

## LINGFIELD.

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*Dele* Puttenden, placed as a Title.

34 *Edw.* III. *William de Hatton* escheator was ordered to take the fealty of *John* son and heir of *Adam de Puttenden*, for one messuage, 12 acres of land, and 10s. 2d. rent in *Lingfield*. Orig. Excheq. Rot. 3.

Sir *Thomas Turton* in 1812 sold the manor, *Starborough Castle*, &c. to . . . . *Smith Esq.*

## MALDON.

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On the North Wall of the Chancel there is a neat Monument with this Inscription: Sacred to the memory of *John Ruding* Esq. the sixth son of *Walter Ruding* Esq. of *Westcotes* in the county of *Leicester*, and *Sarah* his wife who was the daughter of the Rev. *John Rogers* M. A. Archdeacon of *Leicester*. He died in his passage from *Madras* to *China* in the year 1787, being then a Surgeon in the service of the *East India* Company.—And also of his wife *Jane* the youngest daughter of Mr. *Hills Evans* Merchant and *Mary* his wife, who was born at *Petersburgh* in *Russia*, and having departed this life in *Portman Place* in the Parish of *St. Marylebone Middlesex*, Jan. 9th 1805, was interred beneath this Monument, which is dedicated to the memory of their parents by their surviving children *John Clement Ruding*, *Jane Busby*, and *Charlotte Ruding*.—Underneath are the following Arms quarterly: 1st. *Ar.* on a bend *Sable* a Wyvern passant of the field between 2 Lions rampant of the second langued *Gu.* for *Ruding*. 2d. *Ar.* 2 Fesses *Vert* charged with 3 white balls, supposed *Clarke*. 3d. *Sab.* Semè of Cross Croslets (or Crusuly) Fitch, 3 fleur de lis *Ar.* a Canton Ermine. Supposed *Watercroft*. 4th. *Checky Or.* and *Gu.* on a Bend Ermine a fleur de lis *Gu.* *Clifton*. 5th. *Ar.* a chief *Gu.* *Worsley*. 6th. *Ar.* a chevron *Sab.* between 3 Stags Current *Sab.* *Rogers*. Impaling *Ar.* a chevron *Sab.* between 3 Boars' Heads Couped *Sab.* langued *Gu.* *Evans*. Crest, a Wyvern's Head *Ar.* collared and chained *Or.* in his mouth a Lion's paw erased *Sab.* Motto. All may God amende.—In the North window is a coat, *Sa.* a Fess humetty or coupè.

8 *Hen.* VI. Award between *Henry Abyngdon* warden of *Merton College*, Lord of *Maldon*, and *Ralph Codyngton* Lord of *Codyngton* for taking of Averses of the warden, and unrightful withholding *Azeno Wedd* and *borwe* in village of *Maldon* in a place called *Postell Hill* in *Sparrow Field*. *Claus. m.* 8. *Le Neve's* Notes on *Aubrey*.

## PRIORS OF MERTON.

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*John Bowle* is said [by Mr. *Manning*] to have been the last Prior, and to have surrendered the Priory 16 April, 29 *Hen.* VIII. 1538: the date should have been 1539, the 16 April 1539 being in the 29th year; the authorities for this assertion as given in the notes there, are, *Frith's* Catalogue of the Canons of *Windsor*. *Cartul. Merton* p. *Thomas Astle Esq.* *Willis* *Abb.* II. 252. *Frith* ubi sup. *Ath.* I. 690.

*Wood*, in his *Athen. Oxon.* mentions *John Powle* or *Bowle* was admitted M. A. 11 May 1537, and quotes *Frith's* Cat. of Canons of *Windsor* (a MS. in his possession), as being there reported to have been lately Prior of *Merton* in *Surrey*, and that dying at *Windsor* 15 August 1558, he was buried there.

*Willis* II. 232, says *William Sellinge* occurs Prior in 1503 as *Wood* informs us; I presume he was succeeded by *John Bowle* the last Prior, who with 14 Monks surrendered this Monastery 16 April 29 *Henry* VIII. and had a pension assigned him. He was afterwards preferred to a Caunry of *Windsor*, and died there 1558.

By the fac-simile of the surrender in the Plate, vol. I. p. 370, it appears that *Wood* and *Willis* were incorrect in stating that *John Bowle* surrendered the Priory, which was the act of *John Ramsay*. *Frith's* MS. only reports him to have been Prior of *Merton*, but in fact he never was so. In a Court Roll of the manor of *Biggin and Tamworth*, in the hands of Mr. *Barnes*, a Court of *John Ramsay* Prior of *Merton* was held 3 October, 29 *Henry* VIII. which was in 1538; the surrender was made 16 April following, by *John Ramsay* Prior.

20 *Edw.* IV. 1481, a writ was directed to the Sheriff to levy of the goods of *John Kyngston* Prior of *Merton* and of the Convent, 40s. which they owed to the Queen for her gold, of a fine of 20*l.* paid for confirmation of their charters by letters patent. *Prymme's* *Aurum Regiæ*, p. 93.

In the Spring of 1812 there was turned up by the plough a gold Rial of King *James I.* in a field belonging to the *Manor Farm*. The field is by the road side leading to *Kingston*, and the Farm belongs to Mr. *Hilbert* the Lord of the manor. There have been several Coins found at various times in the same field, but disposed of by those who found them; and no account of them is to be obtained. It may be presumed they had been hid during the troubles which followed the reign of the above Monarch.

ADDITIONAL BENEFACTIONS, 1808.—*John Middleton* Esq. of *West Barnes*, gave an Annuity of one pound in the three per cent. consols. to be distributed in bread annually on the Sunday before Christmas.—1810. Mrs. *Mary Batts* gave by Will an Annuity of 7*l.* 10*s.* in the three per cent. consols. to be distributed in Coals to poor Housekeepers (not usually receiving Alms), annually on Candlemas Day.

MERTON.

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15 Aug. 1811, Mr. *Middleton* writes to the Editor: The bricks sent herewith were in my presence dug out of the ruins of an ancient arch that had crossed a small rivulet or common sewer at *West Barnes* in *Merton*, in the land of *C. F. Bond* Esq. about a hundred yards on the East side of a very old farm house, moated round, which formerly belonged to the Abbat and Monks of *Merton*. From this bridgeway the road lies along an old lane, which has been raised above the level of the meadows on each side, perhaps five feet, for about a third of a mile in a direction towards *Wimbleton* until it joins at right angles the present parish highway between *Merton* and *Kingston*. These bricks have the appearance of such as are usually denominated *Roman*, and the bridgeway and raised road are nearly in a line between *Wimbleton* and *Worcester Park*.

In *Merton Church-yard*, on a neat Table Monument inclosed with iron railing is inscribed: In Memory of Mrs. *Elizabeth Dallett* late wife of Mr. *Richard Dallett* of this Parish, who departed this life April 12th, 1781. Also the above Mr. *Richard Dallett*, who died March 27, 1783, aged 73 years. Also *Judith Jenkinson* of this Parish, daughter of the above *Richard* and *Elizabeth Dallett* who died July 29, 1813; in her 69th year. On the end is inscribed: This Vault was erected in June 1811; and on one of the sides is inscribed, In Memory of *Richard Dallett* Esq. son of the above *Richard* and *Elizabeth Dallett* (of this Parish), who departed this life the 11th of March 1813, aged 74 years.

MICKLEHAM. *Boxhill*.

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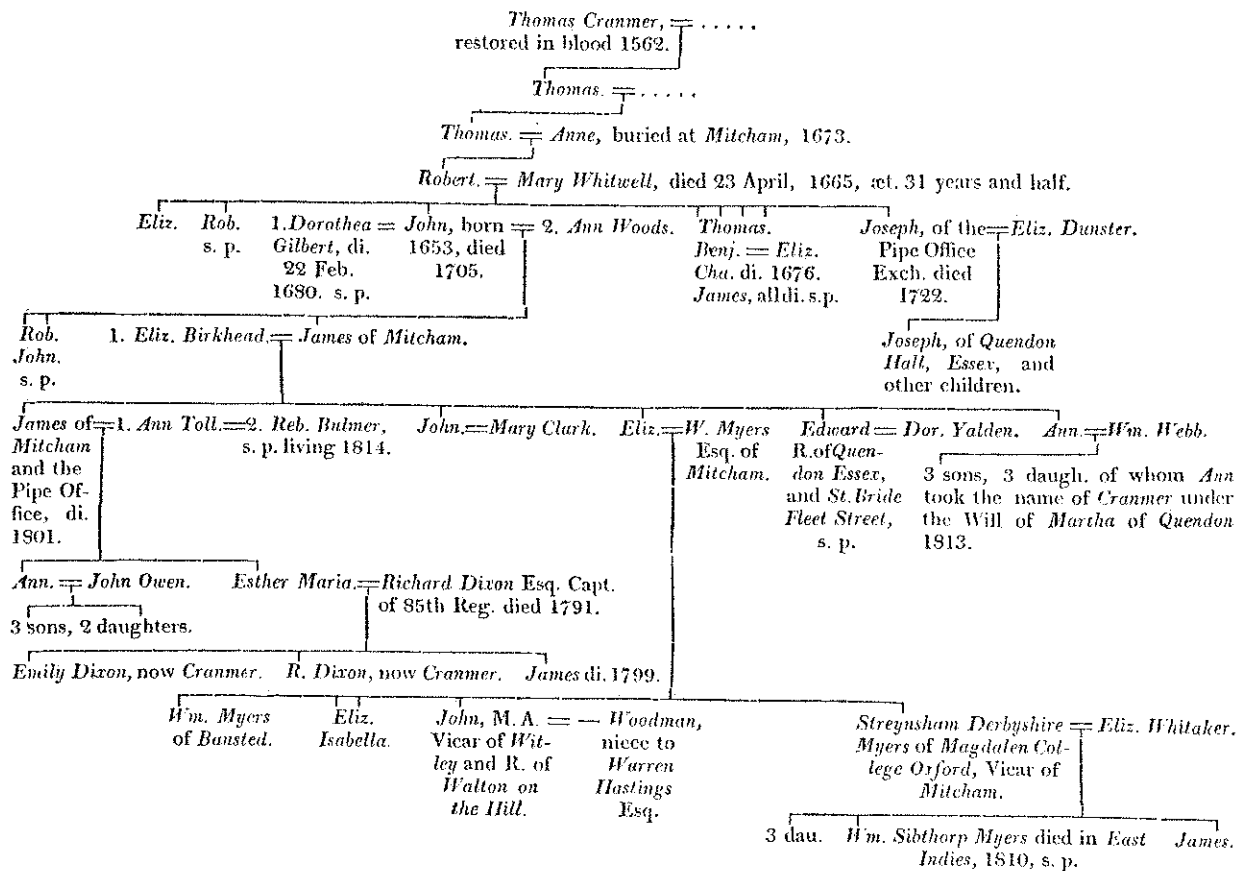
Of the antiquity of this name, it may be remarked that *Adam de Buxeto* is witness to a deed without date, of the time of King *John* or *Henry III.* at least.

MITCHAM.

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Mr. *Cranmer* who died in 1665, left seven sons, the elder of whom *Robert* died immediately before his coming of age, in consequence of which *John*, the second son, inherited the estate, subject to claims of his younger brothers under the father's Will, all of which he discharged. He sold the corn tithe to Mr. *Batt*, the tithe hay remaining with the vicarage; *John* died in 1705, and was succeeded by his son *James*, who died 5 June 1752, leaving *James* his son and heir; the latter died 5 June 1801, and by his Will devised his estate to his second wife *Rebecca* for life, remainder to his daughter *Esther Maria*, wife of *Richard Dixon* Esq. late Captain in the 85th Regiment of Foot, for life, with remainder to her son *Richard* and his issue male, remainder to her daughter *Emily Dixon*, they taking the name of *Cranmer*, which they have done. Mrs. *Rebecca Cranmer* is living, and now holds the estate <sup>c</sup>.

<sup>c</sup> The above is from the very obliging information of the Rev. Mr. *Cranmer*.



Sir *Walter Raleigh* had a house and estate here in right of his wife, who was a daughter of Sir *Nicholas Throgmorton*, and had been maid of honour to Queen *Elizabeth*. The estate was sold for 2500*l.* when he was preparing for his expedition to *Guiana*<sup>d</sup>. There is a house on the right hand side of the road from *London* to *Sutton*, at the corner of *Whitford Lane*, now called *Raleigh House*, kept as an academy by Mrs. *Hodgson*, as it had been before by Mr. *Dempster*. From the following circumstances communicated by the Rev. Mr. *Cranmer*, there is every reason to believe this was Sir *Walter's* house. The house has been much altered, and probably curtailed. There is a spacious staircase supported by a round piece of timber, which tradition says is part of the mast of a *Spanish* ship taken by Sir *Walter*; in another part of the house, now used as a dairy, is a similar post, which also formerly supported a staircase, as is evident from one of the stairs being accidentally left at the top of the room, under the present ceiling. In several rooms the wainscot bears evident marks of antiquity. Ancient windows were taken away by Mr. *Oxteby* of *Mitcham*, the present owner. Previous to the occupation by Mr. *Dempster*, it is said that in the house was a picture of Sir *Walter* represented as smoking a pipe, and a servant supposing his master to be on fire, throwing water on him to extinguish it.

In addition to this, the garden is now very extensive, and has been much more so. Part of it was sold to the Governors of Queen *Anne's* Bounty for the augmentation of the vicarage, and some houses in *Whitford Lane* have been built on other part of it. In the garden a terrace walk remains with a row of trees on each side; these trees are not ancient, but have probably been planted in the room of original ones cut down.

Part of Sir *Julius Cæsar's* house still remains, see vol. II. p. 495. but part has been lately taken down, and some new houses built on the ground.

There is another large ancient house at *Mitcham*, called *Old Bethlehem*, or *Bedlam*, now lett in tenements to poor people; the rooms are good, with large ancient windows; no account is obtained of it. It belongs to *William Plumer* Esq. late member for *Herts*.

Near the Church is an ancient Mansion house, late belonging to Mr. *Edward Tanner Worsfold*, maltster, deceased. The room in which he placed his horse-mill for grinding malt, is large, and open to the roof, without any appearance of there having been any floor across it. It was the estate of *Bartholomew Fromondes* Esq. and by him conveyed in 1624 (with other houses there) to Sir *John Leigh* and Sir *Francis Leigh*, and the heirs of Sir *Francis*, by the description of the capital message called *Hall Place* in *Mitcham* in the occupation of Sir

<sup>d</sup> Biog. Brit.

*John Leigh.* It afterwards appears that the Chancel on the North side of *Mitcham Church* belonged to this house. In 1627 Sir *Francis* sold it to *Gabriel Colstone* Gent. who sold it to *Rowland Wilson* Esq. *Wilson* died in or before 1664; he had two daughters, one of whom *Mary*, married, first, *Crispe*, and afterwards *Rowe*; *Wilson's* other daughter *Elizabeth* married . . . . . *Whyte*. *Mary* had issue by *Crispe*, *Ellis Crispe* her son and heir apparent; and *Elizabeth* had issue *Edmund Whyte* her son and heir. Mrs. *Crispe* and her son, and Mr. *Edmund Whyte* in 1664 sold to *John Carleton* Gent. In 1672 *John Carleton* sold it to *Thomas Cooke*, who left a son and heir named *Thomas*, and he left *James Cooke* his son and heir.—In 1729, this appears to have been converted into a malting-house, and it has probably been so used ever since.

MORDEN. Vol. II. p. 494.

On a separate Board inscribed, Donation 1810, is the following: *Mary Batts* of *Merton Surrey*, Spinster, bequeathed 7*l.* 10*s.* per annum to be distributed in coals annually on Candlemas Day amongst such of the industrious Poor of the Parish of *Morden Surrey*, as are not in the habit of being relieved by the Parish; and her Executors for that purpose transferred on April 11th, 1810, 250*l.* 3 per cent. consols. into the names of the Rev. *John Witherington Peers* Rector of this Parish, *John Hammond* and *James Whitbread Atkinson* the Churchwardens, and *Jonathan Acres* one of the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish.

MORTLAKE. Vol. III. p. 310.

On the North side of the Communion Table is a very handsome white marble Monument by *Westmacott*, representing a lady on a couch with her hands held up in a praying posture; she is supported at the shoulders by a female figure pointing to another female figure holding a Cross at the feet of the couch. Another female figure with a child in her arms, and one close to her, is weeping at the feet of the lady. At the top of the Monument is inscribed: Sacred to the Memory of *Ursula Mary* daughter and coheirress of *Leonard Hammond* of *Cheame* in the county of *Surrey* Esq. and wife of *Henry* Viscount *Sidmouth*, by whom this Monument was erected, in testimony of profound regret and indissoluble attachment; born May 14, 1760, died June 23, 1811.

Not that to mortal eyes thy spotless life,  
Shew'd the best form of parent, child, and wife;  
Not that thy vital current seem'd to glide  
Clear and unmix'd through the world's troublous tide,  
That grace and beauty form'd each heart to win,  
Seem'd but the casket to the gem within;  
Not hence the fond presumption of our love,  
Which lifts thy spirit to the Saints above;  
But that pure Piety's consoling power,  
Thy life illum'd, and cheer'd thy parting hour;  
That each best gift of charity was thine,  
The liberal feeling, and the grace divine;  
And e'en thy virtues humbled in the dust,  
In Heaven's sure promise was thine only trust;  
Sooth'd by that Hope, Affection checks the sigh,  
And hails the day-spring of Eternity.

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*Extract from the Will of LADY CAPEL, (deceased), creating a perpetual Fund for the Benefit of the CHARITY SCHOOL at Mortlake in Surrey, with eleven others in that and other Counties.*

18 August 1719, the Right Honourable *Dorothy* Dowager Lady *Capel* widow of the Right Honourable *Henry* Lord *Capel* Baron of *Tewkesbury* in the county of *Gloucester*, and daughter of *Richard Bennet* of *Kew Green* in the county of *Surrey* Esquire deceased, by her last Will and Testament of that date, did give, devise and bequeath all that her farm and lands called *Parry Court* in the county of *Kent*, to certain Trustees therein named, to dis-