

PEDIGREE OF THE LEWKNOR FAMILY.

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I GIVE a full and corrected Pedigree of the Lewknors, who, from the time of Edward I to the days of Philip and Mary, occupied a very high position among the families of Sussex. They were the representatives of the Bodyams, the Wardeuxs, the Dallyngrudges,¹ the Bardolphs, the Folyotts, the Louches, the Husseys, and the Camoys,¹ and through these last, of the Tregoz and the Radmylles; whilst they have been connected by marriage with the De la Warres, the Sackvilles, the Pelhams, the Pellatts, the Culpepers, the Gorings, the Audleys, the Nevilles, the Finches, the Mays, the Stapleys, and the Peacheys, of whom Lord Selsey is the head, and a large number of the olden landed proprietors of Sussex. They were many times sheriffs, and various members of the family represented the shire, Chichester, Shoreham, Horsham, and East Grinstead, in Parliament. They fought and bled at Tewkesbury and Bosworth; and for the part which Edward Lewknor, who had been groom-porter to Edward VI and Queen Mary, afterwards took against that Queen, he was conveyed to the Guildhall, 15th June, 1556, and being cast to suffer death, was taken to the Tower; he died, however, before the execution of his sentence, and was buried in the Tower on 7th September. Elizabeth was not unmindful of his services, and one of the first acts of parliament introduced in her time was on 15th March, 1558, for the restitution in blood of his son Edward Lewknor, and three of his

¹ The persons appointed for Sussex, 33 Edw. III, 1351, (Rym. Fœd. vol. iii, p. 456), to take care of the kingdom during the king's absence, were, Thomas de Brewose, John de Boun of Midhurst, *Thomas de Camoys*, Andrew Peverel, Henry Tregortz, *Henry Husee*, *Robert Halsham*, Walter Colpeper, *Roger Dalyngrudge*, and John Begeberry.

brothers, and six sisters. Another, Thomas Lewknor, with many others,² was suspected, by Richard Curteis, Bishop of Chichester, 1576, of being a papist, and his citation for examination, on 24th March, 1576, was one of the charges of over-zeal made against that prelate, and against which, on the petition of Sir Thomas Palmer, sen., Knt., Richard Ernley, Esq., Thomas Lewknor, Esq., and others, in 1577, the bishop had to defend himself. (Strype's Annals, vol. ii, pt. 2, pp. 22 and 116.)

The importance which this family (now passed away) held in the county, induced me from time to time to look into their pedigree, and I found so many errors and omissions, that by degrees I filled up MS. pedigree with notes. Indeed I found not only that names were inserted without authority, but that all canonical rules had been set on one side by the persons, who had compiled the printed pedigrees. Not only were father and son made own brothers, and a daughter-in-law made to marry her husband's father, but one unfortunate bachelor was made to marry his own aunt.

The foundation of the pedigree printed by Dallaway and Berry is the Harl. MS., No. 1406, which is confessedly a hasty and bad copy of the visitation of 1634. The more correct copy of that visitation, of which I have availed myself is Harl. MS., No. 1562, and that is the basis of the pedigree now printed; it has, however, been compared with the evidence given on the Camoys peerage, and with another copy of the pedigree, Harl. MS., No. 6164. I have consulted the Battle Abbey Records, Strype, Machin, Rymer, Madox,

² The names returned by the bishop as cited (Strype's Annals) were—

Sir Thomas Palmer the elder, Knt.	Jasper Gunter, Gent.
Wm. Shelly, of Michelgrove, Esq.	John Navye, of Racton, Yeoman.
Rich. Shelly, late of Worminghurst, Esq.	John Bickley, Gent.
Thomas Lewknor, of Selsey, Esq.	John Riman, Gent.
Will. Dawtry, of Moor, Esq.	One Hare, of Mr. Carell's House.
Rich. Ernley, Esq.	Scot, of Iden.
Jeffrey Pole.	One Tichborn, of Durford, Gent.
Edw. Gage, of Bentley, Esq.	Cryer, Parson of Westmeston.
John Gage, of Firles, Esq.	Gray, Parson of Withiam.
Thos. Gage, of Firles, Esq.	The Curate of Shipley.
Edw. Gage, of Firles, Esq.	John Taylor, Parson, and
John Shelley of Patcham, Esq.	Doctor Bayley,
John Gosford, of Stansted Lodge, Gent.	With others.

Cotton's Bodyam, and other sources; and I have to acknowledge the ready and valuable aid of Sir Charles G. Young, Garter, of T. W. King, Esq., York Herald, and Wm. Courthope, Esq., Rouge-Croix, in clearing up doubts and difficulties.

I have not, however, printed the first two descents as given in the Harl. MS., No. 6164, believing, with Sir Charles Young, the descent in the MS. 1562 to be the most correct and probable. In MS. 6164, the grandfather of Sir Roger Lewknor, who married the Bardolph, is said to be Nicholas Lewknor, a witness to a charter, 50 Hen. III; and the father of Sir Roger is made Sir Jeffery Lewknor, one of the justices in Eyre, who is made by Dallaway a brother of Sir Roger and son of Thomas; but there is no authority for having a son Jeffery, or for the connection of that Geoffry Lewknor with the Sussex family. There were other families of the same name, for there was a Margeret de Lucenor, Abbess of Shaftesbury (Hutchins' Dorsetshire, vol. ii, p. 17); a Galfridus de Leukenore in 49 Hen. III (Mon. Angl., vol. ii, p. 330); a Nicholas de Leukenore in 52 Hen. III (Madox's Exch., vol. i, p. 269); on id. Oct. 1278, John de Lewkenhowere was constituted Prior of St. Frideswide, Oxon (Hearne); and in 17 Edw. III, John de Lewkenore had free warren in Spillesbury, Oxon; but they were disjointed persons. The descent of the Sussex family even from Nicholas Lewknor, who was keeper of the wardrobe, and died possessed of the manor of Rayne Hall, Essex, in 1268, leaving a son and heir, Roger, to whom Henry III confirmed the fee (Morant's Essex, vol. ii, p. 401), is very doubtful. The first correct evidence of the Sussex Lewknors is in the Placita de quo warranto, 7 Edw. I, (Cal., p. 753), where Roger de Lukenor claimed and had the manor of Herstede, in Sussex, which he and his ancestors had owned from time immemorial. On the foundation of New Winchelsea, 16 Edw. I, we find that Sir Roger de Lewkenore was assigned a tenement there, next to those of Sir William de Echingham and Simon de Echingham. In 6 Edw. II, Thomas Lewknor had free warren in Horsted Keynes, Bradhurst, Iteford, Selmeston, and Mankese, in Sussex, in South Mimms in Middlesex, and in Gretworth in co. Northampton.

Lewknor Pedigree.

NICHOLAS LEWKNOR,
Lord of the Manor of
Rayne Hall, Essex,
Keeper of the Wardrobe;
ob. 1268. This descent,
however, is not clearly
supported by authority.
(Morant's Essex, vol. ii,
p. 401.)

Roger de Lewknor,
Sheriff of Surrey,
12 Edw. I, (1284);
died seized of the manors
of Selmeston, Itford, and
Horsted Keynes. Inq.
p. m. 23 Edw. I.

Thomas Lewknor,
at. 24, 23 Edw. I. Inq.
p. m. taken at Lewes, on
Sunday after the Feast of
St. Edward.

Sir Roger Lewknor,
Knight of the Shire, 1336;
at. 32, 10th Edw. III;
Sheriff of Sussex, 29th
Edw. III;
ob. 36 Edw. III. (1362.)

Joan, da. and heir
of Richard de
Kaynes, of Hor-
sted Keynes.

Barbara, da. & heir
of . . . Bardolph.
(Katherine was his
widow, but she may
have been his wife
subsequent to Bar-
bara Bardolph.)

Sir Thomas Lewknor,
Knt., living 30 Edw. III,
(1356.)

Joane, da. and heir of
Sir John D'Oyley, of
Stoke D'Oyley.

Richard Lewknor,
M. P. for East Grin-
stead, 1374.

² John Lewknor,
Knt. of Shire, 1449.

Isabel, da. of Sir
Roger Covert.

¹ Sir Roger Lewknor,
Knight of the Shire,
4th Hen. IV (1404), ob.
10 Edw. IV. Inq. p. m.
13 Edw. IV.

Elizabeth, da.
of Sir John
Carew, of Ful-
ford.

Margaret,
mar. Sir
John Covert.

Jone, da. and heir,
mar. John Bartlott.

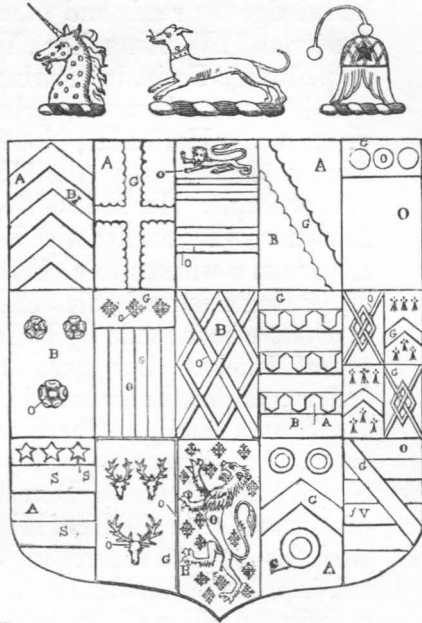
- 1. Andrew Sackville,
he ob. 9 Henry IV,
- 2. Raff. Myle,
- 3. . . . Righley.

Sir John Lewknor,
of Goring, Knight of the
Shire, 1450; Sheriff, 29
Henry VI; M. P. for
Horsham, 1459. Pro-
claimed after Tewksbury,
27th April, 1471. (Rym.
Fœd. II. p. 710.)

Sir Thomas Lewknor,
M. P. for Lewes, 1468;
Knight of the Shire;
at. 19, 13th Hen. IV.
Inq. p. m. 31 Hen. VI.

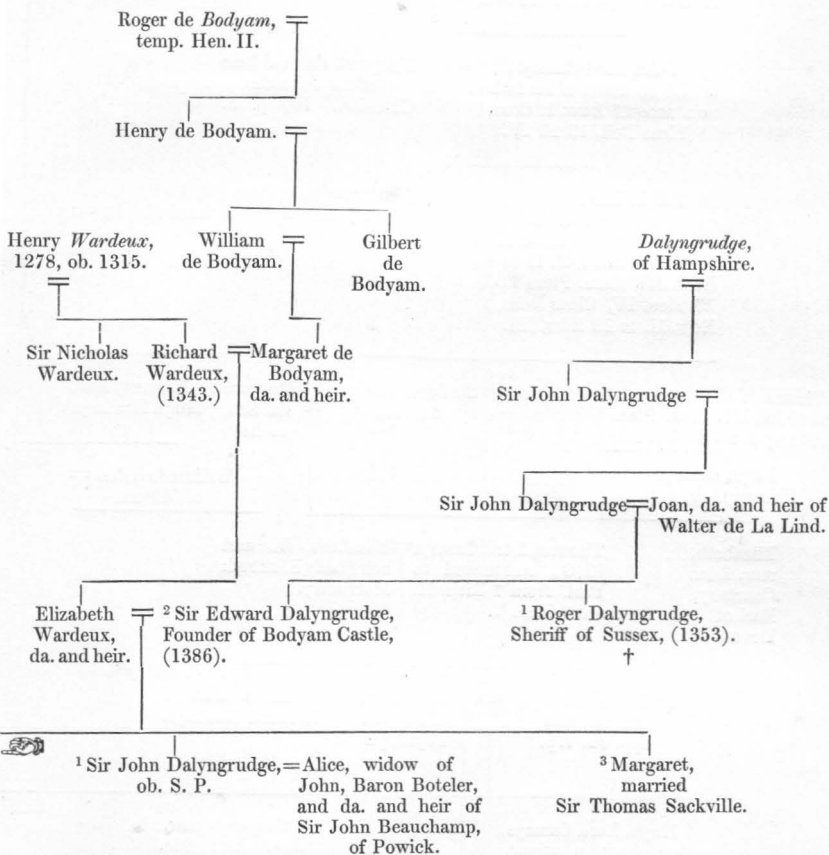
² Philippa, da. and
heir, widow of Sir
Richard Barnes,
Knt., of West
Horsley, Surrey;
who ob. 5 Hen. V.

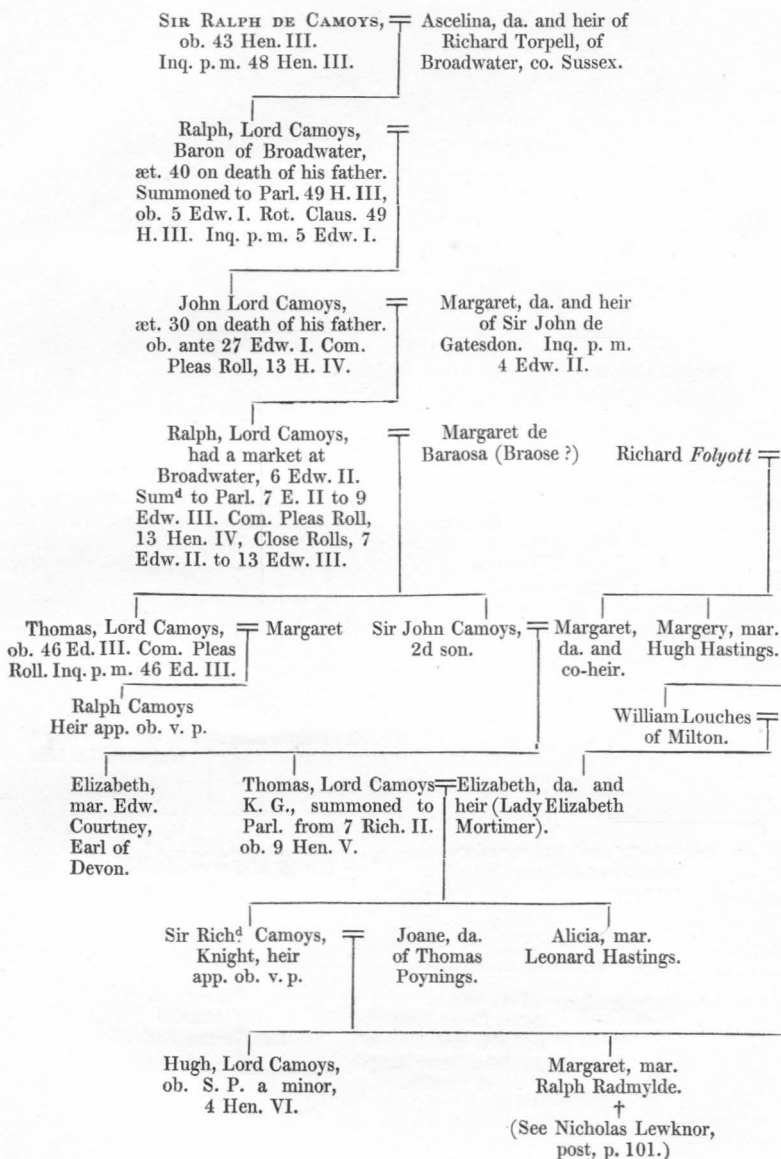
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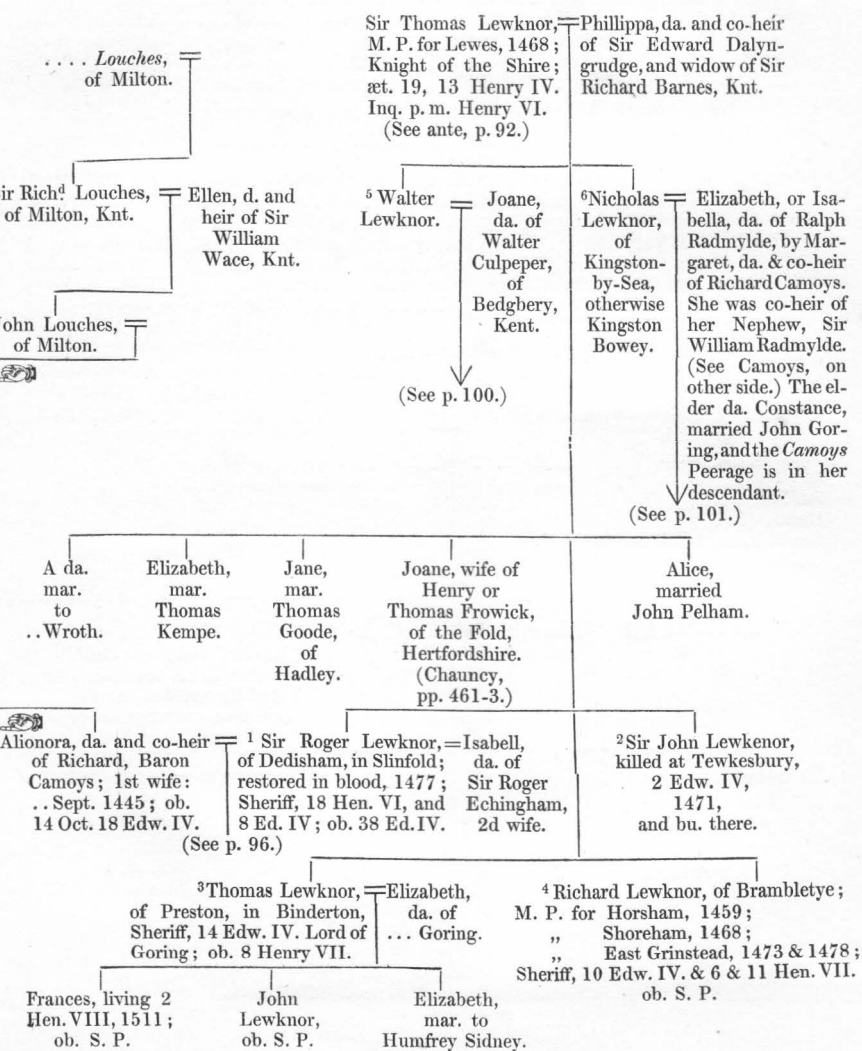


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| 1 Lewknor | 4 Folyott | 7 Grandison | 10 | 13 |
| 2 Dalyngrudge | 5 Camoys | 8 Echingham | 11 | 14 Goring |
| 3 Tregoz | 6 Bardolph | 9 Braose | 12 Doyley | 15 |







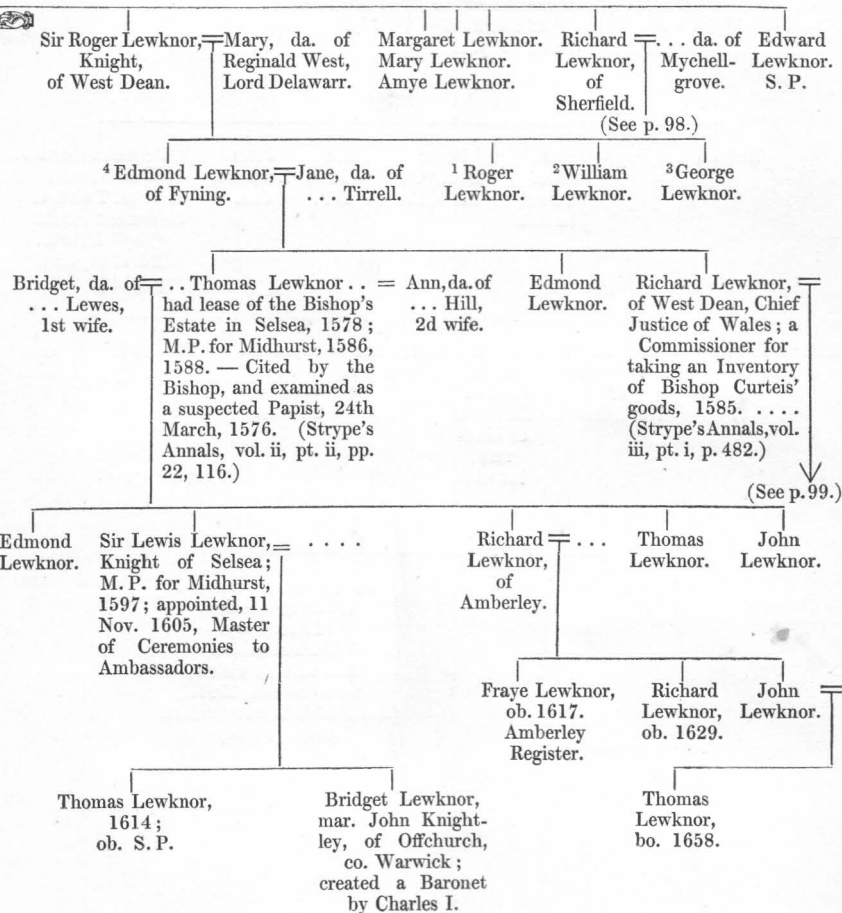
¹Sir Roger Lewknor, = Alionora, da. and co-heir
of Dedisham, in Slinfold; of Richard, Baron Camoys;
restored in blood, 1477; 1st wife: . . Sept. 1445;
ob. 38 Edw. IV. ob. 14 Oct. 18 Edw. IV.
(See ante, p. 95.)

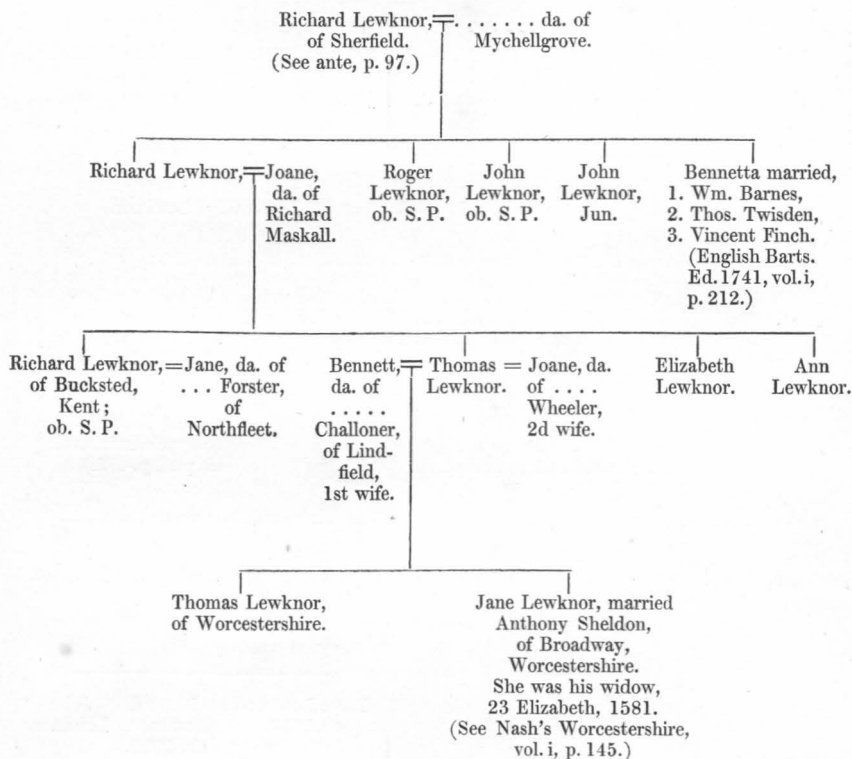
Sir Thomas Lewknor, of Trotton, æt. 34 in 29th Ed. IV; attained 1 Rich. III; ob. on the Feast of St. Mar- garet the Virgin, 2 Rich. III; attainder reversed 1 H. VII.	Catherine, da. of Sir John Pelham, Knt., and Widow of John Bramshot.	William Lewknor, S. P. George Lewknor, S. P.	Reginold Lewknor, S. P. Roger Lewknor? S. P.
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Elizabeth, da. of Thomas Meffant, 3d wife; she re-married Sir Rich. Lewknor, of Trotton. (See post, p. 100.)	Sir Roger Lewknor, Knt. Sheriff 1532; obtained the castle and demesnes of Bod- diam, 1543. Will proved 13 Ap. 1543.	Eleanor, da. = Elizabeth, of George, da. of . . Lord Hussey, Audley, wo. of . . 1st wife. 2d wife, ob. S. P.	Catherine mar. Richard Knatch- bull, temp. Hen. VII. (Eng. Bart. ed. 1741, vol. ii, p. 229.)
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John Mylle = ² Katherine of Great- Sir H. Kniv- ham, 1st vett was 38 husband. H. VIII, appointed to the wardship.	Wynd- ham Morgan 2d hus- band.	³ Mabel, mar. Anthony Stape- ley, of Framfield; ob. leaving a son not baptized, and he ob. an infant, in his father's lifetime.	Thomas = ⁴ Constance = Foster, born after of Wor- 12th Jan. cester, 1542. 1st hus- band.	N. B. Edward Glemham, of Chichester, 2d husband. (See Battel Abbey Rec. p. 146.) Living 1588, but his name is not men- tioned in the Camoys' Pe- crage case.
Lewknor = Cecilia, Mary Mylle. Mylle, of † da. of Camoys John Court, in Crooke Wool- of South- beeding ampton. and New- ton Berry, Hants. (Ped. See Visit. co. Southampton, 1622, No. 91, and 1686, No. 94.)	Elizabeth Morgan.	Henry Bosville.		
		Sir Ralph Bosville.		

Sir Arthur Pole, Knt. 2d husband.	Jane, eldest da. and co-heir.	Sir Christopher Pickering, Knt. 1st husband.	Sir William Barentyne, 3d husband; on death of Sir R. L., took Hor- sted Keynes, &c. Settle- ment on marriage dated 1st Aug. 24 Hen. VIII.
Henry Pole, ob. S. P.	Mary Pole, mar. John Stanne.	Margaret Pole, ob. un- married.	Ann Pickering, married 1st, to Francis Weston, son and heir of Sir Rich. Weston, Knt. Under Treasurer of England. 2d, Sir Hen. Knivett, of Chorlton. 3d, John Vaughan, of Kirkhowell.
			Sir Drew = Anne, Baren- of . . . tyne, of Plump- Grey. ton, co. Sussex.





Richard Lewknor, =
of West Dean.
(See ante, p. 97.)

Thomas Lewknor,
ob. S. P.

Sir Richard Lewknor, =
Serjeant at Law, Chief
Justice of Chester, Re-
corder of Chichester,
1597, M. P. for Chi-
chester; ob. 6th April,
1616, æt. 76.

Elenor, da. of
Christopher
Broome, of
Halton, Oxon.

²Margaret
mar.
John
Austen,
of Shal-
ford,
Surrey.

³Tho-
mas
Lewk-
nor.

⁴Christopher Lewknor, =
Recorder of Chi-
chester; M. P. for Mid-
hurst, 1628; M. P. for
Chichester, 1640- 1;
declared guilty of trea-
son to the Common-
wealth, and lands or-
dered to be sold, 16th
July, 1651. (Scobell's
Acts, 156.)

Mary,
da. of
John
May, of
Raw-
mere,
and
relict of
.Smith,
ob.
1642.

⁵Eliza-
beth
Lewk-
nor.

⁶Anthony
Lewk-
nor.

Susan,
da. of
Edmond
Bullock,
in co.
Salop.

⁷George
Lewk-
nor.

⁸John
Lewk-
nor.

Lawrance
Lewknor.

Elizabeth
Lewknor.

Richard Lewknor,
of Preston, in Bin-
derton; M. P. for
Midhurst, 1620;
Knt. of Shire, 1628;
ob. 27th May, 1635,
æt. 46, S. P.

Frances Lewknor, =
eldest da. and co-
heir.

Michael Martin,
of . . . Oxon.

Elizabeth
Lewknor.

Edward
Woodward
Knight Esq.
of Chaw-
ton, Hants.

Bulstrode Peachey, =
2d husband;
mar. 1725, and
assumed the name
of Knight:
ob. 1735, æt. 54,
S. P.

Elizabeth Marten, =
da. and heir.

William Woodward Knight,
of Chawton, 1st husband;
ob. S. P.

¹Richard Lewknor,
of West Dean;
ob. 9th March, 1602,
æt. 34.

Mary, da. of
Thomas Bennett,
Ald. of London.

Sir John Lewknor, K. B. =
ob. 3rd Dec. 1669,
æt. 46.

Anne, da. of
George Mynne, of
Abisham, Surrey.
She re-married Sir
Wm. Morley, of
Halnaker, and ob.
his widow 6th June,
1704, æt. 70.

John Lewknor, of =
West Dean;
M. P. for Midhurst,
1661 and 1681 to 1705;
Knt. of the Shire, 1679;
born 24th April, 1658;
ob. 19th Feb. 1706, S. P.

Jane
(who eloped, and an
Act was passed, 2 Wm.
& Mary, to illegitimate
any child she had then
had or should have
during her elopement.)

