



Phipps Families of Berkshire.

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(1) Of New Windsor. Robert Fyppes found there 1556, dead before 1579, no Will known, his wife Eliz., dr. of Richard ? Archer (by Agnes . . . , widow of . . . Heysey) in 1580 was widow of Thos. Aughton, of New W., gent. Her Will dt. 1603. Their sons were Robert & Frederick Phippes. Former died 1601, leaving a wife Susan : latter died 1601, s.p., was of Dunnington, co. Lincoln. They were prob. connected with Edward Vaughan, Esq. & Henry V., Robert Lowe, & Mr. Peter Wentworth. Who were these last ?

John Phippes was of New W. & Clewer 1602.

George P. witnessed Will 1645 of Thos. Browne, poor knight of Windsor.

William P., brasier, died 1726, wife Eliz. died 1753. 6 children, 3 sons Willm. died 1750, Rich., Robert (in 1750 a pewterer of London).

John P., died 1766, of New W., Sunninghill, & Bray. Butcher. Dr., Eliz. Lunn. Grandsons John & Willm. P.

(2) OF READING. John P., Mayor of R., 1564.

Thos. P. of St. Mary's had children Agnes 1621, Thos. 1624.

Thos. P., prob. a candlemaker 1652, on a jury 1641, 1651.

Joseph P. burd. at Tilehurst 1639.

Anne P. marrd. 20. 11. 1645 at St. Mary's Willm. Newbery.

I now come to my family which seems quite distinct from above. FRANCIS PHIPPS of R. had the Beare Inn 1643 (bought from Mr. Payne Cantrell—who was this ?) Imprisoned in Windsor Castle 1643 by Parly. party, & had to pay Colonel Venn £7 for freedom & bond for £60, to cover which £60 worth of his Wine was seized from his Inn at R. by Commissary Blunder. As shown at the Visitn. of Berks 1664 he was eldest son of George P. of Walton Hall (i.e. EDWALTON) near Nottingham (who marrd. 1606, as "Mr." G. P. at Nottm. Anne dr. of Willm. Elliott of Stoke, & widow of John Power gen. of Edwalton). The old Psh. Regstr.

of Edwalton is in fragments, but about 1610 appears signs of the baptism of a "Phi . . ." This George P., gent, with brothers Willm. & Anthony, was son of Robert P. of Nott'm, died 1615 ? by marr, in 1570 with Isabel Brounley at Nott'm. I can find no Wills, but an Admon. 1615 of Robert P., "nuper de Baker" (now unknown), Notts to George P. & in 1616 of George P., of UFFINGTON, co. Lincoln, to widow Ann, who was living 1627. She prob. possessed some property.

When and why did FRANCIS P. come to Reading ? His brother Caleb P., acc. to Visitn. d.s.p., but I find he married, 1634 as a saddler of Nott'm, Ellenor Lambe, & had 6 children before 1652, Edward, Anne, George, Eliz., Joshua, Mary. (I have not yet searched for their deaths), whilst "Caleb son of late George P." was burd. 1675, but ? which George P.

Of Francis P's. sisters Ann & Judith nothing is known. There were very many Ps. of co. Notts, & about 1569 3 Robert Ps. in the Town.

The only clue is Will 1652 of Tanfield Vachell of Reading, "Francis P., formerly my servant," to whom he may have been apprenticed as a boy.

In 1651 Admon. was granted to F.P. of late wife Avis (widow of (1) . . Foster, (2) of Jn. Hicks, vintner, of St. Lawrence, Rg.). But in Visitn. his children are shown as by Anne dr. of . . . Sharpe of Cirencester (Will not found), by Anne . . . who marrd. (2) as second wife Thos. Hilman, Innholder, of Maidenhead, Will pd. 1645, wife's 1655, she refers to "my son Francis P." Who was this Sharpe of Cirencester (who willed £20 to his dr. Anne) ? When & where did Francis P. marry Anne Sharpe ? Prob. at Maidenhead or Bray. She died 1660. F.P. possibly then marrd. (3) Sarah ? widow of Colonel John Jeaffreson of Dullingham, co. Camb., one of the earliest settlers in St. Kitts, W. Indies, who by his first marr. with Mary Parkyns of co. Notts. had a son Christopher, thus half brother by affinity to Francis P's. children, whom he always wrote to as "brothers."

Chancery Proceedings show that F.P. had various lawsuits : in 1652 with Peter Coxe, vintner of Ln. ; 1657 as defendant with Dame Rose Blagrove v. Alice Newbery of Tilehurst ; in 1663 with Abraham Vandenbende, Esq., about Beenham Farm (in this, Thos. Levington & Constantine Skinner are said to be very good friends & guests to F.P.) in 1663 v. Extrs of Edward Eldridge of Theale, Tilehurst, etc.

In 1649 He was Surveyor of Highways, 1648/52 Member of Vestry, St. Mary's, 1660 Postmaster, Reading.

In 1664 he signed his statement to the Herald, sealing it with the P. arms as used now, with helm and mantlet. His age then 54. He was buried 10.2.1667/8 at St. Mary's. Will PCC., Extrs. John Blagrave Esq., of Arborfield, Thomas Seikes* of Rg., gent, Thos. Bullocke of Binfield, gent. (Did these leave Wills?). PRO COLLINS. 471/34, of 5, 1693 shows in great detail the action of these Extrs.

His children were (a) Francis, eldest son, bapt. 1644, was in 1664 of King's Coll. Cam. I shd. be very glad to know what record there is of him at this College. Crisp's NOTES says he was the F.P. of King's Coll., BA 1666, S.T.B. 1681, Rector of Upton on Severn, married Bridget dr. of James Fleetwood, Bishop of Worcester, but this Rector died 1683 aged 43 (he bore the same arms), leaving all to wife; also our F.P. was perhaps alive 1786, when (Sir) Constantine P. was made a Bencher as 3rd (i.e. surviving?) son of F.P. (senior), late of Rg. But I have a note of Will PCC pd. 1699 of Francis P., of St. Martin's in Fields, meal factor, wife Grace, dr. Grace. Wits. Thos. & John Jemmatt (Reading names), Willm. Beasley :—there was in 1726 a Grace P., wid., of St. Giles, Rg., dr. of Mr. Thos. Jemmatt of Rg., whose dr. Grace marrd. 1726 Rev. Philip Vaughan of Rg. By his father's Will, F.P. junior got property at Burghfield.

(b) George P., bapt. 1645, Got £200 by father's Will. In London 1674. No more known. *Not* the George P. of Ecclesfield, Yorks, as once believed.

(c) James, bapt. 1649, prob. died infant.

(d) Thomas P., bapt. 1651. By father's Will got the Bear Inn, Rg., premises in Castle St., & £20 a year. He was of Staple Inn, gent., died 1671, left widow Eliz., who brought actions v. F.P.'s Exts. & his eldest son on behalf of her son Thos. P., for his inheritance.

(e) Ann, bapt. 1652, burd. 1656.

(f) James P., bapt. 1653, my ancestor. Got £500 by father's Will. Apprenticed 1670 to Mr. Stamper, milliner, of London. (Where would a record of this be found?) Prob. left 1675. Provost Marshal, Antigua 1677, sold 300 acres there 1681. Became a prosperous planter at St. Kitts, Capt. of local regt. Visited

* Thomas Seakes alderman of Reading 1665 (Ed.)

England 1685. Killed 1689 at Siege of St. Kitts by French. Extrs of Will (not found) Col. Pym, & J.P.'s half brother, Christopher Jeaffreson, who wrote him many letters. Children, Col. Francis P. of St. Kitts, Member of Council, & 2 drs. (one Anne brought up by her Uncle Sir Con. P.). (See Jn. Cordy jeaff.'s "Young Squire of 17th Century.").

(g) Mary P., bapt. 1654, marrd. 1673 Rev. Jn. Jackson, Rector of Lee, Kent. She d. 1685.

(h) Ann and Constantine P., twins.

Ann marrd. 1675 Geo. Reeves, of Ln, who deserted her & died in Virginia. She d. 1693, lived with sister Mary at Lee. Admon. to Con. P.

Constantine P., bapt. 1656. At school with James P. 1668. In 1675 went to Ln. to his master, prob. Thos. King, milliner, or Mr. Ireland? Elected 1672 to scholarship, St. John's Coll., Ox., from Reading Grammar School, but resigned. Got £500 by father's Will, and with James P. brought actions v. Extrs. for money. Attended 1684 a "Phipps" dinner in London, given by James P.'s "tokens" from St. Kitts, with his 2 sisters and their husbands, Christ. Jeaffreson, & a "Mr. Thos. Phipps Phipps with his Lady & Kinswoman" whom I cannot place. (The double name seems rare). Agent for St. Kitts 1709, for New England 1701/10, but no relationship to Sir Wm. P., Govnr. of New England, is known, though they used the same arms, and Sir Wm. P.'s widow left Con. P. a "great silver tankard." Benchet 1706 as 3rd (surviving?) son of F.P. of Reading. Lord Chancellor Ireland 1710/14, Knighted 1710, & much more known. Brought up Anne, dr. of James P. Died 1723. Ancestor of Mulgraves. Burd. at White Waltham, where most of his 12 children bapt. and burd. For his descendants see Crisp's Notes, vol. 8.

OTHER PHIPPS OF READING.

John P., of St. Lawrence, 1662.

Mrs. P., wid., burd. at St. Mary's, 1682.

Eliz. P., a prisoner, burd. 1699.

John P., of Rg., 1750/5.

Willm. P., burd. St. Mary's, 1775.

OTHER PHIPPS OF BERKS.

Hugh Phippe, the Thachar's son, of Buryfield, 1558.

Robert Phippes marrd. 1575 at Wantage Alce Daye.

Alexander Fippes, Curate of Hinton Walrishe 1589/94.

Willm. Phipp, alias Durrance, of Bucklebury, 1618.

Grace dr. of Thos. Phippe, bapt. at Bisham 1652.

Willm. P., Rector of Langford, Berks & Ox., will 1667, burd. there, children Mary, Celina, Anne, Jane, Thos., Robert, Susanna. Lands at Lechlade, Gloucs.

Kinswoman Ann P. wid. of kinsman John P. of Ln. Friends Dr. Walter Hungerford of Buscott, Benj. Cowles of Wallingford.

Thos. P., psh. Comner, Admon. 1681. Not seen.

Anne P., Eaton, Will 1688. Not seen.

Thos. P., Whitley, Admon. 1693. Not seen.

Thos. P., Berks, Admon. P.C.C. 1727. Not seen.

Dinah dr. of Thos. P., burd. 1729 at Binfield.

James P., witness 1750 to Will of Edward Simmons of Woodley, psh. Sonning.

., yeoman, of Winckfield. Will 1755. Wife Eliz. ? Not seen.

John P., Berks, Admon. P.C.C. 1755. Not seen.

Rose P. marrd. 1765 at Wantage Willm. Grist.

1744/5. Feet of Fines. Willm. Critcher AND James P., wife Eliz. : Willm. P., wife Sarah Eliz. : Humphreys, Thos Kennen, wife Mary, Joseph Skinner, wife Esther, Thos. Chandler, wife Ann. House and lands, Winkfield. Not seen.

Another case, ref. appeared in Bucks Archæ. Journal.

Willm. Phipes, wit. Will 1647 of Ann Palmer spr. of Langford, & 1646 of Rich. Turner, yeoman, same place.

The name is spelt in some fifty different ways, from Phypes to fips, etc., and also (but not in my family) Phip, Fyppe, etc.

I should be glad to correspond with anyone interested in the name, as I know a good deal about Phipps in nearly every County, and of others in Ireland, and abroad, New England, etc.

Who was Col. William P., yeoman of Co. Lincoln, said to have raised a Regiment of Horse for King Charles I. ? I have never found him mentioned. An old letter by a George P. of Ecclesfield says that Sir Con. P's grandfather lost in money, lands and stocks, £20,000 in King Charles' Wars : that he was with Sir Francis Wortley when he drove Hotham into Hull. "Colonel P. was then taken prisoner to Windsor Castle." The writer points out there were two P. families, of whom Mr. Green, "late Lancaster Herald," knew the family history well : but he himself has certainly confused the P. family of Ecclesfield, Yorks, with mine. I have found no connection,

CHANCERY CASES, P. OF NOTTS & READING.

1626. P. 53/41. Power v. Chaworth. Notts. Got.
1627. P. 39/29. Power v. Phipps. Notts. Got.
Chan. Proc. Series 2. P. 456/137. Francis P. v. Peter Cox. Got. Reading. 1652.
1657. Collins 170. Newberry v. Blagrove and Francis P. got.
1663. Reynardson 47/65. Francis P. v. Abraham Vanderbende Esq. got.
1663. Whittington 70. Same parties. Bill got. r, not got.
1663. Bridges 44/67. Francis P. v. Boler, Castle, Eldridge. got. Mentions heirs of Sir Peter Vanlore.
1670. Deposns. 770/15. Extrs. of Francis P. (Blagrove, Seikes, Bullocke) v. Jas. Masters, Jn. Hatcher, Thos. Levingston, wife Anna, Jn. Curtice. Refers to a suit brt. by Abra. Vanderbende, Hilary 1664/5, v. F. P. got.
1676. Hamilton 261/73. Eliz. P. wid. v. Blagrove, Extr. of F. P. got. b.
1676. Hamilton 281/76. Eliz. P. wid. v. Francis P., gent (junior), r. of F. P. only got.
1678. Hamilton 540/148. Thos. P., infant, by Eliz. P., mother, v. Blagrove, Seikes, Bullocke, Extrs., r. of Extrs. only. got.
1678. Mitford 339/60. Blagrove and Extrs. as above v. Eliz. P., wid., b. got.
1678. Mitford 289/22. r. of Eliz. P. got.
1679. Hamilton 556/164. James and Con. P. v. Francis P., Blagrove and Extrs. F. P. b. got.
1680. James & Con. P. v. Blagrove & Extrs. F. P. b. got.
Reyn. 474/123.
1682. 609/85. Christopher v. Blagrove (Jn. Jackson, husb. of Mary P.). got.
1693. Collins 471/34 (or Mitford?). Reeve v. Blagrove & Bullocke. v. good. r. got. (What is Bill to this?).
1693. Bridges 110/53, Chas. Reeves v. Con. P., r. of Con. P., to claim by Reeves for effects of Ann Reeves. Seen.
1694. Bridges 113/20. Blagrove v. Con. P. About Ann Reeves, r. of Con. P. Seen.
1695. Deposns. 560. Reeve v. Blagrove. GEO. P. Mentioned. Got in part only.
Date not known. Collins ? ? ? Blagrove v. Masters. 5 docts. Not got.

(Whitt. 770. Blagrove v. Livingston. F. P, mentioned. Prob. a mistake for Deposns. 770 above).

In 1685 some lawsuit took place in which both James P. of St. Kitts & Chris. Jeafferson were interested.

Try also Chas. 1, ii. 115/146. Hickman v. P. ? 115/146.

Deposns. Chas. 1. P. 22/10. P. v. P.

B. & A. James 1. P. 25/60. Power v. Skynner.

Bridges 422/?. P. v. Castle brr.

Collins 49/?. P. v. Eldridge. 1.

Hamilton 656 (dt. 1711 ?). Bernard (for Barnan).

Chas. 1. c 68/3. Christopher v. Phippe.

Eversley and its Registers.

By Emma Elizabeth Cope.

IT may be said, more or less with truth, that the history of a parish lies in the pages of its parish Register. With Eversley this is not so much a fact as with other parishes, for before the advent of Canon Kingsley the tract of country known as Eversley Village was sparsely populated and scarcely known. It had never produced any celebrity, its one historical episode was the unfortunate accident to the keeper, Peter Hawkins, who was shot by an arrow in Bramshill Park, an accident which cost the Archbishop of Canterbury bitter regret and deprivation of his office for awhile, and all due to ignorance, for had the accident happened now-a-days the poor man would not have bled to death as he did. The sole entry in the Parish Register runs thus, without any comment, among the burials, "Petrus Hawkins. July 25, 1621."

Eversley Register starts from 1559, but it is in reality a later transcript from the older books.

The village is curiously not near the church ; and one wonders why the village street is situated where it is. There is no reason for it such as the proximity of a large house or ancient site.

The surrounding parishes are Finchampstead in Berkshire, which was closely connected in many ways with Eversley ; on the Hampshire side, Yateley, Heckfield and Swallowfield.