

## NOTE.

Sir Alexander Avenon was a son of Robert Avenon of King's Norton in Worcestershire. He was of the Ironmongers' Company, of which he served as Master eight times between the years 1559 and 1578. He was one of the Sheriffs in 1561-2, and Lord Mayor in 1569-70, when he was knighted. His burial in the church of St. Peter the Apostle, which stood at the south-west corner of Wood Street, is mentioned both by Stowe and by Smith Rouge dragon; but his epitaph has not been preserved.

Sir Alexander had three wives. The first was Elizabeth, mentioned in the pedigree, who was, like himself, a native of King's Norton in Worcestershire; she died during his mayoralty, on the 7th July, 1570.

But it was not long before a rich widow re-assured him; and their union was evidently hastened that she might have the honour of marrying a Lord Mayor. Just one week before his year of office expired the ceremony was performed, as thus recorded in the register of Allhallows, Bread-street: "Anno 1570, Oct. 22, was married Sir Alexander Avenon, Lord Mayor, and Mistress Blunden, widow, by license within his own house." This lady was Alice, one of the daughters and heirs of Thomas Huchen, citizen and mercer, and she was married three times. Her first husband was Hugh Methwold, mercer, by whom she had issue William her son and heir. Her second husband was John Blundell, mercer, by whom she had issue one son, Philip, who died before her, and eight daughters, whereof five were married, and their husbands are named in her epitaph. Dame Alice died Nov. 21, 1574, in her 61st year, and has a fair monument still in St. Lawrence Jewry, of which the inscription will be found in the Histories of London.

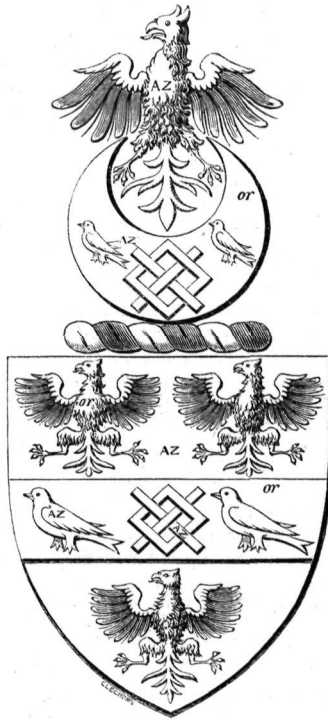
The name of Sir Alexander's third wife is said to have been *Agnes Sampto*.

The death of Sir Alexander's daughter, Mrs. Starkey, occurred whilst he was Sheriff, and the funeral is thus described by Machyn in his Diary: "1562. The first day of August was buried Mistress Starkey, the wife of Master Starkey, skinner, and the daughter of Master Avenon, sheriff of London, with xvj clerks singing, and x. poor women in mantel frieze gowns, master sheriff the chief mourner, and after [him] twenty mourners in black, both men and women; and master Busken made the sermon."

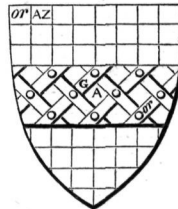
The arms of Sir Alexander Avenon were granted to him by patent dated 9 Eliz., and were thus blazoned: Ermine, on a pale gules a cross flory gold, on a chief sables a billet of the third within a masklin between two escallops silver. Crest, a parrot's head erased proper, two gemelles about his neck gold, holding in his beak gules a branch of olive vert, between two wings per pale vert and gules.

The arms of his wife Elizabeth Slowz, as drawn in the pedigree, have not been found elsewhere; but in Burke's *General Armory*, nomine *SLOWZ*, occur five variations of the same materials.

In Dr. Prattinton's Worcestershire Collections, preserved in the library of the Society of Antiquaries, may be found many entries of the Avenon family, extracted from the register of the chapel of King's Norton.



..... uxor ejus. =Sr William= Alice, dau. of Tomlin= Richard Harison of  
 Harper, son, ob. 10 Oct. 1569. Shropshire, 1st hus-  
 maior of band.  
 London.



Beatrix Harison, unica filia, nupta Prestwood.

## NOTE.

Sir William Harper was the son of William Harper of Bedford. He was of the Merchant-tailors' company, Sheriff in 1556, and Lord Mayor in 1561, and then knighted. "He dwelled in Lombard strete, where Mr Butler now dwelleth, but was buried at Bedford, where he was borne." (William Smith, Rouge-dragon, writing in 1603.)

He died Feb. 27, 1573, aged 77, and was buried in St. Paul's church at Bedford, where still remain his effigies and that of his second wife in brass plates. He is represented in a full suit of armour, over which is his alderman's gown (engraved in Fisher's *Illustrations of Bedfordshire*).

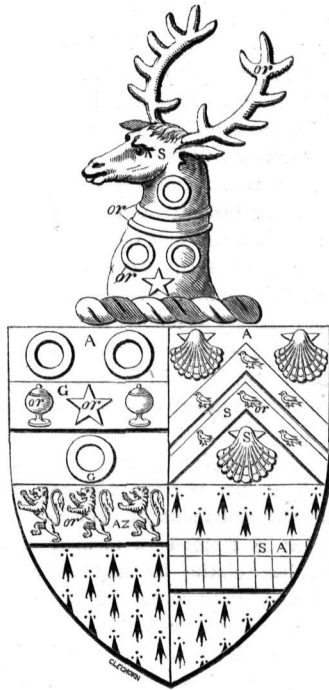
Sir William Harper was the founder of the School at Bedford, the benefits of which have been very largely extended in modern times in consequence of the vast increase in value of its estates, which were originally thirteen acres and one rood of meadow, lying in the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn. (See Carlisle's "Endowed Grammar Schools in England and Wales, 1818," vol. i. pp. 1—26.)

A small volume, entitled *The Bedford Schools and Charities of Sir William Harper*, compiled by James Wyatt, 1856, 8vo. contains the history of the endowment, the act of parliament, and scheme of rules for its management, together with what is termed "a memoir of Sir William Harper," occupying eleven pages, but relating few facts beyond the incidents regarding his shrievalty and mayoralty contained in Machyn's Diary, and some particulars of his marriages which are not correct. His portrait, engraved by W. Richardson, and copied in Mr. Wyatt's book, is not certainly authentic, being taken from the series of Elizabethan lord mayors, engraved in wood, some of which serve for several lord mayors, as described in Granger's *Biographical History of England* (edit. 1824), vol. i. p. 299.

When the school was rebuilt in 1767, his statue was placed over its door, with a Latin inscription; and he has also a monument in the church, with a Latin epitaph, of the last century. *These were both appointed to be erected by the act of parliament passed in 1764.*

Sir William Harper's arms were granted to him by Barker, Garter. They are painted in G 1, at fol. 3, but no pedigree was entered. The surname of his second wife is not known, though her arms appear in the pedigree; her christian name, Margaret, she inserted in her husband's epitaph.

In the Visitation of Surrey, 1623 (C 2, fol. 253), is a pedigree of Harper with exactly the same arms, and signed by Henry Harper, then of Camberwell; but how related to the Lord Mayor is not stated.



John Draper of Flintham, in com. Nottingham, ar.—.....

Thomas Draper of Flintham.—..... filia et hæres..... Auger et uxoris ejus  
 filia et heredis ..... Urswick.

Thomas Draper of Flintham.—..... filia ..... Robert Draper, —..... dau. and coheyre of  
 Kettleby. 2nd son. .... Fyfeild.

Johannes —..... filia ..... Mathew Draper of Benett, wife Elizabeth, wife  
 Draper. Gunstone. Camberwell. to John Fro- to John Bow-  
 monde. yer.

Thomas Draper. William Draper. Sir Christopher Draper, k<sup>t</sup>, third —Margaret, dau. of Henry  
 sonne, mayor of London 1566. Greene of Essex.

Benett, wife to William Anne, wife to Sir Wolstan Brigida, wife to Stephen  
 Webbe of London. Dixye, alderman of London. Woodroff of London.

## NOTE.

Sir Christopher Draper was an Ironmonger, Master of that Company eight times between 1557 and 1581, Alderman of Cordwainers' ward, Sheriff in 1560, Lord Mayor in 1566-7, and then knighted. He was buried in the church of St. Dunstan's in the East, and his epitaph is printed by Stowe with the date 1580, altered in later editions to 1560. Both dates must be incorrect, as he was elected Master of the Ironmongers for the last time in April 1581.

The inscription states that his daughter Bridget, after the death of her husband Stephen Woodroffe, became the wife of Sir Henry Billingsley, Lord Mayor in 1597. But her first husband, before Woodroffe, was Hugh Unton, who died Nov. 1562, and an abstract of whose will may be seen in the memoir of that family, prefixed to *The Unton Inventories*, 1841, p. xx. He was one of the sons of Hugh Unton, or Umpton, for whom a yearly obit was kept by the Drapers' Company.

Sir Christopher's two other sons-in-law both also attained the chair of chief magistrate, Sir Wolstan Dixie in 1586, and Sir William Webbe in 1592.

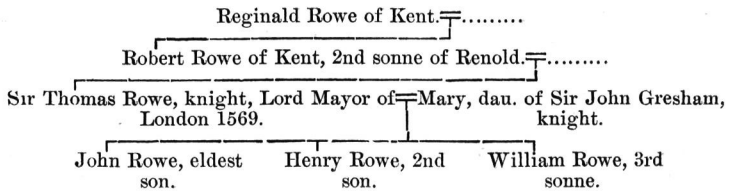
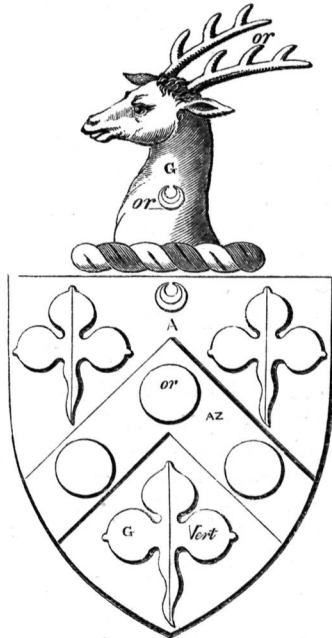
The pedigree of Draper has recently been printed more than once. See the *Collectanea Topographica et Genealogica*, 1836, vol. iii. p. 150; the *Collections of the Surrey Archaeological Society*, vol. iii. p. 220; and *Nicholl's History of the Ironmongers' Company*, 4to. 1867, p. 520.

The pedigree of the Drapers of Flintham is recorded in the *Visitation of Nottinghamshire*, made in 1614, and printed in *Thoroton's History of that county*, p. 133, Throsby's edit. vol. i. p. 253. It commences with John Draper of Flintham, who by Sibilla his wife had a son John, also of Flintham, living 9 Hen. V. This John married Elizabeth, daughter of ——— Wimondham of Claxton, co. Leic. and is the John named first in the *London Visitation*.

Matthew Draper, esquire, of Camberwell (named in the opposite pedigree), married Sence, daughter of William Blackwell of London, esquire, and died July 21, 1577. Their kneeling figures, having between them a table with open prayer-books, are engraved, from a brass in Camberwell church, in Allport's *History of Camberwell*, 8vo. 1841, p. 134.

"A patent grawnted unto Xp'ofor Draper by Harvey, alias Clarenceux, for the confirmation of the arms which were borne by Draper of Melton Mowbray of antiquity." (F 1, fol. 55.)

The arms granted are: 1. Draper; 2. Draper; 3. Auger; 4. Urswick. (as engraved in the opposite page). In G 1 they are drawn a second time, impaled with Gules, a lion per fess argent and sable, armed azure, crowned or, on the shoulder an annulet of the fourth, for Greene of Essex.



## NOTE.

Sir Thomas Rowe was of the Merchant-Tailors' company, Sheriff in 1559, and Lord Mayor in 1567. He died Sept. 2, 1570, and was buried at Hackney. Of his monument there is an engraving made for Mr. Rowe Mores in 1752, and it is inserted in Robinson's *History of Hackney*, 1842, vol. ii. p. 8. For his pageant or show see Herbert's *City Companies*, i. 199, and his will, *ibid.* p. 504. "He dwelled in Bishopsgate strete, where his sonne Sr Henry Rowe now dwelleth." (William Smith, Rouge-dragon, writing in 1603.)

A full pedigree of this family of Rowe will be found in *The History and Antiquities of Tunstall, in Kent*, by Edward Rowe Mores, F.S.A. printed as the first number of the *Bibliotheca Topographica Britannica*, 1780, 4to. and one also in Nicholl's *History of the Ironmongers' Company*, 1866, p. 530.

John Rowe, the eldest son of Sir Thomas, was Sheriff of Bedfordshire in 1584, but died during his shrievalty, and left no male issue.

The second son was afterwards Sir Henry Rowe, Lord Mayor in 1607. The eldest daughter and coheir of his great-grandson Anthony Rowe of Muswell Hill, co. Middlesex, esquire, was married to Trevor Hill, Viscount Hillsborough, and is represented by the Marquis of Downshire.

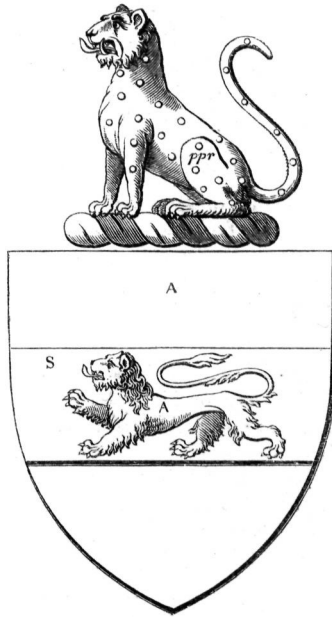
William, the third son, was of Higham Hill, Walthamstow, and was grandfather of Anne Rowe, the heiress of that branch, who having been married to Edward Mores of Great Coxwell, co. Bucks, gentleman, became grandmother of the antiquary Edward Rowe Mores.

Sir William Rowe, Lord Mayor in 1592, was cousin to Sir Thomas, and son of Thomas Rowe of Penshurst in Kent.

In five generations nine members of this prosperous family (including the three Lord Mayors) attained the rank of knighthood.

Sir Thomas Rowe had a grant of his arms by a patent of Garter and Norroy in 1566. (F 1, f. 313 b.) In the Visitation-book, G 1, the coat is drawn a second time, impaling Gresham, Argent, a chevron ermineo between three mullets pierced sable.

"1559. The ix day of October was master Rowe the alderman's daughter married in Saint Martin's at the well with two buckets [otherwise called St. Martin Outwich,] to a merchant; and there were many worshipful men and women there; and there was a sermon; and afterwards to his place to dinner; and he gave ij C. pair of gloves; and at night there came two as goodly masques as has been seen." (Machyn's Diary.)



Thomas Gerrard of Sittingborne in Kent. —————

└───┬───┘  
 Laurence Gerrard. —————

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 John Garrard. —————

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 Willielmus Garrard de Dorney, in com. Buk. miles, — Isabell, dau. of Julinus Ne-  
 maior London. 1555, sepultus in ecclesia Sancti — thermill of Coventry, in com.  
 Magni prope pontem London. Warr. gent.

Sir William Garrard of Dorney, knt.	└───┬───┘ Elizabeth, da. of Thomas Rowe, knt. Lord Maior.	George, 2nd son. Peter, 4th son.	Sir John Gar- rard, knight, maior of Lon- don, 3rd sonne.	└───┬───┘ Anne, w. to George Barne, son and heir to S <sup>r</sup> George Barne, knt.
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John. Henry.	└───┬───┘ William. George.	└───┬───┘ Thomas Garard, 1st — son and heir.	└───┬───┘ ..... dau. of S <sup>r</sup> William Clark, knt.	└───┬───┘ Anna. Juditha.	└───┬───┘ Martha. Catarina.
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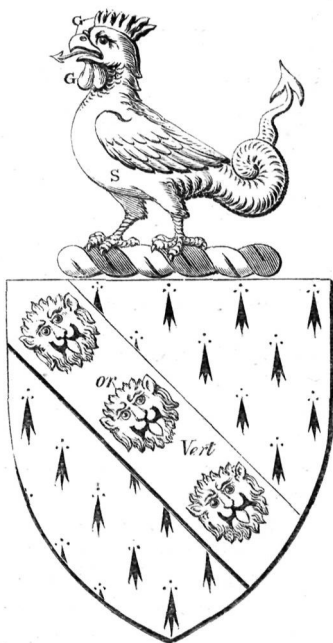
Sir William Garrard was of the Haberdashers' Company, Sheriff in 1552, Lord Mayor in 1555 (see his pageant described in Machyn's Diary, p. 96). "He dwelled at y<sup>e</sup> Pissing Conduit in St. Xp'ofer's parish: But buried at St. Magnus, in w<sup>ch</sup> parish he was borne. He died y<sup>e</sup> 27 Septemb. 1571." (Catalogue of William Smith, Rouge-dragon.)

Sir William Garrard is mentioned by Stowe among the persons interred in St. Magnus, as "a grave, wise, and discreet citizen, equal with the best and inferior to none of our time;" and it is added that he had "a fair monument," which had been repaired by his son; but the epitaph is not preserved.

The epitaph of his son, Sir William Garrard of Dorney, who died 17 Nov. 1607, æt. 70, will be found (imperfect) in Lipscomb's *History of Buckinghamshire*, vol. iii. p. 276. It is placed on a large monument with kneeling effigies of himself and wife, seven sons and eight daughters, in Dorney church. His wife was a daughter of Sir Thomas Rowe, but whether the daughter whose marriage is described by Machyn (see p. 21) is uncertain.

Sir John Garrard, the third son, of whom Rouge-dragon remarks in 1603: "He dwelleth in St. Martin's Lane, betwene Canwikstrete and the Old Swann," was also a Haberdasher, Sheriff in 1592, Lord Mayor 1601-2, and then knighted. He married Jane, daughter of Richard Partridge, haberdasher; "they lived comfortably together 43 years," having had thirteen children, whereof five died young. She died Jan. 24, 1616; he May 7, 1625, aged 79, leaving two sons and six daughters surviving. They were buried at St. Magnus, where a monument was erected in 1629 by Benedict Garrard, gentleman, their youngest son. See the epitaph in Stowe, edit. 1633, p. 844.

Sir John Garrard, son of Sir John, was knighted at Whitehall, Feb. 26, 1614-15, and created a Baronet Feb. 16, 1621-2. He married Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Sir Edward Barkham, Lord Mayor in 1621. The family maintained its connection with the city of London, and Sir Samuel Garrard, the fourth Baronet, was Lord Mayor in 1710. The baronetcy became extinct on the death of Sir Benet Garrard, the sixth Baronet, in 1767, when the name was assumed by Charles Drake, esq. as heir descended from the third Baronet, and who is now represented by Charles Benet Drake-Garrard, esq. of Lamer Park, Wheathampstead. See the pedigree printed in Clutterbuck's *Hertfordshire*, vol. i. p. 514.



John Langley of Yorkshier, esquier. —————

Robert Langley, 1st son, of Althorp, in com. Lincoln. ————— Emme, dau. of William More of Yorkshier. ————— Adam Langley, 2nd son.

William Langley, 1st son, ob. s.p. ————— Thomas Langley, 2nd son. ————— 1. Joane, dau. of John Potkyn. ————— John Langley of London, alderman, third son. ————— 2. Ursula, dau. of William Tilsworth of London, goldsmith, widow to George Beresford of London, leather-seller.

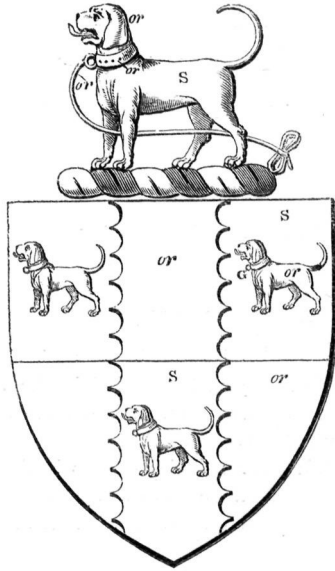


William Langley. ————— Thomas Langley. ————— Francis Langley.

## NOTE.

Sir John Langley was a Goldsmith ; he was Sheriff in 1566, and Lord Mayor in 1576, during which year he was knighted. He was buried in the chapel at Guildhall, "in the vault under the tomb of John Welles," who was mayor in 1451, and renewed and decorated that edifice.

The arms given for Sir John Langley's first wife Joan Potkyn,—Argent, on a fess between three talbots gules, as many lozenges of the field,—are, in the alphabet of arms appended to the Harl. MS. 1463, assigned to "Potkin of Kent."



Joane, dau. of John Daborne of Goldeford, in Surr, 1 ux.

Sir William Allen, knt. Maior of London 1572.

Mary, dau. of Simon Long of the Isle of Wight, ux. 2.



William Allen, sonne and heire.

Rafe, 2nd son.

1. Joane, wife to Thomas Starkey of London, skynner.

2. Sibell.  
3. Margaret.

Martha.  
Dorothy.  
Judith.

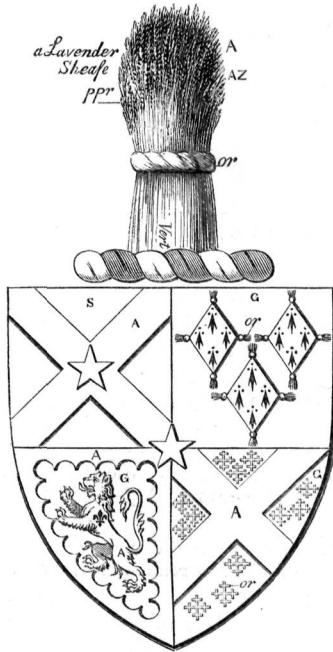
## NOTE.

Sir William Allen was the son of William Allen, citizen and Poulterer. "He was first free of the Leathersellers, afterwards a Mercer, and dwelled when he was Sheriff in Bow lane, when he was Maior in Tower strete; but buried at St. Botulphes without Bishopsgate, in which parish he was borne." (William Smith, Rouge-dragon.) He was "elected Sheriff for the Queen" at the Merchant Taylors' feast (which is described at some length in Machyn's Diary), July 1, 1562, and was Lord Mayor in 1571-2.

His mother, under the name of "mistress Challenger, widow," was buried at St. Dunstan's in the East, Aug. 21, 1558. (Machyn.)

Joane his first wife died in childbed of her ninth child the 22nd of May, 1560, as stated in an epitaph at St. Leonard's, Fish street hill. (MS. Lansd. 874, fol. 10 b.) At her funeral there were many mourners in black, and the Masters of the Hospital with their green staves; with the company of his craft (then the Leathersellers), and that of the Clerks. Gowns were given to poor women; and the mourners went from the church to his house, and had there spice-bread and wine. (Machyn, p. 235.)

On Monday the 16th Nov. 1562, was married at Bow church master Allen the Sheriff's daughter to master Starkey, merchant and Skinner; there were present many worshipful men and women, and master Crowley did preach. And afterwards a great dinner. (Ibid. p. 296.) This was a few months after master Starkey had lost his former wife, the daughter of master Avenon, one of the Sheriffs of the preceding year, as previously related in p. 15.



Mary, dau. of Hugh Leighton of Leighton, in com. Salop.

Sir Lionell Duckett, knt. Maior of London.

Jane, dau. of Humfrey Pakington, esq. ux. 2.

George Duckett, died young.

Thomas Duckett, sonne and heyre.

