 12.

**Charles
Alston**
of London
Admon.
1688
April

Charles Alston of London

Letters of Administration granted 28th April 1688 to Susanna Alston widow and relict of the deceased.

Unplaced.

In the name of God Amen I Sir Joseph Alston of the parish of Chelsea in the County of Midd Barr^{tt} being in good health of body and of perfect and disposing mind and memory thanks be therefore given to Almighty God and calling to mind the vncertainty of this present life that I am borne to change the same as my former deare wife hath done And alsoe that as the change and death of this life is most certaine to every liveing creature soe the time to vs is most vncertaine as a signall prooffe thereof the Lord hath manifested vnto mee in my last most deare and welbeloved consort Giveing thanks to God for all his benefitts bestowed vpon me in this life doe make and ordaine this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following that is to say first and principally I commend my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator the ffather of our Lord Jesus Christ and to Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer by whose death and passion I faithfully believe to bee saved and to the Holy Ghost the Comforter of his elect Three persons and one invisible immortal onely wise God blessed for evermore before whome I shall at the generall day of Judgment appeare with joye in the Robes of Christs Righteousness through whose meritts I beleive my sinns shall not be imputed to me and by whome I hope and believe I shall enter into that Everlasting Kingdome of Heaven with the faithfull members of that triumphant Church whereof Jesus Christ is the head My body I committ to the Earth from whence it came to be decently buried according to the discretion of my Executors hereafter named in the parish Church of Chelsea in the same place where my late deare beloved wife lyeth buried my Coffin to lye vpon her coffin vnder the pew where wee alwaies satt together in the Chancell and to be buried in the Coffin which I have provided and which is now in a Closset at my dwelling house at Chelsea And as touching the disposing of all and singular my goods Chattells Leases Implements Plate Jewells ready money household stuffe debts and all other my reall and personall Estate which it hath pleased God to endow me withall in this present world I dispose and bequeath the same in manner and forme following In the first place I give and bequeath vnto my deare and loveing wife Anne Alston All such my Messuages or Tenements as herein after are particularly mentioned (that is to say) All that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances commonly called or knowne by the name or signe of the George and Vulture being a taverne now in the tenure or occupation of Mr. Thompson Vintner who payeth me for it One hundred Eighty and one poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse) And all that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances wherein Mr. Yardley lately dwelt and which is now in the tenure or occupation of Mrs Yardley widdow who payeth me for the same Sixty and six poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse): And all that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances wherein Mr^s Cootley dwelleth the same being now or late a Coffee house who payeth mee for the same Seaventy poundes a yeare (bee the same more or lesse) To be had held and enjoyed by my said wife for and dureing the terme of her naturall life (my termes in the said houses soe long continuing) And from and after her decease I doe give devise and bequeath all the aforesaid Messuages or Tenements unto my eldest sonne Joseph Alston his Executors Administrators and Assignes for and dureing all the rest and residue of the severall and respective termes of yeares which in the said Messuages or Tenements shall be then to come and vntill the said Messuages or Tenements are scituate lying and being in or neare George yard or Lombard Street in London And I doe give and bequeath vnto my said sonne Joseph Alston All that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances towards Lombard Street aforesaid late in the tenure or occupation of Mr^r Rawlinson deceased (who payed mee for it One Hundred poundes a yeare be the same more or lesse), And all that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances wherein Mr Thomas Ruddiard lately dwelt which is now in the tenure or occupation of — Springate who payeth me for the same ffifty poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse) And all that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances wherein Mr. Moore now or lately dwelt who paid me for the same seaven and forty poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse) And all that my Messuage or Tenement with the appurtenances wherein Mr^r Lee liveth who payeth me for the same ffifty poundes a yeare (be the same or lesse) And all that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances wherein Mr^r Bencon (deceased) lately lived who payd mee for the same ffifty poundes a year (be the same more or lesse) And all that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances wherein Mr^r Job Bolton liveth who payeth me for the same Sixty and foure poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse) All which said last mentioned Messuages or Tenements are scituate lying and being in or near George Yard or Lombard Street aforesaid To be had held and enjoyed by my said sonne Joseph his executors and administrators for all my termes in the said houses And I do give and bequeath vnto my said sonne, Joseph All that my Messuage or Tenement with the Appurtenances wherein Mr^r John Johnson now liveth who payeth me for the same Eighty poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse) and is scituate lying and being in or near George Yard or Lombard Street aforesaid Which said last menconed house shall be had held and enjoyed by my said son Joseph his Executors and Administrators To and for the vses intents and purposes herein after mentioned that is to say That hee his Executors and Administrators shall receive and take the rents issues and profits thereof To his and their owne vse and behoofe for and vntill his the said Joseph's sonne Edward shall arrive and attaine the age of one and twenty yeares (and be then liveing) and then and from thenceforth my terme of Yeares in the said house continuing I doe will and appoint that the same messuage with the appurtenances shall be had held and enjoyed by the said Edward Alston his Executors and Administrators for all the residue of the terme therein to come and vntill the said Edward shall happen to dye before he arrives at the age of one and twenty yeares and Morrice the said Edwards Brother one other of the sonnes of the said Joseph Alston shall happen to survive him that then and in such case he the said Morrice at his said age of one and twenty yeares (being then liveing.) shall have hold and enjoy the said house with the appurtenances for the remainder of the terme of yeares therein then to come and vntill the said Morrice shall happen to dye before he shall attaine his said age of one and twenty yeares Then and in such case my mind and will is And I doe soe order and appoint that my said sonne Joseph Alston his Executors and Administrators shall have hold and enjoy the said house dureing the residue of the terme of yeares which shall be therein then to come and vntill the said Edward shall happen to dye before he arrives at the age of one and twenty yeares and to his heires and Assignes for ever All that my great house at Chelsea with the Appurtenances in the County of Middx in part whereof the Lady Bateman (deceased) heretofore lived And which said House is now in the tenure or occupation of the Honorable Banastre Maynard Esq^r at the rent of one Hundred poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse) And I give unto my said sonne Joseph Alston One Thousand and ffive hundred poundes in money and my great silver Bason and Ure my two silver flaggons one paire of Silver Candlesticks the best paire my owne Watch and seale gold ring and my Character *Bible which I writt with my owne hand, and one paire of Holland sheets one dozen of damasque napkins and one damasque Table Cloath And I will direct and appoint that my said sonne Joseph shall pay and satisfy all ground

* This interesting relic of the old merchant baronet—a copy of the Holy Scriptures written entirely by him in Shorthand and handsomely bound with engraved silver clasps—I have discovered in the possession of Mr. Augustus J. C. Hare, the author of *Memorials of a Quiet Life* and other well known works, himself a descendant of Sir Joseph's younger son Isaac.

rent from time to time out of his owne Estate which is due and payable for all and any the said Messuages or Tenements Termes and Estates in or neare George Yard and Lombard Street aforesaid herein before given to my said sonne Joseph or any other the persons before menconed Which said ground rent amounts unto two hundred fferty and eight pounds per Annum (be the same more or lesse) and is payable unto the Lady ffairfax Sr Kingsmill Lucy and Sr Rowland Lytton or others the proprietors thereof And I doe likewise order that my said sonne Joseph shall and doe out of his owne Estate pay and satisfye another rent of fferty shillings yearely (more or lesse) payable unto Mr Hawkins Scrivener for a passage or way leading into or from Burching Lane London And all that my said Houses in or neare George Yard and Lombard Street aforesaid or either of them shall be enjoyed by those I have given or hereinafter doe give the same unto freed and discharged by my said sonne Joseph Alston of and from all ground rent payable for the same And alsoe my Will and mind is that my said sonne Joseph Alston and his Heires shall permitt and suffer And I doe charge him and them that they doe permitt and suffer my said deare and loveing wife from and immediately after my death quietly and peaceably to dwell in vse and enjoy And my Will and minde is that my said wife shall dwell in vse and enjoy the house I now live in at Chelsea with the Stable Hay roome Coach house and Cellar with the Appurtenances thereunto belonging durement her life And I doe hereby enjoyn my said sonne Joseph to make vnto her a good Estate therein for and durement her life (if he can) or otherwise to give her good security for her quiet enjoyment thereof for and durement the terme of her naturall life without rendring or paying any rent for the same But if in case my said sonne Joseph doe not make or procure unto her a good Estate therein for her life or otherwise give unto her good and sufficient security for her quiet enjoyment thereof durement her life as aforesaid Then whereas I have herein before given to my said sonne Joseph the sume of One Thousand and ffive hundred pounds I doe hereby in such case give my said sonne Joseph but the summe of one thousand pounds and that the residue of the said One Thousand and five Hundred pounds I doe then give unto my said deare wife in liew and compensacon of the Estate for her life in the said house And my Will and mind is And I doe hereby devise unto my said Wife the vse of all hangings plate linnen Brasse peuter and all other household stuffe and furniture whatsoever which is now in the said house other then and except such parte of the said furniture plate and other things hereinafter otherwise disposed of for and durement the terme of her naturall life And I doe also Will devise order direct and appointe that the rent of my house in George Yard aforesaid wherein Mr John South (deceased) lately dwelt whoe paid me for it Sixty pounds a yeare (be the same more or lesse) be wholly employed and disposed of by my Executors herein after named for the benefit of my poore Kindred and such other the purposes as in this my Will I have and doe hereinafter order direct and appoint the same to be distributed durement my terme in the said House Upon trust and to the intents and purposes following And I doe make ordaine and appoint my said sonne Joseph and my sonne Isaac Alston full and whole Executors of this my last Will And I doe hereby enjoyn them and the Executors of the Survivor of them to be very carefull and faithfull in the performance of this trust which I repose in them As they will Answer it at the great day of Account (that is to say) That they shall and doe pay and distribute durement all my terme in the Lease of the said house All the cleare yearely rent of the said house over and above all reprints in this manner (that is to say) Tenn pounds per annum by half yearely payments durement all the said terme shall be paid by my said Executors to such the Curate or reader of the parish Church of St Edmond the King in Lombard Street London (for the time being) to his owne vse who shall read publicke prayers in the said Church according to the Liturgy and practice of the Church of England now vsed two daies in every weeke weekly over and besides the Sunday called the Lord's day durement the continuance of my terme in the said house Provided alwaies And in case any neglect shall happen to bee made and Prayers not read in manner as aforesaid That then the said Legacy or bequest of Ten pounds per Annum in manner as aforesaid to be paid to the said Curate shall from thenceforth cease and be noe longer paid (any thing in this my said Will contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding) And I doe give five pounds a yeare more of the said Rent issueing out of Souths house to the poore of Edwardstone in the County of Suffolk the place where I was borne every Christmas yearely to be paid and distributed amongst the said poore in such manner and proportions as my Executors shall thinke most fitting and not otherwise And five pounds a yeare more of the said rent I Will shall be paid to Mrs Deborah Travill halfe yearely at Christmas and Midsummer durement Twenty yeares next after my decease (if she soe long live) and six pounds a yeare more of the said Rent I will and appoint shall be paid halfe yearely at Christmas and Midsomer to Lydia Smith wife of Methuselah Smith a Silver smith durement her life And foure pounds a yeare more of the said Rent at like half yearely payments I will and appoint shall be paid vnto Samuell Skinner brother to the said Lydia Smith durement his life (my terme in the said house soe long continueing (And my mind and Will is that all the rest and residue of the rent of the said house shall be disposed of halfe yearely by my said Executors to and amongst such of my poore kindred and in such proportions as my Executors in their discretions shall thinke fitting and not otherwise And this I doe in token of my thankfulness to Almighty God who did blesse extraordinarily my poore endeavours in the aforesaid parish of St Edmonds the King where through his mercy and goodnesse I gott my Estate And I doe order and appointe that my said Executors shall keepe a bagg on purpose to putt the rent of the said house in and not to make any other vse of it but to dispose of the same in manner as before I have ordered and appointed *Item* I give unto my said sonne Joseph All that my Stable and Interest therein which Stable Mr Cratford and his partner hold of me and pay me for the same Twenty pounds a yeare (be the same more or lesse) And I doe give unto my said sonne Isaac after the death of my said wife All the aforesaid furniture of my aforesaid now dwelling house at Chelsea And all my silver plate except what before I have given my said son Joseph and herein after doe give my sonne Edward Alston to be had held and enjoyed by my said sonne Isaac his Executors and Administrators *Item* I give my said sonne Edwards sonne Joseph one hundred pounds And to all other the now borne Children of my said sonne Edward respectively Two Hundred pounds a peece the said Legacies to be paid to such of the said Children as are sonns at their respective ages of one and twenty yeares And to such of the said Children as are Daughters at their respective ages of Eightene yeares or on their daies of marriage (which shall first happen) and Interest for the same If in case my Executors shall in the meane time putt the same moneyes out at Interest But in case any of the said Children shall happen to dye before their respective ages or daies of marriage then the said Child or Childrens part soe dying shall be devided between the Survivors of them (share and share alike) But if all the said Children shall happen to dye before their respective ages or daies of marriage as aforesaid That then all such their Specificall Legacys shall remain and be vnto my said Executors and not otherwise And my mind and Will is That when any of the said Children shall be of yeares fitt to be putt and placed out Apprentices or to other fitting imployments That my said Executors shall out of the said Childrens said respective legacies lay out and dispose soe much thereof as they

shall thinke convenient for such purpose as aforesaid And whereas I have herein before given vnto my said deare and loveing wife Anne the house called the Vulture Tavern in Mr Thompsons possession and have given unto my said sonne Joseph the afore mentioned house to be in the said Rawlinsons possession both which houses upon my marriage with my said wife I settled on her as part of her Joynture But now calling to mind that I had settled the same on my said sonne Joseph on his said marriage Therefore in liew and compensation thereof and to make good my said Wife's Joynture therein I have herein before given and devised and doe hereby give and devise unto my said deare and loveing wife for her life the said houses herein before mentioned to be in Yardley and Cootleys possession And I doe will and appoint that the rent of the house wherein Sr Jeremiah Snowe Goldsmith lived who payed me for the same Eight and Twenty pounds a yeare (be the same more or lesse) And the rent of the house in Mr Stories possession who payeth me for the same Eighty pounds a yeare (be the same more or lesse) shall be paid by my said Executors to my said sonne Edward dureing his life (my terme in the said premisses soe long continueing) and after his the said Edwards decease my said Executors shall out of the rents of the said premisses pay vnto the said Edwards wife (she her said husband surviving) one full third part of the cleare yearly profitts thereof soe long as she keeps herselfe a Widdow And the Surplusage of the Rents thereof and likewise the whole rents thereof after the determination of her Widdowhood and Estate therein shall be paid unto and equally divided amongst all and every the younger sonns and daughters of my said sonne Edward as shall be liveing or his wife *Enscient* with at the time of his death and to the Survivors of them And whereas I was possessed or Interested in certaine Actions Stocke or Summes of money which I formerly had in the English East India Company consisting of an originall or principall stock of six hundred and ffifty pounds sterling or thereabouts the which I lately sold and parted with and now calling to mind that at or upon the marriage of my said sonne Joseph or otherwise I assigned settled or otherwise assured the same Actions and Stock to him for his benefit vpon his said marriage Now my Will and mind is That if in case my said sonne Joseph or any others in his right or for his benefit or otherwise by vertue or means of any Assurance Covenant or Agreement I made vpon his said marriage or otherwise shall take advantage thereof That then and in such case my mind and Will is And I doe soe order direct and appoint that my said sonne Joseph shall be defalked cutt of and loose double the value of what the said Actions or Stock shall amount vnto into vallue out of my personall Estate which by this my Will is given him or which shall otherwise be comeing vnto him by vertue of his being an Executor of this my said Will, and suche Sume soe defalked I doe will and appoint my said sonne Isaac shall have to his owne vse and benefit *Item* I give and bequeath vnto my said sonne Edward two silver pottingers, three paire of sheets, three dozen of diaper Napkins and three diaper Table cloths *Item* I give vnto my said sonne Isaac the summe of Nine hundred pounds in money And also all those my Nine houses scituate in Ball Alley neare George Yard aforesaid in London the which houses I heretofore settled on him on his marriage He paying all the ground Rent for the said houses vnto St Sepulchres parish yearely dureing the termes in the said houses And I doe further give vnto my said sonne Isaac All my Estate and terme of yeares in my two houses with their Appurtenances scituate in George Court London in the one liveth Mr Banister who payeth me for it ffifty pounds a yeare (be the same more or lesse) and the other I have left with Mr Clithers who payeth me for it Sixty and five pounds a yeare (be the same more or lesse) the said Mr Clithers being obliged to pay all Taxes whatsoever Moreover out of which said two houses my said sonne Isaac is to pay vnto the parish of Cornhill Thirty poundes a yeare (be the same more or lesse) for both which payments I have made my Agreement with him in writing wherein I settled the Eleaven houses vpon him at his marriage *Item* I give and devise unto my said sonne Isaac All those my Messuages Lands Tenements and Hereditaments whether freehold or Leasehold in Edwardstone the place where I was borne in the County of Suffolk which said last menconed premisses were heretofore the Estate of Mr Joseph Mann (deceased) To hold to my said sonne Isaac his heirs Executors Administrators and Assignes for ever *Item* I give vnto my said deare wife One hundred pounds to dispose of for mourning And I give unto her my two Coaches and two Coach horses And all the hay Oats Coales and wood that are in my house *Item* I give to my son in Law James Clayton and to my daughter Mary his wife Twenty pounds a peece to buy them mourning which is all I doe give them by reason I lately gave my said daughter a portion of ffoure Thousand two Hundred and ffifty pounds on her marriage *Item* I give to my sister Mrs Elizabeth Gilbert and her daughter Tenn pounds a peece to buy them mourning And to ——— Harrington and his wife sonne of my Brother Penning Alston Ten pounds a peece to buy them mourning And to Mrs Gould who was my now wifes Maid ffive pounds to buy her mourning To Henry Wood my Butler ffive pounds for mourning if he liveth with me at the time of my decease otherwise not To Margaret Ambler ffive pounds if liveing with me at the time of my decease otherwise not *Item* I give to soe many poore men as I shall be yeares of age when I dye twenty shillings a peece to weare mourning Gownes at my funerall the said poore men to be had out of the parish of Chelsea where I now live or elsewhere at the discretion of my Executors And I doe desire Doctor Littleton to preach my funerall Sermon vpon the same Text which he preached vpon at my former wifes funerall (to witt) the Thirteenth Chapter of the Acts of the Apostles and the nine and Thirtieth verse And I doe give him ffive pounds for mourning and ffive pounds for his sermon And I doe order and appoint that not above three hundred pounds shall be expended in my funerall for Rings, mourning, and all other charges over and above what I have herein before given and herein after doe give And I leave and committ the same to the management of my deare wife and my said Executors as they shall thinke fitting *Item* I give unto my granddaughter Mary Whitrong Three hundred pounds in money to be paid her at her marriage or age of one and twenty yeares which shall first and next happen But in case she dyes before her marriage or age of one and twenty yeares as aforesaid Then the said Legacy to be null and voyd And I give vnto her one of my silver Trenchard plates And I Will that my said Executors shall pay vnto Twenty poore Ministers whome my said Executors shall name and thinke most fitting objects of such charity ffive pounds a peece within Six Moneths next after my decease And I give to Sr James Clerke of Moulsey in the County of Surrey Knight and to his wife Tenne pounds a peece to buy them mourning and to my Cozen Saunders my sonne Isaacs wifes Sister Tenne pounds for mourning and to Mr William Milman my Attorney Tenne pounds to buy him a ring And to my said Grandchild Joseph Alston my sonne Isaacs sonne one Hundred pounds And to Mrs Deborah Travills daughter Mary Crew ffive and twenty pounds to be paid her vpon her day of marriage But if she dye before then the said Legacy to be voyd And to Mrs Joane Selden my wifes Chambermaid Ten pounds for mourning (if she be liveing with her at the time of my decease otherwise not) And to Elizabeth ffisher and Dorothy King my Maids ffive pounds a peece for mourning (if liveing with me at the time of my decease otherwise not) And I give unto my Grandchildren the said Maurice and Isaac my sonne Joseph's sonns one Hundred pounds a peece to be paid them at their respective ages of one and twenty yeares But if either of them Dye in the meane time the Survivor shall have the parties share so dying And I give unto my said sonne Joseph after my said wifes decease the vse of my great

There is a note in the margin recording the grant of letters of administration (with will annexed) 14 April 1720 to Mary Widow of Isaac Alston the younger of the two sons and executors named in the will both being dead and the estate not yet wound up.

Necklace of pearls during his life And from and after his decease I give and bequeath the same to Joseph Alston his sonne And I give and bequeath vnto Mary Alston my sonne Isaacs wife after my said wifes decease my great Diamond Jewell And all the rest and residue of my goods Chattells and personall Estate whatsoever I doe give and bequeath vnto my said Executors Joseph and Isaac equally to be divided betweene them And lastly I doe charge and comand my said Executors as they doe tender their duty to be contented and rest satisfied with what I have herein before given them and noe waies goe about to disturbe alter change or hinder my purposes therein And I doe hereby revoke adnull and make voyd all former Wills And doe declare this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have herevnto sett my hand and Seale this Seaventeenth Day of March in the first yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord James the second by the grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland King Defender of the faith etc Anno Dni one Thousand Six Hundred Eighty foure. JOSEPH ALSTON.

This Will consisting of two skinns of Parchment was signed and Sealed by the said Sr Joseph Alston and by him published and declared to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of vs the Witnesses herevnder Subscribed who Subscribed our names in the presence of the said Sr Joseph Alston Ban: Maynard, Jo Preston, W^m Milman, Nath: Gifford Cl.to Mr Milman.

Proved at London 12 June 1688 by Sir Joseph Alston Bart. and Isaac Alston Sons and Executors

See Table 68 page 46.

Joseph Alston
Of Norfolk.
Admon.
1688
October.

Although mention is made of this in the index to the Admon. Book there is nothing of it to be found.

Isaac Alston
Of Bradwell Abbey
Admon.
1688-9
February

Isaac Alston of Bradwell Abbey and late of Battersea. Letters of administration granted 11th February 1688-9 to Mary Alston widow and relict.

See Table 90 page 58.

Sir Joseph
Alston
Snt. and Bart.
of Bradwell Abbey
Ent.
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Will of Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abby in the County of Bucks Bart. Desires his body to be buried in the parish church of Bradwell. Devises to his wife Dame Elizabeth Alston two Cottages with the Commons and appurtenances belonging thereto, situate in Bradwell—the said Cottages to be left to such one of her sons Joseph, Edward or Isaac as she shall appoint to inherit the same. The said Dame Elizabeth to have her own pearl necklace, her Jewells, with the goods and things in her closet and to bequeath the same to such of her children as she shall desire to have the same. Also one moiety of the household goods for her use during her life—the whole of the household stuff at her death to belong to the son Joseph Alston, he taking one moiety on the death of his father. To Dame Elizabeth Coach and Chariot with four Coach horses or Mares—also the sum of £100—

To son Joseph the great Silver bason and spout pott, two great Silver flagons, paire of Silver Candlesticks, the Silver Mounteth, (*sic*) two Silver rings, Silver Bason to wash hands in, the great Silver Saltcellar, two Silver Chamber potts, the great Silver Chaffing dish, silver snuffers and Snuff dish, silver gilt Tankard, the best Velvet Bedmantle. The farne house called Forreys farne, with all the houses, lands, tenements &c belonging thereto, in the parish of Bradwell, with three Cottages and Commons and appurtenances, also in Bradwell.

In default of lawful male issue, the above lands to descend to Edward Alston son of testator, failing lawful issue from Edward the lands to descend to Isaac also son of testator and his heirs—failing issue from Isaac, the lands to go to right heirs of Joseph Alston the testator. Bequeaths to Joseph his son the three houses in George Court, Lombard Street, now held by testator's mother Dame Anne Alston, also his houses lands and tenements in the parish of Chelsea, (Middlesex) failing male issue, this property to descend to the brothers Edward and Isaac, in like manner as the farm and lands in Bradwell.

Five messuages or houses with a plot of ground in George Yard Lombard Street also devised to Joseph the eldest son—he paying the ground rent—To Edward Alston son of testator, plate with the pot and cover that his Uncle Sir Edward Alston gave him, pair of Candlesticks, two silver wrought Salvers, wrought cup with the cover, and the pink coloured Satin laced Mantle—a Messuage or dwelling house in George Court, Lumbard St. and £500.

To Isaac Alston son of testator, three silver salvers, a Silver teapot, six Silver cups, six silver gilt spoons, a little pair of Silver Candlesticks, a Tankard, two silver plates, two silver porringers, with any other silver plate not before devised, the laced Mantle of Cloth of Silver. Dame Elizabeth to have the use of the Silver left to sons Edward and Isaac until their marriages. Also to Isaac messuage or dwelling house in George Yard fronting Lombard Street and £1000—Should Edward die before the age of 21, Isaac to have the £500 and house bequeathed to Edward—in like manner should Isaac die before the age of 21, his share to go to Edward.

Dame Elizabeth to divide the linen that is in a trunk lined with “skye coloured Sarsnett” as she shall think fit amongst the three sons—Mr. Mathew Disney to preach funeral sermon and receive five guineas—

The residue of the estate to Joseph.

Dame Elizabeth and Joseph appointed joint executors

Proved June 19 1689.

See Table 69 page 47.

L'estrangle
Alston
 of Stisted co.
 Essex and
 Rotterdam
 Holland.
 Dyke
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The will of Lestrangle Alston of Stysted Essex Gent. dated 22 April 1689
 I give to my sister Elizabeth Alston and her heirs after the death of my Aunt Anne Alston and subject to certain payments the manor house or messuage called Kentish with the Lands woods Rights profits &c thereto belonging, situate in Stysted and Bockin, co. Essex—Also to my said sister and her heirs, subject to certain payments, my messuage with the lands and appurtenances in Wetherfield co. Essex—also (subject to the same conditions) my messuage with lands and appurtenances in Toppsfield, Essex—
 My sister Elizabeth to pay to my kinsman Mr. Samuel Alston of Stysted within one month of my decease £20, also an annuity of £20—also to my sister Anne Alston £100 within a year of my death, to my friend Mary Youngs £50 within 3 months of my death also an annuity of £16
 I give to my friend Mr. Thomas Wilson of Stisted 30 guineas in gold
 To my friend John Morley of Little Mapplestead five guineas
 to my man Joseph Jon 2 guineas
 The residue of my estate I give to my said sister Elizabeth Alston whom I appoint sole executrix—Thomas Willson to be supervisor of this my will

(Signed) LESTRANG ALSTON

Witnesses: Tho. Marriott, W. Wainwright, Will. Browne.

Proved: 3 March 1689-90 by John Alston father of Elizabeth Alston minor and sister of testator of Stisted Essex also of Rotterdam Holland bachelor.

See Table 23 page 21.

William
Alston
 of Strixton.
 Dyke
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The will of William Alston of Strixton co. Northampton dated the 22nd August 1688
 I give to my brother Charles Alston of Northall co. Midd. D.D. my manor of Strixton and all other my manors, lands and hereditaments. Also my Leases, goods, chattels and personal estate and appoint him sole executor in trust and for the following purpose—The said Charles Alston to sell my manor and my estate both real and personal or so much as is necessary to defray my debts funeral expenses and legacies—what remains unsold to go to my said brother Charles and his heirs, provided he shall within two months after my death prove this my will—should he neglect to do this, I give my said manors, lands and hereditaments (except my lease of Syn Mead in Rushden, co. Northampton, purchased of Queen Henrietta Maria) to my sister Catherine Wiseman of Bozeat, Northampton, Widow, in trust to sell what is needful to pay my debts, funeral expenses and legacies—any overplus to go to my said brother Charles—I give to my said sister £100 for her trouble if she should have to pay my debts &c.

I give to my brother Edward Alston £100

I give to my nephew John Wiseman and to my Nieces Katherine, Hester and Elizabeth Wiseman £10 each to each of my servants £5

(Signed) WILLIAM ALSTON

Witnesses: John Harman, George Ravenscroft, Ward Langham, Tho: Lering.

Proved: 23rd July 1690 by Charles Alston executor named in will.

See Table 19 page 19.

Rev. Thomas
Alston
 of Assington.
 Vere
 1

The will of Thomas Alston of Assington co. Suffolk Clerk dated 1st May 1690—
 I give my messuage or farm called Clarbecks *als* Orrels in Newton and Assington co. Suffolk to Elizabeth Tracy *als* Euans one of the daughters of Mr. John Tracy deceased, for her life with remainder to Edward Alston Rector of Newton Church and Thomas Alston my godson, son of the said Edward and his heirs.

I leave to the rectors of Newton an annuity of 40/- chargeable upon the above lands.

I give to the Vicar of Assington and his successors hoping that some worthy and charitable persons will make some additions thereto, certain books with my name at the beginning or stamped on both sides T. A. also the shelves in my study—the register of the books bequeathed which register is to be examined and compared with the books therein described on the vicarage changing hands.

I desire to found and endow a scholarship in Queen's College, Cambridge, of which I was formerly a member—the endowment of £3 yearly to be paid out of the proceeds of my lands in Assington and Newton—any scholar of the name of Alston to be preferred for this gift, or a native of Suffolk. I desire that this scholarship be called Alston's scholarship.

I leave to the poor of Assington 26/- annually to be distributed as follows—the Churchwardens to provide every Sunday 6 penny loaves of mistelan with the June bread put into them—to be given in the first place to poor widows—

I give to Cornelius Alston, son of Robert Alston 20/-

I give to Anna Hurrel one of the daughters of my Uncle William Alston deceased 40/-

to Rebecca Smith one of the daughters of my Uncle William Alston deceased 40/-

to the children of Frances Williamson a third daughter of my Uncle William Alston deceased 40/-

to the children of Rachel Rinch a fourth daughter 40/-

to the children of Mary Finch a 5th daughter 40/-
 I give to Hellen Duncomb and Rachel Goldsmith daughters of Samuel Alston 20/- each
 to Edmund Alston of Rogers 40/- and my gold seal ring which was my grandfather's
 to Edmund my godson, son of above 20/-
 to Thomas Alston of Newton Hall my silver spoons marked T. A. and my pewter plates with my coat of arms on them
 to Samuel and Edmund his brothers 20/- each and a mourning ring to each
 to John Card son of my Aunt Card 20/-
 to the Children of Amy Dale and Susan Meller daughters of my Aunt Card 40/-
 to my godchildren Henry Goldsmith, Robert Ponder, Hellen Duncomb and Susan Cook 20/- each—
 to Edward Alston of Boxford and his wife 20/- each.
 to the children of John Tracy of Moulton, Suffolk (whose wife was Ann Alston) to Paul 40/- to Charles 20/- to Dorothy
 40/- and my piece of gold which was my mother's 33/- to Mary 20/-
 to Luke Eales M.D. I give all my physic books and books of Chyrurgery and Gardening, my silver tobacco box and 40/-
 to Mary Eales his sister 40/-
 to Edward Alston rector of Newton, all my books not before bequeathed
 to my friend Philip Gardon a guinea for a ring
 to my kinsman Giles Duncomb a guinea for a ring
 to the poor of Newton 20/-
 to Ann Street widow my faithful servant an annuity of 20/- for 2 years
 I appoint Elizabeth Tracy my executrix and leave to her the residue of my estate

(Signed) THOMAS ALSTON

Witnesses: Barret Gurdon, Will. How, Phillip Franck, Will. Firmin.

Proved: 31 Jan'y 1690.91 by Eliz. Euans *als* Tracy wife of — Tracy sole executrix named in will.

See Table 100 page 62.

**Edward
Alston
of Boxford
Box**

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The will of Edward Allston of Boxford co. Suffolk gent dated 10 April 1694
 I give to Anne Alston and her heirs daughter of my nephew Edward Alston a messuage or tenement with the lands,
 and appurtenances thereto belonging, also another tenement in Boxford—also the sum of £100—the bed and all the
 furniture of the kitchen chamber as it now stands—two large fruit silver dishes—2 silver spoons—half of the odd money,
 half of the old gold, half of the Edward money which my wife left me

I give to my kinsman Edward Alston all the rest of my messuage, lands, tenement, and hereditaments in Boxford
 Groton and Assington co. Suffolk with remainder to his son and his heirs—also to said Edward, son of my nephew Edward
 Alston £100—also £40 to bind him apprentice

I give to Katherine and Milicent Alston daughters of my nephew Edward £100 each
 to Elizabeth another daughter of said Edward £20

to Thomas Alston of Chelsey Esq.

to Mr. Mathew Isaack of Boxford

to Mrs. Alice Riddlesdale of Boxford widow

to Mr. John Warren Minister of Boxford £10 for mourning

to the feoffees of the school of Bedford £5

to my old servant John Heyward £40

to my old servant Robert Gibbens 20/- also my Shermans shopstuff as it now stands

to Madam Elston* of Edwardston

to Mr. Richard Wareing of Groton

to Mr. Joseph Elston* of Boxford

the poor of Boxford £10

I give an annuity of 40/- to Mary Anderton also the sum of 20/-

The residue of my property I give to my said nephew Edward Alston whom I make sole executor

The mark of EDWARD ALLSTON

Witnesses: Joseph Leppingwell, John Duckitt, Anthony Bane.

Proved: 23 June 1694 by Edward Alston executor named in will.

Unplaced, but perhaps Edward, son of Thomas, second son of Edward Alston, of Sudbury and Edwardston.

See Table 26 page 23.

Probably error for
Alston in copying.

**Edmund
Alston
Of London.
Admon.
1695
March**

Edmund Alston of the parish of St Dunstan in the East London bachelor. Letters of administration granted 12th
 March 1695 to Oliver Andrews principal creditor Samuel Alston brother of the deceased first having renounced.

Unplaced.

Joseph Alston
of Shadwell
Bond
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The will of Joseph Alston Mariner of their Majesties Ship, "Plymouth," dated 4 Sep^r 1693
I appoint my wife Joane Alstone of St Paul's Shadwell, Middlesex, my Attorney to receive all moneys wages, bounty pension &c. that may be due to me from the Treasurer or paymaster of the navy and to recover any other money that may be due to me. Also to lease any of my messuage, Lands, Tenements, or hereditaments.

I make my said wife Joane sole executrix of this my will and leave to her all my property real and personal.

(Signed) JOSEPH ALSTON

Witnesses: James Killigrew, (Captain) Simon Flew, Robert Heather

Proved: 27 April 1696 by Joane Alston relict and executrix

Family unknown, but probably from residence of East Anglian Origin.

John Alston
of Tiverton.
Bond
59

John Alston of Tiverton in the County of Devon Clothier bequeaths two dwelling houses in Birchin Lane in Tiverton with land and garden adjoining (now in the occupation of William Chambers and Elnor his wife and Humphrey Snow) to six poor shearmen of the town of Tiverton. £500 to the poor of parish of Tiverton, to be put out to interest during the lives of said William and Elnor Chambers, on their death an estate to be bought with said money, which estate to be for the use of the poor in Tiverton, the rent to be used for maintaining the said two houses—

To Brother-in-law Thomas Alstone one shilling and remittance of two years rent due at Christmas.

To nephew John Alstone one shilling

To nephew Thomas Alstone one shilling

To nephew Joseph Alstone one shilling

To nephew Abraham Alstone one shilling

To niece Elnor Alstone one shilling

To niece Joane Gray daughter of Richard Chamberlaine one shilling

To Nephew Thomas Chamberlaine one shilling

To niece Elnor Chamberlaine one shilling

To niece Elizabeth Chamberlaine one shilling

To niece Elnor Hursey the daughter of Thomas Alstone one shilling.

To nephew John Alstone son of Thomas Alstone the elder one shilling

To John Palfrey all the shop stuff. Shears and Shearboard and handles—a one spill press and papers, a single rack belonging to the fulling trade.

The remainder of the Goods and Chattels to Elnor his wife, who is appointed sole executrix

Proved 7 May 1696 by Eleanor Alston wife—

Another of the West Country Alstons.

Lady Anne
Alston
of Chelsea
Bond
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The will of Dame Anne Alston of Chelsey Middlesex widow. Dated April 19th 1694. Bequeathed to her niece Dame Anne Clarke wife of Sir James Clarke Kn^t the lease of Priory Farm near Selburn Hampshire held from Magdalen College, Oxford; lease of a house in Fetter lane also of one in Thicketts or Lincoln's Inn Fields—all the Copyhold estate at Molesey in the County of Surrey to the said niece Anne Clarke the rents &c arising from said houses to be at the disposal of Lady Clarke as an addition to her Joynture notwithstanding her Coverture—Sir James Clarke is entreated not to frustrate this intention of testatrix. £100 to said niece—to Sir James Clarke £50—£100 to James Clarke eldest son of Sir James provided he marry with the consent of his father and mother, otherwise the money to be equally divided between his two sisters Anne and Mary Clarke or to the Survivor of them—£500 towards the marriage portion of Lydia Clarke eldest daughter of Sir James, provided she marry with the consent of her father and mother, otherwise the money to go to her sisters Anne and Mary or to the Survivor.

£100 to Joseph Clarke second son of Sir James—£100 to Edward third Son of Sir James Clarke.

£100 a piece to Anne and Mary daughters of Sir James Clarke, to be given them on their days of marriage, same proviso as in the case of Lydia.

£10 to daughter in law Mary Alston for mourning—to her son £5 for mourning.

£5 to Madam Saunders for mourning

5/- to Nephew William Stratton

£10 to kinswoman Elizabeth Chapman wife of James Chapman

£10 a piece to Mr. James Clayton and wife for mourning

£10 to Nephew James Buck for mourning

£5 a piece to Mr. William Phillips and Mary his wife

£5 a piece to Mr. Daniell Child and wife

20/- to Mr. Jequel minister of the Chapel Westminster
To the Treasurer and Governors of Christ Church Hospital London, the tenement known as the White Horse in New palace yard Westminster of the yearly rent of £22 let to James Hunter Victualler—This bequest revoked in case the children should ever be brought up as Papists, the money then to go to Lady Clarke and her heirs

£5 a piece to widows of ten poor ministers

Various small legacies to poor persons and servants

£100 for funeral expenses, desires to be buried in the Chancel of Molesey Church—Lady Anne Clarke appointed sole Executrix and residuary legatee

Proved 29 July 1696

See Table 68 page 46, also compare Table 19 page 19.

Odd as it may seem there is difficulty in deciding whether this Dame Anne was the widow of Sir Joseph Alston, 1st Bart., of Chelsea, or of Sir Edward Alston, Knt., of Strixton, the second wives of both owning the Christian name of Anne. In the Tables she will be found attributed to each, by oversight of course. I have failed to ascertain who Sir Joseph's second wife was, indeed the only mention of her anywhere is in his will. She appears in no pedigree except this. Sir Edward married, for his second wife, Anne, widow of William Stratton (see Chester's London Marriage Licenses) and in the above will mention is made of the testatrix's nephew William Stratton. But testatrix describes herself as of Chelsea, mentions James Clayton and his wife (daughter and son-in-law of Sir Joseph) and mentions her daughter-in-law Mary Alston and her (Mary's) son. Sir Edward mentions no wife in his will, whence it may be inferred his second wife predeceased him, and all his sons died bachelors, whereas Sir Joseph's son Isaac's wife bore the name of Mary and had a son.

**Elizabeth
Alston**
of Loughton
Lort
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Elizabeth Alston Spinster of Loughton in the County of Bucks made her will by word of mouth to the following effect—
£200 received under the will of her Grandfather Sir Joseph Alston Bart. to her Sisters Martha and Rebecca Maria Alston—
The said will reduced into writing 26 August 1697 and attested by Mary Alston Clare Alston and Joanna Sharp 24 May 1698—The said Elizabeth was living at her fathers house in Loughton at the time of her last illness, where she had lived many years before her death. Martha and Rebecca Maria minors

Proved 1 June 1698

See Table 89 page 57.

**Edward
Alston**
of Loughton
Pett
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Nothing more definite
mentioned about the
property.

The will of Edward Alston late of Loughton co. Bucks Esquire, dated 20 April 1699
My houses, lands, goods, chattels, household stuff plate, money, jewels or what ever other estate either real or personal
I possess, I bequeath to my dear wife Mary Alston, whom I make sole executrix of this my will

(Signed) ED: ALSTON

Witnesses: Will. Leybourn, Elizabeth Leyborn, Mary Harrison, Sara Hobly.

Proved: 9 May 1699 by Mary Alston relict and executrix named in will

See Table 89 page 57.

Crewe Alston
Of H.M.S.
"Essex"
Admon
1703
March

Crewe Alston of H.M.S. "Essex." Letters of Administration granted 15 March 1703 to Lady Temperance Wolstenholme wife of Sir John Wolstenholme Bart. mother of the deceased. (Lady Wolstenholme's first husband was Sir Rowland Alston 2nd Bart. of Odell.)

See Table 15 page 16.

**Cornelius
Alston**
Of Camberwell
Degg
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The will of Cornelius Alston, of Camberwell.
Leaves all his linen and clothes to Nicholas Corsellis of Wivenen, as well as his shares in a Cardiganshire mine.
Executrix his wife Dame Elizabeth Alston. Legacies to William Minchin, Aunt Mrs Rebecca Smith, Godson Cornelius Alston son of Sir Joseph Alston and to Edward Alston, of Wivenen, brother of Sir Joseph. Dated February 8, 1702.
Proved at London May 3, 1703.

See Table 101 page 62 and also Table 69 page 47.

Thomas
Alston
Of H.M.S.
"Mountague,"

Eedes
25

The will of Thomas Alston Mariner of H.M.S. Mountague dated 4 September 1705.
I give to my friend David Miller, Mariner of H.M.S. Mountague all wages, short allowance, Water and Prize money which is or may be due to me at the time of my decease. Also all debts legacies &c. owing to me, particularly by a will dated the 30th of last June made by Robert Pierrie Mariner of H.M.S. Mountague.
I appoint the said David Miller sole executor

The mark of THOMAS ALSTON X

Witnesses: John Lee, Richard Walker, Ad. Mowbray. *Clk.*

Proved: 12 Oct. 1706 by David Miller executor named in will.

Unknown.

Lady
Elizabeth
Alston
Of Chelsea and
Bradwell Abbey.
Lane
278

The will of Lady Elizabeth Alston dated 23 Dec^r 1704.
I desire to be buried in Bradwell Church, co. Bucks.
I give to my grand-daughter Penelope Alston and her heirs male, my houses messuages and tenements gardens orchards &c belonging thereto situate in Peckham, co. Surrey failing her issue to my grandson Cornelius Alston, and his heirs.
to my grand-daughter aforesaid all my money, plate, rings, jewels, diamonds, pearls and watches with the rest of my real and personal estate
I give to my son Sir Joseph Alston £10 for mourning and appoint him sole executor
I revoke all other wills by me formerly made.

(Signed) ELIZABETH ALSTON

Witnesses: Elizabeth Leake, Kathrine Cripps, Joseph Jenkins.

Proved: Dec^r 8, 1709, by Sir Joseph Alston Bart. son of testatrix and executor named in will

Annexed to this will are the two Admons. following.

Letters of Administration (with the Will annexed) were granted 12 July 1716 to Penelope Hoare *als* Alston wife of John Hoare and grand-daughter and residuary legatee named in the will of Lady Elizabeth Alston Sir Joseph Alston (3rd Bt.) the Executor named in the will being dead.

Letters of Administration (with the Will annexed) were granted 15 July 1726 to John Hoare husband of Penelope Hoare *als* Alston grand-daughter and administratrix of Lady Elizabeth Alston the said Penelope Hoare being dead.

See Table 69 page 47.

Rev. Edward
Alston
Of Wivenhoe.
Smith
202

The will of Edward Alston of Wivenhoe co. Essex Clerk dated 23^d Dec^r 1701
I desire my body to be buried with the least expence that may be.
I give to my brother Sir Joseph Alston Bart. and his heirs the next presentation to the Rectory of Long Ditton, co. Surrey. I desire my Cousin Nicolas Corsellis to convey the same to my said brother so soon as he shall have paid to my executrix £200 and Interest due to me by bond and discharged my lands in Bradwell co. Bucks from all incumbrances
The said Nicolas Corsellis held the said presentation only in trust for me and my heirs.
After payment of my debts and funeral expenses I give to my wife Elizabeth Alston all my Lands tenements and hereditaments in Bradwell with all other my estate real and personal, and appoint her sole executrix

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON

Witnesses: Nic: Corsellis, Bella Spooner, Tho: Cleavear.

Proved: 31 Octob. 1710 by Elizabeth Alston relict and executrix named in will.

See Table 69 page 47.

Maria Alston
Of Reading.
Aston
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Will of Maria Allston of Reading in the County of Berks, dated 19 February 1712. Desires to be buried in a Vault prepared by her in the parish Church of Shinfield Berks.

Bequeaths to brother Thomas Allston £10 for mourning.

To Mary Allston her god-daughter £300 to be paid 6 months after testator's death, should the said Mary die before that time, the money to be equally divided between William, Elizabeth and Anne, her brother and sisters, children of testatrix's nephew Samuel Allston.

To said Mary Allston, amber necklace and pendants.

To said William Allston £50.

To said Elizabeth and Anne £20 each.

To Mrs Dorothy Betts niece £10.

To cousin Robert one of the sons of Mrs. Dorothy Betts £50.

To cousin Henry Betts 20/- to buy a ring.

To cousins Margaret and Avis Foster daughters of nephew Thomas Foster £50 each.
 To niece Mrs. Avis Foster daughter of testatrix's brother Sir Thomas Foster the silver plate now in her custody. The gold chain at her death to go to Mary Allston god-daughter of testatrix Maria Allston. The pearls now in the custody of Mrs. Avis Foster to go to testatrix's cousin's Prue Downing on the death of said Mrs. Foster.
 Also to said Prue Downing £50 and the book called Gerrards Herball.
 To niece Mrs. Margaret Man £10.
 To nieces Martha Cuddy and Jane Manning £5 a piece. The legacy to Martha Cuddy to be for her sole use, the Husband not to intermeddle.
 To cousins Elizabeth Brockden and Mary Brockden daughters of her niece Mrs. Mary Brockden the sum of £10 each.
 To her friend Mrs. Elizabeth Exell, £5.
 To Mrs. Sarah Hollyer £10 also her wearing apparel Linen and household goods and the ready money in the house at testatrix's death.
 To said Mrs. Sarah Hollyer and Mr. Thomas Hollyer of Shinfield yeoman £40 between them
 To Sarah Hollyer daughter of said Thomas Hollyer £5.
 To Mr. Adam Johnson of Reading, Baker, £20.
 To Anne wife of above £20, also book of Physical Receipts.
 To four eldest children of said Adam Johnson Mary, Joseph, Francis and John £10 each.
 To Anne Gold, her maidservant £5.
 £5 for the poor of the parish of Shinfield.
 To Relations and friends hereafter mentioned a Gold ring of the value of 17/- viz :
 Sister Allston
 Nephew Samuel Allston and wife
 Kinsman William Allston
 Nephew Downing
 Nephew William Mann
 Nephew Jeffry Mann
 Niece Brockden
 Cousins Thomas Betts, William Betts, Sarah Betts and Martha Betts
 Cousin Elizabeth Lowdes
 Cousin Mary Anguish
 Cousin Alice Stanford
 Cousin Wells
 Mr. Townley near Billingsgate and his wife
 Mrs. Perry at Thorpe and daughter Mary
 Goddaughter Mrs. Atfield and 3 daughters
 Mrs. Elizabeth Exell and Mrs. Sarah Hollyer widow
 To executors £100 for funeral expenses, buying the rings and charges for the Vault in Shinfield Church.
 No relations to be invited to funeral, not out of disrespect but to save them unnecessary trouble.
 The residue of estate both real and personal bequeathed to Thomas Hollyer and Sarah Hollyer widow who are appointed executors.
 Proved 7 May 1714.
 See Table 5 page 7.

**Zacheus
 Alston**
 Of Clitheroe
 Aston
 108

Will of Zacheus Alston of Pimlicoe in the parish of Cliderow, County of Lancaster Yeoman. Dated 16 March 1713.
 Desires that first his funeral expenses may be paid or secured, but more particularly the £100 left by his father to Sister Dorcas.

The house, Barns, Lands, and premises now in the possession of his nephew John Riddihough in the parish of Cliderow called Pimlicoe, he bequeaths (together with all the household goods) to his three sisters Hanna the wife of James Hartley, Patience Salisbury, and Dorcas Hodgson, Widows, for their lives. Upon the decease of one or more of said Sisters her or their shares to go to Survivors. The said House with Lands on death of the three sisters to go to Nephew William Hartley and his heirs. Should William die without issue, the said property to go to Nephew John Hartley and his heirs. No tenant to live at Pimlico but such as two of the three sisters should approve of. An annuity of 50/- to Sister Hanna Hartley. £50 to said Hanna also to sisters Patience and Dorcas.

To Nephew John Hartley £100 when he is out of his apprenticeship and £5 yearly until that time to buy him clothes. Should said John die before the end of his apprenticeship the legacy of £100 to be divided between testator's three sisters and his executor.

To testator's 3 nieces, daughters of his Sister Hartley — Riddihough — Crosley and another (*name unknown*) £20 a piece.

To sister Dorcas Hodgson's daughter of same name £20.

Nephew William Hartley residuary legatee and sole executor.

Proved 28 June 1714.

One of the Lancashire family of Alstons that has flourished in the neighbourhood of Alston near Ribchester for several centuries. Probably of independent origin to the East Anglian family.

Archdeacon
Charles
Alston
of Northall.
Admon
1714
August.

Rev. Charles Alston, D.D., of Northall Bachelor. Letters of Administration were granted 31 August 1714 to Catherine Wiseman sister and next of kin.
See Table 19 page 19.

Sir Thomas
Alston Bart.
of Odell.
Fagg
39

The will of Sir Thomas Alston of Odell co. Bedford Bart dated 9 Decr 1714
I give to my Brother Rowland Alston and his heirs all my Manors Messuages Lands Tythes Rectories Advowsons Tenements and Hereditaments in Great Odell Little Odell, Steventon, Pavenham, Harrold, Sharnbrooke Felmersham, Carleton, Chellenton, Hinwick and Puddington co. Bedford. I also give to my brother Rowland and his heirs all my estate right title and interest in the manors, messuages houses lands rectories Tenements and hereditaments which were settled on me by the late Lord Crewe after the respective deaths of the present Lord Crew Bishop of Durham and Dame Temperance Wolstenholme my mother—also my real estate wheresoever and whatsoever subject to certain charges, viz.—
An annuity of £100 to my sister Mary, in default of payment sister Mary to take possession of lands charged.
An annuity of £40 to my sister Elizabeth Alston Provided that if the farm and lands in Odell which were part of my mother's jointure and which were conveyed to me on the marriage of my mother to Sir John Wolstenholme, revert to my mother in virtue of the limitations in the conveyance, the annuity to my said sister Elizabeth shall be void she to receive the sum of £100 only out of my real estate
I give to my sister Anne Alston £500.
I give to my sister Mary Alston £300.
I give to my sister Elizabeth Alston £200.
These legacies to be paid within six months when my said brother shall come into possession of the lands settled by the will of Sir Rowland Alston my late father as jointure on my mother and charged with the sum of £7000 to my brothers and sisters—the reversion of these lands belonging to me and my heirs after the death of my mother, is hereby devised to my said brother Rowland
I also give to my sister Mary £100.
I also give to my sister Anne £50.
I give to my brother Vere John Alston all such sums as he may owe me at my death—any sum I may owe him for Tythes not to be deducted.
I give to Mr. Francis Brace (gent.) the younger of the Town of Bedford any four of my books (except Blows Atlas bound in velvet) or rather the books of any four authors (irrespective of the number of volumes).
I give to my Mother the gold repeating watch she lately gave me.
To the Hon^{ble} Anne Jolliffe my aunt ten guineas for a ring, she knowing the circumstances of the family, I hope she will accept so small a legacy.
(Various legacies to servants and labourers)
I give £5 to the poor of the parish of Odell.
I give to my mother for her life, my picture drawn by Mr. Brace and at her death to my sister Mary.
I give to my Mother, Brother and Sisters £20 each for mourning.
The rest of my personal estate I give to my said brother Rowland, he paying debts and funeral expenses and I do appoint him sole executor.
(Instructions respecting funeral follow as hereunder)
Should testator die in London only one coach and six horses "to attend his corps in an Hearse" to the mansion house in Odell, desires from thence to be carried to his grave (in the Chancel of the Parish Church of Odell) after dark by tenants in Odell no pall bearers or other attendance except relations, tenants and inhabitants of Odell as shall think fit to attend to whom he gives gloves. Sister Mary to examine all papers and writings (except parchments) before Executor or any other person shall peruse or possess themselves of same. All private papers to be burned. Such as concern the real or personal estate of the testator to be given to Executor.

(Signed) THO: ALSTON

Witnesses: Joanna Holladay, F. Brace, Joⁿ Drake.

Proved: 3^d March 1714/15 by Sir Rowland Alston Bart executor named in will.

See Table 15 page 16.

Sir Joseph
Alston Knt
and 3rd Bart.
of Chelsea and
Long Ditton.
Admon.
1716
June.

Sir Joseph Alston Knt. and 3rd Bt. of Chelsea. Letters of administration granted 6 June 1716 to Penelope Hoare wife of John Hoare and daughter of the deceased, Lady Charlotte Alston widow of the deceased having renounced.
See Table 70 page 48.

**Edward
Alston**
of London.
Fox
200

The will of Edward Alston of the parish of St Andrews Holborn, co. Middlesex Esquire.
I give all my Lands Tenements and Hereditaments my goods Chattels and personal estate unto my kinsman Vere John Alstone rector of Odell co. Bedford, subject to the payment of my debts and funeral expenses (which I desire may be small) also chargeable with the following legacies.
I give to my Cousin Ann Alston sister to the said Vere John Alston £500.
I give to my Cousins Thomas and Elizabeth Alston, Frances Whitlocke, and Sarah Alston, children of my Cousin John Alston of Pavenham co. Bedford £50 each.
To my friend Mr. Stephen Creagh of London £21 10s.
To Tho. Hill of Lincoln's Inn, Gent. £21 10s.
To the poor of the parish where I shall happen to die £10.
I appoint the said Vere John Alston sole executor.

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON.

Witnesses: Jos. Fowke, Tho: Medowcourt, Tho: Chetle.

Proved: 2^d November 1716 by Vere John Alston *Clk* and executor named in will.

See Table 19 page 19.

Roger Alston
of London
Admon
1718
October

Roger Alston of St Botolph's Aldgate London Letters of Administration granted 21 October 1718 to Rebecca Crawley *als* Allstone wife of Christopher Crawley and only daughter of the deceased.

Unknown.

**Sir Joseph
Alston**
Kt. & 4th Bt.
of Chelsea and
Long Ditton.
Admon
1718
December

Sir Joseph Alston Knight and 4th Baronet of Chelsea and Long Ditton Letters of Administration were granted 3 December 1718 to the Hon. Edward Montague lawful guardian of Lady Lucy Alston widow of the deceased she being a minor.

See Table 70 page 48.

A marginal note says these Letters of Administration expired and were re-granted in July 1737.

**Lady
Charlotte
Alston**
of Long Ditton.
Shaller
22

In the Name of God Amen. I Charlote Lady Alston being weak in body but of sound Mind and understanding do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former or other Wills hetofore by me made Whereas a Suite is now commenced in the High Court of Chancery by me and others against Thomas Silater Thomas Hayes Mathew Johnson and others for recovery of a considerable sume of money due by Statute Staple or otherways from Henry Slater heretofore of Light Oakes in the County of Lancaster Esqr deceased) or from some other person or persons unto Mr. Benjamin Albyn my first Husband and by my said Husband given and settled upon me or I am otherways lawfully Intituted unto the same And Whereas it may please God that I may die before the same may be recovered Now for disposing of the same when recovered and all other my Estate whatsoever I Will and bequeath that all the cost and charges attending the said Suite untill the time of my death together with my debts and funerall charges be in the first place paid and fully Satisfyed.
Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Alston fifty pounds, To my Daughter Dyapatis Alston fifty pounds, To my son Cornelius Alston One Hundred pounds the said Legacies to be paid at their several Ages of One and Twenty years. *Item* I give and bequeath Two Hundred Pounds when my Daughter Theodosia Alston shall attaine her Age of One and Twenty years to be laid out by my executors in the purchase of an Annuity for her Life to her sole Use but if my said Daughter Theodosia shall dye before She attaine her said Age then I give One hundred pounds of the said two hundred pounds unto my said Son Cornelius Alston at his Age of One and Twenty years as aforesaid, and if my said son Cornelius shall dye before his said Age my said Daughter Theodosia being then alive I give and bequeath the Hundred pounds first given to my said Son Cornelius to be laid out by my Executors in the purchase of an Annuity for the Life of my said Daughter Theodosia after She shall attain her Age as aforesaid and not otherways. *Item* I give and bequeath Thirty pounds to three poor Widows to be Chosen by my Executors and Twenty pounds to Mrs Elizabeth Roberts for her Sole use and to my dearly beloved Aunt Margaret Agar fifty pounds. *Item* I give and devise to my dearly beloved Sister the Honble Sophia Hamilton Three hundred pounds, To my dear Brother the Honble George Mordaunt Three hundred pounds, To my Neice the Rt Honble Margaret Viscountess Ikerrin One hundred pounds, To my Nephew Charles Mordaunt Three hundred pounds, To my niece Elizabeth Hamilton One Hundred Pounds, And my Will and meaning is that all my

Legacies herein before bequeathed be paid by my Executors as aforesaid out of the said money so due as aforesaid as soon as they shall recover and receive the same or the persons to whom they are bequeathed shall be intitled to the same, And my further Will and meaning is that if the said money when recovered and so much thereof as can be received shall not amount to the Sumes before by me bequeathed then in such Case I Will that an abatement and Deduction be made out of each Legacy in proportion to the Sumes bequeathed and the Deficiency of the money reced (Except the Thirty pounds to the Widows and Twenty pounds to Mrs Roberts which are to be paid without any deduction) And my further Will and meaning is, that if the said money shall not be recovered and received in my Life time but that it may be necessary to carry on the Suite after my Death that my said Sister Sophia Hamilton my said Brother George Mordaunt and my said Neices Viscountess of Ikerrin and Elizabeth Hamilton and my said Nephew Charles Mordaunt do proportionably to the Legacies herein before severally given unto them advance money and contribute to carry on the said Suite and if any or either of them shall refuse to Advance and pay their several proportions of any Sume not under fifty pounds that shall be expended by the rest or any of them in prosecuting the said Suite then my Will is that such person or persons refusing to advance and pay their said proportion of the said Expences shall not be Intituled to their said Legacies Nevertheless my Will and meaning is that such money as shall be so Expended and advanced for carrying on the said Suite shall be repaid again besides their said several Legacies And I do hereby appoint my said Sister the Honble Sophia Hamilton and my said Brother the Honble George Mordaunt Executors of this my last Will and Testament and do hereby givn unto my said Executors their Heirs Executors and Administrators All the rest residue and other my estate of what kind or nature soever In Witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and Seale and publish and declare this as my last Will and Testament this fourth day of February One Thousand Seven hundred and Sixteen-Seventeen (1716) (C. ALSTON) Signed Sealed published and declared by the above named Testatrix the Honble Charlotte Lady Alston for and as her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have Subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto in presence of the said Testatrix—
Jon Hamilton Arabella Spencer Tho. Wilson.

Proved at London 3 February 1719 by the Hon. George Mordaunt one of the Executors power being reserved to the Hon. Sophia Hamilton the other Executor.

See Table 70 page 48.

Sir Joseph
Alston
Kt. & 1st Bt.
of Chelsea.
Exton
714
Admon
1720
April

Sir Joseph Alston Knt. and 1st Bart. of Chelsea (died 1688).
Letters of administration with will annexed granted 14 April 1720 to Mary widow and administratrix of Isaac Alston one of the executors and residuary legatees named in the will.

See Table 68 page 46.

Rev. Edward
Alston
of Branham.
Marlboro'
88

The will of Edward Alston B.D. Parson of the Parish of Branham with the Chapel of East Bergholt co. Suffolk Diocese of Norwich, also Patron and Rector of the Parsonage of Newton near Sudbury co. Suffolk dated 3^d Oct. 1719.

I desire to be buried in the Chancel of the parish church of Newton, near Sudbury as near my wife as may be.

I give to my eldest son Thomas Alston my messuage and lands in Boxford and Groton with Gents or Parsons Meadow given me by my grandmother Weatherel—also 4 acres of meadow ground lying in Fryers meadow Sudbury and Great Cornard—also my messuage and lands belonging to my farm in Assington Newton and Cornard called the Spite house, now in the possession of John Creswell—he to pay to my executors £150 with interest, according to the Mortgage given by him and his wife Mary—also to said son Thomas my messuage and farm in Botisham Cambridgeshire which I had with his mother.

I give to my son William and his heirs the advowson of the rectory of Newton, of which I am at present, the incumbent, and which I lately purchased.

I give to my son Nicholas £100 and to Edward his eldest son, my grandson and godson my largest and best silver tankard and I give to Mary Alston the eldest daughter of my son Thomas a small diamond ring with a single stone.

I give to my son William and his heirs my freehold Tenement in Newton.

I give to my youngest son Samuel and his heirs the White Lion Inn in Branham, Suffolk with the orchard and all lands belonging thereto—also my copyhold messuage called Skinners in East Bergholt with the orchard, close and houses—holden of the Manor of Old Hall.

I give also to Samuel £150 with lawful interest lent on mortgage to my son Thomas, and the residue of my real and personal estate unbequeathed—my son William to have all my divinity books, sermons and MSS. my physic books with my receipts relating to physic or surgery.

I give to my son Thomas all my law books.

I desire my son Samuel to pay to the poor of Branham 20/- and East Bergholt 40/- and to Newton 40/- and I appoint him sole executor.

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON

Witnesses: John Simons, James Hare, John Hills.

Proved 13 May 1722 by Samuel Alston son and executor named in will.

See Table 106, page 65.

**Samuel
Alston**
of London.
Admon
1724
February

Samuel Alston of St. Giles-in-the-fields County of Middlesex.
Letters of Administration granted 25 February 1723-4 to Mary Alston relict of the deceased.
Uncertain but see Tables 104 and 105 page 64.

**Penelope
Hoare**
als Alston
of Bideford.
Admon
1726
July

Penelope Hoare *als* Alston Letters of administration granted 6 July 1726 to John Hoare of Bideford in the County of Devon husband of the deceased
See Table 70 page 48.

Mary Clayton
als Alston
of
Chalfont St. Giles.
Auber
153

The will of Maria Clayton of the Vach in the parish of Chalfont St Giles co. Bucks widow dated 21 Sept. 1724
I desire to be buried in the Chancel of the parish church of Chalfont St Giles in or near the grave of my late husband James Clayton
I give my manor of Chalfont St Giles and the mansion called the Vach, with all my messuages tenements lands woods and hereditaments to my nephew Joseph Alston of Newhouse, co. Suffolk son of my brother Isaac Alston Esq with remainder to my godson Joseph son of Joseph my nephew and to his heirs male, in default of heirs male to the daughters of my said godson or to the rightful heirs of my nephew Joseph Alston.
My said godson Joseph when in possession of the estate may settle part as joynture for his wife—also my nephew and his son may lease any portion for a term of 21 years.
I give to Sir Eveling (*sic*) Alston Bart. £10 for mourning.
I give to Mrs Mary Alston widow of my brother Isaac £20 for mourning.
I give to my nieces Mrs Ann Arnold, Mrs Margaret Smith, Mrs Clare Carter, Mrs Martha Spence daughters of my brother Edward Alston £20 each for mourning.
I give to Mr John Arnold, Mr Thomas Carter, Mr Anthony Smith, and Mr Samuel Spence the respective husbands of my said nieces £10 for mourning
I give to my nephew Joseph Alston son of my brother Edward Alston fifteen (?) per annum
I give £10 to the poor of Chalfont St Giles to be distributed at my death
I give to Mrs Margaret } daughters of my }
Mary } Nephew Joseph Alston, } £20 each for mourning
Ann } of Newhouse }
Charlett }
I give to my god daughter Mary Alston daughter of my nephew Joseph £100
An annuity of £20 to my servant Elizabeth Kettleby, also the use of the red room and the outer room thereto belonging in the Gallery of my house (the Vach) with the furniture therein and free egress and ingress to said rooms—also yearly 6 loads of billet or faggot wood, with some convenient place to store it.
To Richard Betworth at the age of 21—£20
To Rebecca Bently my late servant £10
To my servants Tho. Stevens and Tho. Bettsworth £10 each if they shall be living with me at the time of my death.
The residue of my property I leave to my nephew Joseph Alston of Newhouse, whom I appoint sole executor
I give to my godson Joseph Alston £20 for mourning
I give to Mr Will. Besley 20 guineas and Mr John Markham 10 guineas
I leave the sum of £100 for a Monument of White marble to be set up at the upper end of the Chancel of the Church of Chalfont St Giles in the Corner near the window opposite the monument of my said deare husband.

(Signed) MARY CLAYTON

Witnesses: James Gaylor, Mary Clive, William Davies.

CODICELL—6 June 1728.

I give to Mr Will. Besley and Mr John Markham the sum of £200 in trust to be put out at interest for the benefit of my niece Ann Arnold, daughter of my late brother Edward Alston and her children. On the death of my niece and when the children respectively shall reach the age of 21, the said sum of £200 to be divided amongst them—Should John Arnold husband of Ann pre-decease his wife, then she is to receive the capital and interest of said £200 for her own use absolutely

(Signed) MARY CLAYTON

Witnesses: Hen. Carter, Anthony Ewer

Proved 19 June 1730 by Joseph Alston Esq. executor named in will.
See Table 68 page 46.

Joseph Alston
of Bristol.
Admon
1734
April

Joseph Alston—26th April power was granted to Joseph Alston Esq. the natural and lawful father of Joseph Alston the younger late of the parish of Edwardstone co. Suffolk but at the City of Bristol a Batchelor deceased having goods etc. to administer the goods chattels and credits of the said deceased being first sworn duly to administer.
See Table 90 page 58.

Joseph Alston
of Newhouse,
Edwardstone.
Derby
211

The will of Joseph Alston of Newhouse co. Suffolk Esq. dated 5 June 1734.
I desire to be buried in the Chancel of Edwardstone co. Suffolk between the Corps of my wife and daughter Mary.
I desire my just debts, funeral charges and legacies to be paid and charge all my Estates therewith.
I give to my mother Mrs Mary Alston for her life my mansion called Newhouse with the grounds and appurtenances thereof—the farm called Quicks and the land now occupied by John Hind—also the use of the furniture and Linen in Newhouse.
I give to my daughter Charlotte Alston £1000 in lieu of her share of the marriage settlement, for the portions of my daughters.
I declare that the sum of £1400 paid by me to Stephen Soam Esq. as the marriage portion of Ann my daughter was to be in lieu of any claim she might make on the marriage settlement of £3000.
I give further to my daughters Ann Soam and Charlotte Alston the sum of £1000 each provided that, they within six months after my death do release assure and assign unto my daughter Margaret Hare and her assigns, and also unto Charles Longueville of Norfolk St. co. Middlesex, Esq. and Marshe Dickinson of London—Gent my Trustees all their rights and Interests in and to the Estates of Doctor Charles Trumball their grandfather, deceased, and also in and to my real estates
I give to my said daughter Charlotte Alston one third of her grandfather's (Doctor Trumball) plate
I give to Charles Longueville and Marshe Dickinson all my freehold Estate herein before mentioned (subject to the life interest of my mother) in trust—they to sell or mortgage such part of my estate to meet the claims of debts, legacies and funeral expenses as my personal estate shall fall short of—the residue of my real estate I give to my daughter Margaret Hare with remainder to Charles Longueville and Marshe Dickinson in trust for my Grandson Robert Hare and his heirs male—in default of heirs male, to the daughters of my said daughter Margaret.
I give to my grandson Robert Hare all my Books.
(*Various legacies to servants*)
I devise all my Copyhold Estates to my daughter Margaret Hare and her heirs and I appoint her sole executrix of this my will.

(Signed) JOSEPH ALSTON
Witnesses: John Cholwell, John Kellett, D. Blaney

Proved 22 October 1736 by Margaret Hare (wife of the R^t Rev^d Francis Bishop of Chichester) the daughter and executrix named in will.

See Table 90 page 58.

William Alston
of Pavenham.
Derby
232

William Alston of Pavenham in the County of Bedford Gentleman bequeaths to his wife Anne Alston all his Manors Messuages Lands and Tenements, all the goods and chattels belonging to said wife before her marriage with testator, and the use during her lifetime of all other his goods and chattels.
To his father Mr Vere Alston and latter's wife, £10 each to buy mourning, the same amount to their two daughters, testator's sisters.
To testators two own sisters and brother Lord £10 each for mourning.
To his father Browne and wife and brother and sister Coates and Elizabeth Browne £10 each for mourning.
To sister Elizabeth Browne £20.
To brother Coates Browne all his books.
Debts, legacies and funerall expenses to be paid out of his real estate, the Heirs at law to raise money by mortgage, particularly the £300 a piece given to them by testator's father's will—the wife to join in such mortgage.
The real estate left to his wife for her life, at her death to be sold and the proceeds to be equally divided between testator's two sisters Frances and Mary and their heirs—Appoints Anne Alston the wife sole executrix.
To kinsman Thomas Alston £5.
To father Mr Alston the History of the Bible.
Proved 12th November 1736 by Anne Alston, Relict.
Unplaced but see Table 17 page 17.

John Alston
of St. Clement
Eastcheap
London.
Admon
1736-7
March

On the fourteenth day of March, 1736-7. Administration of the Goods Chattels and Credits of John Alston late of the Parish of St Clement Eastcheap London deceased was granted to Elizabeth Alston widow the Relict of the said deceased being first sworn duly to administer.

Unknown.

**Sir Joseph
Alston
Kt. & 4th Bt.,**
of Long Ditton.
Admon
1737
August

Sir Joseph Alston Knt. and 4th Bart. of Long Ditton

On the third day of August, 1737, issued forth a commission to John Hoare the husband and administrator of Penelope Hoare deced (whilst living) the natural and lawful sister and one of the next of kin of Sir Joseph Alston late of Ditton in the county of Surrey, deceased to administer the goods and chattels and credits of the said deceased being first sworn duly to administer Sir Evelyn Alston, Bart. and Elizabeth Chase (wife of Robert Chase) the brother and sister and only surviving next of kin of the said deceased first renouncing and letters of administration of the goods of the said deceased granted in December 1718 to the Hon. Edward Mountague Esq. curator of Dame Lucy Alston widow the relict of the said deceased then a minor being ceased and expired by reason of the death of the said Dame Lucy Alston.

See Table 70 page 48.

Philip Alston
of Avely.
Admon.
1739
February

Philip Alston of Avely in the County of Essex. Letters of Administration granted 9 February 1738—9 to Elizabeth Alston relict of the deceased.

Unknown, but apparently of East Anglian Origin.

Isaac Alston
of Ipswich.
Henchman
225

Isaac Alston of Ipswich in the County of Suffolk Wool Comber
To son Isaac £5 to be paid by executrix within one month of testator's death
To daughter Mary £60.
To daughter Deborah £50 on her reaching the age of 21.
To brother Edmund £5 to be spent by executrix in clothing him at her discretion.
To Samuel Parish of Ipswich Gentleman £10 to be expended for the benefit of the poor boys of the Charity school belonging to the two dissenting meeting houses in Ipswich.
To Mr William Notcutt 20/- for the poor of his congregation.
To each servant living with him at the time of his decease 5/-.
To each Journeyman Comber working with him 2/6.
All the real estate consisting of Houses Lands and Tenements to his wife Mary for her natural life, also, all ready money, Bonds, Bills, Book debts, plate household goods, Stock &c to Mary his wife, after payment of all just debts, Legacies, and funeral expenses.

After the death of testator's wife, the two daughters Mary and Deborah to have the further sum of £50 each and the residue of the estate both real and personal to go to testator's said 3 children Isaac Mary and Deborah Alston as Tenants in common and not as Joint tenants (except the sum of £100 left to his wife absolutely)—Should the wife remarry she must give security to the children for the several sums of money due to them at her death, should she refuse or neglect to do this, then the real and personal estate to go to the said three children, immediately upon her remarriage.

The wife Mary appointed sole executrix.

Sir John Bumpstead Supervisor of said will.

Proved 15 Nov^r 1739 by Mary Alston widow.

Unplaced, but apparently of East Anglian Origin

Mary Alston
of Edwardstone.

Spurway
26

The will of Mary Alston of Edwardston, co. Suffolk widow, dated 31st May 1737.
I desire to be buried in the parish church of Edwardston.
After payment of my debts and funeral expenses I give my right and interest in all monies as are payable out of the Chamber of London, by virtue of an Act for the relief of orphans &c. to my grand-daughters Anne Soame and Charlotte Alston in equal shares
I give to the said Charlotte Alston all my leasehold estate
I give to my grand-daughter Margaret Hare my diamond ring and gold buckle.
to my grand-daughter Anne Soame my silver candle sticks, snuffers and snuff pan.
I give to my niece Mary Orrel £5, my little silver cup, bible with silver clasps and Lord Hatton's psalter
I give to my nieces, Carter, Smith and Spence and to Edward Arnold, son to my niece Arnold, to my god-daughter Mary, daughter to my niece Smith, to Mr. Marshe Dickenson, Mrs. Blome, Susan Alston of Boxford widow, Mary Bird of the same, Sarah Barnard, Charles Lilleston, Mary and Elizabeth Bowen, Mrs. Sarah Smith widow, mother to my late servant Sarah Smith and John Hinde, one guinea each to buy rings in remembrance of me.
I give to the Rev. George Sheldon, vicar of Edwardston two guineas
I give to Mary Russell widow £10.
I give all my clothes to Sarah Barnard Mary Russel and Mary Bowen, to the latter I also give my little silver candle stick.
I give to the poor of the parish of Edwardston £5.
I give to my Niece Spence also my gold watch
The residue of my personal estate I give to my grand-daughter Charlotte Alston whom I appoint sole executrix
I give to Mrs. Elizabeth Flasby £5 5s.
I give to Mrs. Dobson relict of William Dobson £5.
I give to Thomas Smith one guinea

(Signed) MARY ALSTON

Witnesses : Joseph Green, Ann Green, Hannah Green

CODICIL. June 2nd 1737.

I give to Mary Bowen my servant the furniture and bedding in my chamber, stove and irons in the laundry, furniture of the bed and curtains in the green room. I give to Elizabeth Ayston wife of Samuel Ayston £1.

(Signed) MARY ALSTON.

Witnesses : Charles Lilleston, Sarah Barnard.

Proved with a Codicil 12th February, 1740 by Charlotte Alston, spinster, sole executor named in will.

Admon.
1789

On the 30th June, 1789, Letters of Administration, with the will and codicil annexed of the goods &c. of Mary Alston late of Edwardston, co. Suffolk, widow, left unadministered by Charlotte Naylor, formerly Alston (wife of Francis Hare Naylor, Esq.), sole executrix and residuary legatee named in will, were granted to Anne Hare, spinster, the niece, one of the next of kin and administratrix of the goods of said Charlotte Naylor (formerly Alston) deceased.

See Table 90 page 58.

Elizabeth Alston
of Ipswich.
Trenley
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The will of Elizabeth Alston the younger of Ipswich, co. Suffolk, spinster, dated 10 September, 1736.
I give to my mother Mrs. Elizabeth Alston for her life, with remainder to my sister Mrs. Ann Coles and to her daughter Ann Elizabeth Coles, my Messuage and farm, and all my lands, tenements, and hereditaments in the Town of Bramford, co. Suffolk.
I give £100 to my said sister Ann Coles on the death of my mother, the latter to have the interest of the same during her life.
I give the further sum of £100 to my sister Ann and her daughter Ann Elizabeth on the death of Mrs. Christian Colman of Ipswich, spinster, the latter to have the interest of said £100 for her life.
The sum of £300 to be put out at good interest by my executrix—any bequest to Ann Elizabeth Coles to be exclusive of the £100 agreed to be paid her by an Indenture made between my mother and me.
The remainder of my estate, after payment of my debts, funeral charges, etc., to be equally divided between Ann Coles, Ann Elizabeth Coles, and Christian Coleman.
I appoint my mother sole executrix and at her death I nominate my said sister Ann Coles and Christian Coleman executrices.

(Signed) ELIZABETH ALSTON, Junior.

Witnesses : Peregrine Love, Lott Knight junior, Robert Capon.

Proved 19th May, 1742, by Elizabeth Alston, widow, the executrix named in will.

See Table 6 page 8.

Lady Elizabeth Alston
of Odell.
Admon
1742
December

Dame Elizabeth Alston. On the 1st December, 1742. Administration of the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of Dame Elizabeth Alston late of Odell in the County of Bedford deceased was granted to Sir Rowland Alston Baronet the lawful Husband of the said deceased being first sworn duly to Administer.

See Table 16 page 17.

Joseph Alstone
of
H.M.S. "Boyne."
Admon.
1743
August

Joseph Alstone. On the 9th August, 1743, Administration of the Goods, Chattels, and credits of Joseph Alstone formerly belonging to His Majesty's Ship the "Burford," afterwards to the "Princess Caroline," but on board His Majesty's Ship the "Boyne," Batchelor, deceased, was granted to Mary Drake (wife of John Drake) the natural and lawfull Sister and next of kin of the said deceased being first sworn by Commisison duly to administer.

Unknown.

Elizabeth Alston
of Southwark.
Admon.
1749
July

Elizabeth Alston. On the 22nd July, 1749, Administration of all and singular the Goods, chattels, and credits of Elizabeth Alston, late of the parish of Saint Saviour, Southwark, in the co. of Surry, widow, deceased, was granted to William Alston, the natural and lawful son of the said deceased being first sworn duly to administer the same.

Unknown.

Robert Alston
of St. Mary Overy
Potter
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Will of Robert Allston of St. Mary Overy in the County of Surrey, Salesman, bequeaths to his wife, Elizabeth Allston, freehold house in Tuly Street called Tuly Gate, commonly called the Hole in the Wall.
To son William Allston two leasehold houses situate at Green Bank in East Smithfield, half the stock in trade and book debts—also an estate near Chipping and Reackfoot in Lancaster and another estate Copyhold in the parish of Chipping, with the sum of £50
The rest of the estate both real and personal to said wife Elizabeth
To Edward Davis Shoemaker 10/6 to buy a ring
Elizabeth the wife appointed sole executrix
Proved in London August 27, 1747 by Elizabeth Allston the Relict.
On the 10th August 1749 Administration granted to William Allston son of above and Administrator of the Goods of Elizabeth his mother deceased.
Unknown, perhaps a Lancashire Alston.

Robert Alston
of London.
Lisle
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The will of Robert Alston of Fenchurch Street, London, merchant dated 15 October 1749
I desire to be decently buried at the discretion of my executrix.
I give to my dear wife Hannah Alston and her heirs whatever money, lands, tenements goods &c. that I shall die possessed of
I leave to her care and management my children and appoint her sole executrix of this my will.
(Signed) ROBERT ALSTON
Witnesses: William Cracraft, Thomas Severs.
Proved 31st October 1749 by Hannah Alston widow, the relict and sole executrix
Unknown.

William Alston
of Bramford.
Lisle
302

The will of William Alston of Bramford, co. Suffolk Esq. dated 10 March 1746/7.
I desire to be buried in the middle aisle of the parish church of Bramford as near my dear late wife as may be—I desire my executor to have a grave stone laid there within 6 months after my decease with a short inscription in memory of me and my said wife with our arms engraved thereon.
I give to my eldest son William Alston my messuage, lands, tenements and hereditaments in Bramford and Blakenham co. Suffolk upon certain conditions hereafter mentioned
I give to my second son Thomas the interest of all my stock in the Bank of England until he reach the age of 21 years, on his attaining that age, the stock to be his.
Should Thomas die before the age of 21 the Stock to be equally divided between my son William and my youngest son Joseph—The dividends on said stock have been received for me by my friend Mr. John Coles of Fleet St. London.
I give to my son Joseph Alston £60 to pay the fine and fees due upon his admission to the copyhold lands in Chelsworth, part of the estate of Bildeston which will come to him at my death
I also give to my said son Joseph £150 to put him to some employment at the age of 16, or should his guardian send him to one of the universities, to take orders hereafter which I much approve, the said sum with interest to be paid to said Joseph at the age of 21
I desire that William pay to Joseph the sum of £150 before mentioned—also in case the Bank Stock shall not be worth £600 at the time my son Thomas attains his majority, my son William is to make up the deficiency—the above provision for my two younger sons is over and above the sum of £500 intended to be raised for them upon the Bildeston estate by virtue of the appointment of my wife dated 12 Sep. 1738

I give to my brother-in-law Jacob Brand Esq. my right in an annuity in the Exchequer in the name of Prewé Downing since Prewé Nicholson, in trust to pay the same to my said three sons.

I appoint the said Jacob Brand, executor of this my will and trustee for my sons during their minority, should he die before my sons are 21 I appoint my sister Mrs. Brand their guardian

I give £10 each to Mr. and Mrs. Brand for mourning

I give a mourning ring value a guinea to my friend William Swinburne of Gray's Inn; Esq.

The same to my friend Mr. Coles

I give £10 to Mrs. Susan Evans

I give all my law books to my son William and all my other books to be divided between my three sons according as my executor thinks fit

I bequeath to each of my sons a large and a small silver salver, and 2 silver spoons engraved with an unicorn's head.

I give to Thomas my son, the pearl snuff box studded with gold, my gold pair of sleeve buttons and one coffee pot

I give to Joseph my green jasper ring set in gold.

I give to my servant Ambrose Brown two guineas

I give to the poor of the Parishes of Bildeston and Bramford, each parish 40/-

The residue of my estate I give to my son William.

(Signed) WILLIAM ALSTON

Witnesses: Thos. Willson, Martin Cobbald, John Cobbald.

CODICIL—July 1st, 1749.

Out of the residue of my estate I desire my son William to pay to my son Joseph the further sum of £100

(Signed) WILLIAM ALSTON

Proved with Codicil October 31 1749 by Jacob Brand sole executor named in will.

See Table 6 page 8.

Samuel Alston
of East Bergholt
Bettesworth.

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The will of Samuel Alston of East Bergholt, co. Suffolk gentleman dated 4 October 1752.

I give to my nephew Edward Alston and his heirs son of my brother Nicholas Alston deceased all my messuages farms, lands, woods and estates (with all rights thereto belonging), situate in the parish of St. Osith, co. Essex also my messuage farms lands woods &c. in the parish of Wheeley, co. Essex, my messuage lands &c. in Great Holsand, co. Essex—the same in Brantham, co. Suffolk the same purchased from Mrs. Partridge widow in East Bergholt, now in the occupation of John Skinner, Anthony Lewis and my own occupation—also my messuage lands &c. in East Bergholt, now in the occupation of Widow Page, John Abbott and myself

I give to my brother Thomas Alston £10.

I give to my brother William Alston £10

Also to such of the children of Thomas Alston as shall be living at my decease £5 each

I give to the children of my brother William £5 each

I give to my nephew Thomas son of my brother Nicholas £10

I give to my servants 20/- each

I give to the poor of the parish of Newton 40/-

I give to the poor of the parish of East Bergholt 40/-

The rest of my goods, chattels, plate, mortgages, bonds, securities, notes and the residue of my real and personal estate I give to my said nephew Edward Alston and appoint him sole executor of this my will

Mark of SAMUEL ALSTON X

Witnesses: James Michell, Hepⁿ Earl, Richard Frost

Proved the 4th November 1752 by Edward Alston nephew of deceased and sole executor named in will.

See Table 106 page 65.

Thomas Alston
of London:
Paul
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24 The will of Thomas Alston of the parish of St. Botolph without Aldersgate London, gold and silver wire drawer, dated February 1741/2

I desire to be buried at the discretion of my executrix

I will that my debts and funeral charges be first paid

I give to my mother Margaret Alston £5

I give to my brother William Alston

I give to my sister Mary Hartland widow } One guinea each

I give to my sister Dorothy Cole

I give to my wife Sarah Alston all my real and personal estate and appoint her sole executrix, revoking all former wills

(Signed) THOMAS ALSTON

Witnesses: Nathaniel Jenner, Edward Godolphin

Proved 3rd January 1755 by Sarah Alston widow the relict of deceased and sole executrix named in will

Unplaced.

**Elizabeth
Alston**
of Westminster.
Admon.
1756
May

Elizabeth Alston—On the 15th May, 1756, Administration of the goods chattels and credits of Elizabeth Alston late of the parish of St. James Westminster co. Middlesex Spinster deceased was granted to Sir Rowland Alston Baronet the natural and lawful father of the said deceased having been first sworn duly to administer

See Table 16 page 17.

John Alston
of London.
Admon.
1757
March

John Alston. On the 28th March, 1757, Administration of the goods chattels and credits of John Alston late of the parish of St. George Hanover Sq. co. Middlesex deceased was granted to Philip Alston Clerk the natural and lawful son of the said deceased having been first sworn duly to administer

Unknown. See Administration Rev. Philip Alston, page 142 post.

**Samuel
Alston L.L.D.**
of Gunthorpe.
Admon.
1758
April

Samuel Alston. On the 5th April, 1758, Administration of all and singular the goods chattels and credits of Samuel Alston Doctor of laws late of Gunthorpe co. Norfolk widower deceased was granted to Joseph Alston the uncle and curator lawfully assigned to Samuel Alston an infant the natural and lawful son and only child of the said deceased for the use and benefit of the said infant until he shall reach the age of 21 years having been first sworn duly to administer.

See Table 107 page 65.

**W. H. S.
Alston**
of London.
Admon.
1758
July

William Hugh Steele Alston—On the 17th July, 1758, Administration of the goods chattels and credits of W. H. S. Alston late of the parish of St. Giles in the Fields co. Middlesex a bachelor was granted to Theodosia Alston widow the natural and lawful mother of the said deceased having been first sworn duly to administer.

Unknown. See will of Theodosia Alston page 142 post.

**Sir Rowland
Alston**
3rd Bart.
of Odell.
Arran
1

The will of Sir Rowland Alston of Odell, co. Bedford Baronet dated 27th May, 1758.

(Recites articles of agreement made on the marriage of his son Thomas with Katherine Davis Bovie)

I give to my son Rowland Alston the sum of £2000 chargeable upon certain estates in Northampton, Kent and Middlesex—also the sum of £10,000 to be paid to him out of my personal estate with interest at 3 per cent until he receives the principal—also the freehold, copyhold and leasehold messuages, lands, tenements, and hereditaments which I lately purchased of my brother the Rev. Vere John Alston in or near Pavenham, co. Bedford.

Several sums of money given to my said son Rowland and to my daughter Ann Pye are to be considered gifts and not part of their legacies or portions provided for them by the settlement made on my marriage with Elizabeth my wife deceased.

I give to John Orlibar of Puddington, co. Bedford Esq. and to John Bullock of Sharnbrook, co. Bedford Esq. upon trust £4000 the same to be invested in Government securities and the interest to be paid to my daughter Ann Pye, at her death the said sum of £4000 to be divided equally amongst her children, should she die childless, the said sum to be given to my son Rowland Alston.

I desire my executors to spend £50 on a tomb stone for me and my wife in Odell Church also in beautifying the chancel of said church wherein I desire to be buried.

I desire that my funeral expenses should not exceed £30 if I die at Pavenham, or £50 should I die elsewhere.

I give £5 to be distributed to the poor of Odell.

I give £5 to be distributed to the poor of Pavenham.

I give £5 to be distributed to the poor of Steventon.

I desire that John Amis of Odell Gentleman be employed to assist my executors in the execution of my will and that he be liberally paid for his trouble.

The residue of my estate I desire should be equally divided between my two children Rowland Alston and Ann Pye—John Orlibar and John Bullock to be trustees for my said daughter and sole executors of this my will, for their trouble I desire them to accept the sum of twenty guineas each

(Signed) R. ALSTON

Witnesses: Thomas Goostrey, William Walter Barnett, Peter Averillo, Clerks to Mr. Goostrey

Proved 15th January 1759 by John Orlibar one of the executors named in will, with power reserved to John Bullock

Grant of Letters of administration with above will annexed

On the 16th July Administration (with the Will annexed) of the goods chattels &c. of Sir Rowland Alston late of Odell, co. Bedfordshire but in the parish of St. Mary Le Bone co. Middlesex Bart. deceased left unadministered by John Orlibar Esq. one of the Executors now deceased was granted to Rowland Alston Esq. the natural and lawful son of and one the residuary legatees having been first sworn duly to administer John Bullock the other executor dying before he had taken upon him the execution thereof.

See Table 16 page 17.

Elizabeth
Alston
of Westminster.
Admon.
1759
February

Elizabeth Alston—On the 8th February 1759, Administration of the goods chattels and credits of Elizabeth Alston late of the parish of St. James Westminster co. Middlesex Spinster deceased left unadministered by Sir Rowland Alston Baronet deceased whilst living the natural and lawful father of the said deceased was granted to John Orlebar Esq. one of the executors named in the will of the said Sir Rowland Alston deceased having been first sworn duly to administer

See Table 16 page 17.

Jacob Alston
of Polstead.
Lynch
271

The will of Jacob Alston of Polstead, co. Suffolk gent. dated 12th April 1759.

I give to my grandson Jacob Alston the messuage and farm with the buildings and lands situate on Wickerstreet Green in Boxford upon the expiration of the present lease, upon condition that he pay to my daughters Elizabeth and Sarah Alston within one year after the expiration of said lease the sum of £100 each, also for 3 years that he pay to them the rent or sum of £24 for said farm.

I give to my daughter Mary the wife of John Wisto the sum of £50 and an annuity of £4

The sum of £100 with interest due to me from John Wisto I desire to be divided among the children of my daughter Mary Wisto

I also give to my grand-daughters Mary and Hannah Wisto £100 each with remainder to the survivor

I give to my daughter Martha the wife of Josias Shansfield the sum of £50 with an annuity of £4

The sum of £100 due to me from Josias Shansfield with interest to be divided among the children of my daughter Shansfield

I give to my grand-daughters Martha, Elizabeth, Mary and Sarah Shansfield £100 each, with remainder to the survivors or survivor.

Should my grandson die before the expiration of the lease of the farm, I give the said farm to my two daughters Elizabeth and Sarah Alston as tenants in common, subject to a yearly rent charge to each of my daughters Mary Wisto and Martha Shansfield, and the further payment of £50 a piece to my above said six grand-daughters.

I give to my dear wife Elizabeth £20

The residue of my estate, I give to my two daughters Elizabeth and Sarah as tenants in common and not as joint tenants and appoint them executrixes of this my will.

(Signed) JACOB ALSTON

Witnesses: George Benyon, Nathaniel Adams, Toll. Bacon.

CODICIL 31st March 1760.

The sum of £100 due to me from my son-in-law Josias Shansfield to be given to my grand-daughter Katherine Shansfield, born since the making of above will, on her reaching the age of 21.

I give to my grand-daughters, Mary and Hannah Wisto, and Martha, Elizabeth, Mary, Sarah and Katherine Shansfield an annuity of 20/. each until they attain the age of 21, besides the legacies left to them in my will.

(Signed) JACOB ALSTON

Witnesses: Hannah Mitchell, Toll. Bacon, Richard Lifton junr.

Proved 3rd July 1760 by Elizabeth and Sarah Alston spinsters, daughters of deceased and executrixes named in will.

See Table A12 page 85.

**Rev. Philip
Alston
of Stepney.
Admon.
1761
January**

The Reverend Philip Alston—On the 10th January, 1761, Administration of all and singular the goods chattels and credit of Philip Alston late of Poplar in the parish of St. Dunstan Stepney, co. Middlesex, clerk, bachelor, deceased was granted to Thomas Pattle a creditor of the said deceased having been first sworn duly to administer Philip Hackett the cousin german and only next of kin having first renounced.

Unknown. See administration John Alston, page 140 ante.

**Theodosia
Alston
of London.
Cheslyn
199**

The will of Theodosia Alston of Denmark Street, St. Giles in the Fields, co. Middlesex, widow, dated 30th May, 1761
I desire to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors and after payment of my debts and funeral expenses
I give to my Aunt Mary Steele widow of Richard Steele £10
I give to Elizabeth Linzee wife of Edward Linzee my Aunt Mary's daughter £5.
I give to my cousin Nicholas Steele £5.
I give to my cousin Hugh John Steele £5.
I give to my Aunt Mary Garbut wife of Thomas Garbut £10.
I give to my cousin Jane Priest £5.
I give to my cousin Elizabeth Marks £5.
I give to Mr. James Moliette junr. 20 guineas for his kindness and good offices.
I give to Henry Bonnell £5.
I give to Edward Linzee, the husband of my cousin Elizabeth and Henry Bonnell £10 to be divided between two people, objects of charity as I have privately directed them
I desire Edward Linzee of Holbourn, parish of St. Andrews Cabinet maker and Henry Bonnell of Duke Street St. James, Cabinet maker both of the co. of Middlesex, to receive the residue of my estate and to divide the same among the relations named in my will.

The mark of THEODOSIA ALSTON X
Witnesses: Robert Richmond, Jonathan Thistleton.

Proved 16th June 1761 by Edward Linzee executor, with power reserved to Henry Bonnell.

Unknown. See administration W. H. S. Alston, page 140 ante.

**George Alston
of H.M.S.
"Lively."
Admon.
1762
May**

George Alston. On the 3rd May, 1762, Administration of the goods chattels and credits of George Alston late a seaman belonging to H.M. Ship the Lively in the pay of H.M. Navy Bachelor deceased was granted to William Clarke the lawful attorney of Samuel Alston the natural and lawful father of the said deceased for the use and benefit of the said Samuel Alston now residing at Aldford, co. Chester, he having been first sworn duly to administer.

Unknown, perhaps of the Lancashire family.

**Joseph Allstone
of H.M.S.
"Royal William."
Admon.
1764
April**

Joseph Allstone. On the 4th April, 1764, Administration of the goods, chattels and credits of Joseph Allstone late a marine on board his Majesty's Ship the Royal William in the pay of His Majesty's Navy bachelor deceased was granted to James Slade Esq. the lawful Attorney of Thomas Allstone the natural and lawful father of the said deceased for the use and benefit of the said Thomas Allstone now residing at Chard, co. Somerset, he having been first sworn duly to administer.

Unknown, possibly a West Country Alston.

Sir Thomas
Alston Bart.
of Odell.
Bellas
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In the name of God Amen. I Sir Thomas Alston of Odell in the County of Bedford Baronet being in perfect health and understanding do make this my last Will and Testament of and concerning all the estate and effects which I die possessed of or entitled to. In the first place I desire all my just debts and funeral expenses to be paid by my Executrix hereinafter named as soon as conveniently after my decease all and singular my lands messuages and hereditaments whether freehold leasehold copyhold or otherwise situate and being in the parish of Lyd and in Molash in the County of Kent and in the parish of Harrold in the said County of Bedford or elsewhere with their respective appurtenances which descended and came to me as Nephew and heir-at-law of Mrs. Ann Mead late of Harrold aforesaid widow deceased and all and singular other and every my messuages land and estate of what nature or kind soever or wheresoever the same be which I die possessed of or now am or shall be in any way entitled to in reversion remainder or expectancy with their appurtenances I do hereby give devise and bequeath the same and every part thereof unto Margaret Lee of Great James Street in the parish of Saint Margaret Westminster Spinster and to her heirs for ever for her only proper use and behoof and as her own estate absolutely Also all and singular my rents arrears of rents dues and demands owing or belonging to me all my household goods furniture chattels real and personal money in the stocks or public funds security and acknowledgment for money of every sort linen plate and all others my personal estate and effects of what nature or kind soever the same now is or may hereafter consist of and wheresoever the same be at my decease I give and bequeath the same to the said Margaret Lee Executrix of this my Will and do declare this only to be my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal this sixth day of September 1766.

(Signed) THOS. ALSTON, (L.S.)

Signed sealed and declared by the said Sir Thomas Alston as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto in the presence of the testator and of each other Jno. Marsh, W. Myddelton, Thos. Orlebar Marsh.

Proved at London 21 November 1776 before the Worshipful Andrew Coltus Ducenal Doctor of Laws and Surrogate by the oath of Margaret Lee Spinster the Executrix to whom administration was granted having been first duly sworn to administer. A definitive sentence having been first pronounced and promulged for the validity of the Will as by the Acts of Court specified thereon appear.

Geo. Gostling } Deputy
Nath. Gosling } Registrars.
R. C. Cresswell }

See Table 16 page 17.

Lady Catherine
Davies Alston
of Odell and
Stafford.
Hay
230

Will of Dame Catherine Davies Alston, widow, relict of Sir Thomas Alston, late of Odell, co. Bedford, baronet. Dated 4th August, 1774. First Codicil dated 7 April, 1778; second Codicil dated 2 May, 1778. Proved 25th June, 1778, in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Testatrix is called "of Stafford" in the index.

Testatrix gives to John Wasse, of Stafford, £100 a year out of her estates, the same sum to her son Charles, aged 4 years, and to her daughter Hannah, aged 11 years. All property in Bedford and Cambridge in trust, to son John, aged 14, daughter Frances, aged 18, and daughter Catherine, aged 17. Gold watch and seal to Hannah, snuff-box to Charles, diamonds and rest of jewels to John. Residue to be divided equally between Charles and Hannah.

CODICIL, April 7th, 1778, leaves £1,000 to John.

See Table 16, page 17, and Table 16x, page 78.

Elizabeth
Alston
of London.
Collins
169

The will of Elizabeth Alston of Wells Street Spitalfields co. Middlesex spinster, dated 20th November 1768. I desire my body to be buried at the discretion of my executrix. I give to my niece Elizabeth Huddebull all my wearing apparel, with all my estate real and personal and appoint her sole executrix.

(Signed) ELIZABETH ALSTON.

Witnesses: Thomas Bradley, George Archer.

Proved 27th April 1780 by Elizabeth Huddebull spinster niece and sole executrix named in will.

Unknown.

**William
Alston**
of London.
Collins
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The will of William Alston of Pepper Alley in the parish of Saint Saviour Southwark co. Surrey, salesman, 8th March 1780.
I desire my debts, funeral charges and probate of this my will to be first paid.
I give to my friend William Calvert of Park St. parish of St. Saviour gent. £40 and my gilt watch.
I give to my cousin Ann Molineaux of Mewington (*sic*) Butts widow £20.
I give to my poor cousin Ann Moore £20.
I give to Elizabeth Pitts of the Fishmongers' Almshouses at Newington Butts £20.
I give to my cousin Mary wife of — Lawrence of Moorfields London, tailor, £20 and a ring value one guinea.
I give my servant Sarah Francis £5 for mourning.
I give to my friend — Wickam of Shoreditch widow and weaver £10 and to each of her four children living at the time of my death £10 to be paid them at the age of 21—the interest to be applied for their benefit in the mean time.
I give to William Calvert, Ann Molineaux, Elizabeth Pitts, Mrs. Wickham and my friends John Paylor of Sun Court, Cornhill, Gentleman, and John Beams of Islington gent. a mourning ring each value one guinea.
The residue of my goods, money and estate I give to Mary Johnson, spinster, now living with me.
I appoint the said Mary Johnson and William Calvert, executors.

(Signed) WILLIAM ALSTON.

Witnesses: Thomas Clark, William Spear.

Proved 13th May 1780 by Mary Johnson spinster and William Calvert executors named in will.

Unknown.

**Samuel
Alston**
of Halstead.
Webster
2

The will of Samuel Alston of Halsted co. Essex Surgeon dated 2 December 1774.
I give to my uncle Mr. Joseph Alston of Halstead his heirs and assigns, all my lands tenements, hereditaments and real estate, also my personal estate and appoint him sole executor.

(Signed) SAMUEL ALSTON.

Witnesses: Thomas Ryder, Thomas Ryder junr., E. Thresher.

Proved 19th January 1781 by Joseph Alston the sole executor named in will.

See Table 107 page 65.

**Elizabeth
Alston**
of Newton.
Webster
460

The will of Elizabeth Alston of Newton, co. Suffolk widow dated 6th October 1779.
I desire my executor and executrix to place out at interest on Land or Government Stock the sum of £200 in trust for the benefit of my cousin Mary wife of Charles Otley, formerly Mary Harrison spinster she to receive the interest of said sum half yearly and at her death the principal to be equally divided amongst her then surviving child or children.
I give to my cousin Catharine wife of — Bennett of Brent Eleigh co. Suffolk gardener the sum of £100 to be paid within one year of my decease, should she die before that time, the said sum to be equally divided between the children of my cousin Thomas Wright late of Sudbury, Suffolk Innholder.
I give to Elizabeth Dansie of Polstead, co. Suffolk widow and my executrix, the interest of the sum of £200, the principal I give to Thomas Dansie only child of said Elizabeth Dansie, in the event of the death of said Thomas before the age of 21, the money to be equally divided between Sarah, Elizabeth, and William, three of the children of William Tiffen the elder of Newton farmer and my executor.
I give to Joseph and William Sparrow the two sons of Martha wife of Joseph Sparrow of Groton, co. Suffolk husbandman £30 each—the interest to be applied to their education
I give to Elizabeth wife of Thomas Pawsey formerly Elizabeth Shansfield, spinster, £60.
I give to Sarah, wife of John Gardiner, another daughter of Josiah Shansfield £40—both these legacies to go to the children of said Elizabeth and Sarah, should they die before receiving the same.
I give to Sarah Tiffen (*or Tiffin*) one of the daughters of said William Tiffen the elder £120.
To William Tiffen £50 } children of William Tiffen the elder.
To Elizabeth Tiffen £50 }
I also give to Thomas Wright of Sudbury, Innholder £10.
I give my household goods and linen to Sarah Tiffen daughter of said William Tiffen the elder
I give my clothes and wearing linen to Elizabeth Dansie and Sarah Tiffen.
The residue of my goods, chattels, ready money, bills, bonds, mortgages and all my personal estate I give to the said Elizabeth Dansie and William Tiffen the elder my executrix and executor to be equally divided between them.

(Signed) ELIZABETH ALSTON.

Witnesses: Samuel Alston, George Alston, Samuel Alston junr.

Proved 27th October 1781 by Elizabeth Westrup formerly Dansie wife of Ralph Westrup and William Tiffen the elder, executors named in will.

See Table A12 page 85. Note second marriage of Elizabeth, daughter and executrix of testatrix, to Ralph Westrup. This is not given in the Stemmat.

Sir Evelyn
Alston
Kt. & 6th Bt.
of Chelsea.
Cornwallis

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The will of Sir Evelyn Alston Bart, of Chelsea and Mile End, Dated 17th April, 1871.

In the Name of God Amen I Sir Evelyn Alston of Mile End in the County of Middlesex Knight and Bart. Do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) First I direct that my Debts Funerall expences and the charges of proving this my Will be paid by my Executor out of the first Monies that shall come to his hands and subject thereto I give and bequeath unto Thomas Baker of Saint Saviours Church Yard, Southwark in the County of Surry Gentleman the sum of Two hundred pounds, now due to me on Bond from Richard Filewood of Lambeth in the County of Surry Esq. upon Trust as soon as convenient after my decease to call in and receive the said Sum of Two hundred pounds and to lay out the same when received in the purchase of Three per Cent. consolidated Bank Annuities or upon Mortgage as he shall think proper upon the Trusts herein after mentioned that is to say upon Trust to pay to or otherwise to permit and suffer my dear Wife Elizabeth Alston to receive and take the Dividends or Interest thereof for and during her natural Life and after her decease upon Trust to pay the Interest, or Dividends thereof unto my Sisters Penelope Alston, Spinster, and Sarah the wife of William Attree of Redhill in the parish of Reigate in the County of Surry equally share and share alike for and during the Term of their respective natural Lives and in case of the death of either of my said sisters then I direct that the whole of such Interest or Dividends shall be paid unto the Survivor of them and from and after the decease of both my said Sisters upon Trust that my said Trustees do and shall Assign and Transfer the said Stock or Fund so to be purchased or get in and pay the principal Money to be secured by such Mortgage as aforesaid unto the said William Attree his Executors Administrators or Assigns to and for his and their own use and Benefit Also I give and bequeath unto the said Thomas Baker the Sum of One hundred pounds New four per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities And also the Sum of One hundred pounds due to me on Bond from Abraham Dakin together with the Dividends and Interest that shall be due thereon at my decease Subject as aforesaid upon Trust that he my said Trustee does and shall so soon as conveniently may be Assign Transfer and dispose of the said one hundred pounds four per Cent. Consolidated Annuities and also do and shall call in and receive the said one hundred pounds and Interest so due on the said Bond as aforesaid And after the same shall be so as aforesaid Assigned Transferred got in and received do and shall lay out and dispose of the Money to arise by sale and transfer of the said Annuities and also by receipt of the said Bond in the purchase of an Annuity as he my said Trustee shall think most beneficial for the Lives of my said two Sisters Penelope and Sarah the wife of the said William Attree and the Life of the Survivor of them Upon the Trusts hereafter mentioned that is to say Upon Trust in the first place to deduct and retain to himself thereout all such Costs Charges and Expences as he shall from time to time be put unto in the execution of the Trusts hereby in him reposed And also the yearly Sum of two Guineas for his Trouble during so long time as she (*sic*) shall continue to Act in the Trusts hereby in him reposed And after payment thereof upon Trust to pay the remainder of the said Annuity and the Arrears thereof as the same shall arise or come to his hands unto them my said two Sisters during their joint Lives in manner following that is to say one equal moiety or half part of the produce of the said Annuity unto my Sister Sarah the Wife of the said William Attree by two equal half Yearly payments to and for her own sole and separate use independent of her present or any future Husband and her Receipt alone to be a sufficient Discharge to my said Trustees for the same And the other Moiety of the produce of the said Annuity unto my said Sister Penelope To be paid her by weekly payments by my said Trustee to and for her own use And in case of the death of either of my said Sisters then I give the whole Income and produce of the said Annuity unto the survivor of them To be paid to her in the same manner and proportions as her Moiety is above directed to be paid Also I give unto the said William Attree all my wearing Apparel of what nature or kind soever Watch Rings Buckles Buttons and all other Things which I usually wear about my person to and for his own use and benefit Also I give unto my said Wife the Use and Enjoyment of all my Household Goods and Furniture Linnen China Plate and other things in and about my Dwelling house during the term of her natural Life Upon Condition nevertheless that she does and shall within one month after my decease Sign and deliver unto my Executor an Inventory thereof and after the decease of my said Wife I give the same unto the aforesaid William Attree to and for his own use and benefit and Lastly I do nominate constitute and appoint the said Thomas Baker Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In Witness whereof to two parts hereof set my Hand and Seal this seventeenth day of April One thousand seven hundred and eighty one EVELYN ALSTON Signed sealed published and declared by the said Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses John Wilkinson Joseph Cane

Codicil—Whereas I Sir Evelyn Alston of Mile End in the County of Middlesex Knight and Baronet have in and by my last Will and Testament bearing date the seventeenth day of April One thousand seven hundred eighty one among other things given and bequeathed unto Thomas Baker therein named the Sum of One hundred pounds New four per Cent. Annuities and also the Sum of One hundred pounds due to me on Bond from Abraham Dakin together with the Interest and Dividends that shall be due thereon respectively at my decease Upon the Trusts in my said Will mentioned concerning the same Now I do hereby revoke and make void the said Bequest so far as concerns the Trusts thereof in my said Will mentioned And do give the said Sum of One hundred pounds New four per Cent. Consolidated Bank Annuities And also the said Sum of One hundred Pounds due on Bond from the said Abraham Dakin together with the Interest and Dividends that shall be due thereon at my Decease Subject also to the payment of my Debts Funeral expences and the Charges of proving this my Will with other parts of my Estate as in my said Will mentioned unto the said Thomas Baker upon the Trusts following, that is to say Upon Trust to Assign and Transfer the said Sum of One hundred pounds New four per Cent. Annuities and to call in and receive the said Sum of One hundred pounds due on Bond as aforesaid And after the same shall be so assigned transferred and received do and shall lay out the money arising from the sale and transferr of the said One hundred pounds four per Cent. Annuities and the Dividends thereof in the purchase of an Annuity for the Life of my Sister Penelope Alston upon the Trusts following (that is to say) upon Trust to pay the yearly produce of the said Annuity (after such deductions are made thereout by my Executor as hereinafter mentioned and subject thereto) unto my said Sister Penelope during her natural Life to be paid her by Weekly payments And upon further Trust to lay out the said Sum of One hundred pounds so due on the said Bond when the same shall be got in and received as aforesaid on Mortgage or other good Security as my said Trustee shall think proper and to pay the Interest thereof as the same shall from time to time become due and be received by him unto my Sister Sarah the wife of William Attree for and during her natural Life to and for her own sole and separate use independent of her present or any future Husband and her Receipt alone shall from time to time be a sufficient discharge for the same and after the decease of my said Sister Sarah upon Trust to pay

the said principal Sum of One hundred pounds or to Assign and Transferr the Security in which the same shall be invested together with all arrears of Interest which shall be then due and unpaid unto the said William Attree his Executors Administrators and Assigns And I do hereby give and bequeath unto the said Thomas Baker my Executor the yearly sum of two Guineas for his trouble during so long time as he shall continue to act in the Trust hereby in him reposed which yearly Sum of two Guineas I direct shall be paid to or retained by the said Thomas Baker during the Life of my said Sister Penelope out of the yearly income and produce of the said Annuity so to be purchased for her life as aforesaid and after her decease out of the said yearly Interest and produce of the Moneys hereby given to or for the use of my Sister Sarah during her Life as aforesaid And I hereby authorize and empower my said Trustee to deduct and retain to himself out of any part of the Monies hereby bequeathed or the produce thereof all such Costs Charges and Expences as he shall from time to time be put unto or sustain by reason or means of the Trust in him reposed And Lastly I do hereby ratify and confirm my said Will in all respects not hereby altered or revoked And do publish and declare this to be a Codicil to my said Will and direct that the same may be proved therewith In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of April One thousand seven hundred and eighty two EVELYN ALSTON Signed sealed published and declared by the said Sir Evelyn Alston as and for a Codicil to his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other have subscribed our Names as Witnesses John Kennard Charles Wright

I hereby nominate constitute and appoint William Attree my Sister Sarah's Husband joint Executor of my Will with Thomas Baker and declare this to be a part of the aforesaid Codicil As Witness my hand this fourteenth day of April One thousand seven hundred and eighty two EVELYN ALSTON Witness to the signing and sealing John Kennard Charles Wright

This Will was proved at London with two Codicils the eighth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty three before the Worshipful William Macham Doctor of Laws Surrogate of the Right Worshipful Peter Calvert Doctor of Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the oath of Thomas Baker the Executor named in the Will and William Attree the Executor named in the second Codicil to whom administration of all and singular the Goods Chattels and Credits of the deceased was granted they having been first sworn duly to administer.

See Table 71 page 49.

Lady
Elizabeth Alston
of Chelsea and
Mile End.
Cornwallis
441

The will of Lady Elizabeth Alston of Mile End co. Middlesex widow of Sir Evelyn Alston dated 13th March 1783.
I give to Samuel George of King Street, Seven Dials, and Martha Hall of Monument Yard, the sum of £200 (expectant on the death of my sister Martha Wills which I have a right to dispose of under my marriage settlement) in trust to pay and divide the said sum of £200 as follows

To deduct £10 each for their trouble

I give £20 to Richard Page of Sheffield Hill, co. Yorkshire son of the late James Page.

I give £20 unto Elizabeth Roads wife of — Roads.

I give £20 unto Robert Poole of Button Hill co. Yorkshire gent.

The residue of the £200 viz. £120 to be equally divided between Martha, Robert, Joseph and George Hall, children of John Hall deceased, Elizabeth Cay Hannah George and Martha Coods, John and Matthew White, Mary and Hannah Burgon.

The residue of my estate I leave to Martha Robert Joseph and George Hall, Elizabeth Cay, Hannah George and Martha Coods John and Matthew White Mary and Samuel Burgon.

I give my wearing apparel unto Martha Hall to be equally divided among my nieces.

I appoint Samuel George and Martha Hall executors of this my will.

Witnesses: John Platt, John Holloway, Mulberry Gardens, near Whitechapel Church.

Proved 19th September 1783 by Martha Hall spinster executrix named in will, with power reserved to Samuel George the other executor.

See Table 71 page 49.

Joseph Alston
of Halstead.
Rockingham
304

The will of Joseph Alston of Halsted, co. Essex, surgeon, dated 17th June, 1782.

After payment of my debts, funeral expenses and proving this will, I give my messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments and all my personal estate unto Susan my wife—should my wife die without selling said property or disposing of same by will, I desire that the same may devolve to Elizabeth Sparrow of Halsted spinster daughter of John Sparrow gent. of Halsted, subject to the payment of all debts and also to a legacy of £200 to Miss Susannah Baynes of Halsted spinster.

I appoint my beloved wife sole executrix.

(Signed) JOSEPH ALSTON.

Witnesses: Dansie Carter; Richard Hodge, his clerk; John Plume, servant to Mr. Carter.

Proved 26th June 1784 by Susan Alston widow and relict of the deceased and sole executrix named in will.

See Table 107 page 65, and note that the date of burial there given is wrong.

John Alston
 Captain 100th Foot
 Admon.
 1786
 December

John Alston, Esq. On the 2nd December Administration of the goods, chattels, and credits of John Alston, late a Captain in His Majesty's 100th Regiment of Foot at Batavia in the East Indies, Esq., a bachelor, deceased, was granted to John Alston the natural and lawful father of the said deceased, he having been first sworn duly to administer.

Unknown. Query a Scottish Alston?

Rowland Alston
 of Harrold.
 Major
 195

The will of Rowland Alston of Harrold, co. Bedford, Esq., dated 31st July, 1780.
 By an Indenture, dated 6th or 7th May, 1776, made between my mother, Mrs. Margaret Lee, and William Scott, with several others, I am entitled to the sum of £5000 charged upon the Manors of Steventon, Pavenham, Charlton or Carlton, and moiety of the manor of Gloucester fee, co. Bedford, and divers messuages, cottages, mills, farms, Rectories, &c., in the towns precincts of Pavenham, Felmersham, Charlton, Chellington, and Turvey in the said county of Bedford, to be paid to me on my majority, until which time the sum of £200 per annum to be paid me for interest. I give the said sum of £5,000, with all arrears, to my mother, Mrs. Margaret Lee, and her heirs, also all money in the funds, and appoint my mother sole executrix of this my will.

(Signed) ROWLAND ALSTON.
 Witnesses: John Pardon, Southwark; R. Rossiter, Sam Kimsey, Clerks to Mr. Pardon.
 CODICIL. June 22nd, 1785.

The freehold estate which I purchased since the execution of my will, situate in the parish of Carlton, co. Bedford, I give to my mother, Mrs. Margaret Lee, and her heirs.

(Signed) ROWLAND ALSTON.
 Witnesses: George Theakston, Christ Church, Surrey; John Pardon; George Ware, Clerk to Mr. Pardon.
 Proved 24th May, 1787, by Margaret Lee, widow, mother of deceased and sole executrix named in will.
See Table 16 page 17 and Table 16a page

William Alston
 Captain E. I. Co's.
 Service.
 Bengal.
 Major
 480

The will of William Alston Captain in the Honorable East India Company's Service, Bengal Establishment dated 18th September 1786

I give to my daughter Margaret £500.
 I give to my son Patrick William £500.
 I desire the remainder of my fortune to be equally divided among my mother, two sisters Janet and Elizabeth and my brother James.
 In case of the death of either of my children whatever he or she may leave to be divided between my sisters and brother James.
 I appoint Lieut.-Col. Patrick Duff, Mr. William Paxton, my brother David Alston, and my cousin William Charles Alston my executors.
 I earnestly request my sister Elizabeth to take charge of the education of my children.
 The sum of 2000 rupees to be put out at interest and the produce to be paid to the mother of my youngest child Patrick William until she can be better provided for, when that happens or on her death the said sum of 2000 rupees to revert to my sister Elizabeth.

(Signed) WILLIAM ALSTON.
 Witnesses: David Alston, William Charles Alston.
 Proved 28 November 1787 by William Paxton and David Alston two of the executors named in will, with power reserved to the other executors when they apply for the same.
Unknown. Query a Scottish Alston?

Charlotte Naylor
 als Alston
 Admon.
 1780
 June.

Charlotte Naylor, formerly Alston. On the 30th June Administration of the goods, chattels, and credits of Charlotte Naylor, formerly Alston (wife of Francis Hare Naylor Esq.), late of the parish of St. George, Hanover Square, co. Middlesex, deceased, was granted to Anne Hare, spinster, the niece and one of the next of kin, having been first sworn duly to administer. The said Francis Hare Naylor, Esq., the lawful husband of the said deceased, dying without having taken upon himself the letters of administration of the goods of the said deceased.

See Table 90 page 58.

**Sir Rowland
Alston Bart.**
of Odell.
Bevor
313

The will of Sir Rowland Alston, of Odell Castle, co. Bedford, Bart., dated 22nd March, 1790.
I give my real estates unto my wife, Dame Gertrude Alston, and her heirs, also my personal estates and effects, and appoint her executrix, and George Brooks, of Green Street, Grosvenor Square, executor of this my will.

(Signed) ROWLAND ALSTON.

Witnesses: Mary Barlow, William Bullock, William Rutherford (Surgeon).

Proved 13th July, 1791, by Dame Gertrude Alston, widow, relict of deceased, and George Brooks, Esq., executors named in said will.

See Table 16 page 17.

Samuel Alston
of Nayland.
Harris
394

The will of Samuel Alston of Nayland, co. Suffolk gent. dated 7 February 1795.
I give to my wife Mary Alston my real estates and all my goods and personal estate, chargeable with the payment of £100 a piece to my daughter Mary, wife of George Downing Esq. and to my son William Alston.
I forgive my son James Alston his note of hand for £100 with the interest thereon due to me.
I also charge my estates with the sum of £100 in favour of my grandson Charles Alston, to be paid to his father James Alston and used for said Charles's education.
Also with the sum of £500 a piece to my sons George and Samuel and my daughters, Charlotte, Anna Maria Harriott and Sarah
I appoint my wife sole executrix.

(Signed) SAMUEL ALSTON.

Witnesses: T. C. Harrold, Isaac Nicholson, Thomas Marshall.

Proved 25 August 1796 by Mary Alston widow relict of deceased and sole executrix named in will.

See Table A page 79.

Evelyn Alston
of Bletchingley.
Admon.
May
1799

Evelyn Alston. On the 25th day of May 1799, Administration of the goods, chattels, and credits (£2,000), of Evelyn Alston, late of Bletchingley, in the County of Surrey, was granted to Mary Alston, relict of deceased.

See Table 72 page 49.

Alston Wills

FROM THE BURY ST. EDMUND'S REGISTRY.

Richard
Alston
of Fornham.
Book II. 201
1458.

The will of Richard Alston of fforham—and of fforham Martin was proved on the 10th October 1458 by John Alston and Ed. ffyshe executors.

A note only in Latin of the proof of this will occurs in Book II. There is no detail, nor have I any other information relating to this Richard. Time and research may bring some to light.

Fornham St. Martin is a village parish about two miles from Bury St. Edmunds.

Thomas
Alston
of Sudbury.
Book II.
1469.

In dei nomine Amen. Penultimo die Augusti Anno domini Millesimo quadragesimo sexagesimo secundo, Ego Thomas Alston de Sudbury Norwicensis Diocesis compos mentis existens condo testamentum meum in hunc modum In primis lego et commendo animam meam Deo Omnipotenti beate Marie gloriose virgini et universis sanctis corpusque meum sepeliendum Cimiterio ecclesie sancti Gregorii de Sudberi iuxta sepulturam Isabella uxoris mee Item volo ut debita mea in quibus aliquomodo teneor (?) prima et principale persoluantur Item lego summo altari ecclesie sancti Petri in recompensacione decimarum obligacionum ve mearum quovismodo per me subtractarum vel negligenter omissurum tresdecem solidos et quatuor denarios Item do et lego conventui fratrum domus de Sudbury ad reparacionem muri de Bryke ut celebrent pro animabus mei Thome Alston et Isabelle uxoris mee quatuor trentalles sancti Gregorii quamcito poterint post decessum meum 40s. Item lego conventui fratrum Domus de Clare ut celebrent infra (sic ? inter) se duo trentalles pro animabus mea et uxoris mee 20s. quamcito poterint Item do [et] lego Isabelle uxori mee meum capitale mensuagium cum suis pertinenciis et unum tenementum cum quadam pecia terre eidem tenemento adiacenti quod quondam fuit Johannis Suffeld gent. iacentia in Sudbury predicta habenda et tenenda predictae Isabelle uxori mee hereditibus et assignatis suis imperpetuum sub hac condicione sequenti quod predicta Isabella uxor mea solvet Georgio Prentys et Johanni Alston executoribus meis aut eorum assignatis decem marcas usualis monete Anglie in quinque Annis proxime post meum decessum videlicet quolibet Anno dictorum quinque annorum 20s. [6s.] 8d. Item do et lego predictae Isabelle uxori mee octo le ? brasij vel quatuor marcas pro dicto brasio Residuum vero brasij ibidem inventi remaneat executoribus meis ad vendendum et pro anima mea disponendum. Item do et lego uxori mee meam zonam optimam ornatam cum argento Item do et lego Amee uxori Ade Moralbutes i Chagowre tres parapsides tres discos et tres sawcers de Stanno ac unam ollam eneam duarum lagenarum Item do et lego Isabelle at Hoo de Melforde unum tenementum cum pertinenciis in Melford vocati Hame Hamundes Crycbe (?) hereditibus et assignatis suis imperpetuum Item do et lego Isabelle nuper filie Johannis Salter unum tenementum cum pertinenciis in Sudbury prout iacet iuxta mesuagium Thome Herber habendum et tenendum eidem Isabelle Salter hereditibus et assignatis suis imperpetuum. Item do et lego Dicte Isabelle Salter j Chargeour tres parapsides tres discos et tres sawceres de stanno Item do et lego sex filiis Johannis Alston cuilibet eorum 40d. Item do et lego Willielmo Alston fratre (sic) dicti Thome Alston 6s. 8d. Item do et lego ad reparacionem ecclesie de Otton Belcham ut parochiani rogent pro anima mea 40d. Item do et lego ad reparacionem ecclesie de Cornerd Magna ut parochiani rogent pro anima mea 40d. Item lego et do Gilde sancti Georgii de Sudbury unam ollam eneam secundum discretionem et voluntatem Isabelle uxoris mee Item volo quod executores mei invenient unum secularem sacerdotem divina celebraturum in dicta ecclesia sancti Petri per unum annum integrum pro animabus mei et Isabelle uxoris mee atque aliarum pro quibus tenor (sic) capiendum pro stipendio suo 10 marcas quas uxor mea solvet ut superius notatum est. Item do et lego Johanni Alston meum Basilard optimum ornatum cum argento Item do et lego Isabelle uxori mee omnia utensilia dicta hostilmentilia et superlectilia (?) domus mee superius non legata libere inde faciendo prout vult. Item volo quod executores mei in die obitus mei distribuunt inter pauperes magis indigentes 40d. Et in septima die Cs' atque in tricesima die Cs' similiter inter pauperes maxime indigentes Item do et lego presbitero parochiali ecclesie sancti Petri quatuor s' Item volo quod curatus dicte ecclesie habeat animas mei et uxoris mee recommendaturas diebus dominicis in precibus suis dominicalibus atque in missa sua semel per hebdomadam continue durantibus decem annis proxime post obitum meum et habeat pro labore suo quatuor s' quolibet anno dictorum decem annorum Item volo quod executores mei ordinent pro exequiis pro animabus mei et uxoris mee celebrandis et annuatim concernendis in Anniversario meo per duodecim Annos immediate sequentes post meum decessum et distribuunt inter pauperes maxime indigentes ad summan 20s. quam diu de bonis meis comode fieri poterit, debitis ac legatis primo persolutis Residuum vero omnium iocalium meorum superius non legatarum do et lego executoribus meis pro debitis meis solvendis seu pro legatis meis peri—plendis ut supra notatum est ulteriusque faciendis prout saluti anime mee melius

[* These three words are apparently plainly written, but difficult to extend.]

*viderint expedire Huius autem testamenti mei ordino facio et confatuo (sic ? constituo) prefatam Isabellam uxorem meam Georgium [Pry] (sic) prentys et Johannem Alston meos executores ad exquendum ut supra Et lego cuilibet executorum predictorum pro labore suo ultra rationabiles expensas factas seu faciendas 13s. 4d. Item exoro et parte Dei requiro meorum omes et singulos feoffatos meos in predictis mesuagiis terris et tenementis cum omnibus suis pertinentiis quod deliberent statum suum inde *hrt (habentes or habitum ?) conformit concordant huius testamenti mei cum fuerint debite requisiti per meos executores Actum fuit hoc presente testamentum meum in presencia Johannis Risby Johannis Petbure Capellanorum et aliorum apud Sudbury predictam Norwicensis diocesis [die] et Anno Domini prelibatis.*

Probatum fuit presente testamentum coram officiali Domini Archidiaconi Sudbury Apud Sudbury 25to, die Septembris Anno domini 1469 Com—issaque est administracio omnium et singulorum dicto testamento concernentium executoribus in dicto testamento nominatis in forma Furis requisita iuratis In cuius rei testimonio sigillum officij nostri presentibus opposuimus dictis die loco et anno domini supradictis.

TRANSLATION OF FOREGOING WILL.

Thomas
Alston
of Sudbury.
Book II.
1469.

In the name of God Amen. On the 30th of August 1462 I, Thomas Alston of Sudbury in the Diocese of Norwich, being in full possession of my faculties, make my will in this manner. First I bequeath and commend my soul to Almighty God, to the blessed and glorious Virgin Mary and all the saints, and my body to be buried in the churchyard of St. Gregory of Sudbury close to the grave of my wife Isabel. *Item* I will that all debts which I owe in any wise soever shall be entirely paid ? and principal. *Item* I bequeath to the high altar of the church of St. Peter in recompense of my tithes and dues in any way withdrawn or negligently omitted by me, 13s. 4d. *Item* I give and bequeath to the convent of Friars of the Sudbury house, for repairing the brick wall, in order that they may celebrate for the soul of me, Thomas Alston, and of Isabel my wife, four trentals of St. Gregory as soon as possible after my decease, 40s. *Item* I bequeath to the convent of Friars of the house of Clare, in order that they may celebrate among them two trentals for the souls of myself and my wife, 20s., as soon as may be. *Item* I give and bequeath to Isabel my wife my capital messuage with its appurtenances and a tenement with a certain piece of land adjoining, formerly belonging to John Suffeld, gent., lying in Sudbury aforesaid, to have and to hold to the aforesaid Isabel my wife, her heirs and assigns for ever under the following condition, to wit, that the said Isabel, my wife, shall pay to George Prentys and John Alston, my executors or their assigns ten marks of the current money of England within five years next after my decease, to wit, every year of the said five years, 20s. 6s. 8d. *Item* I give and bequeath to the said Isabel my wife eight ? of malt or four marks instead of the said malt; and the remainder of my malt there shall remain to my executors, to be sold and disposed of for the benefit of my soul. *Item* I give and bequeath to my said wife my best girdle with silver ornaments. *Item* I give and bequeath to Amy, wife of Adam Moralbutes one charger, three platters, three dishes and three saucers of tin, and a brass bowl containing two pints. *Item* I give and bequeath to Isabel at Hoo of Melford a tenement with its appurtenances in Melford called Hame Hamundes Crycbe ? to her heirs and assigns forever. *Item* I give and bequeath to Isabel, daughter of John Salter deceased, a tenement with its appurtenances in Sudbury lying next the messuage of Thomas Herbert, to have and to hold to the said Isabella Salter, her heirs and assigns for ever. *Item* I give and bequeath to the said Isabel Salter one charger, three platters, three dishes and three saucers of tin. *Item* I give and bequeath to the six sons of John Alston 40d. apiece. *Item* I give and bequeath to William Alston, brother of the said Thomas Alston, 6s. 8d. *Item* I give and bequeath towards the repairs of Otton Belchamp church, 40d., in order that the parishioners may pray for my soul. *Item* I give and bequeath to the repairs of the church of Cornerd Magna, 40d., that the parishioners may pray for my soul. *Item* I bequeath and give to the Guild of St. George of Sudbury a brass bowl at the discretion and good will of Isabel my wife. *Item* I will that my executors shall find a secular priest to celebrate divine service in the said church of St. Peter for an entire year, for the souls of myself and my wife Isabel, and of others for whom I am bound, taking for his wages the ten marks my wife will pay as abovesaid. *Item* I give and bequeath to John Alston my best "Basilard" with silver ornaments. *Item* I give and bequeath to Isabel my wife all the utensils called houslements and ? furniture in my house not before bequeathed, to dispose of as she pleases. *Item* I will that my executors on the day of my obit shall distribute 40d. among the most needy poor people; and 100s. on the seventh day and 100s. on the thirtieth day in like wise among the most needy poor folks. *Item* I give and bequeath to the parish priest of the church of St. Peter 4s. *Item* I will that the curate of the said church shall recommend the souls of myself and my wife in his Lord's day prayers every Sunday, and in his mass once a week without interruption during the ten years next after my death, and shall have 4s. for his pains every year of the said ten years. *Item* I will that my executors shall arrange for exequies to be celebrated and held every year for twelve years immediately after my decease, for the souls of myself and my wife, and shall distribute to the amount of 20s. among the most needy poor, as long as it may be conveniently done out of my goods, after the payment of my debts and legacies. I give and bequeath the residue of all my jewels not above bequeathed to my executors to pay my debts and to fulfil my bequests as above noted, and to do further as shall seem best to them to arrange for the salvation of my soul. And of this my will I make, constitute and ordain the aforesaid Isabel my wife, George Prentys and John Alston my executors to execute it as above provided. And I bequeath to each of my executors aforesaid for his pains, beyond reasonable expenses incurred or to be incurred 13s. 4d. *Item* I exhort and in God's name require all and singular my feoffees in the aforesaid messuages, lands and tenements, with all their appurtenances, to deliver their status therein conformably to the tenor of this my will, when duly required by my executors. This my present will was made in the presence of John Risby, John Petbury, chaplains, and others, at Sudbury aforesaid in the diocese of Norwich, the day and year above-written.

This present will was proved before the official of the Lord Archdeacon of Sudbury at Sudbury on the 25th day of 1469, and administration of all and singular concerning the said testament was committed to the executors in the said will named, sworn in due form prescribed by law. In witness whereof we have affixed the seal of our office to these presents, in the place, day and year aforesaid.

This most interesting will shews that the Alstons were substantial yeomen owning land in and around Sudbury upwards of a hundred years before the connected pedigree begins. I have, as yet, no evidence of the degree of consanguinity in which the testator or the John Alston and his six sons stood towards the early patriarchs of the pedigree but it is hardly rash to assume that one of John's sons was a lineal ancestor. The testator himself appears to have been childless.

**Nicholas
Alston**
of Cavendish.
Book No. 3
1512.

In Dei Nomine Amen The yere of oure Lord mcccccxio. the xviij day of October I Nicholas Allstone of Cavendishye in the diocese of Norwic wyllynge to p'uate the day and ye ower of my deth make my last Will and testament in this wise Imprimis I bequethe my Sowle to Almyghty God and to oure lady Seynt Mary and to all the Seynts in heven and my body to be buried in the Chirche Yarde of oure lady in Cavendyffhe be fore wretyn *Itm* I bequethe vnto the high Aught for my tythes and offeryns for forgetyn or slaky paid xxd. *Itm* I will that my Executors pay or do to be paid All my Detts that com of Right and dew dett be lawfully Appd *Itm* I bequethe to Agnes my wiff the hows that I dwell in in a Strete clepyd Nether Walys during her lyff and iiij Nett Befts wt wynt mete and sond mete vnto the same *Itm* I bequethe to the said Agnes x Mrs. (marcas) to be paid be the hands of John my son of the payment of the hows that he hath bought of me in a Strete clepid Ou Walys in the said Town of Cavendyffhe the said John my sone not distressed therefor. *Itm* I bequethe vnto ffryer John Robert in hows of Clare to pray for my Sowle and my friends Sowlys xl.d. *Itm* I bequethe to Thomas Boydon a Bowe or vjs viijd for yt. I bequeth to John Boyden son of the said Thomas A Bow to be paid aft the decease of Agnes my wiff *Itm* I bequeathe to Thomas Brown a Bow or vjs viijd for it. *Itm* unto Nicholas Brown Son of the said Thoms my godson xijd *Itm* vnto Nicholas Boyden my godson xijd *Itm* to Nicholas Alston my godson xijd. The Residew of my goods nott bequeste will that they be at the disposicion of myn Executors whom I ordeyn and make to be my trew and lawful Executors vpon yts my last Will or testament Agnes my wiff and John Alston my Sone to dispose for my Sowle and for my frends Sowles as the Semyth best to the most plesure of God and most mede vnto our sowles Wretyn in Cauendyffhe ye day and yere above Wretyn. Witnesse herto John Smyth of Cavendishe gentyleman Roger Goldynge John Clerke and od (sic).

Proved at Fornham St. Martin 16th June 1512.

Unplaced in the Tables.

Cavendish is a parish and village on the north bank of the river Stour which here separates Suffolk from Essex. It is only six miles from Sudbury. Sir John de Cavendish Chief Justice of the King's Bench and patriarch of the ducal house of Devonshire had his mansion here (of which the remains still exist). During Wat Tyler's insurrection in 1381 a party of the rebels seized the Chief Justice and dragged him to the Market Cross at Bury where after a mock trial his head was struck off and his lifeless remains outraged.

Henry Alston
of Edwardston.
1559.

In the Name of God Amen xvii day of October 1558 5th and 6th years of Philip and Mary
I Henry Alston of Edwardstone in Co. Suffolk to be buried in Church Yard of Edwardston
To Gregory Alston my Sonne and to his heirs my Tenement called flods with all the lands thereunto belonging both free and cople at the age of xxi yeres he paying to eyther of the resydew of my syx childrenne x.s. within three years aft the said age ys completed that ys to wete xxs by yere to twoe of the eldest as they come in age and I will that yf Gregorie my Sonne doe decease before the Said age of xxi years then I will the one shalbe the others heyers paying out to the rest of my Childrene suche legacies as I have before assigned and at suche tymes as the Saide Gregorie Should have done. Also I give to Gregorie my Sonne my best chafing-dish. Also I give to Wm. Alstonne my Sonne twoe of my best bras pots and one of my best pewter dishes Also I give to John Allstonne my Sonne my best kettles ij of my best pewter dishes and ij Sawcers. Also I give to Elizabeth Alstonne my daughter my wives best gowne, her silvr hokes and a Silvr pinne one of my best pillowberes one pewtr dishe and my wives best worsted apron and my best hutche to be delyvered to her immediately after my decease. Also I give to Margerye Alstonne my daughter my wives next gowne and her best red peticoat and one of my next pillowberes and one of my best pewter dishes to be delyvered to her immediately after my decease. Also I give to Briget my daughter my wives best curtle one of my best bocrome (buckram) Shetes one pillowbare one of my best cushions and one pewtr dishe. Also I give to Ann Alstonne my daughter my lytle fozer my brazen mortar with the pestle and my posnet and one of my next pillowberes, my wives second curtell, one of my best cushions and one pewter dishe, Also I give to my iiij daughters all manr of Suche lynenne as did apperteyne to my wives bodie to weare, to be equally devyded among them. Also I will that Thomas Cunstable shall have the Keping of all suche legacies afore by me given, to five of the yongest of my Children to be delivered to every of them at xvi yeres of age, so that the saide Thomas shall well and safely kepe them with oute waste or hindrance to my said Children. Also I give to Henrie Simonds of Wenham my brother in law all the residew of my moveable goods and debts what so ever they be payeing my debts and also I will that the Said Henry shall have the Saide house and lands to the honest bringinge up of my Said Children till Gregorie come to the age before menconed. And also I will that the faide Henrie Shall well and honestlye keep my childrene till they be able to be put into honest men's hands and also to pay to every of my vii Childrene vi.s viijd. to be payde to every of them at the ages of xxi yeres and if yt Shall please God that anye of my Childrene doe decease before the ages before lymited in which they should receve legacies. Then I will that such legacie or legacies to them before given Shall be equally devyded amongst the rest that doth Survive. Also I will that the Said Henrie Simonds do discharge all maner of rente and doe all maner of such and Service due and also Shall Susteyne and Maynteyne my Saide houses by all the Saide terme in good and Sufficient reparacons and in them so to yelde them up. Also I do ordeyne, Constitute and make the said Henrye Simonds my Sole Executor to this my last will performed and done and Thomas Constable to be superuisor thereof and I will that the saide Thomas shall at all tymes when he shall think nedeful to call the Saide Henrie to an accompte and to compell the Saide Henrie to doe all and Euerie article conteyned in this my last will and testament accordinge to the true meaninge intent and purpose thereof. Also I give to the Saide Thomas Constable for his paynes taking vi.s viijd. Theis being witnes William Bogas, James Gosnolde Richard Huggon of Edwardstone aforesaide with others the day and yere above written.
Proved xvij April 1559 before Thomas Simonds Archdeacon of Sudbury

Unplaced in the Tables. The testator was probably a younger brother of the William Alston, of Newton, the first mentioned in the pedigrees, who died 1563. It will be noticed that the testator refers to his brother-in-law, Henry Simonds, of Wenham. William Alston's wife's name was Simonds. That Henry was younger than William I infer from his children being said to be under 16 years of age, whereas William had one granddaughter at least at the date of his will. See Table I p. 3.

**William
Alstone
of Newton.**
1563.

In the name of God, Amen. I Wylliam Alstone of Newton in the Com of Suff. husbandman this xvijth daye of October 1563 do make and declare my last wyll and testament in maner and forme following ffyrste I comend my Sowle to God my bodye to the yereth and at my buriall daye I wyll yt there shalbe bestowed at my funeral. and amonge the poore thanne x li whereof in Boxford xxs and Nayland xxs. And w' in one yere next after my decease I will there shalbe distributed amonge the poore people of Sudburye, Boxford, Nayland and Assington by my executors vj. xiijs. iiijd. *Item* I wyll yt Alice Rose shall have duryng and by all the terme of her naturall lyfe wekely vjs. and at euerye Christemas one Smocke and a peticote to be payed and delyuered by my executors *It* I geue and bequethe to Elizabeth my wyffe al my lands and tents comenly called and known by the name or names of Dailys, Newton house, Lokers and Cantyng wth all and synguler there appertenances for terme of her naturall lyfe and after her decease I wyll yt all the Sayd Landes, tenets wt all and Singulars there appurtenances Shall remayne to Wylliam my Sonne duringe his lyfe and after theire decaase I wyll yt all the p'mysse as well free as bonde shalbe sowle by my executors and Supvisors, or by so many of them, as so yt shall well assent and agre and all the money comyng of yt shall be distributed amonge my children' children by the better aduise of those yt shall make the Sale. *It* I give and bequeath vnto my Sayd wyffe halfe my house howlde Stuff and vtensils of howshowlde vj my lope neate, v feeme of Barley, iij feemes of wheate xx Sheepe, one horse or gelding or iijlb in money for fire at her choyse and xlb in money, wch ten pound to be payed wt in two yeres nexte after my decease, in eyther yere a lyke p'tione by my Executors, and the sayd vj neate v seme of Barly iij seme of wheate xx Shepe and the Horse or Geldyng or thre pounce for him I wyll shalbe payed and delyuered by my Sonne Wylliam only. In consyderatione whereof I do geve and bequeth vnto my sayd sonne William, my lease and terme of yeres of and in the maner of Newton wt all the appertenances together wth all my Corne, haye and stower, and all yt to my husbanye apperteyneth, as horses, Cattell, carts, plowes, and other necessities whatsoever together wt the other halfe of my howsholde Stuffe and vtensils of howshoulde, my best bedde and the chest upon the Solter. *Item* I give and bequeth vnto the sayd Wylliam all those my lands and tents wth all and singular there appertenances sett lyeng and being in Neylande, Boxforde and Hadlye fee or in Eyther of them, now of late in the tenure and occupancy of Wylliam Whyghting, John Sendale, and John Everrarde there assignes duringe and by all the terme of his naturall lyfe, and after his decease, I will yt all the laste recyted p'misses shall remayne to Wylliam the sonne of Edwarde my sonne and his heys for Ever. *It* I wyll yt the sayd Wylliam my sonne out of the p'misses during his lyfe shall beare and paye yerely towards the payments of these my legasyes iiijth. *It* I geve and bequeth vnto my said sonne Wylliam and his heys my howse in Sudburye whh I purchased of Barred and my house in Newton called the Pores wth all the yards, gardenes, and grounds to them or to eyther of them belonging and appertyning. And in respecte thereof I wyll yt my said sonne Wylliam his heys or assignes for ever shall yerely paye or cause to be payed for and towards the relyse of the poore people of Sudburye xvjs. And to the pore people of Newton xs. *It* I geve unto Anne my daughter and her heys my tents in Sudburye called the Bell wt all yt there to apperteyned and in moneye xl li to be payed wthin two yeres next after my Decease, in eyther yere a lyke p'tione *It* I give to Alice my dawghter and to her heys my two croftes in Cornarde wch I bowghte of Mr. Pastone and in money xl.li to be payed as before is appoynted for ever. *It* I geve to Alice her dawghter xx ponds at the Daye of her marriage, or at the age of xxii yeres whc shall fyrst happen. *It* I wyll yt every servant in my howse at my decease aboue the age of xvij yeres shall have of my gyfte xxs. and being xvij or vnder vjs. viijd. and everye woman s'vante xs using them selves honestleye to me and myne Executors, euery of them for his or her parte. *It* I geve to Thomas the Sonne of Edwarde my sonne and his heys all yt my tent^e called Waspes wth all all the grownds thereto belonging or appertyning now or late in the occupancy of Robert Bartlow or his assignes, And I wyll yt any thinge before wreyghten not wth Standing yt the Sayd Robte John Harlod and Abl Lettell my tenaunts shall be clere acquitted and discharged of the halfe yeres terme of there Generall portions wch shall happen next after my decease. All the resedue of my goods Chattells redye money and detts I geve them to my executors whome I ordaine and make Edward and Wylliam my sonnes. And I ordeyne and make Supvisors thereof Thomas Barowe Esquire and John Halte Gent and I geve to eyther of them v. pounce And yf any of the above named Legatoryes do disturbe, trouble, or vex my Executors in Executione of this my wyll, and testament, Then I wyll his or her Legacye shalbe wt howlden, and by the sayd Supvisors to pore people distributed for wyttness whereof I the said Wylliam the father, after I had harde all ye p'misses redd, dyd set herevnto my marke and desyered sunderye wyttnes to setto there marks also by me Thomas Barowe, Wylliam Weste.

Probate granted by John Muriel, Comm^{ry} of Archdeanery of Sudbury 1st March 1563.

See Table I. p. 3. Also compare copy of testator's will from Somerset House, p. 87.

**Elizabeth
Alstone
of Newton.**
1564.

In Dei Nomine Amen
The xiiijth day of May in the yere of our Lord God 1564 and in the vith yere of the raigne of our Soverraigh Ladie Elizabeth quene of England &c. &c. I, Elizabeth Alstone of Newton in the Countie of Suffolk in the Diocese of Norwich widow doe ordeyne and make this my last Will and Testament in maner and forme following, That is to say first I commend my sowle into the handes of Almightye God and my bodie to be buried. *Item* I geve to Alice Rose one flock bedd, and one payer of sheets at my sonne Wylliam and one payer of blankets and one coveryng that is at my sonne Edwards *It* I give to Harcodes wyffe and Clouer's wyffe eche of them a garment and Also I geve to them eche one loode of woode at the discretione of my Executors *It* I give to the relyve of the poore of this towne xxs *It* I geve to Syselye one garment by the discretion of my Executors. *It* I geve to the poore of this towne all the woode yt is felled for my fuell at the discretion of my Executors. *It* I geve to Edwarde my Sonne all my wheate and barleye yt is in my Sonne's Wylliam his hande undelyvered or any other thinge of householde that I ought to have by my husband's wyll, and all suche somes of money as I shoulde have by the gifte and bequest of Wylliam Alstone my late husbände. *It* the eche of all my goods vnbequeathed I give to Edwarde my Sonne, whom I make my Executore.

Proved at Archdeaonry of Sudbury 11th June 1564

See Table I. p. 3.

Witnesses: Johe Winterflud Richard Crowe.

John Alstone
of Edwardstone.
1615.

In the Name of God Amen.
The last day of Julye in the yeare of our lord God one Thowsand Six Hundred and fyfteene, I John Alston of Edwardston in the County of Suff. and dioces of Norwich, Singleman being Sicke in Bodie but sownde of mynde and p'fect of remembrance thanks be to Almighty God doe ordaine and make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following. First I bequeath my Sowle to God the onlye Creator and Maker of it, and my bodie to be buried by my executors hereunder named in Christian buryall. *Item* I will give and bequeath unto by brother Thomas Alston the Elder three pounds of good and lawfull Englishe Money to be paid unto him within an halfe a yere after my decease. *Item* I will gyve and bequeath unto my sister Mary Alston the Some of Twentie Shillings of good and lawfull Englishe money to be paid vnto her within halfe a yere after my decease, *Item* I will gyve and bequeath unto my brother Peter Alston the Som of one and Twentie shillings of good and lawfull Englishe Money to be paid unto him within halfe a year after my decease, *Item* I will gyve and bequeath unto my brother Thomas Alston ye younger the Some of Tenne Shillings of good and lawfull Englishe money to be paid unto him w^{thin} halfe a yere after my decease, *Item* I will gyve and bequeath vnto my brother Anthonie Alston the Som of Tenne Shillings of good and lawfull English money to be paid unto him w^{thin} halfe a yere after my decease *Item* yf it shall happen So that Either my Said Sister Marie or any of my Said brothers to de^pt this life before their Seuerall legacies a bove by me to them bequeathed shall be due unto them Then I will and my meaninge is that hes or her parte soe dyinge Shallbe and Remayne to the other of them that shall Survvyve Equallie to be deuided betwixt them to be paid vnto them w^{thin} halfe a yere after my Decease. *Item* I will gyve and bequeath the some of Tenne Shillings of good and lawfull Englishe Money to be distributed at the Discre^{et}ion of my Executors amongst certen of them that have bene longest my Spynners and are poorest to be paid unto them within halfe a yere after my Decease. *Item* I will give and bequeath vnto Stephen Skofield my best Jerkyn and my best payer of hose. *Item* all my readie money and all my Debts owinge vnto me and all my other moveable goods whatsoever, my debtes being paid and my funerall charges defrayed, I do freely gyve and bequeath them vnto my brother Richard Alston and to Mary Boges the daughter of Robert Bogis of Edwardston aforesaid Equally to be deuided betwixt them And if it shall happen the said Richard or Marie to Dep^t this life with in halfe a yere after my Decease, Then I will and my meaninge is that his or her parte soe dyinge shalbe and remayne to the other of them that shall Survvyve wch said Richard and Marie I doe constitute ordaine and make the joint Executors of this my said last Will and Testament. In wyttness whereof I have declared and affirmed this to be my last Will and Testament and have here vnto putt my hand and Seale in the p'sence of these wyttnesses here vnder wrytten. JOHN ALSTON.

Sealed and delyvered in the prefence of Robert Bogis, Thomas Alston (his mark), and Robert Barker (his mark).
Proved in Court of Archdeaconry of Sudbury 22nd September 1615

Uncertain. From his will it would seem that testator had two brothers called Thomas. It was not uncommon in Elizabethan times for two children of one family to bear the same christian name, and in this case if there was another brother called John, the testator might be one of the Johns of Table 3 p. 5. But this is the merest conjecture.

Henry Alston
of Polstead.
1615.

In the name of God Amen. The Thirteene daie of Julye and in the yeare of the Reigne of our soveraigne Lord Kinge Jeames of England ffrance and Ireland the Thirteene and of Scotland the fortie-eight, I Henry Alston of Poulsted in the Countie of Suff. Clothier beinge sicke in Bodie but of good and pfectt memorye thanks be to God therfore doe ordaine my last will and Testament in manner and forme followinge, First I comend my Sowle to Almighty God from whom I receyved yt and to Jesu Christ my Redemer and Savior and I leave my bodie to be bestowed in Christian Buriall, against the Daie of the blessed resurrection. *Item* I gyve and bequeath to my dawghter Elizabeth fyftie Shillings of lawfull money of England to be paid to the said Elizabeth by the handes of myne Executrice or her Assignes either of the daie of her marriage, or at the age of one and Twentie yeares wchsoever shall come fyrst. *Item* I gyve to my sonne Thoms Alstone the som of fyftie Shillings of Lawfull money of England to be paid to the said Thomas by the handes of myne Executrice or her assignes at the Age of one and Twentie yeares, and if yt happen that eyther of them shall depart this lyfe before the tyme afore lymitted, Then I will that the over lyver shalbe the others heire. *Item* I gyve and bequeath to Elizabeth my wife my nowe dwellinge howse scituate and lyinge in Poulsted aforesaid wth the appurtenances during her naturall lyfe and after the decease of the said Elizabeth I will that the said howse wth the yard and orchard Shall remayne to Thomas my Sonne afore said and to the heires of his bodie lawfully begotten *Item* I will that my sonne Thomas Alston shall gyve to my dawghter Elizabeth yf She then lyve, tenne poundes of lawfull money of England to be paid her in tenne yeares by Equal porcons But yf the said Thoms Dye wth oute lawful heires, Then I will that the said howse and tenement wth the appurtenances aforesaid shall remayne to my Dawghter Elizabeth and to the heires of her Bodie lawfully begotten. The rest of my goods and moveables unbequeathed I gyve and bequeath to Elizabeth my wife to the payment of my Debtes, and the Decent buryall of my Bodie and ye true performance of this my last will and Testament whereof I ordaine and appoint my wife Elizabeth aforesaid to be the sole and only Executrix. Witnesses at the ensealing hereof, Henry Alston, Jeems Smythe, Willm Boggys.

Proved 2nd Novr. 1615.

Unplaced in the Tables. See post.

Abraham
Alston
of Newton.
1625.
(In extenso.)

In the Name of God Amen. the fourth day of October in the yeare of our lord God 1624 and in the yeare of the reigne of our Soverigne Lord James by the Grace of God of England Scotland fraunce and Ireland King defender of the fayth and of England fraunce and Ireland twoe and twentieth and of Scotland the eight and fifty I Abraham Alston of Newton in the Coun of Suff yeoman beinge Sicke in body but yet of a good sound and p'fect disposing memory thanks be unto God therefore revoking herby all other Wills by me formerly made doe make and declare this present writing to be and containing my true last Will and testament in maner and forme following. first and principally I commend my Soule into the hands of allmighty God trustinge and most steadfastly beleuing to be saved in the day of the Gen'all resurrection and Judgment not by my owne merits but by the only merits and passion of my Lord and Sauior Jesus Christ, And my boddy I committ to the Earth to be buryed in Christian buryall at the discrecion of my wiffe and Executors hereunder-named

Item my will and minde is that Margaret my loving and well-beloved wiffe shall hould and enioy All that my littell p'lor (*parlour*) and the lodging chamber ouer the same being p'cell of my capitall messuage wherein I now dwell and adioyning next unto my Gardin belonging to the same messuage wth free ingresse Egresse and regresse into and from the same p'lor and chamber by the wayes vsed and accostomed thervnto belonge as she shall continue a widdow and will make her aboad there and further my will is that the Executors of this my will here vndernamed shall during such tyme as my said wiffe shall inhabite and make her aboad in the same rooms, find, lay and p'vide for her in some of the yards belonging to my sayd Messuage yearly and on ye yeare five good and sufficient Cart loads of wood for her fuell or firewood to be expended in the same roomes during the time aforesayd. And furthermore I doe give and bequeath unto her the sayd Margaret my wiffe all my bedsteads beds and bedding and all my tables, formes, and stooles and all other my houshold stuffe standinge being and vsually occupied within the same p'lor and chamber. To have hould and enioy the same to the only use and behouff off her the same Margaret my wiffe her executors and assignes for ever And moreover I give unto her for ever All such silver plate as I had in marriage or at the tyme of my marriage wth her wch she brought vnto me. And I doe give and bequeath vnto her the same Margaret my wiffe in recompense and satisfaction of her Dower and thirds wch shee may have clayme or demand of or in all or any my Lands Tenements or hereditaments one Anuity or yearly rent or some of thirty pounds of lawfull money of England to be essuing and going out and to be yearly procaved hadd and taken out of and in all and singular my meffuages, Lands, Tents, and hereditaments whatsoever situate lying and being in Newton aforesayd and eils wher in the sayd Coun. of Suff. for and during the terme of her naturall life at the Feasts of Th'annuncacō of our lady the Virgin and St. Michael the Archangell by evin and equal porcons the first payment thereof to begin at such of the same feasts as shall first ensue the day of my decease And yf yt shall hapen the same Anuity or yearly rent or some of Thirty pounds or any pt or p'cell therof to be behind and unpaid by the space of fourtenne dayes next after any of the sayd feasts aboue limited for the payment thereof the same being lawfully demaunded at or in my sayd Capitall Meffuage wherein I now dwell in Newton aforesayd that then and from thenforth at all tymes after yt shalbe lawfull to her the same Margaret my wiffe and her assignes unto all and singular my sayd Messuages Lands Tents and p'mises or unto any parte or p'cell of them to entr and distreine And the distresse or Distresses there found to have take and carry away ympound wth houlde deteine and keepe vntill the said Anuity or yerly rent or some of thirty pounds and the arerages if any shall happen to be shalbe vnto her the same Margaret or her assignes fully satisfied and payed. *Item* I doe further give and bequeath vnto my sayd wyffe five pounds of lawfull money of England for and towards a mourning gowne to be pvided for her imedeately after my decease And to the End that Margaret mine only child being now and infant of tender age may be the better p'vided for and be well educated in larning and good maners according to her sex an according to a mans child of my degree whereof I doe lay Speciall charge vppon my wiffe and vppon my Executors to have due regard my will and mind is that my sayd executors out of my lands and Estate wch I shall leave vnto them shall pay or cause to be payd yearly and Eu'y yeare vnto my sayd wiffe the some of tenne pounds of lawfull money of England for and towards the Educacō and bringing upp of the same Margaret my daughter as aforesayd untill She Shall accomplish her full age of Eighteene yeares to be payd vnto my sayd wiffe as at such tymes and in such maner as the Anuity of thirty pounds given to her by this my last will is limited and Sett downe to be payd, Yf yt fortune my sayd wiffe to marry againe before my sayd daughter shall atteine vnto her sayd age of eighteene yeares, and that such husband as she my sayd wiffe shall soe marry shalbe soe remise carles or ille effected towards my sayd child as not p'vide and se her well brought upp in learning and good maners as aforesayd Then my will and mind is that mine executors shall take my sayd daughter into there p'tection care and charge and place her wth such honest and such parson and parsons as shall and will educate her in good learning and good maners as aforesayd untill her sayd age of eighteene yeares wth the sayd tenne pounds yearlie wch should have been byn payd unto my sayd wiffe yf she had contynued the bringing of her upp And then my sayd executors shalbe freed and discharged against my wiffe and her sayd husband of and from the payment of the same tenne pounds yearly anything before expressed to the contrary notwithstanding yet my desire is and I doe here request myne executors that yf yt fortune they be so occasioned to p'vide for the education of my Sayd Child as aforesayd that they should place her wth such persons as may to and wth the content and liking of my sayd wiffe as I doubt not of them but they will soe doe, Provided now these and I doe here declare my will and meaning to be that yf yt fortune my sayd daughter Margaret to depart this lyfe before she shall come to her sayd age of Eighteene yeares living then my sayd wiffe then my will is that the same tenne pounds wch should have gone and byn payed yearly for the Education of my daughter yf she had lived shalbe payd by mine Executors vnto my said wiffe to her use vntill fuch tyme as my sayd daughter might have atteined vnto her sayd age of Eighteene yeares if she had lived and if my sayd wiffe shall live so long and not otherwise. *Item* my will and mind is That my sayd Executors shall pay or cause to be payd unto Susan Alston my Mother yearly during her naturall lyve the some of forty pounds of lawfull English money wch I Stand Chargable to pay out of or in respect of my lands unto her by vertue of the last will of Thomas Alston my late father deceased or otherwise howsoer. *Item*. I give and bequeath vnto the said Margaret my daughter the some of three pounds of lawfull money of England to be payd unto her by mine Executors at her age of Eighteene yeares for and in respect of the Lands Tents, and hereditaments wch I have given and devised unto them by this my will soe that she my sayd daughter doth not marry or contract herselfe in marriage to any before her sayd age of Eighteene yeares wthout the consent of her Mother or of my said Executors or of any twoe of them, And I doe hereby devise limitt and appoint that yf yt fortune my said wiffe and Susan Alston my mother or either of them to dye or depte this life before such tyme as my sayd daughter shall (attain) unto her age of twelve yeares then from the tyme of the Death of my sayd wiffe the some of thirty pounds yearly and from the time of the Death of my sayd Mother the some of forty pounds yearly

wch shall arise or come of the issues and p'fitts of my sayd Lands and Tents until my sayd daughter shall accomplish her sayd age of twelve yeares shall goe and be p'ted to and amongst my sayd Executors and Edmund Alston my brother and Abraham Alston my nephewe sonne of William Alston my brother part and pte alike, and after that my said daughter shall attain unto her sayd age of twelve yeares my will and mind is that out of the yearly rents issues and p'fitts of the same my lands Tenements and hereditaments after the death of my sayd wiffe and mother or either of them respectively *vidlitt* thirty pounds yearly after the death of my said wiffe and forty pounds yearly after the decease of my sayd mother vntill my said daughter shall come vnto her age of eighteen yeares shall goe and ymployed to and for the benefit of the same my daughter by mine Executors and by them payd vnto her at the same age soe as she doth not marry nor contract her selfe in marriage w'thout consent as afore said *Item* I give to my sayd mother Susan Alston forty shillings To Mr. Cocke of Ipswich my father in lawe tenne pounds to buy him a gelding. To my fower sisters in lawe daughters of the said Mr. Cocke xxs a peece to buy them rings To my brother Edmond Alston's wiffe to buy her a ring xxs To my Sister Dorothe Alston fortie shillings to buy her a ring To Mr. Wetherall my loving frend parson of Newton vs To my good frend Richard Skinner of Sudbury Gent forty shillings To my brother William Alston's wiffe vs To my brother Isack Alston's wiffe xxs Allso I give unto Abraham my brother William Alston's sonne tenne pounds and to William and Robt. twoo either of his sonnes five pounds a peece to be payd to them at the seu'ell ages of one and twenty yeares And yf any of them happen to die before they atteine to that age then the legacy and legacies of him or them soe dying to goe and be payd to the surviuors or surviuor of them parte and parte alike at such tyme as such legacy or legaces decreasing should have received the same by force of this my will yf he or they had lived to receive the same, and I give vnto e'uy of the Daughters of the same William my brother twenty shillings to be payd unto them at there seu'all ages of one and twenty yeares And yf any of those daughters wch bin now living happen to die before her or ther legacies or legacy shall grow due to be payd that then the legacy of such daughter or daughters soe diing shall goe to the survivor or survivors of them part and part alike. *Item* I give and bequeath vnto e'uy of the sonnes of Edmond Alston my brother five pounds and to e'uy one of his daughters forty shillings to be payd vnto e'uy of them respectively at their seu'all ages of one and twenty yeares, And yf any of those sonnes or daughters happen to dye before ther legacy or legacies shall grow due to be payd then the legacy of such sonne or sonnes dieng to be divided amongst the sonnes living and the legacy and legacies of such daughter or Daughters dieing to be parted amongst the daughters surviving *vidlitt* parte and p'te alike to e'uy of them *Item*, I give and bequeath vnto e'uy one of the sonnes and Daughters of Susan Man my sister five pounds to be payd unto them respectively at the seu'all ages of one and twenty yeares and if any of them shall happen to die before such tyme as his or her legacy shall grow due to be payd then the legacy and legacies of such sonnes and Daughters soe dieng to be divided and payed to and amongst the children then living to e'uy of them part and part alike. Allso I bequeath vnto the thre children of Amy Curd my sister to e'uy of them five pounds a peece to be payd unto them at ther seu'all ages of one and twenty yeares and yf any of them happen to die before ther legacy or legacies grow due to be payd then the legacy and legacies of him or her dieing to be divided and payed to and amongst such of them as shalbe living parte and parte and p'te alike. *Item* I give unto Alice Godfrey my servant tenne shillings and to bridget Ballard, Thomas Lambart Samuell Simpson my Sarvants five shillings a peece Allfoe to the poore people inhabiting within the p'ish of Newton aforesayd to be distributed amongst them twenty shillings And to the end that Samuell Alston and Isack Alston my brothers whome I doe hereby nominate and authorize and appoint to be executors of this my last will and Testament may be inhabeled to pay my debts and legacies and p'forme this my testament and last will. And for that I am desirous that such Landes, Tenements and Hereditaments wherof I am lawfully and possesed at this time should remaine in such as are of mine owne blood and surname to the will and pleasure of my God I doe therefore herby give devise and bequeath vnto them the same Samuell Alston and Isack Alston my brothers all and singular my messuages Lands Tenements and hereditaments whatsoever as well free hould and copy hould as lease or ferme hould with all and e'uy of ther apptenances situate lyeing and being in Newton above named or elsewhere in the faid Count of Suff together allsoe with all and singular the deeds evidences muniments and writings touching or in any wise concerning the same premises or any part thereof To have hould and enioy the same messuages Lands Tents hereditaments and p'mises wth their appurtenances unto the sayd Samuell and Isacke Alston my brothers ther executors, adminstrators and assignes respectively for ever, and further more towards the payments of my debts legacies funerall expenses charges of p'ving this my will and p'formance of the same my will I doe give and bequeath unto them my sayd executors All my money plate goods chattells cattle corne household stuffe and ymplements of husbandrie whatsoever except such of them as I have otherwise p'ticularly given by this my will and wch I shall dispose of by any Codicill Schedule or wrightene to this my will annexed and except all soe the some of one hundred pounds of lawfull English money now resting in mine own possession The wch sayd some of one hundred pounds I doe give and bequeath vnto the afore-named Margaret my wiffe for her owne vse in further recompence and full satisfacion of her Dower or thirds wch she may have clayme or demand out of or in my sayd Lands and Tents or any pte or pcell thereof whereof I am now seized or have been seized of any estate of Inheritance during the Cou'ture between her and me *Item* my will and mind is that the sayd Samuell Alston Isack Alston my brothers ther heires executors or assignes shall pay or cause to be payd for and in respect of the sayd Lands and Tenements wch I have given to them by this my will vnto William Alston my brother tenne pounds and to Edmond Alfton my brother twenty pounds at such tyme as the sayd Margaret shall atteine or come vnto her full age of eightene yeares or wthin som short time after And in wittness this p'sent writing is and doth containe my true last will and Testament I have to eu'y sheete or leaffe thereof being five in number subscribed my name wth my own hand and this last sheete or leafe of the same five sheetes or leafes as allso at the head or the topp of this writting I have set my seale the day and yeare first aboue written. Sealed subscribed and published in the p'sence of William W'hall, Ewstres (Eustace?) Abbot and Thomas Lambart (his marke) Abraham Alston.

Proved 26th April 1625.

See Table 24 page 22.

Isaac Alston
of Edwardstone.
1625.
(Abstract)

Will Dated 20 May 1625

To Susan Alston wydow my mother yerelie pension of ffortye pounds owte of the priorie of Edwardston Yearlie, according to the Will of Thomas Alston late of Newton, yeoman, my father deceased, wch pension of ffortye pounds was formerlie given by the said Thomas Alston my father.

My Executors shall paie oute of the Said priorye unto my Lord Bishope of Eley the yerelie rent of Twentie Pounds (at the two half years)

My father Thos Alston of Newton yeoman deceased gave yearlie to Joyce Pamplyn the wife of Thomas Pamplyn of Much Bradfeild in the County of Essex a yearly pension of Tenne Pounds (at the usual half-yeares) I doe also will that the said yerelie pension of Tenne Pounds shall be paid in every year.

I give to Susanna my wellbeloved wyfe a yerely pension of Three Skore pounds oute of my houses and lands and tithes in litle Walldingfield and great Walldingfield whereof some of them are now in the occupation of myselfe and the rest in the occupation of Richard Gallen.

If it shall happen that my Said Mother Susan shall depart this lyfe before my lease wch I have of the Priorie of Edwardston shall be expired I give and bequeath it unto Edmond Alston of Newton yeoman my brother during the time of my lease and noe longer

I give unto William Alston the Eldest son of my brother Wm. Alston beinge my God childe the Some of Tenne Pounds when he come to the full age of one and twenty yeares

I give to each of the other Children of my Said brother Wm. the Sum of ffortye Shillings (when they come to 21) and yf they or any of them dye—then the equal share to the others.

I give to Rachell Alston the wife of Edmond Alston of Newton 40s.

To Every of the Children of Edmond Alston 40s.

I give to Thomas Man the Sonne of my brother in law Joseph Man £20.

To Joseph Man and William Man my Kinsmen the sonnes of my said brother in law Joseph Man and to my Kinswoman Marie Man the daughter of my brother in law Joseph Man £20 each

I give to my well beloved Sister Amye Curd the wife of John Curd of Sudburie the Some of £40 to be paid within three years after my Decease

To the three children of my brother in law John Curd and to that Childe wch my Said Sister Amye his wyfe is wth childe wth all the Some of £10 a peece when they attain the age of 21.

I give to my Sister Dorothe Alston £40 to be paid to her within 2 years after the Daie of her marriage

I give to Susanna Alstone wydow my Mother the Sum of £5—within 2 years

I give to Marrion Knox of Newton aforesaid wydow my Mother in law £5.

I give to my kinsman Thos. Alston the sonne of my brother Thomas Alston whoe died at Assington £5—(when 21)

I give to my brother Edward Alston and my Sister Margaret Alston his wife to each of them 20s.

I give to my Kynsman Thos. Alston, Arthur Alstone and Abraham Alston and Pennynge Alston the Sonnes of my said brother Edward Alston 20s. each (when 21)

I give to my Kinsman Joseph Alston the Sonne of my brother Edward Alston £5

I give to my kinswoman Margaret Alston and Elizabeth Alston the daughters of my Said brother Edward Alston xxs. a peece.

I give to my Kinsman John Alston the Sonne of my brother Thomas Alstone who died at Edwardstone 40s.

I give vnto everie of the daughters of my said last rehearsed brother Thomas Alston xxs a peece (when 21)

I give to Susanna my well-beloved wyfe my Capitall messuage in Newton aforesaid called Nolles wth all the howses barnes and Stables and one orchard and one Croft of ground for her naturall lyfe and after her decease unto my brother Samuel Alston and his heirs for ever.

I give unto my said brother Samuall Alston all my houses landes Tents and hereditaments and Tithes in Little Walldingfield and Great Walldingfeilde, some in myne owne occupation and some in the occupation of Richard Gallen.

And all suche tithes in Little Walldingfield as Samuel Appleton Gent. houldeth.

I give unto Susanna my well beloved wife all my household stuffe all my Cheese and butter, one Combe of Wheat, and two Cows.

I doe earnestlie request my brother Samuel if my wife dye within 3 years that my said brother Samuel shall pay £200 (twoe hundred) unto such p'ties as my said wife in her last Will and Testament shall bequeath the same unto.

If it shall happen my wife marry again then I will my brother Samuel Alstone shall enjoy the said house immediately after her Saide marriage.

I give to the poore of Edwardstone 20s.

I give to the poore of Litte Walldingfield 20s.

I give to the poore of Newton 10s.

To my servant Richard Lynes 5s.

To my servant Robt. Warren 5s.

To my servant Edward Upcheare 2s. 6d.

to Richard Gallon 2s. 6d.

to Elizabeth Packherns 2s. 6d.

To Thomas Dearsley now minister of Edwardston (*no amount stated*)

To my wife my black Geldinge or if she sell him, then to my brother Samuel for 40s.

To my brother in law John King 20s. } to buy rings

To my sister Tanner 20s.

To my brother and sister Gardiner 20s. each

To my sister Kingsburie and her childe my Goddaughter each of them xxs.

I make Samuel Alstone my sole executor

I give to Samuel Alston my brother the lease of the Priorie of Edwardstone

Proved 7th October 1625

Witnesses: Joseph Hues, Robert Warren, Thomas Dearsley, Isaac Alston

See Table 24 page 22.

Sarah Alstone
of Edwardstone.
1634.

Will of Sarah Allstone of Edwardstone spinster daughter of Gregorie Allstone deceased. Dated 24th June 1634
To my brother Robert Allstone £8 within 6 months
To Abigale my sister £4 in 12 months and my linen apparel and one box
To Sarah Cooper the daughter of Wm. Cooper £5 when 21, if she dye before, then to Susan Cooper the wife of William
within one year
The rest I give to Samuel Allstone my brother who I appoint my Executor.
Witnesses: John Bluett, John White
Proved 15 Day of Sept. 1634.
Unplaced in the Tables but see ante p. 151 the will of Henry Alston of Edwardstone in which mention is made of Gregory Alston a son.

Thomas
Alstone
of Assington.
1611.

Thomas Alstone of Assington. Administration granted to Elizabeth Alstone his widow and relict 10th October 1611
See Table 100 page 62.

William
Alston
of Cavendish.
1633.

William Alston of Cavendish. Administration granted to the widow and relict 2nd October 1633.
Uncertain.

Thomas
Alston
of Polsted.
1638.

Thomas Alston of Polsted. Administration granted to Elizabeth Rewse (or Pewse) 20th August 1638 £10 2 6.
Uncertain.

John
Alleston
of Acton.
1639.

John Alleston of Acton. Administration granted to Anne his relict 23rd July 1639 £50 5 3.
Query whether an Alston at all? Alleston seems to be an early form of the names Alliston and Elliston. I cannot recall a clear instance of its being intended for Alston although both names often occur together.

Margaret
Alston
of Newton.
1642.

Margaret Alston, minor. Proved by her Legatee and Letters of Administration granted to Abraham (? Samuel her cousin) Alston of Newton next Sudbury 22nd August 1642. Amount given £500
See Table 24 page 22.

**Samuel
Alston**
of Edwardston.
1660.

Samuel Alston of Edwardston. Administration granted to Elizabeth Alston his relict 2nd December 1660

**Samuel
Alston**
of Newton
1686.

Will of Samuel Alston of Newton dated 24th Feby 1685-6.

To Samuel Alston my eldest son, all my Capital messuage called Deans in Newton and all the Barns, Mills, Malting Houses, Yards in my owne tenure and occupation with 3 Crofts of Lands containing 12 Acres and one piece of half-an-Acre and one field of 7 Acres and one field of Arable Land of 3 Acres, which is copy hold of the manor of Buttlers, all situate and being at or near Newton aforesaid, to my Son Samuel Alston and his Assignes for his natural Life and after his decease to my Grandson Samuel Alston son of Samuel Alston.

I give to Edmund Alston my Son my Meadow containing 2 Acres in Sudbury called North Meadow. I give my messuage called Jordans in the occupation of——Brabrooke, widow, to my Son Edmund, containing Three Acres, Also my Tenement called "Motts" with all the Barns, Yards, to my Son, Edmund. Also my Tenement now in Occupation of ——White, Widow to my Son Edmund. Also I give my Messuage now occupied by Edward Totman with 3 Acres lying in Newton aforesaid to my son Edmund to his heirs and Assigns for ever.

I give to Rachell my Daughter now wife of Samuel Goldsmith Esqre. 10.s. within tenn weeks.

I give to Parnell my daughter now wife of Thos Hamond, and to Dorothy now wife of Henry Stillman, one Shilling a piece.

I give all my bedds bedding Plate brass pewter linen within my now mansion house in Newton to my Sons Samuel and Edmund Alston part and part alike.

My will is that the Said Edmund my Son shall have free egress during the space of 90 days for Selling or Disposing as my said Son Edmund shall think fit.

If my said Son Samuel shall molest or Hinder I give all my goods (before specified) to Edmund and give to my Son Samuel *One Shilling* of English money.

I give to my Son Edmund all my Corne and grain, all my Cattell, all my Hay and Stover and all my Waggon Carts furniture, harness, Implements of Husbandrie, ready money, Securities, and growing Corne in the Harvest time after my decease to my Son Edmund.

If my Son Samuel his heirs or Assignes shall refuse to give my Son Edmund such liberty in my now Mansion House aforesaid Then my will is that Edmund may enter upon any of the buildings or their appurtenances

I do make Edmund Alston my Son my Sole Executor and give him the sum of £10—before any dividend or division be made.

I give to my eldest daughter Ellen, now wife of Giles Duncombe Esqre. One Shilling.

I have to this set my hand and Seal upon three sheets of paper upon the top or head thereof SAMUEL ALSTON

Witnesses: Joseph Wyatt Mary Wright (her marke) Anne Wyatt John Griggs.

Proved 18th March 1686 by Edmund Alston.

See Table 104 page 64.

**Elizabeth
Alston**
of Great Ashfield
1691

Will of Elizabeth Alston of Great Ashfield dated 14th June 1685

I give to Joseph Alston my Son all my Lands and house and appurtenances lying in Edwardstone for ever, on Condition that he pay within halfe a year after my Death 3 : 10 : 0—or otherwise £7—for all the trouble they shall be put to Concerning the Same.

I give to my Son Joseph one Cupboard standing in the Said house.

I give to Daniell Allston my Son all the residue and to dwell in the Said house rent free for halfe a year

I give to John Alston my Son Five Pounds within halfe a year

I give to Daniel Alston 40s. within 6 months

I give to my Son Henry Alston his three Children 30s. Ten Shillings to be paid when 21 years of age

I appoint Ephraim Alston my Son Sole Executor and give him all my Goods whatsoever unbequeathed with my wearing Apparel linen Woolen goods Household Stuff bills, bonds, Debts and dues whatsoever

(Signed and Sealed) ELIZABETH ALSTON

Witnesses: Thos. Warne Junr. William Aransby John Sharpe.

Proved 2nd December 1691 by Ephraim Alston.

See post page 160 administration Ephraim Alston 1700 and wills of John Alston 1709 and Daniel Alston 1709.

Edmund
Alston
of Newton.
1695.

Will of Edmund Alston of Newton in Suffolk dated 20th Nov. 1694.

I give to Jane my wife for her natural Life in lieu and full satisfaction of her dower and thirds all my freehold Messuages, Lands Tenements and Appurtenances lying in Newton, and Gt. Waldingfield and Boxford in Suffolk to keep in good repair and after her decease unto Edmund Alston my son and his heirs.

I also give to Edmund Alston my son and his heirs the manors of Newton, Buttlers and Codnum Hall with this proviso that the said Jane shall receive and take the Rents Issues and profits thereof for and towards the nourishing and bringing up the said Edmund Alston and paying all Debts and keeping all premises in repair until my said son Edmund shall attaine until the age of 24 years, or happen to be married allowing and paying to him or his Assignes out thereof £20 every year, otherwise to Jane my wife and her heirs and assigns for ever.

I give to Dorothy Alston my Daughter all my Messuage Lands and Tenements situate in Edwardestone in Suffolk, But my desire is that my said daughter Dorothy and her guardian should permit and suffer the said Jane my wife to have and take so much of the first year's Rents and profits after my decease as by the judgment of John Cooke of Edwardestone can conveniently be spared over and above the charges of maintaining my said daughter and putting all the bequeathed premises into good and Tenantable repair

If my said wife Jane shall deny or refuse my said Daughter Dorothy to have and hold all such things then I give them to Edmund my son when he come to the age of 21.

I give to the said Dorothy one Wainscotted Bedstead, one of the best feather bedds that lye upon the garrett in the house where I now live, one feather Bolster, two feather pillows, two Blanketts, one Coverlett, one pair of Sheets one pair of Pillow-beers, and foure Gold rings which were her mothers.

I also give unto Jane my wife all my Corne, Graine, Hay, Cattle, and Goods for payment of my Debts and Legacies and I doe order that she pay thereout and out of the Annual profits of the Estate £30 per Annum

I give unto Jane my wife All my household goods (not before bequeathed) to make use of during her life and after her decease, and to my wife's Son Isaac one Silver Tankard marked W.M.N. and seven Silver Spoons and to my Son Edmund my Watch and one Silver porringer and all my other Plate and other household goods which I had before the inter-marriage with the said Jane my wife, to him the said Edmund, and all other household goods which I had by the said Jane my wife mencioned in a schedule hereunto annexed I give to be parted equally between the said Isaac and Edmund.

If she the said Jane shall happen to marry again I doe give and order that she give security to the Trustees and supervisors of this my will. If she neglect or refuse then to the said Isaac and Edmund so soon as she the said Jane shall marry again.

I give to Jonas Worly of Witham in Essex and John Cooke of Edwardestone in Suffolk 40s. each

I do nominate the said Jonas Worly and John Cooke supervisors of this my will.

I do order that my son Edmund be brought up according to these directions

I appoint the said Jane my wife sole executrix.

In witness whereof I have to each sheet of paper put my hand and seal.—EDMUND ALSTON.

Witnesses: Daniel Barnard, Samuel English, Kath. Key.

Probate of will granted 26th Feby 1695 to Edmund and Isaac Alston.

Here follows the Schedule or Inventory of the household goods which Jane the wife of Edmund Alston, of Newton, had before her inter-marriage with her husband, and to which his last will and testament doth refer.

See Table 103 page 63.

Jane Alston
of Newton.
1695.

Will of Jane Alston of Newton Widow and relict and Sole Executrix of Edmund Alston of Newton aforesaid Gent. Deceased.

To Mrs. Francis Cooke wife to John Cook of Edwardestone my executor my Side Saddle Bridle, whipp and with all the furniture and appurtenances

All the rest of my Goods Chattells Rings, Cattle, Corne, Graine, Hay, and all my personal Estate, to make Sale of them for Value he can get and the sum of 40s. as a legacy

To Mr. Jonas Worley, Clerke, my brother in law 40s. as a legacy.

Also to Mr. Richard Cooke £100, lent to my late husband—out of the said Sale.

Also pay and satisfy to the Lord of the Manor of Newton Hall £62 as demanded for a fine upon my Son Edmund Alstone's admittance to lands and Tenements of the Said Manor.

And for the probate and performance of this my will

I give and bequeath any overplus unto Isaac my Son with increase (if any) at the age of 21

I appoint John Cook Executor of this my last will

To my brother in law Mr. Jonas Worley to be guardian of my two Sons Isaac and Edmund Alston during their minorityes, or if he refuse to do so; John Cooke to be their guardian
dated 19th April 1695

(Signed) JANE ALSTON

And the said Testatrix did order out of her estate 20s. to the poore of the Parish of Newton.

Signed by Susan Ware Margaret Tiffen Elizabeth fforby Samuel English and Katherine Eage (her mark).

Proved 26th February 1695 by John Cooke Executor

See Table 103 page 63. Note that she refers to two sons only, and to them as minors. A careful reading of this and the previous will (her husband's) and Table 103 suggests that Jane's first husband was an Isaac Alston. Her second husband, Edmund, refers to his "wife's" son Isaac.

Jane Alston
of Newton.
1695-6.

Jane Alston of Newton next Sudbury. Administration granted to Edmund Alston of the same and John Cooke excrs. 26th Feby 1695-6

See Table 103 page 63. Apparently administration is in respect of previous will.

**Thomas
Alston
of Owsden
1696.**

Will of Thomas Alstone of Owsden in Suffolk, Salesman,
To Ann Alston my wife all my Stock, Goods, Household Stuff, plate, Debts, and paying all funeral charges and bringing up my Daughter Ann with fit education till 21.
If the daughter die before 21 years of age then £10 to my Sister Elizabeth Alstone of Bury St. Edmunds
If the said Ann Alstone shall re-marry then to give bond to Mr. Daniel Wright of Owsden for the sum of £28. for my Daughter Ann and halfe of my Stock, Household Stuffe &c first apprised by two Honest men to be paid to my daughter Ann when 21
If she (the daughter Ann) marriage without the consent of my wife and Mr. Daniel Wright aforesaid they shall dispose of the sum of £20 at their will and pleasure
I appoint my wife Ann Alston to be my sole executrix
I appoint Mr. Daniel Wright Supervisor of this my last will and testament.
Written on three sheets of paper Dated 8th Sept. 8th year of William the third.

(Signed and Sealed) THO. ALSTON
Witnesses: Daniel Wright Richard Silvester Thomas Cutting.

Proved 20th Novr. 1696 by the said Executrix.
Unplaced.

**Ephraim
Alston
of Ashfield Magna.
1700.**

Ephraim Alston of Ashfield Magna. Administration granted to Thomas Munkin husband to Marie Munkin 9th Apl. 1700.
See ante page 158 will of Elizabeth Alston.

**Marie Alston
of Melford.
1707.**

Marie Alston *als* Tyrrell of Melford in Suffolk. Administration granted to Daniel Alston 5th May 1707.
See ante page 158 will of Elizabeth Alston.

**John Alston
of Little Cornard.
1719.**

Will of John Alston of Little Cornard dated April 18th 1719
I give to my son John Alston 20s.
I give to my daughter Mary Alston 20s.
I give to my son Joseph Alston 20s.
I give to my son Richard Alston 20s.
I give to my wife Mary Alston all the rest of my goods and chattells and these legacies to be paid when they come of age
I appoint Mary Alston my wife my sole Executrix

(Signed and Sealed)—JOHN ALSTON
Witnesses: John Lambert Mary Pettley Elizabeth Sparrow.

Proved 15th Octr 1719 by Mary Alston widow.
Uncertain. See ante page 158 will of Elizabeth Alston.

**Daniel Alston
of Preston.
1719.**

Will of Daniel Alston of Preston dated 25th Feby. 1708
I Daniell Alston at my Unckles at Preston in Suffolk 25th Feby 1708
I give to my Unkle Mr. Isaac Newman of Preston St Marys my house and Lands being at Stistead in Essex
I give to my Unkle Isaac Newman all my household goods and chattles
I make the said Isaac Newman my sole executor.

(Signed)—DANIEL ALSTON
Witnesses: Edward Cooper Sarah Cooper.

Proved 2 Decr. 1719 by Isaac Newman.
See ante page 158 will of Elizabeth Alston.

Joseph Alston
of Boxtead.
1727.

Joseph Alston of Boxtead. Administration granted to Susan Alston, Widow and Relict 1st March 1727.
See ante as above.

Elizabeth Alston
of
Bury S. Edmunds.
1736.

On the 10th November 1736. Administration granted to the goods and chattels of Elizabeth Alstone of Bury St. Edmunds to William Chaplin Principal Creditor.

Ann Alston
of Groton.
1740.

Ann Alston of Groton, widow. Administration granted to Bartholomew Alston Natural and Lawful Son of the Said Ann 1st January 1740.

Susan Alston
of Boxford.
1741.

Will of Susan Alston of Boxford Widow dated 22nd December 1738.

I give to Mary Bird wife of Simon Bird the Elder of Boxford, *Malster*, All those my Messuages or Tenements held by Lease of King's College in Cambridge lying in Boxford in the occupation of Joseph Deakes Edward Scofield Robert King Widow Smith and Susan Lock Widow, which I shall die possessed of at the time of my Decease to the said Mary Bird, She first paying all my Just Debts for her use without the Interruption or Hindrance of him the said Simon Bird and her only receipt shall stand good

I nominate and appoint the said Mary Bird Sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament

(Signed
and Sealed) } SUSAN ALSTON

Witnesses: Mary Browning Jermyn Moyle William Freeman.

Proved 16th December 1741 by the Executrix.

Nicholas Alston
of Newton.
1742.

Will of Nicholas Alston of Newton in Suffolk Gent. dated 20th March 1741

I give to Elizabeth Alston all my living and Dead Stock, Household Goods Bonds ready money and Book Debts during the term of her natural Life and after her Decease to be Equally divided between my son Edward Alston the elder and to my youngest son Thomas Alston and to Richard Steward my Grandson then I give the same unto Edward Alston my eldest son to be Kept in his hands until my Grandson Richard Steward shall live and attain to the age of 21 which is to be paid him by my said eldest son Edward Alston and without any interest for the same.

If he shall not attain to the age of 21 to be Equally Divided between my Eldest son Edward Alston and my youngest son Thomas Alston.

If my wife Elizabeth Alston should ever marry to any other man Then I give immediately all my Household Goods and personal Estate Equally between my eldest son Edward and my youngest son Thomas Alston and my grandson Richard Steward.

Item I give to Edward Alston my eldest son my 2 Silver Salts and all my Silver Spoons

I give to my grandson Richard Steward my Silver Watch

I give my said Watch to my Eldest son Edward Alston until my Grandson attain to the age of 21

If he die then I give my Silver Watch to my eldest son Edward Alston

I give the rest and remainder of all my personal Estate and household goods to Elizabeth my wife

I do make and ordain my wife Elizabeth Alston and Edward Alston my eldest son to be my Executrix and Executor.

Dated this 20th March 1741.

(Signed) NICHOLAS ALSTON.

Witnesses: Ann Cottmon, Mary Marchall, Rose Marven.

Proved 8th June 1742 by the Executrix and Executor.

See Table 110 page 67.

Elizabeth Alston
of Newton.
1753.

Will of Elizabeth Alston, *Widow* of Newton dated 24th April 1752.
I give to my two Daughters in Law Elizabeth wife of Edward Alstone and Sarah wife of Thomas Alston my Sons, all my Wearing Cloths and Linen Share and Share alike
To Elizabeth I give my Mourning ring
To Sarah one Gold ring
I give to Sarah Alston my Grand-daughter my best chest of Drawers
All the rest of my household Goods and furniture I give to my Said Son Thomas.
I give to Richard Steward my Grandson all my Books and one plain Gold Ring when of the age of 21
All the residue of my Goods and Chattells after my Debts and funeral Expences are paid to my Son Thomas Alstone, half part of the same to be paid to Richard Steward when 21.
In case he die before 21 then I give the said half part Equally between Edward, Thomas, Sarah, Joseph, and Elizabeth, the Children of my said Son Thomas Share and Share alike when they come to the age of 21.—The other half part unto Edward Alstone my Grandson, Son of my Son Edward, and to the said Edward Thomas, Sarah, Joseph, and Elizabeth the Children of my Said Son Thomas Share and Share alike when 21.—In case Edward the Son of Edward shall die before 21 then I give his moiety to Edward my Son and in case any of the Children of the Said Thomas my Son under 21, then I give the Share of Richard Steward as their Share to be Equally Divided between the Survivors of them.
I appoint my Son Thomas Sole Executor of this my will.

(Signed) ELIZ. ALSTON.

Witnesses: Edward Alston William Mathews Edward Coldham.

Proved 27th March 1753 by Thomas Alston Sole Executor.

See Table 110 page 67.

Edward Alston
of Lavenham.
1753.

Edward Alston of Lavenham. Administration granted to Thomas Alston, son in law to the said deceased. Sarah Alston Widow and Relict having renounced the burden of the administration. 27th Sept. 1753.

See Table 103 page 63.

Samuel Alston
of Edwardstone.
1754.

Will of Samuel Alstone of Edwardstone co. Suffolk dated 12th Decr. 1751.
In the Name of God Amen, I Samuel Alston the Elder of Edwardstone in the County of Suffolk Maltster being in good health and of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding praised be God for the same do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following chiefly commending my soul into the mercifull hands of Almighty God my Creator. My body I commit to the Earth to be decently interr'd at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as to what worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I dispose thereof as follows First I give and devise all and singular my Messuages Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments and real estate whatsoever and wheresoever unto my Son Samuel Alston and his heirs for ever. Next I order and direct that all my just Debts be duely paid and satisfied. Then I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah the wife of William Sudell of Colchester in the County of Essex Mariner the Sum of One Hundred and fifty Pounds of lawfull money of Great Britain. Also I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary Alston the sum of two Hundred and Sixty Pounds of like lawful money which said Legacies so given to my said daughters Sarah and Mary I will shall be paid to them respectively by my Executor hereafter named within one year after my decease. Next I order, direct, and appoint my Said Son Samuel Alston my Executor hereafter named to place out the Sum of One hundred and fifty pounds part of my personal Estate at Interest on good Security as soon as conveniently may be after my decease and pay the Interest arising therefrom to my daughter Ann the wife of Jacob Alston of Boxford in the Said County of Suffolk Malster for her Sole Use and benefit for and during the term of her natural Life my will being that her receipt for the same whether she be sole or covert and notwithstanding her Coverture shall be a legal and sufficient Discharge to my said Executor and from and immediately after her decease I give and bequeath the said sum of One Hundred and fifty pounds to and amongst such child or children of my said Daughter Ann as shall be living at the time of her decease to be equally divided between them share and share alike at their several and respective attainments at the age of 21 years or Days of Marriage which shall first happen and in the mean time and untill they shall attain such Age or Days of Marriage as aforesaid I desire the same may be placed out at Interest on Good Security In trust for my said Daughter Anns Child or Children by my said executor for their Use and benefit and the Interest thereof applied towards their maintenance and Education but in Case my said Daughter Ann shall depart this life without Issue lawfully begotten Then I give the said sum of one Hundred and fifty pounds after my said daughter Anns Decease as aforesaid to my said two Daughters Sarah and Mary to be equally divided between them share and share alike and if either of my said two daughters Sarah or Mary shall happen to dye before my said Daughter Ann without Issue lawfully begotten Then I give the said sum of one Hundred and fifty pounds to the survivor of them the said Sarah and Mary and as to all the rest Residue and remainder of my Goods Chattles, Moneys and personal estate of what Nature or Kind soever and wheresoever after all my just Debts as aforesaid Legacies funerall charges charge of the Probate of this my will and other incident charges are paid and satisfied I give and bequeath the

same to my Son Samuel Alston his Executors Administrators and Assigns provided always and my Will and mind is that in Case my personal estate shall not be sufficient to pay off and discharge my just Debts and Legacies aforesaid that the several Legatees in this my will named shall bear an equal part and share of such Deficiency or Deficiencies in proportion and according to the Bigness of the several Legacies herein before given to them respectively And my mind and will further is that my said Executor shall not be answerable for any loss or losses that may happen in placing out the said sum of One Hundred and fifty pounds or any part thereof at Interest (in Trust as aforesaid) or in any ways in the execution of of this my Will unless the same be caused by his wilfull default or neglect and I do hereby make nominate constitute and appoint my said son Samuel Alston sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and hereby revoking all former and other Will and Wills by me at any time heretofore made I publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament contained in two sheets of paper set my hand and seal to each sheet and my seal to the Label by which they are affixed together this twelfth Day of December in the twenty-fifth year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of the God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the faith and in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and fifty one. SAMUEL ALSTON, Senr. Signed Sealed, published and declared by the said Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and at his request have hereunto subscribed our names as *Witnesses*: Martha Bayles Martha Abbott Thos Bayles.

Proved 28th March 1754 by the oath of the Executor.

See Table A page 79.

Jacob Alston
of Boxford.
1757.

Jacob Alston of Boxford. Administration granted to Jacob Alston the natural and lawful Father of the Deceased Ann Alston Widow and Relict of the said deceased having renounced the burden of the administration 5th December 1757.

See Table A12 page 85.

Thomas Alston
of Boxford.
1759.

Will of Thomas Alston of Boxford Surgeon dated 25th September 1758.
My Executrix to have me decently buried in the Parish Church of Newton near Sudbury.
After my debts and funeral charges are paid and satisfied my Will is to Sell all that I have and what remains I devise as followeth

To my Son Thomas Alston £1 1 0
To the Rev. George Binyon the like Sum and to his seven Children the same Each to be paid within a year and a Day after my Decease.

To the Rev. William Alston £1 1 0

To Anne Mascol £1 1 0

and the Surplus I devise to my daughter Katherine Alston who is to call in all Debts, dues, and bonds.

I appoint my Daughter Katherine Alston Sole Executrix

Dated 25th September 1758

(Signed Sealed and Delivered by) THOS. ALSTON

Witnesses: Sarah Alston Sarah Strutt (her mark) Hannah Grimsy (her mark).

Proved 2nd November 1759 by the Executrix.

See Table 108 page 66.

William Alston
of Polsted.
1768.

Will of William Alston of Polsted *Yeoman*, dated 5th March 1753.

First I give unto my Grandson William Laws £5

I give to Henry Laws of Brisett in Suffolk Yeoman and Elizabeth his wife and also to my Sons Daniel Alston and Robert Alston the sum of One Shilling a piece and no more

I give to my Grandson William Alston only Son of my Son William Alston £10

All the rest and residue of my personal Estate whatsoever I shall die possessed of Interested in or in any respect Intitled unto I give and bequeath to my said Son William Alston his Executors and Assigns

I appoint my Son William Alston Sole Executor of this my Will, and to pay all my just Debts

Dated 5th March 1753

WILLIAM ALSTON (his mark).

Witnesses: Simon Bird, David Willison, Toll. Bacon.

Proved 11th May 1768 by the Executor.

Unplaced. See next will.

William Alston
of Polstead.
1769.

Will of Wm. Alston of Polsted, *Yeoman* dated 30th September 1769.
I give to my Daughter Martha Alston the Sum of £5.
I give to my Daughter Sarah the wife of Thomas Skitter £5.
Each to be paid within 12 Months after my Decease
Rest Residue and Remainder of my personal Estate after paying my Debts funeral Expences and charge of proving
this my Will I give to my only Son William Alston
I appoint my said Son William Alston my Sole Executor.
Dated 30th September 1769

WILLIAM ALSTON (his mark)
Witnesses: John Coker Rd. Liston Junr.

Proved 28th October 1769.
Unplaced. See preceding will.

Edward Alston
of Bildeston.
1775.

Will of Edward Alston of Bildeston, *Surgeon* dated 8th October 1774
I give to my brother Joseph Alston and his heirs all my freehold Customary and Copyhold Messuages, Lands
Tenements hereditaments and real Estate what soever and where soever
I give to my said brother Joseph all my goods, chattells and personal Estate.
I appoint my brother Joseph Alston my Sole Executor

(Signed) EDWARD ALSTON

Dated 8th October 1774

Witnesses: Rachel Barton John Barton (his mark) Partridge Abbott.

Proved 2nd March 1775
See Table 107 page 65.

Elizabeth
Alstone
of Kersey.
1776.

Will of Elizabeth Alstone of Kersey, *Widow* dated 18th April 1771.
First I give to my Daughter Susan Ling the House and Appurtances that I now live in, as that of George East and
that of Joshua Gilbert which premises, Messuages, or Tenements are in Kersey, all to her own Sole Use and all my Goods,
Chattles, Furniture and Wearing Apparel, she paying to my Daughter Sarah Gilbert the Sum of £10 within a year and to
the wife of George East 2/6 my Daughter Susan Ling to enjoy all the Said premises as long as she may live
Joshua Gilbert and George East to live in their apartments for Six Months after my Decease, free, and if they continue
longer then to pay rent for the same
I appoint Susan Ling my Sole Executrix.
Dated this 18th April 1771

ELIZABETH ALSTONE (her mark)
Witnesses: Jonathan Hart Langley Knapp James Ratliff

Proved 12th February 1776 by Susan Ling.

Edward Alston
of Newton.
1786.

Will of Edward Allstone of Newton co. Suffolk Gentleman dated 24th March 1784.
all my Debts to be paid
all my Household Goods farming Stock Cattle and personal Estate to my Dear Son Thomas Allstone to his own use.
I appoint my said Son Thomas Allstone my Sole Executor

(Signed by) EDWARD ALSTON
Witnesses: Carleton Dunkley Samuel Parker.

Dated 24th March 1784
Proved 14th February 1786 by the Executor
A pencil note appears below the will "under £600."
See Tables 110 and 111 page 67.

Charlotte
Alston
of Nayland.
1798.

Charlotte Alston of Nayland, Intestate, Spinster. Administration granted to Mary Alston widow of Samuel Alston,
attorney at Law, natural and lawful Mother of the said Deceased 24th September 1798.
See Table A page 79.

Alston Wills

PROVED AT NORWICH.

Joseph
Alston
of Washbrooke.
1643.

Consistory Court, Norwich—Register No. 133 fo. 1. 1643.
18 November 1643. Joseph Alston of Washbrook co Suffolk gent being sick in body &c.
My soul to the Holy Trinity of Heaven &c. and my body to the earth from whence I received the same to be interred in Christian burial at the discretion of my executrix.
To poor of Bramford £5, Rushbrooke 40/-, Spowton 40/-.
To most needy poor of Boxford £3,
All my messuages, lands, gardens &c. in Boxford, Groton, Powlstead, Assington and Wiston co. Suffolk now occupied by John Hamond, Samuel Carter, Joseph Cole, and John Brownsmyth, to be sold for the purposes aforesaid and my executrix may at all times (until my daughter Mary shall be 18 years of age) have the timber upon my manor or demesne land called Shelland Hall in Rattlesden and or any other my lands now occupied by Joseph Isaacke and liberty of ingress and egress, sawing pits, &c. whereof I have a lease assigned to me diverse messuages lands, &c. in Bramford co. Suffolk being freehold messuages lands &c. of Peter Alston, Edward Alston and Margery now wife of Thomas Wynn all ye children late of Peter Alston my late deceased Vncle and I now give and demise to my executrix all my right, title &c. with term of years therein to sell same and whereas there has been some speech as to an agreement between me and the parties owners of said premises for payment to me of £2500 (and wh hath in no sort been performed) if said Peter Alston, Edward Alston and Mary wife of Thos. Wynn, shall pay to my executrix £1900 and to Bridget Bridgman my sister now wife of Edmund Bridgeman £500, then executrix to convey her right in sd premises to them—and money arising from such sale to pay debts and legacies.
To my dear and loving wife Mary (in satisfaction of dower) my messuages, lands &c. in Bramford and Blakenham on the Hill for her life and then as follows:—If she be with child a son then to remain to him, and if a daughter then to her, and my daughters Mary and Susan to hold same to them for ever.
If my children all die s.p. then to go to my loving wife Mary, to her heirs &c. for ever.
To my daughter Mary my Manor or Messuage called Shelland Hall in Shelland, Rattlesden and Woolpit and its lands and appurtenances &c. to her for ever, at 21, and if she die under age and s.p. then to my daughter Susan (at 21).
To my said daughter Mary £1000 at 18 years or marriage.
To my said daughter Susan £2000 (£1000 at 18 or marriage and £1000 at 21).
If daughters die before legacies are due, then to my other children, and if children die, then above money to be divided equally between Anne Payne, my sister and the children of my sister Bridget Bridgman who may then be living.
To my sister Bridget Bridgman my messuages &c. in Clare co. Suffolk for her life, and then to her children.
To my sister Anne Payne all messuages in Great Waldingfield for her life, and then to her children.
To my wife the rents and profits of the Capital Messuage wherein I now dwell and all lands &c. bought of James Baldwyn and his wife in Washbrooke, Chattesham or Hintlesham co. Suffolk for two years and then to Augustine Parker, son of Augustine Parker my kinsman for ever, and said Augustine the father to have profits until the son Augustine is of age.
To the two Children of my sister Susanne Bright deceased £20 apiece, at 21.
To Joseph Colman, son of Frances Colman, deceased my godson and kinsman £60, at 21.
To my wife's brother Mr. Robert Warner and to Mrs. Ursula Warner and Mrs. Dorothy Warner my wives sisters each a ring value £20.
To Thomas Lilly my servant a suit and a cloak and £10.
To Charles Sterne my man £5 and my brown mare, or £5 more and a suit of apparel and a cloak.
To William Pilborough my servant £5.
Legacies to 3 female servants of £5 each.
To Mary Parker, wife of said Augustine Parker the elder, a ring value £5, and to Susan Parker his daughter £100 at 18.
To my wife all household goods &c. linen, plate, &c. for her life and then to come to my children equally.
Also to my wife my coach and furniture.
To my kinsman Augustine Parker, the elder, my grey nagge.
My dear well beloved wife to be sole executrix and said Augustine Parker the elder to be the supervisor, and he to have £100 for his pains.
Will on ten sheets and witnessed by James Wythe, John Hurrell, John Arnold, Thomas Lillye, Joseph Alston.
Proved at Washbrooke 11th January 1643 by Mary Alston the widow.
See Table 11 page 12.

**Edward
Alston**
of Newton.
1690.

Consistory Court of Norwich 1690—No. 75.

(No registered copies for this year.)

Edward Alston, of Newton co. Suffolk gent. 18 November in the 32nd Charles II 1680 in good and perfect memory, But withall considering the fraile and sudden change and condition of this present life, do make this my last will &c.

I humbly bequeath my soul into the hands of God &c. and my body I comitt to the earth to be decently buried by my executor.

To Ann my deare wife, my tenement yards &c. in possession of George Sturgeon—Also a tenement and yards occupied by John Smith—Also a tenement with a piece of ground formerly a hop ground in possession of Edward Beard, also a tenement in possession of Jonathan Kettle and 2 tenements next a lane called Rotten Rowe and sundry other tenements occupied by various widows—Also a piece of land called Newton house feild (13 acres) and a little tenement upon it, which said peice of land with the tenement was the jointure of my wife Ann, all in Newton aforesaid—All which I give to my wife for her life and then to my son Isaac Alston and his heirs for ever.

Also to said wife, peice of land planted with fruit trees next my barn and stable belonging to my mansion house (3 roods) for life and then to my son *Edward* and his heirs for ever.

Wife (while a widow) to have sole use of rooms in the house I live in and also a house newly sett up in the woodyard neare by my Brother Samuel Alston's croft, to lay wood in—If she remarries use of said rooms to go to son Edward and his heirs.

To Ann my wife £5. and bed, bedstead, bedding &c. and all furniture in parlour chamber, all plate, linen, brass, pewter &c. for her life and then among my three sons Isaac, Samuel, and *Edmond*.

My eldest son *Edward* copyhold messuage in Newton called Brookes held of Manor of Newton Hall in Newton and also copyholds in Manor of Butlers in Newton aforesaid—and lands in Mr. Gurdons manor in Assington, and my messuage in Assington now in possession of Robert Waterbury—Also my lands in Boxford and Groaton in possession of John Leppingwell and all other lands, except these given to my wife and son Isaac—Said son Edward out of these lands to pay son Samuel Alston £150 at 24 years of age and to son Edmund Alston £80 at 24, and to son Thomas £50 at 21.

Said son Edward also to pay to my son in law William Cock of Sudbury £100 which I am engaged to pay upon bond, on his marriage with Susan his wife. Also to satisfy a mortgage of £150 to Joseph Brand of Edwardston Esq. deceased of Boxford and Groaton land. and also a mortgage for £50 to Abraham Snelling of Gt. Waldingfield on Fryers meadow in Sudbury—And also pay £300 to my son Andrews of Sudbury on a mortgage on Newton lands, also to Ann Ray of Assington £10 due upon a bond. Also to my cosen William Curd £5. and Mr. John Hinde £6.

To my very loving kinsman Mr. Thomas Alston 10/- for a ring.

To poor of Newton 20/-.

Appoint my eldest son Edward Alston to be executor, and hope he will shew much love and kindness to his mother, Brothers and sisters, and if he refuse to take the executorship, I give all my messuages &c. given to son Edward to my son Isaac, except such as I settled upon son Edward on his marriage, and son Isaac to be my executor.

To my son Isaac all personal estate.

Will on three sheets.

EDWARD ALSTON.

Witnesses : Thomas Alston, Samuel Alston, Dorothy Heron, Jonathan Andrews.

Proved at Norwich 21st June 1690 by Edward Alston, son and executor.

Armorial Seal. Crest, a Crescent. Arms, Azure, 10 Estoiles, or 4, 3, 2, and 1.

See Table 105 page 64.

John Alston
of Seckford.
1709.

Consistory Court of Norwich 1709 fo. 300.

John Alston, Principall of Sekeford Almshouse in Woodbridge in co. Suffolk.

My soul to the mercy of God and my Body to decently buried.

I ordain Ann Alston my youngest daughter to be my sole executrix.

To my daughter Susan Garnham, wife of Thomas Garnham all such goods and household stuff of mine as she now hath.

To said Susan Garnham, house and two orchards wh^{ch} I bought of Thomas Sidney of Ipswich. on condition she pay 5/- a year to my son Edward Alston so long as he lives.

To my daughter Anne Alston, lands purchased of Thomas Sidney aforesaid on condition she pay my son Edward 5/- a year while he lives.

To my daughter Anne Alston all my beds and bedding and all goods in my apartments in the Almshouse.

Debts and expenses to be discharged by my two daughters Susan and Ann out of the lands bequeathed to them.

Dated 19th March 1709(-10).

JOHN ALSTON.

Witnesses : Edmond Brome, Daniel Ford, William Nevill.

No proof registered.

See Table 12 page 13.

(Rev.)
William
Alston
of Newton.
1761.

Consistory Court of Norwich—Register 1761 fo. 214.
William Alston Rector of Newton in co. Suffolk.
To my son Thomas Alston and to my son Joseph Alston £160 in consideration of their trouble as executors equally among them.
To my son Edward Alston one shilling only.
To my son Joseph Alston my Waggon and Tumbrill and all my books and writings and to him alone and no other person.
To my said son Joseph Alston £50 "which I am indebted to him to help pay of (*off*) a sum of money which I borrowed clear cash out of his pockett."
All corn upon my glebe at Newton also belongs to my said son Joseph, he having hired it of me.
All goods &c. to be converted into Cash, except as above.
To my wife £3, barring her from having any thing further, except her own Yellow Bed and her wearing apparel.
Appoint my sons Thomas and Joseph Alston executors.
Dated 11th June 1760.

Witnesses: William Bartlett, Isaac Clark (his mark), Joseph Alston.

Proved at Stratford 31st August 1761 by both the executors.

See Table 107 page 65.

Elizabeth
Alston
of Fieldawling.
1783.

Norwich Archdeaconry Court Register 1874 fo. 101 No. 91.
Will of Elizabeth Alstone widow of Fieldawling co. Norfolk.
All my goods, household furniture brewing utensils, money and other personal estate to my sister Mary Mann wife of Edmund Mann of Gresham co. Norfolk and to her children viz. :—
One sixth to my said sister Mary Mann.
One sixth to her son Thomas Mann.
One sixth to her son John Mann.
One sixth to her daughter Sarah Mann.
One sixth to her daughter Jane Mann.
One sixth to her daughter Mary Mann.
My said sister Mary Mann sole executrix.

the
ELIZABETH X ALSTONE.
mark of

Witnesses: George Walker, Jane X Wincin, Earle Massingham.

Dated 7th December 1782.

Proved 14th July 1783 by the executrix at Gresham,

Unknown.

Alston

Chancery Proceedings.

FROM THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

ALSTON v. DEEKE & another.

1604.

Chancery B. and A. James I. A. 2. No. 44.

Bill, dated 6 February 1604, by William Allston of Otton Belchampe, co. Essex, yeoman, v. John Deeke and Thomas Harris.

About May 1602, Orator bought a messuage and land in Clare, and Stoke by Clare, co. Suffolk, of said John Deeke; on 28 October next ensuing Orator and two of his sons, William Allstone the younger, and Edward Allstone, gave their bond for payment of the purchase money, which has been paid, but Deeke fraudulently denies satisfaction of the bond &c. &c. &c., and conspires with said Thomas Harris, who holds a mortgage of Orator.

Unplaced. Refer to early Tables.

ALSTON v. CURD & others.

1608.

Chancery B. and A. James I. A. 2. (83).

Bill, dated 16 February 1608, by William Allstone of Middleton, co. Essex, yeoman, v. Grace Curd, Richard Skynner, John Bragge and Robert Warren, clerk.

The suit is brought for remedy against defendants, who prevent Orator's peaceful possession of a messuage &c. in Middleton, acquired under due and lawful demise, for term of the life of the said Grace. (*Neither the bill nor answers contain Alstone information.*)

See Table 1 page 3.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

1623.

Chancery B. and A. James I. A. 1. No. 4.

Bill, dated 20 May 1623, by William Alston of Woodbridge, co. Suffolk, gent. v. William Alston, his father.

About 36 years since one William Alston of Newton, co. Suffolk, gent., Orator's grandfather, was seised of a messuage and 40 acres of land in Sudburie, co. Suffolk, the said house being then and now an inn called "The Swanne." He had issue William Alston, orator's father, who about 35 years since married one Marriion Holborowe, daughter of Richard Holborowe of Bullmer, co. Essex, with whom he had a great marriage portion, to the sum of £200 or £300 at the least, whilst William Alston the grandfather settled the above-said premises on his said son in tail. Marion died about 24 years since, leaving Orator a child not above 8 years old. The trust deeds &c. were put into the hands of Edward Newman of Sudbury, who has given them up to defendant or his agents; and Orator's estate from this and other causes is greatly endangered.

Defendant's answer acknowledges that his father held lease for 1000 years of said messuage &c. under demise from Roger Warryn, Esq., dated in or about October 27 Elizabeth, and settled such parts thereof as were freehold as above stated as *jointure* in consideration of defendant's marriage, December 34 Elizabeth. After death of said Marion, defendant sold the premises to one Richard Ellis, late of Sudbury, in or about October, 1 Jas. I., a fine being levied thereof, Easter term 2 Jas. I., in which defendant's father joined.

See Table 4 page 6. This suit supplies the name and parentage of the wife of the patriarch William of that Table.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

1624.

Chancery B. and A. James I. A. 6. (38.)

Bill, dated 10 May 1624, by Isaack Alston of Edwardston, co. Suffolk, yeoman, v. William Alston of Water Belchamp, co. Essex, yeoman, brother of the said Isaack.

About 3 years since differences arose between the said Isaac and William touching surrender to be made by William to Isaac of the former's lease of the rectories and tithes of Edwardston and Little Waldingfield, formerly demised to William by the said Isaac and Thomas Alston, his father.

The differences were submitted to arbitration, and the suit is brought for remedy against defendant's subsequent proceedings therein.

See Tables 24 page 22 and 101 page 62.

ALSTON & another v. PARTRICH.

1625.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. ²³₅₀

Bill dated 27 May, 1625, by Edmond Allston of Newton, co. Suffolk, yeoman, and John Bateman of Roydon, said county, yeoman, v. Thomas Partrich the elder of Higham, co. Suffolk, yeoman.

The suit is brought in connection with debts incurred by defendant's son Thomas, and gives no Alston information.

See Table 102, &c.

ALSTON v. COE.

1626.

Chancery B. and A. Chas. I. A. 6. (32.)

Bill, dated 4 May 1626, by Thomas Alston, cousin and next heir of Thomas Alston, late of Newton, co. Suffolk, gent., deceased, and Dorothy his wife, likewise deceased; viz. son and heir of Thomas Alston of Maplesteade, co. Essex, deceased, son and heir of the said Thomas of Newton, v. Joane Coe.

The said Thomas the grandfather, after the death of his said wife, was tenant by the courtesy of England of a moiety of the rectory and tithes of Maplestead, and of the manor of Munck's hall, being the inheritance of the said Dorothy. He was also seized of messuages, &c. called Groome's and Turrold's in Edwardstone, co. Suffolk; the rectory and Priory of Edwardstone, and lands, &c. in Newton and Great and Little Waldingfeild, co. Suffolk, &c. &c.

Orator's father died, and before his grandfather's death, his said grandfather's sons by his second wife, viz. Samuel, Isaac, Edmund, Abraham and Edmund, endeavoured to make their father settle his lands so as to disinherit Orator. At his grandfather's death, Orator was only 17, and his affairs were managed by George Coe of Maplestead, gent. deceased.

Inquisition p.m. on Thomas the grandfather, taken 1 October 18 James I, quoted.

Orator came of age, Michaelmas 19 James I.

The suit is brought against George Coe's widow, to obtain redress for injury done to orator by said George's management of his affairs.

See Table 24 page 22.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & others.

1627.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 6. (44.)

(In bad condition.)

Bill, dated 15 July 1627, by Peter Alston of Bramford, co. Suffolk, gent., son and heir and executor of Peter Alston, late of the said place, deceased, v. Katharine Alstone, Tobias Minter and his wife, and others.

Peter the father was seised of freehold and copyhold lands in divers towns in Suffolk, and had, besides Orator, two sons, viz. Edward and Thomas. By his will, dated 26 March 3 Charles I, he divided his lands equally among his three sons, leaving his personal estate to orator. Now it happened that the father had been entrusted with a great personal estate by his brother Edward Alston, whose executor he was, and guardian to his five children, while Edward's eldest son was a ward to the King.

Katherine Alston, Orator's stepmother, (who, though she brought to her husband but a mean portion, not exceeding £100, has lately attempted to bring a writ of dower &c. &c.) caused much waste of Orator's father's estate by her extravagance, having not less than 20 gowns of wrought velvet, tufftaffeta, satin damask and other stuffs, and petticoats suitable to them, all laid very thick with gold and silver lace, far unfit for her degree, and all made at the charge of her husband, which he was willing to undergo, hoping thereby to have procured a peaceable and quiet conversation with the said Katherine, yet could not have it, &c. &c.

The suit is brought to recover possession of divers trunks, containing jewels, evidences &c. &c. conveyed away from Bramford by the said Katherine.

See Table 12 page 13.

ALSTON v. SIR GEORGE KEMP, BART. & another.

1627/8.

Chancery Depositions. Eliz.—Chas. A. 5. (7.)

Depositions taken in the suit of Edward Alston v. George Kemp Bart., and Thomas Jernegan.

Writ dated 20 February 2 Charles I.

The suit is brought respecting a lease of the Rectory of Pentlow, co. Essex.

William Crisall of Pentlow says Complainant receives £10 per ann. from defendant Jernegan for serving the cure of Pentlow, and he has heard complainant has been very negligent.

There are a number of depositions, but none throw more light on the history of Edward Alston.

See Table 4 page 6.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & another.

1628.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 29. (43.)

Bill, dated 16 May 1628, by Katherine, widow of Peter Alstone of Bramford, v. Peter, Edward and Thomas Alstone, and Francis Andrews. *In matters as before.*

See Table 12 page 13.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & others.

1629.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 21. (3.)

Bill, dated 28 June 1629, by Katharine, widow of Peter Alston, v. Daniell Heron, Peter Alston and Francis Andrews.

Respecting annuity granted to Oratrix by her late husband. *Of similar tendency to bill A. 16. (15.)*

See Table 12 page 13.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

1629.

Chancery Proceedings. Charles I. A. 32/10.

Bill, dated 27 November 1629, by Peter Alston of Bramford, co. Suffolk, gent., v. Katherine Alston, widow of Peter Alston of Bramford, his late father.

On 18 May 5 Chas. I. the Orator and defendant became mutually bound in a penal sum of £2000 to abide the arbitrament of Sir Nicholas Hyde, Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, in controversies then pending as to the jointure and dower of the said Katherine. The award made was that the late Peter Alston's estate should be divided into three equal parts, one of which at her own choice, should be assigned to Katherine, together with the sum of £35, and her gowns, linen and other apparel, to be delivered to her in the house of Samuel Ward, clerk, in Ipswich.

Before this award was delivered Katherine had actually waived the jointure made her by his father, wherefore, under his father's will, the said property descends to Orator, with reversion to his brother Thomas. Still he has divided and is ready to assign the lands according to the award, but the defendant says they have not been divided as required by the award &c. &c.

See Table 12 page 13.

ALSTON v. ELSOME.

Collins. 1.
1629.

Bill, 31 October 1629, by Edward Alston of London, Esq. and Susan his wife, executrix of Jasper Hussey, late citizen and fishmonger of London, decd., v. Elizabeth Elsome and Joseph Blades.

In Easter term 3 Chas. I. Orators recovered judgment in the court of Common pleas, against one Thomas Elsome *alias* Elsham late of Kingston upon Hull, chapman, decd., on account of certain parcels of hops supplied him by said Jasper Hussey, defendant Elizabeth being his relict and executrix.

See Table 27 page 24.

ALSTON & LEMAN v. OFFLEY.

1629/30.

Chancery Proceedings. Charles I. A. 33/25.

Bill, dated 23 January 16³⁰, by Edward Alston, doctor of Physic, and William Leman, citizen and Fishmonger of London, v. Robert Offley.

One Jasper Hussey, citizen and fishmonger of London, held leases of tenements in Billingsgate, which by his will he bequeathed to Susan his wife, whom he made executrix. About December 1624 the complainant Alston did intermarry with the said Susan, and in view of the said leases, did settle upon her a competent jointure. About May 1625 (seeing the said Alston was not a freeman of London, which precluded him from holding the said leases) Edward Alston conveyed the leases to William Leman in trust to his own use. Robert Offley is fraudently endeavouring to defeat his title.

See Table 27 page 24.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & others.

Chancery Proceedings. Charles I. A. 34/21.
Replication of Katherine Alston to Peter Alston and Francis Andrewe, and to the joint answers of Edward Alston and Thomas Alston, defendants.

A mere contradiction.

See Table 12 page 13, and saits with similar parties ubi supra.

ALSTON v. BURWELL.

1630.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 22. (66.)

Bill (*about 20 feet long*) dated 4 November 1630, by William Alston of Woodbridge, co. Suffolk, gent., and Avice his wife, one of the daughters and coheirs of Jeffrie Pytman, the elder, late of Woodbridge Esq., deceased, and one of the sisters and coheirs of Jefferie Pytman the younger of Woodbridge aforesaid, gent., deceased, as well on behalf of themselves as of Avice and Alice Alston, their children, who are under age, v. Edmund Burwell, husband of Marie, sister and coheir of said Jeffry Pytman the younger, &c.

Both sisters were married at the date of the elder Pytman's will, viz. 18 May 3 Charles I.

The suit is brought for remedy against fraud practised by defendants with regard to the carrying out of the said will, &c.

See Table 5 page 7.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & others.

1630.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 16. (15.)

Bill, dated 15 November 1630, by Katharin Alston, widow of Peter Alston, late of Bramford, co. Suffolk, Esq. deceased, v. Peter Alston, Edward Alston, Thomas Alston, Francis Andrewes, Thomas Wynn, Jeremie Dicklemore and John Wilky.

Peter Alston deceased bought of the Earl of Cleveland, then Lord Wentworth, the manor or farm of Lovetofts, in Bramford, parcel whereof was at the time of purchase leased for a term of years to one Thomas Denton; this lease Peter also bought, and took the assignment thereof in the name of Edward Alston, an infant, one of his younger sons, in mere trust and confidence to the only use of himself. Having married Oratrix, he employed part of her portion in the said purchase. About April 1628 the said Peter fell into sickness, and Peter Alston the younger and the said Edward Alston, his sons by a former marriage, both being under age, with the help of one Francis Andrewes, an attorney, and one Thomas Wynn, who had married a daughter of the said Peter the elder, persuaded their father to alter a will, wherein he had dealt well and lovingly with Oratrix, and add a codicil by which he left $\frac{1}{2}$ of his lands to his 1st, second and third sons, the said Peter, Edward and Thomas. The suit is brought to obtain redress against several fraudulent acts and designs on the part of the defendants.

See Table 12 page 13.

ALSTON v. STOCKDALE & others.

1631.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 22. (19.)

Bill, dated 17 June 1631, by William Alston of the Inner Temple, London, gent. v. Thomas Stockdale and others. Orator, who was heretofore seised in fee of Bilton Park, co. York, by indenture dated 25 November last, between himself and the said Thomas Stockdale of Preston, co. Lancaster, Esq., sold the said property to Stockdale.

The suit is brought in consequence of annoying proceedings on the part of Stockdale and his confederates. (*No further pedigree matter is obtainable.*)

See Table 13 page 14.

ALSTON v. BRAGGE.

1632.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 4. (39.)

Bill, dated 8 May 1632, by William Alston of Water Belchampe, co. Essex, yeoman, v. Robert Bragge, of Bulmer, executor of Robert Parke of the said place, yeoman.

The said Robert Parke by his will bequeathed to Orator a piece of hopground and meadow, charged with an annuity of 40s. to testator's daughter Joane, then wife of Thomas Browne. This annuity has several times been paid, at Orator's house, the said Joane Browne often coming thither, by reason Orator hath married her sister. The said Robert Bragge and others now confederate to cause forfeiture of a bond respecting the said payment entered into by Orator, because the payments have not been made at St. Peter's church, Sudbury, as provided in the will.

The answer annexed gives no further help.

See Table 101 page 62.

ALSTON v. COE.

1632.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 24. (10.)

Another bill, dated 29 November 1632, by Thomas Alston of London, gent., v. Jone Coe. *In matters as before.*

See Table 24 page 22, and suit page 169.

ALSTON v. HARRINGTON & another.

1632.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 12. (56.)

Bill, dated 26 November 1632, by Thomas Alston of London, gent., v. James Harrington and Joane Coe.

Thomas Alston of Newton, co. Suffolk, Esq. Orator's grandfather, and Dorathie, his wife, daughter and heir of — Omsteade of Withersfeild, co. Essex, gent., were seised of manor of Munckshall &c. &c., and bequeathed the same to your Orator. The suit is brought with regard to mismanagement of estate, &c., during Orator's minority.

See Table 24 page 22, and suit as above.

ALSTON v. CHETWOOD.

Mitford. 42/29.
1633.

Bill, 3 June 1633, by William Alston of the Inner Temple, London, Esq. v. Sir Richard Chitwood of Odyll, co. Bedford, Kt., and Richard Chitwood, his son and heir apparent.

About Hilary term last past Orator agreed with the defendants for the purchase of the manors of Great Odyll and Little Odyll, and for divers lands &c. in those places, and did give the greater sum therefore, being assured that the same was free of all incumbrances. Now, before full conveyance is made, the defendants acknowledge divers recognisances and judgments to which the premises are and will be liable, whereby orator is not only in danger of losing his money paid for the said manors, but also of being evicted from the same.

Defendants, in their answer, acknowledge and recite a number of judgments given, chargeable on the said lands, but say the Orator was aware of these, before entering into the purchase.

See Table 13 page 14.

ALSTON v. TUKE & another.

Mitford. 52/4.
1633?

The answer of George Tuke, Esq. and John Seamer to the complaint of William Alston, Esq. They acknowledge complainant has acquired the reversion of the manor of Stebington and Patenham, after expiry of a ? lease granted thereof to William Seamer. The suit relates to the corn mills which form part of the property.

See Table 13 page 14.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Mitford. 38/26.
1634/5.

Bill, 7 Feb. 1634, by Edward Allston of Stanton, co. Suffolk, clerk, v. Joseph Allston and Annie Alston.

William Allston, late of Newton, co. Suffolk, gent. Orator's father, with the consent of his own father William Allston, took to wife Marryan, daughter of Richard Holeborough of Bulmare, co. Essex, gent., with whom he had a portion of £300, and by whom he had issue four sons, William, Ralph, the Orator, and Thomas, and two daughters, Margery and Elizabeth, all of them now living. About March 1615 Orator's grandfather delivered to his said son £40 for the benefit of Orator, then a lad of about 17, and took his bond to one Peter Allston, Orator's uncle, for payment of the same to Orator when 21; his grandfather shortly after gave Orator £100, which he also delivered into his said father's hands, until he should be 21. Orator's grandfather and mother afterwards died, and about 27 years since Orator's father did intermarry with Anne, his second wife, and now widdow, who brought him no portion that could be any advancement to his issue, only an estate in lands during her own life, of some £30 or £40 per annum; by whom he had issue Joseph Allston, her eldest son, and other children. Now the said Anne, being of a subtle wit, and taking advantage of her husband's facile and inclinable disposition, and propounding to herself to draw her husband's whole estate, both his lands (being clearly worth to be let £200 per ann.) and also his personal estate of the value of £3000, to herself and her children, did from time to time labour to work a dislike between her said husband and his children by his first wife, and in combination with her said son Joseph did from time to time suggest sundry untruth concerning the other children, so as to work a displeasure and hardness in him towards them; and Orator's father was thereby drawn to scant and shorten the allowances he had formerly made them, inasmuch as your Orator, living then in the University of Cambridge, could have no supplies of money for meat or apparel, unless he would first become bound to his father for repayment of it, and it was agreed it should be discounted from the sums abovesaid, in his father's hands. After which your Orator falling in a treaty of marriage with Millisent, daughter of Simon Wells, D.D., your Orator's father approving thereof did promise the said Dr. Wells to give his son £300 on the marriage; and promised Orator in private, without the privity of the said Anne, another £100. Whereupon the marriage took place, but Anne and Joseph so worked upon Orator's father that neither the £300 nor the £100 were paid; and the Orator, to have means of livelihood was driven to take a farm of £40 a year in Foxearth, co. Essex; and Orator's father became bound with him to one John Haward, his lessor, for the payment of the rent, whilst Orator gave his father a counter-bond. Anne and Joseph wrought upon the said William in the making of his will, shortly after making of which he died, in Nov. 1633. Joseph proved the will and has possessed himself of the whole estate, and now demands sums alleged to be forfeit under the bond, though Orator's father granted him a full release; and also pretends that his father gave a bond of £3000 in the Court of Wards and Liveries, upon the grant of the wardship of John Allston, eldest son of Edward Allston of Boxford, which recognisance the said Joseph now alleges to be forfeit, and that he has not assets in his hands sufficient to pay it.

Defendants in their answer say that the said Marian's marriage portion was not above £100; they know nothing about the sums of money given to Orator by his grandfather.

William and Anne had issue 5 other children beside Joseph.

They deny the charges of undue influence &c. &c.

The bond in the Court of Wards and Liveries was given on behalf of one Peter Allston.

See Table 4 page 6.

ALSTON v. AYLETT.

1634/5.

Chancery Proceedings. Charles I. A. 36.

Bill, 31 January 163⁵, by John Alston of Toppisfeild, co. Essex, gent. v. Robert Aylett.

One John Bolthode late of Stystead, co. Essex, deceased, was seised of a loft called Powlyes, and divers lands and tenements in Stystead, which on his death descended to his three daughters and coheirs, viz. Joane, m^d to Robert Harrys of Danbury, Phillipp, m^d to John Hatch, and Joane, m^d to Robert Sawen, both of Stystead. Defendant has purchased the part of Robert Sawen and his wife, Plaintiff that of John Hatch and his wife; and, there being but one deed thereof, which has come into defendant's hands, the plaintiff cannot defend his right to his third. Defendant says Alston has denied him due way and passage to and through the property, and the deed being ancient and the place names having been mostly changed, he could prove but few, and he desired a commission to examine into the matter &c. &c.

See Table 23 page 21. Also see page 175.

ALSTON v. ESTWICK & another.

Mitford.

Bill, 10 Oct. 1637, by William Alston of Wodhull, co. Bedford, Esq., v. William Estwick and John Seamer.

76/45.

Cp. suit, Alston v. Tuke, (Mitford 52/4).

1637.

This is the bill in the said suit, the name of Tuke being mentioned, and his name apparently torn away here, (the bill is damaged). The answer annexed is that of Wm. Estwick, which accounts for the fresh naming of the suit.

The manor is here spelt Stevington and Patenham.

It gives no Alston particulars.

See Table 13 page 14.

ALSTON v. COLMAN.

Mitford.

219/13.

The answer, *undated*, of Edmund Colman, the elder, gent., Thomas Wright, Thomas Sidney and Arden Gibson, gent., to the bill of John Alston, complainant.

Defendants believe Edward Alston, decd., was seised of a messuage, as in the bill alleged, but of the yearly value of £10 and no more, and of no other tenements. They know nothing of any articles of agreement made upon complainant's marriage. They believe that the said Edward assigned to his daughter Martha, as her portion, a forfeited mortgage for £100 that he held from the defendant Sidney. In the same year, viz. 1665, the defendant, Wright gave a bond to said Alston's daughter Barbary, for the payment of £100. Arden Gibson says about £12 being due to him from the said Alston, he demanded the same, and Alston gave him £7 and left in his hands a Turkey carpet and a table, to remain with him till he should demand the same, which he never did; this defendant has married one of the daughters of the said Edward.

A schedule is annexed, of all deeds and writings left by Edward Alston, decd., father of the complainant, in the custody of the said Edmund Colman; except such deeds as belong to the premises in St. Lawrence parish Ipswich, heretofore mortgaged and forfeited to the said Edmund Colman, among which deeds are

(1) An indenture of feoffment of the manor of Lovetofts, 26th March 165⁸, between Edward Alston and Eustace Smith.

(2) A bill of sale under the hand and seal of Robert Wilkenson unto Edward Alston of $\frac{1}{3}$ of the shipp called the *John and Elizabeth* of Ipswich, dated 1 May 1662.

See Table 4 page 6.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & another.

1638.

Chancery Proceedings. Charles I. A. 30/33.

Another suit (bill dated 12 October 1638) between the same parties, as in Alston v. Alston 1629; Roger Norfolk is joined as defendant.

Katherine is described as Katherine Buggs, one of the daughters of Edward Buggs, Esq.

re Katherine's jointure, and lease granted by her to the complainant Peter.

See Table 12 page 13.

ALSTON v. DOGGETT & others.

Mitford.

54/44.

1644/5.

Bill, 5 Feb. 164⁴, by Edward Alston, late of Edwardeston, co. Suffolk, clothier, but now of Sudbury in the said co. v. Avice Doggett and others.

In 1603 the complainant took a bet of £10 (40 to one against) that Wm. Doggett and Avice his wife, being then old, would not live for 40 years, and gave a bond in the penal sum of £800, to pay them £400 if they should be living on the corresponding day in 1643. The suit relates merely to this bond, and contains no Alstone material.

See Table 26 page 23.

ALSTON v. KIDBYE.

Mitford.
110/4.
1645.

Answer, 21 May 1645, of William Kidbye, defendant to the complaint of Samuel Alston.
This answer contains very little information at all; it concerns a sum borrowed by the complainant from one William Payne, Robert Alston being his surety.

ALSTON v. PARKER.

1645/6.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 14. (54.)
Bill, dated 7 February 1645, by Mary Alston of Stowmarket, co. Suffolk, widow of Joseph Alston late of Washbrooke in the said co., deceased, v. Augustine Parker, feoffee of certain lands bought by the said Joseph, and overseer of his will.

The suit relates only to business connected with the execution of Joseph Alston's will, and contains no matter useful for pedigree.

See Table 11 page 12.

ALSTON & another v. OFFLEY.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 5. (59.)
The replication of Edward Alston and William Leman, complainants to the insufficient answer of Robert Offley, defendant. (*Undated.*)

Respecting leases of property, the locality of which does not appear in this document.

See Alston v. Leman and Offley 1629/30, and Table 27 page 24.

ALSTON v. COOKE & others.

1646/7.

Chancery B. and A. Charles I. A. 5. (10.)
Bill, dated 10 February 1647, by Mary Alston of Stowmarket, widow and executrix of Joseph Alston, gent., v. Lionell Cooke, Edward Parris and Robert Alcocke.

The said Joseph Alston, after a long and tedious suit in the court of Wards and liveries, obtained an order and execution thereupon against the lands and tenements of Peter Alston and Edward Alston and some others for the sum of £3000, and about February 1638 delivered the writ for the execution to Lionell Cooke, then under sheriff of co. Suffolk. Joseph survived until the month of December 1643. The suit is brought for redress against a conspiracy to obtain money on the part of said Lionel and the other defendants, pursued both before and since the decease of the said Joseph Alston.

The answer annexed contains no fresh Alston information.

See Table 11 page 12, and suit above, Alston v. Parker.

ALSTON v. KEMPE & others.

1647.

Chancery Proceedings. Charles I. A. 32/21.
Answer, dated 20 April 1647, of John Kempe, Esq., one of the defendants to the complaint of Edward Alston, clerk, respecting lease of the Rectory of Pentlowe, bequeathed to defendant by his father, and since disposed of. Defendant has no evidences, &c.

See Table 4 page 6, and Alston v. Kemp ubi supra.

ALSTONE v. SAUNDERS & others.

Hamilton.
15/82.
1651.

Bill, 10 May 1651, by Thomas Alston, Kt. and Bt., Edward Alston, Kt., and John Alston Esq. v. John Saunders, Peter and Robert Sewell, John Trott and William Preston.
Orators are trustees for Dames Frances, wife of William, Viscount Mounson; and the suit is to recover rent, &c. from defaulting tenants of the said Dame Frances.

See Table 22 page 20.

ALSTON v. STORER.

1651.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 144.

Bill, 27 November 1651, by Peter Alston of Alton, co. Derby, gent. v. John Storer.

About 8 or 9 years since the manor of Alton was settled on your orator and his heirs by those who had good and lawful power so to do. John Storer is tenant of the said manor for a parcel of land, but orator can obtain from him neither the rent reserved, nor a sight of the lease under which he holds.

Defendant says he holds an unexpired lease of the land from Thomas Needham, Esq., and has never attuned tenant to the complainant, or acknowledged him his landlord.

Uncertain. Query whether Peter Alston the younger of Table 12 page 13 ?

ALSTON v. AYLETT.

1654.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges. 23.

Bill, 12 June 1654, by John Alston of Stysted, Essex, gent., v. Robert Aylett.

Another bill in the same matter as Alston v. Aylett, (Charles I. A. 36. q.v. page 173.)

See Table 23 page 21, and same suit ubi supra.

ALSTON & others v. ALSTON & others.

1655.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 144.

Bill, 4 July 1655, by Peter Alston of Gray's Inn, Middlesex, gent., son and heir and executor of Peter Alston, gent., deceased, and Thomas Wynn of London, merchant, and Margery his wife, one of the daughters of the late P. Alston, v. Mary Alston (and others). *

* The bill is not concluded on the only membrane preserved.

Edward Alston of Boxford, Suffolk, gent. (eldest brother of Orator's father) made his son John and his brother Peter his executors. His son John, being a minor, and holding by Knight service, became a ward to the King; wardship was granted to Anne, mother of the said John, who died about 1625; John died shortly afterwards, leaving Joseph, his brother and heir, a ward to the King. It was ordered by the court of Wards and Liveries 3 July 2 Charles I that Orator's father should give his bond to one John Brand, Kinsman of the said ward, for the proper administration of the estate.

Joseph Alston came of age in April or May 12 Charles I., and then demanded an account from orator's father. Various proceedings have been had in the Court of Wards, and proper deductions were not made from the estate for expenses, maintenance of Edward Alston's younger children &c. &c. In 1641 Joseph agreed with Orator (Peter) to give a general release upon payment by the said Orator and the other complainants of a sum total of £5800. Orators intended to raise the money at the time appointed, but the late troubles happening about that time, they could find no chapman that would adventure in the midst of those distractions (whereof most men were doubtful what might be the issue and event) to purchase any lands.

Joseph Alston afterwards desired to buy some lands of your Orator Peter, that lay intermixed with his, and agreed to take some in satisfaction of the said sum, or part of it; and shortly afterwards fell sick, and made his last will 18 December 19 Charles I; and being mindful of your Orator's great suffering in the late troubles made provision respecting the matter between them (as in the said will appears).

Now Mary (the defendant in the first place) his widow and executrix is oppressing orators with regard to the said claim contrary to equity and the provisions of her husband's will.

See Table 12 page 13, &c.

ALSTON v. SIR JOHN HARPER & others.

1656.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 143.

Bill, 24 November, 1656, by Edward Alston, Doctor of Physic, President of the College or Commonalty of the Faculty of Physic, London, and the said College or Commonalty, and William Harvey, the late reader, and Charles Scarborough the present reader of the art or science of chirurgery in the house of the said President or College (both Doctors in Physic) v. Sir John Harper and others.

Respecting an annuity left by the late Richard Caldwell, Dr. in Physic in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, payable to the said College.

See Table 27 page 24.

ALSTON v. HARPER.

Collins.

576/10.

1656.

Bill, 24 November 1656, by Edward Alston, Dr. of Physic, President of the College or Commonalty of the Faculty of Physic, London, and the said Commonalty, and William Harvey—(as in a previous suit) v. John Harper and others. *re* premises left by Richard Caldwell, for the benefit of the said College.

See Table 27 page 24.

ALSTON v. GINNYBOURNE & another.

Reynardson. Bill, 19 May 1657, by Timothy Alleston of Colchester, co. Essex, Mariner, v. Nicholas Gennybrowne and Philip Allen.
241/3.
1657.
This suit relates only to transactions connected with payment for a vessel or bark bought by plaintiff of the defendant gennybrowne in April 1652.
Doubtful whether an Alston suit. Alleston—Alliston rather than Alston.

ALSTON v. COUCHER & others.

Collins. Bill, 12 February 165⁸, by Edward Alston of East Barnet, Kt., and Robert Alston of Lincoln's Inn, Esq. v. John Coucher and Elizabeth his wife and others.
583/10.
1658/9.
By indenture dated 10 October 1658 Orators bought from Henry Browne and Elinoranne, his wife, and Elinor Dobbins, for £1730, the manor or mansion-house called Walden's or Walden's Court, and three messuages called Hill house, Greaves and Nashes, in the parishes of Pauntley and Newent, co. Gloucester, with various parcels of land; and fine was thereupon duly levied. Orators have not a good estate therein unless the defendants, who are brothers-in-law and sisters of the said Eleanoranne join in the conveyance; which this suit is brought to force them to do.
See Table 19 page 19.

ACTON v. ALSTON & others.

Mitford. Bill, 11 June 1659, by John Acton the elder of Bramford, co. Suffolk, Esq. v. Mary Alston, the mother of John Hanmer and Mary his wife, Peter Alston and John Clayton.
137/1.
1659.
Complainant is Lord of the manor of Bramford; one Joseph Alston of *—— co. Suffolk, Esq. decd. and some of his ancestors before him, held land of the said manor, together with other lands near by but not belonging to the said manor. He died about 15 years since, and his estate in lands in the said manor is determined, as would appear by copy of court rolls if they were forthcoming. Since his death his widow Mary, John Hanmer Esq. and his wife Mary, sole daughter and heir of the said Joseph Alston, Peter Alston heretofore of Bramford, gent., and John Clayton, gent., confederate together and pretend that the said Joseph's Estate is *not* determined.
* In rather bad state.
Defendants do not know the extent of the lands held by the late Joseph Alston in Bramford manor, nor whether they are freehold or copyhold, because the complainant has never suffered them to have a sight of the court rolls. John Clayton believes that part of the lands now held by Mary Alston, widow, were formerly held by Peter Alston, father of the defendant Peter, who had besides another son Edward. After their father's death, Peter and Edward were tenants together of this freehold land, paying therefore a rent to the lord of the manor of Bramford.
See Table 11 page 12.

ALSTON v. HARPER & others.

Whittington. Depositions, 1659, in the suit of Edward Alston, Doctor in Physic, v. John Harper and others.
Bundle 759.
1659.
Relating only to property left to the College of Physicians.
*See same suit *abi supra*.*

ALSTON v. GREENFIELD.

Whittington. Depositions, 10 William III, in the suit of Robert Alston v. Thomas Greenfield and others (*i.e.* John Franckland, Robert Alston and Edward Alston).
Bundle 895.
Two files of depositions.
These are Lancashire Alstons. The bill evidently alleges force and fraud to procure the signing of certain deeds. The papers are very long. They give no pedigree material.

ALSTON & others v. ALSTON & others.

Whittington. Depositions taken in January 16⁵⁹, in the suit of Sir Thomas Hampson, Bt., and Mary his wife, Robert Alston Esq., Robert Yarroway and Thomas Sallowes v. Edward Alston, Kt., William Alston Esq. and Elizabeth his wife, and Gertrude Dennis.
Bundle 759.
1659/60.
These are depositions with regard to the partition of lands. (*See post* Alston v. Hampson. Collins. Bundle 28.)

ALSTON v. GYNNYBORNE.

Whittington. Depositions taken 10 June 1658 in the suit above noted. Alleston v. Genybrowne. (Renardson 241/3.)
Bundle 759.
1659.
No new information.
See above, same suit.

ALSTON v. PEGG.

Collins.
583/2.
1660/1.
Bill, — February 1662, by Clifton Alston of Duffield, co. Derby, gent. v. Christopher Pegg and Elizabeth his wife, and John Ratchdale.
Relates merely to a bond given in connection with part payment of a debt of £200 due from one Robert Hewett, Esq., decd. to the Orator, in 1642.
Clifton Alston is unknown. Possibly not a Suffolk Alston.

SIR EDWARD ALSTON v. HARDY & others.

1665.
Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 176.
Bill, 12 April 1665, by Sir Edward Alston of East Barnet, co. Hertford. v. Richard Hardy, Henry Davy and John Brookes.
In the year 1652 Orator apprenticed his son Thomas to one Henry Davy of the city of London, merchant, giving Davy a bond in £1000 for his faithful service. Thomas served Davy for 3 years, and by his cares and industry very much increased the said Davy's estate, insomuch that Davy found him capable of managing his whole affairs, and about 1655 acquainted your Orator that he intended to send the said Thomas to Smyrna as his factor, and desired Orator to supply his said son with a sum of money to trade on his own account. Thomas managed his master's affairs at Smyrna for two years, and fell sick of the sickness whereof he died, appointing Richard Hardy of London, merchant, his trustee to manage his affairs. John Brookes, Davy's brother in law, was partner with the said Alston; the defendants conspire together with regard to settlement of said Thomas's estate.
See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. HARDY & others.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 186.
Answer, 25 January — of Richard Hardy of London, merchant, one of the defendants to complaint of Sir Edward Alston.
Contains no new Alston information.
See Table 19 page 19, and Sir Edward's preceding suit ubi supra.

SIR EDWARD ALSTON v. SIR THOMAS HAMPSON & others.

1665.
Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 175.
Bill, 16 May 1665, by Sir Edward Alston of East Barnet, Kt., v. Sir Thomas Hampson and Dame Mary his wife, Nicholas Glynn and Gertrude his wife, and William Alston.
One Anthony Denny of Orleigh in the parish of Buckland Brewer, Devon, Esq. deceased, was seised of the manors of Orleigh, Playstowe &c. &c. co. Devon, and died about 23 years since leaving all the premises to descend to his daughters and co-heirs, viz., the defendants Mary and Gertrude, and Elizabeth, afterwards wife of William Alston, orator's eldest son. Which Elizabeth, in consideration of a projected marriage between herself and the said William, did by indenture of August 1656 settle her third upon Orator and his heirs, with the condition that if £2500 were paid Orator on 28 October 1657, and another £1000 within 5 years after the marriage, the deed should then be void. Orator settled a jointure in Northants upon the said Elizabeth. In Michaelmas term 1655 Sir Thomas Hampson and others, sued his wife's two sisters under an alleged settlement of the manors made 23 February 1654. Orator has never received full assurance of the said conveyance, free from equity of redemption unless the said £3500 be paid.
Elizabeth Alston died about 4 June 1664, leaving issue only 3 daughters viz. Gertrude, Hester and Elizabeth, who are all since dead.
Defendants will neither pay the sum aforesaid to Orator, nor assure his title.
See Table 19 page 19, where William is described erroneously as having died unmarried.

ALSTON v. HAMPSON.

Collins.
28.
1665.
Bill, 26 May 1665, by Sir Edward Alston of East Barnet, co. Hertford, Knt., v. Sir Thomas Hampson, Bt. and others. (*The bill is incomplete, one membrane only being preserved.*)
One Anthony Denny of Orleigh in the parish of Bricklane, Brewer, co. Devon, decd., was seised of the manors or reputed manors of Orleigh, Playstowe, Hankford, Wandford, Rose Ash *als* Ash Rolfe, co. Devon, and Lesnewick and Tresack, co. Cornwall; he died about 23 years since, when his said manors descended to his three daughters and co-heirs, viz. Mary, now wife of Sir Thomas Hampson, of Taplow, co. Bucks. Bt.; Gertrude, now wife of Nicholas Glynn of Glynnfourde in the parish of —, co. Cornwall, Esq., and Elizabeth, afterwards wife of William Alston, Orator's eldest son.
(Cp. notes of previous suit, the facts in which are here repeated.)

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

- Collins.** Answer (*date worn away*) of Jacob (? Joseph) Alston, gent. to the bill of Complaint of Jacob Alston and Jonas ? Alston.
41. Defendant acknowledges that his grandfather William Alston left legacies to the children of his son William,
(In rather bad state.) The said William, defendant's father, settled lands upon defendant, his eldest son, and in consideration of a marriage to be had between defendant and Elizabeth Brand [? daughter] of Benjamin Brand of Edwardeston, co. Suffolk, Esq., a settlement was made about 30 August 8—, of lands in Edwardeston, Bexford and Newton.
Defendant gave bonds in various sums at different times as security for his father, who also made over to him divers lands for certain sums of money, but never in trust, as alleged in the bill.
See Table 4 page 6.

ALSTON v. THROWER & others.

- 1666.** Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 436/11.
Bill, 16 June 1666, by Penning Alston of Aldersgate Street, London, Esq., Thomas Browne of Eye, co. Norf., gent., Margaret Funston of Heigham, co. Suffolk, widow, and Elizabeth Cole of London, spinster, v. John Thrower and others.
Lease was originally made by John Thrower, father of the defendant, of certain land in Suddon, in the parish of Eye, for 1000 years at a peppercorn rent, which lease Penning Alston acquired of lessee on 20 May 1658. Defendants have brought forward claims on the said estate, and Alston begs they may be forced to display their titles &c. &c.
See Table 99 page 62.

ALSTON & others v. SEAMAN.

- Reynardson.** Answer, 20 June 1666, of Nathaniel Seaman, clerk, one of the defendants to the complaint of Penning Alston, Esq., Thomas Browne and Margaret Funston, widow, and Elizabeth Cole, spr. *re* property mortgaged by one John Thrower: &c. (with no Alston information).
50/14.
1666. See Table 99 page 62.

ALSTON v. HAMPSON.

- 1666.** Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 179.
Answer, 13 July 1666, of William Alston to complaint of Sir Edward Alston, Kt.
Relating merely to arrangements between the parties as to division &c. of the Denny estate.
See Table 19 page 19. See same suit page 177.

ALSTON v. HARDY.

- 1667.** Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 178.
The further answer, 29 April 1667, of Henry Davy, merchant, to bill of Sir Edward Alston, Kt.
Relating to a special charge concerning a shipment of turpentine.
See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. COLE & others.

- 1670.** Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 436/130.
Bill, 28 March 1670, by Judeth Alston of London, widow of Penning Alston, late citizen and grocer of London, v. Joseph Alston, William Cole and Richard Chandler.
Oratrix's husband left an estate of inheritance in co. Suffolk to the value of £300 a year, and personalty to the amount of about £10,000, in which Oratrix is dowable. He left only one child, married since his death to Edmund Harrington Esq., though some evil disposed persons have circulated a report that she was married or at least contracted to one Edward Skinner, a person so disliked by Oratrix's husband, that he determined to invest his personal estate in the names of other persons, to settle as he chose by his last will. He thereupon purchased land in Bucks. to the yearly value of £200, in 1660 (in Hambleton).
(His will (*of which see abstract*) is in part quoted.
His brothers, the said Sir Edward and Joseph Alston, and the defendants Cole and Chandler, were his trustees. The said testator's daughter Sarah has since freed herself from the said Skinner by definitive sentence in the Court of Arches of the diocese of Canterbury, and shortly afterwards, viz. about 23 September last past a marriage was publicly solemnized in the Church of England, with the necessary consent of your Oratrix and the said Sir Edward Alston, between the said Sarah, and Edmund Harrington, Esq., son and heir apparent of Dame Katherine Alston (? Harrington).
The suit is brought for contingent legacies &c. &c. under the said Penning Alston's will.
The answers of defendants include an account of their expenses as executors.
See Table 99 page 62.

ALSTON v. COLMAN & others.

Mitford.
326/35.
1670.

Bill, 20 April 1670, by John Alston of Woodbridge, co. Suffolk, gent., son and heir and executor of Edward Alston, gent. decd. v. Edmund Colman the elder, and others (viz. Thomas Sidney, Arden Gibson and Robert Cocke.) The said Edward Alston decd. was seised of a capital messuage &c. &c. in the parish of St. Laurence, Ipswich; and on complainant's marriage with Dorothy, his now wife promised to leave him an estate worth £500. The defendant Colman is an attorney, and has got various deeds into his possession; and confederates (to defraud complainant) with other persons, some of whom have married complainant's sisters.

See Table 4 page 6. Also see Table 20 page 19, and note that John Alston, of Pavenham, is not the same with this John Alston, of Woodbridge, as there supposed. Both married Dorothys.

ALSTON v. LIELL.

Collins.
588/13.
1671.

Bill, 14 June 1671, by Edward Alston of East Barnet, Kt., and William Alston of Brickston, co. Northants. Esq. v. Matthew Liell the elder and the younger.

A mortgage was made to Sir Edward of a tenement and lands in Bradworthy, co. Devon, in the occupation of the Liells, William Alston having the right of redemption in right of Elizabeth, his late wife. Arrangements were made for a sale of the premises to Matthew Liell the younger, and a meeting was accordingly had about Easter 1664 at the manor house of Orleigh, co. Devon, between the said Wm. and his wife Elizabeth, and the defendants, for the purpose of executing the deed; and while William went into another room, one of the Liells snatched up the agreement already sealed by Sir Edward, then lying upon the table, and with much force and violence carried the same away: and they refused to permit William and Elizabeth to sign and seal the deed, or themselves to give any security for the payment of the sum agreed upon; &c. &c.

See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. FYENNES & others.

Hamilton.
3/500.
1672.

Bill, 6 December 1672, by William Alston of Pavenham, co. Bedford, Esq. v. Sir Purbeck Temple, John Feines, Dame — Harvey, John, Edmund, Eleanor and Stephen Temple.

In or about June 1665 Complainant entered into a bond as security for a sum of money borrowed by Edmund Temple of Sulby, co. Northants. Esq. decd. By his will, dated about the beginning of March 1664, the said Edmund left certain property to provide for the payment of his debts.

This suit is brought against the representatives of the deceased Edmund to recover amount due from said Edmund's estate.

See note to Table 17 page 15, and compare Table 20 page 19. The plaintiff appears to be the William Alston of the latter Table.

ALSTON v. RYDER.

Whittington.
165.
1672.

Bill, 13 May 1672, by Joseph Alston the elder, of London, Esq. v. Dame Priscilla Rider and Thomas Rider.

One Wm. Courteene late of London, Esq. and afterwards Kt., borrowed a sum of money from Clare Bucke, late of London, widow, decd., who was aunt to Mary, your Orator's wife, late decd. The said Clare Bucke made complainant her executor.

(The suit relates merely to this transaction, and contains no Alston information.)

See Table 68 page 46.

ALSTON v. HOCKIN.

1674.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 436/98.

Bill, 2 July 1674, by Edward Allston of Loughton, co. Bucks. gent. v. Thomas Hockin.

Some years since during his minority, complainant, being then a student in the University of Oxford, made the acquaintance of defendant, likewise a student, who offered to advance him sundry small sums of money, and pretended to pay certain tradesmen, who nevertheless did not actually receive a penny, and now demand payment.

See Table 89 page 57, &c.

ALSTON v. THROWER & others.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 415.

Another bill and answer respecting the land in Eye, between parties as before, viz. Penning Alston and John Thrower &c.

See Table 99 page 62, and same suit page 178.

ALSTON v. COLE.

Hamilton.
15/179.
1674.

Bill, 1 Dec. 1674, by Edward Alston of East Barnet, Knt. v. George Cole and Dame Mary Hampson.

The same matter as in Alston v. Hampson. (Collins 28.) *See page 177.*

Defendants have obtained possession of severall of the old manor rolls, and numbers of them were lost or destroyed in the time of Sir Thomas Hampson. They now conspire to defraud complainant of his rents.

ALSTON v. BINGLEY.

Reynardson.
74/14.
1676.

Bill, 14 April 1676, by Edward Alston of East Barnet, co. Hertford, Kt., and John Alston of Hunwicke in the parish of Puddington, co. Bedford, Esq. v. Richard Bingley.

About the years 1646 and 1647 the orator Edward Alston bought the manor of Strixon, co. Northants, and certain lands of inheritance from Sir Andrew Joyner, Bart. and his lady, and Mrs. Elizabeth Wiseman, widow, in the name of your orator, John Alston his brother, Richard Bingley and Frances his wife, John Gage and Elizabeth his wife and John Bourne, Esq., they or their trustees having some right or interest therein for a term of years, or other particular estate.

The suit refers merely to transactions had with regard to a certain parcel of land, and the payment of bonds.

See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Collins.
229.
1676.

Bill, 21 November 1676, by William Alston of the Inner Temple of London, Esq. v. Sir Thomas Alston and Dame Elizabeth his wife, Sir Edward Alston and John Alston Esq.

In 1637 the Orator, then an infant of 6 months, had a legacy of £300 from his uncle and godfather, William Alston, then or late of the Inner Temple, Esq. whose will was made 2 March 1637, by which his mother, Dame Frances Temple was appointed executrix; she died when Orator was about 8 years old, the legacy then being unpaid. Her will was proved in the P. C. C. 1647 by her sons Sir Edward Alston, and John Alston, Orator's father, who possessed themselves not only of her personal estate, but also of the greater part of the decd. William's estate. Orator knew nothing about the legacy till about two years since, when he was informed thereof by a friend; he has found the will of his uncle registered, containing the bequest to himself. Sir Thomas Alston, heir at law as eldest brother of decd. William, with Dame Elizabeth his wife (with consent of the said executors) has seized to himself the mansion house and manor of Odell, co. Bedford, being to the value of £3000 and upwards; and there is ample to allow of the payment of the said legacy of £300.

Sir Thomas Alston, in his answer, says he does not know of what moneys &c. his brother William died possessed. All such goods of said Wm. as came to Sir Thomas's hands at Odell, are contained in annexed schedule; and he can discover no further particulars nor give any better answer, it being above 33 years since he had the said goods, and he being now very aged and infirm.

Schedule of goods mentioned;—

Two and twenty pictures of the several Kings of England; about the value of £5 0 0

Tapestry hangings, tables and stools in the dining room £20 0 0

Furniture in the matted chamber, the red chamber, the ball and other rooms,—about £44 6 8

See Table 13 page 14 and Table 19 page 19 and Table 20 page 19.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
215/5.
1676.

Bill, 21 Nov. 1676, by William Alston of the Inner Temple, London, Esq. v. Thomas Alston and Dame Elizabeth his lady, and Sir Edward Alston.

Another suit relative to the legacy of £300 bequeathed to complainant by his uncle and godfather William Alston.

See Tables referred to above.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & others.

1677.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 227.

Bill, 24 October 1677, by Sir Thomas Alston of Odell, co. Beds. Knight and Baronet v. William Alston, John Alston and Sir Edward Alston.

William Alston, late of the Inner Temple, London, Esq., being possessed of a considerable personal estate made his will 2 March 1637, and (*inter alia*) bequeathed to William Alston, his nephew and godson, son of his brother John Alston, Esq., £300, and made Dame Francis Temple, his mother, his executrix, who paid the sum to the boy's father. By her will, dated 3 August 1642, and also by word of mouth, she gave to your orator the household goods then remaining in the mansion house of Odell, and made her two youngest sons, the defendants last named, her executors.

The complaint relates merely to the performance of the bequests abovenamed.

See Table 14 page 15.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & others.

1677.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 227.

Answer, 16 February 1677, of Sir Edward Alston, Kt., one of the defendants to bill of complaint of William Alston, Esq.

Regarding the payment of the £300 bequeathed to plaintiff by his uncle Wm. Alston of the Inner Temple, the facts set forth being as in the bill of Sir Thos. Alston v. Wm., John and Edwd. Alston as above. (Collins 227.)

See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Collins 227.

Answer of the defendant John Alston to the above complaint. (Contains nothing interesting.)

See Table 14 page 15.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
215/6.
1677.

Bill, 17 November 1677, by William Alston v. Sir Thomas Alston, bart.
Orator's father, John Alston of Pavenham, co. Bedford, having occasion to borrow £1500 in 1665, your Orator's father and Orator borrowed the same of Sir Thomas Alston of Odell, co. Bedford, elder brother of the said John, and, by indenture of 15 April of that year, gave as security therefore various parcels of land.

By indenture quadrupartite of 2 December 1665, between the said John Alston Esq. and Dorothy his wife, of the first part; William Alston, his son and heir apparent, and Thomazine Brooke, one of the daughters of William Brooke of the city of Norwich, gent., decd. of the second part; William Watts of the city of Norwich, Esq. Thomazine Brooke of the said city, widow, relict of the said William Brooke, Robert Osborne, gent., and Jermy Norris, merchant, both of Norwich, of the third part; Edmond Temple of Sulby, co. Northants, Esq., and William Alston of Strixton, co. Northants, Esq. of the fourth part,—the said John confirmed all his manors and lands in Pavenham and elsewhere to his said son, whereby the said William became entitled to the equity of redemption of the said mortgaged lands.

The principal borrowed, with interest, has been repaid, but Complainant cannot recover possession of the land.

See Table 20 page 19.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
227/4.
1677/8.

The further answer, 11 March 1678, of Sir Thomas Alston, bt., to the complaint of William Alston, Esq.
In suit noted above, Mitford 215/6. No fresh information.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
227/3.
1678.

Bill, 15 April 1678, by Sir Thomas Alston, of Odell, co. Bedford, Bt. v. William, son of John Alston, Sir Edward Alston and John Alston.

This bill and the lengthy answer attached relate again to the oft disputed legacy of £300 to William Alston of the Middle Temple. See Tables as above.

ALSTON v. LOWE.

Whittington.
495.
1678.

Bill, 2 May 1678, by Abraham Alston of Water Beacham, co. Essex, and Rachel Skinner of Sudbury, co. Suffolk, widow, and three of her daughters, v. George Lowe.

Sir Edward Alston, heretofore of the parish of St. Helen's, London, Kt., Doctor in Physic, decd., made his will in November 1669, and died about 23 December following. His widow Susannah died July 1670.

The suit is against the surviving executor, for recovery of legacies under the will.

See Table 27 page 24.

ALSTON v. CRACHROD.

Hamilton.
552.
1679.

Bill, 6 June 1679, by William Alston of Heddingham Sible, co. Essex, gent., brother and executor, of Matthewe Alston, late of Topsfeild, said co. gent., decd., v. Thomas Crachrod, Christopher Layer and Mary Hobart.

The said Matthew was possessed of a messuage and about 60 acres of land in Topsfeild, of the yearly value of about £30, and personalty worth about £300, besides securities; and about three years since, finding himself very weak in body and infirm by reason of the greatness of his age, and not sufficient effectually to manage his business and affairs of such concern, he did betake himself to sojourn with one Thomas Crachrod of Cusse hall in Topsfeild, gent., where he soon after died. But before his death, viz. about October 1677, he made his will, under which complainant was residuary legatee. And very soon after, before complainant was or could be permitted to come into the room where the goods and chattels, and writings &c. of the said deceased were contained, the said Crachrode went into the said room and removed the said effects. They have also wrongfully possessed themselves of the said messuage &c. &c.

Defendants know nothing as to the value of Matthew's estate, but say that for 4 or 5 years before his death, he being very diseased and infirm in his body, and having some time before demised away the said messuage, reserving only a room or two to himself, he being there in a helpless condition, and wanting conveniences of all sorts, came to Thomas Crachrode's house, and did frequently eat and drink at his table, and was there received and entertained, at first as a neighbour, and afterwards as a sojourner. Crachrode denies possessing himself of the goods of deceased. Matthew sold the said farm (called Hoses) to Crachrode about 5 years since, a fine being duly levied thereof.

See Table 23 page 21.

ALSTON v. PICKERING & others.

Reynardson.
413/4.
1679.

Bill, 31 May 1679, by Sir Rowland Alston of Odell, co. Bedford, bart., son and heir and executor of Sir Thomas Alston, late of Odell, bart., decd., v. Sir John Pickering, bart., William Alston and Mary Pheasant, widow.

The said Sir Thomas mortgaged lands called Little Odell in co. Bedford, and certain lands in Kimberley, co. Norfolk, to one Stawly Staunton for £1250, which mortgage was forfeited during the lifetime of the said Sir Thomas; and the said Sir Thomas, being so indebted, and being also indebted £400 to his brother Mr. John Alston of Pavenham, co. Bedford, Esq., by indre of 24th and 25th April 1678 conveyed the manor of Little Odell to Sir John Pickering of Tickmersh, co. Northampton, bart. (one of the sons in law of the said Sir Thomas) William Alston of Strixton, co Northampton, Esq., and Henry Woodward (servant of the said Sir Thomas) to the use of himself for life, and afterwards in trust to sell the same to pay his debts, with right of redemption reserved to complainant.

Sir Thomas's will is quoted; he died 5 July 1678.

Defendants refuse to make a reconveyance of the property to the complainant, though he has performed every part of his father's will &c. &c., except the monument in the chancel at Odell, with which complainant is proceeding with all expedition.

See Table 15 page 16.

ALSTON v. PICKERING & another.

Reynardson.
74/6.
1679.

Bill, 23 Oct. 1679, by Sir Rowland Alston of Odell, co. Bed. Bt., son, heir and executor of Sir Thomas Alston of the same place, Bt., v. Sir John Pickering, Bt. and Mary Pheasant.

The bill recites various provisions of the said Sir Thomas's will. and the conditional executorship given to Orator. Orator gave security and paid legacies as directed by will, and by his indres of 11 and 12 July 1678 pledged certain lands called Stevington park, co. Bedford, (part of his inheritance) for the due performance of the said will; and also became bound to the said Pickering and to Mr. Stanton in a penal sum of £6000. Mr. Stanton, Sir Thomas's son in law, (provisionally appointed executor of his will with the defendant Pickering) is dead, leaving his wife Elizabeth and his mother Mary Pheasant, widow, his executrices. The said Elizabeth has renounced the executorship, and now Sir John Pickering and Mary Pheasant conspire together to defraud Orator with regard to the above transactions.

See Table 15 page 16.

ALSTON v. PICKERING.

Mitford.
Bundle 582.
1679/80.

Depositions, March 1679, in the suit noted above (Reynardson 74/6).

Richard Clarke deposes that the defendant (Sir John Pickering bart.) and his lady, with sometimes one and sometimes two maid servants, did diet with the testator, (Sir Thos. Alston, decd.), but the just quantity of time he doth not know.

The witnesses for the plaintiff depose that Sir Rowland has paid the debts and legacies of the said Sir Thomas.

For the defence, Richard Clarke says he has heard there were angry words between the plaintiff and his father, but knows not the reason thereof.

See as above.

ALSTON v. CALDWELL.

Mitford.
Bundle 586.

(These are in too bad a state to decipher.)

ALSTON v. FIELDER.

Reynardson.
415/28.
1681.

Bill, 28 April 1681, by Isaac Alston of Chelsey, co. Middlesex, gent., v. William Fielder.

Complainant was seised of several messuages in Ball Alley in the parish of All Hallows', Lombard Street, leased at yearly rents to various persons. The defendant has taken up the years remaining of a lease held by one Elizabeth Hadwell, and now refuses to sign the deeds.

See Table 68 page 46 and Table 90 page 58.

ALSTON v. BISHOP & others.

Whittington.
496.
1682.

Bill, 30 May 1682, by Richard Alston of Furnivall's Inn, London, gent. v. Samuel Bishop and Thomas Feild and their wives.

re a mortgage held by complainant on an Inn called the Bull in Barkway, co. Herts.

ALSTON v. COYSH (or COSH).

Mitford.
390/4.
1687.

Bill, 3 November 1687, by Edmund Alston of —, co. Surrey, gent., and Jane his wife, late wife of Robert Sewell, late of London, Esq. decd., v. Sarah Cosh and James Cosh.

By indenture dated 25 and 26 July 1664, in consideration of a marriage then shortly to be had between the said Robert and Jane, daughter of Bruice Ryves, D.D. (to which indenture John Ryves of London, merchant, was a party) the said Robert settled property in Braintree, Essex, to provide a jointure for the said Jane. But one Elisha Coysh, Dr. of Physic, with others unknown, have conspired to defraud said Jane of her jointure, and prevailed with the said Sewell to mortgage or demise the said property to him for a long term of years.

Sewell died in or about June 1686.

Defendants are wife and son of the said Elisha decd.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
301/3.
1689.

Bill, 8 June 1689, by Joseph, John, James, Elizabeth, Anne, Clare and Margaret Alston, children of Edward Alston of Lowton, co. Bucks., all under the age of 21, by the said Edward Alston their father, v. Dame Elizabeth Alston and Sir Joseph Alston.

They claim legacies under the will of their grandfather, Sir Joseph Alston, late of Chelsea, bart., decd. The genealogical matter is as in Alston v. Alston (Reynardson 301/1).

See Table 89 page 57.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
595.
1689/90.

Bill, 22 February, 1689, by Solamon Alston of Havering, co. Essex, yeoman, v. John Alston of Wetherfield, said co., yeoman.

About 7 or 8 years since Orator owed arrears of rent to one Charles Baker, gent., for the rent of a farm in Gosfield, in the said county, and also £12 to the defendant. He made over all his stock of corn and cattle on the farm to the defendant, who agreed to pay his debt to Baker. Orator understood the £12 was included. Now, after this long interval, John demands payment of the £12.

ALSTON v. SYDEY.

Mitford.
348/7.
1691.

Bill, 25 May 1691, by Martha Alston of Stisted, co. Essex, widow of Daniel Alston decd., and Rebecca Newman of Etherstone, co. Suffolk, spinster v. Jerome Sydey and Joseph Sydey, executors of the will of John Sydey, late of Mount Bures, co. Essex, gent. decd.

Said testator by his will, dated 7 December 1687, gave to complainant Rebecca, £20; and to complainant Martha Alston, by the name of Mary, wife of Daniel Alston, £10. Complainants have not been able to get these legacies paid; defendants contend the legacy to Martha cannot be paid on account of the mistake in his Christian name, though the said Daniel Alston never had any other wife than the complainant Martha.

ALSTON v. JONES.

Reynardson.
115/12.
1691.

Bill, 13 June 1691, by Samuel Alstone of the parish of St. Giles's in the Fields, co. Middlesex, gent., v. Thomas Jones, citizen and apothecary of London.

In August 1689 Orator borrowed £50 from defendant, giving his own bond as security and also a note for £60 under the hand of one John Whitley, payable some short time after to Orator. Defendant now refuses to cancel the bond, though he has received the whole £60 due under the note.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
126/12.
1691.

Bill, 20 June 1691, by Charles Alston of North-hall, co. Midd. D.D. v. Edward Alston. The bill recites the will of William Alston of Strixton, Esq., dated 22 August 1688. The said William died without issue about 12 June 2 Wm. and Mary; and Orator gave notice to defendant, his now elder brother, and all others concerned, of the said will, praying their concurrence to the execution thereof. The defendant now contends the testator was not of sound memory and mind; and all the witnesses are either very infirm or now going to parts beyond the seas.

Edward Alston, in his answer, contends it was not in the power of the testator to will the manor of Strixton away from the defendant, under a certain deed of settlement, dated 6 August 1656, between the late Sir Edward Alston of East Barnet, Kt. and Dame Hester, his wife, William Alston of the Inner Temple, Esq., son and heir apparent of the said Sir Edward, John Alston of Puddington, co. Bedford, Esq. and Dorothy his wife, Edward Alston of London, Doctor in Physic, and John Wayne of London, gent., of the one part, and Elizabeth Dennys spinster, one of the daughters and coheirs of Anthony Dennys, late of Orleigh, co. Devon, Esq., decd., Sir Thomas Alston of Odell, Kt., and Nicholas Dennys of Barnstable, co. Devon, Esq., on the occasion of a marriage between the said William Alston and Elizabeth Dennys; by which deed the said manor of Strixton, and other lands in Essex and Suffolk, were entailed on the heirs male of the said William and Elizabeth, with contingent remainders to Sir Edward's other sons in tail male successively, viz. Thomas, Edward, John and Charles Alston; whilst the manor house of Wollaston and lands there were settled as jointure on the said Elizabeth, with remainder in tail male as above.

See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. BROOKS & others.

Mitford.
563/3.
1691.

Bill, 27 Nov. 1691, by Robert Alston of Chippinge, co. Lancaster, gent. v. Flaxen Brookes, Ann his wife, Ann Alston, George Needham and Dorothy Wood.

Complainant is seized of an estate of inheritance, consisting of 2 messuages and about 100 acres of land in Chippinge, in the occupation of John Bleasdel and Henry Newsome; and being thrown into prison for some debts for which he was bound, his wife Alice got into her possession all the deeds relating thereto; thereby (as she pretended) to hinder complainant from selling the premises, having then three sons living, viz., Richard, Robert and Edward. For this purpose she delivered the deeds to their eldest son Richard, on whom Orator had had some thoughts of entailing the property. About 5 years since the said Richard did intermarry with one Anne (*blank*) without complainant's knowledge or consent, and died about 2 years since, leaving issue only one daughter, and also a plentiful personal estate for her provision. After his death the said Ann Allston, his widow, took out letters of administration and so contrived to get the deeds into her hands; she has since married one Flaxen Brookes, cutler, who pretends to have an interest in the premises; he and his wife, and Ann Allston, daughter of the said Richard decd., and others confederate together to detain the said deeds, and defraud complainant of power of conveying the estate to his surviving sons.

Flexney Brooke and others in their answer, say the said Richard left no personal estate, except the furniture in his house; they have no knowledge of the whereabouts of the deeds.

Apparently relates to the Lancashire family's affairs.

ALSTON v. EVENS.

Collins.
298.
1691.

Bill, 8 December 1691, by John Alston of Wethersfeild, co. Essex, yeoman, v. Henry Evens and Dorothy his wife. In A.D. 1680 and for many years past the Orator was well and conveniently settled in a small farm in Wethersfeild, in which he lived very plentifully, and supported himself and family in good credit and reputation, and might have continued so, and in all likelihood increased his substance, but it so happened in 1689 that Dorothy, now wife of Henry Evens, then wife of — Caslicke decd., late of Wethersfeild, gent., taking notice of Orator's good management in the said farm, did importune him to leave his own farm and come to the farm where they then lived, alleging that her husband was very sickly and infirm, and incapable of managing it to the best advantage; saying that Orator should have it a great pennyworth, and be amply compensated in case he made any loss. Orator accordingly took the said farm called Bodwell for a term of 9 years, paying £20 for the first year and £40 a year for the remaining years. The said Mr. and Mrs. Caslicke still continued to inhabit a part of the house, alleging the husband's sickness, but they never made a proper lease to Orator, who has made many improvements. By living in the house the said Dorothy had opportunity to come by the informal agreement, which she retains, and refuses to execute the promised lease.

ALSTON v. CASY.

This is a bill by Lord Aston, hence the title of the suit mis-describes it

ALSTON v. JESSOPP.

Collins.
509/44.
1691/2.

Bill, 20 January 1692, by Mary Alston, widow of Isaac Alston, late of Chelsey, Esq., decd., v. Richard Jessopp. In and since 1688 Oratrix has been seised of a freehold in Sculthorpe, co. Norfolk, for life, by virtue of a settlement made on her by her said late husband, and of certain copyhold lands held of the manor of Sculthorpe. Jessopp was formerly employed as an agent by her late husband, and she herself has employed him to collect the rents. The suit arises out of the accounts of the said estate.

See Table 90 page 58.

ALSTON v. HOVELL *alias* SMITH.

Mitford.
531/48.
1692.

Bill, 18 June 1692, by Edmund Alston of Newton, co. Suffolk, gent. v. John Hovell *alias* Smith. Orator was seised of an estate of inheritance either in his own right or in right of Jane his wife in a messuage called the Crown, in Cleydon, and lands &c. in Claydon, Bayleham and Coddendam, co. Suffolk, in the occupation of John Hovell *alias* Smith of Barrham, said co., clerk, (and another); and agreed to sell the same to defendant for £80. The only copy of the agreement is in the hands of defendant, who refuses to allow Orator to have a sight of it, but has prepared the draught of a penal bond to compel conveyance to be made, though Orator is and has always been willing to make legal conveyance at any time.

See Table 103 page 63.

ALSTON v. CHAPMAN.

Hamilton.
2/30.

Bill, 28 July 1692 ? by William Alston of Greensted (late of Halsted), draper, v. Anne Chapman. This is a further bill in the same matter. The defendant Anne is mother of Complainant's late wife, of Katherine Ward and of Susan, wife of George Hart the elder.

He says his wife Anne, about March 1694 (*sic*) was taken sick and fell into a frenzy and distracted condition, and continued languishing therewith till about the middle of June following.

Defendant and the Wards have conspired to defraud him of his property, he being at the time indisposed and unsettled in his mind. He therefore employed his near kinsman, Mr. Edward Ennever, to make some terms with them.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & Others.

Bridges.
592.
1693.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 592.

Bill, 31 December 1692, by Charles Alston of North-hall, Middlesex, D.D., v. Edward Alston, John Alston and Katherine Wiseman.

Orator's eldest brother William Alston of Strixton, Northants, Esq., by will dated 22 August 1688, attested by 3 or more credible witnesses, bequeathed to Orator the manor of Strixton, and made him sole executor. William departed this life about 12 June 1690, indebted in various large sums to his sister Katherine Wiseman and others. Out of tender regard for Edward Alston, his now eldest brother, and for John Alston, another of his brothers, Orator permitted them to live at Strixton aforesaid. Edward and John got into their possession divers deeds relating to the estate, especially a recovery thereof suffered by the said William, or papers relating thereto; and although advised by counsel that they have no claim thereunder to the estate, they have taken the profits &c. of the estate, and hinder orator from paying the debts &c. of the said William Alston.

See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. WARD.

Mitford.
348/10.
1692/3.

Bill, 5 February 1693, by William Alston of Havering, co. Essex, Draper, v. William Hull and Katherine his wife, George Hart and Susanna his wife, Edward Hull and Elizabeth his wife.

Defendants are sisters and brothers-in-law of Complainant's late wife Anne, viz. William Ward of Halstead, gent., George Hart the elder of the same place, innholder, and Edward Hull of Heddingham Sibble.

Respecting sums of money, &c. alleged to have been taken by defendants during the said Anne's illness.

Contains no further material than suits already noted by the same complainant.

ALSTON v. HART & another.

Reynardson.
399/32.
1692/3.

Bill, 7 February 1693, by William Alston of Havering in the co. of Essex, draper, v. George Hart and Susan his wife, Edward Hull and Elizabeth his wife.
The bill accuses defendants of taking property of Orator's wife during her sickness, as in previous suits.
The female defendants and Catherine, wife of William Ward, were sisters of the deceased.
There is no fresh Alston information.

ALSTON v. MARIA.

Mitford.
435/3.
1692/3.

Bill, 14 February 1693, by Roger Allstone of the parish of St. Buttolph's Bishopsgate, in London, weaver, v. Jansien Maria of Stepney, weaver
Orator has acted as trustee of certain money to be paid by defendant for a house to be built in Cox's square, Stepney; and in this business he gave a bond to said Maria, who now pretends Orator owes him large sums of money.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & another.

Whittington.
532.
1693.

Bill, 20 May 1693, by Edward Alston of Strixton, co. Northants, Esq. v. Charles Alston, John Alston and Katherine Wiseman for recovery of legacies under the will of complainant's father, Sir Edward Alston, late of Bozeat, Northants, Kt.
Recites facts already noted in connection with this family.
See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. WARD.

Hamilton.
1/41.
1693.

Answer, 5 May, 1693, of William Ward and Katherine his wife to the complaint of William Alston, draper.
Anne, late wife of the complainant, was sister of defendant Katherine, whom she did very well love and respect, and did all offices of kindness upon all occasions, and did often go to visit her said sister, even to the prejudice of her own affairs, all or the greater part of the time of her sickness, whilst she remained in her own house, which continued from March 1693 to May next following, when she was removed to a house in the town of Halsted, belonging to Mrs. Chapman, her mother, which she prepared for her by putting out a tenant then in possession, and there the said Anne continued till she died, under the care of George Hart the younger, her cousin, and nurses. During his wife's illness, complainant did much press the said Katherine to take all the estate he had in the world both real and personal, and to settle upon him and his wife an annuity for their lives, for that he and his wife were much incapacitated to manage their trade, or to meddle with and transact any more business. At last defendant agreed to pay £40 a year during her sister's life, and £25 a year during the complainant's life, in case he outlived his wife, and complainant was to give up all his estate, and all wares in his shop, &c., and William Ward was to give a bond to settle freehold land to the value of £60 a year for the performance of the said agreement; in pursuance of which Complainant brought a sum of money in a trunk, and would have delivered the same untold to this defendant, but she refused to accept it unless he would take it out and tell it, when it was found to be £250. After various steps had been taken to carry out the agreement, Complainant was prevailed upon to enter into a similar agreement with one Robert Abbott of Halsted, draper, but defendants refused to surrender the property in their hands to the said Abbott, by which means, and by the insinuations of one Solomon Alston and Edward Inover, who or one of them have made a similar agreement with the complainant for his estate, the said Abbott was bought off for the sum of about £100. Finally an agreement was made at the George Inn at Halsted, 14 December 1692, between the said William Ward (of Halsted, gent.) and the said Edward Inover (of Greensted, gent.) on behalf of the said William Alston (of Havering) by which the Wards promised to surrender such property as they had received in consideration of 15 guineas in gold, and the best bed that was Mr. Alston's. Defendants have delivered up all goods &c., except a few old things left by Solomon Alstone and Inover when they fetched away the remainder, and these they subsequently refused to give up only because Alston and Inover would not give them a general release.

ALSTON v. WISEMAN & Others.

Bridges,
98.
1693.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 98.
Bill, 13 July 1693, by Charles Alston, D.D., Executor of William Alston, late of Strixton, co. Northants. Esq. deceased, v. Katherine Wiseman, John, Elizabeth and Hester Wiseman, and Francis Dandridge.

One John Wiseman, nephew to the said William Alston, doth pretend that during his lifetime his said uncle borrowed money under penal bond on several occasions from his said nephew; which bonds were given for another purpose, or else paid and satisfied. Katherine Wiseman, widow, sister of the said William Alston, likewise pretends a loan made to her brother in November 1689.

The answer of Katherine Wiseman refers to John Alston "another of the defendants" (*not named in the bill*) with whom, after the death of William Alston, she searched two or three trunks of the said Wm. Alston then in London, supposing they might find his will; but took away no deeds or papers. And shortly afterwards the trunks (on plaintiff's own showing) were sent down to the manor house of Strixton, where she delivered the keys to complainant in the presence of the defendants Edward and John Alston. (*This is evidently the answer to a second bill by the same complainant, charging the two Alstons and said Katherine with detention of deeds.*) She alleges that William Alston was truly indebted to herself and her son as they claim.

See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & Others.

Bridges.
98.
1693.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 98.
The Plea, 24 July 1693, of Edward Alston, Esq. one of the defendants to the complaint of the abovesaid Charles Alston, D.D.

Defendant's father, Sir Edward Alston, in consideration of a marriage between his son William, and Elizabeth his intended wife, by indenture of 6 August 1656, settled part of the manor of Strixton on the said William and Elizabeth in tail mail, with contingent remainder to his second son Thomas. The said Sir Edward, his wife, and Elizabeth have all died several years since. The said William also died without issue about June 1690, his brother having previously died without issue. Defendant was Sir Edward's third son, and is now heir male of the family. He entered and enjoyed the profit until entry was made by the complainant.

Sir Edward's bequest to defendant, of £500 after his lands in Devonshire should be sold, is quoted from his will dated 25 November 1682, (*with other bequests set forth in the will.*)

He doth not know that his brother William Alston made any will, but if he did believes it was clandestinely done, and that his brother might not be *compos mentis* at the time, he having heard the complainant himself confess that he asked his brother William Alston where his lodgings were, when he had been six months before in London, and lodged all the while at the same place, yet the said William could not remember the name of the street or the sign of the house. The only witness to the will alleged to have been made by his late brother, produced at a recent trial, was drawer at the inn where the will was pretended to have been made. He knows of no debts of deceased except in respect of his executorship to defendant's father. The said William on going to London, where he died, left the defendant in possession of Strixton, and gave strict command to all his servants to obey him as himself.

Some of the said William's trunks, especially one that was in London, when his sister Mrs. Wiseman concealed the death from defendant, had been rifled and searched before defendant saw them.

See Table 19 page 19, and preceding suit.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & others.

Mitford.
531/100.
1693.

Bill, 23 October 1693, by Edward Alston of Strixton, co. Northampton, Esq. v. Charles Alston, Katherine and John Wiseman and John Alston.

Sir Edward Alston, late of Bozeatt, co. Northampton, Kt., decd., Orator's father, was possessed of a great personal estate, and made his will about 28 November 1682. His estate, on being realized, produced about £6,700, being several thousand pounds more than William and Charles Alston, his executors, did acknowledge. For several years they paid Orator £60 per annum as interest on the legacies given him in the said will, but since the death of his brother William, he has received nothing.

By indenture of 15 and 16 August 1688 the said William conveyed to the said Dr. Charles certain parcels of the manor of Strixton (which were not entailed) to provide for the payment of legacies and debts for which they were jointly bound.

By indenture of 6 August 1656 Orator's father settled the manor of Strixton upon Orator in tail male, upon the death of his brother William without issue male, and the said William had a great kindness to your Orator as his heir-at-law, and next to him in remainder, and Orator therefore trusted to his management of affairs, and forbore to bring any suit against him, your Orator constantly conversing and living with him at Strixton till some time before his death; and from time to time paid or discounted for his sojourning there, and particularly when the said William Alston went last from Strixton to London, where he happened to die, he left your Orator in possession of his estate of Strixton, and gave particular order to all his servants to obey him as himself.

From this point the bill follows the lines of ones previously noted, accusing the defendant of trying to defraud Orator of his legacies and of the estate of Strixton.

The *Answer*, and *Further Answer*, of Charles Alston, D.D. are annexed, and an account of receipts and payments under his father's will.

See as above.

ALSTON & another v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
531/48.
1693.

Bill, 12 December 1693, by Samuel Alston of London, merchant, Edmund Alston of London, mariner, (two of the children of Edward Alston late of Newton, co. Suffolk, gent. decd.) and Oliver Andrews of London, linendraper, son and executor of Charles Andrews, late of Sudbury, co. Suffolk, linendraper, v. Edward Alston, clerk, now Rector of Newton, and eldest son and executor of the said Edward Alston decd.

The said Edward decd. surrendered his copyhold lands &c. held of the manors of Newton Hall and Butler's in Newton, and Mr. Gurdon's manor in Assington, co. Suffolk (in which co. he also held freehold land) to the use of his will, which he made about 18 November 1680. He gave his plate and half his household stuff to his wife Anne for life, with remainder at her death equally between his sons now complainants, and all his lands to the defendant, charged with the payment of £150 to the said Samuel and £60 to the said Edmund at their several ages of 24. Isaac Alston, complainant's brother, who was to have had a share of the plate, died during his father's lifetime. Their father died about 4 years since, when complainants were both over 24.

The complainant Edmund borrowed £43 of the said Oliver Andrews, giving his bond therefor to Charles Andrews decd., and assigning his legacy as security.

The complainants cannot get payment of their legacies.

See Table 105 page 64.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
531/92.
1693/4.

Answer, 8 February 1693, of Edward Alston, defendant, to the above bill of complaint.

Defendant quotes the provisions of his father's will, which was proved in the Bishop of Norwich's court. The goods of deceased were appraised by Bernard Carter and John Cook at £141 9s. 1d. (a copy is attached.) Also a schedule of debts, among which are—to Dr. Jorden, 10s.; for wine at the funeral, £1 18 0; for escutcheon, £1 5 0; for testator's coffin, £1 12 6; to my brother Cook for physic and money lent, £11 15 2½d.; to Mr. Chaplin, draper for the funeral, £15 10 0; expended in defending the testator's title to his lands before the defendant could administer, £23 0 0; for repairs of the tenement called Brookes, where the testator lived, before a tenant would take a lease, £18 5 0.

Testator left behind a number of debts and mortgages owing; he owed Suzan Weatherall about £575 under two bonds, which the said Susan by her will gave to this defendant, and to his sister Mary, mother of the complainant Andrews, the said Suzan died in or about 1672. The testator, on the marriage of his said daughter Mary, made a mortgage of his copyhold lands holden of the manor of Newton Hall.

The payment of these and numbers of other debts have made it impossible to carry out all the bequests.

See as above.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & Others.

1694/5.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges. 98.

Answer, sworn 22 February 1694, of John Alston, gent., one of the defendants to the bill of Edward Alston, Esq.

Defendant believes both he and plaintiff are severally entitled to $\frac{2}{3}$ part of the personal estate of Sir Edward Alston, decd., whose executors have disposed of his lands at Barnet and in Devonshire. He believes the said Sir Edward made a settlement, 6 August 1656, by which the remainder of the manor of Strixton was settled on complainant and his heirs male, on the death of William Alston without issue; also that the other defendant, Katherine Wiseman, and her children, got possession of the evidences &c. &c. of the manor of Strixton.

See Table 19 page 19.

ALSTON v. PICKERING.

Hamilton.
11/20.
1697.

The several answers, March 1697, of Nicholas Pickering and Thomas Batchellor to the complaint of Sir Joseph Alston, Bt.

They do not believe the other defendant Edward Alston sold property in Loughton, co. Bucks., or in Lombard Street, London, to the Complainant, as alleged. Complainant's grandfather Sir Joseph Alston, may have bequeathed £100 to Joseph, eldest son of said Edward, and £200 to each of said Edward's children. Both these defendants have lent money to the said Edward (of Loughton, co. Bucks, Esq.), and complainant and the said Edward are conspiring to defraud them of the security given them for repayment.

See Table 89 page 57, and Alston v. Alston page 183.

SIR JOSEPH ALSTON *v.* ALFORD.

Bridges
98.
1698.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 98.
Bill, 11 June 1698, by Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abbey, co. Bucks. baronet, *v.* Philip Alford.
One Jeremy Chapman of London, coachmaker, was constantly employed by plaintiff to repair his coach and harness, and was paid sums of money from time to time upon account. Now Philip Alford, exor of said Chapman, claims payment again, as no receipts were given or taken.

See Table 70 page 48.

ALSTON *v.* ALSTON & Others.

Bridges.
360/27.
1698.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 360/27.
Bill, 25 June 1698, by Anne Alston, aged about 7, youngest child of Sir Rowland Alston, late of Odell, co. Beds. bart., deceased, by the Hon. Charles Montague, *v.* the E. of Bolingbroke, Charles Alston, Dame Temperance Alston, Sir Thomas Alston and her other brothers and sisters.

Suing for her share of "substance" under her father's will.

The answers attached are to the complaints of *Crow* Alston and the other children, with Anne.

See Table 15 page 16.

ALSTON *v.* NORTH & Another.

Whittington.
504.
1698.

Bill, 19 July 1698, by Sir Joseph Alston of Ditton, co. Surrey, Bart., *v.* Matthew North and William Marsh.
Relates merely to financial transactions between complainant and one Sir John Wittronge of Stanton, co. Bucks, decd.

See Table 70 page 48.

ALSTON *v.* NORTH.

Whittington.
407.
1698.

Answer, 27 July 1698, of Matthew North to the complaint of Sir Joseph Alston, bart.
re the debt to Sir John Whitttronge. (*See above, Whittington, 504.*)

ALSTON *v.* ALSTON & Others.

Bridges.
360/26.
1698.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 360/26.
Answer, 15 December 1698, of Charles Alston, D.D.. one of the dfdts to bill of Crew Alston, one of the sons of Sir Rowland Alston, Baronet, deceased, and Mary Alston, eldest daughter of the said Sir Rowland, and of Rowland, (&c., &c., as in Bridges 360/23.)

Nothing useful to be gathered from this.

See Table 19 page 19, and Table 15 page 16.

ALSTON *v.* SIR THOMAS ALSTON & Others.

Bridges.
360/25.
1698.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 360/25.
Answer 22 December 1698, of Sir Thomas Allston, Bart. to bill of complainants as in the last.
Defendant believes his father, Sir Rowland, made his will as stated in the bill, and afterwards contracted several considerable debts upon mortgage, and died in September 1697 possessed of considerable estate, but not to the amount pretended in the bill — &c.

See Table 15 page 16.

ALSTON v. LADY TEMPERANCE ALSTON & Others.

Bridges.
360/23.
1698.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 360/23.

Answer, 23 December 1698, of Dame Temperance Alston, widow, one of the defendants to the bill of complaint of Crew Alston, Rowland, Horatio. Elizabeth, Vere, John and Anne Alston, all infants under the age of 21, by the Hon. Charles Montague, Esq., their next friend, and George Nodes, gent.

Sir Rowland Alston made his will and died possessed of a considerable personal estate, but not near so much as in the bill is alleged. After the death of Thomas, Lord Crow, her father, and the Earl of Bolingbroke and Mr. Charles Alston had renounced executorship, defendant took out letters of administration to the estate. The inventory made out by the bailiff was of far too great a sum, and defendant employed an upholsterer, a skilful man, to make one more correct. (*These inventories are appended to the answer.*) A sale of grain and some of the husbandry stock and furniture has realised £1892 7s. 8d. Defendant has paid debts &c. to the amount of £1479 5s. 7½d., and has also laid out several sums for maintaining and placing out the complainants, testator's children, and the defendant Mary Alston, amounting altogether to £333 15s. &c. &c.

See Table 15 page 16.

ALSTONE v. CREW.

Mitford.
564/51.
1700.

Bill, 15 May 1700, by Horatio, Elizabeth, Vere John and Anne Alstone, sons and daughters of Sir Rowland Alstone, late of Odell, co. Bedford, Bart., all under the age of 21 years, by Dame Temperance Alstone, their mother, v. Anne, Lady Crew.

Orator's grandfather, and Thomas, late Lord Crew, by his will dated 11 July 1696, bequeathed to his granddaughter Mary, eldest daughter of Sir Rowland Alstone, £500, and £100 apiece to his other children.

The defendant, his widow and executrix, refuses to pay these legacies.

Defendant says she cannot safely pay the legacies to Orators, because they are under age.

See Table 15 page 16.

ALSTON v. THOMPSON.

Whittington.
895.
1701/2.

Depositions, January 170½, in a suit between Richard Ableson and Thos. Thompson.
(*Name wrongly calendared*).

ALSTON & another v. ALSTON & Others.

Whittington.
406.
1703.

Bill, 15 May 1703, by Anne and Clare Alston, spinsters, two of the daughters of Edward Alston of Loughton, Esq., and Margaret, Martha and Rebecca Maria, their sisters, infants, by Mary Alston widow, their mother; and Temple Needham of London, Chirurgeon, administrator of their sister Elizabeth Alston decd. during the minorities and for the benefit of the said Martha and Rebecca Maria Alston, v. Sir Joseph Alston bart., Dame Elizabeth Alston, and Mary Alston, widow of Isaac Alston decd., [John] Snell, Sir Stephen Evans, William Arch and Benjamin Robinson.

The suit is for payment of legacies under their grandfather's will. The abovesaid Elizabeth Alston decd. is said to have made a nuncupative will in favour of her sisters Martha and Rebecca Maria. The defendants other than Alstons are brought into the suit as occupiers or trustees of a house in Lombard Street, the rents of which were left to Edward Alston decd. by his father Sir Joseph.

The bill is a long one but recites only facts already noted; the answers contain no new Alston material.

See Table 89 page 57.

ALSTON & another v. BROWNE.

Hamilton.

623.

1704.

Bill, 25 November 1704, by Samuell Alston and Samuell Porter of London, merchants, v. Jane and Edward Browne.

Orators and one John Fenn for several years before the year 1693 were co-partners in the way of merchandizing and factors for other merchants, and in the course of their business had occasion to borrow sums of money from several persons, especially £200 from the defendant Jane Browne, for which sum the Orators gave her a bond 9 June 1693. In consequence of losses by sea, &c. the firm became unable to pay their debts, and found on examination they could not pay more than 7s. in the pound. The defendant Edward Browne, brother of Jane, was likewise their creditor, and agreed to the composition; but he now joins with her, and they are prosecuting in the King's Bench for the full sum of the penalty of the bond.

Uncertain, but see Table 105 page 64, and the suit Alston v. Alston page 188.

ALSTON v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.

301/1.

1704/5.

Bill, 31 January 1704, by Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abbey, co. Bucks., executor of the will of Sir Joseph Alston, his late father, and Dame Elizabeth Alston, relict and executrix of the said Sir Joseph, who was the only surviving executor of Sir Joseph Alston, Bt., aforesaid Joseph Alston of London, Esq. v. Mary Alston, widow, Ann, Clare and Margaret Alston; and Martha and Rebecca Maria Alston, infants.

N.B.—The bill covers more than one membrane, but the mem. annexed to mem. 1 as a continuation belongs to another suit, leaving this bill of complaint incomplete.

Orator's said grandfather was seised of divers lands &c. in Chelsea, co. Middlesex, and in Bradwell, co. Bucks. with tenements in George Yard, Lombard Street, &c. &c. In 1662 he made a settlement on the marriage of his son Joseph, (then only Joseph Alston gent.) with the Oratrix Elizabeth, who brought a portion of £3000. A further settlement was made about 1 June 1666, between the said Joseph Alston the elder Esq. and Mary his wife, of the first part; Joseph Alston the younger and Oratrix Elizabeth, his wife, of the second part; and Sir Edward Alston of London, Kt., and Maurice Thompson of Lee, co. Kent, Esq., father of your oratrix, of the third part. Joseph Alston the elder made his will about 12 March 1684, by which he gave legacies to the children of his son Edward; he died about May 1688, without having settled the leasehold property in George Yard as he ought to have done, and having previously married as his second wife one Ann Stratton of —, widow, who on his death got into her possession divers writings and evidences. At the time of the making of the said will, testator's son Edward had 9 children, viz. Joseph, John, James, Elizabeth, Anne, Clare, Margaret, Mary and Catherine Alston, and afterwards had two other children, viz. Martha and Rebecca Maria. Elizabeth attained the age of 18 years and then died intestate in 1697; John and James both died before they were 21, and Catherine and Mary died in the testator's lifetime. About January 1699, Isaack Alston, who was co-executor with Joseph Alston the son, died; and Joseph died in March following, leaving your Orator his executor. Edward, son of the elder Joseph, enjoyed bequests under his father's will till his death in or about May 1698, when his widow Mary took out letters of administration. The suit relates to the settlement of accounts between the parties under the wills and settlements above referred to.

This suit furnishes important corroboration of the parentage of Dame Elizabeth, wife of Sir Joseph Alston 2 Bt. She was a daughter of Maurice Thompson, of Lee, whose son John was created Lord Haversham. It also decides that Anne Stratton became the second wife of Sir Joseph Alston. See Table 19 page 19, and the will of Dame Anne Alston pages 128 and 129. Apparently there were two Anne Strattons, widows, who married two Alstons. See also Tables 70 page 48, and 89 page 57.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & Others.

Reynardson.

301/7.

1705.

Bill, 10 November 1705, by Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abbey, Bucks, bart., v. Mary Alston, *Glaudus* Galliard and Joseph Alston.

Edward Alston, Orator's uncle, late of Loughton, co. Bucks. decd., mortgaged various parts of his estate, and neglected to pay either principal or interest. His creditors obtained an execution against him, and he left his house privately and went to London, and sent for your orator, and represented his misfortunes and the ruin that threatened his family, if he were not speedily helped. And your Orator, (finding there was no way of clearing his uncle's estate, which was too encumbered to pay his debts, and knowing that his uncle's son and heir was a very extravagant young man, not likely to be in a capacity to retrieve the said estate, and had already contracted debts of his own, which rendered him unable to go out publicly for fear of being arrested,) thought it advisable to absolutely sell the said estate, which proposal was readily embraced by his uncle. Before Joseph the son would consent to join in a conveyance, he bargained for the sum of £400 for his own uses; and with his mother Mary informed Orator he would never consent to the sale unless he received security for the payment of the said sum. Orator thereupon gave his bond in a penal sum of £800 to secure the said payment; and moreover paid him the £400 a full year before he received a penny of the purchase money. And afterwards the said Joseph fell into a crazed condition, acquired by his excessive intemperance, whereupon his mother placed him with one *Glaudus* Galliard, a person noted for curing lunatics; who sued Orator for £112 for the said Joseph's maintenance. To avoid a trial Orator agreed with the said Joseph to pay the sum out of money belonging to him in Orator's hands. Now Mary Alston refuses to deliver up Orator's bond to be cancelled, and the defendants confederate to extort money from your orator.

The defendants Mary Alston and *Claudius* Gilliard make answer; they do not know anything of sums paid by Orator for his cousin. Joseph the defendant, when at the complainant's house in the country, attempted to kill one of his own sisters, and his mother thereupon made enquiries of the defendant Gilliard as to receiving her son. And complainant and his Lady went with her to a tavern in Coleman Street, where Sir Joseph himself agreed with the said Gilliard to pay him £20 a year to look after his cousin; and that he would consider the said sum an annuity to be purchased for the said Joseph; the payment to commence from 17 February 1697. The complainant made great defaults in the payments, but acknowledged his indebtedness by letter in November 1700, and also afterwards. About June 1704 Gilliard put an execution upon the complainant's goods. Complainant has never paid any part of the sum of £400, except 2 guineas for shirts for his cousin.

See Table 70 page 48 and Table 89 page 57.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & Others.

Reynardson.

301/7.

1705.

These are depositions in the suit last noted.

Deponents' evidence is to the effect that 10 or 11 years since the defendant Joseph was *compos mentis*, unless he was "in drink." One deponent was told by the said Joseph that he only pretended to be mad, because he had no money or credit wherewith he might maintain himself.

See as above.

ALSTON v. HOVELL.

Hamilton.

12/49.

1706.

Bill, 24 June 1706, by Edward Allston of East Bergholt, co. Suffolk v. Dorothy Reynolds and James Hovell.

The defendant Dorothy Reynolds of Ipswich, co. Sussex, widow, daughter of ——— Newton of East Bergholt widow, has for several years last past consulted with Orator as to the management of her affairs. The suit relates only to the purchase by said Dorothy of some lands in Suffolk and Essex, when complainant acted as her security.

Uncertain.

ALSTON v. FITZGERALD.

Reynardson.

302/38.

1709/10.

Bill, 13 February 17¹⁰, by Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abbey, co. Bucks., bart., and Penelope Alston, an infant under the age of 21 years, one of the daughters of the said Joseph Alston, v. Edward Fitzgerald and Anne his wife.

About a year and a half ago, Dame Elizabeth Alston, widow, mother of the plaintiff Joseph, having several business transactions in London and Westminster, was advised to take a lodging in some place convenient for herself and a maid, and after some enquiries made application to one Mr. Edward Fitzgerald who had a convenient lodging to spare in Plumtree Square, in St. Giles's Middlesex, and came to an agreement with him about May or April 1708 that she and her maid should board with him and have diet for 10s. a week. At this time the said Dame Elizabeth had a considerable income of £200 a year, from houses in George Yard in Lombard Street, and a freehold house and land in Peckham in Surrey, and also various personal property including a very large picture of Sir Joseph, and a number of pictures big and little; and a fine blood stone bottle to put tea or sugar in; a Bible with silver clasps; a gold watch with Sir Joseph's picture and her own, set in gold, hung at it, &c. &c. For about 49 weeks she paid her rent regularly, and then, (her own rents being in arrears, and having occasion at the time to disburse much money) she became indebted to the said Fitzgerald, who consequently seized some of her goods, and has sold them far under value and without appraisement, &c. &c. The suit is brought under Lady Alston's will, made during her last illness, about a fortnight before she died.

Defendants, in their answer, say that Lady Alston had the whole floor of their house up one pair of stairs, and had often promised to give them more than the rent agreed upon, in compensation for the dearth of provisions &c, if ever she got money from the complainant, her son, and got rid of the troubles occasioned by him; also that they never agreed, as alleged, upon a charge of only 10s. a week. They have heard that the said Lady Elizabeth, upon the death of her husband Sir Joseph, had a considerable jointure of £400 a year; which she parted with to her said son on his marriage with Penelope, one of the daughters of Sir Edward Eveling of Long Ditton, co. Surrey, with whom Defendants believe he had an estate in land and money to the value of £10,000. When Lady Alston came to their house, she had lent large sums of money to her son, and said she had not a shilling. On one occasion the said Sir Joseph and his lady, two sons, two servants and a gentleman came and lay at Defendant's house, and in regard that no charge was made for this and other services, the said Lady Alston gave them various articles of her property. The day she died the said Lady Alston before several persons did say that her troubles had broken her heart, and she ordered Defendants to deliver her deeds and writings to her cousin Mr. Corsellis, to keep till all her debts and funeral expenses were paid. Of these deeds a list is given. Among the parties named are Edward Alston of Layer Marney, co. Essex, clerk; and Cornelius Alston of St. James' Westminster, gent.

An interesting suit. The picture of Sir Joseph is perhaps that I conjecture to be his now in the possession of Mr. William Head of East Grinstead. The Bible with the silver clasps is more than likely to be that now in Mr. Augustus J. E. Hare's possession.

See Tables 70 page 48 and 69 page 47.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & Another.

Reynardson.
469/2.
1709/10.

Bill, 7 March 17th, by Samuel Alston of Bramford, co. Suffolk, Esq., son and heir of Samuel Alstone, late of Marlesford, co. Suffolk, who was son and heir of William Alstone, late of Saiham hall, co. Suffolk, who was son and heir of William Alstone, late of Saiham Hall in Newton, co. Suffolk, who was son and heir of William Alstone, late of Newton aforesaid, the common ancestor and great great grandfather unto your Orator and great grandfather to Mary Alstone, late Lady Hanmer, which said Mary was daughter and heir of Joseph Alston, late of Sicklemore House in the parish of Bramford, Esq., son and heir of Edward Alstone, late of Boxford, second son of Orator's said great great grandfather.——v. Thomas Alston and Bambridge Buckeridge.

The said Joseph Alstone, by his will dated 18 December 1643, bequeathed lands &c. to Mary his wife, for life, with remainder to his daughters Mary and Susan and their heirs, and in default to the heirs of his wife. The said Mary died leaving no children behind her who had issue; by her will, dated 18 August 1685, she left the said lands &c. to her sister Dorothy Warner and her heirs. The said Dorothy, late of the parish of St. Martin's in the Fields, co. Middlesex decd, by her will dated 24 February 1696, appointed the defendants her trustees of the said lands (lying in Bramford and Blackenham, co. Suffolk), to convey the same to such person or persons as should be appointed by the said Dame Mary Hanmer, wife of Sir John Hanmer of Hanmer Hall, co. Flint, Bart., or in default of such appointment, to the right heirs of the said Dame Mary. Such appointment was never made. Defendants refuse to convey the premises to your orator, pretending the devise was absolute, and not in trust.

See Table 6 page 8 and Table 11 page 12.

ALSTON v. BUCKERIDGE.

Reynardson.
348/21.
1709/10.

The answers, March 17th, of Bainbrigg Buckeridge and Thomas Alston, to the complaint of Samuel Alston.

(See note of suit Reynardson 469/2 above.)

Defendant Buckeridge says that Lady Hanmer has paid most of the debts of Dorothy Warner, decd, out of her own estate.

Thomas Alstone says that as Dame Mary Hanmer is dead without issue, the property remains vested in himself and Buckeridge in trust for the heir at law of the said Dame Mary. The pedigrees of the complainant and of Dame Mary, set forth in the bill, are true.

See Tables as above.

ALSTON v. SNELL.

Whittington.
165.
1712.

Bill, 25 June 1712, by Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abbey, bart. v. Robert Snell.

Sir Joseph Alston, bart., grandfather of complainant, was entitled by agreement to certain money out of sums payable to the late Sir Jeremiah Snow, bart. decd. out of the Excise, under letters patent of Charles II. This suit is brought for recovery against Snell, his trustee.

See Table 70 page 48.

ALSTON v. ALSTON & Others.

Bridges.
352.
1712.

Chancery Proceedings before 1714. Bridges 352.

Answer, 6 December 1712, of Edward Alston, Esq., one of the defendants to the complaint of Thomas, Elizabeth, Frances and Sarah Alston.

Defendant believes that John Alston, his late brother, was possessed of a considerable personal estate, and willed that the defendant should have the benefit thereof for his life, with remainder to the children of his cousin John Alston of Pavenham, co. Bedfordshire (the plaintiffs) John Plaxton the executor duly proved the will. He is willing all moneys should be paid plaintiffs as testator desired in his will, and has never hindered the same &c. &c

See Table 20 page 19, &c.

ALSTON *v.* PARIS & Others.
Mitford. Bill, 9 June 1713, by Isaac Alston of Ipswich, co. Suffolk, Woolcomber *v.* Joseph Paris. Thomas Ringer, Joseph
648/12. Sawbridge, Elizabeth Whincopp and others of the Whincopp family.
1713. *re* the estate of Nicholas Whincopp, a bankrupt, for whom complainant has been surety.

ALSTON *v.* FOOT & Another.
Mitford. Bill, 17 September 1713, by Samuel Alston of London, packer, *v.* John Foot and Benjamin Howell.
373/1. *The suit relates merely to transactions arising out of a loan of £200 by the complainant to John Foote, of*
1713. *London, factor.*
See suit Alston v. Browne page 191. Possibly the same Samuel Alston.

ALSTON *v.* FOOT & Others.
Mitford. Bill, 23 October 1713, by Samuel Alston of London, Packer, *v.* Francis Foot Esq., John Foot and Benjamin
500/5. Howell.
1713. *Exactly the same matter as in suit (Mitford 373/1) noted above.*

Alston

Chancery Proceedings,

(CONTINUED)

(CHIEFLY SUITS IN WHICH ALSTONS WERE DEFENDANT PARTIES,
temp. Eliz. AND BEFORE 1714).

* ALSTON *v.* LYNTON & Another.

Bundle.
Aa. 7/61.
1593.

Bill, dated 15 May 1593, by William Alston and Margery, his wife, late wife of Robert Lynton, late of Much Cornard, co. Suffolk, gent., deceased, *v.* John and Robert Lynton, and William Emesden.

The said Robert Lynton, decd. in his extremity of sickness, on 25 October 33 Elizabeth (1591) made his will (in many ways imperfect, leaving an annuity of £5 to his wife out of his entailed lands in Turnsted, Lammarshe and Pedmarshe, co. Essex.

Robert Lynton, the nephew of deceased, one of the defendants, has proved the will in the P. C. C., and refuses to carry out the terms of the will as regards the said Margery, including, besides the above, the devise of tenements in Newton, co. Suffolk, for life, from which Robert Lynton, the nephew, ejected her last Michaelmas, in the person of William Emesden, formerly servant to Robert Lynton, deceased.

The defendants, in their answer, say that John Lynton, father of Robert Lynton deceased and of defendant John, surrendered the copyholds lands in Essex to his son Robert in tail, with contingent remainder to his son John, &c. &c.

There is no further information of any sort about the Alston family, and I cannot place the William Alston herein.

HOLBOROUGH *v.* ALSTON.

Hh. 19/25.
1597.

Bill, dated 4 May 1597, by Richard Holborough the elder, of Brunden, co. Essex, yeoman, and Richard Holborough the younger, of Waldingfield, co. Suffolk, yeoman, *v.* William Alston senior and junior.

About 4 years since, in consideration of a marriage to be had, between William Alston, junior, of Semer, co. Suffolk, yeoman, son of William Alston the elder, late of Newton, co. Suffolk, yeoman, and one Marion Holborough, daughter of Richard Holborough the elder, the two complainants entered into obligations for a certain sum of money for the preferment of the said Marion, on the elder William Alston's promising to settle lands in Essex and Suffolk to the value of £20 yearly as her jointure. This promise has never been executed, hence the suit; the defendants are also accused of fraud with regard to the bonds.

The defendants in their answer say that lands have been settled, as promised, to the annual value of £18.

There is nothing further useful for pedigree. See Table 4 page 6.

* NOTE.—Suits in which Alstons were plaintiffs as well as defendants will be found among "plaintiff" suits *ante* as will also one or two suits in which the plaintiffs' names began with A, and so were transcribed at same time. One or two suits calendared as Alston prove to be Aston, *e.g.*, Vernon *v.* Aston (Whittington 97), and Palgrave *v.* Aston (Whittington 223). They are not included here.

WYNTERFLUDD *v.* ALSTON.

Ww. 7/60.
1598.

The bill, dated 23 May 1598, of Henry Wynterfludd of Stoke next Wayland, co. Suffolk, gent. *v.* William Alston, senior and junior.

The defendants hold residue of a lease of copyhold tenements in Newton, co. Suffolk, held of the manor of Newton hall, which lease was originally made by William Hoyer, copyholder of the said manor to one Edward Warner of Newton, gent., 1st May 28 Elizabeth (1586). The defendants have conspired to extinguish the rent of £18 10s., by procuring surrenders from the said William Hoyer to one William Talbone of Assington. William Hoyer had meanwhile surrendered his copyhold to John Winterfludd, complainant's father; hence the suit.

Defendants, in their answer, deny fraud, and recount a number of transactions relative to the land, including the lease of a close in Newton to one Edward Alston, another of the sons of William Alston senior, 20 May 29 Elizabeth (1587).

There is nothing else in their answer, or the replication of complainant, which assists the pedigree. See Tables 1 page 3, 3 page 5, and 4 page 6.

GREENE *v.* ALSTON & Another.

Gg. 9/5.
1600/1.

Bill, dated 23 January 1600, by Peter Greene of Sudbury, co. Suffolk, *v.* William Alstone and Edward Newman.

About 3 years since complainant became surety with others for the debt of one Edmond Cotton, of Tilbury, co. Essex, gent., to the defendant William Alstone of Belchampe Otten, in the said county, yeoman. Cotton being a man of substance, complainant believed after sundry enquiries that the debt was discharged; but Alstone, "being a man greedy and desirous of gain," did not press for payment actually until Cotton, by reason of this and numerous other debts, had absented himself out of the country, and so could make no answer on complainant's behalf. Defendant has confederated with one Edward Newman, a scrivener, and the suit is brought for redress against effects of this conspiracy.

See early Tables.

GOULDING *v.* ALSTONE.

Mitford.
25/45.
1603.

Bill, 30 May 1603, by Roger Gouldinge of Cleare, co. Suffolk, gentleman, *v.* William Alston and John Gouldinge.

William Alstone, "a common lender of money," about 41 Elizabeth (1598/99), lent complainant £104, on condition he would buy of Alstone several cows and sheep at much above their value. To pay his debt to Alston and others, complainant made a lease to the other defendant of a farm called Houghton Hall, and Gouldinge has paid the sum due to Alstone. The time named in the bond was actually exceeded, but complainant has several times offered reasonable recompense to Alstone, who, however, refuses to accept it, but prosecutes for his rights under the bond.

In his answer Alstone denies having received the money as alleged in the bill. See early Tables.

WILCOX *v.* ALSTON.

Bridges.
474.
1622.

Viz. Richard Wilcox *v.* Peter Alston, Thomas Denton and others.

Depositions taken at Ipswich 9 January 19 Jas. I, with regard to the site of the manor of Lovetofts in Bramford, co. Suffolk, mortgaged by Thomas Denton to Peter Alston, in the name of Edward Alston his son, a minor. One deponent, John Harte of Bramford, has known the deponent Alston about forty years.

There is no Alston information. See Table 12 page 13.

PARKER *v.* ALSTON.

Mitford.
28/101.
1623/4.

Bill, 4 February 1623, by John Parker of Toppesfield, co. Essex, yeoman, *v.* John Alston of Toppesfield, gent. *re* a mortgage made to defendant by complainant.

The only personal particulars to be gleaned from both bill and answer is that one William Alston of Newton in Suffolk, defendant's brother, was one of the two arbitrators elected by the parties; and that defendant was indebted to Lestrange Alston in the sum of £130 for his legacy given unto him by William Alston, decd., his grandfather, and lately paid to this defendant by the said William's executors.

See Table 23 page 21.

GREENE v. ALSTONE.

Mitford.
87/24.
1627/28.

Bill, 26 January 1627, by William Greene of Toppesfield, co. Essex, yeoman, v. John Alston of Toppesfield, gent.
The suit relates solely to disputed payment of money due under a bond to defendant, his wife, Anne Alston, received into her own hands at his house at Toppesfield £20 of the amount due.
These are the only personal particulars given in the bill. See Table 23 page 21.

GREEN v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
425.
1627/28.

Answer, 7 February 1627, of John Alstone, one of the defendants to the bill of complaint of William Green.
This is the answer to the complaint of William Green, (26 Jan. 1627, filed as Mitford 87/24), and relates solely to the payment of sums in question, with no personal particulars whatever.
See Tables as above.

GREEN v. ALSTONE.

Mitford.
639.
1629.

William Greene v. John Alstone, gent. (see bill of 26 Jan. 1627).
Depositions taken at Toppesfeild, co. Essex, 13 January 4 Ch. 1. (1629).
There are no Alston deponents, and the depositions deal merely with the payment of the money in question.

BRAND v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
639.
1632.

Benjamin Brand esq. and Thomas Dyersley, clerk, v. William and Edmund Alston.
Depositions taken at Boxford [co. Suffolk] 9 Aug. 8 Charles 1. The suit relates to tithes in Edwardston.
Thomas Alston, the defendants' father, in his lifetime had the vicarage tithes of the said town; the said Thomas was farmer of the Priory or Rectory of Edwardston, twenty years and upwards now past. The speeches of one Isaak Alston, in reference to the tithes, at that time held by one Samuel Alston, are deposed to.
See Table 4 page 6.

OUSLEY v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
255/61.
1634.

Answer, 2 December 1634, of William Alston, Esq., to the complaint of Richard Ouseley, Esq.
The suit relates to transactions relative to trust-deeds on behalf of Dame Dorothy, wife of Sir Richard Chetwode, for whom Sir Thomas Aston and Lord Kilmorey were trustees, and bonds given about the time of Richard Chetwood's marriage with the daughter of Sir Valentine Knightley. This defendant's share in the transactions does not appear.
See Table 13 page 14.

SYMONDS v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
617.
1644.

Bill, 22 November 1644, by Richard Symonds of March, co. Cambridge, gent. v. Sir Thomas Alston, — Hooper, William Bletsoe, John Dillington and others.
Sir Thomas Alston is now sheriff of the county of Bedford, and is made a party to the suit, which relates to the financial affairs of the defendant Bletsoe, only by virtue of his office.
See Table 14 page 15.

PARKER v. ALSTON.

Collins.
15.
1645.

Bill, 10 November 1645, by Augustine Parker of Washbrook, co. Suffolk, gent. v. Mary Alston.
The bill recites orator's reversionary interest &c. under the will of Joseph Alston, decd., of which he is overseer.
Mary Alston, the defendant, his widow and executrix, soon after his death grew weary of abiding in the house &c. bequeathed to her for two years and afterward to orator's son, both by reason of the place, and for trouble of occupation thereof, with care of servants; and she advised with her friends to induce Orator to buy her stock of cattle &c. there. An agreement was made for the purchase; orator conceived an allowance should be made him out of the purchase money, for sums due to him from his said late cousin Joseph Alston, and also for the legacy bequeathed to him in the will. The suit arises out of this and other small financial transactions.
See Table 3 page 5 and Table 11 page 12.

Collins.
16.
1646.

BRIGHT v. ALSTON.

Bill, 14 April 1646, by Edmond Bright of Mildenhall, co. Suffolk, gent. v. Mary Alston, widow, James Withe, and others.

One Joseph Alston of Washingbrooke, Suffolk, decd., was seised of the manor of Sheland, and freehold lands in Boxted &c. &c., besides copyhold tenements held of several manors, and a great personal estate in money and plate &c. He had issue only two daughters, Mary and Susan; and had no brothers, but three sisters, Anne, Susan and Bridget. Anne was married to Mr. Wells, clerk, by whom she had issue a son and a daughter now living; and at the death of the said Wells, she was married to one Mr. Paine, since dead, by whom she had issue a son now living. Susan was married to complainant, by whom she had issue a son since dead. By his will the said Joseph left bequests to the children of complainant and the said Susan, besides bequests to the children of the said Anne and Bridget. But Mary Alston, his widow, pretends that, a few days before his death, Joseph made another will by which he left but £20 apiece to the said children; a year after Joseph's death complainant searched in the Registry at Norwich but could find no such will proved.

Answer of Mary Alston and Thomas Lilly (signed by both) 8 May 1646.

Joseph Alston made a will about 6 months before his death, the provisions of which are unknown to the said Mary, because, when he offered to read it to her, she could not bear to hear it read; a few days before his death, viz. about 18 December 1643, he made the will which the complainant disputes.

Thomas Lilly was the said Joseph's servant, and attended upon him in his sickness, and witnessed the will made a few days before his death.

See Table 10 page 11 and Table 11 page 12.

Mitford.
110/10.
1646.

BRIGHT v. ALSTONE & others.

Bill, 24 April 1646, by Edmund Bright of Mildenhall, Suffolk, gent., v. Mary Alston, widow, James Withe, John Arnold, John Harwell, Thomas Lilly, Augustin Parker, Lawrence Whiting, Peter Alston and Edward Brasier.

Edmund Bright was husband of Susan Alston, deceased, sister of Joseph Alston decd.; the suit is to recover legacies under the will of the said Joseph.

The marriages of Joseph's sisters are given as in previous suits. See Tables as above.

Mitford.
110/100.
1646.

GRANGE v. ALSTONE.

Bill, 23 November 1646, by William Grange of Nayland, co. Suffolk, yeoman, and Frances his wife, sole daughter and heir of William Garnham, late of Newton, Suffolk, clerk, and Alice his wife, v. Edward Alston of Newton aforesaid, gent.

Alston has got into his hands the evidences of a certain messuage &c. in Newton, the inheritance of the complainant Frances, whom he thus has found means to disinherit.

There is no answer attached.

Collins.
41.
1648.

BOTELER, Kt. v. ALSTON, Bart.

The answer, 16 May 1648, of Sir Thomas Alston bart., to the complaint of Sir William Boteler, knight.

Defendant acknowledges that orator and his ancestors for 60 years past have been seised of woods called Wood End in the parishes of Odell and Puddington, co. Bedford; but he denies their right to a freeboard of seven feet wide extending round the said woods. Defendant has lately become possessor of woods and grounds late belonging to Sir Richard Chetewood, Knight, deceased, adjoining the said woods —&c.

See Tables 13 page 14 and 14 page 15.

Collins.
120.
1648.

FILL v. ALSTON Knt.

Bill, 22 June 1648, by Nicholas Fill of Lidlinch, co. Dorset, yeoman, Bartholomew Romaine of the same yeoman, and John Vowles of Haydon, co. Dorset, yeoman, v. Sir Thomas Alston and Anne Molynes.

Sir Thomas Alston of Westhall has acquired certain lands called Bagber farm in Lidlinch, of which Fill holds a lease from one Edward Molynes of Westhall, co. Dorset, and others. The suit is brought for redress against a claim for payment of rent twice over, Sir Thomas sometimes pretending that the rent is due to him, sometimes that it should be paid to Mrs. Anne Molynes, the other defendant, whose guardian he is.

See Table 14 page 15.

WARREN (*sic*) v. ALSTON.

Collins.
25.
1649.

Bill, 25 May 1649, by Francis Warner of Parham, co. Suffolk, esq. v. Joseph Alston and Mary his wife. Edmund Warner, late of Parham, Esq., orator's father deceased, died about 17 Jas. I., leaving (among other children) orator and one Mary Warner, who, being of tender years, your orator did maintain her with meet apparel and diet from the time he was 21 until about the month of January 11 Chas. I. (1635/6), when the said Mary was about to marry Joseph Alston. Orator then had to go to London, and his sister gave him a note to deliver to the said Joseph (then in London) enclosing a list of articles she wished him to buy, and asked orator to buy them for her if the said Joseph did not, saying she would see him paid. Orator bought the articles, being apparel and linen for the said Joseph and Mary, amounting to threescore pounds and upwards. In February following Joseph and Mary were married, when orator gave her £250 over and above her own portion. They now refuse to refund the said £60. In their answer the defendants say that Anne Warner, Mary's mother maintained her till her brother Francis was 21, when he did so out of the interest of her portion. Joseph Alston denies all knowledge of the purchases in question, but says he was promised a portion of £500 with his wife, and that her relations promised to find her wedding apparel and necessities. Some years since they referred the matter to Sir Anthony Wingfeild, for his arbitration therein, but the complainant refused to abide by his award.

See Table 11 page 12. There appears to be an error here, perhaps in my transcription from the records. 1649 should probably read 1639, Joseph Alston having died in 1643.

EARL OF PETERBOROUGH (*sic*) v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
2.
1649/50.

Answers, 1649 and 1650, of Sir Thomas Alston, bart., and of Edward Alston, Doctor in Physic, William Blomefeild and Joseph Alston, esquires, to the complaint of Elizabeth, countess dowager of Peterborough. All the defendants believe their names are used as trustees of the manor of Grafton for Lady Temple and the Viscountess Monson. In 1639 or 1640 Sir Thomas received a certain sum of money on behalf of Lady Temple, but knows not what other money she has received or ought to receive from the Earl of Peterborough, &c. &c.

HALLAM v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
405.
1650.

Bill, 21 May 1650, by John Hallam, citizen and draper of London, v. Joseph Alston and Mary Croukenbery. The defendants (who are not described) were appointed executors of her will by one Clare Buck, widow of Robert Buck, citizen and draper of London, complainant's aunt, who was near one hundred years old at her death; they have possessed themselves of a considerable part of her estate, and defraud orator.

See Table 68 page 46.

SENTLEY v. ALSTONE.

Reynardson.
11/158.
1650.

This is the bill, dated 25 November 1650, to which the answer is filed in Reynardson, 6/189 (q. v.). Mary Brakenbergh and Joseph Alstone are executors of Clare Buck, late of London, widow. Of the bond in dispute orator was promised an indemnity, and he has really no responsibility whatever therein. He prays defendants may be restrained from demanding payment.

See Table 68 page 46. Mary Brakenbergh reads like a misnomer for Mary Crookenberg or Kruckenbergh the Dutch lady who became the first wife of Joseph afterwards Sir Joseph Alston.

HAYNES v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
110/106.
1650/1.

Bill, 11 February 1652, by Elizabeth Heynes, widow, administratrix of Katherine Alston, late of London, widow, deceased, her late sister, v. Edward Alston and Elizabeth his wife, John Coleman, Elizabeth Parker, Richard Kyng and — Pippyn.

The said Katherine Alston demised to her son in law Edward Alston of Bramford, co. Suffolk, gent. certain of her lands at a yearly rent of £—. And having occasions of business at Bramford and Ipswich, did in the summer of 1649 take a lodging at Ipswich, and died there in October following.

The defendants have got into their possession part of the personal property of the deceased, for recovery of which the suit is lodged.

The answer of Edward Alston (in parts illegible) acknowledges that the deceased demised unto him tenements held of the manor of Lowetofts in Bramford. On the death of Katherine, Elizabeth Parker, who kept the house where she lodged, sent for defendant to take care for the burial; which he did, and did see her buried as was fitting a woman of her quality and condition, and better than she ever merited in her lifetime. There was some old linen &c. in the place, which he received, but he has disbursed far more than the value thereof.

See Table 12 page 13. Mrs. Katherine Alston was engaged in several law suits with her stepchildren with whom she was by no means a persona grata. Hence the stricture that her funeral appointments were better than she ever merited in her lifetime.

SENTLEY *v.* ALSTONE & others.

Reynardson.
6/189.
1651.

Answer, 31 May 1651, by Joseph Alston, one of the defendants to the complaint of Robert Sentley, esq. Defendant is executor of one Clare Buck, widow, who died about February 1648. He is satisfied the bond given her by the complainant and others was not paid during her lifetime.

See Table 68 page 46, and last named suit but one.

MONSON *v.* ALSTON.

Collins.
572/196.
1651.

Bill, 12 June 1651, by Viscount Monson of Castlemaine *v.* Sir Thomas Alston, bart., Sir Edward Alston kt., John Alston, esq., George Franklin and — his wife, and Anne Alston.

In 1646 orator assigned his interest in the manor of Chelsey, co. Middlesex, (of which he held a lease for about 30 years), to the three first named defendants, in trust for Mrs. Frances Alston, since his wife and now deceased, for her life, with remainder to his daughters by the said Frances, with power of revocation. Some time after Orator and his wife had great need for money, and endeavoured to sell the said lease, and whilst the business was perfecting the said Lady Frances, (having acquaintance with divers special friends) did borrow of them great sums of money, with promise to repay, but by the procurement of the said trustees (as orator hopes to prove) these persons stood not to their agreement. Not long after the said Frances was delivered of a daughter Frances, and within 14 days after her delivery, being the 29th June 1650, died; and at her death declared, in the presence of Sir Thomas Alston, Mrs. Anne Franklin, Mrs. Anne Alston and others, that instead of the said manor of Chelsey, her daughter should have a portion of £3000 on her marriage. The said Mrs. Franklin and Anne Alston have fraudulently conveyed away from orator's house the deed of assignment aforesaid, into the custody of the said trustees, who have broken the key of the trunk in which it was kept, and taken out not only deeds, but jewels and other rich goods; though they previously denied having any writings of the said Frances in their custody; the said Lady was accustomed to leave her money &c. in the keeping of the said Mrs. Franklin when she went out of town, and had intended about a month before her death to have gone and lain in at Wymboldon in the country.

See Tables 14 page 15 and 22 page 20. This suit supplies dates of death of Viscountess Castlemaine and of the birth of her daughter.

MONSON *v.* ALLSTON.

Collins.
574/30.
1651.

Bill, — June 1651, by Viscount Monson *v.* Sir Thomas and Sir Edward Alston and others.

In 1646 orator assigned to Sir Thomas his lease of the manor of Grafton Underwood, co. Northants, in trust for Dame Frances his wife, and afterwards mortgaged woods therein to Sir Thomas for £1500; but he has received only £700 in hand; in strictness of law the property is forfeit for non-payment, but orator has been, and is, a Parliament man, and never had any notice given him of their intentions against him.

See Tables 14 page 15 and 22 page 20. Viscount Monson's self-description as a "parliament man" was a neat Roundhead touch to prejudice the court against his Royalist brother-in-law.

LORD MOUNSON *v.* ALSTON.

Bridges.
388.
1651.

Being the answer of Sir Thomas Alston, Bart; Sir Edward Alston, Kt., John Alston and others, to the complaint of Viscount Monson; sworn 25 June 1651.

One of the defendants, whose name is torn away at the head of the answer, is Anne Alston.

The bill apparently relates to charges made by the complainant as to breach of trust &c. in the custody of a small trunk containing papers and jewels belonging to complainant's late wife, and delivered into the keeping of one of her brothers, the said Sir Thomas or Sir Edward.

See Tables 13 page 14, 14 page 15, and 22 page 20.

VISCOUNT STRANGFORD *v.* SIR THOMAS ALSTON, Kt.

Collins.
43.
1651.

Answer, 26 June 1651, of Sir Thomas Alston, Kt. and bart., Sir Edward Alston, Kt., and John Alston esq., 3 of the defendants to the bill of Viscount Strangford, an infant, by his guardian the Earl of Leicester.

The suit relates to property settled by Dame Frances Temple on Frances Alston, spinster, afterwards Viscountess Mounson. Shortly after his marriage with the said Frances Alston, Viscount Mounson granted to his said wife the disposal of the lease of the manor of Grafton, co. Northants, part of the property in question. They deny they were parties to a mortgage alleged to be raised in July 1649, but believe that such a mortgage was raised.

See Tables 14 page 15 and 22 page 20.

FOSTER v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
103/79.
1653.

Bill, 28 June 1653, by Thomas Foster of Marlesford, co. Suffolk, esq., v. Samuel Alston of the same place, gent. About 4 years past complainant entered into a bond to pay £180 to the defendant, who then dwelt at Ipswich, which bond the defendant entrusted to one Edmund Colman of Ipswich, gent., cousin german to the said Samuel and to Orator's wife. Alston has now fraudulently obtained the bond from Colman, and refuses to give complainant any satisfaction for all the money now paid to Colman for his use.

See Tables 6 page 8 and 4 page 6.

SOUTHWOOD v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
13/133.
1653.

Bill, 7 May 1653, by John Southwood the elder of London, merchant, v. Thomas Burton, Joseph Alston and Henry Hickford.

"One Joseph Alston" is made party to this suit, as having cognisance of certain bonds &c. given on the marriage of complainant's daughter Hannah to Thomas Burton, and now combining with said Burton to complainant's disadvantage.

In his answer Alston says he knows nothing whatever of the transactions had in connection with the said marriage. Burton was indebted to him in over £400, for divers pieces of Norwich stuffs supplied to him by this defendant. He attached the complainant's goods as a debtor of the said Burton.

TYRINGHAM v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
15/158.
1653/4.

Bill, 15 February 1653, by William Tyringham of Tyringham, co. Bucks. Esq. v. Sir Thomas Alston of Odell, Kt.

relating to payment of a bond, on which complainant became security for his brother, since deceased. Sir Thomas Alstone is angered against the complainant, because he refused to join with Alstone's brother in the sale of certain lands of inheritance; and he has absented himself from his lodgings in London and from his house in the country whenever complainant, or any one on his behalf, has attended to make payment of the sums still due.

See Table 14 page 15.

WYNN v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
421.
1655/6.

Bill, 1 January 1655, by Thomas Wyn of London, merchant, v. Mary Alston, widow.

Thomas Alston, one of the sons of Peter Alston, late of Bramford, co. Suffolk, gent. decd., devised messuages and lands in Bramford to complainant and Margery, then his wife (sister of the said Thomas) and their children; and in virtue of the said bequest they duly entered in, and let the said property. Some time afterwards (about Michaelmas 1630 or 1631) one Joseph Alston, a near kinsman of the said Margery, repaired to complainant's house in London, and there had diet and lodging, and complainant procured him to be admitted to the free school of St. Paul's, London, and furnished him with a gown, books, &c. Joseph was a ward in Chancery, and the Master of the Court of Wards sent for him, and delivered him into the custody of the usher of the said court, who kept him 4 days without any manner of sustenance, so that he would have died, but the complainant sent for him to his own house again, and provided him with physicians and a nurse for a great length of time; and so the said Joseph received his health again. Complainant afterwards sent him to the University of Cambridge, until about 1639, shortly after which the said Joseph married one Mary Warner, daughter of — Warner, since deceased; and came of age in 1639 and was in enjoyment of the real and personal estate left by his father and elder brother (which personal estate was valued at £4000 or £5000); his elder brother had died under age, a ward to the court. Joseph was very sensible of his debts to complainant, but his wife incensed him against him, to such an extent that the said Joseph knowing the deeds of the late Peter Alston were in the hands of one Francis Andrewes of Hadley, co. Suffolk, by fraudulent means got possession of them and detained them from complainant, alleging he had deeds that upset complainant's title to the premises abovesaid. He afterwards promised to surrender the deeds, but died about 10 years since, and the said Mary, his widow, still retains them.

Defendant, in her answer, denies all knowledge of the expenses incurred by complainant for her late husband; if it is as stated the cost should be defrayed by Peter Alston, to whom he was ward. In 13 Chas. I. after a long suit in the court of Wards and Liveries upon a bond of £5000 wherein the said Peter Alston's father stood bound to account for the moneys &c. of Edward Alston, then decd., father of Joseph, the said Joseph obtained a decree against Peter for the payment of £3450, and for non-payment thereof the said Joseph did extend certain lands which formerly belonged to the said Peter's father; and so the deeds and premises came into his hands.

See Tables 11 page 12 and 12 page 13.

BARKER v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
49.
1655/6.

Bill, 25 January 1655, by Thomas Barker of Gray's Inn, co. Middlesex, esq. v. Peter Alstone of Gray's Inn, gent., George Nedham, esq., and Philip Tylney, gent.
The suit relates only to financial transactions connected with the estates of Sir Francis Needham and their settlement. No Alston except the defendant is mentioned, and he seems to have acted legally.

See Table 12 page 13.

COLE (*sic*) v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
443.
1656.

Bill, 25 November 1656, by James Gold of London, merchant, and other creditors of James, late Duke of Hamilton, v. Lord Monson, Richard Wallop, Sir Thomas Alston, Sir Edward Alston and others.

The suit relates simply to transactions connected with the raising of money out of the manor of Chelsea; the Alston defendants are made parties, as confederating with Lord Monson &c., "having some interest in the premises by conveyance or otherwise.

Another bill is attached to this by Andrew Cole of Westminster, Esq. v. the same defendants in a similar matter. In their answer the Alston defendants acknowledge that the manor of Chelsea formed part of the jointure settled on their sister Frances on her marriage with Lord Monson.

See Tables 14 page 15 and 22 page 20.

WYNN v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
384/42.
1656/7.

Two further answers, 1656 and 7, of Mary Alston, widow, to the complaint of Thomas Wynn.
Neither contains any personal information. See Tables 11 page 12 and 12 page 13.

LENTHALL v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
442.
1658.

Bill, 6 November 1658, by Francis Lenthall of London, merchant, v. Joseph Alston of London, merchant.
Relates solely to financial transactions between the parties, and giving no personal details whatever. Probably this Joseph is he afterwards the merchant baronet of Table 68 page 46.

WIGGOTT v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
20/14.
1658.

Bill, 15 December 1658, by John Wiggott of London, merchant, v. Francis Lenthall and Joseph Alston of London, merchants.

This suit relates merely to bills and bonds, and contains no personal information whatever. See as above.

WEBSTER v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
477.
1660.

Bill, 2 November 1660, by John Webster of Clitheroe, co. Lancaster, v. Thomas Alston of Pimlekoe in the said county, surgeon; regarding Alston's articles of apprenticeship to the complainant.

One of the few suits concerning the Lancashire Alstons. There are also Depositions (Whittington 837), but they contain no information.

DESBROW v. ALSTONE.

Hamilton.
553.
1660.

Bill, 26 November 1660, by Apellas Disborough of Bewers St. Marie, co. Suffolk, bricklayer, and Marie his wife, late wife of Henry Deane the younger, s. and h. of Henry Deane of the same place, yeoman, deceased, v. Marie Deane widow, John Braborne and Anne his wife, Margaret Deane, singlewoman, Henry Ball the younger, Edward Alston and others.

The suit relates to property left by the two Deanes deceased, and Edward Alstone, gent., only becomes a party through having advanced money upon it.

COLE v. ALSTON.

Collins.
583/76.
1660. Bill, 20 July 1660, by Andrew Cole of Westminster, co. Middlesex, esq. and other creditors of James, late Duke of Hamilton, v. Sir Thomas Alston.
Re financial transactions only between Viscount Mounson, and Sir Thomas, Sir Edward and John Alston; gives no personal information at all.

ESDAY v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
325/120.
1661. Bill, 17 May 1661, by Henry Esday of Pentlow, co. Essex, clerk, v. Edward Alston of Pentlowe, clerk.
About August 19 Chas. I. (1643/4) Edward Alston, as a scandalous minister, was sequestered from Pentlowe by the Committee for plundered ministers, and complainant was appointed to the living in April 1650, and officiated there until the recent act of 12 Chas. II. restoring ejected ministers.
The suit relates solely to apportionment of tithes &c. &c. See Table 4 page 6 and Walker's Sufferings of the Clergy. It will be observed that the Rev. Edward Alston appears to have been reinstated at the Restoration.

OFFLEY v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
24/120.
1661/2. Bill, 29 January 1662, by Robert Offley of the Middle Temple, London, esq., and Elizabeth his wife, and other executors of John Wynne, late of London, dyer, deceased, v. Sir Edward Alston, Kt.
In January 1649 the said John Wynne entered into a bond to defendant, (then Edward Alston, doctor of physic) to pay a portion of £100 to his relative Elizabeth Wynne. Elizabeth died unmarried and under age, under which circumstances the bond was to become void. Alston was only a person named in trust, but yet from a covetous desire of unlawful gain has brought an action against the defendants in the court of Common Pleas.
Alston's answer relates only to the subject of the suit, and contains no personal details. See Table 12 page 13 for the Wynnes and Table 27 page 24.

ACTON v. ALSTONE.

Whittington.
54 and *468.
1662. * Bill, 17 June 1662, by John Acton of Bramford, co. Suffolk, esq., son and exor of John Acton, esq. deceased, v. Mary Alston, Sir John Hanmer and Dame Mary his wife, John Clayton and Peter Alston.
This is merely a bill of revive of the suit brought by complainant's father against the same parties, with regard to title to copyhold lands in Bramford. See Acton v. Alston, Mitford 137/1. Bill filed 11 June 1659. Page 176.

DADE (sic) v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
608.
1663/4. Bill, 9 February 1662 by Thomas Eade (sic) of Tannington, co. Suffolk Esq., John Lambe, William Acton and Nathaniel Acton, all of Barham in the said co., executors of John Acton Esq.
In Trinity term 1659, John Acton, father of the said decd., filed a bill against Mary Alston, widow, John Hanmer Esq. and Mary his wife, John Cleyton and Peter Alston; the complainant was lord of the manor of Bramford, and in his bill shewed that one Joseph Alston, late of Sproughton, Esq. decd., and his ancestors, held copyhold lands of the said manor. Joseph died about 15 years before the date of the bill. His widow Mary, and his only daughter Mary Hanmer, contrived to procure continued possession of the lands, though the Alston title had expired by flux of time, and felled great quantities of wood &c. The lands were so ill defined and mixed with other lands, that the said John Acton had not certainty enough to proceed against the defendants at common law.
The present bill is in continuation of the former suit. See Table 11 page 12.

DAWSON v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
96.
1664. Bill, 30 June 1664, by Henry Dawson of Groton, co. Suffolk, gent., v. Mary Alston, Sir John Hanmer and Mary his wife, and Sir John Warner.
Complainant is lord of the manor of Sanderford alias Sampford in Great Waldingfeild. At a court of that manor held 23 October 1655 Mary Alston was admitted tenant of a copyhold tenement, now in the occupation of one John Canham. She paid the yearly rent for some years, together with a fine upon her admittance; but now conspires with Sir John Hanmer, of Lincoln's Inn Fields, Kt., and the other defendants to deny the said tenement is copyhold at all.
See Table 11 page 12.

YAXLEY v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
374.
1666.

Bill, 9 May 1666, by Charles Yaxlee the younger of Yaxley, co. Suffolk, v. Penninge Alston and John Cullum. About 13 Chas. II. complainant purchased certain land in Eye of one John Thrower; Thrower is since dead, and now one Penninge Alston, citizen and grocer of London, and John Cullum of Occolt, co. Suffolk, yeoman, confederate together to bring forward mortgages they allege they hold on the said land. In his answer Penninge Alstone Esq. asserts that he lent Thrower £650 on the said land in 1658.
See Table 99 page 62.

BROOKE v. ALSTONE.

Reynardson.
38/6.
1666.

Bill, 28 November 1666, by John Brooke, esq. v. Sir Edward Alston of East Barnett, Kt. In 1657 Complainant shared in a venture with Thomas Alston, son of the said Sir Edward, who was a factor at Smyrna; the goods were English cloth, worth £615. Thomas Alston appointed as his agents one Richard Hardy, and his own brother Edward Alston, and soon afterwards died at Smyrna.
The bill begs for an account and satisfaction, as in previous suits. See Alston v. Hardy 6-177 and Davy v. Alston post.

DAVY v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
38/14.
1666.

Bill, 15 November 1666, by Henry Davy of London, merchant, v. Sir Edward Alston of East Barnet, Middlesex, Knight. In 1651, at the special instance of the defendant, complainant took one Thomas Alston, son of Sir Edward, to serve him as an apprentice. Thomas lived with and served complainant in England for about 4½ years; about 1656, (April), complainant sent him as his factor to Smyrna. There Thomas died, and of part of the goods in his hands at that time, complainant has never received account or satisfaction. In his answer (amongst other particulars as given in previous suits) Sir Edward says that the complainant, his wife and daughter, received mourning for the said Thomas, which cost the defendant £17.
See Alston v. Hardy page 177.

DAVY v. ALSTON.

Collins.
28.
1666?

Replication, undated, of Henry Davy, merchant, complainant, to the answer of Edward Alston, Kt. Regarding a quantity of goods supplied by complainant to Thomas Alston, decd., for which he received no payment during the life of the said Thomas, nor since his decease from Richard Hardy or Edward Alston.
No particulars can be gleaned from this document. See suit Sir Edward Alston v. Hardy and others (1665) page 177.

HAMPSTON v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
80.
1666.

Bill, 28 May 1666, by Sir Thomas Hampson of Taplow, co. Bucks. bart., and Dame Marie his wife, Nicholas Glynn of Glynnford, co. Cornwall, esq. and Gertrude his wife, v. Sir Edward Alston of East Barnet, Kt. and William Alston, esq. his son. The complainants Marie and Gertrude are daughters of Anthony Dennys of Orleigh in the parish of Buckland Brewer, Devon, esq. deceased, who died about 24 years since, leaving as his daughters and coheirs the said Marie and Gertrude, and one Elizabeth, afterwards wife of the defendant William Alston. By deed of 6 August 1656 the said Elizabeth settled her third share of the Dennys estate on the said William, but the settlement was to become void if her marriage portion of £3,500 were punctually paid to Sir Edward Alston. The marriage was solemnized about 20 August 1656, and Sir Edward settled an annuity of £400 on the said Elizabeth. No part of her portion was paid, whereby the above mortgage on her third became forfeit. Sir Thomas Hampson and his wife, and Robert Alston and others, previously sued the complainant Gertrude with regard to the division and settlement of the property, in this court. Sir Edward believes that his son has sold the reversion expectant of part of said mortgaged estate which will be his after Sir Edward's death. Sir Edward, and his son and the said Elizabeth, have all joined in granting leases &c. of the property.
Other particulars of William and Elizabeth, and their three daughters as in a former suit. See Alston v. Hampson page 177.

ST. JOHN v. ALSTON.

Collins.
180.
1668.

Bill, 15 April 1668, by St. Andrew St. John, bart., Rowland, Oliver, Barbara, Sibilla, Elizabeth and Dorothy St. John, children of Sir Oliver St. John, late of Woodford, co. Northants, bart. decd., by Dame Elizabeth Bale, widow of Sir John Bale, late of Carlton Curlew co. Leicester, Kt., v. Miles Fleetwood and Dame Barbara his wife, Sir Thomas Alston and Sir John Robinson.

The defendant Barbara, mother of complainants, and the said Sir Thomas and Sir John are trustees under the will of the said Sir Oliver St. John, and have neglected all the terms of the trust, and all care of the estate.

Sir Thomas and Sir John, in their answer, say that they have not yet received any of the profits of the said estate.

See Table 14 p. 15.

EARL OF PETERBOROUGH v. ALSTON.

Collins.
188.
1669/70.

Bill, 8 February 1669, by Henry, Earl of Peterborough, v. Sir Thomas Alston of Odell *alias* Woodhall, co. Bedford, bart. The Earl's father about November 9 Charles I (1633/4) settled the manor of Carlton, co. Lincoln, to the intent that he might sell the same; and shortly afterwards did sell the same to the defendant. The deed included the settlement of other manors on the orator, but cannot be found. Sir Thomas Alston refuses to allow orator to inspect his part of the indentures, and maintains he has no such deeds.

Sir Thomas in his answer says the deeds and copies he holds relate to his title to the premises, part of which he has since sold to the Bishop of Norwich; and he conceives he is not bound to produce them to any one except of his own free will.

See Table 14 page 15.

HARDY v. ALSTON.

Collins.
581/36.
1670.

Bill, 17 May 1670, by Richard Hardy of London, merchant, v. Sir Edward Alston and his son Edward.

On the death of Thomas Alston, son of Sir Edward (at Smyrna) *(as recounted in previous abstracts)*, orator took charge of his goods, as requested by the deceased, and assisted Edward Alston, brother of the deceased, then residing at Smyrna, in every way possible. Sir Edward, having got sundry books and papers into his hands, now pretends that the orator was indebted to the estate of deceased, which is not the case, though he cannot prove it without production of the papers in question.

See *Alston v. Hardy ante*.

COUNTESS OF PETERBOROUGH v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
288/28.
1670.

Bill, 29 June 1670, by Elizabeth, Countess Dowager of Peterborough, and John, Viscount Mordant of Aviland, v. Sir Thomas Alston, bart. and Henry, Earl of Peterborough.

The late Earl of Peterborough, husband and father of the two complainants, by deeds of 14 and 19 Charles I (1638/39 and 1643/4) settled the manors of Chellington and Stagisden, co. Bedford, on the said Elizabeth for life, with remainder to his eldest son, the present Earl, in tail male, and contingent remainder to Viscount Mordant. One Mr. Richard Cocks, who had the custody of most of the countess's deeds and evidences pretends he has a settlement in his hands of 9 Chas. I (1633/4) barring these remainders. The present Earl and the said Sir Thomas conspire to uphold this alleged deed, and to defraud the countess of her rents, &c., &c.

In his answer Sir Thomas says that about 30 years ago he purchased from the late Earl of Peterborough the manor of Carleton in co. Bedford, and obtained copies of the writings relating to the said manor; but never examined them. About three years since he sold part of the manor to the Bp. of Norwich, and on that occasion shewed the copies to the Bp.'s solicitor. About a year since the Countess Dowager, now complainant, had defendant examined in chancery to prove the writing of Sir Rowland St. John, Kt. of the Bath, his son in law. It was only after this, and after the present Earl exhibited a bill against him in or about Hilary term last, for the setting forth of evidences, that defendant ever perused his copies, and then found the settlement of 9 Charles I amongst them.

See Tables as above.

MARRIOTT v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
61;
1671/2.

Bill, 6 February 1671, by Richard Maryott of the parish of St. Clement Danes, Middlesex, Esq. v. Richard Chandler, Joseph Alston, and Framlingham, Bussingborne, Charles, Mary and Sir John Gawdy.

In October 1667 complainant sold the manor of Knettishall Stanton Salhouse and Hopton, co. Suffolk to one Penning Alston of London, grocer, charged with several rent-charges laid on it by previous owners. Penning Alston took the conveyance of the estate in the names of Richard Chandler and Sir Edward Alston. Penning Alston is since dead, leaving as his trustees the said Sir Edward Alston, Richard Chandler, Joseph Alston and William Cole, of whom Joseph Alston and Chandler only survive. The suit relates to the payment of the rent-charges, &c., laid on the manor as aforesaid.

See Tables 68 page 46 and 99 page 62.

SALTER v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
319/4.
1671/2.

The answer and demurrer, 17 February 167 $\frac{1}{2}$, of Samuel Alston, one of the defendants to the complaint of Henry Salter, gent.
Regarding financial transactions with one Mudford, in connection with divers suits and actions at law, no details are given in this document.

MORSE v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
178/92.
1672/3.

Bill, 15 February 167 $\frac{1}{2}$, by Symon Morse, citizen and merchant of London, William Hills and John Lilburne, citizens and grocers of London, v. Thomas Alston, citizen and grocer of London, John Alston the elder, his father, and William Alston, his eldest brother.

The defendant Thomas owes debts severally to each of the complainants; but instead of giving them satisfaction, he "absconds himself," and has assigned over his whole estate to the other defendants. They pretend that Thomas was indebted to them by judgment for far more than his estate is worth; wherefore complainants can get no redress.

See Table 20 page 19.

MORSE v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
276/23.
1673.

Answer, 14 May 1673, of William Alston, gent., one of the defendants to the complaint of Simon Morse and others.

Defendant's brother Thomas Alston may have had dealings within the last two or three years in the way of trade with the complainants. In Hilary term 1671 defendant obtained a judgment for £600 against the said Thomas, to prevent one Woodward, citizen and oilman of London (who had taken part of Thomas's estate in execution), from going away with the goods and estate so seized; at the same time defendant made himself liable for his brother's debts, and has discharged them as far as the said Thomas's estate would allow; all the defendant could come by was appraised at £328 6s. 9d.

See preceding suit.

FIENNES v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
196/⁴⁹/₆₀.
1673.

Bill, 5 June 1673, by John Fiennes of London, Esq., executor of Stephen Temple, late of Sulby, co. Northants, Esq. v. William Alston of Payenham, co. Bedford, Esq., and John Wayne of London, merchant tailor.

The defendants are creditors of the estate of Edmund Temple, late of Sulby, Esq., for whom the said Stephen was administrator. Certain lands, &c., were granted to them to raise the money due to them; but they refuse restitution, or to give up the superplus of the issues now in their hands.

No personal details. See suit Alston v. Fyennes and others Hamilton 3/500 (1672) page 179.

WARD v. ALSTON.

Collins.
506/22.
1673/4.

Answer, 3 February 167 $\frac{1}{2}$, by William Alston and Edward Ennyver, two of the defendants to the bill of William Ward.

This is in rather bad condition. It is another document in the disputes arising out of the alleged settlement and agreement made by William Alston, husband of Anne, daughter of Elizabeth Chapman of Halsted, for the management of his property by his relatives. See Alston v. Ward page 185, 186, etc.

MONSON v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
527.
1674.

Bill, 18 Nov. 1674, by Elizabeth Monson, spinster, sister and administratrix of Alston Monson, late of Drury Lane, co. Middx., decd., v. Sir Thomas and Sir Edward Alston, William, John and Edward Alston.

Sir Thos. Alston of Odell was trustee for the said Alston Monson for the sum of £3,500, the said Alston Monson, by reason of a great distemper and infirmity which was upon him several years before his death, not being able to manage his own affairs; he died about December last, and the said Sir Thomas has possessed himself of the wearing apparel and goods of the decd., which ought to have been delivered to complainant as his administratrix. Sir Edward Alston and his sons are aiding Sir Thomas; and pretend that the deceased made an agreement with them to accept of certain lands in lieu of the money.

John Alston, gent., brother of Sir Edward and Sir Thomas, says that he joined with his said brothers in defraying the funeral charges of the said Alston Monson, he being their only sister's son.

A list of the personal belongings of the said Monson is appended, with account of expenses connected with his funeral.

Sir Edward Alston says that on his nephew's death he sent to the complainant, half sister of the decd., to take care of his estate and funeral; she came and looked through his trunks, and then refused to meddle in the matter. He and his brothers sent her 50 guineas out of the estate for mourning, which she accepted.

All the defendants refer to a deed of release signed by the said decd. on settlement of accounts between them, when £1,800 belonging to decd. remained in their hands; instead of which sum they settled upon him and his heirs a farm in Felmersham, co. Beds.

See Tables 13, 14, and 22.

ASHTON v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
436/97.
1674/5.

Bill, 12 February 1674, by Thomas Ashton *alias* Benson of Senthill, co. Bedford, yeoman, v. Sir Thomas Alston bart., William Ashton *alias* Benson and others.
Sir Thomas Alston is made a party only as Lord of the manor of Stephenton, lands in which are the matter in dispute.

See Table 14 page 15.

MONSON v. ALSTON.

2 lots of
documents.

Collins.
243.
1676.

Bill, 17 June 1675, by Elizabeth Monson, sister and administratrix of Alston Monson, late of Drury Lane, co. Middx., decd., v. Sir Thomas Alston and his wife, Sir Edward Alston, William Alston and their confederates.

The said Alston Monson died intestate, and confederates declare that the annuities secured to him (as recited in other suits *q. v.*) expired with him. If such deeds were made, they ought to be of no effect, for the physician who attended the said Monson, a very learned person in his profession, told them the said Monson was mad; and they took him with them into the country, but his distemper increasing they were forced to send him again to London, where he continued in a distracted state of mind till his death.

A *further* answer, 8 April 1676, in obedience to an order of the court, denies they ever persuaded any of Monson's friends or relations to settle his estate upon them, the defendants, or promised his relations on the father's side £1,000 if he did so; nor was he at any time kept secret from his friends, as has been alleged.

See Table 22 page 20. Elizabeth is not mentioned in any other pedigrees than this.

RUMBALD v. ALSTON.

Collins.
239.
1676.

Bill, 15 November 1676, by John Rumbald of Shadwell, co. Middlesex, pewterer, v. Peter Alston.

One Margery Wynne of London, widow, deceased about six years since, orator's near kinswoman, was seized of an inn called the 'Bell' in Bramford, co. Suffolk; soon after her death one Peter Alston of London, clerk, her brother, brought forward a claim to interest therein, which he offered to make over to his kinsman Charles Fox, son of Martha, only daughter of the said Margery, by one Francis Fox her husband, and a bargain of sale was accordingly made between complainant (the next friend of said Charles Fox) and the said Peter Alston, 31 July 1674. Since this time, however, complainant has been disturbed again by Alston's claims; and meanwhile a deed has come into complainant's hands by which the said Peter Alston, as executor of Peter Alston, late of Bramford deceased, granted the said tenement to the said Margery Wynne for certain sums of money, 24 March 1676.

Alston lodges a demurrer, shewing that neither Martha nor Charles Fox are parties to the bill, and that therefore he should not be forced to answer.

See Table 12 page 13 and suits Wynne v. Alston.

IRETON v. ALSTON.

Collins.
77.
1677.

Bill, 4 July 1677, by John Ireton of London, Esq. v. Joseph Alston and Mark Gabree.

A suit in re the bankruptcy of Gilbert Havers (cp. Allington v. Alston Collins 233 (1679)) with no personal particulars of Alston.

TRACY v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
188.
1677.

Bill, 3 May 1677, by Paul Tracy of London, gent. v. Thomas Alston of London, merchant.

Orator owed defendant Alston a sum of money, and pledged him a parcel of fine cloths to pay this. Owing to non-payment of the money at the appointed time, Alston has sold part of cloth, &c., &c., &c., and refuses to give complainant any account, &c.

PASFIELD v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
541.
1679.

Bill (of which there is a short abstract only) dated 9 July 1679, by Edward Pasfeild of Weatherfield, co. Essex, wheelwright, v. Solomon Alstone of the same place mercer.

Both bill and answer deal only with transactions arising in the way of trade, and contain no Alstone information.

See above.

PASFIELD *v.* ALSTON.

Hamilton.
271/21.
1679(?)

Bill, undated, by Edward Pasfield of Wethersfield, co. Essex, wheelwright, *v.* Solomon Alston of Wethersfield, mercer.

Defendant is indebted to complainant in about £20 for goods, &c., supplied him during the last five years; and at the request of the said Solomon complainant took £5 worth of goods in part payment; and now he refuses to come to any account with him, and instead of paying him, sues him for debt.

The suit Hamilton 556, Pasfield *v.* Alstone, in which the bill is dated 9 July 1679, is apparently a duplicate of this. In the answer attached to the last said bill, defendant says the complainant is rather a debtor to him than *vice versa*, as he alleges in his bill; defendant being now in London, and his account books at his house in the country, forty miles distant, he cannot now give an answer in particular.

Solomon Alston is unplaced in the Tables. Apparently an East Anglian.

PICKERING *v.* ALSTONE.

Mitford.
302/119.
1679.

Bill, 24 November 1679, by Sir John Pickering of Tichmarsh, co. Northants, bart., *v.* Sir Rowland Alston, bart. and Mary Pheasant.

Sir Thomas Alston of Odell, bart., having, and having always expressed a particular affection for his daughter Frances, promised complainant, when he treated with the said Sir Thomas about a marriage with the said Mistress Frances, that he would at or before his death, give her £500 in addition to her portion. This has never been paid, and Sir Rowland alleges there is not sufficient to pay the whole of the legacies, &c., after satisfaction of Sir Thomas's debts.

Attached to Sir Rowland's answer are 2 schedules (1) of the whole of the personal estate of the said Sir Thomas, (2) of his debts. The former includes a complete inventory of the furniture. No pictures are mentioned. Among the sums spent by the executor is £120 for erecting a monument in the chancel of Odell church, in memory of William Alston, Esq. and of Dame Frances Temple. £300 has been spent in funeral charges and expenses connected with the will.

See Table 14 page 15.

ALLINGTON *v.* ALSTON.

Collins.
233.
1679.

Bill, 5 July 1679, by Henry Allington, citizen and vintner of London, *v.* Joseph Alston.

One Gilbert Havers, citizen and merchant of London, failed and absconded, and commissioners in bankruptcy (including John Alston) settled the greater part of his estate in 1644. But in 1656 a creditor petitioned for more commissioners to be appointed seeing that some were dead, and that James Alston could not be found. Among the assets of the said Havers was the manor of Brook Hall in Ipswich, co. Suffolk, which on 1st June 1656 the commissioners conveyed to Hugh Smithson Esq., Joseph Alston of London, Esq. and Daniel Dobbins of Kidderminster, Esq. in trust for themselves and the other creditors. They held the property from 1656 to 1663, at which time the creditors were fully satisfied out of the rents. Havers re-entered into possession, and settled the estate on his son Gilbert, who wishes to make a further settlement, complainant being his trustee; but Joseph Alston, the surviving assignee still keeps on foot the said commission.

Plea and Demurrer, 22 Jan. 1679, of Joseph Alston, Esq. by Guilbert Crouch, gent., his guardian assigned by this Court for that purpose. The defendant (whose reason for appearing by guardian does not appear) says only £1,400 has been raised from the estate in question out of a gross sum of £4,000 due to Haver's creditors.

See Ireton v. Alston Collins 77 ante.

BICKWELL *v.* ALSTON.

Hamilton.
42/62.
1679.

Bill, 24 Oct. 1679, by Barbara Bickwell *als* Bricknell, widow, *v.* Joseph Alston.

Complainant ought, under will and settlement made by her grandfather, Benjamin Cowper, late of London, fishmonger, decd., to have possession of property in Wiston and Nayland, co. Suffolk. But Joseph Alstone, confederating with George Almery, Edward Alston, John Downes, Pening Alston, Joseph Alstone and Gervase Browne, have got the deeds into their hands, and pretend some dormant deed of purchase.

In his answer Joseph Alstone says that Pening Alstone, his uncle decd., bequeathed him property in Wiston, co. Suffolk, the title to which is well confirmed by deeds and writings, in which complainant is in no way concerned.

See Table 26 page 23 and 68 page 46. The Joseph Alston must be he who afterwards became the second Chelsea baronet.

MEAD v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
302/51.
1680.

Bill [32 Charles II] by John Meade of Weathersfield, co. Essex, Chyrurgion, v. Mary Wood, Anne Mountjoye, Richard Daniell, Solomon Alstone, Edmund Carr and Thomas Jefferes.

The suit relates solely to a mortgage and sale by complainant of a messuage and land held of the manor of Wethersfield. The only personal detail about the defendant Alstone is that, in his answer, he describes himself as desirous of living at peace and avoiding suits at law, and being ignorant of matters of law and the nature of conveyances.

See Pasfield v. Alston Hamilton 271/21 (1679) supra.

MONCKE v. ALSTON.

Collins.
243.
1680.

Bill, 3 May 1680, by Charles Moncke and John Parkins, church wardens of St. Martin's in the Fields, co. Midd., and John Mitchell and James Dobson, churchwardens of St. Paul's Covent Garden, trustees for the use of the poor of the said parishes of the goods of Alston Munson, late of Crofts, co. Lincoln, Esq. deceased, v. Rowland Alston, William Alston, Edward Reynolds, Charles Alston and John Alston.

The said Alston Munson had entrusted a great part of his personal estate to Sir Thomas Alston of Odell, bart., and on a rendering of accounts in April 1673 Sir Thomas agreed to pay the said Munson an annuity of £90 to him and his issue, or in the event of his death without issue, a final sum of £550 to his assigns, secured on a certain farm in Felmersham, co. Bedford. A sum of £1,520 was similarly found to be due to Munson on a settling of accounts in 1673 between him and Sir Edward Alston of Enfield, Kt., and an annuity of £76 (or final sum of £450) was secured to him (as above) on land in Strixton, co. Northampton. By his nuncupative will, made 11 January 1673, the said Munson left £1,000 to the poor of St. Martin's in the Fields, where he died, and the poor of St. Paul's Covent Garden, where he was born; and he died a bachelor.

Sir Rowland Alston, s. and h. of Sir Thomas, and the other defendants refuse the two above said payments of £450 and £550, and deny that such agreements were ever made.

The answer is attached of Edward Reynolds, D.D. and John Alston Esq., 14 June 1680.

They deny any knowledge of the settlements alleged, and Reynolds was never informed, otherwise than by the bill of complaint, that he was a trustee for the same. John Alston believes that he was never appointed trustee, but supposeth some other person of the same name was intended, there being several others of his name, nearly related as well to the said Munson as to the said Sir Thomas and Sir Edward Alston.

Answer of Charles Alston, clerk, 10 September 1680.

He has lately heard his name was used in the two deeds of settlement of 1673, but he does not intend to intermeddle therein, and has been wholly a stranger to the said deeds.

Answer of William Alston, ——— 1681.

Defendant's father, Sir Edward Alston, made an agreement in April 1673 with Munson, as stated in the bill. He knows not of any such will as is brought forward, this defendant having been about 50 miles distant from the said Munson at the time of his death. He believes Munson died intestate about January 1673; and that a bill was brought into this court by Elizabeth Munson, administratrix of the said Alston Munson, v. Sir Thomas and Sir Edward Alston, to which defendant refers himself.

Answer of Sir Rowland Alston, bart.

This defendant married Temperance, daughter of Lord Crew, then Sir Thomas Crew, and received £4,000 as her marriage portion, and the lands in Felmersham in the bills mentioned (with others) were settled upon this defendant and his wife by deed dated 13 June 1674, without any mention being made of such charge upon them as alleged in the bill. He believes Munson made no will, and for these reasons has refused payment.

1682.

Another answer of Sir Rowland Alston, bart. to the said defendants, dated 27 October 1682.

Defendant knows nothing of the alleged will of Munson, but has lately found an indenture dated 10 April 25 Chas. II, between (1) Sir Thomas Alston, (2) the said Alston Munson, (3) Edward Reynolds, clerk, Charles Alston, gent., and John Alston the younger, gent., securing the payment of the annuity, &c., as alleged in the bill on lands in Falmersham and Patenham, provided the said Sir Thomas and his heirs should enjoy the premises until default of payment. When the premises were included in his own marriage settlement, he had no notice of the charge upon them, nor of any will made by Munson, &c., &c, and therefore submits he is nowise concerned therein; and refers himself to the answer of Sir Thomas Alston to Elizabeth Munson, in a suit in which he had no interest or concern.

A most interesting suit. See Table 22 page 20 and the suit Monson v. Alston Collins 243 (1675) supra.

CRATCHERODE v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
88/58.
1681.

Bill, 27 June 1681, by Anne and Dorothy Cratcherode, infants, by Thomas Cratcherode their father, v. William Alston, brother and executor of the late Matthew Alston of Topsfield, co. Essex, gent.

The complainants demand payment of legacies of £5 apiece bequeathed to them as "daughters of his cousin Cratchrode of Cusshall" by the said Matthew, and which William refuses to pay because they are still under age.

See Alston v. Crachrod page 181 and Table 23 page 21.

MONKE v. ALSTON.

Collins.
35.
1682/3.

Further answer, 21 February 1682, of Sir Rowland Alston, bart., to the complaint of Charles Monke and others. Defendant has in his custody the deeds of settlement made on behalf of Alston Munson; he is a purchaser of the said lands without notice of the alleged charge upon them——&c., &c.
See same suit supra.

TURNER v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
88/33.
1682.

Bill, 6 December 1682, by John Turner of London, merchant, v. Elizabeth Alston, daughter of Samuel Alston, late of Marlsford, co. Suffolk, gent., decd., by Elizabeth his wife, sister of Thomas Mann, late of Yoxford, gent. Complainant is seised of an estate of inheritance called Mayden's Hall, in Stoke, near Ipswich, which he purchased about 20 years since from the said Thomas Mann for £1,800; they were then charged with a yearly rent of £24, granted by Edward Mann, gent., father of the said Thomas, to the defendant, then an infant, which he was informed was granted as a security for the payment of £400, and not as a perpetual incumbrance. Complainant has offered the said sum to defendant, but she contends the yearly rent-charge was to be of perpetual continuance.

The answer of Elizabeth Alston recites a deed dated 3 February 1648, referring to settlements made on his marriage with his wife Dorothy (then Dorothy Mannock, spinster, daughter of Bridget Mannock of Ipswich, widow), which settlements were dated 12 October 1625. Her mother Elizabeth was eldest daughter of the said Edward Mann. The grant was made 9 May 1650 on the marriage of her mother to Samuel Alston, who was then under age; she died before her said husband was twenty-one, leaving the defendant an infant about 1½ years old.

See Table 6 page 8.

MONKE v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
109/15.
1682.

Answer, 3 June 1682, of William Alston, one of the defendants to the bill of complaint of Charles Monke and others, on behalf of the poor of the parishes of St. Martin's in the Fields and St. Paul's Covent Garden. The defendant asserts that the yearly sum which Sir Edward Alston and others agreed to pay to Alston Monson, by deed of 10 April 1673, was limited to the heirs of the body issuing of the said Monson, with remainder, in default, to the defendant.

See same suit ubi supra.

HORSELEY v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
591.
1685.

Bill, 16 July 1685, by Joseph Horsley, citizen and merchant tailor of London, and John Withers, citizen and fishmonger of London, v. Solomon Alston.

By indenture dated 26 March 1685 the complainants made a lease to Samuel Alston of Rumford, co. Essex, yeoman, of a messuage and land called Hides, in Dagenham, Essex, at a rent of £30; defendant now refuses to pay the half-year's rent due, and threatens to throw up his part of the bargain.

In his answer the defendant says he refuses the lease because it appears the complainants have no proper title.

Solomon and Samuel appear to be the one and the same. Perhaps an error in my transcription.

BEVERLY v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
273a.
1687/8.

Bill, 29 Feb. 1687, by Thomas Beverley of the parish of St. Anne's Westminster, esq., and Mary his wife, late Mary Lister, and others (her trustees) v. Thomas Beverley, Mary Alston and — Dade.

Mrs. Mary Alston, one of the defendants, is assignee of a mortgage on part of complainant Thomas Beverley's estate of inheritance in Great Houghton, &c., co. Huntingdon.

In her answer Mrs. Alston says she holds a lease, by way of mortgage of premises in Bedlow, co. Bedford, leased to her by complainant Thomas Beverley's father for 500 years, for the sum of £250, by deed of 18 June 1678.

SCRIMSHIRE v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
323/86.
1688.

Bill, 25 Oct. 1688, by Michael Scrimshire of London, goldsmith, v. Thomas Alston, Jonathan Barthrop and other. Thomas Alston and the other defendants are creditors of the complainant, who carried on a banking business; and the suit relates entirely to details of money transactions.

Hamilton.
327/77.

The answer of Thomas Alston, 7 October, 1688. *A long document, containing no material for Alston history.*

BEVERLY v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
886.
1689.

Depositions: Thomas Beverley, jun. Esq. v. Mary Alston, spinster, and others (being despositions in Beverly v. Alston, filed in Whittington 273a. The depositions are taken at Bedford, 23 May, 1 Wm. and Mary).
There are no Alston deponents, nor any particulars re Alstons.

BENTHAM v. ALSTON.

Collins.
262.
1689.

Bill, 13 May 1689, by Joseph Bentham, clerk, rector of Stevenage, co. Herts., v. John Alston, John North and William Titmus.

About 3 years since Fulk Tudor, D.D., deceased, late rector of Stevenage, made a demise to John Alston of Stevenage, gent., and the other defendants of the glebe lands of Stevenage and the tithes. The complainant has confirmed the lease, but defendants refuse to pay rent since the death of Dr. Tudor.

Answer of John Alston, gent. 30 Oct. 1689.

He declares the lease was terminable on the death of Dr. Tudor, if it occurred (as was the case) within the term of three years for which it was payable.

Suit contains no genealogical information.

CLERKE v. ALSTON.

Collins.
264.
1689/90.

Bill, 13 February 1689, by John Clerke of Steeple Bumpsted, co. Essex, gent., v. John Alston.

Complainant is lord of the manor of Wethersfield, co. Essex, of which the defendant, John Alston of Sible Hedingham, gent., holds certain lands called Hacksalls, the rent of which is in arrears for eight years. Defendant denies he holds any such lands, and hath removed the ancient dooles or fences, so that complainant cannot distinguish these lands and distrain. He has also got into his possession deeds and evidences belonging to the said manor, kept by complainant in a trunk in a mansion house in Wethersfield, called the Brooke.

Defendant in his answer, dated 5 May 1690, says he holds a messuage and land called Hackshalls, but hath never heard they were at any time held of the manor of Wethersfield, and denies that he ever took the deeds, &c. He occupied the house called the Brook for about three years, which he hired of Dr. Benjamin Clerk, brother and heir of Joseph Clerk, Esq., then late deceased.

Uncertain which John Alston this one was.

BENTHAM v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
1048.
1690.

Depositions: Joseph Bentham, clerk, v. John Alston, gent., and others.

Depositions taken at Stevenage, co. Hertford, 1st May, 2 William and Mary.

The suit relates to the tithes of Stevenage, of which John Alston and the other defendants are lessees. The defendant Alston has been known to John Trigg of Stevenage for 20 years last past.

HUTCHINSON v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
544.
1690 (P)

Depositions: Richard Hutchinson the elder and younger, v. Samuel Alston and Judith his wife, Samuel Alston their son, (and others) and Edw. Alston, clerk.

The interrogatories only are here; the suit relates to right of common, &c., on Newton Green, near Sudbury, co. Suffolk; the father of the elder Alston defendant, viz: Samuel Alston, deceased, was tenant in the manor of Newton Hall. The 20th interrogatory refers to an indenture of 4 Dec. 1639, between Isaac Crewe of Lavenham on the 1st part, Edmund Alston the elder of Newton, gent., of the second part, and Samuel Alston, gent., his second son, as to the uses of a recovery lately had of a tenement called Deans in Newton, &c., &c., viz: to the use of the said Edmund for life, with remainder to his said son Samuel. Edward Alston was brother of the said Samuel.

See Table 104 page 64.

HUTCHINSON v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
167.
1691.

The further answer, dated 8 July 1691, of Bernard Carter, gent., and Edward Allston, clerk, two of the defendants to the complaint of Richard Hutchinson the elder Esq. and others.

The defendant Carter has read over all court rolls and deeds to which he has access relating to the premises mentioned in the bill, and finds that Edmund Alston decd., one of the sons of Samuel Alston in the bill named, granted a lease of a parcel of land in Newton co. Suffolk, to Thomas Carter in June 1687, his title to which was derived from the will of the said Samuel Alston, which defendant believes was proved at Bury St. Edmund's. Searching among his deeds this defendant found an old one dated 20 October 14 Elizabeth, wherein one Roger Warren granted several lands and tenements in Newton to one Edward Alstone of Edwardston, co. Suffolk; he has also found an old will dated 22 April 1631 made by Samuel Alston, uncle, he believes, of the said Samuel in the bill mentioned, in which are several bequests of land in Newton.

See Table 104 page 64.

CLARKE v. ALSTON.

Collins. Depositions: John Clarke, gent., complainant, v. John Alston, gent.
47/R. Depositions taken at Yeldham magna co. Essex, 20 April, 3 Wm. and Mary, in the suit calendared Collins 264.
1691. *There are no Alston deponents, or fresh Alston information.*

HULL v. ALSTONE.

Reynardson. Bill, 16 June 1691, by Joseph Hull, of Stoke next Nayland, Suffolk, esq., v. Sarah Alstone, late of Harwich, now
123/29. of Brentwood, co. Essex, spinster.
1691. In 1687 complainant borrowed £50 at 5% from the defendant, through one Mr. Thomas Ruse of Colchester, attorney, giving a penal bond as security. He has several times offered to pay both principal and interest, but the defendant refuses to receive it.
Defendant, in her answer, says she believed at the time of making the loan, that she was lending the money at 6%. The bond has been in the custody of her friend, Mr. Haveringill, at Colchester.

HUTCHINSON v. ALSTON.

Bridges. Depositions of witnesses taken at Sudbury in Suffolk 6 April 1692, being answers to the interrogatories preserved
551. in Bridges 544 *q. v.*
1692. Richard Hutchinson the younger is lord of the manor of Newton Hall.
Samuel Alston decd., father and grandfather of the two defendants Samuel, was known to John Balls of Newton, a deponent, for forty years and upwards as an inhabitant of Newton, and tenant of several messuages, &c., in the parish of Newton Hall; he has been dead about three or four years past, and was buried in Newton parish church. Mr. Edward Alston, brother of the deceased Samuel, was a copyhold tenant of the said manor for 40 years and upwards, and during that time was an inhabitant of Newton parish. Mr. Thomas Alston is now tenant of Newton Hall.
A parcel of land in Newton called Bansilers, formerly the land of the said Samuel Alston decd., descended on his death to his daughter Dorothy, one of the defendants, now wife of Henry Stilleman. This land and other parcels were the proper inheritance of the said Samuel.
Thomas Alston of Newton, co. Suffolk, gent., aged 41, is a deponent; he has known the manor of Newton for nearly 40 years past.
Samuel's death was returned at a court held for the manor of Newton Hall on or about 5 Feb. 1689. Edward Alston decd. was deponent's father, and died about two years since at Newton.
See Table 104 page 64.

HUTCHINSON v. ALSTON.

Mitford. Viz: Richard Hutchinson the elder, v. Edward Alston, clerk, Henry Stilleman and Dorothy his wife, Samuel
649. Alston and Judith his wife, Samuel their son, Samuel Goldsmith and Thomas Hamond.
1692. The suit relates to rights in Newton Green, possessed by the inhabitants of Newton.
Depositions taken at the Saracen's Head, Newton, 19 October 1692. Edward Alston, gent., decd. used to live on Newton Green.
There are no Alston deponents.

JEKYLL v. ALSTON.

Mitford. Bill, 12 February 1693, by Nicholas Jekyll of Hedingham Castle, co. Essex, gent., v. Robert Alston of Heding-
348/206. ham Sible, gent.
1692/3. Complainant and one Jeremiah Fish, clerk, since deceased, were empowered by the will of Griffogon Barnardiston to sell a certain messuage and land in Lamarsh, co. Essex, and an agreement was made in December 1691 to sell the same to the defendant, with the hangings in the great parlour, and the shelves in the closet. A conveyance was not made immediately, but about Christmas after the above said articles were signed, Alston requested room in the house to lodge himself, a man and a maid, and leave to sow corn, &c., &c. All this was granted, but Alston now refuses to accept the conveyances which complainant is ready to execute.
This Robert Alston is unplaced.

JEKILL v. ALSTON.

Reynardson. Bill, [5 Wm. and Mary] by Nicholas Jekyll of Hedingham Castle, co. Essex, v. Robert Alston of Hedingham
268/56. Sible.
1693. This is apparantly a copy (or abstract) of the bill in Jekill v. Alston (Mitford 248/206 (*q. v.*), with the answer of Robert Alston attached.
In his answer Alston says he was to pay £500 for the premises together with the fine due on the conveyance of the copyhold of the Lord of the manor of Heaney. Defendant has been kept out of the premises on one pretext and another, and the complainant has incurred great expenses to settle some doubts as to the title, &c., &c., and seeks to reimburse himself at the defendant's expense, &c., &c., &c.

COX v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
149.
1693.

Bill, 10 July 1693, by John Cox, citizen and carpenter of London, v. Roger Alstone.
The defendant, an acquaintance of your complainant for some years past, did importune complainant to take a lease of a piece of ground in Stepney, belonging to Elizabeth Mountague, widow of Edward Mountague of Horton, co. Northants; and lent him £50 on mortgage to enable him to build.
The suit is for relief against an execution threatened by Alston.
Alston says he is a stranger to the matter of the lease, but advanced money on the land.
Roger Alston is unplaced.

WARNEFORD v. ALSTONE.

Reynardson.
142/50.
1693.

Bill, 17 November 1693, by Thomas Warneford, citizen and Haberdasher of London, v. Sir Joseph Alston, Edward Alston, Thomas Bickley and John Johnson.
In May 1670 Dame Rhoda Fairfax, of St. Martin's in the Fields, Middlesex, widow, leased to Sir Joseph Alston late of Chelsea, Middx, baronet, grandfather of the defendants Alston, deceased, one third part of that void place, laid waste by the dreadful fire which happened in London in 1666, whereon the George Inn formerly stood, and of another void place, where the messuage called "Mr. Alston's house" formerly stood, and of other adjoining land, all in Lombard Street, in the parish of St. Edmund the King,—for a term of 61 years, at the yearly rent of £54 13s. 4d. At the same time Sir Kingsmill Lucy leased him one full third part of the said lands, from the expiration of a lease previously granted by Sir Richard Lucy and Dame Jane his wife in 1645, and Sir Rowland Litton and Dame Rebecca his wife, of Knebworth, granted him prolongation of a lease of the remaining third. On the death of Sir Joseph (whose will is quoted) the property descended to his son Sir Joseph, who left part thereof, in accordance with his father's will, to his son Isaac, with remainder in case of Isaac's death before the age of 21 (which was the case) to Isaac's brother Edward, one of the defendants.
Edward has alienated his share, and the suit is brought to get possession of the various deeds and insurance, which complainant says are being detained from him.

See Tables 68, 69 and 70 page 46-48.

CHAPMAN v. ALSTON.

Hamilton.
61/6.
1693.

Bill [1693] by Elizabeth Chapman, of Halsted, co. Essex, widow, v. William Alston.
Complainant deals in drapery, and the suit arises in consequence of certain business transactions between her and the said William Alston, her son in law. (*See other suits relating to this William*). William confederates with Edward Ennyver of Grinstead, Essex, gent., and Solomon Alston of Havering Bower, farmer, brother to the said William.

(The bill and answer go over ground already well known from previous suits.)

WARD v. ALSTON.

Reynardson.
451/156.
1693/4.

Bill, 26 February 1693, by William Ward of Halsted, co. Essex, gent. v. William Alston of Havering Bower, co. Essex, draper, Edward Ennyver and Solomon Alston.
This suit is one of the numerous ones brought concerning alleged assignments of his property by William Alston. There are no fresh particulars of any interest for the family history.

LEQUIEU v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
546/28.
1694.

Bill, 16 May 1694, by Peter Lequieu of Stepney, gent., v. Roger Alston, citizen and cooper of London.
In April 1693 the defendant mortgaged to complainant for £75 his lease for 50 years of two tenements in Stepney, at a yearly rent of 40s., which he held from Elizabeth Mountague, widow; at the same time Roger undertook to "fully finish the said two messuages in a workmanlike manner" by the 24th of June following; a great part of the premises yet remains unfinished, and they remain wholly untenanted, charged with arrears of ground rent, &c., &c. The suit is brought for redress not obtainable at common law.

LEQUIEU v. ALSTON.

1694.

Answer, 8 June 1694, of Roger Alston to the complaint of Peter Lequieu.
Defendant had a lease from Elizabeth Mountague, widow, of premises in Stepney, and borrowed by mortgage thereon from complainant.

Cp. Cox v. Alston. Bridges 149. No useful Alston Information. See previous suit.

WARD *v.* ALSTON.

Reynardson.

Depositions in suit Ward *v.* Alston (Reynardson 451/156).

1028.

Depositions taken at Heddingham Sible, co. Essex, 20 September 1694.

1694.

Katherine, wife of Leonard Poe Jenner, of Halstead, esq., testifies that the defendant Alston begged the complainant (her father) to take all his estate, and grant him and his wife £40 a year during their joint lives, and £25 or £30 a year to the survivor for life; saying that if the complainant refused, he should be a ruined man, and must compound his debts at 10/- in the pound.

One deponent says he believes the complainant's wife had a desire to gain to herself William Alston's estate, for that she is a covetous woman, and could rule and sway the said Alston, being a man of an easy temper. He believes that at the time of his wife's sickness Alston was not capable to manage his business or to make a bargain, for that if he had been he would have made a wiser.

Another says Alston was a man very easy to be imposed upon, for that his business was chiefly managed by the complainant's wife.

See suits Ward v. Alston and Alston v. Ward, &c., ante.

BOONE *v.* SEWELL *alias* ALSTON.

Collins.

Answer, 26 January 1694, of Jane Sewell *alias* Alston, widow, one of the defendants to the complaint of Mary Boone, widow.

382.

1694/5.

In March 1689 complainant, by the name of Jane Sewell, mortgaged certain interests in the manor of Boyton Hall (held for defendant in trust by one Richard Goodall under lease from the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's) to complainant for £700. Several years before defendant had made a lease of the same to Richard French for 12 years, at a rent of £105. She confesses she failed to redeem the mortgage in the stipulated time.

DANDRIDGE *v.* ALSTONE.

Whittington.

420.

1697.

Bill, 6 November 1697, by Francis Dandridge of the parish of St. Paul's, Covent Garden, apothecary, John Craddock of London, gent., John Boydhouse of ———, Richard Winch, gent. and Mary Loveday, widow, *v.* Charles Alston and Katherine Wiseman.

Complainants advanced money to William Alston, late of Strixton, co. Northants, esq., to secure the payment of which he gave one bond dated 31 May 1687, and various others throughout the years 1688 and 1689. By his will, he devised to his brother Charles Alston of Northall, co. Midd., D.D., all his lands, &c., charged with the payment of his debts and legacies; leaving the residue to the said Charles, with a legacy of £100 to his sister Katherine Wiseman. The said Charles has proved the will, &c.; his personal estate is worth £6000; but the complainants have not been paid.

No answer is attached. See Table 19 page 19.

FRYER *v.* ALSTON.

Hamilton.

115/36.

1698.

Bill, 24 Oct. 1698, by Elizabeth Fryer, widow of Hamlett Fryer late of Colchester, yeoman, decd., *v.* Samuel Alston.

The said Hamlett made his will in 1697, leaving his property in Stansfield, co. Suffolk, to complainant for life, with remainder, half to her assigns, and half to his own right heirs. Samuel Alstone of London, merchant, is heir at law of the said Hamlett, and threatens to disturb complainant in possession, saying the said Hamlett was not of sound disposing mind.

In his answer, Samuel Alstone does not state his relationship to the deceased, but asserts his rights as in the bill.

See Tables 102 page 63 and 104 page 64.

ESTWICK *v.* ALSTON.

Mitford.

569/122.

1699.

Bill, 7 July 1699, by Esther Estwick of Hackney, co. Middx., widow, *v.* Edmund Alston, son of Edmund Alston, deceased, and John Cooke.

Complainant is possessed (under the will of Isaac Estwick, late of London, merchant) of lands &c., in Newton near Sudbury, Edwardston and Waldingfield, co. Suffolk. One parcel of land called the Slikett adjoins the defendant Alston's estate, and John Cooke is tenant thereof; they conspire together to defraud complainant of the same (by means not specified).

ESTWICK v. ALSTON.

Collins.
63/10.
1699.

Esther Esthwick. widow, v. John Cooke and Edmund Alston, an infant (by his guardian).
Depositions taken at Sudbury, Suffolk, 31 January 1699. The suit relates to the possession of a small piece of land in Newton, with right of way; the Alstones have held Roger's farm in Newton for three generations, Edmund Alstone, father, and Edmund Alstone, grandfather, of the defendant Edmund, having held it before him.

GLYNN v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
306.
1700.

Bill, 6 June 1700, by Sir William Glynne of Amersdon, co. Oxford, bart., Stephen Glynne Esq. and Sophia his wife, and William Glynne an infant, son of the said Sir William and heir of his mother Dame Mary Glynne decd., v. Sir Joseph Alston bart. and Dame Penelope his wife, Sir James Clarke, Robert Pocock clerk, Mary Hill and Edward Hill.

By his will dated 12 Oct. 3 Wm. and Mary, Sir Edward Evelyn, late of Long Ditton, co. Surrey, bart. left certain lands in Long Ditton and Thames Ditton to his two sons in law Sir William Glynne and Sir Joseph Alston, to Sir James Clarke of East Mounsey, Kt. and Robert Pocock of Long Ditton clerk, in trust to raise two sums of £1000 for his grandchildren Mary and Edward Hill, immediately after the death of his late deceased wife Dame Mary, after payment of which the lands were to be equally divided amongst his three daughters, the said Dame Mary, wife of Sir William Glynne, Dame Penelope Alston and the said Sophia Glynne. By some deed executed in his life time the said Sir Edward had conveyed the manor of Long Ditton to his daughter Penelope, her heirs and assigns, but the conveyance did not include the lands left in trust as abovesaid. But Sir Joseph and his wife contend they are parcel of the said manor, and refuse to allow inspection of deeds &c., which would prove the fact.

In his answer Sir Joseph Alston says the lands in question formed part of the settlement made by Sir Edward Evelyn on the marriage of his daughter Penelope.

Bridges 219, Glynne v. Alston, is Sir Joseph's *further* answer to the above.

See Table 70 page 48.

GLYNNE v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
312.
1701.

Bill, 24 May 1701, by the same parties as in Bridges 306 v. Sir Joseph and Dame Penelope Alston, Joseph Alston Esq., Evelyn, Penelope, Cornelius and Sophia Alston their children, Sir James Clarke, Robert Pococke and Alexander Clarke.

The deed settling the manor of Long Ditton on the said Sir Joseph and Penelope, then his intended wife, was made 7 June 1690.

Since Sir Edward Evelyn's death, viz., in 1692 and again in 1699, Sir Joseph Alston joined with the other trustees in executing deeds with regard to the land he now claims as parcel of the manor of Long Ditton.

(For the rest the bill is in the same tenor as that in Glynne v. Alston. Bridges 306. q.v.)

See Table 70 page 48.

GLYNNE v. ALSTON.

Bridges.
555.
1701?

Depositions in the suit in B. & A. Bridges, 555 q.v.

There is no Alstone information at all; the only deponent whose evidence is here preserved is Sir Brocas Gardiner of Roch Court, Hants, bart.

See Table 70 page 48.

PERKINS v. ALSTON.

Mitford.
603/26.
1701.

Bill, 25 October 1701, by Sarah and Susannah Perkins of Colyton, co. Devon, spinsters, executors of Sarah Drake of Colyton, widow, their grandmother v. Thomas Alstone of Chard, co. Somerset, and others.

All the parties are connected with cos. Devon and Somerset only; the suite concerns a mortgage raised by the said Alston on land in Chard.

SALTER v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
281.
1701/2.

Bill, 21 January 1701, by Henry Salter of Lincoln's Inn, co. Middlesex, gent. v. William Mudford and Samuel Alstone.

Complainant was employed as an attorney by the defendant Mudford, of Culhampton, co. Devon, wool merchant, and on delivering his bill Mudford referred him for payment to defendant Alstone, who had goods, &c., of the said Mudford in his hands. Now both Alstone and Mudford conspire to defraud complainant of payment.

Samuel Alstone (undescribed) in his answer denies every allegation of the bill. There are no personal particulars to be gleaned.

CHAPLIN v. ALSTON.

Collins.
397/36.
1703/4.

Bill, 13 March 1703, by Joseph Chaplin, citizen and wine cooper of London, and Mercy his wife, sister and administratrix of Henry Parker the younger of East Bargeholt, co. Suffolk, gent., decd., who was son and heir of Henry Parker of Gray's Inn, co. Midd., Esq., and Anne his wife, v. Edward Alston, clerk, rector of Brantham-cum-Bargeholt.

Henry Parker the elder presented the defendant to the said living, upon condition he should not accept of any other to hold jointly with it. His son Henry inherited the advowson, and died unmarried at East Bargeholt, 23 April 1701. On the following day the defendant came to the house where he died, and desired to know wherein he could be serviceable to Oratrix, she thinking her brother might have left some will among his writings, ordered all the papers and writings in the house to be laid before the defendant, and he had them in his inspection and custody for some hours, when he said he could not find any will, and went away. And about two months after the said Alston again looked through the same papers, and some others which had been found in the meanwhile. After taking out letters of administration, orators find that several securities are missing, among them the bond given by the defendant on his presentation for fulfilment of the above condition; it is supposed these are in Alston's possession, but he denies it, sometimes also denying the fact of his having had access to the papers.

Edward Alston, in his answer, says he was presented to the living by Henry Parker senior, about January 1678, on the recommendation of one Mrs. Gurdon, sister of the said Henry; but he denies he ever gave, or was required to give a bond as alleged. Mr. Parker desired him to preach an approbation sermon, which he accordingly did in the church of St. Dunstan, Fleet Street, London. He had to pay about £44 for his predecessor's arrears of tithes and procurations, and about £150 for the finishing of the parsonage house. He inspected the papers as requested, but always in the presence of the said Mercy and others.

See Table 106 page 65. The Chaplins and Parkers concerned were no doubt the families of those names related to the Alstons.

CLERKE v. ALSTONE.

Reynardson.
177/59.
1705.

Bill, 21 May 1705, by Dame Anne Clarke of East Moulsey, co. Surrey, widow of Sir James Clarke, Kt. v. Sir Joseph Alston of Long Ditton, co. Surrey, bart., and Dame Penelope his wife, one of the daughters and coheirs of Sir Edward Evelyn of Long Ditton, bart., deceased, Nicholas Curcellus (*Corsellis*) and Edward Alston, clerk, brother of the said Sir Joseph.

The suit relates to a dispute as to the right of presentation to the church of Long Ditton, to which Sir Joseph declares he will present his said brother Edward, although a fine has been levied by which the right of the next presentation was conveyed to complainant.

See Table 70 page 48.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL v. ALSTON KT.

Reynardson.
457/41c.
1707.

Bill, 8 December 1707, by Sir Simon Harcourt, attorney general, v. Sir Joseph Alston (the grandson), and Thomas Hudson (brought at the instance of the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of Edwardstone, co. Suffolk); also of Robert Travell, citizen and skinner of London, and Deborah his wife, Methuselah Smith, of St. Martin's le Grand, London, goldsmith, and Lydia his wife, and Samuel Skinner of Bury St. Edmund's (which Deborah, Lydia and Samuel are legatees and relations of Sir Joseph Alstone, late of London. bart., decd.) The interests of the complainants under the will are set forth, and the bill begs redress of their wrongs in the matter.

There is no answer attached, and the bill gives no Alstone information beyond what is contained in the will. See Table 70 page 48.

BOSCAWEN v. ALSTON.

Whittington.
306.
1707/8.

Bill, 24 January 1707, by Jael Bascawen of the parish of St. James, co. Middlesex, widow, administratrix of Margaret Carr, widow, decd., her late sister, v. Sir Joseph Alston of Long Ditton, co. Surrey, bart., and Dame Penelope his wife.

By indenture dated 9 May 1705, the defendants granted to the said Margaret Carr an annuity of £330 out of the manor of Bradwell *alias* Bradwell Abbey, co. Bucks., for five years, by way of mortgage. Very soon afterwards the said Margaret Carr died, and now defendants set up all sorts of encumbrances to hinder the payment of the said annuity.

In their answer the defendants acknowledge the mortgage, and that the annuity has not been duly paid, "by reason of chargeable suits in law and equity that the said Sir Joseph hath unhappily struggled with for four or five years last past amongst his near relations." But they have never hindered complainant from taking satisfaction according to the terms of the indenture.

See Table 70 page 48.

Hamilton.
383/22.
1712.

WARNER v. ALSTON.

Bill, 4 April 1712, by Edmund Warner, an infant (by John Upton of London, merchant, his next friend) v. Samuel Alston, William and Elizabeth Alston, Susan Robinson, Thomas Alston, Bambridge, Buckeridge and John Mountague.

Joseph Alston of Washbrooke, Suffolk, decd., who was seised of manors and lands in Suffolk to the value of £1000 per annum, married Mary, one of the daughters of Edward Warner, Esq. (the great grandfather of complainant) and aunt of Edmund Warner, Esq. decd., complainant's late father, who brought him a considerable portion in marriage, and by whom he had issue only two daughters, Mary and Susanna, which Susanna died an infant. (*The provisions of Joseph Alston's will are set forth.*) The daughter Mary married Sir John Hanmer, bart., and they enjoyed the estate of the said Joseph, Sir John died about 1700; and Dame Mary his wife died intestate, without issue in 1709, and the estate should remain to complainant as cousin and next heir of the said Dame Mary, viz., as son and heir of the said Edmund, her only surviving nephew. But the writings have come into the possession of Samuel Alston, gent., who confederates with his son and daughter William and Elizabeth, and with Sarah Robinson, who attended Dame Mary in her last sickness, and others, to defraud complainant. The greater part of the premises are copyhold.

The Alston defendants in their answer say that all that remains of Joseph Alston's estate, is property in Bramford and Blackenham on the hill, worth about £290 per annum. They believe Mary Warner brought no marriage portion to her husband. They claim under the will of Dorothy Warner (sister of Dame Mary).

See Table 11 page 12 and earlier suits relating to same and similar matter.

Alston Extracts

FROM

Parish Registers.

NEWTON near SUDBURY, co. Suffolk.

Baptisms.

1564-5	Feby. 18	Thomas Allston son of William Alston.
1565		Edward son of William A.
1567	May 20th	John s. of William A.
1568	Augt. 15th	Ann d. of William A.
1569	Novbr. 30	Peter s. of same.
1572	Novbr. 16	Thomas s. of same.
1576	Dec. 23rd	John son of same.
1578	Novbr. 9th	Joseph son of same.
1584	Oct. 6th	Margerie d. of same.
1596-7	Jan 24th	Dorothie d. of Thos. Allston (Not same Parents).
1607	Oct. 12	(Seyhme Hall) William s. of Thos. A. and Frances.
1608	Decbr 14	Thos. s. of Edmund and Rachel Alston.
1609	Augt. 28	(Seyhme Hall) Thos. s. of Thos. and Frances Alston.
1610	Augt. 5	Rachell d. of Edmd. and Rachel A.
1611-2	March 15th	Edmund s. of Edmd. and Rachel A.
1611	May 22	Edward son of Thomas and Frances A.
1618	May 18	Frances filia Thomas and Franciscæ.
1614	April 26th	Maria filia Edmundi and Rachelis A.
1616	Dec. 5th	Anna d. of same.
1618	Novbr. 26	Samuell filius Edmundi and Rachelis
1620	April 2nd	Tobyas s. of William and Ann Alston.
1621	May 29	Edward filius Edmundi and Rachelis.
1623	Sept. 23rd	Susanna filia Edmundi and Rachelis.
1627	May 13	Rosa filia Edmundi and Rachelis.
1630	Jan 11th	Thos. fil. Edmundi and Rachelis.
1624	July 28th	Margareta filia Abrahami and Margaretæ
1625	Sept. 22nd	Isaac filius Edmundi and Rachelis
1638	April 6th	Rachell filia Edmundi junr. and Sara.
1640-1	Jan 14th	(junr. omitted) Judith filia Edmundi and Sara Alston.
1641	Augt. 31st	Ellen d. of Saml. and Ellen A.
1643	Nov. 12th	Edward s. of Edward and Marie A.
1643	Decbr. 14th	Samuel s. of Samuell and Ellen A.
1643-4	Jan. 25th	Edmund s. of Edmund and Sara A.

1645	Born Oct. 31st, bapt. Nov. 30th	Marie d. of Edward of Edward Allston and Marie.
1646	Born Dec. 6th, bap. Dec 17th	Sarah d. of Edmd. and Sara A.
1647	Born May 11th, bap. May 16th	Edmd. s. of Samuel and Ellen A.
1647-8	Born Feb 19th, bap. Feb 27th	Susan d. of Mr. Edward A. and Marie.
1648-49	Born Mar. 10th, bap. Mar 25th.	Edward son of Mr. Samuel A. and Ellen.
1650	Born July 21st, bap. July 31st	Edmund s. of Edward and Sarah A.
1650	Born Decbr. 2, bap. Dec. 13th	Thos. s. of Edward and Marie A.
1651	Born April 18, bap. Apr 27th	Rachell d. of Mr. Saml. A. and Ellen.
1653	Born 31 Mar., bap. Apr 17th	Parnell d. of same.
1653-4	Born and bap. March 10th	Rachael d. of Edward and Anne A.
1654	Born 20 bap. 21 Decbr.	Elizabeth d. of Saml. and Ellen.
1655	Born 7 bap. 16 Septbr.	Isaac son of Edwd. and Anne A.
1657	Born May 8 bap. 17th	Samuel f. of Edwd. and Anne A.
1657	Born 2 bap. 3 Novbr.	Dorothy f. of Samuel and Ellen.
1659	Born July 17 bap. 30th	Edmund fil. of same. (Edwd. and Anne ?)
1660	Bap. June 23rd	Friar fil. of Samuel and Ellen.
1660-1	March 3rd	Edmund s. of Edmund and Anne.
1679 ? 1677	Octbr. 12	Dorothea d. of Edmd. and Maria A.
1680	Augt. 12th	Edwd. eldest s. of Revd. E. Alston B.D. and Frances.
1681	Augt. 22nd	Thos. 2nd fil. of same.
1682	April 23	Abraham Alston Willis son of Joseph Willis and Frances his wife.
1682	Octbr. 26	Nicholas fil. of Revd. Edward Alston B.D. and Frances. (He was buried June 2nd, 1742.
1682	Sept 13th	(error for Edmd ?) Isaac fil. of Isaac (<i>sic</i>) and Jane A.
1685	Augt. 4th	Edmd. s. of Edmund and Jane A.
1686-7	March 7th	Joseph fil. of Edmund and Joan (<i>sic</i>) A.
1689	21st July	Joan or Johanna fil. of Edmund A. and Jane. (She was buried 24th)
1691	April 16th	Joseph fil. of Edmund and Jane A.
1716-7	Born 24th, Privately Bapd. 29th Janry. Publicly April.	Samuel primogenitus son of William Alston A.M. and Anne (R. of Newton and Waldingfield Pr.).
1719	March 27 born (Good Friday) bap. April	Edward 2nd son of above.
1722	Born and bap. May 4th	William 3rd son of above.
1728	April 24 born May 3rd bap.	Thos. son of above.
1730	Born Dec. 9th 1730-1 bap. Jan 8th	Joseph son of above.
1712	Augt. 10th	Edwd. son of Edwd. and Rebecca Alston.
1712	July 2nd	Edwd. son of Nicholas and Elizabeth Alston.
1713	June 23rd	Thos. son of above.
1720	April 29th	Joseph son of Edmund Alston.
1747	Sept. 17th	Edwd. son of Edwd. and Elizabeth Alston.
1752	Decbr. 22nd	Elizabeth d. of above.
1754	Octbr. 17th	Toller son of above.
1756		Lucy d. of above.
1757	April 12th	Thos. son of above.
1759	April 24th	Saml. son of above.
1762	Oct. 2nd	Judith d. of above.
1766	Dec. 31st	John s. of above. Signtr. Edwd. Alston Church Warden.
1766		Toller son of Edwd. and Elizth. Alston.

Notes—1674—Rev. Edward Alston Church Warden. 1684—Rev. Edward Alston Rector.
1713—Rev. Wm. Alston was Curate of Newton.

Marriages.

1563-4	Janry. 12th	Thos. Godfrey and Jone Alston.
1579	Novbr. 15th	Thos. Collman and Ann Allston.
		John Gosse and Eliz. Allston same day.
		Thomas Allston and Susan Gosse same day.
1590	July 29th	Ralphe Northey and Elizabeth Allston.
1590	Decbr. 16th	Edward Allston and Elizabeth Bull, Widow.
1592	May 25th	Wm. Allston and Margery Lynton, Widow.
1595	Decbr. 17th	Wm. Cooke and Ales (?) Allston.
1602	Novbr. 30th	Joseph Man and Susan Allston.
1605-6	Oct. 15th	Augustine Parker and Marjery Alston.
1606	April 28th	Thomas Alston of Seyme Hall and Frances Blumfield.
1619	April 20th	Isaac Alston and Susan or Susannah Knopp.
1626	Novbr. 30th	Thos. Edwards and Dorothea Alston.
1628-9	Jan 15th	Thos. Creake and Anna Alston.
1633	June 20th	Thos. Sewel son of John Sewel of Hennie Co. Essex and Maria fil. of Edmundi and Rachelis Alston.
1639-40	Jan. 2nd	Thos. Harrison and Anna Alston.
1642	Novbr. 1st	Mr. Edward Alston and Mrs. Maria Weatherell (d. of the Rector).
1671	April 11th	Wm. Cooke of Sudbury (<i>Pharmacopola</i>) and Susan or Susanna d. of Edwd. Alston and g — d. of Thos. Weatherell.
1674	June 11th	Charles Andrews of Sudbury (<i>Pannicularius</i>) and Maria eldest d. of said Edwd. Alston.
1679	May 29th	Edwd. Alston S.T.B. Fellow of Sydney Sussex Coll. eldest son of Edwd. Alston Gent. and g — s. of Mr. Thos. Weatherill late Rector, to Frances Tabor d. of Nicholas T. of Cambridge Merchant.
1684	Octbr. 9th	Thos. Hammond citn. of L. and of St. Catherines London and Parnel ye daughter of Samuel Alston.
1685-6	Febry. 11th	Henry Stilliman of Colchester Widower and Dorothy Alston fil Samuel.
*1716	May 6th	Wm. Alston and Anne Ellis at St. Martins at Colchester by Mr. Turner.
1741	Decbr. 3rd	Thos. Alston of Newton singleman and Sarah Alston of Lavenham by license.

* Entries of marriages elsewhere like this are not unfrequent in our Parish Registers.

Burials.

1558		Catherine Allston.
1564-5	Jan 30th	William Allston.
1565	June 1	Isabell Allston.
1590	Sept. 30th	Elizabeth Allston.
1591	June 26	Elizabeth Allston.
1592	Nov 14	Edward Allston.
1593	Sept 28th	Christiane Allston.
1608	Dec 21st nine days old	Thos. fil. of Edmundi and Rachelis Alston.
1609	May 8th	Elizh. Allston filia of Thomas Oct 37 (<i>gravida ante nuptias</i>)
1614	June 6	Thos. Alston in his 60 year Saml. Alston Exor.
1617-8	Jan 13th	William Alston anno 80.
1619-20	Jan 25	Thos. Alston.
1621	April 25	Jane filia Gulielmi Alston æ 6.
1624	June 13th	Susanna Alston (<i>sepulta</i>).
1624	Oct. 24th	Nuce filius Gulielmi Alston.

1624-5	Feb 5	Abraham Alston Saml. Alston Exor.
1625	June 25th	Isaac Alston.
1625-6	Jan 20th	Susanna Alston Senior Vidua <i>recep. mort.</i> Saml. Alston Exor.
1626	May 25? (<i>last figure doubtful</i>)	Isaac Alston filius Edmundi (infans).
1628	Augt. 31st	Rosa filia Edmundi Alston.
1631	May 11th	Saml. Alston.
1632	Augt. 10	Thos. s. of Edmd. and Rachel A.
1633	Novbr. 5	Wm. Alston (<i>mortuary pd. by Joseph A.</i>)
1640	July 24	Edmund Alston.
1645	<i>Sepul</i> Oct. 22nd	Edmd. s. of Edmd. and Sarah <i>obit</i> (<i>sic</i>) 20th.
1650	Dec 13th	Marie wife of Mr. Edwd. Alston d. of Mr. Thos. Weatherell late Pastor of Parish of Newton died in child bed Dec 11th.
1653	<i>ob.</i> Novbr. 21st, <i>sep</i> 23rd	Edward s. of Saml. Alston.
1659-60	March 13	Edmd. s. of Edwd. Allston.
1660	Sept 5	Eliz. d. of Sam Alston.
1660-1	March 16	Rachel Alston Widow.
1675	<i>ob</i> 8, <i>sep</i> 10 Aug	Maria Andrews late Alston.
1678	<i>sep</i> 21st Aug.	Sarah wife of Edmund Alston senr. gent.
1678	Sept 17	Edmd. Alston senr. gent. <i>æt</i> 67
1678	Novbr. 26	Dorothy inf. d. of Edwd. and Maria.
1678	Oct. 18th	Edmd. Alston.
1680	Sepbr. 23	Maria wife of Edmd. Alston gent.
1680	Oct 16	Rachel fil. of Edwd. Alston gent. and Anna his wife <i>æt</i> 27.
1681	Dec. 19th	Helen (or Ellen) wife of Saml. Alston gent.
1683	Sept	Friar Alston.
1683		Nicholas infant son of Edward and Frances Alston.
1683	Sept 29	Isaac A. s. of Edwd. A. gent.
1686-7	Jan 25th	Saml. Alston gent.
1687-8	Feb 21st	Josh. s. of Edmd. Alston inf.
1689	July 24th	Jane fil. Edmd. Alston gent.
1689	Sep 12	Anne wife of Edwd. Alston gent.
1690	April 21st	Edwd Alston gent.
1717	Dec 14th	Thos. Alston.
1721-2	Jan 22nd	Saml. s. of Thos. and Mary Alston.
1721-2	Feb 23rd	Edward Alston Rector of East Bergholt cum Brantham and Newton.
1728		George son of Thos. Alston of Boxford.
1733	July 18th	Wm. Alston aged 11 born April 20 1722.
1736	May 29th	Elizabeth A. of Boxford.
1737		Wm. Alston of Boxford.
1742	June 2nd	Nicholas Alston.
		Rose Steward d. of Nicholas A. taken from Assington where she was buried Oct. 26th 1741 and set upon her father in Newton Chancell.
1744	Oct. 22	Sarah Alston of Lavenham an inf. (burd. in Chancell).
1748	Sept. 9th	Anne the wife of the Revd. Mr. W. Alston.
1752	May 17	Mary Wheeley from Boxford d. of Mr. Thos. Alston Surgeon.
1752	May 23rd	Edmund Alston.
	Oct 13th	Saml. A. from East Bergholt.
1753	March 13th	Elizabeth Alston.
1755	March 10th	Mary wid. of Thos. A. of Boxford.
	July 12th	Toller Alston.
1756	Jan. 20th	Lucy A. from Boxford.
	Decbr. 1st	Sarah A. from Lavenham.

1759	Oct. 28th	Thos. Alston from Boxford Senr. Surgeon.
1761	Augt. 30th	The Revd. Mr. Alstone R. of Newton.
1775	Jan. 13th	Edwd. Alston of Bildeston.
	July 14th	Eliz. wife of Mr. Edwd. A.
1780	Decbr. 30th	Samuel Alston.
{ 1784 }	May 26	Mr. Joseph Alston.
{ 1781 }		
1785	Octbr. 16	Edwd. Alston.

Notes—Mem: 1674, Samuel and Edward Alston paid rent charge on their tenements Birchets and Priours bequeathed by their Gt. Grandfather Edward Alston and his father William Alston. Money distributed in presence of Edmund, Samuel and Edward Alston.

Thos. Alston the elder, Churchwarden of Newton 1609.

Rev. Wm. Alston Rector 1736.

Owing to the refusal of the Rector of Newton to allow the Parish Registers to be searched except on payment of fees which I regarded as too heavy I have had to rely on the labours of other investigators in the past. I have, however, carefully collated the several transcripts put at my service by the owners and have no reason to suppose there are any errors or omissions of importance.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of EAST BERGHOLT.

Burials.

1719	July 28th	Daniel Alston.
		Durand Rhudde D.D. late Rector obiit May 6th 1819 octat 86 also Mary his wife obiit March 10th 1911 ætat 73, also Mary Elizh. Constable g — d. of Durand and Mary Rhudde and d. of Charles Becknell and wife of John Constable R.A. obiit Nov. 23 1828 æ 41.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of ALL SAINTS SUDBURY.

Baptisms.

1633	Oct 8th	Edward sonne of Mr. Abraham Allston.
1634	May 22	Deborah d. of Abraham Alston.

Marriages.

1626	April 5th	Jeremy Priiyn? and Elizabeth Alston.
1635	July 8th	Thomas Lambert and Bridgett Allston.

Charities given to the poor of the Parish of All Saints, Sudbury.

"From the abstract of Charities" collected and put together by John Voyce, Churchwarden, A.D. 1736."

"William Alston, of Newton, in the County of Suffolk husbandman, by his will dated the first day of February 1567 A.D. 1564 and proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury the 23rd day of October gave yearly for ever to the poor of Sudbury, the sum of sixteen shillings, to be paid out of a tenement next the Rose and Crown Inn, in the Parish of St. Peter, in Sudbury aforesaid; which said gift has been distributed, time out of mind, in manner and proportion following:—viz., to the poor of the Parish of St. Peter, eight Shillings; to the poor of the Parish of St. Gregory, four shillings; and to the poor of the parish of All Saints, four shillings.

EXTRACTS from the REGISTERS of ALL SAINTS, SUDBURY WITH BALLINGDON CUM BRUNDON.

Burials.

1719	Mar 11	Philip, the son of Philip and Mary <i>Alistone</i> .
1723	Dec 17	Eliza, daughter of James and Mary <i>Alestone</i> , Ballingdon.
1725	Nov 12	Abigail, daughter of James and Martha <i>Alestone</i> .
1725	Oct 15	George, son of Jm. and Mary <i>Alestone</i> .
1752	Jany 30	Frances, daughter of Thomas and Susan Alstone.
1758	Nov 16	Susannah Alstone —
1763	June 14	Susan, daughter of Thomas and Susan Alstone.
1766	July 22	Mary, daughter of Joseph and Susan Alstone, Ball.
1776	Feby 14	Thomas, son of Thomas and Ann <i>Alstone</i> (baptised).

The foregoing note respecting the Alston Charities, together with a number of other entries of baptisms, burials, &c., dating from 1654 were kindly supplied by the Vicar of All Saints (Rev. C. F. Stower, M.A.) May 13th, 1898. Nearly all the entries however are of Alistones and Alestones (early forms of the surnames Alliston and Elliston). I have included those above to exhibit how confusion may arise (as it has arisen in some pedigrees) from failure to distinguish the difference between the names. Although various families of Alliston and Elliston flourished alongside the Alstons I have found no evidence pointing to common origin.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of MANNINGTREE.

Baptisms.

1777	Febry. 2nd	Mary Newmar d. of Edwd. and Fanny Alston
1778	Septbr. 17th	Daniel Constable son of above
1780	March 5th	Sarah d. of above

Burials.

1780	May 22nd	Mary Newmar Alston
1803	Febry 4th	Sarah Alston 55 years old
	July 15th	Fanny wife of Edwd. Alston

Marriages.

1769	Novbr. 9th	by license Edwd. Alston and Fanny Constable, in presence of Edwd. Alston
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EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of BOXFORD, CO. SUFFOLK.

B—Baptism. M—Marriage. D—Burial.

1574	John Hammond bach. and Bridgett Alston the vith of Februarye (M)
1596	Susan Alston wyffe of Edwarde Alston the vith of December (D)
1599	Johane Alston wid. the xxiiiith of Maye (D)
1600	Joseph Alston servannte with Edward Alston the viith of Maye (D)
1605	John Alstone the sonne of Edward Alston the xth of August (B)
1607	Anne Alston the daughter of Edwarde Alston the xvth of October (B)
1609	Susane Alston the daughter of Edwarde Alstone the xxvith of October (B)
1611	Bridget Alstone the daughter of Edwarde Alstone the xxixth Auguste (B)
1617	Edwarde the sonne of Edwarde and Anne Alston the viiith of January (B)
1617	Edward Alston the xxvith of Januarye (D)
1619	Peter Alstone and Grace Bronde the xivth of Oct. (M)
1621	Grace the daughter of Peter and Grace Alston the 28th of October (B)
1626	Anna Alston the 12th of April (D)

1626 Mr. John Alstone the 12th of May (D)
 1639 Daniel the sonne of Anthony and Elizabeth Alstone the 16th of June (B)
 1641 William the sonne of Anth. and Eliz. Alstone Aug. 26th (B)
 1641 William the son of Anthony *Asstin* (*sic*) Aug. 28th (D)
 1661 John Pinchback and Sarah Alstone May ye 14th (M)
 1674 Henry Alstone and Susanna Man Oct. 27 (M)
 1678 Anna the daughter of Edward Alston junr. and Hannah his wife June 25 (B)
 *1691 Catherine Alston Nov. 10th (D)

* Of this last (in 1691) and of the one in 1617 (Ed. Alston) there are memorial slabs in the church. The Rev. J. S. Warman, Rector, wrote me February 17, 1898, "I have examined our registers from 1557 to 1700, inclusive, and I enclose a list of all mentions of the Alston family. One in 1600 is only a burial of a servant, but the name happens to be the same as the masters ——— One in 1641 is spelt Asstin. The registers are, I am sorry to say, blank two or three years and some entries in other years have evidently been forgotten to be entered."

LATER ENTRIES from the REGISTERS of BOXFORD.

Baptisms.

1704	Decbr. 20th	Newmar Alston
1709	Dec 27th	Joseph son of John and Ann Alston
1710	June 11	Edward son of Edward and Sarah Alston
1711	Feb 12th	Mary daughter of Thomas and Mary Alston
1712	Oct. 31st	Anna Philippa daughter of above
1714	June 3	Thomas son of above
1716	June 12	William son of above
1718	Augt. 28th	Thos. son of above
1720	Augt. 30th	Elizabeth daughter of above
1723	Nov. 22	Mary daughter of Jacob and Mary Alston
1724	Dec. 13	Jacob son of above
1726	March 31st	Catherine daughter of Thomas and Mary A.
1726	Aug. 28	Martha daughter of Jacob and Mary A.
1727	Sept. 24	John son of above
1728	April 26	George son of Thomas and Mary Alston
1728-9	March 23	Martha daughter of Jacob and Mary A.
1731	April 25	Eliz. daughter of above
1732-3	Jan 21st	Sarah daughter of above
1740	July 14th	Thomas son of Thomas Alliston and Mary
1742	July 1st	Hincher son of above. He died in 1742

Marriages.

1714	Novbr. 5th	Mr. Samuel Alston and Mrs. Ann Killingworth
1729	Dec. 25th	Robert Alston and Ann Sidey
1733	July 17th	John Alliston and Mary Pain
1739	May 1st	Thos. Alliston and Mary Scot
1743		Thos. Tiffen and Elizh. Hart by License
		Anne Maxall daughter of John and Judith ? bap. Au. 17th 1752

Burials.

Blank in Register from 1697 to 1704.

1712	Novbr. 26	Edward Alston
1727	Feb. 4th	Joseph Alston
1740	Nov. 27	Mrs. Alston of Groton, widow
1740-1	Feb 2nd	Mr. Edward Alston of Lavenham
1741	Novb. 27	Mrs. Susanna Alston, widow, aged 80
1753	Sept. 6th	Edward Alston of Lavenham
1767	Dec. 13	Rev. George Benyon

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of PARHAM.

March 25th anno Dni. 1635 Joseph Alston and Mary Warner Gent. married xxv of February
Mary daughter of Edmund Warner and Ann his wife bapd. 22nd July 1617

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of MARLESFORD.

William Alston son of Samuel Alston and Alice his wife was bapt. 15 day of Febr., 1666
Samuel Alston Esqr. was buried the 21st day of Decbr., 1675
Mrs. Alice Alston, widow, was buried Oct. 10th, 1686
Mrs. Alice Alston was buried 16 Sept., 1705. Unmarried.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of EDWARDSTONE.

Baptisms.

1646	April 29	Abraham sonne of Samuelli Alston and Mary baptised
1646	May 31	Jacob the sonne of Robt. Alston and Margaret bapt.
1647	March 20	Henry sonne of Anthony Alston and Elizabeth his wife bapt.
1648	April 16	Samuelli sonne of Robt. Alston and Margaret his wife bapt.
1648	July 16	Sarah daughter of Samuelli Alston and Mary his wife bapt.
1653	Septemb. 11	Samuel sonne of Samuel Alston and Mary his wife bapt.
1654	June 4	Ephraim sonne of Anthony Alston and Elizabeth his wife bapt.
1655	July 20	John sonne of Samuelli Alstone and Mary his wife bapt.
1662	Octob. 26th	Susanna daughter of Robt. Alston and Mary his wife bapt.
1664	Decemb. 4	John sonne of Daniell Alstone and Margaret his wife bapt.
1665	March 26	Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Alston and Joanna bapt.
1665	March 28	Sarah daughter of Robt. Alston and Mary his wife bapt.
1666	April 29	Daniell sonne of Daniell Alston and Margaret his wife bapt.
1666	Novemb. 11	Mary daughter of Joseph Alston and Joanna his wife baptised
1667	August 11	Mary daughter of Robt. Alston jun. and of Mary his wife baptised
1668	March 15	Joseph sonne of Daniell Alston and of Margaret his wife bapt.
1669	July 25	Elizabeth daughter of Robert Alston and of Mary bapt.
1670	June 26	Ephraim sonne of Daniel Alston and of Margaret his wife bapt.
1671	June 4	Joseph sonne of Joseph Alstone and of Joanna his wife baptised
1672	May 22	Robt. sonne of Robt. Alstone and Mary his wife baptised
1672	Sept. 26	Daniel sonne of Daniel Alston and of Margaret his wife bapt.
1674	August 22	Samuel sonne of Robert Alstone jun. and of Mary his wife bapt.
1675	Janu. 20	Susanna daughter of Daniel Alstone and Margaret his wife bapt.

1677	Octob. 18	Sarah daughter of Robt. Alston jun. and Mary his wife bapt.
1679	May 2	Margaret daughter of John Alston and Mary his wife bapt.
1681	March 20	Gregory son of Daniel Alston and his wife bapt.
1682	July 23	John son of John Alston jun. and Elizabeth his wife bapt.
1692	March 17	Joseph the son of John Alston and Mary his wife was bapt.
1692	Aug. 12	Daniel Alston the son of Daniel Alston bapt.
1694	March 25	Robert the son of John Alston was baptised
1695	April 11	Joseph the son of Daniel Alston was baptised
1695	Novemb. 24	Joseph the son of Joseph Alston and Grace his wife was bapt.
1696	June 21	Jacob ye son of John Alstone and Mary his wife bapt.
1696	August 16	Sarah daughter of Robert Alstone and Sarah his wife baptised
1696	Nov. 5	John son of Daniell Alstone and Susan his wife baptised
1697	April 13	Samuell son of John Alston jun. and Mary his wife bapt.
1698	Oct. 2	James son of Joseph Alston and his wife bapt.
1699	Oct. 15	Mary daughter of Robt. Alstone jun. and Sarah his wife baptised
1699	Dec. 27	Cornelius son of Joseph Alstone and his wife baptised
1700	March 15	Susanna daughter of Daniell Alstone and Susanna his wife baptised
1700	Sept. 29	Samuell son of Samuell Alstone jun. and Mary his wife baptised
1701	March 30	Hannah daughter of Jasper Alstone and Hannah his wife baptised
1701	Oct. 11	Mary daughter of John Alstone and Hannah his wife baptised
1701	Decem. 26	Mary daughter of Sammuell Alston and Mary his wife baptised
1702	Oct. 4	Joseph son of Dan Alstone and Susannah his wife baptised
1703	March 21	John son of Rob. Alstone and Sarah his wife was baptised
1703	Decemb. 14	Robert son of ^{John} Daniel Alstone and Mary his wife baptised
1705	March 5	Robert son of Dan Alstone and Susannah his wife baptised
1706	June 14	Joseph son of Samuel Alston and Mary his wife bapt.
1706	July 14	Mary daughter of Daniel Alston and Susan his wife baptised
1707	Oct. 24	John son of John Alston and Mary his wife
1708	March 1	Thomas son of Samuel Alston and Mary his wife
1709	Octob. 28	Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Alston Esqr. and Laurentia his wife
1710	Aug. 27	John son of Saml. and Mary Alston
1711	Febr. 2	Charlotte daughter of Joseph Alston Esqr. and Laurentia
1712	Nov. 16	Thomas son of Saml. and Mary Alston
1714	Sept. 12	George son of Danl. and Susan Alston
1718	Aug. 4	Jacob son of Jacob and Alice Alston
1722	Octob. 21	Samuel son of Samuel and Sarah Alston
1724	May 3	Sarah daughter of Saml. and Sarah Alston
1725	Febr. 28	John son of John and Sarah Alston
1726	Febr. 6	Anne daughter of Samuel and Sarah Alston
1726	Octob. 16	Elizabeth daughter of Samuel and Eliz. Alston
1726	Dec. 23	Martha daughter of Saml. and Sarah Alston
1727	April 15	Philip son of Philip and Martha Whiskin. (Née Alston)
1727	June 25	Elizabeth daughter of Wm. and Eliz. Alston
1728	January 21	Elizabeth dr. of Saml. and Sarah Alston
1729	Jan. 19	John son of Sam and Sarah Alston
1729	Nov. 30	Mary daughter of Wm. and Eliz. Alston
1731	July 21	Robert son of Robert and Anne Alston
1731	July 24	Danl. son of John and Sarah Alston
1732	Feb. 6	Mary daughter of Saml. and Sarah Alston
1732	Octob. 15	John son of Sam and Elizabeth Alston
1733	Sept. 16	Sarah daughter of Wm. and Elizabeth Alston
1734	Sept. 26	Hannah and Anne daughters of Sam and Eliz. Alston

1738	May 26	Samuel son of Samuel and Mary Alston
1739	June 21	Elizabeth daughter of John and Mary Reason. (<i>Née</i> Alston)
1744	Jun. 24	Susan daughter of Samuel and Mary Alston

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Copy of Entries made in the Baptismal Register Books of Edwardstone.

REV. PAKENHAM WEST, Vicar. *1st of March*, 1898.

Marriages.

1649	Novemb. 4	John Brewster and Abigail Alston both of Edwardston married
1661	Novemb. 5	Robert Alstone of Edwardstone and Mary Lappage of the same town married
1662	May 27	Francis Goodrich of Newton and Judah Alstone of the same town married by licence
1663	February 18	Daniell Alstone of Edwardstone and Margaret Paine of Mildens married by licence
1664	June 30	Joseph Alstone of Edwardstone and Joanna Lawrence of Waldingfield P ^{va} , married
1666	April 19	Robert Ponder of Boxford and Sarah Alston of Newton married by Licence
1671	April 11	William Cock of Sudbury and Susan Alstone of Newton married by licence
1673	May 8	Edward Clarke and Sarah Alstone both of Edwardstone married
1684	Jan. 22	John Sudbury and Margaret Alston both of Edwardston married
1699	Nov. 5	Samuell Alstone and Mary Harrold both of this parish married
1714	Apr. 21	Saml. Alston and Alice Prick
1726	June 21	Philip Whiskin and Martha Alston
1726	Sept. 1	William Alston and Elizabeth Disney
1733	March 27	William King and Anne Alston
1736	Dec. 12	John Reason and Mary Alston
1739	Oct. 11	Thomas Wilden and Mary Alston
1745	Nov. 12	William Sudell and Sarah Alston
1748	Nov. 29	Jacob Alston and Ann Alston

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REV. PAKENHAM WEST, Vicar. *1st of March*, 1898.

Burials.

1647	February 20	Samuell sonne of Robt. Alston and Margaret his wife buried
1648	August 5	Isaac sonne of Anthony Alston and Elizabeth his wife buried
1650	August 30	Samuell sonne of Samuell Alston and Mary his wife buried
1653	June 8	Mary daughter of Samuell Alston and Mary his wife buried
1653	October 18	Samuell sonne of Samuell Alstone and Mary his wife was buried
1657	May 8	Mary the wife of Samuell Alstone was buried
1657	May 18	Abraham sonne of Samuell Alstone and Mary his wife was buried
1658	August 26	Samuell Alstone buried
1660	Novemb. 17	Anthony Alstone buried
1664	May 17	Jacob sonne of Robert Alston and Margaret his wife buried
1665	June 29	Elizabeth daughter of Joseph Alston and Joanna his wife buried

1667	August 8	Sarah daughter of Robt. Alston jun. and Mary his wife buried
1679	Febru. 15	Sarah daughter of Robt. Alston jun. buried
1680	Novemb. 9	Margaret Alston wife of Robt. Alston sen. buried
1682	March 24	Mary wife of John Alston sen. buried
1683	Septemb. 10	Elizabeth wife of John Alston buried
1683	Octob. 2	Robt. Alston sen. buried
1694	May 27	Daniel Alston was buried
1695	April 18	Joseph the son of Daniel Alston was buried
1695	June 13	Joseph the son of John Alston buried
1710	May 10	John son of John Alston
1711	Sept. 16	Thomas son of Saml. Alston
1713	Jan. 25	Mary wife of Saml. Alston
1718	Feb. 21	Laurentia Alston jun.
1718	March 1	Laurentia Alston sen.
1718	Apr. 28	Elizabeth daughter of John Alston
1719	Dec. 25	Joseph Alston
1723	Nov. 27	Jasper Alston
1724	Apr. 6	Mary wife of John Alston
1724	Aug. 8	Elizabeth daughter of Jos. Alston Esqr.
1729	Oct. 3	John son of Saml. Alston
1730	Aug. 12	Saml. Alston
1731	March 2	Martha wife of Philip Whiskin
1731	Apr. 7	Gregory Alston
1731	June 6	Wid Alston
X 1732	May 2	Sarah wife of Sam Alston
1733	Dec. 20	Joseph son of Jos. Alston Esqr.
1734	Sept. 2	Daniel Alston
1736	Mar. 9	Hannah dr. of Sam and Eliz. Alston
1736	Oct. 15	Joseph Alston Esq.
1738	Oct. 2	William Alston
1740	Nov. 23	Eliz. daughter of Saml. and Elizabeth Alston
1740	Dec. 22	Mrs. Mary Alston wid.
1741	Dec. 24	Widow Alston
1742	June 26	John Alston
1743	Mar. 24	Mary Alston
1744	Dec. 30	Alston Widow
1746	May 6	John son of Jacob and Elizabeth Alston
1750	Jan. 9	Gregory Alston
1750	Sept. 25	Mary the wife of Jacob Alston
1753	Jan. 21	Mary the wife of John Alston
X 1754	Mar. 1	Samuel Alston
1760	May 23	Jacob Alston

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Copy of Entries made in the Burial Register Books of Edwardstone.

REV. PAKENHAM WEST, Vicar. *1st of March, 1898.*

ADDITIONAL EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of EDWARDSTONE, CO. SUFFOLK.

Baptisms.

Mary daughter of Saml. and Mary Alston 1st March 1773
 Jacob son of Samuel and Mary Alston 20 May 1777 *about 1 year old*
 Robert son of Samuel and Mary Alston 26 April 1778
 Jacob son of Saml. and Mary Alston 4 April 1779
 Sarah daughter of Robert and Mary Alston 2d July 1779
 Jacob son of Samuel and Mary Alston 28 May 1780

Marriages.

Robert Alston and Mary Curtin 21st Oct. 1760
 John Baile and Anne Alston 3d May 1764 *in presence of Samuel Alston*
 James Culpitt and Sarah Alston 4 Aug. 1772
 Joseph Smith and Mary Alston ——— Sept. 1783

Burials.

Sarah Ponder wife of Robert 24 Oct. 1685
 Susanna daughter of Daniel Alston 27 May 1694
 Martha wife of Gregory Alston 15 Nov. 1723
 Jacob Alston 2d Decr. 1757
 Elizth. Alston 18 April 1768
 Sarah Tiffin 23 June 1770
 Jacob Alston 9 Aug. 1777
 Jacob son of Samuel and Mary Alston 4 April 1779
 Jacob son of Samuel and Mary Alston 10 May 1779
 Mary wife of Samuel Alston 22nd April 1781
 Elizabeth Alston widow 24 Aug. 1781
 Elizabeth Alston *pauper* 17 Aug. 1789
 Robert Alston 11th Nov. 1810

Churchwardens.

1670-72		Robert Alston Jun.
1678-80		John Alston
1699	<i>Elected</i>	Joseph Alston of Edwardstone
1701	<i>Governors</i>	Joseph Alston of Hadleigh
		Edward Alston Gent.
		Joseph Alston Gent.
1706	<i>Governors</i>	Joseph Alston Esqr.
		Edwd. Alston
		Joseph Alston Gent.
		Edwd. Alston 1718 deceased, <i>living</i> 1719-1
1725	<i>Elected</i>	Thos. Alston
		Jos. Alston signed
		Jos. Alston (<i>signature shaky, he died before July 17, 1730</i>)
1730	<i>Elected</i>	Wm. Alston Clk.
		Joseph Alston Esqr.
		Joseph Alston Esqr. & Mr. Jos. Alston deceased before Jan. 4th 1737

Elected

Mr. W. Alston the only other Governor
William Alston died before 14 Sept. 1761

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Subs.	I	I
Saml. Alston	I	I

No. 10 Mr. Sam Alston 1703 No. 7
34 Mr. Edwd. Alston resigned 1780

No. 6 Mr. Alston
Mr. S. Alston died between Sept. 19th /95 and Sept. 19th /96.
Mr. George Alston elected 1796, 1805 No. 2 on list
G. Alston in 1828

Note.—The above additional extracts from the Edwardstone Registers are taken from various papers on the Alston Pedigree sent to me by correspondents.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of ASSINGTON, CO. SUFFOLK.

1602	Nov. 27th	Elizabeth Gosse servant to Thomas Alstone (<i>buried</i>)
1611	Sept. 30	Thomas Alstone (<i>buried</i>)
1625	June 24	Philipp Alston the sonne of Mr. Ralph Alstone and Elizabeth his wife (<i>baptized</i>)
1627	Aug. 9th	Thomas Alstone the sonne of Mr. Ralph Alstone and Elizabeth his wife (<i>baptized</i>)
1628	Nov. 9	Elizabeth Alstone the daughter of Mr. Ralph Alstone and Elizabeth his wife (<i>baptized</i>)

Extracted by REV. E. H. C. STEPHENSON, Vicar of Assington.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTER No. II. of POLSTEAD, CO. SUFFOLK.

ALSTON Family—Abbreviated Entries.

Baptisms.

959	Dorothee Alston the d. of Thomas 27 Sept. 1597
977	Jane Alston the d. of Thomas 17 Oct. 1598
1020	John Alston the son of Thomas 12 Aug. 1600
1061	Helen Alston the d. of Thomas 19 Oct. 1602
1188	Eliz. Alston the d. of Henri and Eliz. 23 Sept. 1610
1230	Henri Alston the son of Henri and Eliz. 17 Jan. 161 ₃
1256	Thomas Alston the son of Henri and Eliz. 26 Dec. 161 ₄
1260	Joseph Alston the sonn of Edward and Ann 8 Feb. 161 ₄

Marriages.

No. 189 Henry Alston singleman and Eliz. Church singlewoman 18 Oct. 1608
261 Bartholomewe Rewse and Eliz. Alston 3 June 1623
270 John Temple *Knight* and Francis Alston *widdowe*, 16 Feb. 1625
William Danzie of Lavenham and Elizabeth Alston of Polstead married Octbr. 14th 1760
Wm. Tiffen of Newton and Sarah Alston of Polstead married April 14th 1761 Edward Wright and J.
Scarff witnesses to both
Joseph Aston (signs his name Alston) and Elizabeth King married Augt. 11th 1763
Fohn Adderton and Elizabeth Alston married Decbr. 13th 1763

Burials.

No. 2925 Henri Alston 11 Aug. 1613
 2955 henri alstō 15 July 1615
 2987 Elizabeth Alston 19 July 1617
 ? 3266 Thomas Aston 26 March 1637
Sarah Auston Decbr. 22nd 1752
Martha Austin Decbr. 23rd 1767
William Austin Senr. March 20th 1768
Elizth Austin Novbr. 26 1802
Frances Austin infant May 10th 1804
Samuel Aston March 20th 1806
John Aston April 10th 1806
Deborah Aston 37 Feb. 25 1808
Josh. Aston inf. April 11th 1808
Elizth Aston inf. Sepbr. 27 1808

The Rector, the Rev. Francis Eld wrote May 1/99, "I have finished transcribing and indexing No. II of the Polstead Registers. It commences 1558 and ends 1688 On 1 Feb. 1763, T. Preston was instituted to the Rectory of Polstead on the presentation of Sam Alston of Neyland Gedding Hall was an outlier of the parish of Polstead, but has been separated for more than 30 years; it now forms part of Leavenheath. The Hall was pulled down not many years ago. Some of the then bricks still remain on the site. It appears as Giddincg in an A. S. Charter circa 972."

The entries above in italics were not supplied by Mr. Eld. Many are doubtful for Alston.

No. of Entry.

ALSTON.—Polstead Registers No. III and IV.

1849 John Alston s. of John and Ann bapt. 25 Dec. 1698
 1400 William Alston and Elizab. Weeding of this parish mar. 26 June 1705
 2004 William Alston s. of Wm. and Eliz. bapt. 2 May 1706
 2029 John Alston s. of Wm. and Elizab. bapt. 20 July 1707
 2051 bapt. Robt. and Eliz. Alston twins of Wm. and Eliz. 18 Janry. 170⁸
 2052 Robert and Elizabeth Alston being twin children of Wm. and Eliz. bapt 18 Jan. 170⁸
 498 Elizabeth Alston or Aston an infant bur. 27 Jan. 170⁸
 498 Elizabeth Alston or Aston an infant buried 27 Jan. 170⁸
 2097 Daniel Alston s. of William and Elizabeth bapt. 30 March 1712
 1439 John Alston of Stoke singleman and Elizabeth Bond of Edwardston singlewoman married 10 Apri 1712
 542 Elizabeth Alston bur. 24 June 1712
 2126 Elizabeth Alston d. of Wm. and Elizabeth bapt. 14 Feb. 171²
 559 John Alston bur. 6 May 1713
 601 Sarah Alston d. of Will. bur. 12 June 1718
 605 Elizabeth Alston Wife of William bur. 12 April 1719
 695 John Alston bur. an aged man 5 Aug. 1726
 1049 Anne Alston buried 13 Oct. 1731
 2440 Martha Alston d. Wm. and Martha bapt. 1 June 1735
 2446 Daniel Alston s. of Daniel and Anne bapt 7 Sept. 1735
 2461 bapt. Sarah *Asston* d. of Wm. and Martha 15 Aug. 1736
 2479 John Alston s. Daniel *Asston* and Ann bapt. 24 July 1737
 2524 Joseph Alston son of Daniel and Ann 20 Jan. 17³⁸ bapt.
 2562 Elizabeth Alston d. of Daniel and Ann bapt. 4 Apr. 1742
 2587 Mary Alston d. of Wm. and Martha 8 May 1743 bapt.
 2604 Francis Aston son of Daniel and Ann bapt. 4 Nov. 1744
 2631 Elizabeth Alston Dr. of Wm. and Martha 27 July 1746 bapt.
 989 Elizabeth Alston bur. 22 Sept. 1746

997 Ann Alston bur. 21 Apr. 1747
 2659 William Alston son of Wm. and Martha bapt. 16 June 1748
 2663 William Alston son of Dan and Ann bapt. 21 Aug. 1748
 2702 Anna Alston d. of Danl. and Anna 12 May 1751 bapt.
 2759 Abraham Alston son of Daniel and Ann bapt. 2 May 1756
Aston [*Ayston*] in entry 498 given as a variant for Alston

Entries.

Reg. III	1-1347	Burials	from 1678 to 1772
Reg. IV	1348-1613	Marriages	from 1688 to 1759
	1614-2803	Baptisms	from 1688 to 1760

The Rector wrote again May 7 1900, "I have finished transcribing and indexing Polstead Regg. No. III and IV and I have pleasure in sending you copies of the entries about the Alston family.

I have those entries where the name is spelt Aston; in one entry is it specially said "Alston or Aston," and it may be so in others though not stated. There are no Alston or Aston entries in Reg. No. I.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of DEDHAM, CO. ESSEX.

Baptisms.

1697	Dec. 12	Ann (<i>daughter</i>) of Thos. and Eliz. Allston
1699	July 30	Mary (<i>daughter</i>) of Thos. and Eliz. Allston
1723	Mar 1	Elizabeth (<i>daughter</i>) of Thos. and Sarah Allston

These entries were among a number of others, Allistons, &c., sent by the Vicar, the Rev. C. Alfred Jones, who wrote (Feb. 7/99), "I enclose all entries I can find between 1638 and 1742 whether all these refer to the same name or not I can not say, I think they mostly do. In one instance I find six varieties of the spelling of one name."

Later entries among the burials, May 9 1699 and Oct. 19 1699, make it clear that the Ann and Mary above baptised were Allistons, and a marriage entry, Oct. 17 1722, of Thomas Alliston and Sarah Nep, is probably that of the parents of Elizabeth above named. The instance shews how confusing to the genealogist are the occurrence in the same district of the names Alston, Alliston, Austin, &c., so much resembling one another.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of GROTON, CO. SUFFOLK.

Baptisms.

1627-8	Feb. 26	bapt. Ann dau. of Thos. Alstone and Anna his wife
1629	May 24	bapt. Elizabeth dau. of Peter Allstone
1630	May 18	bapt. Thomas Alston son of Thomas and Bridgett his wyffe
1631	May 5	bapt. Sarah Alston dau. of Peter and Ann
1632	March 30th	bapt. Thomas Alston son of Thomas and Bridgett his wyffe
1632	April 7	bapt. Peter Alston son of Peter and Grace his wyffe
1634-5	Feb. 1st	bapt. Samuel Alston son of Peter and Ana his wyffe
1637	April 16	bapt. Alice Alston dau. of Peter and Grace his wyffe
1637	May 26	Samuell Alston son of Thos. and Bridget his wyffe

Marriages.

1608	Aug. 26	Thomas Payne and Elizabeth Alston <i>was</i> married the 26th of Auguste
1576	July 8	John Soger <i>Widower</i> and Elizth. Alston
1583	July 2	Gregory Austone and Margret Personne

1723	April 15	John Alston and Mary (Sarah ?) Holder
1750	Sepbr. 25	John East of the parish of Hadleigh <i>singleman</i> and Ann Alston <i>widow</i> of same parish by license
1754	Oct. 15	John Smith of Groton <i>singleman</i> and Mary Alston <i>singlewoman</i> of Edwardstone
1776	April 9	John Thurlow <i>singleman</i> of this Parish and Elizabeth Alston of Newton <i>singlewoman</i>

Burials.

1634		Peter Alston son of Peter a child buried April 13th
1637		John Alston buried 24 December
1637		Alston's daughter buried 16 January
1631		Susan Hartwell servant to Peter Alstone buried October the 9th
1661	July 1st	Bridget Alston wife of Thomas Alston
1661	July 28	Thomas Alston <i>widower</i>
1661-2	Feb. 16	John Alston son of Thomas Alston
1662	August 19	Peter Alston's widow buried
1662		Alice Alston daughter to the widdow Alston aforesaid was buried the 29th August 1662
1669		Edward Alston <i>buried</i> March 18th

The Rev. John W. Wayman wrote Feb. 28, 1898, "I have carefully searched the parish registers 1562-1800, and send you a correct copy of the entries that I have found recorded within that period."

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of S. ANDREW'S CHURCH, GREAT CORNARD, CO. SUFFOLK.
In the Deanery of Sudbury, Diocese of Ely.

John son of Wm. and Anne Alston baptised September 5th 1613 A.D.
Jonah son of William and Anne Alston Sept. 5th 1613
Jane daughter of Wm. and Anne Alston bapt. January 2nd 1615
Hondr. ditto Wm. and Anne Alston bapt. January 1st 1617
Thomas son of Katherine and *Alston Alston* bapt. February 1626
Thomas son of Thos. and Hannah *Alston* bapt. March 29th 1782
John Criffield son of Thos. and Hannah *Alston* bapt. July 25th 1783
Keziah daughter of Thos. and Hannah *Alston* bapt. May 1st 1785
Daniel son of Thomas and Hannah *Alston* bapt. January 1st 1787
William Stephen son of Thomas and Hannah *Alston* bapt. Jany, 13th 1789
Charlotte daughter of Thos. *Alston* by Hannah his wife late Criffield baptized Feb. 13th 1791

Burials.

Jacob Alston buried (son of Jacob Alston) October 1623
James Alston buried July 5th 1701

Banns of Marriages called three Sundays each in the Parish Church of Great Cornard, Suffolk.

William Henry Wilkinson bachelor of Hunsur parish of Mysore India and Freda Mary Alston of Cornard Magna Spinster Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 1896. Were married in India. (*Mother still lives in Cornard, Father died in January, 1894.*)

Note.—The husband of Mrs. Alston (Jane) West View, Cornard Magna, Sudbury, Suffolk, was a Miller, and died before his widow and children came to this parish in the spring of 1894. A daughter about 11 died in Autumn 195, and was interred at Stanstead, Suffolk.

These Extracts were made from the Registers by the Rev. W. Francis Singleton, Vicar, who said when sending them, "I could find no entry between 1540 and 1600 to suit you, but some one in the past basely cut out a piece of two pages." (March 15th, 1898.)

Seventy-three entries in all were sent to me by the Vicar, but most were of Allistons, Allestons and Ellistons, which after consideration I have rejected.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of HADLEIGH, CO. SUFFOLK.

Baptisms.

1676	Novbr. 19	Bridgett Alston d. to William and Hannah
1700	May 1st	Elizabeth Alston d. to Mr. Joseph and Laurentia
1701	July 1st	Margaret Alston d. to Mr. Joseph and Laurentia
1702	Aug. 14	Laurentia Alston d. to Mr. Joseph and Laurentia
1703	Aug. 24	Laurentia Alston d. to Joseph Esqu. and Laurentia
1705	Feb. 24th	Mary Alston daughter to Mr. Joseph and Laurentia
1706	March 6	Joseph Alston s. to Joseph Esqr. and Laurentia
1708	Augst 24th	Anne Alstone d. to Joseph Alstone Esquire and Laurentia
1760	Sepber. 18	Jacob son of Jacob and Anne Alston
1765	Decber. 22nd	Anne daughter of Daniel and Susan Alston
1769	June 1st	Daniel son of Daniel and Susan Awstone (<i>This is another writing and may be a mistake in spelling.</i>)
1779	Aug. 1st	John son of Daniel and Susan Awston

Marriages.

1698	May 12	Thomas Cozen and Bridget Alston single
1742	Sepber. 23	John Wistow s.m. of Groton and Mary Alston s.w. of Hadleigh Hamlet by license
1748	March 24th	Josias Shansfield of Stanningfield s.m. and Martha Alston of Boxford s. w by license
1764	Oct. 14th	Daniel Awstone of Hadleigh bachelor and Susan Cuthbert of Hadleigh spinster were married by banns
1797		John Smith of this parish, singleman, and Elizabeth Alston single woman of this parish married by banns Octber. 9th 1797 by J. Fortescue Knottesford
1799		Edmund Alnier of the parish of Layham single man and Ann Alston of this parish single woman were married by banns Jan. 8th 1799 by J. F. Knottesford

Burials.

1675	May 23rd	Anna Alkon ? or Alston
1678	Aug. 25th	Anne Alston of Sudbury
1688	Sep. 4	Anne Alston wife to William
1700	March 18	Mary Alston d. to William S. P. (<i>small pox</i>)
1701	Oct 21	Mrs. Elizabeth Alston d. to Mr. Joseph
1702	Aug. 16	Mrs. Laurentia Alston d. to Mr. Joseph
1778	Jan. 1	John Auston S. P. (<i>small pox</i>)

Registers searched by Mrs. Spooner, wife of the Rector, who writes "I have examined the Registers carefully from 1558 but can find no trace of the Alston family till that very doubtful burial in 1675. The early book from 1558 is in places very much defaced and occasionally obliterated and torn."—Feb. 23, 1898.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of STISTED, CO. ESSEX.

1541	<i>bap.</i>	John son of John <i>Ayston</i> (?)
1640	"	Anne dau. of Mr. John Alston the younger
1647	"	Jonathan son of Henry Alston
1650	"	Elizabeth dau. of Henry and Elizabeth Alston
1636	<i>burial.</i>	Thomas son of John Alston gent.
1656	"	Mr. John Allstone
1658	"	The daughter of Mr. John Alston May sixt.
1658	"	Mr. John Alston was buried from Milles*

1648	Henry Alston	Churchwarden
1669	Hen. Allstone	"
1670	"	"
1677	"	"

* *Milles is the name of the Manor House, Stisted.*

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of GREAT WALDINGFIELD, CO. SUFFOLK.

Baptisms.

1613	April 5th	John sonne of Thomas <i>Aston</i>
1633	Sep. 28	Dority ye daughter of Henry Alston
1671	Feb. 28	John son of John Alstone
1671	March 6th	Martha d. of Samuel Alston
1672	Feb. 22	Jacob son of Samuel Alston
1674	June 29th	Mary d. of John Alston and Mary
1675	April 11th	Susan d. of Saml. and Susan Alston
1678	May 13th	Samuel s. of above
1681	Feb. 13th	Mary d. of above
1684	April 6th	Thos. s. of above
1686	January 10	Elizabeth daughter of Samuel Alston
1689	Dec. 28th	Peter son of above
1717	Sep. 29th	Sarah d. of Daniel and Elizabeth Alston
1721	Sep. 13	John son of above
1724	Decbr. 24th	Elizabeth d. of above
1725	Feb. 22nd	Elizabeth d. of above
1727	March 26th	Joseph s. of Joseph and Xtian Alston
1728	Feb. 26	Hannah d. of above
1729	May 25th	John s. of Josh. and Xtian <i>Astin</i>
1730	Dec. 13	George s. of Joseph and Xtian <i>Astin</i>
1734	Novbr. 25th	Xtian d. of above
1737	July 31st	Joseph s. of Joseph and Xtian <i>Aston</i>
1738	Sep. 17th	Susannah d. of Joseph and Xtian Alstone
1739	May 12	Elizabeth d. of Joseph and Xtian <i>Aston</i>
1740	May 12th	Mary d. of Joseph and Xtian <i>Astin</i>
1788	Jan. 22 born, bap. 1790 April 30th	Thomas Rowland s. of Thomas and Alice A., late A. Theobold
1794	Born 4th, bap. 5th May	Edward s. of above
1792	Born 24th, bap. 28th June	Maria d. of Thomas and Alice
1795	Born July 27, bap Sept. 24th	Sarah d. of above late A. Tibble or Theobold
1800	Born Augt. 4, bap Sept. 28th	Lucy and Elizabeth twin drs. of above
1803	Born Aug. 10, bap. 11th	Esther d. of Thomas and Alice Alston

24/9/1669 from S John P (235)

Marriages.

1671	Ap. 25	Samuel Alston and Susannah Stock
1725	March 29	Daniel Alston <i>wid.</i> and Elizabeth More widow
1726	Aug. 21st	Joseph <i>Austin</i> and Xtian Wilding
1740	Dec. 26	Francis Hall <i>w.</i> and Eliz. <i>Astin</i>
1755	March 20th	Joseph Alston of Bures St. Mary and Mary Susanna Chaplin by license
1758	July 25th	John Alston <i>w.</i> of Edwardstone and Mary Glover <i>w.</i> banns

Burials.

1672	June 12th	Martha d. of Saml. Alston
1675	April 25th	John s. of John Alston
1675	Oct. 16	A child of Samuel Alston's, unbaptized
1683	Novbr. 11	Mary d. of Saml. Alston
1690	Decbr. 20	Anne Tracey widow
1700	Oct. 12	Samuell Allston
1700	Nov. 11	Susan Alston widow
1724	Decbr. 26	Elizabeth d. of Daniel Alston
1724-5	Jan 1st	Elizabeth wife of Daniel Alston
1728	Aprl. 15th	Elizabeth dr. of Danl. Alston
1730-1	April 16th	Joseph s. of Joseph and Xtian Alstone and March 19th John s. of above
1735	Nov. 27th	John s. of Joseph and Xtian Alstone and Nov. 18th Xtian d. of above
1758	July 31	Daniel Alston
1794	July 5th	Edward s. of Thos. and Alice Alston
1803	Aug. 31st	Esther d. of above late A. Theobold
1824	March 28	Thomas Alston aged 66 years
1827	Augt. 6th	Alice Alston aged 61 years
1835	March 18th	Samuel Alston aged 74

Above entries include those extracted for me by the Rev. C. C. Stokes, Rector (Feb. 28th 1898), but the Baptisms since 1689, Marriages since 1671, and Burials since 1672, are the work of other hands. A number of very confusing Alliston and Elliston entries occur in these registers. After careful scrutiny I have rejected all but the foregoing.

The Registers are wanting in parts; Baptisms, 1561-1572, and Marriages, 1570-1583.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of ODELL, CO. BEDS. relating to the ALSTONS Lords of the Manor.

Copy of the Register at Odell, in Bed's, taken Jan. 11th, 1803, by Edwd. D. Alston, Rev. Mr. Grantham, Clerk.

Frances daughter unto Mr. Edward Alston was baptized Jan 5 1633
 Frances daughter of Mr. Edward Alston was buried Apr. 1 1634
 Mr. John Alston and Mrs. Dorothy Temple were married Jan. 4 1634
 Thomas son of Mr. Edward Alston was baptized Apr. 1 1635
 Baptized Francis Alston daughter of Mr. John Alston 20 March 1635
 Francis Alston daughter of Edward Alston baptized 30 Janry. 1636
 William Alston son of John Alston baptized 13 August 1637
 Dorothe daughter of John Alston baptized same day
 Buried Mr. William Alston Esq. 16 March 1637
 Baptized Catern Alston daughter of Edward and Easter Alston Feb. 24 1639
 Baptized Elizabeth Alston daughter of John and Dorothy Alston Mar. 25 1639
 Baptized Edward Alston son of Edward and Hester Alston Mar. 14 1641

Baptized John Alston son of Edward Alston April 7 1643
 Buried Mary Alston daughter of Mr. Jn. Alston May 13 1644
 Baptized Thomas Alston son of Sir Thomas Alston and Lady Elizabeth Alston May 11 1647
 Baptized Roland Alston son of Sir Thomas Alston and Lady Elizabeth Alston July 26 1650
 Elizabeth Alston daughter of Sir Thos. and Lady Elizabeth baptized May 28 1651
 Mr. Rowland Alston son of Sir Thomas and Elizabeth his wife buried Oct. 11 1652
 Edward Alston son of Sir Thomas Alston was born Nov. 18 1655
 Edward Alston son of Sir Thos. Alston was buried Nov. 1 1658
 Thomas son of Thomas Alston and Lady Elizabeth buried July 2d. 1668
 John Pickering Kn. and Bar. and Frances Alston married Jany. 24 1669
 St. John son of John and Frances Pickering born Ap. 13 1671
 St. John Alston son of Rowland Alston Esq. and Temperance his wife baptized Aug. 29 1677
 Lady Elizabeth the wife of Sir Thos. Alston buried Aug. 18 1677
 Sir Thomas Alston Bar. buried July 11 1678
 Crew Alston son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized Aug. 10 1678
 Rowland Alston son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized Sep. 6 1679
 Horace Alston son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized Mar. 21 1680
 St. John Alston son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady buried Mar. 23d. 1681
 Rachel daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized Feby. 20 1682
 St. John son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized Feby. 12 1683
 Rachel Alston daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady buried June 30 1684
 Elizabeth Alston daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized Nov. 18 1684
 Vere John son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized Dec. 13 1685
 Temperance daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady buried Ap. 8 1688
 Temperance daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized May 14 1688
 Jemima daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his lady baptized July 23d. 1689
 Ann Alston daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his wife baptized Nov. 28 1689
 Jemima daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his wife buried June 18 1690
 St. John son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his wife buried Feb. 25 1691
 Paulet Alston son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his wife baptized May 25 1691
 Paulet Alston son of Sir Rowland Alston and Temperance his wife buried Aug. 5 1691
 Sir Rowland Alston was buried Sep. 24 1697
 Sir Thomas Alston Bart. was buried Dec. 25 1714
 Ann daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Elizabeth his wife buried May 4 1725
 Temperance daughter of Sir Rowland Alston and Elizabeth his wife buried May 29 1725
 Sarah Alston wife of Vere Jn. Alston buried Feb. 8 1740
 Lady Elizabeth Alston wife of Sir Rowland Alston Bart. buried Aug. 20 1742
 Mrs. Elizabeth Alston daughter of Sir Rowland Alston buried May 7 1756
Rowland son of Thos. Alston Esq. by Margerett Lee spinster baptized July 25 1758
 Sir Rowland Alston Bart. buried Jany. 12 1759
 Rev. Vere John Alston Rector buried June 23d. 1762
 Sir. Thos. Alston Bar. buried July 26 1774
 Sir Rowland Alston Bar. died 29 June 1791 and was buried 8 of July aged 63 or 64

EXTRACTS FROM THE GENEALOGIA BEDFORDIENSIS.

*A collection of evidences chiefly relating to the landed gentry of Bedfordshire, 1538-1700,
 by F. A. Blaydes, privately printed 1890.*

ALSTON.

Biggleswade.

1693

May 22

William s. of Francis and Elizabeth bap.

		<i>Carlton.</i>
1676	Apr. 22	<i>Francisca</i> filia Johannis bap.
		<i>Cokayne Hatley.</i>
1690-1	Mar. 22	<i>Francis</i> mar. to Elizabeth <i>Turner</i>
		<i>Felmersham.</i>
1673	May 10	<i>Thomas</i> s. of Will and Anne bap.
„	Dec. 5	<i>John</i> s. of John and Anne bap.
		<i>Pavenham.</i>
1666	Oct. 28	William s. of William and Thomasine bap.
1668-9	Feb. 25	John s. „ „ bap.
„	Dec. 5	Thomasine wife of William bur.
1679	May 22	Katherine d. of John bur.
1680	May 2	Sarah d. of John, jun. and Anne bap.
1684	July 23	Dorothea d. „ „ bap.
1687	Aug. 15	John Esq. bur.
1689	June 30	Edmund s. of John bap.

Notes.—John Alston of Pavenham had a daughter Elizabeth b. 1640, married in 1661 to Longworth Crosse, of St. Michael, Wood St., gent.

Elizabeth d. of Sir Thomas Alston of Odell, aged 19, married in 1672 to Stavely Stanton, of Birchmore.

Most of the Odell Registers extracts previously given also appear in Blaydes.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of ST. LUKE'S, CHELSEA, CO. MIDDLESEX.

1659	Benjamin Allston the son of Mr. Joseph Allston was baptized August the 14th.
1661	Mary Allstoun the daughter of Mr. Joseph Allstoun was baptized May 7
1663	Mary Allstoun ye daughter of Mr. Joseph Allstoun was baptized June the 21st
1663	Mary Allstoun ye daughter of Mr. Joseph Allstoun was buried June ye 22th
1670	Mrs. Mary Allstone the wife of Joseph Allstone Esqe. was buried the 7th (Feb. 7)
1673	Ann (?) ye daughter of Mr. Isaack Allston was baptized January 10th
1675	Joseph ye son of Mr. Isaack Allstone was baptized the last of May

Extracted by Rev. GERALD BLUNT, Rector.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of LONG DITTON, CO. SURREY, relating to the ALSTONS, lords of the manor

Marriage.

1690	June 23	Josephus Alstone, Baronettus, et Penelope Evelyn filia Ed'i Evelyn, Mil. et Baron. matrimonio conjunct: fuere Jun. 23, Licent
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Baptizings.

1691	Sep. 15	Josephus filius Josephi Alstone, Baronetti, et Penelope Alstone uxoris ejus baptizat Sept ^o 15 ^o
1692	Nov. 14	Evelyn filius Josephi Alstone, Baronetti, et Penelope Alstone uxoris ejus bapt. Nov. 14 ^{to}
1694	April 4	Penelope filia Josephi Alstone, Barr th et Penelope vx. bapt. Apr. 4 ^{to}
1695	March 9	Edvardus filius Josephi Alstone, Barr th ii, et Penelope uxoris ejus baptizat Mart. 9 ^{no} in oppid. Kingst. ubi nat. Mart. 9 ^{no}
1698	Dec. 2	Cornelius filius Josephi Alston Barr th ii et Penelope uxoris ejus baptizat Dec. 2 ^{do}
1699	Dec. 10	Sophia filia Josephi Alston Barr th ii, et Domae Penelope uxoris baptizat Dec. 10 ^{mo}

1700	March 16	Elizabetha filia Josephi Alston, Baronetti, et Dom. Penelope Alston uxoris baptizat Mart. 16 ^o
1702	June 28	Anna filia Josephi Alston, Bar th et Penel. uxoris Jun. 28 ^{no}
<i>Burials.</i>		
1696	April 18	Edvardus infans filius Josephi Alstone, Baronetti, et Penelope ux. Sepult. Apr. 18 ^o
1703	March 31	Anna filia Josephi Alston, Barrtii, et Penelop. ux. Sepult. Mart. 31 ^{mo}
1708	July 15	Ellinor filia Jos. Allston, Barrtii, Sepult. Jul. 15
1711	Jan. 1	Gulielmus filius Jos. Alston, Barti, Sep. Jan. 1
1711	Jan. 18	Sophia filia Jos. Alston, Barti, Sepult. Jan. 18
1714	May 18	Maria filia Jos. Alston, Bartii, Sep. May 18
1714	June 28	Domina Penelope uxor Jos. Alston, Bartii, Juny 28
1715	Jan. 29	Dom. Jos. Alston, Sepultus Jan. 29

In Aubrey's Surrey, Vol 1, p. 244, the following Memorial Inscription appears as existing in Long Ditton Church. The present Vicar, the Rev. C. R. Worsley Hughes tells me that the original is not now to be found. It was apparently (from its form) in an oval.

HERE
 LYES THE BODY OF DAME
 PENELOPE ALSTON WIFE
 OF SIR JOSEPH ALSTON BART.
 DAUGHTER AND HEIRE OF SIR
 EDWARD EVELYN BART. WHO
 HAD FOR HER PORTION THESE TWO
 MANNORS OF LONG-DITTON
 AND HAD SEAVENTEEEN CHILD-
 REN, TEN OF WHICH SHE BURIED
 AND SEAVEN SURVIVED HER
 VIZ: JOSEPH, EVELYN, CORNE-
 LIUS, SONS, AND PENELOPE,
 ELIZABETH, THEADOSIA AND
 DIEPATRIS DAUGHTERS
 OBIIT 22 JUNII 1714
 CÆTATIS SUÆ

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LIKEWISE
 HERE LYES IN THE SAME GRAVE
 UNDER THE SAME STONE THE
 BODY OF THE ABOVE SAID SIR
 JOSEPH ALSTON, BART.
 OBIIT ÆTATIS
 SUÆ

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of BRADWELL CHURCH, CO. BUCKS.

I have, by the kindness of the Vicar, been favoured with the following Alston entries—

Baptizings.

1668-9	Edward son of Mr. Joseph Alston and Mrs. Elizabeth Tompson baptized February 2nd
1678	Isaac son of Joseph Alston Esq., of Bradwell Abbey, and Elizabeth his wife was baptized November 21st.

1697 Mary daughter of Sir Joseph Alston and Penelope his wife baptized July 16th
 1705 Diepatris, daughter of Sir Joseph Alston Barrrt. baptized August 5th
 1706 Edward son of Sir Joseph Alston Barrrt, and ye Ladye Penelope his wife baptized Sep. 4th
 1708 Katharine, daughter of Sir Joseph Alston Barrrt. and Penelope his wife was baptized January 29th

Burials.

1669-70 Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. Joseph Alston and Mrs. Elizabeth Tompson his wife was interred
 *1688-9 Sir Joseph Alston Baronet was buried, and no affidavit being given in, ye svlit (*sic*), was levied by ye Churchwardens March 21st
 1689-90 Mr. Isaac Alston son of ye Ladye Elizabeth Alston and brother to Sir Joseph Alston Baronet was buried. February 9
 1708 Katharine daughter of Sir Joseph Alston Barrrt. was buried Jan. 31st
 1710 Mary, daughter of Sir Joseph Alston Barrrt, (buried) October 7th

* *By an Act 29 Chas. II all persons were obliged to be buried in woollen, and the persons directing the burial otherwise had to forfeit £5. The ordinance was designed to encourage home manufactures. Pope's lines refer to the practice.*

"Odious! in woollen! 'twould a saint provoke
 (Were the last words that poor Narcissa spoke)
 No let a charming chintz and Brussels lace
 Wrap my cold limbs and shade my lifeless face
 One would not sure be frightful when one's dead
 And—Betty—give this cheek a little red."

—MORAL ESSAYS EP. I.

Narcissa was Mrs. Oldfield, the actress, who died in 1731.

The following entries from the PARISH REGISTERS of REIGATE, CO. SURREY, were kindly furnished and certified by the Vicar, the Rev. John Newman Harrison (1897).

1722	January 24	Joseph son of Sr. Evelyn Alston Bart. <i>burial</i>
1722	April 14	William son of Sr. Evelyn Alstone Bart. <i>baptism</i>
1728	Feb. 14	Sarah daughter of Sr. Evelyn Alstone Bart. <i>baptism</i>
1730	Jan. 20	George son of Sr. Evelyn Alston Bart. and Sarah his wife <i>baptism</i>
1748	July 22	Mary daughter of Penelope Alston (<i>et vulgi</i>)
1750	Ap. 15	Sr. Evelyn Alston Baronet <i>buried</i>
1751		Mary Ann dr. of Sr. Evelyn Alston Baronet and Mary born March 12 baptized April 18th. (<i>This, as will be observed, is a daughter of Sir Evelyn the younger, his father having died a year before.</i>)
1764	August 17	Sarah Alston <i>buried</i> (<i>This I take to be the burial of Dame Sarah widow of Sir Evelyn the elder, his daughter Sarah, baptised 1728, being mentioned in the will of her brother Sir Evelyn the younger, in 1783, as the wife of William Attree.</i>)

ALSTON.—*Marriage at the Fleet.*

Mr. William Alston Head, Solicitor of East Grinstead, has been good enough to send me a certified copy of the marriage at the Fleet, September 10th, 1745, of William Alston (afterwards Sir William 7th Bart.), of Oxtead, bachelor and Elizabeth Weare, of Oxtead, spinster. The certificate, an old one, dated at the beginning of the 19th century, is signed by "Mary Panton," Houndsditch.

The following certified copies of entries in the Registers at OXTEAD, co. Surrey, were kindly supplied by the Rev. Frank Parnell, Rector (1897).

1747	Oct. 13	Evelyn son of William Alston <i>baptism</i>
1749	Sep. 25	Sarah the daugr. of William Alston <i>baptism</i>
1754	Feby. 10th	George the son of Willm. Alston <i>baptism</i>
1801		Mary Alston widow and Samuel Jermer widower <i>marriage</i>
1806	Mar. 17	George Alston <i>burial</i>
1818	January 4th	Ann Alston age 79 years <i>burial</i>

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of BLECHINGLEY, CO. SURREY.

1770	November 12th	Sarah daughter of Evelyn and Mary Alston baptism
1799	April 12th	Evelyn Alston burial (<i>no particulars given</i>)

Extracted by Rev. W. C. BISHOP, Rector (1897).

The following EXTRACTS are from the PARISH REGISTERS of LINGFIELD, CO. SURREY, and were supplied by the Rev. W. Guy Bryan, M. A., the Vicar (1897).

*1745	Nov. 14	William son of William and Elizabeth Austin <i>burial</i>
1770	December 18th	William Alston batchelor and Mary Rose spinster both of Lingfield Marriage Register signed by Wm. Akhurst and Thomas Chapman <i>marriage</i>
1793	September 10th	William Alstone bachelor of Lingfield and Elizabeth Brister spinster of Crowhurst married by licence. Register signed by George Dives and Thomas Chapman
1793	December 13	Susannah daughter of William and Elizabeth Alston <i>baptism</i>
1796	December 12	Mary daughter of William and Elizabeth Alston <i>baptism</i>
1799	December 27	Elizabeth daughter of William and Elizabeth Alston <i>baptism</i>
1819	January	James Dives batchelor of Blackham Court and Susannah Alston spinster of Lingfield <i>marriage</i>
†1802	May 25th	William Alston <i>burial</i>
1819	March 21st	William Alston <i>burial</i>
1820	August 4th	Ann Alston <i>burial</i>
1822	June 11th	James Edgar bachelor of Lingfield and Elizabeth Alston spinster of Lingfield. Marriage by licence. Register signed by George Chapman and Mary Alston

* The Rev. W. G. Bryan, Vicar of Lingfield, wrote July 22nd, 1897, "I have pleasure in sending you a certified copy of the baptism of Wm. Alston, alias Austin. Mr. Wm. Head (great) grandson, has it in his (great) grandfather's own writing that he was baptized at Lingfield on Nov. 14th, 1745. This is the only entry of baptism on that day." In some handwritings the name Alston is absolutely indistinguishable from Austin. It is so in the transcripts from the Chelsea Registers sent me by the Rector. The other children of Sir William the elder appear to have been baptised at Oxted, see ante.

† This was the only son of the last Baronet, the entry of whose burial I take the next to be. The baronetcy devolved upon the old man late in life, just about the time of his only son's death, and this, coupled with inadequate means to support it, resolved him to dispense with the barren title. William Alston junr. was buried in the same grave with his mother (Mary Rose), the entry of whose burial seems to have been overlooked by the Vicar in his search.

EXTRACTS from the PARISH REGISTERS of SEMER, CO. SUFFOLK.

1596		Radulph Alston, son of William and Marrian, bap. March 20
1598		Edward Alston son of the same, bap. (?) June 20
1599		Thomas Alston, son of the same, bap. Jan. 6

Sent by Miss ETHEL STOKES.

ALSTON Extracts from the HARLEIAN SOCIETY Publications.

Marriage Licenses—LONDON—1520-1610.

- 1581 June 19 James Alston of St. Clements Danes yeoman and Joyce Wildinge spinster at St. Botolph Aldgate
- Ditto—1611-1828.
- 1624 Dec. 8 Edward Alston gent of St. Mary Abchurch London bachelor 28 and Susan Hussey of London 32 widow of ——— Hussey late merchant decd. at St. Botolph Aldersgate London
- 1633-4 Feb. 17 John Kentsler gent. of St. Botolph Aldersgate bachelor 23 and Helen Allstone of St. Lawrence Pountney spinster 24 at St. Mary Mounthaw
- This is an additional one given in Chester's London Marriage Licenses.*
- 1647 Dec. 8 James Langham gent. of St. Helens Bishopsgate bachelor 26 and Mary Alston of St. Mary Hill London spinster 20 dau. of Edward Alston of same Dr. of Physic who consents; at Great or Little St. Bartholomew or St. Peter the Poor
- 1663 Oct 4 John Wittewronge of Rothamstead co. Herts. only son and heir of Sir John Wittewronge Kt and Bart of same bachelor 24 and Clare Alstone eldest dau of Joseph Alstone of London merchant 19 friends consenting, at Kensington Fulham or Knightsbridge co. Middlesex

Marriage Licenses.—FACULTY OFFICE.

- 1650-1 Nov. 21 Giles Duncombe of the Inner Temple gent bach^r. 22 son of John Duncombe of Ivinghoe Aston co Bucks gent and Ellinor spr 18 dau of Samuel Alston and Ellinor his wife of Newton co Suffolk who consent; at St. Gregory's London
- 1661 Oct 8 Longworth Crosse of St. Michael's Wood Street London gent. widr. 35 and Elizabeth Alston spr. 21 dau. of John Alston of Pavenham Beds. Esq. who consents; at Kingsthorpe co. North^{ton} or Pavenham afsd.
- *1670 Nov. 24 Sir Edward Alston Kt. of Strixton co. North^{ton} widr. and Anne Stratton of St. Clement Danes Middx. widow at St. Mary Savoy or St. Paul's Covent Garden Middx. or Bridewell Chapel London
- 1672 June 3 Stavely Stanton of Birchmore co. Beds. Esq. bachr. 21 and Elizabeth Alston of Odell sd. co. Spr. about 19 dau. of Sir Thomas Alston Kt. and Bart. who consents; at St. Margaret's Westminster St. Marylebone or the new chapel of St. Margaret's Westminster
- 1684 Aug. 6 Thomas Alston of the Inner Temple Eng. bachr. 50 and Anne Guilford of Chelsea Middx. widow at St. James' in the Field's Middx. St. Anne's Aldersgate London or the Royal Chapel Whitehall
- 1699 June 26 Joseph Alston of Edwardstone Suffolk Esq. bachelor 22 and Laurentia Trumbull of Hadleigh sd. county spr. 18 dau. of Charles Trumbull Dr. of Law who consents; at St. Bride's London or (*blank*)
- 1725 Jan. 27 The Hon. William Steuart of St. George's Sq. Middx. Widr. and Elizabeth Alston of St. Giles in the Fields Middx. Spr. 21 and upwards; at Guildhall Hall Chapel London

*Note.—According to a Chancery Suit, see p. 191, *Sir Joseph Alston. Bart., (Chelsea) married Anne Stratton and his will refers to his (second) wife Anne. Possibly Sir Joseph married her after the decease of Sir Edward*

Marriage Licenses—WESTMINSTER AND VICAR GENERAL.

- 1661 May 8 John Wiseman Esq. of Bozeart co North^{ton} Bachr. about 26 and Katherine Alstone of East Barnet Herts. Spr. about 21; consent of father Sir Edward Alstone Kt. of same; at St. Bartholomew the Less London

1666	Dec. 17	Samuel Goldsmith of St. Andrew's Holborn gent. Bachr. abt. 22 and Mrs. Rachael Alston of same Spr. about 17, consent of father Samuel Alston gent.; at St. Giles in the fields
1671	Oct. 31	John Lemon of St. Dunstan's West Citizen and Haberdasher and Mary Alston of Payenham Beds. Spr. abt. 18, consent of father John Alston of same Esq.; at St. Saviour's Southwark co. Surrey
1672	Sep. 11	Isaac Alston of Chelsea Middx. gent. Bachr. about 21 and Mrs. Mary Seale of St. Dunstan in the West Spr. abt. 21; her mother's consent; at St. Sepulchres' London
1674	April 21	Thomas Alston of Old Newton co. Suffolk gent. Bachr. aged 23 and Anne Nye of St. Mary-le-bow London widdow aged 27 at Kentish Town alias St. Pancras in Middx. or Camberwell in Surrey

MUSGRAVE'S OBITUARY.

Alstone, Joseph, Sussex 16th Oct. 1736 (G.M. 621)	
Alston Bethia Birnie, relict of Chas. A. bot. prof. Edinb. 31st Jan. 1788 (S.M. 206)	
„ Chas. D.D. Archdn of Essex, treas. St. Paul's, London 1714 (Neve's Mon 292; Neve's Fasti 191, 204)	
„ Chas. med. and botan. prof. Edinb. 22 Nov. 1760 (S.M. 612)	
„ Charles (Dr.) botan. prof. Edinb. 22 Nov. S.M. 612; L.M. 667; G.M. 594)	
„ Edwd. Medic. 24 Dec. 1669 oct 71 (Brit. Mus. 2149)	
„ Edw. (Sir) Medic. Presid. Coll. Physic. 24 Dec. 1669 oct 71 (Wood's Fasti Ox. 234)	
„ Edwd., Taxor, Camb. Clar. 1673 (Carter's Camb. 430)	
„ Eliz. (Lady) wife of Sir Thos. A. Bart. Woodhill Beds. and dau. of Sir Row. St. John of Woodford Northants 8 Sep. 1677 (Fun. Ser. by W. Dillingham; Wilford 357)	
„ Gavin printer Edinburgh 26 Aug. 1788 (G.M. 838)	
„ Joseph 16 Dec. 1733 (G.M. 663)	
„ Mary <i>vide</i> Langham	
„ Mary wife of Joseph A. Chelsea Feb. 1671 (Fun. Ser. by A. Littleton, <i>Wilford</i> 708)	
„ Ralph (Sir) of Linc. E.B. 1660	
„ Rowland (Sir) Bart. Bedfords. 1-2 Jan. 1759 oct 80 (G.M. 46; L.M. 52)	
„ Rowland (Sir) Bart. Bedfordsh. 29 June 1791 (G.M. liii 362; E.M. 80; G.M. 682)	
„ Thos. (Sir) of Bedf. E.B. 1642	
„ ——— Lady wife of Sir Rowland Alston Bart. dau. of Thos. Lord Crewe 18 Oct 1728 (H.R.C. 56)	
„ ——— Lady wife of Sir Evelyn Alston Bart. 30 Mar. 1753 (S.M. 149; L.M. 195)	
„ ——— Lady relict of ——— sister of ——— E. of Shrewsbury Oct. 1759 (S.M. 606) (<i>error for Lady Aston</i>)	
„ ——— Lady wife of Sir Rowld. Alston Bart. Bedfords. 18-20 July 1774, succeeded by Rowland (G.M. 334; L.M. 356; A.R. 195)	
———— Turnkey of Newgate 20 Aug. 1736 (G.M. 488)	

REGISTERS of ST. JAMES', CLERKENWELL, *Christenings*, 1701-1754. VOL. II.

1721	Oct. 21	Mary dau. of William and Mary Alston
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REGISTERS of ST. JAMES', CLERKENWELL, *Marriages*, 1551-1754. VOL. III.

1619	May 17	Thomas Croe and Winifred Alstor [<i>Alston</i>]
1694	Aug. 5	Robert Spicer and Susan Alston

REGISTERS of ST. JAMES', CLERKENWELL.—*Burials*.—VOL. V. 1666-1719.

1668 July 18 Ane Allstone a maid servant

Ditto—VOL. VI. 1720-1754.

1741 July 24 Henry Alstone, Swan Ally (age) 35

REGISTERS of CHRIST CHURCH, NEWGATE ST., 1538-1754.

1712 Sep. 28 Jane dau. of Robert and Elizabeth Alston born 10th *baptised*
1727 June 28 Mary daughter of William and Mary Alston *baptised*

REGISTER of BURIALS in the CATHEDRAL CHURCH at DURHAM, 1609-1896.

1712 Dec. 9 Horace Alston Esqr. nephew of Lord Crew

A Note says, Henry, great nephew to Lord Crew, Bishop of Durham, being the son of Sir Rowland Alston, second Bart., of Odell, Beds., by his wife Temperance, daughter of Thomas Lord Crew, elder brother of the prelate and his immediate predecessor in the title. He was appointed under sheriff on the death of Spearman, 1703, "during the Bishop's pleasure."

REGISTERS of ST. GEORGE'S, HANOVER SQUARE.—*Marriages*, 1788-1809. VOL. II.

1799 May 29 William Alston w. and Ann Rose s. (*This I take to be the second marriage of Sir William Alston 8th Bart. of Chelsea. See p. 50 His first wife was Mary Rose. Ann may have been her kinswoman, possibly even his deceased wife's sister.*)

MARRIAGE at S. GEORGE'S, HANOVER SQUARE.—*Marriages*, 1824-1837. VOL. IV.

1829 Mar. 2 Thomas Alston and Mary Ann Dowling

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL REGISTERS.—*Marriages*.

* Francis Hare Lord Bishop of St. Asaph widower and Margaret Alston of Edwardston in the County of Suffolk were married with a license in this Cathedral Church ye twenty-third day of April 1728 by me Joh. Flasby (Rector of Groton 1703 Vicar of Edwardston 1706)

† Robert Pye of the parish of Knotting in the County of Bedford bachelor and Ann Alston of the parish of S. James' Westminster in the County of Middlesex spinster were married in this Cathedral Church March ye 3rd 1747-8, by me Wm. Fitzherbert

** A note says, "Son of Richard Hare, by Sarah, daughter of Thomas Naylor, born 1 Nov., 1671, ed. at Eton and King's Coll., Camb. Rector of Barnes, Dean of Worcester, Prebend. of St. Paul, 1707, and Dean 1726 till his death; Bishop of St. Asaph 19 Dec. 1727, of Chichester 1731; died 26 April, 1731; buried at Chalford St. Giles. He married first his cousin, Bethaia Naylor, and secondly as above. They had seven children. (See Dictionary of National Biography.)"*

† A note says R. P. was third son of Henry Pye, of Farringdon, by Anne, daughter of Sir Benjamin Bathurst, Knt., L.L.D., Rector of Odell, Prebendary of Rochester.

WESTMINSTER ABBEY REGISTERS.

1692 Nov. 2 Sarah Duchess of Somerset (*in the Abbey*)

A note says, "Youngest of the two daughters and coheirs of Sir Edward Alston, Kt., M.D., the eminent President of the Royal College of Physicians, London, by Susan, dau. of Christopher Hudson (sic) of the city of Norwich. She married first, George Grimston, Esq., eldest son of Sir Harbottle Grimston, second Bart., who died 5 June, 1655, in his father's lifetime and without issue; secondly, John Seymour, fourth Duke of Somerset, who died in 1675, and was buried in Salisbury Cathedral; and thirdly, Henry, second Lord Coleraine, from whom, however, she is said to have lived apart during the remainder of her life. The unofficial register says she was buried near the monument of Lord Norris, which is in the Chapel of St. Andrew."

There is a fine recumbent alabaster effigy of the Duchess, near the famous Nightingale tomb. On the occasion when the compiler saw it in October, 1900, a beautiful wreath of white lilies lay thereon, having been deposited the previous day by the boys of Tottenham Grammar School in memory of their great benefactress.

1726 June 10 The Right Hon. General William Stewart Esq. in the Duke of Buckingham's vault in K. H. 7th Chapel
"See note on page 16."

1684-5 Mar. 3 James Clayton and Mary Alston

A note says, "He, only son of Sir Thomas Clayton, Kt., Warden of Merton College, Cambridge, by Bridget, dau. of Sir Clement Cotterell, Kt. He was of the Vach and lord of the manor of Chalford, St. Giles, Bucks., where he died without issue 28 Nov., 1714, in his 65th year, and was buried in the Church. She was youngest dau. of Sir Joseph Alston, first Bart. of Chelsea, Midx., by Mary dau. and coheir of Mr. Crookenberg, a merchant of Bergen-op-Zoom. She was baptized at Chelsea, 21 June, 1693, and survived her husband until May, 1730. (She was his second wife, as on the 1st June, 1677, he had license from the Vicar General to marry Elizabeth, dau. of Sir Richard Grubham Howe, of Wishford, co. Wilts., Bart. She died in childbed 9 Apl. 1681, and was buried in Merton College, Oxford.)"

REGISTERS of ST. GEORGES' CHAPEL, MAYFAIR (Hyde Park Corner) 1740-1748.

1753 Sep. 22 Rowland Alston and Gertrude Durnford of the precinct of the Tower marriage
1748 Oct. 2 William Berry and Jeanet Alston of St. Botolph Aldersgate marriage

REGISTERS of S. THOMAS THE APOSTLE, LONDON. 1558-1754.

1575 Sep. 25 Thomas Alston burial

ALSTON ENTRIES from FAMILY PAPERS, &c.

In the flyleaves of an old volume, "Magnae Britanniae Notitiae, or the present state of Great Britain, &c.," by John Chamberlayne, Esq., MDCCXXIX (1729) sent to the compiler by Miss Cutler, of Fletching, are the entries on one page

"Sir Evelyn Alston bought this book of Samuel Smith of Reigate the twelfth day of August 1731"
and on another in the same handwriting, evidently that of Sir Edward Alston the elder

"Sir Evelyn Alston was born ye twelfth day of November 1692"

"My son Evelyn was born ye thirteenth day of October in ye year of our Lord 1713"

"My daughter Penelope was baptized the sixteenth day of July in ye year of our Lord 1718 being then about three weeks old"

"My son Joseph was born the nineteenth day of february in ye year of our Lord 1719"

"My son William was born ye tenth day of April in ye year of our Lord 1722"

"My daughter Sarah was born ye twentieth day of January in ye year of our Lord 1727"

"My son George was born ye twenty-eighth day of December in ye year of our Lord 1730"

The following genealogical particulars have been supplied to me by Mr. William Alston Head of East Grinstead also, the first series is from memoranda in the handwriting of his grandfather, John Head, of Lingfield, who married Sarah, elder daughter of the last Sir William. The second series is from the copy of a letter of Sir William's own.

- (I) Sir Evelyn Alston was born November 12th 1662 died 1750 succeeded his brother Sir Joseph who died without issue about 1718. Sir Evelyn Alston had sons and daughters

Evelyn *no heirs*
 Penelope „
 William (*father of William of Lingfield*)
 Sarah *no heirs*
 George „

- (II) My father Sir Wm. Alston was born April 10 1722 and died at Oxted Surrey November 1802. My mother Elizabeth Alston was born Sept. 19th 1721 and died 21 June 1800

I, William Alston, was born November 15th 1745

Evelyn Alston was born October 3rd 1747 died 7 April 1799, buried at Blechingley;
 left one girl

Sally Alston was born Sept. 12th 17— left no child

George Alston was born January 19 1754 left no child

ALSTON TOMB INSCRIPTIONS.

ODELL CHURCH.

ON AN ORNATE MURAL MONUMENT.

HERE LIE INTERRED THE BODIES OF

Frances the wife of *Thomas Alston* of Polstead in Suffolk Gent. (who was buried at Newton in the said County) by whom she had sons *William Thomas Edward and John* and one daughter *Frances* who was after married to *St. John Temple* of Stanton in ye County of Bucks, being daughter of *Mr. Bloomfield* she died Sept xi 1644.

William Alston Esqr eldest son of ye said *Thomas and Frances* who died Bachelor at the Inner Temple was buried here March xvi 1637.

Sir Thomas Alston Baronet 2nd son of ye said *Thomas and Frances* and Heire of ye said *William* who married *Elizabeth* daughter of *Sir Rowland St. John* of Woodford Northampton Shire descended of ye honourable family of *St. John of Bletshoe* and lived with her xxxviii yeares having issue by her vii sonnes and two daughters he was buried July xi 1678.

Dame Elizabeth Alston wife of ye said *Sir Thomas*, she died Sept viii and was buried Sept x 1677.

Thomas Alston son of the said *Sir Thomas and Dame Elizabeth* his wife who died at Oxford June 14 1668 in the xxii yeare of his age and was buried here July xi following.

Sir Rowland Alston Baronet son of ye said *Sir Thomas and Elizabeth* his wife who married ye *Honourable Temperance* daughter of ye *Rt. Honourable Thomas Lord Crewe* Baron of Stean in the County of Northampton by whom he has issue 8 sons and 6 daughters. He was buried ye xxiii of Sept 1697 being in ye xlvii year of his age.

The *Honourable Dame Temperance* wife of *Sir Rowland Alston* Baronet died Oct 18th 1724.

Sir Thomas Alston Baronet their eldest son died unmarried in Dec 1714.

Vere John Alston their youngest son Rector of this Parish died the 20th June 1762, aged 77.

ON A PLAIN MURAL TABLET
Surmounted by Armourial Bearings.

Sir *Rowland Alston* Baronet who
succeeded to the Title and Estate
in Dec 1714 died Jan. 2nd 1759 aged 80
He married *Elivabeth* Sole Heiress of
Capt. *Thomas Raynes* who died
August 12th 1742 aged 44
By whom he had Two sons and Five
Daughters *Elizabeth* their Eldest Daughter
died April 30th 1756 aged 37
Temperance Ann and *Rachel* died Infants
Ann their Fifth Daughter married
the Reverend Doctor *Pye* Prebend of Rochester
Rector of Titchmarsh Northampton Shire
and of this Church
Sir Thomas Alston Baronet their
Eldest Son married *Catherine Davies Bovey*
and died July 18 1774 without issue
The present *Sir Rowland* succeeded
to the Title by whom this monument is
erected in memory of his much
loved and honoured parents.

ON A FINE CARVED MURAL MONUMENT

To the Memory of
THOMAS ALSTON Lieutenant of the 10th Regt of Foot
who fell in the prime of his youth
at the head of his gallant soldiers
upon the Breach at Monte Video
in the Moment of Victory!
His mildness of disposition and affability of manner
shone conspicuous
amidst the energies of a vigorous and active mind
and his display of early motives was embellished
by the promise of great professional talents
His loss is deeply and sincerely lamented
by his friends and afflicted family
who with pious gratitude record
the merits of a life devoted to a close
In the service of his Country
Oh Lord Receive His Spirit.

Black Marble Slab in the
Chancel of ODELL CHURCH.

Here lyeth interred
Dame Temperance the wife of
Sir Rowland Alston, Baronet and
widow of Sir John Wolstenholme
Bar^{et}. who died
Oct xviii, 1728.

Black Marble Slab,
ODELL CHURCH.

Sarah Alston
The wife of vere John Alston
Clerk died
February the 2nd 17³⁹/₄₀

Black Marble Slab,
ODELL CHURCH.

Here lieth the body of
Temperance the wife of the Revd.
Mr. Arthur Bedford Vicar of
Sharnbrook who departed this life
the 27th day of July 1742
in the 26th year of her age

Black Marble Slab,
ODELL CHURCH.

In this grave lies interred
the remains of Dame Elizabeth
the wife of Sir Rowland Alston
Bar^t and sole heiress
of Thomas Raynes Esq who
departed this life Augt 12th 1742.
Aged 44
Elizabeth her eldest daughter
who died April
the 30th 1756 aged 37
and also Temperance Anne and
Rachel who all dyed infants.

Black Marble Slab in the
CHANCEL OF ODELL CHURCH.

Sir Rowland Alston Bar^t
died the 2nd Jan 1759 aged 80
he was the fourth son
of
Sir Rowland Alston Bar^t by
the Hon. Dame-Temperance
succeeded to the title and
estate on the death of his
elder Brother—Sir
Thomas, in Dec^r 1714.

Flat Stone in the Nave,
ODELL CHURCH.

Sacred to the Memory
of
Sir Rowland Alston Baronet
Who died the 29th day of June
1791 aged 69 years. And of
Dame Gertrude Alston
his widow
who died on
the 14th day of March 1807
aged 75 years

Black Marble Slab,
ODELL CHURCH.

To the Memory of Vere John
Alston Rector of this Parish
to which he was instituted
22nd July 1714.
he died 20 June 1762 aged 77.

Flat Stone, HAROLD CHURCH.

Mrs. Ann Mead relict of
Richard Mead Esq M.D. third
daughter of Sir Rowland Alston
Bart of Odell Bedfordshire by
Temperance 2nd daughter of the
Right Honourable Thomas
Lord Crewe
died 8th Feb 1763 aged 73.

Flat Stone, HARROLD CHURCH.

Here lieth interred the body
of Rowland Alstone Esquire
who departed this life
April 21 1787
Aged 29 years

INSCRIPTIONS from TOMBSTONES.

In the floor of the Chancel in NEWTON CHURCH.

10 Etoiles 4, 3, 2 and 1
Helmet and Mantle
Crest, A Crescent.

In memory of
The Revd. Edward Alston, B.D.
late of East Bergholt in this County
and Rector of this parish
who died 18 Feb. 1722
aged 79 years.

In Memory of
Edward Alston, M.D.
who died 21 July 1705,
aged 25 years.

In Memory of
Samuel Alston Gentmn.
late of East Bergholt in this
County
who died 9 Octr. 1752
In ye 66 year of his age.

HATCHMENT.

On ye E. side of ye steeple
Alston. Az. Etoiles, or, 4, 3, 2, and 1.
Helmet Mantle
and Crest, a crescent, or.

In the floor of the Nave ASSINGTON CHURCH.

Alston. 10 Etoiles 4, 3, 2 and 1 a mullet for diffn.
Helmet, Mantle and Crest.

Thomas Alstonus utriusque Academiæ
Alumnus et in Artibus Magister, Ecclesiæ
Anglicanæ Presbyter, ad sacros ordines
Francisco White Eliensi Episcopo, juxta
Ritus ejusdem Ecclesiæ admissus mortalitatem
Suam exiit secundo die mensis Decembris et
Anno Domini 1690 Natus Aprilis sexto A.D.
1690, sepultus.

Fui in generatione ab Adamo miser
Sum in regeneratione a spiritu sancto felix
Ero in resurrectione a Christo beatus
Resurgam spe ad vitam per Christum
Fide ad æternam in cum Christo.

In the floor of Chancel of EDWARDSTONE CHURCH.

Here resteth in hopes of a
joyfull resurrection the body of
Mrs. Mary Alston, widow,
(Mother of Joseph Alston Esqr.
late of New House
in this parish deceased)
whose sincere piety, unbounded
charity, and uncommon
humanity made her respected
in her life time,
and will render her memory
dear to all true lovers
of religion and vertue.
Who departed this life
December ye 17 Anno Domini
1740
Aged 92 years.
C. A. P. D.

H. I.

Elizabetha filia natu septima
Josephi Alston, Armigeri
suavissimam puellam
suisque perquam dilectam
maligna tabe tenerum corpus despascente
ex patris indulgentissimi amplexibus
importuna mors eripuit
vº. Augusti, ætatis XV
Anno Domini MDCCXXIV.

H. S. E.

Domina Laurenti Josephi Alston
Hujus villæ Armigeri
uxor amabilis
reverendi Caroli Trumbull L.L.D.
filia unica
cujus memoriæ pientissimæ
publicum hoc tam doloris quam fidei
conjugalis monumentum
pietatis ergo
posuit mœrens maritus
Erat
filia observantissima
conjux fidissima
mater indulgentissima
in variis vitæ muneribus obeundis
æque calleus ac syncera
Quid multis?
Pietate prudentia ingenio comitate
tantisq corporis pariter ac animi
dotibus inclaruit
ut facile evaserit fœminei generis
decus et ornamentum
Liberos sex relinquentem superstites
e carnis ergas tulo liberarunt
variolæ malignæ
non sine luctu omnium
28 Feb.
Anno ætatis 37
Dom. 1717.
C.A.P.D.

Most of above Inscription is now covered by the Organ.

Juxta quoq ad latus jacet
Laurentia filia natu Secunda
optimæ spei virgo
— proh dolor nimis imaturo
erepta fato
tamen matura efflaviv animam
23 Feb.
Anno. Dom. 1717
æta. 15.
C. A. P. D.

H. S. E.

Josephus Josephi Alston, Armigeri
filius unicus
maxime spei juvenis
qui cum in Academia Cantabrigiensi
per aliquot annos optimis studiis
ingenium natura felix excoluerat
exteris regionibus lustrandis
triennium integrum insumpsit
ardorque animi expleri nescius
per omnia visu digna studio indefesso rapuit
nihil sibi aut valetudini suæ interea parcenteus
dum in eo totus erat ut vitam cum laude inceptam
ex omni parti ornatissimum redderet
quo factum ut idem fere peregrinationum
ac vitæ finis esset
nimis enim laboribus consecutus in pthisim incidit
qua ingraves cente
paucos post menses quam in patriam redierat
summo suorum dolore e vivis eraptu est
IX Decns. Anno { Ætatis XXVII
 { Domini MDCCXXXIII

H. S. E.

Josephus Alston Armr.
filius unicus Isaaci
Josephi Alston de Chelsea in Com. Middlesex, Baronetti,
filii natu tertii
vir nullo non nomine laudandus
Ingenio, literis, moribus ornatissimus,
Pietate in Deum, amore in patriam, fide in amicos
liberalitate in egenos, comitate in omnes insignis
omnia vite officia egregie implevit
Conjux, Pater, Dominus Civis optimus.
Arthritis quæ per complures annos
gravissime illum afflixerat
Cujusque Sævissimos cruciatus mira animi constantia
vultuque non modo tranquillo sed etiam hilari pertuleraat
vitæ minium quantum ærumnosæ finem imposuit
Anno { Ætatis Sexagesimo
 { Domini MDCCXXXVI
 Die Octobris undecimo.
Filice illi tres superstites fuere
Margareta Anna Charlotta
quarum tertia viro nondum nupta est
secundam in matrimonia habet Steph Soame de Thurlow Parva Arm.
primam Revs. in Christo Pater Franc. Hare Episcopus Cicestrensis
hæc optimo Parenti heres et testamenti curatrix facta.
H. M. P.

*Inscription is now covered
in parts by organ.*

M. S.

Maria filia natu quinta
 Josephi Alston Armi
 Hanc quoque ornatissimam virginem
 que in dubio reliquit
 utrum corporis forma et venustate
 an animi moribus et virtutibus
 esset amabilior
 Tabis funesta vis invasit
 Cui nulla arti resisti potuit
 et in florentissima cetati
 longiore vita dignissimam ademit

XXXI Augusti Anno { Ætatis XXII
 Domini MDCCXXVI

Note.—The above inscriptions in Latin are printed exactly as received from the contributor. I am informed that the stones are now almost covered from sight by the organ.

HATCHMENTS.

1. Alston. Az. 10 Etoiles 4, 3, 2 and 1
 on an escutchn. of pretence
 Trumbull. Arg. 3 bulls heads erased, sa.
 breathing flames, proper
 Helmet Mantle.
 Crest. An étoile, or, in a crescent, arg.
2. Quarterly
 Alston 1 and 4
 Seile 2 and 3 Arg. on ye sinr. side a tree
 proper issuing therefrom
 an antelope courant, sa.
 impaling
 Trumbull
 and on an escutchn. of pretence
 Trumbull
 Helmet Mantle and Crest.

From EDWARDSTONE CHURCHYARD.

AN ALTAR TOMB.

Here lieth the body of
 Martha the wife of John
 Alston, of this parish, Farmer,
 Who departed this life the 25th
 day of September 1728
 Aged 75 years.

Here also lieth the body of
 Sarah the wife of Saml.
 Alston of this parish Malster
 who departed this life the 25th
 day of May 1732

Aged 40 years.

Near this place lie the bodys of
 Martha, Elizabeth, and
 John, children of the said
 Saml. Alston and Sarah
 his wife who died in
 their infancy,

Here likewise lieth the body of the
 aforesaid Saml. Alston late
 of this parish Malster, who depart-
 ed this life the 23 day of
 February 1754, Aged 64 years.

In memory of
 Anna Maria Alston,
 who departed this life
 July 26, 1815
 Aged 46 years.

E end of above.


HEAD STONES.

Jacob Alston of Polstead
 d. 18 May 1760. a. 64.

Sarah, wife of William Tiffin of Newton,
 Suff. Farmer, formerly Sarah Alston
 d. 16 June 1770, a. 58.

In Memory of
 Mary wife of Jacob Alston of
 Polstead, who died Sep 21, 1750. Ætatis 54.
 She left one son and four daughters.
 At her feet lieth her son John
 Who died May 3rd, 1746
 Ætatis 19 years.

LAVENHAM.—In the floor S. Aisle of ye Chancel.

A Chev. betw. 3 owls—
impaling
10 estoiles 4, 3, 2, and 1
Helmet and Mantle
Crest A crest surmounted by an
estoile on ye 1st a  for diffn.

In memory of Mary the
wife of Thomas Frost,
Surgeon, of this parish,
who died the 2 May 1741
aged 23 years.
She was a virtuous and loving wife
a tender mother and a faithful friend.

BOXFORD.—In the floor of the Chancel.

Here resteth in hope of a joyfull
resurrection the body of
Catherine the wife of Edward
Alston, of Boxford, Gent.
who departed this life the 31
day of Octob. Anno Dom. 1690.

ON A BRASS PLATE.

Here lieth the body of Edward
Allston, whose deceased the 22
of January, 1617,
Here lyeth interred the body
of Edward Alston, Gent.
who as he enjoyed the same name
and dwelling of one of his Ancestors
soe he chose the same grave,
He departed this life March
1694 Anno Ætatis sue—
Gloriosam unâ expectans
resurrectionem.

MARLESFORD.—The wall of ye Chancel.

A monument of blk marble and alabaster
The busts of a man and his wife—stone-colored
wth. ruffs rd. their necks and in an oval frame work
of leaves—agst. a semi circular Pediment a shield
a skull on each side—on the shield.

Alston Az 10 Estoiles, 4, 3, 2, and 1
on a panel of blk marble below ye busts
To the memory of William Alston, Gent. who
married Avis, daughter of Jeferie Pitman
of Woodbridge, in the county of Suffolk, Esqr
and had issue 3 sonnes and 5 daughters; Avis the
eldest daughter who in pious memory
of her deceased parents hath here erected
this monument.

He died third of June 1641.

VOXFORD.—S. side of s. aisle of the Nave.

Hatchment Arms of Mann
impaling
Alston

Elizabeth dau. of ye above William Alston married to
Thomas Mann, of the Inner Temple, Esqr. Usher of
the Rolls.

Alston Extracts

FROM THE SUBSIDY LAY ROLLS, co. SUFFOLK.

	Lay Subsidy Roll $\frac{107}{68}$. Poll Tax.	
CO. ESSEX.	HINCKFORD HUNDRED.	4 Ric. ii.
	BELKCHAMP.	
John Alston and his wife	labor 12d.	
	Lay Subsidy Roll $\frac{108}{163}$	
CO. ESSEX.	HYNKEFORD HUNDRED.	14 Hen. 8
	HENYNHAM.	
William Alyston		8s.
Thomas Olston	£2	
	Lay Subsidy Roll $\frac{112}{606}$	
CO. ESSEX.	HINCKFORD HUNDRED.	21 Jas. 1
	BELCHAMPE WATER.	
William Allston	in lands £3	12s.
	FELSTED.	
? Richard Allstone	in lands £5	13s. 4d.
	GESTINGTHORPE.	
John Elliston	in goods £4	
	HENINGHAM CASTLE.	
Matthew Elliston	in goods —	—
Peter Elliston	" —	—
	HENINGHAM SIBLE.	
Edward Elliston	in goods ? £3	8s.
Matthew Elliston	" £10	—
John Elliston	" £16	17s. 8d.
	TOPEFIELD.	
John Allston, gent.	£8	—
	Lay Subsidy Roll $\frac{112}{612}$ (imperfect).	
CO. ESSEX.	HINCKFORD HUNDRED.	21 Jas. 1
	GESTINGTHORPE.	
John Allestone	in goods £4	10s. 7d.
	HENINGHAM CASTLE.	
Matthew Allestone	in goods £6	16s. 8d.
Peter Allestone	" £5	16s. 8d.
	HENINGHAM SIBLE.	
John Allestone	in goods £16	(?)
Edward Allestone	" £4	10s. 7d.
	Lay Subsidy Roll $\frac{112}{603}$	
CO. ESSEX.	BARSTABLE HUNDRED.	22 Jas. 1
	UPMINSTER.	
John Alleston	£10	8s.

CO. ESSEX.		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₆₈₇ . Hearth Tax.	
		HINCKFORD HUNDRED.	? Car. i
		BALLINGDON.	
Edward Allistone		£3	
John Allistone		£1	
		TILBURY JUXTA CLARE.	
Edward Ellistone		£5	
		GESTINGTHORPE.	
— Ellistone, gent.		£13	
		TOPPESFIELD.	
Mathew Alston		£6	
John Alston		£4	
		HALSTED.	
Joseph Elliston, gent.		£5	
		PENTLOWE.	
— Alston, clerk		£5	
		STIRLEAD.	
Lee Strange Alstone		£9	
		HEDINGHAM SIBLE.	
William Alstone		£6	
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₆₅₂	
CO. ESSEX.		LEXDEN HUNDRED.	16 Car. i
		BOXTED.	
Edward Alstone Esq.	goods	—	7s. 7d.
" " "	"	—	17s. 6d.
" " "	"	—	4s. 8d.
" " "	"	—	1s. 10d.
" " "	"	—	1s. 7d.
" " "	"	—	1s. 2d.
William Alistone	"	—	2s. 7d.
Edward Alstone Esq.	"	—	— 10d.
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₆₆₂	
CO. ESSEX.		BARSTAPLE HUNDRED,	16 Car i
Mrs. Anne Allston, widow		—	—
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₆₆₀	
CO. ESSEX.		TOWN OF COLCHESTER.	16 Car. i
		PARISH OF ST. LEONARDS.	
Tymothy Alliston		20s.	4s.
Richard Alliston		20s.	4s.
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₇₀₉	
CO. ESSEX.		TENDERING HUNDRED.	Car. ii.
Bromeley magna	Rate for	£17	10s.
Richard Alliston		—	2s.

CO. ESSEX.		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₇₀₈ . Hearth Tax.	
		HINCKFORD HUNDRED.	14 Car. ii.
		BALLINGDON.	
Edward Alliston		£3	
John Alliston		£1	
		TILBURY JUXTA CLARE.	
Edward Elliston		£5	
		GESTINGTHORPE.	
— Elliston, gent.		£13	
		TOPPESFIELD.	
Mathew Alston		£6	
John Alston		£4	
		PENTLOWE.	
— Alston, clerk		£5	
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₇₀₇ . Hearth Tax.	
CO. ESSEX.		DENGIE HUNDRED.	14 Car. ii.
		DENGIE.	
Joseph Elliston, gent.			
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₆₉₃	
CO. ESSEX.		DENGY HUNDRED.	15 Car. ii.
		DENGIE.	
Joseph Elliston, gent.		in goods	£8 16s. 8d.
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹¹² / ₆₈₂	
CO. ESSEX.		HAVERING ATTE BOWER HUNDRED.	18 Car. i.
John Alleston		7s.	
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸⁰ / ₁₃₅	
CO. SUFFOLK.		BABERGH HUNDRED.	14-15 Hen. 8.
		CAVENDISH.	
John Alston		£10	11s.
		BRENT ILLITH.	
John Alston		£10 10s.	11s.
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸⁰ / ₁₃₄	
CO. SUFFOLK		BABERGH HUNDRED.	14-15 Hen. 8.
		NEWTON.	
William Alston		£10	15s.
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸¹ / ₂₈₃	
CO. SUFFOLK.		BABERGH HUNDRED.	37 Hen. 8.
		NEWTON.	
William Alston		in lands	£10 20s.
		Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸² / ₃₇₀	
CO. SUFFOLK.		BABERGH HUNDRED.	18 Eliz.
		EDWARDSTON.	
Thomas Alston		in goods	£6 10s.

John Aliston	SUDBURIE.		
	in goods	£10	16s. 8d.
Jeames Eliston	LACKFORD HUNDRED.		
	HALLYWELL ROWE.		
	in lands	20s.	6s. 8d.
CO. SUFFOLK.	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸² ₄₂₆		
	BABERGH HUNDRED.		39 Eliz.
	POLSTED.		
Thomas Alston	in goods	100s.	13s. 4d.
Edward Alston	BOXFORD.		
	in goods	"	"
Edward Alston	EDWARDESTON.		
	in goods	£7	18s. 8d.
William Alston	SEAMER.		
	in goods	100s.	13s. 4d.
CO. SUFFOLK.	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸² ₄₄₇		
	BABERGH HUNDRED.		43 Eliz. 1600
	ASSINGTON.		
Thomas Alston, junr.	in goods	60s.	5s.
Thomas Alston, senr.	NEWTON.		
	in goods	£13	21s. 8d.
Thomas Alston, junr.	in goods	100s.	8s. 4d.
Edward Alston	BOXFORDE.		
	in goods	£6	10s.
Thomas Alston	EDWARDESTON.		
	in goods	£4	6s. 8d.
Edward Alston	in goods	£7	11s. 8d.
CO. SUFFOLK.	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸² ₄₅₁		
	LACKFORD HUNDRED.		Eliz.
	FRECKENHAM.		
Anne Alston, widow	in goods	£4	25s. 4d.
CO. SUFFOLK.	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸³ _{489a}		
	BABERGH HUNDRED.		1 Car. i.
	POLSTED.		
Fraunces Alston, widow	in lands	£30	£5
Edward Alston	EDWARDSTON.		
	in goods	£6	16s.
Ann Alston	BOXFORD.		
	in goods	£4	10s. 8d.
Samuel Alston	NEWTON.		
	in lands	£8	32s.
William Alston	—	"	"
Edmond Alston	—	£4	16s.
Margaret Alston	in goods	£4	10s. 8d.
Susan Alston	—	"	" "

	ASSINGTON.		
Raffe Alston	in goods	"	" "
	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸³ ₄₉₈		
CO. SUFFOLK.	BABERGH HUNDRED.		3 Car. i.
	EDWARDESTON.		
Edward Alston, gent.	in goods	£4	10s. 8d.
	NEWTON.		
William Alston, gent.	in lands	£6	24s.
Edmond Alston	—	£3	12s.
Samuel Alston	—	£5	20s.
	ASSINGTON.		
Ralf Alston, gent.	in goods	£3	12s.
	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸³ _{555a}		
CO. SUFFOLK.	(1) (fragment undated)		Car. i.
Edward Allston, of Boxford		£13 6s. 8d.	
Thomas Alston, of Newton, senr.		£10	
	(2) BABERGH HUNDRED.		
	EDWARDSTON.		
Edward Alston		13s. 4d.	
	NEWTON.		
Samuel Alston		£5	
William Alston		£6	
Edmond Alston		£3	
	ASSINGTON.		
Raffe Alston, gent.		20s.	
	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸³ ₅₂₉		
CO. SUFFOLK.	LEOS HUNDRED.		17 Car. i.
	MARLEFORD.		
— Alston, widow	in lands	£3	24s.
	HARKESTON.		
Mrs. Avis Alston	in lands	£3	24s.
	Lay Subsidy Roll ¹⁸³ ₅₈₈		
CO. SUFFOLK.	SAMPFORD HUNDRED.		17 Car. i.
	CHATTESHAM.		
Joseph Alston, gent.	in lands	£5	2s. 6d.
	HINTLESHAM.		
Joseph Alston, gent.	in lands	£16	8s.
	WASHBROOKE.		
Joseph Alston, gent.	in lands	£18	9s.
Joseph Alston, gent.	in goods	£100	2s. 6d.

Note.—Some of the above extracts relate to Allistons and Ellistons, but I have decided to leave them as taken by my copyist who says the extracts "range from Hen. iii. to Car. ii. I have worked backwards making a rough list not of all the rolls, but of the different hundreds at intervals of about 10 years as near as may be (for sometimes the second and third payments of a subsidy are practically identical as regards the persons assessed. I have worked back most carefully in these hundreds where Alstons were found, omitting those where there appeared to be none settled. The roll of both counties (Essex and Suffolk) are in rather bad condition as a whole; for some counties the Hearth Tax returns are complete and in splendid condition. In both these counties there are only fragments and often half a membrane is absolutely illegible. Some rolls consist of only one or two membranes, others of 20 to 30. I have examined altogether 66 rolls."

Alston

Chancery Inquisitiones

Post Mortem.

THOMAS ALLSTON, JUNIOR.

Ser. ii, Vol. 323,
No. 28.
1611.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Bungay, 7 November 9 James i. (1611)
The jury say that one Thomas Alston, senior, and the said Thomas Alston, junior, were seised in their demesne as of fee in a messuage called Clarbecks *alias* Ozrells, in Assington, co. Suffolk, and in another messuage (called Hoppers) and in various pacels of land there; by their deed of feoffment, dated 4 January 5 James i. (1608) they conveyed the property to William Weekes, gent., and Robert Fare, in trust to the use of the said Thomas Alston, junior, and Elizabeth, his wife, in tail.

Thomas Alston died 29 September, last past (1611), leaving Elizabeth, his widow, still surviving, and Thomas Alston, his son and heir, aged 2 years, 5 months and 3 weeks at his father's death.

The two messuages are held of John Gurden, Esq., as of his manor of Assington; parcels of land called Kempsters and Thurbury croft are held of the King as of his honor of Clare.

See Table 100 page 62.

Note.—Inquisitiones post mortem and all other records formerly kept in the Rolls Chapel (unless lost by mischance) are now all at the Record Office.

THOMAS ALSTON, JUNIOR.

Ser. ii, Vol. 342,
No. 99.
1614.
co. Essex.

Inquisition taken at Great Dunmow, co. Essex, 29 September 12 James i. (1614)
The jury say that one Dorothy Holmested, mother of the said Thomas Alston, was seised of a moiety of the rectory, and advowson of the vicarage of Great Mapleston, co. Essex. She afterwards married Thomas Alston, father of the aforesaid Thomas, who was their eldest son. She died 3 April 21 Elizabeth (1579); her husband survived till 3 May last (1614).

Thomas Alston junior died 14 July 2 James i. (1604). Thomas Alston, his son and heir, is now 17 years, 6 months and 17 days old.

The rectory, &c., is held of the crown in chief.

See Table 25 page 23.

WILLIAM ALSTONE, SENIOR, late of Newton, co. Suffolk, yeoman.

Miscellaneous
Pt. 6 No. 23
1618.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Bury St. Edmund's, 20 August 16 James i. (1618).
The said William Alstone was seised of the manor of Seyham (or Seyme) Hall, held of the King as of the Honour of Clare, by military service; a messuage and land in Newton, called Moundekyns, held of Sir Robert Crane of his manor of Peacock Hall in Cornard, and bought by said William of one Thomas Cooke; a messuage called Antones in Great Waldingfield, bought of Thomas Parrishe, and held of Sir Robert Crane, of Waldingfield manor; a messuage called Baker's and land in Chilton hamlet, in the parish of Clare, bought of Giles Sheldrake, held of the King, of his manor of Erburye; a messuage and land in Boxford, held of Sir Edward Peyton, of his manor of Coddendam Hall; and messuages and lands in Bures St. Mary, Acton, Stoke by Clare, Kedington *alias* Ketton, Wixhoe and Hundon.

William Alstone deceased made his will (part of which is recited) at Newton, 30 May 14 James i. (1616) by which he bequeathed the manor of Sayme Hall to his eldest son William, for life, with remainder to William, son of his said son. He died — January 15 Jas. i. (1618) at Newton.

William Alstone, his son and heir, was then 50 and more.

See Table 3 page 5.

EDWARD ALSTON, Clothier.

Ser. ii, Vol. 371,
No. 140.
1618.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Ipswich, 18 April 16 James i. (1618).

The jury say the said Edward Alston was seised of the manor of Shelland, *alias* Shelland Hall, with land, &c., in Rattlesden, Shelland and Woollpitt, co. Suffolk; land called Turnor's in St. Gregory's parish, Sudbury; a messuage, garden and orchard in Bures St. Mary, formerly belonging to William Alston, his father; land in Clare and Stoke by Clare; land in Wissington and Assington, bought by Edward, the deceased, of Sir William Waldegrave, Kt.; land in Nayland, Polsted and Boxford, bought by himself; a messuage and land in Waldingfield Magna and Acton, co. Suffolk, formerly belonging to his father; the site of the manor of Overtye, and land belonging to the same in Bramford; and land in Bramford, formerly copyhold of the manor of Loftofts, and bought by the deceased of Lord Wentworth.

By his will, dated 21 January 15 James i. (1618) the said Edward bequeathed the manor of Shelland, and premises in Sudbury and Bures St. Mary, to his son Joseph Alston, in tail, with contingent remainders to his sons Edward and John; the premises in Clare, Assington, Wissington, Stoke, Nayland, Polsted and Boxsted, to his son Edward, in tail, with contingent remainders to the said Joseph and John; a tenement in White Street, Boxford, to the poor of Boxford; of the residue of all his freehold lands so much as shall amount to $\frac{1}{4}$ of the whole, to his eldest son John; the remainder to be held by his executors for performance of his will, till his son John, or next heir be 21, with contingent remainders to his other sons, and his three daughters Anne, Susan and Bridget, to each of which daughters he bequeathed £500. Executors:—his brother Peter Alston and, John Alston aforesaid.

Edward died at Boxford, 22 January 15 James i. (1618), leaving John, his son and heir, aged 12 years and 23 weeks.

The manor of Shelland is held of — Rivett, widow, as of her manor of Rattlesden; the messuage in Sudbury, of Robert Crane, Kt., as of his manor of Sudbury *alias* Woodhalls; the premises of Bures St. Mary, of Dame Jemima Waldegrave, widow, as of her manor of Smallbridge; land in Clare, &c., of the King as of his manor of Enburye *alias* Stoke with Chilton; land in Assington, &c., of John Gurdon, Esq., as of his manor of Assington; land in Assington and Wissington, of the King as of his manor of E. Greenwich; the site of the manor of Overtye, of John Acton, gent., as of his manor of Bramford.

See Table 10 page 11.

THOMAS ALSTON.

Ser. ii, Vol. 384,
No. 155.
1620.
co. Suffolk and
co. Essex.

Inquisition taken at Ipswich, 11 April 18 James i. (1620).

Long before the death of the said Thomas, one Richard Goodday, gent., was seised of the manor or farm called Geddinghall, and land in Polsted and Assington, co. Suffolk, held of the King in socage, as of his hundred of Babergh; and, in return for a sum of money paid him by Thomas, he therewith enfeoffed the said Thomas and one Frances Blomefeild, afterwards wife of Thomas, in tail, by deed of 17 March 3 Jas. i. (1603). Frances now survives her husband. Thomas also held a messuage and land in Glemham Magna and Parham, of the Earl of Suffolk, as of his manor of Kettlebergh; another messuage and land in Parham, of the said Earl, of his manor of Hacheston; and land, &c., in Cranesforth, of the said manor; a small messuage called Little Fishes, and garden, in Assington, formerly belonging to the monastery of Bury St. Edmunds, of the Prince of Wales; a messuage and land in Great Waldingfeild, of Robert Crane, Kt., as of his manor of Morvys; a messuage called Pinfeild, and land in Gt. Waldingfeild, held of the King, as of his Honor of Clare; another messuage and land there, of Marjory Clopton, widow, as of her manor of Sampfords; a close there called Parkers, otherwise Upstrete close, of Richard Roberts, as of his manor of Pondhall; a messuage and land in Edwardston, formerly parcel of the manor of Edwardston, of the Prince of Wales, of his Honor of Eye; also a messuage and land in Wickham St. Paul, co. Essex, held of the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, as of their manor of Wickham St. Paul; land in Pebmarsh and Twystead, co. Essex, of Nicholas Manninge, Esq., as of his manor of Dagworthe; a messuage called Cranes, and land in Great and Little Maplested and Gestingthorp, co. Essex, held of Edward Wiseman, Esq., as of his manor of Little Maplested; messuage and land in Thaxsted, held of William Smythe, Kt., as of his manor of Thaxsted; messuage and lands in Ashen *als* Esse, of the manor of Clare Hall *als* Clarett Hall; a messuage and lands in Elmsted, Fratinge and Thorington, of William Purton, Esq., of his manor of Elmsted, and of Caius' College, Cambridge, as of their manor of Fratinge; a messuage and lands in Stysted, of Thomas Gardyner, Knight, as of his manor of Stansted Hall, and of Robert Huddleston, Kt., as of his manor of Pigotts, and of — Wiseman, widow, of her manor of Claverings *als* Newhall, co. Essex.

By his will, dated 11 January last, he left the messuages and lands in Parham and Glemham to his wife, till William, his eldest son, be 21; and the tenements in Ashen, Elmstead, Fratinge and Thorington, to his said wife, till his second son Thomas be 21; tenements in Great Waldingfield and Stystead, similarly, till his third son Edward be 21; and the premises in Edwardston, and in Wickham St. Paul, &c., till his youngest son John be 21.

Thomas Alston died 21 January 17 James i. (1620). William Alston, his son and heir, was then 12 years and 4 months old.

See Table 13 page 14.

THOMAS ALSTON.

Ser. ii, Vol. 384,
No. 120.
1620.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Ipswich, 20 June 18 James i. (1620) in virtue of a writ for further enquiry, as to the tenure of the manor of Geddinghall, which the jury again return as held of the King in socage, and *not* by military tenure.

See Table 13 page 14.

THOMAS ALSTON.

Ser. ii, Vol. 383,
No. 101.
1620.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Ipswich 5 October 18 James i. (1620).

The jury say the said Thomas was seised of two messuages called Priors in Newton, co. Suffolk, and land there bought of Robert Cooke, by tenure unknown; a messuage and land in Newton, Cornerde and Sudbury, held by tenure unknown; the Rectory and Priory of Edwardston; land in Waldingfield Magna and Parva, and Milding, and other land in Assington and Newton, all by tenures unknown; in certain lands late parcel of the manor of Newton Hall, held of the King in chief by military service; a capital messuage called Deanes, and other lands in Newton, held by tenure unknown; also 30 acres in Horkesley Magna and Parva, co. Essex, in the tenure of Robert Steele, senior and junior; and land in Fryer's meadow in Sudbury, by tenure unknown.

On 19 January 4 James i. (1607) in consideration of a marriage to be had between Mary, daughter of Robert Parke, and William, one of the sons of the said Thomas, Thomas settled the premises last mentioned on the said William and Mary in tail.

Thomas Alston's son Thomas died 14 July 2 James (1604)

Thomas Alston, in the writ named, died 6 June 12 James i. (1614). Thomas Alston, gent., son of his son Thomas deceased, is his heir, and was aged 17 years and 4 months at his death, since which time the profits and issues of the premises have been received by Samuel, Isaac, Edmund, Abraham and Alston, his sons, and Susanna Alston, his widow.

See Table 24, page 22.

ISAAC ALLSTON, of Edwardston.

Ser. ii, Vol. 463,
No. 46.
1625.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Eye, 7 November 1 Charles i. (1625) (calendared as 7 Charles i.)

The said Isaac was seised of a capital messuage called Motts and about 3 acres thereto belonging, in Newton, co. Suffolk, which by his will, dated 21 May 1 Charles i. (1625) he bequeathed to his wife Susan for life, with remainder to his brother Samuel in tail. Isaac also held a messuage lately rebuilt and 4 acres of pasture in Little Waldingfield and the Rectory and advowson of Waldingfield.

He died 22 June last past.

William Alstone (relationship not given) his heir, is 40 and more.

The premises in Newton are held of Maurice Barrowe, Esq., of his manor of Newton; those in Waldingfield, of the heirs of Sir Isaac Appleton, of their manor of Branston Hall; and the rectory aforesaid of the King.

See Table 24 page 22. William Alstone his heir was his elder brother.

JOHN ALSTON, gent., son and heir of Edward Alston, deceased, a minor.

Ser. ii, Vol. 426,
No. 116.
1626.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Hadleigh 7 June 2 Charles i. (1626) reciting the findings of the *inq. p. m.* of Edward Alston, 16 James i.

One third of all the holdings therein recounted descended to John Alston, the deceased, who died 10 May last, a minor, ward to the King, at Boxford.

Joseph Alston, his brother and heir, was then aged 11 years and 13 weeks.

Another inquisition (Ser. ii. Vol. 428) on the death of the above John refers to tenements in Boxford, co. Suffolk, only; held of Edward Peyton, Kt. and Baronet, of his manor of Peyton Hall.

See Table 10 page 11.

THOMAS ALSTON.

Ser. ii, Vol. 430,
No. 178a,
1626.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Bury St. Edmund's 31 October 2 Charles i. (1626).

The said Thomas held two messuages called Prior's in Newton, &c., &c., &c.

On 1 September 6 James i. (1608) he had conveyed to his son Samuel in tail the two messuages called Priors and other messuages and lands in Newton; to his son Isaac, a wood called Southywood in Waldingfield, &c.; to his son Edward, a messuage called Cordwayner's *alias* Hales, and land, &c., in Newton; to his son Abraham, a messuage called Waspe's and lands formerly parcel of the said tenement called Prior's.

His will was made 26 September 11 James i. (1613); he thereby bequeathed the lands as above, and to Edmund Alston, his son, lands called Coppins and Fritters, and certain lands formerly parcel of the manor of Newton Hall.

See Table 24 page 22.

(On a writ de Melius Inquirendo.)

PETER ALSTON, Gentleman.

Ser. ii, Vol. 441,
No. 12.
1628.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Ipswich 19 September 4 Charles i. (1628).
The said Peter was seised of a messuage and land in Great and Little Waldingfield, held of the King as of Clare Honour; and of a messuage and land in Bramford; all of which he settled in reversion on Katherine his wife, one of the daughters of Edward Bugges, in accordance with the terms of an indenture dated 6 May 22 James i. (1624). He was also seised of the reversion of the site of the manor of Lovetoftes, after the expiry of a lease thereof granted by Lord Wentworth to one Thomas Denton; which last, together with the above said and other lands in Bramford, are held of John Acton, gentleman, of his manor of Bramford; also of the manor of Lovetoftes, and lands, and a water mill and fulling mill called Laxfeild Mill, and land in Burstall, Stoke by Clare, Ketton, Whixho, and Hundon. His will (some provisions of which are given) was dated 6 March last past. He died at Bramford 3 April 4 Charles i. (1628).

Peter, his son and heir, was then 20 years and 8 months old.

See Table 12 page 13.

SAMUEL ALSTON, Gentleman.

Ser. ii,
Miscellaneous
Pt. 16, No. 2.
1633.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Bury St. Edmund's, 30 October 9 Car. i. (1633).
The said Samuel was seised of two messuages called Prior's in Newton; and of two other messuages and land there, bought of Robert Cooke: a messuage there called Motts; a capital messuage there called Deanes; a piece of land there called Leightlandes, formerly belonging to Cecilia Pucerell, and afterwards to Robert Alston, and divers parcels of land in Newton; also land called Prestland, Ashwell and Little Hales in Cornard Magna; a messuage in Newton lately bought by him of one John Marshall, and another of John Agas; a messuage and land in Edwardeston, land and wood called Spragges, in Waldingfeild magna, and the Rectory and adowson of Waldingfeild parva.

His will, dated 22 April 7 Charles i. (1631) is in parts recited. He died at Newton, 11 May 7 Charles i. (1631) Thomas Alston, gentleman, kinsman and next heir of the said Samuel, was then 21 and more.

See Table 24, page 22.

WILLIAM ALSTON, Senior, Gentleman.

Ser. ii.
Miscellaneous,
Pt. 16, No. 7.
1634.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Bury St. Edmund's 16 April 10 Charles i. (1634).
The said William was seised of the manor of Seymehall, and of lands, &c., thereto belonging in Newton and Cornard parva. By his deed of 5 June 8 Charles i. (1632), he conveyed the reversion of the said premises after his death to trustees, to the use of his son Joseph Alston in tail male, with contingent remainder to James and Jonas Alston, sons of said William, in tail male; and then to Tobias Alston, another of his sons, in tail male. The said William was also seised of a messuage called Herriot's, and land in Edwardston, Boxford and Newton; and a messuage, a watermill called Doores, and land in Boxford and Newton, settled as above. Also of a messuage and land in Newton, lately bought of William Andrewe, the reversion of which, after his own death he settled (by indenture) between himself and his son Joseph, dated 21 October 9 Charles i. (1633), on his son Tobias. The said William also held a messuage and land in Newton, called Mondekyngs, which (by his will dated at Newton 14 July 1632), he bequeathed to the said Tobias in tail, with contingent remainder to Benjamin Alston, another of his sons.

William died 5 November 9 Charles i. (1633) at Newton.

William Alston, gentleman, his son and heir, was aged 21 and more at the time of his death.

See Table 4 page 6.

WILLIAM ALSTON, Esquire.

Ser. ii.
Miscellaneous
Pt. 22, No. 16.
1638.
co. Bedford.

Inquisition taken at Bedford, 6 September 14 Charles i. (1638).
The said William was seised of the manor of Great Woodhull, *alias* Odle, and Little Woodhull, *alias* Odle, and of land in both places, and in Langford, Hockliffe, Shernbrooke, and Wymyngton, and of the adowson of the church of Great Woodhull, bought by the said William of Richard Chetwood, Kt., and Dorothy his wife; held of the King in chief by military service.

Also of the manors of Stevington *alias* Steynton, and Pavenham *alias* Patnam, and land in both places and in O'Kell, Bromham, Stageden and Sturvy *alias* Turvy, bought by the said William of William Terrell, Esq., and Dorothy his wife, and held as above; and the manor of Pavenham *alias* Pabenham, bought by him of Edward, Lord Gorges, and others; by tenure unknown; and also of other messuages and parcels of land in the above named places.

co. Essex.

Also of 2 messuages and land in Halsted, Pebmarsh and Colne Engaine, co. Essex, formerly belonging to William Thurgood, gent., by tenure unknown.

By his indenture dated 1 March 13 Charles i. (1638), by the name of William Alston of the Inner Temple, Esq., he conveyed the premises above set forth to the use of Lady Frances Temple, widow, his mother, after his death.

He died at Great Woodhull, 3 March 13 Charles i. (1638).

The said Lady Frances is now living at Woodhull aforesaid.

See Table 13 page 14.

WILLIAM ALSTON, Gentleman.

Ser. ii, Vol. 497,
No. 61.
1641.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Bury St. Edmund's, 4 September 17 Charles i. (1641).
The said William was seised of a capital messuage known as Sherts, and land in Marlesford and Parham, held of Robert Nawton, Esq., as of his manor of Kettleburgh, and of John Barbor, as of his manor of Marlesford; and messuages and land in Aspoll, Framesden and Hacheston, co. Suffolk.
Part of his will is recited.
He died 11 June 17 Charles i. (1641).
Samuel Alston is his son and heir, and was 11 years old on the 10th January last.
Avice, his daughter and executrix, and Margaret Alston his widow, are both surviving.
See Table 5 page 7.

JOSEPH ALLSTON, Gentleman.

Ser. ii.
Miscellaneous,
Pt. 26, No. 88,
1644.
co. Suffolk.

Inquisition taken at Ipswich — May 21 Charles i. (1644).
The said Joseph was seised of the manor of Shelland and two messuages and land in Rattlesdon, Shelland and Wollpitt, co. Suffolk; a messuage and land in Bures St. Mary; and messuages and land in Chilton in the parish of Clare, Stoke by Clare and Poslingford; a messuage and land called Osmonds, in Assington, Wissington and Stoke by Nayland, formerly John Turner's; land in Polsted and Boxford, formerly John Yeoman's; a messuage and land in Great Waldingfeild and Acton; and the site of the manor of Overtie and land in Bramford, late farmed by Francis Colburne, decd., and parcel of the said manor; and three closes of land there, lately bought by the said Joseph of Nicholas Bacon, gent.; and four messuages and land, bought by him of James Baldwin, gent., in Washbrooke, Hintlesham and Chattisham.
Portions of his will, dated 18 December 19 Charles i. (1643), at Washbrooke, are recited.
Joseph died at Washbrooke 21 December 1643; his widow Mary is living at Stowmarket.
His daughter Mary and Suzanna were his heirs, aged at their father's death respectively 4 and 2.
On the 4th December last past the said Suzanna died at Beeston, co. Norfolk.
See Table 11 page 12.

SUFFOLK. Feet of Fines Hill 20 Jas.

Peter Allston and others plaintiffs (is purchasers or feoffees)
Robert Sherman defendant (Tenements in Bramford)

Do. Mich 21 James i.

Annie Alston widow pltff. }
John Hamond defdt. } Tenements in Polsted, &c.

William Allston senior pltff. }
William Allston junior defdt. } Manor of Seymehall Hall, &c.

Note.—These Suffolk Fines were noted by a friend looking over some Suffolk Fines.

Alston Wills.

**Sarah
(Alston)
Duchess of
Somerset.**

Will dated 17th May, 1686 (2 Jas. ii.) testatrix describes herself as late wife of John, Duke of Somerset, deceased and now wife of Henry Lord Coleraine. Recites the reservation in her marriage settlement of a power to dispose of her estate. Commends her soul to God trusting through Jesus Christ to receive pardon and remission of her sins and a glorious resurrection. Directs her body to be interred in Westminster Abbey. Recites a deed to which she and Lord Coleraine Sir Harbottle Grimston Bt. Master of the Rolls deceased and Sir Samuel Grimston Bt. of Gorhambury co. Herts. his son and successor were parties by which certain estates were conveyed to the two Harbottles upon trust to dispose of as she might direct. And another deed (dated 14 July 34 Car. ii.) between herself Lord Coleraine Sir Harbottle Grimston Bt. Sir William Gregory Kt. one of the Barons of the Court of Exchequer whereby certain estates in England and Ireland were conveyed to Sir Harbottle Grimston Bt. and his son Samuel for a term of 99 years if she should so long live, together with her ready money, plate, goods, chattells and household stuff, upon trust to dispose of as she might direct.

Directs her executors to expend £800 on her funeral and tomb, not more than £300 on her funeral and the balance on her tomb.

Bequeaths £1,700 to build an Almshouse in two certain acres of land in Froxfield ("ffroxfield") near to the village and church for 30 poor widows. The almshouse to be in the form of a quadrangle with a chapel in the middle of the court. Both houses and chapel to be of brick. The houses each to have a ground room and chamber above with a hearth in each room but to be without cellars or garrets. £200 to be spent on tables bedsteads and "suchlike durable furniture," for the making of seats in the chapel cushions for the seats bibles for the minister and similar necessities.

If the houses were in process of being built by herself at her death only so much to be expended as might be needed to complete her object.

The thirty poor widows to be chosen thus—five and twenty from the counties of Wilts. Berks. and Somerset ten of whom should be minister's widows, and ten at least of whom should be from her manors in Wilts. The other five to be minister's widows from London or Westminster. These ratios to be maintained in filling up vacancies.

No widow possessing lands or tenements worth £20 a year or more to be eligible. Each widow to have an equal share from the maintenance fund.

Devises her farm of Milton and Fyfield in Wilts. (purchased of Thomas Kellway gent.) and let at £150 per annum and her manors of "ffroxfield" Hewish and Shaw in Wilts. worth by her "bailiff's and other officer's accounts" when certain leases determine £640 per annum for endowment purposes. Cloth gowns all of the same sort and colour are to be given the widows at Christmas. The minister of Froxfield to receive £10 per annum for daily prayers and visiting sick widows. A chaplain to be appointed when revenue suffices and the number of almshouses increased also under such circumstances to admit 20 more widows 5 from London and Westminster and 15 from other parts within 150 miles of London except Wilts. Somerset and Berks. 5 to be ministers widows.

Lands, &c., in Cotmarsh Broadhinton co. Wilts. left to provide funds to apprentice 4 boys born on her Wiltshire estates "to some honest trade or calling." Manor of Broadtowne co. Wilts. left to apprentice poor Wiltshire boys.

Manor of Thornhill co. Wilts. given to Brazenose College Oxford.

Manor of Wootton Rivers co. Wilts. given to St. John's College Cambridge.

Scholars in each college benefitting by funds to be called "Somerset Scholars." The scholars to be elected from Manchester Hereford and Marlborough free schools. Part of profits of manors to go towards providing chambers studies gowns and caps for students and books.

Bequests of £300 for distribution among 30 poor widows of ministers in London or Westminster and 70 poor women aged or with many children or who "were burnt out by the late dreadful fires." £250 to apprentice 40 Westminster boys. £100 to poor of St. Margaret's parish. £300 to Richard Skinner's children. Sundry other legacies to relatives Sir Joseph Alston Bt. of Chelsea and family, the Gilberts, Coles, and to maid servants and waiting women. A silver gilt pierced work cup and salver weighing 88 oz. to the Countess of Aylesbury; a great silver basket to Viscountess Weymouth. Plate called "Twilight Plate" in trust for niece Lady Delamere with remainder to Lady Elizabeth Booth. Also things as in schedule to Lady Elizabeth. To Lady Mary Booth Japan cabinet and other furniture necklace of largest pearls "five-and-forty in number" and locket with "nine-and-twenty" diamonds. To Langham Booth things as in schedule. Also £4,000 to Elizabeth, £3,000 to her sister. Legacies of a hundred guineas to Charles Lord Bruce George Booth, Lady Lukin and her son Capell Lukin. A large table diamond ring and gold enamelled watch with gold chain and pair of silver candlesticks and silver gilt pot and cover weighing 60 ounces to Sir Samuel Grimston. Legacies in money large silver "bason" and largest silver sugar "chiest" to Sir William Gregory.

Nominates Henry Lord Delamere Sir Samuel Grimston and Sir William Gregory executors and gives each £200 and mourning. Sundry legacies to Sir James Langham of Cottesbrook, Mrs. Sarah Harrington (cousin) William Thomas of Gray's Inn, Warner South of Gray's Inn, Edward Ryder of Wilton, the last three keepers of courts in her manors. Also legacies to James Gregory of Grays Inn steward of her courts in co. Hereford.

A 60 oz. silver gilt salver to Lady Grimston. Necklace of pearls to sister-in-law Lady Howe, legacy to Mrs. Mary Bredievake widow of Dr. Ralph Bredievake late Bishop of Chichester. A bequest for apprenticing 30 of the Westminster "greencoat" boys to some honest calling. Sundry legacies to her Brazenose and St. John's scholars at time of her death.

£250 for additional building to schoolhouse at Tottenham and £1,100 for buying of lands, &c., for support of same; children of poor Tottenham parishioners to be taught free. Bequest of money for apprenticing 10 poor Tottenham boys. Bequest to poor of Tottenham. Bequest to 30 poor women of Tottenham. Bequest for purchasing Communion plate for Tottenham church and to upholster pulpit and communion table in crimson or purple velvet. The pulpit cloth to have a deep silver fringe at bottom and a narrow silver fringe at top and sides.

Lands, &c., in Little Ashley, Bradford, co. Wilts. and farm Cherrington or Chirton to Langham Booth. Residuary devisee and legatee Lady Delamere.

Manors of Pewsey and Titcomb cum Oxenwood and other properties given to Charles Duke of Somerset and successors out of regard for supporting the honour of the Dukedom of Somerset.

All former wills revoked. *Present will consists of 13 sheets each sheet signed by testatrix.*

Witnesses: James Gregory, Warner South, Robt. Browne, Mary Crewe, Charles Spencer, John Turney.

Schedule attached (*see post*).

Codicil 10 Feb. 3 W. and M. (1691).

Advowson of Church of Morton Rivers given to Master Fellows and Scholars of St. John's College Cambridge and Brazenose College Oxford for alternate presentations St. John's having first turn, Somerset scholars to be appointed. Trustee Sir Samuel Grimston to convey as Henry Earl of Warrington and Sir William Gregory think fit the perpetual advowson and presentation to the Church of Hewish for the Chaplain of the almshouses.

Ten guineas to Philip Berwick Doctor in physick "if by letter left with him I commit to him some care concerning my body when I am dead."

Legacy to page John Cooke revoked "he having left my service."

£500 more to Lady Lukyn. £500 more to Lady Howe. To Brother-in-law Sir Samuel Grimstone 120 shillings pieces of "broad gold." £3,000 to Henry Booth son of my "niece the Countess of Warrington deceased" to buy land with. Devise of Cherrington als Chirton to Langham Booth revoked £2,000 to be laid out in buying lands for him instead.

Manor of Cherrington given for support of almshouses. £1,000 given to buy land to support poor of St. Margaret's Westminster. Money given for velvet pulpit and communion cloth and cushions in St. Margaret's Church, gold and silver fringes to be used. £100 for communion plate at St. Margaret's and £200 for communion plate at Westminster Abbey. Bequest of money for cushions, &c., at Tottenham Church. £100 to Hospital of Green Coat Boys at Westminster. Hundred guineas to Henry Earl of Warrington also gold clock watch with steel case studded with gold and ring set with 7 diamonds and a silver gilt salver of about 60 oz. To Lady Elizabeth Booth 100 pieces of broad twenty shilling pieces of gold. Same to Lady Mary Booth and George Lord Delamere.

To god daughter Lady Katherine Seymour daughter of Charles Duke of Somerset 200 guineas to buy plate. To Sir Joseph Alston Bt. grandson of Sir Joseph Alston of Chelsea Bart. decd. £20 and same to his brother Edward Alston. To sundry others, including Lydia Skynner late wife of Richard Skynner of Sudbury in Suffolk, small legacies. £1,000 more given to buy lands for Hospital of Green Coat Boys at Westminster.

To Lady Elizabeth Booth a great Japan Cabinet. £20 to Mary Wittewronge grandchild to Sir Joseph Alston decd. Legacy of £300 to Richard Skynner's children altered to £100. £500 more to be spent on building almshouses and £100 more on finishing of Chapel.

Owing to death of Lady Delamere the two daughters and two younger sons of the Countess of Warrington appointed residuary devisees and legatees equally.

Witnesses: Ja. Wellington, Thomas Carpenter, Thomas Poole.

Proved 11 January, 1703 (old style) Ash 22.

The Schedule to the Duchess' Will being the most interesting part is here presented in full.

SCHEDULE.

Dated 17th of May, 1686.

These goods I give in trust to my niece the Lady Delamere.

One rich crimson bed with mixed silver gold and silk vestoone great fringe upon the vallens the bed lined with white satin and embroidered in the inside and a large white satin quilt embroidered suitable and white satin inward vallens eight crimson velvet covers for chairs two of which are for elbow chairs eight chairs the frames carved and japanned and gilt four large crimson velvet tops and four plumes of white feathers for the top of the bed one crimson sarcenet case to draw over the bed and all things that belong to the said crimson velvet bed one new suite of tapestry hangings about 8½ ft. deep containing five pieces being the story Moses and of the Apostles one other suite of tapestry hangings about 9 ft. deep containing five pieces being the story of Tarquin and Lucretia one large Persian carpet two lesser Persian carpets suitable two white damask window curtains one great tortoise shell cabinet embossed with silver in the inside and frame to it suitable, one ebony strong box with gilt bars cross over it one great walnut tree trunk lined with scarlet satin two high stands carved and gilt one great looking glass the frame of it carved and gilt one large ermine mantle to lay over a great bed the said mantle being lined with white satin one large silver gilt salver weighing about 60 oz. one silver bason narrow brimmed all the outside being wrought in several flowers six silver trencher plates having my former Lord's and my arms engraved thereon and a Duke's Coronet one large silver saltseller having three silver claws on the top of it one paire of little silver candlesticks being wrought plate one pair of silver snuffers, one gold clock-watch with a gold case and gold chain to it one hanging watch with a black frame of ebony one rich carved gilt new coach lined with crimson and gold colour wrought velvet and four gold colour damask curtains and a great vestoone silk fringe on the inside of the coach and six great glasses belonging to the said coach and two yellow cloth horsecloths bordered round with crimson and gold colour wrought velvet and

what else belongs to the said coach and six brass harness gilt and finely wrought. I would have my niece Delamere leave these things to her eldest son to remain in the family as long as they will last.

To my niece Delamere's eldest daughter One ring set with 9 diamonds one necklace of small pearls of 3 rows, one fine Holland twilight laced round with broad Flanders lace and one Flanders broad laced Holland border to go round the bottom of the bed suitable four little fine Holland pillowbers laced round with broad bone lace about $1\frac{1}{2}$ yds. of pure fine broad new point de Venise being for a handkerchief or shape for the neck and one pure fine very narrow point de Venise for one pair of cuffs suitable one pocket handkerchief set round with broad point de Venise all which points are looped thick. 22 yards of black farrendine, 12 yards of new black morella tabby, one new mantle of mixed red and white venetian wrought silk stuff wrought like large leaves lined with sarscenet (no lace upon it) and about 5 yds. of the same new venetian wrought silk stuff suitable. One fillimote mohair furniture for a great bedstead lined with sky colour sarscenet and one laced quilt to lay over the bed 6 chairs of fillimote mohair suitable to the bed containing four curtains vallances basis head piece, head board tester, and inward vallances 4 cups and 4 spriggs for the top of the said bed one new scarlet satin large quilt lined with sarscenet to lay over a great bed, one cloth of silver mantle wrought in little flowers of mixed scarlet and black and lined with scarlet sarscenet one black velvet cloak mantle lined with black sarscenet, one cherry colour morella tabby twilight laced with a very broad ground work tape lace one silver warming pan 9 silver knobs of wrought plate for two hooks for a chimney and for one fire shovel and tongs, two more larger round knobs of wrought plate for a fire grate, one sad cloth furniture for a large bedstead containing four cloth curtains vallance with a deep silk fringe on it of the same sad colour the bed lined with cherry colour sarscenet containing also inward vallance head piece, tester and a large quilt to lay over the bed of cherry colour sarscenet, one little picture set in gold of my former husband John Duke of Somerset, one hair broad bracelet for the arm curiously wrought in flowers with hair of several colours, one little tortoise-shell box filled with gessimine glasses one large strong water case, embroidered all over with gold and silver of the outside and lined with red satin and all the glasses having silver tops and silver cup and handle in the middle of them.

These goods I give to my niece Delamere's daughter Mary Booth my goddaughter.

One large silver writing standish my late husband the Duke of Somerset and my arms engraven thereon, and a Duke's coronet, 9 silver knobs of wrought plate, finer wrought than those before mentioned being for one fire shovel and tongs and for two hooks for a chimney two larger silver knobs made higher for a chimney grate. One little tortoise-shell cabinet finely inlaid with ivory and ebony and the drawers lined with red sarscenet, one scarlet velvet mantle laid with a broad silver and gold lace, one scarlet brocado satin cloak mantle being bordered round with ermine and lined with scarlet sarscenet one new pink colour satin twilight set round with a broad silver lace and four silver tassels one at each corner, one Holland twilight set round with broad point de parry, 4 little pillowbers set round with broad point de parry, one Holland border for to go round the bottom of a bed laced with broad point de parry, about one yard and a half of pure fine broad point de Venise being for a handkerchief or shape for the neck the said point being now never washed, one new fine broad point de Venise set round an apron being now never washed, one more pure fine point de Venise handkerchief or shape for the neck being wrought in several long leaves. All which points are looped thick. One new lemon colour plain satin petticoat laced with a broad rich silver lace and set down before with loops made all of silver wire.

One mixed pink colour and white new plain satin gown laced with a broad rich silver lace, one sky colour cloth of silver petticoat, one new broad rich silver lace to set upon a petticoat, 18 yards of black new velvet, 28 yards of black new silk crape about 5 yards of new crimson velvet 20 yards of mixed grediline and white broad new lute string. One great pear tree black cabinet that opens with doors and is well carved on the inside containing in all about 35 drawers and one black frame it stands upon and my mind and will is that when the said cabinet is delivered to my said niece Mrs. Mary Booth she shall then give to her brother Langham Booth the black ebony cabinet that I lately gave her and the frame to it, one brockedell furniture for a large bedstead of mixed colours gold, crimson and white wrought in flowers the bed lined with crimson and white striped India satin and striped satin quilt headpiece and tester suitable 4 long curtains and basis for round the bottom of the bed, 18 silk tassels of the same mixed colours to tie up the curtains, 4 cups and 4 spriggs for the top of the bed 8 brockedell cushions for chairs suitable 11 yards of mixed colours new brockedell the same as my brockedell bed, one green wrought upon white dimity furniture for a great bedstead containing 4 curtains, counterpane vallance, head piece basis and covers for some chairs being all suitable the said bed being wrought silk lorrells and white calico lining to the said bed, One large rich sable muff and one large rich sable tippet, one white quilt to lay over a bed stitched with white silk all over, one large silver salver having a broad brim wrought, 19 yards of new white damask for window curtains, one silver little watch made in scholop fashion and silver case to it one sedan chair lined with crimson velvet.

These goods I give to my cousin Elizabeth Cole.

One sable tippet the shortest and worst of my two tippets, one new black velvet cloak mantle lined with black wrought satin, one pink colour wrought silk mantle wrought in little flowers lined with pink sarscenet, and one pink wrought silk large sweet bag suitable no lace on either of them, one scarlet velvet little dressing box with a looking glass in it.

These goods I give to my waiting woman Elizabeth Crow.

One green satin petticoat embroidered with gold and silver, one white morella tabby petticoat no lace on it, one white wrought silk Mantua gown striped with gold stripes and lined with cherry colour spotted lute string, one new cherry colour morella tabby under bodice and sleeves, one new fine black cloth gown (not laced), one petticoat, one black wrought striped satin long gown, one white sarscenet petticoat laced broad with black lace, one ash coloured sarscenet and laid with silver gold and silk fringe.

And to my said goddaughter Mary Booth and to her sister Elizabeth Booth all my several point de Venise and all my pure fine broad Flanders laced wearing linen and all my fine household linen that I do not give away and bequeath elsewhere to be equally divided between them.

These goods I give to my niece Delamere's younger son Langham Booth.

One silver bason of plain plate with a brim, one great silver tankard having my former Lords and my arms

engraven thereon but no coronet, one great silver chaffing dish, one emerald ring set between two diamonds, one India wood large writing standish, having one great drawer in it and the outside of the wood being of a reddish colour and inlaid with black, five new silver trencher plates having broad brims and one little silver trencher plate having a narrow brim.

Morning gown wadded with silk, one plain satin mantle lined with white sarcenet one lemon colour plain sarcenet petticoat, one scarlet satin petticoat (not laced), one white lutestring Mantua gown lined with blue sarcenet one tape point coif, not gimped and cornett for the head suitable both of Holland and laced with the said tape point, one pocket handkerchief laced with point Holland all the said points being looped thick, one silver porringer, and three silver spoons and one trencher salt and one little silver pot with handle all to be of the oldest most used plate.

These goods I give to Ann Knapp that lately was my servant.

One new black watered mohair long gown and petticoat both of them laced with a broad black lace, one mixed gredeline white and buff colour new wrought tabby long gown having slashed sleeves, one black wrought lutestring long gown laced with black lace one fine new black cloth long gown and petticoat, one new coloured sarcenet wadded petticoat, one black crape long gown and petticoat, one cherry colour tabby petticoat laced broad with white gimp lace, phillamot wrought tabby cloak mantle, lined with ash colour wrought satin, one pink colour sarcenet petticoat, one green wrought satin mantle of a small work and four green wrought satin sweet bags suitable one little India box with drawers it being inlaid with green colour, one white cloth of silver petticoat, one white antereen stuff mantua gown and petticoat, one tape point cornet for the head being all point and gimped over and one Holland coif with tape point on it gimped suitable one pocket handkerchief set round with tape point gimped all of the said tape points being looped one silver porringer and three silver spoons and the least of my silver tankards one trencher salt all to be of the oldest most used plate. In witness whereof I have to this schedule containing 7 sheets of paper all written with my own hand subscribed my name to every one of the said sheets.

Alston Will proved at York.

Reg. 143, fo. 157.

William Alston, of Bow Lane, in or near the city of Durham, clerk, by his will dated 24th Decr. 1795, mentions his nephew George Chrishop, and gives to him, his heirs and assigns, &c., all his real and personal estate whatsoever, relying on the said George Chrishop to take care of his (Chrishop's) mother, brothers and sisters, appoints the said George Chrishop sole executor.

W. ALSTON.

Witnesses: Antony Douthwaite, Thomas Farmer, Ralph Dent.

Proved 7th Novr., 1799, by George Chrishop the sole executor.

See Table 6, page 8. Chrishop appears to be the name of testator's nephew. I have it Christrop in the tables.

Miscellanea Alstoniana.

DOMESDAY, NORFOLK.

Gissinghall Manor, in Gissing was held by *Alstan*, a freeman, under *Edric*.

In Fulenden (Fouldon) Alston held half a carature of land.

In Rinctede (Ringstead?) Alstanus held one caracute under Stigand.

In Stanford Alstanus held half a caracute.

EXTRACTS from GON. and CAIUS COLL. BIOGRAPHICAL HISTORY.—DR. VENN'S.

p. 266. *Alston William*, son of Thomas Alston, gent., of (Polstead and Gedding Hall) Newton, Suff: (bap. Oct. 12, 1607). At school there, under Mr. Meade, three years. Age 16. Admitted May 22, 1624, pensioner to the bachelors' table, surety, Mr. Moore, fellow.

Eldest son. Admitted at the Inner Temple, Feb. 6, 1626-7. Bought the estate of Great Woodhall (Odell), Beds. Died unmarried. Buried at Odell, March 16, 1637, M. I. there. Will proved (P.C.C.) Mar. 8, 1637-8 (F.G.). *Pedigree in Visitation of Beds.*, 1634. Brother of Thomas, 1626; Edward, 1628; and John, 1631.

p. 276. *Alston Thomas*: (second) son of Thomas Alston, gent. Born at Newton, Suff. (bap. Aug. 28, 1609). At school there three years, under Mr. Meade. Age 16. Admitted pensioner to the bachelors' table June 7, 1626, under his tutor and surety Mr. Moore (Re-admitted as fellow commoner, Feb. 21, 1626-7).

B. A. (King's) 1629-30; M. A. 1633. Admitted at the Inner Temple, Nov. 17, 1627. Of Woodhill, Beds. Knt. Sheriff of Beds. 1641. Created Bart. June 13, 1643. Married Elizabeth da. of Sir Rowland St. John, K. B. Buried at Odell July 11, 1678. Will proved at (P.C.C.), (F.G.).

p. 283. *Alston Edward*, of Suffolk: (third) son of Thomas Alston, gent. Born at Newton (bap. May 22, 1611). At school under Mr. Meade, and at Eton for two years. Age 16. Admitted pensioner to the bachelors' table, Ap. 4, 1628. Surety Mr. Moore (Re-admitted as fellow commoner Sep. 13, 1628).

Admitted at the Inner Temple May 17, 1628. Of Strixton, Northants. Knighted 1643. Married Esther da. of Sir Wm. Ashcombe of Alscot, Oxon. Fined £499 as a delinquent. "At the beginning of the war lived with his mother at Odell, Beds. Afterwards enforced to go to Oxford to endeavour the abatement of taxes on his land which was paying contribution to both sides, whereupon his estate in Beds. was sequestered." (*Cal. of Com. for Compounding*). Buried at Strixton. Will proved (P.C.C.) Jan. 12, 1682-3. Leaves to his eldest son William "Coach

and harness, and both my suits of armour with both my cases of pistols and holsters." (J.J.M. and F.G.).

p. 300. *Alston John* of Suffolk (fourth) son of Thomas Alston, esq. Born at Polstead. School Eton, under Mr. Bust. one year. Age 16. Admitted June 7, 1631, pensioners to the bachelors' table. Tutor and surety Mr. Moore.

Admitted at the Inner Temple June 6, 1631, of Pavenham, Beds. esq. Married Dorothy da. of Sir John Temple of Bucks.

p. 372. *Alston William*: eldest son of Edward Alston, Knt., of Strixton, Beds. (*sic*) School, Wymington, under Mr. John Anderson, eight years. Age 16. Admitted to the bachelors' table, June 29, 1648. Surety Mr. Barker. (Son of William, 1628).

Of Strixton, Northants, esq. Admitted at the Inner Temple, Nov. 13, 1647. Died without issue, about 1690. Buried at Strixton. Son of Edward of 1628. Will proved (P.C.C.) July 23, 1690.

p. 437. *Alston Edward*: son of Joseph Alston, esq. Born at Chelsea. At school, under Messrs. Littleton and Cavey, two years; and at Brentford, a year and a half, under Mr. Beverage. Age 19. Admitted pensioner to the bachelors' table, May 7, 1669. Surety, Mr. Thorpe.

Matriculated at Magdalen Hall, Oxford, Dec. 17, 1670. Of Loughton, Bucks., esq. Married Mary, da. of Capt. Thompson. Will proved (P.C.C.) May 9, 1669. The father was created baronet in 1681 (F.G.) Brother of Joseph, 1657.

p. 401. *Alston Joseph*, son of Joseph Allastone, esq. Born in London. At St. Paul's School, three years. Age 16. Admitted fellow commoner, Dec. 7, 1657. Surety, Mr. William Naylor.

Scholar Midsr. 1659 to Michs. 1662. Succeeded to his father as 2nd Bart. Sheriff of Bucks. 1670. Of Bradwell Abbey, Bucks. Died March 21, 1668-9 (Lipscomb iv. 44). Gave to our Library Strada de Bello Belgico, 1632.

Alston William, son of John Alston, of Odell, Beds. School at Wymington, Beds., seven years. Admitted St. John's Coll. Cam., 10 April, 1654. *Æt* 16 years.

Re ALSTONS, of SUFFOLK.

E, Ang. N. and Q. New Series, Vol. III, p. 201. J. J. Musket. The testamentary dispositions of the *Alstons*, a wealthy clan which started all of a sudden with the marriage of two brothers with co-heiresses (*a*), are exceptionally full of money.....the Alstons tossed their money in thousands.

(*a*)? Mary and Avis Pitman.

Lay Subsidy Roll Suffolk 120 and 120
Powell's "Rising in E. Anglia," p. 69.
Ibidem p. 112.

Thomas Alston, and Catherine his wife [*Agricola*] *Brockele cum Rede*, Suffolk. Caterina Freman serviens Thome Alston. 1381.

Johanna Alston of Hadleigh. 1381.

Admissions to Coll. of St. John's Cam. Pt. I, p. 94.

Thomas Alston son of *William Alston*, gent., of Woodbridge. Suffolk; School, Bury St. Edmund's (Mr. Stephen's); admitted pensioner, tutor and surety Mr. Frost, 25 Feb., *cet* 17.

Baronetage of Eng. by A. Collins, 1720. Vol. I, p. 189.

Sir William Monson, created by King Charles I. Viscount Castlemain, had three wives (2) Frances sister to *Sir Thomas Alston*, Bart., by whom he had issue Alston Monson.

Ibidem Vol. II, p. 239.

Sir John Hanmer, Knt. and Bart. dying a Major General and Colonel in 1701, married Mary daughter of *Alston* in the county of Suffolk. No issue.

Woodbridge School Register.

Alston, Samuel, of Marlesford, admitted pupil Woodbridge School, 1670.
Alston, Thomas, of Bramford, admitted 1742.

Page's Hist. of Suff. p. 121

Samuel Alston, of Marlesford, was son of *Samuel Alston*, Major of the Militia of Marlesford, who removed to Bramford, co. Suffolk, and grandson of William Alston, of Woodbridge and Marlesford, who married Avis, daughter and co-heir of Jeffrey Pitman, of Woodbridge, High Sheriff for Suffolk, 1616. [For monument of Jeffrey Pitman, &c., see Vol. ix. Pt. 3, Proceedings of Suff. Inst. of Archæology].

Davy's Pedigree Brit. Mus. Add MS. 19129, &c.

Samuel Alston, junr., married Elizabeth, daughter of Gregory Wescombe, of Eltham, co. Kent. His son *William Alston*, of Gray's Inn and of Bramford, married Elizabeth, daughter of Bartholomew Beale, of Bildeston. Wm. A. died 26 July, 1749, *cet* 54, his wife died 16 May, 1741, *cet* 41.

Growse "Hist. of Bildeston" v. Alston pedigree

Thomas Alston, of Bramford, was their son, and was baptized at Bildeston, 24 Oct. 1732.

Woodbridge Parish Registers.

Aves Pitman, daughter of Jeffreys and Alles. bap. 28 Feb. 1593.
William Alston and Aves Pitman were married 21 May, 1618.
Thomas Allstone, son of Mr. William and Aves his wife, was baptized 3 July, 1631.
Mrs. Avis Allstone, wife of Mr. William Allstone, was buried 18 May, 1633.
Thomas Allstone and Margaret Starke, widow, were married 15 May, 1625.

Churchwardens'
Account Books.

1643. To *Mr. Alliston* for preaching £5. In charge for removing *Mr. Alston* when he came to the town
£5 6s. 9d.
The Rev. Robert Cade, perpetual curate, of Woodbridge, resigned his living (1643-1651) *Was this William
or Thomas Alstone?* (v. Institution Books, Record Office).

Letter of Hen: Sekford,
Record Office
v. Cal. State Papers.
1626-8.

"*William Alston*, of Woodbridge, who finds a corslet (of estate reported to be better worth than £1,000, and
a-going man of able body) that did at a muster held at Woodbridge 28 Feb. 1626, absolutely and contemptuously
refuse to serve in his arms, and not thinking himself sufficiently satisfied with his thus confronting me, but at a later
muster held since 4 Ap. 1627 last came and braved me in the field."

The Alstons were of Woodbridge only for the early part of 17th Cent. No entry in Reg. before 1618.

Vol. ix, Proceedings of
Suff Inst Arch.

Alston, Eliza Ann, of Bradley (Little), 1879. Donor of Church Plate.
Alston, William, Churchwarden of Newton, Sudbury, 1628. Do.
Alston, Rev. Edward. Cup, height, 6½ in., diameter of bowl, 3¾ in., on a thick baluster stem. Round bowl is the
inscription, "Hausiat hinc populus vitam de Sanguine Sacro. Inflicto æternus quem sudit (*fudit?*) vulnere Christus.
Dat Deo et Ecclesie de Newton Edrus Alston. Rector."

Alston, Sarah. In Memory of | Sarah ye wife of William Alston* | Many years Vicar of this Parish, | whose
first husband was Mr. John Patrick of | Nether hall in this Parish | Ob: 19th Mai: 1762. [Little Waldingfield
co. Suff.]

*Alston, William, M.A., ad præs. Eliz. Jackson Spr. p.j. Dec. 20, 1727.

Ips. Probate Reg. Of.
v. Calendar of Wills.

Awston, Robert, of Baddingham; Will 1556.

Only one from (1444-1600).

*Note.—The above Notes and Extracts from Gonville and Caius Coll. History were sent by the Rev. P. G.
Tackwell, Headmaster of Woodbridge School, Essex, and compiled by Mr. Redstone, one of the assistant
masters, March, 1898.*

ALSTON.—MORANT'S, ESSEX.

Vol. i, p. 16

Terra Ranulfi Piperelli Hund de Beventren Hame tenet Ranulfus in dominio, quod tenuit *Alestanus* liber homo
T. R. E. pro manerio and pro viii hidis and xx acris.

" p. 133

The lands in this (Fifield) parish belonged, in Edward the Confessor's reign, D. Brictmar, Alunin, Leuric and
Alestan.

" p. 257

Terra Ranulfi Piperelli Hund de Berdestapla In Bura tenet Serlo de Ranulfo 1 hidam, 1 carucutam, 1 servum,
quod tenuit *Alestanus* liber homo.

" p. 460

This (Mistley) parish belonged, in Edward the Confessor's time, to Alric and *Alestan*.

" p. 462

The manor of Dikeley, in Edward the Confessor's time, belonged to *Alestan*.

Vol. ii, p. 8

Hund de Celmeresfort Springafeldam tenet Robertus de Ranulfo quod tenuit *Alestanus* pro manerio and pro v.
hidis and xx acr.

" p. 79

Hund de Celmeresfort Cingehalam, *Alestanus* tenuit semper x acras and iii acras prati Val' ii solidos.

" p. 144

Notley was holden in the Confessor's time by Harold; a freeman named Achi, *Alestan*, another freeman.

" p. 355

Rivenhall, before the Conquest, belonged to Harold, Lestan and *Alestan*, freemen.

" p. 358

In Stanburna invasit super Regem xl acras, quas Alestanus liber homo, and xii liberi homines, tempore Regis
Edwardi, and adhuc habent.

In Topesfelda tenet Radulfus xv acras, quod tenuit Alestanus, liber homo, Tempore Regis Edwardi, temper i
carucuta Tunc et post iv bordarū, modo vii. Tunc et post iv servi, modo nullus. Silva xx porcis, vi acre prati. Tunc
v post valebat xx solid' modo xxx solid'.

EXTRACTS from the ROYALIST COMPOSITION PAPERS.—RECORD OFFICE.

April 9, 1652. Edward Alston Esq., formerly Sir Ed: Alston, living at Strickston, Northamptonshire, summoned
for non-payment.

29 Jan., 1621. Composition order of Lancashire, not paid list, among the names are those of Thomas Alston
and George Alston.

March 10, 1645. A certificate that Sir Edward Alston, of Winnington, county Beds., Knight, did freely and
fully take the National Covenant and subscribe the same.

30 July, 1646. Petition of Sir Edward Alston to be allowed to compound his estates. (N.B.—No place indicated)

30 July, 1646. Sir Edward Alston, of Alverscott, county Oxon. His delinquency that living between the King's
quarters and the Parliament quarters he paid contributions to the forces raised against the parliament. He is seised
in right of his wife who is the inheritrix of the estate of Alverscott.

15 June, 1649. Sequestration of Sir E. Alston taken off.

March 11, 1651. Sir Thomas Alston, one of the witnesses to a receipt for composition money.

13 April, 1653. Richard Alston, of Cloughton, mentioned as trustee of R. Bradley, of Bayley, Lancashire.

April, 1653. Petition of Alice Alston, of Whalley, Lancashire.

4 April, 1654. Edward Alston, of London, respecting his purchase of an estate of that name in Surrey in the
names of Pening Alston and Spencer Vincent.

ORIGINAL LISTS.—J. C. HOTTEN.—LONDON, 1874.
List of Convicted Rebels.—Prisoners in Dorchester Goal to be transported to Barbadoes, John Alston.

FOSTER'S ADMISSIONS TO GRAY'S INN.—ALSTON.

p. 185 Peter, 1628, son and heir of Peter A., of Bramford, Suffolk, gent., deceased.
p. 199 Thomas, third son of Peter A., of Bramford, 1633.
p. 294 Edward, son of Edward A., of Strixton, Northampton, Knight, 1662.
p. 360 William, son and heir of Samuel A., of Bramford, Suffolk, Esq., 1714.
p. 377 William, son and heir of William A. of Bramford, Suffolk, Esq., 1747.
p. 491 Charles Ross, of University College, Lond: aged 18, 6th son of James Calderhead A., of Glasgow, merchant, deceased 1882

ANTIQUITIES SUFFOLCIENCES.

Cole MSS. Vol. 28. The following collections were chiefly made by Sir Richard Gipps, Kt., of Great Wheltham, in the Divestry
Fol. 98. Hundred; a curious man and great searcher into Antiquity. Had he lived to put his last Hand to 'em we might
Harl: 4626. have hoped for a good account of the most ancient familys in the country; but, as he left only a rough draught of his design, and that very much mixed and confused, our hopes for the present at least, are frustrated and this book can be called no more that an essay, &c.

5.—ALSTON.—This ancient family was seated for some hundreds of years at Sayham Hall, in Newton, in Babergh Hundred, and from thence spread itself into several flourishing branches in Buckingham, Bedfordshire, and Northamptonshire. Joseph Alston, of the second house, married Laurentia, the only dau. and heir of Dr. Trumbull, Rector of Hadleigh, but ejected for refusing to swear allegiance contrary to the known laws of this hereditary monarchy, to the late P. of O. by whom he had several children, and is now seated at Newhouse, in Edwardston, Babergh Hundred.

A fair house of old time called the Green Gate in the reign of Henry 7th was seized unto the King's hands, and then granted first unto John Alston, after that to Wm. de la Rivers.—*Stowe's Survey of London*, p. 162.

Sir Tho. Alston, of Odell, in Bedfordshire, Knt., was created Baronet June 13, 1642. 18 Ch. 1.

Joseph Alston, of Chelsey, in Middlesex, Esq., was created Baronet, 1681. 33 Cr. 2.

Both these familys of Baronets are descended from the Alstons, of Sayham Hall, in Newton.

DAVY'S COLLECTIONS.—EXTRACTS from PARISH REGISTERS.

MOULTON.

19103 f 10. Anne Alston, dau. of Jonas A. baptized by Mr. Westwood, of Dalham, 14 Aug., 1651.

Mary Alston, dau. of, &c., 30 Sept., 1653.

Jonas Alston sworn Registrar by Parliament orders.

Anna Alston, dau. of Thomas and Anna, baptized 1 May, 1679.

Mrs. Mary Alston, widow, buried 9 Dec., 1680.

Johēs Alston et Dorothea uxor ejus obiit Edus Alston solus filius et haeres dce Dorothea adm. et jus, &c., adten, &c., quæ preds. Johēs et Dorothea cepit 6 Oct. 1681 et suis redd Thomae Sidney.

NEWTON.

19078 f 167. William Alston, of Middlesex, by will dated Feb. 1, 1564, gave to the Poor of Newton for ever the yearly sum of ten shillings, a rent charge on his tenement called Prices (Priors?), in the said Parish of Newton.

Edward Alston, of Newton, by will dated June 10, 1591, gave to the Poor of Newton for ever the yearly sum of ten shillings, a rent charge on his tenet. called Benchetts in the same Parish.

LORDS OF THE MANOR SAYHAM HALL.

Edward Alston, of Saham Hall, gent., will dated 1591.

1602. William Alston, Esq., son and heir.

MONUMENTS.

2. Within the Communion rails, on a black marble on the South Side.

In Memory of
Samuel Alston Gentn.
late of East Bergholt in this County
who died 9 Oct. 1752
In the 66th year of his age.

3. On the N. side of the last on black marble.

In Memory of Edward Alston M.D.
who died 21 July 1705
aged 25 years.

4. On the N. side of the last, black marble.

In Memory of
the Revd. Mr. Edward Alston, B.D.
late of East Bergholt in this County
and Rector of this Parish
who died 18 Feb. 1722
aged 79 years.

DENHAM

Thomas Alston and Anne Bryant mard. 24 Aug. 1681.

GAZELEY.

Benjamin Alston son of } William and Ann A. of Bulmer, In Essex,
Anne Alston dau. of } bap. Martij 31, 1611.
William Alston and Anne Malini, mard. 9 July, 1606.

OUSDEN.

Samuel Sparrow and Mrs. Anne Alston, mard. 23 Nov. 1703.

NOMINA VIRORŪ.—Ao. Reg. v Joh. Lig. 3.

10.—Gal: de Alstan Will Fil. n. 7.

Not another mention of Alston in this terrible M.S.

WILLIAMSON'S "TRADERS TOKENS OF THE SEVENTEENTH CENTURY."—(Elliott Stock, 1891).

Bildeston. Abraham Alstone — a Heart $\frac{1}{4}$ in Bildeston.

The 'Alstons,' formerly of Newton, afterwards resided in Marlsford. One Samuel Alston was engaged in the Militia in 1667 with the Dutch at Felixtowe. Thomas Alston in 1690 devised to poor people of Assington, twenty-six shillings a year, to be distributed in sixpenny loaves of meslin. William Alston had also a seat in Bildeston in 1734. The Alstons of Bildeston bore for arms a chevron between three goats' heads.

No example in the Museum nor at the Guildhall.

GROWSES' "BILDESTON" 1892.—Privately Printed.

William Alston, Esq., in 1734 held a moiety of the Manor of Bildeston in right of his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Bartholomew Beale, Esq. He was a Barrister of Gray's Inn, the only son of *Samuel Alston, Esq.*, of Marlesford Suff:

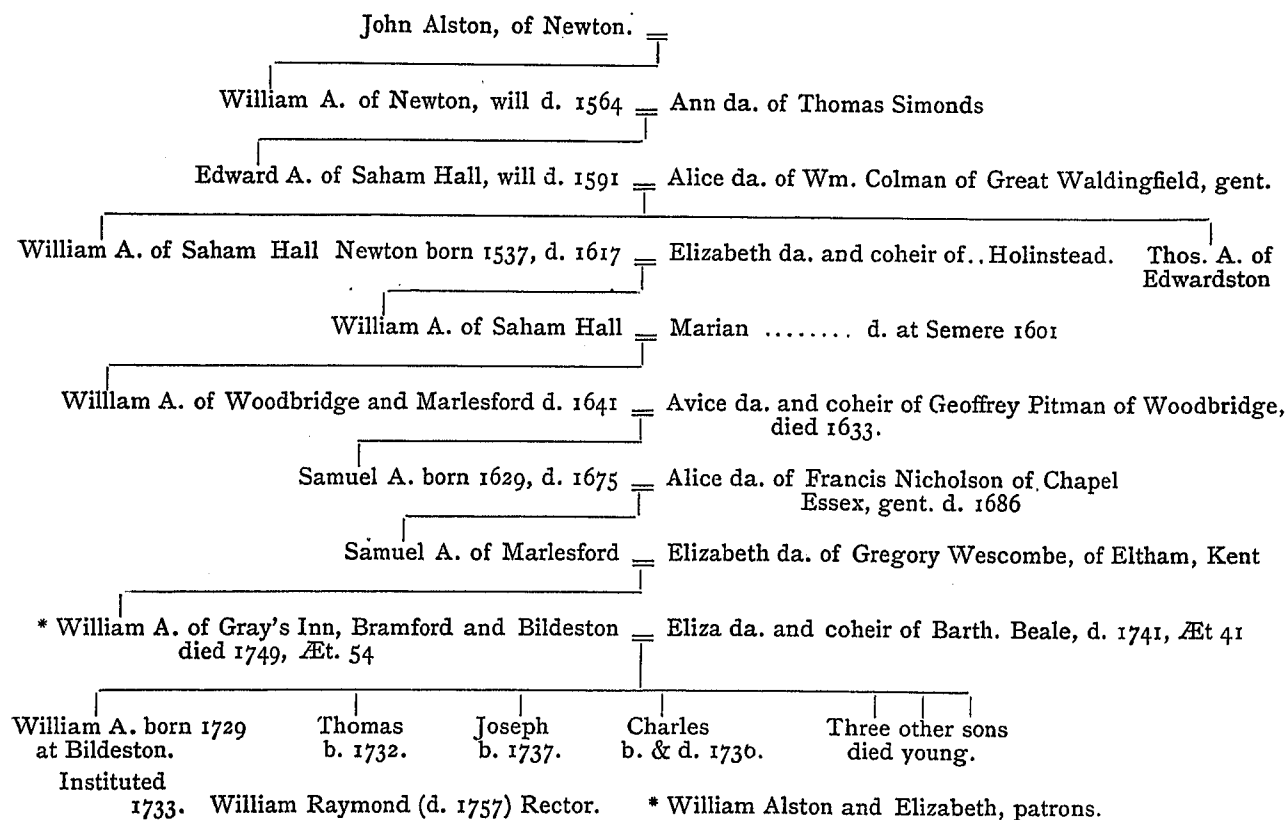
Arms: Azure, semée of Etoiles or

On a monument in North aisle of Bramford Church: Sacred to the memory of *Wm. Alston*, a Barrister of Gray's Inn, late of this Parish, Esq.; and Elizabeth his wife, who lye interred in the body of this church. He was the only son of *Samuel Alston*, late of Marlesford in this County, Esquire. She was the elder of the two daughters and coheirs of Bartholomew Beale, Esquire, late of Biledsdon in this County. They had issue six sons, three of whom William, Thomas and Joseph, survive. She dyed 16 May A.D. 1741 æt 41. He dyed 26 July A.D. 1749 æt 54. Arms: Alston with Beale on escutcheon of pretence.

Traders' Token of the 17th Century issued at Bildeston.

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|----|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. | <i>Ob.</i> Abraham Alstone. | In the centre a heart. | |
| | <i>Rev.</i> In Bildestone. | In the centre A. A. | |
| 1. | <i>Thomas Alston</i> | = Frances dau. of | = 2. Sir John Temple of |
| | of Polstead, Esq | Simon Blomfield | Stow. Bucks. |
| | | of Coddendam | |
| | | born 1612 | |

A Mr. Alston was master of Eccles Grammar School 1668-1671.

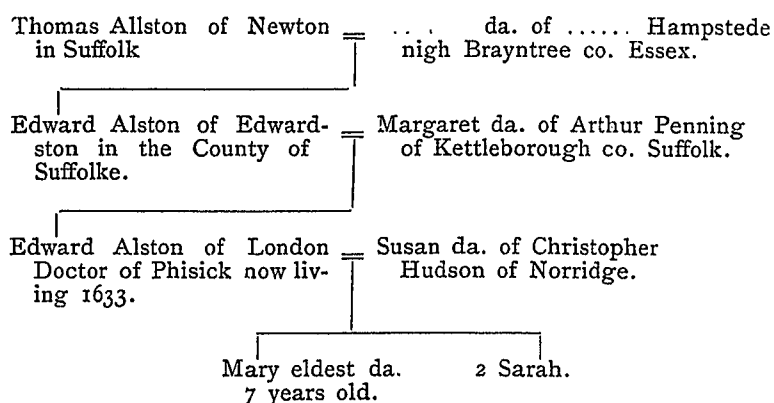


Growse's Bildeston, p. 18.

VISITATION OF LONDON, 1633-4.

ALSTON.

Billingsgate.



[Signed] ED. ALSTON.

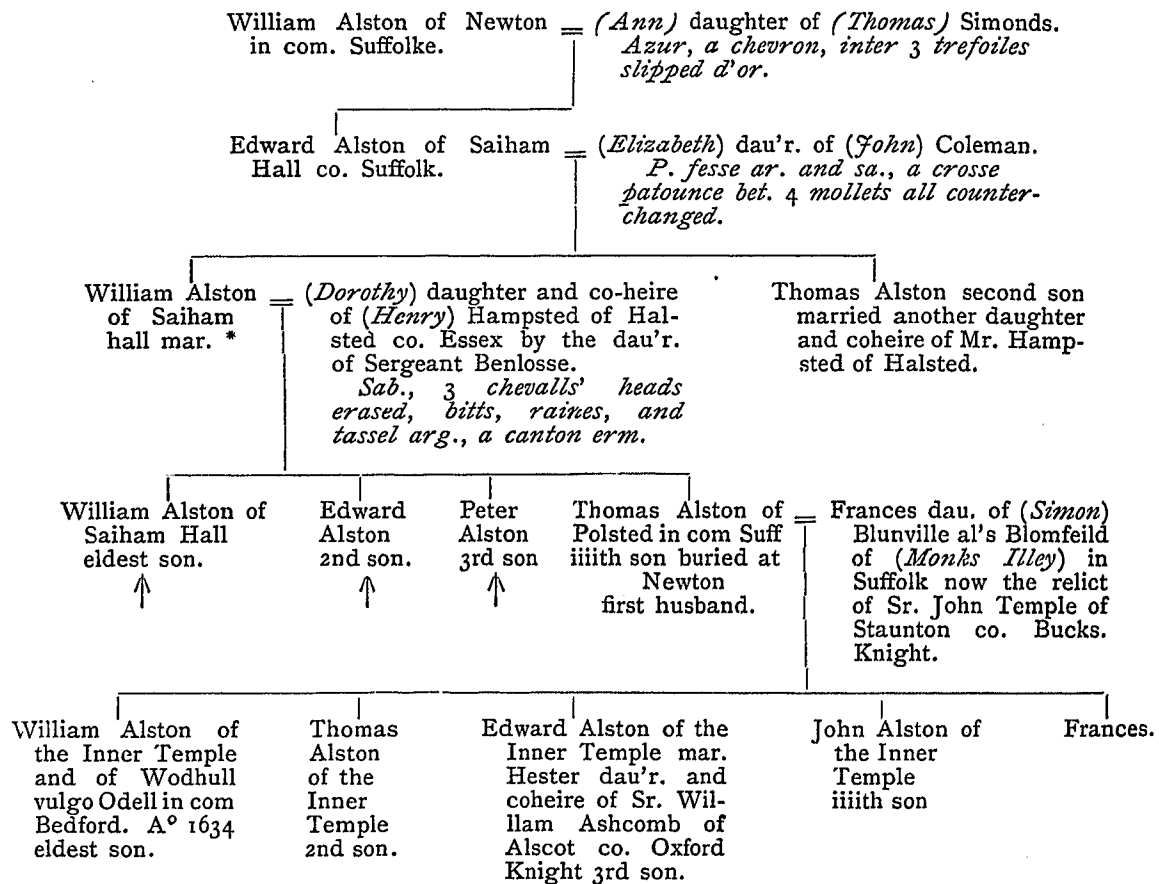
Pedigree registered by Dr. Ed. Alston, afterwards Sir Edward Alston, Knight, President of the College of Physicians.

ALSTON.

[OF ODELL.]

ARMS: I, *Azure, ten étoiles or, four, three, two, and one, a martlet for difference.*

ALSTON II, *Quarterly per fesse indented or and azure, over all a bend gules, BLUNVILLE.*



[Signed] WILL'M ALSTON.

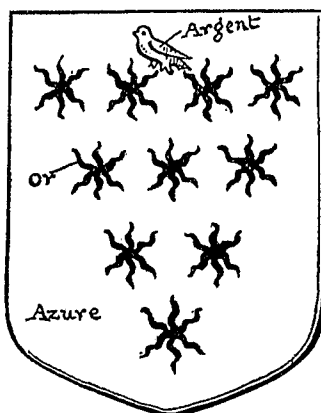
* "The three upp discents of this pedigree together with this Coate and the three matches were set forth on Collors. by Rafe Brooke Yorke Herald."

Visitation of 1634—of Bedford.

Pedigree registered by William Alston, Esquire, founder of the Odell family.

FUNERAL CERTIFICATE OF WILLIAM ALSTON, FOUNDER OF THE ODELL FAMILY.

(From Heralds' College.)



Mr. William Alston of Odell in the county of Bedford, Departed this mortall life at his Chamber in the Inner Temple London upon the 3rd day of March Anno Dni 1637 from whence his body was conveyed in a Carriage with the rights befitting his degree unto Odell two Officers of Armes ryding in the proceeding from the Temple to Islington and John Philipott Somerset Herald one of them appoynted to goe to Odell where upon the day of the funerall he directed the funerall rights which being performed the defuncts body was interred in the Chauncell of Odell Church he being Lord of the manner of Odell and patron of the said church. He died a Batchelor and his second brother Mr. Thomas Alston is his heire who hath testified this Certificate to be true by the subscription of his name.

Ex. J. P. S.

(signed)

Thomas Alston.

The above is a faithful extract from the book of "Funeral Certificates" marked "I 24" now remaining in the Records of the Heralds' College, London.

5th April, 1898.

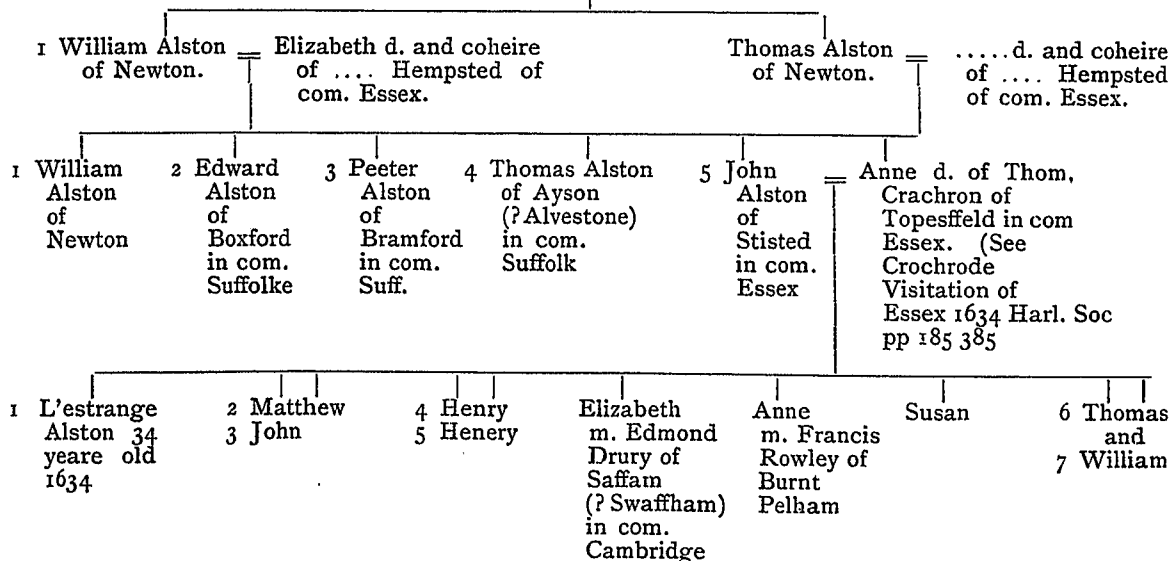
G. Ambrose Lee,
Bluemantle.

THE VISITATION OF ESSEX, 1634.

ALSTON.

ARMS: Azure, ten estoiles in pile or, in middle chief an annulet argent (Alston).

Edward Alston of Newton in com. Suffolk = Elizabeth

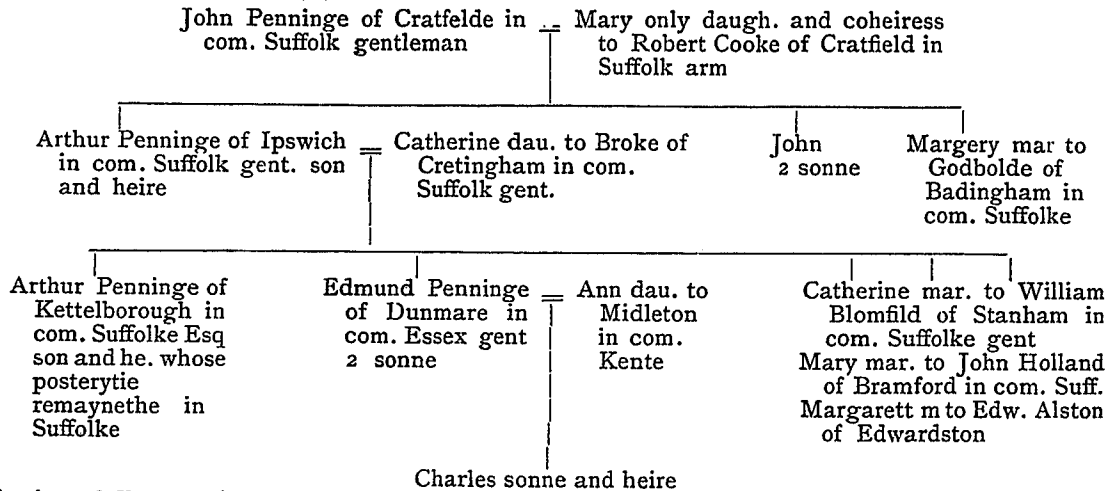


Visitation of Essex, 1634.

VISITATION OF ESSEX, 1634.

PENNINGE.

ARMS: Quarterly 1 and 4 gules three buck's heads cabossed argent, a chief indented ermine (Penninge) 2 or a Chevron engrailed gules between three cinquefoils azure on a chief of the second a lion rampant argent (Cooke) 3 gules nine martlets or, 4, 3 and 2, a crescent ermine for difference (Bohun) Crest a buck's head erased party per fess indented argent and gules (Penninge).



Visitation of Essex, 1634.

VISITATION OF WORCESTERSHIRE, 1569.—Harl Soc. p. 53 Caldwell.

Henery Standolffe

Joane m. Robert Alston

Arms: Azure nine estoiles 3, 3, 2, and 1 or for Alston impaling Standolffe gules a pale lozengy or

John Coldwell
Arms: Caldwell quarterly pound, impaling Alston quartering Standolffe

Allice da. and heir of Robert Alston

John Caldwell of Alston Hall in com. Derby 2 son

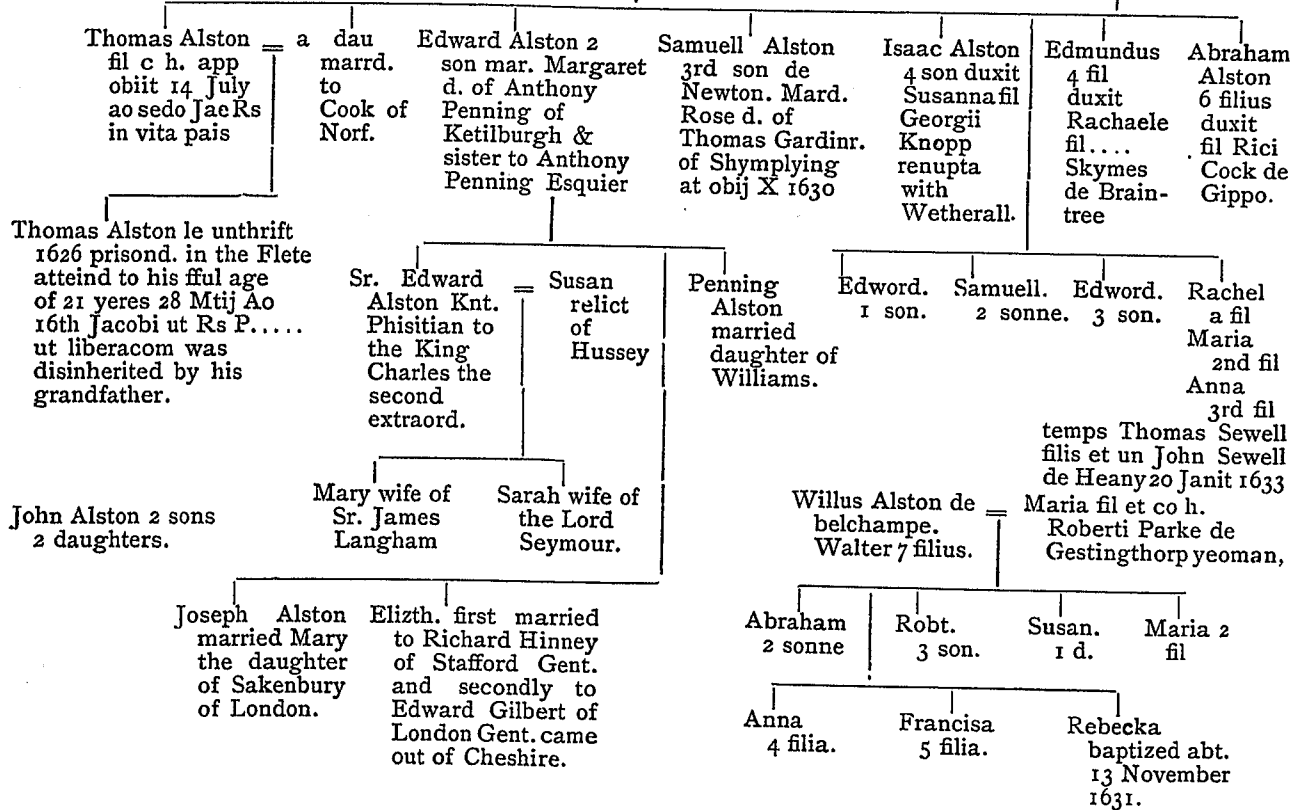
ALSTON.

From a M. S. Visitn. Suff 1561. 1612 *penes* Capt. Bulwer part of it in handwriting of Sylvanus Morgan.

Filia Johis Holmsted de Stansted Hall
Dorothea attulit viro suo rectoria de
magna Maplested in com Ess. et obiit
ante maribus

Thomas Alston of Newton grene in Suff
A Riche yeoman died iii die Maij o
eii Jacobi Rs 2 fil Thos. Alston et
frater jurn Willi A. de Sayme Hall

filia
Susanna
Gosse de
Waldenfeild



ALSTON AND MILLS.

Berry County Families co. Herts.

Thomas Mills of Cockfield Suffolk = issue Isaac Mills M.A. Rector of
High Clere co. Southampton
(Hants) younger son

Jeremiah Mills M.A. Vicar of Dulo co. Cornwall 2nd son

Jeremiah Mills D.D. Dean & Exeter only son surviving & hr.

Edith youngest dau.
of John Potter D.D.
Lord Archbishop of
Canterbury.

Jeremiah Mills = Rose dau. of Edward Gardiner
grandson of Wm. G. to whom
the estate of Pishobury Co.
Herts conveyed in 1701.

Rowland Alston 2nd son of
Thos. Alston of Odell
Castle & Harrold House
Co. Beds by Elizabeth
eld. dau. of Justinian
Raynsford of Brixmouth
Co. Northampton now of
Pishobury 1843.

Rose elder dau. & coh. r.
b. 24 May 1782 d.
11 Febry. 1824.

Rowland Gardiner Alston
eldest son. b. 1 March
1812.

Wm. Vere Alston.
b. 3 July 1816.

Chas. Jeremiah Walter Alston.
4 June 1817. d. 20 May 1818

Rose.
b. 7
Apl.
1818.

Harriet Alston.
b. 30 June 1819
= =
19 Octr. 1841
Thos. Neville
Abdy of Albys
co. Essex.

Francis Beilby Alston
b. 30 Novr. 1820.

Caroline Alston.
b. 14 Febry. 1821.

Arms of Alston Azure, ten Estoiles 4, 3, 2 & 1 Or.
Crest, An Estoile or, in a Crescent Argent.

ALSTONS—MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.

	Dates of Election.		Dates of Election.
Alston (Sir Thomas) Bedford	1698	Alston (Rowland) co. Bedford	1835, 1837
Alston (Sir Rowland) co. Bedford	1722, 1727, 1734	Alston (Thomas) co. Bedford	1747, 1754

ALSTONS—UNIVERSITY GRADUATES.

Cambridge 1659—1872			
Alston (Edward) Sidney Sussex	1664	Alston (Albert) St. John's	1843
Alston (Charles) Clare	1669	Alston (Herbert) St. John's	1862
Alston (Thomas) Trinity	1693	Alston (Edward Graham) Trinity	1855
Alston (Edward) Queen's	1703	Alston (John Edward Daniel) Clare	1863
Alston (William) Sidney Sussex	1711	Alston (William Charles) Trinity	1865
Alston (Samuel) Trinity Hall	1743	Alston (James Fetherston) Trinity	1868
Alston (Vere John) St. John's	1810		
Alston (Edward Constable) Caius	1839	Dublin 1591—1868	
		Alston G. V.)	1836

NEWTON CHURCH.

IN VESTRY ON BOARD.

William Alston of Middleton by Will, dated Feby. 1. 1564 gave to the poor of Newton, the yearly sum of Ten Shillings, a Rent Charge on his Tenement called Priors in the said Parish of Newton.

Edward Alston of Newton by Will, dated Jany. 10. 1591. gave to the Poor of Newton for ever the yearly sum of Ten Shillings, a Rent Charge on his Tenement called Burchetts in the said Parish.

(Copied and sent by Mr. CHAS. GOLDING, of Sudbury.)

Collins' English Baronetage Vol 3. pt 2. Lond. 1741.

"Sir Joseph the eldest son succeeded his father, and took wife.....Thursby and died without issue, whereupon the title devolv'd upon his brother Sir Evelyn Alston the present baronet who married.....by whom he has two sons Evelyn and William, and one daughter.

p. 699.

Wottons Baronetage of England (Kimber & Johnson) Lond. 1771. p. 465.

"Sir Evelyn Alston the late Baronet who married.....by whom he had two sons Evelyn & William and one daughter. He was succeeded in dignity and estate by his eldest son Sir Evelyn Alston the present Baronet who married in March 1766 Mrs May of Mary le bone.

From the Governor

H.M. Prison, Holloway,

7 July, 1899.

In reply to your letter of the 3rd inst., there is no record of the Thomas Alston named by you at Newgate.

To L. Cresswell, Esq.,

Wood Hall,

Calverley, Yorks.

(Signature undecipherable)

Depy. Governor in chge.

Reply to an enquiry concerning "Thomas Alston, turnkey, of Newgate, whose death was recorded in the 'Gent's. Mag.'". See elsewhere.

33. Queen's Road,
Gt. Yarmouth,
Feb. 12, 1900.

Dear Sir,

I had the opportunity the other day of seeing the proofs of a book of all the Marriage licences at the Suffolk Archdeaconry (at Ipswich) covering the Eastern half of the county. They have all been gone thro' and arranged carefully in years, 1663 being the earliest. I have taken out *all* the Alstons from that date to Nov. 1749 (as far as the proofs sent me, went).

Pray do not trouble to acknowledge.

To L. Cresswell, Esq.

Yours truly,
[Signed] FRED JOHNSON.

SUFFOLK ARCHDEACONRY MARR. LICENCES 1663 TO 1749.

No. 655	17 July 1710	Isaac Alston, of Stonham Parva, bachr. & Mary Rix spinster, of Yoxford.
No. 2726	25 June, 1734	Moses Alston of Pedmarsh, Efsex, widower & Elizabeth Walford, spinster.
No. 3193	July 26. 1738	Isaac Alston, Junr. bachr. & Ruth May, spinster, both of Ipswich.

NOTES FROM BURY ST. EDMUNDS SENT BY MR. F. JOHNSON, OF GT. YARMOUTH, OCT. 4, 1899

Marriage Licence.

29 June 1607 William Alston, widr. of Newton near Sudbury, gent & Ann Malyn, widow, of Gaseley.
Directed to the rector or curate of Gaseley.

Administrations.

26 Feb. 1695-6. Of estate of Jane Alston of Newton juxta Sudbury, executrix of the Will of Edmund Alston of same place, granted to John Cook, executor of deceased's will.

9 April 1700. Of estate of Ephraim Alston of Ashfield Magna to Thomas Munkin, husband of Mary Munkin als Alston ejus nepti.

1 March 1727. Of estate of Joseph Alston of Boxstead, to Susanna his widow.

10 Novr. 1736. Of estate of Elizabeth Alston of Bury St. Edmunds to William Chaplin, principal creditor.

5 May 1707. Of estate of Mary Alston alias Tyrrell, of Melford, to Daniel Alston her husband.

BRITISH MUS. MSS.

32,891. p. 174.

Thomas Alston M.P. for Bedford to the Duke of Newcastle.

My Lord,

The Bearer Mr. Caleb Blake of Clerkenwell, being a very old tenant of my late Fathers, and rather declining in years, if your Grace would think of him, as I believe he is qualified for a place in the stamp office, he is a Person that bears a very good character, and what favour he receives from your Grace I shall esteem it as an obligation received by your Grace's

Most obedient and
Most Humble Set.
THOMAS ALSTON.

Brumpton 18 May 1759.

THE DUCHESS OF SOMERSET'S CHARITIES.

Froxfield Vicarage,
Hungerford,
Aug. 30, 1900.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 28th inst., I enclose a statement about the Somerset Hospital taken from the Marlborough Directory, and also a small photograph of the College Chapel and part of the buildings. I enquired at two of the Stationers in Hungerford but could not hear of any photograph of the Duchess. The ladies at the Somerset Hospital (which is locally called the College), each have a photograph I think.

Formerly the College supported 50 widows, now there are only 16, including clergy and lay. The depreciation in landed property has led to the decline of this charity.

I remain,

Yours sincerely,
[Signed] J. M. SAVERY.
Officiating Chaplain.

L. Cresswell, Esq.

P.S.—There is a large recumbent effigy of the Duchess in Westminster Abbey with an account of her charities in Latin. The marble representation seems to me more pleasing than the photographs of the portrait.

(From the Marlborough Directory).

SOMERSET HOSPITAL.

SOMERSET HOSPITAL was founded in 1686 by Sarah, Duchess Dowager of Somerset, who bequeathed landed and other property for its erection and for the maintenance of 30 widows. In 1775, 20 additional houses were erected; and the property having much improved in value, the trustees found that the income was sufficient to allow them to offer a home with the annual allowance and other privileges to 50 widows (30 widows of laymen and 20 widows of clergymen). The Hospital is an oblong quadrangle built of brick, situated in Froxfield, and close to the high road from Marlborough to Hungerford. The chapel, which stands in the centre, was erected in memory of Thomas, late Earl of Ailesbury. The Trustees, 12 in number, are chosen from the nobility and gentry of the county; and as they present in rotation, application to them individually is the only mode of obtaining a nomination for admission when a vacancy occurs. The trustees also appoint the steward, surgeon, and chaplain. The following is a list of the trustees:—

H. N. Goddard, esq., Clyffe Manor, Wootton Bassett,
A. L. Goddard, esq., The Lawn, Swindon.
The Marquis of Lansdowne, K.G., Bowood, Calne.
Major C. Walker-Heneage, V.C., Compton Bassett, Calne.
G. C. Walker-Heneage, esq., Compton Bassett, Calne.
G. T. J. Sotheron-Estcourt, esq., Estcourt, Tetbury.
The Marquis of Ailesbury, Savernake Forest.
F. W. Leyborne-Popham, esq., Littlecote, Hungerford.
Fitzroy P. Goddard, esq., The Lawn, Swindon.
The Right Hon. W. H. Long, M.P., 97, Eaton Place, S.W.
C. E. H. A. Colston, esq., M.P., Roundway Park, Devizes.
J. C. P. Calley, esq., Burderop Park, Swindon.

Lay Widows—The trustees will present as vacancies occur according to rotation. Houses are appropriated in the following manner:—Wilts, Berks, and Somerset, 5; London and Westminster, 5; counties at large, any place within 150 miles of London (except Wilts, Berks, and Somerset), 10; Manors of Froxfield, Huish, and Shaw, Broad Town, Wootton Rivers, and Thornhill in Wilts, 10. Total number of lay widows, 30.

Clergy Widows—Wilts, Berks, and Somerset, 10; London and Westminster, 5; counties at large (as above), 5. Total number of clergy widows, 20.

Widows eligible for nomination must be such as shall be settled in some parish within the district from whence they are to be selected; or whose last place of residence shall have been usually within such district for the space of 40 days next previous to the vacancy.

Steward—E. B. Merriman, esq., Marlborough.

Surgeon—J. B. Maurice, esq., M.D., Marlborough.

Chaplain—Rev. H. D. Lovett, Huish.

Officiating Chaplain—Rev. J. M. Savery, Froxfield.

THE BROAD TOWN CHARITY.

THE BROAD TOWN CHARITY.—Was founded by Sarah, Duchess Dowager of Somerset, who by her Will dated the 17th day of May, 1686, bequeathed her Manor of Broad Town, Wilts, and other property to Trustees, to the intent that the rents and profits from thence accruing should be for ever employed in apprenticing to some honest trade or calling *poor male children which should be born, and, at the time of such apprenticing, should actually reside in the County of Wilts.*

Boys born within any of the Foundress's Manors have the preference of priority of binding over boys born elsewhere in the County of Wilts.

The practice is for parents of Manor boys to present at the annual meeting of the Trustees certificates of the baptism of their boys and proof of their birth within one of their Manors, and, if the proof be satisfactory and the boy of proper age, an order for his apprenticeship is entered on the minutes, and he is bound as soon as a master is provided. The surplus revenue of the year is then apportioned between the Trustees so as to enable them to nominate County boys, that is to say, boys born in the County of Wilts, as fit objects to receive the benefits of the charity. Each Trustee usually receives one or two nominations every year, according to the balance in the Receiver's hands.

No boy is allowed to be apprenticed to his own father, or to be apprenticed under 13 or above 17 years of age. The apprentice fee is now £20, and is paid by three instalments, viz:—£6 at binding, £6 after 3 years' service, and the remainder two years afterwards. The Trustees hold an annual meeting on the second Thursday in July, unless the Assizes should be held in that week. No charge is ever made on the Trust fund for the expenses of the Trustees in attending such meeting.

There are many instances of persons who have acquired good fortunes in their trades, and have greatly advanced their conditions in life, by having, as boys, derived the benefit of this excellent charity, and the parish Church of Cliffe Pypard contains a handsome marble monument (said to have cost £1000), to the memory of a man, who, having received the benefit of this charity as a manor boy, was bound apprentice to the trade of a carpenter, afterwards became a master builder, and amassed a large fortune; and by his Will, he founded a school in that parish, for instructing poor boys in reading and writing (in which he had felt his own deficiency in early life), and directed, that the monument adverted to, should be erected to commemorate his advancement in life, and to stimulate future generations to industry and perseverance. The following is a list of the Trustees:—

H. N. Goddard, esq.
A. L. Goddard, esq.
The Marquis of Lansdowne.
G. T. J. Sotheron-Estcourt, esq.
Major C. Walker-Heneage, V.C.
A. D. Hussey Preke, esq.

G. P. Fuller, esq.
The Hon. & Rev. B. P. Bouverie.
Lord E. Fitzmaurice.
The Right Hon. W. H. Long, M.P.
C. E. H. A. Colston, esq., M.P.
J. C. Pleydell Calley, esq.

Steward and Receiver—J. E. G. Bradford, esq., Swindon.

(*Copy of School Prospectus.*)

TOTTENHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Endowed by Sarah, Duchess of Somerset, 1686.



GOVERNORS (1900).

Joseph Howard, Esq., M.P., J.P., *Chairman*.

Thomas Biscoe, Esq.
The Rev. W. C. Howell, M.A.
Fredk. Jenkins, Esq.
The Rev. Denton Jones, M.A.
E. Patten Huggett, Esq., J.P.

Herbert Nield, Esq.
Joshua Pedley, Esq., J.P.
S. Lloyd Stacey, Esq., J.P.
R. F. H. Webb, Esq., *Hon. Treasurer*.
E. Hooper May, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S.

Head-Master—John T. Cohen, B.A., London.

Position of School.—The School stands in the High Road, five minutes from Bruce Grove, and ten minutes from Seven Sisters' Station. Trams from Edmonton, Stamford Hill, and Finsbury Park pass the door.

Admission.—Boys are admitted at eight years of age, and it is a great advantage to join the School at, or as soon as possible after that age.

Application for admission must be made by the boys' parents or guardians to the Head Master. A printed form is attached for that purpose.

Every applicant for admission must be examined by the Head Master. The examination for admission is graduated according to the age of the boy, but it never, for any boy, falls below the following standard:—(1) Reading; (2) Writing from dictation; (3) Sums in the first four simple rules of Arithmetic with the Multiplication Table.

Buildings, Playing Fields, &c.—The Buildings, which have been recently enlarged and improved, provide excellent accommodation for upwards of 150 boys (number in December, 1900, was 193). They comprise a large hall, divisible into two class-rooms by folding partitions, three class-rooms, and a Chemical Laboratory.

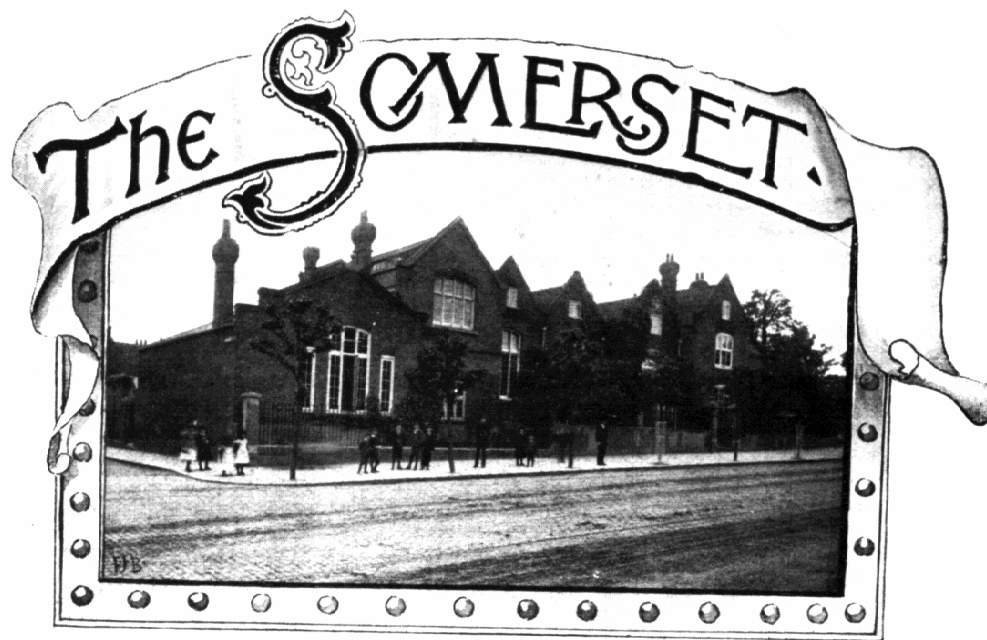
A large playground adjoins the School, and a field is provided for Cricket and Football. Military Drill and Dumb Bell Exercises are taught to all the boys.

Fees.—£2 per term (three terms in the year) for Boys under 12 years of age.

£2 10s. per term " " over 12

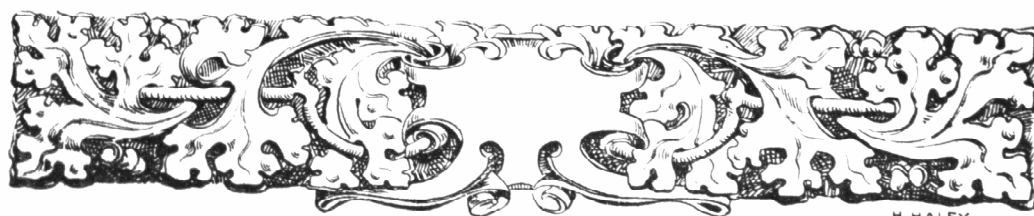
These Fees include Stationery, use of Books, and Subscription to Library and Sports' Fund. There is no other expense whatever, except the School Cap (2/).

The Fees are payable each term in advance, *within the first week of each School Term.*





THE TOTTENHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL
Magazine.



The Subjects of Instruction are as follows:—

*Religious Knowledge—The principles of the Christian Religion and the Study of the Scriptures.
English—Grammar and Literature.
Latin, French and German.
Mathematics—Euclid, Algebra, and Trigonometry.
History and Geography.
Science—Chemistry (Theoretical and Practical), Sound, Light, Heat and Mechanics.
Arithmetic, Reading, Writing, and Spelling.
Drawing—Freehand, Model, and Perspective.
Vocal Music. Shorthand (Pitman's).

* The parent or guardian of any Scholar may claim, by notice in writing to the Head Master, the exemption of such Scholar from attending prayer or religious instruction.

Examinations—Boys are prepared for the Cambridge Local Examinations (for which the School is a centre), the London University Matriculation, the Minor Civil Service, the South Kensington Science and Art Examinations, &c. The fee paid by Candidates for the Cambridge Local Examinations is returned by the Governors to the parents of all Boys who pass in one of the three Honours Classes.

The School is annually examined by an Examiner appointed by the Cambridge University Syndicate. A printed copy of the Examiner's Report may always be had on application to the Head Master.

Scholarships—There are Five Free Scholarships open to Boys attending the School, entitling the holders to entire exemption from School Fees up to the age of 17.

School Cap—Every Boy attending the School is required to wear the School Cap. In summer a straw hat with band of the School colours may be worn.

(The above is not a complete copy, but of those portions only of interest to my work).

NOTES from a REV. F. S. ALSTON'S MSS.

Ipswich Journal Nov. 4 1876—24 Ult. at St. Lukes Chelsea Wm. Robert Cooper youngest son of the late Geo. Simpson Cooper of Pakenham Suffolk to Mary Ann (Pollie) youngest dau. of Thos. Alston Esqr. Stanstead Hall, Sudbury.

Gents. Mag. June 28th 1843—At Palgrave oct 70 E. D. Alston of Manningtree Essex.

Leamington paper Dec. 23 1876—At the Warwick Yeomanry Officers Barr present J. F. Alston, Mrs. Alston, Miss Alston.

Thos. Mann of the Inner Temple usher of the Rolls=Elizabeth dau. of Wm. Alston Gent. of Marlesford Suffolk. 5 sons, 4 daus.

See for Arms. Extinct Baronetage.

1845—Rev'd. C. W. Alston, Gents. Mag. Vicar of Wembdon Somersetshire.

1844 Jany. 8th—At Saxmundham Chas. T. Thompson Esq of Diss to Emma Sarah eldest surviving dau. of late E. D. Alston Esq of Palgrave Suffolk. Gents. Mag.

Gents. Mag. 1846 abt. Octr.—Lately Mr. Alston known by the system of printing in relief, in Roman Capitals for the use of the blind which he borrowed from Dr. Fry and introduced into the Glasgow Asylum of which benevolent institution he was the treasurer—Mr. Alstons plan has been adopted in nearly all the asylums throughout the country.

Lady's Mag March 1807—Feby. 20th oct 45 Sir John Alston Bart. He having left only 1 dau. the title devolves on his brother now Sir Chas. Alston Bart.

1758 Bankrupt Thos. Alston Wine Merchant of Yarmouth, Norfolk.

East Anglian 4 Vol p. 19—Pedigrees of Suffolk families Alston, Newton-Diss-Manningtree-Nayland, Woodbridge. To be found in Davy MSS. British Museum.

Benningtons Pedigree to be found in Davy's Additional Pedigree of Suffolk families No. 19118, British Museum. Owners of the Manor or reputed Manor of Clarbolds in Framlingham.

List of Woodbridge Scholars at the Grammar School 1670.

See East Anglian Vol 4 p. 97—Saml. Allston de Marlsford.

Thos. & Chas. Cracklesrode de Woodbridge.

Constable 19123 in British Museum Davy's Additional MSS.

Thos. Berkere alias Alston was instituted to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre Cambridge otherwise called St. Andrews in 1396.

Blomefields Coll. for Cambridge p. 79.

Frances Clopton bap. at Hadleigh 11 June 1627=Joseph Alston of Kersey Gent. ma. at Letheringham 27 June 1654.

Visitation of Suffolk.

(Howards) See Clopton Pedigree.

Notes & Queries Apl 21 1877—The Alston family. Can you give me any information regarding this family mentioned in Playfairs Family Antiquities Vol IV? The elder branch of John Alston of Suffolk ends with Wm. Alston of Grays Inn. A John Alston was exiled in 1685 for participating in Monmouth Rebellion, and it is conjectured that he was the son of the above W. Alston. Whether the conjecture be right and what became of the exile are the questions desired to be answered.

B. A.

Georgetown S. Carolina.

From Norwich Mercury Dec. 25, 1813—Devon Wednesday sennight at Newton Suffolk aged 95 years Mrs. Alston relict of Mr. Joseph Alston surgeon of Halstead in Essex and only child of John Chaplain M.D. formerly of Sudbury.

Rev. F. S. Alston's MSS. continued.

FROM TITLE DEEDS IN THE POSSESSION OF MR. EDMD. STEDMAN OF SUDBURY.

22nd July 1640. Will of Edmd. Alston of Newton Gent. so dated by which he devised inter alia 4a of Meadow in Sudbury in a Meadow called Fryers Meadow, his Farm called Assington House to his son Edward in fee he paying to his Testator's sister Weatherall £60. a year for life.

The above mentd. Edwd. by his will dat. 18 Nov. 1680 devised the same estate to his eldest son Edward in fee.

Deed dated 21st Sept. 1711 betwn. Edwd. Alston B.D. & Rector of East Bergholt in Suffolk & Nicholas Alston his 2nd son of East Bergholt afsd. Gent. & Thos. Alston of Boxford apothecary & Elizth. Fairbrother late of Brantham in Suffolk widow—Marre intended between the s. Nicholas Alston & Elizth. Fairbrother of East Bergholt Spinster 2nd daughter of the s. Elizth. Fairbrother Widow. Property settled. Capital Messuage called Brooks in Newton and Assington formerly part copyhold but enfranchised by the s. Edwd. Alston.

Marre sett. of Edwd. Alston of Newton Gent. dated 2nd Feb. 1744 made between the sd. Edwd. Alston of the 1st part Elizabeth Toller of Stanway Co. Essex Spinster of the 2nd part & Elizth. Lee of Stanway aforesd. Widow and John Brown of the same place yeoman of the 3rd part. Samuel Alston a Witness to it.

Deed of appointment of the sd. estate dated 9 May 1789 from sd. Edwd. Alston described as Edwd. Alston senr. of Newton Gent. A recital is made of his marre sett. with Elizth Toller as above—of her death in 1775 and that she left issue by him Edwd. Alston the younger, Thomas Alston, Samuel Alston & Toller Alston, Elizth. the wife of the Revd. John Thurlow, Lucy Alston & Judith Alston. Recites that he had been at great expence in putting out his son Edward then 32 years old to the business of a Surgeon. Recites the will of the s. Elizth. his late wife and then exercised the power of appointmt. which he had as to part of his estate in favor of his son Thos. in fee and as to other parts to his sons Samuel & Toller & Edward after his own decease.

Mortgage from Thos. Alston of Newton Yeoman 2nd son of the sd. Edwd. Alston senr. of Newton aforesd. Gentn. of the 1st part the s. Edwd. Alston senr. of the 2nd part and other persons of the 3rd part dated 17 June 1780.

Deed dated 19 Oct. 1787 to which the sd. Thos. Alston described as of Newton Yeoman was a party in which is a recital that the sd. Edwd. Alston his father was then dead.

Estate conveyed by Thos. Alston of Newton Farmer & Alice his wife who only made her mark by Deed dated 10 Jany. 1788 to Thos. Moulton of Great Waldingfield Malster.

An Affidavit as to the identity of the property was made on 11th June 1787 by Thos. Alston of Manningtree Yeoman who described himself as aged 74 years or thereabouts. He stated that sd. Estate belonged to Edwd. Alston Clerk his grandfather afterwards to Nicholas Alston Gent. his son father of the s. Deponent then to Edwd. Alston Gent. deceased brother of s. Deponent and then to Thos. Alston his s. Deponent's nephew and Taylor was a party and a Trustee for sd. Edwd. Alston B.D.

In the Abstract mention is made of a Deed dated 10 April 1712 to which James Wheeley of Colchester Co. Essex Merchant and (unfinished.)

Rev. F. S. Alston's MSS. continued.—Extracts from Old Letters.

Clapham of Harrold says Sir Rowland had two Sons and one Daughter Thos. Rowland & Sarah. Thos. married a woman of Family. That Sir Rowland left Odell Castle and went and resided at a little House in the neighbourhood. Sir Thos. then lived at Odell Castle, he was at times insane. He had not been married long before his Wife left him. They had no children at this time. He have heard she cohabited with a Mr. Wass by whom she had two Sons one is dead and he believes the other Son has the title and claims the Estate. Sir Thos. took into his house a Mrs. Lee by whom he had one Son, the person who now lives at Odell. When Sir Thos. died he left her his property. She afterwards married Gascoign and lives at Harrold. Sir Rowland has been dead about 35 years.

Some of the Family he have heard are buried at Strukson and Pavenham villages near.

Mr. Grantham Rector says he believes Sir Rowland left the Estate to Sir Thos. during his life and if he died without Issue then to his Brother Rowland, which was the case.

Sir Thos. Alston left Mrs. Margerett Lee Sole Executrix & Heiress, Sir Rowland the younger Brother and last of the Family dying without Issue. Mrs. Lee claimed the Odell Estate as a reversionary Estate, under the will of Sr. Thos. Alston she being left sole Heiress.

Miss Sarah Alston Sister to Sir Thos. married Dr. Pye Preband of Rochester by whom she had one Daughter who married Mr. Fitzherbert and died without Issue.

He says when Sir Rowland was in Possession of the Estate he cut down a quantity of Timber of the Estate in consequence of which Mrs. Margerett Lee brought an Action which was tried at Westminster. Sir Rowland endeavoured to set aside his Brothers Will by proving him insane but Mrs. Lee produced a letter written by him on the same date as the signature of the will, with an exactness for which in his rational moments he was particular. The case went against Sir Rowland, and was obliged to reinstate the value of the Timber amounting to about £500. tho' it was generally supposed had he moved it into the House of Lords he would have substantiated his claim.

(Mottos in Arms) In Coelo Quies—Immotus.

ALSTON OF ODELL BEDS.

13 June 1642.

- I. Sir Thomas Alston m. Elizabeth d. of Sir Rowland St. John K.B. & died 1678.
- II. Sir Rowland s. & h. married Temperance d. of Thomas Lord Crewe (who re-m. Sir John Wolstenholme Bart.) and d. 1698. (1697 E.A.)
- III. Sir Thomas s. & h. d. unmarried 1714.
- IV. Sir Rowland b. & h. m. Elizabeth d. of Capt. Reynes & d. Jan. 2nd 1759 æt 80.
- V. Sir Thomas s. & h. m. Catherine Davis d. & h. of Dr. Bovey & d. 18 July 1774.
- VI. Sir Rowland b. & h. m. Gertrude sister of Stillingfleet Durnford of the Tower Esqr. but dying s.p. 1791 the title became* ext.

* It was assumed without right by John Wasse Esq. who died in 1807.

From Cowthopes Extinct Baronetage.

Rev. F. S. Alston's MSS. continued.—Old Letters.

TO MR. EDWD. ALSTON, MANNINGTREE, ESSEX.

(Turn at Chelmsford).

Gosfield, Sept. 23 1811.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Ed. Alston from Deptford came down to us last night in order to make further enquiries respecting the Odell Estate, and this he is now induced to see in consequence of an advertisement which appeared in a publick paper inviting Claimants to make their application to a Mr. Roberts a Solicitor in London. Now I shall be obliged to you to further his views by communicating to him the letters and information which your Son Mr. Ed. procured some time ago—perhaps it will be better not to part with the originals, but to get copies written out, for which I will repay you when I next see you—then they might be made up into a small packet and directed to Mr. E. Alston, Surgeon, Back Lane, Deptford, and by the Coach would not fail of finding him. I shall also send some person over to Newton & Polstead to get extracts from the Registers and endeavour to connect the present family with the one which leaving Polstead settled at Odell—this may however be difficult, and perhaps impossible, but an effort for that purpose shall be made.

We are all pretty well here, and desire to be kindly remembered by you & the several branches of your family.

I am, Very truly yours,

[Signed] J. THURLOW.

If your papers could be conveyed to me, which I think may be done by sending them to Mr. Butler, High Street, Colchester, who comes every Friday to Halstead to his shop, (he sets out at 6 o'clock in the morning) I would then send such abstracts as would answer his (Mr. Alstons') purpose and return you the originals—this I think would be best, but choose you which to prefer.

TO MR. EDWD. D. ALSTON, DISS, NORFOLK.

Dear Edward,

The note that was in ye Morning Advertiser I recd. from an Old Servant of our that is married and live in London (on Wednesday) who is now at Manningtree, And Mr. Thurlows Letter this morning but I do not intend to write to him or do anything till I hear from you as you have got many more papers then are with me and I cannot tell wether you would like me to part with them or give cyps of them. I should wish an answer with ye letter and paper I enclosed as soon as convenient. Your loving Father

Manningtree Sept. 26th 1811.

[Signed] EDWD. ALSTON.

P.S. Likely you will wish to write to Mr. Thurlow yourself.

Dear Edward,

As Mr. Golding was from home on Wednesday I could not obtain the price, and a friend that is to give me every information of the Salt Office at Colchester is from home and shall not be able to see him till Saturday.

Yours truly,

[Signed] DANL. C. ALSTON.

TO EDWARD ALSTON ESQ, DISS, NORFOLK.

Sir,

Your letter dated Novr. 3rd from Diss, I have this moment received, it has been the longer in coming to me on account of my having for some years changed the Place of my Residence. This will I trust be deemed a sufficient apology for my apparent inattention.

I have it barely in recollection that you called upon me at Odell for the purpose of consulting the Register some years ago. I have occasional communication with the Family at the Castle, but it is long since I have seen Mr. Alston.

The Advertisements which you have copied from the Papers had escaped my observation, but the purport of them had been communicated to me, and, I immediately wrote to a friend in Town upon the subject—they were to me of course a matter of as much surprise as they could have been to yourself, and, I am not at all aware of any circumstance that could occasion them.

Should any further information be required from the Register at Odell, I am sure my Curate Mr. Poyntz will be very ready to give it. I am,

Sir,

Yr. Obdt. Humble Servt.

[Signed] VAL. GRANTHAM.

Vicarage House, Scawby,

Nr. Brigg, Lincolnshire.

Novr. 13th 1811.

TO MR. EDWD. D. ALSTON, DISS, NORFOLK.

Single.

Dear Edwd,

I was sorry to finde by your Letter that your arme have been so bad, and am glad to hear it is gitting better. I have got Mrs. Barnard to write to her Son at Biddenham, who live with Mr. Golding son of Mr. Golding late of Hadleigh, his Letter to his Mother is as follows,

I have made all the inquiry in my power. Odell Castle is about eight miles from Biddenham, Mrs. Brooks knows it well, having been there several times. The late Sir Rowland Alston never had any Issue. Mrs. B. has heard Lady Alston say she should rather Sir Rowland would marry any strumpet in London, supposing she might have a Child, rather than Captain Alston should ever come there. Captain A. was a natural Child, and had it was said no right to it whatever. Mrs. Brooks would by all means have Mr. Alston write to her brother Mr. Brooks, who made Sir Rowlands will, and who would she have no doubt give him every information in his power, his address George Brooks Esq, Banking House, Chancery Lane, London. I here it is a pretty little Estate, no one lives there now, the Captain is involved, and it is not known where he is, his Agent a Mr. Green lives at Bedford; Mrs. Brooks Husband settled some business for Sir Rowland, which was the way they became acquainted, Lady Alston was Godmother to Miss Brooks and left her five Hundred pounds. Mr. Wm. Alston who lives at Rochester in Kent son of Thos. Alston late of Thorpe calld on me ye 13th inst. with his Attorney, and wished to see you, they was going to Polstead & Newton. I informd them that I thought they might hear of you at the Kings Armes Holborn Bridge, and Daniel rote a Letter for you to be left there, as we supposed you was in London, as you said you shold go on the Tuesday after the Fair. I did not informe them what we had been doing but left that for you, as I thought in all likelyhood you would see them in London. My Arme is not got to rights yet, I have difculty in getting on my clothes, and my Horse is lame ever since the morning after I got home, but I will in a few Days go to Boxford and see if I can finde out any further information from the registers, and I shall likewise go to Polstead and serch there. I will do all in my power to give you all the information I am able, for I now think from what I have larnt, that if ye Alstons in Suffolk ever had any right to ye Odell Estate it is the Boxford or Polstead Family's, but I do not think we shall ever be the better for it, as it have relapts so long, I have found ye Buriels of ye Alstons at Newton ever since ye year 1678 in an Old Book which I have, I shall wish to know a few days before you go to London. that if we have anything to say to you we may wright to you at Diss. Mr. Alston & child are giting finely, and we are all well but Littel Osmond who have got ye Hooping Cough, with our united Love I am Dr. Edwd.

Your Loving Father,

[Signed] EDWD. ALSTON.

P.S.—When you wright Daniel would wish to know wether ye Letter he rote to you in London is sent you to Diss.

Manningtree,

Novr. 27th, 1811.

TO MR. EDWD. ALSTON, DISS, NORFOLK.

Single.

Manningtree, Decr. 8th 1811.

Dear Edward,

I recd. yours this morning, but if I had not I should have rote to day, I have been at Boxford twice, ye first time the Clergiman was not at home, cannot find anything there that I think will be of any use, there is Edward Alston married to Sarah Prat Augst. 26th 1705, and Edward Son of Edward and Sarah Alston Baptized June 11th 1710, and Mary Daughter of Thomas and Mary Alston Baptized Feby. 12th 1711, and Edward Alston Buried Novr. 26th 1712, and many other Alstons, (I suppose of the Doctors family) but I am afraid will do us no good.

I have seen Mr. Green and he saw Wm. Alston in London and he informed him that he should send to Odell to see if he could make anything out there, but that the Alstons of Newton had not the least chance what ever, I have likewise seen Mr. Whitmore of Polstead and he was with Mr. Alston & his Attorney near three Hours, but they did not seame satisfied of what they found there, thay said it would be of no use, but was then going to Newton. I have had a very bad cold for this Fortnight past, and my horse is lame that I am obligd to borrow when I go out. Mr. Green will be in London this Evening and expect to see Mr. Alston, and if he should he will hear wether he have sent to Odell, and what he have learnt there, and will let me know as soon as he return, which I expect will be by Tuesday & Wednesday. Mr. Alston is very often in London on the Sunday, for ye Mondays Market, and his House is ye Spread Eagle in Grace Church Street. and if he is not there they will informe you where he is.

I have seen Harvey & Hainses rider and he have shown me some Hops, the prises are from £5. 10. to £7. 15. he had sampels of 9 Bags, which he offered at £6. pound money or £6. 6. six months, if you can buy me a Ton of good Brewers hops I will thank you at money, but hope you will make this your way to Town for I shall be happy to see you, you say nothing about your Arme so that I hope it is better from Dear Edwd.

Your Loving Father

EDWD. ALSTON.

These Hops must be good as they are to Brew Old Beer to stand 9 or 12 months.

At the beginning of the 19th Cent. the Alston family was moved to its uttermost ramifications by the appearance of certain "next of kin" advertisements (given elsewhere in this book) in the London papers having reference to the Odell property. The chase was for most a wildgoose chase, and lest any Alstons of to-day cherishes notions of "rights" and "wrongs" derived from paternal or maternal tradition it may be as well to note that all Alston property and estates of aforesaid are to-day in the possession of those properly entitled to them.

Portion of an Old Pedigree Letter.

Edwd. Alston = 2nd Christian Bull of Waldingfield Parva 1590.
Robt. Appleton = 2nd wife Bridget dau. of Rev. Wm. Bull
son of John
J. of Wald
ingfield
Parva.
Buried at
Chilton 1637.
Wm. Alston = 1st no name
of Newton
Elizt. = 1632 Chaplyn

My Pedigree of the Meadows.

Revd. John Meadows = Sarah Fairfax
of Ousden abt. 15 miles from Newton. he was ejected 1662.
Revd. John Meadows = Sarah Chaplin
of Needham. about your date.

If you have Parkers History of Long Milford you will find Cloptons Pedigree if not is in Visitation of Suffolk with additions by Tymme and J. J. Howard. In p. 7 of yr. book there is an error, so far they have forgotten to put an extra stroke, Joseph Alston = 2nd wife Frances dau. of Wm. Clopton of Gaselyns Hall in Groton, it ought to be Wm. Clopton.

I thought I had copied Cloptons Pedigree but can't find it.

The Gooddays & Alstons & Tweedys are related and Parkers and that Gooday & Caties Parkers are related.

I am afraid you will think my letter very uninteresting to you but every little hint is valuable in pedigrees. I have not been out all day therefore must leave off for an airing—I have written at the request of my wife and also for my own pleasure, We all join in kind regards and am

Yours very sincerely,

WILLIAM P. BARKER.

TO THE REVD. JOHN THURLOW, GOSFIELD, ESSEX.

Deptford 23rd May 1815.

Dear Sir,

Accept my best thanks for your very kind letter of the 20th, it has relieved me from the most painful anxiety I had ever previously experienced upon any occasion of my life—I acknowledge with gratitude your kindness in taking upon yourself the trouble of drawing up a Case for the purpose of submitting it to Mr. Donovan—and flatter myself with the idea that under all the circumstances—he cannot give an opinion against the Claimant—Pardon Sir the liberty I take in presuming to remind you that Willm. Alston of the Inner Temple is the first of the family we find named of Odell Castle—he died in 1637—when his Brother Thos. (afterwards created a Baronet) came into possession of the estate not by Will but as Heir at Law which his own hand writing now in the Herald College proves—this Estate was never disposed of by Will—but always descended from heir to heir in the Male line namely, from Father to Son—or from Brother to Brother down to 1791 when Sir Rowland died possessed of it—having gained possession in the year 1774 as heir at Law to his Brother Sir Thos. in defiance of his will of which the annexed is a true copy. (*Will shewn elsewhere in this volume*).

Remainder of letter is missing. Apparently it is from — Alston, of Deptford, and like the one above relates to castles in the air, in the way of supposed claims.

NOTES KINDLY SUPPLIED BY MRS. SPOONER, WIFE OF THE VICAR OF HADLEIGH, DR. SPOONER.

PIGOT p. 193. Speaking of Dr. Trumbull.

“There is an affecting entry in his own hand-writing in the register for the year 1682 after the record of the burial of his wife.

Anna Trumbull, Caroli hujus ecclesiae
Rectoris uxor charissima, post octodecim
Menses in amantissimo utrinque
Conjugio elapsos, heu, nimium
Cito ad coelum avolavit.

And the same tender grief is manifested in the inscription on her grave, in the Chancel of our Church——

Uxor amantissima et undequaque amabilis,
Eximia decorata formâ;
Sed et suavitate morum et pietate adhuc ornatior;
Cui demum nihil deerat quod posset exoptari,
Nisi hoc solum ut diutius vixisset.
Obiit 13^o die Martii, 1681-2.

(*Note to above*)

Her maiden name was Rich, but I know nothing more of her family than that her mother was buried in the Chancel of our Church Oct. 17th 1687. This inscription marks her mother's grave.

Laurentia Rich, Vidua,
Aetate et moribus venerabilis,
Longos emensa terrâ marique vitæ labores,
Hic tandem juxta dilectissimam Filiam
In pace requiescit,
Beatam in Christo expectans Resurrectionem.
Obiit 15^o die Octob. 1687.

VISCOUNT MONSON.

Sir William Monson Viscount Monson of Castlemaine (d. 1672) regicide, 2 s. of Sir Thomas Monson (Master of the Armoury at the Tower and himself a man of note) and Margaret daughter of Sir Edmund Anderson Lord Chief Justice of Common Pleas was raised to Peerage of Ireland as Vis. M. of C. co. Kerry 23 Aug. 1628 and was knighted 13 Aug. 1633. Became a member of Grays' Inn same day, got estate at Reigate by first marriage, lost it by dissolute habits. Refused to pay the money, elected M.P. for Reigate 21 Oct. 1640 opposed the court. Nominated one of Kings judges, attended 20 22 & 23 Jan. 1649 but refused to take part in ultimate proceedings. Placed on Committee apptd. to receive and take note of the dissent of any member from the vote of 5 Dec. 1648. The Long Parl. then restored in May 1659 had, to form a quorum, to send for Monson and Henry Marten from the Fleet prison where both were for debt. At Restoration excepted from bill of pardon, and on surrender 21 June 1660 was recommitted to Fleet. On 1 July 1660 brought to bar of H. of C. made to confess, degraded from all titles and honours and deprived of all property. Sentenced to be drawn from Tower through City of London to Tyburn and so back again with halter about his neck and to be imprisoned for life. Petitioned House of Lords 25 July 1661 to remit most ignominious part of sentence declaring his design in sitting at trial to be to prevent that “horrid murder.” Ignominious part only carried out on anniversary of King's sentence 27 Jan. Died about 1672. Estate at Reigate granted to Duke of York. Frances Alston was 2nd wife. Alston Monson d. 1674 without issue.

1st wife. Margaret d. of James Stewart Esq. of Murray and widow of Charles Howard Esq. of Nottingham.

3rd wife. (d. 1695). Elizabeth 2 d. of Sir George Keresby kt. of Wryberg Yorkshire widow of Sir Francis Foljambe bart. of Aldwick. At intercession of her nephew Sir John Keresby Lady Monson was restored to her title of Viscountess Castlemaine. (*See Dict. National Biography*).

DR. CHARLES ALSTON.

I have pleasure in enclosing you extracts from my Parish Records on the subject of Dr. Charles Alston. The longer extract is as you will see very interesting.

The Rectory, Northolt, Middlesex.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

faithfully yours,

(Rev.) GEORGE EDMUNDSON.

"Charles Alston had this Vicarage given him by Dr. Henry Compton Lord Bishop of London, whose Chaplain he was, and was collated and inducted March 14, 1684. He was of a good and honourable family in Northamptonshire, being ye youngest son. He had his education at Clare Hall in Cambridge and there took his Degrees successively of Master of Arts, Batchelour and Doctor of Divinity. His most worthy patron ye Bishop of London did afterwards make him Prebendary and Treasurer of ye Cathedral of St. Pauls London, and Archdeacon of Essex, by all wch he acquired a good estate. He never married and died in ye 66th year of his Age, June 7th 1714, having been Vicar here about 29 years, he was not buried here but was carried by his friends to ye buriall place of his family in Northamptonshire. He was as to his bodily stature tall thick and well built, but in his later years astmatick and unwealdy, using no exercise and seldom stirring abroad. As to his inward Temper, He was pleasant and very agreeable. He was held in great esteem by all, being reputed a man of good Learning, orthodox principles, and exemplary piety. By his prudence He kept ye parish in peace and steadfast to ye communion of ye Church, notwithstanding of ye indulgence to dissentors wch caused a defection in many places. The Mansion or Vicarage House being very old, He took it down, and bought ye seat of it, and about anno 1692 He built ye present house and adorned it with gardens and a new orchard for ye honour of ye place and ye encouragement of his successors; for they are much finer than what is common.

He was given to Hospitality, and charitable and without doubt intended severall good and publick works, for He promised to Clarehall Colledge to build a Chappell or give money towards it. He was often heard to say yt He would erect a free school in this Parish, and yt He would leave to his successors ye Vicars of Northall ye furniture of his house. But all was frustrated by his dying suddenly without a will for he was taken ill on Saturday nor was there any danger apprehended till Monday when he died. Dr. Possit of Clarehall being confident there was a will got an order to search for it but none was found so yt an Elder Brother Edward Alston and Madam Wiseman a sister became his Heirs wch Dr. Alston never intended as may be gathered from what he was often heard to say. Neither of ym would consent to ye others administration wch occasioned a Law Suit in Doctors Commons for 3 months and more at last ye administration was entrusted to ye sister, after that Mr. Lettice a Clergyman in Northamptonshire to whom it was first granted did decline it. By this as well as many other instances it is apparent how necessary wills are, and how dangerous to delay ym; for by this means Good Deeds are disappointed and Estates go to persons for whom they were not intended, and Law Suits are occasioned wch carry away a great part of ym.

Extract from ye "Registers of ye Glebe of ye Parish of Northolt alias Northall in ye County of Middlesex made by Fohn Cockburn D.D. Vicar of ye said parish 1715."

1684/5. March 14.

CHARLES ALSTON D.D.

Son of Sir Edward Alston of Strixton of Northamptonshire knight by his wife Esther daughter and coheir of Sir William Ashcombe of Alscot in Oxfordshire.

Chaplain to the Bishop of London. Collated to the Prebend of Mora in S. Pauls 30 April 1681, to the Vicarage of Northall March 1684/5 and to the Archdeaconry of Essex 17 July 1689, Treasurer of S. Paul's 18 February 1706-7. Presented to the Rectory of Strixton in 1681.

Died on 7 June 1714 and was buried at Strixton in Northamptonshire.

Administration of his estate was granted in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury 31 Aug. 1714 to his sister Catherine Wiseman. He rebuilt the Vicarage House about 1692. He was a Fellow of Clare Hall Cambridge. B.A. 1669. M.A. 1673. P.D. 1685. M.A. Oxford by incorporation 3 May 1676 and D.D. 13 July 1686."

Extract from "Account of the Vicars of the Parish of Northolt, Middlesex," compiled by Mr. Walter H. L. Shadwell.

DR. RICHARD MEAD (1673-1754).

Richard Mead (1673-1754), physician, was born on August 11th, 1673, at Stepney (near London) where his father, at one time minister of the parish, had been ejected for nonconformity in 1662. He was sent to Utrecht, where he studied for three years under Gravius; having decided to follow the medical profession, he then went to Leyden and attended the lectures of Hermann and Pitcairn. In 1695 he graduated in philosophy and physic at Padua, and in the following year he returned to his native place, entering at once on a successful practice.

His Mechanical Account of Poisons appeared in 1702, and in 1703 he was admitted to the Royal Society, to whose Transactions he contributed in that year a paper on the parasitic nature of scabies.

In the same year he was also elected physician of St. Thomas's Hospital, and appointed to read anatomical lectures at the Surgeon's Hall.

On the death of Radcliffe in 1714 Mead became the recognised head of his profession. He attended Queen Anne on her death-bed, and in 1727 was appointed physician to George II. having previously served him in that capacity when he was Prince of Wales. He died Feb. 16th 1754.

Besides the *Mechanical Account of Poisons*, of which a second edition appeared in 1708, Mead published a treatise *De Imperio Solis et Lunæ in Corpora Humana et Morbis indi Cruendis* (1704) to be used to prevent it (1720). *De Variolio et Morbillis Dissertatis* (1747). *Medica Sacra sive de Morbis insigniorebus qui in Bibliis Memorantur Commentarius* (1748). On the Scurvy (1749) and *Monita et Præcepta Medica* (1751).

A life of Mead by Dr. Macy appeared in 1755.

HURSTMONCEAUX AND THE HARES.

The Castle is still most grand and stately in its premature decay; nothing can be more picturesque than its huge front of red brick, grown grey here and there with lichens and weather stains, than its arched gateway and boldly projecting machicolations on the flowing folds of ivy with which it is overhung, though only built in the reign of Henry VI., it is said to be the earliest large brick building in England, after the time of Richard II. when De la Pole's house was built of brick at Kingston in Hull. And it is considered a most valuable specimen of the transition of domestic building from a fortress to a manor-house. The front is pierced with loop holes for cross-bows and ocillets for the discharge of matchlock guns, which are relics of the former intention, while the large windows of the dwelling rooms and more especially the Noble Oriel known as "The Ladies Bower," are witnesses to the latter. Bishop Littleton writing in 1757 states his opinion that Hurstmonceaux was at that time the largest inhabited house in England belonging to any subject, its rival, Audley End, having been then partially destroyed.

The name Hurstmonceaux is a combination of the Saxon word "Hurst" meaning a wood, and "Monceaux" the title of one of its Lords who came over with the Conqueror. The family of Monceaux built the early manor-house, which existed long before the Castle, and was coeval with the foundation of the church on the adjoining Hill. In the time of Waleran de Monceaux (1264) Henry III. visited and slept in this building. In the reign of Edward II. Maude de Monceaux brought the Castle by marriage to Sir John Fienes. The head of the family bore this title of Lord Dacre of the South. In 1405, died William Fienes, whose magnificent brass remains in front of the Altar of the Church. In 1440, the old manor-house where William Fienes died was pulled down by Sir Roger Fienes, treasurer of the Household to Henry V., by whom the present castle was built, at a cost of £3,800.

The chambers on the upper floor are described by Grose as "sufficient to lodge a garrison." One was bewildered by the galleries that led to them, while on every window was painted on the glass the Alant or Wolf-dog, the ancient supporters of the family of Fienes.

Francis Hare, (whose son Francis (born May 14, 1713) succeeded to the Hurstmonceaux estates, on the death of his cousin) in 1709 enjoyed in addition to the Chaplaincy of the Duke of Marlborough, and the office of Chaplain 1704 General of the Forces, a royal chaplaincy, given by Queen Anne, a fellowship at Eton, a canonry at St. Pauls and the Rectory of Barnes, in Surrey. Thus when he married Bethaia he was already well provided for. In 1715, he received in addition, the Deanery of Worcester. In 1722 he was appointed Usher of the Exchequer which brought him another thousand a year, by Henry Pelham the younger brother of Lady Grace. In October 1726 upon the resignation of Dr. Godolphin, he exchanged Worcester for the richer Deanery of St. Pauls; and in the same year, was advanced to to the episcopal Mitre (without resigning St. Pauls which he held to his death) being on the 17th December 1727 consecrated Bishop of St. Asaph, where he sate for barely 4 years.

This double elevation was the more remarkable, because during the latter part of the reign of George I. he had fallen into disgrace on the strength of party prejudice; and in 1718 had been dismissed from his royal Chaplaincy, together with Dr. Shirlock and Dr. Mass. But on the accession of George II., he was restored to Court favour, and Queen Caroline had already intended to have nominated him to the See of Bath and Wells but yielded to the remonstrances of the ministry who alleged that it would disoblige the whole bench of Bishops to let the newly consecrated ones into the best preferment at once. That Bishop Hare was considered one of the famous preachers of his time, we learn from the verses of Pope:—

"Still break the benches, Henley with thy strain
While Kennet, Hare, and Gibson preach in vain."

After his son came of age Bishop Hare never returned to Hurstmonceaux. While visiting his paternal estate of Skulthorpe, near Fakenham he had become acquainted with the family of Mr. Joseph Alston, of Edwardstone, whose wife was Laurentia Trumbull, niece of Sir William Trumbull the Secretary of State, Minister Plenipotentiary in Turkey in the reign of William III., and the great friend and patron of Pope., who wrote his Epitaph in East-hampstead Church, Berks. Joseph Alston's eldest daughter Margaret, was married to Bishop Hare in April 1728, and brought him a large fortune in the estate of Newhouse, in Suffolk, and the Vatche, near Chalfont St. Giles, in Buckinghamshire, where they always resided in the later years of his life.

This property had descended to Margaret Alston through the Claytons; who in their turn, derived it from the Fleetwoods, through whom the Bishop's second wife was related to Oliver Cromwell, of whom she possessed a valuable portrait. The Vatche took its name from the Vache a dairy farm of King John. The estate was a rich one, and the house in the Bishop's time was a fine old residence standing on high ground, surrounded by noble trees, it was approached by a long lime avenue from the picturesque village of Chalfont well known to lovers of great men as having once been the residence of Milton who took refuge there from the plague in 1665 and wrote his *Paradise Lost* in a gable-ended cottage, built by one of the Fleetwoods, which still exists.

The comparative economy of the Vatche, and its nearness to London made it a far more popular residence with the Bishop than Hurstmonceaux. He fitted up a desecrated chapel in the grounds for divine service, which was performed by one of his chaplains, and having a gallery a hundred and fifty feet in length, with the portraits of his ancestors, (Straham's Hist. of Bucks. pp. 822, 833). At the Vatche, the 7 children of his second marriage were born. Four of these lived to grow up, Robert, the eldest son, Laurentia who died 1760 aged 31, Anne who died 1816 aged 81, and Francis who died in the East Indies 1771.

The Bishop's eldest son Francis Naylor engaged himself to his stepmother's younger sister, Carlotta Alston, who was penniless though beautiful, the Bishop prevented their marriage in his life time but it took place after his death when they went to live permanently at Little Thurlow, in Suffolk with the 3rd Miss Alston who was married to a Mr. Stephen Soame, leaving Hurstmonceaux to the rats and mice.

In 1731 Bishop Hare was translated from the See of St. Asaph to that of Chichester. In 1736 he narrowly escaped Elevation to the primacy. Bishop Hare died at the Vatche on the 26th April 1740 and was buried in a mausoleum which he had built for his family adjoining the church of Chalfont St. Giles.

Upon the death of Francis Naylor in 1775 the Hurstmonceaux property devolved upon his half brother Robert son of the Bishop by Margaret Alston.

(Memoirs of a Quiet Life by Augustus F. C. Hare).

Brighton March 4th 1875.

GOTHER MANN, &C.

Gother Mann (1747-1830) General Inspector General of Fortifications and Colonel Commandant of Royal Engineers second son of Cornelius Mann and Elizabeth Gother, born at Plumstead, Kent 21st Dec. 1747. Father went to West Indies in 1760 and died at St. Kitts 9 Dec. 1776. Gother left under care of his uncle Sir Milton of Faversham and after passing through Royal Military Academy Woolwich obtained a commission as practitioner engineer and ensign on 27th Feb. 1763. Employed in defences of Sheerness and Medway until 1775.

In 1775 sent to Dominica. Commanded militia when island was captured by French 1778. Little garrison made stout resistance, outnumbered, honourable capitulation. Prisoner of war for few months. On release appointed to Engineer Staff of Gt. Britain and reported on defences of East Coast. In 1781 surveyed defences of North East Coast. In 1785 went to Quebec as commanding Royal Engineers in Canada. Employed in civil and military duties in all parts, erecting fortifications, improving ports, laying out townships such as Toronto and Sorel. Home in 1791 and joined Duke of York's Army in Holland 1793. Present at siege of Valenciennes and at siege of Dunkirk and at battle of Hondschoote or Menin. After service in various other places and different promotions he succeeded General Robert Morse as Inspector General of fortifications an office held unto his death. Died 27 March 1830, buried in Plumstead churchyard. Had grant in Canada April 1805 of 22054 acres of land in township of Acton. Also was offered baronetcy but declined. Married 1767 Anne 2nd daughter of Peter Nade of Rustleford Manor, Eythorne, Kent, rector of Cooling, vicar of Boughton Monchelsea, and Minor Canon of Rochester. 5 sons and 3 daughters. Gother in R.A., Cornelius in R.E., John in 28th Regt., and Fred Wm. in R.M., for William see below. 3 coloured miniatures belong to descendants, one when he had just entered the corps of Royal Engineers in 1663 is in possession of his grandson Maj. Gen. J. R. Mann, C.M.G. of R.E., son of Maj. Gen. Cornelius Mann, and was reproduced in Porter's History of Corps of Royal Engineers 1809.

Robert Mann a successful London merchant who bought an estate at Luton in Kent, built a "small but elegant seat on the site of the old mansion of Capell's Court" and died a fully qualified county squire 9 Sep. 1751.

Sir Horatio Mann (1701-1786). Not a kinsman of Horace Walpole although an associate in his early days, obtaining through his friendship the offer in 1737 by Sir Robert of the post of assistant to "Mr. Fane" envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary at the Court of Florence. Did the work of Fane an indolent but particular person who Walpole says took to his bed for six weeks because the Duke of Newcastle omitted the usual prefix "very" to "your humble servant" in signing one of his letters. In 1740 succeeded Fane and was visited by Horace Walpole at the "Casa Mauvette by the Ponte de Trinita," and the poet Gray visited him about the same time and describes him as the best and most obliging person in the world, was delighted with his house, from the windows of which he says "we can fish in the Arno" and in 1745 despatched his "good dear Mr. Mann" a heavy box of books.

Envoys business was to watch the doings of the Pretender and his family in Italy. Retailed damaging gossip. In 1766 on death of Old Pretender bullied the Pope into suppressing the titles of his successor at Rome. In 1783 the Chevalier dining with the King of Sweden then a visitor in Florence narrated the circumstances of his visit to London in September 1750 and the despatch with the account of the adventure as it came from the Chevalier's own lips, dated 6 Dec. 1783, is with other Tuscan state papers preserved at the Record Office. Succeeded his elder brother in the Luton estate 1755 and was created a baronet 3 March. His receipt of the decoration of K.B. 25 Oct. 1768 was the occasion of a succession of brilliant fetes described in detail in his letters to Horace Walpole. Their correspondence from 1741 for 44 years during which they never saw each was phenomenal and avowedly for publication. It is summarised by Dr. Doran (from the originals at Strawberry Hill) in two volumes "Mann and Manners at the Court of Florence" in 1786.

These volumes abound in accounts of serenades, fetes, masquerades, court ceremonial, and Italian eccentricities, including an elaborate exposition of the history and nature of cìcisbeism, and many circumstances relating to the alleged poisoning of Clement XIV. in 1774. Writing from Florence in November 1754 the Earl of Cork describes Mann as living on the eminent savant Dr. Antonio Cocchi's "friendship, skill, and care" and adds "could I live with these two gentlemen only and converse with few or none others I should scarce desire to return to England for many years." Madame Piozzi visited Mann in 1784 when he was "sick and old" but maintained a weekly conversation on Saturday evenings. Mann's last letter to Walpole "of a series amounting to thousands" is dated 5 Sept. 1786. He died at Florence 6 Nov. 1786, having been 46 years minister. His body was removed to England and buried at Luton. In his will, Mann, who had previously bought several pictures on commission for the Houghton and Strawberry Hill Galleries, left five pictures by Poussin to his friend Walpole to whom his letters also were transmitted. He had sent Walpole his portrait by Astley in 1752 this was engraved by Greatbach and included by Cunningham in his edition of Walpole's correspondence.

The estate and baronetcy passed to his nephew Horatio, who with his wife "the fair and fragile" Lady Lucy (Noel) had visited Mann at Florence in 1775, the pair being frequently mentioned with much tenderness and affection in his letters. Sir Horatio was M.P. for Sandwich in 1790, became a local magnate, and was a staunch patron of the Hambledonian Cricketers. (See Hasted's Kent, Nyren's Young Cricketers Tutor ed. Whibley, pp. xi, xxii, 94). He died in 1814 when the baronetcy became extinct.

William Mann (1817-1873) astronomer, born at Lewisham 28 Oct., 1817. 3 son of Maj. Gen. Cornelius Mann, R.E. and grandson of Gother Mann, went with his family to Gibraltar in 1830 on father's appointment as Commanding Royal Engineer. In 1837 Admiral Sheriff procured him post of second assistant at the Royal Observatory, Cape of Good Hope and after due preparation he started work October 1839. For six years engaged on re-measurement of Lacaille's arc and sometimes passed three months without shelter even by night. His health was recruited by trip to England in 1846 and on his return in 1847 he engaged in the ordinary work of first assistant. Next voyage home was to fetch the new transit circle erected by him at the Cape in 1853 with only native aid. Contracted affection of the chest from his cometary observations, attacked by fever in 1870. Retired from observatory and died at Claremont near Cape Town on 30 April, 1873. Married in 1883 Caroline 2 daughter of Sir Thomas Maclean. Value for 3 years of a small pension granted at every death was paid to his widow by Mr. Gladstone's orders. Mann's character and abilities were superior to his opportunities. He was a good mechanic and mathematician and his fellow assistant, Professor Piazz Smyth wrote of his "splendid intellectual parts and excellent dispositions."

EXTRACT FROM HASTED'S KENT. FOLIO EDITION, VOL. II., 142, A.D. 1782.

LINTON.

"On his death his widow became entitled to this estate, and soon afterwards again carried it in marriage to Brigadier-General George Jocelyn, whom she entitled to the fee of it. He alienated it to Robert Mann, Esq., who built a small but elegant seat there, partly on the site of the old mansion of Capell's Court, which he pulled down, and resided in it till his death, which happened on Sep. 9, 1751. He left issue five sons, Edward Louisa, Esq. of Linton Place; Horatio, since created a Baronet and made a Knight of the Bath, now His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary at Florence; Galfridus, father of Sir Horace Mann, Knt., and Robert and James, both of London, and three daughters, of whom Mary, the second, married Benjamin Hatley Foote, Esq., now of Malling Abbey, and Catherine, the third, afterwards married Rev. Fracs. Hender Foote, of Charlton in Bishop's Thorne, brother of the former. By his last will, dated Sept. 2, 1751, he devised this his capital messuage, called Linton Place, with the parsonage and the advowson of the vicarage of Linton, and all other his estates in this county, to his eldest son Edward Louisa, in *tail male*, with divers remainders over to his other sons, and then to his two daughters, above-mentioned, in succession in like tail. Edward Louisa Mann, above-mentioned, was of Linton Place, Esq., and died seized of it unmarried, on Dec. 16, 1775; on which, by the above entail, it came to his next brother, Sir Horatio Mann, Knight of the Bath and Baronet, His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary at Florence, who is the present proprietor of this seat, together with the parsonage and advowson of the vicarage of Linton, and other estates adjoining in this parish."

HASTED, VOL. II., p. 432.

BOUGHTON MALHERB.

The Earl of Chesterfield, however, before this period, by his deed in 1750, passed away this manor, with the site of Boughton Place, and the advowson of the rectory appendant to the manor, and all the rest of the Wotton estates in this county to Galfridus Mann, of London, Esq.; (d) who died possessed of them in Dec. 1756, leaving issue one son Horatio, and three daughters.

Horatio Mann, Esq., succeeded his father in the possession of these estates, of which he is the present owner; and on June 15, 1772, appeared as proxy for his uncle, Sir Horatio Mann, Bart., on his installation as Knight of the Bath, having been knighted previous to that ceremony. Sir Horace Mann, for so he is now styled, to distinguish him from his uncle Sir Horatio, in 1779, succeeded, by gift from his uncle above-mentioned, to his seat and estate at Linton in this county, where he at times resides. He married on April 13, 1765, Lady Lucy Noel, sister of Thomas, Earl of Gainsborough, who died at Nice in 1778, by whom he has issue three daughters, Lucy, Emily, and Harriet. There are but small remains of the mansion of Boughton Place left standing, the greatest part of it having been pulled down many years ago, and what is left of it is only sufficient for a farm-house. It stands adjoining to the church-yard westward, and by the remains of it, appears to have been a stately building.

Wormsell has ever been esteemed as an appendage to the manor of Boughton.

Note. (d) This family is descended from ancestors seated at Ipswich, in the county of Suffolk, of whom Edward Mann, Esq., was Comptroller of the Customs at that place, and his descendant, *John Mann, married Mary, daughter of Edward Hinton, of the County of Berks., gentl., by whom he had Robert Mann, of London, and afterwards of Linton in this county, Esq., who died March 12, 1752, leaving issue by Eleanor, his wife, daughter and heir of Christopher Guise, of Abbott's Court in the county of Gloucester, Esq., five sons and three daughters, viz., Edward Louisa, the eldest son, who was of Linton, Esq., where he died unmarried on Dec. 16, 1775, and was succeeded in his estates in this county by his brother, Sir Horatio Mann, Baronet and Knight of the Bath, which Sir Horatio, who*

was the second son, has been many years resident at Florence as His Majesty's Envoy Extraordinary. On March 3, 1755, he was created a Baronet, to him and his heirs male, and in default of such issue, to his brother Galfridus, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, so that as Sir Horatio is at present unmarried, and far advanced in years, Sir Horace Mann, his nephew, will in all probability succeed him in that title. Galfridus, the third son, was purchaser of Boughton Manor, as above-mentioned, and father of the present Sir Horace Mann, Knt. Member in the last and present Parliaments for the town of Maidstone in this county. Robert was the fourth son, and James the fifth. Of the daughters, Eleanor married John, afterwards Sir John Torriano, of London, knt., merchant, by whom she had issue. Mary married Benjamin Hatley Foote, Esq., and Catherine married the Revd. Francis Hender Foote, both of whom left issue. *See Kimber's Bar.*, vol. iii, p. 140.

They bear for their arms, Sable on a fess counter embattled between 3 goats passant, argent, as many ogresses. *Guill.* p. 360.

Galfridus Mann, Esq., by his Will dated 16 March, 1754, gave all his Manors, lands, &c. in Kent or elsewhere (except in the Co. of Warwick which he directed to be sold) to Edwd. Louisa Mann and Benjamin Hatley Foote, Esq. in trust that his wife Sarah should receive an anny. of £700 per an. and his brother Horatio £100 per an. All his other estates subject as above, except his lands in the Co. of Warwick to his son Horatio for his life, remr. to his sons respectively in tail male, remrs. to his daus. Alice, Sarah, Catherine, and Eleanor in like tail, remr. to the uses of the Will of his late father, Robert Mann. His estates in the Co. of Warwick to be sold with all his personal este. and he directed his Trustees to lay out in the public funds a sum to pay £7500 apiece to each of his daus. and to lay out the rest in lands in Kent as near as possible to the estates he already possessed. in it to be settled to the uses above mentd.

N.B.—The parish of Egerton adjoins that of Boughton Malherb and Galfridus Mann owned lands in Egerton, but the other was the principal place and the seat there was the ancient seat of the Wottons. Gal. Mann is therefore always spoken of as of B. Malherb, not of Egerton. But he must have had only a short residence there as he died six years after the purchase, and when he must have still been engaged in business. Horace Walpole in his letters to Mann, gives a graphic account of the death of his brother Galfridus.

It will be seen that Hasted mentions 5 sons of Robert Mann, of whom, two, Robert and James, were of London.

In allusion to the Goats in the Coat of Arms, Horace Walpole when making up the Pedigree for his friend Horace Mann at Florence, adds the motto "per ardua stabiles."

Malling Abbey was, when I knew the place, the residence of the Akers family. It is now a Nunnery. The gateway is in fine preservation and shews its early Norman origin. It was probably built by Gandulph, the architect of the Tower of London.—A.T.K.

The above extracts from Hasted and the notes following have been supplied by A. T. Keene, Esq. The Mann's Royal Descent, first elucidated by Horace Walpole for his friend Sir Horatio Mann, appears elsewhere in this volume.

EARL CORNWALLIS.

James Cornwallis 4th E. C. (1742-1824), Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry, 3 s. of Charles 1 E. C. by Elizabeth d. of Charles Viscount Townshend and the younger brother of Charles 1st Marquis Cornwallis. Born in Dover Street, Piccadilly, 25 Feb. 1742. Educated at Eton and Christ Church, Ox. Graduated B.A. in June 1763, fellowship of Merton where he took M.A. in 1769. Entered Middle Temple but on advice of his uncle, Frederick Cornwallis, Abp. Cant., he took holy orders. Was Chaplain to his cousin Lord Townshend, Lord Lieut. of Ireland. In 1767 presented by his uncle to living of Ickham, Kent and next year had Adisham, a neighbouring parish, added. In 1770 prebend of Westminster, rector of Newington, Oxford, and then of Wrotham, Kent. In 1773 rector of Boughton Malherbe. In 1775 Dean of Salisbury and received D.C.L. from Oxford. In 1781 consecrated Bp. of Lichfield and Coventry. In 1791 Dean of Windsor and in 1794 Dean of Durham. In August 1823 second Marquis C. died and marquisate became extinct but Earldom reverted to the Bp. now in 82nd year. Died at Richmond, Surrey, 20 Jan., 1824 having been Bishop of Lichfield 53 years. Buried in his cathedral. (*See Dict. Nat. Biog.*)

✦ In Memoriam ✦

THE LATE
CAPTAIN A. H. ALSTON, R.N.

The late Commander Alfred Henry Alston, R.N., was during his life well known in the Navy as an earnest Christian man, and, at the same time, as one of the bravest of the brave. And this from his earliest entry into the service that he loved so well, when he dared the sneers of his companions by kneeling at his chest morning and evening at private devotion, and again he showed the spirit that ruled him by holding Bible classes in his cabin for the lads on board, when he became a Lieutenant.

Indeed, all the time that he was in the Navy, he was known as one who in all, and through all, trusted in God, and his sense of duty was almost his chief characteristic, as to serve his God and his Queen truly and well, and at all cost, was his chief ambition.

Many years ago, one of his messmates, now a distinguished officer, said,—“We were always ready to follow Alston anywhere,” such was their esteem for him and their confidence in him.

In 1852 he volunteered and was accepted for the Arctic Expedition in search of Sir John Franklin.

He saw much service also in China, and performed there an act of as great bravery and readiness for self-sacrifice as could be well performed, and which was instrumental in the capture of the celebrated Commissioner Yeh.

It was in 1852, at the taking of Canton. The Naval Brigade had fought its way to the Chinese General's house; this they found surrounded by high walls, with massive gates. Men were despatched for ladders, and beams to use as battering rams. Every moment was precious for Yeh was known to be inside the building and delay might allow him to escape.

Captain Alston, then a midshipman, saw that if he could squeeze himself through the opening under the great gate he might open the gate to the attacking force. The fort was commanded by Tartar troops. He felt that he might be killed even before he could rise from the ground; but he did not hesitate. He crawled with difficulty under the gate, and opened it; the troops had fled the moment before. He rushed after the flying Chinese, and overtook two Mandarins. One tapped himself on the chest, and said—“Me Yeh! Me Yeh!” Captain Alston seized him, making a snatch at the other, but only succeeding in securing the feather from his cap, but he was immediately captured by the Captain of the Brigade, who rushed in first through the opened gate.

The feather thus taken from Yeh's cap was some years after presented to the Queen by Captain Alston's widow, and accepted by Her Majesty; and surely few relics among the Royal treasures can bear witness of a more calmly heroic deed than that here related.

From 1852 until 1864 he was almost constantly in active service, and from his well-known character was selected as Naval Instructor to Prince Alfred, when His Royal Highness was on board the “St. George.”

Always anxious to live out his life in the best way he could for the benefit of his fellow-creatures, his attention was drawn to the question of the training and reformation of outcast lads, and with the permission of the Admiralty, he took command of the training ships “Chichester” and “Cumberland” successively. He devoted himself with a most earnest spirit to this work and was much blessed in its results.

As an instance of his readiness for self-devotion. One winter's day a heavy gale was blowing, and a swift tide was running down the Thames. A boy fell overboard. The Captain plunged at once from the poop, and swam his hardest after the boy, who was being swept away by the fierce tide. He reached him, grasped at him, but that moment the boy sank and was lost, and the Captain himself, sinking each moment lower in the water from the weight of his winter clothing, was only saved at the last moment. When it was suggested that application should be made to the Humane Society for a medal in token of his gallant action, he answered, “Certainly not! If a boy falls overboard every day, I shall go after him; I shall not receive a medal for simply doing my duty.”

Captain Alston then became interested in the question of the reclamation of criminals, and how far the time of a criminal's imprisonment might be made a time of reformation of character.

He obtained the Governorship of the Monmouthshire County Prison, at Usk, and there devoted himself all too earnestly to his hopeful but most trying work. He made it a principle to seek that no prisoner who came under his charge should leave without being the better for his personal influence. At this work he laboured incessantly and beyond his strength, and was, within about a year, seized with paralysis of the brain, from which he shortly died, leaving a widow and five children, a sixth being born three months after his death.

Captain Alston was the author of a very valuable manual of instruction in practical seamanship for young officers, and also of a book entitled “Ready, O ready,” giving much of his life's experience, and written with the aim especially of encouraging young men in a manly Christian life. One extract from the book will give much of the spirit and tone in which it was written:—“You, young fellows who have vowed on your knees to serve God as his leal and loyal knights, who seek to be admitted into the glorious chivalry who in heaven follow Him ‘upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean’; and who have received the Holy Ghost; may you feel more and more of the awfulness of that! For the love of Christ may you keep your honour stainless, and be utterly, everlastingly faithful and true to Him. Remember too ‘that the righteous are bold as a lion,’ for this is not a common characteristic nowadays.”

In Memoriam.

EDWARD GRAHAM ALSTON. Table 23

Reprinted from "The Negro," Freetown, Sierra Leone, November 20, 1872.

It becomes our painful duty to announce the death of EDWARD GRAHAM ALSTON, Esq., QUEEN'S ADVOCATE of this Colony. He died at the residence of Acting Chief Justice Huggins on the morning of the 12th inst., at four o'clock. The intelligence of his death spread rapidly through the community, and was received by all classes with the deepest sensibility.

EDWARD GRAHAM ALSTON was born in the month of August, 1832. He was educated at St. Paul's School and at Trinity College, Cambridge, where he took the degree of B.A. in 1855. He then went to London, and was called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1857. He was appointed Registrar-General of Vancouver's Island in 1861; Registrar-General of British Columbia in 1870; and Attorney-General in 1871. He arrived at Sierra Leone as Queen's Advocate in November, 1871, and was a member of both the Legislative and Executive Councils. He administered the Government of Sierra Leone for three months, during the absence of the Administrator-in-Chief.

During the twelve months he lived in Sierra Leone his abilities and high character gave him a foremost place in the staff of officials. His kindly heart and generous disposition endeared him in no ordinary degree to those who knew him well. He gave to every object which he considered worthy, but without ostentation, and preferred that his contributions should be known only to their recipients. He was ever ready with his time and purse in assisting especially Bishop CHEETHAM and the Clergy of his own Church, by whom his loss will be severely felt. He took a deep interest in the improvement of the people of these Settlements; and he had in view many plans for the material advancement of the Colony, for the opening of roads and fostering of commerce among the aborigines, which he recognised as important missionaries in the work of civilization. It is generally understood that he was an active supporter of the present Governor's measures for the repeal of the Road Tax, House and Land Tax, and Market Dues.

To us the death of Mr. ALSTON is a personal affliction. From the first he took a great interest in the "Negro" newspaper, and in the various questions which have, from time to time, been discussed in these columns, and was doing all in his power to make it an influential organ of public opinion, as well as a remunerative enterprise to its promoters, whose patriotism and public spirit in starting the paper he eulogised in the highest terms. A few days before his illness we had made arrangements for a tour of observation on the Bullom shore; but the Great Architect of human affairs had higher and nobler work for him to do.

The private life and personal character of the deceased were stainless. He was a regular attendant and communicant at the Cathedral. In both public and private life he was a bright example to all classes. He died of African fever after an illness of eight days. He was attended by Drs. Smith, Waters, and McKellar, who exhausted every means within their reach to avert a fatal result. The whole of the last night he was watched by Governor HENNESSY, Judge HUGGINS, and Dr. MCKELLAR, in whose presence he breathed his last calmly and peacefully. The Rev. J. H. LAMB officiated at the funeral. His Excellency the Governor was the Chief Mourner

"—cui Pudor, et Justitiae soror,
Incorrupta Fides, nudaque Veritas
Quando ullum inveniet parem?"—(Hor. Car. I. 24.)

THE CHURCH ARMY.

Headquarters—130, Edgware Road, London, W.

Dear Sir,

February 16, 1898.

In answer to your letter about the Rev. H. Alston, I am glad to give you anything of interest known to us. He has been a kind friend to this Society and some years ago gave a considerable sum of money towards starting a Market Garden Home at Ilford, for the reception of men desirous of being emigrated. This Institution accommodates some 20 men who are working on the land and are paid piece work. We have been fortunate in obtaining the Presidency of Lord Winchelsea and in the past year fifty-four men passed through the Home.

Mr. Alston has also given to the Society five Mission Vans, which perambulate from village to village, holding Missions, obtaining communicants, etc., for the Church.

Mr. Alston has done considerable service to our Hdqrs., by assisting at our Mission Chapel, Upper Berkeley Street, and also assisted the Van Secretary as far as his health would permit.

Yours faithfully,
COLIN F. CAMPBELL,
Hon. Social Sec.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

COPY OF DOCUMENT LENT BY M. W. ALSTON HEAD, MAY-JUNE, 1898.

The Acct. of Sir Eveling Alstons Daughter Penelope.

My Great Grand Father	{	Sir Joseph Alston died in ye year 1689.		
Mary Clayton Died in 1730 Aged about 76 ys.	{	Mary Clayton no issue.	{	My Grand Father Joseph Died about 1715.
				Ed. no issue. Isaac have issue.
My Uncle Sir Joseph Alston Died about 1718 no issue.	{	My Father Sir Evelyn Alston Died in 1750.	{	Evelyn now Living.

It is supposed that Marey Alston married Clayton in the County of Bucks Before the Death of Sir Joseph Alston her Father and that Estate calld the Vache was Before marage settled by the said Sir Joseph Alston her Father upon Her Life and Her Issue, and for want of Issue the said Estate to go to the Heires male of the said Sir Josh. Alston Her Father for Ever.

Mary Clayton died without Issue and by Her Last will and Testament gave the said Estate called the Vache to Josh. Alston the child of her younger Brouther Isaac and only gave Evelyn Her Elder Brouther Josh. Son £10. which the said Evelyn is supposed to have a proper Right to the said Estate by Raison of the above mentioned Settlement. Evelyn died in 1750 and left a son Evelyn who is supposed to be the right heir to the said Estate if not barred by any proceedings in Law.

Query . . . Could the said mary Clayton by any deeds or other Lawfull Proceedings in any ways sett a side the said settlement so as to have Power to dispose of the same by her Last will and Testment as is above mentioned.

If she could be impowed as above what office or offices &c. are to be examind to find if any such Proceedings were made and if no barr. &c be found what method must be taken to make the now Posser of the said Estate Produce the said settlement if in their keeping as it is supposed to be.

E. A.

Now Registrd at Dr. Commons in the Year 1689 the best of my memory in once reading the same Sir Josh. Alston devised to his wife Elizth. Alston part of his Estate at Bradwell Abbey in the County of Bucks also part of his Plate and household furniture or goods during her nateral life and for the said Elizth. Alston to dispose of the said Estate to either of her three sons Sir Joseph, Edward & Isaac and makes his loving wife & his son Josh. Executor & Executris to his last will and Testament also devised to his son Josh. the remaindering part of his Estate at Bradwell Abbey aforesaid during his natural life and to the Heirs of his body Lawfully begotten for Ever, and for want of such issue to deesend to the Heire Male of his son Edwd. and for want of such male issue to his son Isaac. Provided their was no male issue to Josh. Edd. & Isaac to desend to the next Heir of the said Joseph Alston and also devised and bequeathed to his son Edd. George Yard in Lomber Street to Him and his male heirs for ever with a gift of five Hundd. Pounds.

Also devised and bequethed to his son Isaac the Remaining part of his Estate in George Yard in Lombert Street to Him and his heirs male for ever with a gift of One thousand Pounds.

N.B.—The Vache Estate is not mentioned in my Great Grandfather's will because it was given to my Aunt Clayton upon her marriage, as I have often heard my Father say.

NOTE.—This document is apparently a copy, the watermark (double line oval with crown at top and Britannia inside) being the same as that of the paper of Sir William Alston's letter, dated 1811. The original would be probably in the handwriting of Sir Evelyn, the younger, and inspired by Penelope, his sister. The Estate of the Vache was, however, a Clayton property, and never belonged to Sir Joseph the first Bart. James Clayton predeceased his wife and apparently left her the property which she left to her brother Isaac's children.

ABSTRACTS OF PAPERS LENT BY MR. WILLIAM ALSTON HEAD, SOLICITOR OF EAST GRINSTEAD
(MAY—JUNE, 1898).

Half sheet, yellow and time-stained. Writing old and faded.

No. 1.

		Grandfather to Mr. Wm. Alston
		Sr. Evelyn Alston Bornd Novr 12th 1692
		had sons and daughters
Evelyn	_____	no heirs
Penelope	_____	" "
Joseph	_____	" "
William	_____	Father of Mr Wm Alston
Sarah	_____	no heirs
George	_____	"

NOTE—Evelyn is crossed out with pencil and rewritten under William. Against William is the note in pencil, "the eldest son."

William the eldest son
Evelyn
George

SIR,

By the request of Mr Alston I inform you that we have sent to Lincoln as you requested but have received no answer—When Mr Alston was in Town he mention'd the business respecting the Odell Estate to a friend who he suppos'd might get information the which he has not received and if correct I think will do away the necessity of searching for the will of Sr John Alston which is as follows, viz.—

Alston.

Sir Rowland Alston liv'd at Odell Castle 10 miles from Bedford but has been dead about 20 years; he was married but had no children by his wife & the Title in now extinct; his Lady left him upwards of 50 years ago and cohabited with a Mr Wass by whom she had two children who both took the name of Wass; the first was born 18 or 20 months after she lived with Wass, they were considered his children and inherited his property and after his Death the elder son Convey'd the property in that character. Sr. Rowland was still living and kept a woman by whom he had a son who took his name and call'd himself his son and at his death got into possession of his property which was about £6000 p ann.—after the death of Sr Rowland John Wass the elder son by Lady Alston call'd himself John Alston and took the Title of Sr John and fil'd a Bill in Chancery for the recovery of the Estate, so that Thomas Alston was not at rest so long as Sr John liv'd..... does not know there was any entail upon the estate but can by enquiry.

Sr John Alston as he call'd himself died about 2 years since in poverty.

Sr Thomas Alston I suppose must mean the person at present in possession of the Estate.

Mr Alston join with me in best respects

Your obedt Serv

JNO HEAD

P.S. I hope you will excuse our freedom
When you have a fair copy of the
pedigree we should be oblig'd to you
to inform Mr Alston as it may be of
service before we make a fee the
serch

Note.—The writer should have written Sir Thomas for Sir Rowland.

Sheet recording Wills searched. Paper old and yellow. Watermark, double line oval, with crown at top, Britannia in oval.

No 1 Sir Rowland Alston.

searched from the Year 1668 to 1680 inclusive and could find no grant

No 2 Sir Rowland Alston

Admin will granted to widow will dated 23 December 1686—property disposed of to Lord Crew and will in trust for his Children Book 92 Pett

No 3 Sir Thomas Alston

Searched from the year 1714 to 1720 inclusive and could find no grant

No 4 Sir Rowland Alston

will dated 27 day of may 1758

Executors John Orelba (*sic*) and John Bullock

Bequeaths Estates in Northampton—Kent and Middlesex —, 4000£ to paid (*sic*) to his sons out of these Estates—Thomas and Rowland

Book folio 1 Arran

No. 5 Sir Thomas Alston.

Searched from 1760 to 1785 inclusive and no grant found

No 6 Sir John Alston

Searched from the year 1776 to 1801 no grant can be found

On searching found a grant taken to Sir Robert (*sic*) Alston late of Odell Castle will dated 22nd day of March 1790 wherein he bequeaths all his Real and Personal Estates to Dame Gertrude Alston his wife her heirs Exors Admins and Assigns for ever

Will proved by Dame and George Brooks the Executors on the 13th July 1791

Book 313 Bever

Created a Knight on
13 June, 1642.

John Guillim Display of Heraldry He beareth Azure ten stars four three two and one by the name of Alston. This (with the arms of Ulster) is the Bearing of Sir Thomas Alstone of Odell in Bedfordshire Knight and Baronet and of Sir John Alstone his Brother as also of that eminent physician Doctor Edward Alstone

Supposed by W. A. H.
to be in handwriting
of John Head.

Thomas Alstone of Edmund Hall son of the said Sir Thomas died the first of June Anno 1668 aetat 20 but where buried Ant à Wood knew not, the Register of that year being very imperfect

MS of Ant à Wood's

Remarks de com

Oxon. p 136

Joseph Alston the Elder of Chelsea in M'ddlesex Esqr created a Bart 20 Jany 1681 Arms 10 stars 4 3 2 and 1

Burron the 17 Octr 1811.

Dere Sir

I take the Liberty of Trobeling you in this business if you can Helpe me out I shall be verre much oblige to you with Satisfaction. I will com up agane when I here you are at home a Letter by post if a greeabell

This was in a paper advertised in this way

Sir John Alston

If the next of kein of the late Sir John Alston of Odell Castle Bedfordshire will apply to Mr Roberts Solicitor nr Duke Street but removed to No 2 Oxenden Street hay Market He may here of something of the utmost advantage to him I saw Mr Roberts yesterday and he says I must git all the information I can and make out my Claime and call on him agane

Endorsed

Wm Geo Pitcher No 2
Dunscarey (?) Place
Wandsworth Road

From your
Huml Servant,
WILLM ALSTON
Lingfield
Surry

Lingfield
Nov 18 1811

Dere Sir

My father Willm Alston was born April 10 1722 Died Nov. 1801 at Oxted Surrey

My mother Elizabeth Alston was born Sept the 19 — 1721 Died 21 June 1800

I Willm was borne Novr 15 1745

Evelyn Alston was born Octr the 3—1747 Died 7 April 1799 Bered at Blechenley Left one gairle

Larry Alston was born Sepr 12—17—Left no child

George Alston was born Jany 19—1754 Left no child

This is in a Bibel of my father's I sent if wanted this advertisement of Mr Drommon No 23 Russell Mews London Street Fitzroy Square

If the offspring of the late Sir Thomas Alston of Odel Castle Bedfordshire born about 1755—1758 or 1762 will apply to the above gentn he will Here of something greatly to his advantage.

This is another advertisement

Sir John Alston If the next of kind of the Late John Alston of Odell Castle Bedfordshire will aply to Mr Roberd Solicitor Nom 24 Oxenden Street Hay Market he may here of something of the utmost advantage to him

I sent these if wanted for your inspection

From your Humbel Servant
WILLM ALSTON

N.B. I will come up to you if I am wanted.

Sir Evelyn Alston was born ye twelfth Day of November 1692

My son Evelyn Alston was born ye thirteenth Day October 1713

My daughter Penelope was born the 1 Day of June 1718

My son Joseph was Born the 19th Day Febry 1719

My son William was Born the 10 Day April 1722

My daughter Sarah was born the 20 Day Janry 1727

My son George was born the 20 Day Decembr 1730

Evelin Alston born in 1713 had one son I think. Died at See 30 or 40 years back

Penelope I think had no children

Joseph Do no children

William Alston had one son Willm Alston Born Nov 15 1745

Evelin Alston son of Willm Alston Died Left one girl alive

George Alston son of Willm Alston Died Left no child

Willm Alston Born 1745 has only two gairls alive

Alston Dauter Sarah left one Boy one gairl

Do George Alston Left no children born in 1730

Evelyn Alston born 1713 Took up the titell

the present Mr Alston son Wm died leaving three daughters but no son

he hath two daughters living one by the name of Dives having three sons and two daughters the others by the name of Head one son

Endorsed to Mr George Pitcher at Wm Loats house No 33 Upper East Smithfield London
Per Postmark 26 Feb. 1810

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1810

Dear friend

I have got the above Acct of Mr. Alston and send it you as soon as I could get it hoping this will find yourself and family well. Myself and wife are very poorly my wife particularly with a cold and bad throat often very like to be suffocated with fleem—the rest tolerably well who joyn me in our best respects to all the family and Remain your

Sincere friend and servt

Lingfield Feby 24th 1810

JNO STANFORD

Note.—An account of the famous law suit over the will of Sir Thomas Alston the last baronet but one of Odell that caused all this to do is in the possession of Sir Francis Beilby Alston. The result of the suit was in favour of the will which left everything to Sir Thomas eldest illegitimate son by Mrs. Margaret Lee, there is some reason to suppose that the separation of Sir Thomas and his wife proceeded from the lady's liason with John Wasse.

ALSTON FLEET MARRIAGES.

A certified copy on parchment of the marriage entry of William Alston second son of Sir Evelyn Alston Bt the elder and Elizabeth Weare at the Fleet September 16th 1745 is now in the possession of William Alston Head Esq Solicitor of East Grinstead, the certificate is stamped with a five shilling stamp date 1804 and is certified "as appears by my Book Mary Panton, Houndsditch."

At that time 1804 the Fleet Registers had not passed into government keeping but belonged to private persons who made capital out of the needs of those members of the upper classes and aristocracy who had to resort to them to prove the runaway marriages contracted by their romantic and eloping ancestors.

1, Castellain Road, W.

19th Nov., 1901.

Dear Sir,

I think you will find you have not the following entries, because the register in which they are, though in the safe, was all in loose sheets rolled in a ball, and not known to exist until a couple of months ago.

BOCKING PAR. REGR.

Nuptiæ. 1637.

Johannes Alston et Johanna Maltwood [nupti sunt] 28 September.

Wills Alston et Maria Greene [nupti] 28 September.

Jacobus Richardson et Susanna Alston [nupti] 28 September.

Yours faithfully,

(Miss) ETHEL STOKES.

The other day I found in the Register of the Church of St. James, Duke's Place, Leadenhall Street:—

"19 March 16⁸⁹ Cornelius Alston bachelor md Dame Elizabeth Alston widow, Richard Brewer gave her away."

(Miss) ETHEL STOKES.

2nd Aug., 1900.

The Vicarage,

West Molesey,

Surrey.

Dear Sir,

I am afraid there is no record of the death, nor other memorial, of Dame Alston here. Our Registers do not extend beyond 1729.

There is a legend that when the Church was rebuilt two small brasses of female figures were lost from the Chancel, but I have been unable to trace anything certain concerning them.

I am,

Truly yours,

(Rev.) P. WARD.

Feb. 13th, 1900.

To Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

SURNAME, KRUCKENBERG.

Cautley Vicarage,
Sedbergh,
R.S.O.,
Dec. 27th, 1901.

My Dear Sir,

I am afraid that I cannot give you much information. I believe that my surname is the name of some German village. My grandfather was a German, Francis Kruckenberg, born 1788, the son of Martin Nicolaus Kruckenberg. He came from Hamburg, where there are yet some Kruckenberg's living. The name, I am told, is found on tombstones at St. Catherine's, Hamburg. I never had any knowledge of my grandfather's relations, with the exception of a sister of his in England. I believe that my grandfather's relatives were merchants. I have casually heard that there is a merchant of the name in Hamburg.

With kind regards,
Yours very truly
(Rev.) FRED KRUCKENBERG.

NOTE.—*Mary Kruckenberg, or Crookenberg (there are various spellings) was the first wife of Sir Joseph Alston, Baronet of Chelsea. She is described in old pedigrees as being the daughter of a merchant of Brabant-op-Zoom, and as having brought her husband a fortune of £12,000, a large sum at that time. I cannot now trace the surname in either Holland or Belgium, so wrote to the Rev. F. Kruckenberg, of Cautley, the only bearer of the name I have ever encountered.*

ALSTON HOUSE, CHELSEA,

The residence of Sir Joseph Alston, the first Baronet of the Chelsea line and his immediate successors, is said to have been the old time residence of Sir Thomas More, the famous Chancellor of Henry VIII's reign. In this case Beaufort House would be its original name, and it would be from here that the upright Chancellor took boat to the Tower. The present Apothecaries Garden is said to have formed a part of the gardens attached to the house.

"In Alfred Beaver's Memorials of Old Chelsea is a note that during the week commencing May 30th, 1664, some Chelsea fishermen caught, it appears, off what is now known as Cheyne Walk, 172 pounds of salmon, which they sold to the Duchess of Ormond, Lord Cheyne, Squire Alston (*afterwards Sir Joseph*) and others at fourteen to eighteen pence per pound."

(*From Notes sent by Mr. Alex. R. Alston.*)

Sir Joseph Alston, Bt. one of the gentlemen of the Privy Chamber in 1701. See "Compleat History of Europe" for that year.

(*Note gleaned by Mr. C. F. Battersby.*)

NOTES FROM THE SUDBURY MUNICIPAL ARCHIVES.

John Alyston Alderman xj Octr 1562

John Alyston Mayor 14th Elizth 1572

Order to have one Gowne of Scarlett & one Velvett Typpet to be worne on ev'y ffayr dāye and any other princyall ffeast daye by the aldermen & any other tyme when the Maior shall Comand

1572 Also a Typpet of Sattyn or Jaffyta from the 1st day of Septr next ensuing

1573 I regained of Mr. Alston & John Elliston xvij Decemb 1573 vpon the Hall iiijth iij^s viij^d

17 Eliz Schrs (searchers) appoynted ffor the Sche^r } Robt Sudbury
& Selynge of Wullin Clothe } John Alston

Rec^d of the Widow Alston for horse going into the meadow xij^d

Rec^d of Thomas Alston for the like vj^d

Thomas Alston fo useing ye Trade of Saymakeing & not being free to it 11 Jany 1668

Daniel Alston Wardsman for S Gregory Parish 12 March 1672

David Alston Wardsman for S Gregory's 12 March 1673

Daniel Alston in list of Free Burgesses 5 Sep 1681

The above gleanings have been sent to me by Mr. Charles Golding, of Sudbury. Owing to the antique caligraphy and faded ink it is difficult to make out the entries. Some are doubtful A lstons, probably Aliston.

The Manor of "Husee's" in Toppesfield (Essex) Parish

The Manor of Odewell in Gestingthorpe Essex The Manor of Pelham in Turnstead Essex were formerly Alston possessions

(*Mr. Golding's Notes.*)

ALSTON MARRIAGE LICENSES FROM BURY ST EDMUNDS REGISTRY.

License granted 28 January 1577 between Giles Alleston of Sudbury & Anna Grenegrass of Hartest, direct to Curate of St. Peter in Sudbury. — attested by Giles Alleston & Jacob ffroste of Hartest

Doubtful if Alston.

License granted 8 July 1590 to Randolph Northie of Colchester to marry to Elizabeth Alistone of Newton Directed to the Rector by the testimony of Thomas Cooke of Pedmarsh

A clear instance of the confusion of Alistone and Alston. Elizabeth Alston, daughter of William Alston, was married to Ralph Northey, 29 July, 1590.

Marriage License dated 14 Decr 1590 for Edward Alston of Newton to marry Christiana Bull vidua of Waldingfield, directed to the Rector of Newton Testimony of Thos Alston

18th May 1592 License granted to Wm Alstone of Newton to marry to Margaret Lenton of Cornerth Parva vidua. directed to Mr Boyse Rector of Newton by Testimony of Wm Alston Junr.

7th June 1592. Licence granted to John Aliston of City of London to marry to Marian Strutte of Poslingford directed to the Rector and Vicar of the Archdeacon of Sudbury by the testimony of Robert Mandfield of Sudbury.

Doubtful if Alston.

10 Decr 1595 Licence Granted to Wm Cooke of Thurston in County of Norfolk to marry to Alicia Alston daughter of Thomas Alston of Newtour in County of Suffolk directed to the Minister there.

19 April 1596 Licence Granted to Edward Alston of Boxford to marry to Susanna Brand, daughter of John Brand Senior directed to the Minister there in the same Archdeanery

(Copied by Mr. Chas. Golding, of Sudbury).

ALSTON SEAL

To Mr. Cresswell.
Sir,

Sunny Bank,
Fletching.

The Seal you returned to Miss Cutler belonged to Mr. George Head, of Lewes, the youngest son of the late John Head. His mother having left the same to him, he values it too much to part with it. The ring you mention, Miss Butler thinks was left to a Mrs. Day. She will write to her and will forward the same to you.

Yours respectfully,

K. RINLEY.

(per Miss Cutler).

January 29th, 1900.

The pet dog of the late Major J. H. Plumbe, which ran up the hill at Graspan under a heavy fire from the enemy and when his master was killed, faithfully guarded the body until the arrival of the ambulance six hours later, is not the only dog that has recently distinguished itself on an African battlefield. In the various engagements with the natives which took place in British Central Africa in 1894-96, a sable collie bitch, of the name of "Flora," the property of the late Lieutenant Ed. G. Alston, of the Coldstream Guards, always marched at the head of the column, with a collie dog named "Don," and these on going into action invariably undertook their share by barking and showing their teeth to the enemy. "Don" died of fever, and was buried with all honour at Zomba Camp, but "Flora" returned to England, and was presented with a small silver medal, by private subscription, for distinguished conduct in the field.—*Daily Graphic, Feb. 17th, 1900.*

See Table 16 f

ALSTON SEARCHES—NORWICH REGISTRY.

Episcopal Consistorial Court of Norwich ;

Wills 1416—1800

Admons 1666—1800

Norfolk Archdeaconry Court :—

Wills 1459—1800

Admons 1541—1618, 1691—1800

Norwich Archdeaconry Court :—

Wills 1469—1800

Admons 1660—1680, 1700—1800

Peculiar Court of the Dean and Chapter of Norwich :—

Wills 1572—1800.

Peculiar Jurisdiction of Castle Rising, N. & S. Wootton & Roydon :—

Wills 1624—1626, 1639—92, 1703—20.

Lynn Archdeaconry Book :—

Wills 1584—1597.

Norwich Peculiars, a bundle 1658—88.

Bundle of 17th Century originals, examined.

The above is inserted by way of illustration (if any further than this book itself be needed) of the pains the compiler has been at to leave no source of information untried. Negative result, it must be borne in mind, is the rule, positive result the exception in genealogical research. Scores of documents are examined, few afford material.

ALSTON BARONETCIES.

Exeter House,
Roehampton, S.W.
19th Oct., 1900.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your kind letter of the 15th as to the above (forwarded by Messrs. Pollard & Co., from Exeter), but I fear I shall not be able (though most willing) to give you any information thereon which you do not possess. Possibly you may not have note of the marriage of Joseph Alston (the 2nd Bart. of the creation of 1682) with Elizth Thompson, at Lee, in Kent, 30 Sep 1662.

All other my information about the family is from obvious sources, save only the most valuable notice of it in the *Genealogical Magazine* (Vol III.) of which I have made notes (sufficient for my purposes) before you kindly mentioned it. The information therein was quite a revelation.

Alston of Odell, created 1642, is ready for the printer, and I will (with your permission) send you a copy of the "print" (when I receive it) for corrections and additions.

I have no notice whatever of Sarah, wife of Sir Evelyn. I see this will of *Sir Evelyn, Bart.* (the younger), is proved March, 1783, in the C.P.C., but have no abstract of it. He *might* (but probably would not) throw some light on his mother's family. The wills of the two Sir Williams (1801 and 1819) do not seem to be there. The will of *Dame Elizabeth Alston*, proved 1808, is probably that of the wife of the former. That of *Dame Gertrude* is proved in 1807 [who is she]? and who (oh, who) are "*Sir John Alston Bart.*," whose will is proved 1807, and *Sir Charles Alston, Bart.*, midx." whose admon. is in April, 1853. There is also a "*Dame Elizabeth Alston*, co Huntingdon," whose will is proved in Sep., 1852. There must have been some "soi-disant" Baronets I think.

Believe me,

Yours faithfully and much obliged,

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

G. E. COKAYNE.

Exeter House,
Roehampton, S.W.,
26th Oct., 1900.

Dear Sir,

Very many thanks for your most interesting letter of yesterday, which gives me many facts as to the Alstons of Odell, which I did not know. The will of "*Dame Elizabeth Alston*," proved 1808, seems more like that of the widow of "*Sir John*" who died 1807, than that of "*Dame Elizth Alston*, co Hunt" proved in 1852. John and Elizabeth were m^d in 1789 or before. However, it won't be long before I shall get the article in print, when I will send it to you. As to Lord Haversham, the best pedigree I think is in Lipscomb's Bucks, Vol. iv. p. 188, where you will find that Maurice Thompson, an East India Merchant, bought the Estate of Haversham in 1664 and was buried there. By Dorothy or Ellen his wife (ob 1678) da of John Vaux of Pembrokeshire he had John (Lord H) & 8 daughters—of whom "*Elizabeth*, m^d (—) George" this "*George*" I suppose, is wrong & that she is be "*our*" Elizth who m^d Alston; or (oh horror!) can "*our Elizabeth*," like

"The flowers that blow in the spring
Tra la,
Have nothing to do with the case."

I shall gladly send you proofs of "*Evelyn*." I did not know Lord Hawkesbury (with whom I am pretty fairly "genealogically" acquainted) had written on them—but I have not room for all the family histories *here*, and have not time or health to seek them elsewhere.

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely and much obliged,

L. Cresswell, Esq.

G. E. COKAYNE.

Being a subscriber to the "Complete Baronetage," and interested in the accuracy and completeness of this work the compiler ventured to address the distinguished Genealogist and Herald who masks his authority under the initials "G. E. C." (George Edward Cokayne, Esq., M.A., F.S.A., Clarenceux King of Arms).

Clarenceux's appreciation of the brief notes on the Chelsea baronets in the *Genealogical Magazine*, and his desire for the compiler to read over the forthcoming proofs referred to constitute the highest testimonial this volume could be backed with.

The information given by Clarenceux concerning the Alston=Thompson marriage, at Lee, does not appear elsewhere, and the compiler has to thank him for it.

ALSTON PORTRAITS WERE (OR ARE) IN THE POSSESSION OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS:—

Portrait of Sir Rowland Alston, 2 Bt.—Col. Cockburn, Norwich.
 Portrait of Mrs. Mead—Colonel Lynn, Wickham Market.
 Portrait of Lady (Gertrude?) Alston, by Gainsborough—Mrs. Craven, Brighton, or Charles Craven, Esq.
 Portrait of Mr. Isaac Alston, 3rd son of Sir Joseph 1 Bart. of Chelsea—Rev. F. S. Alston (purchased at sale of Mr. Strutt's pictures, at Ipswich, Oct. 3rd, 1869).
 Miniature of Edward Alston—Mrs. Hannah Katherine Leeder, of Woodton, Norfolk.
 Miniature of Sir Rowland Alston—Mrs. Ann Alston (Brooch).
 Miniature of Lady Alston—Mrs. Ann Alston (from Lord Hatherley's collection).
 Portrait of Charles Alston, D.D. (supposed)—Richard Aumack, Esq., Solicitor, Long Melford.
 Portrait of Sarah (Alston), Duchess of Somerset—St. John's College, Cambridge (Engravings after it by Vertue).
 Portrait of Sarah (Alston) Duchess of Somerset—Rev. E. Constable Alston (from house at Tottenham formerly belonging to Lord Coleraine, her last husband).
 Miniature of Daniel Alston—Mrs. Ann Alston (Locket).
 Miniature of Mrs. Daniel Alston (Eliza Freeborn)—Mrs. Ann Alston.
 Portrait of Rev. E. Constable Alston—Mrs. Ann Alston.
 Portrait of Sir Joseph Alston, 1st Bart. of Chelsea (*supposed replica*)—William Alston Head, Esq., East Grinstead.
 Portrait of Sir Edward Alston, Kt., President of College of Physicians—Augustus J. C. Hare, Esq., St. Leonards.

Morant's Essex, Vol. 2, p. 359.—Toppesfield. Manor of Husees.

About the end of Qn. Elizabeth it was holden by John Alston of Belchamp Oton who gave it to his third son Matthew and he having no issue bequeathed it to Thomas Cracherode.

Lyson's Environs of London, Vol. 4, p. 10.

"In the year 1660 Sir Edward Alston had the royal licence (pat. 12 car. II pt 135. No 33) to impark 160 acres of land at East Barnet. The fields are particularly described in the grant. The lands adjoining to the Frith House being there mentioned denote it to have been the estate now called Oak Hill but formerly Monken Frith House. This seat was for many years the residence of Lord Chief Justice de Grey. The park has been long ago again converted into tillage.

Stanley's Hist. Memorials of Westminster Abbey, 1882, Lond., p. 296.

"Richard Mead is buried in the Temple Church, but his bust also is in the nave. He was the first of that succession of eminent physicans who have been (from this example) sent forth from the homes of nonconformist ministers. His noble conduct in refusing to prescribe for Sir R. Walpole till Freind was released from the Tower, and in repaying him all the fees of his; his fiery encounter with their joint adversary, Woodward, in the courts of Gresham College; his large and liberal patronage of arts and sciences give a peculiar charm to the good physician who lived more in the broad sunshine of life than almost any man." (See Boswell's Johnson IV. 222).

Faulkner's Chelsea.

References to the Alstons occur in various places throughout the work. In one (ii. p. 158) an extract from a parish book is quoted recording the payment, by order of Justice Alston, of a certain sum of money to sufferers by an inundation. (Oct. 19. 1695).

Gent's Mag., 1753, p. 491.

—Alston Esq of the 1st Reg of Guards to Miss Gatty Durnford of the Tower. (*Marriage*)

Gent's Mag., 1753, p. 149.

March 30. Lady of Sir Evelin Alston Bart (DEATH).

Manning and Bray, Vol., p. 181.

"14 April 1649 they (Sir Garret Kemp Kt and John Caryl Esq) conveyed to Penning Alston and Spencer Vincent in trust for Edward Alston M.D. 12 May 1653 Penning Alston and Vincent convey to Edward Alston M.D. and Edward Alston *jun* his kinsmen."

Lyson's Magna Britannia.

Priory of Bradwell "passed by purchase to the Lawrence's in 1647 and from them in 1664 to Sir Joseph Alston bart then of Chelsea who made Bradwell Abbey his residence. After his death it was successively in the families of Fuller and Owen."

Manning and Bray's Surrey, Vol. 1., p. 309.

The Manor of Redstone Reigate. Manor House upon an eminence, Sir Evelyn Alston held it.

Epsom. On North wall of North Aisle, M S.

"Near this place lie the remains of Elizabeth the wife of Henry Rowe of this parish Esq. She was the relict of the Right Honourable General William Stewart and daughter of Sir Rowland Alston of Odell, Bedfordshire Bart by the Honourable Temperance daughter of the Right Honourable Thomas Lord Crew of Stean, Northamptonshire. Her personal virtues added lustre to her birth and she lived esteemed and died lamented by all that knew her on Friday May 21 1756. Also the remains of the said Henry Rowe who died on Monday 17 April 1769 aged 77."

Palgrave's History of Reigate.

During the time that Sir Evelyn Alston lived at Reigate the Rev. M. Pottle, one of the Canons of St. Paul's Cathedral officiated in this parish, happily only for two years, between 1738-40. "He was a man very fond of company and drinking. One Sunday, after Divine Service in the afternoon, he came to the Swan Inn with his black gown on and got quite tipsy. He quarrelled with one of the company and went out into the street and slipping off his gown threw it down and said "Lay thou there Divinity till I have beat this man" (!) (see *Palgrave's History Reigate*, p. 33). Let us hope that the "one of the Company" was not Sir Evelyn Alston the elder.

Richard Smith's Obituary.

1688. Ap. 27. M. Penning Alston in Aldersgate St buried in Aldersgate Church

Burials in Durham Cathedral.

1712 Dec 9. Horace Alston Esq nephew to the L^d Crew & S. nephew. was appt^d under Sheriff on death of Spearman 1703 "during the Bishop's pleasure."

"Dorothy Forster, the heroine of Besant's novel of that title was sketched after Dorothy Forster, the wife of Bishop Lord Crewe, uncle of Temperance Lady Alston.

Sir Harbottle Grimston was Speaker of the Convention Parliament in 1650.

Penelope Hoare *als* Alston 1726. Admon July to John Hoare of Bideford.

John Hoare will dated 8 Dec 1744 proved 11 Jan 44/45 mentions

Penelope	Jean John
m. to Charles	
Jones	

The first Lady Temple, predecessor of Mrs. Alston, was the mother of 4 sons and 9 daughters, and lived to see 700 descendants.

ROYAL DESCENT of the HONOURABLE TEMPERANCE CREWE, second daughter and co-heir of Thomas,
second LORD CREWE, OF STENE,
and wife of SIR ROWLAND ALSTON, second baronet of ODELL CASTLE, CO. BEDS.

1. WILLIAM I. THE CONQUEROR married Matilda daughter of Baldwin V. Count of Flanders by Adelais daughter of Robert II. King of France. Matilda was the g-grd-dr. of Hugh Capet founder of the French Monarchy, seventh in descent from Alfred the Great, and tenth in descent from Charlemagne, Emperor of the West, their fourth son
2. HENRY I. surnamed BEAUCLERC married for his first wife Matilda (Editha) daughter of Malcolm III *Caenmor* King of Scotland (son of "the gracious Duncan") by Margaret sister and heir of Edgar Atheling and daughter of Edward the Exile son of Edmund Ironside King of England the last of the Saxon Princes in succession to the throne. Henry I. died 1135, Queen Matilda 1118, their daughter
3. MATILDA or MAUD married (1) Emperor Henry V. of Germany, and (2) Geoffrey Plantagenet Count of Anjou son of Fulk King of Jerusalem. She died 1167, their son
4. HENRY II. married Eleanor (divorced wife of Louis VII. of France) daughter and coheir of William V. Duke of Aquitaine. The King died 1189, the Queen 1202. Both buried at Fontevraud, their son
5. JOHN named SANS TERRE or LACKLAND married (2) Isobel daughter and heir of Aymer Taillefer Count of Angoulême by his wife Alice de Courtenay daughter of Peter de Courtenay, 3rd son of Louis VI. of France. John died 1216. His son
6. HENRY III. married Eleanor "*la belle*" 2nd daughter and coheir of Raymond Berenger Count of Provence by his wife Beatrice daughter of Thomas Count of Savoy. King Henry died 1272, Queen Eleanor died 1291. Their second son
7. PRINCE EDWARD PLANTAGENET (called Crouchback from his being a Crusader) Earl of Chester, Leicester, King of Apulia and Sicily married (2) Queen Blanche daughter of Robert Earl of Artois 3rd son of Louis VIII. of France and widow of Henry King of Navarre. The Earl died 1295. His son
8. PRINCE HENRY PLANTAGENET Earl of Lancaster and Leicester married Maud daughter and heir of Sir Patrick Chaworth. He died in 1345. His daughter
9. PRINCESS ELEANOR PLANTAGENET was married (2) to Richard Fitz-Alan 9th Earl of Arundel eldest son of Edmund Fitz-Alan 8th Earl of Arundel by his wife the Lady Alice Plantagenet sister and heir of John last Earl of Warren and Surrey of that family. The Earl died 1376. Their youngest daughter
10. LADY MARY FITZ-ALAN became the wife of John le Strange 4th Baron Strange of Blackmere who died in 1361. Their daughter and eventual heir
11. ANKARET LE STRANGE was married to Sir Richard Talbot 4th Baron Talbot of Goderich Castle and Blackmere (*jure uxoris*) who died 1396 and had issue, among others that illustrious warrior Sir John Talbot Earl of Shrewsbury and a daughter
12. MARY TALBOT who became the wife of Sir Thomas Greene Kt. of Greene's Norton co. Northampton. their son
13. SIR THOMAS GREENE Kt. of Greene's Norton and Boughton married Philippa daughter of Robert de Ferrers 4th Baron Ferrers of Chartley co. Stafford by his wife Margaret Despencer daughter of Edward Baron Despencer grandson of Hugh Despencer Jun. one of the hapless favourites of King Edward II. who married Eleanor daughter and coheir of Gilbert de Clare Earl of Gloucester and the Princess Joan of Acre daughter of King Edward I. Their son
14. SIR THOMAS GREENE Kt. of Greene's Norton and Boughton married Matilda daughter of John Throckmorton under Treasurer of England temp. Hen. VI. Their son

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Descents	1—9	Burke's Peerage, &c., "The Royal Lineage."
"	9—11	" Extinct Peerage "Barons Strange of Blackmere and Barons Talbot."
"	11—16	" "Royal Families."

15. SIR THOMAS GREENE Kt. of Greene's Norton married Joanna daughter of Sir John Fogg Kt. Their daughter and coheir
16. ANNE GREENE became the wife of Nicholas Vaux created Baron Vaux of Harrowden in 1523. Lord Vaux died the same year. His son
17. THOMAS second LORD VAUX OF HARROWDEN succeeded his father when aged only 12. Married Elizabeth daughter and heir of Sir Thomas Cheney Kt. of Irthlingborough co. Northampton by Anne his wife daughter of Sir William Parr K.G. and aunt to the Mayoress of Northampton. Their daughter
18. ANN VAUX was married to Reginald Bray of Steyne and Hinton youngest son of Reginald Bray of Barrington co. Gloucester a descendant of Reginald Bray founder of that family brother of Sir Edmund Bray summoned to Parliament as Baron Bray 21 Henry VIII. Their daughter and coheir
19. TEMPERANCE BRAY became the wife of Sir Thomas Crewe Kt. of Steyne (*jure uxoris*) Serjeant-at-law M.P. for Northampton and Speaker of the House of Commons. Sir Thomas died 1633-4. Sir Thomas as became the puritan Speaker named four of his daughters Patience, Temperance, Silence, and Prudence. His eldest son
20. JOHN CREWE OF STEYNE co. Northampton was elevated to the Peerage 1661 as Baron Crewe of Steyne in consideration of his services in the restoration of King Charles II. He married Jemima daughter and coheir of Edward Waldegrave of Lawford co. Essex. His eldest son was
21. THOMAS SECOND BARON CREWE who married Mary eldest daughter of Sir George Townshend Bart. of Rainham co. Norfolk. Lord Crewe died 1697 aged 73 and his fortune devolved on his daughters while the honours passed to his brother Nathaniel Lord Bishop of Durham with whom the barony became extinct. Thomas Lord Crewe had issue by Mary Townshend who was his first wife Anne married to John Joliff Esq. of Coston co. Stafford and Temperance wife (1) of Sir Rowland Alston 2 Bart of Odell Castle by whom she left issue; and by his second wife Anne daughter and coheir of Sir William Airmine Bart. of Osgodby co. Lincoln and relict of Sir Thomas Wodehouse of Kimberley co. Norfolk he left four daughters, Jemima married to Henry de Grey Duke of Kent, Airmine married to Thomas Cartwright of Aynho co. Northampton, Catherine married to Sir John Harper 4 Bart. ancestor of the Harper-Crewe family, and Elizabeth married to Charles Butler Earl of Arran and Lord Butler of Weston.

(For Alston descendants of this line see Tables 15, page 16 and after.)

ROYAL DESCENT (paternal and maternal) of PENELOPE EVELYN daughter and coheir of SIR EDWARD EVELYN Bart. of Long Ditton co. Surrey
and wife of SIR JOSEPH ALSTON 3rd Bart. of CHELSEA and BRADWELL ABBEY.

1.—Maternal Royal Descent.

1. EDWARD I. surnamed Longshanks from his tall stature and also called the English Justinian and the greatest of the Plantagenets, third son and successor of Henry III. (see preceeding Royal Descent for Ancestry) married (1) Eleanor daughter of Ferdinand III. King of Castile by his wife Joanna Countess of Ponthien. Queen Eleanor died 1290 and was buried in Westminster Abbey. Charing and other crosses were erected to mark the resting places of her bier. The King died 1307 at Burgh-on-the-Sands near Carlisle. Buried Westminster Abbey. Their second daughter
2. PRINCESS JOAN PLANTAGENET called "of Acre" from her birth there when her father was beseiging the place. Married to Gilbert de Clare the Red 7th Earl of Hertford and 3rd Earl of Gloucester eldest son and successor of Richard de Clare by his wife Maude, daughter of John de Lacy Earl of Lincoln. Gilbert was great great-grandson of Richard de Clare (Strongbow) Earl of Pembroke, the Conqueror of Ireland and his wife the Princess Eva daughter of Dermot King of Leinster. A daughter

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Descents 16—18 *Burke's Peerage "Vaux of Harrowden."*
 " 18—21 " *Extinct Peerage "Crewe of Steyne."*
 " 1—3 " *Peerage "The Royal Lineage."*

3. LADY ELIZABETH DE CLARE was married (1) to John de Burgh Earl of Ulster (2) to Theobald de Verdon and (3) to Sir Roger d' Amorie, Baron d' Amorie Governor of Knaresborough Castle, Gloucester Castle and St. Briavel's Castle, and Warden of the Forest of Dean. Lord d' Amorie died 1322, buried at Ware. By him Elizabeth de Clare (who was the foundress of Clare College Cambridge and who died 1360) left issue Eleanor wife of John de Raleigh ancestor of Sir Walter Raleigh and
4. ELIZABETH D' AMORIE eldest daughter and coheir who became the wife of John 3 Baron Bardolph son of Sir Thomas Bardolph the second baron who died in 1330. John was one of the warriors of Edward III's reign and attained the dignity of *banneret*. He died 1371. His son by Lady Elizabeth d' Amorie (whom Dugdale writes of as "that great woman his wife Elizabeth") was
5. WILLIAM 4th Baron Bardolph of Wormegay co. Norfolk who served in the French and Irish wars. He married Agnes daughter of Michael second Baron Poynings who also shared in the national glories of Edward III's reign and was one of the heroes of Crecy. William Bardolph who died in 1385 had issue a son (Shakespeare's Lord Bardolph) who was slain at Bramham Moor in 1408 and a daughter
6. CECILIA BARDOLPH who was married to Sir Brian Stapylton *Chivaler* of Ingham co. Norfolk and Bedale co. Yorks. Sir Brian when engaged in the French Wars was captured and imprisoned (about 1419) in the Castle of Blois and detained there for five years until a heavy ransom 3,000 marks (about £30,000 present money) was paid for his release. He had several manors in Wilts. granted to him by the King on his return. He was the grandson of Sir Miles Stapylton Kt. one of the founders of the Order of the Garter who was a great grandson of John Baliol King of Scotland. The garter plate of Sir Miles still exists at Windsor. Lady Cecilia died about six years before her husband, who died Aug. 17, 1438. Both are buried in the Chancel of Ingham Church and their brass (engraved by Colman) is a good specimen of the period. Their eldest son
7. SIR MILES STAPYLTON Kt. of Ingham and Bedale was one of the restorers of Norwich Cathedral and the chief restorer of Ingham Church over the west door of which still exist the arms of Stapylton impaling de la Pole. Sir Miles died October 1 1466 and with his wife was buried at Ingham in front of the high altar. He married Katherine de la Pole daughter of Sir Thomas de la Pole Kt. by his wife the daughter and heir of Nicholas Cheyney. Sir Thomas de la Pole was son (some writer's say brother but this is wrong) of Michael Earl of Suffolk of the new creation *i.e.* second earl. One of his brothers was Shakespeare's Earl of Suffolk, killed at Agincourt. Another the 4th Earl rose to be chief Minister of England 1440-50. Through his mother he was descended also from the Princess Joan through the Audleys and Staffords and from that picturesque figure Llewellyn Prince of Wales through the Mortimers and Beauchamps. The Paston letters tell how she (as a widow) kept the first Christmas after her husband's death. "There were no dysgysyngs ner harping, ner luting, ner synghen, ner non loude dysports, but pleyng at the tabyllys and rebesse and cards. Sweche dysports she gave her folkys leave to play and non odyr."—(Gairdner's Edition iii. 314). She married secondly Sir Richard Harcourt of Stanton Harcourt. Her will was proved January 23 1488. Their elder daughter
8. ELIZABETH STAPYLTON was born in 1440 and married in 1458 to Sir William Calthorpe Kt. of Burnhamthorpe and Ingham (*jure uxoris*). Sir William died 1484 and was buried at Burnhamthorpe (Nelson's birth place) where there is a fine brass to him. After his death Elizabeth was remarried to (2) Chief Justice Sir John Fortescue of Punsbourne Herts. who died July 28, 1500 and (3) to Lord Edward Howard K.G. second son of the second Duke of Norfolk, afterwards Admiral of the Fleet. She died 1508. Her younger daughter
9. ELIZABETH CALTHORPE coheir with her sister Anne wife of Sir Robert Drury Kt. of Hanstead M.P. for Suffolk and Speaker of the House of Commons. She was married to Francis Hasilden of Gilden Morden son and heir of John Hasilden by his wife Elizabeth only daughter of Sir John Cheney Knt. of Fen Ditton. John Hasilden was a descendant of William de Ros, Baron Ros of Hamlec one of the thirteen competitors for the Scottish Crown 19 Edward I. by virtue of his descent from Isabel daughter of William the Lion King of Scotland. Francis Hasilden who was High Sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts. in 1509 died early in 1522 and was buried at Gilden Morden. He left an only daughter and heir
10. FRANCES HASILDEN who in January 1515-16 became the wife of Sir Robert Peyton Kt. son and heir of Sir Robert Peyton Kt. by Elizabeth daughter of Sir Robert Clere of Ormesby. Sir Robert Peyton died August 1, 1550 and was buried in the Peyton Chapel in Iselham Church. He was a Groom of the Privy Chamber to Henry VIII. and was in attendance on the King when he went in state to meet Anne of Cleves at Greenwich in 1539. The Hospital (Peyton's Hospital) founded by Lady Frances in 1580 still exists. Lady Peyton died March 18th, 1581-82 and was buried at Iselham. Their eldest son and heir

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- Descents 3—8 *Burke's Extinct Peerage* "Clare Earls of Pembroke, Hertford, &c., Amorie Barons d' Amorie, Bardolph Barons Bardolph, Stapleton Barons Stapleton.
- " 6—8 "The Stapletons of Yorkshire. p. 82-118," by the late Mr. Chetwynd-Stapylton.
- " 1—12 See also *The Chesters of Chicheley*," by R. E. C. Chester Waters Vol. i. p. 140 and 216-219.

11. ROBERT PEYTON was High Sheriff of Cambs. and Hunts. in 1553 and again in 1567 and a Knight of the Shire in the last Parliament of Philip and Mary. He married Elizabeth daughter of Lord Chancellor Rich the founder of Felstead School and the builder of Leighs Priory. Robert Peyton died in London Oct. 19, 1590 and was solemnly buried at Iselham on November 12. His wife who died on October 17, 1591 was buried at Iselham where there is a magnificent canopied tomb with alabaster portrait figures. Their eldest daughter
12. MARY PEYTON was married in her father's lifetime to Charles Balam of Walsoken co. Norfolk who died May 31, 1592 leaving a son and heir Robert then aged twelve. After his death Mary Peyton was married to Sir Richard Cox Kt. second son of Dr. Richard Cox Bishop of Ely. She is mentioned as Lady Coxe in her grandson Charles Balam's will in 1639. Her son
13. ROBERT BALAM appears from entries in Walsoken Registers to have been Rector there and is called Sir Robert (the old clerical form) in the Registers of Ely after he succeeded to his uncle Alexander's property there (see Harl. MSS. 6830, f. 51). He is mentioned as "my father Robert Balam the elder" in his son Charles' will as being then alive (1639) but appears to have been buried at Ely St. Mary on May 12, 1640. His son
14. CHARLES BALAM married Elizabeth Byatt, daughter and heir of John Byatt of Sawston co. Cambs. His will dated November 2, 1639 was proved on December 13 of the same year. He left six daughters and coheirs of whom two died unmarried in 1658. Another was
15. MARY BALAM who was baptized at Sawston Cambs. 1632 (see Gibbon's "Ely Episcopal Records") and married at St. Dionis Backchurch London September 15, 1659 to Sir Edward Evelyn Bart. M.P. son and heir of Sir Thomas Evelyn Kt. of Long Ditton by his wife Anne daughter of Hugh Gold. Sir Thomas Evelyn was cousin of John Evelyn the celebrated diarist and author of "Sylvia." Lady Mary Evelyn died in 1696 and was buried at Long Ditton July 10. Her will was proved November 18, 1696 (P.C.C. 221 Bard). In most pedigrees she is erroneously said to be the daughter of Anthony Balam of Long Ditton. Anthony was in reality her cousin and younger than herself, as their epitaphs in Manning & Bray's "Surrey" shew. By her husband Lady Mary left three daughters and coheirs of whom the youngest Sophia was married to Sir Stephen Glynn Bart. and became the ancestress of Mrs. Gladstone wife of the late Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone P.C. M.P. and of the families of the Lords Lyteltton Penrhyn and Welby, &c. Another
16. PENELOPE EVELYN born Oct. 3, 1672 at Long Ditton was married there January 23, 1690 to Sir Joseph Alston 3 Bart. of Chelsea and Bradwell Abbey. She had a large family of whom few survived infancy. She died June 22, 1714 and was buried at Long Ditton June 28.

(For descendants of this marriage see Tables 70 page 48 and after.

2.—PATERAL ROYAL DESCENT of PENELOPE EVELYN.

1. EDWARD I. married Eleanor daughter of Ferdinand III. King of Castile. She died 1290. He died 1307. See Strickland's "Lives of the Queens of England" for full account. Their fifth youngest daughter
2. PRINCESS ELIZABETH PLANTAGENET b. Aug. 1282 was married (1) to John Earl of Holland and Zealand Lord of Friesland and (2) to Humphrey de Bohun Earl of Hereford and Essex who was slain at Borough Bridge 16 March 1321. By her second husband the Princess (who died 5 May 1316 and was buried at Walden) had issue among others a daughter (the elder of two)
3. LADY ELEANOR DE BOHUN (born Oct. 1304 died 1363) who became the wife of James Butler 1st Earl of Ormonde and 7th Chief Butler (Lady Eleanor married (2) in 1343 Thomas Lord Dagworth who was slain in Brittany in 1359). The Earl of Ormonde (so created by consequence of this marriage) had a renewed grant of the prisage of wines and a grant of the regalities liberties &c. of the co. Tipperary with the rights of a palatine in that co. for life. The only daughter of this marriage
4. LADY PETRONILLA BUTLER (died April 23, 1368) became the first wife of Gilbert Talbot 3rd Baron Talbot who served under the Black Prince in the wars of France and in the 1 Richard II. was in the King's fleet at sea with Michael de la Pole Admiral for the North. Lord Talbot died 1387. The son of this marriage

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- Descents 12—14 *Somerset House "Balam" Wills.*
 " 14—15 *Gibbon's Ely Episcopal Records, St. Dionis Backchurch Registers, Somerset House "Evelyn" Wills.*
 " 15—16 *Burke's Extinct Baronetage, &c., Lord Hawkesbury's "Family of Evelyn."*
 " 1—11 *The Chesters of Chicheley, by R. E. C. Chester Waters Vol. II. page 596.*

5. SIR RICHARD TALBOT married Ankaret sister and eventually sole heir of John Baron Strange of Blackmere and was summoned to Parliament in the lifetime of his father 1384-1387, by writ directed to "Ricardo Talbot de Blackmere." He also sat as Baron Talbot of Goderich Castle. He was in the wars of Scotland and in 15 Richard II. succeeded to the lands of the family of Hastings Earls of Pembroke derived through his great grandmother Joane de Valence, sister and coheir of Aymer Earl of Pembroke and wife of John Comyn of Badenoch. He died in 1396. His wife Ankaret was daughter of John le Strange 4th Baron le Strange of Blackmere who died 1361 by his wife Lady Mary Fitzalan daughter of Richard Fitzalan Earl of Arundel K.G. and the Lady Eleanor Plantagenet (great grandaunt of Hotspur). The descent of Lady Eleanor Plantagenet from Henry III. through Princes Edmund and Henry Earls of Lancaster is set out more fully in the first of these Royal Descents. The daughter of Lord Talbot
6. ALICE TALBOT (d. 14 Aug. 1436) was the first wife of Sir Thomas de la Barre Kt. who died 7 Dec. 1409 By him she had a daughter and coheir
7. ELIZABETH DE LA BARRE who became the wife of Edmond Cornwall Baron Cornwall of Burford (born 1435) descendant of Richard King of the Romans and Earl of Cornwall and Poictou 2nd son of John King of England by his 3rd wife Isobel sister and heir of Aymer Earl of Angoulême. Their daughter
8. ELEANOR CORNWALL after the death of her first husband Sir Hugh Mortimer Kt. re-married Sir Richard Croft Kt. of Croft Castle who died 29 July 1509. A daughter
9. ANNE CROFT became the wife of Sir Thomas Blount Kt. of Kinlet co. Hereford who died 1523 and their daughter
10. CATHERINE BLOUNT was the wife of Robert Smythe of Thames Ditton who died 3 Sept. 1539. She died 10 July 1549. Brasses of them still exist in Thames Ditton Church. A daughter
11. ELIZABETH SMYTHE was married to William Notte of Imbercourt Thames Ditton. He died 25 November 1576. She died 15 May 1587 and her will is dated 13 May 1587 and was proved P.C.C. (26 Spencer). Their son
12. ANTHONY NOTTE was aged 16 years 30 weeks at the Inq. post. mort. of his father taken 19 Eliz. at Southwark. His wife Frances was buried 1593 at Long Ditton. Their son
13. THOMAS NOTTE was aged 1 yr. 11 mos. at the Inq. post. mort. of his father taken at Dorking 21 Dec. 29 Eliz. His wife Frances appears to have been buried at Long Ditton 30 May 1620. Their daughter
14. ANNE NOTT was married to Hugh Gold of London and was buried at Long Ditton 9 Nov. 1627. Her will was proved 8 May 1628 at the Archdeacons of Surrey by her son-in-law Sir Thomas Evelyn. Their only daughter and heir
15. ANNE GOLD became the wife of Sir Thomas Evelyn Kt. of Long Ditton. He was knighted in Scotland 17 July 1617 died at Long Ditton in 1669. Lady Anne Evelyn died 25 June 1669 and was buried at Long Ditton 2 July 1669. Her will dated 16 June 1669 was proved 14 July 1669 (83 Coke). Their son
16. SIR EDWARD EVELYN (born 25 Jan. 1625 bapt. 31 Jan. died 3 May 1692 buried 12 May 1692 all at Long Ditton) was created a Baronet 17 Feb. 1682-3, M.P. for co. Surrey 1685-87. Will dated 12 Oct. 1691 proved 1 July 1692. He had issue as in preceeding pedigree among others
17. PENELOPE EVELYN wife of Sir Joseph Alston.

(See Tables as in preceding Descent. This Descent requires more complete and thorough investigation and verification than I have had the facilities for. Still I believe it to be substantially sound.)

ROYAL DESCENT of ANNE CHARLOTTE OXENDEN daughter of SIR HENRY OXENDEN 7th Baronet of
DENE co. Kent and wife
of the REV. GEORGE ALSTON Rector of STUDBLAND co. Dorset, &c.

1. EDWARD III. styled the same as Henry III. until the 13th year of his reign when he assumed the following style "Dei Gratia" Rex Angliae et Franciae et Dominus Hiberniae born at Windsor November 13, 1312, proclaimed King January 25, 1327, and crowned February 1, 1328; married January 24, 1329 Philippa daughter of William Count of Holland and Hainault (who died August 15, 1369 and was buried in Westminster Abbey). King Edward III. died at Stene (now Richmond) in Surrey June 21, 1377 and was buried in Westminster Abbey. His sixth son

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- Descents 11—15 *Somerset House Wills, Record Office Inquisitions Post Mortem, &c.*
 „ 15—17 *Burke's Extinct Baronetage.*
 „ 1—3 *Burke's Peerage, &c., "The Royal Lineage."*

2. PRINCE THOMAS (OF WOODSTOCK) DUKE OF GLOUCESTER K.G. born at Woodstock January 7, 1355; Constable of England; was murdered at Calais September 8, 1397. Married Eleanor daughter and coheir of Humphrey de Bohun Earl of Northampton, Hereford and Essex who survived him, became a nun and died Oct. 3, 1399. His eldest daughter and eventual sole heiress
3. PRINCESS ANNE PLANTAGENET was married first to Thomas Earl of Stafford by whom she had no issue; secondly to Edmond fifth Earl of Stafford K.G. (who was slain at Shrewsbury July 22, 1403) by whom she was mother of Humphrey Duke of Buckingham K.G. (slain at Northampton July 10, 1460) whose grandson Henry second Duke of Buckingham K.G. and Lord High Constable born 1456 was beheaded at Salisbury November 2, 1483; thirdly William Bourchier created Earl of Ewe in Normandy by Henry V. and Constable of the Tower of London. Their third son
4. SIR WILLIAM BOURCHIER having married Thomasine daughter and heiress of Richard Hankford Esq. by Elizabeth his wife sister and heiress of Fulke FitzWarine seventh and last Baron FitzWarine of that family who died Sep. in 1429, was summoned to Parliament *jure uxoris* as Baron FitzWarine from January 2 1449 to September 7, 1469. Baron FitzWarine died about the year 1470 and was succeeded by his son
5. SIR FULKE BOURCHIER Knt. second Baron FitzWarine who was summoned to Parliament on August 19th, 1472. He married Elizabeth sister and heiress of John Lord Dynham. He died in 1479 and was succeeded by his son
6. JOHN BOURCHIER third BARON FITZWARINE who in 6 Hen. VII. being of full age had livery of his lands and was summoned to Parliament from August 12, 1492 to June 8, 1536. He inherited large estates from his mother the heiress of Lord Dynham. He signed the celebrated letter to Pope Clement VII. in 22 Hen. VIII. wherein the subscribing lords apprised his Holiness of the frail tenure of his supremacy should he refuse the pontifical assent to the divorce of the King from Queen Katherine of Aragon. Lord FitzWarine was subsequently advanced by letters patent dated July 9, 1536 to the Earldom of Bath. He married Cecily, daughter of Giles Lord D'Aubeney and sister and heiress of Henry D'Aubeney Earl of Bridgewater. He died April 30, 1539 leaving, amongst other directions in his will "that an honest secular priest should sing mass for the health of his soul for the space of twenty years after his decease. His eldest daughter
7. ELIZABETH BOURCHIER became the wife of Edward Chichester of Raleigh co. Devon temp. Hen. VIII., a descendant of Sir John de Cirencester who in 1433 was returned amongst the principal gentry in Devon by the King's Commissioners and his wife Thomasine daughter and heir of Sir William Raleigh Kt. of Raleigh, who brought the estate of Raleigh into the Chichester family. The eldest son and successor
8. SIR JOHN CHICHESTER Kt. of Raleigh co. Devon M.P. for the County of Devon in 1553 and 1562 and High Sheriff of the County in 1552 and 1578; married Gertrude daughter of Sir William Courtenay Kt. of Powderham Castle ancestor of the present Earl of Devon and chief of the powerful family of Courtenays, who found their historian in Gibbon. Sir John had a family of five sons and eight daughters of which latter
9. ELIZABETH CHICHESTER became the wife of Hugh Fortescue of Filleigh and Wear Gifford, a descendant of Sir John Fortescue Kt. Lord Chief Justice of England in 1442 and author of the celebrated work "*De Laudibus Legum Angliæ*" and ancestor of the present noble house of Fortescue whose history has been compiled by a distinguished scion, Lord Clermont. Their son
10. JOHN FORTESCUE of Filleigh and Wear Gifford married Mary daughter of Humphrey Speccot of Thornborough co. Devon (Sheriff of that county 1587?) and dying in 1605 was succeeded by his son and heir
11. HUGH FORTESCUE of Filleigh and Wear Gifford, who married Mary daughter of Robert Rolle of Heanton and died in 1661. His daughter
12. ELIZABETH FORTESCUE baptized September 8, 1616 at Petrockstowe, was married August 16, 1637 at Wear Gifford to Sir George Chudleigh, second Bart. of Ashton second but eldest surviving son and heir of Sir George Chudleigh first Bart. of Ashton. Sir George (2) was born 1612 being aged 8 in 1620 and succeeded to the baronetcy about 1657. He took up arms with his father for the King and the family is said in Prince's "*Worthies of Devon*" to have paid dear for its loyalty. Sir George died 1691 and was succeeded by his son

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| Descents | 3—7 | <i>Burke's Extinct Peerage, Bourchier, Barons Bourchier, Earls of Essex, &c.</i> |
| " | 7—9 | <i>Burke's Peerage Chichester Baronets.</i> |
| " | 9—11 | " " <i>Fortescue Earls Fortescue.</i> |
| " | 11—14 | <i>The Complete Baronetage by G. E. C. Vol. I. "Chudleigh."</i> |

13. SIR GEORGE CHUDLEIGH 3 Bart. who married Mary daughter of Richard Lee of Winslade in Devonshire who died in 1710. Sir George died in 1719. He was the 2nd but eldest surviving son. Matriculated at Oxford 1653-4, admitted to the Inner Temple 1656. Succeeded to the baronetcy 1691, and died in 1718. Will dated 13 Aug. 1715, proved 9 Feb. 1718-19. Lady Chudleigh published several poems and a volume of essays. One of their granddaughters sister to the 5th Bart. was Elizabeth Chudleigh who was married first to the Earl of Bristol and secondly to Evelyn Duke of Kingston. She was the well known Duchess of Kingston found guilty by the House of Lords of bigamy. Sir George's heir and successor
14. SIR GEORGE CHUDLEIGH married Frances daughter and coheir of Sir William Davie Bart. of Creedy in the county of Devon by his second wife Abigail daughter of John Pollexfen and had three daughters, his co-heirs. Sir George died 10th October, 1738. His widow died about 1748. One of his daughters
15. MARGARET CHUDLEIGH became the wife of Sir Henry Oxenden 6th Bart. of Dene co. Kent, who died 15 June 1803 and was succeeded by his only son
16. SIR HENRY OXENDEN 7th Bart. born 14 May 1756 married 20 June 1793 Mary daughter of Colonel Graham of St. Laurence Kent. He died 22 Sept. 1838. Among other issue he had a daughter
17. ANNE CHARLOTTE OXENDEN who was married October 3rd 1828 at Limpsfield in Surrey to Rev. George Alston of Hadleigh. She was his first wife and died at Kirkheath co. York. June 27th 1841, having had issue
 Alfred Henry Alston,
 Edward Graham Alston,
 George Alston
 William Evelyn Alston
 Waldron Alston.

(For further particulars as to Alston descendants of this marriage see Table A3 p. 81, and after.)

The ROYAL DESCENT of HORACE AND GALFRIDUS MANN, and of the descendants of the latter.

1. EDWARD I. King of England born 1239 died 1307 married secondly September 8, 1299 Margaret daughter of Philip III. "le Hardi" of France and sister of Philip "le Bel" then in her 17th year. Margaret did not long survive her husband, dying at Marlborough Castle, February 14, 1317 in her 36th year. She was buried in the Grey Friars now Christ Church Newgate of which she was the chief founder before the high altar her body being wrapped in the conventual robe of the Franciscans. Queen Marguerite is an ancestress of all the English nobility bearing the name of Howard, six distinct branches of which family are extant: first the ducal house of Norfolk; secondly the line of Suffolk and Berkshire; thirdly the younger line of Suffolk; fourthly the Carlisle line; fifthly the Corby line descended from "Belted Will" grandson of the illustrious Earl of Surrey beheaded by Henry VIII.; and sixthly the Effingham line descended from the Admiral who defeated the Spanish Invincible Armada. The eldest son of this second marriage of Edward I. was
2. PRINCE THOMAS PLANTAGENET surnamed "de Brotherton" from his birth at the village on the banks of the river Wharfe in Yorkshire June 1, 1300 (? 1301). Before he had attained his 13th year he was advanced by special charter of his half-brother King Edward II. (at the death bed request of their father Edward I.) dated Dec. 16, 1312 to all the honours which Roger de Bigod, sometime Earl of Norfolk and Marshal of England enjoyed as Earl in the County of Norfolk, with all the castles manors and lands which Roger Bigod possessed in England Ireland and Wales and which had become vested in the crown. Some years afterwards however the King seized upon the Marshalship in the Court of King's Bench because the Earl of Norfolk failed to substitute some person on his behalf to attend the Justices of that Court upon their journey into Lancashire. But he had a restitution of the Office upon paying a fine of £100. Prince Thomas was repeatedly in the wars of Scotland temp. Edward II. and Edward III. in the latter of which reigns he had a confirmation of the Earldom of Norfolk and the office of Marshal. He married for his first wife Alice daughter of Sir Roger Haleys Kt. of Harwich and by her had issue two daughters. He died in 1338 when the Earldom of Norfolk became extinct. His elder daughter and coheir who eventually became his sole heiress was
3. PRINCESS MARGARET PLANTAGENET created Duchess of Norfolk for life by King Richard II. on September 29, 1397. Her Grace then styled Countess of Norfolk claimed the office of Marshal at the Coronation of that Monarch and prayed that she might execute the same by her deputy; but her claim was not allowed owing to the want of time to investigate its merits and the prior appointment for the occasion of Henry Lord Percy. This illustrious lady married first John Lord Segrave of Segrave and Mount Sorell co. Leicester, descendant and successor in the family honours of Stephen de Segrave, who in the time of King John was Constable of the Tower of London and later succeeded Hubert de Burgh as Justice of England. By him she had two daughters. She died in 1399. Lord Segrave died in 1353 at the early age of 38 having taken an active part during his short career in the wars of France and Scotland temp. Edward III. The second daughter

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4. ELIZABETH SEGRAVE became the wife of John de Mowbray fourth Baron Mowbray son of John third Baron by his wife the Lady Joan Plantagenet daughter of Henry Earl of Lancaster and granddaughter of Prince Edmund Plantagenet (Crouchback) Earl of Chester and Leicester and King of Sicily and Apulia and his second wife Blanche daughter of Robert Earl of Artois third son of Louis VIII King of France and widow of Henry King of Navarre. Their second son and eventual successor
5. THOMAS DE MOWBRAY sixth Baron Mowbray created Earl of Nottingham and Earl Marshal with confirmation of the office to his heirs male; Governor of Calais, Justice of Chester and Flintshire for life created Duke of Norfolk 1396; K.G. He was the Duke of Norfolk who along with Henry Duke of Hereford (afterwards Henry IV.) was banished on account of their famous duel by Richard II. The Duke married Elizabeth daughter of John Lord Strange of Blackmere who d. s. p. and secondly Lady Elizabeth Fitzalan daughter of Richard Earl of Arundel, sister and coheir of Thomas Earl of Arundel and widow of William de Montacute. She was of the blood royal by descent from Lady Eleanor Plantagenet daughter of Henry Earl of Lancaster aforesaid. A daughter
6. MARGARET DE MOWBRAY eventual heir of the Mowbrays became the wife of Sir Robert Howard Kt. and thus brought the Howard family their great inheritances. An only son
7. SIR JOHN HOWARD constituted by Ed. IV. Constable of the Castle of Norwich, Sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk, Treasurer of the King's Household, Captain General of all the King's Forces at Sea, Deputy Governor of Calais and the Marches adjacent, created Earl Marshal of England and Duke of Norfolk 1483, his son and heir Thomas Howard being created Earl of Surrey at the same time. He was K.G. and Lord High Admiral of England, Ireland and Aquitaine for life. Being with Richard III. at Bosworth Field he fell in leading the van of that Prince's army. His Grace was warned to refrain from attending Richard that day and the night before the battle the historic distich was set upon his gate
"Jockey of Norfolk, be not too bold
For Dickon thy master is bought and sold."
He married Katharine daughter of William Lord Molines and with other issue had a daughter
8. LADY MARGARET HOWARD wife to Sir John Wyndham of Crownthorpe and Fellbrigg co. Norfolk. Sir John was in the battle of Stoke 1487 against Lambert Simnel and was then knighted. But later joining the Yorkists he was beheaded for high treason 17 Hen. VII. His son
9. SIR THOMAS WYNDHAM of Fellbrigg was a distinguished Naval Commander and attended King Hen. VIII. at the sieges of Therouenne and Tournay. Married first Eleanor daughter and coheir of Sir Richard Scrope Kt. of Upsal co. York. Their daughter
10. MARGARET WYNDHAM was wife to Sir Andrew Luttrell Kt. of Dunster Castle Somerset, and their daughter
11. ELIZABETH LUTTRELL married secondly Sir George Speke Kt. of White Lackington Somerset K.B. He died 1584 leaving a son
12. SIR GEORGE SPEKE of White Lackington K.B. who married Philippa daughter of William Rosewell or Russell of Ford Devonshire and died 1636 leaving a daughter
13. PHILIPPA SPEKE who was married to Edward Bridges of Keynsham Somerset. He died 1639 leaving a daughter
14. PHILIPPA BRIDGES wife to Henry Guise of Winterborn Glos. 3rd son of William Guise of Brockworth and Elmore in the said county. She died 1674 and he 1679 leaving a son
15. CHRISTOPHER GUISE of Abbotts' Court Glos. who married Elizabeth daughter of Colonel Long of Wilts. Their daughter
16. ELEANOR GUISE became the wife of Robert Mann of Linton Kent eldest son of Thomas Mann of the Inner Temple and Elizabeth daughter of William Alston of Marlesford. He died 1752 and was buried at Linton.
(See Table 7 page 9.)

This descent is based on that contributed by Mr. A. T. Keene, to the Genealogical Magazine Vol. II. pp 317-320 It is especially interesting because of the Manns.

Robert Mann sprang from a family settled at Ipswich. He was a friend of Sir Robert Walpole through whose influence Mann obtained several lucrative army contracts during the numerous wars of the first half of the 18th century and purchased Linton from General George Joscelyn. It was at that time called Capell's Court. Mann rebuilt the house in its present lovely situation.

Sir Horace Mann was appointed Envoy at the Court of Florence by Sir Robert Walpole in 1737 and he died there in 1786. He was the friend and famous correspondent of Horace Walpole. Their correspondence is well-known and marked kindness and friendship were displayed by the former in his having, along with the assistance of Mr. Chute and General Guise, compiled the pedigree of Horace Mann who found the social habits of the grandees at Florence rendered it important that he should show his ancient descent.

There are many allusions by Horace Walpole in his letters to Mann as to the progress of the pedigree. Thus Aug. 17, 1746, he writes "Don't be so humble about your pedigree. There is not a pipe of good blood in the kingdom but we will tap for you. Mr. Chute has it now in painting, and you may depend on having it with the most satisfactory proofs as soon as it can possibly be finished. He has taken great pains and fathomed half the genealogies in England for you." Again April 2, 1750, he writes "Your genealogical affair is in great train and will be quite finished in a week or two. Mr. Chute has laboured at it indefatigably. General Guise has been attesting the authenticity of it to-day before 'A. I. P.' You will find yourself united with every drop of blood in England that is worth bottling up. The Duchess of Norfolk and you grow on the same bough of the tree." Mann, writing to Walpole from Florence, December 4, 1750, says alluding to the pedigree "I shall hang it up in some inner room though it is the custom, as you know, of this country, these Alberi Gentilizie in their halls or the most public part of the house. Besides I shall only take occasion accidentally to let some few see it who have made it necessary. This is all the revenge I design to take for their malice."

The Scottish Family of Alston.

Notes of Dr. Charles Alston (Born 1685) extracted from his papers in Edinburgh University.

The surname "Alston" is generally believed to be an abbreviation of "Athelstane," a name well known in Anglo-Saxon History: as, Athelstane-ford, Athelstane-muir, now called "Alston ford," Alston muir," &c. Athel means noble or strong. Alston was of old a proper name among the Saxons, for in 845 there was a Bishop of Sherborne called Alston, who then and some years after, particularly in 853, made a considerable figure.—Vide Rapin Vol. v. pp. 85, 86.

The tradition is that the Scotch Alstons came first from England, and (as Lord Basil Hamilton told me) along with that Hamilton who was the founder of that noble family in Clydesdale, having been his second (in a duel) which obliged them both to leave the English Court.

But be in this what will, the oldest family of Alstons I know of in Scotland was that of Cander in the parish of Dalserf and sheriffdom of Lanark. Concerning which the learned antiquary Mr. George Crawford, favoured me with the following memorial, written and subscribed by his own hand, which I have by me. It is entitled:—

"Memorials of the surname and family of Alston of Cander in Lanarkshire." whereof follows
 "The Alstons were a very ancient and considerable family. They possessed the Estate time out of memory.
 "But that was not all their estate. They had part of the lands and Barony of Cambusbarron, co. Stirling.
 "There is a Charter the writer of this Memorial has seen, in the custody of the Earls of Wigton, granted
 "by King Robert III. (1399) granting half of the Barony of Cambusbarron to Hugo de Alston, among
 "other witnesses are David, Duke of Rothesay. There is another Hugo de Alston, dominus de Cander,
 "who I conjecture was the son of the former Hugh, who died about 1425. For there is a Charter of
 "Mortification granted by Thomas Somerville of Carnwath, of annuity of 20 Marks out of his lands of
 "Manuel in co. Stirling, to sustain a Chaplain in the Church of St. Macutius, i.e. the Priory of Lesmahago
 "pro animo quondam Hugonis Alston de Cander.' It is dated 1425 and confirmed by Charter of King
 "James (1426) in the register of the great seal, in the public archives.
 "He left only one daughter, his sole heir, named Margaret. This Margaret was married to
 "John Hamilton of Whistleberry, 2nd son of Sir John of Cadzow, and brother of James, first Lord of the
 "family of Hamilton. He died in 1454. The author of the 'Liber de Culross' takes notice of his death.
 "There is an investiture taken of the Estate of Hamilton by James, 1st Lord Hamilton, in favour of him-
 "self and heirs male of his body, and failing those and certain others, to those of the aforesaid John
 "Hamilton of Cander. This Charter is in 1455, in the public registers of the Great Seal. The Hamiltons
 "of Cander came afterwards to change their title to Milburn. A male branch of the old family of Alstons
 "of Cander settled in the Barony of Cadzow, and had a small estate there, which they held from the
 "Family of Hamilton."

Thus Mr. Crawford.

The place in which this male branch settled and where his successor still resides is called Thinakers. The time they settled there first is uncertain. J. Hamilton of Stonehall's wife, my father's half-sister, about the 1700, and who was then about 60 years old and so certainly had seen John my great grandfather, told me that the Alstons had been at Thinakers beyond memory of man.

(The above is from Manuscript Notes of Professor Charles Alston, now in the Library of Edinburgh University.)

ALSTONS OF THINACRE MILNE.

The Alstons of Thinacre Milne, Lanarkshire, are said to have been the progenitors of all the families of the name in the West of Scotland. An unvarying tradition represents them as having held these lands for about 500 years, relating that they came from England in the end of the fourteenth century with Walter Fitz-Gilbert, the founder of the Hamilton Family, and who is said to have granted them a Charter of the lands of Thinacre Milne when he received the Barony of Cadzow from Robert the Bruce.

From evidence collected in 1819-20 by Mr. James Miller, Advocate (son of James Miller, Castlewell and Elizabeth daughter of John Alston VI. of Overhall and Muirburn), it appears that the Alstons held these lands by military tenure, paying no rent or feu duty. The original Charter having been lost, an attempt was made to dispossess them in 1772, but it either failed or was abandoned and the property was sold off bit by bit.

Such are the family traditions, but there appear to be no papers now extant of older date than the 17th Century. The Parish Records at Hamilton do not go further back, and the old Kirk there has long since been pulled down and the Grave Stones removed to enlarge the Duke's Parks.

The first Alston of Thinacre Milne, therefore, of whom anything authentic is now known, was:—

I. JOHN ALSTON in Thinacre Milne, 1610. He had five children, namely:—

- 1st John, of whom presently
- 2nd Thomas
- 3rd Arthur
- 4th Marion
- 5th Ysobel married to William Russell

His will, dated 1610, is quoted in a letter written in December, 1822, by his descendant, James Alston, Merchant in Birmingham, as being then in the possession of Mr. Anderson at Hamilton. I have been unable to discover whether this will is still extant.

II. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne had two children, viz.:—

- 1st William who predeceased his father
- 2nd Thomas of whom presently

III. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre Milne (1640-72) married Jean daughter of the second son of Sir John Cockburn of Ormiston, Lord Justice Clerk, and had four children, viz.:—

- 1st John of whom presently
- 2nd Thomas (1675-90) of Eddlewood
- 3rd James of Natherley, Merchant in Edinburgh, married Sara daughter of the Revd. J. Wilson of Dysart and had issue. Died in 1715. (Ancestor of the Alstons of Elmdon Hall, Warwickshire, and of the Alston-Stewards of Urrard).
- 4th Barbara married ——— Naismith

Thomas Alston received from Ann, Duchess of Hamilton, a free disposition of the lands of Mains of Eddlewood, dated 1st April, 1657, and he further acquired the one half of the lands of Burnknows of Eddlewood from Gilbert Hamilton of Kenned, under date 8th January, 1672.

IV. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1666-1698 had one son, viz.:—

V. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre Milne, born 1695, died 1762 had one son, viz.:—

VI. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre Milne

It was during his lifetime, viz.: Feby., 1772, that an attempt was made by the managers of the Hamilton family to dispute the Title of the Estate, but it either failed or was abandoned.

Thomas Alston never married and most of the property, already considerably impaired, was sold at his death. The last remains, including two houses and the Burial Ground at Hamilton, belonged in 1819 to Miss Ann Torrance a niece of the last Alston of Thinacre Milne.

ALSTONS OF EDDLEWOOD

Were a branch of the Alstons of Thinacre Milne. Their descendants were as follows:—

I. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1610

II. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne

III. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1640-1672

IV. THOMAS ALSTON of Eddlewood, 2nd son of above, (1675-90) had 3 children, viz.:—

1st James of whom presently

2nd Thomas (Dr.) of Burnknows of Eddlewood, had two sons, Gavin of Sunnyside (whose grandson George Alston, W.S., was alive in 1818), and Dr. Charles Alston, Professor of Botany and Materia Medica in the University of Edinburgh, married (1) Robina daughter of Lockhart of the Lea (and had one daughter); (2) Bethia daughter of Birnie of Broomhill and had no issue. After the death of his father the Duchess of Hamilton took a great interest in him (Dr. Chas. Alston) and educated him. She wished him to become a lawyer, but he preferred the medical profession. He studied at Leyden under the great Boerhaave, and other eminent professors; he was an able Botanist. He died in 1760

3rd John of Overhall

Thomas Alston inherited both of his father's properties, to which he added the other half of Burnknow of Eddlewood, bought under date 1st June, 1689. In 1690 he received a Charter of Confirmation in these lands from the Hamilton Family. He left Burnknows of Eddlewood to his 2nd son, Dr. Thomas Alston.

V. JAMES ALSTON of Mains of Eddlewood alive in 1683 had one son, viz.:—

VI. JOHN ALSTON of Mains of Eddlewood alive in 1748 had one son, viz.:—

VII. JAMES ALSTON of Mains of Eddlewood. Sold it in 1762 and died 18— leaving no issue.

ALSTONS OF OVERHALL

Were a Branch of the Alstons of Eddlewood, their descendants being as follows:—

I. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne, 1610

II. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne

III. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1640-72

IV. THOMAS ALSTON of Eddlewood, 1675-90

V. JOHN ALSTON of Overhall and in Glasford Miln, 3rd son of the above Thomas, born 1638, married 1675 Janet, daughter of John Marshall of Chappleton, and had 7 children, viz.:—

1st John of whom presently

2nd Andrew styled "in hole," in which lands he was afterwards his brother's tenant. In 1712 he married Janet Alston and had issue

3rd ——— married Young of Goodsburn

4th Margaret married 1700 John Hamilton of Green

5th ——— married Hans Miller "in Mains"

6th Elizabeth married 1707 James Morrison of Dykes

7th William born 1696

John Alston was the first of the family who settled in Avondale, where he seems to have purchased a good deal of property including Overhall and part of Laigh Netherfield. He suffered fine and imprisonment as a Covenanter, as appears from the following extracts taken from "A Record of the persecutions in Avondale during the late troubles," which was drawn up by the Kirk Session in 1694:—

"Item. John Alston in Glasford Miln lay 6 months in Glasgow Tolbooth for refusing the Test."

"Item. John Alston, Elder in Glasford, was fined in 3 Dollars because he did not baptize his child "by the Curate, Mr. Davidson."

John Alston died 16th Sept., 1708.

VI. JOHN ALSTON of Overhall and Muirburn—born about 1676. In 1710 he married Isobel eldest daughter of George Hamilton of Browncastle. They had 7 children, viz.:—

1st John born 1714, of whom presently

2nd George of Muirburn, born 1716, married 1740, died 3rd Sept., 1782

3rd Thomas born 1722

4th James, Merchant Burgess of Glasgow, born 1725, married 1761 Marion daughter of John Miller of Westerton and had issue. (Ancestor of Alstons of Stockbriggs and Alston of Westerton.)

- 5th Janet born 1727, married Matthew Dickie
- 6th Agnes born 1729, married James Morton of Bonnanhill and had issue. Died 1796.
(Her grandson Sir Alexr. Young-Spearman died 1874.)
- 7th Elizabeth born 1731. Married James Miller of Castlewell, Advocate, and had issue.

Besides his father's properties of Overhall and Laigh Netherfield, John Alston acquired several others—Muirburn, The Cutts, Hole, Braehead, Paffel, West Maynes, and Shawtonhill. He made over in his lifetime to his eldest son all his lands of Overhall, Braehead, Paffel, Hole, West Maynes, and Leigh Netherfield; to his 2nd son George, the lands of Muirburn and the Cutts (1743); and to his 4th son, James, Shawtonhill. I have been unable to ascertain the date of this John Alston's death, which is not registered either in Glasford or Strathaven.

- VII. JOHN ALSTON of Overhall, &c., to which he succeeded during his father's lifetime, was born in 1714. He married Elizabeth daughter of Thomas Carmichael of Eastend, Lanarkshire, and had ten children, viz:—
- 1st Lillias married 2nd June, 1770, James Young of Netherfield and had issue
 - 2nd Isobel of Broomley, Dumbartonshire, which property was left to her, and to her sisters, by their uncle—Carmichael. Died unmarried 1833.
 - 3rd Catherine of Broomley, died unmarried 1836
 - 4th Janet married ——— Arnot of Silverwood and had issue. Died 1866
 - 5th Elizabeth of Broomley, died unmarried
 - 6th Rebecca married her cousin Maurice Carmichael of Eastend, and had 3 children
 - 7th Joanna died unmarried 1820
 - 8th Mary died unmarried 1801
 - 9th Thomas died 1783
 - 10th John died young

John Alston died in 1791. His two sons having died unmarried, this branch became extinct in the male line, and is now represented by the Alstons of Muirburn.

ALSTONS OF MUIRBURN

Are a Branch of the Alstons of Overhall, whom they represent as follows:—

- I. JOHN ALSTON in Thinacre Milne 1610
- II. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne
- III. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1640-72
- IV. THOMAS ALSTON of Eddlewood 1675-90
- V. JOHN ALSTON of Overhall
- VI. JOHN ALSTON of Overhall and Muirburn
- VII. GEORGE ALSTON of Muirburn, 2nd son of the above, born 1716. As already mentioned his father gifted to him in 1743 his lands of Muirburn and the Cutts. In 1740 he married Isabella, daughter of James Gibson of Wiston, and had 8 children, viz:—
 - 1st Isabella born 1841. Married James Brown of Auchlochan, Lanarkshire, and had issue. Died 1823
 - 2nd Euphani born 5th July, 1742. Died young
 - 3rd John of whom presently
 - 4th George born 28th March, 1746, died unmarried in Carolina
 - 5th Euphan born 17th May, 1748, married 1779 Wm. Hamilton and had issue
 - 6th James born 17th August, 1750, afterwards of Muirburn. He married Helen Walker (who died 4th Novr., 1804) and had 5 children, viz:—
 - 1st Helen born 1791
 - 2nd George born 1793, died 1848
 - 3rd Janet born 1795
 - 4th William born 1797, died 1804
 - 5th Euphemia born 1801

After his death on 4th March, 1826, the estate was sold to his nephew George.

It was by an amicable family arrangement that the estate was left to the younger son, but, as will be seen, it presently returned to the elder line.

This *first* George died at Muirburn in 1782

VIII. JOHN ALSTON Merchant and Banker, born at Muirburn 1743. Married 1772, Patrick only daughter of Patrick Craigie, Merchant Burgess of Edinburgh (younger son of Craigie of Dunbarnie) and had six children, viz:—

- 1st Ann Hay born 1773, married 1800 John Gordon of Aikenhead, Lanarkshire, and had issue. She died 1811
- 2nd George of whom presently
- 3rd Isabella born 16th Jany., 1779. Married 1809, David Connel, Merchant in Glasgow, and died 1859.
- 4th Robert Douglas of Auchenraith, Lanarkshire, born 2nd Octr., 1778. Died unmarried 1846.
- 5th John Thomas Alston Merchant and a Lord Provost of Glasgow, born 1780, married Annabella, daughter of Thomas Findlay of Easterhill, Lanarkshire, and had issue. Died 1859.
- 6th Patrick Craigie born 1782, died an infant

On his way to America John Alston was captured by a French Privateer, but succeeded in making his escape and reached home after suffering great hardships. Starting again he reached America in 1759 and remained in business there till 1770 when he returned to Scotland. Soon after he became Manager of the Thistle Bank in Scotland and died there in 1818.

IX. GEORGE ALSTON, Merchant in Glasgow, born there in 1775. As already stated he bought back the Muirburn Estate from the Executor of his uncle James Alston and built the present house in 1831-32. He married in 1810 Rachel youngest daughter of James Brown of Auchlochan and had 8 children, viz:—

- 1st Isabella born 1812, died unmarried 1839
- 2nd Ann Craigie born 1813. Married her cousin Robert Findlay Alston. Died 1874 leaving no issue
- 3rd John Patrick of whom presently
- 4th James Brown born 1817, died 1818
- 5th George of Craighead born 1819, married 1862 Margaret daughter of Robert Wallace younger of Cloncaird and Busby, Ayrshire, and had 8 children. Died 1884
- 6th James Brown born 1821, married 1855 Elizabeth daughter of Lieut. Co. Hope, R.E., and had 9 children
- 7th Robert Douglas born 1823. Married 1861 Margaret 2nd daughter of John George Hamilton of Laggary, Dumbartonshire, and had 9 children. Died 1879
- 8th Rachel born 1826. Died an infant

George Alston died at Muirburn 1850

X. JOHN PATRICK ALSTON of Muirburn born 1816, married 1853, Mary Anne, daughter of William Hamilton, of Northpark, and had four children, viz:—

- 1st George Douglas born 1855, Died unmarried 1883
- 2nd William Hamilton born 1858
- 3rd Mary Helen born 1860, married 1824 Capt. S. H. Lomax, of the "Cameronians" 2nd son of Thomas Lomax, of Grove Park, Suffolk, and had issue
- 4th John Francis born 1865

Mr. Alston died in 1891, and after his death Muirburn was sold.

ALSTONS OF STOCKBRIGGS

Are a Branch of the Alstons of Overhall, their descent being as follows:—

- I. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne, 1610
- II. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne
- III. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1640-72
- IV. THOMAS ALSTON of Eddlewood 1675-1690
- V. JOHN ALSTON of Overhall 1642-1708
- VI. JOHN ALSTON of Overhall and Muirburn, born 1676

- VII. JAMES ALSTON 4th son of above, Merchant Burgess of Glasgow, born 1725, married 1761 Marion, daughter and heiress of John Miller of Westertown, and had 4 children
 1st John born 1762, married 5th July, 1790, Mary Lyon, daughter of James Dennistown of Colgrain, Dumbartonshire, and had issue. Died 1835
 2nd James twin brother of above. Died in infancy.
 3rd William of whom presently
 4th Christian Calder born 1765, married 17th July, 1786, Richard Dennistown of Kelvin grove, Merchant in Glasgow, (3rd son of James Dennistown of Colgrain) and had issue
 James Alston received from his father the lands of Shawtonhill, but sold that property early in life and went to Lyons to learn the Silk trade. He returned to Scotland in September, 1748, and in November of that year was admitted a Burgess of Glasgow. In 1770 he was made a Burgess of Hamilton. He died in Glasgow on 10th August, 1778.
- VIII. WILLIAM ALSTON 3rd son of the above, Merchant Burgess of Glasgow, born in Glasgow 30th April, 1763. Married 10th April, 1789, Jean, 2nd daughter of James Brown of Auchlochan (and of Isabella Alston (Muirburn) his wife), and had 2 children, viz :—
 1st Isabella born 23rd Novr., 1791, married Henry W. Garden, Merchant in Glasgow, and had issue. Died 17th Novr., 1864
 2nd James William of whom presently
 William Alston died in Glasgow 26th Novr., 1835.
- IX. JAMES WILLIAM ALSTON of Stockbriggs. Merchant Burgess of Glasgow, born there 18th March, 1796. Married first on 8th Octr., 1822, Marion, 3rd daughter of William Cross and Ann Buchanan, of Auchentoshan, Dumbartonshire, his wife. By her he had 7 children, viz :—
 1st Anne Boleyn Buchanan born July, 1823, died 1824
 2nd Jane Brown born 1825
 3rd Anne Boleyn Buchanan born 1827, married 1864 John B. Cowan, M.D., Professor in Glasgow University, and had issue. She died Decr., 1893
 4th William of whom presently
 5th Mary Cross born March, 1830, died April, 1835
 6th James born August, 1831, died June, 1833
 7th Marion Cross born March 1833, died same year
 Marion, wife of James William Alston died on 20th April, 1833, aged 30.
 On 19th Feby., 1835, he married secondly, Margaret Hamilton, 3rd daughter of William Stirling, of Cordale, Merchant in Glasgow, and by her he had 9 children, viz :—
 1st Margaret Hamilton Ritchie born July, 1836, died unmarried 1858
 2nd James William Merchant in Glasgow, born 1838, married 30th April, 1867, his 2nd cousin Monti Garden, eldest daughter of John George Brown, 2nd son of Thomas Brown of Auchlochan. Died 30th June, 1880
 3rd John Stirling Merchant in Bombay, born 1839, married 10th August, 1886, Anne Eliza, 3rd daughter of Thomas Gemmell of Frankville, and has issue
 4th George Patrick, Lieut. Royal Artillery, born 1841, died unmarried 1865
 5th Charles Henry born 28th Feby., 1843, married 16th June, 1868, Sara Fullerton, and daughter of John George Brown, 2nd son of Thomas Brown of Auchlochan, and has issue
 6th Edward Richard, F.Z.S., born 1845, died unmarried April, 1881. (*See Memoir post*)
 7th Charlotte Mary born 15th April, 1851, married 28th Feby., 1878, Alexander Francis Garden Brown, 2nd son of John George Brown, and has issue
 8th Walter Cross born January, 1854
 9th Harry Ritchie born Sept., 1855, died 1895
 James William Alston bought Stockbriggs in 1836. He died there in 1866.
- X. WILLIAM ALSTON of Stockbriggs, eldest son of the above, was born in 1828. He sold Stockbriggs in 1879.

ALSTON-STEWARTS OF URRARD

Are a Branch of the Alstons of Thinacre Milne, their descent being as follows :—

- I. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1610
- II. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne
- III. JOHN ALSTON of Thinacre Milne 1640-72

- IV. JAMES ALSTON of Natherley, 3rd son of the above, born 1641. Married Sara, daughter of the Revd. James Wilson of Dysart, and had several children
 1st _____
 2nd James (Revd.) Minister of Dirleton, of whom presently
 James Alston of Natherley died in 1715. (Ancestor of Alstons of Elmdon Hall.)
- V. REVD. JAMES ALSTON Minister of Dirleton, married Janet Reid, and had two children, viz :—
 1st James of Redsyde, born 1706, married Ann Freebairn, and had issue
 2nd William of whom presently
- VI. WILLIAM ALSTON, Writer to the Signet in Edinburgh, born 1708, married — Clark and had one son, viz :—
 James of whom presently
 William Alston died in 17 ?
- VII. JAMES ALSTON, Major 63rd Regiment, married Charlotte Stewart of Urrard, Perthshire, and had issue.
 After his marriage he assumed the surname of Stewart. He died in 1833.

ALSTON OF GLASGOW.

My Dear Sir,

United Presbyterian Manse, Carluke,
 Glasgow, 6th April, /98.

At your request I enclose a Chart—setting out most of what I certainly know of my ancestry on the Alston side. I have also attached brief notes (numbered) as to wives of male Alstons. I hope both chart and notes may be found useful—and I shall be very pleased to give further information. I knew well William Alston, to whom you refer, and the chart will show our relationship. His father left Strathaven, when comparatively a young man, for Tollcross, near Glasgow, where he died at an advanced age. My forbears remained in Strathaven, and I am descended, in direct line, from the eldest son in each generation bearing the Christian name Andrew.

In the chart I have not mentioned occupations, nor have I given the names of my own children with dates of birth, &c. All these, however, I shall be glad to furnish—if so desired.

There are two collateral families, both, I believe, from Clydesdale: The Alstons of Muirburn, near Strathaven, and the Alstons of Londoun Hill, a little to the west of Strathaven. I have not been able to trace the relationship, but, from tradition, I believe we are not distantly related. Probably, however, you have been communicating with both. I shall be very pleased to hear how you are succeeding, and to be of further service to you.

With regards,

Yours most truly,

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

(Rev.) AND. ALSTON.

P.S.—If desired, I can give in many cases, dates of deaths, and also exact dates of births.

CHART.

- (1) Alexander Alston, Netherside, Strathaven, by Glasgow.
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 (2) Andrew Alston, Strathaven, married Elizabeth Aitton.
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 Andrew Alston, Strathaven, born 1748. Married (1771) Janet Young, daughter
 of James Young, Parish of Loudoun.
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 (3) Andrew Alston, Strathaven, born 1777. Married (1802) Marion Park.
 Issue: two sons, one of whom died in childhood.
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 (4) Andrew Alston, Strathaven, born 1806. Married (1835) Jean Giffen.
 Issue: one daughter and one son. He married a
 second time; issue: one daughter. All his family
 are married, the daughter, by first marriage still
 residing in Strathaven.
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 (5) Andrew Alston, Clergyman, Carluke, born at Strathaven 1838. Married (1864)
 Mary Carlile Bruce, daughter of Rev. Dr. Bruce,
 Newmilns, Ayrshire. Issue: three sons and five
 daughters, some of whom died in childhood.
 └──┬──┘
 Andrew Alston, Solicitor, M.A., LL.B., Glasgow.

NOTES.

- (1) Christian name and residence on oral testimony received by me from his great grandson, who also stated that he believed the family came to Clydesdale from beyond the Forth.
- (2) Grandfather of Andrew Alston, formerly of Strathaven, to whom you refer in your note, who married Anne Giffen. He to whom you refer, removed from Strathaven to Tolcross, near Glasgow, when comparatively a young man, and there most of his children were born. His family became very much scattered, his son William, to whom you refer, going to Dundee.
- (3) His brother James, Strathaven, had a numerous family, one or two of whose descendants still reside there. They are likely to be almost the only persons now in that town who bear the Alston name.
- (4) The said Jean Giffen, on the *father's* side (Willm. Giffen), was first cousin to Robert Giffen, father of the present Sir Robert Giffen (also born in Strathaven) the eminent statistician, and recently head of the Statistical Department, Board of Trade, London.

The said Jean Giffen, on the *mother's* side (Jean Brownlie), was related to Thomas Brownlie, Laird of Torfoot near Strathaven, a distinguished officer in the army of the Covenanters, who figured prominently at the battle of Drumclog (1679) when the royal troops, under Graham of Claverhouse, were defeated. She was also a near relative of Rev. James Thomson, D.D., Paisley, the first Professor of Theology (1824) of the Relief Church, which now forms part of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland.

- (5) The said Mary Carlile Bruce, on the *father's* side, was a grand-niece of Rev. A. Bruce, Whitburn, Linlithgow, Professor of Theology (1787) in the General Associate Synod of Scotland.

On the *mother's* side (Isabella Ferrier), she is a granddaughter of the late Rev. Dr. Ferrier, Paisley, one of the leading Divines of the United Secession Church, and she is also a *lineal* descendant of the Rev. Willm. Wilson, Perth, one of the four Founders of the Secession Church, which now forms part of the United Presbyterian Church of Scotland.

ALSTON OF GLASGOW.

- I. JOHN ALSTON migrated to Glasgow from near Hamilton before 1690. Entered as a Merchant Tailor Burgess of Glasgow in that year.
- II. JOHN ALSTON entered as a Tailor Glasgow 1725. Married three times, had family only by 3rd wife, Christina Calderhead daughter of Peter Calderhead and Barbara White from near Whitburn. Married to her 1756. Died when his sons were young February 1763 as they recollected nothing of him. His widow died 15 February 1793. One son John (placed as elder) had issue James, John, Thomas, William, Isabella, and Christina. Another

- III. THOMAS ALSTON born 31 March 1758. Married 1777 Isabella Miller who was born 13 Feb. 1756. She had 7 children and died in childbed 21 March 1790

John of whom hereafter

Carlisle born 3 April 1786 died 1788

Christina born 12 January 1780 died young

Helen born 15 Dec. 1782 married John Bryce and left issue

Christina born 17 April 1784 died 15 Dec. 1815

Isabella born 28 April 1788 married Robert Moffatt died 29 June 1834 leaving issue

Margaret born 18 Mar. 1790 married Dugald McColl died 17 May 1826 leaving issue

In 1792 Thomas Alston married Annabella Graham who died 29 Dec. 1831. She had 8 children

Thomas born 3 March 1799 married Agnes Gilfillan died 15 Jany. 1879 had issue

Thomas married and has issue, lives in Melbourne, Australia

Cauvin S. Governor of Glasgow Prison

— a daughter in Glasgow

William born 9 March, 1802

Henry born 7 January, 1807, a lawyer in Glasgow

Janet born 31 May, 1793, married to Andrew Hunter, died June, 1825, leaving issue

Mary born 30 January, 1796

Betty born 31 December, 1797, died 1798

Note—Dr. John Alston of Buenos Ayres and the Chicago Alstons belong to this branch.

- IV. JOHN ALSTON born 7 May 1778, died 20 August 1846, married Margaret Scott 19 April 1802. Known as John Alston of Rosemount. Was greatly esteemed in Glasgow. In business was a successful manufacturer but devoted much of his time to municipal work first as a town councillor and then as a Baillie or Magistrate—also to philanthropic and charitable objects. See obituary notice from the Scottish Guardian Newspaper *post.* He had issue

Thomas born 2 Feb. 1803 died 2 May 1803

William Calderhead (of whom hereafter)

Thomas Scott (of whom hereafter)

John (of whom hereafter)

James Calderhead (of whom hereafter)

Robert born 25 Feb. 1818 died 2 May 1858 at Brighton Victoria leaving no issue.

Andrew born 23 June 1819 died 9 Feb. 1820

- Margaret Scott born 23 July 1807 married to James Graham died 14 July 1890 leaving issue. Died at Glasgow
 Isabella born 10 June 1812 married Malcolm McCaul died 23 Aug. 1875 at Stirling
 John Alston's (IV) son's families are as follows:—
- I. WILLIAM CALDERHEAD ALSTON born 15 Mar. 1804 married Isabella Hervey died 25 Dec. 1887 at Geelong Australia. Went to Australia in 1860. Had issue
 William Henry born 17 Aug. 1840 married ——— Murray; in Tasmania no issue
 Jessie born 10 Sep. 1844 married Alfred W. Macpherson and has issue; New South Wales
- II. THOMAS SCOTT ALSTON born 5 Dec. 1805 married Jessie Carfrae died 13 April 1847 at Glasgow had issue
 Edward Hayton born 1839 died 10 Aug. 1841
 Charles born 1845 died 15 May 1850
 Frederick no issue; *Edinburgh*
 John William (a lawyer) born 1837 married Elizabeth Hay died 24 Nov. 1878 leaving issue
 Edward
 Charles
 Elizabeth Bertine } all in Glasgow
 James Carfrae married Bertine Wood *Glasgow*
 Jessie Eliza died 13 April 1844 aged 9 months.
- III. JOHN ALSTON born 7 Aug. 1809 went to Australia about 1838 most of his family born there returned to Glasgow 1854 married Mary Hervey died 16 Nov. 1874 at Glasgow leaving issue
 John Hervey born 24 April 1841 *California*
 William Murray born 6 May 1844 *Glasgow*.
 James Robert born 23 July, 1846 *Glasgow*
 Matthew Hervey born 12 March 1848, died 19 April 1853
 Thomas Scott born 7 Feb. 1852, married Jessie Hill Aitken *Natal*
 Ebenezer born 19 May 1854, died 24 June 1862
 Margaret Scott born 5 July 1842. *Glasgow*
 Janet Hervey born 15 Feb. 1850, married Rev. Wm. Campbell and has issue. *Japan*
 Mary Hervey born 25 April 1856, married Rev. R. H. Dyke. Died in South Africa 2 Aug. 1894 leaving issue
 Barbara Alice born 31 Jan. 1858 *Glasgow*.
- IV. JAMES CALDERHEAD ALSTON born 4 Dec. 1815 married Louisa Morehead died 12 July 1869 in Glasgow. Went early to Trinidad. All his family born there—died in Glasgow whilst on a visit. Had issue
 John Scott married Charlotte Gamble and died in Trinidad leaving issue
 William Gamble
 Louisa Eliza May
 James William married Fanny Kellaart and has issue *Trinidad*
 George Robert married Annie Knaggs and has issue *London*
 Roy
 Raymond
 Milly
 Edie
 Winnie
 Henry McCaul a Doctor in Trinidad
 Louis Graham married Addie Knaggs and has issue in Trinidad
 Charles Ross married and has issue. A Barrister at Allahabad
 Claud
 Edna Graham
 Eliza Reid married Charles Cleaver and has issue in Trinidad

(This Pedigree is compiled from a chart sent by Mr. William Murray Alston, C.E., of Glasgow, May 7th, 1898.)

Extract from the "Scottish Guardian," Glasgow, Friday, August 28th, 1846.

THE LATE JOHN ALSTON, ESQ.

The funeral of our much lamented fellow-citizen Mr. Alston of Rosemount took place yesterday, and was an occasion of deep and general interest, as was evinced by the great numbers who followed him to the grave, and by the thousands of all classes who thronged the road between Rosemount and the High Church-yard, where Mr. Alston was interred in the family burial-place. A numerous company of relatives and friends of the deceased met at Rosemount, where the Rev. Dr. Forbes and the Rev. Mr. Menzies were the officiating clergymen. Another large body of gentlemen assembled at the Asylum for the blind, where the Very Rev. Principal Macfarlan and the Rev. Dr. Black

of Barony officiated. Amongst the company which met at the Asylum were Lord Belhaven, the Lord Provost and Magistrates, the Dean of Guild, Sir James Campbell, William Campbell, Esq. of Tillichewan, John Bain, Esq. of Morriston, the Directors of the Asylum for the Blind, and other respectable citizens who were associated with Mr. Alston in public objects. The body was carried shoulder-high. The company which assembled at Rosemount was joined at the Asylum by the gentlemen who had met there; and there also the train of mourners was swelled by the accession of the blind boys and workmen of the Institution.

We believe that the blind were invited in compliance with a patriarchal "commandment concerning his burial," which Mr. Alston left in writing, to be opened only after his death. No truer mourners joined in the funeral procession.

Few have earned a more distinguished name in the annals of our city, for philanthropy and worth, than Mr. Alston; and it would be superfluous to refer to the exertions and virtues of one who was so well known, and universally esteemed by all ranks of his fellow-citizens, were it not that a tribute is due to his memory, in gratitude for his valuable services in the cause of humanity, and as a just testimony of respect for his many personal excellencies. To none was the sentiment of the ancient poet more justly applicable than to him—that nothing involving the interests of humanity was foreign to his feelings; for every object found in him a warm friend and strenuous supporter which contemplated the mitigation of misery, the prevention of evil, and the improvement of the health, peace, education, and well-being of society. Nor was he forgetful of the duties of private friendship and Christian sympathy and tenderness, in the extensive circle with whom he had become more intimately connected in the course of life; and few there were who could with greater warmth and sincerity of feeling rejoice with those who rejoiced, or weep with those who wept. There was a winning cordiality in his character, which displayed itself from the minutest to the most important actions of his life, and which rendered him eminently agreeable in all his intercourse with men in every rank of society and in every variety of fortune. Few have enjoyed to a greater degree the esteem and confidence of individuals of the highest consideration; yet their favour was neither secured by sycophancy nor valued for personal objects, but was earned purely by respect for his virtues, and employed to secure their patronage and support to the many objects of philanthropy which he had always at heart. Nothing can better evince the great influence which Mr. Alston enjoyed among the wealthier classes, than the aid which he conferred upon the Old Men's Society, in obtaining the funds which went to the erection of the splendid institution which they have provided for an asylum. It has been reported, upon what we consider good authority, that he estimated himself to have raised through life upwards of £7,000 for objects of public charity. But it was to the formation of the Blind Asylum he devoted his principal labour, which became, under his auspicious and fostering superintendence, a model institution of its order, and will perpetuate his name as one of the greatest benefactors of the unfortunate class for whom it was provided. It originated from a legacy by Mr. John Leitch (who was himself afflicted with disease in the eyes); but from the insufficiency of the sum the matter lay long in abeyance, until Mr. Ewing of Strathleven, in connection with Mr. Alston, took it up, and having procured an additional amount by subscription, purchased the site on which the institution is built, and commenced the undertaking. The various arts and manufactures which he introduced, and got the blind to learn, the markets which he opened for the sale of their work, and the care with which he provided for their personal comfort and support, and even for their recreation and enjoyment, required unwearied labour and perseverance, and could only have been achieved by an ardent mind strenuously devoted to its object. But it was in opening up to the use of the blind the page of knowledge—in making the finger do for them what the eye does for others—and in putting them in possession of the Word of God, in a manner which enabled them to read and understand it for themselves, that he conferred a benefit upon the class, the value of which not one institution or one generation will feel, but which has already been enjoyed and acknowledged by the blind in many places, and will continue to be a boon for which generations yet unborn will rise and bless its author. Few can sufficiently appreciate the laborious trials and experiments, and the many difficulties which he had to contend with, before he secured his object. It is a common observation, that many things when once done seem easy, which it cost the original inventor years of thought and ingenious contrivance to effect. That he was not the first who attempted to teach the blind to read by the use of embossed characters is well known; but he had the merit of being the first who brought into practice the common Roman letters, and to print them in a manner so distinct, durable, and sizeable, as to meet the circumstances of the blind. To one who recollects the old system, when the letters were represented by knots on twine, and which required as long a tether as would fill a warping machine to contain a work of the size of one of the Gospels, the present system will be appreciated, as a most distinguished improvement, and an inestimable boon. Any blind child can be taught by its parents to read according to this system at home, as well as at an institution, and its application is universal. Mr. Alston, consulting the pleasure as well as instruction of the young, provided for them books of geography, music, and natural history, upon this principle; and it has ever been one of the most interesting features of the Institution to strangers to see the skill and accuracy with which these advantages are improved. We can only add, in conclusion, that, after having visited the continent during the spring, Mr. Alston's health began visibly to decline; and although his medical advisers were not without hope of his recovery till a recent period, he himself for several weeks had evidently anticipated his approaching decease. The faith and Christian fortitude with which he bore much suffering must long be remembered with deep interest by those who enjoyed the privilege of witnessing them. Like another philanthropist (the distinguished Howard), he renounced all confidence in his own work, and found his support and consolation in the merits of his Saviour. Often did he pray for the blind, that the Lord would open their hearts, and raise up instruments to instruct and bless them. Mr. Alston saw it to be his duty, at the period of Disruption, to join the Free Church, and has conferred many services upon the congregation with which he was connected, as well as upon the general cause. During his illness he manifested a deep interest in the case of the schoolmasters, and never ceased to refer to the subject until he understood that collections were begun to be regularly made for their support. We may just add the well-merited encomium which one who knew him long and well passed upon Mr. Alston;—"He is a distinguished instance of how much good may be effected by much activity and benevolence." While some public characters have risen by the powers of intellect, there are others who have done much more to society by the qualities of the heart.

We had intended to notice more at large Mr. Alston's persevering and successful exertions to provide the blind with profitable and entertaining books; but on looking into the 10th and last edition of his "Statement of Education and Occupations, &c., in the Asylum for the Blind" (published by Messrs. Smith & Son), we find that his printing operations, together with the educational and industrial arrangements of the Institution, are there so fully described as to render any details on our part unnecessary. The friends of Mr. Alston could not possess a more appropriate memorial of his benevolent labours than this tasteful little book, which is illustrated by specimens of embossed printing, and contains a correct engraving from Mr. Graham Gilbert's excellent portrait of Mr. Alston, placed in the Asylum. It may be mentioned that during the last ten years, Mr. Alston has printed at the Institution Press upwards of 14,000 copies of the various books selected for the blind, including the Old and New Testaments, in 19 quarto volumes.

The single fact, that during last year the wages paid to the blind for work done in the Institution, amounted to £1,500, at a loss to the funds of only £18, is sufficient to show the singular economy and practical sagacity with which Mr. Alston conducted the industrial affairs of the Asylum.

In former years, Mr. Alston successively held the offices of Town Councillor, Magistrate, and Deacon Convener of the Incorporated Trades. Amongst the public charities which derived much benefit from his services, before he devoted himself to his "blind children," as he delighted to designate them, the Royal Infirmary stood conspicuous. At the time of his death he was a Vice-President of the Bible Society, a Vice-President of the Old Man's Friendly Society, President of the Humane Society, &c.

In this book it is recorded that "At the Seventh Meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, at Liverpool, in Sept., 1837, the report given in on the best mode for teaching the Blind, gives a decided preference to this system of Mr. Alston's."

Also that "In December last the Society of Arts for Scotland, presented Mr. John Alston the Silver Medal of the Society, bearing the following inscription: "To John Alston, Esq., of Rosemount, Hon. Mem. Soc. Arts, and Honorary Treasurer to the Asylum for the Blind at Glasgow, awarded 26th Dec., 1838, for his Tables, with wood cut illustrations, and his musical Catechism, with tunes, printed in relief, and exhibited to the Society on the 16th and 30th May, 1838; and for his zealous, energetic, and benevolent exertions for the Education of the Blind."

Subsequently three Honorary Medals were voted to Mr. Alston, for his continued exertions in behalf of the blind.

In 1837, Mr. Alston presented to Her Majesty the Queen, the Gospel of St. Luke, as a specimen of the work he had developed; in 1839 the first part of the Bible, containing the Book of Genesis, and along with it the Liturgy of the Church of England; and in 1841 a complete copy of the entire Bible.

In 1843, a Marble Bust of Mr. Alston, by Fillans, was placed in the Blind Asylum, with the following inscription: "Erected by the Inmates of this Asylum, aided by a few friends, in honour of John Alston, Esq., of Rosemount, Honorary Treasurer, by whom the first Bible was printed, in raised letters, for the use of the Blind, and whose life has been passed in a series of benevolent labours to promote the interests of this Institution. 1843."

This Bust, and an Oil Portrait, by Graham Gilbert, are still to be seen in the Asylum.

For many years Mr. Alston's system of printing held its ground and is still in use, but of late years it is being superseded by the Braille system, because of it occupying less bulk. The Braille, however, has this disadvantage that it is quite unintelligible to a seeing person until it has been learned.

W. M. A.

From the Proceedings of the Natural History Society of Glasgow—March 29th, 1881.

In Memoriam.—E. R. A.—*obit* March 7, 1881.

Edward Richard Alston, the subject of this notice, was born on the 1st day of Dec. 1845, at Stockbriggs, Lesmahagow, Lanarkshire, being the fifth son of Mr. J. W. Alston of Stockbriggs.* He was never robust, even as a child, and for many years continued in very delicate health, so that he was never sent to a public school, but was entirely educated at home. How well he made use of his early opportunities is abundantly shewn by his subsequent literary and scientific work, although it entirely depended on his own self-teaching and self-study.

* Dr. Thos. Alston of Eddlewood, related to the noble family of Hamilton, was great-grand-uncle, twice removed, of this gentleman. Besides other children Dr. T. Alston had a son—Charles—who between 1738 and 1769 was Professor of Medicine and Botany in the University of Edinburgh, and was also King's Botanist, dying in the latter year. A carefully prepared—though now faint and difficult to decipher—MS., contained in a volume of letters to Prof. Chas. Alston, dated 1720-1760, and at present in the Library of Edinburgh University, gives very full material for a family tree dating back for many generations. By this MS. it appears that there were Alstons of a very old family of Cambusbarron in Stirlingshire, and of Cauder in Lanarkshire, and there was one "Hugo de Aldston, dominus de Cauder." The descent of Dr. Chas. Alston from these old families is fully and clearly shewn.

In the summer of 1862 he went to Germany with the intention of learning the language under the roof of the Rev. Herr Dobbers, Parish Clergyman of Daudenzell. Soon after his arrival he was taken suddenly ill with asthma, a complaint which had troubled him very greatly up to this period of his life, but by the careful and assiduous attention of an old friend he recovered sufficiently in a few weeks to allow of his return home. After this attack he rapidly gained strength and seemed to throw off much of the delicacy of his boyhood. A visit which he paid subsequently to Norway, in 1871, along with his friend, Mr. Harvie-Brown, appeared still further to invigorate him, leaving his health apparently fully established.

About this time Mr. Alston lived in Glasgow and for a few months he attended business in the mercantile house of Mathieson and Alston. During summer and autumn he lived in the family residence at Stockbriggs, and there found many opportunities of studying the habits of animals. For this purpose he kept various tame examples of British Mammals—such as the Hedgehog—and devoted much attention to the fauna of the county of Lanark. Evidences of his early love for natural history pursuits and for literary work are at this time shewn in the pages of *The Field* and *The Zoologist*. A volume of his "Early Letters" to these periodicals has, under date of Jan. 9th, 1858, his first contribution to *The Field* under the *nom de plume* of "Tomtit," and which relates to the much disputed question as to the food of the Water Ouzel. This is followed by various other short notices with such titles as "Gamekeeper's Vermin," "Dorsal Fins of Trout," "Fin-rays of Minnows," "Skull of the Albatross." His first communication to *The Zoologist* is dated 1860 [v. *Zool.*, 1st series, p. 6891] "On the attachment of the Creeper to its Nest and Eggs." From 1864 onwards he contributed regularly to *The Zoologist*, then under the editorship of the late Mr. Edward Newman, but all his contributions to it could not be enumerated here. Some of the more important, however, deserve notice. In 1864 appeared some careful observations "On the Food of Quadrupeds," [p. 9358]. In 1865, "Ornithological Notes from Lanarkshire" [pp. 9439, 9653, 9678, 9708, continued through the vol. for 1866], "Notes on the Wild Cattle of Cadzow" [p. 9559], "Notes on Quadrupeds of Lanarkshire" [p. 9647, continued through the vols. of 1866 and 1867]. Then follow, in 1867, his "History and Habits of the Roe-deer" [N.S. p. 778], and Notes on the Folklore of Zoology [N.S., pp. 881, 921, continued in 1868, N.S., pp. 1091, 1171]. Occasional articles of minor importance occurred during 1869 and 1870, but he appears to have ceased his contributions to *The Zoologist** with the close of 1871.

Thereafter he accumulated notes upon Quadrupeds, and in Jan., 1868, he commenced a quarto note-book bearing the following title, "Quad. Note-book, being a commonplace book of Notes and Extracts regarding British Quadrupeds, by ye Study and Travaile of Edward Richard Alston, F.Z.S., Member of Nat. Hist. Society of Glasgow, Vol. I., commenced at 205 Bath Street, Glasgow, 23rd June, 1868."

Another note-book, and even of earlier date, is an octavo volume on Quadrupeds, Birds, Reptiles, and Fish, dating from 1858 to 1870, from which many as yet unpublished notes of interest might be culled. A few of these follow. Speaking of the Deers' horns at Schloss Zwingenberg, he says:—"In August, 1862, I visited the beautiful old castle of Zwingenberg, situated on the north bank of the Neckar, just above a small village of the same name. It has been completely restored, and is the property of the Margrave of Baden, by whom it is used as a shooting box. It contains a very valuable collection of deformed Stags' and Roes' horns, as well as others remarkable for size or beauty. I made sketches of the most remarkable forms, which include Stags' horns twisted like corkscrews or Koodoos' horns; Roes' head with three horns; Roes' head with 8 to 12 points; a Stag's antlers with 22 points, &c. There is also the skin of a milk-white Roe, shot in the neighbourhood. In one of the rooms is a large series of Rüdinger's beautiful woodcuts of extraordinary Stags, Roes, and other sporting subjects, published at Augsburg in the last century. One of these represents a Stag with 66 points, shot by King Frederick I. of Prussia in the Ampte Fürsten Wald in 1696. I believe the horns of this splendid Stag are still to be seen at the Moritz Burg, near Dresden."—[See article "Cervidæ" in *English Cyclopædia*].

Again, speaking of a death of a bullock in Ceylon from the attack of a Panther, he writes:—"The following is an extract from a letter which I received from my brother Charles, dated April 26th, 1863, apropos of a dispute in *The Field* as to the immediate cause of death in animals killed by beasts of prey:—"A few days ago, the cattle-keeper was bringing in the cattle, and was driving a fine cart-bullock (which had strayed a little) past a wild jungly ravine, when out sprang a large "Cheetah" (the true Panther, *Felis pardus*) on to the poor brute's neck: the man very pluckily ran at it, shouting and gesticulating, and drove it off; he then brought the brute down to the shed apparently not much the worse. I was sent for and examined it, and found the impression of the claws on each side of the neck, but no teeth marks, no vein severed, and but a few drops of blood flowing; the claw marks were slightly inflamed, and the beast trembled so that it could hardly stand, and at last it laid down; however, we feared no evil consequences, so it was made to get up, and was placed by itself for the night. *Next morning it was dead.* Verdict, died of the violent shock to its nervous system. I can of course vouch for the whole of the above.—C. H. ALSTON."

Speaking of the increase of Rabbits, he says:—"About 20 years ago (*i.e.*, previous to about 1864), there were no Rabbits here (at Lesmahagow); the first my father ever saw here was found by the keeper lying dead on Todlaw Hill; now they are a perfect plague, although none have ever been turned out in the neighbourhood."

Of the anatomy of the Hedgehog he writes, 22nd July, 1864:—"To-day I skinned and dissected a Hedgehog, and was much struck by the curious development of the *panniculus carnosus*, or skin-moving muscle, by means of which it rolls itself up. This structure is not mentioned in Prof. Bell's *British Quadrupeds*, and is only cursorily alluded to in the *English Cyclopædia*, and the Rev. J. G. Wood's *Popular Nat. History*." He then proceeds to describe this muscle, with the assistance of a rough but distinct sketch.

* To *The Zoologist* a debt is distinctly due by its numerous readers, apart from strictly scientific merits; that it has been the means in many cases of introductions between its correspondents, which rapidly ripening into friendship, have established connections only to be broken by death.

Of the Alpine Hare he writes in 1865 :—" Alpine Hare—It seems that a Mr. Hunter over at Glenbuck turned out a number of this species about four years ago, and James Taylor tells me that they have spread a good deal already. This winter, specimens have been shot both at Cumberhead and Skellyhill, but none have been seen at Stockbriggs yet. I suppose this is an addition to the Fauna of Lanarkshire, if not to the South of Scotland."

Of Birds there occur many notes also, some of much interest. "Several years ago a pair of Martins built against a pane of glass in the window of the barn. The nest was unsupported from below, still it seemed to stick quite securely to the glass, through which the old bird might be seen sitting on the eggs." Also,—“A pair of Martins built in 1857 against a sloping beam in the Archway at the stables, and fearing that their nest might not have sufficient support, they constructed a long line of clay pellets along the beam on which the nest was built.” This latter is illustrated by a neat sketch.

On Fish there are also many notes. "In July, 1858, my brother Charles caught a very large minnow in a small pool near here. It was a female, containing spawn, and was $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches in length, weight 1 oz. This specimen is now in the Hunterian Museum, Glasgow." Notes occur following this upon Fin-rays of Fish, Minnows and Loaches, and Rare Fishes in Scotland [exhibited at meetings of the Society in 1864].

Besides these occur notes on Reptiles and a "List of Specimens of Asiatic and European Quadrupeds and allied species in the collection of Edward Richard Alston, F.Z.S.," begun in June, 1869, on the page and letter system now generally adopted by naturalists in cataloguing; and corresponding Lists of Birds and Eggs, with very full notes and diary.

Mr. Alston became a member of the Natural History Society of Glasgow in February, 1863, and until the time of his death he took always an interest in its affairs, and served for some years as a member of council. His chief contributions while a resident member were :—a paper on the habits of the Roe deer, and another on the Reptiles and Mammals of Sutherlandshire. On leaving this district to settle permanently in London, he was elected, in October, 1873, a Corresponding Member. He made about this time several donations of valuable books to the Library. When the Society resolved upon issuing catalogues of the Fauna of Scotland, Mr. Alston undertook the preparation of various lists, only one of which he lived to complete—his "Mammalia of Scotland"—which the Society published in 1880. It was much appreciated, and is accounted very complete and trustworthy, embodying as it does the results of many years' study and observation. At the annual meeting in 1880, Mr. Alston was elected an Honorary Member of the Society, and in acknowledging the notice of his election, he wrote that he considered it a high honour that had been conferred on him, it being the first scientific institution with which he was connected.

In 1871, as already mentioned, he paid a visit to Norway, accompanied by his friend, Mr. Harvie-Brown, for making collections and notes on Natural History—principally birds and mammals, and spent there about 11 weeks, viz., from May 5th to July 25th. The trip was undertaken without any expectations of important results, and no full account of it ever appeared, but several notes and references to the habits, &c., of the birds observed are given in M. H. E. Dresser's "Birds of Europe."

Another more extensive expedition was planned and carried out in 1872, when the same two friends left Scotland in the beginning of June for Archangel and the White Sea, their stay there being some two months, after which they returned home round the N. Cape, and landed at Peterhead on the 12th of August. The results were a short paper to "*The Ibis*" of 1873, entitled "Notes on the Birds of Archangel," and considerable additions to their cabinets of birds and eggs.

Since that date Mr. Alston's travels were for the most part confined to Great Britain—a short visit to Norway for salmon fishing in 1876, a stay at Nice in the winter of 1872-3, and shorter visits to Paris and the Continent, taken with members of his own family, excepted. In Scotland his trips were used more for relaxation and health, after his scientific work in London, than for study, and his favourite haunt, and that of a few intimate friends, was the County of Sutherland, and especially the district of Assynt, where so many lakes and streams afford ever-varying sport amidst the wildest surroundings. Of both scenery and sport he was a keen appreciator. It was only, however, comparatively late in life that he became enamoured of the gentle art, but he then soon entered into it with the keen zest of a born sportsman.

About the year 1868 he began his scientific and literary career in London, and after living off and on for a year or two in lodgings, he finally settled himself for permanent study and residence in 1873. At this time some of his friends urged him to enter at Cambridge University, but his inherent love of perfect liberty prevented him from doing so. At one time he had thought of entering upon a commercial life, but, no doubt, he considered such a life less suitable to his constitution, and too constant confinement was much against his inclinations. As we all know, the sequel has proved that he judged well, and science has liberally benefited by his choice. He rapidly took his place in scientific circles in the great metropolis, indeed, almost immediately after his decision. The better to instruct himself, he attended the course of lectures by Prof. Flower and others. In 1869 he was elected a Fellow of the Zoological Society, and was put upon the council in April, 1880. He also became a Fellow of the Linnean Society, and latterly its Zoological Secretary. Besides doing much scientific work in the Proceedings of these bodies, he edited a portion of the new edition of "Bell's British Quadrupeds" in 1874. In 1873 he accepted the post of one of the recorders of the *Zoological Record*, and carried his laborious and important duty through six volumes, 1873-1878. He also undertook and carried out the treatment of the Mammalia in the great work, *Biologia Centrale Americana*, conducted by Messrs. Godman & Salvin; and it is a source of great satisfaction to his friends and in scientific circles that he was enabled to complete this, his principal work, before he died, the whole of his MS. on the subject being carefully preserved for publication in due course.

Amongst the more important of his minor papers are "Classification of the order Glires";* "Squirrels of the Neotropical Region";† "On the Specific Identity of the British Martens";‡ that already mentioned on the "Mammals of Scotland," of which our Society is the fortunate possessor.§ There also are his papers on "The Mammals of Asia Minor, from collections formed by Mr. C. G. Dunford (in 1877 and 1880)".

To his personal qualifications and social attainments, his genial smile and kindly disposition, and his keen and rapid sense of humour, which, with many other graces, combined to make his society so charming to all who knew him, and the knowledge of which caused a deep sense of personal pain and loss to weigh more and more heavily day by day upon his most dear and intimate friends when they first heard of his alarming illness and then of his death, more than an allusion cannot here be made; but memories of many happy days passed in his company compel a passing touch, however light—a tribute not loud but deep—and bear upon their cloudlands an earnest and a hope beyond the deep portals of the grave.

It now only remains that thanks be returned to those sympathising friends who have assisted in collecting the necessary materials for the foregoing short memoir of their lost friend and fellow-worker. To Prof. A. Newton, of Cambridge, and Prof. Flower, of London; to Mr. John A. Harvie-Brown and Mr. John M. Campbell, as well as to the members of his own family, thanks are due for references to and quotations from Mr. Alston's correspondence, private papers, and published works.

With his sorrowing relatives, the Natural History Society of Glasgow desires to express its earnest sympathy and deep sense of the loss they and his fellow-members have sustained in their friend's early death.

* P.Z.S. Jan. 18, 1876.

† Op. cit., June 18, 1878.

‡ Op. cit., June 3 1879.

§ Trans. Nat. Hist. Soc., Glas., vol. iv., pt. i., p. 80.

* ANOTHER ACCOUNT OF THE SCOTTISH FAMILY OF ALSTONS.

The following is extracted from a M.S. by the late EDWARD RICHARD ALSTON, F.L.S., F.L.S., etc.

The following history of the Alstons of Thinacre-Milne and their descendants, as far as is now known, is principally derived from the following sources:—

Traditional evidence collected in 1819-20 by Mr. James Miller, advocate (copy at Stockbriggs).

Old deeds, papers, letters, etc., in the possession of Mrs. R. F. Alston, some of which were given to her by the Misses Alston of Broomley, daughters of the last Alston of Overhall.

Family Bible, old papers, letters, etc., of the late James W. Alston, Esq., of Stockbriggs.

"Statistical Account of Lanarkshire"—pp. 297-8.

Extracts from the Family Bible at Muirburn and other information given to me by the late Mrs. R. F. Alston.

The accounts of the various families with whom the Alstons intermarried are from the Collg. sources.

Cockburn, of Ormiston, from Anderson's "Scottish Nation."

Hamilton, of Brown Castle, from an old MS. account of the family lent me by Mrs. R. F. Alston.

Miller, of Westertown, from papers, etc., at Stockbriggs.

Brown, of Auchlochan.

Cross, from a MS. lent me by Mrs. Cross-Buchanan.

Stirling, Family Bible, etc., and works printed for private circulation by Stirling of Drumpellier and Stirling of Kier.

(above from "Preface" by E. R. A.).

ALSTONS OF THINACRE-MILNE.

The Alstons of Thinacre-Milne are said to have been the progenitors of all the families of the name in the West of Scotland. An unvarying tradition represents them as having held the lands for about five hundred years, relating that they came from England in the end of the 13th or beginning of the 14th century with Walter Fitz-Gilbert, the founder of the (ducal) Hamilton family; who is said to have granted to them a Charter of the lands of Thinacre-Milne when he received the Barony of Cadzow from Robert the Bruce.

From evidence collected in 1819-20 by Mr. James Miller, Advocate—it appears that the Alstons held their lands by military tenure, paying no rent or Feu Duty. The original Charter having been lost, an attempt was made to dispossess them in 1772, but as will be seen, it either failed or was abandoned, and the property was sold off, bit by bit.

Such are the family traditions, but there appear to be no papers now extant of older date than the seventeenth century. The Parish Records at Hamilton do not go further back, and the old Kirk there was long since pulled down and the grave stones removed to enlarge the Duke's park. The first Alston therefore of Thinacre-Milne of whom anything authentic is now known was:—

* As this Account, contributed by Mr. Charles H. Alston of Allt-Garbh, and derived as will be seen from the MSS. of the late G. R. Alston differs in detail from the one before printed I have decided to print both without attempting to collate them.

- I. JOHN ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE. His will dated 1610 is quoted in a letter written in Dec. 1822 by his descendant James Alston, merchant in Birmingham, as being then in the possession of a Mr. Anderson in Hamilton. I have been unable to discover whether this will is still extant. John Alston had five children, viz:—
- 1 John, of whom presently
 - 2 Thomas
 - 3 Arthur
 - 4 Marion
 - 5 Izobel, married William Russell.
- II. JOHN ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE had two children, viz:—
- 1 William, who predeceased his father
 - 2 Thomas, of whom presently.
- III. THOMAS ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE (1640-72) married Jane daughter of the 2nd son of Sir John Cockburn of Ormiston, Lord Justice Clerk, and had four children, viz:—
- 1 John of whom presently
 - 2 Thomas (1675-90) of Eddlewood (married and had issue)
 - 3 James of Natherley Merchant in Edinburgh, married Sara, daughter of the Rev. J. Wilson of Dysart, and had issue; died 1715. (Ancestor of the Alstons of Elmdon Hall, Warwickshire, and the Alston-Stewarts of Urrard, Perthshire)
 - 4 Barbara married ——— Naismith.
- Thomas Alston received from Ann, Duchess of Hamilton, a free disposition of the lands of Mains, of Eddlewood, dated 1st April, 1657, and he further acquired one-half of the lands of Burnknows of Eddlewood, from Gilbert Hamilton of Kenned under date 8th January, 1672. A curious seal which belonged to this Thomas Alston was (1822) in the possession of the descendants of his 3rd son James Alston of Natherley. It was three-sided, bearing on the 1st side the family arms (the same as used by all the Scottish branches of the name); on the 2nd side a double cypher of T.A.; and on the 3rd side a device supposed to be allegorical of the name of "All-Stone."
- IV. JOHN ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE 1666-98 had one son, viz:—
- V. THOMAS ALSTON OF THINACRE MILNE, born 1675, died 1762. He had one son, viz:—
- VI. THOMAS ALSTON OF THINACRE MILNE. It was during his lifetime, viz: in Feb., 1772, that an attempt was made by the managers of the Hamilton family to dispute the title of the estate, but as already said it either failed or was abandoned. Thomas Alston never married, and most of the property, already considerably impaired, was sold at his death. The last remains, including two houses and the burial ground at Hamilton belonged in 1819 to Miss Anne Torrance a niece of the last Alston of Thinacre-Milne.

ALSTONS OF EDDLEWOOD

Were a branch of the Alstons of Thinacre-Milne. Their descent is as follows:

- I. JOHN ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE 1610
- II. JOHN ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE
- III. THOMAS ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE 1640-72
- IV. THOMAS ALSTON OF EDDLEWOOD, 2nd son of above, (1675-90) had 3 children, viz:—
- 1 James of whom presently
 - 2 Thomas (Dr.) of Burnknows of Eddlewood, had two sons, Gavin (whose grandson George Alston, W.S., was alive in 1818)—and Dr. Charles Alston Professor of Botany and Materia Medica in Edinburgh University, married (1) Robina, daughter of Lockhart of the Lea and had one daughter; (2) Bethia, daughter of ——— Birnie, Esq., of Broomhill, and had no issue. After the death of his father, the Duchess of Hamilton took a great interest in him and educated him. She wished him to become a lawyer but he preferred the medical profession. He studied under the great Boerhaave and other eminent professors. He was an able botanist. He died in 1760
 - 3 John of Overhall, born 1642, married Janet daughter of James Marshall of Chappleton 1675, and had issue. (Ancestor of Alstons of Overhall, Alstons of Muirburn and Alstons of Stockbriggs).

Thomas Alston inherited both of his father's properties, to which he added the other half of Burnknaws of Eddlewood, bought under date 1st June, 1689. In 1690 he received a Charter of Confirmation in these lands from the Hamilton Family. He left Burnknaws of Eddlewood to his 2nd son, Dr. Thomas Alston.

- V. JAMES ALSTON OF MAINS OF EDDLEWOOD, alive in 1683 had one son, viz.:—
- VI. JOHN ALSTON OF MAINS OF EDDLEWOOD, alive in 1748, he had one son, viz.:—
- VII. JAMES ALSTON OF MAINS OF EDDLEWOOD; sold it in 1762, died 18—? No issue.

ALSTON-STEWARTS OF URRARD

Are a Branch of the Alstons of Thinacre-Milne. Their descent is as follows:—

- I. JOHN ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE 1610
- II. JOHN ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE
- III. THOMAS ALSTON OF THINACRE-MILNE 1640-72
- IV. JAMES ALSTON OF NATHERLEY, 3rd son of the above, born 1641, married Sara, daughter of the Rev. John Wilson of Dysart and had several children:
 - ¹ ———
 - ² James, Rev., Minister of Dirleton of whom presently. James Alston of Natherley died 1715
- V. REV. JAMES ALSTON, Minister of Dirleton, married Janet Reid, and had two children, viz.:—
 - ¹ James of Ridsyde born 1706, married Anne Frabairn and had issue
 - ² William of whom presently
- VI. WILLIAM ALSTON, W.S. in Edinburgh. born 1708, married ——— Clark and had one son, viz.:—
 - James of whom presently
 - William died 17—
- VII. JAMES ALSTON, MAJOR 63rd REGT., married Charlotte Stewart of Urrard, Perthshire, and had issue. After his marriage he assumed the surname of Stewart. He died in 1833.
 [This James Alston of Natherley is, of course, the ancestor of Alstons of Elmdon Hall, but]: *cet. des. in M.S.*

ALSTONS OF OVERHALL

Are a Branch of the Alstons of Eddlewood. Their descent being as follows:—

- IV. THOMAS ALSTON OF EDDLEWOOD, 1675-90 (*vide supra*)
- V. JOHN ALSTON OF OVERHALL and Glassford-Milne, 3rd son of above Thomas, born 1642, married 1675, Janet daughter of Thos. Marshall of Chappleton, and had seven children, viz.:—
 - ¹ John of whom presently
 - ² Andrew styled "in Hole" in which lands he was afterwards his brother's tenant. In 1712 he married Janet Alston, and had issue
 - ³ ———, married Young of Goodsburn
 - ⁴ Margaret married 1700, John Hamilton of Green
 - ⁵ ——— married Hans Miller "in Mains"
 - ⁶ Elizabeth married 1707 James Morrison of Dykes
 - ⁷ William born 1696

John Alston was the first of the family who settled in the upper part of Avondale, where he seems to have purchased a good deal of property including Overhall and part of Laigh Netherfield. He suffered fine and imprisonment as a Covenanter, as appears from a record of the persecutions in Avondale "during the late troubles," which was drawn up by the Kirk-Session in 1694, in which the following entries occur:—

"Item. John Alston in Glassford Milne lay half-a-year in Glasgow Tolbooth for refusing the Test."

"Item. John Alston, Elder in Glassford, was fined in 3 Dollars because he did not baptize his child by the Curate, Mr. Davidson."

John Alston died 1708-9.

- VI. JOHN ALSTON OF OVERHALL AND MUIRBURN born circa 1676. In 1710 he married Isobel eldest daughter of George Hamilton of Brown Castle; they had seven children, viz.:—
- 1 John born 1714, of whom presently
 - 2 George of Muirburn, married 1740, Isabella daughter of James Gibson of Wiston, and had issue; died 1782. (Ancestor of Alstons of Muirburn)
 - 3 Thomas born 1722
 - 4 James, born 1725, married 1761 Marion daughter of John Miller of Westertoun. Had issue. (Ancestor of Alstons of Stockbriggs and Alstons of Westerton)
 - 5 Janet born 1727, married Matthew Dickies
 - 6 Agnes born 1729, married James Morton of Bonanhill and had issue. Died 1795. (Her grandson Sir Alexander Young-Spearman, Bart., died in 1874)
 - 7 Elizabeth born 1731, married James Miller of Castlewell, Advocate, and had issue.
- Besides his father's properties of Overhall and Netherfield, John Alston acquired several others—Muirburn, The Cults, Hole, Braehead, Paffel, West Maynes, and Shawtonhill. He made over in his lifetime to his eldest son all his lands of Overhall, Braehead, etc.; to his 2nd son George, the lands of Muirburn and the Cults (1743); and to his 4th son, James, Shawtonhill.

- VII. JOHN ALSTON OF OVERHALL, etc., to which he succeeded in his father's lifetime. Born 1714, married Elizabeth daughter of Thomas Carmichael of Eastend, Lanarkshire, and had ten children, viz.:—
- 1 Liliast married 2nd June, 1770, James Young of Netherfield and had issue
 - 2 Isobel of Broomley, Dumbartonshire, which property was left to her and her sisters by their uncle—Carmichael. Died unmarried 1833
 - 3 Catherine of Broomley, died unmarried 1836
 - 4 Janet married Arnot of Silverwood and had issue. Died 1806
 - 5 Elizabeth of Broomley, died unmarried
 - 6 Rebecca married her cousin Maurice Carmichael of Eastend, and had 3 children:
 Michael late of Eastend
 Elizabeth married Craigie of Dumbarrie
 Mary married Tylter of Woodhouse-lee
 - 7 Joanna died unmarried 1820
 - 8 Mary died unmarried 1801
 - 9 Thomas died 1783
 - 10 John died young
- John Alston died 1791; his two sons having died unmarried this branch became extinct in the male line, and is now represented by the Alstons of Muirburn.

ALSTONS OF MUIRBURN

Are a Branch of the Alstons of Overhall, whom they now represent as follows:—

- VI. JOHN ALSTON OF OVERHALL AND MUIRBURN (*vide supra*)
- VII. GEORGE ALSTON OF MUIRBURN, 2nd son of above, married 1740 Isabella, daughter of Gibson of Wiston and had 8 children; his eldest son was
- VIII. JOHN ALSTON OF MUIRBURN born 1743, married 1772 only daughter of Patrick Craigie of Dumbarrie and had six children; his eldest son was
- IX. GEORGE ALSTON OF MUIRBURN born 1775, married 1810 his cousin Rachael daughter of James Brown of Auchlochan and had 8 children; his eldest son was
- X. JOHN PATRICK ALSTON born 1816, married 1853 Mary Anne daughter of William Hamilton of North Park, Lanarkshire, and had 4 children, died 1891; his eldest son is
- XI. WILLIAM HAMILTON ALSTON formerly of Muirburn; this estate was sold in 1892—and thus *the last* of the ancient Avondale estates has passed from the Alston family.

ALSTONS OF STOCKBRIGGS

Are a Branch of the Alstons of Overhall as follows:

- VII. JAMES ALSTON 4th son of John Alston of Overhall and Muirburn (*vide supra*) born 1725, married 1761 Marion daughter and heiress of John Miller of Watertoun and had four children; his third son was

- VIII. WILLIAM ALSTON born 1763, married 1789 Jean, daughter of James Brown of Auchlochan and Isabella Alston his wife—and had two children; his only son was
- IX. JAMES WILLIAM ALSTON of Stockbriggs born 1796, married first in 1822 Marion, daughter of William Cross of Auchentoshan Dunbartonshire; by her he had 7 children. Marion Cross died 1833. In 1835 he married (2) Margaret Hamilton, daughter of William Stirling of Cordale and by her had nine children. Died 1866. His eldest son was
- X. WILLIAM ALSTON (unmarried) (Stockbriggs has been sold).

The late James William Alston of Stockbriggs was the father of the late Edward Richard Alston, the compiler of the MS. from which the great bulk of the foregoing is taken, and the younger brother of the present writer.

There are at present alive four sons and two daughters of the late James William Alston, viz:—

Jane Brown born 1825, unmarried
 William born 1828, unmarried
 John Stirling born 1839, married 1885 Annie Eliza, daughter of T. Gemmel, Frankville, Ayr, and has issue
 Charles Henry born 1843, married 1858 Sara, daughter of John George Brown, 2nd son of Thomas Brown of Auchlochan, and has issue
 Charlotte Mary born 1851, married Alexander F. Garden Brown, 2nd son of above John George Brown, and has issue
 Walter Cross born 1854, unmarried.

(Signed) CHAS. H. ALSTON,

Allt-garbh, Loch-Awe, Argyll.

14th April, 1898.

* A THIRD ACCOUNT OF THE SCOTTISH FAMILY OF ALSTON.

ABSTRACT.

I. John Alston	In Thinacre Milne, his will dated 1610.
(his son (?) was)	
II. Dr. Thomas Alston	of Thinacre and Eddlewood. Alive 1659-72, md. ——— Cockburn of Ormiston.
(his 3rd son was)	
III. John Alston	In Glasford Milne and of Overhall; born 1642, died 17—, md. in 1675 Janet Marshall of Chappelton.
(his 1st son was)	
IV. John Alston	Of Overhall; born 17—, died 17—, md. 1710 Isobel Hamilton of Browncastle.
(his 2nd son was)	
V. George Alston	Of Muirburn; born 17—, (?) died 1780, md. Isabella Gibson of Wistoun.
(his 1st son was)	
VI. John Alston	Merchant in America and Banker in Glasgow; md. Patrick Craigie of Dunbarnie in 1772.
(his 1st son was)	
VII. George Alston	Of Muirburn; born 1775, died 1850, md. 1810 Rachel Brown, daughter of James Brown of Auchlachan.

* This Account also differs in detail from the others preceding it and is accordingly printed as received.

ALSTON OF SCOTLAND.

Oral tradition represents the Alstons as having held the lands of Thinacre Milne, parish of Hamilton, since the beginning of the 14th century and relates that they came from England with the founder of the Hamilton family. This, however, is purely traditional, and they have no family papers older than 1610. The Parish Records of Hamilton do not go further back, and the old Kirk was long ago pulled down and the gravestones removed to enlarge the Duke's Park.

The first Alstons of Thinacre of whom anything authentic is now known was:—

- I. JOHN ALSTON (1st) in Thinacre Milne. Concerning him all I can learn is contained in a letter dated 9th Decr., 1822, from his descendant James Alston of Birmingham, who had been making some enquiry into the family history. He says: "Mr. Dykes (Hamilton), writes me word that Mr. Anderson quotes the will of John Alston, Elder of Thinacre Milne, dated 1610, in which he 'bequeaths his Kindness, Goodwill and Title of the Thinacre Milne, with the Milne house and yard and the lands and pertinents belonging thereto,' which strongly indicates that the family held it upon some peculiar tenure or grant at a small rent. I do not know whether this will is still extant or not. His 1st son was

- II. DR. THOMAS ALSTON of Thinacre and Eddlewood. He received (1656-1672) from Ann, Duchess of Hamilton a free disposition of the lands and Mains of Eddlewood dated 1st April, 1657; and he further acquired the one half of the lands of Burnknows of Eddlewood from Gilbert Hamilton of Kennel 8th Jany., 1672, which was taken in favour of himself in life-rent and of his son Thomas in fee. According to the statement of one of his great-grandsons he married — Cockburn of Ormiston (her sister married Sir Andrew Wood of Bannington). They had three sons, viz:—

Dr. Thomas of Eddlewood, etc. He purchased more land in 1689 and received a Charter of Confirmation from the Hamilton family in 1690. He had two sons

(1) James who succeeded him

(2) Dr. Charles

James Merchant Burgess of Edinburgh (born 1640, died 1715), md. — Wilson and had issue. His descendants alive in the beginning of this century were: James, Minister of Dichton; William, W.S. in Edinburgh; James, of Birmingham; Lt. Col. Charles, of London; and Major J. Alston-Stewart, of Urrard, Perthshire.

John of whom presently.

An old steel seal which undoubtedly belonged to the first Dr. Thomas Alston was in 1822 in the possession of the descendants of his son James; it was three-sided, on the first a double cypher of "J.A."; on the second the family arms, and on the third an allegorical device. His 3rd son was

- III. JOHN ALSTON (2nd) in Glasford Milne and of Overhall and Netherfield, born 1642. He was the first of the family who settled in Avondale, where he seems to have acquired a good deal of property.

In 1675 he married Janet only daughter of James Marshall of Chappleton. A facsimile of their signatures to the marriage contract is here given. By it he settles on her in life-rent "one equale and just halfe of his Third Part of ye ffour-merk land of Netherfield" and also part of his lands of Overhall. He appears to have had at least six children, viz:—

John of whom presently

Andrew styled "in Hole" in which lands he was afterwards tenant of his brother John, whose Baron-baillie he also was in 1710. He is described as "filius—quondam Joannis Alstonn in Glasfoorde Milne, frater germanus Joannis Alstoun ibidem."

Was alive in 1743.

— married Young of Goodsburn commonly called "The Tutor"

Margaret md. 1700 John Hamilton of Stone house, afterwards of Green

— md. Hans Miller "in Manis of Stonehouse," and had issue.

Elizabeth md. in 1707 James Morison of Dykes who acknowledged receipt of 1,200 Merks Scots as "tochergind"

This John Alston (2nd) was alive in 1707, appears to have been dead in 1710. His 1st son was

- IV. JOHN ALSTON (3d) of Overhall commonly called "Old Overhall" (16—17—) born 16— He appears to have succeeded to his father's estates and to have acquired several others, viz: Overhall and Laigh Netherfield (left him by his father); the two merk-land of Muirburn and portion of land called "The Cults" (acquired before 1710); Hole Bracehead Paffal and West Maynes (purchased from Gavin Hamilton of Clelland); and part of Shawbon Hill, all lying in the parishes of Glassford, Avondale and Stonehouse. In 1710 he married Isobel, daughter and coheirss of the late George Hamilton of Browncastle. A fac-simile of their signatures to the marriage contract is here given. By it he settled on her in "life-rent" his two-mark lands of Muirburn, and portion of land called the Cults, but by a subsequent deed the lands of Hole and West Maynes were substituted for these. They had six children, viz:—

John Alston
"Janet meoffse"

Blession?
Isobel Hamilton

John of Overhall commonly called "Maunting John," born 17—, died 17—, md. Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Carmichael of Eastend and had issue. He sold Overhall to James Whyte 24th Feb., 1791.

George of whom presently

James born 1725, died 1778, to whom he left Shawton Hill. Md. Marion daughter of John Miller of Westertown and had issue.

Agnes md. James Merton of Bonanhill

Elizabeth md. James Miller of Castlewell

Janet md. Matthew Dickies.

By a deed dated 17th March, 1743, this John Alston (3) gave gifts and grants to his eldest son John, all his lands of Werton Braehead, Paffal, Hole, and West Maynes (as occupied by his tenants) and Laigh Netherfield, (as occupied by himself); reserving to himself in life-rent Hole Braehead and Paffal, and to his wife after his death Hole and West Maynes. By the same deed he binds his son to pay to his three daughters a sum of 6,500 marks Scots, on their coming of age, or marriage, viz:—2,500 marks to Janet, and the remainder to Elizabeth and Agnes. In the same year he gifted Muirburn and the Cults to his second son George on the occasion of his marriage; his third son James getting Shawton Hill. John Alston (3rd) died in 17—. His second son was

- V. GEORGE ALSTON (1st) of Muirburn born 17—. In 174— he married Isabella daughter of John Gibson of Westover. He had four children, viz:—

John of whom presently

James of Muirburn md. Ellen Walker and had issue. After his death the estate was purchased from his heirs by his nephew George Alston (2nd)

George born 17—

Isabella born 1741, died 1823, md. James Brown of Auchlochan, and had issue.

This George Alston (1st) died in 1782, his wife having died in 1780. It was by an amicable family arrangement that the estate was left to his second son James instead of to his eldest son. His 1st son was

- VI. JAMES ALSTON (4th) Merchant and afterwards Banker in Glasgow and America, born 1743 (17th November). He sailed for America in 1759, but was captured by a French privateer. Being stranded on the Spanish coast and thus set at liberty he returned to Scotland, and re-embarked the same summer. He continued to reside in Maryland till 1770 when he returned to Scotland and went into business in Glasgow. On the 11th June 1772 he married Patrick, only surviving daughter of Patrick Craigie, youngest son of Craigie of Dumbarrie, Perthshire. He had six children, viz:—

George of whom presently

Robert Douglas born 2nd Oct., 1778, afterwards of Auchenwraith. Died unmarried Dec. 10th, 1846.

John Thomas born 26th April, 1780, Merchant in Glasgow, md. 1810 Annabella, daughter of Robert Findlay of Easterhill, and has issue. He died 19th July, 1857.

Anne Hay born 9th Oct., 1773, md. in 1800 John Gordon of Aitkenhead; died leaving issue

Isabella born 16th Jan., 1779, md. in 1809 David Connell and had issue. She died 11th Sept., 1859.

Patrick Craigie born 21st May, died 4th Nov., 1782.

John Alston (4th) died 1818, Patrick Craigie, his wife, having died Oct. 28th, 1786, aged 42. His first son was

- VII. GEORGE ALSTON (2nd) of Muirburn, born 4th May, 1775, married 10th June, 1810, his cousin Rachel Brown, daughter of James Brown of Auchlerhan. She died 26th August, 1850, leaving issue

John Patrick born 18th March, 1816, married 23rd June, 1853, Mary Anne daughter of William Hamilton of North Park, and has issue

George Douglas born 8th Feb. 1855

William Hamilton born 12th Sept., 1858

John Francis born 16th March, 1865

Mary Helen

James Brown born 7th Oct., 1817, died 13th Jany., 1818

George Brown born 10th Sept., 1819, married 15th April, 1862, Margaret Christina, daughter of Robert Wallace and has issue

George born 13th Sept., 1864, and others.

James Brown born 8th May, 1821, married 4th Decr. 1855, Elizabeth Stanwix, daughter of Lt. Col. Hope, R.E., and has issue

George Hay born 28th Feb., 1859

John Hope born 31st Dec., 1861

James Edward born 18th July, 1866

Margaret Letitia

Rachel Anne

Frances Elizabeth

Robert Douglas born 25th January, 1823, and died 13th January, 1879; married 24th April, 1861, Margaret Elizabeth, daughter of John George Hamilton and has issue

George Craigie born 4th Feb., 1862

John George Hamilton born 8th April, 1863, died 11th May, 1866
 Robert Douglas born 10th Sept., 1864
 Henry Monteith born 7th Aug., 1867
 Helen Hamilton
 Isabella born 26th January, 1812, died 21st May, 1839
 Anne Craigie born 27th Nov., 1813, married 13th April, 1848, Robert Findlay Alston,
 her first cousin. She died May, 1874
 Rachel born 13th March, 1826, died 3rd Dec., 1826

John Thomas, 5th child of John Alston and Patrick Craigie married 1810, Annabella dau. of Robert Findlay of Easter Hill, and had issue

- John Thomas born 18—, died 18—, and left a son and daughter
- Robert Findlay born 19th Aug., 1812, md. his cousin Anne Craigie Alston of Muirbank, and died March 1st, 1885. No issue
- George Augustus born Aug. 18th, 1822, md. 13th May, 1863, Jean Allan Frayer, daughter of Joseph Buckley, Esq., and died 23rd Oct., 1885, leaving no issue.
- 3 Dorathea born 18—, died in Aug., 1868.
- 4 Anne Craigie born 18—, died March 7th, 1885
- Annabella born 18—, md. John Bap Hanbury, and died in Aug., 1897. No issue
- 6 Isabella Connell born 18—, md. Rev. Fredk. Wm. Maut, son of the Bishop of Down and Connor—both are dead—they had six or seven children.

NOTES TO THE ABOVE ACCOUNT.

NOTE 1.—Sir John Cockburn was admitted an Extraordinary Lord of Session in 1588, and an Ordinary in 1593. On the death of Sir James Bellenden, whose daughter he had married, he was Knighted and appointed Lord Justice Clerk. Died 1623. (Anderson's "Scottish Nation.")

NOTES: I.—Probably a son of this James was THOMAS of Thinacre Mill (born 1675, died 1762); he left 3 sons, who all died without issue. The last lands of Eddlewood were sold in 1782 to Captain Gilchrist; the last remains of Thinacre, two houses and a burying ground, were in 1819 in possession of Miss A. Torrance, grand-daughter of the said Thomas.

II.—DR. CHARLES ALSTON was born 1683, and after the death of his father was taken under the Patronage of the Duchess of Hamilton. He went to Leyden where he studied under Boerhaave, and returned to Edinburgh in 1719 where he was appointed "King's Botanist"; was chosen Professor of Botany and Materia Medica in 1738; died 1760, leaving no issue. His principal works were: "Tirscinium Botanicum Edinburgense" and "Lectures on the Materia Medica." A genus of Plants was named "Alstonia" in his honour. ("Encyclopædia Britannica" and "Scottish Nation").

NOTE.—Hamiltons of Browncastle were an old Lanarkshire family, and a branch of the Hamiltons of Grange in Ayrshire. The first who has been noticed was

- 1542-61 I. ANDREW who obtained a Charter under the great seal of the lands of Browncastle in the minority of Queen Mary.
- 1570 II. JOHN mentioned in the list of Hamiltons in 1570
- 1630 III. DAVID who had a Charter under the Great Seal
- 1633 IV. ROBERT was returned heir to his father in the 4 markland of Browncastle in the Barony of Killride. He is mentioned in a deed in 1633.
- V. DAVID
- 1672 VI. JAMES who had a Charter of Confirmation of the lands of Nethertown and Browncastle in 1672
- VII. GEORGE had a Charter of the Netherton of Browncastle dated 23rd Feb., 1683. In 1684 he was imprisoned for non-conformity and fined 2,000 marks Scots, but was liberated 12th June, 1685, on giving a bond for a like amount that he would appear when called on. He left three daughters portioners, viz:—
 - 1 Isobel
 - 2 Margaret married Dr. Cockran who took the name of Hamilton
 - 3 ——— married Lawson of Ryelandside.

The property of Browncastle eventually fell into the hands of the Dalziel family.

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN ALSTON, YR., OF OVERHALL.

He married as already stated Elizabeth daughter of Thomas Carmichael of Eastend and had ten children, viz:—

Thomas
John
Lilias married James Young of Netherfield and had issue
Isobel of Broomley born 17—, died 1833
Catherine of Broomley died 1836
Elizabeth of Broomley
Rebecca married her cousin Maurice Carmichael of Eastend, and had issue
Joanna died unmarried 1820
Mary died unmarried 1801

DESCENDANTS OF JAMES ALSTON.

1725-1778. As already stated he married Marion Miller of Westerton and had four children, viz:—

John of Westerton born 1762, died 1825, married Mary daughter of Dennistoun of Colgrain, and had issue
James twin brother of the above, died an infant
William of whom presently
Christina Calder born 1765, married Richard Dennistoun of Kelvin Grove
James Alston died in 1778, aged 53. Marion Miller his wife died in 1824, aged 82. His 3rd son was

WILLIAM ALSTON Merchant in Glasgow born 1763. He married Jean, daughter of James Brown of Auchlachen, and had two children, viz:—

James William of whom presently
Isabella born 1791, married H. W. Gardens, and died in America 1864
William Alston died in 1835, aged 72. Jean Brown his wife died in 1832, aged 67. His only son was

JAMES WILLIAM ALSTON of Stockbriggs born 1796.

EXTRACTS FROM CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE SCOTTISH ALSTONS.

2, Craigie Terrace,

Dundee, 18th Mar., 1898.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your printed request I send you following particulars:

My husband, William Alston, High St., Dundee, was, if I am not mistaken, the 7th son of Andrew Alston and Anne Giffen, who lived for some time in Strathaven and afterwards (about time of my husband's infancy), removed to Glasgow.

He married first Janet Henderson, who died in 1865, Dunfermline, and the two surviving children of the marriage are

Annie Giffen Alston, married 2nd March, 1889, William B. Buyers, Marine Institute, Shanghai, having two sons George Alston Buyers and William Nicoll Buyers
William Alston, Solicitor, Edinburgh, born 13th March, 1865, married June, 1894, Alice A. Adams, Edinburgh.

He married second, Janet Ballingall, daughter of Wm. Ballingall, Parish of Balo., and Agnes Henderson his wife, Gauldry, of Balmerino, Fife, 3rd June, 1868, and the children of the marriage are

Andrew Alston born 12th March, 1869, at present in Toronto
Nancy Alston married 4th Jany., 1894, Councillor Charles Macfarlane, J.P., West Hartlepool, and the children of the marriage are
Janet Alston Macfarlane, born 7th Feb., 1895.
John Cameron (Ian) Macfarlane born 13th June, 1896
William Alston Macfarlane born 30th Sept., 1897

Janet Alston
Maggie Alston

My husband, William Alston, died 19th Octr., 1886, aged 61 years.

I hope this information will be sufficient, if not, I shall be glad to answer any special questions you may send me.

Andrew Alston and Anne Giffen had a numerous family, three of whom were daughters. Miss Alston, the youngest and only unmarried one will be able to give you the most reliable information about other members of the family. Her address is, Miss Alston, Hyde Park Cottages, Overton Rd., Strathaven, N.B.

I am,

Yours truly,

JANET ALSTON.

Fairfield Lodge,

Bothwell, N.B., 20th March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I have your letter of 18th, and now enclose a copy of Mr. Edward R. Alston's Notes on the Scottish Alstons, and also a copy of extracts taken from Professor Chas. Alston's papers in Edinburgh University. Some of these notes may be of use to you. I have also notes of the Alston-Stewarts of Urrard and the Alstons of Stockbriggs, but have confined my copy to the main line.

I fancy the Arms are marticated in the Lyon Office, but cannot say for certain.

Yours truly,

WM. H. ALSTON.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,
Woodhall, Calverley.

Fairfield Lodge,

Bothwell, N.B., 23rd March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I received your letter of 21st and now enclose a copy of the notes about Alstons of Stockbriggs and Alston-Stewarts of Urrard. Of the latter, as you will see, we do not know very much. Though the family is still going, I have never met any of them. Do you know anything of the Alstons of Elmdon Hall, Warwickshire?

I really could not say if Professor Chas. Alston's Notes in Edinburgh University are fuller than the notes I sent you. I should think, however, that my cousin, who took the extract, would probably copy everything relating to the Alston family.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

WM. H. ALSTON.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,
Woodhall, Calverley.

14, Mincing Lane,

London, E.C., 21st March, 1898.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,
Leeds.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your courteous letter of 19th inst. I am rather busy at the moment, but when I have time and can get at the family papers any information which I think will be useful I shall place at your disposal.

I am,

Yours truly,

A. F. J. ALSTON.

Over leaf I give a few particulars of my family.

Robert Lockhart Alston, of Rosehall, Sutherlandshire, and Newfield Hamilton, Lanarkshire, N.B., married Mary Lamont, daughter John Lamont, Writer (Solicitor), Greenock Renfrewshire and Kilmin, Argyllshire, N.B., had issue as follows:—

Mary Alston
John Archibald Lamont Alston
Alexander Fletcher James Alston
Jane Heron Jemima Alston.

United Presbyterian Manse,

Carluke, by Glasgow,

23rd March, /98.

My Dear Sir,

I regret that extra pressure of work has prevented my replying till now to your kind letter of 15th. I am glad to learn that you are interesting yourself in the Alston genealogy, and I shall be very pleased to be of service to you, but, I fear that very little information I can give you of the Scottish Alstons will be new. There are two or three branches of the Alston family in different parts of Scotland, and the branch from which I am descended seems to have had its centre in Clydesdale. There are not a few families bearing the name in and around Glasgow; and tho' I am not able to trace the connection between them, there is no doubt that they all sprang from the stock in the Valley of the Clyde. I am a native of the district, and can trace my ancestry in Clydesdale back for about two centuries. One of the most eminent Scottish botanists—as doubtless you know—Charles Alston, M.D., whose work *Index Plantarum* was a standard one, spent his early days at Hamilton, and was fortunate in his friendship with the Duke of Hamilton. John Alston, whose name is ever associated with type printing for the blind was, I believe, also a native of the district. A Lord Provost of Glasgow, about the beginning of the century, bore the name, and after him a street in the City of Glasgow was called. I dare say there may be others in the city from whom I could get further information.

I do not quite gather whether you desire personal details, but if so I may mention that I am a native of Strathaven near Glasgow, where my fathers have been since the beginning of last century, and on my mother's side I am descended from an old Scottish Covenanting stock. My wife, if this is relevant to your enquiry, is a daughter of the Rev. Dr. Bruce, and a *lineal* descendant of the Rev. Mr. Wilson, Perth, one of the four Founders of the United Presbyterian Church—which has exercised such an influence on Scottish life and character. But, perhaps, in England you may not quite understand our ecclesiastical divisions!

I presume personal details about my own family are outside your inquiry. I shall be glad to hear how you succeed with your work—which must be a labour of love.

Yours most truly,

AND. ALSTON.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

Allt-Garbh, Loch Awe,

Argyll, N.B., 29th March, 1898.

My Dear Sir,

I have not yet had time to write the promised notes; but meantime perhaps the enclosed memoir* of my late brother Edward may interest you. I don't know whether you are aware of the MS. mentioned in foot note to p. i.

It is interesting to know that our Arms are identical with those borne by Hugh Alston in Edward III's time; I should much like to know more of the said Hugh, but doubtless this will be set first in your work.

Yours faithfully,

CHAS. H. ALSTON.

L. Cresswell, Esq.

* See page 321 and post.

Allt-Garbh, Loch Awe,

Argyll, N.B., 14th April, 1898.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

Dear Sir,

I have at last found time to redeem my promise, and to copy out for you from the MS. of my late brother such portions as I think will be of use and interest to you.*

I have omitted matters of detail such as are of interest only to members of the family in question—as for instance the various children in the Muirburn and Stockbriggs families not in direct line of descent—and so on.

If there is, however, any point in which I can give you any further information I shall be delighted to do so if in my power.

I trust you will kindly let me know when your work is about to be published.

Meanwhile believe me,

Yours truly,

CHAS. H. ALSTON.

* See page 324 and post.

24, Sardinia Terrace, Hillhead,

Glasgow, 22nd April, 1898.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,

Woodhall,

Calverley,

Leeds.

Dear Sir,

I must apologise for the delay in acknowledging your letter of 15th ult. as to the Alston family. I should have written at once but have been prevented owing to press of business and other duties. The task you have undertaken is an interesting one, and I shall for one be glad to see the result. Any notes I can give you go back no further than the end of last century. Several branches of Alstons have been connected with Glasgow, and I am able to speak so far only for my own line. The others I may be able to refer you to. This is the first communication I have had from you. Some years ago, one of our connections, a medical man in Buenos Ayres, was home and told me of a young Englishman of the name of Alston whom he had met in South America, and who had given him a copy of an elaborate tree referring to the Alston family—and my friend the Doctor promised, on his return to Buenos Ayres, to send me a copy of the document but unfortunately he never did so. The family has had its full share of the vicissitudes common to life, and no member has particularly distinguished himself. None that I know of have ever figured in the Church, the Army or the Navy; chiefly Merchants they have been, but occasionally going into Law and Medicine, while I myself am a Civil Engineer. It will take some time to gather the notes I propose to send you, but shall endeavour to overtake the work as soon as possible.

Yours truly,

W. M. ALSTON.

24, Sardinia Terrace, Hillhead,

Glasgow, 7th May, 1898.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,
Woodhall,
Calverley,
Leeds.

ALSTON FAMILIES.

Dear Sir,

I have now pleasure in sending my Notes and trust you will be able to follow them.* A good deal of information I do not have, such as about Thomas Alston's *second* family. In the case of daughters marrying, I have not taken account of their families. As regards the young people and children of the present day, it would require a good deal of correspondence to get all particulars and you do not have time for that. If you require any further information I shall be glad to try and supply it.

Yours truly,

W. M. ALSTON.

* See page 318 and post "*Alston of Glasgow*."

MARTICULATIONS OF ALSTON ARMS IN THE LYON REGISTER.

(From a Certified Copy.)

Alston, of Westertown co. Dumbarton, John

Azure a Unicorn's head erased in chief Argent maned and horned Or and a cross Moline of the second in base between ten stars, four, three, two, and one, Or. Crest, a demi Eagle rising proper. Motto over, "Sursum." 21 February, 1792.

Alston John, Banker in Glasgow

Azure ten stars, four, three, two, and one, Or. Crest a demi Eagle rising proper. Motto over, "In altum." 19 Dec., 1810.

Alston of Craighead co. Lanark, George

Azure, two stars of six points, four, three, two, and one, Or. a Bordure Argent for difference. Crest, a demi Eagle rising proper. Motto over, "In altum." 8 January, 1869.

Aston of Stockbriggs co. Lanark, William

Azure, ten stars of six points four, three, two, and one, Or, a Bordure of the second charged with three fleurs de lis Gules, Motto over, "In altum." 26 April, 1872.

Alston Charles Henry, Merchant in Glasgow

Azure, ten stars of six points four, three, two, and one or, a Bordure Argent of the second charged with three fleurs de lis Gules. Crest a demi Eagle rising proper, on each wing a crescent reversed Gules. Motto over, "In altum." 26 April, 1872.

Alston-Stewart James, late Major in the 63rd Regt. of Foot, now of Urrard in the County of Perth. Coupé one, parts two, 1st Azure, ten stars four, three, two, and one, Or, within a Bordure embattled Gules for Alston; 2nd Or, a Fess chequy Argent and Azure surmounted of a Lion rampant Gules armed and langued of the third all within a Bordure of the fourth. 3rd Azure three Garbs Or, 4th Argent, a Bend Azure charged with three Buckles Or, their three last quarterings being taken from the Arms borne by the Stewarts of Urrard, 5th gyronny of eight Or and Sable for Campbell, 6th as the first. Crest an Eagle rising proper. Motto over, "In altum." 16 April, 1830.

The Lancashire Family of Alston.

Ashfield, Nateby,

Garstang, 4th June, 1898.

ALSTON FAMILY.

Dear Sir,

I very much regret not having been able to reply to your enquiry sooner. I have always taken an interest in my own family's ancestors, but time and circumstances unfortunately have prevented me making any researches in the matter. There are a good many Alstons in Lancashire especially East Lancashire, Preston, Goosnargh, Blackburn, and Burnley. I am of opinion that the Lancashire Alstons would be first located at Alston, near Longridge; there is a township of that name there with an Alston Hall, Alston College, and a public house "Alston Arms" (query, what are they?). I find on referring to a history of Ribchester, near Longridge, that a Robert Alston was buried there (Ribchester Church) 4th June 1639, and a John Alston 20th April, 1742. In the list of churchwardens members of the family are given as under:—

Ribchester, Dutton and Hothersall Townships.

1669. Thom. Alston
1736-1737. John Alston
1750-1751. Jon. Alston
1755. Thos. Alston
1771. Thos. Alston
1827. Miles Alston
1851. Reuben Alston
1858. Reuben Alston
1859-1860. Ed. Alston

Dilworth and Alston Townships.

1801. Wm. Alston
1827. Chris Alston
1854. Wm. Alston
1860. Reginald Alston

Burials—

1598 Dec. 25, Ellin Alston
1624 Edward Allston that was drowned.

THE ALSTONS OF ALSTON.

Thomas Alston of Alston by his wife Jane had issue sons Richard, William, Robert, and a daughter Ann. By his will dated 11th Aug., 1617, he left to Ann wife of his son Richard one silver spoon, to Henry Banks of Fulwood 13/4, to John Banks his grand-child 6/8, and to his son Robert a house and three acres of land in Alston. Thomas Alston was buried at Ribchester Jany. 23rd, 1618.

Richard Alston of Alston yeoman son of Thomas by his will dated 24th Oct., 1628, left his brothers William and Robert £10 each, to John Skerrow £10.

My own father's family have been resident in and about Goosnargh, Longridge and Ribchester, ever since I can remember (I am now 44). Father was brought up at a farm called "Barns Fold," Goosnargh (by his grandfather). Some of his (father's) uncles were possessed of a little property, that is, a house or two, and one, two or three farms, etc. I don't think any of them were very wealthy. I am not in possession of many dates relating to my own immediate ancestor's births, etc., and I am afraid they would not be of much practical interest to you. My own father, after residing all his life in this county, has this spring removed to a farm at Lupton, near Kirkby Lonsdale, Westmoreland, and whether he is in possession of much family history or not I am unable to say; he is over 70 years of age. If you care to make further inquiries in the neighbourhood of Longridge I have no doubt the present Vicar of Goosnargh (the Rev. E. D. Bannister) would answer any queries, and also the author (Tom C. Smith, Well Brow, Longridge) of the "History of Ribchester" I have referred to, will doubtless be well acquainted with the history of the old families in the neighbourhood, etc., and able to refer you to other persons who have made similar researches. I am not aware that any of the Alston family have distinguished themselves out of the ordinary course.

If I can be of any service to you in any way shall be only too pleased to assist you in any way possible, so far as my limited time will allow.

With kind regards,

I remain,

Yours truly,

JAMES ALSTON (JR.).

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,

Woodhall,

Calverley,

Leeds.

22, Basinghall St.,

London, E.C., 31st March, 1899.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,
Calverley, Yorks.

Dear Sir,

Answering your letter of 21st March, please destroy the little sketch I previously sent you, as promised. It is not for publication and is also wrong in many instances.

I have made many inquiries and send you the enclosed which I believe is correct. I cannot get the old bibles as they are packed up in a lot of boxes in Southport and it is uncertain which box the bibles are in. So I am unable to give you dates of births and deaths.

I hope what information I do send on enclosed may be of use to you. If I can send you any other information I shall be pleased to do so.

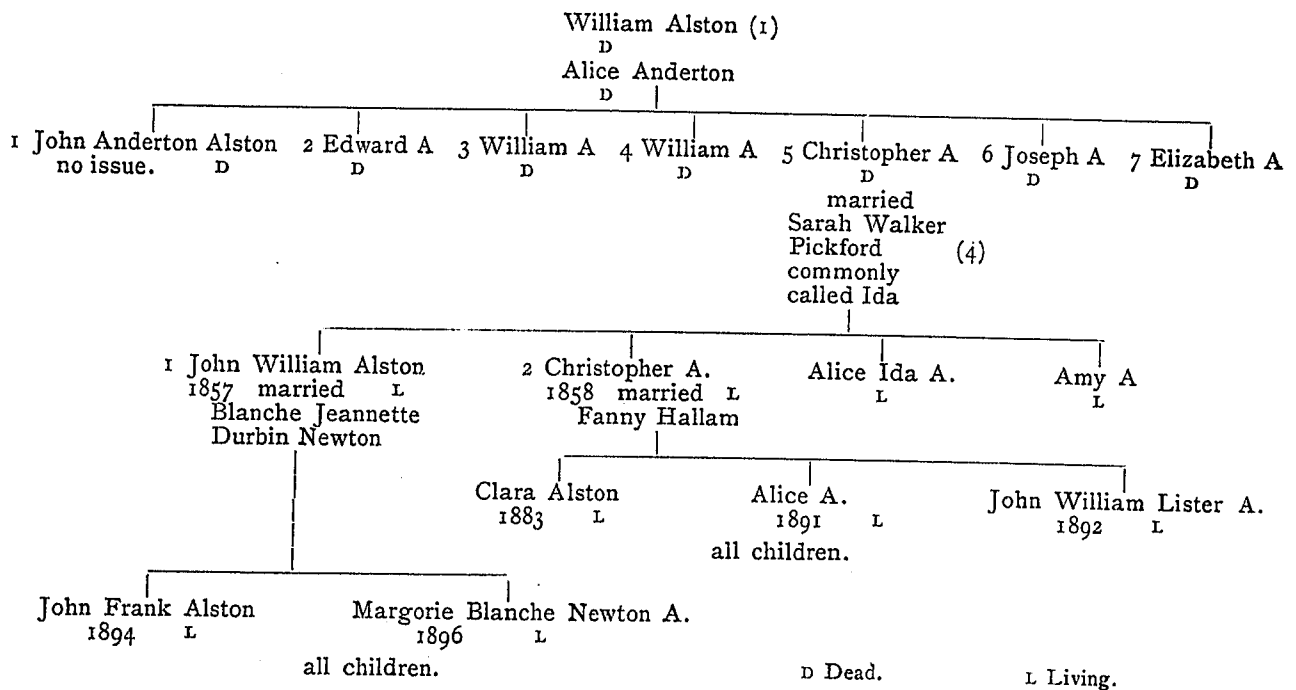
Please write me to above, my business address, as I have shut up my house Brentwood for repairs and shall not return till the workmen are out.

If you will inform me when your work is published perhaps my brother and I may purchase copies.

With compliments,

Yours truly,

JOHN W. ALSTON.



NOTES.

- (1) a William Alston my grandfather
b Believe grandfather's people lived at Pepper Hill, near Preston.
c All grandfather William Alston's children were born in Ainsworth St., Blackburn.
d I believe my uncle made out that the Blackburn Alstons' coat of arms and crest were identical with those of the Alstons of Odell. If this is of interest to you perhaps you will write to my uncle, Rev. John Pickford, Newbourn Rectory, Woodbridge, Suffolk.
e John Alston, my great-uncle, was William Alston's eldest brother—and I have in my possession a large silver snuff box which belonged to my great-uncle. It has the following inscription on it:
"Presented to
John Alston, Esq.,
by a number of Subscribers for his efficient
services as Steward of the
Subscription Bowling Green,
Blackburn, April, 1844."

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- f* I have in my possession an old massive gold watch which belonged to my grandfather Wm. Alston.
 - g* I have in my possession my uncle John A. Alston's christening cup which my great-grandmother Anderton gave him.
 - h* If you seek other information about the Blackburn Alstons perhaps Mrs. John Lewis, Beardwood House, Blackburn, would give you more than I can. Mrs. J. Lewis was a Miss Alston, and I have no doubt she would be pleased to assist you if you mentioned my name as the eldest son of the late Chris. Alston.
 - i* I am called (John) after my great-uncle and (William) after my grandfather.
- (2) William Alston's Children
 - a* Edward died a youth about 17
 - b* William died a baby
 - c* Another William died a baby.
 - (3) Christopher Alston's children
 - a* John William born 1857
 - b* Christopher born 1858
 - c* Alice Ida born
 - d* Amy born
 - (4) Sarah Walker, daughter of John Pickford, Esq., J.P., elected Mayor of Congleton in Nov., 1839, which office he also filled in 1846. Elected Alderman in May, 1840, and retained that post until 1850. Had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty the Queen at a time when the Mayors of many other Boroughs received the same distinction.

44, Ashley Lane, Moston,
Manchester, July 4th, 1898.

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.,

Dear Sir,

As promised I have copied a few names of my ancestors with the dates of their birth and death as far as I can find out. The Record only goes back to 1710, but perhaps your manuscript will furnish more details and connect the link in some manner.

I am the son of Thomas Alston who is mentioned as Churchwarden of Grimsargh Church, near Preston.

I have not yet made a copy of the Crest I mentioned in my last, but hope to do so before long.

Respectfully yours,

ROBERT ALSTON.

- John Alston of Ribchester, Churchwarden in 1750-1751. Married Dec. 12th, 1710, Janet, daughter of — Norcrosse, of Ribchester. Had issue, sons, Thomas, baptised Nov. 16th, 1718, and John; and daughters, Anne, Catherine, Elizabeth, Sarah, Mary, Martha, and Alice. No record of John Alston's burial.
- Thomas Alston, eldest son of John, married Elizabeth, daughter of John Fox, of Oxendale and Ribchester, gentleman, had issue, sons, John and Thomas, and daughters, Ellen, Janet, Alice, and Betty. Thomas Alston was Churchwarden, and a member of the "Gentlemen and XXIV." He died at Ribchester, June 4th, 1799.
- John Alston of Ribchester, son of Thomas, married Jane, daughter of William Pye, of Ribchester, gentleman, had issue, sons, John Fox, Christopher and Edward, daughters, Betty, Jane, Ellen, and Peggy Towneley.
- Thomas Alston, son of Thomas and brother of John Alston, married Betty Boardman, had issue, Tom, Edward and Christopher (born at Balderstone, March 24th, 1791), and a daughter Alice. Thomas Alston died Nov. 14th, 1835, at Ribchester.
- Christopher Alston, son of John and nephew of Thomas, married Mary Waddington; had issue, sons, Edward Entwistle, Andrew and Reuben.
- Christopher Alston, son of Thomas and cousin of his namesake, died May 19th, 1848, and was buried at Ribchester. Married Margery Walne, of Whittingham, had issue, sons, Thomas, born May 27th, 1824, died June 7th, 1895, interred at St. Michael's Church, Grimsargh, June 11th. He was many years a Churchwarden of Grimsargh Church, nr. Preston; also James, John, William, Edward Christopher, Miles, and Richard, daughters, Margaret and Elizabeth. (Elizabeth and Margaret are the only surviving members of the family.)
- Thomas Alston, son of Christopher Alston who was son of Thomas Alston (as above mentioned), married Ann Grenall of Dutton, had issue, sons, Thomas, Robert and William (N.B.—William died in infancy); daughters, Margery, Margaret and Anne. All of whom are living (except William).

13, Walton's Parade,
Preston, 22/5/98.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 1st respecting the Alston family, I am sorry to say I cannot give you much information.

There is a John Alston of Ribchester, who died in April last. He would have been able to have given you much information respecting the family. He had in his possession a record of the births and marriages for over two centuries. His son is now a clergyman in London.

I know there were some of the Alstons who entered the Army early in this century, and, I believe, distinguished themselves, but I cannot give you their names.

If you will communicate with James Alston, Junr., Church St., Ribchester, near Blackburn, I have no doubt he will be able to furnish you with more particulars.

My late husband's grandfather lived at Samlesbury, near Blackburn. He had several brothers, and also several sons; nearly all married and had issue, chiefly in the male line.

I remain,

Sincerely yours,

ALICE ALSTON.

NOTES FROM THE LANCASHIRE SUBSIDY ROLLS.

Lay Sub. Roll. ^{13¹}/₂₇₄ co. Lanc.

39 Eliz.	Hund. of Blackburne.			
	Aighton Bayle	— Alston in goods	—	8/-
	Wyswall	James Alston in goods	£4	10/8

Lay Subs. ^{13¹}/₂₉₆ co. Lanc.

8 Jac. I.	Hund. of Blackburne.			
	Chipping	Robert Alston in lands	30/-	4/-
	Aighton Baley	George Alston in lands	30/-	—

Lay Subsidy Roll ^{13¹}/₂₉₁ co. Lanc.

9 Jac. I.	Hund. of Blackburne.			
	Aighton Baley	George Alston in lands	20/-	16d.
	Wiswall	James Alston in goods	£4	4/-
	Chippin	Robert Alston in lands	30/-	2/-

Lay Subsidy Roll ^{13¹}/₃₁₇ co. Lanc.

1 Car. I.	Hund. of Blackburn.			
	Wiswall	Ellena Alston	—	8/-
	Whalley	John Alston	—	8/-
	Dutton	Gracia Alston	—	8/-
	Chippinge	Hered Robti Alston in land	30/-	6/-

American Families of Alston.

As is to be expected in the case of a surname so widespread in this country as Alston, bearers of it are to be found in the Anglo-Saxon Settlements overseas. Some of the Alstons of the seventeenth century had families of patriarchal size, and it would be only natural for some of their aspiring and ambitious scions, remembering Shakespeare's teaching that home keeping youths have ever homely wits, to dream golden dreams and eventually seek to transmute them into daylight realities by emigration. That our English Alstons were ancestors of those in America is beyond doubt. The difficulty is in linking on families in the new world to their right kindred here. Men who were independent and bold enough to cut themselves from their family moorings, would be careless of preserving for their descendants exact and intimate information of connexions they had themselves relinquished voluntarily or had been broken from by the force of unpleasing circumstance. Mere human nature and lapse of time have also to be reckoned with. Few can tell the full names of their great-grandfathers and few care what they were. The remotest relationships they concern themselves with are those of grandparents and grand-children. These bound the family horizons of most people.

In the course of correspondence with several members of the Alston clan in the States, it became clear that any attempt on my part to work out their genealogy with sufficient fullness and system for incorporation in my work would be a hopeless task. One must needs be on the spot. Moreover, I was advised that Dr. Joseph A. Groves, of Selma, Alabama, himself of Alston blood, had the task in hand. I have confined my attention, therefore, to the "missing link" between the Alstons of the two worlds, and I have to confess failure. It has not fallen to my lot to pronounce the hoped for eureka. If my publication of "Stemmata Alstoniana" assists it will give me no little pleasure.

The traditional kinship claimed by our American cousins is set forth hereafter. Uncertainty and grave differences are observable in the various versions of the traditional descent and they weaken the claim of any, and to my mind discover earlier though now forgotten attempts by American Alstons to elucidate their English ancestry. Genealogy is not a modern science. There were many lovers of it in past times, and some of our great-great-grandfathers and grandmothers were as curious and as inquisitive into their descent as their children. But genealogy is an exact and exacting science. Few have the inclination or leisure to perfect themselves in its methods. Imperfect investigations and researches engender erroneous assumptions. Evidence which appears sufficient to the inexpert induces conclusions that in the course of a generation or two crystallise into family traditions. Any span of life exceeding that allotted to man imparts an aspect of venerable veracity to such traditions, to question which almost makes the questioner appear a goth.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century the Alstons of Odell enjoyed a superior although dubious renown by reason of the publicity attaching to the matrimonial and testamentary affairs of the last baronet but one of that house. The Chelsea and other branches of the Suffolk stock, the Lancashire and Scottish Alstons were unheard of beyond their immediate country side. Nothing was simpler, nothing easier than for any genealogical Japhet with the name Alston to conclude that he must spring from the same Odell stock. It was an error into which Alstons here in this country fell. How much easier and more excusable for those beyond the seas?

Hotten's List of Emigrants mentions one John Alston who was deported to Barbadoes possibly for participation in the west country rising in favour of the Duke of Monmouth, the popular illegitimate son of the Merry Monarch by Lucy Waters. Monmouth was banished England for a conspiracy in 1683. He invaded England at Lynne June 11th, 1685. He was proclaimed King at Taunton on the 20th of the same month, was defeated at Sedgmoor near Bridgewater July 6th and was beheaded on Tower Hill July 15th, 1685. His followers suffered the fate of rebels some being transported across the seas to serve in the plantations. One John Alston was packed off to Barbadoes. Who or what he was or what rank in life he had or from what stock he sprang is unknown. He may have been gentle or boor, rich or pauper, and a Suffolk, Lancashire or Scottish Alston. Who ever and whatever he was there is no evidence to connect him with either of the successful and prosperous planters John Alstons of North and South Carolina respectively, the earliest known ancestors of our American cousins. It is discreditable to them to suppose it. Nevertheless the two have been claimed to be identical.

Dr. Groves book has now been published and I was in hopes that if it did not solve the problem it might at least set forth some clue to be pursued further on this side. But it does not. Dr. Groves says "Tradition is very clear and emphatic in giving Odell Castle as the manorial seat of the family in England, also as to the statement that two young men (cousins) emigrated together, who, after reaching America disagreed and parted, one settling in North Carolina where his descendants are inseparably connected with its history, the other changing the spelling of the name by inserting an additional l, went to South Carolina where he founded the family which has been noted in the history of that State. In looking over the genealogical records of Odell Alstons the two who came to America are the only ones of that period bearing the name John excepting a son of Sir Edward of Strixton who died unmarried in England and a Vere John who was rector of Odell."

Put succinctly it is asserted that William and John sons of John and Dorothy Temple each had a son John who emigrated to America, the one born about 1665 dying in 1719 at St. John's Berkeley South Carolina aged 54, the other born about 1673 dying in 1758 aged 85 at Chinan North Carolina. Each was the prime Alston ancestor in his own State.

I have already adverted to the manner in which the traditional Odell descent was possibly incepted. My tables will shew there were plenty of other John Alstons in existence and I find no John in my Odell tables, to say nothing of two cousins John, of that house who can with propriety be shipped across the Atlantic to figure as the patriarch planters. Every historiographer is familiar with traditions of the two cousin or two brother order to explain the neighbourhood of families whose kinship has been disguised by the lapse of time. The supposed deliberate addition of an extra l to his name by one of the cousins is another flaw. Orthographical differences of surnames have as a rule arisen unconsciously, geographical division is not even required. Alston, Allston, Alstone, Allstone, Allstowne, Alliston, Alstin, Awston, Elston, are specimens of known variants existing contemporaneously all probably representing the original Saxon personal name Alstan. Spelling of surnames was conducted in a go as you please fashion until well

on in the eighteenth century and it was possibly only its superior looking elegance if not entirely accident that caused Alston to be accepted and perpetuated as the mould of form.

Dr. Groves mentions among early and unplaced American Alstons a George of Granville Co. N.C. 1767-1771; a John Alston from Glasgow, a William Alston who died in Orange Co. N.C. in 1766 (whom he supposes to have been the younger brother of Sir Evelyn Alston Bart. of Chelsea who died in 1783!) and a John Alston owner of 100 acres of land in Maryland in 1729. Also a Henry Alston and brother who came from Lancashire in 1861 and settled in Illinois.

It is not made clear from what I can gather that John Alston the patriarch settler was even an original emigrant. He may just as likely have been the son, grandson or other descendant of earlier settlers. In Winthrop's "History of New England," Vol. I, p. 352, in a letter of John Winthrop's to his son John dated 7th April, 1628, occurs the note "Tell your uncle Downing that Peter Alston is dead." John Winthrop came from Groton in Suffolk. The Peter Alston referred to was the Peter of Table 12, p. 13 of this book. Why should not some scions of the rather numerous Alston families in that neighbourhood have adventured forth along with the Downings and Winthrops? The Alstons and the Downings were no doubt kin then as later (see table 5). Dr. Grove will observe that a Wm. Downing and John Alston figured together as Assistant Justices of the Court of Oyer and Terminer Oct. 24; 1724 (p. 91 of Dr. Grove's Book). This note in Winthrop's book and that in Hotten's list are the only two connecting links I know of between the Alstons of England of the 17th century and America.

Dr. Grove's work—I speak only of the parts of which I am able to judge, namely, those relating to English genealogy—betrays a readiness to snatch at assumptions that is open to serious animadversion and mars the work if measured by the severe and strict critical methods of to-day. Thus for instance he gives brief biographies of Fulke Greville, Lord Brooke, and Robert Greville his cousin and successor from Horace Walpole's Royal and Noble Authors, and then, after saying that Thomasin his (*sic*) daughter born in 1643-4 married William Alston, tells us that the evidence that Lord Brooke was the father of Thomasin is presumptive. The presumption is obtained by deductive reasoning that is distinctly naïve. Being mentioned as the daughter of Brooke carries with it the assumption that the father was prominent and well known before the British public. This could apply to no one else of the name at the time of her birth 1643-4 but this Robert Greville; Warwick Castle the seat of Sir Fulke Greville the predecessor of Sir Robert being only 48-50 miles distant from Strixton and Odell. No more need be said to rend such a farrago of genealogical nonsense to shreds than that Thomasine the wife of William Alston was the daughter of William Brooke of Norwich gent. by his wife Thomasine. She is described in Kimber and Johnson's Baronetage 1771 Vol. I p. 457, as the daughter of "—— Brooke" simply because the compilers of that excellent work were ignorant of her father's christian name. A similar presumption that Anne Wallis wife of John Alston Junior of Pavenham was the daughter of John Wallis the eminent mathematician who died in 1703 is arrived at by the same genealogy made-easy method.

Another tradition or hypothesis is a compound of the two before mentioned. Mr. Alex. R. Alston (son of Sir Francis B. Alston) wrote to me some time ago, "My brother Francis met an American gentleman not very long ago of the name of Cabell (the Mr. Clarence Cabell of Richmond Va. mentioned in Dr. Grove's book as the collector of the extracts from English records given on p. 25 and 27 of that work) whose mother was a Miss Jane Alston of Virginia and whose family have the same coat of arms as the English branch "ten stars." This family claims to be descended from John of the Inner Temple and of Pavenham in Beds. and he married Dorothy daughter of Sir John Temple Kt. of Stanton Bucks. He died Aug. 13 1687. These Virginian Alstons also say that their ancestor was involved in the Monmouth rebellion and being transported to Barbadoes escaped to the States of America and became the founder of this branch."

Another correspondent tells me that "We have always supposed that John the emigrant was the son of William Alston and Elizabeth Westcombe."

One correspondent (Mrs. John Julius Pringle of Chicoria Wood Plantersville Georgetown Co. S.C.) writes frankly "We know absolutely nothing of the family before the arrival of John of St. John's Berkeley." Mentioning the "two cousins" theory this lady says "but I know nothing certainly and do not like to speak on such a matter without certainty." This is the right spirit in which genealogical problems should be approached.

In another place in his book Dr. Grove's writes "It may here be stated that according to the accompanying English records all the descendants of Thomas Alston and Frances Bloomfield had their lines successively to fail, so that the family name in that branch is now only found in the descendants of the two John Alstons who came to Carolina of whom the eldest now living by family seniority is Jos. Blyth Allston *which would have made him the legal heir to the Baronetcy conferred upon Sir Thomas Alston of Odell in 1642* and which became extinct upon the death of Sir Rowland the 6th Bart. in 1790 for want of a legitimate claimant. This seems to have been known to Gov. R. F. W. Allston, who spoke of it in his lifetime."

It is a pity to have to play the idol shatterer so much, but Mr. J. B. Alston must either forego his claim to be a descendant of John Alston and Dorothy Temple or forego the legal rights to the Baronetcy that Dr. Groves places to his credit. John Alston of Pavenham was the *brother* not the *son* of the first Baronet and therefore he and his descendants in the male line could not have anything to do with the Baronetcy. Baronetcies pass on the deaths of the grantees (the first baronets) to the eldest male issue or eldest male representatives of such issue and so on from father to son. The fathers, uncles, brothers, nephews, and cousins of the grantees and their descendants have no more claim to the titles than any chance wayfarer in the streets.

By way of introducing my English readers to their American kinsfolk, for such I think there is little doubt they are although the "missing link" is still missing, I am taking the liberty of extracting a few particulars concerning the more prominent members of the North and South Carolina families from Dr. Groves' book. The work has every appearance of being sound, exact and critical where treading on home and safe ground.

THE ALSTONS OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

JOHN ALSTON 1666—1719. While it is not known certainly when he came to the Carolina Colony, every indication points to his coming with Governor John Archdale in 1694 who was sent from England and was in control during the year 1695.

In 1695 John Allston gent. and Mrs. Elizabeth Harris "alias Allston" executed an indenture bearing date 13 Aug. 1695 relating to the goods of the late John Harris gent. His will dated Jan. 2, 1719 was proved Nov. 30, 1719. It describes him as of St. John's Berkeley, So. Carolina. To his wife Elizabeth he left his grey mare and her three year old as well as a liberal provision in land. To his eldest son John he gave 500 acres, to his son William a plantation of 490 acres called "Indian Jack"; to his daughter Elizabeth 500 acres; to his daughter Mary a tract on the East side of "Whiskenboo"; to his son Peter 500 acres called "Whiskenboo," and to his daughter Tomassin 500 acres adjoining her sister Elizabeth's tract.

His eldest son John's will dated 24 Mar. 1749-50 was proved 11th May 1750. It describes him as of Craven Co. Parish of Prince George, planter. He had added substantially to his inheritance. He had four sons and one daughter.

The family now began to increase and ramify abroad rapidly. It is outside my province to set forth in this book what has been so ably done by Dr. Groves. But in passing I must refer to a few of the descendants of this patriarch. One Benjamin George Alston who never married, fought the duel with Hayne. In his after life he would never permit any allusion to it in his presence. The sensational article relating to his duelling penchant which was published a few years since in the New York Illustrated Record and headed "The Fighting Alstons" was a descendant perversion, not only of his character, but of that of his kinsman alluded to as "Honest Willie." Another is Washington Allston born Nov. 5, 1779, died July 9, 1843, the famous American painter. A short biographical sketch will be found hereafter. A third member of this family was Robert Francis Withers Alston Governor of South Carolina in 1856-7. A biography of him appears in Appleton's American Encyclopaedia. A descendant also of this family in the female line Thomas Lynch was delegated to sign the "Declaration of Independance," but being ill at the time they met, his only son, Thomas Lynch, was chosen in his place.

Colonel William Alston the father-in-law of Theodosia Burr was also a scion of this family. He took a prominent part in the Revolution, being entrusted with the defence of a fort in the Harbour of Georgetown. On the accomplishment of peace he settled down to a planter's life on the Waccamaw where he acquired the reputation of being "a Carolina gentleman of the old school," and where he entertained General Washington in a style which the President pronounced to be truly Virginian. Further, Washington is reported to have said that "he had seen nothing in all his travels so justly entitled to be styled a fairy land, as the rice fields of Waccamaw in the genial month of May." Colonel Alston was one of the biggest if not the biggest slave owner in the State.

The eldest son of the last named was Colonel Joseph Alston husband of Theodosia Burr and Governor of South Carolina in 1812-14. He was overwhelmed with grief at the tragic loss of his wife and survived her disappearance a few years only.

THE ALSTONS OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Dr. Groves writes, "In entering into an investigation of the genealogical history of the North Carolina family of Alstons, as was at first contemplated, we were confronted with the following difficulties: First—the general absence of family records; the scattered condition of the family extending throughout the Southern States and into some of the Northern and the tradition that they had all sprung from one common ancestry. Secondly—there being another family of the same name. These families, although in adjoining States, have, to a great extent, kept separate, yet their many intermarriages have created much confusion, and raised difficulties in tracing their family ties.

The trouble was increased by the frequent recurrence of the same family names in the several branches from generation to generation

The first mention of the patriarch of this family also called John Alston, is in connection with a grant of land on the side of Bennett's Creek in 1711. This Creek is now in Gates County formerly Chowan and his land was near where Gatesville now stands. Later he became an extensive land owner. He was a juror in 1715, and a grand juror at a general court of Oyer and Terminer 1721, thence continuously until 1724 when he was commissioned a justice of the peace. It is in this year that his name is found associated with that of William Downing as an assistant justice of the Court of Oyer and Terminer. He was continuously reappointed until 1729. In 1725 he was appointed revenue collector to the King. In 1746 he was Sheriff of Chowan county. He was known early as Captain Alston later as Colonel. Whence the rank came is unknown. His will dated 17 September 1754 describes him as of Chowan county province of North Carolina. It parcels out his estate and slaves among his children, names his sons Joseph John, Solomon, William Phillip and James and daughters Mary (Saward), Elizabeth (Williams), Sarah (Kearney), and Charity (Dawson). No reference is made to anything or anybody indicating an English origin or connections. Dr. Groves adds that "The above John Alston was the eldest son of John Alston = Anne Wallis and was baptised at Felmersham Bedfordshire England Dec. 5th, 1673." This is sheer guess work. As Dr. Groves himself goes on to shew there were emigrants to the Albemarle section from the Isle of Wight County and Nansemond Va. and elsewhere.

The will of his eldest son Joseph John Alston dated 5 January 1780 is given in full in Dr. Groves' book. It is a lengthy document and shews the testator to have been possessed of a considerable estate. But I do not observe any reference to immediate English origin or ancestry such as might occur in the will of a settler whose parents came from the older country. The will is interesting in its mention and disposition of Alston's slaves. His youngest son called Joseph John after himself removed to Chatham to the estate he gave him and became afterwards known as "Chatham Jack." A grandson was Gideon Alston noted for possessing the finest packs of fox and deer hounds in the State and for his cock fighting proclivities. Another grandson Willis Alston served in the State Senate and Congress being known as "Congress Willis."

Another descendant Colonel Augustus Alston served through the Indian War in Florida and was afterwards killed by General Reed who in turn was killed by Willis Alston who was afterwards killed in Texas by a mob, after having first killed Dr. Stewart. Hardy men these Carolina Alstons!

Colonel Philip Alston another grandson of the patriarch John was very active in his hostility to the Tories. Being captured in 1781 he was hurriedly put on board a prison ship from which with a companion he escaped at night

by swimming several miles to land. In 1785 and 1786 he was a member of the State Senate. He was ultimately killed by one of his negroes whom he was pursuing for the murder of a public official.

Another scion of the North Carolina family John Alston son of Solomon second son of John Alston the patriarch played a prominent part in the history of Louisiana or rather of that part of Louisiana known as West Florida. By birth a Carolinian, a true and loyal British subject—he lived and died an Englishman at heart, remaining attached to the royal cause. Settling about the year 1770 in the Natchez district which fell under the dominion of Spain in 1779 John Alston headed a revolt of the English in the winter of 1781. Arrests, seizures and confiscations were begun to put down the rising. In attempting to escape to British territory Alston's wife sustained injuries which caused her death, he himself was betrayed into the hands of the Spaniards then in New Orleans and with six others was sentenced to imprisonment for life in Moro Castle (Havana). Until 1783 Alston was a close prisoner. At that time Prince William (afterwards William IV) visiting Havana as a midshipman interceded and secured the liberation of the prisoners. But the Spanish Governor of Louisiana General Galvez was still fearful of him again giving trouble and offered a reward of 5,000 dollars for his head if found within the Spanish dominion of Louisiana. In 1784 Alston with reckless temerity presented himself before the Governor and claimed the reward for his children. Struck by his bearing the Governor said "Give me your word never again to interfere with the Government and go home and take care of your children." This Alston did like a wise man and in time again became wealthy.

In 1901 there died at his home in Warren County another Alston who had a share in the stirring story of his country Major Robert Williams Alston. In 1862 he raised a company which as Captain he led in many a hard fought battle. At the death of his Major he obtained his Majority. He was wounded sixteen times and had three horses killed under him.

"A ROMANTIC WRONG DOER."

Under this title there appeared in "The Cosmopolitan" Magazine October 1897 an account by Edgar Fawcett with drawings by Allen C. Redwood of the adventures of Aaron Burr sometime Vice-President of the United States and his daughter Theodosia wife of Joseph Allston the South Carolina statesman and millionaire and his grandson Aaron Burr Allston.

Burr's adventures and misfortunes began with his duel with Alexander Hamilton in which Hamilton was killed. For fifteen years the two had been political rivals. Burr became Vice-President at forty-five years of age. In earlier life he had served as aide-de-camp to Arnold and fought at the siege of Quebec. In 1776 he was entertained by Washington at his headquarters. But this duel was his undoing. The blame of the challenge is in dispute. Duelling was not then the offence against society that it is now held to be. Yet for some cause or other Burr lost his popularity, fell indeed into obloquy, was deposed from his office and became an outcast. Conspiring with a friend one Blennerhassett he formed the mad project of seizing the throne of Mexico. The help of the British Government was sought. Adventurers from all parts of the State were enlisted, the Catholic clergy of Texas and Mexico were looked to for support. General Wilkinson was to lead an invading army into Texas.

Burr himself was to reign as Aaron I. His daughter Theodosia was to be chief lady of the court and given the rank of Princess. His grandson Aaron Burr Allston was to be heir presumptive.

But these towering castles on the Spanish main came tumbling to grief. The plot was destroyed by the defection of General Wilkinson. Burr fled, was captured, tried at Richmond in 1807 and acquitted only by the skin of his teeth. So great, however, was his unpopularity that he was forced to remain in hiding among his friends until a favourable opportunity came about for escaping to England. He arrived in England in the summer of 1808. Still nourishing his Mexican hopes he disclosed his projects to the then Prime Minister Castlereagh. But the moment was inauspicious and he became an object of suspicion to the British Government just then beginning its death grip with Napoleon. This was unfortunate for Burr, because he had been well received by London society and had made numerous acquaintances with the foremost men of the day including Lamb, Goodwin and Jeremy Bentham. During a visit to Edinburgh Burr met Scott. As a result of being suspected by the Government he was called upon to quit England. For some time he wandered through Sweden and Germany. At last he repaired to France, but there he was kept under strict surveillance by Napoleon and not even allowed to leave. Ostracised by his fellow Americans, and destitute of means his lot was indeed harsh.

After months upon months of determined effort and persistency Burr somehow succeeded in obtaining the wished for passport. In 1811 he quitted France. New and poignant sorrows greeted him on his return two years later to America. His grandchild "Gampillo" as he called him was already dead. His daughter Theodosia sailing from New York on a Charleston steamer to meet him at sea was never heard of more. The story is that the boat was captured by pirates and that Theodosia and other passengers were forced to "walk the plank." More probably the steamer she was on was wrecked.

Burr's adventures were now done but he had many years of life and another marriage still before him. He settled down in New York to his legal practice which it is said became lucrative and in his seventy-eighth year married a wealthy New York widow. He died at Port Richmond Staten Island in his eightieth year.

We have seen in the century but recently closed the children of a Corsican lawyer emerging from obscurity to the dazzling heights and light of imperial and royal thrones, their descendants to-day ranking among the royal families of the old world. It seems to have been only in the nature of a bare mischance that denied similar elevation and historic prominence to our Alston cousins in the New World.

WASHINGTON ALLSTON.

James' "Life of Marion" says "During the struggle of the year 1871 Captain William Allston of True Blue, or Little River, All Saints Parish, served under Marion. He was a firm patriot and good soldier; indeed he may well be enumerated among the martyrs to the cause of his country."

The children of Captain William Alston were, Mary born in 1778, Washington whose birth is registered in the family Bible thus "My son Washington was born Friday night, half after eleven o'clock, the fifth of November, 1779," and William Moore, born 1781. It is this Washington Allston who is the subject of this short memoir derived in chief part from the "Life and Letters of Washington Allston," by Jared B. Flagg, N.A., S.T.D. (London, Richard Bentley and Son, 1893).

Mrs. Allston was the daughter of one John Moore a descendant according to tradition of the brilliant and famous Roger Moore (or More) leader of the Irish rebellion of 1641, and of a former Colonial Governor Sir Joseph (or John) Yeoman Baronet and his wife Elizabeth Vanderhoest daughter of a Huguenot family.

Captain William Alston died in 1781. His widow remarried Dr. Henry C. Flagg, Chief of the Medical Staff of Greene's Army. By him young Washington was placed at school in Charleston where he first evinced the possession of unusual artistic talents. His stepfather disliking his bent sent him to Newport to prepare for college under the tuition of a Mr. Rogers. There he made the acquaintance of Malbone the foremost miniature painter of his day. Moreover, the scenery about Newport, so grandly different from that of the low country of South Carolina, stimulated his imagination and developed still further his taste for painting. There also he met and became engaged to his future wife the sister of the Unitarian Clergyman, Dr. William Ellery Channings. Upon the completion of his preparation he entered Harvard.

In a letter to his mother dated from Newport in 1800 Allston announced his determination to pursue painting as his life work. "Do not think me vain" says he, "for my boasting is only conditional, yet I am inclined to think from my own experience that the difficulty to eminence lies not in the road, but in the timidity of the traveller. Few minds capable of conceiving that are not adequate to the accomplishing of great designs. . . . In a word my dear mother, I already feel a fortune in my fingers."

A college friend says that at this time he was distinguished by the grace of his movements and gentlemanly deportment. His countenance, once seen, could never be forgotten. His smooth, high, open forehead, surrounded by a profusion of dark, wavy hair, his delicately formed nose, his peculiarly expressive mouth, his large, lustrous welling eye, which varied with every emotion, and complexion of most beautiful Italian cast—smooth and colourless, yet healthy—all blending harmoniously, formed a face which was irresistibly attractive, and which, united with his gentle, unassuming manners, secured him the good will of his class mates.

Allston was fond of reading and writing but he paid no more attention to college studies than was necessary to secure a respectable standing. Though abounding in the intellectual and ideal, he was also a stickler for good eating. He bore the nickname of "count" in jocular anticipation of the distinctions which were to crown his genius.

Upon his graduation Allston repaired to his native state and took up his abode at Charleston. There he painted several pictures, including "Satan Rallying his Hosts" from "Paradise Lost." During his stay there it became so apparent that his life was to be devoted to art that opposition on the part of his family ceased. It was arranged that he should pursue his studies in Europe. In May, 1801, accompanied by his friend Malbone, Allston embarked for England. His first business in London was to prepare himself for admission as a student of the Royal Academy. He submitted some of his drawings to Benjamin West, at that time President of the Academy, who was much pleased with them and became his friend. He sought out Fuseli who said to him "If I have any skill in physiognomy you have more than industry on your side, but you have come a great way to starve." Allston replied "I have a certain patrimony." "Ah," said Fuseli, "that makes a difference."

Before leaving London Allston contributed to an exhibition at Somerset House, his principal picture being "a French Soldier Telling a Story."

After a brief stay in London Allston went to Paris. It was during the exciting period of the wars of Napoleon. Here he became a constant and diligent student in the galleries of the Louvre. He travelled to Italy through Switzerland enjoying to the full the glorious scenery of the Alps. In Italy he stopped at Vienna, visited Venice and then Rome in 1805 there becoming imbued with the spirit of the old masters. Michael Angelo's forms and Titian's colour found a response in his own ideals of majesty, harmony and beauty. Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Washington Irving and Washington Allston met the first time in Rome in 1805, and soon became intimate.

Irving's admiration for the young artist was profound. Allston was his ideal of an artist in character and attainment. Speaking of him Irving said "The pleasure he attains from his own thoughts is so great that he seems to forget there is anything to do but to think." It must not, however, be supposed from this that Allston was an idler. Far from it. In 1806 Coleridge writing to him said "My dear Allston, somewhat from increasing age, but more from calamity and intense affections my heart is not open to more than kind good wishes in general. To you, and you alone, since I have left England, I have felt more, and had I not known the Wordsworth, should have esteemed and loved you first and most; and, as it is, next to them I love and honour you. Heaven knows, a part of such a wreck as my head and heart is scarcely worth your acceptance." Two years after Coleridge was in Leghorn, Allston himself was there. He was now twenty-eight years old. His studies and travels had given breadth and finish to the abundant gifts wherewith nature had endowed him.

In 1809 Allston returned from Europe to Boston. The great praise awarded him by Coleridge and Irving had found its way across the ocean and prepared a cordial reception for him in Boston, the city of his adoption. During this visit he married Miss Ann Channing, daughter of William Channing, a lawyer of eminence in Newport, and granddaughter of William Ellery, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. During his sojourn also Allston painted some of his first portraits, among which was that of his mother, now in the possession of Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, whose wife is Allston's grandniece.

In 1811 Allston and his wife and their friend Morse sailed for England. Six months after their arrival they were joined by Charles R. Leslie, a young American who subsequently became a member of the Royal Academy and rose to

eminence among English artists of his day. Morse was the founder of the National Academy of Design, and its president for a number of years.

One of the first to recognise Allston's talents at this time was Sir George Beaumont, himself an artist, who commissioned him to paint a picture to place in the church he (Sir George) was then building at Ashby-de-la-Zouch. The price he offered was two hundred pounds. Allston's fine painting of "The Angel Liberating St. Peter from Prison" was the outcome of this generosity. After the death of Sir George Beaumont the picture found its way to America and was presented as an altar piece for the Chapel of the Hospital for the Insane in Worcester (Mass).

Allston painted two portraits of Coleridge, but it was not until ten years after Allston's death that Derwent Coleridge, son of the poet, succeeded in obtaining permission to place the Bristol portrait, as it was called from being painted there, in the hands of the engraver. The *London Guardian* of November 29th, 1854, praised it as the finest portrait of Coleridge in existence.

After a stay in Bristol Allston and his wife started housekeeping in London, but in a short time the young wife was taken ill and died. Coleridge wrote him a long letter of condolence and sympathy. But it was in his love for art that Allston found solace for his loss.

When news of the success of Allston's picture "The Deadman Revived" reached America his friends desired to secure it for the Pennsylvania Academy of Arts. It was eventually purchased for \$3,500. After its sale Allston made a second visit to Paris in company with his friends Leslie and Collins, and it is supposed that whilst there he painted the exquisite pasticcio from Titian's Adoration of the Magi" which he gave to Coleridge. Among other works about this time he painted "Uriel in the Clouds," "Elijah in the desert," and "Jacob's Dream." In respect of the last Allston received an appreciative letter from Wordsworth.

In 1816 Allston decided to return to America. His career as an artist had now reached its culmination but he suffered, to use his own words, from homesickness. Immediately after his departure he was elected an Associate of the Royal Academy. From Allston's return in 1818 to 1827 he kept up a close correspondence with Leslie. After that time the intervals lengthened, and he wrote more frequently to other artist correspondents. In 1830 Allston re-married, his second wife being Martha R. Dana, daughter of the late Francis Dana, Chief Justice of Massachusetts, and maternal cousin of his first wife. He settled in the village of Cambridge Port, living what may be termed an odd picturesque but uneventful sort of life. He was a great smoker and something of an epicure, delighting to recall and describe some of his Parisian dinners. During 1830 he worked on his picture "Jeremiah." Unfortunately he suffered under pecuniary straits at times. It has been alleged that his indolence was the primary cause of his monetary trouble, but this does not appear to be so. An artist's industry is not necessarily to be measured by the hours spent with a brush or pencil in his hand. His work has first to be conceived and then mentally elaborated and prepared. In 1839 Allston's mother died. In 1842 his picture of "Spalatro" was exhibited in South Carolina, and by some was considered his *chef d'œuvre*. During these last years of his life his correspondence with European artists and critics was vigorously prosecuted, and only a few days before his death he wrote a long letter to Mrs. Channing. At seven o'clock of July 9th, 1843, he entered the house from his painting room where he had been hard at work on "Belshazzar." The continual ascending and descending of the ladder to paint and see the effect of his work—the picture was a large one—was extremely exhausting to him. Seating himself in his chair in front of the fire he rested his head upon his hands. Thinking he had fainted his wife called aloud for assistance. Allston was dead.

Allston's unfinished picture "Belshazzar" is now in the Boston Museum where there is an "Allston Room" devoted to a collection of his works. It is justly regarded in spite of its unfinished state as being his greatest work. Besides his work in painting, Allston wrote a considerable amount of poetry and engaged himself in literary tasks. In 1813 he published in London a book of poems entitled "The Sylphs of the Season, and Other Poems." It was favourably received and after his death was republished with his poems in R. H. Dana's Jr's edition of his works entitled "Lectures on Art, and Poems," by Washington Allston.

It is outside the scope of this short sketch to attempt any analysis, criticism, or appreciation of Allston's work. The reader who is further interested will find all that he desires in Dr. Flagg's book in which appears a large amount of Allston's correspondence, together with letters to or concerning him and his art from others of his day.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT OF ODELL, IN BEDFORDSHIRE, THE OWNERSHIP OF WHICH HAS BEEN FOR THE LAST TWO HUNDRED YEARS IN THE ALSTON FAMILY IS TAKEN FROM THE *Bibliotheca Topographica Britannica*, Vol. IV. (London, J. Nichols, MDCCCXC).

ODELL.

Odell, Woodhulle, and formerly Wahul, is a village in the Hundred of Willy, situated north west of Bedford; distant from it about eight miles, on the north bank of the river Ouse, one mile from Harrold. It is bounded on the east by Sharnbrook, north-east by Colworth, north by Paddington and Hinwick, having Harrold on the West, and the river on the south. It extends from east to west about 2½-miles, and nearly the same from north to south. Here is great plenty of useful stone; lately discovered gravel; and several good springs, two of which have been reputed medicinal. One on the north-east, whose water has not been analyzed, yet well known to be mildly cathartic. That on the north-west has been so celebrated as to obtain the name of Holliwell for itself and two closes, through which it runs into the town. The name of this village is characteristic of its situation; Woodhulle, or Woodhill, from the hill and fine wood near it. The tradition of the place is, that it was called Wahul, from the way or road heretofore leading close to the river between it and the castle. But there seems not much reason for such an

assertion. It might as well be so denominated from its present direction over the hill at the back of the castle, between it and the church. However, this seems to be a very old and proper name, for formerly it had its barons of Wahul, eminent for their ancient nobility whose *baronies consisted (says † Dr. Holland) of 300 knights' fees; a plain mistake for 30, as will hereafter appear. The castle, before the art of war was so refined upon as at present, must have been an impregnable fortress, from its advantageous situation near the river, and on a rock of considerable height and steep ascent. Little remains of the old works, yet both the upper and bas courts are very conspicuous. The only habitable building is where stood the keep, on an area of half an acre and is chiefly modern, particularly the south front, 105 feet long, built by Lady Wolstenholme, while her son, Sir Thomas Alston, was on his travels. The west front is older, embattled and lower, about 24 yards in length. The east end is of the same date as the south, and only 38 feet long. The rooms within are very neat, lofty and spacious, the hall being 27 feet by 23, and 19 feet high. The drawing room 21 by 20½, and 13 feet 9 inches high. These contain several good paintings, some of which were brought from Italy about 70 years ago by Sir Thomas Alston. In the hall are two fine ones; the Rape of Proserpine, 5 feet 7 by 3 feet 11. The other, Mount Parnassus, a noble piece, 8 feet by 5 feet 10. The head and mane of Pegasus drinking is exceeding fine.

Minerva introducing Homer to Apollo, followed by a group of ancient poets.

A full length of King George I. 4 feet by 2 feet 7 inches. George II. when Prince, its companion. King Henry V. Thomas Lord Crew. His Lady: three-quarter pieces.

In the drawing room our Saviour crowned with thorns; the figure and countenance of the Jewish officer, fine; in the back ground Peter warming himself; this by Bassan. 4 feet 5, by 3 feet 4½. The Rev. Kennard Shaw, brother of Sir John Shaw, Bart., by Opie Jane Shore, 13 inches by 10, on board. An African Warrior. Thomas, Lord Crew, on copper, by Sir Peter Lely, 13½ inches by 11, very delicate. A full length of Lady Alston, by Gainsborough, 2 feet 5 inches by 4 feet 11½ inches high.

Several other family portraits, as Crew, Bishop of Durham. Mrs. Elizabeth Alston. Mrs. Mead, wife of Dr. Mead, by Sir Godfrey Kneller.

In the stone parlour, an Italian Landscape, a View of the Po.

The castle commands a delightful prospect over the river Ouse, whose beautiful meanderings are remarkably striking about this neighbourhood. Behind it, on the north, at a small distance, rises a wide extended hill, covered with the noblest wood in the country, containing upwards of 330 acres and known by the name of Odell Great Wood; a part whereof consisting of about 70 acres, distinguished only by an obscure division, is called Yelnoe Wood, and is said to be in the parish of Puddington, though distant from any part of the parish at least a quarter of a mile.

In the time of King Edward the Confessor Odell was held by Levenot as his freehold. King William the Conqueror granted it to Walter Flandrensis, as the Survey of Domesday informs us, in which it is entered under the general title of his lands.

Yet it is said by Sir William Dugdale† that, upon the Conquest, the Lord of Wahul and Stephen de la Leie divided the Fee of Wahul between them, and that the Lord of Wahul had two parts and Stephen the third, viz:—the one of them had 20 Knights' fees and the other 10. This was no unusual division even of a single Knight's fee. The Lord of Wahul also, having a mind to keep the whole of Segenho, and the demesnes of Brockborough (both in this county), caused all the woods and plains to be measured by the perch; so likewise all Northwood and Cherlewood adjoining; and ousted the inhabitants, allowing to Stephen de la Leye his third part of the arable, which those inhabitants had enjoyed, and the whole wood, then called Cherlewood but afterwards Northwood. Walter de Wahul was the same person that is mentioned in Domesday Book, under the name of Walter Flandrensis, as appears from his possessions recorded there.

Odell Church is a regular building of stone, covered with lead, of the usual form, plain coped; at the west end a tower with fret work under the battlements, having pinnacles at each corner on buttresses rising from the ground, with such exact symmetry as to show the meridian on the middle (or munion) of the uppermost or bell window, serving as a horoscope for the parishes on the west. The chancel is 30 feet by 17; the body of the church 56 long, 48 broad; the tower 18 by 15. On the south side an embattled porch with a stone roof. The inside is neat; the pillars remarkably light, and the church, standing on a pretty quick ascent, gives the whole an elegant appearance. It was thoroughly repaired and beautified in the years 1686 and 1687, in the former of which was an archiepiscopal visitation||. The pulpit only is of old materials, whereon remains an iron frame of an hour glass, purchased in 1654, when men preferred sound to sense, and the length of a sermon was a criterion of its excellence. The belfry is parted off from the body of the church by a wainscot screen about 10 feet high, on the top of which is carved, in wood: "The Gift of William Alston, Esquier, Deceased 1637," over which his arms are carved and emblazoned.

(Following this comes a recital of the tombstone and mural inscriptions given earlier in this volume. p. 24 and post.

* Camden's Britannia, Edit. Gibson.
† Dugd. Baron., Vol. I. p. 503.

† Dr. Holland's Insertions in the Text of Camden. See also Mag. Britan., Vol. I.
§ i.e. the upright partition of the window is the hour-line at 12 o'clock.

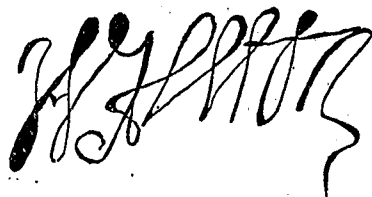
|| Ex Cista Parochiana

The following newspaper cutting found by the compiler among his "oddments" and believed to be some years old may here be included appropriately.

THE DE WAHULL PEERAGE CLAIM.

The Committee for Privileges of the House of Lords began yesterday the consideration of the claim of Chetwood Chetwood Aiken to the title and dignity of Baron de Wahull, which title has not been held by anyone since the reign of Edward I., although the title is a very old one, and is mentioned in documents as early as the reign of King John. The present claimant's mother, since deceased, presented a claim to the title of Baroness de Wahull two years ago, but the petition was never proceeded with. The present claimant's claim is being argued by Sir Horace Davey.

The facsimile signatures given below are from tracings from original documents kindly sent by Mr. Alex. Rowland Alston.



William Alston, 1678.



Sir Rowland Alston Bart. 1678.

Pavenham Vicarage,
Bedford, 25 Sep., 1902

Dear Sir,

Strange to say, though we have several of the Alstons buried here, and their tombstones remain, I can find nothing about them in our old registers save that they took part more than once in building the churchyard fence. I could send you the dates of deaths with the names on the stones. It would seem as if they were purposely left out of the register. The name is joined to that of Brook, and again Temple, on the Chancel wall.

In great haste,

I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Lionel Cresswell, Esq.

[Signed] JOHN ED. LINNELL.

TAKEN FROM AN OLD PRAYER BOOK.

Edward Alston the son of Thomas Alston and Sarah his wife was born October the 28th, two minutes before seven of the clock at night, in the year 1742.

Sarah Alston the daughter of Thos. Alston and Sarah his wife was born October the 15th about four of the clock at night in the year 1744. The same Sarah was buried on the 22nd day of the same month in the same year.

Thos. Alston the son of Thos. Alston and Sarah his wife was born Oct. the 21 a little after two of the clock in the morning in the year 1745.

Sarah Alston the daughter of Thos. Alston and Sarah his wife was born July the 27 half an hour past 2 of the clock in the afternoon in the year 1747.

Joseph Alston the son of Thos. Alston and Sarah his wife was born March the 3 a little before 3 of the clock in the morning in the year 1748.—Sent by A. E. Alston, of Manningtree, July, 1899.

Misc. Gen. et Her. Vol I. 1868, Lond. p. 321.—EXTRACTS FROM ELMDON REGISTERS, CO. WARWICK.

William Charles, son of William Charles and Elizabeth Ann Alston, of Elmdon Hall, gentleman, baptised Jan. 22, 1843, by W. Spooner.

James Fetherston, son of William Charles and Elizabeth Ann Alston, of Elmdon Hall, gentleman, baptised Feby. 2, 1845, by W. Spooner,

Elizabeth Louisa, d. of the above, baptised Feb. 2, 1846, by W. Spooner.

Frances Emily, daughter of the above, baptised Dec. 10, 1848, by W. Spooner, Rector.

Mary Anne, daughter of the above, baptised Sept. 15, 1849, Geo. Elliott, Offg. Minister.

William Charles Alston, Esq., of Elmdon Hall, buried August 27, 1862, aged 68.

These Alstons are a branch of the Scottish family.

Sarna Rubber.—Found in the Fiji Archipelago, from *Alstonia Plumosa* (Labill). Formerly collected largely, now but little comes to market. Natives take no interest in its collection. Is soft at first, but hardens after a time and becomes inelastic. Is about the colour and consistency of putty. Natives collect juice in three months and it coagulates almost at once. Comes from stems and leaves. No juice in trunk of tree.

[Kew Annual Report, 1877.]

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT.—ALSTON.

✓ Alston (Sir Thomas) Bedford 1698.
 Alston (Sir Rowland) co. Bedford 1722, 1727, 1734.
 Alston (Rowland) co. Hertford 1835, 1837.
 Alston (Thomas) co. Bedford 1747, 1754.

CAMBRIDGE.—ALSTON. 1659-1872

Alston (Edward) Sidney, Sussex 1664.
 Alston (Charles) Clare 1669.
 Alston (Thomas) Trinity 1693.
 Alston (Edward) Queen's 1703.
 Alston (William) Sidney, Sussex 1711.
 Alston (Samuel) Trinity Hall 1743.
 Alston (Vere John) St. John's 1810.
 Alston (Edward Constable) Caius 1839.
 Alston (Albert) St. John's 1843.
 Alston (Herbert) St. John's 1862.
 Alston (Edward Graham) Trinity 1855.
 Alston (John Edward Daniel) Clare 1863.
 Alston (William Charles) Trinity 1865.
 Alston (James Fetherston) Trinity 1868.

DICTIONARY OF NATIONAL BIOGRAPHY, VOL. I.

ALSTON, SIR EDWARD (1595-1669). President of the College of Physicians, was born in Suffolk, educated at St. John's College, Cambridge. He graduated B.A. 1615, M.D. 1626. In 1631 he was elected a Fellow of the College of Physicians, and was President from 1655 until 1666. At the Restoration he was Knighted (3 Sep., 1660). He increased the power of the College by a judicious inclusion of Physicians, who during the rebellion had practised without the College license. Thus seventy honorary fellows were created at once. The diploma fees filled the almost empty College chest, but while the College was unguarded during the plague thieves carried off the money. When in the following year fire inflicted a still more serious loss on the Society, Sir E. Alston promised money to rebuild the College, but a quarrel arose as to the site, and at the annual election he was not again chosen president. He withdrew his promise of money and never renewed it. He published in 4to "A Collection of Grants to the College of Physicians," London, 1660. He lived in Great St. Helens, Bishopgate, and died very rich 24 Dec., 1669.

[Munk's College of Physicians (1878), i. 202].—Norman Moore, M.D.

OXFORD.—ALSTON. (1500-1886).

ALSTON (CHARLES), Fellow of Clare Hall, Cambridge, B.A. 1669, M.A. 1673, D.D. 1685. Rector of Strixton 1681; Vicar of Northall, Middlesex, 1685; Preb. of St. Paul's 1681, and Treasurer 1707; Archdeacon of Middlesex 1689, and of Essex 1689. Died 1714; son of Sir Edward, of Strixton, Northants.

ALSTON (EDWARD), LL.B., incorp. 10 July, 1621 (one of this name rector of Pentlow, Essex, 1623, from which he was sequestered 1645).

ALSTONE (SIR EDWARD), B.A., from St. John's Coll., Cambridge, 1615; M.A. 1619; D. Med. 1626; Incorp. 1626. (Son of Edward, Edwardston, Suffolk). Fellow Coll. of Physicians 1631; Treasurer 1649-54; President 1655-66. Knighted by Chas. II. 1660. Died in Great St. Helen's, Bishopgate, 24 Dec., 1669.

ALSTON (EDWARD), B.A., from Sidney, Sussex, Coll. Cambridge, 1665; M.A. 1668; (Incorp. 1669) B.D. 1675. Brother of Charles, Archdeacon of Middlesex. Admitted to Gray's Inn 1662; Rector of Brantham, Suffolk, 1679, of Newton, juxta Sudbury, 1683.

ALSTON (EDWARD), s. Joseph, of Chelsea, Middlesex, Magdalen Hall. Matric. 1670, aged 19; (his father created a Baronet 1681), grand-father of the next named

ALSTONE (EDWARD) s. Joseph, of Bradwell Abbey, Bucks., gent., Merton Coll. Matric. 1685, aged 16; B.A. 1689, M.A. 1694, admitted to the Inner Temple 1690; Rector of Layer Marney 1695, and of Wivenhoe 1698.

ALSTON (JOHN) 'Benedictine,' adm. to oppose in theology 1507.

ALSTON (THOMAS) s. Thomas, of Asin, Suffolk, gent. St. John's Coll. Matric. 1625, aged 16; (?bar. at law. Inner Temple 1639) of Geddinghall, Suffolk. Licence 6 Aug., 1684 to marry Anne Guildford, of Chelsea, widow.

ALSTON (THOMAS), of Odell, Beds. Baronet, St. Edmund Hall, matric. 1666, aged 18; died at Oxford 2 June, 1668.

ALSTONE (VERE JOHN), s. Rowland, Odell, Beds., gent., Lincoln Coll. 1706, aged 17; B.A. 1709 (as John) rector of Odell 1714 till his death in 1762.

ALSTON (CHARLES WILLIAM HORACE) 5 s. of Thomas, of Odell, Beds., arm. St. Mary's Hall, matric. 1825, aged 24; B.A. 1831, M.A. 1832, Vicar of Wembdon, Somerset, 1845.

ALSTON (EDWARD) 3 s. of John, of Neyland, Suffolk, gent., St. John's Coll. matric. 1828, aged 17; B.A. 1832, M.A. 1836.

ALSTON (FRANK SIMPSON) 8 s. of Edward Constable, of Dennington, Suffolk, cler. Exeter Coll. matric. 1882, aged 18, B.A. 1885.

Foster's Alumni
 Oxoniensis.
 Parker & Co., Oxford
 1891.

ALSTON (GEORGE AUGUSTUS), 3 s. John Thos., of Govan, Glasgow, gent., Wadham Coll. matric. 1840, aged 17, B.A. 1844, M. A. 1847, Bar. at Law, Lincoln's Inn, 1847.

ALSTON (HUGH), 5 s. Edward Constable, of Dennington, Suffolk, cler. Oriel Coll., matric. 1876, aged 18; B.A. 1881, bar. at law, Lincoln's Inn, 1883.

ALSTON (JAMES HOLTE), 1 s. James, of Devonshire, Gt. Portland Place, London, arm. Brasenose Coll. matric. 1858, aged 19.

ALSTON (JUSTINIAN), s. Thomas, of Wotton, Beds., arm. Brasenose, matric. 1798, aged 18; B.A. 1802.

*ALSTON (PHILIP), s. John, Wooburn, Beds., pleb. New Coll. matric. 1727, aged 19, B.A. 1731, M.A. 1741.

ALSTON (ROWLAND GARDINER), 1 s. Rowland, of St. Marylebone, London, arm. Christ Church Coll., matric. 1830, aged 18, B.A. 1834.

ALSTON (WALTER CROSS), 6 s. of James William, of Stockbridge, co. Lanark, gent., Christ Church, matric. 1872, aged 18, B.A. 1875.

ALSTON (WILLIAM), s. Samuel, of Nayland, Suffolk, arm. University Coll. matric. 1790, aged 18, B.A. Magdalen Coll. 1794.

* Query, who was this Philip Alston, son of John?

GRAY'S INN REGISTER, 1521-1887.—ALSTON.

(Not already given in University Registers).

ALSTON (CHARLES ROSS), of University Coll. Lond., aged 18, ad. 1882, sixth son of James Calderhead, of Glasgow, merchant, deceased.

ALSTON (PETER), son and heir of Peter, of Bramford, Suffolk, gent., deceased, adm. 1628.

ALSTON (THOMAS) third son of Peter, late of Bramford, Suffolk, adm. 1633.

ALSTON (WILLIAM) son and heir of Samuel, of Bramford, Suffolk, Esq.

ALSTON (WILLIAM), son and heir of William, of Bramford, Suffolk, Esq.

FOSTER'S MEN AT THE BAR.—ALSTON.

(Not already given).

ALSTON (GILBERT ROWLAND), M.A., St. John's Coll. Cambridge, 1884, LL.B. 1883, a Student of the Inner Temple, 1882 (then aged 22), Scholarship real property law 1883, called to the bar 1884 (eldest son of the late Rev. Albert Alston, D.D., of London).

ALSTON (VERE SPEKE), Pembroke Coll. Oxon, practises before the High Court at Umballa, India, a student of Lincoln's Inn, 1875, called to the bar 1878 (2nd son of Crew Alston, of Odell Castle, Beds.) (This is *not* in Foster's Register of Oxford).

MUSGRAVE'S OBITUARY.—ALSTON.

SIR EDWARD ALSTON, Knt. Medic. President of the Coll. of Physicians, 1669, Dec. 24, æt 71, Wood Ferti.

LADY ALSTON, wife of Sir Evelyn Alston, Bart., 1753, Mar. 30. Gent's Mag. 149 London Mag. 195.

SIR ROWLAND ALSTON, Bart., Bedfords. 1759, Jan. 5, æt 80. Gent's. Mag. 46, London Mag. 52.

LADY OF SIR ROWLAND ALSTON, Bart., daughter of Thomas Lord Crewe, 1728 Oct. 18. Hist. Reg. Chron. 56.

LADY OF SIR ROWLAND ALSTON, Bt., Bedfords, 1742, Aug. London Mag. 413.

SIR THOMAS ALSTON, Bt., 1774. July 28 succeeded by Rowland. Gents. Mag. 334, Lond. Mag. 356, An. R. 195.

CHARLES ALSTON, D.D., Archdeacon of Essex, 1714. Treasurer of St. Paul's Lond. Le Neve's Monum. 292.

JOSEPH ALSTON, 1733. Dec. 16. Gent. Mag. 663.

MARY ALSTON, wife of Sir James Langham, 1660, Sep. Fun. Ser. by E. Reynolds.

SIR RALPH ALSTON, of Linc. 1660.

SIR THOMAS ALSTON, of Bedfords. 1642.

LADY ELIZABETH ALSTON, Bar. Woohill, 1677, Sep. 8. Fun. Serm. by W. Dillingham.

LADY ALSTON, Sister of E. of Shrewsbury, 1759, Oct. Scots Mag. 606. (? Misprint for Lady Aston.) *Evidently a mistake for Lady Aston, Barbara, sister to E. of Shrewsbury, m. James, Lord Aston, of Forfar, and d. 1759. See B's Peerage.*

EDWARD ALSTON, Tutor, Camb, 1673. Carter's Cam. 430.

SIR ROWLAND ALSTON, Bart. Beds. 1791, June 29, Gent. Mag. 682, Europ. Mag. 80.

CHESTER'S LONDON MARRIAGE LICENSES, 1521-1869.

London, Quaritch 1887. ALSTON.

ALSTON, EDWARD, gent., of St. Mary Abchurch, London, bachelor, 28, and Susan Hussey, of London, 32, widow of — Hussey, late merchant, deceased. St. Botolph, Aldersgate, London, 8 Dec., 1624.

ALSTON, SIR EDWARD, Knight, of Strixton, Northants, widower, and Anne Stratton, of St. Clement's Danes, Middlesex, widow, at St. Mary's, Savoy, or St. Paul's, Covent Garden, or Bridewell Chapel, 24 Nov., 1670.

ALSTON, ISAAC, of Chelsea, gent, bachelor, about 21, and Mrs. Mary Seale, of St. Dunstan in the West, spinster, about 21, her mother's consent, at St. Sepulchre's, London, 11 Sep., 1672.

ALSTON, JOSEPH, of Edwardstone, Suffolk, Esq., bachelor, 22, and Laurentia Trumbull, of Hadleigh, said county, spinster, 18, dau. of Charles Trumbull, doctor of law, who consents, at St. Bride's, London, or..... 26 June, 1699.

ALSTON, THOMAS, of Old Newton, co. Suffolk, gent., bachelor, aged 23, and Anne Nye, of St. Mary le Bow, London, widow, aged 27, at Kentish Town, alias St. Pancras, in Middlesex, or Camberwell, in Surrey, 21 April, 1674.

ALSTON, THOMAS, of the Inner Temple, Esq., bachelor, 50, and Anne Guilford, of Chelsea, Middlesex, widow, at St. James's in the Fields, Middlesex, St. Anne, Aldersgate, or Chapel Royal, Whitehall.

Longworth, Crosse, of St. Michael, Wood Street, London, gent., widower, 35, and ELIZABETH ALSTON, spinster, 21, daughter of John Alston, of Pavenham, Beds., Esq., who consents, at Kingsthorpe, co. Northamp., or Pavenham aforesaid, 5 Oct., 1661.

Giles Duncombe, of the Inner Temple, gent., bachelor, 22, son of John Duncombe, of Winghoe Aston, co. Bucks., gent., and ELLINOR ALSTON, spinster, 18, dau. of Samuel Alston and Ellinor his wife, of Newton, co. Suffolk, gent., who consents, at St. Gregory, London, 21 Nov., 1660.

Samuel Goldsmith, of St. Andrew, Holborn, gent., bachelor, about 22, and Mrs. Rachael Alston, of the same, spinster, about 17, consent of father, Samuel Alston, gent., at St. Giles's in the Fields, 17 Dec., 1666.

John Kentster, gent., of St. Botolph, Aldersgate, and HELEN ALLSTONE, of St. Laurence, Pountney, spinster, 24, at St. Mary's, Mounthaw, 17 Feb., 1663.

James Langham, gent., of St. Helen, Bishopsgate, bachelor, 26, and MARY ALSTON, of St. Mary's Hill, London, spinster, 20, daughter of Edward Alston, of the same, doctor of physic, who consents, at Greet or Little St. Bartholomew, or St. Peter le Poor, 8 Dec., 1647. (*See her death, p. 49 of this book*).

John Lemon, of St. Dunstan in the West, haberdasher, and MARY ALSTON, of Pavenham, Beds., spinster, about 18, consent of father, John Alston, of the same, esq., at St. Saviour, Southwark, co. Surrey, 31 Oct., 1671.

Staveley Stanton, of Birchmere, co. Beds., Esq., bachelor, 21, and ELIZABETH ALSTON, of Odell, said county, spinster, about, 19, daughter of Sir Thomas Alston, of same, Knt. and Bart., who consents, at St. Margarets, Westminster, 3 June, 1672.

The Hon. William Stewart, of St. George's, Hanover Square, Middlesex, widower, and ELIZABETH ALSTON, of St. Giles's in the Fields, Middlesex, spinster, 21 and upwards, at Cople, co. Beds., 31 March, 1686.

John Wiseman, of Bozeart, Northamp., bachelor, about 26, and KATHERINE ALSTONE, of East Barnet, Herts., spinster, about 21, consent of father, Sir Edward Alstone, Knt., of same, at St. Bartholomew the Less, London, 8 May, 1661.

John Wittewronge, of Rothamsted, co. Herts., Esq., son and heir of Sir John Wittewronge, Knt. and Bart., of the same, bachelor, 24, and CLARA ALSTONE, daughter of Joseph Alston, of London, merchant, 19, friends consenting, at Kensington, Fulham, or Knightsbridge, co. Middlesex, 4 Oct., 1664.

CHESTER'S REGISTERS OF WESTMINSTER ABBEY, LONDON, 1876.—ALSTON.

Married.—March 3rd, 1683, James Clayton and MARY ALSTON ⁶⁾

⁶⁾ He was only son of Sir Thomas Clayton, Kt., Warden of Merton College, Oxford, by Bridget, dau. of Sir Clement Cotterell, Kt. He was of the Vach, and Lord of the Manor of Chalfont St. Giles, Bucks., where he died without issue, 28 Nov., 1714, in his 65th year, and was buried in the church. She was youngest dau. of Sir Joseph Alston, first Bart. of Chelsea, Midx., by Mary, dau. and coheir of Mr. Crookenberg, a merchant, of Bergen-op-Zoom. She was baptised at Chelsea, 21 June, 1663, and survived her husband till May 1730. She was his second wife, as on the 1st of June, 1677, he had licence from the Vicar General to marry Elizabeth, dau. of Sir Richard Grubham Howe, of Wishford, co. Wilts., Bart. She died in childbed 9 April, 1681, and was buried in Merton College Chapel.

Buried.—Nov. 2, 1692, Sarah, Duchess of Somerset. ⁹⁾ [in the Abbey.]

⁹⁾ Youngest of the two daughters of SIR EDWARD ALSTON, Kt., M.D., the eminent President of the Royal College of Physicians, London, by Susan, dau. of Christopher Hudson, of the city of Norwich, Esq. She married, first, George Grimston, Esq., eldest son of Sir Harbottle Grimston, second Bart., who died 5 June, 1655, in his father's lifetime, and without issue; secondly, John Seymour, fourth Duke of Somerset, who died in 1675, and was buried in Salisbury Cathedral; and thirdly Henry, second Lord Coleraine, from whom, however, she is said to have lived apart during the last years of her life. The unofficial register says she was buried near the monument of Lord Norris, which is in the chapel of St. Andrew.

Buried.—June 10th, 1726, The Right Hon. General William Stewart, Esq.,¹ in the Duke of Buckingham's vault in K. H. 7th Chapel.

¹ The inscription on his coffin plate, exposed in 1867, describes him as follows:—"General of the Foot and Commander-in-Chief of all her late Majesty's forces in Ireland, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, and one of her said Majesty's Privy Council in the aforesaid Kingdom, died June 4th, 1726, aged seventy-four." Le Neve says in one of his MSS., but without giving any authority, that he was descended from the Stewarts, Earl of Caithness. He married first Katherine, Vicountess Grandison. A fortnight after her burial, viz: 27 Jan. 1725-6, he obtained a license from the faculty office to marry ELIZABETH, second daughter of SIR ROWLAND ALSTON, second Bart. of Odell, a lady very much his junior, and the marriage took place shortly after. Excuse if any for this hasty action were necessary, it is probably to be found in the fact that his former wife, Vicountess Grandison, had been insane for some time before her death. A few days later, viz: 15 Feby., 1725-6, the newspapers of the day reported that he had been dangerously ill of an apoplexy, and he lived only about four months after his second marriage. His widow remarried Henry Rowe, of Epsom, co. Surrey, Esq., and died 21 May, 1756. He left no issue by either wife. His will, dated 31 May, 1726, was proved 16 Nov. following, by his relict Elizabeth and his nephew James Stewart. He left considerable legacies to his brother John Stewart, Esq., his sister Elizabeth Dobson, widow, his nephews Col. John Stewart and Charles Stewart, Esq., and his nieces Elizabeth, wife of Rev. Benjamin Gregory, Mrs. Jane Nugent, Eleanor Wilder, widow, Mary, wife of —Ryley, and Rose, wife of —. His nephew Brigadier William Stewart, who had been ungrateful, &c., he cut off with a shilling. He bequeathed £5,000 Irish money, to erect and endow a school for twenty poor boys in the parish of St. George's, Hanover Square, where he lived.

SURNAME ALSTON.

The name Alston does not occur in the Island Landnáma Bok (Icelandic Book of Settlements) in the Cathedral of Keykjavik which is the chief storehouse of Scandinavian Genealogical knowledge and the Domesday Book of Iceland, but the name Hallstein is found. Alstanus and Alestan are both found in our own Domesday Book. The Flemish form Alsteens exists and an obituary notice in the Daily Graphic 29 July, 1899, records the death at Teddington on the 26th July, of Janet Madeline, widow of the late Frederick Alstein, Esq., of Broomhall, Demerara.

Ferguson (Surnames as a Science 2 Edit. 1884), does not give it, nor does Charnock's Ludus Patronymicus (1868), nor does Bardsley's English Surnames (1897). Barber's British Family Names (1894) gives "Alston a loc. n. Cumb. or N. Hallstein; Fl. Alsteens; D. B. Alstan Alestan; p.n." It is not given in Salverte's History of Names. Lower's Patronymica Britannica dismisses it thus, "Alston places, in cos. Lancaster, Worcester, &c." Guppy's "Homes of Family Names in Great Britain" places it in the index as a Suffolk surname with a proportional frequency of 9 in 10,000, and classes it in the body of his work as a *peculiar* name, *i.e.*, as confined mostly to the county of Suffolk. But as I have shewn it is now and probably always has been fully as frequent in Lancashire, although the family there has not been in the same land holding prominence. And it exists independently so far as my researches shew in Scotland and Devonshire.

Marshall's Genealogist's Guide (1893) gives references under Alston to Hasteds Kent ii. 538, Berry's Hertfordshire Genealogies 217, Burke's Landed Gentry (of Elmdon) 3456; (of Odell Castle) 6. Harleian Society viii, 109-111; xiii. 335; xv. 16. Stemmata Britannica, by Joseph Foster (London 1877, 8vo.) 28, Page's History of Suffolk 120, 938, 957, Wotton's English Baronetage ii. 309; iii 698 Burke's Extinct Baronetcies.

Thus it will be seen that whatever antiquity may be claimed for the name Alston *qua* surname or *qua* forename the families having it cannot claim descent from any "Battle Abbey" or Norman baronial stirp. The Alstons sprang as Guppy puts it from that "great body of freeholders the yeomanry of the middle ages, a body which in antiquity of possession and purity of extraction was probably superior to the classes that looked down upon it as ignoble." It would be interesting however to know how Guppy carries the antiquity of possession through the centuries when feudalism prevailed, and what exactly he means by purity of extraction in connection with that "thorough bred mongrel" an Englishman.

Alston Wills, &c.

AT THE NORTHAMPTON REGISTRY.

WILLIAM ALSTON

of Pavenham co. Bedford Esq.

leaves his body "to be privately interred in the night time at the discretion of my executrix."

"To my *eldest son*, William Alston, and his heirs all my lands manors etc in parish of Pavenham, Stevington and elsewhere in co. Bedford except a certain cottage with barn and orchard (lately purchased of William Moodey carpenter) which I leave to my dear and *loving wife Sarah* and her heirs."

All his *personal* estate he leaves to his wife Sarah she to pay his debts and legacies and to act as executrix of his will.

"to my children then living each of them one guinea to buy them rings." Names of children *not* mentioned.

Will dated 1707, Nov. 21. Proved May 18, 1709.

Bedfordshire Wills 1704-10. pp. 242-3.

SARAH ALSTON

of Pavenham co. Bedford (widow)

leaves her house and appurtenances to *grandson William Alston* and his heirs.

to my *nephew* Nathaniel Lancaster £50.

rest of personal estate to *neice* Elizabeth Lancaster who is to act as executrix.

Dated June 21, 1714. Proved Nov. 2nd, 1714.

Bedfordshire Wills, Vol. c., p. 36.

WILLIAM ALSTON

of Pavenham co. Bedford (gent.)

all personal property left to loving wife Elizabeth Alstone. If she marry again, then property to her for life only and after her death to go to his heir at law.

joint executors of will "my loving cousins Sir Thomas Alston, Bart. and John Wiseman of Bozeat co. Northampton Esq.," to each of whom he gives £5.

He leaves all his *real estate* to his executors who by Sale or Mortgage are to raise sufficient money to pay his debts and funeral expenses "so that my personal estate may be discharged thereof." Then to apply rents and profits for maintainance of his children and "for maintainance of such child or children of which my said wife is enient and which shall hereafter be born alive.

Each child (*except my eldest son*) to have £300 on attaining majority and to daughters on attaining majority or on day of marriage.

He mentions his "*sister Tomasin* now wife of Abraham Handson."

After payment of above legacies, rent of property and land are to be conveyed to eldest son William Alston and his heirs.

Dated July 6, 1713. (Proved, no date given; but it is bound up with Wills proved in 1715.)

Bedfordshire Wills 1711-1717, pp. 246 a & b.

JOHN ALSTON.

Administration 1718. The admons. for this year are all missing.

I have looked through calendar from 1694 to 1734 and can find no other reference to a *will* or administration of John Alston.

3, Campbell Square,

Northampton, Jany. 5th, 1903.

Dear Sir,

I have had a morning at Alston Wills and send you result. The three first wills are correct according to your list. I have had a big hunt for John Alston, 1704, but can nowhere find him. I have searched indices carefully from 1694 to 1735 without result. There is, however, an administration mentioned in calendar for 1718, but though we have carefully searched the cupboard and unearthed an enormous quantity of dust, we have failed to find any adm. for that year (1718). A good many years of these adm. are wholly missing. I am afraid, therefore, we must give him up unless you can give me any further particulars.

Yours very faithfully,

[Signed] R. M. SERJEANTSON.

EXTRACTS from the TRANSCRIPTS of EDWARDSTON PARISH REGISTERS preserved in the OFFICE
of the ARCHDEACONRY OF SUDBURY.

Baptisms—

Alstone, William	1577
Alston, Thomas	1580
Alston, William	1582
Alston, Edward	1585
Alston, John	1585
Alston, Peter	1593
Alston, Amy	1594
Alston, Thomas, son of Edward	1598
Alston, Thomas, „ Gregory	1600
Alston, Arthur, „ Edward	1600
Alston, Gregory, „ Gregory	1603
Alston, Edward „ Thomas	1603
Alston, Penning „ Edward	1606
Alston, Susan, dau. of Gregory	1606
Alston, John, son of Edward	1612
Alston, William, „ William	1615
Alston, Abigail, dau. of Gregory	1615
Alston, Abraham, son of William	1619

Marriages—

Alston, Gregory	= *Sex, Abigail	1600
Alston, Mary	= Wasp, Thomas	1618

Burials—

Alstone, Walter	1578
Alston, John	1615
Alston, Gregory, son of Gregory	1615

*[Spelt also in the transcript Seax].

Furnished by Miss Ethel Stokes.

DAVY'S SUFFOLK COLLECTIONS.

In the British Museum there is a mass of Genealogical Memoranda collected by the indefatigable Davy which goes under the above name. It is in MSS and has proved a rich mine for matter relating to the Alstons. I have had it carefully and thoroughly scrutinised and have made free use of the pedigrees and notes to correct and amplify my own work. The greatest care and watchfulness have been exercised by me to guard against errors. But I have little to complain of. Davy took considerable pains to frame a complete Alston pedigree with better result than his predecessors and others achieved. It would only encumber my pages unnecessarily to print them and his notes at length. The curious can examine them for themselves if so minded at the British Museum. Whatever they have afforded that has been new to me is embodied in the foregoing pages in its appropriate place. In the case of notes to which Davy has appended the authority such as birth, marriage and death notices from the *Ipswich Journal* and the like I have mentioned this authority only and not Davy. I considered it better to do so although I could not verify each reference.

A few notes for which I find no place and a few of special interest are set forth here :—

Orig. ii Eliz. Rob. Gurdon ten. in Assington Thos. Alston Hered.

Hillington. Daniel Collier Esq. purchased and lived in a little manor here and gave it to Dr. William (*Samuel ? see Table 107*) Alston rector of Gunthorpe, who married his niece, and Mr. Spurgion of Annell recovered it by suit in Chancery about 1762. *Bloomfield Vol. 8, p. 463.*

SUFFOLK POLL, 1702.

Boxford	Edward Alston	for Ld. Dysart and Sr. Rob. Davers.
	Joseph Alston	do. do.
Edwardstone	John Alston	do. do.
	Jos. Alston	do. do.
Eastbegholt	Edwd. Alston	do. do.
Howton	Wm. Alston	S. Barnardiston, Esq.

SUFFOLK POLL, 1784.

Nayland	Samuel Alston	Nayland B. R. G.
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SUFFOLK POLL, 1790.

Nayland	Samuel Alston	Nayland R. B. V.
Sudbury	Thomas Alston	Sudbury
Manningtree	Thomas Alston	Pottingston.

LAND TAX ASSMT., 1798.

			£	s.	d.	
Great Cornard	Wm. Alston	Himself	0	1	6	Qtly.
Edwardstone	Saml. Alston	Hen. Elliston	7	2	0	
	Robt. Alston		0	4	0	
Groton	Mr. Alston		0	18	8	
Lavenham	Mr. Alston	Self	0	8	5 ³ / ₄	Yly.
	Do.	Libocks	0	7	6	
	Do.	Wittled	1	14	8 ¹ / ₂	
Nayland	Mary Alston	Ricd. Biggs	0	7	0	
	Do.	Theo. Marshall	0	7	0	
	Do.	Herself	1	18	6	
	George Alston	Himself	2	12	6	
	Mary Alston	Sam Winney	0	3	6	
Newton	Mr. Edwd. Alston	Wm. Criswell	0	1	5	Qly.
	Mr. Saml. Alston	Tho. Ward	0	1	5	
	Do.	Sam Moulton	0	3	3 ¹ / ₂	
	Mr. Edwd. Alston	Tho. Brand	0	8	5 ¹ / ₂	
Stansted	Thos. Alston	Himself	0	3	6	
Wissington	Geo. Alston	Do.	0	2	0	
Tottington	Thos. Alida	Mr. Tennent	2	2	0	

Gal de Alston, Will fil. Ao. 5 John n 7 *Grippe Coll. Harl. MSS.* 4626.

Horace Alston Esq. was appointed by Bp Crew under Sheriff of Durham, by patent for life 1703 and was buried at Durham in the Cathedral Church gath (*sic*) Dec. 1712.

Nichols Leic. Vol. 4, p. 389.

Thomas Alston linen draper St. Lawrence Ipswich. *Ipswich Journal, June 18, 1757.*

Mard. 8th inst at Sudbury Mr. Daniel Alston miller and farmer of Stanstead Hall to Mrs. Williamson relict of the late Mr. John Williamson formerly of the Rose and Crown Inn Sudbury.

Ipswich Journal, May 15th, 1841.

This second marriage is not mentioned in the Tables.

Extract of a letter from Jno. Winthrop (aftds. George?) to his son John dated 7 April 1628. Jnob (*sic*) from Groton.

“Tell your uncle Downing that Peter Alston is dead.”

Winthrop's Hist. of New England, Vol. 1, p. 352.

REGISTER OF ELECTORS, SUFFOLK, 1838-9.

East Bergholt	Alston, Daniel Constable	Copyhold land of Manningtree
Hackstead	Alston, Edward Daniel, of Diss. Norf.	Freehold Public House
Stratford St. Mary	Alston, Daniel Constable	Freehold Public House of Manningtree
Do.	Alston, Edward John	Freehold Tents., &c., of Manningtree
Tattingstone	Alston, Daniel Constable, junr.	Copd. Tents. of Manningtree
Newton	Alston, Daniel	Freehold Houses of Diss
Stanstead	Alston, Daniel	Freehold Houses of Stanstead
	Alston, John	Copyhold Cott. do.
	Alston, Thomas	Do. do.
Sudbury	Alston, William	Freehold Cott. of Braintree
Hersey	Alston, Edwd. Daniel	Copyhold Houses of Diss
Lindsey	Alston, Daniel Constable	Freehold Houses of Manningtree

Birth 30th inst. at 68 Hamilton Terrace St. John's Wood Road London the lady of H. F. Alston Esq. of a daughter.

Ipsw. Journ. June 4, 1842.

Ordination by the Bishop of London Trin. Sund. June 2nd Deacon Albert Alston B.A. St. John's Coll. Cambridge.

Eccl. Gar. June 11, 1844.

Died 9th inst. at Cransford Hall near Saxmundham Louisa Harriette the infant daughter of the Rev. E. C. Alston (buried at Cransford).

Ipsw. Journ. Dec. 23, 1845.

Mr. Alston of Cransford has an uncle who is a silversmith in London to which he went when a boy to seek his fortune and having found employment at the house where he still resides has not left it from that time to the present.

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It would be interesting to know the source from which Davy derives this information. Thomas Rowland Alston the elder of Table 113 was I believe the founder of the silversmith house. His relation to the Rev. E. C. Alston of Tables 118 and 119 was certainly not that of uncle. Their last ancestor in common was Nicholas Alston of Table 110 from the elder of whose sons Edward, Thomas Rowland descended and from the younger Thomas the Rev. E. C. A.

Died 23rd inst. at Manningtree aged 68 Daniel C. Alston Esq. Wine and Spirit Merchant.

Ipsw. Journ. Sep. 26, 1846.

Died 22nd inst. at Bow near London in her 67th year Mary the wife of Mr. Daniel Alston farmer of Stanstead Hall in this county.

Ipsw. Journ. July 20, 1849.

REV. ROWLAND INGRAM.

Rowland Ingram was the eldest son of the Rev. Rowland Ingram, B.D., Headmaster of King Edward VI Grammar School, Giggleswick, by his wife Mary the daughter of Sir Cuthbert Shafto of Bavington in the County of Durham. He was born September 10th 1803. Educated at Giggleswick School and at Trinity College Cambridge. B.A. 1825. He was ordained Deacon to the Curacy of Mellor Lanc. Priest to the Curacy of Wing Rutland. In 1832 he became Curate of Giggleswick and in 1839 was presented to the Vicarage. Giggleswick was one of the large old Yorkshire parishes extending for seven miles along the Ribble and containing five townships with one church in the central township Giggleswick. He resigned the Vicarage in 1853 when he could look back and see that all the townships had been provided with churches and made into separate parochial districts so that his successor had charge of the village of Giggleswick only.

After holding the perpetual Curacy of Walsham le Willows Suffolk for a time he was instituted to the Rectory of Little Ellingham with the Vicarage of Gt. Ellingham annexed in the County of Norfolk May 29th 1860. He resigned this in April 1872 and retired to Weymouth. In 1873 he lost his wife and subsequently on Dec. 7th 1875 he married Harriett Sherwood Graham fifth daughter of William Graham Esq. Solicitor of Fitzharris Abingdon. He moved first to Andover and then to Addison Gardens London where he died May 14th 1880. He is buried in the London Necropolis at Brookwood.

Biog Notes sent by Rev. Delaval S. Ingram, late Headmaster Felstead School.

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THREE ESSEX WORTHIES.

(Most of the following appeared recently in the Giggleswick School Chronicles, and is reproduced here as possibly of interest in Essex, in itself, and to Felstedians, as written by the present Headmaster of his grandfather.

Rowland Ingram was born in the house of his father, the Rev. Robert Ingram, at Wormingford, in the County of Essex, on May 19th, 1765. Mr. Robert Ingram, a member of an old Lincolnshire family, long domiciled in London, married the third daughter of Richard Acklom, Esq., of Wixton (Wiseton), in the County of Nottingham, and, after holding other preferments was presented to the living of Wormingford by a former Mr. J. J. Tufnell, to which Boxted was added by Bishop Herring of London. The account given of him in Chalmer's Dictionary of Biography is as follows:—A worthy English divine, born March 9th, 1726, at Beverley, in Yorkshire, and educated at Beverley School, whence he was sent to Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, of which he became Fellow. After holding several preferments, he died Aug. 3rd, 1804, leaving behind him a high character for simplicity of manners, great integrity, and genuine benevolence. He was author of "A View of the Great Events of the Seventh Plague or Period when the Mystery of God shall be finished"; "Accounts of the Ten Tribes of Israel being in America, originally published by Manasseh Ben Israel"; "A Complete Uniform Explanation of the Prophecy of the Seven Vials of Wrath"; &c., &c.

Wormingford is a retired village six miles from Colchester, and there Rowland Ingram grew up with an elder brother in an atmosphere congenial to boys of talent who loved books and serious thought. Both boys were sent to Dedham Grammar School then under Dr. Grimstead. The elder brother proceeding thence to Cambridge, in 1780, obtained the honour of the Senior Wranglership, in 1784, and became a Fellow of Queen's College. His life was cut short by an early death; but while it lasted, few men showed more activity in their vocation than he did, whether at Cambridge or in Essex, or in literature generally. He bore a great part in the introduction of Divinity into the Examinations for the ordinary degree at Cambridge, and of Political Economy as a branch of academical study, supported several experiments in the way of industrial and other schools in Essex, and it was a pamphlet of his on "The Spread of Methodism, and How to meet it," which furnished the basis of Sydney Smith's articles in the *Edinburgh Review*. Two years after his departure from Cambridge, Rowland Ingram also left Dedham, and proceeded to Sydney College, Cambridge, where he graduated 7th Wrangler in 1786. It is said, that at the same time he entered for the Chancellor's Medals in Classics and though not successful, was honourably mentioned by the Examiners.

Shortly after taking his degree he was ordained to the curacy of Stock in Essex; for some time he was Fellow and Dean of his College, and took the curacy of Peasemarch, Sussex, in 1797, when he married his cousin Mary, second daughter of Sir Cuthbert Shafto, of Bavington Hall, Durham. This last event turned his attention to the scholastic profession, and in the same year he was appointed Headmaster of Queen Elizabeth's School, Ipswich. Little is known of his few years there, but the following passage occurs in some brief notices of the Rev. George Crabbe, LL.B., published on his death, by a Mr. James Hews Bransby, of Carnarvon. In a letter to the poet he writes: "It was my happiness to be at Ipswich School with your son, under Mr. King in the first instance, and afterwards under Mr. Ingram, a scholar minutely accurate, and of the purest and most exquisite taste, at present Master of the Grammar School at Giggleswick." From hence, on the 3rd January, 1800, Mr. Ingram was appointed Head Master of Giggleswick School, his great friend Mr. Tate having preceded him to Richmond in 1798. From this moment proceeded the uneventful tenor of a schoolmaster's life, varied only by the natural accidents of human life in his own family, the perpetual succession of new pupils, the continued intercourse with friends and neighbours, until the final call to rest in 1848.

Whether Mr. Ingram found enough to occupy his energies at first, or whether other aims than leisure prompted him, we find him, in 1804, publishing a thick pamphlet, of 100 pages, "Reflections on Duelling," London, J. Hatchards.

His object, he declares, "is not to instruct the professional moralist, not to inform the retired student, but to catch and arouse the attention of a variously occupied but enlightened public." Probably the effort proceeded from the instruction on the subject, with which he felt bound to forearm his pupils before sending them out into the world. The same unresting desire to support every movement for the improvement of his fellow men is evident all through his life.

We now turn to the appreciation of his work, which was shown by his pupils and neighbours.

In 1827 we find one of his former pupils, George Woods, Jun., of Barnsley, asking leave to dedicate to him a volume of poems, which he proposed to publish. The presentation copy opens with a Greek ode of dedication.

In the same year he received a letter from Mr. Thos. Birkbeck and Mr. G. Dudgeon, to the effect that his pupils desired to present him with some mark of their gratitude for his valuable instruction and kind attention during the time they had been under his care. A list of 70 names follows, which probably includes all the more important pupils up to that date. The testimonial, consisting of a handsome soup tureen of silver, and a silver waiter, was presented at a public dinner, in January, 1828, a full account of which was given in the *Westmoreland Advertiser* and *Kendal Chronicle*, of January 19th of that year.

We may give a short extract from the speech of the chairman, the Rev. T. Remington, Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, on the occasion, and from Mr. Ingram's reply, "As to the system of education pursued in the school, I will undertake to say that during the time I had the happiness to be there, in no one seminary had boys an opportunity of gaining sounder classical knowledge than at Giggleswick School; and those of us who have had occasion, since leaving school, to pursue our classical studies more fully, will, I am sure, be able to revert, with pleasure, to many excellent instructions received from Mr. Ingram, for which they have had reason to thank him again and again in their hearts. . . . Who again amongst us does not look back with the greatest satisfaction to the way in which discipline was exercised at Giggleswick School? There was to be seen a master, not taking an unmanly pleasure in lording it over his pupils, but one who had recourse to the harsher exercise of authority with the utmost unwillingness, so that the boy, who had justly called down upon himself any well-merited chastisement, seemed to cause a no less punishment to him whose duty it was to inflict it. The consequence of this was, that on all occasions the readiest obedience was paid to our excellent preceptor, not so much from feelings of awe and fear, as from those of respect or esteem and from a sense of disgrace, which must naturally attach to that boy who could merit punishment for so forbearing a master."

In the course of his reply Mr. Ingram said, "When I first made up my mind to discharge the office of a schoolmaster, I was well aware that few situations in common life are more arduous, are loaded with a heavier weight of responsibility, or occasionally present more severe trials. It was necessary, therefore, for me to lay down for my conduct one rule, by which alone I could hope to command nerve sufficient for the daily discharges of my duties. . . . Can I, then, with the numerous lapses and deficiencies, of which I am conscious, still in view—can I still venture to cherish the hope and trust, that the principle which I avow that I from the first proposed to myself, of acting in my responsible situation according to the dictates of my own conscience has, to speak generally, been in such manner adhered to as to have borne me thus far effectually, and with success? No man who understands what duty means, would hastily, and without hesitation, claim to himself such a verdict. See then, here, the value of these pledges: for of that hope and trust—the greatest of this life's reward—can there be stronger confirmation than the assurance which they afford?"

Thus ended the most notable day of Mr. Ingram's life up to this time. He continued still, for sixteen years, to discharge the duties of his post, counting among his subsequent scholars the late Dean of Chester, Dr. Howson, Dr.

Kay, a member of the Old Testament Revision Company, and the late Mr. Busfield Ferrand, sometime M.P. for a Lancashire constituency. In 1838 he lost his wife, to whom he had been tenderly attached; and it is characteristic of the scholarship of the old times, that he had always used his Parkhurst's Hebrew Lexicon as a "Family Bible," to register the births, &c., of his family in, and that he relieved his feelings, on entering his wife's death, in these few Latin verses:—

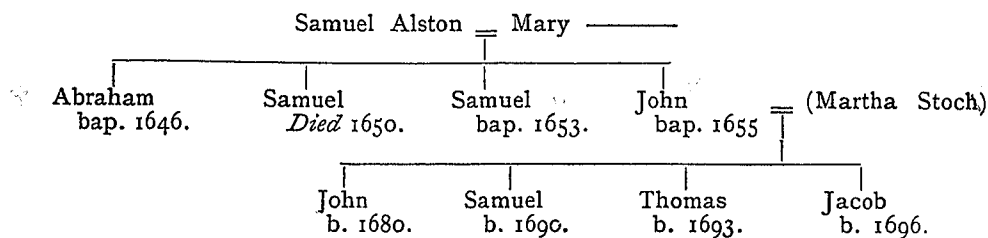
At non æternum: solus pars altera resto.
 Me properante die sors jubet æqua mori.
 At non æternum! Æ ternos communiter annos,
 In te fac merear, vivere, Christe, jubes.
 Tecum adeo, similesque tui, tuaque ora tuentes
 Purior exuta carne revincit amor.

At last came the time for him to resign; his predecessor, Mr. William Paley, had occupied his post for 55 years, and died in harness at the age of 86. Mr. Ingram had all but completed the remaining portion of a century, and had not known a day's real illness, when the anxieties of advancing age caused him to ask leave to retire. Once more his neighbours roused themselves to show their appreciation of his life among them. The Governors granted him a retiring pension of £300 per annum, and the use of the Head Master's House for his life time; his friends met at the Public Library, Settle, January 7th, 1845, when the following resolution was passed: "That it is desirable that some public testimonial of respect should be presented to Mr. Ingram on the occasion of his retiring from the Head Mastership of Giggleswick School."

He survived these final honours for only three and a half years more, and died after a fortnight's illness on February 5th, 1848. His tomb is to be found outside the north chancel wall of Giggleswick Church, with the following inscription:—

Hic Requiescunt In Christo
 Rolandus Ingram, B.D.
 Natus Vormingford In Com. Essex.
 Olim Syd. Suss. Coll. Apud Cant. Socius,
 Scholæ Regis Edvardi Viti De Giggleswick
 Per Annos XLV Magister,
 Vir Eruditionis, Comitatis, Pietatis,
 Charitatis Eximiae:
 Obiit Non. Feb. A.D. MDCCCXLVIII Æt. LXXXIII:
 Necnon
 Maria, Uxor Ejus,
 Filia Natu Secunda Cuthberti Shafto De Bavington
 In Com. Northumbr. Equitis,
 Fœmina Tali Viro Digna:
 Obiit VIto Id. Mart. A.D. MDCCCXXXIII Æt. LXVIII
 "Domine Tu Nôsti Quod Amem Te." Joh. XXI, 15.
 D.S.I.

CONJECTURAL PEDIGREE FROM EDWARDSTONE REGISTERS, BY DR. FENN, 13th March, 1898.



GOSFIELD REGISTERS.—ENTRIES OBTAINED BY DR. FENN. Sent to me 13th March, 1898.

Baptisms— Elizabeth, daughter of John Alston 1677
 Elizabeth, daughter of Solomon and Mary A. 1683

Marriage— Edward John Thurlow
 Susannah Elizabeth Alston of Clapham Surrey 1812

Burials— Ann Alston 1682
 Elizabeth Alston 1683
 Toller Alston 1790
 Judith Alston æt 70 1833

NEWTON SUFFOLK. Alstons resided here so early as Edward I. when Mr. Alston of Stisted Essex for want of warranty of Brookscroft in Stisted granted and confirmed to John le Carpenter of Haylinghurst in Braintree Essex so much of the better land except his mansion house.

Sir Thomas Alston left Margaret Lee sole heiress and Sir Rowland the younger brother and last of the family dying without issue Margaret Lee claimed the Odell estate as a reversionary estate being left sole heiress of Sir Thos. Alston.

"Clapham" says Sir Rowland had two sons Thos. and Rowland. Thos. was engaged to a heiress but her friends would not consent to her marriage without he would give up the Odell estate he to pacify them gave it up in a manner (?) but not so far but that he could will it. Mr. Thos. Alston and his wife parted they had no (?) children at that time. Sir Rowland — then made a will leaving the estate to Sir Thomas during his life and if he died without issue to his brother Rowland and if he died without issue to return to his brother Thos. will. Thos. took unto his house a Mistress Lee by whom he had a son now inheriting the estate. Mr. Alston went and cohabited with C(ap) Wass by whom he had two children one is dead and the other claims the estate and has thrown it into chancery. He set up that as his mother was not beyond the seas Sir Rowland might have access to her which he endeavours to prove. Sir Thos. child claims it by the will of his father and has in some manner substantiated (?) his claim in an action against his uncle Sir Rowland who felled some timber of the estate when he was in possession which was recovered by the present Mr. Alston in the Court of Westminster. Sir Rowland has been dead 35 years. (*This puts the date of the note as 1826.*)

NEXT OF KIN ADVERTISEMENTS RELATING TO ODELL ESTATES.

If the next of kin of the late Sir Thos. Alston of Odell Castle in the County of Bedford will apply to Mr. Roberts Solicitor No. 5 Duke St. S. James he will hear of something of the utmost advantage. (*Source unknown.*)

If the offspring of the late Sir Thos. Alston of Odell Castle Bedfordshire born about 1755 or 1762 will apply to Mr. Drummond 23 Russell Mews Rowland Street Fitzroy Square he will hear of something greatly to his advantage. *Courier*, Oct. 26, 1811.

"It appears that Edwd. Alston died between ye years 1751 and 1755 most likely in ye year 1751 or 1752 corroborated by ye writing of Thos. Alston in ye Overseer Book Dec. 27th 1752. Mr. Edwd. Alston served Overseer in ye year 1748. Thos. Alston served Overseer in 1755 attending a meeting April 23 1753 and signed his name.

Extract from letter Jan. 23, 1803. Perhaps refers to Edward or Edmund Alston of Lavenham Hall. See Table 103.

Was there a Thomas Alston Surgeon of Thorpe who left a son Wm. Alston of Pochester 27 Nov. 1811? Did not his widow survive him and marry a Mr. Veasey?

HACHESTON REGISTERS.—Marriage of Margaret Alston to Francis Coleman before July 14 1632 and their deaths.

BARNSTON REGISTERS (near Dunmow).—Marriage of Edmund Alston to Sarah Collard Criciter 1636.

TATLINGSTONE.—A daughter of Nicholas married a Steward of Tatlingstone.

Mount Bures Manor was alienated about the year 1610 by Lady Temple to her son by her first husband, Edward Alston.

Huxes Manor Topesfield about the latter end of Elizabeth was holden by John Alston of Belchamp Oton who gave it to his 3rd son Matthew and he having no issue bequeathed it to Thomas Cracherode.

Kentishes Stisted was alienated 5 July 1631 to John Alston of Hawkishall in Topesfield who bequeathed it to his son L'estrage Alston who bequeathed it 20 April 1678 to John Alston his nephew and after him to another nephew named L'estrage this last bequeathed it 22 April 1689 to his sister Elizabeth wife of William Jegon and to her heirs for ever.

Notes from Edward's Heraldry.—Alston Sir Thomas Knt. and Bart. of Odell in Bedfordshire. Azure 10 stars arranged 4, 3, 2 and 1 or crest and etorte or, on a crescent argent.

EDWARD ALSTON ob. 12 Aug. 1820 ætat 77

Alexander Young Spearman (of Thornley) m. Agnes d. of James Morton Esq., of Bonar (?) Hill in Glasgow by Annie his wife daughter of John Alston Esq. of the County of Lanark circa 1780.

"Edward Alston of Lavenham buried September 6th 1753." *Extracted from the Parish Register the 6th November 1811 by me W. F. Bird, Curate of the Parish of Boxford. This extract corrects Table 103.*

COPY OF EXTRACTS FROM FAMILY BIBLE.

EDWARD son of Edward and Elizabeth Alston was born on the fourteenth day of September being Holy Rood in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and forty seven. Godmothers his grandmother Alston of Newton and his grandmother Lee of Stanway in Essex his uncle Thos. Alston of Boxford great uncle and his great uncle Saml. Alston of East Bergholt.

ELIZABETH daughter of Edward and Elizabeth Alston was born December the twenty second the day after St. Thos. a few minutes past 12 of the clock in the day in the year one thousand and seven hund. and fifty two the same year as when the New Style began which was on the 14th day of September in the same year 1752. The Old Style was dropt bringing our years forward eleven days as from the 2nd day of Sept. to the 16th. If ye style which is called yt New continue your gt was born before yts took place must not account to ye present Almanacks for ye eleven days was actually misunderstood 6 quite taken out of the month Sept. as is observed by me Edward Alston who was then living. The above Elizabeth was baptized ye same day as born.

LUCY daughter of Edward and Elizabeth Alston born Feby. the 29th in the year 1756 between 5 and 6 a clock in the afternoon and privately baptized on the 1st day of March 1756 her aunt Alston wife of her uncle the Reverend William Alston of Great Waldingfield in Suffolk and her aunt Judith Lee her uncle Thos. Alston of Lavenham god-father.

THOS. son of Edward and Elizb. was born April ye 11th 1757 between 2 and 3 o'clock in ye morning being Easter Monday and privately baptized on Tuesday the 12th of April being Easter Tuesday his god-fathers his uncle Thos. Alston proxy for his grate-uncles the Rev. Mr. Wm. Alston and his cousin Joseph of Bures St. Maries. God-mother cousin Joseph Alston wife of Bures.

SAMUEL son of Edward and Elizabeth Alston was born April 24th 1759 at night 48 minutes past 9 o'clock, was privately baptized ye next day godfathers uncle Thos. Alston of Lavenham Mr. Thos. Alston of Lavenham Mr. Thos. Alston of Boxford. God-mother Mrs. Alston wife of ye said Thos. Alston of Boxford.

Above in the handwriting of Edward Alston of Newton.

FROM MISS THURLOW'S PERSONAL INFORMATION.—BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

Elizabeth m. at Groton Revd. John Thurlow Rector of Gosfield Essex and Chelmondiston Suffolk.

Lucy d. single.

Judith do.

Thomas.

Samuel father of Thomas Rowland of Bishopgate London. (*Was not Thomas father of Thomas Rowland?*)

PORTRAITS AT MR. ALSTON'S OF NAYLAND.

Ann Alston wife of Jacob Alston junr. of Boxford and daughter of Samuel Alston aged 26 years afterwards the wife of John Earl of Hadleigh.

Mr. Beeston Coyte fec. 1753.

Mary Alston daughter of Saml. Alston of Edwardston aged 22 years afterwards the wife of John Smith of Groton.
Mr. Beeston Coyte fec. 1752.

Sarah Sudell wife of Wm. Sudell of Wivenhoe co. Essex and daughter of Samuel Alston of Edwardston aged 27 years.

Mr. Beeston Coyte fec. 1753.

Samuel Alston of Nayland Attorney-at-law son of Samuel Alston of Edwardston aged 30 years.
Mr. Beeston Coyte fec. 1752.

Samuel Alston of Edwardstone. Mr. Beeston Coyte fec. 1752.

Mr. Thos. Alston of Kirby in Essex aged 62. Mr. Beeston Coyte fec. 1754.

Mr. John Alston of Layland aged 74. Mr. Beeston Coyte fec. 1754.

EXTRACTS FROM THE GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE.

Married 8 Dec. 1841 at Yardley W. C. Alston Esq. of Elmdon Hall Warwickshire to Eliz. Ann youngest dau. of the late Col. Fetherston.

Died 10 Sept. 1841 at Malvern Anne relict of James Alston Esq. of Winsor Hill near Birmingham.

Died 17 Jany. 1840 aged 30 Elizb. wife of D. T. Alston Esq. of Savage Gardens.

Married 23 Feby. 1841 at Swanscombe Kent D. T. Alston Esq. of Chalkwell near Sittingbourne to Ellen Taylor niece of James Harmer Esq. of Ingress Abbey Greenhithe. (*Second wife, see Table 109.*)

Married 23rd Nov. 1847 at St. Magnus the Martyr the Revd. George Bryant M.A. Incumbent of Trin. Church Sheerness to Catherine Sarah eldest dau. of David Alston Esq. (niece to D. T. Alston.)

Died 15 Sept. 1850 aged 49 David Alston Esq. of Monument Yard City and of Cheyney Rock Sheerness.

Died 1st April 1838 in Devonshire St. aged 77 Wm. Charles Alston Esq. late Lieut. Col. Bengal Establishment.

Died 31st Oct. 1818 in his 71st year John Alston Esq. banker Glasgow.

Thos. Alston the elder yeoman churchwarden of Newton 1609.

Samuel Alston *generosus* was one of the Jurors on the *inquisitio post mortem* of Sir William Clopton 1 Car. I.

FROM BURKE'S LANDED GENTRY. (1850 *Ed.*)—ALSTON OF ELMDON HALL.

Alston Wm. Charles Esq. of Elmdon Hall co. Warwick b. 22 March 1796 m. 8 Dec. 1841 Elizabeth Ann dau. of Col. Fetherston of Packwood and has issue

I. Wm. Charles b. 2 Nov. 1842.

II. James Fetherston b. 19 Oct. 1844

and three daughters.

This gentleman is son of the late James Alston Esq. of Winsor Hill, by his wife Anne Holt of the Woodhouses Shropshire.

Arms—Az. ten Estoiles or, four, three, two and one, or a chief arg. a crescent reversed gu between two boars heads, sa.

Crest—A demi-eagle wings displayed or, on each wing a crescent reversed gu.

Motto—In Altum.

Seat—Elmdon Hall Warwickshire.

Extracts from a Letter dated 1862.

Wm. Spice Alston died in 1836-7 unmarried his realty went to his brother David Thomas Alston by entail or settlement and his personalty to the same by will. The sister you mention (Mrs. Chaplin) is also a friend of mine. She is the widow of the late William Chaplin late M.P. for Salisbury of Coaching and Railroad celebrity.

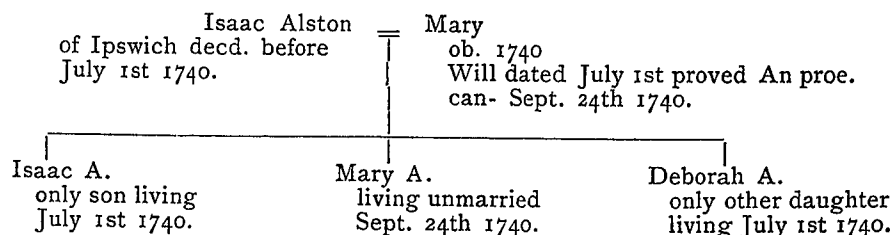
Times 30 Jan. 1879.

Rev. Thos. Alston Perpetual Curate of East Crompton.

On the 20th March 1877 at Richmond Surrey by the Rev. G. I. Ingram Edward Daniel son of E. Alston Esq. of Great Bromley Hall Essex to Grace youngest daughter of W. Francis Esq. of Fernbank Norbiton.
Ipswich Journal 31 March 1877.

William Alston of Somersham co. Suffolk yeoman held property at Flowton. Will dated 12 Sept. 1719 proved (*Arch. Suff.*) 25th June 1726.

This will does not appear in my collection.



Inscription on a Cup of Silver, Newton.

Huriat time populus vitam de sanguine sacro
Inflecto æternus quem fudit ouluere Christus
Dat Deo et Ecclesiae de Newton Edws Alston Rector.

Inscription on a Silver Salver.

Wilhelms Alston Churchwarden of Newton 1628.

Edwd. Alston was Churchwarden in 1763. Lands called Warrens belonging in 1638 to Mr. Edmund Alston were owned in 1763 by Mr. Edwd. Alston.

GT. WALDINGFIELD.

Tithe payers 1695.

* John Alston and Samuel Alston.
* of Edwardstone.

Will of William Alston of Lavenham co. Suffolk yeoman dated Sept. 12th 1719 proved (Arch. Suff.) June 25th 1726.

Apparently the same testator as above mentioned.

Times 13 Feb. '77.—At the residence of his nephew Caenwood Towers Highgate Christopher Corles Alston of Chester and late of Valparaiso æt 71.

THE LEVEE.—*Times* Feb. 16th 1877.—Mr. F. B. Alston.

Gent's. Mag. 1845, May.—At Winterbach Germany Mary wife of Justinian Alston Esq. of Odell Castle Beds. and dau. of late Gen. Kerr of Northampton.

Maitland's History of London Vol. 2 p. 1004. There was a farm house of old time called the Green Gate near Lime Street. In reign of Henry 7th it was seized into the King's hands and then granted first unto John Alston.

1847 Dec. 7. At Sidmouth Mary Anne Elizabeth eldest daughter of Rev. Vere Alston of Odell Rectory Beds.—*Gent's. Mag.*

Times 11th Aug. 1877.—Wm. Alston of Limbourn Park Mansion co. Essex and late of Leicester in his 82nd year Alston arms exists in Chancel window of Little Ellingham Church.

Beds. 1848 Jany. 11th æt. 97 Justinian Alston of Odell Castle.

1878. On the 13th inst. at East Grinstead, Rowland T. Head eight surviving son of William Alston and Ellen Head. Friends will kindly accept this intimation.

1851 April 27. Odell Rectory æt. 33, Vere John eldest son Rev. Vere Alston.

1842 19 Oct. at Marylebone Thos. Neville Abdy Esq. of Albyns Essex and Harriot 2 dau. Rowland Alston Esq. of Pishiobury Herts.—*Gent's. Mag.*

Frankfort-on-Maine. Justinian Alston Esq. Junr. of Odell Castle Bedford and Anna youngest dau. of late A. H. Mercer Esq.

Edward Alston Pierrepont Brooke gent. to (be) 2 Lieut. Surg. 1st Royal Infantry Militia Feb. 1878.

Times Oct. 24 1877.—18 Oct. at Clacton-on-Sea Essex Jane widow of the late Henry Fred Alston Esq.

Stoke by Wayland by Tortyse.—“10th yr. Jas. I. the King grants to Wm. Alston a lease of 2 thirds of the estate of Francis Mannock seized for recusancy the same Wm. Alston leaves the same to Thomas Berner.”

Genealogist Vol. 2 No. 15 p. 179.—The Kerr Pedigree.

General John Manners Kerr	=	Isabella Errington
Justinian Alston	=	Mary Kerr
		20 June 1816.

Berry's County Families of Herts. p. 49.

Catherine Shaw	=	Rev. Thos. Davis Bovey
		of Stow co. Camb. 1st husband
Catherine Bovey	=	Sir Thomas Alston
		of Odell co. Beds. Bart.

1879, 7 Jany. At his residence Hill House Tooting Surrey, Robt. Douglas Alston Esq.

Times May 16th 1876.—Mr. and Mrs. Alston paid their respects to their Majesties the King and Queen of Hanover.

1840, *Gent's. Mag.*—Sept. 9 Cambridge Terrace Hyde Park the wife of H. F. Alston of a son.

Annals of Nonconformity by David Essex p. 442.—Pentloe. The Rectory was sequestrated from Edward Alston. Alston recovered his living after the Restoration and retained it until he died before Decr. 1675.

Alston. 21st (Dec. 1876) at Fairburn's Hotel George St. Edinburgh the wife of George Alston Esq. of Craighead Lanarkshire—a daughter.

Cambridge Apl. 14th 1877. G. R. A. Alston obtained an open Exhibition of £50 tenable for three years St. John's Coll.

Catherine wife of Edward Alston Boxford Oct. 1690 died.

On the 27th inst. at Burntisland Scotland by the Rev. David Couper D.D. Herbert Alston Whitaker to Janet McFarlane eldest daughter of Andrew Boosie Esq. (March 1877).

Grub Street Journal Thursday December 20 1733 (No. 208).—"Died on Sunday at the Bath Jos. Alston Esq. son of Major Alston and brother of the lady of the right rev. Dr. Francis Hare, Lord Bishop of Chichester and Dean of St. Paul."

Gertrude Durnford baptised at West Park Hants. 9th Aug. 1731. Married September 1753. Ob. s. p.

Sir Rowland Alston of Odell Castle co. Bedford Bart. ob. January 1759.

Capt. Augustus Durnford April 1735 Royal Engineers ob. Aug. 1791. Buried at Brunsdean (?).

Long Stow Camb.—Sir Ralph Bovey who resided at Houghton d. 1679 left this estate to the Revd. Mr. Danes who took the name of Bovey. *Lady Alston left this manor to her son John.*

Mr. Alston patron of Polstead S. Mary 1764.

Nomina Custumar of Welford 1386. Richard Alstan 1/6 Katherine Alstan 1/-

EAST BERGHOLT TOWN BOOK BEGINS 21 ELIZ. 1579.

1701. There was divers loose pieces of Brass in the town chest wch together weighed 80lb. and odd wch were ordered by ye visitors to be sold and with the money a Comunion Salver to be bought for the use of the Church and accordingly there was a Salver bought and now put into the town chest weight eight ounces three quarters wth this inscription "Edward Alston B.D. Rect. & Mr. John Leech & Mr. John Parker Churchwardens of the Parish of East Bergholt in Suffolk Anno Domini 1701." There were 30 pieces of brass.

Gent's. Mag. 1839 29 Oct.—At Watford Henry Fred Alston Esq. 4th son of late T. Alston Esq. of Odell Castle Beds. to Jane 2nd dau. of Alex. Nicholson Esq. late East Coast Charlton Regis. Gloucestershire formerly Capt. 2nd Life Guards.

1841 Worcester Sept. 10 At Malvern Ann relict of James Alston Esq. of Winsor Hill Birmingham.

"*Bits about Bergholt, by Villager,*" December 11th 1874.—Mr. Wellbank (an unpopular incumbent) was followed by Mr. Edward Alstone a very different man. He seems to have been popular in the parish and many of the town meetings were held at the Rectory.

In January 24th 1681 we found him obliging his neighbour the Rector of Wenham Magna by officiating at a funeral in his stead. Very graphically did he describe the various persons whose names he entered in the register making such notes as these "an almsman," "a weaver," "a Town charge," "a vagrant of Gravesend," "a poor chairmaker," "a knacker," "a compter," "a great town charge and a Potash maker."

He was required in some cases to state whether persons were possessed of £600 or not and very quaintly does he record of Henry Godfrey that "he was not worth 6 farthings as he saith." In 1683 he recorded the baptism of his child Nicholas son of Edward Alston by Frances his wife, at church.

In 1658 an Act was passed for the encouragement of the woollen trade which ordered that all the dead should be shrouded in woollen stuffs. It was this act to which Pope refers in the well-known lines—

'Odious! in woollen' 'twould a saint provoke

Were the last words that poor Narcissa spoke.

On March 28 1687 we find—"This is a true account of all the Burials in East Bergholt the last year past and that the several persons were buried in woollen and affidavit made of the same (except John Matthews and Ann wife of Joseph Clark who were punished according to the Statute)."

Ita testatur

(Signed) Edward Alston (Rector).

In 1701 the Rev. Edward Alston officiated at a strange sort of wedding. Anxious to prevent two paupers from obtaining a settlement here the town overseers determined to pay for their marriage and removal to Ramsey the following expenses:

Paid to Mr. Alston for a license and marriage of Katherin Harmon 23s. 6d.

Paid more to the King's Duty 2s. 6d.

More to Parkin's (the clerk) 6d.

More to two horses journey to carry them to Ramsey 3s.

But in Februry 1721 Edward Alstone deceased and William Coyte was presented to ye Rectory by Joseph Chaplyne Esq. in May following.

COINAGE OF SUFFOLK, by C. Golding.

In the preface the Rev. E. C. Alston of Pennington is thanked for the light of his solution.

BILDESTON

Obverse Abraham Alstone = a heart

Reverse in Bildeston = AA

One Samuel Alston (of Marlesford?) was engaged in the Militia 1667 with the Dutch at Felixstone.

Wm. Alston Esq. had also a seat in Bildeston in 1734. The Alstons of Bildeston bore for arms—*A Chevron between three goats heads.*

Horace Walpole says "Sir Peter Lely was taken with the illness which caused his death when he was painting the D(uchess) of Som(erset) formerly Miss A(lston).—This must have been in 1679 or 80 then 48 or 9 years of age.—Picture finished by Sir G. Kneller who came to England in 1674.

The portrait of this lady is now in the possession of the Rev. E. C. Alston who purchased it from the house of her last husband Lord Coleraine at Tottenham.

Thomas Rowland Alston married 18 August 1855 Jane Elizabeth Witten of Camdentown at St. John's Holloway

Albert Alston married 19 October 1858 Emily Sarah Lucas of Upper Tooting at Holy Trinity Up. Tooting.

Emma Jane Alston married 16 Sept. 1858 Edward Walter Witten of Cambdentown at S. Helen's Bishopsgate.

Henry Carter Alston married 21 July 1864 Mary Frances Newton of Avenue Road St. John's Wood at St. Peter's Church Kensington Park.

Emily Alston married 12 April 1865 Rev. Edward Markby of Cambridge Parish Church Marylebone.

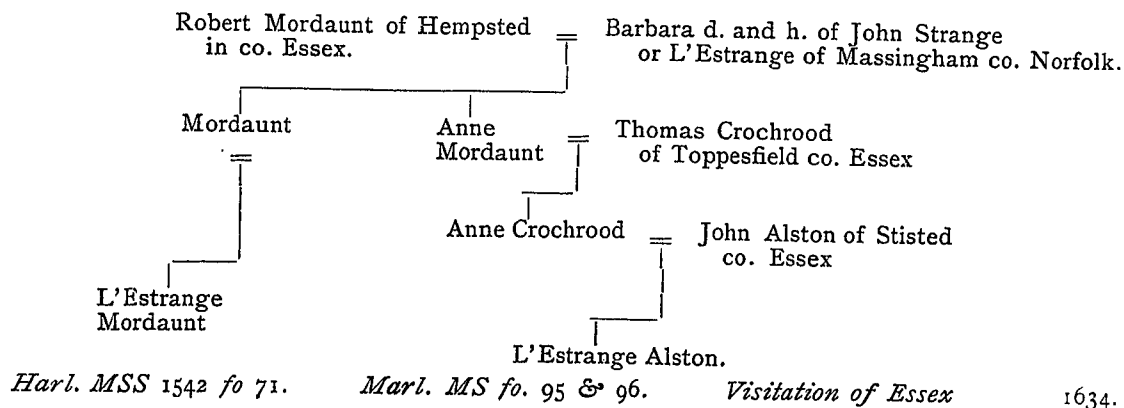
Extract from Letter dated London 15 July 1870 and signed T. R. Alston.

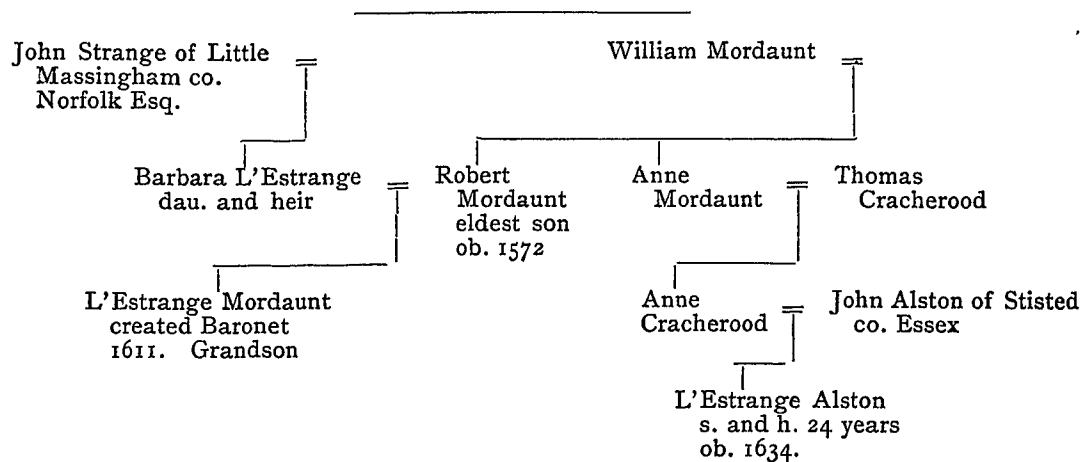
(Addressed to Rev. E. C. Alston).

It has the p.s.

"War I fear, if so I pray that France may get the worst of it.

$\frac{1}{2}$ past 3. Report that French Ambassador has left Berlin and that the French troops are in Newton.—Expect a declaration of war on the part of France tomorrow but still hope for peace.





This Pedigree differs from preceding one.

See Morant's Essex II, 529

Samuel Alston Vicar of Holkham 1750
Rector of Waterden (?)
Samuel Alston Rector of Bathell (?) Norfolk 1740 by William Alston clerk.

Daniel Collier Esq. purchased and lived in a little manor of Netherhall Norfolk (Hillingdon Parish) and gave it to Dr. William Alston Rector of Gunthorpe who married his niece and Mr. Spurgeon of Amnen (?) recovered it by suit in Chancery about 1762.

Noble's History of Cromwell Vol. II p. 268.—"John Lockhart was a Captain in a Company of Dragoons d. Sept. 6, 1707 married Eliz. dau. of Sir Thos. Scot of Scotshall Kent by whom an only child Robina who married Edwd. Alston Professor of Botany in Coll. of Edinburgh whose only child Robina married Birnie of Broomhill Lanarkshire."

1674 Chas. 2nd — 26th.—Mr. Saml. Alston Bailiff of Dunwich Suffolk.

Suffolk Institute of Archaeology Vol. 3, 1857.—Account of Dr. Charles Trumbull Rector of Stystead Essex and Hadley Suffolk Chaplain to Archbishop Sancroft he married Laurentia Alston.

1701. Persons subscribing towards the charge of procuring the grant of incorporating the Town of Hadleigh Suffolk.

Jos. Aston (Alstone) Esqre.
Jos. Alston.

Blomefield Vol. 10 p. 26 Patesley.—King William on his conquest granted this town to Peter de Valoines, &c. Alestan a freeman was owner of it in King Edward's reign when it was accounted a manor.

Hundred of Hinckford. Sible Hedingham. 1631 Mr. Joseph Alston of Kingsholm in Suffolk gave an annuity of 10/- out of land called Lambpits to be distributed to the poor on Easter Monday.

Fifield.—The lands in this parish belonged in Edward the Confessor's reign to Brictmar, Aluin (?) Turic and Alestan.

Bures or Buers, Gifford. A few miles from Billericay Essex.—The lands of this parish were in several hands before and after the conquest namely St. Peter's Westminster, in Alestan a freeman, &c.

Mistley with Manningtree.—This parish belonged in Edward the Confessor's reign to Alric or Aluric and Alestan

Manor of Dikeley Manningtree.—Dikeley Hall is about a mile and a half from the Church. The owner of it in Edward the Confessor's reign was Alestan.

Parish Westham. The owners of this parish in Edward the Confessor's reign were Alestan and Leured—two freemen.

Shnarehill House (now called Thetford Lodge) belonged to Alestan an Englishman in the Conqueror's time.

Mr. Wm. Alston of Rochester was a subscriber to the history of Rochester Kent.

Bradwell, Bucks.—Monument for Sir Joseph Alston of Bradwell Abbey (in the adjoining parish of Wolverton) who died 1688. The demesne of the manor of Houghton was sold to the Alstons and by them about the year 1699 to the Hanslapes.

Times 2 Jany. 1876.—St. Luke's Chelsea by Rev. Sanwood John youngest son of late Mr. John Alston of Stanstead and Mary Ann 2nd daughter of late Mr. Chas. Long of Long Melford.

Henricus Alstan 1351.—By will requested to be buried in S. Mary's Churchyard Thetford. (*See History of Thetford.*)

Priory of Bradwell Bucks. in 1664 passed to Sir Joseph Alston Bart. then of Chelsea who made Bradwell Abbey his residence.

1807 Feb. 20 æt 45. Sir John Alston Bart. issue a dau. only. The title devolves on his brother now Sir Chas. Alston Bart.

This was a case of baronetcy by assumption. "Sir" John being the son of Lady Catherine Alston but not the son of Sir Thomas Alston her husband and the penultimate baronet.

Bildeston.—A mansion here of the late Bartholomew Beale Esq. who left two daus. and heiresses, one = Jacob Brand Esq. and the other = Wm. Alston Esq. of Bramford descended from the Alstons formerly of Marlesford.

Frances dau. of Wm. Clopton of Groton Suffolk by Alice dau. of Edmd. Doyley of Shottisham Norfolk and of Pond Hall Hadleigh living 1637 baptised Hadleigh 11 June 1627 married to Joseph Alston of Kersey gent. at Letheringham 27 June 1654.

1 year of Chas. I. 9 Sept. Wm. Clopton armiger son and heir of Wm. Clopton and — Witness to the will Saml. Alston gent.

Will of Francis Clopton 1630 Witness to the X (*marks*) of Ralph Harwood, Roger Herrington
Abraham Alston.

See Visitation of Suffolk wth. additions by J. J. Howard Vol. I. Clopton's Pedigree see p. 107-88.

Alston. On the 10th inst. (Jan. 1892) in his seventy-sixth year from the effects of an accident William Vere Alston second son of the late Rowland Alston of Fishiobury sometime M.P. for Herts. R.I.P.

In the parish of Acton we find Samuel Alston Esq. mentioned.

In the parish of Boxford we find a William Alliston a clothier 1617. In Boxford Church we find in the middle of the Chancel a black slab inscribed

Here Resteth in hope of a joyfull
Resurrection the Body of Catherine
the wife of Edward Alston
of Boxford Gent.
who departed this life the 31st Day
of October Anno Dom. 1690.
Here lyeth the Body of Edward
Allston who deceased the 22nd
of January 1613.

EDWARDSTON.—A little south of St. Edward's place is a neat mansion which was the seat of Joseph Alston Esq. and was lately sold by his heirs to Mr. Sheldon of London.

Advertisement Printed and Dated June 1767.

To be lett and entered upon immediately in the parish of Edwardston in the County of Suffolk within four miles of Sudbury, six of Hadleigh 12 of Colchester and 17 of Ipswich that capital brick Mansion called NEW HOUSE containing several handsome rooms on a floor one of which is a very grand one lately built with stabling for 24 horses Coachhouses, Brewhouse and all manner of convenient offices for a Gentleman's Family with very good gardens and Fishponds together with 35 acres of land lying close to the house and a wood of five acres lately in the occupation of John Pogson Esq.

For further particulars enquire of John Sparrow at Edwardston Hall within half a mile of the premises, or of Wm. Sheldon Esq. in Portugal Row, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London.

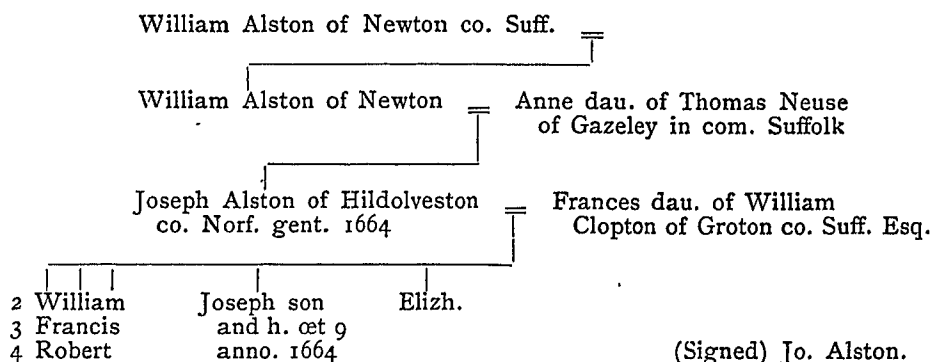
A Petty Sessions for the Hundred of Babergh will be held at the Crown Inn Hartest on Friday the 26th of this instant September for hiring and retaining servants.

Edward Alston } Chief
Joseph Gallant } Constables.
Mary Earl.

Where all persons shall meet with a hearty welcome from their Humble Servant

N.B.—Dinner will be ready at one o'clock.

Visitation Anno 1664 of co. Norf. in Herald's College London.



A long will of Simon Blomefield of Coddensham co. Suff. gent. dated 10 May 1632 proved Cur. Ep. Nov. names *inter alia* his sister the Lady Temple and his cousin Mr. Wm. Alston.

From Records of Archd. Subdy. at Bury St. Edmunds.

Marrg. licence dat. 13 July 1590. Ralph Northey of Colchester and Elizb. Alston single of Newton.

Do. dat. 14 Dec. 1590. Edwd. Alston of Newton and Christian Bull widow Waldingfield Parva Thos. Alston Bondsman.

Do. dat. 23rd May 1592. Wm. Alston of Newton and Margery Linton of Little Cornard widow directed to Mr. Boyse Rector Bondsman Wm. Alston Junr.

Do. dat. 10 Dec. 1595. Wm. Cooke of Tharston co. Norf. and Alice Alston dau. of Thos. Alston of Newton co. Suff.

Do. dat. 19 April 1596 Edward Alston of Boxford and Susan Brand dau. of John Brand Senr.

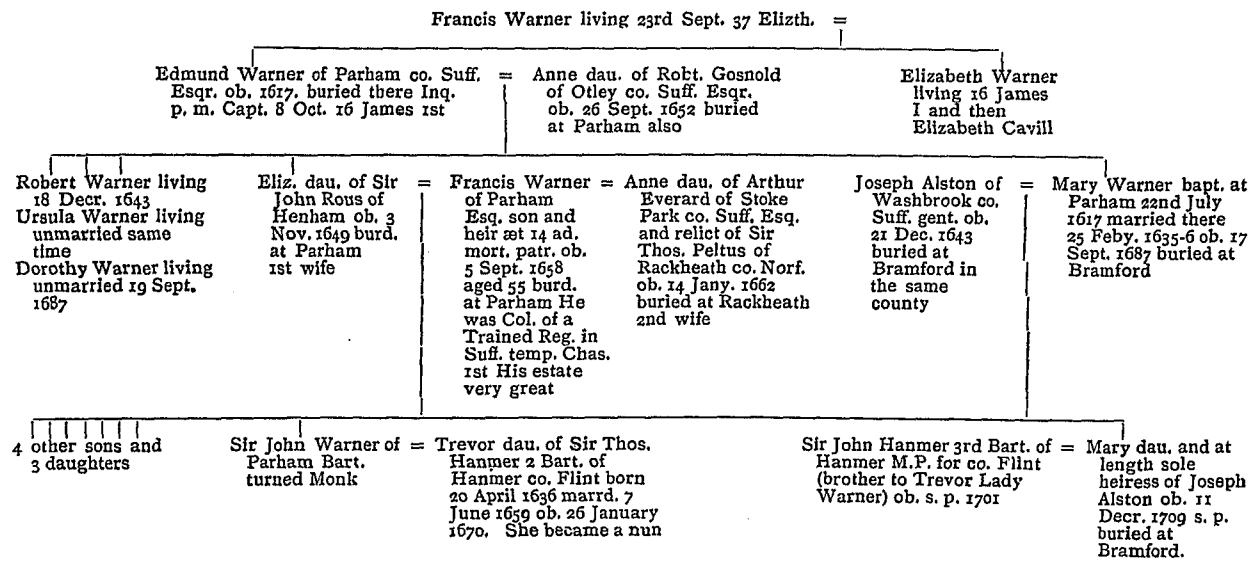
Do. dat. 29 June 1607 William Alston widower of Newton and Ann Malyn of Gazeley widow directed to Rector of Gazeley sd. Wm. Alston gent. Robt. Nuce of Gazeley Bondsman.

Do. dat. 10 Sept. 1608 Wm. Alston of Sible Hymingham co. Essex widower and Parnel Ellice of Newton widow Bondsman Thos. Alston Junr. son of said Wm. Alston of Newton gent.

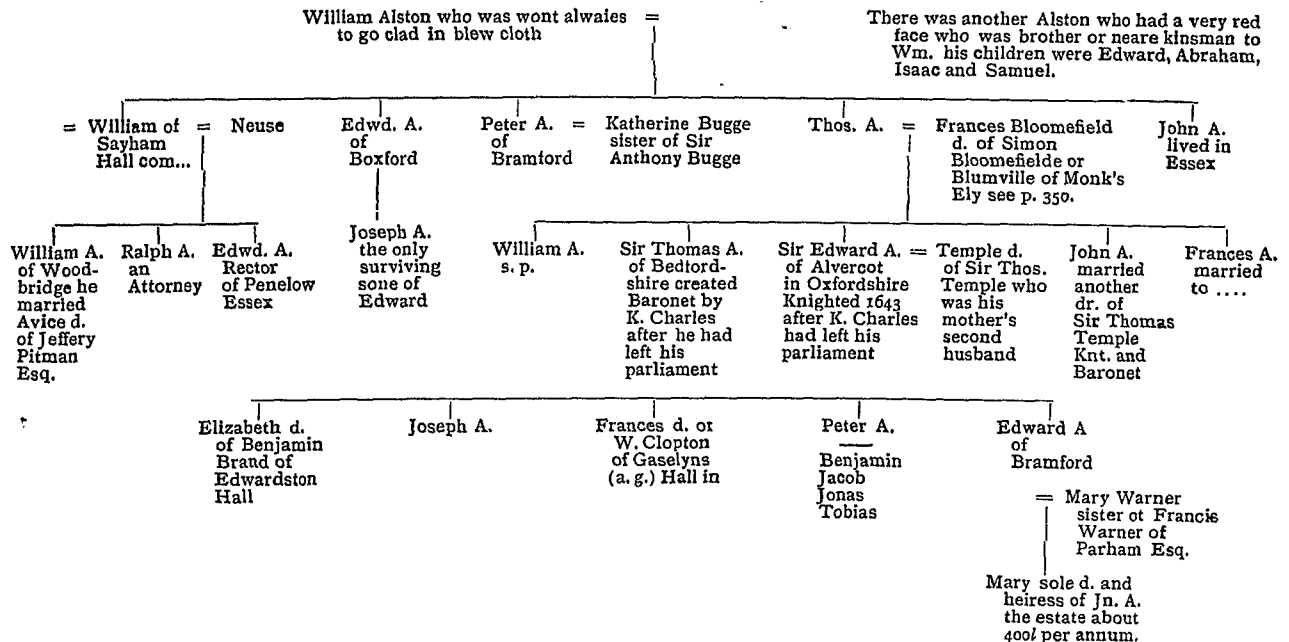
Admn. to Thos. Alston of Assington granted (*Archd. Sud.*) to Elizabeth his widow 10 Oct. 1611.

WARNER PEDIGREE.

From Davy's M.S.S. in the British Museum and Monumental Inscriptions at Parham and Rackheath, &c.



Harleian M.S. 6071 fol. 234.—ALSTON PEDIGREE.



EAST BERGHOLT REGISTERS.—Baptisms.

- Edward son of Edwd. Alston and Frances his wife born 1st Aug. 1680 baptised 12.
- Thomas son of Edwd. Alston by Frances his wife bapt. 22 Aug. 1681.
- Nicholas son of Edward and Frances Alston bapt. 12 Oct. 1682.
- Nicholas son of Edwd. Alston Rector by Frances his wife bapt. 20 Dec. 1683.
- William son of Mr. Edwd. Alston Rector by Frances his wife born 6th and bapt. 14th Jany. 1685-6.
- Samuel son of Edwd. Alston Rector by Frances his wife born 14th and bapt. 25th Jany. 1686-7.
- Edward eldest son of Mr. Thos. Alston by Mary his wife born and bapt. same day 25th Jany. 1709-10.

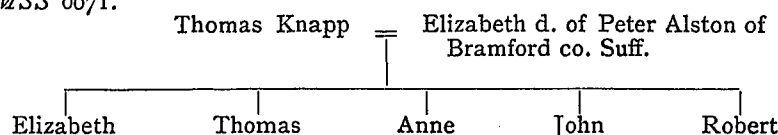
Will of Wm. Alston of Bow Lane in or near City of Durham Clerk dated 24th Dec. 1795 proved C. P. Ebor. 7th Nov. 1799 by George Chrishop Exor. ab. £1,000 fund. The said George Chrishop is described as of City of Durham gentleman and as testator's nephew. He was an Attorney and nephew to Mrs. Alston testator's wife. Testator names no place of burial nor any relations except George Chrishop.

Burials in St. Oswald's Parish, Durham.

Mrs. Mary Alston wife of the Revd. Mr. William Alston St. Mary-le-bow Parish 20th Dec. 1795.
Rev. William Alston Rector of Loftus Yorkshire St. Mary-le-bow Parish Died 9 January buried 14th January 1799 aged 69. (*No monument or tomb to be found*).

The two sisters of Thos. Rowland Alston living 1852 are Mrs. Horrex and Mrs. Ward of Bury St. Edmunds.

Harl. MSS 6071.



Bury St. Edmund's Churchyard.

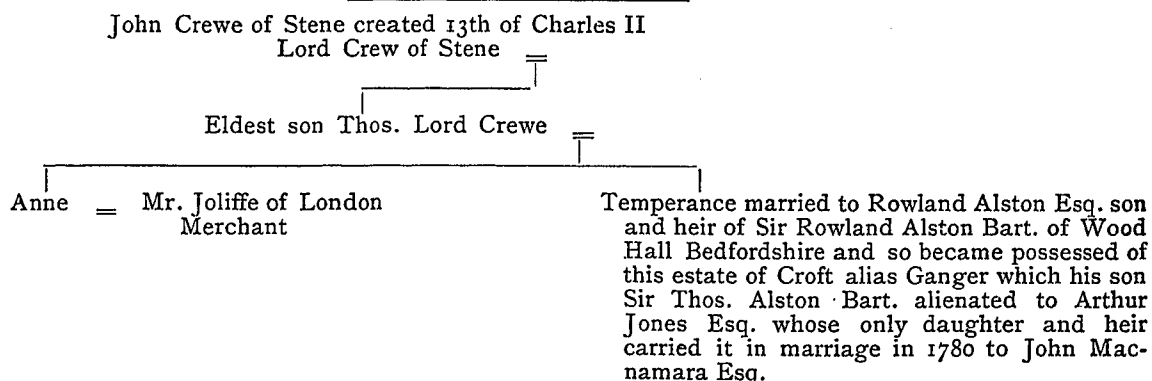
Edmund Horrex ob. 27 July 1843 aged 66 also Elizb. his wife ob. 18 Jan. 1855 aged 65. Edmund Alston son of E. and E. Horrex ob. 31 Jan. 1837 aged 23.

Susan wife of Thos. Rowland Alston Horrex ob. Aug. 24 1856 aged 30 also Thos. Rowland Eve (?) son of Thos. Rowland Alston and Elizabeth Horrex died 2nd Nov. 1852 aged 5 mos.

Samuel Alston of Newton Suff. elected scholar of Trinity Hall 7 Nov. 1735.—*Davy MS.*

Fine levied Mich. Tern. 21 James I between Wm. Alston senr. gent. Plf. and Wm. Alston junr. gent. and Ann his wife Dfts. of the Manor of Seyme Hall alias Seyme with the appurtenances and two messuages one loft, one dovecot, 2 gardens, 120 acres of land, 30 acres of meadow and 90 acres of pasture with the appbrts. in Newton, Seyme, Boxford, Edwardstone, Groton, Assington, Chilton, and Little Cornard, and of all tithes, oblations, pensions, &c., arising within the Manor of Seyme Hall.

Margaret Lee spinster married Robert Garstin of Harrold Esq. High Sheriff. of Beds. in 1809.



Marlsford Suffolk.—About latter part of reign of James I. Wm. Alston gent. a descendant of the Alstons of ——— Hall in Newton built a house here where he afterwards resided. Married Avis 2nd dau. of Jeffery Pitman of Woodbridge Esq. issue 3 sons and 5 daus. His 2nd wife was Margaret widow of Henry Groom Esq.—no issue. Mr. Alston d. 1641 and buried in the Chancel.

Saml. A. his eldest son succeeded was a magistrate for the county, &c., Major in Militia in 1667 in the encounter with the Dutch at Felixstowe he d. and was buried at Marlford. Saml. his only son sold the estate (the paternal one) to Sir Philip Skippon, and his descendants removed to Bramford near Ipswich.

Manor of Molash and all the glebes and tithes of this parish of Molash 1653 belonged to Dudley Palmer Esq. of Grays Inn afterwards belonged to the Meads and from them came to Sir Thos. Alston Bart. of Odell in Bedfordshire who lately died in possession of it.

Bildeston Suffolk.—In early part of 17 century Bartholomew Beale held this lordship and advowson left 6 daus. the eldest Elizabeth = Wm. Alston of Bramford Barrister of Grays Inn and only son of Saml. Alston of Marlsford. Mr. Alston d. 1649 and Wm. his eldest son succeeded. In 1734 Wm. Alston Esq. was seated at Bildeston.

After a prolonged search in every likely quarter for the life history and descendants of Penelope and Elizabeth the two married daughters of Sir Joseph Alston 3rd Chelsea bart. I can only find traces relating as I suppose to the former.

On 6th July 1726 administration to the goods, &c., of Penelope Alston was granted to John Hoare. She was described as late of Bideford co. Devon. The registers at Bideford afford nothing and Sir Henry H. Arthur Hoare and Miss Frances Hoare of Berkeley Square who have kindly searched their family papers can find nothing. Being a Devonshire Hoare John would probably not belong to the baronetical family. A John Hoare's will dated 18 Dec. 1744 was proved P.C.C. 11 Jany. 1744/5 in which are mentioned John Hoare, Penelope married to Charles Jones, and Jean Hoare.

Lewes,
March 23 (1898).

My Dear Sir,

Do you know if George Alston left any issue? At the death of Sir William it was not known if he was alive or dead. Have you searched the registers of Blechingley or Godshere in Surrey as I know some Alstons were living there at one time. I thought you might be pleased with the enclosed coat of arms of the Alston family. (*Gold Seal with Arms and Crest, Baronets Badge on Coat*).

Faithfully yours,
(Miss) S. A. CULTER.

In 1725 Joseph Chaplin left £250 to be laid out in land for providing coats and shoes for five poor men, and gowns petticoats and shoes for five poor women of the parish of Edwardstone. This legacy and £53 left by Sir Joseph Alston were laid out in 1809 in the purchase of a barn and 32 acres 2 roods of land at Polstead, now let for £36 a year with an allotment of 1 acre awarded to it in 1817.—*White's Suffolk Directory*.

? William Alston of Durham supposed to have been ordained late in life became Rector of Lofthouse in Cleveland by presentation of the Crown in 1788 soon after he became a clergyman.

Extracts from the Tending Hundred in the Olden Time by Watson 5/- To be had at
Read & Bassett, Cornhill, Ipswich.

"Gt. Bromley. The Hall is now in the occupation of Mr. Alston whose family have long been connected with the Tending Hundred (Essex).

The following entry relates to a meeting at a Mr. Alston's in connection with the "alefounders." "1684. At the house of Mr. Edward Alston met ye 2nd March 1684. It is ordered and agreed yt all ye weights scales, measures belonging to the alefounders *alias* aletasters be sufficiently repaired and amended fitting for their use and ye charges thereof to be disbursed by ye present treasurer for ye townlands and stocke and if ye said alefounders or ye succeeding alefounders shall neglect to execute their office, according to their oaths yt ye said treasurer Mr. Wm. Ellis present or indyte them at ye next assizes which seem most convenient to him.

THE LATE SIR THOS. ABDY.

Sir Thos Nevill Abdy of Albyns Essex died Friday night at his residence Grosvenor Place not surviving his wife a fortnight. The deceased baronet was the only son of the late Capt. Anthony Abdy R.N. by Grace daughter of the late Adml. Sir Thos. Rich.—he was born 21 December 1810 and married 19 Oct. 1841 Harriet 2nd daughter of the late Sir Rowland Alston of Pishiobury Herts. who died on the 8th inst. He leaves 4 sons and an only dau. widow of Lord Albert Leveson Gower.—*Times*, July 23rd, 1877.

ENGRAVED PORTRAITS OF THE ALSTON FAMILY.

Mary daughter of Sir Edward Alston M.D. and wife of Sir James Langham, of Cottesbroke in Northamptonshire.

1. Small Folio engraved by W. Farthorne.

This print was formerly considered to be very rare but it is not now so. An impression sold in Sir M. M. Sykes' sale in 1824 for £15 4s. 6d.; a second in Mr. Skegg's sale in 1842 for £4 4s. od.; a third at that of the Strawberry Hill collection in the same year for £2 15s. od.; a fourth in that of the Stowe Granger in 1849 for £1 10s. od.; and a fifth at my own sale in the same year for only nine shillings. The last was however not good either as to impression or condition.

2. Copy of the preceding in Harding's Biographical Mirror, 4to.

Sarah Alston Duchess of Somerset sister of the preceding.

1. Whole Length Sitting, engraved by Vertue 1736.

2. Square 4to, published by Radd.

Memorials of a Quiet Life (Daldry & Co., 1876) by Hare.

MR. AUGUSTUS HARE.

Mr. Augustus J. C. Hare, the well-known author, whose death was announced in yesterday's DAILY GRAPHIC, was born in Rome in 1834. He was a son of the late Francis George Hare, and a representative of the family of Hare, of Hurstmonceaux, Sussex. He spent a great portion of his life in southern Europe, and to his taste for travel we are indebted for such famous and popular works as "Wanderings in Spain" and "Walks in Rome," and his many other interesting books on European cities. His best known writings include "The Story of Two Noble Lives" and "Memorials of a Quiet Life."

The funeral will take place at Hurstmonceaux Church on Monday next at three o'clock. A train will leave Charing Cross for Warrior Square, St. Leonards, at 9.3 a.m.—*Daily Graphic*, Saturday, January 24, 1903.

1856 June 23rd Baptised Thomas Simpson son of E.

Alston buried June 26th 1856.

Copy from the Dennington Registers by Mr. Anderson.

WRIGHT'S ESSEX VOL I. p. 441.

Wormingford Gerners this estate bought by ——— Alston Esqr. conveyed to Hales Esq. conveyed it to Drye Esq. of Milton Northamptonshire and it became afterwards the property of his son Henry Drye Esq. of Lincoln's Inn.

Thos. Alston Dec. 14, 1718 buried.

Edw. Alston Feb. 23 1721 Rector of E. Bergholt.

George son of Thos. Alston Boxford Dec. 27, 1728.

In the Chancel.

In Memory of Edw. Alston M.D. who died the 21 of July 1705 aged 25 years.

In Memory of Rev. Edw. Alston B.D. late of East Bergholt in this county and Rector of this parish who died the 10 (?) of Feby. 1722 aged 79 years.

In Memory of Samuel Alston gent. late of East Bergholt in this county who died the 9 of Oct. 1752 in the 66 year of his age.

COPY OF AN OLD LETTER.

Pentlow Rectory,

Nr. Sudbury, Suffolk,

Nov. 17th, 1862.

Dear Sir,

The information I have it in my power to give you respecting Edward Alston is but little. He appears to have been admitted to this Rectory per mort. Nicholas Wallys alias Wallies who died in the year 1625.

I find the following entry in an old Register.

Edward Alston Rector of this parish widower, Faith Lister } Married
Daughter of Randolph Lister late Rector of Alpheton } July 11, 1639
in Suffolk single } at Alpheton.

There is another entry

Edwardus Alston Quondam Rector
Hujus Ecclesiae Obiit Octogesimo Anno
Aetatis et sepultus fuit nono die
decembris Anno domini 1675 et tunc
temporis incipit Georgius

Carter

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The above entry was no doubt made by George Carter who was the next Rector admitted.

Should I find any other record I will inform you.

Suffer me to apologize for unavoidable delay in replying to yours of the 7th instant.

Believe me, Dear Sir,

Yours sincerely,

(Rev.) EDWD. BULL.

Mr. George Carter and Ann Alston married October 11th, 1670.

Edward Alston and Hannah Barbor married May the 19th 1677.

I do not find any other entries.

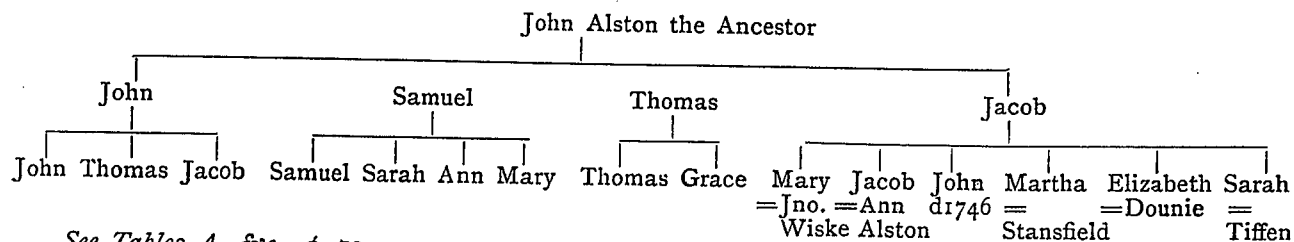
I am, Dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

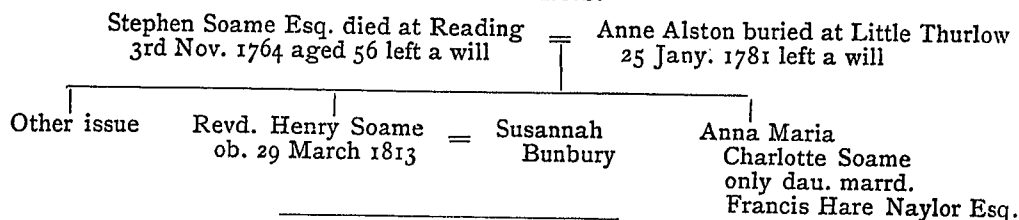
(Rev.) FELIX PEPYS BULL,

Rector, Pentlow.

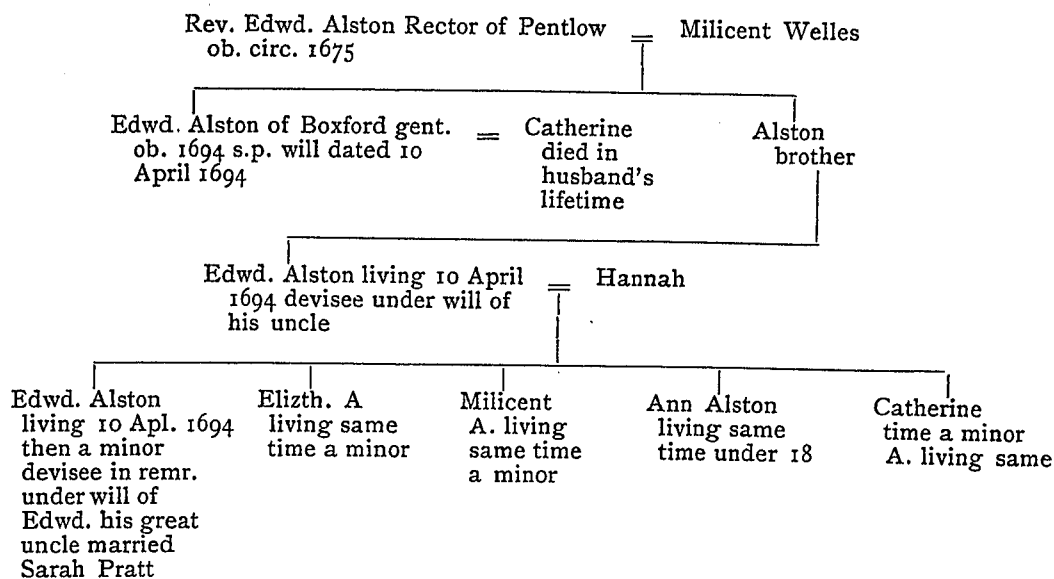
Pedigree of Samuel Alston the elder of Edwardstone in Suffolk Maltster taken in 1745 (the paper is torn but sufficient remains to decipher ..45 and Samuel. Will was proved in 1754)" and of the whole family from Jno. the father.



FROM DAVY'S M.S.S.



CONJECTURAL PEDIGREE.

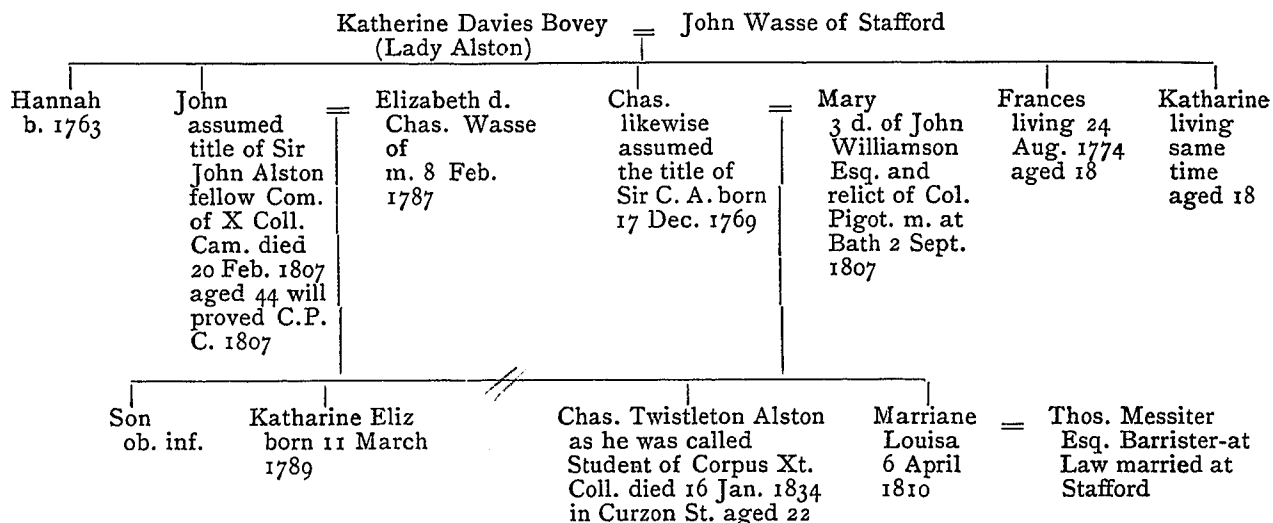


Died 28 Nov. 1855 aged 56 David Thos. Alston Esq. of Savage Gardens and owner of the extensive Cheyney Rock Oyster Fishery Isle of Sheppey. A man of great wealth, he employed it to the benefit of all about him. He marrd. a niece of Mr. Alderman Harmer.—*Gent's. Mag.*

Will of David Alston of 31 King Wm. Street London and of Cheyney Rock in the Isle of Sheppey dated 8 Decr. 1847 proved (Cur. Prærog. Cant.) by Jane Alston his widow 14 Oct. 1850. Children in general terms minors. W. Hinsley Smith and Wm. Alston the 2 witnesses.

Marrd. at St. Magnus the Martyr Londonbridge Josh. Gosling son of Josh. Arnold Esq. of King Wm. Street to Jane dau. of the late David Alston Esq. of Monument Row and Cheyney Rock Isle of Sheppey.—*Globe* 8 March 1856.

PEDIGREE OF THE ALSTON-WASSE FAMILY.



Died 30 Jan. 1853 Lady Alston in Harewood Square in her 81st year. (*Possibly either the wife of "Sir" John or "Sir" Charles.*)

See Table 16, p. 17.

Fine levied Mich tem. 2 Chas. I between Richard Skinner gent. and Abraham Alston gent. Jun. and Edward Alston Sen. gent. and Margaret his wife and Edward Alston Jun. M.D. of 6 messuages 15 cottages 1 loft 2 gardens 13 orchards and 8 acres of land 13 acres of meadow 18 acres of pasture and 1 acre of wood with the appurs in Edwardstone Little Waldingfield and Groton.

Naylor. April 2 at the Residency Albany West Australia Gustavus Edward Cockburn Hare Esq. fifth son of the late Francis Hare Naylor Esq. of Hurst Monceaux Sussex aged 69.

On the 24th inst. at Pangbourn in his 71st year Rowland Gardiner eldest son of the late Rowland Alston Esq.

Alston—March 7 at 14 Maddon Street W. Edward Richard Alston son of the late James William Alston of Stockbriggs Lanarkshire aged 35 (1881) *Standard*.

Coles-Alston—Feb. 28 at the British Embassy Rome by the Rev. Henry Watson Wasse Charles Edward only son of Major General Coles late Bombay Staff Corps to Mary Emma Isabella (May) eldest daughter of Crewe Alston Esq. of Odell Castle Bedfordshire. (*Standard March 7 1881 or 1887.*)

Alston—On the 23rd ult. at the Priory Ascot Sister Rose C. L. J. eldest daughter of the late Rowland Alston Esq. sometime M.P. for Herts. (*Morning Post, May 2, 1887.*)

George Craigie Alston born Feb. 1862 son of R. D. Alston Hillhouse Tooting Surrey Robert Douglas Alston born Sept. 10th 1864.

George Hay Alston born Feb. 28th 1859 son of J. B. Alston Fairfield Bickley Kent John Hope Alston born Dec. 31 1861.

Evelyn's Diary p. 208, Oct. 5, 1664. I heard the Anniversary Oration in praise of Dr. Harvey in the Anatomic Theatre on the Coll. of Physitians after which I was invited by Dr. Alston the President to a magnificent feast.

Crockford.—Alston Thomas M.A. Cantab. D. 1873 P. 1874. Vicar of East Crompton Dio. Manchester died 1890 or 1891.

Alston James Wardle, Lich., D. 1882 P. 1884 Curate of Surgmerton Staffs.

Whitaker's, 1890—Rev. B. Allston Plantersville S.C. Pee Dec Prince Frederick 66 Conns.
Rev. Ossian Alston Burlison Tenn. St. Stephens 1—4 Conns.
Rev. Primus P. Alston Charlotte N.C. St. Michael and All Angel's 40 Conns.

Suffolk Directory 1865. (No Alstons in Cambridge or Norfolk. *Court.* Samuel Alston Esq. of Nayland.
Trade. Stephen Alston 9 Old Butter Market Ipswich. Thomas Alston Stansted Hall Stansted Sudbury.

Capt. Augustus Durnford Engineers and brother to Lady Alston and Mrs. R. Fetherstonhaugh. Miniature in the possession of Lord Hatherley.

From Harl. MS. No. 1390 in Brit. Mus. Arms of Simonds wife of Wm. Alston—a chevron between 3 trefoils.

Thomas Alston of Sudbury. Will proved (*Arch. Sudb.*) 1469. Wife Isabell living 1469.

Harl. MSS. 1390 Brit. Mus. Arms of Eliz. wife of Edwd. Alston dau. of John Coleman p. fesse arg and sa a cross flory betwn 4 mullets counter changed.

In 1574 John Holmsted of Great Mapleston gent. whose wife Margaret was then living was Lord of the Manor of Dynes Hall.

See Walker's Sufferings of the Clergy for account of Edward Alston rector of Pentlow.

From Mrs. Payne (Ann Alston d. of Edward 2 son of William and Margery) wife of Henry Payne of Worlington Suff. gent. was descended Rev. W. Gregson Rector of Whinburgh co. Norf.

The Rectory,
Chelsea, S.W.,
Dec. 30/97.

Dear Sir,

We are searching the Register of Burials as you requested from the year 1675..... At present we have only found two, viz.: In 1675 a Joseph son of Isaac Alston buried Oct. 22, and in 1679 July 27 Mary Alston. But this last is a little doubtful the writing is so faded that it is difficult to be sure of it. We will finish and run to 1695.

The Rectory,
Chelsea, S.W.,
March 2/98.

Dear Sir,

Enclosed are the copies of the three Registers which I mentioned in my last which you have not got. The Registers of Births, Marriages and Deaths have been all searched (from 1650-1695).

Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) GERALD BLUNT.

Anno.

1659. Benjamin Allston the son of Mr. Joseph Alston was baptised August the 14th.
1663. Mary Allstown ye daughter of Mr. Joseph Allstown was buried June ye 22nd.
1670. Mrs. Mary Allstone the wife of Joseph Allstone Esq. was buried the 7 (Feby.)

February, 1898.

1661. Mary Allstown the daughter of Mr. Joseph Allstown was baptised May 7.
1663. Mary Allstown ye daughter of Mr. Joseph Allstown was baptised June ye 21st.
1673. Ann (?) the daughter of Mr. Isaack Allston was baptised January 10th.
1675. Joseph the son of Mr. Isaack Allstone was baptised the last of May.

The Deanery,
Hadleigh,
Suffolk.

Dear Sir,

I have examined the Registers carefully from 1558 but can find no trace of the Alston family till that very doubtful burial in 1675..... The early book from 1558 is in places very much defaced and occasionally obliterated and torn. Still I do not think there could be any Alston name.

Believe me to be,
Yours faithfully,
(Mrs.) ANNA F. SPOONER.

My recollection is that the Alstons of Thinacre Milne Lanarkshire were supposed to have gone there from England about the 14th century but I never saw any records which dated further back than the 16th; this was in a book of county families in the neighbourhood of Glasgow. Our crest is an eagle, our motto "In Altum." I have seen coats of arms with what looked like 10 stars in them in my uncle's house.—*Extract from Rev. Hy. Monteith Alston's letter, 15 March, 1898 (House of the Resurrection, Mirfield.)*

Mrs. W. G. Alston Eastcliffe House Sandgate.
Robert G. F. Alston Teaplanter, Ceylon.

Extract from the Registers of Stansfield Parish Church searched by the Rev. J. R. Little, Rector.
"1639. Samuel Alston et Ellen Frier nupti erant 13 february."
Letter accompanying it "If I find any other references to the Alstons in other parish documents I will communicate with you again."

The Rectory,
Chelsea, S.W.,
Jan. 1/98.

Dear Sir,

We have finished the 20 years search and find only two more entries and one doubtful one. I send you the dates.

Yours faithfully,
[Signed] (Rev.) GERALD BLUNT.

1609. Isaac Alston.
1673. Mrs. Sarah Alston.
* 1688. Joseph Alston Knight.

Great Waldingfield Rectory,
Sudbury, Suffolk,
March 1, 1898.

Dear Sir,

Our Registers begin 1539 and do not go back to 1500. I have looked very carefully through the entries and think I have found all those relating to the name Alston. I shall be glad to do anything further in the matter that you may wish. If I should come across anything further likely to be of interest to you I will send you a copy.

Believe me to be,
Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) C. A. STOKES.

Groton Rectory,
Boxford, Colchester,
28th Feb., 1898.

Dear Sir,

I have carefully searched the Parish Registers from 1562-1800 and send you a correct copy of the entries that I have found recorded within that period.

I am, Sir,
Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) JOHN W. WAYMAN.

Boxford Rectory,
Colchester,
Feb. 17, /98.

Dear Sir,

I have examined our Registers from 1557-1700 inclusive and I enclose a list of all mentions of the Alston family. One in 1600 is only a burial of a servant, but the name happens to be the same as the master's. One in 1641 is spelt Asstin. The registers are I am sorry to say blank in 2 or 3 years and some entries in other years have evidently been forgotten to be entered.

Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) J. G. WARMAN.

* This is the one marked doubtful, but it is quite correct referring to Sir Joseph Alston Kt. and Bart.

Trinity House,
Sudbury, Suffolk,
Feb. 25, /98.

Dear Sir,

I went to-day to Long Melford and interviewed the two old gentlemen I told you I intended seeing but could extract nothing of any importance from them. The Rose and Crown Hotel came again into the family by the marriage of Thomas Alston to a widow Mrs. Williams. He was the son of Daniel and his son lately deceased was Daniel ———. They lived at Stanstead in this county and have done so probably for some time While I was occupying the time to-day at Melford after seeing these old gentlemen and waiting for the Sudbury train I took up White's Directory of Suffolk and at "Assington" I found that Thomas Alston left a yearly rent charge of 26 shillings in 1690 for the weekly distribution of 6 penny loaves.

At Newton. 3 rent charges amounting to £1 16 8 left by William and Edward Alston in 1564 and 1591.

I have consulted Hodgson's History of Sudbury and regarding the Rose and Crown have extracted the following: "The Rose and Crown is an ancient hostelry with a courtyard in the centre still partly surrounded by the original galleries."

It appears by the name of "The Crown" in the Borough accounts for 1585 thus "paid for a gallon of wine sent to Sir John Heigham and Mr. Blage at the Crown XXd."

"Paid at the Crown 18th September for Mr. William Waldegrave and Mr. Thomas Heigham and my own dinner and ther mennes coming to the town to take vewe of our men and armer iijs."

Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) DAVID HUGHES.

West Ashby Vicarage,
Horncastle,
4 March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I saw my mother yesterday and she gave me the address of a gentlemen with whom my late brother George corresponded on Alston pedigree and who was writing a book she believed, it is G. G. Muskett Esq., 5, Park Crescent, Church Street, Stoke, Newington. The initials may be G. G. or I. P. but they looked most like G. G. (*I wrote him but letter came back "not known."*) Also the address of some American Alstons who once made some enquiries and who are said to be very creditable connections R. F. W. Alston, Esq., George Town, South Carolina.

She has also an old seal with Alston arms and baronet's hand on one side and 3 rams heads on the other. Whose will this be?

She gave me a miniature of Capt. Augustus Dumford brother of Lady Alston. It was bought at Lord Hatherley's sale and was called Sir Rowland Alston but the right (name) was found underneath. She has also a second miniature of the same.

I have an engraving of the Duchess, a good one by Virtue, and my brother Rowland has one also I believe. I have seen her portrait at S. John's Cambridge and dined opposite to another one at Brasenose Oxford My cousin Miss Lynn has a very beautiful portrait of Mrs. Meade who was a Miss Alston and her husband Dr. Meade is in the new National Gallery of Portraits.

Yours sincerely,
(Rev.) FRANK F. ALSTON. *Table 119*

A portrait of Sir Rowland Alston was in possession of Col. Cockburn of Norwich and a portrait of Gertrude by Gainsbrough in the possession of Charles Craven Esq. of Brighton.

S. Edmund's Rectory,
32, Finsbury Square, E.C.,
March 12, 1898.

My Dear Sir,

The Registers of S. Edmund's Parish do not begin till 1670. I suppose the preceding ones perished in the fire during transcription. In them the only entry containing the name of Alston is

Robert Alston buried June 23, 1707.

In the Registers of S. Nicholas Acons (which is joined with S. Edmund's) there is the entry of the burial of Mary Alston Sept. 1743 "in the great vault" of the churchyard..... On the first open day will look through the vestry books and see if they will help you.

But the above are all the entries in the Registers containing the name of Alston.

Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) W. BENHAM, Rector.

57, Bedford Gardens,
Campden Hill, W.,
March 10th /98.

Dear Sir,

.....It might also interest you to know that my father Ed. Graham Alston while Attorney General of Vancouver Island British Columbia was one of a party of explorers of the centre of the Island and one of the mountains still bears his name "Mount Alston."

Yours faithfully,
(Miss) CHARLOTTE M. ALSTON.

The Deanery,
Hadleigh, Suffolk,
March 9th (1898).

Dear Sir,

.....I was disappointed not to find more entries and hoped I might have found the marriage of little "Mistress Laurentia" whose baptizing I sent you last time. I took the baptisms first and do not understand about Anne in 1765 and when I came to the marriages I thought Anne must really be the child of Daniel Awston and Susan and that the mistake in spelling must be there.....The name of Alston is so familiar to me but not here but at Framlingham and about 30 years ago Mr. Alston of Framlingham bought a property called Rose Hill in Ipswich from my father's uncle Mr. Cobbold.

Yours truly,
(Mrs.) ANNA F. SPOONER.

Newton Rectory,
Sudbury, Suffolk,
March 3, /98.

Dear Sir,

I have completed the first volume of the Newton Registers down to the year 1692. The number of extracts is 124. It has been a difficult work as several folios are so faded that I have only been able to work on them when the day has been very bright. The christian name is quite illegible, the first letters having quite disappeared. Some of the entries are unnecessarily long, one of your ancestors in particular requiring no less than eleven lines to record his marriage.....The next volume is in much better condition.

I am, yours truly,
(Rev.) ALFRED T. WREN.

Edwd. Alston = (2nd) Christian Bull of Waldingfield
Parva d. 1590.

Robt. Appleton son of John of Waldingfield Parva = 2nd wfe Bridget dau. of
buried at Chilton 1637. Rev. Wm. Bull.
Extract from letter from a Mr. Wm. Barker of 100, Anglesea Road, Ipswich, to Mrs. (E. Constable) Alston
26 April, 1875.

31, High St.,
Lewes,
Mar. 9th, 1898.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter I am sorry that I can give but little more information concerning our part of the family. My eldest sister who married Surgeon Major Ticehurst went with him to India and died there in 1873 buried at Ahmednugger one son only. Surg. Major Ticehurst died here in 1882 buried at Highgate Cemetery. My brother William Cave Head was house surgeon at the Beckett Hospital Barnsley Yorkshire died of S. Fever in 1873 and buried at Barnsley. I have heard so few particulars of the Alston family history although I knew my father's mother was a daughter of Sir W. Alston.

Yours truly,
(Miss) S. G. HEAD.

Stisted Rectory,
Braintree,
March 9th, /98.

Dear Sir,

I can give you no information about the Alstons. The present Lord of the Manor of Stisted is J. N. Paxman Esq. Stisted Hall Braintree. Dr. Fenn of Colchester is also enquiring about the Alstons. I have told him that he can (himself or his deputy) examine our Registers in my study one morning.

Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) T. W. HARDY.

Edwardstone Vicarage,
1st March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

At last I am able to send you copies of all the Alston baptisms marriages and burials recorded from 1646 to 1760 Our registers only date from 1645 therefore all previous books must have been either lost or destroyed. I had no idea when I first wrote to you that there were so many entries.....I have spent hours and hours in searching the registers and in deciphering the indistinct writing. I shall not forget about the memorial slabs and the 'New House.'

Believe me,
Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) FAKENHAM WEST.

Fletching,
March 6th, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I have not anything to tell of the Alston family except that I have a very good crayon drawing of my grandmother Sarah Alston taken by her grandson William Alston Head.....

Yours truly,
SARAH ALSTON HEAD.

The Vicarage,
Cornard Magna,
Sudbury,
March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

..... When I last wrote to you I had previously gone through our parochial registers from their commencement, and I have searched them a second time most carefully from 1540 up to present date re baptisms marriages Burials and even banns as you requested in the family named Alston or Alleston. I will copy baptisms 34, marriages 8, burials 14, between 1540 and 1850. In the name of Elliston I have 10 baptisms, between 1802 and 1883, and 2 burials, also three banns.

I am, dear sir,
Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) W. FRANCIS SINGLETON,
Vicar.

Pentlow Rectory,
Cavendish R.S.O.,
Suffolk,
14 March (1898).

Dear Sir,

I have not replied to your letter of the 4th inst. about the Alstons as it takes a long time to search registers some 300 years ago.

Edward Alston appears to have become Rector of this parish in 1625 and to have been succeeded by George Carter in 1675.

Extracts from Registers.

Edward Alston Rector of this parish widower Faith Lister daughter of Randolph Lister late Rector of Alpheton in Suffolk married July 11th 1639 at Alpheton.

Edwardstone Vicarage,
10 March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

..... I think it is most probable that the older Registers were destroyed in Cromwell's time. No doubt they contained many interesting records of your ancestors. I enclose copies of inscriptions on memorial slabs, which were removed to the Lady Chapel about the year 1878; formerly they lay in the nave and side aisle but they are less likely to be damaged in their present position.

With regard to the New House I have made many enquiries.

It was not Edwardstone Hall because the Brands occupied that house and it is mentioned on their tombs in the Church. Nor the Grove which was a large house built last century by Colonel Waring during the lifetime of an old parishioner's (aged 85) grandfather and pulled down about 70 years ago by Richard Waring. Nor the Lodge which is a small modern house so that I have come to the conclusion that the New House was either Edwardstone House or a smaller house about 500 yards nearer to Boxford.

May yet be able to find out which of these was built by Isaac Alston.

Believe me, yours faithfully,
(Rev.) PAKENHAM WEST.

56, Bloomsbury Street,
London, W.C.
March 25th, '98.

Dear Sir,

..... I omitted to tell you that the name of Alston does not occur in any of these references.
(Mrs.) ELLEN SALMON.

The references in question are Gatfield's catalogue (Lond. Mitchell & Hughes 1892) p. 231 which names three collections in which Alston wills seemed likely to occur, viz.: Suffolk wills Add. MSS. 19; 190, 19, 198; Bury St. Edmund's and Archdy. of Sudbury wills (1370-1649) Camd. Soc. Lond. 1850, 8vo. and Archdy. of Sudbury (1354-1370) Harl. MS. 294 ff. 156-162. Variants in the name spelling are likely to be more frequent among early wills.

Herald's College,
London, E.C.,
29 March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

The earliest record entry of an Alston in our records relates to William Alston who was the grandfather of William and Thomas from whom respectively the families of Baronets of Odell and Chelsea sprang.

In the 1634 Visitn. of Beds. (to which you refer) the Arms are entered as proved to Wm. Alston (the first) but no record exists here to show when the arms were first granted. There is a pedigree of 5 generations (from Wm. Alston of Sayham Hall) entered in the 1669 Visitn. of Beds. and a 4 gen. pedigree (from Thos. Alston of Newton Suffolk) entered in the 1633 Visitation of London which is partially continued in the 1664 Visit. of the same city. There is a funeral entry with Arms of William Alston of Odell and of the Inner Temple in 1637 and entries of the Arms in the Baronets book on the creation of the two Baronetcies.

I can find no authority here for the statement to which you refer as to the use in the time of Ed. I. or Ed. II. of the "ten estoille" coat. It is the class of statement that too often occurs in printed works on this and kindred subjects.

I am, dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

G. AMBROSE LEE,
Bluemantle.

West Ashby Vicarage,
Horncastle,
March 21st, 1898.

Dear Sir,

..... The subscription to the Duchess engraving is as follows: "Geo. Vertue Londni. Sculpsit 1736." That to Lady Mary Langham "From a scarce print in the collection of the Rev. M. Cracherode pubd. 4 Oct. 1796 by E. & S. Harding, Pall Mall..... I enclose you an odd half sheet of paper which may possibly put you on the track of something interesting. (*Copy of query in N. & Q. re John Alston one of Monmouth's rebels.*)

Yours sincerely,

(Rev.) FRANK G. ALSTON.

Alston Pedigree.

Cambridge,
27 Mar. 1898.

Dear Sir,

I send you herewith the pedigree of the descendants of James the eldest son of Samuel Alston of Nayland and Mary his wife and one of James Vanderzee and of Samuel his third son. There was a 4th son William who died in 1839 who was not, so far as I have ever heard, married.

As regards the descendants of Mary who married George Downing I will leave my brother to give you the particulars as I am not sure of the names and dates of birth of all his grandchildren.

I enclose at my brother's request 3 papers of extracts from the registers of Newton in Suffolk, which I made some 50 years ago. They were rather hastily made. I went over to Newton with my sister and we spent the afternoon in making all the extracts we could find relating to Alstons. I could not go again the next day but my sister went and made the 3rd sheet of extracts.

In most cases there was nothing in the registers to identify the people except their names. The exception is in the case of Thomas A. who is described as of Seyme Hall who was no doubt the head of the family in his time.

Faithfully yours,

G. D. LIVEING.

See Table A1, p. 80.

Polstead Rectory,
April 6th, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I have delayed answering your note of Feb. 10 about entries of the Alston family in the Polstead Registers because I was at the time busily engaged in copying out the earliest the original paper one which begins at 1538 and ends one part at 1598 and another at 1606. I may tell you that the name of Alston does not occur in it.....

Yours truly,

(Rev.) F. J. Eld.

From Miss SUSANNAH EDGAR—Children of her brother John Edgar—Extracted from Somerset House Registers by Percy Cowell Edgar her cousin.

John Alfred Edgar 17 December 1849.

Eleanor Elizabeth Ann Edgar 16 February 1852.

Henry James Edgar 1 February 1857.

Frederick Edgar 31 December 1858.

William Edgar 16 October 1860.

Rev. A. N. WILSON of the Priory, Little Waldingfield sends extracts from Vol. IX. part i. 1895 of the Suffolk Institute of Archæology, &c. p. 29. Vicars of Little Waldingfield.

1727. William Alston M.A. ad. praes. Eliz. Jackson Spr. p. j. Dec. 20. (Lib. Inst. C. I. 306).

Monumental Inscriptions at Little Waldingfield. In the Churchyard South Side (p. 34).

In Memory of
Sarah ye wife of William Alston
many years Vicar of this parish
whose first husband was Mr. John Patrick of
Nether Hall in this parish.
Ob. 19 Mar. 1762.

Dr. Ed. Liveing Registrar of the Royal College of Physicians writing to me says of the Pedigree constructed by Rev. George Alston of Studland.

“He omitted his father’s brother James an Attorney at Bocking who had died early and left two sons Charles and Henry (possibly Braintree) unprovided for, or imperfectly, and whom his father apprenticed to trades. A large family of their descendants now thriving at Warnambool Vict. Australia.”

“Edward brother of Miss Margaret Alston of Nayland Fell. of St. John’s Coll. Oxford.”

“By the last will and testament of Thomas Alston dated the 1st day of May 1690 is given to the poor the sum of twenty-six shillings per. an for ever, to be distributed in six penny loaves of mislyn, with the In-Bread (?) to six poor people, who receive collection, or have their house rent paid and do duly frequent divine service.”

And by the said will he gives to the Vicarage of Ason all his Divinity Books, towards a Standing Library, mentioned in this book kept by the Vicar which contains a full account of these donations.”

Communicated by the Rev. E. H. C. Stephenson, Vicar of Assington, who says “these books are catalogued in the book from which I make this copy and are in the Vicarage, most of them in my study.”

Rev. David Hughes of Trinity House Sudbury who examined the Little Waldingfield Registers from their commencement 1568 to 1700 for me at the request of the Rev. A. W. Weson Vicar reports that no entries are to be found except one “William Alston who was Vicar ceasing to be so in 1756.” He also informs me that the “*Rose and Crown*” has just been sold by an Alston for £7,000. (?) Crown Inn of Sudbury devised by Edward Alston of Newton to his son Thomas in 1592.

Assington Vicarage,
Near Colchester,
March 25th, 1898.

Dear Sir,

At length I send you the Certificates of the Alston family as contained in the Assington Registers from 1598 to 1700 according to your request. Our Registers commence in the year 1598 not 1558 as you mentioned in your letter.

Yours faithfully,

(Rev.) E. H. C. STEPHENSON.

P.S.—I have given you Certificates of Allistone and Alleston as possibly these may be Alston mis-spelt.

Lyon Office,
Edinburgh,
5th April, 1898.

Dear Sir,

In reply to yours of the 31st ult. I send herewith a copy of the blazons of the different Alston arms which are recorded here. Also a sketch in black and white of the first arms of the name which are actually painted in the Registers. There is the coat of John Alston Banker in Glasgow which was recorded in 1810. The earlier entries merely consisting of written blazons.

Yours faithfully,

[Signed] I. BALFOUR PAUL,
Lyon.

Grammar School,
Sudbury, Suffolk,
27 April, 1898.

Dear Sir,

The only Alstons I have had and who are likely to be of use to you live at Glemsford Mill near Sudbury. The widow and children are now living at Cornard near Sudbury. I have one at School now. But Alston is rather a common name about here so possibly there are others. The Alston from Glemsford was Daniel Alston a great Freemason holding Provincial Rank.

Yours faithfully,
W. G. NORMANDALE,
(Headmaster).

All Saint's Vicarage,
Sudbury, Suffolk,
14th May, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I now enclose you a number of early extracts from our Registers connected with the Alleston, Allston, Alstone, Alston family, which may be of value to you in connection with your history of the Alston family.

One marriage entry is peculiar 1654 the period of the Commonwealth, and when apparently there was no Vicar of All Saints and the marriage took place before the mayor.

My clerk has searched very diligently through the old Registers which are somewhat difficult to decipher. I told him I thought you would probably send him a fee for himself. There are 16 entries without the marriage and all but one prior to 1700.....

I am, dear sir,
Yours very truly,
(Rev.) C. I. STOWER.

All Saint's Vicarage,
Sudbury, Suffolk,
13th May, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I and my clerk have carefully searched our Registers, but I regret to say we could find no entry of the name of *Alston* before 1700, that is between 1564 and that year, but strange to say after that period we found several with varied spellings some of which I have sent you as they may possibly be useful and of service in your history of the family. I also send you a copy of a Bequest or Charity given to our parish and the two other parishes in the town by William Alston by his will dated 1st February 1564 which may be of interest. The property charged with this 16/- still pays it regularly altho some years since there was a lawsuit over the matter, which was however decided in favour of the bequest.

I am, yours truly,
(Rev.) C. I. STOWER.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Eton College.

Eton.

"I am afraid there were not any lists of School dating so far back as 1600 the year of the Restoration. I have searched a copy of Harwood's Alumni Etonenses without finding the name (Alston).

[Signed] RICHARD COPE, Secretary.

Felsted

The School House,
Felsted, Essex,
March 11th, 1898.

I am sorry to say that we have no regular Registers earlier than 1852. In Mr. Sargeant's History of Felsted School a list has been made of such boys as can be traced who were at the School before 1800 but I do not find the name of Alston in it.

Faithfully yours,
(Rev.) HERBERT A. DALTON,
Headmaster.

Rugby.

I have searched our Registers but the name of Sir Edward Alston and Sir Joseph Alston do not appear.

Very truly yours,
C. ANSTED,
School Secretary.

Harrow.

There is no Admission Book to the School containing the name of boys admitted in the 17th century. I have asked the Librarian to look among the records of the School and if he can find any information he will send it you.

Very faithfully yours,

(Rev.) J. E. C. WELLDON,
Headmaster.

12 March, 1898.

Bury St. Edmunds.

The School Hall,
Bury St. Edmunds,
March 5/98.

Dear Sir,

1650. "Thomas Alston son of William Alston gent. of Woodbridge Suffolk; School Bury St. Edmunds (Dr. Stephens Headmaster) admitted a pensioner. Tutor and Surety Mr. Frost 25 Febr. aet. 17."

The above is from the Admission to the College of S. John the Ev. in the University of Cambridge Jan. 1629 to July 1665 and I fear it is all the information I can give you on the subject.

I am, yours very truly,

(Rev.) A. W. CALLIS,
Headmaster.

S. Paul's School,
West Kensington, W.,
March 10th, 1898.

I am requested by the High Master (F. W. Walker Esq. M.A.) to say that, though our records did not perish in the fire, our Registers date from 1745 only.....

I am, dear sir,
Yours faithfully,
[Signed] R. T. WALKER.

Ipswich.

I regret that I cannot give you any information about the Alston family as the School Registers do not go back further than 1850.....

Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) P. E. RAYNOR,
March 10th, 1898.

Woodbridge.

The School House,
Woodbridge, Suffolk,
March 4th, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I am fortunate enough to have on my staff of Masters an enthusiastic archæologist—Mr. Redstone—whom I acquainted with your requests. He has written out the enclosed paper which I have much pleasure in sending you, and I trust you may find something of interest in the contents.

We are in the middle of compiling a School Register and if you can add any information as to the careers of the two Woodbridge boys of the family we shall be very much obliged.....

I am, dear sir,
Faithfully yours,
(Rev.) P. E. TUCKWELL,
Headmaster.

March 7th, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I enclose you some further extracts which I hope you may find of use, they speak for themselves and the authorities are given.

Believe me,
Faithfully yours,
(Rev.) P. E. TUCKWELL.

The College,
Winchester,
Mar. 12th, 1898.

Dear Sir,

The names of Sir Edward Alston Knt. and Sir Joseph Alstone Bart. do not appear on the list of boys educated at Winchester so that I fear our Records are of no help to you in this matter.

Yours faithfully,
(Rev.) W. A. FEARON,
Headmaster.

Harrow.

March 14, 1898.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter to Mr. Weldon about the Alston family I regret to say that we have no records of entries to Harrow School of so early a date.

I remain,

Yours truly,

B. P. LASCELLES,
Librarian.

Christ's Hospital,
London, E.C.,
14 March, 1898.

Dear Sir,

I have searched our Registers from 1618 to 1657 and find that nobody named Alston was admitted on the foundation within that period.

Yours truly,

WM. LEMPRIERE.

Merchant Taylor's School, E.C.,
March 14, 1898.

My Dear Sir,

Edward Alstone second son of Joseph, Merchant born in S. Edmund's Lombard St. 5 May 1650 entered Merchant Taylor's in 1659. In the School Register edited by Dr. Robinson there is the following note to his name "Edward Alstone no doubt was a member of the family of Alston of Chelsea and perhaps second son of Joseph who was created a Baronet in 1681. He married a daughter of Captain Thompson and had a son Joseph." (Burke's Extinct Baronetage.)

A certain Robert Alston entered in 1814.

There is no other Alston in our Register till 1820 when Edward Alston b. 13 Dec. 1810 and Charles Jas. Alston b. 25 June 1812 entered together, but of these nothing is recorded.

The only other Alston at this School was in comparatively recent days Gilbert Rowland Alston b. 17 July 1859 who entered in 1871, who distinguished himself considerably at Cambridge.

I am, my dear Sir,

Yours faithfully,

(Rev.) WILLIAM BAKER (D.D.),
Headmaster.

City of London School,
Victoria Embankment, E.C.,
March 26, 1898.

Dear Sir,

We have no Registers beyond 1837, so I am afraid I cannot help you.

Yours truly,

A. T. P. MAID.

Additional Tables of Alston Descendants.

From Table 26.

TABLE 26a.

MARGARET ALSTON

married to Richard Skynner, of Sudbury, mentioned in her father's will as his late "daughter Skynner."

RICHARD SKYNNER * EDWARD SKYNNER JOHN SKYNNER MARGARET SKYNNER.

All mentioned in their grandfather Edward Alston's will 1648.

* *Query—Was this the Edward Skynner, Merchant, of London, whose pretence of marriage with Sarah Alston was dis-
countenanced by her father Penning Alston (See P. A's. will)?*

From Table 67

TABLE 67a.

ANNA MARIA HUNT,

married 15 November, 1804, to the Hon. Charles Bagenal Agar, and had

THOMAS JAMES AGAR ROBARTES

of Lanhydrock, created Baron Robartes of Lanhydrock and Truro, co. Cornwall, M.A., barrister-at-law, D.L., M.P. for Cornwall 1880-82. b. 1 Jan. 1844. m. 24 April, 1878, Mary, daughter of Francis Henry Dickinson, of Kingweston, Somerset, and has issue

THOMAS
CHARLES
REGINALD
b. 22 May, 1880.

FRANCIS
GERALD
b. 14 April,
1883.

ARTHUR
VICTOR
b. 9 June,
1887.

CECIL
EDWARDS
b. 24 April,
1892.

MARY
VERE

JULIA
CAROLINE
EVERILDA
twin with
THOMAS
CHARLES
REGINALD.

EDITH
VIOLET
KATHLEEN

CONSTANCE
MARGARET

Arms.—Azure 3 estoiles and a chief wavy or, quartering azure a lion rampant or

Crests.—1st. A lion rampant or, holding a flaming sword erect ppr the pommel and hilt gold;

(2) A demi-lion rampant or

Supporters.—On either side a goat argent ducally gorged and charged on the shoulders with an estoile azure.

Motto.—Quae supra.

From Table 87

TABLE 87a.

MARY DIVES,

eldest daughter of John Dives, of Lingfield and Vexour, by Elizabeth Alston his wife, married to Abraham Hale of Hedge Court, Lingfield, and afterwards of Hale Court, Withyham, and had issue

ABRAHAM HALE. born 19 May, 1811 (See Table 87b.)	ROBERT H. (See Table 87c.)	JOHN H. married Mary East- land of Lamberhurst.	WILLIAM H. (See Table 87d.)	JAMES H. (See Table 87e.)	HENRY H. (See Table 87f.)	MARIAN H. m. to William Brook d.s.p.	ELIZABETH H. m. to Wm. Searle of Edenbridge, and had issue one daughter died young.	MARGARET H. m. to James Cowdrey, and had issue (See Table 87g.)	SARAH H. m. to Wm. Brook and had issue one dau. (See Table 87h.)	JANE H. m. to Jervais Lee, of Bandon, co. Cork, had issue JERVAIS, — JANE, — HARRY. (See Table 87i.)	HELEN H. m. to her cousin Abraham Hale, and had issue JOHN, WILLIAM, ABRAHAM, HARRY, GEORGE, JANE. (See Table 87j.)	EMMA H. m. to John Day.	CAROLINE H. m. to George Day. JAMES, GEORGE, JOHN, ELLEN, SARAH. (See Table 87k.)
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From Table 87a

TABLE 87b.

ABRAHAM HALE,

eldest son of Abraham Hale, by Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives. Born 19 May, 1811, married at Withyham Church, 21 Dec., 1838, Susannah Luck Patching, who died 10 Dec. 1854, leaving issue.

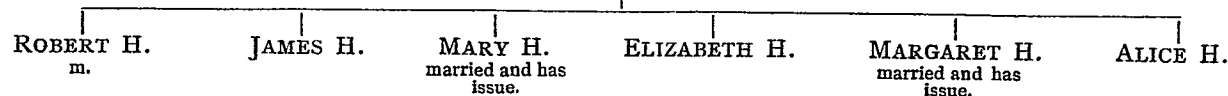
JOHN PATCHING HALE. born 8 May, 1844, married Emma, eldest daughter of James Free- man. Died at Stawell, Victoria, Australia, 26 Feb., 1896, d.s.p.	EDWARD WILLIAM H. born 20 Feb., 1853, died in Dec., 1854.	ABRAHAM H. born 7 Dec., 1854. m. his cousin Mrs. Sarah Archer, daughter of William Hale.	LYDIA H. born 25 June, 1842, died 7 May, 1857.	BETSY GUNDREDA H. born 28 Dec 1845, m. to John J. Beale, and has issue JOHN ABRAHAM, b. 16 Aug. 1884; HARRY OSWALD, b. 18 Nov. 1886; CECIL ARTHUR, b. 12 June, 1889.	SUSANNAH H. b. 7 Feb., 1848, d. 19 May, 1857.	ELLEN born 10 Nov. 1849, m. to Harry Stewart Dawson Byron, 15 Aug. 1882.
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TABLE 87c.

ROBERT HALE,

second son of Abraham Hale, by Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives. Married his cousin Ann Hale and has issue

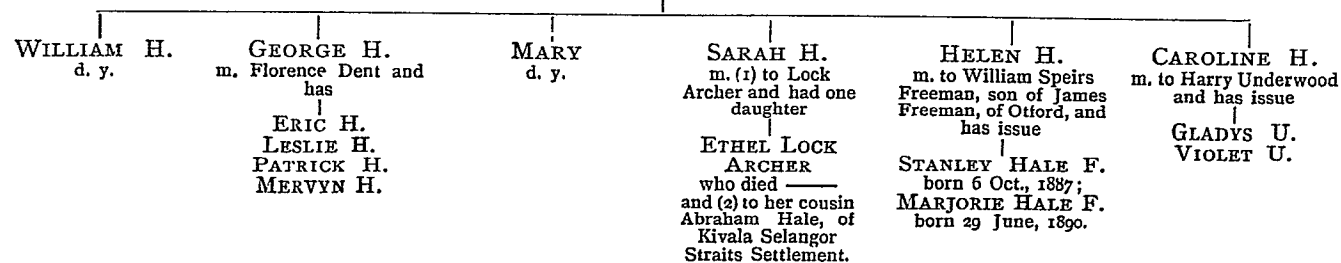


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TABLE 87d.

WILLIAM HALE,

fourth son of Abraham Hale, by Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives. Married Sarah Thoroughgood. Died — leaving issue



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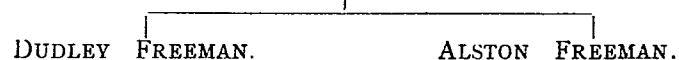
TABLE 87e.

JAMES HALE,

fifth son of Abraham Hale, by Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives. Married Mary Searle, and has one daughter

JESSIE HALE,

married to Sydney Freeman, son of James Freeman, of Otford, and has issue

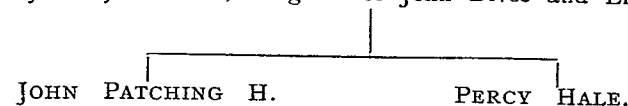


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TABLE 87f.

HENRY HALE,

sixth son of Abraham Hale, by Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives and Elizabeth Alston. Married to Elizabeth Paris and has issue

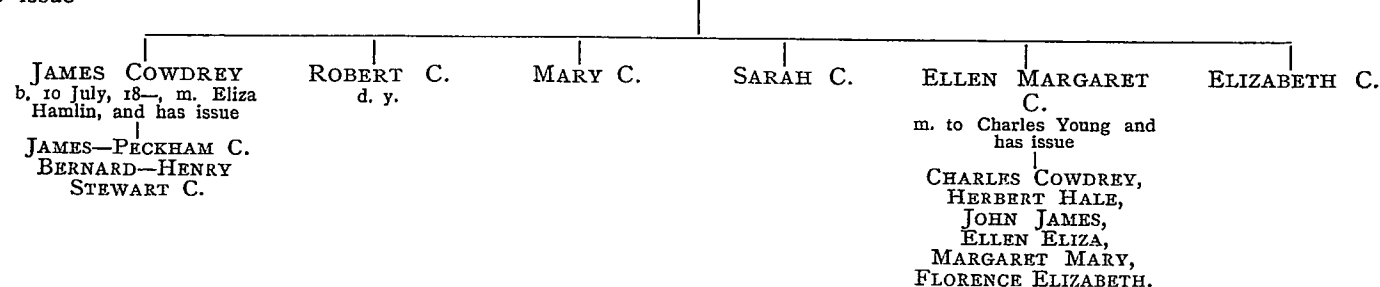


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TABLE 87g.

MARGARET HALE,

third daughter of Abraham Hale, by Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives and Elizabeth Alston. Married to James Cowdrey and has issue

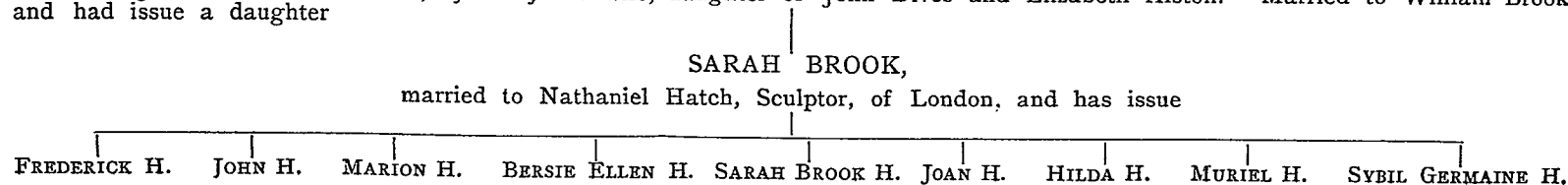


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TABLE 87h.

SARAH HALE,

fourth daughter of Abraham Hale, by Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives and Elizabeth Alston. Married to William Brook and had issue a daughter

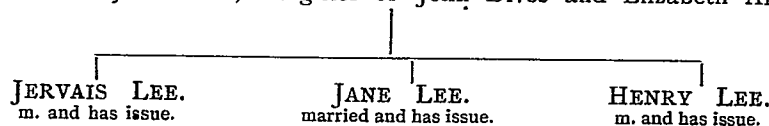


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TABLE 87i.

JANE HALE,

fifth daughter of Abraham Hale and Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives and Elizabeth Alston. Married to Jervais Lee, of Bundon, co. Cork. She died

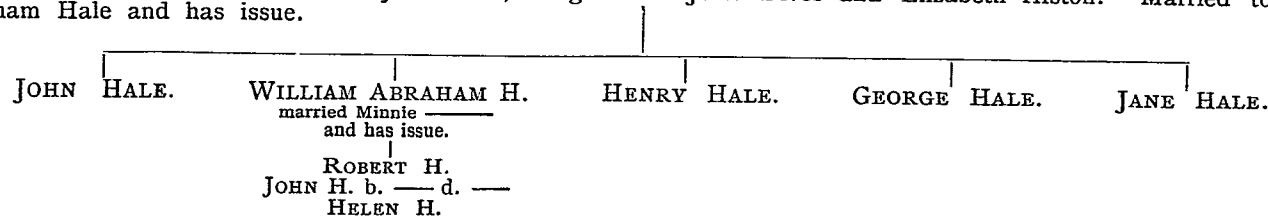


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TABLE 87j.

HELEN HALE.

sixth daughter of Abraham Hale and Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives and Elizabeth Alston. Married to her paternal cousin Abraham Hale and has issue.

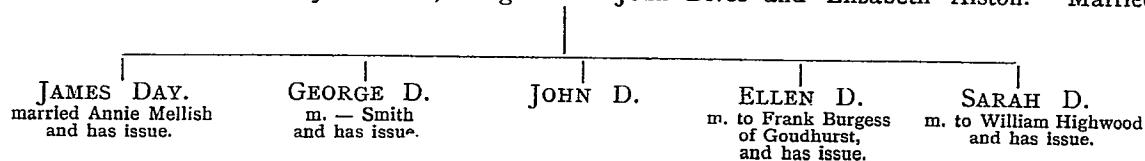


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TABLE 87k.

CAROLINE HALE,

eighth daughter of Abraham Hale and Mary his wife, daughter of John Dives and Elizabeth Alston. Married to George Day and has issue



Conjectural Stems

Compiled from foregoing REGISTER EXTRACTS, WILLS, CHANCERY SUITS, &c.

See p. 150.

THOMAS ALSTON = ISABEL ——— ?
of Sudbury. Will dated
20 August, 1462.

Testator mentions John Alston and his six sons, also William, brother of the "said John" (*sic*). The will suggests that Thomas was twice married, the testator desiring to be buried next the grave of his wife Isabel to begin with, and then bequeathing his wife Isabel certain property.

See p. 151.

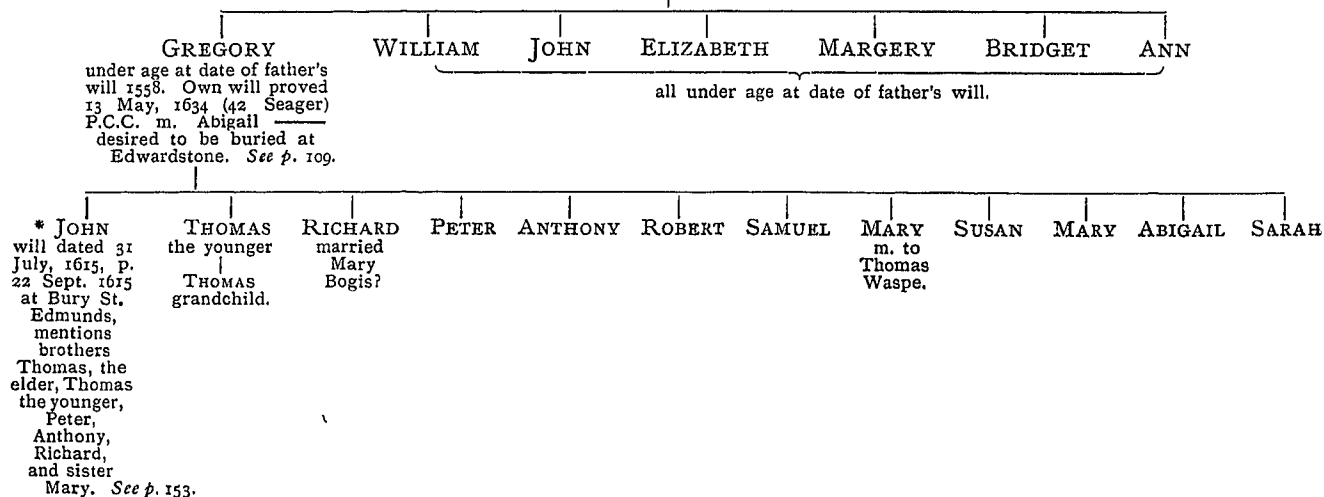
NICHOLAS ALSTON = AGNES ——— ?
of Cavendish. Will dated
18th October, 1512.

JOHN ALSTON.

Testator also mentions godson Nicholas Alston.

See p. 151.

HENRY ALSTON = ——— SIMONDS?
of Edwardston; will dated 17 Oct., 1558, proved 18 April, 1559 (Archd. Sudb.)



* I have placed John as son of Gregory on the strength of the internal evidence of his and Gregory's wills.

See p. 92.

EDWARD ALSTON,

Cit. and Ironmonger, of London, of the Parish of Christ Church, Newgate. Will dated 19 Dec. 44 Eliz. proved P.C.C. by Eleanor his relict, 9 Feb. 1601-2 (*Montague 22*), names his father Richard as living, also his brother Robert, his cousin James and William, his father-in law, Walter Wordell and his wife, his uncle Thomas Middleton and his wife, his uncle Francis Pember, his uncle Devereaux Pember, and his uncle and aunt Wade. Mentions possibility of posthumous child.

JOYCE ALSTON
daughter.

See p. 153.

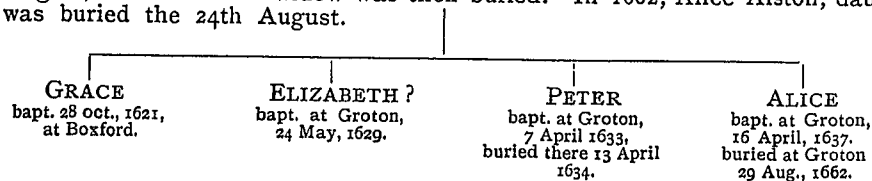
HENRY ALSTON,
of Polstead, Clothier, will dated 13 July, 1615, proved 2 Nov. 1615, Bury St. Edmunds, married Elizabeth ———

THOMAS ALSTON under 21
ELIZABETH unmarried and under 21 at date of father's will.

See *pp.* 223, 224, 232, 233.

PETER ALSTON,

m. Grace Bronde at Boxford, 14 October, 1619. Peter's Servant Susan Hartwell was buried at Groton, 9 October 1631. In 1662, 19 August, Peter Alston's widow was then buried. In 1662, Alice Alston, daughter to the widow Alston aforesaid, was buried the 24th August.



See *p.* 232.

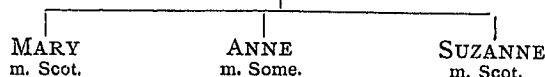
PETER ALSTON = ANA —



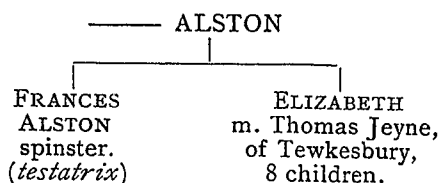
Admon. July, 1630
P.C.C.
See *p.* 106.

JOHN ALSTON,

late of Heddingham, co. Essex

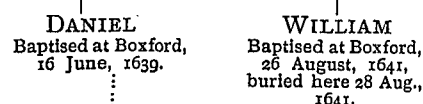


Coventry 97, 1640.
See *p.* 110.



See *p.* 224.

ANTHONY ALSTON = ELIZABETH

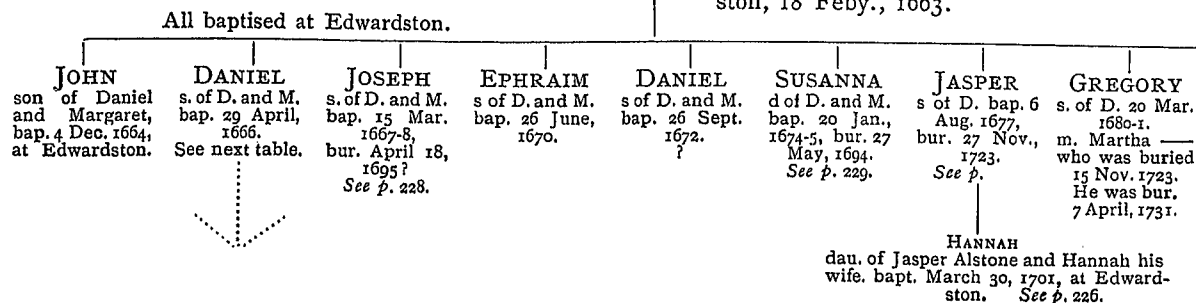


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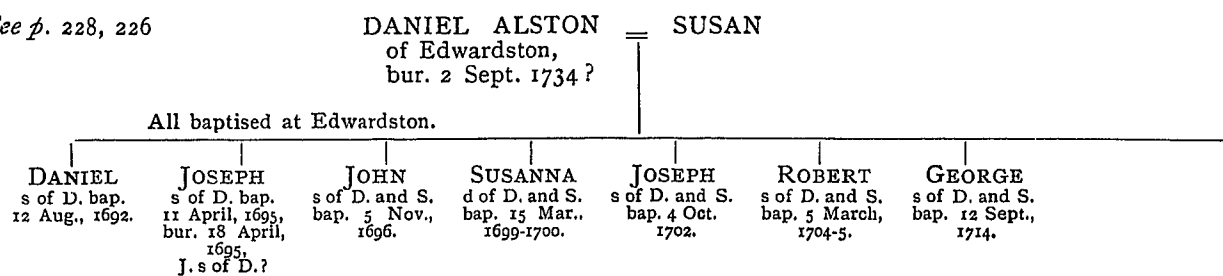
DANIEL ALSTON = MARGARET PAINE

of Edwardston,
bur. 27 May, 1694 ?

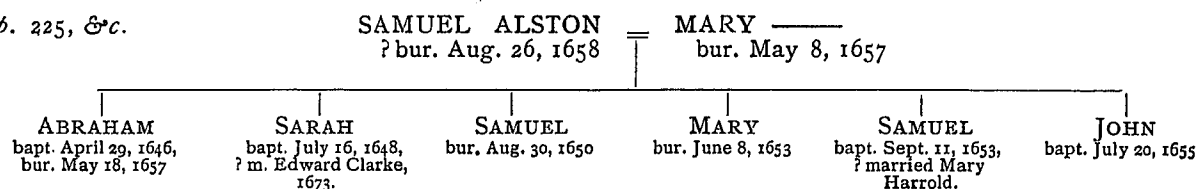
of Milden, married
by license at Edward-
ston, 18 Feby., 1663.



See p. 228, 226

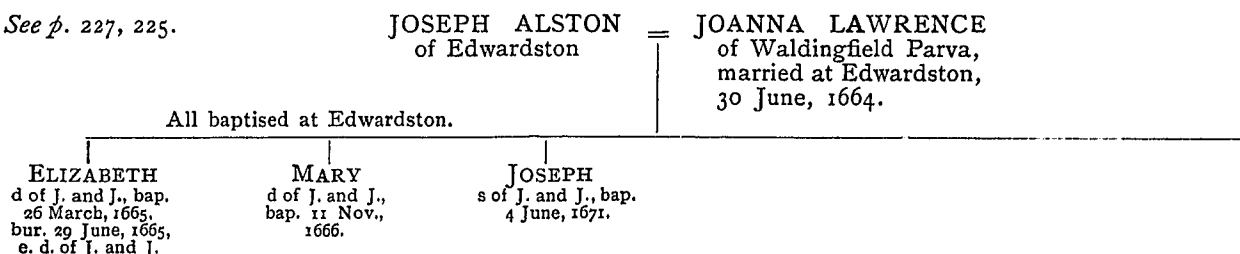


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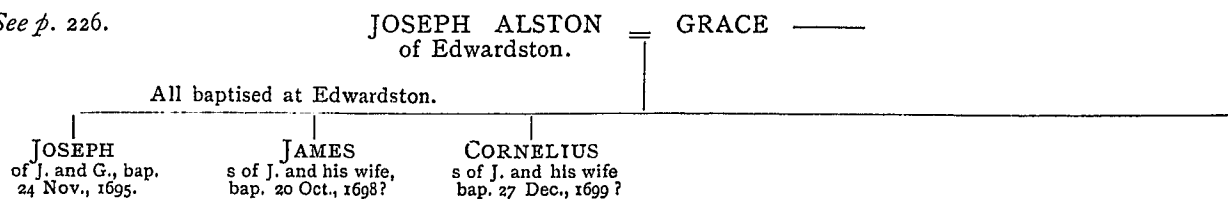


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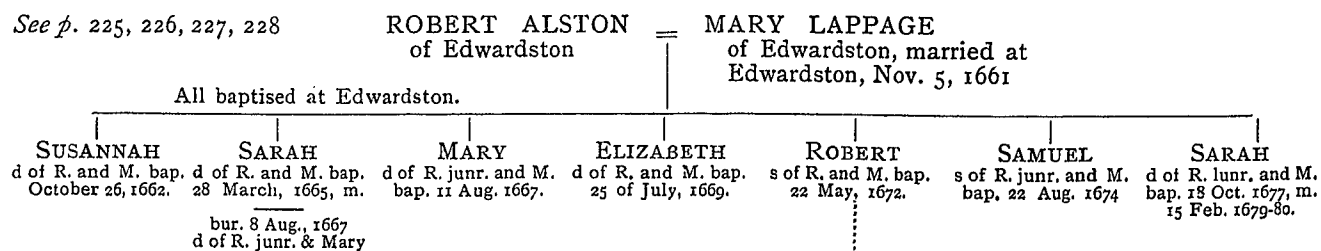
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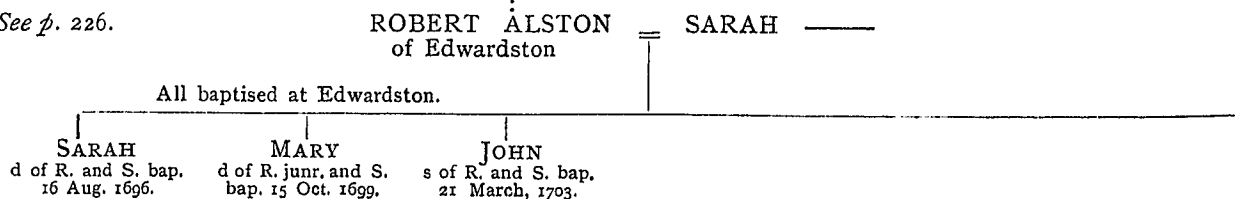
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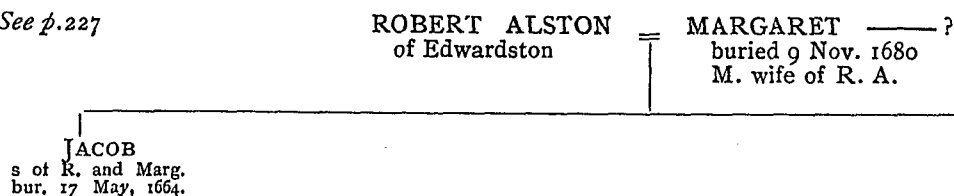
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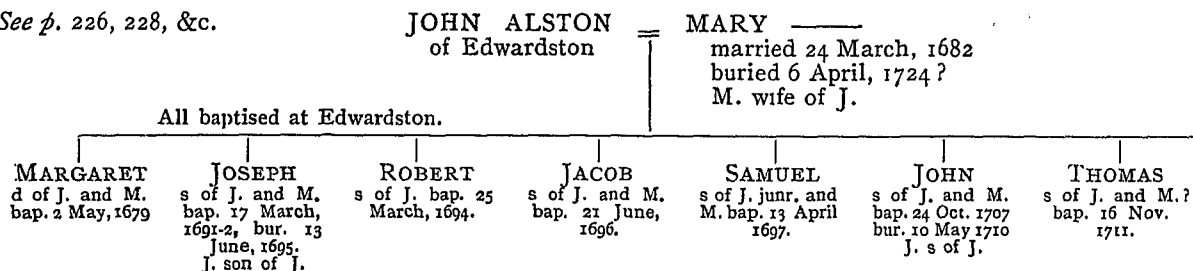
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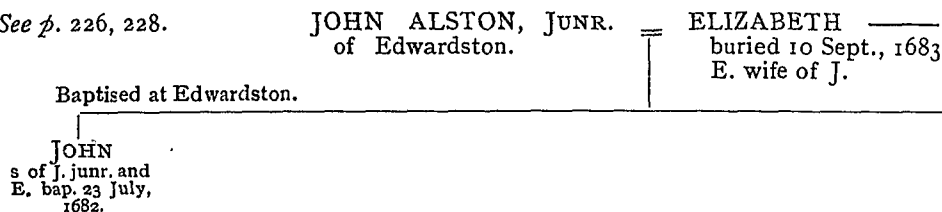
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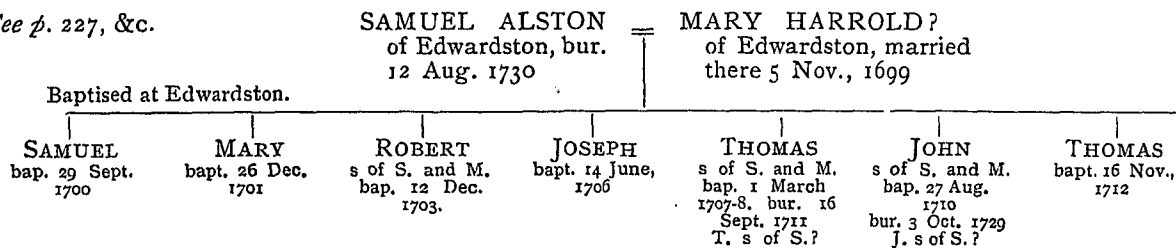
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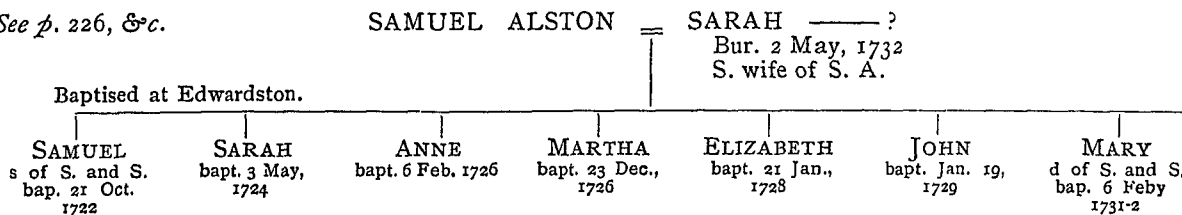
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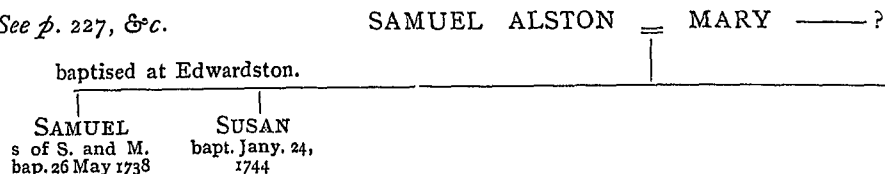
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SAMUEL ALSTON = MARY — ?
of Edwardston buried 22 April 1781

Baptised at Edwardston.

MARY
d of S. and M.
bap. 1 March,
1773

JACOB
s of S. and M.
about 1 year old

ROBERT
s of S. and M.
bap. 26 April,
1778

JACOB
s of S. and M.
bap. 4 Apl. 1779,
buried 10 May,
1779

JACOB
s of S. and M.
bap. 26 May,
1780

See p. 227

WILLIAM ALSTON = ELIZABETH DISNAY
of Edwardston m. at Edwardston 1 Sep. 1726

Baptised at Edwardston.

ELIZABETH
bapt. 25 June,
1727

MARY
d of W. and E.
bap. 30 Nov 1729

SARAH
bapt. Sept. 16,
1733

See p. 226

ROBERT ALSTON = ANNE — ?

Baptised at Edwardston.

ROBERT
s of R. and A.
bap. 21 July 1730

See p. 229

? ROBERT ALSTON = MARY — ?

Baptised at Edwardston.

SARAH
d of R. and M.
bap. 2 July, 1779

See p. 228

JACOB ALSTON = ELIZABETH — ?

JOHN
bur. 6 May, 1746
1, s of J. & E.

See p. 226

JOHN ALSTON = SARAH — ?
of Edwardston

Baptised at Edwardston.

DANIEL
s of J. and S.
bap. 27 July 1731

See p. 226, 228

SAMUEL ALSTON = ELIZABETH — ?

ELIZABETH
bapt. Oct. 16,
1726
bur. Nov. 23,
1740

JOHN
bapt. Oct. 15,
1732

HANNAH
bur. 9 Mar. 1736
H. d of S. & E.

ANNE
bap. with Hannah
Sep. 26, 1734

Reeve 120, 1678

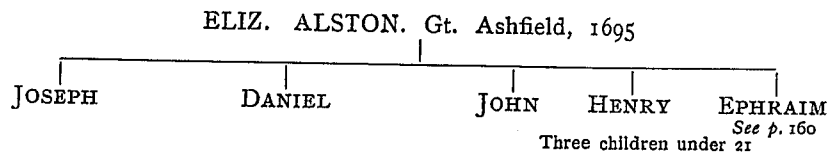
P.C.C.
See p. 118.

WILLIAM ALSTON = SARAH — ?
of Dedham, co. Essex

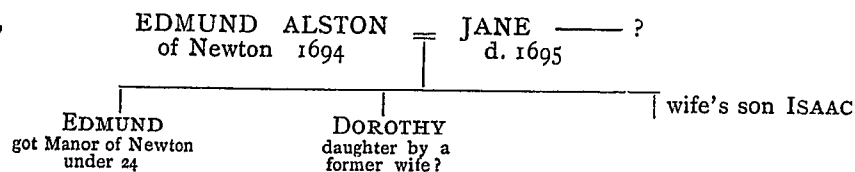
EDWARD.

Testator also mentions brother Edward.

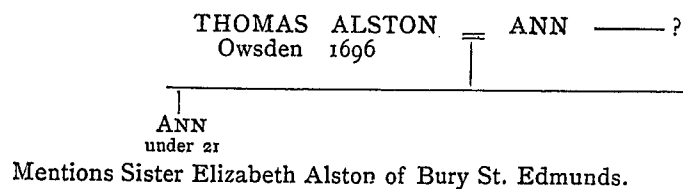
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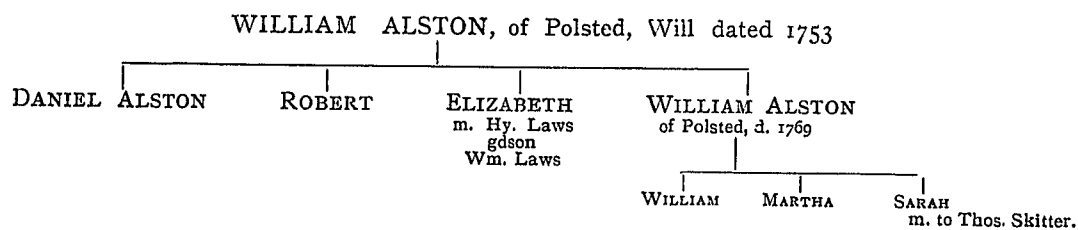
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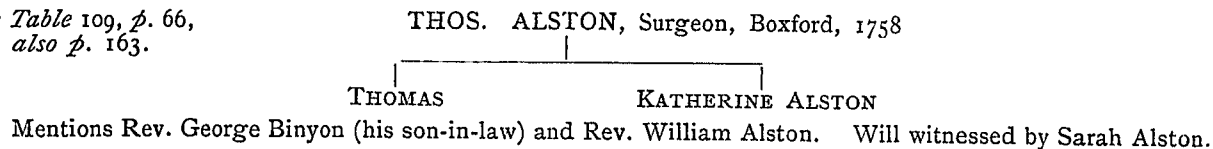
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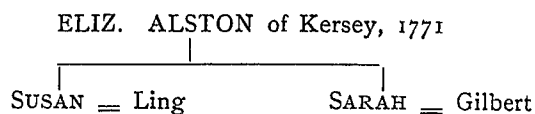
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DEPARTURE OF THE REV. ALFRED ALSTON FROM CREWE.

PRESENTATION.

Few, if any, of the assistant clergy who from time to time have laboured in the parish of Christ Church, Crewe, have endeared themselves more to the parishioners, or gained more marked popularity, than the Rev. A. Alston, who left Crewe early in the new year for Bewdley, Worcestershire, where he has been appointed curate-in-charge of a mission church. Although the reverend gentleman's ministry in Crewe only extended over a comparatively short period of two years, he was instrumental in accomplishing much good work, more particularly in the south end of the parish, and in connection with the Mission Church of St. John. From the first, he evinced not only a kind, but a brotherly interest in the young men of the parish, and the deep concern which he at all times manifested as to their welfare resulted in his being able to gather around him between two and three hundred young fellows, who were most regular in their attendance at a class conducted by Mr. Alston each Sunday afternoon. He also arranged suitable meetings for the members of his class during the weeknights, and it was mainly through his indomitable zeal and perseverance that a scheme was set on foot to establish in the parish a Young Men's Institute. This is now an accomplished fact, and it must be a source of considerable satisfaction to Mr. Alston, as well as to the esteemed Vicar of the parish (the Rev. G. J. Howson), under whose direction the scheme was carried through, to know that the institute is so far fulfilling all that was expected of it, and is likely to supply a long felt want in the interests of the younger portion of the parishioners. When it became known that Mr. Alston was about to sever his connection with the parish his numerous friends recognized that the occasion of his departure presented a fitting opportunity for them to mark their high appreciation of his noble work. A committee was formed to arrange for a presentation to the reverend gentleman, and, as showing the kindly feeling of the parishioners towards him, it may be mentioned that there were three hundred subscribers to the presentation fund. The gifts consisted of a handsome gold watch and chain, together with an address, and these were accompanied by every good wish on the part of all who have had the privilege of Mr. Alston's acquaintance during the time that he has been in Crewe. The presentation took place on Monday evening in the Eddleston-road schoolroom, and the proceedings were characterized by the utmost enthusiasm. There was a crowded attendance, and the gathering was presided over by Mr. R. D. Sharpe. Those present included the Vicar (the Rev. G. J. Howson), the Rev. A. Alston, the Rev. A. J. and Mrs. Ward, the Rev. E. A. Auden, Mr. A. Williamson, Miss Hill, and Mrs. J. N. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Thompson, Miss Speakman, Mrs. Lowe, Mr. Wharton, Mr. Hindle, Mr. Dain, Mr. Poole, and others.

Mr. SHARPE, in asking Mr. Alston's acceptance of the watch and chain and the address, said a duty had been deputed to him, which he accepted with great pleasure, a pleasure lessened only by a deep sense of his inability to efficiently perform that duty. He was, however, encouraged by the knowledge that he of whom he was privileged to speak needed no words of his to commend him to those present. Their own hearts would speak for Mr. Alston far more eloquently than he (the chairman) could, for the rev. gentleman was held by them in an esteem and an affectionate regard which could find no adequate expression at the narrow gate of his poor speech. A little over two years ago, Mr. Alston came amongst them a perfect stranger, and in those two years—all too short for them—he, by his earnest and conscientious work, by his zeal for the good of souls, and by his genial and kindly manner, endeared himself to all who had had an opportunity of knowing his real worth and of estimating his high qualities. (Applause.) His gentlemanly manner, his unvariable courtesy, his intellectual refinement, and his keen appreciation of these qualities in others, had given him considerable influence in the parish. (Hear, hear.) But there were more important considerations than these to speak of. Never since the world began had there a greater commission been given to man than to "go and preach the Gospel," but that commission was not intended to apply only to the work of the clergy within the walls of the particular church building to which each might be attached. Important as this work was, he (the chairman) often thought that a very essential part of a clergyman's duties lay outside his church, in the streets and in the houses of the people; for if the Church would fulfil its proper mission, then it must concern itself with the material life of the people as well as with their spiritual welfare. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Alston had recognized this, and without detracting in the least degree from the dignity of his sacred office, he had known how to descend to the level of those amongst whom he had worked, to concern himself in their interests, to enter into their joys and their sorrows, to meet them on the ground of a common humanity, and so to teach them that great truth which must underlie all effort for the amelioration of mankind; that was the universal brotherhood of man, without which it was impossible to teach that other and cognate truth, the universal fatherhood of God. (Applause.) It might be said in a word that Mr. Alston in his ministrations in that parish had lived his sermons and had preached his life. (Hear, hear.) They all knew the splendid work which Mr. Alston had done amongst the young men of the parish, a work which was almost a revelation to them, that close relationship with and interest in the individual soul. At a critical time in the life of a young man, when he was just leaving the restraints of home life, and going out into the world to work for his living, where temptation and allurements would assail him on every side, Mr. Alston had, as it were, met him on the threshold of his new life, and by wise counsel and careful and thoughtful teaching had sought to arm him against those temptations, and to hold up for his aim a high ideal of life, as well as to lead his footsteps by that "strait gate" and "narrow way," which so few by their own unaided efforts find, but which the warm interest, the wise teaching, and the cheering encouragement of a good man might enable so many to gain. (Applause.) It was this interest which Mr. Alston had taken in the young men that had made his influence over them so personal and so strong. He had sometimes spoken to him (the Chairman) of discouragement in his work, and had not been satisfied with the progress he was making, but he (Mr. Sharpe) had had to remind him of the need of patience, pointing out to him that he was breaking up new and uncultivated ground, and that he could not hope to reap a harvest in a day. He had no doubt there would be a harvest, and that many of these young men who had identified themselves with Mr. Alston's class in their onward course through life would have occasion to remember with heartfelt gratitude those two years of close companionship with him. They must believe that the wholesome and nourishing bread which Mr. Alston had cast "upon the waters" of the lives of these young men would be seen, although it might be after many days, and let them hope that many, nay, all of those for whose good he had so anxiously laboured, he

would meet again "in that deep dawn beyond the tomb," and that looking back from there "over the eternal landscape of the past," they might all, teacher and taught, rejoice together. (Applause.) Addressing Mr. Alston, the Chairman said he had now, in the name of his many friends and also in his own name, to ask him to accept the watch and chain together with the address as a token of their esteem. They knew that he would not value the gift for its mere intrinsic worth, but would value it as the evidence of a desire on their part to convey to him in visible form a memento of the time during which he had ministered in the parish, and to remind him of his friends in Crewe. (Applause.) They asked him to accept also their earnest and best wishes for his prosperity and happiness. In bidding him farewell they felt a touch of sadness which was inseparable from that word, but they knew that it had also in it something of a benediction, and their earnest prayer was that Mr. Alston might be blessed in the work of the sacred calling to which he had devoted his life, that he might be permitted to turn many to righteousness, and and at the close of a long and successful career, having finished his course, he might be able to say in the words of his Divine Master: "of them which Thou gavest me I have lost none." (Applause.)

Mr. SHARPE then handed the address, together with the watch and chain, to Mr. Alston amid hearty applause. The watch, a beautiful one, is a fine example of horologist's art, three-quarter plate, keyless movement, English 18-carat gold, with demi-hunter cases, fitted with a compensation balance, and fully jewelled (Burmah rubies), with a monogram on the back "A.A." Both the watch and the chain were supplied by Mr. Fox, jeweller, of Market-street. On the watch was inscribed:—"Presented to the Rev. A. Alston, by his Vicar and friends in Crewe, as a mark of their appreciation of his earnest work amongst them."—The address, which was in album form, was read by Mr. W. Thompson, who had acted as secretary on the Presentation Committee, and was as follows:—"To the Rev. Alfred Alston, M.A. Reverend and Dear Sir, We, the undersigned, on behalf of your friends in Crewe, beg your acceptance of this address, together with a watch and chain, as a token of esteem and appreciation of your earnest and successful work in the parish of Christ Church, particularly your patient, self-denying efforts for the benefit of the young men amongst whom you have so thoughtfully and perseveringly laboured during the last two years. Your cheerful and friendly manner, and ever ready and generous help where most required will long be remembered. and we most sincerely regret your removal from our midst. You carry with you our prayerful wishes that you will be long spared in health and happiness to continue the good work you have so thoroughly and zealously commenced."—The address bore the signatures of the members of the committee and also the whole of the subscribers.

The Rev. A. ALSTON, who was received with marked enthusiasm, said in the first place he wished to say what a real pleasure it was to him to come amongst them again that night, and see the familiar faces he loved so much. He did not know how to thank them for their beautiful present, nor could he tell them how much he appreciated their great kindness towards him. It was so difficult to thank people sufficiently for their many acts of kindness, and he feared that he was not grateful as he ought to be. He thought perhaps that in those two words "thank you," there was more than in all the adjectives he could hunt up in the dictionary, and so he said with all his heart, "Thank you." (Applause.) He could assure them that he needed nothing to remind him of the kindness and consideration which they at all times displayed towards him, during the two years that he had laboured amongst them. He should never forget his many friends in Crewe, nor the happy time he had spent amongst them. There had been real sympathy between them and himself, and they had shared their sufferings and their joys together. (Hear, hear.) He remembered that just before he left Crewe someone wrote to him and said that he did not think he would love any other people so much as those amongst whom he had laboured first, and he could assure them that he would always think of the people of Crewe as his first love. (Hear, hear.) He would never love other lads as much as he loved the lads he prepared for confirmation while at Crewe, or those who identified themselves with his Bible Class. He desired to take that opportunity of expressing his deep thanks to his many friends for the generous help they had afforded in making the Parish Institute an accomplished fact, and he rejoiced to think that they were able to open the institute on the first day of the new year. (Applause.) If it had not been for the kindly assistance and the hearty response accorded to that scheme by the parishioners, it would not have been possible to provide the institute at all; and he was delighted to hear that the work associated with it was being attended with complete success. People used to say that because he was going away they did not believe the institute would succeed, but its success so far had been all that could be desired, and he was satisfied that it was going to be a still greater success. (Applause.) They all knew how much he thought about the men of Crewe, and how he longed that they might have a right conception of happiness, and he was convinced of this, that the Parish Institute would assist them to realize what true happiness really was. He believed that the institute would show to the men of Crewe what they had probably not recognized before, that it was perfectly consistent with Christianity to have thorough English fun. (Applause.) He thought the reason why very often Christianity did not appeal to men was because they regarded it as a "wishy-washy" sort of thing, and he believed that by the important step which had been taken in the parish, resulting, as it had done, in the provision of a suitable meeting place for men, they had done something which would assist to remove such an erroneous idea, and teach them to realize that to be a Christian was to be manly. (Applause.) As Carlyle had said, the finest man in all the world was he who developed both the natural and the spiritual parts of his life. In conclusion, the rev. gentleman again expressed his sincere thanks to the parishioners for their most handsome and useful present, remarking that he would always value it very highly, and would ever hold in grateful remembrance the kindness of his many friends in Crewe. (Loud applause.)

Mr. WILLIAMSON heartily supported the observations of the Chairman, and paid a high tribute to the work of Mr. Alston amongst the young people of the parish.

An interesting programme was then gone through, and the various items were richly enjoyed. Mr. R. Mansfield gave a very pleasing rendering of the song "The Red Cross," and he also sang "Soldiers of the Queen" and "The Absent-minded Beggar." His appeals to the audience to "pay, pay, pay," were not in vain, for during the progress of the song Mr. Mansfield had to encounter quite a shower of coins, which were intended for the Local Reservists Fund, the amount realized being about 10s. Mr. J. Platt acquitted himself with much success in the humorous song, "Is there anything else you'd like?" and he responded to a hearty encore by singing "The Sheeny Man." He also had an enthusiastic recall for his capital rendering of "The Philosopher." A recitation "The Lost Goloeshoe," was given in a praiseworthy manner by Miss Speakman, whose efforts were thoroughly appreciated, and others contributed

to the success of the entertainment. Mr. Stanley Worrall discharged the duties of accompanist very efficiently.

On the motion of the Rev. A. J. WARD, seconded by Mr. J. WARTON, a cordial vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Sharpe for presiding, and a very pleasant gathering was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

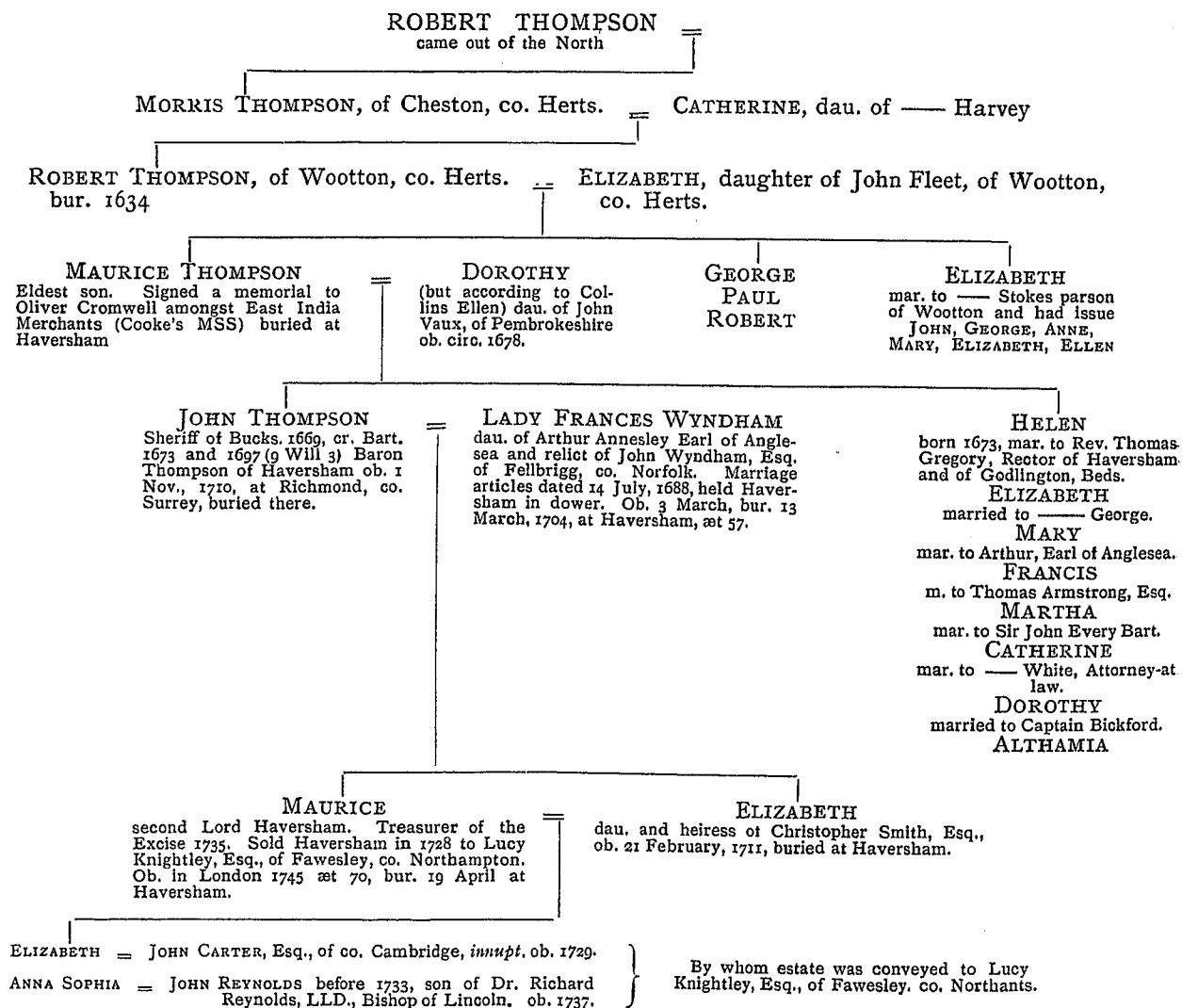
The Committee who had charge of the arrangements for the presentation were:—Mr. Sharpe (chairman), the Vicar (the Rev. G. J. Howson), the Rev. A. J. Ward, Mr. W. Thompson (honorary secretary), Miss Hill, Mrs. Adamson, Mrs. Hawkins, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Nothard, Miss Fox, Miss Jones, and Mrs. Holland.

See Table 114, p. 69.

PEDIGREE OF THOMPSON, Baron Haversham and Baronet.

From Harl. M.S.S., 1547, f. 11. Registers, Monuments, Collins, Banks, &c., and other authorities.

Supporters: Two eagles proper. *Crest*: on a wreath arg. and gu. a dexter hand coupé at the wrist armed gu. holding three wheat ears proper a baronet's coronet. Maurice Lord Haversham.



Lipscomb's Hist. of Bucks. Vol. iv. p 186.

Baptisms.

1645 Aug. 5th Elizab. dau. Col. Geo. Thomson and Elizab. his wife.

Marriage.

1662 Sep. Mr. Joseph Alston, of Lombard Street, and Elizabeth Thompson, of Lee.

Burke's Extinct Baronetage and other Pedigrees state that Sir Joseph Alston, 2 Bart. of Chelsea, married Elizabeth, daughter of Maurice Thompson, Esq., and sister to John, first Lord Haversham, but from the above pedigree and the Lee Registers I thought that Lady Alston must be the daughter of (Colonel) George Thompson, brother of Maurice and uncle of John, first Baron Haversham, and to this idea Mr. Cokayne's letter (see p. 300) and the absence of any Alston-Thompson alliance from the Haversham pedigree (p. 396) gave some support. But the evidence of the Chancery Suit, Alston v. Alston (p. 191) puts the fact beyond doubt that Dame Elizabeth was the daughter of Maurice Thompson. Apparently Elizabeth Thompson was married twice, first to one called George, and then to Sir Joseph Alston.

SPALDING. Anno regni regis Edwardi primi quinto. Thomas Alston fecit merchettum pro Margareta filia sua maritanda xiid.

SPALDING. Anno regni Regis Henrici tertii xlix. Thomas Alstone solvit pro tetherwyte (?) et merchettum Ceciliae filial suæ iis.

Emma daughter of A. Simon of Alstondyke paid her own marriage fee 49 Henry iii.

Above from postcard signed J. C. W. sent to Rev. F. S. Alston, of Horncastle, Nov. 5, 1900.

"Among the splendid collection of rings formed by the distinguished naturalist, Edmund Waterton, and now in the South Kensington Museum, is a fine gold episcopal ring decorated with niello, and inscribed with the name of Alstan, Bishop of Sherborne from 824—867." Encyl. Brit. 9th edition, vol. 20. p. 561. (An engraving (fig. 2) is given in the Encyclopædia of this fine ring.)

At St. George's Church, Hanover-square, Mr. Alexander-Rowland Alston, eldest son of Sir Francis Beilby Alston, was married to Muriel, eldest daughter of Canon and Mrs. Blundell, on Tuesday last week. The bride wore a gown of white mousseline-de-soie, the skirt draped with an old Brussels lace shawl, the transparent chemisette and sleeves being embroidered with chiffon in a cloud design. The Court train, festooned from the centre of the back over ivory satin, was entirely of Brussels lace, her mother's gift. She wore a crescent-shape wreath of orange blossom and a Brussels lace veil, and, instead of a bouquet, carried an ivory-bound Prayer-book. The eight bridesmaids were attired in white gossamer, inserted all over with narrow ribbons. The skirts were made in the new shape and frilled to the waist at the back. The fichus, chemisettes and sashes were in white chiffon, and they wore Tuscan hats with ivory plumes and miroir velvet, and bronze shoes. The bride's travelling gown was of pale grey Irish bengaline with cream insertions, a Charles I. cape to match lined with quillings of white chiffon, and a grey Victorian hat with shaded grey feathers and tulle.—*Cutting from Society Paper.*

Second Lieutenant Francis-G. Alston, 2nd Battalion Scots Guards, who was severely wounded in the action at Slapkramz on July 28th, is the youngest son of Sir Francis Alston, K.C.M.G., late of the Foreign Office, and brother of the late Lieutenant Edward-G. Alston, Coldstream Guards, who distinguished himself in British Central Africa 1895-1897. He was born on July 19th, 1878, and educated at Eton.

Daily Graphic, August 8/00. Reproduction of a Photo accompanies above.

CRESSWELL.—On the 17th April, at Woodhall, Calverley, Yorks., the wife of Lionel Cresswell, barrister-at-law, of a daughter.—*Daily Paper.*

ALSTON.—On the 23rd September, 1903, at West Ashby Vicarage, Horncastle, the wife of the Rev. Frank S. Alston, of a daughter.

ADDENDA ET CORRIGENDA.

In the 1623 Visitation of Dorsetshire (*Harl. Soc.*) occurs a Christopher Battlescomb who married Alice, daughter of John Allstone, of Chard. They had issue as there set forth.

Pedigrees of Alston of Odell are to be found in the Visitations of Bedfordshire—1566, 1582, and 1634 (*Harl. Soc.*).

In Le Neve's Pedigrees of Knights—(*Harl. Soc.*, p. 109, &c.), appear some notes (all incorporated in this work) relating to Sir Edward Alston, Knight, President of the College of Physicians, and Sir Edward Alston, Knight, of Strixton. Pedigrees are given on pp. 110, 111. The Clayton Pedigree on p. 130; the Trumbull Pedigree on p. 391; and the Hammer Pedigree on p. 104.

Alston Pedigrees also appear in the Visitations of London—1633, 1634, and 1635 (*Harl. Soc.*)

One of the American Alstons—Philip—of a bygone day, is a centre figure in a novel "Round Anvil Rock," written by Nancy Huston Banks, and published by Macmillan, New York, in 1903. Alston characters also figure in the "Witch's Head," by Rider Haggard.

Alstonia (C.) *Constricta*. The flowers are androgynous and regular. The calyx is quinquepartite, the corolla plate shaped and twisted in the buds, with five enclosed stamens. The fruit consists of two long and small capsules, which contain a great quantity of seed with pilose episperms. The *Alstonias* are handsome trees, with alternate leaves; they are native to the Asiatic and Australian tropics. The flowers are composed of racemes. The latex is very bitter. "*Rubber, Gutta-Percha, and Balata*," by Franz Clouth, Cologne, 1903.

Samuel Alston, LL.D., collated 3rd March, installed 19th April, 1748-9, Prebendary of Lincoln.

Thomas de Alston, Archdeacon of Llandaff, exchanged his dignity for some other preferment with John de Sulthorn, who held it in 1371—*Le Neve's Fasti Ecclesiae Anglicanae*.

Arms of — Simonds, wife of William Alston — A chevron, between three trefoils.—*Harl. MSS.* 1390, *Brit. Mus.*

P. 3.—Arms of Elizabeth, daughter of John Coleman, and wife of Edward Alston—p. fesse arg. and sa., a cross flory between four mullets counterchanged.—*Harl. MS.* 1390, *Brit. Mus.*

P. 4, l. 14.—For "6th May, 1593," read "26th May, 1593."

P. 5.—Under "Augustine Parker," read "(see Table 11, p. 12)."

P. 6, l. 3.—Read "Marian Holborowe, daughter of Richard Holborough, the elder," and see Chancery suit "Alston v. Alston," 1623, p. 168.

P. 6.—"Ralph Alston." At Assington occur the baptisms of Philipp, June 24, 1625; Thomas, August 9, 1627; Elizabeth, November 6, 1628—children of Mr. Ralph Alstone and Elizabeth, his wife.

P. 6.—"Tracy Family." Other children—Charles, Dorothy, and Elizabeth—are mentioned in Thomas Alston's will.—*See pp.* 125-126.

P. 7, l. 6.—For "14th September," read "4th September." American Alstons should note the Alston-Downing kinship mentioned under "Mary A."

P. 8.—Samuel Alston and his wife Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Edward Mann, were married in 1650. The marriage settlement was dated 9th May, 1650. Samuel was then under age. Elizabeth died before her husband reached his full age, leaving a daughter then about 1½ years old.—*See Turner v. Alston*, p. 210.

Table 7, p. 9.—*See* Royal Descent of Horace and Galfridus Mann, p. 309, &c.

The daughter of Sir John Toriano and his wife Eleanor (Mann), herself called Eleanor, became the wife of Joseph Martin, a banker of Lombard Street and M.P. They had issue.—*See Burke's Landed Gentry*.

Alice Mann, sister of Sir Horatio Mann, the second Baronet, was married to John Aphthorp. She died in 1763, and was buried in the Governor's Chapel, Gibraltar. Their daughter Catherine was married to Charles Aphthorpe Wheelwright, of Boston, North America, afterwards of London, who died 1812, and was buried at Tansor, near Oundle. Their fourth daughter, Anne Wheelwright, became the wife of the Rev. Henry George Keene, formerly E.I. Company's C.S. at Madras, afterwards M.A. and Fellow of Sydney Sussex College Cambridge, and Professor of Arabic and Persian at the G.I. College, Haileybury. He died 1864; she in 1871. They had issue—Henry George Keene, formerly of Bengal C.S., C.T.E., retired, Author; Charles Keene died 7th; Alfred Thomas Keene; Jane Ann Keene died 1893; Katharine Keene.—*Information derived from "Royal Descent of Eleanor Guise, Genealogical Magazine, 1898."* and from Mr. A. T. Keene.

Table 6, p. 8.—Alice Alston, of Sibton Co., Suffolk, will dated 18th September, 1694, proved (Archd. Suff.) at Yoxford by Francis Barker and William Betts, executors, 29th October, 1705—to my Aunt Mrs. Margaret Bening—Mr. Francis Barker, with whom Testatrix lodged, to be exor.—to be buried at Marlesford, near her father and mother—leaves legacies to kinsman, Mr. William Betts—to uncle, Mr. Thomas Alston and Mr. Thomas Rocke, and aunt Mrs. Mary Alston—to kinswomen Mrs. Elizabeth Lowde, Mrs. Mary Betts, Mrs. Jane Mann, Mrs. Margaret Mann, Mrs. Hannah Rookwood—to sister Elizabeth Rookwood—to brother Samuel Alston, his son William, and his two daughters, Elizabeth and Ann—to Mrs. Dorothy Betts, wife of the said William Betts—to cousin Mary Brockden—to cousin Mrs. Eleanor Puckle—to sister Alston my locket of diamonds—to my sister Rookwood my gold watch—sister Rookwood's husband living.

Robert Lowde died 18th May, 1719, aet. 64, buried at Fressingfield; Elizabeth, his wife, daughter of William Betts, of Yoxford, gentleman, died 16th February, 1759, aged 86. Barbara, one of their daughters, married in 1733 Thomas Mann, of Stradbroke, and he was buried at Fressingfield in 1740.

Table 9, p. 10.—Lady Jemima-Isabella Cornwallis married (first wife) to Charles-Wykeham Martin, of Leeds Castle, Kent, and of Chacombe Priory, Co. North Hants, J.P. and D.L., M.P. for West Kent. She died 17th December, 1836; he died 30th October, 1870. By him she had issue—

I.—Philip-Wykeham Martin (see below).

II.—Fiennes, late Major 4th Hussars, born 1st November, 1831, assumed the name of Cornwallis only, and married 29th July, 1863, Harriet Elizabeth, second daughter of John Thomas Mott, of Bamingham Hall, Norfolk, and died 24th April, 1867, leaving two sons and two daughters.

III.—Cornwallis, R. N., born 10th January, 1834; married 24th January, 1861, Anne Catherine, daughter of E. W. Rolls, of the Hendre, Co. Monmouth.

IV.—Maria.

Philip Wykeham Martin, of Leeds Castle, Kent, Chacombe Priory, North Hants, and Packwood Hall, Co. Warwick, born 10th January, 1829, educated at Eton and Balliol College, Oxford, B.A. 1850; married 27th November, 1850, Elizabeth Ward, and had issue—a son, Cornwallis Philip. Mr. W. Martin was M.P. for the City of Rochester 1856, and J.P. and D.L. for Counties Kent and Warwick. He died suddenly 31st May, 1878, in the library of the House of Commons.

Cornwallis-Philip-Wykeham Martin, born 19th March, 1855, educated at Eton and Merton College, Oxford, married 29th June, 1876, Anna-Bertha, eldest daughter of Major William-Pitt Daffen.

Table 10, p. 11.—Anne Alston was first married to a Mr. Wells, Clerk, and had a son and daughter living in 1646. Henry Payne was her second husband. He was dead in 1646. He left a son then living.—See *Bright v. Alston*, p. 198.

Table 11, p. 12.—See *Wynn v. Alston*, p. 201.

Sir John Hanmer, third Baronet (1620 creation), of Hanmer and of Whittingham Hall, was son and heir of Sir Thomas Hanmer, second Baronet by his first wife. Sir John was knighted in 1660 during the life of his father; was M.P. for Flint 1659; for Evesham, October, 1669 to 1679; for Flintshire, 1681; again 1685-7 and 1689-90; Sheriff of Gloucestershire 1664-5; succeeded to the Baronetcy 1678; Colonel of 11th Foot 1680-1701.

Table 12, p. 13.—The cacophonous and malodorous surname of Buggs is not one that can be claimed to grace a pedigree. Lower, however, suggests that it is a form of the Saxon names Bugge and Bogue. Ferguson, in his *“Surnames as a Science,”* says its forms are ancient German names, whilst Guppy says Bugge is in use in Scandinavia and Germany to-day. A surname is not, or rather has not always been, what it appears to-day. The Rev. Henry Barber gives the arms of Bugge, Bouge, Bugey, or De Bougy as “Or on a fesse sable three water bougets ar,” and says this is a play upon the name, but gives the early pronunciation. The forms Boggys and Bogis are found in the Sudbury wills.

Table 12, p. 13.—An only daughter of Margery Alston and Thomas Wynne (Martha), who was the wife of Francis Fox, and had a son, Charles Fox. See *Rumbold v. Alston*, p. 207.

The wife and family credited to Thomas Alston in this table are probably wrongly credited. From the suit *Wynne v. Alston*, p. 201, it is probable that this Thomas never married, since he left his property to collaterals.

See also as having a bearing on this Table the suit *Haynes v. Alston*, p. 199. Widow Haynes seems to have been as litigiously inclined as her sister Katherine Alston!

Table 15, p. 16.—I found the following note on the name Temperance in “Notes and Queries,” 9th Series, vi., Nov. 10, 1900, p. 373:

“Temperance (9th S. W. 230, 296)—This name was used as a female Christian name in the seventeenth century. Mr. Rowland Alston, who died in 1698, wedded Temperance, second daughter of Thomas Lord Crewe, of Steaine, Co. Northampton, and the name seems to have been adopted by the Alston family of Odell Castle, near Bedford.—John Pickford, M.A.”

Lady Temperance Alston's uncle Nathaniel, Lord Bishop of Durham, who succeeded his father as third Baron Crewe of Stene, married for his second wife Dorothy, daughter of Sir William Forster, of Bamborough Castle, Co. Northumberland. This Dorothy was she who was the heroine of the novel “Dorothy Forster,” by Sir Walter Besant.

Anne (Alston) Mrs. Mead was baptised 1689, not 1659.

Horace Alston was appointed by Bishop Crewe under-Sheriff of Durham by patent for life 1703, and was buried at Durham in the Cathedral Church December 1712.—*Nichol's Leic.*, Vol. 4, p. 389, *Davy's Suff. Coll.*

Table 16, p. 17.—For “3rd,” “4th,” and “5th” Barts., under Sir Rowland, Sir Thomas, and Sir Rowland respectively read “4th,” “5th” and “6th.”

Table 19, p. 19.—William Alston, son of Sir Edward Alston, Kt., is incorrectly stated to have died unmarried. He married Elizabeth Dennis, daughter of Anthony Dennis or Dennys, of Orleigh, in Co. Devon, and had issue three daughters, Gertrude, Hester and Elizabeth, who all died unmarried. His wife died 4th June, 1664. Quite a series of lawsuits took place over the disposition of the wife's marriage portion. It was from these that I gleaned this information.—See p. 177.

The marriage license of Catherine Alston and John Wiseman, 8th May, 1661, given in Chester's Collection, states that her father lived at East Barnet. She was married at St. Bartholomew the Less, London.

The note on p. 128 relating to the mysterious duality of Anne Stratton, the second wife of Sir Edward Alston, should be consulted. See also *Alston v. Alston* and Note, p. 191.

Table 20, p. 15.—It is from John Alston and his wife Dorothy Temple that some of the American Alstons have supposed descent. But the evidence so far brought to light is insufficient to establish it. Dr. Groves gets sadly mixed in his account of the patriarchal stirp on pp. 25, 26, and 27 of his work. It would be tedious to set out to correct all the errors into which he has fallen, but enough will be apparent from a collation of his own accounts of the three Williams (7), (8) and (9). A search in this work will reveal more.

Since printing the tables further gleanings concerning John and his descendants have come into my hands. John I find was born at Polstead about 1615, admitted to Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, in 1631, being then aged 16, and to the Inner Temple in the same year. In the *Genealogia Bedfordiensis*, a collection of evidences chiefly relating to the landed gentry of Bedfordshire 1538-1700, by F. A. Blaydes, privately printed in 1900, are given a number of baptismal marriage and burial entries from the parish registers of Biggleswade, Carlton, Cokayne, Hatley, Felmersham, and Pavenham (see p. 237-238 ante). But when I wrote to the Vicar, the Rev. E. J. Linnell, he informed me so far as Pavenham was concerned that he could find no entries relating to the Alstons in the registers, though several Alstons were buried there, and the name is joined to that of Brook and Temple on the chancel wall. (See page 347 ante).

There are also at the Northampton Registry (1) the will of William Alston, of Pavenham, Co. Beds. It is dated November 21st, 1707, and was proved May 18th, 1709. The testator mentions his eldest son William Alston and his loving wife Sarah; also refers to his children, but does not name them. Apparently he possessed lands, manors, &c., in Pavenham, Stevington, and elsewhere in the county. Then (2) comes the will of Sarah Alston, of Pavenham, widow. It is dated June 21st, 1714. She left her property to her grandson, William Alston. Then (3) is the will of William Alston, of Pavenham, gent., leaving all his personal property to his loving wife Elizabeth Alston. He mentions his sister Tomassin, now wife of Abraham Handson, and his eldest son, William Alston. He appoints as executors his loving cousins, Sir Thomas Alston, Bart., and John Wiseman, of Bozeat. The will is dated July 6th, 1713, and is bound up with wills proved in 1715. (*See p. 352, ante.*) Now, whoever the two former may have been, it is quite clear that this last William was near akin to the Alstons of Odell. In view of the fact that he had a sister Tomassin, and that the eldest son of John Alston of Table 20, William, married Thomasine Brooks, we shall not be far wrong in placing him as son of William and Thomasine and grandson of John. And we find in the Pavenham Register (as quoted by Blaydes) that William and Thomasine had a son William, baptised October 2nd, 1666, and another son, John, baptised February 25th, 1668-9, and that Thomassine, wife of William, was buried December 5th, 1668-9.

Again we find at Pavenham the baptisms of Sarah, daughter of John, junr., and Anne (Wallis), May 2nd, 1680, and of Dorothea, July 23rd, 1684. In 1679 (May 22nd) appears the burial of Katharine, daughter of John. In 1687 (August 15th) the burial of John, Esq., evidently the head of Table 20, and in 1689 (June 30th) the baptism of Edmund, son of John, at Felmersham, also December 5th, 1673, appears the baptism of John, son of John and Anne, but it does not follow that the John and Anne here are the same as the preceding.

Conceivably the first William, the eldest son of John Alston and Dorothy Temple, after the death of his wife Thomassine in 1668-9 may have remarried a Sarah somebody. Conceivably also his son John may have been the John Alston of St. John's, Berkeley S. Carolina, whose will is dated (*vide Dr. Groves*, p. 40) January 2nd, 1718 or the John Alston of Chowan County, N. Carolina, whose will is dated September, 1754. But in my opinion the mere existence of two Johns—contemporaries—in America disposes of the claims of both in the absence of *prima facie* evidence. The fact that one of the daughters of the first John was called Tomassin is not evidence. Then as now there were publications in which family pedigrees were to be found, and then as now pretty, striking or peculiar Christian names were adopted by bearers of the same surnames as the person with whom they were first associated. Mere coincidence is not to be neglected. Sir Joseph Alston, third Baronet of Chelsea, had a daughter Theodosia. I thought I had found her will in that of Theodosia Alston, of London, 1761 (*see p. 142*), until I saw it, when it appeared that she was a widow, and was not born Alston at all!

In 1711 the Court Books of Thorpe Hall, Harketon, are said to record the admission to certain copyhold lands of Edward Alston, only son and heir of Dorothy. How this could be when William, of Pavenham, whose will is dated 1713, was not dead, is not clear.

Frances Alston was baptised in 1635, not 1625, as stated.

Table 22, p. 20.—Viscountess Castlemaine died 29th June, 1650, fourteen days after giving birth to another daughter, Elizabeth, who afterwards was the administratrix to her brother's (Alston Monson's) affairs. *See Monson v. Alston*, p. 200 and 207.

Table 23, p. 21.—Matthew Alston died October, 1677. *See Alston v. Cracherode*, p. 181.

Elizabeth Alston, sister of L'Estrange the younger, received the manor of Kentish Stisted under her brother's will. She became the wife of William Jegon. *See p. 358.*

Table 24, p. 22.—John, Amy and Susan Cord or Card, children of Amy Alston and John Cord or Card, are mentioned in the Rev. Thomas Alston's will, 1690. Also elsewhere consult index.

Table 26, p. 23.—Under Penning Alston read "(See table 99)" instead of "(See table 104)."

Abraham Alston (the elder) married Deborah Steele. Letters of administration were granted to her in 1634-5. Several grandchildren Skynner are mentioned in Edward Alston's will, 1648. They were Richard, Edward, John, and Margaret.

Table 33, p. 29.—Under Rev. Digby Benn-Walsh, M.A., read "Henry Stroud" for "Henry Stond."

Table 68, p. 46.—The will of Sir Joseph Alston was proved 29th July, 1696.

Table 69, p. 47.—Sir Joseph Alston and Elizabeth Thompson were married at Lee, Kent, 1662. *See p. 396* for Haversham pedigree. Also *see p. 191* and *p. 300*.

Table 70, p. 48.—Sir Joseph Alston was also of the Privy Chamber.

Elizabeth Alston, wife of Robert Chase, is mentioned in Elizabeth Evelyn's will, 1739, "My kinswoman Elizabeth Chase."

For further respecting Penelope Alston and her husband John Hoare, refer as in index "Hoare."

Table 71, p. 49.—Sir Evelyn Alston the younger's marriage with Elizabeth May of Marylebone is mentioned in Davy's Suff. Coll, quoting Lyson's Environs of London.

Table 73, p. 50.—In Lingfield Churchyard are two tombstones, one to "Mary, wife of William Alston, who died February 3rd, 1782, aged 33," and one to "William Alston (her son), who died March 21st (?) 1802."

Table 76, p. 53.—Under William Alston Edgar delete comma between Timothy and Duke.

Table 79, p. 53.—*See p. 379* for correct names of children of John Edgar and Elizabeth-Eleanor-Ann Warren.

Table 81, p. 54.—Add "Dorothy-Ankaret-Evelyn-Alston-Edgar Cresswell, born at Calverley April 17th, 1903."

Table 89, p. 57.—The demesne of the Manor of Loughton was sold to the Alstons, and by them re-sold about 1699 to the Hanslapes.

Other children of Edward Alston are mentioned in the cases of *Alston v. Alston*, p. 183 post, and *Alston v. Alston* p. 191 post. In all his children were Joseph, John, James, Elizabeth, Anne, Clare, Margaret, Mary, Catherine, Martha, and Rebecca Maria. Elizabeth died in 1697. John and James died under age. Catherine and Mary died in the testator's lifetime. Joseph died in March, 1690, having become crazed from excessive intemperance. *See also p. 191.*

Table 90, p. 58.—The Grub Street Journal of Thursday, 20th December, 1733 (No. 208) announced, "Died on Sunday at the Bath, Jos. Alston, son of Major Alston and brother to the lady of the Right Rev. Dr. Francis Hare, Lord Bishop of Chichester and Dean of S. Paul's."

Table 95, p. 60.—J. E. C. Hare died 2nd April, 1880, at the Residency, Albany, West Australia.

Table 99, p. 62.—The "one Harrington" to whom Sarah Alston was married was Sir Edmund Harrington, Bart (1611), of Merton, son and heir of Sir Francis Harrington, 3rd Bart, the Regicide. Sir E. H. was born about 1635, admitted to the Inner Temple, 7th June, 1654, succeeded to the baronetcy in 1680, married Sarah Alston his first wife (settlement dated 20th August, 1679). She died *d. s. p.* See G.E.C., "Complete Baronetage."

Table 103, p. 63.—The marriage of Edmund Alston and Sarah Collard took place at Barneston. *Vide* registers there.

A close comparative reading of Edmund's will proved, Sudbury, 26th February, 1695, suggests that Jane's first husband was an Isaac Alston. Testator refers to his wife's son Isaac.

Letters of administration were granted to Thomas Alston, son-in-law of Sarah (Pratt), Alston, 27th September, 1763. It is a question whether Sarah's husband was not buried September 16th at Boxford.

Table 104, p. 64.—Hutchinson v. Alston, p. 211, gives the name of Samuel Alston's (the son's) wife as Judith.

Chester's Marriage Licenses describes Giles Duncombe as of the Inner Temple, bachelor, aged 22, son of John Duncombe, of Ivinghoe, Aston, Co. Bucks, the marriage to take place at St. Gregory's, London, dated 21st November, 1660.

The same authority describes Samuel Goldsmith as of S. Andrew Holborn, gent., bachelor, about 22, licence 17th December, 1660, at St. Giles in the Field.

Table 105, p. 64.—Samuel Alston was a merchant in London and living in 1693.—See *Alston v. Alston*, p. 188.

Mary (Alston) Andrews had a son, Oliver Andrews, a linen draper in London.—See p. 188.

Table 106, p. 65.—"Trinity Hall, Cambridge," Samuel Alston de Newton, in com. Suff., electus scholaris de minori forma, November 7, 1735.—*Coles' MSS., Vol 58, p. 176.*

Table 109, p. 66.—I find the query in my notes, "Did not Thomas Alston's widow marry a Mr. Veasey?"

David Thomas Alston married (2) Ellen Taylor, at Swanscombe Kent, 23rd February, 1841, described as of Chalkwell and Sittingbourne.

Table 110, p. 67.—Elizabeth Toller was daughter of J. Toller or Tollar.—See *Morant's Essex Vol. 2, p. 19* (*quoted in Davy's Suff. Coll.*)

Steward, husband of Rose Alston, was of Tatlingstone, entry in Registers there. Their son Richard Steward, is mentioned in the grandfather Nicholas' will, 1742, and grandmother's will, 1743.—See p. 161 and 162.

Table 112, p. 67.—I have a notion, possibly fallacious, that descendants in the male line of Percival-Edward Alston exist, but my letters of enquiry to the supposed descendants failed to elicit responses.

Table 113, p. 68.—See note, p. 355, from Davy's Coll., that Mr. Alston, of Cransford, has an uncle who is a silversmith, &c., in London.

Table 114, p. 69.—Assuming that all the senior Alston lines are extinct as to male descendants, Mr. Albert Witten Alston is the present male head of the family.

Table 118, p. 70.—The absence of particulars about the "son in London" makes me think that Davy misunderstood the Rev. E. C. Alston as to the precise relationship.

Table 128, p. 73.—Under Eliza-Anne Alston read, "Born 12th August, 1813" instead of 1816.

Daniel Alston, of Stanstead Hall, married, 8th May, 1841, a Mrs. Williamson, relict of John Williamson, of Sudbury.—*Davy's Suff. Coll.*

Alston, of Odell Castle.—A number of important corrections and additions were supplied by Mr. Alex. R. Alston after (unfortunately) the tables of descent relating to this family had been struck off.

Table 16b, p. 75.—Dudley Alston is now married.

Table 16c.—Rowland Alston was educated at Uppingham, was M.P. for Herts 1835, and D.L. for Beds. as well as Herts. His son Rowland-Gardiner was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford. He was P.G.W. in masonry. William-Vere Alston was also educated at Eton, died in 1892, not 1882 as stated, married Ellen Goddard, not Annesley. In Morley's Life of Gladstone (Vol. 1, chap. III., p. 73) I came across the following interesting note. Writing to his brother from Oxford May 20, 1831, and describing a debate at the Union upon Reform, Gladstone says: "Doyle spoke remarkably well and made a violent attack upon Mr. Canning's friends, which Gaskell did his best to answer, but ineffectually from the nature of the case. We got a conversion speech from a Christ Church gentleman-commoner named Alston, which produced an excellent effect, and the division was favourable beyond anything we had hoped—ninety-four to thirty-eight." The Alston in question I take to be Rowland-Gardiner.

Table 16d.—Rev. Vere-John Alston married secondly Maria, widow of R. Orlebar, Esq. She died April 3rd, 1863, predeceasing her husband only by a month, he dying in May, 1863. His son, Horace-George, was lieutenant in the Royal Artillery. Thomas died 31st July, 1854. The Fishers had other children besides Ada.

Table 16e, p. 76.—H. F. Alston's first wife was daughter of David-Ball Hughes. She died 1810. His son, H. F. Alston was also a captain 78th Highlanders, and married Miss Walshe in 1838. Anne Mount is in county Waterford. The children of H. F. A. the younger were—

John-Henry, born November 15th, 1839, died 1867.

Sidney-Vere, born November 8th, 1840, married 1866.

Harold-Edward-Alcock, born October 12th, 1855, died 1865.

Elizabeth-Mary, wife of Hubert Martineau, Esq., died July 29th, 1900, had issue 3 sons and 6 daughters. Geraldine-Lucy.

Raynsford-George Alston, died 1849, sp.

Catherine-Jane Alston, died August 23rd, 1889.

Evelyn Bruce Alston is the correct name of the younger daughter of H. F. A.'s third marriage.

Table 16f, p. 77.—Alexandra-Rose is the name of Mr. A. R. Alston's daughter Beilby Francis Alston, married May 17th, 1900, Hilda, daughter of Major-General Goldon Conyers-William Alston, served in the Imperial Yeomanry in the Boer War, 1900, and was promoted Lieutenant Royal Artillery.

Rowland Ernest Alston was transferred to the Royal Fusiliers, 1899.

Francis George Alston entered the 4th Bedfordshire Regiment and transferred to the Scots Guards 1900, served in the Boer War, and was severely wounded at Stoap Kranz, O.F.S., July 28, 1900.

Elca-Rose was the correct name of this lady.

The child of Mrs. Mellor was *Wilfrid*, not Winifred.

Elca-Temperance, not Alca-Temperance, is the correct name of this lady.

Table A, p. 79.—Martha (Stock) Alston died September 20, 1728.

Jacob Alston, son of John, was born 1724, died 1757.

A portrait of Samuel Alston the elder in a blue coat exists at Nayland.

Table A3, p. 81.—For Royal Descent of Anne-Charlotte (Oxenden) Alston, see p. 307.

Hutchin's Dorset Vol. I., p. 652, quotes the following inscription :—

"To the memory of Walden Alston, third surviving son of the Rev. George Alston, Rector of this parish (Studland), who departed this life on the 14th December, 1853, in the 19th year of his age.

"Also to the memory of Anne Charlotte Alston, the beloved wife of the said George Alston, and

"mother of the said Walden Alston, whose remains be interred at Kirkheaton in Yorkshire."

Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield apparently should be read instead of Kirkheath on p. 81.

P. 86.—In connection with this table under William Alston, who married Anne Sewell, it may be noted that a Thomas Sewell married Maria Alston.—*See Table 102, note.*

P. 148.—Evelyn Alston, Administration *de bonis non*, was granted 23rd January, 1826, to Sarah Norton, wife of George Norton, heretofore Alston, spinster, the natural lawful and only child of the said deceased (Evelyn Norton) the said Mary Alston (relict) being dead.

The wills of Dame Gertrude Alston and *Sir* John Alston, Bt., *als* John Wasse, were both proved in 1807.

P. 241.—Parish Registers of Lingfield, 1745, November 14, William, son of William and Elizabeth *Austin*, *burial* (burial should read *baptism*).

P. 245.—Alston entries from Family Papers, &c., read "evidently that of Sir *Evelyn* Alston the elder" instead of Sir *Edward* Alston the elder.

P. 334.—Last line of Charles H. Alston's letter should read "Set forth in your work."

P. 335.—Read "*Matriculations*," &c.

P. 357.—Under Dr. Fenn's conjectural pedigree read Martha *Stock* instead of Stoch.

P. 358.—Read Wm. Alston of *Rochester*.

Barneston Registers read after Sarah Collard, *circiter*.

P. 359.—Portraits at Nayland, read "wife of John *East*, not Earl."

Read (last line) Nayland instead of Layland.

P. 362.—Long Stow, Camb. Read Rev. Mr. Davies instead of Rev. Mr. Danes.

P. 367.—Harleian MS. 607, fol. 234. Read "Pentlow" instead of Penelow under Edward Alston.

P. 369.—Under the late Sir Thomas Abdy strike out *Sir* in front of "Rowland Alston of Pishiobury."

P. 371.—In the pedigree at top of page read *Wisto* instead of *Wiske*, *Shansfield* instead of *Stunsfield*, and *Dansie* instead of *Dounie*.

P. 372.—Pedigree of Alston Wasse family for *Thos.* Messiter read *Turner* Messiter.

P. 379.—For "Vicarage of "Ason" read "Vicarage of Assington."

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