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LINCOLN Minster stands, if not supreme, at least in the front rank of English cathedrals. Its archives form a treasure house of historical material, as doubtless do those of many another episcopal see. But the diocese of Lincoln fortunately has in Canon Foster an antiquary whose energy and ability have made this vast store of records accessible to the student. The genealogist will inevitably compare these Lincoln records with those of many other dioceses, greatly to the disadvantage of the latter. It is earnestly to be hoped that before it is too late the local authorities of other dioceses will cause their archives to be arranged in the same systematic manner.

It is owing to Canon Foster's labors and courtesy that I am able to present these notes gleaned in a visit to Lincoln last summer. The transcripts of Lincolnshire parish registers exist from an early period. They supplement to a great degree the local registers, where these have disappeared wholly or partially in the lapse of centuries. We searched the transcripts of thirty parishes within a five-mile radius of Wheelwright's own parish of Bilsby. The results prove the origin of several of our early Exeter and Hampton settlers—Cram, Dearborn, Rabone or Haborne, Wight, and Willix, and supply new data concerning the Wheelwrights.

CRAM

The Will of THOMAS CRAMBE of Billesby in the Marsh, 3 April 1638. Son Samewell Cramb, his wife, and children. Austin Couper of Billesby, his wife, and children. Alice Crambe and her two sons. Gaine Cramb, daughter to Richard Cramb. Thomas Masonne of Asswerby in the parish of Billesby, his wife, and one son. Son John Crambe. Lidea Crame, daughter to Willyam Crame. Cerstine Nweman* of Hannay in the Marsh and her six sons. Residue to son Thomas Crambe of Willoughby in the Marsh, executor. [Signed] Thomas (T) Crambe, his mark. Witnesses: Thom' Ouerton, Martye Hansume. Proved 30 March 1639. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1639, fo. 102.)

*This was Christian Cram, daughter of John of Alford, who married (1) Thomas Raithby, (2) Theophilus Drury, and (3) John Newman.

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CRAM ENTRIES IN THE BISHOP'S TRANSCRIPTS OF LINCOLNSHIRE
PARISH REGISTERS

Alford

- 1565 Gulielmus cram filius Johannis baptizatus 10 November.
 1572 Frances Cramme the sonne of Jhon of Well baptized 21 December.
 1582 Christiana Cram filia Johannis Cram baptized—January [1582/3].
 1587 Maria Cram filia Johis Cram baptized 16 September.
 1588 Nicolaus Cram filius Johis Cram sepultus 14 February [1588/9].
 1589 Ricardus Cram filius Thomae Cram baptized 19 April.
 1590 Elizabetha Cram filia Johis Cram baptized 16 May.
 1592 Elizabetha filia Johis Cram sepulta 24 April.
 1596 Gulielmus Cram et Elizabetha Chapman nupt' 18 November.*
 1597 Jhes filius Willi Cram baptized 3 January [1597/8].
 1600 Will'mus filius Will'mi Cram baptized 6 May.
 1601 Will'mus filius Will'mi Cram sepultus 21 July.
 1602 Elizabetha filia Will'i Cram baptized 6 June.
 1603 Joanna Cram vid' sepulta 16 April.

Bilsby

- 1595 Thomas sonne of Thomas Cram baptized 23 November.
 1596 John Crame son of Thomas Crame baptized 29 January [1596/7].
 1598 Samuel filius Thome Cram baptizatus 9 Martii [1598/9].
 1602 Jane filia Thome Cram baptizata 24 October.
 1603 William the sonne of William Crame baptized 10 July.
 1604 Thamar the daughter of Thomas Cramb baptized 4 December.
 1605 Anne the daughter of Tho: Cram baptized 8 February [1605/6].
 1607 Robert the sonne of Willyam Cram baptized 3 May.
 1609 Willyam the sonne of Wm. Cram buried 20 May.
 1609 Sara the daughter of Will'm Cram baptized 17 December.
 1610 Sylvester the sonne of Thomas Cram baptized 16 September.
 1611 Sylvester the sonne of Thomas Cram buried viij June.
 1611 Lidia the daughter of Wm Cram baptized xxiiij February [1611/12].
 1612 William the sonne of Wm Cram buried xiiij September.
 1612 Jane the wife of Thomas Cram buried xvij February [1612/13].
 1616 Elizabeth the wife of Will'm Cram buried xj June.
 1618 Willyam Cram and Audry White married xiiij April.
 1619 Caleb the sonne of Willyam Cram baptized xxv April.
 1621 Josua the sonne of Willyam Cram baptized xxv December.
 1622 Josua the sonne of William Cram buried xvj August.
 1622 Audery the wife of William Cram buried xxv February [1622/3].
 1624 John Cram and Ester White married 8[?] June.
 1624 William Cram buried 8 February [1624/5].
 1625 Elizabeth daughter of John Cram baptized 11 March [1625/6].
 1627 John son of John Crame baptized 15 February [1627/8].
 1628 Augustine Cooper and Jane Cramme married 27 July.
 1629 John son of John Cram baptized 13 April.
 1631 Thomas son of ——— Cram buried 26 December.
 1632 The daughter of Richard Cramm buried 10 March [1632/3].
 1633 Thomas Mason of Asserby and Thamar Cram married 10 October.
 1635 Richard sonne to Richard and Alice Cram baptized 26 April.
 1634 Thamar wife of Tho: Mason buried 19 October.

* This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

Farlsthorpe

1632 Joseph the sonne of John Crame and Heaster his wife baptized
5 October.

1633 John the sonne of John Cramme buried 16 April.

Huttoft

1592 Margarita Cram sepulta 27 December.

Strubby

1598 Gregory Cramme and Katherne Dawson married 15 May.*

Trusthorpe

1625 Sarah Cramme the daughter of John Cramme baptized 18 April.

1625 Sarah Cramme the daughter of John Cramme buried 24 October.

Willoughby

1620 Will'mus Teisdale et Maria Wheelwright nupt. 2 November.*

1625 Sara Cram filia Thomae baptizata 2 October.

1632 Thomas Crambe et Maria Teisdale nupt. 3 May.*

1633 Johes Cram filius Thomae sepultus 29 July.

1634 Thomas Cram filius Thomae et Mariae ux' baptizatus 22 June.

1638 Samuell Cram filius Thomae sepultus 16 September.

1640, Matheus Cram filius Thome et Maria ux' baptizatus 21 September.

Withern

1568 Thomas Cram and Cecily Cram married 20 August.*

1574 Robert Cram and Margaret Maltby married 6 June.*

1581 Anthony Bland and Cecily Cram married 9 July.*

1598 Judith Cram the daughter of Gregory baptized 2 July.

1600 Thomas Crame the sonne of Gregory baptized 26 July.

1602 Agnes Cram daughter of Gregory baptized 7 March [1602/3].

1605 Fraunces Crame the daughter of Gregory baptized 20 October.

1606 Anne Cramme daughter of George Cramme baptized 2 March
[1606/7].

1607 George Cramme buried 6 March [1607/8].

1615 Katherne Cram buried 19 May.

Several of the American Crams have attained distinction in art, letters, and military affairs. They all descend from John Cram or Cramme, who is first found near Boston at Muddy River, where his house-lot was bounded in Jan. 1637/8.† He went to Exeter with Wheelwright, and his name is attached to the Combination of 1639. Later he was of Hampton.

Family genealogists have identified him with a John Cram, born at Felling in co. Durham in 1607, son of Burchard Cram, who was perhaps descended from the Von Cramms, a German baronial family. This theory has rested mainly on a lease of certain fish-pools in co. Durham, said to have been made in 1634 by John Cram, who is therein mentioned as "being about to travel to foreign parts," and who was entitled to his share "when he shall have returned from over seas."

As our John Cram was one of a group of Lincolnshire men at Muddy

* This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

† Second Report of the Boston Record Commissioners, pp. 22-3. The allotments of Jan. 1637/8 were evidently the final record of the act of a committee appointed at a prior meeting, on 14 Dec. 1635. Therefore our John Cram may have reached New England in 1635 or earlier. Probably he came over either with William and Anne Hutchinson in 1634 or with Wheelwright in 1636.

River and later at Exeter and Hampton, and as the name of Cram is still found in Lincolnshire, I questioned this presumed identification.

First, I found the will (of which an abstract is given above) of Thomas Crambe of Bilsby, dated in 1638 and mentioning a son John. Then the Bilsby transcripts showed the baptism of this son John in 1596/7 and his marriage in 1624 to Esther White. The Willoughby transcripts disclosed a connection between these Crams and the Wheelwrights. Finally, in the transcripts of Farlsthorne, the next parish to Bilsby, I found the baptism of "Joseph the sonne of John Crame and Heaster his wife" in 1632 — the very son Joseph who was drowned at Exeter in New England 24 June 1648.

Bell quotes from some Exeter record, which I cannot identify, the death of this son Joseph, describing him as "aged 15 years, the son of John and Lide Cram." On the strength of this Bell and Pope credit our John Cram with a first wife, Lydia, besides the wife Hester with whom he lived so many years. Luckily the death of this son Joseph is also entered in the old Norfolk County records,* and there he is called "Joseph, son of John and Hester Cram." Thus the alleged Exeter record is proved to be a mere scrivener's error, and the identification of our John Cram with the John of Bilsby and Farlsthorne is complete.

He was undoubtedly the son of Thomas Cram or Crambe of Bilsby, and his pedigree may be thus constructed:

1. JOHN CRAM of Well in Alford, born about 1540.

Children:

2. i. THOMAS, b. abt. 1563.

ii. WILLIAM, bapt. at Alford 10 Nov. 1565; bur. at Bilsby 8 Feb. 1624/5; m. (1) at Alford, 18 Nov. 1596, ELIZABETH CHAPMAN, bur. at Bilsby 11 June 1616; m. (2) at Bilsby, 14 Apr. 1618, AUDRY WHITE. Children by first wife: 1. *John*, bapt. at Alford 3 Jan. 1597/8. 2. *William*, bapt. at Alford 6 May 1600; bur. there 21 July 1601. 3. *Elizabeth*, bapt. at Alford 6 June 1602. 4. *William*, bapt. at Bilsby 10 July 1603; bur. there 20 May 1609. 5. *Robert*, bapt. at Bilsby 3 May 1607. 6. *Sarah*, bapt. at Bilsby 17 Dec. 1609. 7. *William*, bur. at Bilsby 13 Sept. 1612. 8. *Lydia*, bapt. at Bilsby 24 Feb. 1611/12. Children by second wife: 9. *Caleb*, bapt. at Bilsby 25 Apr. 1619. 10. *Joshua*, bapt. at Bilsby 25 Dec. 1621; bur. there 16 Aug. 1622.

iii. FRANCIS, bapt. at Alford 21 Dec. 1572.

iv. CHRISTIAN, bapt. at Alford Jan. 1582/3; m. (1) THOMAS RAITHBY of Belleau (licence 17 June 1613); m. (2) at Hannah, 27 Oct. 1631, THEOPHILUS DRURY; m. (3) at Hannah, 26 July 1636, JOHN NEWMAN.†

v. MARY, bapt. at Alford 16 Sept. 1587.

vi. NICHOLAS, bur. at Alford 14 Feb. 1588/9.

vii. ELIZABETH, bapt. at Alford 16 May 1590; bur. there 24 Apr. 1592.

2. THOMAS CRAM or CRAMBE (*John*) of Alford and Bilsby, the testator of 1638, born, probably at Alford, about 1563, died between 3 Apr. 1638 and 30 Mar. 1639. He married JANE ———, who was buried at Bilsby 17 Feb. 1612/13.

Children, all except the first baptized at Bilsby:

i. RICHARD, bapt. at Alford 19 Apr. 1589; d. abt. 1636; m. ALICE ———, and had issue.

* *Essex Antiquarian*, vol. 5, p. 46.

† Gibbons's *Lincoln Marriage Licences*, p. 28; *Lincolnshire Parish Registers*, Marriages, vol. 7, p. 82.

- il. THOMAS of Willoughby, bapt. 23 Nov. 1595; m. (1) ———; m. (2) at Willoughby, 3 May 1632, MARY (WHEELWRIGHT) TEISDALE, dau. of Robert Wheelwright of Claxby and formerly the wife of William Teisdale, to whom she was m. at Willoughby 2 Nov. 1620. Children by first wife: 1. *Sarah*, bapt. at Willoughby 2 Oct. 1625. 2. *John*, bur. at Willoughby 29 July 1633. Children by second wife, bapt. at Willoughby: 3. *Thomas*, bapt. 22 June 1634. 4. *Matthew*, bapt. 21 Sept. 1640.
3. iii. JOHN, bapt. 29 Jan. 1596/7.
 - iv. SAMUEL, bapt. 9 Mar. 1598/9; bur. at Willoughby 16 Sept. 1638; m. ———; lived at Willoughby.
 - v. JANE, bapt. 24 Oct. 1602; m. at Bilsby, 27 July 1628, AUGUSTINE COOPER.
 - vi. THAMAR, bapt. 4 Dec. 1604; bur. at Bilsby 19 Oct. 1654; m. there, 10 Oct. 1633, THOMAS MASON of Asserby.
 - vii. ANNE, bapt. 8 Feb. 1605/6; d. probably unm.
 - viii. SYLVESTER, bapt. 16 Sept. 1610; bur. 8 June 1611.
3. JOHN CRAM (*Thomas, John*) of Bilsby and Farlsthorne, baptized at Bilsby 29 Jan. 1596/7, married at Bilsby, 8 (?) June 1624, HESTER or ESTHER WHITE, and came to New England. He was at Muddy River (Brookline) near Boston in 1638, of Exeter in 1639, followed Wheelwright to Hampton in 1650, and died at Hampton 5 Mar. 1681/2. His wife Hester died in 1677.

Children:

 - i. ELIZABETH, bapt. at Bilsby 11 Mar. 1625/6.
 - ii. JOHN, bapt. at Bilsby 15 Feb. 1627/8; d. young.
 - iii. JOHN, bapt. at Bilsby 13 Apr. 1629; bur. at Farlsthorne 16 Apr. 1633.
 - iv. JOSEPH, bapt. at Farlsthorne 5 Oct. 1632; drowned at Exeter in New England 24 June 1648.
 - v. BENJAMIN, b. abt. 1640; m. ARGENTINE CROMLOM or CROMWELL, dau. of Giles of Newbury; lived at Hampton.
 - vi. THOMAS, b. abt. 1644; m. ELIZABETH WEARE, dau. of Hon. Nathaniel of Hampton; lived at Hampton.
 - vii. MARY, b. abt. 1646; m. ABRAHAM TILTON of Hampton.
 - viii. LYDIA, b. at Exeter 27 July 1648.

DEARBORN

Abstracts of the four following wills were communicated by me to the REGISTER for July 1906 (vol. 60, pp. 309-310), and they are given here in briefer form in order to show the connection with parish register entries.

The Will of MICHAEL DEREBARNE of Hoggestrophe, 24 April 1573. Agnes my wife. John my son. Thomas my son, under twenty. Jenet my sister, dwelling at Partney. Everyone of my brethern and sistern children. John my brother. Wife Anne executrix. Supervisor: John Markby. Witnesses: Thomas Bygeyt, Water Elwarde, John Markby. Proved at Lincoln 8 June 1573. (Lincoln Wills, 1574, vol. 1, fo. 288.)

The Will of THOMAS DEAREBARNE of Spilsby, mercer, 12 December 1588. To be buried in the church of Binbrook. To the poor of Spilsby. My cozen John Burwell. To the poor of Hoggestrophe. To every one of my poor kinsfolke. Supervisor: Mr. Thomas Atkinson. Residue to brother John Dearebarne, executor. Witness: Thomas Atkinson, clarke. Proved at Louth 8 April 1589. (Lincoln Wills, 1589, fo. 224.)

The Will of JOHN DEARBARN of Sibsey, 11 October 1608. My wife. My son to be executor. To every one of my cosins children, to wit: Thomas Dearbarn, William, and Harry. To ten of the poorest householders in Sibsey. To ten of the poorest householders in Hoggestrophe.

Residue to son John, executor. Brother John Kettle, supervisor. Witnesses: John Watson, Nicholas Stocks, Thomas Parker. Proved at Boston 11 April 1611. (Lincoln Wills, 1611, vol. 1, fo. 179.)

The Will of HENRY DEAREBARNE of Hanney, 12 Oct. 1635. To be buried in the churchyard of Hanney. Eldest daughter Tomazin Dearebarne. Daughter Sarai. Son John Dearebarne. Residue to wife Anne, sole executrix. Witnesses: Thomas Paine, Theophilus Drury. Proved. at Louth 23 October 1635. (Lincoln Wills, 1635, vol. 1, fo. 128.)

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Alford

1579 John Dearebarne and Katherin Mason married 19 July.*

Belleau

1602 John Dearebarne and Barbara Wilson married 3 June.

Bilsby

1612 Henrie Dearbarn and Anne Warden married vij July.

Farlsthorpe

1620 John Dearebane and Marye Dales married 30 November.

Hannah

1595 Henry Dearbarne and Frauncis Barne married 14 October.*

1596 Margaret dowghter of Henry Dearebarne baptized 12 September.

1597 Alice dowghter of Henry Dearebarne baptized 8 March [1597/8].

1598 Stephen sonne of Henry Dearebarne buried 4 October.

1600 Richard sonne of Henry Dearebarne baptized 3 August.

1602 Richard sonne of Henry Dearebarne buried 7 February [1602/3].

1603 Thomazin dowghter of Henry Dearebarne baptized 16 April.

Henry Dearebarne signs the transcripts of 1602-3 with his mark as churchwarden.

1605 Sarah dowghter of Henry Dearbarne baptized 21 July.

1611 Frances wief of Henry Dearbarne laborer buried 28 February [1611/12].

1613 Helen dowghter of Henry Dearbarne laborer baptized 11 September.

1613 Helen dowghter of Henry Dearbarne laborer buried 8 November.

1614 William son of Hen: Deerberne buried 4 November.

1616 Thomas the sonne and Mabell the daughter of Henry Dearbarne baptized 4 December.

Henry Dearebarne signs the transcripts of 1617-18 with his mark as churchwarden.

1620 Mary daughter of Henry Dearebarne baptized 27 September.

1624 John sonne of Henry Dearbarne laborer baptized 21 November.

1626 Thomas sonne of Henry Dearbarne husband' buried 18 October.

1632 Thomas sonne of Godffrey Dearbarne weaver baptized 1 November.

1632 John Trowt apprentice to Godffrey Dearbarne weaver buried 21 December.

1633 Henry sonne of Godffrey Dearbarne weaver baptized 22 March [1633/4].

1635 Henry Dearebarne husbandman buried 16 October.

* This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

- 1635 Tomazin daughter of Henry Dearbarne and Francis deceased buried
2 January [1635/6].
1637 John Hastings and Anne Dearebarne married 17 August.*
1640 Sarai daughter of Henry Dearbarne and of Francis his wife buried
16 April.

Hogsthorpe

- 1573 Michael Derbarn buried 29 May.
1583 William son of John Dearebarne baptized 13 November.
1585 Dorcas daughter of John Dearebarne baptized 6 November.
1586 John son of John Dearebarne baptized 8 January [1586/7].
1588 Katherine wife of John Dearebarne buried 26 February [1588/9].

Little Steeping

- 1617 Richard Dearebarne and Ellen Lawson married 27 July.
1617 John Dearebarne son of Richard Dearebarne baptized 19 October.
1619 Dorithy Dearebarne filia Rich'di Dearebarne baptized 7 November.
1621 Dorythy Dearebarne filia Richardi Dearebarne [buried?] 6 April.
1621 Willia' Dearebarne filius Richardi Dearebarne baptized 11 November.
1621 Willim Dearbarne fil' Richardi Dearbarne buried 4 March [1621/2].
1622 Isabell Dearbarne fil' Rich'di Dearbarne baptized 13 February
[1622/3].

Markby

- 1594 William Dearbarne and Agnes Hay married 2 May.*

Willoughby

- 1591 John Dearbarne and Johan Harrison married 1 December.*
1594 Johanne Dearbarne buried 1 January [1594/5].
1595 Jane Dearbarne baptized 10 August.
1596 Jane Dearbarne buried 25 June.
1597 Gorge Deerbrane baptized 10 March [1597/8].
1600 Thomas Dearbarn baptized 23 December.
1603 Godfrey Dearebarne the sonne of Will'm Dearbarne baptized 24
September.
1609 Henry son of William Dearebarne baptized 8 October.
1613 Ane Dearebrane buried 29 August.
1613 Sarave Dearebrane buried 7 September.
1624 Georgius Dearcharne and Helena Robinson nupt. 24 June.*
1624 Sheffeldus Dearbarne filius Georgii baptized 16 February [1624/5].
1627 Thomas Dearebarne and Susan Greene nupt' 12 August.*
1628 Jane Dearebarne ux. Gulielmi sepulta 16 November.
1630 Lucia Dearebarn filia Georgii baptized 18 April.
1631 William Dearbarn buried 5 November.
1639 Suzanna Dearbarn filia Georgii Dearbarn and Hellene ux. ejus
baptized 4 March [1639/40].

The Dearborns are a typical American family of the older class. They were among the earlier settlers of New Hampshire, and their integrity and sterling worth qualified them to conduct with ability the larger affairs of their growing nation. The frontier post bearing their name has grown into the second largest city of the United States. Their most distinguished member was Maj.-Gen. Henry Dearborn. A young doctor in Nottingham Square, he raised a company of minutemen in a day after the news of

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Concord Fight, marched them at double quick to the front, fought at Bunker Hill, and served with distinction through the Revolution. In later years he served through the War of 1812, was Jackson's secretary of war, and was accredited minister to Portugal. His son, a major-general of militia, lived in more peaceful times, organized the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, and laid out the beautiful Mount Auburn Cemetery at Cambridge.

The first of this sturdy race to come to New England was Godfrey Dearborn, who signed Wheelwright's Combination at Exeter in 1639. All the earlier accounts of the family, including the excellent genealogy printed in the REGISTER, vol. 2, state that Godfrey Dearborn was born in Devonshire in England. Where this persistent misstatement originated I do not know. In the REGISTER, vol. 60, p. 308, I showed that the family came probably from Lincolnshire.

In the transcripts of the parish registers of Hannah I found the baptisms of the two older sons of our Godfrey Dearborn, who was a weaver there. He was the son of William Dearebarn of Willoughby, a parish which was the birthplace of Capt. John Smith and gave the family name to a distinguished Lincolnshire line, the Lords Willoughby d'Eresby.

Curiously enough, the name of Derburne is also found in Somersetshire and Devonshire. In Lincolnshire the name is spelled Dearebarne, as it is spelled in the will of our Godfrey Dearborn, whose pedigree may possibly be as follows :

1. ——— DEREBARNE, probably of Hogsthorpe.
Children :
 - i. MICHAEL of Hogsthorpe, the testator of 1573, bur. at Hogsthorpe 29 May 1573: m. AGNES ———. Children: 1. *John* of Sibsey, the testator of 1608. 2. *Thomas* of Spilsby, mercer, the testator of 1588.
 - ii. JOHN of Hogsthorpe, m. at Alford, 19 July 1579, KATHERINE MASON, who was bur. at Hogsthorpe 26 Feb. 1588/9. Children: 1. *William*, bapt. 13 Nov. 1583. 2. *Dorcas*, bapt. 6 Nov. 1585. 3. *John*, bapt. 8 Jan. 1586/7.
 2. iii. WILLIAM.
 - iv. JANET.
2. WILLIAM DEAREBARNE of Willoughby.
Children :
 3. i. WILLIAM.
 - ii. JOHN of Willoughby, m. at Willoughby, 1 Dec. 1591, JOHAN HARRISON. Children: 1. *Johanne*, bur. 1 Jan. 1594/5. 2. *Jane*, bapt. 10 Aug. 1595; bur. 25 June 1596.
3. WILLIAM DEARBARNE (*William*) of Willoughby, buried at Willoughby 5 Nov. 1631, married at Markby, 2 May 1594, AGNES HAY.
Children, baptized at Willoughby :
 - i. GEORGE, bapt. 10 Mar. 1597/8; m. at Willoughby, 24 June 1624, HELEN ROBINSON. Children: 1. *Sheffield*, bapt. 16 Feb. 1624/5. 2. *Lucy*, bapt. 18 Apr. 1630. 3. *Susanna*, bapt. 4 Mar. 1639/40.
 - ii. THOMAS, bapt. 23 Dec. 1600; m. at Willoughby, 12 Aug. 1627, SUSAN GREENE.
 4. iii. GODFREY, bapt. 24 Sept. 1603.
 - iv. HENRY, bapt. 8 Oct. 1609.
4. GODFREY DEARBARNE (*William*, *William*) of Hannah, weaver, baptized at Willoughby 24 Sept. 1603, died at Hampton, N. H., 4 Feb.

1685/6. He signed the Combination at Exeter in 1639, and lived there until 1648/9, when he moved to Hampton. The name of his first wife, whom he married in England, is unknown, but she was living in 1650, when, as Goody Dearborn, a seat was allotted to her in the Hampton meeting-house. He married secondly, 25 Nov. 1662, DOROTHY DALTON, widow of Philemon of Hampton. His will, dated in 1680, was not proved until 1711. It is signed "Godfrey Dearborn his marke." In this country the name soon became Dearborn.

Children by first wife:

- i. THOMAS, bapt. at Hannah 1 Nov. 1632; d. at Hampton in 1710; m. HANNAH COLCORD, dau. of Edward; lived at Hampton.
- ii. HENRY, bapt. at Hannah 22 March 1633/4; d. at Hampton in 1725; m. ELIZABETH MARRHAN, dau. of John; lived at Hampton.
- iii. A DAUGHTER, who is known only because her father mentions three daughters in his will.
- iv. ESTHER, m. RICHARD SHORTRIDGE of Portsmouth.
- v. SARAH, b. abt. 1641; m. THOMAS NUDD of Hampton.
- vi. JOHN, b. abt. 1642; d. at Hampton in 1731; m. MARY WARD, dau. of Thomas; lived at Hampton.

RABONE OR HABORNE

FROM THE BISHOP'S TRANSCRIPTS OF THE PARISH REGISTERS OF HUTTOFT *

- 1600 Robert Rabone son of Edward baptized 22 June.
 1605 Rose Rabone daughter of Edward baptized 7 July.
 1609 Robert Rabone buried 3 January [1609/10].
 1621 Sarah Haburne daughter of William baptized 9 September.
 1622 Edward Haburne buried 12 August.
 1627 John Stubbes and Rose Haburne married 26 April.†
 1627 Margaret Haburne daughter of William baptized 29 April.
 1629 Ann Haburne wife of John buried 7 February [1629/30].
 1635 John Rogerson and widow Haburne married 4 February [1635/6].†
 1638 Jane daughter of William Haburne buried 12 January [1638/9].

Among the signers of Wheelwright's Combination was one with the curious name of George Rawbone, also known as Rabone or Haborne. He went with Wheelwright to Wells, but removed to Hampton in 1651 and died there before 3 Oct. 1654, when his nuncupative will was proved in the Norfolk County Court, leaving all his estate to his wife Susanna. Thomas Levet and Robert Smith of Exeter, both Lincolnshire men, appraised his estate. The widow married secondly Thomas Leader of Boston, and died in 1657, leaving bequests to many of the Wheelwright group, Levet and Godfrey Dearborn witnessing her will. All this convinced me that Rabone also was a Lincolnshire man, and I found in the transcripts of Huttoft several entries which confirm that idea. From the records which are given above it will be seen that the names Rabone and Haburne were interchangeable at Huttoft, which is a Lincolnshire parish within four miles of Alford and Bilsby.

* In Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers, vol. 9, p. 50 (Huttoft Marriages), is printed the marriage of John Haburne and Ann Laverocke, 28 Jan. 1617/18; at Hannah the marriage of Edward Haborne and Katherine Thorpe, 24 Oct. 1586, is recorded (*ib.*, vol. 7, p. 80); and at Markby and Saleby several Rabone, Rawbone, or Raybone marriages are recorded from 1557 to 1617 (*ib.*, vol. 7, pp. 87, 88, 110, 112).—EDITOR.

† This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

WHEELWRIGHT

The Will of WYLL'M WHEYLWREYTH of farforyth, 16 July 1550. To be beryd in ye kyrke yerd of sanct peter in farforyt. To ye kyrke of lyncollne. To ye powre mens box at farforyth. To ye kyrke of farforyth. Maryon my wyffe. My son Robard. My son Jon. Rawyff my son. To symond fostun. Tho' my son to be supervysore. Ye residew off my gudde maryon my wyffe hayff to dysspoys as she thynkyste best for ye helyth off our sawllys, whom I make my Executrys. Wytnessys: John felypson, Wyll'm Jacson, Thōs. wayd. Proved at Louth 23 October 1550. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1549-50, fo. 220.)

The Will of JONES WHELEWRIGHT of Cristed [Kirkstead], piper, 16 March 1590 [1590/1]. To be buried in the chapell of Cristed. To Will'm Laine. To Agnes Laine my daughter. To Will'm my sonne. Will'm Laine, executor. Witnesses: Water barton, Leonard pane, Leonard Hall. Proved 14 April 1591. Administration granted to Agnes Whelewright, the daughter, the executor being a minor. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1591, vol. 1, fo. 384.)

The Will of JOHN WHELEWRIGHT of Mumby, yeoman, 5 February 1610 [1610/11]. To the Cathedrall Church of Lincoln. To the church of Mumbye. To the pore of Mumbye. All the deedes and writinge of one ten'te in Mumbye committed unto me on trust for the said townes use be given and continue to the use of the said towne of Mumbye forever. My sone Robert Whelewright shall pay unto Mr Thomas Massingberg of lowth, Councelor, £33 that I owe him, on condicion that my wife Elizabeth Whelewright release her Thirdes in all my landes. To Robert Whelewright my son. To Mary Whelewright my daughter, to be paid at her full age of twenty-one. To Elizabeth Whelewright my daughter [also a minor]. To Susan Whelewright my daughter [also a minor]. To the childe w^{ch} is in my wives wombe. To Peter Rylay my sone in lawe. To Robert Rylay my sone in lawe. The goods of Wyll'm Page late of Mumbye were commytted to my trust. Elizabeth Whelewright my wife, executrix. Supervisors: Edward Appleyarde of Thurlbye and Robert Bettison of Hoggestroppe. Witness: Robert Whelewright. Proved at Louth 18 April 1611 (Consistory of Lincoln, 1611, vol. 1, fo. 80.)

Inquisition Post Mortem of JOHN WHEELWRIGHT, late of Mumby, co. Lincoln, yeoman, taken at Louth 29 July 1611. The jury say that the said John Wheelwright was seized in fee of (a) one messuage, seven acres of arable land, seven acres and one rood of pasture, lately purchased of Thomas Morfolt, held of Nicholas Gyrlington as of his manor of Mumby; (b) three acres of land, five roods of pasture, and two acres of pasture, with appurtenances, in Mumby, lately purchased of John Ryley, held of William Earl of Derby as of his jurisdiction of Mumby; (c) two acres and one rood of pasture, with appurtenances, in Mumby, lately purchased of Pellam Crew, held of the aforesaid Nicholas Gyrlington; (d) six acres of pasture in Mumby lately purchased of William Haistinges, four acres of pasture in Mumby lately purchased of Edward Emson, five acres and one rood of arable land in Mumby lately purchased of Francis Mason, all held of the King as of his manor of East Greenwich in free socage and not in chief. The said John Wheelwright died on 11 February last past, and Robert Wheelwright is his son and next heir and is aged twenty-four years and more. (Inquisitions Post Mortem, Chancery Series 2, vol. 323, no. 93.)

The Will of **ROBERTE WHEELWRIGHT** of Salebye, yeoman, 13 October 1611. To the parish church of Saleby and the poor of Saleby. To Mr. John Croftes. To Mr. George Scottrethe, now preacher of Alford. To Katherine Wheelwrighte my wife all household stuffe as were late John Moneyes her former husband deceased. To Elizabeth Wheelwryghte my eldest daughter, Katherine my daughter, and Ellen my daughter, to each £100 at their ages of twenty-one yeares. If they or my sone John Wheelwrighte shall any of them die before they accomplish twenty-one yeares, etc. Residue to sonne John Wheelwright, executor. Supervisors: Thomas Kingerbye of Wainflett my sonne in lawe, and Christopher Foston nowe of Salebye. Thomas Kingerbye shall have the disposeinge of Ellen my daughter for nurture and education. X'pofor Foston shall have the disposing of Elizabeth and Katherine my two other daughters. Witnesses: William Everin, Thomas Everin. "The will within written was declared by Roberte Wheelwrighte to be his last will &c. the laste day of July 1612 in the presence of us, Isack Johnson, John Pearson, William Balderston." Proved at Lincoln 7 March 1612 [1612/13], and administration granted to the executor. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1612, fo. 638.)

The Will of **ROBERT WHEELWRIGHT** of Mumby, yeoman, 24 January 1621 [1621/2]. To the mother church in Lincoln. To the church and the poor of Mumby. To Amy Wheelwright my loving wife eight Bills obligatory which William Dawnaby of Mumby Chappel standeth bound to me in, and also £3. 4s. which Nicholas Burrell of Mumby, butcher, owes me, and "one of my best fillies excepting that I bought of my father Andrew Gray." To Elizabeth Wheelwright, daughter to John Wheelwrighte my ffather. To Susan Wheelwright and Marie Wheelwright, daughters to the aforesaid John Wheelwright. To Robert Rylay of Mumby, my brother, Jane his wife, and William his son. To Ann Rylay my apprentice. To Willyam Pinder of Mumby and Anne his wife. To George Hudson, servant to Robert Disborn of Mumeby. To Humfrey Gerrard of Mumby, clerke, to Mary his wife, and Richard his son, my godchild. Mr. John Wheelwright, my nephew, sole executor. I give him all the remaines of my goods and all that land, etc., in Mumby purchased of Morefoot and holding of the manor of East Greenwich, to him and his heirs forever. And all my other lands holding as it is supposed in knight's service more than that third parte he is heire apparent unto, reserving the thirdes of all my land unto my wife Amy Wheelwright. Witnesses: Humfrey Gerrard, clerke, Thomas Bough, Richard Tallbooll. Proved at Lincoln 4 March 1621 [1621/2]. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1621, vol. 1, fo. 148.)

Inquisition Post Mortem of **ROBERT WHEELWRIGHT**, late of Mumby, co. Lincoln, yeoman, taken at Louth 29 August 1622. [The same property is described as in the Inquisition Post Mortem of his father, John Wheelwright, given above.] The said Robert Wheelwright died on 26th February last past, and John Wheelwright, clerk, is next heir, as son of Robert Wheelwright, Senior, brother of John Wheelwright, Senior, father of the aforesaid Robert Wheelwright, Junior, deceased, and is aged twenty-seven years and more. (Inquisitions Post Mortem, Chancery Series 2, vol. 765, no. 42.)

Final Concord made at Westminster on the morrow of the Holy Trinity 1658 between **JOHN WHEELWRIGHT**, clerk, plaintiff, and **FRANCIS LEVET**,

gent., deforciant, as to one messuage, barne, stable, garden, orchard, forty acres land, ten acres meadow, and twenty-four acres pasture, in Mawsthorpe, in the parish of Willoughby, co. Lincoln. (Feet of Fines, co. Lincoln, Trinity Term, 1658.)

WHEELWRIGHT ENTRIES IN THE BISHOP'S TRANSCRIPTS
OF LINCOLNSHIRE PARISH REGISTERS

Anderby

1603 John Whelewright and Elizabeth Smyth married 20 October.

*Bilsby**

1621 Mr. John Wheelwright and Marie Storre married 8 November.
1622 John the sonne of John Wheelwright baptized vj October.
1626 William son of John Whelewright baptized 10 February [1626/7].
1627 William son of John Whelewright buried 19 May.
1628 Susanna daughter of John Whelewright baptized 22 May.
1629 Mary wife of John Whelewright buried 18 May.
1630 Katherine daughter of John Whelewright baptized 4 November.
1632 Marie daughter of John Whelewright baptized 19 May.
1632 Marie daughter of John Whelewright buried 28 July.

Claxby

1598 Robert Wheelwright and Judith Masonne both of Claxby married 18 May.
1598 Mary daughter of Robert Wheelwright baptized 3 September.
1602 Judith daughter of Robert Wheelwright baptized 8 August.
1609 Katherine daughter of Robert Wheelwright baptized 13 May.
1611 Katherine daughter of Robert Wheelwright buried.
1612, 1614 Robert Wheelwright churchwarden.
1623 Judith Wheelwright buried.

Cumberworth

1592 Alice Wheelwright buried.
1596 Elizabeth Wheelwright baptized 24 June.
1599 Katherine Wheelwright baptized 23 March [1599/1600].
1601 Elynor Wheelwright baptized 29 June.

Laceby

1633 Elizabeth daughter of Mr. John Whelewright and Mary his wife baptized 9 June.

Maltby-le-Marsh

1619 Willm. Morton and Katherin Whelewright married by licence 13 November.†

Mumby

1585 Robert son of John Wheelwright baptized 18 February [1585/6].
1589 John Whelewright churchwarden.
1601 Isabel wife of Thomas Whelewright buried 21 June.
1601 Thomas Whelewright buried 3 September.
1602 Alice wife of John Whelewright buried 11 January [1602/3].
1603 Susan daughter of John Whelewright baptized 25 February [1603/4].

*The Bilsby transcripts are without gaps from Michaelmas 1594 to Lady Day 1635. From 1622 to 25 Mar. 1632 they are all signed by "John Whelewright, vicar."

† This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

- 1605 Mary daughter of John Whelewright baptized 11 December.
 1608 Elizabeth daughter of John Whelewright baptized 2 April.
 1609 John son of John Whelewright baptized 10 January [1609/10].
 1609 John son of John Whelewright buried 26 February [1609/10].
 1610 —ell daughter of John Whelewright baptized 9 February [1610/11].
 1610 John Whelewright buried 11 February [1610/11].
 1613 Andrew Gray yeoman and Elizabeth Whelewright married 20 August.*
 1621 Robert Whelewright yeoman buried 27 February [1621/2].
 1625 Charles Smyth and Amy Whelewright married 13 October.*

Saleby

- 1605 Catherine ux Rob: Wheelwright buried 8 July.
 1606 Robert Wheelwright and Catherine Money married 17 November.*
 1612 Robert Wheelwright buried 23 February [1612/13].

Willoughby

- 1619 Gulielmus Walker et Juditha Wheelwryght nupt' 30 September.*
 1620 Will'us Teysdale et maria Wheelwright nupt' 2 November.*
 1632 Thomas Crambe et Maria Teisdale nupt' 3 May.*

Most of these Wheelwright records are now published for the first time. The Wyll'm Wheylwreyth of Farforth, co. Lincoln, the testator of 1550, who had wife Marion and sons Robert, John, Ralph, and Thomas, may have been an ancestor, perhaps the grandfather, of John and Robert, the testators of 1610/11 and 1611, but evidence on this point is lacking. The following pedigree, however, is derived chiefly from these records:

1. ——— WHEELWRIGHT had sons:

2. i. JOHN.
3. ii. ROBERT.

2. JOHN WHEELWRIGHT of Mumby, co. Lincoln, yeoman, the testator of 1610/11, died 11 Feb. 1610/11 and was buried at Mumby on the same day. He married first ALICE ———, who was buried at Mumby 11 Jan. 1602/3; and secondly, at Anderby, co. Lincoln, 20 Oct. 1603, ELIZABETH SMYTH, who survived him and married secondly, at Mumby, 20 Aug. 1613, Andrew Gray, yeoman.

Children by first wife:

- i. ROBERT of Mumby, yeoman, the testator of 1621/2, bapt. at Mumby 18 Feb. 1585/6; d. s. p. 26 Feb. 1621/2 and bur. at Mumby the next day; m. AMY ———, who survived him and m. (2) at Mumby, 13 Oct. 1625, Charles Smyth. His cousin, Rev. John Wheelwright, later of New England, was sole executor of his will and his residuary legatee.
- ii. A DAUGHTER, m. PETER RYLAY.
- iii. JANE, m. ROBERT RYLAY of Mumby. She was living 24 Jan. 1621/2, and had issue.

Children by second wife, baptized at Mumby:

- iv. SUSAN, bapt. 25 Feb. 1603/4; living unm. 24 Jan. 1621/2.
- v. MARY, bapt. 11 Dec. 1605; living unm. 24 Jan. 1621/2.
- vi. ELIZABETH, bapt. 2 Apr. 1608; living unm. 24 Jan. 1621/2.
- vii. JOHN, bapt. 10 Jan. 1609/10; bur. at Mumby 26 Feb. 1609/10.
- viii. —ELL (daun.), bapt. 9 Feb. 1610/11; probably d. young.

3. ROBERT WHEELWRIGHT of Cumberworth and of Saleby, co. Lincoln, yeoman, the testator of 1611, was buried at Saleby 23 Feb. 1612/13.

* This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

He married first ALICE ———, who was buried at Cumberworth in 1592; secondly CATHERINE ———, who was buried at Saleby 8 July 1605; and thirdly, at Saleby, 17 Nov. 1606, CATHERINE MONEY, widow of John.

Children by first wife:

- i. A DAUGHTER, m. THOMAS KINGERBY of Wainfleet, co. Lincoln; d. bef. 13 Oct. 1611, as she is not mentioned in her father's will.
- ii. JOHN, b. abt. 1592, since he was a minor in 1611, when his father made his will, but was of age 7 Mar. 1612/13, when the will was proved. He was the celebrated Antinomian, the founder of Exeter and third pastor at Hampton, N. H. See REGISTER, vol. 21, pp. 363-365 (article by Col. Chester); Bell's Memoir of John Wheelwright; Charles Francis Adams's Three Episodes of Massachusetts History, vol. 1, pp. 368 *et seq.*

Children by second wife:

- iii. ELIZABETH, bapt. at Cumberworth 24 June 1596.
- iv. KATHERINE, bapt. at Cumberworth 23 Mar. 1599/1600.
- v. ELLEN or ELYNOR, bapt. at Cumberworth 29 June 1601.

From this pedigree it appears that Robert Wheelwright of Mumby, who died 26 Feb. 1621/2, was a cousin, not an uncle, of Rev. John Wheelwright. There were not, therefore, as Col. Chester supposed, two brothers named Robert Wheelwright, but an uncle and a nephew of that name.

In Col. Chester's day the transcripts at Lincoln were not as carefully arranged as they are now, for none are now missing, and in several, which have apparently been found since Col. Chester made his search, there are Wheelwright records of importance. For instance, the burial of John Wheelwright's first wife is in the Bilsby transcript for 1629. This transcript was supposed to be missing, and from its non-appearance the supporters of the "Wheelwright Deed" claimed that John Wheelwright might have been in New England in that year. In fact, it is in the file, and is signed, like others, "John Whelewright, vicar."

The record of the baptism of Susanna Whelewright in 1628 is also a new discovery. It was she who married Edward Rishworth. Previously printed pedigrees have stated that her husband was a son of the Edward Rishworth of the Exeter Combination, but I believe that in fact her husband was the original Exeter settler.

Attention has already been called to the connection shown in the transcripts between the Crams and the Wheelwrights.

It is worth noting that the land in Mawthorpe, parish of Willoughby, which Wheelwright bought from Francis Levet (REGISTER, vol. 67, pp. 66-67) was acquired during Wheelwright's last visit to England, in 1658. At this date Francis Levet, who is described in Wheelwright's deed to Crispe as a "gentleman, of North Willingham," had not taken orders, and therefore could not be called a clergyman. My theory is that this Francis Levet was an own cousin of Thomas Levet of Exeter and Hampton. (REGISTER, vol. 67, pp. 66 *et seq.*)

WIGHT

The Will of ROBERT WIGHT of Hareby, clerk, 1 October 1617. To be buried in the chancel of the church of Hareby. To eldest son Daniel Wight £20 at twenty-one years. To eldest daughter Sara Wight £10 at twenty-one years or at her marriage. To second daughter Elizabeth Wight £10 at twenty-one years or at her marriage. To second son Thomas Wight

£10 at twenty-one years. To youngest son John Wight £10 at twenty-one years. To the poor of Hareby. Residue to dearly beloved wife Bridget Wight, executrix. My worshipful and good friend Mr. Bryan of Bollingbroke, and Mr. Edmond Power, minister of the same town, to be supervisors. Witnesses: Rich. Wright, Nathaniell Lambert, Daniell Wight. Proved at Spilsby 24 April 1618. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1618, vol. 2, fo. 343.)

WIGHT ENTRIES IN THE BISHOP'S TRANSCRIPTS OF LINCOLNSHIRE
PARISH REGISTERS

Alford

- 1603 Robert Wight, concionator, and Elizabeth Fulshaw married 21 July.*
1613 Robert Wight, clerk, and Bridget White married 25 November.†
1630 Nathaniel Heaton and Elizabeth Wighte married 21 April.*

Hareby

- 1604 Daniel Wight the sonne of Robert Wight baptized 7 June.
1604 Sarah Wight daughter of Robert Wight baptized 10 October.
1606 Elizabeth Wight daughter of Robert Wight baptized 2 November.
1607 Thomas Wight the sonne of Robert Wight baptized 6 December.
1608 John Wight the sonne of Robert Wight, clerk, baptized 1 January
[1608/9].
1610 Marie Wight daughter of Robert Wight, clerk, baptized 2 September.
1611 Elizabeth Wight the wiffe of Robert Wight, clerk, buried 26 June.
1611 Mary Wight daughter of Robert Wight, minister of Hareby, buried
27 November.
1617 Robert Wyght, mynister, buried 8 January [1617/18].

Thomas Wight, one of the signers of the Exeter Combination, is considered by Savage to be a Thomas Wright, but wherever the name appears in autograph the surname is distinctly Wight and nothing else. Apparently he left no descendants who remained in New England. He did not move from Exeter when Wheelwright left. He appears occasionally on the records, and was made a freeman in 1647. After this date we find him no more on the records, and I think he died about 1650, leaving a minor son, Israel Wight. Israel seems to have been a ward of Capt. Richard Waldron of Dover, and came of age about 1664. In 1665 administration on the estate of Thomas Wight of Exeter was granted by the County Court to Israel Wight. Previous to his coming of age Israel had perhaps been a servant or protégé of Gov. Bellingham, for we find him in 1656 witnessing a deed from Bellingham to Everill and a mortgage taken back. At the Quarterly Court in Salisbury, Apr. 1664, Israel Wight sued Capt. Waldron for withholding his estate, which had been committed to Capt. Waldron at the time when Waldron was guardian for Wight. The case went up to the Court of Assistants, and finally to the General Court, which heard it in 1666, but by this time Israel Wight had apparently left the country.

Thomas Wight is an interesting link, for he was one of the grantees named in the "Wheelwright Deed." The only family of the name I found in Lincolnshire was that of Robert Wight, a clergyman at Hareby, a

* This entry is taken not from the Alford transcripts but from Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers, Marriages, vol. 7.

† This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

parish half-way between Spilsby and Horncastle. Robert Wight had some connection with Alford, for he was a witness to Balthasar Willick's will there in 1598/9, and in 1613 he married there his second wife, Bridget White. The will of Robert Wight and the Hareby transcripts show that he had a son Thomas, baptized 6 Dec. 1607, who may have been the Exeter settler, although proof that he was the Thomas Wight of the Combination has not yet been found.

WILLIX

The Will of BALTHASAR WILICK of Alford, 7 February 1598 [1598/9]. To be buried in the church of Alford. To Anne my wife for the good and vertuous education of my children the lease of one messuage in Alford wherein Willyam Brockbancke lately dwelt, which I had from my Lord Willoughby of Willoughby and Earsby for twenty-one years; also the lease of one other messuage in Alford late in the tenure of Richard hornsey or his assigns, which I also had from my said Lord Willoughby for twenty-one years; also one other lease of a tenement in Well in the parish of Alford late in the tenure of Richard Parrishe or his assigns, which I had also from the sayd Lord Willoughby for twenty-one years; also all my other leases, bonds, and assurances to my sayd wife for the good bringing up of my sayd children, together with all my stock and moveables, save that I give to Mr. Frances Merburie for the good will which I beare unto him my best gowne. Anne my wife, executrix. Witnesses: Robert Wight, Lenord Thory, Willm. Bellingham. Proved at Lincoln 16 February 1598 [1598/9]. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1598, fo. 200.)

The Will of WILLIAM BELLINGHAM of Alford, yeoman, 25 August 1606. To be buried in the church of Alford. To Susan my daughter £10, which my wife shall have the use of until she come to twenty-one years, provided that if my wife happen to marrie in the meantyme then she shall have £20 to her portion, to be put for her best behoofe into the hands of some faithfull frend. To Anne my wife the lease of one messuage in Alford where I now dwell, which I have from my Lord Willoughby of Willoughby and Earsby for twenty-one years; also one other lease of a messuage in Alford now in the use of Richard Hardy; also one other lease of a tenement in Well. Residue to wife Anne, executrix. My good friend Mr. George Esterby, supervisor. Witnesses: Joseph Overton, clerk, Will'm Angram, Parsevall Angram. Proved at Lincoln 4 November 1606. (Consistory of Lincoln, 1606, fo. 360.)

WILLIX AND BELLINGHAM ENTRIES IN THE BISHOP'S TRANSCRIPTS OF THE PARISH REGISTERS OF ALFORD

- 1593 Peregrinus filius Balthasar Willickes baptizatus 22 July.
- 1595 Balthasar filius Balthasari Willech baptizatus 27 July.
- 1598 Edwardus filius Balthezeri Willech baptizatus 30 April.
- 1598 Balthezer Willech sepultus 13 February [1598/9].
- 1600 Susanna filia Balthezeri Willech sepulta 28 May.
- 1600 William Bellingham and Ann Willech married 3 July.*
- 1601 Susanna filia Will'i Bellingham baptizata 1 September.
- 1627 Philemon Pormert and Susan Bellingham married 11 October.*
- 1635 Anna filia Edvardi Willickes et Susannae uxoris baptizata 13 May.

* This marriage has been printed in Phillimore's Lincolnshire Parish Registers.

Balthazar Willix was a settler at Exeter in New England in 1640, and Mr. Frank W. Hackett, in a brief article containing interesting information about him and his family (REGISTER, vol. 50, pp. 46-48), stated that his name could scarcely be English. He was unquestionably the son of Balthasar Willick or Willech of Alford, co. Lincoln, the testator of 1598/9, who had a wife Anne, and who was buried at Alford 13 Feb. 1598/9. The entries in the transcripts of the Alford registers show the baptisms of three sons of the elder Balthasar, namely, Peregrine, 22 July 1593, Balthasar (the Exeter settler), 27 July 1595, and Edward, 30 Apr. 1598, and the burial of a daughter Susanna, 28 May 1600. Of the three witnesses to the will of Balthasar Willick of Alford Robert Wight was perhaps the father of Thomas Wight of Exeter, as we have seen; Leonard Thory was of a good Lincolnshire family; and William Bellingham lived at Alford, married there, 3 July 1600, Anne, the widow of Balthasar Willick, and had a daughter Susanna, baptized there 1 Sept. 1601. This daughter was married at Alford, 11 Oct. 1627, to Philemon Pormort, later of Boston, where he was schoolmaster, Exeter, and Wells. William Bellingham made his will 25 Aug. 1606, and was buried at Alford 2 Sept. 1606.*

This Bellingham connection is interesting, although I do not believe that the Alford yeoman was closely if at all related to the morose and aristocratic Puritan, Richard Bellingham, recorder of Boston in England and governor of the Massachusetts Bay.

Balthasar Willick of Alford seems to have been a man of substance, and was perhaps a protégé of Peregrine Bertie, Lord Willoughby d'Eresby. The oldest son of this Balthasar was evidently named Peregrine in honor of Lord Willoughby, and here one may indulge in theory to help out the gaps in genealogy. Nowhere else in Lincolnshire or in England have I found the name of Willick. It has a Flemish sound. Peregrine Bertie was a typical Elizabethan nobleman, a friend of Sidney, and in command when the latter fell at Zutphen. Bertie was born at Cleves, and from 1582 to 1590 was almost constantly abroad on diplomatic or military service, mainly in Holland and the Low Countries. In 1597 he was made governor of Berwick Castle. He died in 1601, and is buried at Spilsby in Lincolnshire. It may well be that Lord Willoughby attached to himself the Flemish youth, Balthasar Willech, and brought him to England on one of his numerous visits. This would explain the fact that the name appears nowhere else in England, and might account for the leaseholds which Balthasar Willech of Alford acquired from his lord.

It would be interesting to follow the line of Anna Willix, one of the daughters of Balthazar of Exeter, who, according to the records presented by Mr. Hackett, married first Robert Roscoe, who moved to Roanoke and died there; secondly ——— Blunt; thirdly ——— Southwell; and fourthly Col. Leare of Virginia.† It will be remembered that Winthrop recites with rather too much particularity the murder of the first wife of Balthazar Willix of Exeter. The recently published files of the old Norfolk County Court show that at the court at Hampton, 7 Sept. 1648, Willex sued one Robert Hithersay "for raising an evil report of his deceased wife, and for breach of promise in carrying his wife to Oyster River in a canoe and not bringing her up in a canoe again." Hithersay, who roved from Concord to Lynn, Exeter, and York, was apparently a wayward character, and may have been suspected of the murder.

* Wentworth Genealogy, vol 1, p. 77.

† For records concerning Anna Willix and her sisters *vide infra*, pp. 81-82.—EDITOR.

THE DAUGHTERS OF BALTHAZAR WILLIX OF EXETER

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THE following records and notes relate to the daughters of Balthazar Willix* of Exeter and may be regarded as a continuation of the article by Mr. Frank W. Hackett in REGISTER, vol. 50, pp. 46-48.

"Whereas Hon. Seth Southell, Esqr. and James Blunt, both of North Carolina, did by their Last Wills give and bequeath unto Anna: first wife of said Blunt and afterwards the wife of said Southwell and her heirs, afterwards wife of Col. John Lere of Vergenea and so Died. Whose Sisters and Brother-in-law, Hazelpony Wood of Ipswich in the Province of Massachusetts in New England, and Francis Jownes and Suzana his wife of Portsm^o in the Province of New Hampshire, said Hazelpony and Suzannah own sisters both by father and mother's side to the above said Anna and so right heirs, in consideration of £250 sell unto our kinsman Thomas Pickeringe of Portsm^o formerly our attorney, all the estate given to our sister Anna Lere by said Blunt and Southell in North Carolina." Dated 4 June 1697. Witnesses: James Allen, John Pickeringe. Recorded 6 Sept. 1709. (N. H. Province Deeds, vol. 1, p. 343.)

The estate conveyed by the deed given above is described in a deed, dated 15 July 1709, from Thomas and Mary (Gee) Pickering to William Partridge and Pelatiah Whittemore, all of Portsmouth, as "a certain estate in North and South Carolina, more particularly the estate of Seth Southel, Esq. in the Province of North Carolina adjoining Salmon Creek, Kendrick Creek, Little River, Peatty Creek and the River Pasquatank, consisting of 12000 acres excepting 4000 acres formerly sold by said Pickering to William Duckenfield." (N. H. Province Deeds, vol. 7, p. 344.)

The following facts about Anna, daughter of Balthazar Willix, are found in the *North Carolina Historical and Genealogical Register*, vol. 1, pp. 34, 74, vol. 3, pp. 247, 254:

James Blount came to Chowan Precinct, Colony of Carolina, from Isle of Wight Co., Va., in 1669, where he was living with his family in 1660. Mrs. Anna Blount, his wife, who first appears as "Anne Willis of Ipswich, Massachusetts," married first Robert Roscoe of Roanoke; secondly James Blount, whose will was proved 17 July 1686; thirdly Seth Southel, governor of North Carolina, whose will was proved 3 Feb. 1693/4; † and fourthly Col. John Lear of Nasemond Co., Va. In a suit brought by the executors of Col. Lear in 1697 he was called executor of Madam Anna Lear, and mention was made of certain goods consigned to her as Madam Southell from Col. John Foster of Boston.

Madam Anna Lear died before 1695, and Col. Lear died 27 June 1696. (*Virginia Historical Magazine*, vol. 17, p. 228; *William and Mary Quarterly*, vol. 8, p. 171, vol. 9, pp. 83-131.)

The first mention of Hazelepni‡ Willix is found in the will of John Cooper, "now resident in Weymouth," dated 24 Feb. 1652/3. The wife

* For the parentage of Balthazar Willix of Exeter, *vide supra*, pp. 79-80.—EDITH.

† For character and will of Seth Southell see John H. Wheeler's *Historical Sketches of North Carolina*, pp. 31, 89.

‡ The name Hazelepni is found in the Bible, 1 Chron., iv, 3.

of Henry Waltham, "in whose house I now sojourn," is to be fully paid, and "if there is anything remaining, Hazillpenah Willockes dwelling with Mr. Waltham shall have 10s." (Suffolk Wills, vol. 1, p. 96.) The Boston records show the birth of John, son of John Gee and Hazelpannah his wife, 27 May 1662. Hazelelponi Gee was baptized in the First Church, Boston, 19 day, 9 mo., 1671.

"The Depositions of Benjamin Norton & Thomas Pease Sein^r of Edgartown Testifieth & saith that they very well Remembred John Gee formerly of Marthas Vinyard & further we Testifie we Remembred Mary Gee his Eldest Daughter we going to school each of us with her unto her mother at Edgartown at the house of y^e abovsd Gee about a mile Distance from the harbour about Sixty years since in the year One Thousand six hundred & seventy we being very well acquainted with the family & that Mary Gee was the Reputed Daughter of sd Gee & so called & further saith not." Attest, Jabez Athearn. clerk. (Suffolk Court Files, 28939.)

"Paid Joseph Merry in rye a bush & a peck in Indean corn sixe bush : upon a letter of M^r Nicholas Butler from Martins Vineyard to me w^h value of corne M^r Butler paid to Hazaell Gee widd. of dwelling in ye said Island w^h said corne upon M^r Butlers letter I received of Richard Bellingham of Boston wittnes my hand - 7, 4, 70

Joseph ^{his}
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John Sewall" (Suffolk Court Files, 971.)

Joseph Merry of Hampton married, 1659, Elizabeth, widow of Emanuel Hilliard, who with Hannah Willix and others is named in a deed, dated 22 Mar. 1663/4, from Ruth, widow of Rev. Timothy Dalton of Hampton, N. H., to Nathaniel Bachiler, being included among those who are to receive legacies after the death of the grantor. (Pope's Pioneers of Massachusetts, p. 129; Dow's Hampton, vol. 2, p. 253.)

The depositions of Samuel Wood, son of Obadiah Wood of Ipswich, William Harris and Susanna Stone, both of Ipswich, William and Abigail Cotton, and Samuel Lovell of Portsmouth, dated 26 Apr. 1732, are found in Suffolk Court Files, 33564. William Harris deposed that he "well remembered Obadiah Woods Intermarriage with the widow Hazelelponi Gee near about sixty years ago he brought her from Boston. that it was the talk of the times when she came to Dwell in Ipswich that her former husband Gee was a Dweller or inhabitant at Marthas Vinyard. She brought with her into Obadiah Woods family a maiden Daughter named Mary I was well acquainted with the family & the said Mary who we used to call Mary Gee till she Intermarried with one Thomas Pickerin who lived at Piscataqua & the sd Mary is still Living there for ought any thing I know for I never heard of her Death."

A similar deposition of William Harris was communicated to the *Essex Antiquarian* (vol. 8, p. 164) by Charles E. Banks, M.D., author of the History of Martha's Vineyard. In this deposition, dated 7 Oct. 1736 and taken from Dukes County Deeds, vol. 6, p. 238, Harris says that the Widow Gee had three daughters, Mary, who married Thomas Pickering, Anna, who married Samuel Hodgkins of Gloucester, and Martha, who married Thomas Cotes.

In the Ancient Burying-Ground at Ipswich is the gravestone of "Hasel-elpony Wood widdow of Obadiah Wood died Novem^r y^e 27 1714 aged 78 years." (See *Essex Antiquarian*, vol. 13, p. 79, for illustration.)

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