

ART. XVIII.—*Tunstall of Thurland Castle*. By COL.
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THE pedigrees of the above named family hitherto published are not of a very trustworthy character and have been found fault with by several authorities; that by Plantagenet Harrison has confounded the Tunstalls of Thurland with the Yorkshire ones, and Dr. Whitaker in his History of Richmondshire confesses himself puzzled by their history. Under these circumstances it may appear a bold undertaking to try to trace the real descents of this family; but so many records have been made public of recent years, that the attempt seems worth making.

In all probability this family took its name from the vill of Tunstall in Lonsdale where they lived; at any rate there does not appear to be any authority for connecting them with the Yorkshire families. The earliest members of whom we have authentic information are William de Tunstall and his son Thomas who, on 5 November, 1202, concorded at Lancaster with Akarius de Austwick regarding 100 acres of land etc., in Cantsfield and Tunstall.*

The above named William de Tunstall had at least three sons and probably a fourth, viz:—

- (i) Thomas de Tunstall, son and heir, of whom later.
- (ii) William de Tunstall, to whom his father granted the service of his brother Roger who had two oxgangs of land by their father's gift. He married and had a son William de Tunstall and died before his brother Roger. On the death of Roger, William the son claimed the two

* *Lancs. Fines* (Lancs. and Chesh. Record Soc.), i, 14.

oxgangs against his cousin William the son of Thomas at the Assize at Lancaster in 30-31 Henry III (1246), and they concorded but the Concord has not been preserved.* This William son of William appears to be the man who married Katherine the widow of William de Kellet after 1242.

(iii) Roger de Tunstall first appears as a juror at an inquiry regarding the Priory of Lancaster in 1227.† In the same year he was a party to a Fine with his nephew William son of Thomas de Tunstall regarding customs and services which William claimed of him from two oxgangs of land in Tunstall. Roger was to hold the land for his life after which it was to revert to William and his heirs.‡ He died *circa* 1245 leaving a widow Joan (also called Matilda in one Fine) who claimed dower in 1246; but they had no surviving issue and the possession of the two oxgangs of land formed the subject of a dispute already referred to at the Assize in 1246.

(iv) There was probably a fourth son Nicholas [de Tunstall] whose son Adam brought an action at the Lancaster Assize in October, 1246 against William son of William [de Tunstall] *re* an oxgang of land in Tunstall.§

Returning to the eldest son Thomas de Tunstall we find that he had married Matilda daughter of Akarius de Austwick and as stated above was a party to the Fine of the year 1202 and also to one in 1208 in which his wife and her sisters and brothers were plaintiffs regarding rent and multure of six carucates of land in Farleton [in Lonsdale] and Cantsfield.|| When he died is not on record; but he was succeeded by a son William de Tunstall who had various law suits with his uncle Roger and his cousin

* *Lancs. Assize Rolls*, (L. & C. Record Soc.), i, 27.

† Roper, *Materials for Hist. of Lanc.*, 151.

‡ *Lancs. Fines* (L. and C. Record Soc.), i, 48.

§ *Lancs. Assize Rolls*, (L. and C. Rec. Soc.), i, 53.

|| *Lancs. Fines* (L. and C. Record Soc.), i, 31.

William already alluded to. The last notice of him is in 1246. He left a son and heir, viz:—

John de Tunstall who had law suits in 1279 and 1285; he was chief lord of Tunstall in 1292 and by that year his chief messuage had been fixed in Cantsfield. He was stated to be great-grandfather to William de Tunstall IV in a de Banco suit brought by that William. His wife Maud was living as a widow in 1302 and he was succeeded by his son, viz:—

John de Tunstall who was engaged in various pleas in 1295 and later. He served in the Scottish War in the retinue of John de Buteturte and died about the year 1315 leaving a son William and a widow Gundreda who remarried Roger son of Matthew de Burgh.*

William de Tunstall who succeeded was a minor in 1315, when his wardship was claimed by John son of Robert de Harrington and he came of age in 1328 when the Abbot of Croxton claimed a debt of 20 marks from him, in which suit he was described as William son of John son of John. Nothing more appears about him excepting that he left a son and heir, viz:—

William de Tunstall who was in possession of the estates in 1359, when a John de Tunstall made a claim against him for a messuage and two oxgangs of land.† He acquired the manors of Over Burrow, Nether Burrow and part of that of Leck in 1370 and obtained a charter of free-warren in his demesne lands in Tunstall, Cantsfield, Burrow, Leck and Newton in 1376 and in 1381 received a general pardon. He is probably the William de Tunstall who was knight of the shire in 1384. He died in 1387 and his wife Katherine is named in the license given to his son for founding a chantry in Thurland Castle. He was succeeded by his son, viz:—

Sir Thomas de Tunstall, a knight in 1382 when he

* *Vic. C. Hist. Lancs.*, viii, p. 233 n. 20.

† *Ibid.*, n. 22.

granted his manor of Masongill and the advowson of the church in Thorton-in-Lonsdale to his son William. In 1397 he had license to alienate 9 marks of land to found a chantry in Thurland Castle where the priests were to pray for him and his wife Isabel and for the souls of his father William and his mother Katherine.* His wife Isabel is said to have been a daughter of Sir Nicholas Harrington.† In 1402 he had license to crenellate his house of Thurland and to enclose 1000 acres of Fairthwaite [in Leck] as a park. Of this park, all that now remains is Park House which was probably the residence of the park-keeper. In 1413 he obtained the wardship of the heir of John de Parr of Kendal‡, a Thomas de Parr, to whom he married his daughter Alice.§ He died in 1415 when an inquisition *post mortem* found that his son and heir was William Tunstall who was 24 years of age.|| His family, as far as is known, consisted of:—

- (a) William Tunstall, of whom later.
- (b) Thomas Tunstall, of whom later.
- (c) Katherine Tunstall who was married to John son of Sir Alan de Penington, knight, for which marriage a dispensation was granted on 28 April, 1412.¶
- (d) Alice Tunstall married to Sir Thomas de Parr of Kendale.

The aforesaid William Tunstall V was found son and heir by *I.P.M.* in 1415, when he was 24 years of age; he had a wife Anne (said to have been a daughter of Parr, by Har. MS., 1549).

Here we have a difficulty, as if he was only 24 years old in 1415, he would have been born in 1391, yet Dodsworth states that in 1382 his father granted him the manor of

* *Records of Kendale*, ii, 294.

† Har. MS. No. 1549, fo. 115b.

‡ *Records of Kendale*, i, 40.

§ Croston-Baines, *Hist. Lancs.*, v, 21.

|| *Lancs. Inqs.* (Chetham Soc.), i, 115.

¶ Surtees Soc., *Test. Ebor.*, iii, 321.

Masongill in Thornton in Lonsdale.* As he died in 1425 (his wife obtained her dower in 1425-6), it appears as though the age of 24 in 1415 was wrong and that he was a good deal older. Be this as it may, he had an only child Isabel Tunstall who in 1432 contracted to marry Nicholas son of Nicholas son of John Wortley of Wortley, co. York, whom she survived and made her will at Newall on 1 March 1491-2; she was buried at St. Michael's Thornhill.†

Sir Thomas Tunstall, knight, succeeded as heir to his brother William. Before the year 1400 he, or his father, had obtained the mesne lordship of the fourth part of the manor of Kirkby Lonsdale which was that part owned by the barony of Kendal;‡ it remained in the Tunstall family until Francis Tunstall, about 1605, sold his Lancashire and Westmorland estates before leaving Thurland. This Thomas Tunstall had served in the French war in 1418 and was knighted in 1426 for his conduct in the battle of Verneuil in 1424; he was a commissioner for array in 1427 and 1431. He married Eleanor, daughter of Henry lord Fitzhugh of Ravensworth and widow of Sir Philip Darcy, without the king's license; but received a pardon for this in 1427. This couple had issue:—

1. Sir Richard Tunstall, knight, of whom later.
2. Thomas Tunstall, of whom later.
3. William Tunstall, who had an illegitimate son Lyonell named in the settlement of lands in 1493.
4. Margaret Tunstall who was the second wife of Sir Ralph de Pudsey.
5. Elizabeth Tunstall married to Sir Roger Bellingham, knight (see St. George's Visitation in 1615).

The above named Sir Richard Tunstall is recorded, in Dalton's Visitation of the North, as eldest son of Sir

* *Vic. C. Hist. Lancs.*, viii, 233 n. 28.

† *Surtees Soc., Test. Ebor.*, ii, 135n.

‡ *Records of Kendale*, ii, 312.

Thomas. In 1450 he was an esquire;* but in 1455 had become a knight, in which year the Wars of the Roses commenced. In 1460 he was made steward of the lordship of Kendal, then in the king's hands.† He was a faithful Lancastrian, never wavering in his allegiance as long as Henry VI lived. When Edward IV ascended the throne in 1461, Sir Richard held the castle of Harlech for King Henry VI, and Warkworth, in his chronicle, states that it was the only place which still held out for that king. It had however to be surrendered in 1468 to the earl of Pembroke and Sir Richard was confined in the Tower of London.‡ He, with many other Lancastrians, had been attainted in 1461, some of his lands being bestowed on Sir James Harrington who had helped to capture king Henry VI near Waddington. After the death of king Henry, on 21 May, 1471, Sir Richard Tunstall made his peace with King Edward IV, as the hopes of the Lancastrians appeared to be quite extinguished—the last surviving heir of the Red Rose being a boy, only sixteen years old and in exile, whose life was sought by every means by the king. Sir Richard had covered himself with glory and was later referred to by King Henry VII, as 'Tunstall the Undeiled' an epithet which Sir Walter Scott transferred to his nephew Brian Tunstall who was slain at Flodden Field. He was pardoned in 1471, and his estates were returned to him. He made a settlement of his manors in 1490 and died about 1491-2, as his wife received her dower in May, 1492. He had married Elizabeth daughter of Sir William Franke, knight, and had a family of four sons and two daughters, viz:—

- (a) Henry, who died *s.p.*
- (b) John, who died *s.p.*
- (c) Thomas, who died *s.p.*

* *Ibid.*, ii, 96.

† *Ibid.* i, 48.

‡ Camden Soc., *Warkworth's Chronicle*, p. 43.

(d) William, who survived and inherited Thurland, of whom later.

(e) Margaret, of whom nothing appears.

(f) Eleanor, married to John Askew, by whom she had a son, Christopher Askew.*

The above named William Tunstall (the fifth) had no surviving family and settled his estates on 26 November, 1493. In the Public Record Office, there are two inquisitions taken on the death of this William Tunstall; one for his Lancashire estates† and one for his Yorkshire estates,‡ the latter is the better preserved and gives a full account of the settlement (see Appendix). He appears to have feared that the name of Tunstall of Thurland would die out and that the remembrance of his father's glory would be extinguished; he therefore settled his estates first to the legitimate descendants of his uncles and, failing them, to his illegitimate cousins and their legitimate descendants, thus:—1st to his uncle Thomas Tunstall and his heirs male legitimately born; which failing, then 2ndly to his uncle William and his heirs male legitimately born; which failing then 3rdly to Lyonell Tunstall [illegitimate] son of his uncle Willam and his heirs male legitimately; born which failing, then 4thly to John Tunstall [illegitimate] son of his uncle Thomas and his heirs male legitimately born (to whom he also gave the eighth part of the manor of Old Wennington and some messuages for his life); and finally on this failing then to his own right heirs. It is to be noted that Cuthbert Tunstall the eldest illegitimate son of Thomas is not mentioned; most probably because he was already ordained and therefore could not have legitimate children. William Tunstall survived another six years and died on 10 November, 1499. An inquisition *post mortem*, held in the year 1500,

* Har. MS. 1549, fo. 115b. 116.

† P.R.O., Duchy of Lanc., Inq. p.m., Vol. iii, No. 37A.

‡ *Ibid.* Chancery I.P.M., Series 2, Vol. 14, No. 96.

found that Christopher Askew was his next heir but that the estates went to the cousin Thomas Tunstall, aged 20 years, eldest legitimate son of the uncle Thomas Tunstall who was then dead.

Returning to Thomas Tunstall, brother to Sir Richard, we find that he had two illegitimate sons, viz:—

(a) Cuthbert Tunstall, born in 1475, who became Master of the Rolls, bishop of London, and later bishop of Durham, the ablest member of the whole family (see *Dict. National Biography*). He was an executor of Brian Tunstall's will in 1513, and is therein called "my brother Doctor," he was also executor to the will of William Tunstall of Aldcliffe, near Lancaster, in 1532-3. He died at Fulham near London in November, 1559 and his will, undated, was proved, on 30 January, 1559-60; one of his executors being John Tunstall, clerk.

(b) John Tunstall, who in the settlement of 1493 was named as the fourth remainder man and was probably younger than Cuthbert. To him was left by William Tunstall the eighth part of the manor of Old Wennington and some tenements for life and he is stated in the Lancashire inquisition to be living in 1500. Now Thomas Tunstall, reforming his ways, married Alice base daughter of George Neville, archbishop of York (who was the great-great-grandson of Edward III) and by her had a family of six children,* viz:

(i) Thomas Tunstall, who was stated by the I.P.M. of 1500 to be 20 years old and heir to the estates as his father was dead. He died about February 1503-4, without issue.

(ii) Brian Tunstall, who became lord of Thurland in 1503-4, of whom later.

(iii) William Tunstall, of Aldcliffe, near Lancaster, of whom later (see Tunstall of Aldcliffe).

* B.M. Add. MS. 12477, fo. 120 (37).

(iv) Alice Tunstall who married Richard Huddleston of Westhall in Whittington. She is named in her brother Brian's will in 1513 as wife to Richard Huddleston, and also in Harlian MS., No. 1549. She left issue.

(v) A daughter unnamed, who married William Layton of Dalemain* and had issue (amongst others), viz: Grace and Anthony Layton who are both named in Brian Tunstall's will in 1513.

(vi) Margaret Tunstall, who married William Redmayne of Twisleton; he was one of the executors of Brian Tunstall's will in 1513, and of that of William Tunstall of Aldcliffe. They left issue.

The before named Brian Tunstall, who inherited the estates in 1503-4, made his will on 16 August, 1513, before starting for Flodden Field (where he was slain on 9 September, 1513); in it he names his wife, children, brothers and some of his nephews and nieces (see Appendix). He had married Isabel, daughter of Henry Boynton (Dalton's *Vist.*, 1558), and on 6 November, 1513 a mandate was issued by the archbishop of York to his suffragan, John bishop of Negropont, to veil Isabel Tunstall, widow of Brian Tunstall and to receive her profession.† This was possibly done to evade the king's right, under Feudal Law, to give her again in marriage as it brought her under the protection of the Church as in minor orders. Isabel Tunstall survived certainly until 1539, when she is named as an executor to her son Brian's will. This couple left issue:—

(a) Marmaduke Tunstall, of whom later.

(b) Anne Tunstall, aged 3 years in 1513, who became the wife of John Middleton of Middleton Hall, co. Westmorland, and had issue.

(c) Brian Tunstall, born in November, 1513, who

* Foster, *Vist. of Yorks* 1584-5; also Nicolson and Burn, *Hist. Cumb.*, ii, 383.

† Surtees Soc., *Test. Ebor.*, iii, 367.

according to Harlian MS., 1549 became a knight of Rhodes, a statement supported by the legacy of his gold chain to his nephew Francis Tunstall. He died young; his will dated at Battersea on 2 August, 1539, is extant,* and by it he leaves his chain of gold to his nephew Francis Tunstall, he also mentions his "brother Middleton" and makes his mother one of his executors.

Marmaduke Tunstall, the eldest son, was six years old at his father's death in 1513. He entered into possession of his estates in 1529 and was knighted at the coronation of Queen Anne in 1533. He was one of the commissioners in Lancashire for the suppression of the monasteries and helped to put down the rebellion of 1536. He died in 1557 (I.P.M., 4 and 5 Philip and Mary). He married Mary, daughter and co-heiress of Sir Robert Scargill of Scargill, co. York, who made her will on 31 December, 21 Eliz. [1578] in which she desires to be buried at Barnyngham and names her children and some grandchildren.† They left the following family, viz:—

(1) Francis Tunstall, of whom later.

(2) Anne Tunstall, who married Sir John Dawney of Sessay and is named in her mother's will in 1578 as having issue.

(3) Isabel Tunstall, who appears to have been married twice as in the will of her grandmother Jane, lady Scargill, in 1546‡ she is called wife to Vavasour but in her mother's will in 1578 she was wife to William Redmayne of Ireby by whom she had issue.

(4) Elizabeth Tunstall, named in the will of Lady Scargill in 1546, afterwards she was married to Geoffrey Middleton of Leighton by whom she had issue.

(5) Thomasine Tunstall, named in the will of her grandmother, Lady Scargill, in 1546.

* *Ibid.* vi, 90.

† *Ibid.* Richmond Wills, 288.

‡ Thoresby Soc., *Test. Leod.*, 178.

Francis Tunstall, the above named eldest son, was found son and heir by the inquisition taken in 1557 and was 17 years of age. He obtained possession of the estates in 1561. In 1573 he purchased the so-called manor of Garney-garth in Whittington township from the Crown, to be held in socage as of the manor of East Greenwich by a rent of £4. He was married twice and died in 1587. His first wife was Alice, daughter of Sir William Ratcliff of Ordsal, knight, by whom he had two daughters, viz:—

- (a) Mary Tunstall, named in Dalton's Visitation in 1558, and in her grandmother's will in 1578; and
- (b) Margaret Tunstall named in her grand-mother's will in 1578. The second wife was Anne, daughter of Richard Bold of Bold, esquire, whom he married in 1568, and by her he had:—
- (c) Francis Tunstall, his son and heir, of whom later.
- (d) William Tunstall, who received lands in Barningham under the will of his grandmother in 1578.
- (e) Jane Tunstall, named in the same will in 1578.
- (f) Alice Tunstall also named in the same will in 1578, and in the Yorks. Visitation of 1612, wherein she is said to be the wife of William Tunstall of 'Ancliffe co. Lincoln,' a manifest mistake for Aldcliffe co. Lancaster (see Tunstall of Aldcliffe later).
- (g) Elizabeth Tunstall, named in the will of 1578, and wife to William Lascelles of Brackenburgh.*

The father of the above family was reported to be dead at the Hornby Castle Manor Court on 10 May, 1587 and his son Francis Tunstall was stated to be his heir and of 18 years of age.

This second Francis Tunstall received possession of his lands in 1591 and married Elizabeth daughter of Richard Gascoign of Sedbury, co. Yorks, esquire; her name appears in two Yorkshire Fines viz: in 1590-1 and in 1601 as wife to Francis Tunstall and also in the Visitation of 1612. The names of Francis Tunstall, esq., and his wife Elizabeth

* Whitaker, *Richmondshire*, i, 265; Foster, *Vist. of Yorks.*, 1612.

appear in the year 1604, in the lists of recusants at Barningham, co. Yorks.,* where he had property. He became involved in money difficulties, probably through fines inflicted on recusants, and sold his estates in Lonsdale. Thurland Castle was sold to Mr. Girlington, in 1605, and the Bindloss family of Kendal purchased much property in Whittington and Arkholme districts; then he retired to Scargill in Yorkshire, which estate had come to him from his grandmother. His children were:—

(i) Marmaduke Tunstall, eldest son, who married Catherine daughter and co-heiress of William Wycliffe of Wycliffe. He was admitted to Gray's Inn, on 25 November, 1605; he compounded in £25 for not taking knighthood in 1630-32. Was seised of the manors of Barningham, Scargill and Wycliffe, etc., and compounded as a royalist for his estates in 1647.

(ii) Thomas Tunstall, admitted to Gray's Inn on 13 May, 1613.

(iii) John Tunstall, named in the Yorks. Visitation of 1612.

(iv) Frances Tunstall, wife to Thomas son of Sir Nicholas Wray near to Richmond (Visit. of 1612).

(v) Joan Tunstall, wife of the son and heir of Sir John Clopton of the Bishopric [of Durham] (Visit of 1612).

(vi) Mary Tunstall. }
 (vii) Elizabeth Tunstall } Visit. of 1612.

As this family went into Yorkshire the further descents must be sought for there and we leave them now as no longer belonging to Lonsdale.

TUNSTALL OF ALDCLIFFE.

William Tunstall, brother to Brian Tunstall of Thurland Castle, was a lawyer and it would appear that through the

* Peacock, *List of Roman Catholics in co. York in 1604*, p. 85.

influence of his illegitimate brother, Cuthbert Tunstall, bishop of London and later of Durham, he obtained a lease on 2 March, 1509 of "the parsonage [of Kirkby Lonsdale] parcel of St. Mary's in York."* In 1522 the Abbess of Syon leased her manors etc., in Lonsdale to him for twenty-one years at a rent of £100, which included the manor of Aldcliffe;† this however was disputed by various persons (see Ducatus Lancastriæ); but by 1523-4 he is distinctly called "farmer" of this manor.‡ Alexander, abbot of Furness, complains in the Star Chamber that "one William Tunstall, late of Aldcliffe co. Lancaster, gentleman, about the eighth day of June, 18 Hen. VIII [1526] riotously interferred" with the Abbot's fishermen in the water of Loyne.§ In 1532-3 he is described as "steward of the manor of Slyne" in a pleading of that date.|| He died shortly after, as an action was brought against his executors, William Redmayne (his brother-in-law) and Cuthbert bishop of Durham, in that year regarding the tenant-right in Dolphinlee.¶

When Brian Tunstall made his will in 1513, before proceeding to Flodden Field, he names two of his brother William's children, viz: Anne to whom he left money for her marriage portion, and Thomas to whom he left an annuity of forty shillings; of any other children no record has yet been found though it is probable that there were more.

The above named Anne Tunstall was married, about 1516, to Hugh son of John Myers of Docker, co. Lancaster, gentleman, on which occasion John Myers settled property

* P.R.O. Cal. of Conventual Leases granted by Monasteries: Kirkby *infra* Landsdale, York (*sic*).

† *Vict. C. Hist., Lancs*, viii, 48 n 6.

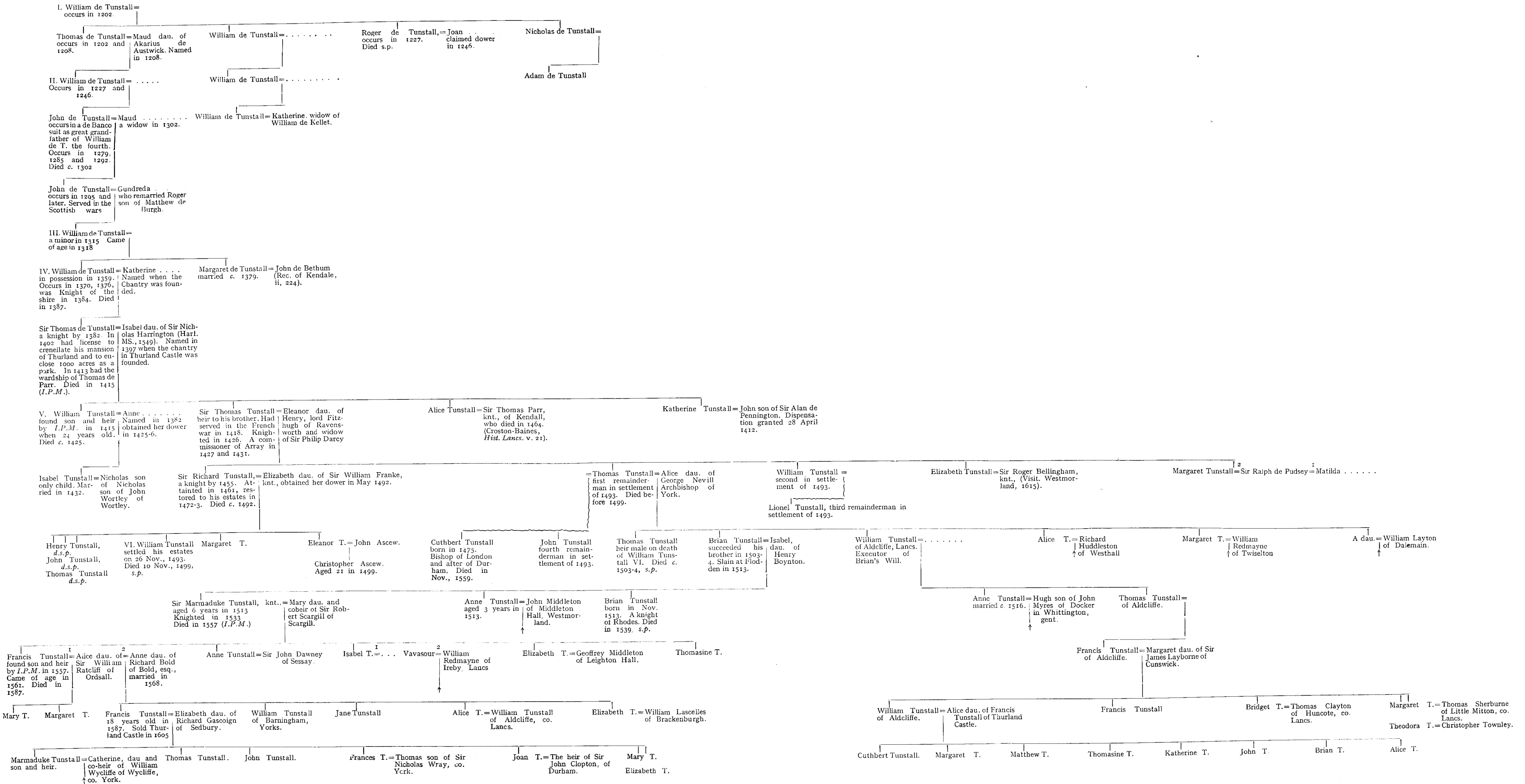
‡ Ducatus Lanc. (Record Com.), ii, 31.

§ Lancs. and Chesh. Record Soc., *Star Chamber Proceedings*, 98.

|| Ducatus Lanc., ii, 42.

¶ *Ibid.*, 39.

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in Arkholme, Cawood and Docker on this couple which later (in 1564) gave rise to litigation.*

Of the son Thomas Tunstall nothing is known; but it appears most probable that he also was of Aldcliffe and was able to hold the manor under a renewal of the lease made to his father as a Francis Tunstall succeeded to that estate and is in evidence from 1548 to 1601 as of Aldcliffe. This Francis was one of the trustees of the marriage settlement of Francis Tunstall of Thurland in 1586; he is named in a Yorkshire Fine in Easter Term, 1593 as a deforciant of the manor of Masongill; in 1600 he appears in the list of freeholders in Lancashire; and in 1601 he and his son William, with their wives are again named in a Yorkshire Fine in Michaelmas Term as deforciants of the manor of Masongill.

In the will of Sir James Laybourne of Cunswick, dated 4 July, 1548, Francis Tunstall is called "my son in law" and is to have 40 marks which was due to him as part of the marriage portion when he married the testator's daughter Margaret.† In the will of Charles Laybourne of Lancaster, dated 10 August, 1565 it is stated that "Mr. Frauncisce Tunstall of Arcliffe" owes the testator 13s. 4d. In the will, dated 17 November, 1567, of his sister in law Elizabeth widow of Nicholas Laybourne he is called "my cosinge Fraunces Tunstall of Aldcliffe" and is given the remainder of a lease of the parsonage of Lancaster in trust for the testatrix' four daughters.‡ There is also a Fine of 42, Elizabeth [1599-1600] wherein Francis Tunstall, esquire and Margaret, his wife, and William Tunstall, gent., son and heir of the said Francis Tunstall, and Alice, his wife, are deforciants of one messuage, one garden and 1½ acres of land with appurtenances in Lancaster.

* P.R.O. *Duchy of Lanc. Plead.*: vol. 57, B. 10. See also Appendix.

† Surtees Soc., *Richmond Wills*, 39.

‡ *Ibid.*, 212.

By his marriage with Margaret Laybourne he had the following family, viz:—

1. William Tunstall, of whom later.
2. Francis Tunstall, named in the will of his uncle Nicholas Leybourne, dated 19 July 156[figure worn out], for a legacy of £40 on attaining the age of 18.
3. Bridget Tunstall wife of Thomas Clayton of Huntcote co. Lancaster who in his will, dated 18 November, 1601, says that he has “ a judgment upon a recognizance of £500 against Mr. Francis Tunstall my wife’s father ” and that she is only to do with it for her own profit.* In Dugdale’s Visitation of 1664-5 Thomas Clayton is said to be of Lentworth.
4. Margaret Tunstall, married to Thomas Sherburn of Little Mitton.†
5. Theodora Tunstall, married to Christopher Townley (Dugdale’s Visitation, 1664-5).

The above named William Tunstall, son and heir of Francis, married his third cousin Alice daughter of the first Francis Tunstall of Thurland Castle and had the following family, who were all baptised and some of them buried at Lancaster parish church, viz:—

- (i) Cuthbert T., baptised 14 June, 1600.
- (ii) Margaret T., baptised 16 May, 1602; buried 21 January, 1622-3.
- (iii) Matthew T., baptised 23 September, 1603; buried 11 April, 1604.
- (iv) Thomasine T., baptised 18 March, 1604-5; she was a recusant in 1629, living at Fairthwaite Park in Leck [now Park House] and paying a fine of £2 10s. a year.‡
- (v) Katherine T., baptised 14 June, 1606.

* Lancs. and Chesh. Wills (Record Soc.), 110.

† Whitacker, *Hist. Whalley*, ii, 23.

‡ *Vict. C. Hist. Lancs.*, viii, 234, n. 50.

(vi) John T., baptised 20 February, 1608-9, buried 7 April, 1609.

(vii) Brian T., baptised 6 August, 1610.

(viii) Alice T., baptised 9 July, 1613.

On the sale of Aldcliffe by the Crown this Tunstall family left and so far no further trace of them has been found.

APPENDIX.

[This inquisition is too long to be printed; but the following abstract will be found fairly accurate].

Chancery Inquisition Post Mortem. Series 2, Vol. 14, No. 96.

Writ to the Escheator dated at Westminster, 21 November 15 Hen. VII [1499].

Inquisition held at the Castle of York, 21 May 1500, before William Crouche the King's Escheator after the death of William Tunstall, esq., by the oaths of Richard Beaumont, esqr., etc., who say that William Tunstall held as of fee half the manor of Bentham in the said county. Also 12 messuages 50 acres of land and 200 acres of pasture in Bentham And also 12 messuages, 100 acres of land and 40 acres of meadow in Burton Lonsdale in the said county of York. And thus seised, by his charter dated 26 November, 9 Hen. VII [1493] by the name of William Tunstall, esquire son of Richard Tunstall, knight (amongst other things) gave and confirmed to Richard Newton senior and Robert Gybonson vicar of Kirkby Lonsdale the aforesaid premises; who, being seised, by their charter (shown to the jury) dated 28 November, 9 Hen. VII, settled the premises firstly on William Tunstall (son of Sir Richard Tunstall) and his male heirs legitimately procreated, which failing then on Thomas Tunstall (brother of the aforesaid Sir Richard) and his legitimate

male heirs, which failing then on William Tunstall (brother of said Thomas) and his legitimate male heirs, which failing then on Lionel Tunstall (son of the aforesaid William Tunstall) and his legitimate male heirs, which failing then on John Tunstall (son of the said Thomas Tunstall) and his legitimate heirs male, which failing then to the right heirs of William Tunstall son of Sir Richard Tunstall. The aforesaid William Tunstall died seised of the premises without heir male of his body, legitimately procreated. And the jurors say that the half of the manor and the 12 messuages &c., in Bentham are held of Thomas Pykeryng esquire, but by what service they know not; and that the 12 messuages &c., in Burton are held of George, lord Straunge but by what service they know not. And they say that the half manor etc., in Bentham are worth yearly less reprises 5 marks. And that the messuages &c., in Burton are worth yearly less reprises £6 13s. 4d. And lastly they say that the aforesaid Thomas Tunstall in remainder died in the life time of the said William Tunstall [the settler] after whose death the right in remainder descended to Thomas as son and heir male of the body of the aforesaid Thomas; which Thomas is 20 years old and more.

And they say that William Tunstall died on 10 November last past. And that Christopher Askew is related in blood and next heir of the said William viz: son of Eleanor sister of the said William and is 21 years old.

P.R.O. Duchy of Lancaster Inquisitions post mortem, Vol. iii, No. 37A.

[This inquisition is in a bad state and unreadable in parts; but the following abstract gives what could be made out].

William Tunstall.

Inquisition taken at Lancaster on the Thursday after Palm Sunday 15. Henry VII [16 April, 1500]. The said

William was seised of the castle and lordship of Thurland, lands and tenements in Cancefeld, the manors of Tunstall and Burgh, Leck and Newton; a messuage and land in Whytyngton called Morthynglond; tenements in Warton and Yeland; one eighth of the manor or vill of Wenyington called Oldwenyington and tenements in Wenyington, Arg-ham, Tunstall, Newton and Stayncliffe in Amoundernes.

The $\frac{1}{8}$ th of Old Wenyington and the tenements following he conveyed to one John Tunstall for John's life, without any rent. John is still living. By his deed dated 26 November, 9 Henry VII [1493], by the name of William Tunstall, esquire, son of Sir Richard Tunstall, knight, he conveyed the other premises and the reversion of Old Wenyington to trustees, who reconveyed to him and the heirs male of his body, with contingent remainders in like tail to Thomas and William, brothers of the said Sir Richard, to Lionel son of the said William brother of said Sir Richard, to John, son of the said Thomas, and to the right heirs of the grantor successively.

William Tunstall died without heir male, when the premises descended to Thomas son of the said Thomas Tunstall, who will be aged 20 on 1st September next. William died on 10 November last; and Christopher Askew, son of his sister Eleanor, is his next heir aged 21 and more.

P.R.O. Duchy of Lancaster Inquisitions Post Mortem,
Vol. 4, No. 3.

Brian Tunstall esquire.

Inquisition taken at Lancaster, co. Lancs., on Thursday in the fourth week of Lent, 5 Henry VIII (1514) before the king's escheator there to enquire after the death of Brian Tunstall esquire. [The Inquisition is not reproduced but only the will of Brian, Tunstall which is embodied in it, as follows]:—

In the name of Allmyghty God amen the xvjth day of

August in the yere of our lord a thousand fyve hundreth and xiiij I Brian Tunstall thankyd be god holl of body and mynde makys my will and testament in forme folowyng ffirst I giff and bequeth my Synfull Soull unto almighty god and to our blessed lady his moder seynt mary and to all the holy cōpany of hevyn and my body to be buryed in the outward pt of the Churche of seynt Mychaell in Tunstall or ells wher at godds pleasure. Also I giff and bequeath my best goods quyke or ded for my mortuary. Also I giff and bequeath vnto the house of Croxton for tethes and offeryngs and other duties by me and myne antecessors in tymes past neclegently ov^rlookyd and forgotten vjli. xiijs. iiijd. beseching the said abbot and his brethren for the love of god to forgiff and absolie me and my seid antecessors what whatso we have offendyd ayenst the seid house and theym. Also I giff to the Churche werks of Tunstall ijli. vjs. viijd. Also I giff unto the frers of Lanc^r xls. beseching theym to syng for my Soule and all cristen Soulez a hundreth massys. Also I giff unto ev^ry house of pardon and p^aer wherin I am brother vjs. viijd. Also I giff vnto Robt gudred of our^r-borow xiijs. iiijd. p^ainge hym to forgiff me. Also I giff to Thomas Williamson of leck xs. p^ayng hym to forgiff me. Also I giff to olde Helyse fysher dwellyng in Lyncoln or to his wiff or children if he be ded xiijs. iiijd. Also I will that Thomas remyngton sonⁿ to James remyngton have all his gode or xx^{ti} nobles therefore. Itm. I giff and bequeath the gydyng of my soⁿ m^rmaduce fro he passe the age of xij yerez unto my Brother doctor beseching hym to putte hym to scole that he may lerne to s^rue god in his cōmaundemēts. Also I will that my seid brother haue to the ffyndyng of my seid son xiiijli. vjs. viijd. Itm I giff vnto my seid Brother my Boke de vita Xpi p^aygn hym to loke ou^r the same w^t delibacoⁿ quia in hac vita mūdum veritas vanitatū et omnia vanitas. Also I will that my wiff shall haue her feoffment that is tunstall netherborow

and leck w^t the thrids throug all my lands and all my feoffemēt late made for the pformance of this my last will not hurtfull to hir feoffemēt and thirds in no behalff. Also I will that my wiff shall duryng hir widowed and the non^rage of my Son have the Castell of thorslond at hir comāunde^t w^t all man^r of housez and eaisments therunto belongynge when and how long she lust to lye ther and when my Soñ marmaduce comyth vnto his full age and my seid wiff cōtinue then in hir widowed I will that duryng that and her lyff she be the Cheiff of the seid house and gyffynge vnto hir Son what it shall please hir theroff Also my will is that my wiff and my Son marduce have all my household stuff Also I will that my brother Doctor and other my feoffez shall receyve the rents of my lands and pay my detts therwth that aft^r folowith first to the abbot of Furnes xiiijli. vjs. viijd., and he hath an obligacōn Itm̄ to my Brother Redmayn for my Syst^r mariage xxiiijli. and he hath an obligacōn of conc^aunts. Also to my brother William xiiijli. vjs. viijd. Also to Edmūd pkykson my baliff xxvjli. xiijs. iiijd. Itm̄ to Henr de Worst xvli. vjs. viijd. Itm̄ maist^r John lawrence vijli. Itm̄ to the abbot of Cokersand vijli. Itm̄ to Sr Nicholas Makerell xli. Itm̄ to xpofer Johnson receyvor of Kendall vli. Itm̄ to the pson of Whittington vjli. xiijs. iiijd. Itm̄ to my Brod^r martyn boynton vjli. xiijs. iiijd. Itm̄ to John wright of Kyrby xls. Itm̄ to Ranald p^rston what he hath deliur^t his [torn] feoffemēt xiiijli. vjs. viijd., thes detts in especiall w^t all other in gen^rall whiche at this tyme ar not in mynde wherof due proffe can be made that I awe I beseche theym to pay theym and a white my Soule theroff. My detts payed then I will of the rents be receyved CCC marks for the mariage of my doght^r Anne. Itm̄ I will that my seid feoffs haue to my neyce Anne tunstall to hir mariage xxli. and to my neyce grace lacon to hir mariage as moch. Also I will that lionell tunstall and Edmūd pkykson have their feys by me gifyn for

t^rme of their liffs. Also I will that my neve Thomas Tunstall haue giffyn by my seid feoffs for t^rme of his liff and for his s^ruice doyng to my soñ when he com^tyth to his age xls. by yere. Also I will that my Neve Antoni lacon in lyke man^r haue asmoch. Also I will that all my s^ruants haue their hole wags and eu^ry ooñ a quart^r wagez ou^r to pray for my Soule. Also I will that my Broder Rich^r Hudleston haue the xls. fee of the pke during the liff of his fad^r and the non age of my Soñ. Also I will that my wiff haue all the tethes barnes and hay wⁱn Tunstall pisshe that I occupie at this day if she det^rmen here to kepe house at thorsland during the non age of my soñ for hir ferme paying to the Abbot Ells I will the said Barnes be in the gyding of my executors to my son be at age to pay the ferme and Rewle theym hymselff. Also I will that ij p^rsts syng for my Soule and all Cristen Soules in Tunstall Church during the nonage of my Soñ And ayther p^rst to haue by yere iiijli. Also I will that my executors agre wth William Hudleston for my Syst^r Alice mariage and feoffment and yeve hym xx^{ti} nobles or as he and they can agre for I haue payed for the same to the seid William xxxti. vjli and the feoffemēt is bot v marks Also I will that my wiff be myn executrice my Brother William Tunstall Will^m Redmayn and Edmūde pkykson be myn Executors. And I hertely pray my Brother Doctor to be supvisor of this my last will and that it may be fulfyllid for the weale of my Soule, &c.

Brian, died 9 September, 5 Hen. VIII, and his wife Isabel survives him and they had issue, Marmaduke, Brian and Anne, all surviving and Marmaduke is his son and heir and at the death of his father was aged 6 years and more and Brian was born 2 months after his father's death and is aged 4 months and more and Anne is aged 3 years and more.

Note on the marriage of Anne Tunstall.

In the account of the township of Arkholme given in the

Victoria County History of Lancashire, a mistake has crept in regarding the marriage of Anne, daughter of William Tunstall; the reference given for it being *Ducatus Lancastriæ* [Record Commission], ii, 276.

On examining this reference and comparing it with a copy of the proceedings in the lawsuit to which it refers, which was brought in 1564, it is apparent that the abstract given in *Ducatus Lanc.* is wrong as the documents show that Anne Tunstall married Hugh son of John Myres of Docker and had an only child Grace Myres who married Robert Burrow of Biggins near Kirkby Lonsdale by whom she had an only child Marmaduke Burrow who brought the action in 1564 against Edmund Myers. As Anne Tunstall was married in or about 1516 there was an interval of 48 years before the action was brought. Hence the statement, that "Marmaduke Burrow in 1564 claimed a messuage in Arkholme and Cawood in right of his wife Anne daughter of William Tunstall," requires correcting.

(See P.R.O., Duchy of Lanc. Pleadings, Vol. 57, B. 10.).
