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## LEE OF VIRGINIA.

GENEALOGICAL NOTES PROVING THE ERROR OF THE  
PREVIOUSLY ACCEPTED PEDIGREE.

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SOME years since a lively discussion arose over the genealogy of the distinguished family of Lee of Virginia, excited by the appearance of a clumsy forgery\* which was fully exposed in the columns of the *Nation* by Mr. W. H. Whitmore of Boston. The burden of evidence at that time seemed to point to Richard Lee of Stratford-Langton, in Essex, a suburb of London, the son of Sir Robert Lee, Knt., of that place, as identical with the Col. Richard Lee who, in 1640, emigrated to Virginia and founded there a family which has perhaps given more statesmen and warriors to their new home than any other of our old colonial progenitors. This evidence, although rather shadowy,—being in fact nothing more than that the emigrant, in his will, called himself “late of Stratford-Langton,”—was nevertheless generally accepted, *faute de mieux*, by most genealogists, and it is believed, by the family themselves, while a recent magazine article by Rev. F. G. Lee in the *Miscellanea Genealogica*, afterward reprinted in pamphlet form,† assumed this descent as proven and so constructs the pedigree without more evidence than he is able to adduce for his own many and frantic attempts to connect himself with the same noble family.‡

The writer has, however, in the course of other investigations on which he has been engaged for some years past in the English Records, fully satisfied himself that this Richard Lee, son of Sir Robert, died in his youth, and that another Richard Lee who was also of Stratford-Langton and Stepney in the first half of the 17th century and distantly, if at all, connected with the Quarrendon Family, was the true ancestor of the Virginia stock. Who this Richard may have been he hopes at some not distant day to be able to clearly prove. Meanwhile we must not lose sight of the fact that the son of the emigrant, in his monumental inscription in Westmoreland county, Virginia, is described as “*de antiqua familia in Merton Regis in comitatu Salopsiensis oriundi*,” a fact utterly irreconcilable with the Quarrendon theory, but which may hereafter give a clue to the true descent.

\* Genealogical History of the Lee Family of Virginia and Maryland, from A.D. 1300 to A.D. 1866. With Notes and Illustrations. Edited by Edward C. Mead. New York: Richardson & Co. 1868.

† Genealogy of the Family of Lee of Chester, Bucks and Oxon, showing the Lineal Descent of the late General Robert E. Lee of Virginia, America, from Sir John Lee, Knt. Compiled by the Rev. Frederick George Lee, D.C.L., F.S.A., Vicar of All Saints, Lambeth, London. London: Mitchell & Hughes, 140 Wardour Street. 1884.

‡ Compare the Pedigrees in Herald and Genealogist, 1865, Vol. III, fo. 486 *et seq.*, and that given at fo. 635 of same author's *History, Description and Antiquities of the Prebendal Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Thame in the County and Diocese of Oxford, &c. &c.* London: Mitchell & Hughes. 1883.

Of the proofs which follow, the writer need say but little, as they speak for themselves and must be convincing to any mind open to conviction.

First we may cite the Inquisition Post Mortem held on the death of Sir Henry Lee, Knight of the Garter and Champion of Queen Elizabeth, who by his will (which it is needless to quote) made his cousin, Henry Lee (afterward baronet), the eldest son of Sir Robert Lee, Knt., of Stratford-Langton, his heir. This Inquisition, as will be seen, fully provides for failure of the succession, passing over Edward, the second son, who, as a clergyman and celibate, is not unnaturally omitted, and gives us George, Thomas and Robert Lee, as the only other surviving sons of Sir Robert at that date, with remainder, failing their issue, to Robert Lee of Binfield, John Lee of Latchford, cousins, and Henry Lee Rainsford, great nephew of Sir Henry Lee, K. G.

These sons are all mentioned in the will of Sir Robert, the father, including the younger son, Robert, who only survived his father a few months, being buried at Hardwick, 19 November, 1616, and is accordingly, as we would expect, omitted in the will of his mother, Lady Lucy Lee, made in 1617. Thomas, the third son, dies unmarried and intestate in 1623, shortly after his mother, and his estate is administered by his brother Edward, the Rector of Hardwick.

The next will, that of Sir Henry Lee, Bart., the heir of Sir Henry Lee, K. G., mentions his only son, Francis Henry Lee, and his surviving brothers, Edward and George; as before passing over Edward, as a celibate, and making George and his issue his heir in default of his own issue, with remainder to Robert Lee of Binfield. His Post Mortem shows also the brother George as the only possible heir among the issue of Sir Robert. This George, dying in 1637, leaves five children living, of whom the three sons, Robert, George and Henry, are named as heirs (in failure of his own line) by their cousin, Sir Francis Henry Lee, the second Baronet, in 1639, with Robert Lee of Binfield again in remainder.

Robert Lee, the elder of the sons of George, died in 1655, evidently without issue, and names his two younger brothers,—of whom, from this time, we lose sight altogether in the disturbed period of the Restoration—and with them of the only possible representatives of the Lees of Quarrendon at the present day. The Parish Registers of Wendover, which the writer has carefully and personally searched, yield no entries whatever of the name.

To sum up, then—We have here the wills of the father, mother, three brothers, two nephews, and the great nephew, of the supposed Col. Richard Lee, not one of whom, although providing most carefully for the succession and entail of a large estate, ever mentions Richard's name! The conclusion to which we are forced is irresistible and not to be gainsaid. But there is a last and utterly conclusive link of evidence in the monument of Sir Robert Lee, Knt., in Hardwick Church, which the writer has personally inspected, and of which, thanks to the courtesy of the Rev. Mr. Bigg-Wither, the Rector, he has secured a good photograph. The inscription of this monument recites by name the eight sons and six daughters of the deceased knight, while their effigies are represented kneeling at prayer, the sons behind the father and the daughters behind the mother. Now, of these sons five are bearded men, while three are depicted by smaller and beardless figures; in other words, the five first represent Henry, Edward, Thomas, George and Robert, whom we know to have all attained their majority, while the latter depict Benedict, Anthony and Richard, who, unnamed in

all the wills, are thus still further proven to have died in infancy or early youth.

So much for the negative evidence. The writer hopes, ere long, if life and health are spared him, to be able to rebuild what he has destroyed, and to present as convincing proof of the true pedigree, as he has here submitted to discredit the faulty one so long accepted.

[The date of the settling in the Colony of Virginia of Colonel Richard Lee, the founder of the distinguished family of the name, has been stated as 1641, but the Land Patent Records of Virginia would seem to fix it a year later. Richard Lee, Gent., was granted 1000 acres on the south side of Charles River in York County, at a place called "Indian Spring," August 10, 1642. Among the names of the head rights are Richard Lee and his wife Anne. There were, according to the Land Records, other early settlers in Virginia of the name: Henry Lee, who received patent for 247 acres in York County, March 3, 1649. (Book No. 2, p. 202.) He subsequently received other patents. Hugh Lee, granted 100 acres in Northumberland County, December 26, 1650. His "importation from Maryland" of self and Rose Rockwell. (Book No. 2, p. 275.) He subsequently received a number of extensive grants. Peter Lee was granted 126 acres in Henrico County, "known as Worracke," December 14, 1656. (Book No. 4, p. 67.) George Lee was granted 300 acres in Surry County, June 10, 1675. (Book No. 6, p. 555.) He subsequently received other grants. A George Lee was Clerk of Westmoreland County from 1742 to 1761. It may be of interest to Mr. J. Henry Lea to know that William Lee was granted 500 acres in Charles City County, on the south side of James River, February 16, 1654. His name appears among the head rights. (Book No. 3, p. 322.)—R. A. BROCK.]

Buck. No. 144.

Jug. &c. Stony Stratford 21 May 9 Jac. &c. pt. mort. Henr. Lee ordonis garterii militis. ob. s. p. ap. Spellsburys 12 feb. 8 Jac. 1610.

Estates, Bucks.—Quarrendon, Burston, Brydesthorne, Hardwick, Weedon, Wedone, Blackgrove, Blagrove, filetemarston, little marston, wretched marston, preb. Aylesbury.

Estates, Oxon.—Spillsbury, Ditchley, Wootton.

Henry Lee Rainsford . . . . \* & her Dno. Henr. Lee mil. et act. 21 Ann.

Johes Lee de Latchford 6 in remainder.

Robtus Lee de Binfield 5 in rem.

Benedict Lee=  
de Hockett  
in Com.  
Buck. Ar.

Robtus Lee, mil. =  
fil. et heres.

Thomas,  
3.

Robt.  
4 in  
rem.

Henr. Lee, Ar.  
fil. & her. 1 in  
rem.

Georgius Lee,  
2d rem.

Coles' Escheats in Brit. Mus., Vol. VI., fo. 51.

1611.—18 February, Commission issued to Sir Arthur Savage, Knt., kinsman and one of the creditors of John Lee, late of Latchford in Com. Oxon., deceased, &c. P. C. C., Admon. Act Bk.

1612.—Nuncupative Will of John Lee of Latchford, co. Oxon., Esq. Dated "in the time of hys last sickness whereof he dyed or thereabouts." To sister Mrs Goodday his mother's wedding ring; to daughter of Mrs.

\* Obliterated, probably nephew.

Goodday, Mrs. Elizabeth Kenisham a Diamond Ring; to daughter of Mrs. Gooddaie, Mrs. Daniel a stone pott covered with silver; to Jane Cooper in regard that her husband had served him a long time & had laid forth £50 which was unpaid, his Residuary Legatee & all his goods at Latchford; to Sir Arthur Savage, Knt., his lease at Strickson to pay those debts which he John Lee, had caused to be sett down in writing. Administrator, Sir Arthur Savage; Wit: "dyvers and sundrie witnesses"; proved 12 July 1612 by Sir Arthur Savage, Administrator. Will contested by Anna Goodday, Elizabeth Freeman and Joanna Daniell.

P. C. C., Fenner, 68.

1616.—Will of Sir Robert Lee of Stratford Langton, Essex, Knt. . . . "Memorandum that Sr Robert Lee, Knighte, of Stratford Langton in ye countie of Essex, in the month of August anno Domini one thousand sixe hundred and sixteen and abowte the sixteenth day of the same monethe a little before his deathe, beying of perfect mynd and memorye, spake these wordes or the like in effect, viz."

All his household goods to his wife. To sonn Thomas Lee his woods at Hardum in Sussex.\* To sonn George Lee £50 to be paid on a certain bond & £50 to be paid out of his stock. To sonn Robert Lee £50 to be paid by his wife, Dame Lucie Lee, into the hands of his sonn Edward Lee for the use of his said sonn Robert, to whom he gives all his apparrell. Mentions that he owes to Mr. Joseph Lake for his daughter, Lake's, portion. Mentions certain debts "owing in this town of Stratford Langton to the Brewer, the Baker, the Butcher & the Chaundler, fortie pounds. Mentions that he owes to Eaton, the tailor, for a dublett and a payer of hose. To be buried at Hardwick.

Proved by Dame Lucie Lee, the relict, as a Nuncupative Will, August 30, 1616.

P. C. C., Cope, 81.

1623.—Dame Luce Lee of Hardwicke, co. Bucks., widowe. Will dated 19 January 1617. To be buried in Parish Church of Hardwicke. To poor of parish xxs.; to use of the church xxs.; to daughter the ladie Lea "one irishe little chaire wrought with irishe sticke"; to son Edward Lee a "siluer cupp with a couer, called mandlin cupp & my great brason and-irons"; to son Thomas Lee one siluer bowle & fower siluer spoones, bedstead with furniture, linen, &c; to daughter Mary Halle, bed &c already in her own possession, "allso one little siluer bowle to drinke beare in"; to Willm Halle the younger xl s.; to Lea Hall eleaven sh.; to daughter Alice Locke 2 siluer spoones & one little siluer goblet to drinke wine in; to servant Stokes xx s.; to seruaut Alice Gander xl s.; to son George Lee "siluer basonn & ewre, 2 siluer pottes, called colliedged pottes, 2 siluer saltes, 2 siluer tankards & one siluer greate bowle, 6 siluer spoones, one siluer box with a siluer sugar spoone & all my plate unbequeathed," sundry beds, bedding, furniture &c, & said son George to be Residuary Legatee & sole Executor. Overseer son Edward Lee. Wit: Richard Hogge. Proved 26 April 1623 by the Executor named in will.

Archdeacon of Bucks, Vol. 1623-5, fo. 109.

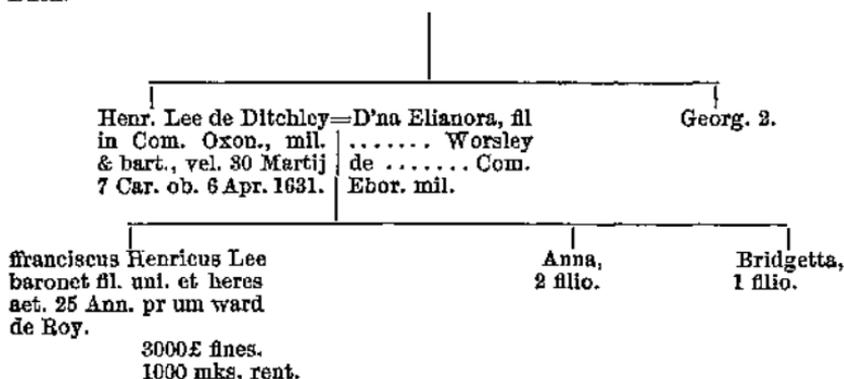
1623.—29 March, Commission issued to Edward Lee, "Clics," natural & legitimate brother of Thomas Lee late of St. Martin near Ludgate, City of London, but "celebis et intest. defa." Ac. 2 A. 1624.

P. C. C., Act Book, fo. 14.

\* Hardham in Sussex is probably intended. The Parish Register of that place has been searched without result.

1631.—Will of Sir Henry Lee of Ditchley, co. Oxon., Knight & Baronet, dated 30 March 1631. To wife, Dame Elinor Lee, "all such household stuffe & furniture as doe belong to any twoe chambers in my dwelling house at Ditchley which she shal make choyce of & all her jewels," also coach & harness & 4 best horses; to son and heir Francis Henry Lee, then in his minority, all plate & other household goods; Recites that certain manors, lands, tenements &c, in the counties of Oxon & Bucks, had been settled by Deed dated 20 March 1630-1 upon Sir Thomas Penniston of Coggs, Knt. & Bart., Sir Edward Terill of Thornton, Knt. & Bart., Sir Edward Verney of Cleiden, Knt., Edward Lee of Hardwick, Clerk, Francis Gregory of Hordley, Esqr., William Hall, Gentn., & George Pickering, Gentn., for the use of his son Francis Henry Lee, or in default of issue of the said Francis Henry, two parts of the same to go to his eldest daughter, Bridgett, & one part to his younger daughter, Anne, or in default of their issue, to his brother George Lee, Esqr., & in default of his issue to Robert Lee of Bynfeild, co. Berks, Esqr., or in default of his issue, to the right heirs of the said Sir Henry Lee, Knt.; to brother George Lee £10 to buy plate & the same sum "to good brother Edward"; mentions sister Mrs Mary Hall & her sister Lake, also kinsman & servant, Lee Hall; to be disposed in blacks at the discretion of Executrix £100; to be bestowed on a tomb for mee in the parish church of Spellesbury" £100; Legacies to poor of Hardwick, Wedon, Beerton, Abbots-Aston, Wadsden & Spellesbury; Recites a settlement of his mansion of Bridesthorn alias Burston in parish of Aston-Abbotts, dated 27 April, 1614. Wife sole Executrix. Proved 5 May 1631 by Executrix. P. C. C., St. John, 59.

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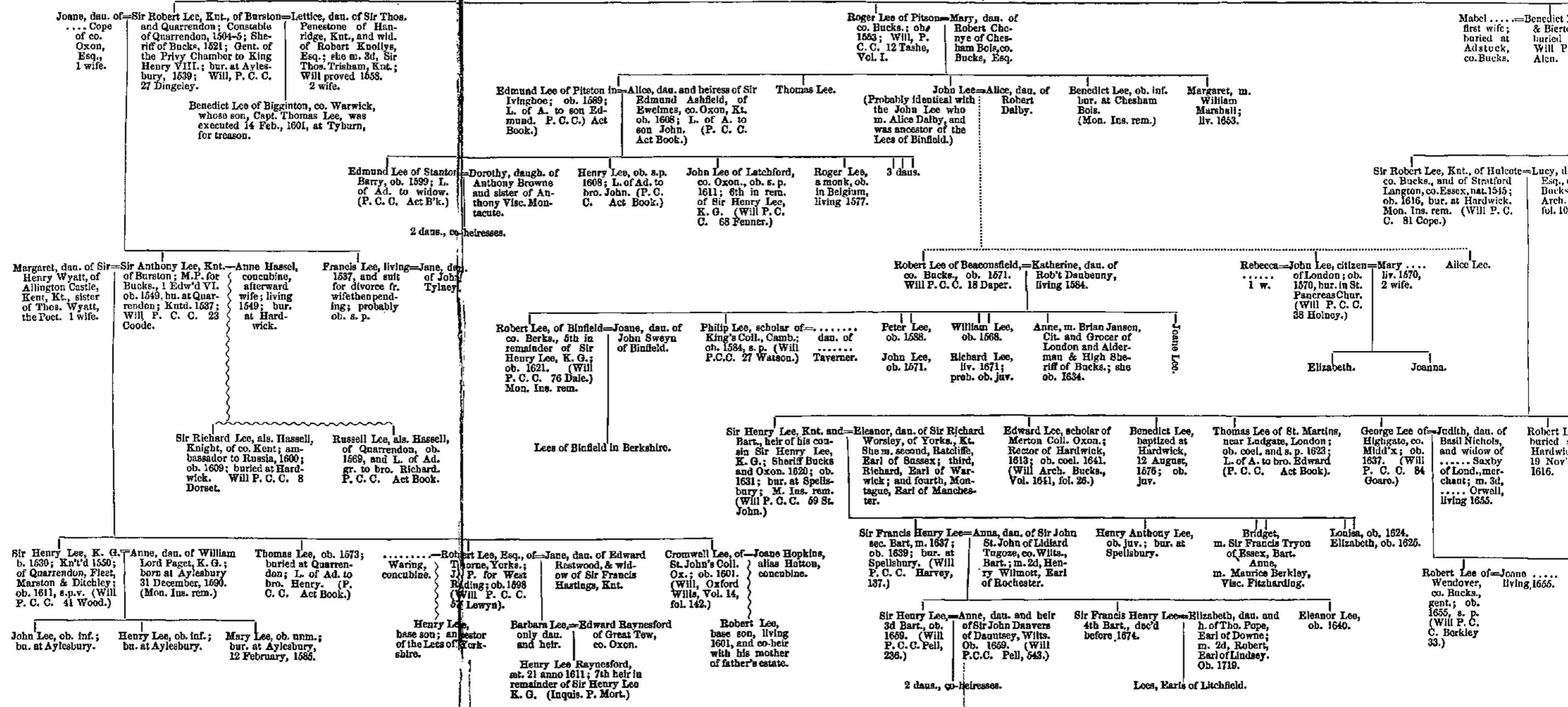
Coles' Escheats in Brit. Mus., Vol. III. fo. 14.

1637.—Will of George Lee of Highgate, in parish of Hornsey, co. of Middx., Esq.; Dated 31 May 1637. To be buried in the most privatest manner & with the leaste charge & expense that may bee, only mourning to be given to wife, children & maiude servnt which now dwelleth with me & to noe other; to deere & loving wife Judith £1000 & all plate, household stuff &c nowe in my chambers & lodgings att Highgate & in London, except my bason & ewre of silver, which I give to eldest son Robert Lee, the same being given him at his baptism by his god-fathers, my late brother Sr. Henry Lee & my now brother Edward Lee, preacher of the word of god; wife is to give bonds in £400 to nephew, Sir Francis Henry Lee & brother, Edward Lee; in case she marry again to pay each

of 5 children three score pounds apeece, viz. Hellen, Robert, George, Luce & Henry, or if she be with child, 50 lbs apeece to 6 children at 21 years or marriage of daughters; to poor of Hardwick & Weedon, co. Bucks, where I was borne 40s. Estate to be equally divided amongst children or survivors of them. Executors—nephew Sir Francis Henry Lee & brother Edward Lee, & to each of them 40s. for a ringe. Wit: Thomas Conn & Humfrey Nicols. Proved 21 June 1687. P. C. C., Goare, 84.

1689.—Will of Sr. frances Henry Lee of Ditchley in Countie of Oxon., baronett, "in my good and pfect health and memory." Dated 10 March 17 Charles; Dispose of worldly estate principally to Deere & lovinge Wife Dame Anne, eldest sonne Henry & the children we nowe have or hereafter may have; Beseeches the Kings Matie & Master & Councill of Wards & liveries that the wardshipp of lands of Sonne & Heire be committed to said wife. To wife Dame Anne all howsehold stuff &c now in and belonging to Chamber called redd bedd Chamber & all remainder of that plate given her by her ffather att her marriage, all her iewells to her owne use & because some of that plate is wanting £100 to buy other in place thereof, coach & 4 Coach horses, if I have so many at death, if not £20 for each horse that is wanting; to sonne Henry all other plate, householdstufte &c at age of 21, to be used by wife during mynoryty if shee soe longe remain unmarried; Recites Indenture of 5 March 14 Car., by which has demised vnto Sr. John St. John of Lideard Tregose, co. Wilts, Knt. & Bart., Sr. Thomas Peneston of Cornwall, co. Oxon, Knt. & Bart., Sr. Edmund Varney of Midd. Cleydon, co. Bucks, Knt., George Pickeringe & John Cary of Ditchley, gent., divers Manors, lands &c in Oxon & Bucks for 99 years in trust—confirms said Deed, they to employ rents &c in discharging debts & legacies. Recites that mother, the right honble Elinor Countess of Sussex, holds in Dower & by lease lands &c of myne for life—if she die during minority of son then  $\frac{1}{3}$  of such lds which she had either from Sr. Henry Lee my futher or in right of dower shalbe sett forth for the Kings Matie during such minority & the other  $\frac{2}{3}$  to the aforsaid trustees; &c &c. To eldest daughter Elinor £5000—viz. 2000 in 6 mos after her marriage or age of 21 & other 3000 in 6 mos after death of the Countess of Sussex, or, if she marry without consent of mother & trustees, £500 only & three score pounds a year for maintenance till 14 & fowerscore till 21 or marriage; if wife be now with child to it £1000 within 6 months of majority or marriage & £3000 in 6 mos after death of Countess of Sussex or if married without consent £400 only, £50 a year till 14 & then threescore pounds a year till 21; to second sonne frances Henry threescore pounds yearly till 14 & four score till 21 & a Capitall ferme in Hardwick co. Bucks., he to pay sonne & heire £6-13-6 yearly, also an annuity of £300 out of Manour of Hardwick & weedon; wife to have education of all younger children; to ffather Sr. John St. John £20 for peece of plate; to friends Sr. Thomas Peniston & Sr. Edmond Varney the same; to servants George Pickering & John Cary same bequest; to my Chaplain Mr. John Meredith £20 to buy books; to servant Geo. Pickering sorrell stone horse & bay mare; to servant John Cary barbary horse & little uagg, & to Anne Cary, his daughter, £100 at 16 years or marriage; to servants Richard Washington & Jaques the frenchman £10 apeece; to servants Danell the Cooke, John Patie, Oliver Kinderly, Richard Deane, Richard Welshe & John Treadway £5 apeece; to servant William Hucknell £5; to servants Thos. Hucknell, John Spur, Michael Holloway, Robert Clare, Robert Kyman, John Barnard,

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of William Saunders of co. Oxon, Esq.

**Roger Lee of Pitson**—Mary, dau. of co. Bucks.; ob. 1553; Will, P. C. C. 12 Tashe, Vol. I.  
 Robert Cheyne of Chesham Bois, co. Bucks, Esq.

Mabel . . . . .Benedict Lee of Hulcott—Elizabeth, dan. of Robert Cheyne of Chesham Bois, Esq.; living 1547. 2 wife.  
 first wife; buried at Adstock, co. Bucks.  
 & Berton; ob. 1547; buried at Hulcote; Will P. C. C. 42 Alen.

Henry Lee— . . . . . dau. of . . . . . Bostock.  
 Lees of London and Cold Ashley, county Northampton.

**Edmund Lee of Pitson** in—Alice, dau. and heiress of Sir Edmund Ashfield, of Ewelme, co. Oxon, Kt. ob. 1608; L. of A. to son John. (P. C. C. Act Book.)

**Thomas Lee.**

**John Lee**—Alice, dau. of Robert Dalby. (Probably identical with the John Lee who m. Alice Dalby, and was ancestor of the Lees of Binfield.)

**Benedict Lee, ob. inf.** bur. at Chesham Bois. (Mon. Ins. rem.)

**Margaret, m. William Marshall;** liv. 1658.

Thos. Manwid. . . . . Sir . . . . . Knt.; . . . . .

and Lee of Stanton . . . . . Dorothy, daugh. of Anthony Brown and sister of Anthony Visc. Montacute.

living—Jane, da. of suit fr. Tynney.

Lee, als. Hassell, Quarrendon, ob. and L. of Ad. bro. Richard. Act Book.

Robert Lee, Esq., of Waring, concubine.

Henry Lee, base son; ancestor of the Lees of Yorkshire.

**Dorothy, daugh. of Anthony Brown and sister of Anthony Visc. Montacute.**

**Henry Lee, ob. s.p.** 1608; L. of Ad. to bro. John. (P. C. C. Act Book.)

**John Lee of Latchford, co. Oxon, ob. s. p.** 1611; 6th in rem. of Sir Henry Lee, K. G. (Will P. C. C. 88 Feener.)

**Roger Lee, a monk, ob. living 1577.**

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**Sir Robert Lee, Knt., of Hulcote**—Lucy, dau. of Thomas Pigott, Esq., of Beachampton, co. Bucks.; ob. 1633. (Will Arch. Bucks., vol. 1823-5, fol. 109.)

**Mary Lee m. Sir George Tyrrell, of Thorn-ton, co. Bucks., Kt.**

**Jane Lee, ob. 1682.**

**Robert Lee of Beaconsfield, co. Bucks., ob. 1671.** Will P. C. C. 18 Daper.  
 Katherine, dau. of Rob't Danbenny, living 1634.

**Rebecca—John Lee, citizen of London; ob. 1670, bur. in St. Pancreas Chur. (Will P. C. C. 38 Holney.)**  
 Mary . . . . . liv. 1670, 2 wife.

Alice Lee.

**Robert Lee, of Binfield**—Joane, dau. of co. Berks., 5th in remainder of Sir Henry Lee, K. G.; ob. 1621. (Will P. C. C. 76 Dale.) Mon. Ins. rem.

**John Swoyn of Binfield.**

**Phillip Lee, scholar of King's Coll., Camb.; ob. 1584, s. p.** (Will P. C. C. 27 Watson.)  
 dau. of . . . . . Taverner.

**Peter Lee, ob. 1588.**  
 John Lee, ob. 1671.

**William Lee, ob. 1568.**  
 Richard Lee, liv. 1671; prob. ob. juv.

**Anne, m. Brian Jansen, Cit. and Grocer of London and Alderman & High Sheriff of Bucks.; she ob. 1634.**

Joane Lee.

Elizabeth. Joanna.

Lees of Binfield in Berkshire.

**Sir Henry Lee, Knt. and Bart., heir of his cousin Sir Henry Lee, K. G.; Sheriff Bucks and Oxon. 1620; ob. 1631; bur. at Spellsbury; M. Ins. rem. (Will P. C. C. 69 St. John.)**  
 Eleanor, dau. of Sir Richard Worsley, of Yorks., Kt. She m. second, Ratcliffe, Earl of Sussex; third, Richard, Earl of Warwick; and fourth, Montague, Earl of Manchester.

**Edward Lee, scholar of Merton Coll. Oxon; Rector of Hardwick, 1618; ob. coel. 1641.** (Will Arch. Bucks., Vol. 1641, fol. 25.)

**Benedict Lee, baptized at Hardwick, 12 August, 1576; ob. juv.**

**Thomas Lee of St. Martins, near Ludgate, London; ob. coel. and s. p. 1623; L. of A. to bro. Edward (P. C. C. Act Book).**

**George Lee of Highgate, co. Midd'x; ob. 1637.** (Will P. C. C. 84 Gears.)

**Judith, dan. of Basil Nichols, and widow of . . . . . Saxby of Lond., merchant; m. 3d, . . . . . Orwell, living 1656.**

**Robert Lee, buried at Hardwick 19 Nov'r, 1616.**

**Richard Lee, Anthony Lee.** Both ob. juv.

**Frances, ob. juv. Elizabeth, ob. juv. Mary, m. William Hall, and left issue.**

**Margaret, ob. juv. Joyce, bapt. at H. 1577; ob. juv. Alice, m. Jos. Lake.**

**Sir Francis Henry Lee**—Anna, dau. of Sir John sec. Bart, m. 1637; ob. 1639; bur. at Spellsbury. (Will P. C. C. Harvey, 137.)  
 St. John of Liddard Tugoze, co. Wilts., Bart.; m. 2d, Henry Wilmott, Earl of Rochester.

**Henry Anthony Lee, ob. juv.; bur. at Spellsbury.**

**Bridget, m. Sir Francis Tryon of Essex, Bart. Anne, m. Maurice Berkley, Visc. Fitzharding.**

**Louisa, ob. 1624. Elizabeth, ob. 1625.**

**Robert Lee of Wendover, co. Bucks., gent.; ob. 1655, s. p. (Will P. C. C. Berkley 33.)**

**George Lee—Winifred living 1659. living 1655.**

**Henry Lee, liv. 1655.**

**Helen, m. Humphrey Vernon; living 1656. Lucy, m. Samuel Winston; living 1655. Judith, ob. juv.**

**Sir Henry Lee, 3d Bart., ob. 1659.** (Will P. C. C. Pell, 236.)  
 Anne, dau. and heir of Sir John Danvers of Danntsey, Wilts. Ob. 1659. (Will P. C. C. Pell, 543.)

**Sir Francis Henry Lee, 4th Bart., dsc'd before 1674.**

**Elizabeth, dan. and h. of Tho. Pope, Earl of Downe; m. 2d, Robert, Earl of Lindsey. Ob. 1719.**

**Eleanor Lee, ob. 1640.**

2 daus., co-heiresses.

Lees, Earls of Litchfield.

Humfrie Barnard, John franklyn, Cornelius Collins & John Goodyer 40s. apeece; to Anne Clseter the nurse £5; to servant Anne Yorke £5; to servants Anne Baggett, francis Horton, Sarah Holloway & Jone Baillie 40s. apeece; to be disposed in blacks £100; to poor of Hardwick & Wedon £6-13-4; to poor of Abbots Aston, Bexton, Waddeston each 40s.; to poor of Spellsbury £40 to add to stock of £40 which my father gave; to sonne & heire Henry all Manours, lands, &c with remainder, in default of lawful male issue, to second sonne francis Henry, with remainder to third sonne to be begotten, with remainder to fourth sonne to be begotten, with remainder half to eldest daughter, Elinor for life, &, if wife be now with child with a daughter the other moietie to such dan., if said daughter or daus. die in lifetime of my sisters Dame Bridgett Tryon & Mrs Anne Lee then estate to said sisters for their lives, with remainder to Robert Lee, eldest sonne of my vncle George Lee, &, in default of lawful male issue, to George Lee, second son of vncle George Lee, with remainder to Henry Lee, youngest sonne of same, with remainder to Cossen Robert Lee of Bingfield, co. Berks, with remainder to my right heirs forever. Wife Dame Anne sole Executrix. In witness &c F. Henry Lee. Wit: John Meredith, John Whitton, Nich: Whitton, John Bradley, Edward Lovell.

Probate issued 10 August 1639 to Dñe Anne Lee relict & Executrix named in the will. P. C. C., Harvey, 137.

1641.—Will of Edward Lee, of Hardwicke, Clerke (Rector of Hardwick.) Dated 1 Nov. 1641. To poor of Hardwicke & Weedon £6-13-4; to poor of Aylesbury 40s.; to Mr. Bartin, Minister of Aylesbury, to preach a funeral sermon at burial 20s.; to Merton College St. Augustine's Works; to Sir Nathaniel Brent, Warden of same College, a mourning ring of 20s.; to Lady Lee, late wife to Sir Francis Henry Lee, Bart., my nephew deceased, my guilded bible in octavo & "I giue vnto her my seale ring of our ancestor's arms, humbly intreating her to keep it for the vse of the heire of our howse & to deliver it to him at the age of one & twenty yeares;" to sister Lake, now wife of Mr. Henry Lake of Buckland, bedstead, bedding & furniture which are in the newe chamber, & my middle siluer bowle & 10s. for a ringe; to Mr. Lake, her husband, 10s. for a ringe; to god-daughter Lucy Lake 20s. for ringe; to all other children of sister Lake to by ringes 10s. apeece; to nephews George & Henry Lee, sons of brother George, deceased, & to their two sisters, my neices, 10s., apeece for a ringe; to sister Mrs. Mary Hall a bedstead & 20s. for a ringe; to Mr. Coates, minister of Whitchurch, best Tabby Casock & 10s. for ringe; to Mr. George Pickering & to Mr. John Cary 10s. each for a ringe; to wife of William Theed of Whitchurch 20s. & stufte gowne faced with velvet; to my two sisters, each of them a mourning vaille; to cosen William Hall's wife, my deaths head ringe; to neighbor John Reddinge 10s. for ringe; to cosen Bassett & his wife 10s. each for ringe; to 8 servants, named, sundry small legacies. Residuary Legatees nephews William Hall & Lee Hall. Sole Executor William Hall. Overseers, Daniel Chathurn & Mr. pickeringe.

Codicil—same date—To good friends & allies Sir Edward Tirrell & Lady Tryon & Mrs. Anne Lee, daughters of my brother, Sir Henry Lee, Knt. & Bart., each 10s. for a ringe.

Wit: fra: Stevens, Michael Parrott, Eliz: Vawdrey. Proved 2 Dec. 1641 by Executor named in will.

1655.—Robert Lee of Wendover, co. Bucks, Gent. Will dated 9 January 1655. To mother Mrs. Judith Orwell a ring; to grandmother Mrs. Judith Nicholls a ring; to brother George Lee & Winifred his wife each a ring; to brother Henrie Lee a ring; to brother Humfrey Vernon & Ellen his wife, my sister, each a ring; to brother Samuel Winston & Luce his wife, my sister, each a ring; Wife Joane Lee Residuary Legatee & Executrix. Wit: Robert Stocken, Tho: Seare. Proved by Executrix 28 Feb. 1655. P. C. C., Berkley, 33.

1658.—4 August, Letters of Adcon. issued to Dame Anne willmott, mother of Ellenor Lee, late of Ditchley, parish of Spalesbury, co. Oxon., Spinster, deccased intestate. P. C. C., Admon: Act Book, fo. 22.

1659.—Sir Henry Lee of Ditchley, co. Oxon., Baronet. Dated 18 March, 1658. Trustees—uncle Sir Walter St. John of Lyddiard, Wilts, Bart., Sir Ralph Verney of Cleydon, Bucks, Knt., & John Cary of Ditchley, Oxon., gent., whom he “regrets to trouble but they are the only persons whom he can trust.” To daughter Ellenour £5000 & £80 per ann. till 12 years of age then £120 till 15. If child wife now goeth with be a daughter, the same bequest; if a son, then subject to trustees aforesaid for heirs male of my body, in default for brother Francis Henry Lee & his heirs male; in which case daughters each to have £3000. Names mother Countess of Rochester. In default of issue of brother Francis Henry Lee then Manors &c., in Burston, Bucks, to Cousen George Lee & his heirs, with remainder to cosen Henry Lee, younger brother of cosen George Lee & his heirs male, with remainder to my (*half*) brother the Earl of Rochester provided he take my name, with remainder to my right heirs; to wife Dame Anne all plate &c., furniture of great room at Ditchley where she lay in & £1000, her estate free to herself & “I wish that my estate were in a better condition that I might doe more for her;” to grandmother Countess of Warwick £100 for a ring; to mother Countess of Rochester £2000; to brother Francis Henry Lee £100 a year & my grey horse Louse; to brother Earl of Rochester £100 a year; to Aunt Berkely £50 for a ring; to cosen Ellenor Tryon a ring; to uncle Sir Walter St. John £200; Sir Ralph Varney £100; to Mr. Carey £500 & my chestnut mare; to Mrs. Jane Carey his wife £200; to friends Maior Salwey, Mr. Rowland Jenks the elder & Mr. Thos Yates each £50; to poor ministers £300 at disposal of brother Francis Henry & Mr. Gunning; Mr. Gunning £20; Mr. Samuel Hoare £20; to my wife's gentlewoman Mrs. Kingston £20; to Alice Theed £20; to servant Robt. Etherington £100 & grey gelding; to servant Loysell £200; all the rest of servants a years wages; Rich. Welsh £5; John Tredway £5. Executors—mother, Countess of Rochester & wife Dame Anne Lee. Wit: Tho: Clayton, Robert Etherington, Phillis Loissell, Charles Gostwycke, Wm: Franck Lynn.

Proved 16 April 1659 by Executors named in will.

P. C. C., Pell, 236.

1659.—Will of Dame Anne Lee, Widdow. Dated 15 June 1659. All legacies given by will of brother Henry Danvers, Esq., which remain unpaid to be discharged. “If the child I now goe with shall happen to be a sonne's daughter Ellinora to have £5000 at 15 or marriage. All estate is lodged in Trustees, all intrusted for me to convey same to Sir Ralph Verney, knt., Richard Salwey, Esq., Thomas Yates, Clerke, & John Cary, gent., they to pay debts & legacies with remainder to heirs of my body except £10,000

to half brother John Danvers, Esq., & balance of personal estate to sister Elizabeth for her life with remainder to heirs of her body. The right hooble Anne Countess of Rochester, mother to late husband, Executrix. In witness Anne Lee. Wit: Sam: Hoare, Phillipp Loisel, Robert Ethrington.

Codicil.—Dated 18 July 1659. To Anne Countess of Rochester my diamond pendant; to daughter Ellinora my great pearl necklace; to my Lady Elizth. Cane my brothers picture &c.; to niece Frances Villers £50; to friend Sir Ralph Verney £100; to Maior Selway & Mr. Rowland Jenks, the elder, £200; Mr. Tho Yates £500; Mr. Thos Capin, Mr. Robt Atkins, Mr. Thos Escourt, Mr. William Yorke, Mr. Thos Gunter, £20 each; Mr. Wm. Baxter & Mr. Nath. Bostocke £50 each; Lady Butler, widow, annuity of £20; Mr. Thos Danvers of Dantesly annuity of £7; to cousin Vrsula Hall £20; Mr. Thomas Yates & Mr. John Cary for trouble in managing estate £40 a year till children come of age; to servant Culpeper Kingstone £50; to servant Robert Ethrington £100; to nurse Jacob £20; to maid Anne Danvers £20; to Katherine Jacob £5; to William Yorke £5; to John Cooke £5; to poor of Lavington Dauntsey where I was born. Nuncupative Codicil, states that on 31 July 1659 about 8 or 9 hours before her death speaking to Rt. Hon. Viscountess Wilmot otherwise called Countess Rochester the said Anne Lee gave certain directions as to her funeral, legacies to servants &c. &c.

Proved 22 December 1659 by the Executrix named in the will.

P. C. C., Pell, 543.

A tabular pedigree of the Quarrendon family of Lee, compiled by me, accompanies this article.

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