

Coats of Arms in Berkshire Churches.

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HUNDRED OF FARINGDON.

GREAT COXWELL.

Chancel. Ledger Stone.

1. Inscription covered by organ.
.....six roundles three two and one.....a label of
three points.

Over Chancel Arch.

2. Royal Arms : George III. Dated 1787.

LITTLE COXWELL.

Over Chancel Arch.

1. Royal Arms : George III., after 1801.

GREAT FARINGDON.

North Chapel. Mural Stone,

Lionel Rich, Gent. ; d. 1742, aged 40.

1. Per pale sable and gules a cross crosslet bottonny fitchée
between four fleurs-de-lys or. RICH.

Impaling :

2. Ermine a bend fusilly gules. PYE.

He was the third son of Lionel Rich, Esquire of Dowdeswell, Co. Gos. and married Ann, third daughter of Henry Pye (d. 1749; see No. 5 below) by his second wife Ann (d. 1729; see No. 3 below), daughter of Sir Benjamin Bathurst, Kt.

Mural Marble.

Ann Pye, d. 1729, aged 39. Henry Pye, d. 1749, aged 65.

3. PYE.

Impaling :

4. Sable (*here* Pean) two bars ermine in chief three crosses patée or. BATHURST.

She was the daughter of Sir Benjamin Bathurst (*d.* 1704), Kt. of Co. Northants, M.P., by his wife Frances (*d.* 1727), daughter of Sir Allen Apsley; her eldest brother Allen (*d.* 1775) was created Earl Bathurst in 1772. She married Henry Pye (*d.* 1749) as his second wife.

North Wall. Mural Marble with bust.

Henry Pye, *d.* 1749, aged 65. William Pye; fell in action near Bengal, 1757, aged 30.

5. PYE.

Henry Pye was the son of Edmund Pye, M.D. (born 1656) by his wife Anne, daughter of Lord Crewe. He married firstly in 1705 Jane (*d.s.p.* 1706; see No. 6 below), second daughter of Sir Nathaniel Curzon, (*d.* 1718), 2nd Bt. of Kedleston, Co. Derby. He married secondly Ann Bathurst (*d.* 1729; see No. 3 above) by whom he had issue sixteen children of whom seven sons and six daughters survived. He married thirdly in 1732 Isabella, daughter of . . . Warren, Esquire, who, without issue, survived him and is buried near her husband. The line descended through his eldest son Henry (born 1709), M.P. for Berkshire, 1740-60; his second son was Rear-Admiral Sir Thomas Pye, Kt. (*d.s.p.* 1785) who erected the monument which also commemorates the latter's brother, William (*d.* 1757).

Mural Marble.

Jane Pye, wife of Henry Pye, Esquire, and second daughter of Sir Nathaniel Curzon, Bt. of Kedleston, Co. Derby; *d.* 1706, aged 23.

6. PYE.

Impaling :

7. Argent on a bend sable three popinjays or collared gules. CURZON.

See No. 5 above.

East Wall. Mural Marble.

William Bennett, *d.* 1848, aged 22.

8. Gules a bezant between three demi-lions rampant argent. BENNETT.

He was the second son of William Bennett (*d.* 1848; see No. 9 below); a Lieutenant in the 15th Hussars, he died at Madras on his way to join his regiment.

Mural Marble.

William Bennett, *d.* 1844, aged 56. Marianna, his wife ;
d. 1840, aged 45.

9. BENNETT.

Impaling :

10. Gules on a chevron between in chief two cinquefoils and in base a bugle-horn.....stringed.....three oval buckles.....

He was the son of Daniel Bennett (*d.* 1826), Esquire of Faringdon House ; he was High Sheriff of Berkshire in 1837 and married in 1817 Marianna, daughter of John Dunkin of Fryerning, Co. Essex. Both are buried in the parish church of High Wycombe, Co. Bucks. The issue was Daniel (born 1823), the eldest son, who was holding the manor of Faringdon in 1847 and married in that year Mary Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Uvedale Corbett, Esquire of Aston Hall, Co. Salop ; William (*d.* 1848), John-Dunkin (*d.* 1851) and two daughters.

South Wall. Hatchment.

11. PYE.

Impaling :

12. Ermine a fess chequy or and azure between three talbots passant sable. WARREN.

This is probably the hatchment of Henry Pye (*d.* 1749) ; see No. 5 above) who married, as his third wife, Isabella Warren.

North Transept. East Window.

George Frederick Crowdy. Edward Percy Crowdy.

13. Gules on a cross argent five escallops of the field.
 14. and in pretence ;: the same.

The window was dedicated by the Rev. James Gordon Crowdy, M.A. and Jessie Matilda Crowdy ; 1915.

West Window.

15. As in No. 13 above.

Table tomb with two recumbent figures.

Sir Thomas Unton, Kt. ; *d.* 1533. Elizabeth, his wife ; *d.* 1536.

16. West face : Dexter : Quarterly 1 & 4. Azure on a fess en-
grailed or between
three spear-heads
argent a greyhound
courant sable.
UNTON.
17. 2 & 3. Gules two chevrons
argent. FETTI-
PLACE.
- Impaling :
18. Azure three griffins segreant two and
one argent. YONGE.
19. Sinister : Quarterly 1 & 4. UNTON.
20. 2 & 3. FETTIPLACE.
21. South face : 1. Quarterly 1 & 4. UNTON.
22. 2 & 3. FETTIPLACE.
23. Impaling : YONGE.
- 24.25. 2. Quarterly UNTON and FETTIPLACE.
- 26-28. 3. Quarterly UNTON and FETTIPLACE im-
paling YONGE.
- 29.30. 4. Quarterly UNTON and FETTIPLACE.
31. East face : Dexter : Quarterly 1 & 4. UNTON.
32. 2. FETTIPLACE.
33. 3. YONGE.
over all a label of three
points.
34. Sinister : Quarterly 1 & 4. UNTON.
35. 2. FETTIPLACE.
36. 3. YONGE.
- Impaling :
37. Quarterly 1 & 4. i. and iv.....
a cross engrailed....
.....
38. ii. and iii. defaced.
39. 2. Defaced.

40.

3. Defaced.

On tabard of male figure : UNTON and FETTIPLACE
quarterly impaling YONGE.

He was the son and heir of Hugh Unton by his wife Anne, daughter and heir of William Fettiplace of Stokenchurch, Co. Oxon. From *Chancery Inquisitiones post mortem* (Ser. 2), 86 : 3, it appears that he married, probably as his first wife, Elizabeth, daughter and coheir of William Yonge (*d.* 1487) of Southbury in Hanney, Co. Berks, through whom he inherited the manor of Southbury. He subsequently married Elizabeth (*d.* 1536), fourth daughter of Oliver Hyde (*d.* 1516 ; see Denchworth No. 14) by his wife Agnes, daughter and heir of Thomas Lovingcott. Sir Thomas was Sheriff of Berkshire and Oxfordshire in 1531 ; he held the lease of the manor of Wadley in Faringdon from Oriel College, Oxford, and also appears to have held land in Minster Lovell and Aston Rowant in Co. Oxon and at Waddesdon and Fingest in Co. Bucks together with the manor of Stalpits in Shrivenham. At the coronation of Queen Anne Boleyn in May 1533 he received the honour of knighthood. By his will he founded in the church a chantry for himself and descendants. By Elizabeth Hyde Sir Thomas had issue two sons and two daughters ; his heir was Sir Alexander (*d.* 1547 ; see No. 43 below) ; Thomas, his second son, married Ann Cottysmore, lived at Letcombe Regis, Co. Berks. and *d.s.p.* in 1542. Edith (*d.* 1562), the elder daughter, married Sir John Russell (*d.* 1536) of Strensham, Co. Worcester ; Anne, the younger daughter, married John Vampage of Wollashall in Eckington, Co. Worcester.

Canopied altar tomb. Brasses.

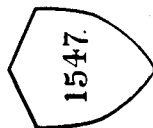
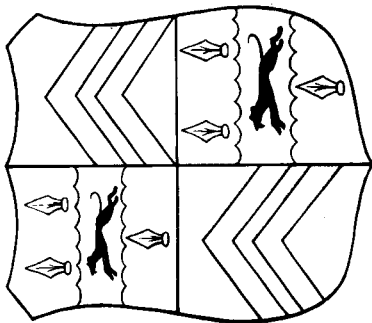
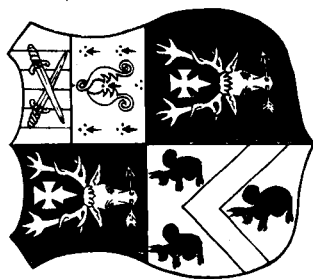
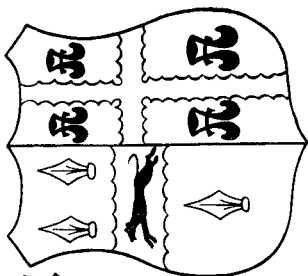
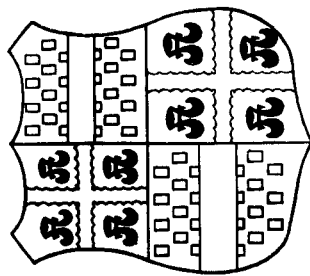
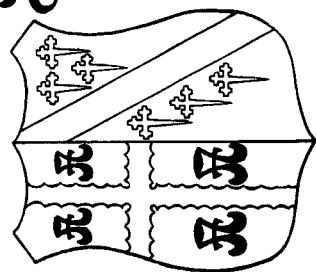
Sir Alexander Unton, Kt., *d.* 1547. Mary and Lady Cecily, his wives.

41. Above : Dexter : Argent a cross engrailed gules between four water-bougets sable.
BOURCHIER.
Impaling :
42. Gules a bend between six cross cross-lets fitchée argent. HOWARD.
43. Sinister : UNTON.
Impaling :
44. BOURCHIER.
45. Below : Dexter : Quarterly 1 & 4. UNTON.
46. 2 & 3. FETTIPLACE, a
martlet for difference.
- 47-48. Sinister : As in Nos. 45-46.
49. On dexter figure : 1. UNTON quartering FETTI-
PLACE.

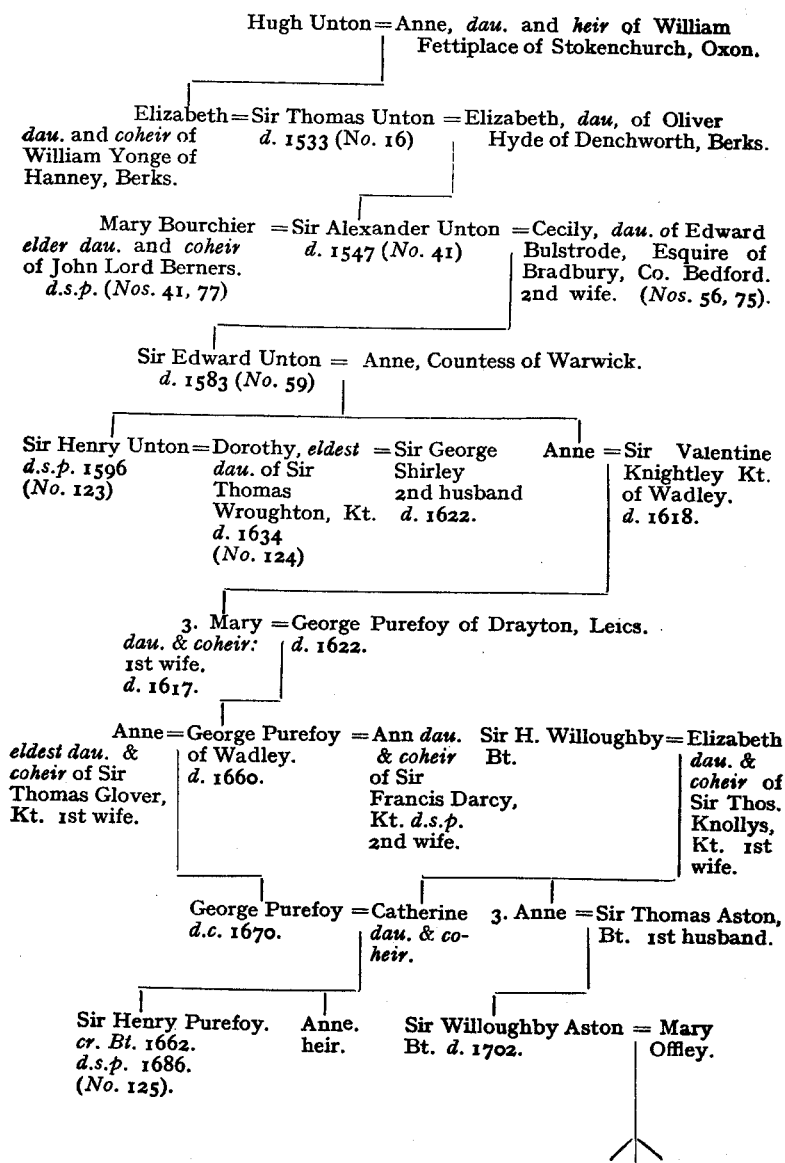
50. 2. Quarterly 1 & 4. BOURCHIER.
 51. 2 & 3. Gules billetté a fess argent (*here or*). LOUVAINE
- 52.53. On centre figure : UNTON quartering FETTIPLACE
 54.55. On sinister figure : 1. UNTON quartering FETTIPLACE
 56. 2. Quarterly 1. & 4. Sable a stag's head caboshed argent attired or between the attires a cross patée fitchée of the third through the nostrils an arrow of the last feathered of the second. BULSTRODE.
57. 2. Ermine a horse-barnacle gules on a chief paly argent and azure two knives in saltire or. KNYFFS.
58. 3. Or a chevron gules between three squirrels sejant sable.
- CHOPINDEN.

He was the son and heir of Sir Thomas Unton (*d.* 1533; see No. 16 above). He married firstly in 1514 Mary Bouchier, elder daughter and coheir of John, 2nd Lord Berners (*d.* 1532) by his wife Lady Catherine Howard; Mary *d.s.p.* and he married secondly in 1533 Cecily, daughter of Edward Bulstrode, Esquire to the Body to King Henry VII. and King Henry VIII.; she afterwards married Sir Robert Kellway, Surveyor of the Court of Wards. Sir Alexander received his knighthood at the coronation of King Edward VI. in 1547, the year in which he died; he held estates in Berkshire at Offchurch, Denchworth, Wadley, Shellingford, Sheepbridge in Swallowfield and East Hanney and in Oxfordshire at Minster Lovell and Aston Rowant. The surviving issue by his second wife was Sir Edward, his heir (see No. 59 below), Henry, Thomas (*d.c.* 1564), and Elizabeth (*d.* 1611, aged 73) who married Sir John Croke (*d.* 1608) of Chilton, Co. Bucks.

Sir Alexander Anton



KEY PEDIGREE OF UNTON AND PUREFOY.



*Mural Marble.*Sir Edward Unton, Kt., *d.* 1583.

Ten Shields.

I. Above : Quarterly of 6 :

- 59. 1 & 6. UNTON.
- 60. 2. Gules two chevrons argent on the upper chevron an ermine spot. (*HYDE*).
- 61. 3. YONGE.
- 62. 4. Argent on a bend gules three martlets or. DANVERS.
- 63. 5. Gules a fess between three dexter hands coupé argent. QUARTERMAINS.

64. II. Centre : Dexter. UNTON.

Impaling :

- 65. Azure a chevron between three lozenges or. (*HYDE*).

III. Centre : On a lozenge : Quarterly of 6 :

- 66. 1. Or on a pile gules between six fleurs-de-lys azure three leopards of England. SEYMOUR.
- 67. 2. Gules a pair of wings conjoined in lure or. SEYMOUR (*antiqua*).
- 68. 3. Vairé. BEAUCHAMP.
- 69. 4. Argent three demi-lions rampant gules. STURMY.
- 70. 5. Per bend argent and gules three roses in bend counterchanged. MACWILLIAM.
- 71. 6. Argent on a bend gules three leopards' heads or. COKER.

72. IV. Centre : Sinister: SEYMOUR (*antiqua*).

Impaling :

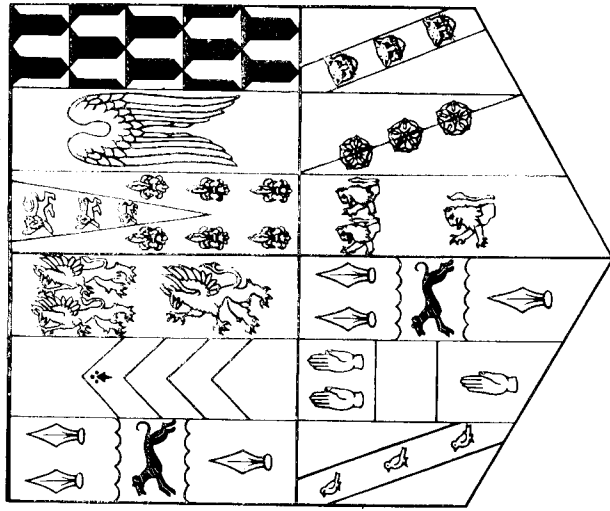
- 73. Sable a chevron (*here* gules) between three leopards' heads or. WENTWORTH.

74. V. Below : Dexter : UNTON.

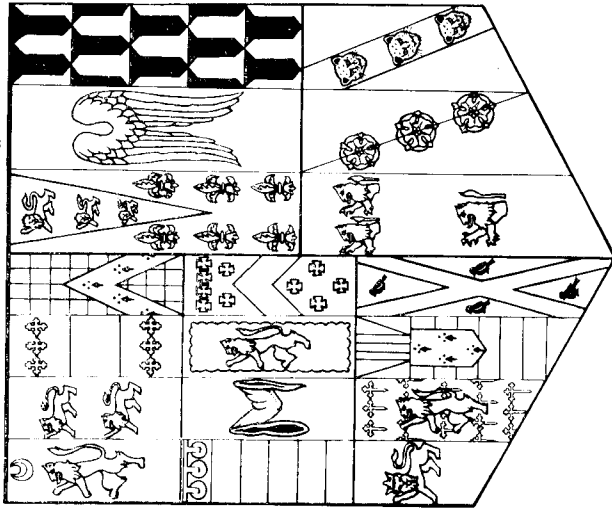
Impaling :

- 75. BULSTRODE.

Anton Seymour



Dudley Seymour



76. VI. UNTON.
Impaling :
77. BOURCHIER.
Quarterly of 6 :
- 78-82. 1 & 6. UNTON. 2. (*HYDE*).
3. YONGE. 4. DANVERS.
5. QUARTERMAINS.
Impaling :
Quarterly of 6 :
- 83-88. 1. SEYMOUR. 2. SEYMOUR
(*antiqua*). 3. BEAUCHAMP.
4. STURMY. 5. MACWILLIAM
6. COKER.
- VIII. Quarterly of 12 :
89. 1. Or a lion rampant purpure a
crescent gules. (*DUDLEY*).
90. 2. Or two lions passant azure.
(*DUDLEY*).
91. 3. Gules a fess between six cross
crosslets or. BEAUCHAMP.
92. 4. Chequy or and azure a chevron
ermine. NEWBURGH.
93. 5. Barry of six argent and azure
in chief three torteaux a label
for difference. GREY.
94. 6. Or a maunch gules.
HASTINGS.
95. 7. Gules a lion rampant within a
bordure engrailed or.
TALBOT.
96. 8. Gules a chevron between ten
crosses patée argent.
BERKELEY.
97. 9. Gules a lion passant guardant
argent crowned or. LISLE.
98. 10. Gules crusilly fitchée and a
lion rampant argent.
DELAWARR.

99. 11. Azure three bars and gyronny
or an inescutcheon ermine.
MORTIMER.
100. 12. Or a saltire between four
martlets sable. GUILDFORD
- 101-106. Impaling : Quarterly of 6 :
1. SEYMOUR. 2. SEYMOUR
(*antiqua*). 3. BEAUCHAMP.
4. STURMY. 5. MACWILLIAM
6. COKER.
- IX. On a lozenge : Quarterly of 6 :
107-112. 1. SEYMOUR. 2. SEYMOUR
(*antiqua*). 3. BEAUCHAMP.
4. STURMY. 5. MACWILLIAM
6. COKER.
- X. Sinister : Quarterly of 6 :
113-118. 1. SEYMOUR. 2. SEYMOUR
(*antiqua*). 3. BEAUCHAMP.
4. STURMY. 5. MACWILLIAM
6. COKER.
- Impaling : Quarterly :
119. 1 Quarterly ermine and gules.
STANHOPE.
120. 2. Vert three wolves courant in
pale or. MANLOVELL.
121. 3. Sable a bend between six
cross crosslets argent.
LONGVILLIERS.
122. 4. Argent three saltires en-
grailed sable a crescent for
difference. MARKHAM.

He was the son and heir of Sir Alexander Unton (*d.* 1547; see No. 43 above). He married in 1555 at Hatford Church, Anne, Countess of Warwick, eldest daughter of Sir Edward Seymour, 1st Duke of Somerset, the Protector; she was the widow of John Dudley, Earl of Warwick who died *s.p.* in 1554 shortly after his release from the Tower. Sir Edward Unton was made a Knight of the Bath at the coronation of Queen Elizabeth in 1559; he travelled in his youth in Italy and Germany, was Sheriff of Berkshire in 1567 and M.P. for the County in 1572; he received Queen Elizabeth in 1574 at Wadley; in addition to Wadley he held estates at

Shellingford, Hanney, Wick (? in Faringdon) and Hatford in Berkshire and certain others in Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire. The issue was five sons and two daughters; of the sons three died in infancy, Edward and Henry (see No. 123 below) surviving. Anne, the elder daughter, married Sir Valentine Knightley (*d.* 1618), had issue and became heir to the estates of her brother Sir Henry Unton (*d.* 1596; see No. 123 below); Cecily (*d.* 1618, aged 57), the younger daughter, married firstly in 1580 John Wentworth (*d.* 1613), Esquire of Gosfield, Co. Essex, by whom she had issue, and secondly Sir Edward Hoby, Kt. of Bisham, Co. Berks. Of the sons Edward was M.P. for Berkshire in 1585 and 1586 and a Colonel commanding two hundred men of the County raised in defence against the Spanish invasion in 1588; he was slain abroad in 1589 having married firstly Dorothy, daughter of Sir Richard Knightley, Kt. of Norton, Co. Northants; he married secondly in 1581 Katherine, elder daughter of Sir George Hastings, Kt. of Co. Leicester and appears to have had no issue. On this monument the tinctures of several of the coats have been incorrectly re-painted. On coat No. 60 on Shield I. and on No. 79 on Shield VII., there appears to be an ermine spot on the upper chevron; if this was specifically intended it would indicate that the arms of Hyde were, *c.* 1580, quartered (? in error) by Unton in place of those of Fettiplace (*cp.* Nos. 17, 20, etc. on the tomb of Sir Thomas Unton and Nos. 46, 49, etc. on the tomb of Sir Alexander Unton). The coats of Danvers and Quartermaines, Nos. 81 and 82, were presumably brought in by the marriage of Hugh Unton (possibly the grandfather of Sir Thomas Unton who died in 1533) with Agnes, daughter and coheir of Sir Robert Danvers (*d.* 1467) of Co. Oxon by his wife Agnes, daughter (but not apparently heir or coheir) of Richard Quartermaines of Rycot. On Shield II. Unton is found impaling *Azure a chevron between three lozenges or*; the latter coat may probably be intended to represent Elizabeth (*d.* 1536), daughter of Oliver Hyde (*d.* 1516) of Denchworth, and wife of Sir Thomas Unton (*d.* 1533); the arms of Hyde of Denchworth were, however, *Gules two chevrons argent*, an ermine spot being occasionally found on the upper chevron, thus distinguishing it from the otherwise identical coat of Fettiplace; the coat *Azure a chevron between three lozenges or* was borne by several families of Hyde but not by that of Denchworth. Coat No. 66 on Shield III., *Or on a pile gules between six fleurs-de-lys azure three leopards of England*, was the coat of royal augmentation granted by Henry VIII. on his marriage with Lady Jane Seymour. Shield IV. represents the marriage of Sir John Seymour (*d.* 1536), Kt. of Wolf Hall, Co. Wilts, with Margery (*d.* 1550), second daughter of Sir Henry Wentworth, K.B., of Nettlestead, Co. Suffolk, and mother of the Protector Somerset and Queen Jane Seymour. Shield VIII. represents the marriage of John Dudley, Earl of Warwick (*d.* 1554) with Anne Seymour. Shield X. represents the marriage of the Protector Somerset with Anne (*d.* 1587), daughter of Sir Edward Stanhope, Kt. of Rampton, Co. Notts, and mother of Anne, Countess of Warwick.

South-east Wall. Mural Marble.

Sir Henry Unton, Kt.; *d.s.p.* 1596.

123. UNTON.

Impaling :

124. *Argent (here ? or) a chevron gules between three boars heads coupé sable. WROUGHTON.*

He was second son and eventually heir of Sir Edward Unton (*d.* 1583; see No. 59 above) and was educated at Oriel College, Oxford, entered Middle Temple in 1575 and travelled in Italy and France. He was M.P. for New Woodstock in 1585 and for Berkshire in 1593 and in 1586 was knighted after the siege of Zutphen; in 1593 he became Knight of the Shire for Berkshire. In 1591 he was appointed Ambassador to Henry IV. of France, but suffered much from ill health; Queen Elizabeth writing to him in 1591 expressed herself thus: "And so we ende, wishing you to have care of youre owne health, which we desire as much to heare of as any friend youe have excepting youre owne wife." During his embassy in France, from which he returned in 1592, he twice challenged to a duel Duke Henri de Guise on account of the latter casting aspersions on the honour of Queen Elizabeth; the Duke declined to fight. In 1595 he returned again to France as Ambassador much against his will; he soon became ill and died at La Fère in March, 1596; his body was brought to Faringdon Church and there buried on 8th July 1596 with the funeral honours of a Baron's degree. He married, before 1591, Dorothy (*d.* 1634), eldest daughter of Sir Thomas Wroughton, Kt. of Broad Hinton, Co. Wilts by whom he had no issue; in 1598 she married, as her second husband, Sir George Shirley, Kt. (*d.* 1622). His coheirs were Elizabeth, Anne and Mary, the daughters of his sister Anne, who married Sir Valentine Knightley, Kt. (*d.* 1618); and his sister Cecilia, wife of John Wentworth, Esquire. Mary Knightley (*d.* 1617) married, as his first wife, George Purefoy (*d.* 1622), Esquire of Drayton, Co. Leicester, who was the great-grandfather of Sir Henry Purefoy (*d.* 1686; see No. 125 below).

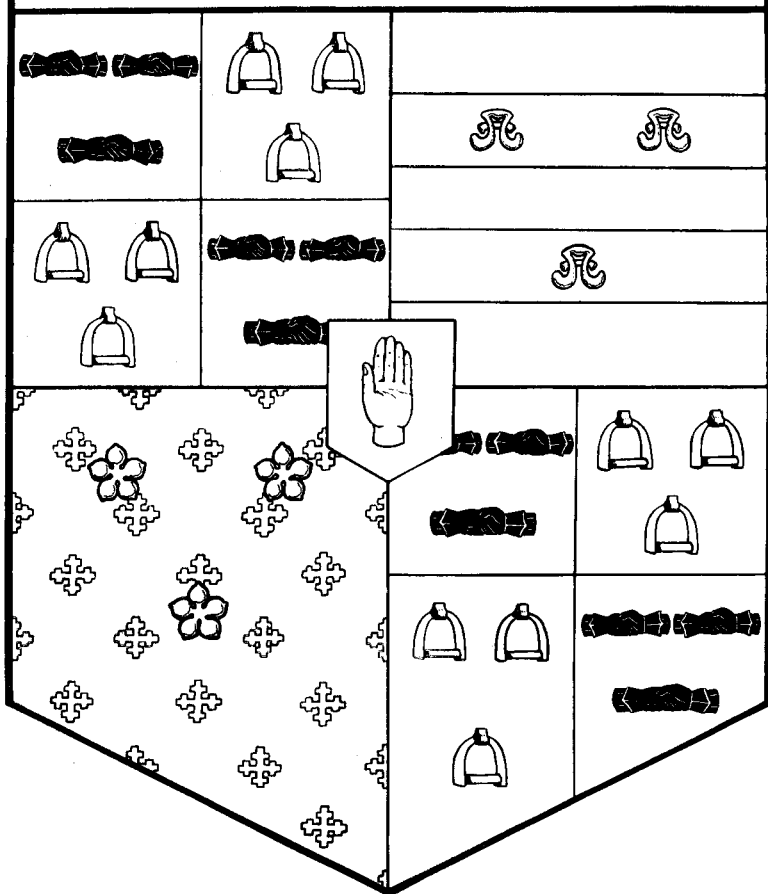
West Wall. Mural Marble.

Sir Henry Purefoy, Bt.; *d.s.p.* 1686, aged 32.

125. Quarterly 1 & 4. i. & iv. *Argent three pairs of hands armoured hand in hand sable. PUREFOY.*
126. ii. & iii. *Azure three stirrups argent. SHEREFORD.*
127. 2. *Or on two bars gules three water-bougets argent. WILLOUGHBY.*
128. 3. *Azure crusilly three cinquefoils argent. DARCY.*

He was the son and heir of George Purefoy (*d.c.* 1670) by his wife Catherine, daughter and coheir of Sir Henry Willoughby, 1st Bt. of Riseley, Co. Derby. and widow of Sir James Bellingham; he was created a baronet in 1662 at the age of eight during his father's lifetime. The arms of Shereford were brought in by the marriage of Philip Purefoy (*fl.* 1344) with Margaret, daughter and heir of Simon Shereford (Shireford) of Shireford, Co. Warwick. The manor of Wadley came into possession of the family by the marriage of Mary (*d.* 1617), daughter and coheir of Sir Valentine Knightley

Purefoy



(*d.* 1618) with George Purefoy (*d.* 1622) of Drayton, Co. Leicester; Mary Knightley's mother, Anne, was sister of Sir Henry Unton (*d.s.p.* 1596). At Sir Henry's death his estates passed by will to Sir Willoughby Aston (*d.* 1702), 2nd Bt. of Aston, who was the son of Anne, third daughter and coheir of Sir Henry Willoughby, Bt. and wife of Sir Thomas Aston (*cr.* Bt. 1628). See Pedigree of Unton and Purefoy, p. 113.

North Chapel. Ledger Stone.

Bartholomew Yate, Esquire; *d.* 1708, aged 83.

129. (*Defaced but possibly*) Per fess embattled.....and
.....three gates.....YATE.

The name of Bartholomew Yate (Yeates) of Faringdon Town appears as entered in the Visitation of 1665-6; he may have been the second son of Philip Yate (*d.* 1656) of Westbrook in Faringdon whose arms, however, were *Argent a fess between three gates sable and a canton gules*.

Chancel arch facing west.

130. Royal Arms: George III. before 1801.

South Aisle. South Wall. War Memorial.

131. Dexter: ST. GEORGE.

132. Sinister: Azure a cross patonce between four martlets or.
Trad. King ALFRED (*et alia*).