

LINCOLNSHIRE IRBY ARMS

THE IRBYS OF LINCOLNSHIRE THE IRBYS OF CUMBERLAND

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PART I
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FOREWORD

This account of the IRBYS of Lincolnshire and IREBYS of Cumberland, which I have been engaged on for some years, does not pretend to be of any general interest, and is only compiled so that members of the family may have some sort of introduction to their forbears.

My grateful thanks are due to the Head of the family, the sixth Baron Boston (S. 1) for the kindly interest he has taken in this production, to my brother Lewis Michael Aubert (R. 21), of Messrs. Sotheby & Co., who has provided me with a good deal of information about members of the family to be found in various books that have come under his survey, and to Cecil Eustace (T. 2) for a good deal of Cumberland research.

I am also indebted to Miss M. K. Dale for research in the Public Record Office, more particularly in the Cumberland portion of the book, and to "Tasmary" (T. 16), for her kind assistance in typing out most of the manuscript for me when on a visit to this country in 1936.

There may be, and probably are, branches of the family in this country and possibly in Ireland, of which I have no record, as it will be seen from the Pedigree Chart that in the earlier parts of the Pedigree there are a good many members of the family about whom I have been able to discover very little information, and they may of course have descendants still flourishing in some district.

The Australian Branch starts with Edward (Q. 23) who, with his brother Leonard (Q. 24), arrived in Sydney in 1842 by the sailing vessel *Flora Kerr* of 417 tons, and the descendants of that Edward now form a considerable clan.

There is also, possibly, a Branch in the U.S.A., but I

¹ Note. The Pedigree Charts are in a separate Case issued with this volume.

have not been able to identify them (see extracts from "Historical Sketch of the Nottaway Grays afterwards 'G' Company 18th Virginia Regiment, Army of Northern Virginia" by Richard Irby, Captain of the Company 1862/3, published at Richmond, Virginia, in 1878 on p. 143, and "Irby Wills and Administrations" under Walter Irby on p. 114).

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REFERENCE FROM THE BODY OF THE BOOK TO THE PEDIGREE CHART

THE Capital Letter and Number appearing after each name in the body of the book gives the connecting link with the Pedigree Chart¹; the Capital Letter signifies the generation, and the Number following is that assigned to him or her for purposes of identification in that generation, though not necessarily in order of seniority, for owing to the exigencies of spacing, it has often not been possible to adhere to chronological order.

A Table will be found on p. xxiii which gives the Capital Letter for each generation from the original Robert of Laceby (A. 1) down to George Florance, the sixth and present Baron Boston (S. 1).

¹ Note. The Pedigree Charts are in a separate Case issued with this volume.

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SIR ANTHONY IRBY
Born 1604/5. Died 1681/2

THE IRBYS OF LINCOLNSHIRE

There are two parishes in Lincolnshire named Irby, one in the northern part of the county "Irby-on-Humber," and the other in the eastern part, "Irby-in-the-Marsh," near Burgh, but I am inclined to think that the Irby family, though undoubtedly settled in Lincolnshire for some 400 years, does not originate from either of these two places, or indeed from Lincolnshire at all, but should it do so, I agree with Canon Maddison (see pp. 106, 107) that "Irby-on-Humber" is the more likely of the two, as there is undoubtedly a connection with Laceby in the early part of the Lincolnshire pedigree, which place is contiguous thereto.

Amongst the numerous references to the Lincolnshire. family which I have found in various Rolls, Wills, and other Records there are none connected with either of these Irby parishes, and in my view the Lincolnshire Irbys are in reality a younger branch of the older Ireby family of Cumberland, settling themselves in Lincolnshire probably in the latter part of the thirteenth century or early in the fourteenth. This view, however, I confess I am unable, as yet, to support with definite proof. Arms of the two families are very similar. The recorded Arms of Sir Thomas de Ireby of Cumberland are stated in Knights of Edward I (Harleian Society, Vol. I, p. 311 and Vol. II, p. 270) as "De argent frette de sable e un quart de goul a un quintefoil de or " (see p. 112), and the Arms of the Lincolnshire Irbys are "Argent fretty sable on a canton gules a chaplet or"; this Sir Thomas de Ireby is either the one who died in 1307, or his son who died in 1322.

All the Cumberland Irebys are descended from Orme

de Ireby, son of Gospatrick, son of Orme, son of Ketellus (or Ketel), son of Eldred (temp. William I).

The senior branch of the Cumberland family resided at High Ireby and came to an end with Sir John de Ireby, Kt., who left no male heir. I am unable to give the date of his death, but he was certainly alive in 1413 when the Exchequer grant to him of £20 per annum, made by King Henry IV in 1399, was confirmed by King Henry V; he left a daughter, Alice de Ireby, who married firstly Geoffrey Tilliol and secondly Sir John de Skelton Kt.

A junior branch of the Cumberland family resident at Low Ireby began and ended with Sir William de Ireby, Kt., who died in 1257, leaving no male heir but two daughters Christian and Eva; Christian de Ireby married firstly Thomas, son of Duncan Lassells of Bolton, secondly Sir Adam de Gesemuth (Jesmond-on-Tyne), and thirdly Sir Robert de Brus "The Competitor," who died in 1295. Christian's dower was settled in 1296 and she died before July 1305. Eva de Ireby married firstly Robert d'Evill or Avenel, secondly Alan de Charters, and thirdly Robert de Stuteville. This Sir William de Ireby was knighted by King John. He was a younger son of Adam and a grandson of Orme de Ireby.

As the Manors of both High and Low Ireby went out of the family in the female line, the connection between the Cumberland and Lincolnshire families, if such connection there be, must be looked for through some younger son.

There was a John, son of Adam de Ireby, who gave evidence at an inquest held at Spillesby, Lincolnshire, in 1351 (see inquest for proof of age of John de Wylughby, Vol. IX, Edward III, p. 353) saying "that he purchased a tenement in Cotes, Lincolnshire, in December 1328"; this John may possibly have been the John de Ireby, son of Adam de Ireby in the Cumberland pedigree; also this John de Ireby of Cumberland had two cousins named Robert, which is a name that appears a good many times

in the Cumberland pedigree as well as in the early part of the Lincolnshire. The marriage of Robert Irby of Laceby (A. 1), with a daughter of Herbert Flynton and Cecilia de la Launde, also suggests a possible link, as the De la Launde family owned land in Laceby, Lincolnshire, and in Scaleby in Cumberland, which is not far from Ireby, Ralph de la Grene of Laceby, and John Malet of Ireby, being bailiffs for Walter de la Launde. In "De Banco," Lincoln No. 17, Michaelmas 1275, there is the following entry, "Walter de la Linde by attorney appeared against Ralph de la Grene of Laceby for refusing to render his account for the time that he, together with John Malet of Ireby, was Walter's bailiff in Laseby and Scaleby. In the plea Walter says that Ralph cannot be found or distrained. The Sheriff now returns that he has distrained him by one horse price 7 shillings. Nevertheless he had mainpernors William son of Alan de Ireby, Adam son of Alan of the same, and Ralph Paycenin. Therefore they are in mercy for his non appearance, the Sheriff is further ordered to distrain him so as to have him here on the Octave of Hilary."

This Ralph de la Grene was possibly a relation of John atte Grene, who married Cecilia de la Launde's sister Margery not later than 1320.

Beyond the references to the De la Launde or Lynde family in connection with Herbert Flynton's marriage to Cecilia de la Lynde, mother of the wife of Robert Irby (A. 1) of Laceby, I have not come across much information regarding the early part of the pedigree, and it is not until we come to the children of Robert (E. 1) that the references become fuller from many and varied sources. For the suggested early dates in the pedigree, and Canon Maddison's reflections on its genuineness previous to Anthony of Gosberton (F. 4) in Vol. I of his *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, and his subsequent handsome apology to the Irby family for those reflections, made in the introduction to Vol. II, see pp. 106/7.

Various Irby Wills in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries have provided a good deal of information, and from these and other sources I have pieced the pedigree together. On pp. 114/121 will be found a fairly comprehensive list of Irby Wills and Administrations, some of which, however, though probably belonging to members of some branch of the family, I have been unable to identify.

The connection with Laceby and the northern part of the county seems to have come to an end with Robert (D. 1), and his son Robert (E. 1) may have been the Robert Herbye who is mentioned in the Boston Muniments, p. 50, as one of the Churchwardens of Moulton in 1517; at any rate his sons Ambrose, Anthony and William were all settled in the southern part of the county as landowners there in the early part of the sixteenth century, at Moulton, Gosberton and Sutterton respectively, and their descendants later on at Whaplode, Boston and contiguous places, until after the death of the first Baronet Sir Edward (M. 3), a period of some 400 years from the original Robert of Laceby (A. 1).

Sir William, the second Baronet, afterwards in 1761 created Baron Boston, was apparently the first member of the family to settle in Buckinghamshire. He purchased the Hedsor estate in 1764; his son, the second Baron, built a mansion on a higher elevation than the old Manor House in 1778, and this remained the family seat until the sixth and present Baron sold the property, and then bought the Monkshatch estate at Compton, Guildford, in 1927.

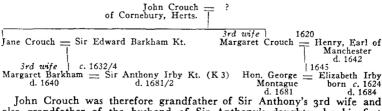
The birth of Anthony (L. 5) in 1649 must have come as a great joy to his father Sir Anthony (K. 3), for it was only by his fourth marriage, and after the birth of ten daughters, that he was blessed with a son and heir. Sir Anthony, though so often married, was only 36 years of age when he made his last venture in 1641, and in spite of all the trials and difficulties he sustained during the Civil

War, he lived to a hale old age, dying in 1681/2 when 77 years old.

A curious mixture of relationship was brought about by the second marriage of the fourth Baron in 1861, which resulted in his becoming the brother-in-law of his daughter-in-law, and his second wife the step-mother of her own sister.

Another mixed relationship was brought about by the various marriages of Sir Anthony (K. 3). (See note below.¹)

From p. 106 to the end of the book will be found extracts from various Rolls, etc. and books of reference, some too long to be placed under the particular member concerned; others, though trivial in themselves, are included as having, I think, some point or other of interest to members of the family, for whom, as mentioned in the Foreword, this account of their forbears, in many respects I fear a very imperfect one, has been compiled.



John Crouch was therefore grandfather of Sir Anthony's 3rd wife and also grandfather of the husband of Sir Anthony's daughter by his first marriage.

TABLE of DESCENT

Short table of the descent of the sixth and present Baron Boston from the original Robert Erbye or Irby of Laceby, showing the Capital Letter attaching to each of the seventeen generations therefrom; descending from father to son in every case.

- A. Robert of Laceby (temp. Edward III).
- B. Robert.
- C. Bennett (? Benedict).
- D. Robert of Laceby.
- E. Robert.
- F. Anthony of Gosberton, died 1548.
- G. Thomas of Whaplode, died 1561.
- H. Anthony of Boston, M.P., 1547/1625.
- I. Sir Anthony, Kt., 1577/1610.
- K. Sir Anthony, Kt., 1605/81.
- L. Anthony, 1649/84.
- M. Sir Edward, first Baronet, 1676/1718.
- N. William, first Baron Boston, 1707/75.
- O. Frederick, second Baron, 1749/1825.
- P. George, third Baron, 1777/1856.
- Q. George, fourth Baron, 1802/69.
- R. Florance George, fifth Baron, 1837/77.
- S. George Florance, sixth Baron, born 1860.

PART I

THE IRBYS OF LINCOLNSHIRE

LINCOLNSHIRE

- A. I. ROBERT ERBEYE or IRBY of LACEBY, LINCS. (temp. Ed. III).
- Married d. and co-heiress of Herbert Flynton and Cecilia d. and co-heiress of Sir Walter de la Lynde (living in 1316 and dead before Michaelmas 1320), Lord of Laceby, Lincs.

Herbert Flynton was born in 1281, and married Cecilia de la Lynde in, or before, 1314. The following extracts refer to his age and marriage, etc.

- Calendar of Inquests, Vol. III, Ed. III, p. 294.
- "Proof of age as to a person born in Holderness taken at York, Sept. 5th, 1331. Witnesses included Herbert de Flynton, aged 50."
- Calendar of Chancery Inquests A.Q.D. (P.R.O. List XVII, p. 149, Lincs and Somerset, 8 Ed. II (1314).
- "Grant by Walter de la Lynde of half the manor of Laceby, and half the advowson of the church there to Herbert de Flynton, Cecily his wife, and the heirs of their bodies."
- Common Pleas Roll for Easter, 9 Ed. II (1315), Roll 214, mem. 5 d.

On this is enrolled the agreement between Walter and Herbert and Cecily.

- Feet of Fines, Lincs, 10 Ed. II (1316), No. 29.
- "Final concord between Herbert de Flynton and Cecily his wife, querent, and Walter de la Lynde, deforciant, of a moiety of the manor of Leysseby and a moiety of the

advowson of the church of the same manor, which Walter granted to Herbert and Cecily and to the heirs by Herbert of the body of Cecily, with the remainder to Walter and his heirs."

Yorks Arch. Soc. (Rec. Series), XLII, Fines 1327/47, p. 18.

Herbert de Flynton took a messuage in Flynton (Yorks) from Robert le Taillour in 1329.

Laceby Subsidy Roll, 1327.

Herbert de Flynton, Robert de Riby and Walter de la Launde are mentioned. Robert de Riby might be a misspelling of Robert de Ireby as names in these old documents are variously spelt; on the other hand there is a place called Riby not far from Laceby.

De la Lynde.

History of Dorset, John Hutchins (1873), Vol. IV, p. 479, gives a pedigree of the De la Lyndes, mentioning Sir Walter de la Lynde, Kt., 25 years of age in 1273, and living in 1316, died before March 1320 leaving no male heir, but five daughters including Cecilia, who married Herbert de Flynton before March 1316, and Margery, who married John atte Grene before 1320. In the narrative account of the family the property is said to have included land in Suffolk, Surrey, Leysby, near Grimsby in Lincs, and Scaleby in Cumberland. There is a monument to William Launde ob. 1424 in the church at Laceby; this is probably the William who was born in 1345, great great grandson of the above Sir Walter de la Lynde.

Issue. Robert (B. 1).

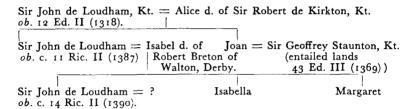
B. I. ROBERT IRBY.

(Son of Robert (A. 1) and —— Flynton.)

Married Jane¹ d. of Sir John Lowdham, Kt., of Lowdham, Notts.

Issue. Bennett (? Benedict) (C. 1).

History of Notts, by John Throsby (1796), Vol. III, p. 28, gives a pedigree of a family of De Loudham of Loudham.



There are monuments of the Loudham family dating from the fourteenth century in Loudham Church in Mid Notts, six miles south-west of Southwell.

C. I. BENNETT (? BENEDICT) IRBY.

(Son of Robert (B. 1) and Jane Lowdham.)

Married — d. of Sir Robert (? John) Gainsby, Kt. (of Yorks?).

Issue. Robert (D. 1) and John (D. 2).

¹ Jane is not mentioned in this pedigree, but she might have been a daughter of Sir John who died c. 1388, or of his son Sir John who died c. 1391.

D. I. ROBERT IRBY of LACEBY, LINCS.

(Son of Bennett (C. 1) and — Gainsby.)

Married — d. of John Hansard.

Whaplode Parish Register. Copied from a newspaper cutting therein.

"Robert Irby or Ireby of Laceby. Robert his eldest son married Jane d. of Thomas Thimbleby Esq., of Polham, Lincs. The grandson of Robert was seated at Gosberton who died 21st June, 1552 ('this date is incorrect, it should be 1548), having married Alice daughter of John Bountaine Esq., and by her had issue Leonard who was M.P. for Boston from 1st Queen Mary to 6th Philip and Mary, and again in 5 and 13 Elizabeth, and Thomas, seated at Whaplode married Elizabeth Sergeant and was father of Anthony Irby Esq."

Hansard Pedigrees, Harl. Soc., Ll, 1903, Lincs Pedigrees, Maddison, Vol. II.

There is a John, fifth son of Sir Richard Hansard, Kt. (aged 18 in 1395) and Joan d. of —— Ashe, and a John son of Gilbert Hansard (living in 1390), brother of the above Sir Richard.

Either of these Johns might have been the father of the wife of Robert (D. 1), so far as the dates are concerned.

Issue. Robert (E. 1) and Anthony (E. 2).

¹ The date of the Inquest P.M. on Anthony of Gosberton is 10th October, 1552, in which it is stated that he died 21st June, 1548.

D. 2. JOHN IRBY.

(Son of Bennett (C. 1) and — Gainsby.)

Married — d. of — Brough.

? the John Irby, B.C.L. Camb. 1468/9, D.C.L. 1479/80.

Issue. Alice (E. 3).

E. I. ROBERT IRBY.

(Son of Robert (D. 1) and —— Hansard.)

Married Joan d. of Thomas (Robert) Thimbleby of Poolham, Horncastle.

- ? the Robert Herbye mentioned as one of the Churchwardens of Moulton 1517.
- ? the Robert Herbye who was one of the witnesses to his son Ambrose's will 1530.

Issue. Thomas (F. 1), Agnes (F. 2), Ambrose (F. 3), Anthony (F. 4) and William (F. 5).

E. 2. ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of Robert (D. 1) and —— Hansard.)

E. 3. ALICE IRBY.

(Daughter of John (D. 2) and — - Brough.) Married Richard Quadring.

F. I. THOMAS IRBY.

(Son of Robert (E. 1) and Joan Thimbleby.) ob s.p.

F. 2. AGNES IRBY.

(Daughter of Robert (E. 1) and Joan Thimbleby.)

Alive in 1530.

Mentioned as sister in the Will of Ambrose (F. 3) proved in 1530.

F. 3. AMBROSE IRBY of MOULTON, LINCS.

(Son of Robert (E. 1) and Joan Thimbleby.)

Married (1) Alicia d. of —.

(2) Maud or Matilda (d. 1561), d. of —. (As widow she married secondly John Shepard), Muniments, p. 54.

Died 1530. Will proved 10/2/1530. (1530. 1. Thower.) Acquired land in Moulton, Lincs in 1517 (Muniments, pp. 50 and 51).

Star Chamber Proceedings. Bundle XX, No. 292. (Undated.)

"Ambrose Irby accused, with Sir Robert Kitson and others including a Priest, of killing John Gannesby, a watchman, and was harboured by Anthony Irby (F. 4) his brother who lived at Swineshead and by Guy (? Giles) Irby (G. 15) his kinsman. Also accused, of killing William Hell of Moulton. In each case it was alleged that he had

compounded with the widows for £10. Anthony Irby, as Coroner, put his own friends on the Inquest. Anthony Irby has said in divers open places that 'he trusteth his said brother Ambrose shall be at home again within a few days, as merry as ever he was for all this, whosoever shall say nay thereto.' The informer asks for remedy against Anthony Irby 'which doth great hurte in the said County as well in coloryng untrewe matiers as in dyverce other thynges.' Endorsed:—Commission to John Littlebury Esq., John Hennage Esq., John Robynson Esq., etc. to examine and certify on the morrow of St. Martin."

N.B. The first part of the complaint is torn away. The bundle is undated, but is previous to 1538, as bundle XXXI, number 20 is dated that year, and from the known date of Ambrose's death the date is anterior to 1530. This assault is also referred to in Notes on Visitation of Lincolnshire, by A. Gibbons, 1898, p. 259.

Unfortunately there does not appear to be any further record of these proceedings. It would be interesting to know the contents of the Commissioners' report regarding what, in these days, would be considered grave accusations; however, as Ambrose died possessed of considerable estate, and his brother Anthony continued to hold various appointments until his death in 1548, we may, I think, take it that the accusations made by the informer were not sustained. P.A.I.

Issue by second wife. Beatrice (G. 1) and Thomas (G. 2).

F. 4. ANTHONY IRBY, J.P. of GOSBERTON, LINCS.

(Son of Robert (E. 1) and Joan Thimbleby.)

Born? c. 1480.

Married Alice d. of John Bountaine or Bunting of Evedon, Lincs.

Died 21/6/1548. Will proved 15/8/1548. (1548. 11. Populwell.) His widow Alice's Will was proved 1563. (18. Chayre.)

Inq. P.M. 10/10/1552 in which the date of Anthony's death is stated to be 21/6/1548 and that the eldest son is John aged 35.

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 10/11/1522 (special admission).

Mentioned as brother in Will of Ambrose Irby of Moulton (F. 3), proved 1530.

Became a member of the Corpus Christi Guild, Boston, some time between 1520 and 1530 (Pyshey Thompson's Boston, p. 122).

There are numerous references to this Anthony in various Rolls, etc. amongst them the following:—Letters etc. of the Reign of Henry VIII.

Vol. II (1515/16, No. 2733). Deposition of Thomas Halgh¹ stating that one Anthony Irby of Swyneshead Co Lincoln did in the house of Robert Hare being a tavern in the presence of Thos Holland, Thos Garton, Blase Holland, Thos Brown, Rose Leigh widow, Thos Tilston and others state "it is a wonder to see the King how he is ordered nowadays; for the Cardinal² and the³ Duke of

¹1522 Commission of the Peace, Lines. Anthony Eyrby, Thos. Halgh and others.

² Cardinal Wolsey.

² Charles Brandon created first Duke of Suffolk in 1514; was the son of William Brandon, standard-bearer of Henry VII.

Suffolk, which the King hath brought up of nought, do rule him in all things even as they list, whether it be by necromancy, witch craft or policy, no man knoweth. Information of this he has given to Christopher Slyngesby servant to my Lord Cardinal, of the words above written in the same terms that Sir William Bullmer was examined before the King and Lords in the Star Chamber who made it known to my Lords." There is no further mention of what happened, but it will be seen by the footnote above that Anthony and the deponent Thomas Halgh were both of them in the Commission of the Peace a few years later.

Vol. IV, 1/4/1524, No. 214. "Collected by Anthony Irby and others from Lincolnshire for War Loan with France £3,018 158. 9d."

Vol. IV, 1/4/1529, No. 2433. The marriage of Isabel, third daughter and heiress of Thos. Serjeant, lands sold to Anthony Irby for £20¹ (Isabel was a King's ward). (Anthony's son Thomas married Isabel Serjeant, but probably at a rather later date.)

Vol. XI, 1/10/1536, No. 852. Letter of Lord Hussey to the Council touching the rebellion in Lincolnshire. Anthony Irby mentioned as commanding eighty men for the King. (Pilgrimage of Grace.)

Vol. XX, pt. I, p. 57, January 1545. Pardon for the slaying of William Johnson labourer of Holbych, Lanc. (sic), and for abetting Robert Dawkins or any other of the murderers viz to Ant. Irby alias Eresby of Gosberkirke, Lincs, alias Ant. Erby of Swineshead, Linc, alias Ant. Iresby of Sutterton, Lincs, alias Ant. Irby or Eresby or Ewresby of Moulton, Lincs, Gent, and Thomas Eresby or Ewresby of Quaplode or Whapplode or Gwhapplode, Lincs, son of the said Anthony." (It is evident from this extract that the careful Anthony had no intention that the

These values would be at present about £91,000 and £600 respectively

pardon should fail through any variation of spelling, so prevalent in those days. P.A.I.)

Patent Rolls, 10/2/1536/7, p. 154, "leased to Anthony Irby of Gosberkirk, Lincs, gentleman, the Rectory of Quadrynge (Lincs) then pertaining to the Monastery of Staynefelde, by authority of Parliament suppressed, from St Mark's day then next for 21 years at £6. 4s. od. rent."

Star Chamber Proceedings. See entry under Ambrose (F. 3).

Issue. Rose (G. 6), Jane (G. 7), Katherine (G. 8), Margaret (G. 9), Dorothy (G. 10), John (G. 11), Leonard (G. 12), Thomas (G. 13), Kenelm (G. 14), Giles (G. 15), Edward (G. 16) and Edmund (G. 17).

F.5. WILLIAM IRBY of SUTTERTON, LINCS.

(Son of Robert (E. 1) and Joan Thimbleby.)

Married Margaret d. of ——. Died before 1504. Died before 1504.

Mentioned as father, and his wife Margaret as mother, in Will of Thomas of Thetford, Norfolk (G. 4), with prayers to be said for their souls. Proved 21/4/1504.

See scrap of pedigree. Irby of Sutterton, MS. C23 Herald's College, Harl. Soc., Vol. II, *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, ed. Maddison, p. 543.

Issue. Ambrose (G. 3), Thomas (G. 4) and John (G. 5).

G. I. BEATRICE IRBY.

(Daughter of Ambrose (F. 3) and Matilda

Married — Durbagge after 1530.

Mentioned in Will of her father (proved 10/2/1530) as unmarried.

Mentioned in Muniments, pages 51, etc.

Issue. Joan (H. 1) and Alice (H. 2).

G. 2. THOMAS IRBY of MOULTON, LINCS.

(Son of Ambrose (F. 3) and Matilda.)

Born c. 1506 (under 24 years of age in 1530).

Married Elizabeth (alive in 1546) d. of Edward Hoult.

Died 1546. Will proved 21/8/1546. Lincoln.

Inq. P.M. 1546. Next heir his son Anthony, aged 6.

Issue. Anthony (H. 3).

G. 3. AMBROSE IRBY (Monk).

(Son of William (F. 5) of Sutterton and Margaret.)

Born before 1530.

A monk at Spalding Monastery. Letters etc. of the Reign of Henry VIII.

Vol. XIV, 1539, p. 239. Ambrose Irby pension of £6 as one of the monks of Spalding, Lincs, which surrendered 8/12/1540. (Equivalent to some £180 now.)

Mentioned as his godson in Will of Ambrose Irby (F. 3) proved 10/2/1530.

Mentioned in Will of Thomas of Moulton (G. 2) 1546, as his cousin.

? the same Ambrose Irby who was Rector of Ovington, Norfolk.

Blomefield's History of Norfolk (1806), Vol. II, pp. 296 and 508.

Rectors of Ovington. "Ambrose Irby in 1548, resigned the Rectory in 1548 when John Winter was appointed, was appointed again in 1558 on the death of Winter, and resigned again in 1559 when James Robinson was appointed."

Vicars of Windham. 1479. Robert Irby. Vol. III, p. 660.

Officials to the Archdeacon of Sudbury. John Irby,² Doctor of the Decrees, in 1500.

G.4. THOMAS IRBY of THETFORD, NORFOLK.

(Son of William of Sutterton (F. 5) and Margaret.)

Married (1) Joan d. of ---.

(2) Estelyne (d. 1505), widow of —— and d. of —— Donham.

Son Jasper by first marriage. (Chancery Proceedings, c. 1504/15.) It is uncertain whether the following children of Estelyne's are by her first or second marriage and, possibly, therefore not Irbys.

John (a Priest).

¹ I have not, as yet, been able to trace this Robert.
² This John may possibly be G. 5 or H. 5.

Thomas (was married at the time of his mother's death in 1505).

Alice (? subsequently married to John Cale) see her mother's Will 1505.

Died before April 1504.

Will proved 21/4/1504. (26. Holgrave.)

Issue. By 1st wife. Jasper (H.4).
By 2nd wife. John (H.5), Alice (H.6) and
Thomas (H.7). (See above query.)

G.5. JOHN IRBY of SUTTERTON, LINCS.

(Son of William of Sutterton (F. 5) and Margaret.)

Alive in 1504 and 1530.

Married Katherine d. of Richard Angers of Cambridge.

Mentioned in Will of Ambrose (F. 3) proved 10/2/1530 as "son of my brother William."

Mentioned in Will of Thomas of Thetford (G. 4) proved 21/4/1504 as "brother."

? the Master John Irby, Clerk, and others who held land in Dedham and Colchester in Essex in 1491. (Inq. P.M. Henry VII, Vol. I, p. 257, under Laurence Reynesforth, Kt.)

? the John who was Doctor of the Decrees to the Archdeacon of Sudbury, Norfolk, in 1500, see under Ambrose (G. 3).

Issue. John (H. 8).

G. 6. ROSE IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

- ? Born after 1517.
- Married (1) John Bolles of Scampton, or Gosberton, Lincs. Died 1551.
 - (2) (before 1563) Hugh Brady (one of the witnesses to his mother-in-law's Will, 1563).

Mentioned in Will of Anthony (F. 4) as Rose Bolles, and in Will of her mother Alice as Rose Brady.

In Scampton Church, Lincs, there are on the floor brasses to Sir John Bolles and Catherine his wife; the former died in 1648 and the latter in 1644.

Sir John Bolles was created a Baronet 24/7/1628.

Issue. Geoffrey (H. 9) and Margaret (H. 10).

G. 7. JANE IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

- ? Born after 1517.
- Married before 1548 William Bennett of Algarkirk, Lincs (son of Thomas Bennett and ——— d. of John Bolle of Wigtoft, Lincs).

Mentioned in Will of Anthony (F. 4) proved 1548 as "daughter Jane with husband William Bennett."

Issue. Thomas (H. 11).

G. 8. KATHERINE IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

? Born after 1517.

Married Thomas Pearson or Pierson between 1548 and 1563.

Mentioned in Will of Anthony (F. 4) proved 1548 as "daughter Katherine" (then unmarried).

Mentioned in Will of Alice her mother proved 1563 as "Katherine Pierson."

? any Issue.

G.9. MARGARET IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

? Born after 1517.

Married Henry Death of Gosberton, Lincs, before 1548.

Mentioned in Will of Anthony (F. 4) proved 1548 as "daughter Margaret wife of Henry Death."

? any Issue.

G. 10. DOROTHY IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

? Born after 1517.

Married John Domesday (after 1548 and before 1563).

Mentioned in Will of Anthony (F. 4) proved 1548 as "daughter Dorothy" (then unmarried).

Mentioned in Will of her mother Alice proved 1563 as "Dorothy Domesday."

Issue. Julian (H. 12) and Leonard (H. 13).

G. 11. JOHN IRBY of KIRTON, LINCS.

(Son of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

Born 1517 (34 years old in Anthony (F. 4) Inq. P.M. 1552).

Married 1 Rose d. of Cutler (? Cuthbert) Overton.

Died 1553.

Inq. P.M. 1555.

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 4/5/1534.

Star Chamber Proceedings. 1/4/1538 re Land at Swineshead, Lincs.

"Yngham v Irby" "John Yngham and Katherine his wife, sister and heir of Richard Strycroft. Complaint of a conspiracy between Anthony Irby gentleman, attorney of the Court of Common Pleas and Justice of the Peace in Co Lincoln, John Irby his son, and John Chapman otherwise Baker, whereby John Irby with others (named) turned out the petitioners from a messuage and land in Swyneshead and Wigstoft on 1/4/1538, and carried away part of the house and set it up at the dwelling of John Irby at Kyrkton in Holland."

There is no further mention as to what happened at these proceedings, but Anthony remained a Justice of the Peace, so presumably the Court did not believe the complainants' accusations.

Early Chancery Proceedings, 1533/38. File 859. Roger Meeres v John Irby.

Failure to enclose lands of the Parsonage of Kirton, whereof defendant has a lease.

Issue. Bartholomew (H. 14), Peter Kenelm (H. 15), Edward (H. 16) and Mary (H. 17).

As widow Rose married Richard Buckland of Clerkenwell, Middlesex. See extract from Richard Buckland's Will, p. 115.

G. 12. LEONARD IRBY, M.P.

(Son of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

Born after 1517.

Married 1562 (20/7/1562 Boston Register), Anne d. of Charles Knevitt, and sister of Richard Knevitt of Princethorpe, Warwick (widow of Nicholas Robinson who died 21/9/1560), she married thirdly Robert Carre of Sleaford who died 1590 (Lincs Pedigrees, Vol. L, p. 228. Carre of Sleaford).

Died 3/2/1571/2. Buried at Boston. Monumental inscription in Sleaford Church to Robinson and Leonard Irby now preserved in Hollies Holes.

Will 1571. Canterbury. (42. Holney.)

Mentioned in Will of Ambrose Irby (F. 3) proved 10/2/1530 as "Leonard son of my brother Anthony, leaving him a sum of money for and towards his Exhibition at the University of Cambridge."

? at Cambridge.

M.P. for Boston from 1554 to 1557 and again from 1563 until his death in 1571.

Letters etc. of the reign of Henry VIII, Vol. XVIII (1543), p. 283.

"Leonard Irby to be Clerk of the Peace in Holland, Kesteven (Lincs)."

Patent Rolls.

1548, p. 134 and 1550, p. 344. On Commissions for Inq. P.M.

1552. 20th Nov. Appointed Escheator in Lincolnshire. 1553. 3rd March. On Commission to deal with Church goods in County of Lincolnshire.

The family of Carre of Sleaford, Lincs, by Maurice P. Moore, Sleaford, 1863.

Page 14. "Robert Carre of Sleaford the great land

owner ob. 1590 married (1) Eliz. Cawdron. (2) Widow Irby. (3) Widow Dymoke, sister of Lord Talboys.

Page 16. List of principal Officers and Captains in Army of the North 1569 to suppress the rebellion against Queen Elizabeth got up by Earls of Northumberland and Westmoreland.

Ambrose Dudley Earl of Warwick and Ed Lord Clinton. Lord Lieutenants.

Robert Carr of Sleaford Esq., Treasurer. Admiral of England.

Leonard Irby Esq. Muster Master.

John Heneage Esq. Master Harbinger.

Captains of Horse. Dymock, Neville, St. Pol etc.

Purveyor. John Death.

Issue. Edmund (H. 18) and Alice (H. 19).

G. 13. THOMAS IRBY of WHAPLODE, LINCS.

(Son of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

Born after 1517.

Married c. 1529/40 Isabel, third d. and co-heiress of Thomas Serjeant or Seagrave of Moulton, Lincs, King's Ward.

Died ? 1561. Buried at Whaplode.

Administration May 1573 to Isabella Irby relict. Canterbury Prerogative Court.

¹ The alternative names of Serjeant or Seagrave would seem to arise from the fact that the Manor of Cabragh, a portion of the Tyrrell barony of Castlethock, Ireland, which was at one time in possession of the Segraves passed to their heirs the Serjeants (see *The Segrave family* by Charles Segrave, Novello & Co., 1937).

Letters etc. of the reign of Henry VIII, Vol. XX, January 1545, Part I, p. 57.

"Pardon to Anthony Irby of Gosberton and his son Thomas for murder of a labourer" (see entry under Anthony (F. 4)).

Holbeach Parish Register.

Page 76. Thomas Irby witness to Will of Thomas Fleet of Whaplode, Lincs, gentleman. Will dated 26/4/1560. *Patent Rolls.* 1552. 1st Sept.

"Grant of part of lands of late Chantrey of St. John Baptist in Whaplode, Lincs, to Thomas Irby."

Issue. Christian (H. 20), Anne (H. 21), Anthony (H. 22), Beatrice (H. 23), Dorothy (H. 24) and Audrey (H. 25).

G. 14. KENELM IRBY of SUTTERTON, LINCS.

(Son of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

Born after 1517.

Married Mary d. of — .

Buried at Whaplode 27/12/1585.

Will proved 28/2/1585, Lincoln. Administration granted to his widow (Maud his daughter, the executrix, being under age).

See Harleian Pedigree, Vol. LI, p. 541.

Son unnamed in Will, and daughter Maud under age in 1584/5.

Issue. A son (H. 26) and Maud (H. 27).

G. 15. GILES (? GUY) IRBY.

(Son of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

Born after 1517. Ob. s.p.

Star Chamber Proceedings. (See under Ambrose (F. 3).)

G. 16. EDWARD IRBY.

(Son of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.) Born after 1517. Ob. s.p.

? matriculated at Cambridge, Michaelmas 1554.

G. 17. EDMUND IRBY of GOSBERTON.

(Son of Anthony (F. 4) and Alice Bountaine.)

Born after 1517.

Married Elizabeth — . (As widow, she married (30/12/1561) William Brightman. Bishop of London's Licence.)

Died 1561.

Administration to Elizabeth Brightman relict. (Canterbury, 13/5/1562.)

Admitted Gray's Inn, 1556.

? any Issue.

H. I. & H. 2. JOAN DURBAGGE

and

ALICE DURBAGGE.

(Daughters of Beatrice Irby (G. 1) and ——Durbagge.)

Joan. Married John Newton. Muniments, p. 54.

Alice. Married John Mylyton. Muniments, p. 54.

Issue. Robert Newton (I. 1) and Beatrice Newton (I. 2).
Anthony Mylyton (I. 3).

H. 3. ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of Thomas (G. 2) and Elizabeth Hoult.)

Born 1540. Aged 6 years in 1546. (Inq. P.M. of Thomas his father (G. 2).)

H. 4. JASPER IRBY.

(Son of Thomas Irby of Thetford (G. 4) and Joan ——.)

Early Chancery Proceedings. Bundle 143, No. 33 (undated).

"Bill of Jasper, son and heir of Thomas Irby against Henry Lambert, complaining that whereas his father was seised of a messuage and 24 acres of land in Sutton in Holand. Co Lincoln, of which he enfeoffed Henry Brom and Thomas Percy with others, to the use of himself and Joan his wife and the heirs of their two bodies, which Thomas and Joan had issue the petitioner, and have since died, one Henry Lambert has possession of the deeds relating to the property and refuses to give them to the petitioner; and asking for a writ of sub pena to Henry Lambert."

This bundle is undated but addressed to the Archbishop of Canterbury, Chancellor, therefore between 1486 and 1535.

H. 5, 6, 7. (? Children of Estelyne and Thomas Irby of Thetford (G. 4).)

John Irby, a Priest.

Alice Irby. ? married John Cale (see her mother's Will 1505).

Thomas Irby. Married before 1505 (see also above Will). These children may be by Estelyne's first marriage, and therefore not Irbys.

H. 8. JOHN IRBY.

(? Son of John Irby (G. 5) and Katherine Angers.)

Living in 1638 (see Will of his son Anthony (I. 5)). Married? ——.

Issue. Leonard (I.4), Anthony (I.5) and Anne (I.6).

H.9 & 10. GODFREY BOLLES and MARGARET BOLLES.

(Children of Rose Irby (G. 6) and John Bolles.)

Mentioned in Will of Anthony (F. 4) 1548.

? any Issue.

H. II. THOMAS BENNETT.

(Son of Jane Irby (G. 7) and William Bennett.)

Married Katherine d. of Thomas Dallison of Cransley, Northants.

Mentioned in Will of his grandmother Alice, wife of Anthony (F. 4).

Issue. William (I.7) and Edward (I.8).

H. 12 & 13. JULIAN DOMESDAY and LEONARD DOMESDAY.

(Children of Dorothy Irby (G. 10) and John Domesday.)

Mentioned in Will of their grandmother Alice, widow of Anthony (F. 4).

H. 14. BARTHOLOMEW IRBY.

(Son of John Irby (G. 11) and Rose Overton.)

Alive in 1557.

Mentioned in Will of his grandmother Alice, widow of Anthony (F. 4).

H. 15. PETER KELLAM (or KENELM) IRBY. (Son of John Irby (G. 11) and Rose

Overton.)

Born 1544/5.

Married? Anne —.

Mentioned in Will of his stepfather Richard Buckland, 1558.

Mentioned in Will of his uncle Leonard (G. 12), 1571.

Issue. John (I. 9), Ursula (I. 10), Leonard (I. 11) and Leonard (I. 12).

H. 16. EDWARD IRBY.

(Son of John Irby (G. 11) and Rose Overton.)

Mentioned in Will of his stepfather Richard Buckland, 1558.

H. 17. MARY IRBY.

(Daughter of John Irby (G. 11) and Rose Overton.)

H. 18. EDMUND IRBY.

(Son of Leonard (G. 12) and Anne Robinson née Knevitt.)

ob s.p.

Admitted Gray's Inn 20/2/1593/4.

H. 19. ALICE IRBY.

(Daughter of Leonard (G. 12) and Anne Robinson née Knevitt.)

Married — Gates.

? any Issue.

H. 20. CHRISTIAN IRBY.

(Daughter of Thomas (G. 13) and Isabel Serjeant.)

Mentioned in Will of her grandmother Alice, widow of Anthony (F. 4), 1563.

H. 21. ANNE IRBY.

(Daughter of Thomas (G. 13) and Isabel Serjeant.)

Married at Whaplode 26/9/1583, Simon Eger. Buried at Whaplode 30/5/1588.

? any Issue.

H. 22. ANTHONY IRBY of WHAPLODE, MOULTON, and BOSTON.

(Son of Thomas (G. 13) and Isabel Serjeant.)

Born 1547.

M.P. for Boston 1588/1620.

Married 22/12/1575, at Whaplode, Alice Tash (widow), died 1602, d. of Thomas Welbye of Moulton, and Elizabeth d. of Sir Richard Thimelby of Irnham, Lincs.

Died 5th October, 1625. Buried at Whaplode 6/10/1625, aged 78. Admin. Lincoln 1625. B. 1. 105. Inquest P.M. 12/11/1625. Will dated 6/9/1625.

Matriculated at Caius College, Cambridge, 1559.

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 5/5/1569. Called to the Bar 10/2/1577. Called to the Bench of Lincoln's Inn 11/11/1589. Autumn Reader 2/11/1590. Treasurer 7/6/1599. Roll of those on the Bench "lending money for the new building on the North of the Inn next to the garden" Anthony Irby £20.

Pishey Thompson, p. 392.

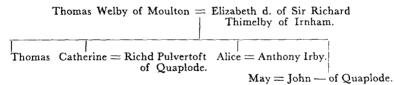
"He was early attached to the study of the law, and being a member of Lincoln's Inn, was held in high estimation by that Society. His arms were deposited in the third window of the Chapel towards the north, which, according to Sir William Dugdale, were, argent, fretty sable, with his name, Anth. Irby, over them. He shared, with others, the highest honours which that body has to confer, being called to the bench in 32 Elizabeth; after which, in the ensuing year, he was appointed Autumn reader to the society.

"He was appointed one of the Masters in Chancery in the reign of King James I. He was appointed Recorder of Boston in 1613 (having been deputy-recorder since 1599), and held that office until his death. His arms, surmounted by a pennon, formerly existed in Boston Church. He added to and improved certain charities given to poor widows in Whapload and Moulton, by his kinsman, William Tash, Esq., September 8th, 1624."

Holbeach Parish Register, p. 86.

"Anthonie Irby of Whapload gave £25 to Loan to Queen Elizabeth for expenses at time of Spanish Armada 1588."

Blore in his *History of Rutland* (p. 77) under Woodhead gives a pedigree of the Welby family.



Chancery Depositions, 29th September, 1608. Anthony Irbie Esq. v. Thomas Sackville Esq. and Sir William Roper, Kt. Concerning some dealings between Anthony and Vincent Welby.

One of the defendants refers to a letter from Anthony Irby which he brought to Vincent Welby, who on reading it used the following speeches "that his cousin Irbie went about to withdraw him from his Catholique relygion wherein he was grounded, from the which all the world should not turne him."

Issue. Thomas (I. 13), Sir Anthony (I. 14), Thomas (I. 15), Leonard (I. 16), Kenelm (I. 17), Alice (I. 18), Anne (I. 19) and Dorothy (I. 20).

H. 23. BEATRICE IRBY.

(Daughter of Thomas (G. 13) and Isabel Serjeant.)

Married 24/7/1586, at Whaplode, George Walkott.

Died 1598. Buried at Whaplode 30/12/1598, her husband being then dead.

Administration Lincoln 1598 granted to Anthony (H. 22) her brother.

? any Issue.

H. 24. DOROTHY IRBY.

(Daughter of Thomas (G. 13) and Isabel Serjeant.)

Married 25/6/1565, at Whaplode, John Brison or Brydsen, and had issue.

H. 25. AUDREY IRBY.

(Daughter of Thomas (G. 13) and Isabel Serjeant.)

Married 22/4/1560, at Whaplode, Thomas Terrill, and had issue.

Mentioned in Will of her grandmother Alice Irby, widow of Anthony (F. 4) 1563.

Issue. Anne (I. 21).

H. 26. — IRBY.

(Son of Kenelm (G. 14) and Mary ——.) Not named in Will of his father 1584/5.

H. 27. MAUDE IRBY.

(Daughter of Kenelm (G. 14) and Mary ---.)

Under age at the death of her father in 1585.

I. I. ROBERT NEWTON.

(Son of John Newton and Joan Durbagge (H. 1).)

Mentioned in Muniments, p. 60.

1.2. BEATRICE NEWTON.

(Daughter of John Newton and Joan Durbagge (H. 2).)

Married Robert Fraunceys.

Mentioned in Muniments, p. 60.

? any Issue.

I. 3. ANTHONY MYLYTON.

(Son of John Mylyton and Alice Durbagge (H. 2).)

Mentioned in Muniments, p. 61.

1.4. LEONARD IRBY.

(Son of John (H. 8) and ——.)

Baptised 9/7/1615, at Whaplode.

Died 1616. Buried at Whaplode 17/1/1616.

I. 5. ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of John (H. 8) and ——.)

Married Elizabeth ——. (Enceinte in 1638.) Died 1638.

Will proved 2/5/1638, Canterbury. 56. Lee.

Issue. Katherine (K.8). Posthumous child (K.9).

1.6. ANNE IRBY.

(Daughter of John (H. 8) and ——.)

Married Francis Parrat.

? any Issue.

1.7. WILLIAM BENNETT.

(Son of Thomas Bennett (H. 11) and Katherine Dallison.)

I. 8. EDWARD BENNETT.

(Son of Thomas Bennett (H. 11) and Katherine Dallison.)

JOHN IRBY.

(Son of Peter Kellam or Kenelm (H. 15) and ——.)

Baptised 16/8/1573, Sutterton Register.

Married ——.

Issue. Francis (K. 1) and Francis (K. 2).

I. IO. URSULA IRBY.

(Daughter of Peter Kellam (H. 15) and ——.)

Baptised 18/6/1581, Sutterton Register.

1. | 1 & 1. | 2. LEONARD IRBY.

and

LEONARD IRBY.

(Sons of Peter Kellam (H. 15) and ——.)

- I. 11. Baptised 26/1/1571/2, Boston Register. Buried 3/2/1571/2.
- I. 12. Baptised 2/10/1578, Boston Register.
- I. 13. THOMAS IRBY.

(Son of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.)

Baptised 15/7/1576 at Whaplode.

Died an infant.

I. 14. SIR ANTHONY IRBY, KT.

(Son of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.)

Baptised 9/1/1577 at Whaplode.

Married Feb. 1603 Elizabeth d. of Sir John Peyton, Bart. of Iselham, Cambridge, and Alice d. of Sir Edward Osborne¹ (Lord Mayor of London), and Anne Hewett d. of Sir William Hewett.

(As widow Elizabeth married 1/6/1614 Sir George le Hunte Kt., of Bradley, Suffolk, and had issue.)

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 12/2/1593/4. (Special admission.)

Knighted 23/7/1603 at Whitehall. Died 17/6/1610.2

¹ Sir Edward Osborne c. 1530/91, Lord Mayor of London, was the eldest son of Richard Osborne of Ashford, Kent. He was apprenticed to Sir William Hewett, one of the principal merchants of London, and Lord Mayor in 1559. According to a romantic legend, which in its main feature may be accepted, Hewett's infant daughter was dropped by a careless nurse from an apartment on London Bridge into the current below. Young Osborne immediately leaped into the river and saved the child. The date of this event must have been about 1545, as the lady who became Osborne's wife was 23 years old at the time of her father's death in 1566/7. Pictorial representations of Osborne's feat are preserved at Clothworkers Hall, and at Hornby Castle, the seat of the Duke of Leeds. (Dictionary of National Biography.)

The year of the 1st Sir Anthony's death has been given incorrectly for many years in various Peerages. Burke's Peerage now gives the correct date, together with some other alterations in the account of the family (from information supplied by me), but previous to the 1936 issue his death always appeared as being in 1632, and as he was baptised in 1577, this would have made him at least 55 years old when he died, which age did not seem to me quite in accord with Phineas Fletcher's description of him in his Elegy as "cut off in the flower of his youth," and moreover, his son the 2nd Sir Anthony was knighted in 1624, thus giving for some years apparently two Sir Anthonys in existence at the same time, leading to a good deal of confusion in consequence with regard to them. On looking through the records of admission to Lincoln's Inn I found that on 15/5/1620 Anthony Irby was admitted and described as "son and heir of Sir Anthony Irby late of Whaplode, Knight, deceased, 'nepos' and heir apparent of Anthony Irby senior of Boston, armiger and a Bencher"; on the same day his brother Edward was also admitted. From this entry it

Inq. P.M. 1611. His estate was administered by his father 21/6/1610.

Monument at Whaplode.

At the West end of the South aisle is a fine altar tomb of stone, bearing the recumbent effigies of Sir Anthony Irby and his wife. On the frieze of this monument in Roman capitals is written: "Here lieth buried Sir Anthonie Irby, Knight, sonne of Anthonie Irby Esq. and Alice his wife, daughter of Thomas Welbye of Moulton Esq which Sir Anthonie took to wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Sir John Peyton of Iselham, in the county of Cambridge, Knight and Baronet, descended from the noble race of the Uffords, sometime Earls of Suffolk, by whom he had issue, Sir Anthonie Irby Kt, Edward, Thomas, Alice, and Elizabeth, who died an infant. Sir Anthonie, the eldest, married to his first wife, Frances daughter of Sir William Wray, Knight and Baronet, and Frances his wife, daughter of Sir William Drury of Hawstead, in Suffolk, Knight, his second, Margaret daughter of Sir Richard Smith, in the county of Kent, Knight."

Phineas Fletcher composed a long "Elegy on the death of Sir Anthony Irby" (see Chalmer's Poets, Vol. VI, p. 165) with the following anagram on his name "Antonius Irbeus," "An Virtus obiens." This Elegy, with other poetical miscellanies and the Piscatorie Eclogs

was clear that the date of the death of the 1st Sir Anthony was at any rate not later than 1620; subsequently, when searching for any family Inquisitions "Post Mortem," the date of his death was cleared up, for in the Inquisition on his Estate dated 11/3/1611 he is stated to have died 17/6/1610 and that Anthony Irby junior is son and next heir aged five years five months and more on 17th June. How this error arose regarding the date of death one cannot now say, but it may possibly have been from the fact that Phineas Fletcher's Elegy on the death of Sir Anthony Irby, though written years before, was not published until 1633, when it appeared bound up with his "magnum opus" The Purple Island (see the Inscription of the Elegy under Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3). P.A.I.

were published with his "magnum opus" The Purple Island in 1633. The Elegy commiserates with Sir Anthony's widow on the death of her husband, "cut off in the flower of his youth," and proclaims her poignant grief. By some four years later, however, this grief must have been somewhat assuaged when on 1st June, 1614, she married at Iselham, Cambridge, Sir George le Hunte, Kt. of Bradley, Suffolk, and by him had issue.

Issue. Sir Anthony (K.3), Edward (K.4), Thomas (K.5), Elizabeth (K.6) and Alice (K.7).

I. 15. THOMAS IRBY.

(Son of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.)

Baptised at Whaplode 5/3/1580.

Married 30/5/1609, Anne d. of Sir Daniel Dunn (Donne) Kt., Master of H.M. Court of Requests. Marriage Licence St. Botolph's, Aldersgate (Bishop of London). As widow she married Henry Dawtree.

Died 1613. Buried at Boston 2/10/1613.

Will 1613, Canterbury. 100. Capell. Admitted Lincoln's Inn 17/6/1598.

Called to the Bar 11/12/1606.

Lincoln's Inn Black Books, Vol. II, p. 163.

"At a Council 5/7/1614, Mr Thomas Irby deceased late an Utter Barrister of this House 'did in his life time disburse money towardes somme of the newe buildings.' Ordered, 'for the respecte which the Mrs of the Bench have unto Mr Anthonie Irby his father, and for his sake that £15¹ part of the money so disbursed shall be repaid to Mrs Anne Irby, the widow.'"

No Issue.

¹ This would now be equivalent to some £400 to £450.

1. 16. LEONARD IRBY.

(Son of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.) Baptised at Whaplode 7/6/1582.

I. 17. KENELM IRBY.

(Son of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.)

Baptised at Whaplode 1/9/1583.

Buried at Whaplode 27/12/1585.

I. 18. ALICE IRBY.

(Twin daughter of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.)

Baptised at Whaplode 3/1/1584.

Married at Whaplode 26/9/1603, Robert Ballam of the Isle of Ely.

Died ? 1612.

? any Issue.

I. 19. ANNE IRBY.

(Twin daughter of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.)

Baptised at Whaplode 3/1/1584.

Married at Whaplode 9/6/1605 (? 1606) Sir Francis South, Kt. of Kelsterne, Lincs.

Died 1620.

In the Chancel of Kelsterne Church is a monument

with this inscription: "Here lyeth buried in the vault the bodie of Dame Anne South 2nd wife of Sir Francis South of Kelsterne, Lincs, Kt. and daughter of Anthony Irbie of Whapload, Lincs, Esq. and Alice his wife. She had issue by her husband six sonnes, viz. John, Francis, Anthonie, Thomas, Charles and Henrie; and five daughters, viz. Alice, Elizabeth, Anne, Jane, and Elizabeth. She lived virtuously, and died in sound faith and in the fear of God 1620."

Arms: Arg 2 bars gu in chief a mullet or a crescent for difference impaling arg fretty sa on a canton gu a cinquefoil or. (Thompson's *History of Boston*, p. 393.)

Issue. 6 sons and 5 daughters.

1. 20. DOROTHY IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (H. 22) and Alice Tash.)

Married Roger Death (? related to Henry Death who married Margaret Irby (G. 9)).

? any Issue.

I. 21. ANNE TERRILL.

(Daughter of Thomas Terrill and Audrey Irby (H. 25).)

Baptised at Whaplode 18/12/1561.

K. I. FRANCIS IRBY.

(Son of John Irby (I. 9) and ---.)

Baptised at Sutterton 7/3/1604/5.

Died before 1610.

K. 2. FRANCIS IRBY.

(Son of John Irby (I. 9) and ——.)

Baptised at Sutterton 1610.

K. 3. SIR ANTHONY IRBY, KT.

(Son of Sir Anthony (I. 14) and Elizabeth Peyton.)

- Born 1604/5. Matriculated at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, 12/6/1620, as "Erby, son of Sir Anthony."
- Married (1) 1623 Frances d. of Sir William Wray, Kt. and Baronet of Glentworth, Lincs, and Frances d. of Sir William Drury, Kt. of Hawsted, Suffolk.
 - (2) Margaret (d. 1631, buried at Boston), d. of Rt. Hon. Sir Richard Smyth, Kt., P.C. of Ostenhanger (? Westonhanger), Kent.
 - (3) Margaret (d. 1640), d. of Sir Edward Barkham, Kt., of Southacre, Norfolk, Lord Mayor of London in 1621, and Jane d. of John Crouch, of Cornbury, Herts. There is a monument in Southacre Church to Sir Edward Barkham.
 - (4) 1641 Catherine (d. 1695), d. of William 5th Baron Paget of Beaudesert, Stafford, and Lettice d. of Henry Knollys and Margaret d. of Sir Ambrose Cave.

By these marriages he had issue:

- (1) Elizabeth (d. 1684) (L. 1), who married Hon. George Montague, son of Henry, 1st Earl of Manchester, and his 3rd wife Margaret Crouch.
 - (2) A daughter stillborn in 1631.

^{&#}x27;Niece of Lettice Knollys who married Walter Devereux, 2nd Viscount Hereford, and was described as "the little western flower" on whom "the bolt of Cupid fell" in Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream," Act II, Scene II. (Complete Peerage under Essex.)

(3) Three daughters Jane, Margaret and Jane (L. 2, 3 and 4), who all died infants and were buried with their mother at Tottenham, Middlesex, where there is a memorial brass in the Church showing her and her three daughters kneeling (see illustration p. 38).

(4) Five daughters and one son his heir Anthony

(L. 5).

He married firstly when 18 years of age and was only 36 when he married his fourth wife. He had in all 10 daughters born before his only son and heir Anthony. The second marriage is mentioned in Bishop Kennet's Chronicle and Register, p. 869, as follows: "Lady Smith's daughter was married to Sir Anthony Irby of Boston Co. Lincoln, a Knight of 4 or 5000£ sterling a year."

The third marriage is mentioned in Chauncey's History of Hertfordshire.

Died 2/1/1681/2 and was buried at St. Margaret's, Westminster, 10/1/1681/2.

Will dated 1680, and proved in 1686, Lloyd, 59, by his widow the surviving executor, the other having died in 1684.

Admitted to Lincoln's Inn 15/5/1620, as "son and heir of Sir Anthony Irby, late of Whaplode, Kt., deceased, "nepos" and heir apparent of Anthony Irby senior of Boston, armiger and a bencher."

Knighted at Theobalds (Cheshunt), 2/6/1624.

Sir Anthony was M.P. for Boston 1640/8, 1656/8, 1660/81, and High Sheriff for Lincolnshire 1638.

There are numerous references to Sir Anthony in *Domestic Papers*, Acts of the Privy Council, etc. some of which are included later on; also a long letter of thanks from the Mayor and Corporation of Boston in 1648 (see pp. 124/131).

Solemn League and Covenant, 1643.

Sir Anthony was one of the Members of Parliament who signed. (List printed at the figure of the Bible, neare the Royal Exchange, 1644.)

Boston Muniments, p. 41.

Inspeximus by Charles I of letters of Dispensation to eat meat on all forbidden days, granted by The Archbishop of Canterbury to Sir Anthony Irby Kt., his wife, and six other persons on the payment of 13/4 per annum. Dated 12th February, 1633/4.

Inscription in Elisa Elegy by Phineas Fletcher to the Right Worthy Knight, Sir Anthonie Irby. 1

"Sir, I am altogether (I think) unknown to you, (as having never seen your face since your infancie) neither do I now desire to be known by this trifle. But I cannot rule these few lines, composed presently after your father's decease; they are broken from me and will see more light than they deserve. I wish there were any thing in them worthy of your vacant houres. Such as they are, your's they are by inheritance. As an urn therefore of your father's ashes, (I beseech you) receive them, for his sake, and from him who desires in some better employment to be

your servant P.F."

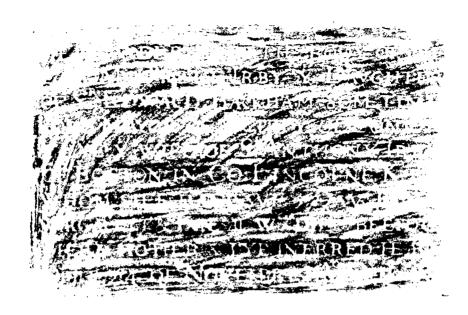
Issue. Elizabeth (L. 1), Jane (L. 2), Margaret (L. 3), Jane (L. 4), Anthony (L. 5), Isabella (L. 6), Frances (L. 7), Elizabeth (L. 8), Anne (L. 9), Lætitia (L. 10) and Katharine (L. 11).

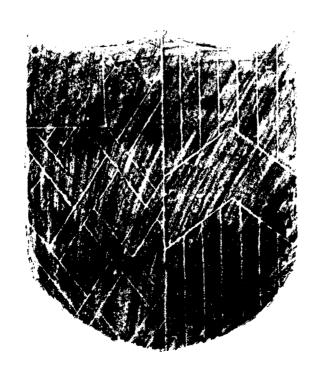
¹ Published in 1633 some 22 years after the Elegy was written, the 1st Sir Anthony having died in 1610.

MEMORIAL BRASS IN TOTTENHAM CHURCH, MIDDLESEX

Showing Sir Anthony's 3rd wife Margaret Barkham and her three daughters, kneeling, with inscription and arms of Sir Anthony Irby, Kt. and Sir Edward Barkham, Kt.







K.4. EDWARD IRBY of WHAPLODE and EVEDON, LINCS.

(Son of Sir Anthony (I. 14) and Elizabeth Peyton.)

Baptised 11/3/1605/6 at Iselham, Cambridge.

Married 1/1/1630/1 Anne¹ d. of Daniel Hardby or Hardeby of Evedon, Lincs.

Died 1631. Buried at Evedon.

Will proved 15/2/1632, Lincoln.

Matriculated 12/6/1620 at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, as "Erby, son of Sir Anthony, Kt."

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 15/5/1620.

No issue.

K.5. THOMAS IRBY, J.P.

(Son of Sir Anthony (I. 14) and Elizabeth Peyton.) Baptised at Whaplode 16/6/1608.

Married 9/1/1634, at Boston, Susan d. of —— Caher. Died before 1658, when his widow was buried at Spalding?

"Thomas Irby, Esq. was a Magistrate for the division of Holland in 1646, and one of the Committee appointed to levy, assess and collect the tax laid upon the County by the Parliament on the 20th September, 1643, to pay the forces. The tax for Lincoln amounted to £812 10s. per month." (Thompson's Boston, p. 393.)

Issue. Anthony (L. 12), Thomas (L. 13) and Alice (L. 14).

¹ As widow she married Hon. Peregrine Bertie and died 1655. Buried at Evedon. There is a curious brass with effigies in Evedon Church to Daniel Hardeby (1600) and his wife Anne and 13 children, and a mural tablet to Sir Peregrine Bertie. (Cassel's Gazeteer of Great Britain, Evedon, Lincolnshire.)

K. 6. ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (I. 14) and Elizabeth Peyton.)

Baptised 9/7/1609.

Died 1610. Buried at Iselham 31/7/1610.

K. 7. ALICE IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (I. 14) and Elizabeth Peyton.)

Born 1609.

Married (1) Francis Jermy (d. 1647) of Gunton, Norfolk, by whom she had five sons and three daughters.

(2) Edmund de Grey of Merton, Norfolk.

Died 30/7/1665, aged 56. Buried at Gunton.

Farrer's Church Heraldry of Norfolk, 1887, Vol. II, p. 143.

"Gunton. Tablet on E wall of Church outside. Irby impaling on the dexter side Jermy and impaling De Grey. In memory of Alice d of Sir Anthony Irby of Holland in Lincolnshire Kt who was first married to Francis Jermy Esq by whom she had 5 sonnes and 3 daughters, after whose death she continued a widow neare 6 yeares and then was married to Edmund de Grey Esq of Merton in the county of Norfolk, with whom she lived about 12 yeares, and died the 30th day of July, 1665, about the age of 56 yeares, and was interred near her first husband in the Chancel of Gunton by her second husband, who sensible of her virtue and affection, appointed this monument."

K. 8. KATHERINE IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (I. 5) and Elizabeth _____.)

K. 9. (Posthumous Child of Anthony (I. 5) and Elizabeth ——.)

L. I. ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Frances Wray.)

Married 1645 Hon. George Montague¹ (d. 1681) of Horton, Northants, son of Henry, 1st Earl of Manchester (by his third wife Margaret d. of John Crouch), by whom she had issue Charles Montague (M. 1), created Earl of Halifax, Irby Montague (M. 2), and other children.

Died 9/2/1684 and buried 16/2/1684 in St. Katherine's Church near the Tower, with her husband who was Master of St. Katherine's.

The following inscriptions at St. Katherine's by the Tower are taken from *The new View of London* by Edward Hatton, 1708. "Hic requiescat Honorabilis Georgius Montacutius, Henrici Manchestrine Comitis ex antiquis Salisburiæ Comitis Oriundi Filius. uxorem duxit Elizabetham Antonii Irby equitis filiam, quorum fælices nuptias numerosa proles predicat quinq; enim filiis, quatuor filiabus."

In 1825 the Church was pulled down to make room for St. Katherine's Docks, and a new St. Katherine's was built at Regent's Park, to which some of the monuments were removed.

¹ See p. xxi.

L. 2, 3 & 4. JANE, MARGARET and JANE IRBY.

(Daughters of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Margaret Barkham.)

All died as infants and were buried with their mother, who died 28/11/1640 at Tottenham, Middlesex, where there is a memorial brass of the mother with her three children kneeling behind her.

(See illustration p. 38.)

L. 5. ANTHONY IRBY of BIBROOK, KENNINGTON, KENT, and BOSTON, LINCS.

(Son of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Catherine Paget.)

Born 1649.

Married Mary (d. 1686) only d. and heiress of John Stringer of Ashford, Kent, and Anne d. of Thomas Witherden of Betheresden, Kent.

Died 1684. Buried at Whaplode 9/12/1684.

Will proved 1685, Somerset House, Cann. 102, by his widow. Administration 12/5/1687 to his mother Dame Katherine, his widow being then dead.

Matriculated Queen's College, Oxford, 26/7/1666, aged 17.

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 16/4/1668 as "Anthony Irby, son and heir of Sir Anthony Irby of Boston, Lincs, Kt."

See entries in registers at Ashford and Kennington, Kent.

Issue. Sir Edward (M.3), Anthony (M.4) and Anne (M.5).

L.6. ISABELLA IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Catherine Paget.)

Married (after 1677), as second wife, William 7th Baron Paget, son of William, 6th Baron, and Lady Frances Rich d. of Henry Earl of Holland.

Buried at Drayton, Middlesex, 16/12/1685.

They had issue a son William (M. 6) who died an infant.

Mentioned in Will of her father (see under Elizabeth (L. 8)).

L. 7. FRANCES IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Catherine Paget.)

Married 25/6/1679 James Macartney. Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in Ireland, ancestor of George Earl Macartney (by second marriage).

Died 3/3/1683/4. Buried at Christchurch, Dublin. See Archdale's *Irish Peerage*, Vol. VII, p. 90.

Mentioned in Will of her father "£1000 to be laid out by my son, Sir John Hobart Bart, Sir Philip Harcourt Bart, and Standish Hastone, a Baron of the Exchequer in Ireland, in the purchase of lands in Ireland for the benefit of my youngest daughter Frances."

Issue. George, Irby and Anne (M. 7), all died young.

L. 8. ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Catherine Paget.)

Died unmarried 30/11/1683. Buried at St. Margaret's, Westminster. Will 1684. Hare. 31. Mentioned in Will of her father "to my daughters Elizabeth Irby and Isabella Irby, £1,500 each for a portion, to be raised from certain moneys lent to several persons (named)."

Notes on the Visitation of Lincolnshire 1634 by A. Gibbons, 1898, p. 123.

"Sir Carr Scrope, Bart, baptised 1649 at Aswarby created Baronet in 1666/7."

"Living at Court entailed greater expenses than a residence at Cockerington would have done, so that, not only was he unable to discharge the mortage left by his father, but in October 1677 was constrained to borrow £800 from Isabel and Elizabeth Irby of Westminster spinsters (daughters of Sir Anthony) on his Mablethorpe estates."

L. 9. ANNE IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Catherine Paget.)

Died unmarried and buried at Boston 17/12/1662.

L. 10. LETITIA IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Catherine Paget.)

Baptised at St. Margaret's, Westminster, 27/4/1643. Died unmarried.

L. []. KATHERINE IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) and Catherine Paget.)

Baptised at St. Margaret's, Westminster, 11/4/1644. Died unmarried.

L. 12. ANTHONY IRBY, D.D.

(Son of Thomas (K. 5) and Susan Caher.)

Baptised at Whaplode 14/6/1646.

Married Elizabeth (? Alice) who died 1716, d. of Hugh Massey, ancestor of Lord Massey of Dunstaffnage.

Will 1706. Prerogative Wills of Ireland.

Admitted sizar at Trinity, Cambridge, 23/1/1662/3. Matriculated 1663, Scholar 1664, B.A. 1666/7, M.A. 1670.

Domestic Papers, 1678, p. 615.

"Pass granted to Anthony Irby, Treasurer of St. Patrick, Cashel, Ireland."

Archdale's Irish Peerage, p. 161.

"Hugh Massey went to Ireland in command of the army sent to repress the rebellion in 1641."

Issue. Alice (M.8).

L. 13. THOMAS IRBY.

(Son of Thomas (K. 5) and Susan Caher.)

Baptised in 1648. Alive in 1684.

Mentioned in Will of his cousin Anthony (L. 5), proved 1685.

L. 14. ALICE IRBY.

(Daughter of Thomas (K. 5) and Susan Caher.)

Baptised 1649. Died 1650.

M. I. CHARLES MONTAGUE, K.G., EARL of HALIFAX.

(4th Son of Hon. George Montague and Elizabeth Irby (L. 1).)

Born 1661. Married? Died without issue 19/5/1715. Buried at Westminster Abbey in the Duke of Albemarle's vault on the N. side of King Henry VII Chapel.

Chancellor of the Exchequer and Privy Councillor, 1694.

Created Baron Halifax 13/12/1700. Viscount Sunbury and Earl of Halifax 19/10/1714. K.G. 1714.

M. 2. IRBY MONTAGUE.

(Son of Hon. George Montague and Elizabeth Irby (L. 1).)

Domestic Papers, 1702/3, p. 380.

"Captain Irby Montague Commission 1st Foot Guards confirmed."

M.3. SIR EDWARD IRBY, 1st Baronet.

(Son of Anthony (L. 5) and Mary Stringer.)

Baptised at Kennington, Kent, 31/7/1676.

Married 1706 Dorothy Paget (sister and co-heiress of Brigadier-General Thomas Paget) daughter of Hon. Henry Paget (second son of William 6th Baron Paget and Frances Rich, daughter of Henry Earl of Holland), by his second marriage with Mary daughter of Col. Hugh O'Rourke and Joan daughter of Humphrey Reynolds of Leitrim, Ireland.

Died 1718. Buried at Whaplode 11/11/1718.

M.P. for Boston 1702/7.

Created Baronet 15/4/1704.

Sir Edward resided at the family mansion at Boston, Irby Hall, in the early part of the eighteenth century, and was the last of the family to do so, the Hall being afterwards let for several years (see *Irby Hall*, p. 122). Dorothy died 24/10/1734 and was buried at Drayton, Middlesex. "The relict of Sir Edward Irby Bart of the dropsy, for which she had been tapped 12 times, and is succeeded in her estate by the present Sir William Irby Bart." (Gentleman's Magazine 1734, p. 572.)

On pp. 133/135 will be found mention of two little books of Miscellanies printed in 1694 and 1698 with

^{&#}x27;William 6th Baron Paget was brother to Catherine Paget, who was the fourth wife of Sir Anthony (K. 3), and therefore the grandmother of Sir Edward and great aunt of Dorothy.

² There is some question as to whether Dorothy Paget (sister and coheiress of Brigadier-General Thomas Paget) daughter of Hon. Henry Paget (second son of William 6th Baron Paget and Frances Rich, daughter of Henry Earl of Holland) was by the first or second marriage (both in Ireland), but the latter seems to be the more probable. The first marriage was with Anne, daughter of Robert Sandford, who died and was buried in Dublin in 1683. The second marriage was by licence in Dublin 29/3/1684. There are said to have been seven sons by the first marriage, none of whom left male issue.

a dedication to Edward Irby Esq., one containing an acrostic on his name. Both the dedications and acrostic are clothed in the customary adulatory phrases, so taxing to the veracity of the author and credulity of the recipient, unless tendered, as they probably were, with "tongue in cheek" and accepted by the Patron with "winking eye."

Issue. Sir William (N. 1) and Jane (N. 2).

M. 4. ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of Anthony (L. 5) and Mary Stringer.)

Born 1678. Baptised at Kennington, Kent, 23/10/1679, with his sister Anne.

Married (by licence, Bishop of London register) 28/2/1703/4 Mary d. of John Flint of Wareham, Dorset, spinster, aged 20, by consent of father.

Died ? 1736.

Matriculated at Pembroke College, Oxford, 27/3/1697, aged 19.
Student, Middle Temple, 1694.

Middle Temple Parliament Records 1650/1703.

"At a Parliament held 24/11/1699 'unless Mr. A. Irby is admitted to the chamber on the south side of the garden Court for which he contracted with Mr. P. Piershons about twelve months since, before next Parliament, the chamber will be seized. The complaint from some gentlemen on that staircase that he had broken the wall and fixed a small leaden pipe on the wall is referred to Mr. Treasurer.'"

M. 5. ANNE IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (L. 5) and Mary Stringer.)

Baptised at Kennington, Kent, 23/10/1679.

Died aged 16 months 23/1/1680. Buried at Ashford, Kent, 27/1/1680.

M. 6. WILLIAM PAGET.

(Son of William 7th Baron Paget and Isabella Irby (L. 5).)

Died an infant.

M. 7. GEORGE, IRBY and ANNE MACARTNEY. (Children of James Macartney and Frances Irby (L. 7).)

All died young.

M. 8. ALICE IRBY.

(Daughter of Anthony (L. 12) and Elizabeth Massey.)

Married John Parker of Dunkip, Ireland.

? any Issue.

N. I. SIR WILLIAM IRBY 2nd Bart. 1st Baron Boston.

(Son of Sir Edward (M. 3) and Dorothy Paget.) Born 8/3/1706/7.

Married 26/8/1746 Albinia, eldest daughter of Henry Selwyn (d. 1734, aged 45), of Matson, Gloucestershire, and Ruth (d. 3rd May, 1761), d. of Anthony Compton of Gainslaw, Berwick, Northumberland.

Died 31/3/1775. Buried at Whiston, Northants. Will proved 1775.

Page of Honour to George I 1723/4, George II 20/1/1727/8.

Equerry to H.R.H. Prince of Wales 10/12/1728/36. Vice-Chamberlain to H.R.H. Princess of Wales 1736/51.

Lord Chamberlain to H.R.H. Princess Dowager of Wales 1751 till her death in 1772.

M.P. for Launceston 1735/47. M.P. for Bodmin 1747/61.

Created Baron Boston 10/4/1761, of Boston Co. Lincoln. Irby Arms (see note below).

Chairman of Committees of the House of Lords 1770/75.

He purchased the estate of Hedsor, Bucks, in 1764.

Albinia Lady Boston was born 1719, and was sometime Maid of Honour to H.R.H. Princess of Wales. She died 1 or 2/4/1769 and was buried at Whiston.

Most of the above particulars are taken from The Complete Peerage, 1912.

For lines on his being created Baron Boston, taken from a newspaper cutting see p. 136.

Issue. Augusta Georgina (O. 1), Frederick 2nd Baron (O. 2) and William Henry (O. 3).

Note. Irby Arms with supporters, two antelopes gules, each gorged with a chaplet or. Motto, Honor fidelitatis præmium.

N. 2. JANE IRBY.

(Daughter of Sir Edward (M. 3) and Dorothy Paget.)

Died young.

O. I. HON. AUGUSTA GEORGINA ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of William (N. 1) 1st Baron and Albinia Selwyn.)

Born 26/4/1747.

Married 30/4/1772 Thomas de Grey 2nd Baron Walsingham (d. 16/1/1818).

Died 28/5/1818.

One of the Maids of Honour to H.R.H. Augusta Princess of Wales.

Farrer's Church Heraldry of Norfolk, 1887, Vol. II, p. 143.

"Merton. Shields in a window on S. side of Chancel. Irby and de Grey impaling Irby."

O. 2. FREDERICK IRBY, 2nd Baron Boston. 3rd Bart.

(Son of William (N. 1) 1st Baron and Albinia Selwyn.)

Born 9/6/1749.

Married 15/5/1775 Christian (d. 1832), d. of Paul Methuen of Corsham, Wilts, and Catherine d. and co-heiress of Sir George Cobb, Bart.

Died 23/3/1825 in Lower Grosvenor Street, aged 75. Will proved May 1825.

Educated at Eton 1759/67 (Young), and St. John's College, Cambridge. Matriculated Oct. 1767. M.A. 1769.

Hon. D.C.L. Oxford 1773. F.S.A. 8/1/1778.

Lord of the Bedchamber 1780/1825.

In politics a Tory.

Portrait by Romney in Provost's Lodge at Eton.

In 1778 he built the present mansion at Hedsor, Bucks, on a higher elevation than the old Manor House.

Most of the above particulars are taken from *The Complete Peerage*, 1912.

See pp. 136/7 for letters of Walpole etc., "Lord George Gordon Riots in 1780 Assault in the House of Lords."

See p. 137 for The Heraldry of Nature. Published 1785.

Issue. Charlotte (P. 3), George (P. 4), Albinia (P. 5),
Christian (P. 6), Augusta Matilda (P. 7),
Anna Maria (P. 8), William Augustus (P. 9),
Henry Edward (P. 10), Frederick Paul
(P. 11), Paul Anthony (P. 12), Edward
Methuen (P. 13), Adolphus Frederick
(P. 14) and Charles Leonard (P. 15).

O.3. HON. WILLIAM HENRY IRBY.

(Son of William (N. 1) 1st Baron and Albinia Selwyn.)

Born 29/8/1750.

Married 25/10/1781 Mary (d. 1792), d. and co-heiress of Rowland Blackman of the island of Antigua.

Died 17/5/1830 at Worthing.

Educated at Eton 1759/67 (Young). Captain Foot Guards 11/1/1775.

Issue. William Henry Rowland (P. 1) and Augusta Priscilla (P. 2).

P. I. WILLIAM HENRY ROWLAND IRBY.

(Son of William (O. 3) and Mary Blackman.)

Born 13/3/1784.

Died 1842.

M.A. Cambridge 1803, St. John's College.

P. 2. AUGUSTA PRISCILLA IRBY.

(Daughter of William (O. 3) and Mary Blackman.)

Born 28/9/1785.

Married 19/5/1810 Sir William Langham, Bart. (d. 1812), of Cottesbrooke, Northants.

No issue.

P. 3. HON. CHARLOTTE IRBY.

(Daughter of Frederick 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 11/3/1776.

Died 23/7/1848. Unmarried.

P. 4. GEORGE, 3rd Baron Boston. 4th Baronet.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born in Grosvenor Square 27/12/1777.

Baptised 28/1/1778, King George III, by proxy, being one of the sponsors, the others being the Marquis of Carmarthen and the Countess of Stafford.

Married 17/10/1801 (? 24/9/1801) at Catton, Norfolk, Rachel Ives first d. and co-heiress of William Drake of Amersham, Bucks, by his second wife Rachel Elizabeth d. and heiress of Jeremiah Ives of Norwich.

Died 12/3/1856 at Hedsor Lodge, Bucks, aged 78.

Will proved May 1856.

Educated at Eton 1785/93 (Langford).

Portrait by J. W. Chandler in Provost's Lodge at Eton.

Was sometime an officer in the Army.

In politics a Tory.

Rachel Lady Boston died 6/9/1830 in Park Crescent, Marylebone.

Gentleman's Magazine 1781.

"Marriage of Rachel Ives of Norwich, an heiress of £100,000 fortune, to William Drake" (father and mother of Rachel above).

Most of the above particulars are taken from The Complete Peerage, 1912.

Issue. George Ives (Q.1), William Drake (Q.2),
Augustus Anthony (Q.3), Llewellyn Charles
(Q.4), Rachel Emily (Q.5), Charlotte
Isabella (Q.6), Frances Matilda (Q.7),
Frederica Maria (Q.8), Georgina Albinia
(Q.9), Catherine Cecilia (Q.10), Edward
Methuen (Q.11) and Eleanor Rose (Q.12).

^{&#}x27;Collins's Peerage, Vol. VIII, p. 85.

P. 5. HON. ALBINIA IRBY.

(Daughter of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 8/3/1782.

Died unmarried 21/8/1839.

P. 6. HON. CHRISTIAN ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 4/4/1786.

Died unmarried 1875.

P. 7. HON. AUGUSTA MATILDA IRBY.

(Daughter of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 28/12/1790. Married 1853 the Rev. William Holdsworth.

Died 1877.

No Issue.

P. 8. HON. ANNA MARIA LOUISA IRBY.

(Daughter of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 2/10/1792.

Married 21/10/1817 Henry John Lord Selsey (d. 1839). Died 1870.

No Issue.

P.9. THE REV. THE HON. WILLIAM AUGUSTUS IRBY.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 28/11/1780.

Died 10/2/1807 at Uckfield, Sussex. Unmarried.

Educated at Eton 1789/97 and St. John's College, Cambridge. M.A. 1804.

Rector of Whiston, Northants.

P. 10. HON. HENRY EDWARD IRBY.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 27/8/1783.

Died 9/3/1821 at Calais, France.

Gentleman's Magazine, Vol. LXXXV, Part II, 1815.

Gazette Promotions. War Office, July 18th, 1815. Captains recommended for Brevet rank for their conduct at Waterloo, to whom the Prince Regent has been pleased to grant promotion. Hon. H. E. Irby, 2nd Life Guards.

Letter from the Officer Commanding Grenadier Guards in reply to an enquiry from Lord Boston in 1934. "Lt Colonel in the army and Captain of a Troop in 2nd Reg of Life Guards. Exchanged into the West India Regt. 4/2/1819 and retired by sale of his Commission 2/3/1820. Nothing can be found regarding the reason he exchanged into the 1st West India Regt. Following is an extract from Dalton's 'Waterloo Roll Call.' 'Lt Col. Irby — retired and died at Calais in 1721.' No information regarding his marriage or family can be found."

"The Hon. H. E. Irby (sometimes shewn as the Hon. E. Irby).

"2nd Life Guards. Cornet and Sub Lt. 25/9/1799. Lieut. 26/2/1801, 24th Warwickshire Regt. Shewn as Captain 7/8/1806 in Army List.

"2nd Life Guards. Shewn in Army List as Captain 22/9/1812 (the Captaincy in 7/8/1806 is therefore Captaincy in Army and not in Life Guards). Major 18/6/1815 (Major in Army). Lt. Col. in 2nd Life Guards 23/6/1818. Shewn in Army List 1820 as West India Regt. Had a Waterloo Medal. No further trace after 1820."

P. ||. REAR ADMIRAL THE HON. FREDERICK PAUL IRBY, C.B.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 18/4/1779.

Married (1) 1/12/1803 Emily Ives (d. 1806), d. of William Drake of Amersham, Bucks.

(2) 23/1/1816 Frances d. of Ichabod Wright of Mapperley Hall, Notts.

Died 24/4/1844.

Educated at Eton 1787/90.

Entered Navy 1791. Rear Admiral of the Red 1837.

Letter to Admiralty reporting capture of French ships off St. Andero dated June 1809; when commanding H.M.S. Amelia (see pp. 137/141).

"Commanded H.M.S. Amelia 6/2/1813 in indecisive

^{&#}x27;There is an aquatint in colours by T. Sutherland after T. Whitcombe published in 1817 of the action between H.M. Frigate Amelia (Captain the Hon. Frederick Paul Irby) when off Tamara, African Coast, and the French Frigate Arethuse (Commodore Bouvet).

action with French frigate L'Arethuse off Isle of Loss, West Africa; the engagement lasted 3 hours and 50 minutes when almost all the officers were killed or wounded" (see pp. 138/141).

Present at Howe's victory in the Channel 1/6/1794 and at Camperdown 1797.

C.B. 1831.

Newspaper cutting 1815.

Attack by footpads near Colnbrook (see p. 141).

Gentleman's Magazine, Vol. LXXX, p. 574, 1810. Admiralty Office, November 20.

"This Gazette also contains three letters, one from Captain Irby, of the Amelia, stating the capture on the 8th inst. of the Charles privateer, of Bordeaux, pierced for 22 guns."

Issue. By 1st wife. Frederick William (Q. 13).
By 2nd wife. Charles Paul (Q. 14), Montague
Henry (Q. 15), Leonard Howard (Q. 16),
Frances Harriet (Q. 17), Margaret Amelia
(Q. 18) and Adelina Paulina (Q. 19).

P. 12. THE REV. THE HON. PAUL ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 16/12/1784.

Married (1) 2/12/1814 Patience Anne (d. 1831), d. of Sir William de Crespigny, 2nd Baronet, and Lady Sarah d. of Other Lewis Windsor, 4th Earl of Plymouth.

(2) 8/9/1836 Willielmina (d. 1842), d. of David

Powell of Loughton, Essex, and Mary d. of Henry Townsend.

(3) 9/8/1849 Augusta (d. 1870), d. of John B. Cowell.

Died at Cottesbrooke, Northants, 10/2/1865.

St. John's College, Cambridge. M.A. 1807.

Rector of Cottesbrooke, Northants, from 1814 to 1865.

Hon. Canon of Peterborough.

Admitted Lincoln's Inn 21/1/1804, "Hon. Paul Anthony Irby, M.A., of St. John's College, Cambridge, fifth son of Lord Boston."

Issue. By 1st wife. Claude (Q. 20), Thomas (Q. 21),
Augustus (Q. 22), Edward (Q. 23), Leonard
(Q. 24), Frances (Q. 25), Caroline (Q. 26),
Emma (Q. 27) and Algernon (Q. 28).
By 2nd wife. George Powell (Q. 29), Paul
Anthony (Q. 30) and Henrietta (Q. 31).

P. 13. HON. EDWARD METHUEN IRBY.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 24/3/1788.

Died 27/7/1809. Killed at Battle of Talavera, Spain.

Gentleman's Magazine 1809, p. 780.

"The Hon. Edward Methuen Irby, aged 22 (likewise slain in the said battle) was the sixth son of Lord Boston and an ensign in the 3rd Regiment of Guards. In him his afflicted parents have lost a most desirable and affectionate son, and the Service a most zealous and promising officer, deservedly lamented by all who knew him."

Adjutant and Ensign 3rd Regt. of Foot Guards. Unmarried.

P. 14. THE REV. THE HON. ADOLPHUS FREDERICK IRBY.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 24/2/1797.

Died 29/4/1863.

Matriculated St. Mary's Hall, Oxford, 29/1/1816, aged 18. B.A. 1819. M.A. 1822.

Priest-in-charge of St. John, Hythe, Southampton, from 1823 till his death in 1863.

P. 15. HON. CHARLES LEONARD IRBY.

(Son of Frederick, 2nd Baron (O. 2) and Christian Methuen.)

Born 9/10/1789.

Married 1825 Frances d. of John Mangles of Hurley, Bucks.

Died 3/12/1845 at Torquay.

Midshipman 1805, Lieutenant 1808, Commander 1814, Captain 1827.

Wounded during siege of Monte Video, 1807. Despatch from Monte Video from Brigadier-General Auchmuty in London Gazette of April 12th, 1807. (Gentleman's Magazine, Vol. LXXVII, p. 363.)

D.N.B. "Captain in the Navy and traveller; present at the reduction of Monte Video and Mauritius, commanded the *Thames* in attack on New Orleans; travelled with Captain James Mangles (brother-in-law), Belzoni, and others up the Nile, and through Syria to Jerusalem 1817/8, their travels being published in 1823 and reissued in 1844¹; served in the *Levant* 1826/7."

^{&#}x27;Murray's Home and Colonial Library, 1844, and New Edition published by John Murray in 1852.

On wall of Tor Church there is a tablet: "Sacred to the memory of the Hon. Charles Leonard Irby. Captain R.N. Born 9/10/1789. Died at Torquay 3/12/1845. This tablet is erected by James Mangles, Captain R.N. on his 72nd birthday 10/10/1857."

Gentleman's Magazine, Vol. LXXXIX, p. 541, 1819. Egyptian Antiquities. Extract from a private letter. Excavation at Albouran' the principal temple in Ethiopia.

"We found that the excavation made at the head of the door a year and a half ago by Captains Mangles and Irby, Signor Belzoni, etc. who were the first who entered it, had been already closed by the accumulation of the sand which pours down like a torrent from the Desert and we had forty or fifty men besides ourselves and servants occupied for two or three days in reopening it."

Issue. John James (Q. 32) and Frances Elizabeth (Q. 33).

Q. I. GEORGE IVES IRBY. 4th Baron Boston and 5th Baronet.

(Son of George 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 14/9/1802.

Married (1) 25/1/1830 Fanny Elizabeth (d. 1860), d. of William Richard Hopkins Northey of Oving House, Bucks, and Anne Elizabeth d. of Gerald Fortescue of Dromiskin, Co. Louth.

(2) 20/7/1861 at St. George's, Hanover Square,

^{1?} Abou-Simbel. See Chapter II A Journal of Travels in Egypt and Nubia, Irby and Mangles.

Caroline Amelia,¹ first d. of John St. Vincent Saumarez, 3rd Baron de Saumarez and Caroline Esther d. of William Rhodes of Bramhope Hall, Yorks.

Died 22/12/1869 at 12 Wilton Crescent, aged 67.

Will proved 6/5/1870, under £35,000.

Matriculated at Balliol College, Oxford, 1/2/1821. B.A. 1824.

In politics a Conservative.

The first wife died 14/4/1860 in Belgrave Square.

Most of the above particulars are taken from The Complete Peerage, 1912.

Issue. By 1st wife. Florance George (R. 1), Rachel Fanny Anne (R. 2) and Alice Frederica (R. 3).

By 2nd wife. Maud Caroline (R. 4) and Dorothy (R. 5).

O. 2. HON. WILLIAM DRAKE IRBY.

(Son of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 18/9/1808 at Burnham, Bucks.

Died 17/10/1839.

Matriculated at Balliol College, Oxford, 7/6/1826, aged 17.

Captain 1st Dragoon Guards.

¹The second wife Caroline Amelia (1839/1927) was elder sister of Augusta Caroline Saumarez, who in 1859 had married his son and heir Florance George, 5th Baron (R. 1) (see Foreword, p. xxi).

Q.3. HON. AUGUSTUS ANTHONY FREDERICK IRBY.

(Son of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 12/2/1820 at Burnham, Bucks.

Married 1866 Jessie Augusta (d. 1908), d. of Sir Thomas Montgomery Cuninghame, 8th Baronet of Corsehill, Co. Ayr.

Died 5/4/1870.

Educated at Harrow, and Trinity College, Oxford. Matriculated 18/5/1839, aged 19. B.A. 1843. M.A. 1847.

Issue. Charlotte Augusta (R. 6) and Cecilia Constance (R. 7).

Q.4. THE REV. THE HON. LLEWELLYN CHARLES ROBERT IRBY.

(Son of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 13/11/1822.

Married 1/7/1845 Margaret Emily (d. 1913), d. of J. Bullock of Falkbourn Hall, Essex.

Died 1911.

Matriculated at Brasenose College, Oxford, 9/12/1840, aged 18. B.A. 1844. M.A. 1847.

Rector of Whiston, Northants, from 1851.

No Issue.

Q. 5. HON. RACHEL EMILY IRBY.

(Daughter of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 12/1/1805.

Married 7/5/1840 William Jones Prowse, Captain R.N. Died 1860.

Died 1873.

Issue. George, Cecil, Charles and Ethel Prowse (R. 7 d-g).

Q.6. HON. CHARLOTTE ISABELLA IRBY.

(Daughter of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 11/3/1807 at Queen Street, Mayfair.

Married 14/3/1826 Thomas, 5th Earl of Orkney.

Died 1883.

Issue (see Burke's Peerage).

Q. 7. HON. FRANCES MATILDA IRBY.

(Daughter of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 7/3/1810. Died 1879 unmarried.

Q. 8. HON. FREDERICA MARIA LOUISA IRBY.

(Daughter of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 11/10/1814.

Married 17/12/1840 Edward Horatio Hussey, Baron of Galtrim, Co. Meath.

Died 1885.

Issue. Horace Hussey and Algernon Hussey $(R. 8 a \mathcal{C} b)$.

Q.9. HON. GEORGIANA ALBINIA IRBY.

(Daughter of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 24/2/1816.

Died 1900 unmarried.

Q. 10. HON. CATHERINE CECILIA IRBY.

(Daughter of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 24/11/1817.

Married 1852 Colonel Walter Caulfield Pratt (d. 1900), of Cabra Castle, Co. Cavan.

Died 1894.

Issue. Douglas, Gerald and Cecil Pratt (R. 7 a-c).

Q. | I. HON. EDWARD METHUEN IRBY.

(Son of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 3/1/1812.

Died 16/10/1812.

Q. 12. HON. ELEANOR ROSE IRBY.

(Daughter of George, 3rd Baron (P. 4) and Rachel Ives Drake.)

Born 11/7/1825.

Died 26/12/1825.

Q. 13. FREDERICK WILLIAM IRBY of BOYLAND HALL, LONG STRATTON, NORFOLK.

(Son of Rear Admiral Hon. Frederick Paul (P. 11) and Emily Ives Drake.)

Born at Lord Boston's house in Grosvenor Street 28/7/1806.

Married 7/3/1846 Isabella Harriet (d. 1906), only child of Robert Bruce of Chester Square, S.W.

Died 1/6/1877.

J.P., D.L. Norfolk.

No Issue.

Q. 14. CHARLES PAUL IRBY.

(Son of Rear Admiral Hon. Frederick Paul (P. 11) and Frances Wright.)

Born 17/6/1818.

Died 14/5/1836.

In Royal Navy.

Norfolk Chronicle, 11/6/1836.

"Died lately on board H.M.S. Caledonia (Flag Ship) in the Mediterranean in consequence of an accident while shooting at Syracuse, Mr. Charles Paul Irby, 'aged 18.'"

Q. 15. MONTAGUE HENRY JOHN IRBY.

(Son of Rear Admiral Hon. Frederick Paul (P. 11) and Frances Wright.)

Born 18/5/1828. Died 13/12/1893.

Q. 16. LT.-COLONEL LEONARD HOWARD LLOYD IRBY.

(Son of Rear Admiral Hon. Frederick Paul (P. 11) and Frances Wright.)

Born 13/4/1836.

Married (1) 1864 Geraldine Alicia Mary (d. 1882), d. of the Rev. J. B. Magenis.

(2) 1884 Mary d. of Col. J. J. Brandling, R.H.A. C.B.

Died 14/5/1905.

Lieut.-Colonel 74th Regt.

Ornithologist and Lepidopterologist.

D.N.B. (2nd Supplement, 1917 edition).

"Leonard Howard Irby (1836/1905) Lieut.-Colonel and Ornithologist; entered army, 1854; served at Sevastopol and at Lucknow, at Gibraltar (1864/72) devoted himself to ornithology; retired as Lieut.-Colonel, 1874; published Ornithology of the Straits of Gibraltar, 1875, and Key List of British Birds, 1888; ardent Lepidopterist."

From a Newspaper Cutting (undated). The Storming of the Mess House at Lucknow.

"With regard to some controversy arising from this incident Lord Wolseley offered the following explanation: 'Someone in after years asserted that I claimed the honour of having hoisted a Union Jack upon this mess house when we took it. My answer was that it was taken by my Company, immediately supported by Captain Irby's Company, also of the 90th Light Infantry, but I did not know who the hero was that had hoisted a flag upon it; all I knew was that it was not I who had done

¹ This notice may apply to Major John James Charles Irby (Q. 32) and not to Leonard (Q. 16).

so, and that no flag was hoisted upon the mess house whilst I was in it, and as to what took place after my Company had gone through it to take the Motee Mohul I could say nothing."

Issue. By 1st marriage. Frederick Arthur (R.8) and Leonard Paul (R.9).

By 2nd marriage. Frances Margaret (R.10).

Q. 17. FRANCES HARRIET IRBY.

(Daughter of Rear Admiral Hon. Frederick Paul (P. 11) and Frances Wright.)

Born 25/7/1817.

Married 1845 Lewis Lloyd of Monks Orchard, Surrey. Died 29/1/1902.

No Issue.

Q. 18. MARGARET AMELIA IRBY.

(Daughter of Rear Admiral Hon. Frederick Paul (P. 11) and Frances Wright.)

Born?

Married 1843 Henry Kett Tompson (d. 1872) of Witchingham Hall, Norfolk.

Died 1873.

No Issue.

Q. 19. ADELINA PAULINA IRBY.

(Daughter of Rear Admiral Hon. Frederick Paul (P. 11) and Frances Wright.)

Born?

Died 15/9/1911.

Lived for many years in Servia and known there as the "Friend of Servia." Joint author with G. Muir Mackenzie of *Travels in the Slavonic Provinces of Turkey in Europe*. Published by Alexander Strahan, 1866.

Q. 20. CLAUDE FREDERICK IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 19/9/1815.

Died 19/8/1898. Unmarried.

Major in Madras Army. Pegu Medal 2nd Burmese War, 1852.

An ardent Plymouth Brother.

Q.21. THE REV. THOMAS WILLIAM IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 2/4/1817.

Died 9/6/1892. Unmarried.

Rector for many years of Rushmere, Suffolk.

Q. 22. LIEUT.-COLONEL AUGUSTUS HENRY IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 12/5/1818.

Died of cholera at Meean Meer in India 23/8/1861.

Unmarried.

Stationed with his Regiment 51st, at Perth, West Australia, 1841/46 or later. Lieut.-Colonel 51st Regt. Pegu Medal 2nd Burmese War, 1852.

Author of Across the Karakoram, the Diary of a Hunter from 29/4 to 26/10/1860. Published by Longman, Green, Longman & Roberts, Norwich, 1863.

Obituary Notice in Lahore Chronicle.

"It is with deep grief that we announce the death last night from Cholera of that admirable officer and most excellent man, Augustus Henry Irby, Lieutenant Colonel commanding the 51st King's Own Light Infantry. In him the public service and society have lost one of its most honourable members, and the officers and men whom he had commanded one they esteemed as a warm hearted comrade and true friend. In all relations of life, Colonel Irby had won the esteem of those with whom he had connection. He knew his duty thoroughly and did it; when his regiment moved out of the cantonments to escape, if possible, from the pestilence which has struck down more than one hundred and twenty of them, he remained with the sick, caught the contagion, and died at his post."

He was an excellent draughtsman, and as a Lieutenant whilst stationed in West Australia made a number of pencil sketches of Kangaroo and Emu hunting scenes, full of spirit and movement, and giving an appearance of life to all the trees and shrubs as well (see pp. 70, 82).

KANGAROO HUNTING SCENES IN WEST AUSTRALIA
From pencil drawings by Lt.-Col. Augustus Henry Irby (Q. 22)





Whilst serving in Burma he was at the final and successful assault on Myat-thou's Stockade, where he was in command of the storming party of the 51st Regiment which, after the troops of the right wing had repeatedly failed in their gallant attempts to carry the position, were brought up for the express purpose of storming the stockade. Lieut. Taylor led the party, at the head of which he fell mortally wounded.

Note. I have now in my possession the State umbrella, together with the sword and silken robe of the robber chief Myat-thou, taken on this occasion. P.A.I.

Q. 23. EDWARD IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 1821.

Married 1850 Mary (d. 1885), d. of Archibald Windeyer of Raymond Terrace, N.S.W., Australia.

Died 27/7/1900 at Tenterfield, N.S.W., Australia.

Having given up his training at Woolwich owing to ill-health, he went with his brother Leonard to Australia in the ship Flora Kerr, 417 tons, sailing 10/10/1841 and arriving in Sydney 27/3/1842 (see Memoirs of Edward and Leonard Irby, published by William Brooks & Co., Sydney, 1908).

He bought the Bolivia property of some 100,000 acres at Tenterfield, N.S.W., about 1844 and retained it until 1891.

Obituary Notice Tenterfield Chronicle.

"The late Mr. Edward Irby. Died 27/7/1900:—A right honourable gentleman, and a notable and benevolent figure in the early development of Tenterfield, was removed by death from our midst on Friday, when Mr.

Edward Irby breathed his last, at what has for several years been his home in Molesworth Street, Tenterfield. In all our wide district there was no man but had the sincerest respect for him, nor any who did not wish him Mr. Irby was the fourth son of the Hon. and Reverend Paul Anthony Irby, by his first marriage with Patience Anne, eldest daughter of Sir William and Lady Sarah Champion de Crespigny. His life, which has just terminated, at the 80th year, after a breaking up illness of ten months, was ever active and honourable. Born in 1821, he came out in 1841 to Australia, and in the following year he came up to Deepwater by way of the Clarence, passing the site of what is now Tenterfield on the way. Seeing the Bluff Rock on St. Swithin's Day, he gave it the name of St. Swithin's Bluff. Shortly after he purchased from Mr. Mackenzie (subsequently Sir Robert), of Tenterfield Station, the run of Bolivia, of which he retained possession till 1891. In 1850 he married Mary, daughter of Archibald Windeyer Esq., of Kinross. Hunter River. Of this union there are living four sons-Edward de Crespigny, Frederick William, Charles Augustus, and Rowland John Irby-and two daughters Mrs. E. P. Carr, of West Maitland, and Mrs. Walter Traill, of Turramurra. Associated with the late Mr. Irby in the ownership of Bolivia were his brothers, Leonard (who died many years ago in the West Australian Gold Commission) and Algernon, who died at Bolivia in Never obtruding himself in public affairs, but zealous for the public weal, Mr. Irby had much to do in starting some of our best institutions, such as Prince Alfred Hospital, and his wife laid the foundation-stone of Christ Church. His various water-mills at Bolivia and the Bluff were great improvements in their day on the old hand affairs, with which men had to make flour out of the wheat served out to them. His private benefactions, never trumpeted, were innumerable, and, take him for all in all, he was a man on whose like we shall not readily look again. At the large funeral on Sunday the Rev. H. G. Smith read the burial service over him who now sleeps well."

Issue. Edward (R. 11), George (R. 12), Frederick (R. 13), Charles (R. 14), Rowland (R. 15), Walter (R. 16), Mary (R. 17) and Fanny (R. 18).

Q. 24. LEONARD IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 1822.

Died in West Australian Gold Commission, ? 1856.

Went out to Australia with his brother Edward in the Flora Kerr in 1841.

(See Memoirs of Edward and Leonard Irby, published by William Brooks & Co., Sydney, 1908.)

Q. 25. FRANCES ANNE IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 1819.

Married 1850 John Cotton Powell (d. 1907) of Selsfield, West Hoathly, Sussex, son of James Powell of Homerton, and Catherine d. of Rev. Nathaniel Cotton, Rector of Thornby, Northants.

Died 1895.

No Issue.

Q. 26. CAROLINE IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 1824.

Married (1) 1849 Rev. Septimus Stockdale, Rector of Wilby, Northants.

(2) 1859 Rev. Robert Gibbings, Vicar of Radley, Oxford.

Died 1894.

No issue by 1st marriage. 3 daughters by 2nd marriage.

Agnes Fanny, Caroline Mary and Emma Louisa
(R. 19 a, b & c).

Q. 27. EMMA IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 1828.

Died 1890 at St. Leonards. Unmarried.

Q. 28. ALGERNON IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Patience Anne de Crespigny.)

Born 1825.

Went out to Australia and died 1876, unmarried, at Bolivia, Tenterfield, N.S.W.

(See Memoirs of Edward and Leonard Irby, published by William Brooks & Co., Sydney, 1908.)

Q. 29. THE REV. GEORGE POWELL IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Willielmina Powell.)

Born 26/8/1838.

Married 23/9/1869 Emma Sarah Bransby (d. 13/1/1930), d. of John Lewis Aubert (1803/56) of Nunsbury Hall, Herts, and Emma Martha (d. 1892), d. of Joseph Toulmin, surgeon, Hackney, Middlesex. Died 1910 at Sierre, Switzerland, and buried there.

Educated at Rugby, and Oxford, Exeter College and Merton College. Matriculated Exeter College 1856. Jackson Scholar of Merton College 1857/60. B.A. 1860. M.A. 1863.

Wells Theological College. Ordained 1861.

Vicar of St. James, Clapton, Middlesex, 1869/74. Vicar of Great Doddington, Northants, 1879/83. Vicar of Weedon Bec, Northants, 1883/92, and Rural Dean. English Chaplain, Nantes and St. Nazaire, France, 1897/1903. English Chaplain, Dinan, Brittany, 1903/9.

Issue. Paul Aubert (R. 20), Lewis Michael Aubert (R. 21), Emma Willielmina (R. 22), Mary Katharine (R. 23), Helen Elizabeth (R. 24), Henrietta Margaret (R. 25) and Evelyn May (R. 26).

Q. 30. PAUL ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Willielmina Powell.)

Born 1840.

Died 1846 at school at Brighton.

¹ Bransby was the name given after Dr. John Bransby, a schoolmaster of some reputation at Stoke Newington, Middlesex, who was a friend of the Aubert and Toulmin families. Edgar Allan Poe, the poet, was educated at this school whilst in this country with his foster-parents (the Allans) from 1817/19, when they returned to America.

Q. 31. HENRIETTA IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. the Hon. Paul Anthony (P. 12) and Willielmina Powell.) Died young.

Q. 32. MAJOR JOHN JAMES CHARLES IRBY.

(Son of Hon. Charles Leonard (P. 15) and Frances Mangles.)

Born 1830.

Married 1856 Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole (d. 1916), d. of the Rev. Thomas Walpole.

Died 1895.

Adjutant of Chelsea Hospital. ? in the 90th Light Infantry. ? wounded at Battle of the Alma.

(See Storming of the Mess House at Lucknow, under Leonard (Q. 16), p. 67.)

Issue. Charles (R. 27), Ernest (R. 28), Ralph (R. 29), Alfred (R. 30), Augustus (R. 31), Frances (R. 32), Theresa (R. 33), Henrietta (R. 34) and Amicie (R. 35).

Q. 33. FRANCES ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of Hon. Charles Leonard (P. 15) and Frances Mangles.)

Born?

Married 1855 the Rev. R. J. Howard Rice, Vicar of Sutton Courtney, Berks.

Died 1921.

Issue.

R. I. FLORANCE GEORGE HENRY IRBY, 5th Baron and 6th Baronet.

(Son of George Ives, 4th Baron (Q. 1) and Fanny Elizabeth Hopkins-Northey.)

Born 9/3/1837.

Married 17/10/1859 at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, Augusta Caroline¹ (d. 1929), second d. of John St. Vincent Saumarez, 3rd Baron de Saumarez, and Caroline Rhodes.

Died 4/1/1877 at Porthamel, Anglesey, aged 39.

Educated at Eton.

In politics a Conservative.

Most of the above particulars are taken from The Complete Peerage, 1912.

As widow Augusta Caroline married at Hedsor 16/4/1883, as his second wife Sir Henry Percy Anderson, K.C.B. (d. 1896). She died in 1929.

Issue. George Florance 6th Baron (S. 1), Cecil Saumarez (S. 2), Gilbert Neville (Smyth) (S. 3), Alice Fanny (S. 4), Winifred Mary (S. 5) and Evelyn Maud Mary (S. 5a).

R. 2. HON. RACHEL FANNY ANNE IRBY.

(Daughter of George Ives, 4th Baron (Q. 1) and Fanny Elizabeth Hopkins-Northey.)

Born?

Married 1857 Augustus Arthur Vansittart (d. 1882) of Bisham Abbey, Berks.

Died 1909.

¹ She was the younger sister of Caroline Amelia Saumarez, the second wife of the 4th Baron Boston (see Foreword, p. xxi).

R. 3. HON. ALICE FREDERICA IRBY.

(Daughter of George Ives, 4th Baron (Q. 1) and Fanny Elizabeth Hopkins-Northey.)

Born 1839.

Married 1861 John Wingfield (1833/1902), 1st Baron Malcolm of Poltalloch.

Died 1896.

No Issue.

R.4. HON. MAUD CAROLINE IRBY.

(Daughter of George Ives, 4th Baron (Q. 1) and Caroline Amelia Saumarez.)

Died 1873.

R. 5. HON. DOROTHY IRBY.

(Daughter of George Ives, 4th Baron (Q. 1) and Caroline Amelia Saumarez.)

Born and died 1865.

R.6. CHARLOTTE AUGUSTA IRBY, O.B.E.

(Daughter of Hon. Augustus Anthony Frederick (Q. 3) and Jessie Augusta d. of Sir Thomas Montgomery Cuninghame.)

Born 22/10/1868.

Married 31/7/1888 Edward Neil Baynes, F.S.A., son of Sir William Baynes, Bart.

War work: Organizing Secretary of the "Catholic Women's League" Soldiers' Canteens in France and Germany, 1914–19.

Recreations: Pre-historic Archæology. Coptic

Literature.

Author of A Coptic Gnostic Treatise (Bruce MS. 96, Bod. Lib.) 1933.

Residence: 39 Roland Gardens, S.W. 7.

Issue. Edward Stuart Augustus Baynes. Born 1889 (S. 26).

George Kenneth Baynes. Born 1891. Died 1936 (S. 27).

R. 7. CECILIA CONSTANCE IRBY. Order of Mercy.

(Daughter of Hon. Augustus Anthony Frederick (Q. 3) and Jessie Augusta d. of Sir Thomas Montgomery, Cuninghame.)

Born 23/2/1870.

Married 13/3/1890 George, 6th Baron (her cousin).

Author of *The History of Compton in Surrey*, 1933. Residence: Monkshatch, Compton, Guildford.

R.7 (a to c). DOUGLAS, GERALD and CECIL PRATT.

(Children of Hon. Catherine Cecilia (Q. 10) and Walter Pratt.)

R.7 (d to g). GEORGE, CECIL, CHARLES and ETHEL PROWSE.

(Children of Hon. Rachel Emily (Q. 5) and William Prowse.)

R. 8. LT.-COL. FREDERICK ARTHUR IRBY, J.P. of BOYLAND HALL, NORFOLK.

(Son of Col. Leonard Howard (Q. 16) and Geraldine Alicia Mary Magenis.)

Born 1865.

Married 1907 Louisa Christian Fellowes d. of Col. James Fellowes, R.E.

Died 1930.

Educated at Eton.

Captain Rifle Brigade. Major and hon. Lt.-Col. 7th Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps.

Served in Burmese War 1885/7, and in South African War 1902.

J.P. for Norfolk.

Issue. Christian Geraldine Mary (S. 6).

R. 8(a) & **R. 8**(b). HORACE and ALGERNON HUSSEY.

(Children of Hon. Frederica Maria (Q. 8) and Edward Hussey.)

R.9. LEONARD PAUL IRBY, O.B.E.

(Son of Col. Leonard Howard (Q. 16) and Geraldine Alicia Mary Magenis.)

Born 1871 at Sholing, Hants.

Married 1896 Ethel Maud d. and co-heiress of Captain William John Casberd-Boteler, R.N.

Died 26/11/1936.

Educated at Eton (Rawlins).

O.B.E. O.B.E. (Mil.), 1919.

Late Lieut.-Col. King's Royal Rifle Corps, formerly Capt. and hon. Major of its 6th Battalion, Lieut.-Col. commanding 15th Battalion Rifle Brigade, 24th Battalion K.R.R.C., and 16th Battalion Training Reserve during Great War, 1914.

Residence: Mersham, Kent.

Issue. Gerald Howard Boteler (S.7), Anthony Paul (S.8) and Frances Dorothy (S.9).

R. 10. FRANCES MARGARET IRBY.

(Daughter of Lt.-Col. Leonard Howard (Q. 16) and Mary Brandling.)

Born 1884.

Married (1) 1905 Sir Morgan George Crofton, 6th Bart. D.S.O. 2nd Life Guards, who obtained a divorce in 1910.

(2) 1910 James Fountayne Montagu, Lt.

Hussars, whom she divorced in 1921.

(3) 1922 Lord Wodehouse, Č.B.E., M.C., eldest son of the second Earl of Kimberley.

Issue. By 1st marriage. Morgan George Crofton. Born 1907.

By 2nd marriage. Michael Richard Montagu. Born 1915. Died 1936.

By 3rd marriage. John Wodehouse. Born 1924.

R. II. EDWARD DE CRESPIGNY IRBY of NARRANGO, CASINO, N.S.W., AUSTRALIA.

(Son of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.)

Born 1851.

Married 1874 Edith d. of Dr. Campbell, N.S.W., Australia.

Died 1924. J.P. N.S.W., Australia.

Issue. Francis Edward (S. 10), Paul Anthony (S. 11), Llewellyn George (S. 12), Florence Margaret (S. 13) and Winifred Edith (S. 14).

¹ He succeeded his father as 3rd Earl in 1932.

R. 12. GEORGE ARCHIBALD IRBY.

(Son of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.) Born 1855. Died 1885. Unmarried.

R. 13. FREDERICK WILLIAM IRBY.

(Son of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.)

Born 1859. Died 1930. Unmarried.

R. 14. CHARLES AUGUSTUS IRBY.

(Son of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.)

Born 1861. Married 1888 Eva Georgiana (d. 1937), d. of Richard Roberts of Sydney, Australia.

Issue. Charles (S. 15), Arthur (S. 16), Walter (S. 17), Beverley (S. 18), Richard (S. 19), Mary (S. 20) and Roland (S. 21).

R. 15. ROWLAND JOHN IRBY.

(Son of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.)

Born 1863. Died 1904. Unmarried.

R. 16. WALTER CLAUDE IRBY.

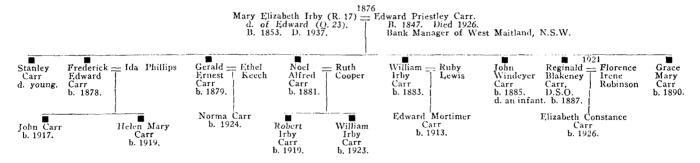
(Son of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.)

Born 1865. Died unmarried.

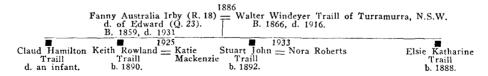


EMU HUNTING SCENE IN WEST AUSTRALIA

CHILDREN OF MARY ELIZABETH CARR (IRBY) (R. 17).



CHILDREN OF FANNY AUSTRALIA TRAILL (IRBY) (R. 18).



R. 17. MARY ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.)

Born 1853 at Bolivia, Tenterfield, N.S.W., Australia.

Married 1876 Edward Priestly Carr (1847/1926) of West Maitland, N.S.W., Australia. Bank Manager. Died 1937.

Residence: 9 Rangers Road, Cremorne, N.S.W., Australia.

Issue. See Short Pedigree, p. 83.

R. 18. FANNY AUSTRALIA IRBY.

(Daughter of Edward (Q. 23) and Mary Windeyer.)

Born 1859 at Bolivia, Tenterfield, N.S.W., Australia.

Married 1886 Walter Windeyer Traill (1866/1916) of Turramurra, N.S.W., Australia.

Died 1931.

Issue. See Short Pedigree, p. 83.

R. 19. DAUGHTERS OF CAROLINE IRBY (O. 26) and REV. ROBERT GIBBINGS.

- (a) Agnes Fanny Gibbings. Born 23/11/1862. Died 21/5/1926.
 - (b) Caroline Mary Gibbings. Born 12/6/1864.
 - (c) Emma Louisa Gibbings. Born 31/8/1865.

Residence: Radley, Saltwood, Kent.

R. 20. PAUL AUBERT IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. George Powell Irby (Q. 29) and Emma Sarah Bransby Aubert.)

Born 1/8/1872 at Clapton, Middlesex.

Married 1907 at Westminster Register Office and Christchurch, Dinan, France, Lucy Evelyn Deschamps d. of Charles Chalmers of Cults, Aberdeen, and Mary Maudson.

Educated at Winchester. (Hawkins.)

At Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation 1891/1923. Assistant Marine Underwriter 1904/23.

Inns of Court (14th Middlesex Vol. Battalion) Mounted Infantry 1900/6. C.P.O. R.N.V.R. Anti-Aircraft Corps 1914/17.

Metropolitan Observation Service 1918.

Club: Union.

Residence: 13 Ashley Mansions, S.W. 1.

Author of Stray Shots from Cannon Street, 1915. Searchlights and Stray Shots, 1916. M.O.Stly Fables, 1918.

Composer of "Five Songs for Medium Voice" (words and music), 1926. "Theme and Variations for Pianoforte," 1927. "Three Songs of Innocence" (William Blake), 1927. "Two Old English Songs," 1928. "The Isles of Greece," 1928. "Valses Brunette" for Pianoforte, 1929. "A Short Setting of the Office for Holy Communion in Emajor," 1930. "Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in Emajor," 1931. "Benedicite in Emajor," 1931. "Benedicite in Emajor," 1931.

Arms quarterly with Aubert. Arg. fretty sable on a canton gules a chaplet or (IRBY). Per pale azure and gules a tilting spear in pale ppr. Surmounted by an Hauberk or coat of mail or (Aubert).

R. 21. LEWIS MICHAEL AUBERT IRBY.

(Son of The Rev. George Powell (Q. 29) and Emma Sarah Bransby Aubert.)

Born 29/9/1882 at Great Doddington, Northants.

Married 23/6/1914 Isabel Kate d. of G. M. Thornton of Cheltenham, and Arabella Hall.

Educated at Lancing. Lucy Scholar of Hertford College, Oxford, 1903.

B.A. 1908.

Club: Devonshire.

Temp. Lieut. Royal Army Ordnance Corps during Great War.

In the service of Messrs. Sotheby & Co. as Book Expert from 1922.

Residence: Exeter Villa, Cranham Road, Cheltenham.

Issue. Audrey Cynthia Yvette (S. 22) and Beryl Diana Noel (S. 23).

R. 22. EMMA WILLIELMINA IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. George Powell Irby (Q. 29) and Emma Sarah Bransby Aubert.)

Born 20/8/1870 at Clapton, Middlesex.

Died 27/8/1916 at Whetstone, Middlesex. Buried at Highgate Cemetery. Unmarried.

One of Queen Victoria's Jubilee Nurses, trained at St. Thomas' Hospital.

R. 23. MARY KATHARINE IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. George Powell (Q. 29) and Emma Sarah Bransby Aubert.)

Born at Clapton, Middlesex, 13/9/1871.

Ordained Deaconess Southwark Diocese 18/10/1923.

R. 24. HELEN ELIZABETH IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. George Powell (Q. 29) and Emma Sarah Bransby Aubert.)

Born at Ewshott, Hants, 21/10/1874.

Died 27/10/1918. Buried at Whetstone, Middlesex. Unmarried.

R. 25. HENRIETTA MARGARET IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. George Powell (Q. 29) and Emma Sarah Bransby Aubert.)

Born at Great Doddington, Northants, 15/7/1879.

Married 15/4/1913 the Rev. Basil Eversley Owen, B.A., son of the Rev. J. W. Owen of Adelaide, Australia.

Residence: The Rectory, Woodford, Kettering, Northants.

Issue. 1. John Irby Owen. Born 1914. Died 1932 (S. 24).

2. Geoffrey Paul Irby Owen. Born 1918 (S. 25).

R. 26. EVELYN MAY IRBY.

(Daughter of The Rev. George Powell (Q. 29) and Emma Sarah Bransby Aubert.)

Born 28/5/1885 at Weedon Bec, Northants.

Educated at Godolphin School, Salisbury.

Librarian Ministry of Labour and Union of Post Office Workers 1921/32.

Residence: Lake Cottage, Willow Lane, Wargrave, Berks.

R. 27. CHARLES LEONARD IRBY.

(Son of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Born 1857.

Married 1898 Edwina (d. 1928) widow of C. H. P. Pedley of Coonoor, Madras.

Formerly in Civil Service.

No Issue.

R. 28. ERNEST JOHN FREDERICK IRBY.

(Son of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Born 1864.

Died 1913. Unmarried.

R. 29. RALPH ALEXANDER IRBY.

(Son of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Born 1866.

Sometime in Bank of England.

Residence: "Hedsor," 18 Court Road, Tunbridge Wells.

R. 30. ALFRED SPENCER CHRISTIAN IRBY.

(Son of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Born 1868.

R.31. AUGUSTUS HORATIO IRBY.

(Son of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Born 1873.

Educated at Westminster.

Married (1) 1899 Florence Annie (d. 1920), d. of Elijah Baker.

(2) 1925 Dorothy Louisa (d. 1934), d. of ——Thursfield.

Sometime in Bank of England.

No Issue.

R. 32. FRANCES RACHEL GERTRUDE IRBY.

(Daughter of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Born 1858.

Residence: "Hedsor," 18 Court Road, Tunbridge Wells.

R. 33. THERESA MARGARET IRBY.

(Daughter of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Died young 1869.

R. 34. HENRIETTA DOROTHEA IRBY.

(Daughter of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Died unmarried 1912.

R. 35. AMICIE MAUD IRBY.

(Daughter of Major John James Charles (Q. 32) and Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole.)

Born 1871.

Married 1904 Frederick Clark Macdonald, son of James Macdonald of Edinburgh.

S. I. GEORGE FLORANCE, 6th Baron Boston and 7th Baronet.

(Son of Florance George, 5th Baron (R. 1), and Augusta Caroline Saumarez.)

Born 6/9/1860 at The Grange, Taplow, Bucks.

Married 13/3/1890 at Hedsor, Cecilia Constance (R. 7), d. of The Hon. Augustus Anthony Frederick (Q. 3) and Jessie Augusta d. of Sir Thomas Montgomery Cuninghame, 8th Baronet.

Educated at Eton (E. C. Austen Leigh's), and Christ-church, Oxford.

Matriculated 1878. B.A. 1882. M.A. 1886.

A Lord in Waiting July 1885 to February 1886.

D.L. Anglesey. F.G.S. F.S.A. LL. D. (Hon.) University of Wales. Governor of University College of North Wales.

In politics Independent.

Seats: Monkshatch, Compton, Guildford. Lligwy, Moelfre, Anglesey.

Town Residence: 266a St. James's Court, Buckingham Court Gate, S.W. 1.

Sold the Hedsor property in 1927.

Arms. Arg. fretty sa, on a canton gu, a chaplet or.

Crest. A Saracen's head in profile p.p.r., wreathed about the temples arg. and sa.

Supporters. Two antelopes gu, each gorged with a chaplet or.

Motto. Honor fidelitatis præmium.

5. 2. HON. CECIL SAUMAREZ IRBY.

(Son of Florance George Henry (R. 1), 5th Baron, and Augusta Caroline Saumarez.)

Born 3/2/1862.

Married 31/1/1885 Florence Augusta d. of Clement Upton-Cottrell-Dormer of Rousham, Oxford.

Died 21/2/1935.

Educated at Eton (E. C. Austen-Leigh's). Captain 7th Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps. J.P. Bucks.

Issue. Greville Northey (T. 1), Cecil Eustace (T. 2) and Evelyn Augusta (T. 3).

¹ There are effigies, mural tablet and floor stones to the Dormer family in Rousham Church, the effigies of Michael Dormer (d. 1581) and his wife Elizabeth Goddard having been removed from Steeple Barton Church in 1851 (Gazeteer of Great Britain and Ireland, Cassell).

S.3. HON. GILBERT NEVILLE IRBY (SMYTH).

(Son of Florance George Henry (R. 1), 5th Baron, and Augusta Caroline Saumarez.)

Born 23/10/1864.

Married 1/1/1891 Esmé¹ d. of George Oldham Edwards, and Emily Frances d. of the Rev. Hugh Way of Alderbourne Manor, Bucks.

Formerly Lieut. 1st Argyle Vol. Battalion.

Hon. Attaché in Diplomatic Service.

Assumed by Royal Licence 16/4/1915 for himself and his wife and their issue the name of Smyth in lieu of Irby, and the arms of Smyth quarterly with those of Irby.

Residences: Ashton Court, Long Ashton, Bristol; Ness Castle, Inverness, and Braeside, Bangor, North Wales.

Issue. Esmé Frances Sylvia (T. 4) and a daughter born and died 12th October, 1903 (T. 5).

S.4. ALICE FANNY CATHERINE IRBY.

(Daughter of Florance George Henry (R. 1), 5th Baron, and Augusta Caroline Saumarez.)

Born 1863.

Married 1890 Gordon Frederick Deedes of the Wash, West Coker, Somerset, who died 1933.

Has issue. John Gordon Deedes, born 1892 (T. 25),
{
Percy Gordon Deedes, born 1899 (T. 26)
and Bertram Gordon Deedes, born 1899
(T. 26(a)).

¹ She was step-daughter of Sir John Henry Greville Smyth, 1st Baronet, of Ashton Court, Bristol.

S. 5. WINIFRED MARY IRBY, O.B.E.

(Daughter of Florance George Henry (R. 1), 5th Baron, and Augusta Caroline Saumarez.)

Born 1871.

Married 1896 Sir Harry Hamilton Johnston (d. 1927), C.M.G., K.C.B., D. Sc. of St. John's Priory, Poling, Sussex.

Died 1933.

In 1901 Sir Harry sent the first entire skin of an Okapi (Ocapia Johnstoni) to be received in Europe; it came from the Semliki forest between Lakes Albert and Albert Edward, Central Africa (Encylopædia Britannica, Vol. XX, p. 54).

No Issue.

S.5(a). EVELYN MAUD IRBY.

(Daughter of Florance George Henry (R. 1), 5th Baron and Caroline Saumarez.)

Born 1875. Died 1876.

S.6. CHRISTIAN GERALDINE MARY IRBY.

(Daughter of Lt.-Col. Frederick Arthur Irby (R. 8) and Louisa Christian Fellowes.)

Born 1913.

S.7. GERALD HOWARD BOTELER IRBY, M.B.E.

(Son of Leonard Paul, O.B.E. (R. 9) and Ethel Maud Boteler.)

Born 1897.

Married 1926 Katherine Gertrude d. of Capt. C. H. M. Edwards, R.A.S.C., who obtained a divorce in 1931. Married secondly in 1936 Erica, d. of T. H. Hill.

Temp. Lieut. Service Battalion King's Royal Rifle Corps. M.B.E. (Mil. 1918).

Residence: 12 Duke's Avenue, Kingston-on-Thames.

Issue. By 1st marriage. Anne Pauline (T.6).

S. 8. ANTHONY PAUL IRBY.

(Son of Leonard Paul (R. 9) and Ethel Maud Boteler.)

Born 1908.

Married 29/9/1934 at St. Wolfgang, Upper Austria, Countess Mary Apponyi (of Hungary) d. of Count Anton Apponyi (of Hungary), and Countess Kitty Apponyi (of Hungary).

Educated at Eton (McNeile's), and Trinity College, Cambridge. B.A. 1930.

Barrister, Lincoln's Inn, 1932.

Residence: 19 Tedworth Square, S.W. 3.

Issue. Paul Anthony (T. 7).

S. 9. FRANCES DOROTHY IRBY.

(Daughter of Leonard Paul Irby (R. 9) and Ethel Maud Boteler.)

Born 1901.

S. 10. FRANCES EDWARD IRBY.

(Son of Edward de Crespigny (R. 11) and Edith Campbell.)

Born 1877 in Australia.

Married 1925 Katie Lorna d. of W. C. Tibbits of Gilgandra, N.S.W., Australia.

Residence: Narrango, Casino, N.S.W., Australia.

Issue. Edith (T.8), Eunice (T.9) and Isla (T.10).

S. II. PAUL ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of Edward de Crespigny (R. 11) and Edith Campbell.)

Born 1882 in Australia.

Married 1914 Mabel Clive.

Issue. Paul Anthony (T. 11), Gordon (T. 12), John (T. 13), Florence (T. 14) and Nancy (T. 15).

S. 12. LLEWELLYN GEORGE IRBY.

(Son of Edward de Crespigny (R. 11) and Edith Campbell.)

Born 1883.

Married 1914 Mary Louisa d. of the Rev. R. W. Stock-dale of Grafton, N.S.W., Australia.

Residence: Thousand Hills, Boat Harbour, Tasmania.

Issue. Mary Edith ("Tasmary") (T. 16), Elspeth
Douglas (T. 17), Kenneth Alan (T. 18) and
Elfreda Margaret (T. 19).

S. 13. FLORENCE MARGARET IRBY.

(Daughter of Edward de Crespigny (R. 11) and Edith Campbell.)

Born 1875.

Author of Sally Warner, published in Sydney, 1927, and other publications.

Residence: Narrango, Casino, N.S.W., Australia.

S. 14. WINIFRED EDITH IRBY.

(Daughter of Edward de Crespigny (R. 11) and Edith Campbell.)

Born 1879.

Residence: Narrango, Casino, N.S.W., Australia.

S. 15/21. CHILDREN OF CHARLES AUGUSTUS (R. 14) and EVA GEORGIANA ROBERTS.

- 15. CHARLES EDWARD IRBY. Born 1889.
- 16.1 ARTHUR ALGERNON IRBY. Born 1890.
- 17.2 WALTER LEONARD IRBY. Born 1896.
- 18. Beverley Keith Irby. Born 1899.
- 19. RICHARD WILFRED IRBY. Born 1901.
- 20. Mary Eva Irby. Born 1903.
- 21. ROLAND FRANK IRBY. Born 1906.

¹ Arthur Algernon married 1927 Mary Marsden and has issue T. 20 Ronald, b. 1927; T. 21 John, b. 1929 and T. 22 Brian, b. 1931.

² Walter Leonard married 1922 Margaret Armstrong and has issue T. 23 Harold, b. 1923 and T. 24 Leslie, b. 1929.

S. 22. AUDREY CYNTHIA YVETTE IRBY.

(Daughter of Lewis Michael Aubert (R. 21) and Isabel Kate Thornton.)

Born 1915.

Educated at Cheltenham Ladies' College 1923/33 and Westonbirt School, Glos.

S. 23. BERYL DIANA NOEL IRBY.

(Daughter of Lewis Michael Aubert (R. 21) and Isabel Kate Thornton.)

Born 1919.

Educated at Cheltenham Ladies' College 1924/36 and Westonbirt School, Glos.

S. 24 & 25. CHILDREN OF HENRIETTA MARGARET (R. 25) and THE REV. BASIL EVERSLEY OWEN.

- 24. John Irby Owen. Born 1914. Died 1932. Educated at St. John's School, Leatherhead.
- 25. Geoffrey Paul Irby Owen. Born 1918. Educated at Sedbergh School.

S. 26 & 27. CHILDREN OF CHARLOTTE AUGUSTA (R. 6) and EDWARD NEIL BAYNES.

- 26. Edward Stuart Augustus Baynes. Born 1889.
- 27. George Kenneth Baynes. Born 1891. Died 1936.

T. I. GREVILLE NORTHEY IRBY.

(Son of Hon. Cecil Saumarez (S. 2) and Florence Augusta Upton-Cottrell-Dormer,)

Born 1889.

Married 1913 Constance Beryl d. of William Richard Lester of Alderley, Llandudno, Wales.

Educated at Eton (E. C. Austen-Leigh's and E. W. Stone's), and Balliol College, Oxford.

In Civil Service. Colonial Office.

Hon. Captain (retired) Bucks Battalion, Oxford and Bucks Light Infantry.

J.P. for Bucks.

Heir presumptive to the Barony.

Residence: 1 Gonville House, Manor Fields, Putney, S.W. 15.

Issue. Rachel Elizabeth Cecily (U. 1), Isobel Caroline (U. 2) and Christian Florance (U. 3).

T. 2. CECIL EUSTACE IRBY, M.C.

(Son of Hon. Cecil Saumarez (S. 2) and Florence Augusta Upton-Cottrell-Dormer.)

Born 1897.

Educated at Eton (A. C. Rayner Wood), and R.M.C., Sandhurst.

Major (retired) Grenadier Guards, M.C.

T. 3. EVELYN AUGUSTA IRBY.

(Daughter of Hon. Cecil Saumarez (S. 2) and Florence Augusta Upton-Cottrell-Dormer.)

Born 1887.

T. 4. ESMÉ FRANCES SYLVIA IRBY.

(Daughter of Hon. Gilbert Neville (S. 3) and Esmé Edwards.)

Born 1901.

Married 1923 Captain Evan George Charles Cavendish, A.D.C., O.B.E., R.N.V.R., son of Brig.-Genl. Hon. William E. Cavendish, M.V.O.

Has issue. Susan Cavendish (U.4) born 1924, and Greville Adrian Cavendish (U.5) born 1926.

T. 5.

A daughter born and died 12/10/1903 of Hon. Gilbert Neville (S. 3) and Esmé Edwards.

T. 6. ANNE PAULINE IRBY.

(Daughter of Gerald Howard Boteler (S. 7) and Katherine Gertrude Edwards.)

Born 1927.

T. 7. PAUL ANTHONY IRBY.

(Son of Anthony Paul (S. 8) and Countess Mary Apponyi (of Hungary).)

Born 7/8/1935.

T. 8/10.

CHILDREN of FRANCIS EDWARD (S. 10) and KATIE LORNA TIBBITS.

- 8. Edith Elizabeth Irby. Born 1927.
- 9. EUNICE LORNA IRBY. Born 1928.
- 10. ISLA FRANCES IRBY. Born 1930.

T. 11/15.

CHILDREN of PAUL ANTHONY (S. 11) and MABEL CLIVE.

- 11. PAUL ANTHONY IRBY. Born 1916.
- 12. GORDON EDWARD IRBY. Born 1922.
- 13. JOHN CHARLES IRBY. Born 1928.
- 14. FLORENCE MABEL IRBY. Born 1919.
- 15. NANCY IRBY. Born 1926.

T. 16/19.

CHILDREN of LLEWELLYN GEORGE (S. 12) and MARY STOCKDALE.

- 16. MARY EDITH IRBY, "Tasmary." Born 1915.
- 17. ELSPETH DOUGLAS IRBY. Born 1917.
- 18. Kenneth Alan Irby. Born 1920.
- 19. Elfreda Margaret Irby. Born 1924.

T. 20/22.

CHILDREN of ARTHUR ALGERNON (S. 16) and MARY MARSDEN.

- 20. RONALD IRBY. Born 1927.
- 21. John Irby. Born 1929.
- 22. BRIAN IRBY. Born 1931.

T. 23 & 24.

CHILDREN of WALTER LEONARD (S. 17) and MARGARET ARMSTRONG.

- 23. HAROLD IRBY. Born 1923.
- 24. LESLIE IRBY. Born 1929.

T. 25, 26 & 26(a).

CHILDREN of ALICE FANNY CATHERINE (S. 4) and GORDON F. DEEDES.

- 25. JOHN GORDON DEEDES. Born 1892.
- 26. (PERCY GORDON DEEDES. Born 1899.
- 26(a). BERTRAM GORDON DEEDES. Born 1899. Died 1932.

U.I. RACHEL ELIZABETH CICELY IRBY.

(Daughter of Greville Northey (T. 1) and Constance Beryl Lester.)

Born 30/8/1914.

U. 2. ISOBEL CAROLINE IRBY.

(Daughter of Greville Northey (T. 1) and Constance Beryl Lester.)

Born 4/5/1917.

U. 3. CHRISTIAN FLORANCE IRBY.

(Daughter of Greville Northey (T. 1) and Constance Beryl Lester.)

Born 27/11/1921.

U. 4 & 5.

CHILDREN of ESMÉ FRANCES SYLVIA (T. 4) and EVAN GEORGE C. CAVENDISH.

- 4. Susan Cavendish. Born 1924.
- 5. Greville Adrian Cavendish. Born 1926.

IRBY MARRIAGES AND FAMILIES MENTIONED IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

Angers. (John, G. 5)	Carr. (Mary, R. 17)		
Apponyi. (Anthony, S. 8)	Casberd-Boteler. (Leonard, R. 9)		
Armstrong. (Walter, S. 17)	Cave. (Sir Anthony, K. 3)		
Aubert. (George, Q. 29)	Cavendish. (Esmé, T. 4)		
Baker. (Augustus, R. 31)	Chalmers. (Paul, R. 20)		
Ballam. (Alice, I. 18)	Clive. (Paul, S. 11)		
Barkham. (Sir Anthony, K. 3)	Cobb. (Frederick, 2nd Baron,		
Baynes. (Charlotte, R. 6)	O. 2)		
Bennett. (Jane, G. 7)	Compton. (Sir William, N. 1)		
Bertie. (Anne, widow of Edward,	Cotton. (Frances, Q. 25)		
K. 4)	Cowell. (Paul, P. 12)		
Blackman. (William, O. 3)	de Crespigny. (Paul, P. 12)		
Bolles. (Rose, G. 6)	Crofton. (Frances, R. 10)		
Bountayne or Bunting. (Anthony,	Crouch. (Elizabeth, L. 1)		
F. 4)	Crouch. (Sir Anthony, K. 3)		
Brady. (Rose, G. 6)	Cuninghame. (Augustus, Q. 3)		
Brandling. (Leonard, Q. 16)	Death. (Margaret, G. 9)		
Brightman. (Elizabeth, widow of	Death. (Dorothy, I. 20)		
Edmund, G. 17)	Deedes. (Alice, S. 4)		
Brison or Brydsen. (Dorothy,			
H. 24)	Domesday. (Dorothy, G. 10)		
Brough. (John, D. 2)	Donham. (Thomas, G. 4)		
Bruce. (Frederick, Q. 13)	Donne or Dunn. (Thomas,		
Brydsen or Brison. (Dorothy,	I. 15)		
H. 24)	Dormer, Upton-Cottrell. (Cecil,		
Buckland. (Rose, widow of John,	S. 2)		
G. 11)	Drake. (George, 3rd Baron,		
Bullock. (Llewellyn, Q. 4)	P. 4)		
Bunting or Bountaine. (Anthony,	Drake. (Frederick, P. 11)		
F. 4)	Drury. (Sir Anthony, K. 3)		
Caher. (Thomas, K. 5)	Dunn or Donne. (Thomas,		
Campbell. (Edward, R. 11)	I. 15)		
Carr or Carre. (Anne, widow of	Durbagge. (Beatrice, G. 1)		
Leonard, G. 12)	Eger. (Anne, H. 21)		

Edwards. (Gilbert, S. 3)	Manchester, 1
Edwards. (Gilbert, S. 3) Edwards. (Gerald, S. 7)	(Elizabeth
Fellowes. (Frederick, R. 8)	Mangles. (Cl
Flint. (Anthony, M. 4)	Marsden. (A
Flynton. (Robert, A. 1)	Massey. (An
Fortescue. (George, 4th Baron,	Maudson. (P
Q. 1)	Methuen. (Fr
Gainsby. (Bennett, C. 1)	O. 2)
Gates. (Alice, H. 19)	Montagu. (F
Gibbings. (Caroline, Q. 26)	Montague. (1
de Grey. (Alice, K. 7)	Northey. (G
de Grey. (Augusta, O. 1)	Q. 1)
Hall. (Lewis, R. 21)	Orkney. (Ch.
Hansard. (Robert, D. 1)	Osborn. (Sir
Hardby or Hardeby. (Edward,	Overton. (Jos
K. 4)	Owen. (Henr
Hewett. (Sir Anthony, I. 14)	Paget. (Sir A
Hill. (Gerald, S. 7)	Paget. (Sir E
Holdsworth. (Augusta, P. 7)	Paget. (Isabe
Holland. (Isabella, L. 6)	Parker (Alic
Hoult. (Thomas, G. 2)	Parker. (Alic Parrat. (Anne
le Hunte. (Elizabeth, widow of	Pearson or Pi
Sir Anthony, I. 14)	G. 8)
Hussey. (Frederica, Q. 8)	Pedley. (Cha
Ives. (George, 3rd Baron, P. 4)	Peyton. (Sir
Jermy. (Alice, K. 7)	Pierson or Pe
Johnston. (Winifred, S. 5)	G. 8)
Knevitt. (Leonard, G. 12)	Plymouth, Otl
Knollys. (Sir Anthony, K. 3)	4th Earl
Langham. (Augusta, P. 2)	Powell. (Fran
Lester. (Greville, T. 1)	Powell. (Paul
Lloyd. (Frances, Q. 17)	Pratt. (Cathe
Lowdham or Loudham. (Robert,	Prowse. (Rac
В. 1)	Quadring. (A
de la Lynde or Launde. (Robert,	Rhodes. (Ge
A. 1)	Q. 1) `
Macartney. (Frances, L. 7)	Rice. (France
Macdonald. (Amice, R. 35)	Rich. (Isabel
Magenis. (Leonard, Q. 16)	Roberts. (Ch

Henry, 1st Earl of. th, L. 1) harles, P. 15) Arthur, S. 16) thony, L. 12) Paul, R. 20) rederick, 2nd Baron, Frances, R. 10) Elizabeth, L. 1) George, 4th Baron, narlotte, Q. 6) Anthony, I. 14) ohn, G. 11) rietta, R. 25) Anthony, K. 3) Edward, M. 3) ella, L. 6) ce, M. 8) ne, I. 6) lierson. (Katherine, arles, R. 27) Anthony, I. 14) earson. (Katherine, ther Lewis Windsor, of. (Paul, P. 12) nces, Q. 25) ıl, P. 12) erine, Q. 10) chel, Q. 5) Alice, E. 3) eorge, 4th Baron, ces, Q. 33) lla, L. 6) narles, R. 14)

(Florance, 5th Baron, Saumarez. R. 1) (George, 4th Baron, Saumarez. Q. I) Seagrave or Serjeant. (Thomas, G. 13) Selsey. (Anna, P. 8) Selwyn. (William, 1st Baron, N. 1) Serjeant or Seagrave. (Thomas, G. 13) Shepard. (Maud, widow of Ambrose, F. 3) Smith. (Sir Anthony, K. 3) South. (Anne, I. 19) Stockdale. (Caroline, Q. 26) Stockdale. (Llewellyn, S. 12) Stringer. (Anthony, L. 5) Tash. (Anthony, H. 22) Terrill. (Audrey, H. 25) Thimbleby. (Robert, E. 1)

Thimelby. (Anthony, H. 22) Thompson. (Margaret, Q. 18) (Lewis, R. 21) Thornton. Thursfield. (Augustus, R. 31) Tibbits. (Francis, S. 10) Toulmin. (George, Q. 29) Traill. (Fanny, R. 18) Upton-Cottrell-Dormer. (Cecil, S. 2) Vansittart. (Rachel, R. 2) Walkott. (Beatrice, H. 23) Walpole, (John, Q. 32) Walsingham. (Augusta, O. 1) Way. (Gilbert, S. 3) Welbye. (Anthony, H. 22) Windeyer. (Edward, Q. 23) Windsor. (Paul, P. 12) Wingfield. (Alice, R. 3) Wodehouse. (Frances, R. 10) Wray. (Sir Anthony, K. 3) Wright. (Frederick, P. 11)

SUGGESTED EARLY DATES IN THE LINCOLN-SHIRE IRBY PEDIGREE¹

THE Lincolnshire Irby Pedigree from Robert Erbye or Irby of Laceby down to the sixth and present Baron Boston covers seventeen generations. The earliest known date of birth in the direct line of descent is that of Anthony (H. 22) of Whaplode, Moulton and Boston in 1547, it being recorded in the Whaplode Parish Register that on the 6th of October, 1625, he was buried there, aged 78. From this Anthony down to George Florance, the sixth Baron, born in 1860, are ten generations in a period of 313 years, giving an average of 31.30 years to each; working backwards from this Anthony to the original Robert of Laceby (A. 1) are seven generations which, taken at the same average, would cover a period of 219 years, thereby making the approximate date of his (Robert's) birth in 1328; this roughly coincides with the date that might be assigned to him from the date of his father-in-law Herbert Flynton's marriage with Cecilia de la Launde or Lynde, which marriage according to "Chancery Inquisitions A.Q.D." 1314, and "Common Plea Rolls" 1315, took place in or before 1314. Herbert Flynton was born in 1281, for at an Inquest held at York in 1331 he was described as then aged 50 (see Calendar of Inquests, Vol. VII, Edward III, p. 294).

LINCOLNSHIRE PEDIGREES BY CANON MADDISON.

Introduction to Vol. I.

"IRBY." "Were the evidence perfectly clear as to the descent of this family, there would be no difficulty in assigning to Lord Boston a place among the aboriginal families of Lincolnshire, but a reference to the above mentioned *History of Boston*, p. 391 (Pishey Thompson's *History of Boston*) will show that all the proof afforded

¹ The Pedigree Charts are in a separate case issued with this volume.

is a somewhat dubious note to the effect that the pedigree given has been 'copied from a manuscript in the British Museum.' The connection between Anthony Irby of Gosberton, the undoubted ancestor of the Boston family, who died in 1552 (N.B. Canon Maddison is not quite correct here, the date of the death of Anthony of Gosberton should be 21/6/1548, his Will was proved 15/8/1548 (1548. 11. Populwell), and the Inquest P.M. is dated 1552) and the ancient Irbys of Irby, of the fourteenth century requires more confirmation than so slight a proof. No pedigree is given at either visitation in the sixteenth century, which adds not a little to the grounds of suspicion."

Introduction to Vol. II. Apology from Canon Maddison.

"I owe an apology to the Irby family for what I said touching their pedigree, though I think most genealogists would have said the same as I did, under a similar misapprehension. For who would ever have guessed that the Carby family, whose pedigree is given in the Visitation of 1562, is really the Irby? To a Lincolnshire man the process by which this identification is reached is intelligible. The provincial mode of pronouncing Irby (certainly in the East of the county) is Earby. A careless copyist mistook the E for C, and wrote Carby, possibly thinking it a local name connected with the parish of Careby. Hence the blunder I committed in saying that no pedigree of the Irby family is given in either visitation of the 16th Century.

"My attention was called by a correspondent to the remarkable resemblance between the Carby pedigree, as given in the Visitation, and the Irby pedigree in Thompson's History of Boston. I therefore gladly retract what I wrote, and now express my full belief in the genuineness of the Irby pedigree, though I take leave to question whether the Irby from which the family derives its name is Irby in the Marsh, near Burgh. I am inclined to think the cradle of the race was the more northern Irby on Humber, seeing that an early intermarriage took place with the de la Lyndes, who were seated at Laceby, which is contiguous to the more northern parish."

Note. The Carby pedigree referred to is at the British Museum. Harleian MS. 1550, folio 180, Visitations of Lincolnshire 1564/92.

IRBY ARMS

Papworth's Dictionary of Arms, 1874, pp. 884/5. Under Fretty and a Canton.

Arg fretty sable Irby Co Lincoln.

Arg fretty gules a canton azure. Ireby Cumberland.

Arg fretty gules a canton sable. Ireby.

Arg fretty sable a canton sable. Earby, Erly, Radford, Irby.

Arg fretty sable a canton azure a hart courant or. Ireby, Cumb.

Arg fretty sable a canton gules a cinquefoil for difference or. Sir Thomas de Ereby, Cumberland. (Roll about 1308/14.)

Arg fretty sable. Thomas Ireby, Cumberland. (Glovers Ordinary.)

Arg fretty sable a canton sable a mullet for difference of the first. Ireby. (Glovers Ordinary.)

Arg fretty sable a canton gules a chaplet arg. Earby. Whap-lode, Co. Lancaster (sic).

Arg fretty sable a canton gules a chaplet or. Irby. Bart. 1704. Baron Boston 1761.

Arg fretty sable a canton gules. Urby.

Under Fret and in chief.

Arg a fret gules a canton azure. Ireby. Cumberland

Arg a fret sable a canton sable. Earby, Erby.

Arg a fret sable on a canton gules a cinquefoil or. Irbye.

Sable a fret arg a canton gules. Ereby.

Arg a fret sable a canton sable a mullet arg. Ireby. Cambridge, Cumberland.

Edmundson's Heraldry.

Irby (Boston, Lincs). Ar fretty sa on a canton gules, a chaplet or. Crest a Saracen's head side faced couped at the shoulders proper, wreathed about the temples argent and sable. N.B. the ancient crest, a tiger's head argent, erased per fesse gules, maned and collared of the last.

Ireby (Cumberland). Argent fretty gules a canton azure.

Ireby (Cambridgeshire, Cumberland). Argent a fret sable on a canton of the second a mullet of the first.

Earby (Whaplode, Lincs). Arg fretty sable on a canton gules a chaplet of the field.

Earby. Arg. a fret and canton sable.

Encyclopædica Heraldica.

Vol. I, p. 143, under Cantons. Ar a fesse and canton sa. Irby. P. 148, under Fesse. Arg a fesse and canton sa Irby.

P. 136, under Fretty and Frets. Ar fretty sa on a canton gu a chaplet or. Irby.

P. 136, under Fretty and Frets. Ar fretty sa on a canton of the 2nd a mullet of the first. Ireby.

Vol. II, Irby. Arg a fesse and canton sa.

Irby (Boston, Lincs). Arg fretty sa on a canton gules a chaplet or. Crest a Saracen's head side faced couped at the shoulders p.p.r. wreathed about the temples or and sa. Note: the ancient crest a tiger's head or erased per fesse gules maned and collared of the last.

Irby (Lincs temp and Elizabeth). Ar fretty sable.

Irby (Lincs temp Charles I) the same arms. Crest a wiverns head ar gorged with two bars gemelles gules.

Ireby (Cambridge and Cumberland). Ar a fret sa on a canton of the 2nd a mullet of the 1st.

Irby (Cumberland). Ar fretty gu a canton az.

Ireby. Ar fretty gu a canton sa.

Earby (Whaplode, Lancashire) (sic). Ar fretty sa on a canton gu a chaplet of the field.

Earby. Ar a fret and canton sa.

Ereby. Ar a fesse and canton sa.

Ereby. Sa a fret ar on a canton gu a cinquefoil or.

Erley. Ar a fret and canton sa.

Vol. IV. Supplement.

Irbe. A fret a canton sa.

Irbye. Ar fretty sa on a canton gu a cinquefoil (another a mullet)

Ireby. Arms as in Vol. I, Cambridge. Crest a sword in pale enfiled with a Savage's head p.p.r.

Ireby. Arms as in 1st Vol. Crest an antelope pass p.p.r.

Ireby. Ar fretty sa on a canton of the last a mullet or.

Arms in Surrey Roll, Richard II. Compiled in 1395. Williment. John de Ireby bore argent, fretty sable, a quarter of the last. ? Sir John de Ireby alive in 1413.

Arms. Parliamentary Roll. Edward II. Compiled circa 1310. Nicholas, 1828.

Sir Thomas de Ereby. De argent frette sable e un quarter de goules, a un cinquefoil de or.

IRBY CRESTS

Fairbairn's Book of Crests.

Irby (LINCOLN). A wyvern's head arg gorged with two bars gemelles gules.

Irby (Lincoln). Saracen's head in profile couped at the shoulders p.p.r. wreathed arg and sa.

Irby (Boyland Hall). (1) Saracen's head p.p.r. for Irby. (2) A cubit arm erased holding in the hand a scimitar embrued all p.p.r., the hilt and pommel or (for Garneys).

IRBY DESCENTS FROM EDWARD III AND PHILIPPA OF HAINAULT

Through Dorothy Paget, who was the wife of Sir Edward Irby Bart. (M. 3), and Albinia Selwyn, who was the wife of William Irby, 1st Baron Boston (N. 1), there are many Irby descents from four of the sons of Edward III, viz. from Lionel, Duke of Clarence, K.G.; John of Gaunt, Duke of Lancaster, K.G.; Edmund Langley, Duke of York, K.G., and Thomas of Woodstock, Duke of Gloucester, K.G., and each of these sons have, of course, numerous descents from William the Conqueror. According to Turton in his Plantagenet Ancestry there are over 150 separate descents from William the Conqueror through Edmund, Duke of York, Isabel of Castile, Roger Mortimer, Eleanor Holland, John Neville, Maud Percy, John of Gaunt, Mary Beauchamp, Jean de Luxembourg, Marguerite d'Enghien, François de Baux and Justine des Ursins, and from each of these the Irby family trace their descent through the above mentioned Dorothy Paget and Albinia Selwyn. There are in addition two other descents, one coming through Patience de Crespigny, the 1st wife of the Hon. the Rev. Paul Anthony Irby (P. 12), from Lionel, Duke of Clarence & Edmund, Duke of York, applying to children of that marriage, which includes the Australian Branch, and the other through Henrietta Elizabeth Walpole, the wife of Major John James Charles Irby (Q. 32), also coming from Lionel, Duke of Clarence, and Edmund, Duke of York, applying to children of that marriage.

¹ Turton adds that several of these are illegitimate and some doubtful. (The illegitimate descents that Turton speaks of would no doubt include amongst others the Peverel descent from William the Conqueror, the

THE ORDER OF THE GARTER. INSTITUTED BY EDWARD III circa 1348

"All the original records of the Order until after 1416 have perished, and consequently the question (regarding the actual date of the institution of the Order) depends for its settlement not on direct testimony, but on inference from circumstances. The dates which have been selected vary from 1344 (given by Froissart, but almost certainly mistaken) to 1351." (See article under Knighthood, Encyclopædia Britannica, 11th Edition, p. 857.)

In the Appendix "B" p. 528, Vol. II, Complete Peerage, 1912, edited by Hon. Vicary Gibbs, it states, "The date of the Institution of the Order has long been a 'vexata quæstio,' arguments for and against the various dates suggested (1344, 1347, 1348, 1349) may be found in Ashmole, Anstis, Beltz, Nicholas, and Shaw, but the weight of evidence appears to be decidedly in favour of 1348."

The popular legend (for which, however, there does not seem to be any authentic foundation) is that Joan (Fair Maid of Kent), Countess of Salisbury, accidentally slipped her garter at a Court Ball. It was picked up by her Royal partner, Edward III, who gallantly diverted the attention of the guests from the lady by binding the blue band round his own knee, saying "Honi soit qui mal y pense." By some, however, the legend is attributed to Katherine, Dowager Countess of Salisbury, the widow of William Montacute, 1st Earl of Salisbury, and mother of William the 2nd Earl.

Joan, Countess of Salisbury, was a daughter of Edmund of Woodstock, Earl of Kent, and Margaret Wake; she married firstly in 1339 Sir Thomas Holand or Holland, afterwards Earl of Kent, but whilst he was out of the country with the King in France, she

Elizabeth descent from William II (or possibly Henry I), six undoubtedly from Henry I, the two Longespée from Henry II, and two from John, one through Agatha Ferrers, and one through his illegitimate son Richard Fitzroy, who married Rohese daughter and heiress of Robert of Dover.) P.A.I.

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A chart of the Irby Descents from Edward III and Philippa of Hainault will be found with the Irby Pedigree Charts.

³ The Walpole descent comes through Henry Pole, K.G., Baron Montagu, son of Sir Reginald Pole, K.G., and Margaret, Countess of Salisbury (see Ruvigny, Clarence Volume).

'The de Crespigny descent comes through Lady Anne Plantagenet d. of Richard, Duke of York, K.G., 1411/60 (see Ruvigny, Exeter Volume).

(possibly under compulsion) married secondly William Montacute, and Earl of Salisbury, about 1346; her first husband appealed to the Pope who held the first marriage to be valid, and in 1349 ordered her to be restored to him. Her eldest son Thomas, afterwards and Earl of Kent, was born in 1350, and her husband dying in 1360, she married thirdly in 1361 Edward the Black Prince. This third marriage was by dispensation of the Pope, as the Black Prince her cousin, was godfather to her son Thomas by her first marriage, and thus came within the prohibited degrees of affinity. By this third marriage she became the mother of Richard II.

Joan was born circa 1326/30 and died in 1385. Froissart, who lived in her house at Berkhampstead during the Queen's visit in 1361, describes Joan as "la plus belle dame de tout le roiaulme

d'Engleterre, et la plus amoureuse."

The Lincolnshire Irbys are descended from Joan through her first marriage with Sir Thomas Holland, and are also descended from Katherine, Dowager Countess of Salisbury, through her daughter Philippa de Montacute, who married Roger Mortimer, and Earl of March.

(Most of the above particulars are taken from Encyclopædia Britannica, Complete Peerage and Dictionary of National Biography.)

KNIGHTS OF EDWARD I

(Harleian Society, B.M. 2099)

Vol. I, p. 311. Sir Thomas de Ereby Kt. (probably = Ireby). De argent frette de sable e un quart de goul a un quintefoil de or Northumberland. Cumberland.

Vol. II, p. 270. Sir Thomas de Ireby Kt. De argent frette de sable e un quart de goul a un quintefoil de or. Northumberland. Cumberland. Holds mess and lands at Lit Clifton Cumberland (C.R. 13/5/1300) and is overlord at High Crosseby, Cumberland. 3/11/1306. Inq. P.M. 14/10/1307 (F.R.) holding Embleton Manor, given by Alice de Romeley to his ancestor Orme de Ireby and leaving son and heir Thomas aged 26. Dower to his widow Cecily 14/3/1308 (C.R.) and Lic. for her, on 100/- fine, to marry at will. Livery to Thomas 5/4/1308 (F.R.). Writ for Inq. of said Thomas de Ireby jun. 26/10/1322. He held \(\frac{2}{3}\)rds of Embleton Manor with Ireby Manor and Seaton (? Shaton) and Stanger

Hamlets, and left widow Agnes and son and heir William aged 6 (Inq.). Dower to Agnes 4/11/1332 (C.R.) enlarged on 40/- fine 12/6/1323 (F.R. and C.R.). The Parl Roll attributes the arms above noted to Sir Thomas de Ereby and it appears most probable that he was either the Thomas de Ireby who died 1307 or his son who died 1322.

(See also Irby arms on p. 108 under Papworth's Dictionary of Arms.)

IRBY WILLS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Wills.

Thomas. Thetford, Norfolk (G. 4). Lincoln. 26. Holgrave. 1504. Estelyne. Thetford, Norfolk (G. 4a). 35. Holgrave. 1505. Ambrose. Moulton, Lincolnshire (F. 3). 1. Thower. 1530.

Anthony. Gosberton, Lincolnshire (F. 4). 11. Populwell. 1548.

Alice. Gosberton, Lincolnshire (F. 4a). 18. Chayre. 1563.

Leonard. Boston, Lincolnshire (G. 12). 42. Holney. 1571. Thomas. Boston, Lincolnshire (I. 15). 100. Capell. 1613.

Anthony. Sutterton, Lincolnshire (I. 5). 56. Lee. 1638. Walter. Trumpington, Cambridge (died in Virginia). Aylett. 196. 1655.

Walter. Northampton, Virginia. Bowyer. 149. 1652.

Elizabeth (L. 1). Hare. 1684.

Anthony (L. 5). 102. Cann. 1685.

Sir Anthony (K. 3) died 1681, Will not proved till 1686. 59. Lloyd. 1686.

Prerogative Court of Canterbury. Administrations.

Edmund. Gosberton, Lincolnshire (G. 17) to Elizabeth Brightman relict. 1562.

Thomas. Whaplode (G. 13) to Isabella Irby relict. 1573.

Leonard (G. 12) deed re property left to Kenelm (H. 15) his nephew. 1571.

Lincoln Wills.

Vol. I, 1320/1600 and Vol. II, 1601/1652.

Henry. Stickford. 356. 21541/3. Proved 1544.

Thomas. Moulton (G. 2). 50. Proved 21/8/1546.

Richard. Navenby. 116. 1547/9.

Henry. Stickford. Son of Henry above. Proved 1561. (No child at Henry's death in 1561.)

Kenelm. Sutterton (G. 14). 285. Proved 28/2/1585.

Edward. Evedon (K. 4). 476. Proved 15/2/1632.

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Kenelm. Sutterton (G. 14). 1585. A. IV. 98 and 100. Beatrix (Walcot, alias Irby) (H. 23). 1598. A. VII. 16B. 1.198. Anthony. Boston (H. 22). 1625. B. I. 105.

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John Irby. Clewe (? Clee in Lincolnshire). Episcopal Register
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Hovenden's Kent Wills and Deeds.

John Stringer. Kennington, Kent. 14/6/1680. Father-in-law of Anthony (L. 5).

Thomas Stringer. 19/4/1660. 29/8/1679. Chancery Deeds. Hadley, Middlesex. 4/5/2/1683/4.

Genealogical Gleanings in England.

Vol. II, p. 1049. Under the Will (1558) of Richard Buckland of Clerkenwell, Middlesex. Peter Kellam Erbye (H. 15) and Edward Irby (H. 16) are mentioned as his wife Rose's children by previous marriage.

EXTRACTS FROM SOME IRBY WILLS

THOMAS IRBY (G. 4) of THETFORD, NORFOLK. Proved 18/2/1504. (26. Holgrave.)

Mentioned in Will: Father, William Irby and Mother, Margaret Irby, both then dead. Second wife, Estelyne. Children (not named) see p. 144. Brother. John Irby. Supervisor of Will.

Property in Lincoln, Norfolk and Suffolk.

"To be buried, if dying at Thetford, by Johane my wife (1st wife) on the North side under the stone or part thereof of the said Johane."

ESTELYNE IRBY, Widow of Thomas (G. 4). Proved 30/7/1505. (35. Holgrave.)

Mentioned in Will: Thomas Irby (2nd husband). Sons, Thomas and John (? Donhams or Irbys, see p. 144.) Daughter, Alice. Brother, John Donham. Sister-in-law? Isabel Donham. Sister (unnamed) at Attylborowe. Supervisor of Will, John A. Kente, her Gossip.

AMBROSE IRBY (F. 3) of MOULTON, LINCS. Proved 10/2/1530. (1. Thower.)

Mentioned in Will: 1st Wife, Alice (mother of Thomas and Beatrice). 2nd Wife, Maud. Son, Thomas. Daughter, Beatrice. Brothers, Anthony of Gosberton and William of Sutterton. Sister, Agnes. Nephews, John and Ambrose, sons of William. Leonard son of Anthony, and John son of Anthony. Cousin, John Bolles (husband of Rose Irby) with children Godfrey and Margaret. Godson, Ambrose, a Monk, son of William of Sutterton. Executors, Anthony of Gosberton, John Bolles and James Bargeyn. Witnesses include Robert Herbye (? Robert Herbye who was one of the Churchwardens of Moulton in 1517).

"In Dei Noie Amen the sixt day of the moneth of June in the yere of our Lord God Mt CCCCC xxxti and in the yere of the reigne of our soueraign Lord Kyng Henry the eight the xxij yere I, Ambros Irby of Multon within the countye of Lyncoln being of hole mynde and good remembraunce trusting in God and in the sacremetes of Holy Churche and therby to be saved mak my last will and testament in manner and forme following First I comend

my soule to God Allmighty our Lady Sainte Mary and to all the celestyall company of Hevin and my bodye to be buried in the Churche of Allhallowes at Multon aforesaid. It. I bequethe to the Curat there for my tythes forgotten yf anny suche be 11 is. IIIid. And to eury aulter in the same Churche xiid. bequethe to the Church Warke of Multon xl s. It. To the Gild of our lady there iii s. iiii d. It. I bequethe to the mother Churche of Lyncoln xii d. It. To our Ladies Warke there xii d. It. To the Orphanage at the howse of Saint Katherynes xij d. It. bequethe to the Church Warke of Weston vi s. viii d. Allso I will that myn executours upon the day of my buryall shall cause placebo and dirige to be song ournight and masse of Requiem on the morow for my soule and all xpen soules. And that allso five Trentalles of masses be said. That is to say upon the day of my buriall Saint Gregorys trentall of masses to be said and the other iiii trentalls imediatly after my buryall to be said by the iiij ordres of freres in Boston for my soule and for the soules of my father and mother, Alice my wyf and for the soule of Elizabeth Holland late wyfe of Thomas Holland Esquier and of my good frendes soules and for all xpen soules. It. I will ther be expended the day of my buryall abowte the same busines the sum of v li and at my sevinth day the somme of Cs stling. And I will that suche poore people as shall fortune to be present at the same dayes by the discretion of myn executors be congregate in a place convenyent and have their allmos as shal be thought god by myn executours to pray for my soule and all xpen soules as is aforesaid. Allso I will that Thomas my sonne pay verely to thandes of myn executours to and for the fynding of a preest to sing for my soule and for the soules of my father and mother and all xpen soules during the time of ten yeres next after my decease Cyis viii d of lawfull money of England to be preived verely of all my landes and tentes in Sutterton, Fosedyke and Alderkike and for lacke of payment of the said some of Cy is viii d. or any parte thereof I will that mine executours enter into all my said landes and tentes aforesaid and eury parte therof and to take the proffittes of the same during the said X yeres to and for the fynding of the preest aforesaid. And the saide preest to sing during all the terme abouesaid for my soule and other aboue rehersed and all xpen soules wiin the pisshe churches of Allhallous at Multon aforsaid and to haue verely for his stypend Cvj s viij d. And yf it happyn my said executours to dye wtin the time of the said tenne yeres then I will that the said Thomas my sonne pay the saide som of Cvi s viii d to the said preeste there to syng and pray for my soule and other aboue rehersid And for default of payment of the said som of Cvi s viii d or anny pte therof

to the said preest I woll that the churche wardens of Multon aforesaid for that tyme being shall entre into all the foresaid landes and tentes in Sutterton, Fosedike and Algerkyrke aforesaid and take the proffittes of the same to pay the wages of the said preest in forme aforesaid And I will that myn executours after my buryall as is aforesaid shall imediately after fynde and wage an able secular preest to say masse dayly in the churche of Allhallos of Multon aforesaid at the alter of our blessed Ladye by the space of X yeres for the helthe of my soule and all soule as is aforesaid and for the wellfair of Mawde my wif and for her soule helthe yf in that tyme she fortune to decease and the said preest to have paid for his stipend and wages Cvi s viii d yerely at ij usuall times in the yere And that to be taken of my goodes and cattalls to pay the sayde Cyis viii d verely during the tyme aforesaid and that the said preest euv day when he shall say masse say deprofundes at my grave and cast holy water on it I will that my sonne Thomas Irbye and his heires shall verely kepe myn obyt and yereday on that day it shall fortune me to depte owte of this transitory lyfe and cause placebo and dirige to be song our night for ever to be song and doon in the pisshe churche of Alhallowes at Multon aforesaid by thaduvse counsaill and consent of myn executours for the helthe of my soule and all other as is abouesaid and they to dispose yerely aboute the same and other charitable deedes of allmones that day to be doon the som of vis viii d And yf the said obyt be not kept yerely as is aforesaid then I will that the churche wardens of the said pisshe churche of Multon for the tyme being shall entre into a pece of land in Algerkirk caulid Soutertost and of the yerely rent comyng of the same to cause the said yerely obyt to be kept as is aforesaid."

JOHN IRBY of CLEWE (? CLEE, LINCS).

Proved 1/4/1412 at Leicester.

Lincoln Episcopal Reg. 1405/20. (Repington.)
Mentioned in Will: To be buried in All Saints' Church, Clewe.
Executors: John Cleue, Prior of St. Mary's Leicester; Robert
Smith, Clerk; and Johan my wife.

HENRY IRBY of STICKFORD, LINCS. Proved at Spilsby, Lincs, 10/4/1544. Lincoln Probate Registry, 1541/3. 356.

Mentioned in Will: To be buried at St. Helen's, Stickford. Son, Henry, then under age. Executor: Richard Hubbard.

HENRYE EREBIE of STICKFORTH.

Proved at Lincoln 12/2/1561. Son of the above Henry Irby.

Mentioned in Will: To be buried at Stickforth. Wife, Agnes, who is sole executrix.

THOMAS IRBY (G. 2) of MOULTON, LINCS.

Proved at Lincoln 21/8/1546.

50. Linc. Wills, 1545/6.

Mentioned in Will: Father, Ambrose Irby. Wife, Elizabeth Hoult. Son, Anthony (aged 4). Sister, Beatrice. Cousins, Ambrose Irby, Monk, son of William of Sutterton, and Thomas Irby of Whaplode. Property in Moulton, Sutterton, Algarkirk and Foss Dyke, Quadring, Wigtoft, etc.

Executor his father-in-law, Edward Hoult. Supervisor of Will, Thomas Callow. One of the witnesses is Anthony Eger.

ANTHONY IRBY (F. 4) of GOSBERTON, LINCS. Proved 14/8/1548. 11. Populwell.

Mentioned in Will: Wife, Alice. Sons, John, Leonard and Thomas. Daughters, Rose (Bolles), Dorothy, Katherine, Jane (Bennett), Margaret (Death). Grandsons, Godfrey Bolles, Edmund son of Leonard Irby. Granddaughters, Margaret Bolles, Mary Irby and —— Irby, daughters of John Irby.

Sons-in-law, John Bolles, William Bennett, Henry Death. Daughters-in-law. Isabel wife of Thomas, and Anne wife of Leonard. Cousin, Nicholas Leighe. Property in Holbeach, Moulton, Weston, Spalding, Pinchbeck, Swinehead. Executors, Wife and sons John and Thomas. Supervisors of Will, Leonard Irby and John Bolles.

LEONARD IRBY (G. 12) of BOSTON, LINCS. Proved 28/11/1571. Holney. 42.

Mentioned in Will: Mother, Alice. Wife, Anne. Brother, John and other brothers and sisters unnamed. Nephew, Pelham son of John and other nephews and nieces. Executrix, Anne his wife. Supervisor of Will, Robert Cane of whom he says "and I make Robert Cane my faithful friend my supervisor of this my last will and testament requyringe and desyringe upon especial love and

trust that hath bien betwene us that he wil be aydinge and asystinge my saied wyffe in all thinges and I give him for a remembrance my best geldinge to be taken at his choyse and a ringe of golde of an ownce to be made with a dead mans hed in yt with A.C. and A.I. to be set on either syde of the same dead mans hed."

Property at Gosberton, Quadring, Surfleet, Swinehead, Whaplode, Wigtoft, Winthorpe, etc.

KENELM IRBY (G. 14) of SUTTERTON, LINCS. Proved at Lincoln 28/2/1585. Vol. I, 285.

Mentioned in Will: Wife, Mary. Son, not named (under age). Daughter Mawde (under age), to her "all household stuffe, plate, jewels and rings, and all wood and timber, also the lease of Marshes and Cattle."

"I will that Mary my wife shall have and enjoye my landes allready sufficiently conveied to her accordinge to the tenor and effecte of my assurance thereof to her use made and for so muche as she hath the greateste parte of all my landes allreadie conveied to her use and very little lefte for the educacon and bringinge uppe of my sonne my hope and requeste to her ys is that she will be good to him and provide for his educacon and bringinge upp and to assure him of somethinge conveniente for his maintainance and educacon before she will marry againe and to put her in remembrance and token hereof I give and bequeathe to her a ringe of golde of the valewe of XX s."

Sole Executrix his daughter Mawde, to whom he gives the residue.

Supervisors of Will: Robert and Richard Smithe and others who are also to be guardians of his daughter until she comes of age or be married.

THOMAS IRBY (I. 15) of BOSTON, LINCS. Proved 22/11/1613. (Capell. 100.)

Mentioned in Will: Father, Anthony. Wife, Anne. Fatherin-law, Sir Daniel Dunn. Sisters, Lady Anne South, and Alice. Godson, Richard son of Thomas Welby. Supervisor of Will: Sir Daniel Dunn Kt. Witnesses include Thomas Irby and William Bennett.

ANTHONY IRBY (I. 5) of SUTTERTON, LINCS.

Mentioned in Will: Father, John. Wife, Elizabeth (enceinte). Daughter, Katherine. Posthumous child or children. Executor: Edward Godbed of London, Clerk.

"That on Tuesday the four and twentieth day of April Anno Millesimo Sexcentesimo Trivesimo Octavo Anthoy Irbye of Southerton in the County of Lincolne Gent being sick and weake of body but of perfect mind and memory with a full purpose and intent to make and declare his last will and testament did utter and speake these wordes following or the very like in effect 'First I comend my soule to God and my body to the earth to be buried at the discretion of my executor and concerning my worldly goodes I thus dispose of them that is to saie Whereas the sume of Sixe hundred and fiftie poundes of lawfull money of England is due and payable unto me and unto John Irby of Southerton aforesaid Gent my father and is accordingly to be paid unto us from John Browne of Pointon in the County of Lincoln Gent on or about the second day of May nowe next ensuing for and concerning certeyne pcells of land and other heriditamentes by us sould formerly unto the said Iohn Browne' - 'shall be equally and proporconably devided into three ratable parts or porcons. The first part whereof I give and bequeathe unto Elizabeth my nowe wife the other part or porcon thereof unto Katherine my now daughter and the third and last part or porcon being the residue thereof unto that child or children that my wife is nowe with child withal. Ts that intent and purpose to be so rateably and proporconablie devided amongst them part and partlike' —

SIR ANTHONY IRBY KT (K. 3) of BOSTON, LINCS. Proved 3/5/1686 by Dame Katharine, the surviving executrix. (59. Lloyd.)

Will dated 23/7/1680. "To be buried where my executors shall think meet. To Dame Katharine my wife, all her jewels and plate, my coach and coach horses, my goods in my dwelling house in 'the little Almery' in Westminster. To my daughters Elizabeth Irby and Isabella Irby £1500 each for a portion, to be raised from certain moneys lent to several persons (named). To my only son Anthony Irby Esq the money owing from certain bonds. £1000 to be laid out by my son, Sir John Hobart Bart, Sir Philip Harcourt Bart, and Standish Hastone, a Baron of the Exchequer in Ireland, in the purchase of lands and tenements in Ireland for the benefit of my youngest daughter Frances. To my son Anthony all my leases of lands and tenements in Moulton, and goods in my two mansion houses in Boston and Whaplode, also my horses, colts and mares, except coach horses. Executors. My said wife and son."

IRBY HALL, WHAPLODE, LINCOLNSHIRE

Described in Kelley's Lincolnshire Directory 1876 as "now a farm house the property of John Codling Esq., was anciently a seat of the Knightly family of IRBY."

IRBY HALL, BOSTON, LINCOLNSHIRE

Wotton's English Baronetage, 1741, Vol. IV, p. 99.

"The family had at Boston a large Mansion House by the side of the haven, wherein was a gallery with a fretwork ceiling and several coats of arms of the Irebys, some impaled and others quartered with those of other families in this and the adjacent counties with whom they intermarried, on painted glass in the windows, which house hath of late been let."

Pishey Thompson's History of Boston, p. 255.

"The residence of the family of that name was situated nearly opposite the West end of the Church, in an enclosure adjoining the river at the extremity of Stanbow Lane; marks of the foundations of the building are yet visible; nothing now remains of the edifice or its appendages, but part of the garden walls. This mansion is said to have been a very extensive one, to have had a gallery with a fretwork ceiling, and on painted glass in the windows were several coat-of-arms of the Irby's; some impaled, others quartered with those of other families in this and the adjacent counties, with whom they intermarried. Sir Edward Irby (M. 3) resided in this house in the early part of the last century, and was the last of the family who lived there; the house was afterwards let for several years. There were scarcely any remains of it except a chimney in 1776. It is said that some of the glass with the arms is in a window of one of the Churches at Stamford."

Note. Some few years ago I found a piece of this glass with the Irby arms in St. Martin's Church, Stamford, on the Northamptonshire side of the river, in the East window, North Light, second panel from the bottom. P.A.I.



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SIR ANTHONY'S GARDEN

Pishey Thompson's History of Boston, p. 255.

"Sir Anthony's garden is mentioned in 1633, as having been anciently called 'Pond Garth.' It was so called in 1564 (the pond yet remains). The house, 'lately Sir A. Irby's,' occurs in the Records 1690. It is stated to be at the North end of Lincoln Row. Sir Anthony held a piece of land on which stood a house called Newmans or Newlands House, and which an inquest held in 1640, describes as between the lands of Sir Anthony on the North and South and also on the East and West. This piece of land, the jurors say, was eaten away by the haven. It is not easy to perceive how this could be done, if, as they state, it was surrounded by Sir Anthony's land. Sir Anthony held in 1640 a piece or garth of land which formerly belonged to Haverholm Abbey, it laid near his property on the West side of the river."

LINCOLNSHIRE NOTES AND QUERIES

Vol. III, p. 58, 1892.

"SIR ANTHONY IRBY. The two Knights of the name father and son in the 17th century have been much confused by the usual authorities. Sir Anthony the father received Knighthood at Whitehall 23/7/1603. Collins' Peerage states 'that he served in Parliament for Boston in the 3rd, 15th and 16th years of Charles I, and was High Sheriff of Lincolnshire in the 13th year of the same reign.' As a matter of fact he sat in the first named Parliament only, being seated on Petition in May 1628 in the place of Richard Okeby, whose election was declared void. Collins assigns the year 1623 for the date of his death, but as he was baptised 9/1/1577 and died at the age of 55, this date should probably read 1632. The Sheriffdom of 1638 must therefore apply to his son. Sir Anthony the son, the well known Parliamentary Officer and Commissioner, was Knighted at Theobalds (Cheshunt) 2/6/1624. His Parliamentary career was a somewhat lengthy one. He was first returned for Boston to the Short Parliament of April-May 1640, and was afterwards re-elected to the successive Parliaments of Nov. 1640 till secluded in December 1648, 1656/8, 1659, 1660, 1661/78, 1678/9, 1679/81 and 1681. The year 1670 which assigned by Collins and Burke as the date of his death is thus obviously wrong. I am inclined to think that he survived till 1682. Can some correspondent of Lincolnshire N and Q supply positive dates? Either the father or son held the office of Recorder of Boston, which?"

W. D. PINK, Leigh, Lancaster.

I did not see this query or rather these queries until recently, or would have set Mr. Pink's mind at rest on these points. My answer to his various enquiries is as follows: The first Sir Anthony Irby Kt. (I. 14) was baptised in 1577 and died on 17/6/1610, the Inquest P.M. is dated 11/3/1611. His estate was administered by his father, Anthony Irby of Boston, M.P. He was never M.P. and all the references to him after 1610 are incorrect.

The second Sir Anthony (K. 3), son of the first, was born in 1605 and was M.P. for Boston 1640 to 1648, 1656/8, 1660/81, and High Sheriff of Lincolnshire 1638. He died 2/1/1681/2 and was buried at St. Margaret's, Westminster, 10/1/1681/2. His will dated 1680 was not proved until 1686. (Lloyd, 59.)

Anthony Irby of Boston, father of the first Sir Anthony, was M.P. for Boston 1588/1620, and Recorder of Boston 1613/25 when he died, having been Deputy Recorder 1599/1613. P.A.I.

ACTS OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL OF ENGLAND

- Vol. XVII. 1/2/1588/9. Municipal troubles at Stamford partly concerning Anthonie Irby Esq (H. 22) and Henry Jefferson who were removed from the Recordership of Stamford and the office of Town Clerk there respectively without their consentes or anie cause shewed before they were displaced.
- 3/3/1588/9. Order to the Aldermen and Comburgesses of Stamford to restore the above Mr Irby to his recordership, and Mr Shute to the Justice of the Peace, and Jefferson in like manner to the office of Town Clerke.
- 1/6/1589. Aldermen and Comburgesses of Stamford committed to the Marshalsea for contempt in not carrying out above order, and to remain there until order of reinstatement has been carried out.
- Vol. XVIII. 19/10/1589. Further letter to Aldermen etc. Stamford re municipal troubles there with summons to appear before them if their order be not obeyed.

- 15/2/1589/90. Pardon granted on condition that Anthonie Irby (H. 22) and Henry Jefferson are reinstated.
- Vol. XXX. 16/1/1599. Contributions required from the lawyers, her Majestie having occasion to send troops to Ireland. Mr Anthonie Irby (H. 22) XV £.
- 23/3/1620/1. Letter to Leonard Bawtree Serjeant at law and Anthonie Irbie one of the Maisters of the Chancerie, and justices of the peace of the Countie of Lincolne, re Mayor of Boston accused of cutting off the Crosse from his Majestie's Armes upon the mace belonging to the towne of Boston and causing it to be carried before him soe defaced, enquiry to be made and reported on to the Council.
- 27/5/1621. On favourable report of the Solicitor General after examination of witnesses together with the favourable report of the Justices of the Peace Leonard Bawtree and Anthonie Irbie (H. 22), the late Mayor of Boston, Thomas Middlecoate, and the rest of the parties now attending the Board in that behalf be dismissed and discharged of any further attendance.

DOMESTIC PAPERS

- 1627/8, p. 552. Report of Sir Edward Heron and Nicholas Evington to the Council in cause of widow Chapman recommending Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to pay L 50 to the petitioners on behalf of himself and his mother, Richard Hobson L 5, John Dickenson L 26 and Robert Bingham 20/-, all however refused to pay anything.
- 1628/9, p. 370. 5/11/1628. Petition of Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to the Council (re petition of Widow Chapman and her son) to have it referred to a legal court or that the Council will view the evidence.
- 1631/3, p. 510. 7/1/1633. Adventurers in the Society of fishing in Great Britain. Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) subscribed his name for L 100.
- 1636/7, p. 149. 7/9/1636. Letter of Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) and other Deputy Lieutenants of County Lincoln, to Robert Earl of Lindsey re Lincolnshire accounts, complaining that Sir Walter

Now probably worth some £300 to £400.

Norton had assessed the County for L 8924.2/. in payment of L 8000, that he had passed his account for L 7271.17.6., and had received L 778.2.6. more than he had passed his account for, besides L 170 in bribes for sparing men of good sufficiency and laying the burthen upon men of weaker estate.

1637, p. 176. May 1637. Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) and other Deputy Lieutenants of the County to examine matters concerning the trained bands.

8/11/1637, p. 526. Letter of Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to the Council craving further directions concerning laying the rates for the Ship money.

1637/8, p. 28. 17/12/1637. Letter of Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to the Council complaining of Sir Walter Norton interfering with his under sheriff (see p. 130).

Various letters and petitions re assessments of Ship money.

1637/8. August 4th, 1638. Examination of Margaret Clay taken before Peregrine Bertie, Sir Anthony Irby and others. Her uncle Thomas Stennett carried her before the Earl of Lincoln, and by the way told her that she had undone her aunt Field, and might never look her in the face anymore, and said he would give her some new clothes if she would deny what she had confessed to Lord Willoughby, and deny that her aunt Field had taught her to do any counterfeit tricks, which she was willing to do. The Earl of Lincoln examined her whether Lord Willoughby or any of his servants had beaten her, or used any violence to her to make that confession. She told the Earl her confession was true. The Earl told her she was a naughty girl and had wronged her aunt, and so sent her out of the room with her uncle Stennett, who persuaded her, and she promised to say as he would have her. One of the Earl's men brought her again to the Earl, and then she denied that her aunt had taught her to counterfeit herself possessed, but that she was really possessed and that Jane Home and Edward South had bewitched her.

Examination of Anne Coleson taken before the same persons. Thomas Stennett brother to Elizabeth Field, her dame, came and fetched examinant before the Earl of Lincoln and by the way Stennett desired her to deny what she had said before Lord Willoughby, and Elizabeth Field should give her 10/-, and that she should say that Edward South had given her 2/- to accuse her dame, and Jane Thompson had given her 12d. to accuse her said dame. The Earl examined deponent, and said she was a naughty

- girl, and was worthy to be sent to the "House of Correction," for that she had caused Margaret Clay to confess that which was not true. After persuasion by Stennett, she said she had done her dame wrong, and denied what she had confessed before Lord Willoughby. The Earl wished her to put her hand to her examination, which she refused to do, though threatened by the Earl to be sent to the "House of Correction" for not doing it.
- 31/1/1638, p. 220. Return by Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) of the assessments made on the whole of the County of Lincoln.
- P. 307. Letter of Sir Anthony (K. 3) to Council re collection of rates.
- P. 390. Letter from Council to Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3), late Sheriff of Lincoln, granting until 17th March for return of Ship money due during his year of Shrievalty.
- P. 503. Letter from Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to the Council explaining his reasons for asking further time in returning Ship money.
- 15/3/1638, p. 566. Certificate by Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3), late Sheriff of Lincoln, of the names of the constables who had refused to distrain for non payment of Ship money.
- 8/9/1638, p. 6. Warrant applied for summoning Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3), Lord Vaux of Harrowden and nine others to appear before the Lords re payment of sums due on "a leviation."
 - 16/9/1638, p. 16. Warrant as above issued.
- 25/9/1638, p. 29. Letter from Sir Anthony (K. 3) saying that he had been ill but was now proceeding with the distraints for Ship money.
 - 24/12/1638, p. 188. Further letter re Ship money distraints.
- 6/4/1639, p. 20. Letter of Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to the Council explaining why he could not attend before the Lords with his accounts as he was then engaged upon the King's service.
- 7/4/1639, p. 25. Sir Anthony (K. 3) ordered to attend upon the Lords 10/5/1639.
- 16/4/1639, p. 49. Letter from Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to the Council explaining why he had been unable to appear before the Lords owing to his having been engaged on His

- Majesty's business and enclosing the following letter from Robert Earl of Lindsey to the Council (see p. 130).
- 19/5/1639, p. 196. Further time accorded to Sir Anthony Irby for rendering Ship money accounts.
 - P. 297. Letter from Sir Anthony (K. 3) postponing the date.
- 5/7/1639, p. 371. Accounts rendered by Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3).
- 19/9/1639, p. 510. Letter from Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to the Council complaining that he could get no accounts from executors of two chief constables who had died.
- 22/9/1639, p. 516. Letter from the Council to the executors of above mentioned deceased constables ordering them to render a return to Sir Anthony (K. 3) by the first day of next term or to appear before the Board.
- 1639/40, p. 300. 4/1/1639. Discharge of Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) late Sheriff of County of Lincoln from the custody of the messenger, he is to attend the Lords from day to day till he has either satisfied the L 200 remainder of L 1000 arrears of Ship money in his hands or obtained his discharge and leave to depart.
- 18/1/1639, p. 352. Certificate from the Treasurer of the Navy that Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) had paid L 200 Ship money this week.
- 18/2/1639, p. 470. Instructions to be sent to the Attorney General for information to be drawn up against Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) of Lincolnshire in the Star Chamber.
- 1641/3, p. 369. 10/8/1642. Robert Earl of Essex to Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3). Commission to raise a troop of 100 Dragoons in the County of Lincoln and to be Captain of the said troop.
- 10/8/1642, p. 369. The same to Thomas Welby. Commission appointing him Provost Marshal of the regiment of Dragoons of which Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) is Colonel.
- 30/8/1642, p. 642. Warrant of the Committee of Safety to Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) and the other Deputy Lieutenants and Officers of the County of Lincoln to apprehend Sir Edward Herne (Heron) K.B. High Sheriff, Sir Gervase Scroope and John Oldfield of Spalding and bring them to London or Westminster to answer objections with writ of assistance. Endorsed with note of L 38.9.6 expenses of Heron's capture.

- 1643/60, p. 1. 28/9/1643. Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) one of the Committee for Compounding with Delinquents ordered by the House of Commons to move the Lord Mayor and Common Council of London to appoint a Committee to meet a Committee of the House for raising money for the Scots and to agree upon such security as shall satisfy them for the money that shall be lent.
 - 1644/8. Various orders for Compounding.
- 27/1/1645/6. Letter from Sir Anthony Irby to the Governor of Lynn re orders to 3rd Company at Boston to march up for service against Newark.
- 3/2/1645/6. Pay for forces taking Belvoir Castle, forces at Newark.
- 4/4/1645/6. On an order of the House of Commons given 3rd April for arrears of Sir Anthony Irby, M.P. (K. 3) pay as Colonel £1,000 to be paid from the 1/2 of Delinquents compositions in County of Lincoln.
- II/I2/I666. Letter from Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) to Sir William Batten re payment for provisions furnished to Andrew Slee? Captain of the "Truelove" Frigate at Boston with 50 pressed men on board. Mr. Slee would not furnish them unless the writer would answer for the debt, did so because His Majesty's service should not be retarded.
- 17/8/1672. Boston. John Butler to Williamson, "——yesterday were mustered here two Companies of Train Band Foot and Captain Irby's (? L. 5) Troop of Horse, most with buff coats and good horses to the great satisfaction of the Lord Lieutenant and Deputy Lieutenant present."
- 6/9/1672. Anthony Irby to S. Pepys. "I spoke to you this Spring in St. James Park of a neighbour of mine that would make very good cordage of Riga hemp for shipping. He has not had opportunity to send any by sea, and now the capers so infest our coasts that our ships dare not stir out, to the great prejudice of the King's revenue here, and of our trade. He has therefore sent up by wagon some ropes, which he tells me are very good, and he desires me to let you know you may have the first offer of them, if fit for your use."
- 11/6/1694. Petition of John Blakeston under sentence of death for robbery referred to Chief Justice Irby for report.

LETTER FROM SIR ANTHONY IRBY (K. 3), SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN, TO THE KING IN COUNCIL

Boston. December 17th, 1637.

"I am enforced to complain of Sir Walter Norton, who last term sent for Wyatt Parkins, my under-sheriff, and told him that he hoped I had not engaged him to assist me in the Ship business, and advised him that, if he were clear of it, he should not meddle with it, for he knew I should procure myself many enemies by it. It will be impossible for me to answer His Majesty's expectation without the assistance of the Country ministers and my own officers, especially the under-sheriff. How far the discouragement of so near an officer may cause neglect in the more inferior, I leave to your consideration. What others he has or intends to dissuade, I rather fear than know. My request is that you send for Sir Walter, that you may know what he intends by it, as also who they may be that will be my enemies for so doing His Majesty's service."

LETTER FROM ROBERT EARL OF LINDSEY TO THE PRIVY COUNCIL

Louth. 8th April, 1639.

"I understand by Sir Anthony Irby (K. 3) that he lately received letters from the Board, commanding him personally to appear before you at Whitehall on the 7th inst, at which time he addressed himself for his appearance, and at the same time it fell out that the trained bands of Co Lincoln in that part of the country where he inhabits and is a deputy Lieutenant, were to march to Grimsby, the place of rendezvous, and, likewise, the Companies seeming unwilling to march, I was enforced to command him and another deputy Lieutenant to march with the Companies three days, and see them provided for, lest any mutiny or disorder might have fallen out, which service he finished this day, and at his request I have thought good to certify."

(See extract from Domestic Papers on p. 128.)

A LETTER WRITTEN TO AN HONOURABLE MEMBER OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS

Pishey Thompson's History of Boston, p. 394.

(From a collection of Broadsides of the period. By a MS. note it was issued 20/12/1648.)

" Sir ---- :

The jealousies that are against certain Members of Parliament, concerning their failings and their places and trust, gives us sensible occasion (as to calle to minde the severall happinesses which we of this Corporation have received in your part of representation of us, so for your further encouragement in well doing) to express our thankfulnesse for the same as to God, so to yourself. Sir, we do thankfully acknowledge, that for more than eight years past, as you were freely chosen by us, so you have freely and cheerfully all this time taken this charge upon you of serving your countrey as one of the Burgesses of this Borough. To which place we had the more reason to make choice of you, most of us having plentifull experience of your fitnesse, in sundrie respects, and of your fidelitie manifested in former Parliaments, in which we found your readie willingnesse not only to be active for publick good, but to suffer also with cheerfulnesse in the publick cause of the Commonwealth. Sundrie of us well know, and thankfully remember your carriage against the Loan money, and other projects tending to publick detriment, though much to your particular hazard in bearing witnesse against As for this present Parliament which hath passed the greatest hazards, trials, and oppositions, of any (for maintenance whereof, as we of this town have from the first all along to this day been engaged with them against the common enemy) so you in particular have always countenanced and encouraged us therein. as well in your personal as other assistance in the same common cause. As for your carriage in this Parliament, though we could not be spectators, eye and eare witnesses thereof, yet we have not been wanting to be inquisitive after the same. The result of which inquisition ever rendered you to us a dilligant attendant, as of the House, so of the particular Committees, and one that ever closed with that party in the House that most endeavoured reformation of things amisse, both in the Church and the Commonwealth.

"And as to such particular occasion, as this Corporation hath had in this Parliament, both for our Church and our garrison, we thank you for it, your endeavours have been most regularly extended to the utmost of our behalfs. And for your carriage in the country in such times as you have had liberty to come amongst us, we thankfully acknowledge that in order to the weal publick, both as a Justice of the Peace and as a Commissioner of the Parliament. you have been very active in discountenancing persons ill-affected, or any ways obstructing or impeding the publick service of the Parliament, and encouraging and advancing the payment of taxes, and executions of the ordinances of the Parliament. We well remember your seizing and sending to the Parliament the High Sheriffe that was of this county, and your proceedings against other potent enemies of this county. And to this day we have heard observed your adhering to the first principals, as well by expressing the like activity for the Parliament's occasions here in the countrey. as by your letters, which some of us have seen, as also by your rejoicing at the success of the Parliament's army under his Excellency the Lord Fairfax, and your bewailings of the sad condition of the kingdom upon the Scots invasion this summer, of which also some of us are witnesses. And surely your own advantage to your particular estate hath not been an incentive to all this; for as for recompense from us, you were nobly pleased to wave it, and save (? serve) us freely; so we believe that you have as freely at your own charge, served the Commonwealth; for we well observe and understand, and that in this time of your long absence, your estate here is considerably impaired, which though you lightly esteem, being it is for the service of the publick, yet we have reason to acknowledge it with thankfulnesse. Sir, we write not thus to flatter you, or to make way for any designe of putting you to any increase of service in your particulars, but in a way of testifying our heart thankfulnesse unto you, and to encourage you in that further publick service which your place and trust calls from you. And so with our very loving remembrance to yourself and your Honourable Lady, we rest, Sir your very loving friends to serve you."

Signed by the Mayor, Aldermen and others.

Superscribed "For our much honoured friend, Sir Anthony Irby, Knight, these present."

TOBACCO AT THE EXECUTION OF ¹HENRY RICH, 1ST EARL OF HOLLAND, ON THE 6TH MARCH 1649

(Extract from a letter appearing in The Sunday Times, 23rd May, 1937, on early tobacco smoking.)

"— George Morley, Bishop of Worcester, has recorded how he was with the Duke of Hamilton, the Earl of Holland, the Earl of Norwich, Lord Capel, and others, on March 9th, 1649, while they were waiting to be led out to execution, and he writes:— My Lord Capel finding his stomach a little ill, and fearing he might be worse, if he did not do then what he had for a long time accustomed himself to do daily, called me aside and asked whether he might not take a pipe of tobacco without scandall; saying he was very affrayd it might very much discompose him if he did not; I told him I thought he might, and that in prudence he ought to rather than hazard any such inconvenience at such a time, when he need to be in the best temper.

"Whereupon Duke Hamilton and the Earl of Holland, drinking each of them a little wine to comfort their spirits, he took a little tobacco to the same end also. All the time of his being there, which was at least two hours, he being the last of the three that was to be put to death, he spent in conference with me, or in soliloquies and prayers unto God."

MISCELLANEOUS POEMS UPON SEVERAL OCCASIONS

WRITTEN BY A YOUNG LADY

Printed for H. Hindmarsh, at the Golden-Ball in Cornhill.
M.DC.XC.VIII.

This little book is dedicated to Edward Irby Esq. as follows: Sir,

Since 'tis resolved that my Private Thoughts must run the gauntlet through this censorious age, and be exposed as well to the

¹The great grandfather of Dorothy Paget, who was the wife of Sir Edward Irby, 1st Baronet.

critical and unkind, as to the good humour'd, and the brave, I cannot think of a more generous and worthy defender than yourself. And the only good opinion I have of my judgment, is in the choice I have made of my Patron. To treat you Sir, according to the esteem I have of your merit, is carefully to avoid all strain'd and florishing expressions in praise of those many excellent virtues and good qualities all that have the honour to know you find you are master of. No, such theams tho' full of truth and charms, are far above my humble flights, nor are you to be pleased with attempts of that nature.

To divert a youthful fancy, or thoughtful hour, first put me upon these poetick strains, but little thought the unhappy product would have proved a fugitive, and given me cause to own her with a blush, but all these straggling and unpolish'd lines, were surprised from me by a person who does deign to print them, (if possible) more uncorrect than these, which to prevent, was the only motive induced me to publish what I have not vanity enough to believe can oblige so ingenious an age as this. But your powerful name fix'd in the front, bears such a charm, as like the flaming sword placed by the Tree of Life, will shield me from the fate I justly may deserve.

I never yet debased my conversation with any thing so mean as flattery, and am sure far from the odious vice, when I say that you are critically a gentleman, in Honour, Birth, and Education, and tho' that generous name serves only now to shelter inglorious actions, yet you by virtuous principles and noble practice, give new life and lustre, to the Dying Title; under such shelter then my poor muse must hide from the hard censure of the world, and from your goodness hope, 'tis only that will make you suspend your better judgment and pardon the errors of,

Sir,

Your obliged kinswoman and servant,

E.W.

Note. ? Elizabeth Wray, a descendant of Sir William Wray, the father of Frances Wray, 1st wife of Sir Anthony (K. 3).

AN ACROSTIC ON E.I. ESQ. BY E.W.

MISCELLANEOUS POEMS

Embellishment adds nothing to that Name, Distinction sets above the reach of Fame: Whilst brighter Nature circles o'er your brow, Art is an useless Shine that Light to show; Rich Vertue reigns in each accomplish'd part, Dwells in your Breast and Triumphs in your Heart. Inspire me (Muse) with something Just to say, Rob not his Honour by your dull delay; Bind round his Temples Lawrels, Myrtle, Bayes, Yield to his wondrous Merit mighty praise.

MISCELLANEA by G.M.¹

Printed for William Lindsey at the Angel near Lincoln's Inn in Chancery-Lane, 1694.

Dedicated to

The Honourable Edward Irby Esq. (Eldest Son of Anthony, and Grandson to the Most Worthy Knight Sir Anthony Irby, both Deceased).

The Heir, and greatest Hopes of his Illustrious Family, This Miscellany of Wise and Ingenious Sayings, etc. Is humbly dedicated by the Author.

¹ The initials stand for Guy Miege. Born 1644 and died 1718? According to the D.N.B. a miscellaneous writer who was born in Lausanne.

LINES FROM A NEWSPAPER CUTTING IN 1761 ON SIR WILLIAM IRBY'S BEING CREATED BARON BOSTON

The Muses were on Pindus met. When Hermes brought a coronet, And said: -- "His brow let this entwine In whom the fairest virtues shine. He, whose benevolence of soul No selfish impulse can controul; In whom politeness is combin'd With Sylvan probity of mind: Who candid, generous, and just, We safely to his word may trust: Who view'd in each domestic light, Husband, or father, glads the sight: Whose offspring form his darling care, And thence each wish'd perfection share: Whose firm fidelity, long try'd, Like gold will every test abide: Whose ceaseless services must claim 'Mongst courtiers some distinguish'd name: Who, to his sovereign's interest true, Has Britain's weal in stedfast view." When Fame, who listen'd all the while, Stept in, and spake thus with a smile. "Muses!—If you would justice shew, Let me the radiant gift bestow." Her airy pinions then she spread, And plac'd it on lov'd Irby's head.

What His Lordship's comment may have been on seeing this effusion, if he ever did see it, is not recorded, but it may well have been: "Save me from my friends."

LORD GEORGE GORDON RIOTS

WALPOLE LETTERS, p. 188

Letter from Charles Walpole to the Countess of Ossory dated 3/6/1780.

"At eight I went to Gloucester House, the Duchess told me that there had been a riot and that Lord Mansfield's glasses had been broken and a Bishop's, but that most of the populace were dispersed. About nine His Royal Highness and Colonel Heywood arrived; and then we heard a much more alarming account. The

Duke had reached the House (of Lords) with the utmost difficulty
——— 'alarm came that the mob had thrown down Lord Boston
(O. 2) and were trampling him to death, which they almost did.'"

Plain and Succinct Narrative of the late Riots. William Vincent, 2nd ed. 1780, pp. 17/18.

"Lord Stormount ——— was rescued at last by a gentleman who harangued the mob, and prevailed on them to desist. Lords Ashburnham and Boston were treated not only with unwarrantable indignity, but with a merciless and unmanly severity, particularly Lord Boston, who was so long in their power that it was thought necessary by the Peers to go as a body and endeavour, by their presence, to extricate him, but were prevented by the entrance of his Lordship, out of breath and in great disorder, with his coat all powdered and his hair dishevelled."

HERALDRY OF NATURE

The Heraldry of Nature; or Instructions for the King at Arms: comprising, The Arms, Supporters, Crests, and Mottos, both in Latin and English, of the Peers of E-L-D.—London: Printed for M. Smith ——— 1785. P. 65.

"I—, Lord B—n. Arms. Sable, three bracelets argent. Supporters. The dexter, Gabriel; the sinister, St. John, both proper. Crest. The firmament."

Motto. Sic itur ad astra (translated on p. 66) "So do we go up

to Heaven."

Note. This publication was issued during the time of the 2nd Baron, Frederick (O. 2), who succeeded in 1775. I have not been able to discover any incident that might have suggested the allotment to him of these apocryphal arms, but presumably the significance would have been then understood. P.A.I.

NAVAL ACTIONS OF H.M.S. AMELIA

Gentleman's Magazine 1809, Vol. LXXIX, p. 661. Intelligence from the London Gazette. Admiralty Office, June 24th. Letter to Lord Gambier.

Amelia off St. Andero. June 10th.

"My Lord, Acting in obedience to your Lordship's order of the 15th ult. I received intimation of an attack being about to be made by the Spanish Patriots on the French troops in possession of the

town of St. Andero; and having established signals between his Majesty's Ship under my command and the fortress of Golezand. I proceeded off this place in company with his Majesty's Ship Statira, she having joined me on the 8th inst.; but a strong wind and current prevented our getting up till this day, when on our approach, firing was observed in every direction on the shore, and several vessels trying to effect their escape out of the harbour, which were captured as per margin, one boat only getting away; more must have escaped, but were prevented through the activity of Captain Boys in H.M.S. Statira. They appear fine vessels, and have several of the French army on board, with chief part of the hospital staff. The Corvette is the same lately so gallantly engaged by Captain Skinner in H.M. Sloop Goldfinch and since by the Black Joke Lugger, and has proved a great annoyance to our trade. I learn by a Spanish Officer, who came to me from the shore (aide-de-Camp to General Ballestero) and by our own boats which I sent on shore, that the French troops have all surrendered, and that the town is in possession of the Spanish Patriots under command of General Ballestero. In consequence of the number of prisoners, I have sent the Statira into port with the prizes, and shall remain myself on this coast, in hopes of being able to render further assistance to the Spanish cause.

FRED PAUL IRBY."

London Gazette, March 23rd, 1813.

Admiralty Office, March 23rd, 1813.

(Copy of a letter from the Hon. Captain Irby (P. 11) of his Majesty's Ship the Amelia to John Wilson Croker Esq. dated Spithead the 22nd inst.)

"Sir, I beg to acquaint you for the information of the Right Hon. the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty that when I was about to quit Sierra Leone River for England, in his Majesty's Ship under my command on the 29th January, Lieutenant Pascoe arrived there with the chief part of the crew of his Majesty's gun-brig Daring, he having been obliged to run the vessel on shore, and blow her up at Tamara (one of the Isles de Loss), in consequence of having been chased by a French Frigate, in company with two other Ships, apparently Frigates: he reported having left them at anchor off the islands on the 27th. I immediately dispatched Lieutenant Pascoe in a small schooner to reconnoitre

¹La Monde, 16 eight pounders; La Rejoine, 8; La Mouche No. VII, 1; La Legere and Notre Dame.

the enemy (he having volunteered his services) and on the 3rd of February he returned, having ascertained their force to be two frigates of the largest class (L'Arethuse and Le Rubis) and a Portuguese ship, their prize; that they had nearly completed their water, and after unloading the Portuguese ship intended to give her to the crew, and proceed themselves to sea to intercept our homeward bound trade. Conceiving that if I cruised off the Isles de Loss (in the event of their not having left them). I might be enabled to fall in with any of his Majesty's ships that might be coming down the coast, and also protect the vessels bound to Sierra Leone, of which I had received intelligence, I prepared to weigh, when a cartel arrived from the islands with the master and boat's crew of the Daring and the master and crew of another vessel they had taken, whose accounts corroborating Lieutenant Pascoe's report I left Sierra Leone River and worked up to the islands; standing in at daylight on the 6th ult. towards the island of Tamara, we joined the Princess Charlotte, Government Schooner, who informed me one of the frigates was at anchor at a considerable distance to the northward of the other, which was apparently unloading the prize. I dispatched the schooner to Sierra Leone to leave directions to any ships that might arrive to report to me. Having neared the island in the evening, the frigate to the northward weighed, I stood out to sea; the other frigate had signals flying, and being observed at sunset with her top sails hoisted. I stood off for the night, and the next morning one of the frigates (I believe L'Arethuse) was just visible from the deck; it was then calm, and a breeze springing up about noon she stood towards us. As I had hopes of drawing her from her Consort we continued standing out to sea till sunset, when not perceiving the other ship from the mast-head, and the breeze falling, we shortened sail, wore, and stood towards her. A little after seven the enemy observing us near him, tacked and hoisted his colours. At fortyfive minutes past seven p.m. being within pistol shot on his weather bow, both ships commenced firing nearly at the same time, which continued (remaining nearly in the same situation) until twenty minutes past eleven, when she bore up, having the advantage of being able to do so, leaving us in an ungovernable state, with our sails, standing and running rigging cut to pieces, and masts injured. During the action we twice fell on board the enemy, in attempting to thwart his hawse, when he attempted to board, but was repulsed by the Marines (which were commanded by Lieutenant Simpson) and the boarders. Though I must sincerely lament the numerous list of killed and wounded which amounted to one hundred and forty-one, yet it is the greatest consolation in reflecting that we were never once exposed to a raking shot, or the slightest accident occurred; all fell by fair fighting.

It is with the most poignant regret that I have to mention the names of the Senior and Second Lieutenants John James Bates and John Pope and Lieutenant Grainger of Marines among the slain; they fell early in the action; having been more than five years on the ship, I have had ample opportunity of knowing their inestimable characters the consequent loss the Service has sustained by their falling. It is with equal concern I have to mention Lieutenant George Wills, the junior Lieutenant, who fell while carrying on the duty on the quarter deck when I had received a wound which obliged me to quit it; and also that of that good and zealous officer Lieutenant Pascoe, late of the Daring, who commanded the midship guns on the main deck; Mr. John Bogue, late Purser of the Thais (invalided) received a mortal wound below, having been wounded before on the quarter deck.

When I have the misfortune to state such a severe loss, I trust it will be clear every person must have done his duty. I feel most grateful to my gallant Officers and crew, as well as the supernumaries belonging to the Daring, for their cool, steady and persevering conduct, which was worthy the utmost success, but the superior force of the enemy (she carrying on her main deck heavy French 24 pounders), the considerable quantity of gold dust we have on board, as well as the certainty of the other frigate coming up, would have prevented me seeking a renewal of the action, if it had not been totally impracticable. I should not omit to mention to their Lordships the admirable conduct of Mr. de Mayne the Master, who placed the ship so ably at the commencement of the action and his unremitting assiduity till the enemy kept away. My most grateful thanks are due to Lieutenant Simpson of Marines, and John Collman the purser, who exerted themselves to the utmost, as well as Mr. Saunders of the African corps. Having received the greatest assistance from Lieutenant Reeve, invalided from his Majesty's sloop Kangaroo, who was wounded more than once during the action, I have appointed him to act as First Lieutenant of the Ship. Mr. Samuel Umfreville Master's Mate a deserving and valuable officer, as second, and Mr. Edward Robinson Master's Mate, who has received a severe wound, as third. The crippled state of the Ship, and deplorable condition of the wounded, having rendered the object for which I sailed from Sierra Leone abortive; having every reason to conclude that the state of the enemy must have been such as to have greatly foiled him in his intended operations, being much cut up about his hull, I thought myself justified in not remaining on the Coast, and therefore proceeded with the intention of touching at Madeira or the Western Islands for refreshments for the sick, which the badness of the weather prevented, and arrived here this day. I must not omit to report to their Lordships the high sense I entertain of the humane and skilful attention of Mr. Williamson, Surgeon, and Mr. Burke, assistant, as also that of Mr. Stewart late Assistant Surgeon of the *Daring*, to the wounded, since this sanguinary conflict. I should also state that although our numbers were apparently strong at the commencement of the action, yet from the length of time we have been on the Coast, and much reduced by sickness, we had barely our complement fit for duty, and they much enervated.

Herewith I transmit a list of the killed and wounded and I have the honour to be etc., FREDERICK PAUL IRBY, Captain."

John Wilson Croker Esq.

Note. The Hon. F. P. Irby, Captain, appears in the list of casualties as "severely wounded."

Copy of Letter to Captain Irby, "Amelia," conveying the high appreciation of the Admiralty.

"Caesar" in Basque Roads
March 18th, 1809.

Sir

I have great pleasure in communicating to you (by the direction of the Commander in Chief) the high appreciation which the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty are pleased to entertain of your gallantry as well as that of the Officers and Men under your command for their conduct in presence of the French Squadron which lately sailed from Brest, and in the attack made upon the three Frigates belonging to the said Squadron. You will communicate to the Officers and Men under your command their Lordships high appreciation accordingly.

I have the honour to be etc., (signed) ROBT STOPFORD.

Captn Irby " Amelia."

ATTACK BY FOOTPADS NEAR COLNBROOK

Cutting from a Norfolk newspaper in 1815.

Capt. the Hon. Frederick Paul Irby of Boyland Hall, in this County, was in the evening of Wednesday se'nnight robbed by two footpads near Colnbrook, as he was proceeding on his way from London to Hedsor, in his own carriage. The following, we are authorised to state, are the correct particulars of this daring assault, as the same transpired at an examination which took place on Saturday last, at the George Inn, at Burnham, Bucks, before James Popple and Samuel Ferris, Esqs (two magistrates of that county), of two men who had been apprehended on suspicion of

being the persons who committed the above robbery:

Captain Irby deposed, that he was travelling from London to Hedsor in his own carriage, with post horses, which he took at Hounslow; that at a small distance from Colnbrook, he was stopped between five and six-o-clock in the evening by two footpads; one of them came to the off side, and opened the carriage door: not suspecting a robber, he demanded of the person what he wanted, who answered, "your pocket book," at the same time presented a pistol; Captain Irby instantly seized the pistol to ward it from himself, and endeavoured to discharge it. The robber with whom Captain Irby was contending, exclaimed to his accomplice. "this is a sturdy chap, come and rap his knuckles well, and if that wont do, point your pistol at his head or breast." At the same instant Capt. Irby saw fire, as from the flint of a pistol, but no discharge took place. Capt. Irby then called to the post-boy to come to his assistance: the boy answered, "I can't, I can't leave my horses." The robbers beat Capt. Irby about the hands, and struck him a severe blow on the forehead: the crown of his hat was also cut, seemingly as by the lock of a pistol. One of the fellows snatched Capt. Irby's gold watch, with which he ran off; the other obtained his purse, containing a ten pound, and one twenty pound Bank of England notes, politely put up the step, and shut the carriage door, assuring Capt. Irby they had no intention of killing him.

Captain Irby's deposition was read to him, who verified the same upon oath; and that he firmly believed, that one of the men in custody, whose name is Wall is the person who first came to the carriage. John Smith, servant to Capt. Irby who was in the carriage with his master, stated on oath to the best of his belief, that the prisoner Wall is the person that endeavoured to pull

Captain Irby out of his carriage.

William Dew, the Hounslow post-boy, was asked if he knew anything of the two persons in custody; he answered in the negative. Being desired to say what he knew of the robbery, he stated, that two persons came to the head of his horses, and taking the reins from him, fastened them to the pole of the carriage, so as to prevent them going on. He was asked, if the horses could not

go on, why did he not give assistance to Capt. Irby against the robbers? He replied, one of them stood near him with a pistol. He admitted that the person who stopped his horses was a tall thin man, but he could not be positive to anything further.

The two persons in custody were apprehended, on suspicion, at a cottage at Langley, called Langley Grove Cottage. The name of one of them is James Wall, that of the other Thomas Evart Winslow. By the account they gave of themselves, they were formerly in the Navy; but having been long unemployed, they were in very reduced circumstances, as the letters and papers found in their possession fully evinced. They were informed that the evidence of the Hon. F. P. Irby, and his servant, was such as to make it incumbent on the Magistrates to commit them for trial, but for the present they would be committed for further examination as the description given of the persons who robbed Mr. Vincent on the Maidenhead road, three weeks since, warranted a suspicion that they might be the offenders,—Committed for further examination.

We are happy in being able to add, that Capt. Irby is fast recovering from the wounds and bruises which he received in resisting the attack of these armed ruffians on his person and property.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE NOTTAWAY GRAYS

- Historical Sketch of the Nottaway Grays afterwards "G" Company, 18th Virginia Regiment, Army of Northern Virginia, by Richard Irby, Captain of the Company 1862/3. Published at Richmond, Virginia, in 1878.
 - P. 7. First Roll 12/1/1861. Richard Irby, 1st Lieut.
 - P. 29. Edmund Irby wounded at battle of Gettysburg.
- P. 32. Condensed Roll of "G" Co. Officers: Richard Irby, Nottaway County. Elected 1st Lieut. Jan. 1861, resigned Nov. 1861 to attend General Assembly of Virginia. Elected Captain April 1862, resigned and made Captain A.C.S. June 1863. Paroled at Ballefont April 1865, wounded twice at Manassas. Privates: Edmund Irby of Lunenburg. Enlisted December 1862, wounded at Gettysburg, and died of prison disease May 1865.

DE BANCO ROLLS EXTRACTS

ROLL 6. MICHAELMAS 1273/4

(1) Lincoln.

"Summons of a Jury for case between Geoffrey de Ireby clerk and Emma his wife and Geoffrey Malet de Ireby as to whether Geoffrey and Emma were in seisin of a messuage in Ireby and demised it to Alexander de Hothun."

(2) Lincoln.

"Geoffrey de Ireby clerk and Emma who had brought a writ of entry against Geoffrey Malet of Ireby concerning one bovate of land in Ireby, were given licence to withdraw from their writ.

ROLL 10. TRINITY 1274

Lincoln.

"Geoffrey Malet appeared to answer the above parties, who do not come. Therefore he was allowed to go 'without day,' and the plaintiffs and their main-pernors pardoned their amercement for not appearing because they were poor."

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See p. xix. noting connection between Lincoln and Cumberland.

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SUTTERTON BRANCH OF THE FAMILY

THOMAS OF THETFORD (G. 4) in his Will proved 18th February, 1504, directs that "a lawfull secular preest shall praye for my soule, my faders soule William Irby, and my moders soule Margaret Irby, Johane my wifes soule, all my children soules," etc. The Will directs that, if he die in Thetford, he is to be buried by his first wife Johane under the same stone; it also mentions his brother "Maister John Irby," but does not mention the names of "all my children" who are to be prayed for, and as all the property is left to his wife Estelyne for her life and then to be sold, and the proceeds to be spent by his executors in "almes dedes and in dedes of charitie for the wealth of my soule and all my frendes

soules," the presumption is, I think, that these children were already dead, and that in consequence, the children mentioned by his widow Estelyne in her Will proved 30th July, 1505, John (H. 5), Alice (H. 6) and Thomas (H. 7) are probably by her first husband ———, and therefore not Irbys, though I have included them as such in the Pedigree Chart.

Anthony Irby of Sutterton (I. 5) in his Will proved 2nd May, 1638, Lee, 56, states "that a sum of £650 is due and payable to him and to his father John Irby Gent of Sutterton from John Browne of Pointon on or about 2nd May next for certain land etc. in Sutterton"; from this it would appear that his father was then alive (1638), and could not therefore be the John Irby of Sutterton (G. 5) referred to in the above Will of Thomas of Thetford in 1504, so I have inserted another John (H. 8) between them in the Pedigree Chart which will make the dates more appropriate.

I am not sure that the children of Peter Kenelm (H. 15) as in the Chart are correctly placed, as John (I. 9) and Ursula (I. 10) were baptised at Sutterton, and the other two both named Leonard (I. 11 and I. 12) were baptised at Boston; the two former may possibly belong to a Peter Kenelm in the Sutterton Branch of whom I have no record.

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