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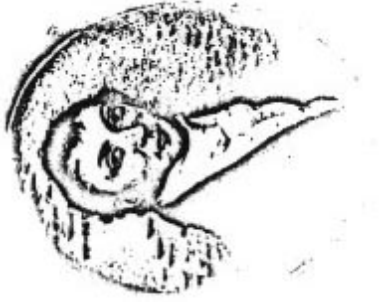
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*Line upon line, line upon line, here a little
and there a little.*

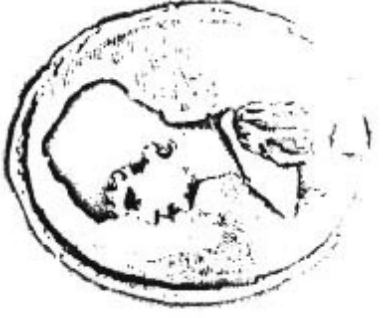
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CHARLES MARKHAM,
BORN DEC., 1778.
DIED OCT., 1846.
1811.



ELIZA MARY MARKHAM,
MARRIED SEPTEMBER,
1811.



PREFACE.

THIS history of an English family — which for nearly four centuries has been "happy, in that they were not over happy ; on fortune's cap they were not the very button, nor the soles of her shoes" — was undertaken by me at the request of some members of the family. It has formed my "leisure's labour" for several years, and has now been brought to an end — I wish I could add completed. But I would say, with our great lexicographer, that, "in this work, when it shall be found that much is omitted, let it not be forgotten that much likewise is performed." Such as it is, this work has given me pleasure to do ; for, as the prophet of the age very truly says in Modern Painters, that "next to the Gods man was always anxious to know something about his ancestors ; fond of exalting the memory, and telling or painting the history of old rulers and benefactors ; yet full of an enthusiastic confidence in himself, as having in many ways advanced beyond the best efforts of past time ; and eager to record his own doings for future fame."

The pedigree, drawn up by the late Arthur Bayley Markham, forms the foundation of this narrative, having been much amplified by me. "De mortuis nil nisi verum" is the one motto I have constantly borne in mind whilst writing this monograph and I believe that every word set down here is true.*

My thanks are due for literary aid to Mrs. Lovell, Mr. Clement R. Markham, C.B., F.S.A., Sir Henry Dryden, Bart., and Mr. John Taylor ; to many of the clergy who have allowed me to search Parish Registers ; to Mr. C. R. Markham and Messrs. Murray for the loan of woodcuts of Kirby Bellers and Tapton House ; and for pecuniary aid to Mrs. Lovell, Mr. C. P. Markham, and Mr. A. B. Markham.

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Sedgebrook,

Northampton,

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Of this work not more than one hundred copies have been printed, of which this is No. 93.

CHAPTER I.

Name and Armes.

*All the devices blazon'd on the shield
In their own tinct.*

TENNYSON.

THE name of Markham is by no means a common one in this country, and probably all the Markhams now living trace their origin, from one or other of the members of the original family, who were for some centuries lords of the manor of East and West Markham, two little parishes in the county of Nottingham. The different branches of this family who settled in the county of Northampton, and the properties they held here are more particularly specified in the fifth chapter. The name was variously spelt, depending upon the taste and fancy of the speller, and the following are a few of the forms:—

Markam, Marcum, Markeham, M'cum, Marckham, Marcham, and Macham.

In Ireland the name originally was spelt O'Marcachain, the meaning being a Horseman, Ryder, or Ryding; and the name afterwards was modernised into Markam.¹

¹ *Irish Pedigrees* by John O'Hart, 1881.

In the Genealogy of the Markhams, a booklet written and published by Francis Markham in 1601, the Arms of the Markhams of Markham, Cotham, Oxtun, Ollerton, and Sedgebrook are thus given:—

b. on a chief o., a lion issuant g. on an helm a reth o. and g. thereon a lion winged his right pawe on a payr of hames, tayle between his leggs turning up. Mantle b. lined o.

The crest of Sir John Markham, of Cotham, in the time of Henry VII, was according to an entry in the Harleian MSS.

A lion rampant gules, with wings endorsed or, holding a pair of horse heames of the first.

This coat of arms and crest being afterwards changed for



Shield. As. On a chief or. a demi lion rampant gu.

Crest. On a reth a winged lion passant his dexter paw on a pair of horse hames, tail between his legs turning up.²

This device of the lion of S. Mark and the hames forming a rebus on the name, was a kind of play upon words that was far from uncommon in the middle

² *History of the Markhams* by the Rev. David Markham, 1854.

ages. In English heraldry these devices were known as "Canting Arms :" but they were called by the French heralds by the far more expressive words of "Armes Parlantes."

At the Church of S. Peter, Little Oakley, co. Northampton, on the monument erected to William and Elizabeth Markham in the same Church there is an escutcheon of twelve coats, the first being:

*On a chief a demy lion for MARKHAM.*³

It is stated by Lord Brudenell, in his letter to Mr. Withie⁴, circa 1600, that there was "one Markham an Advocate or Proctor belonging to Peterborough who dwelt at Duddington neer Stamford and had some landes: who derived himself from Sidebrooke house in Lincolnsh^{re} who gives the quarterings as described."

Quarterly: first, as., on a chief or., a demi lion rampant issuant gu., all within a bordure arg., for MARKHAM, of Sedgebrook; second, or., on a saltire engrailed as., eight annulets arg., for LEAKE ; third, a bend for BECKERING ; four, a chevron for HARTSHORNE.

This coat of arms is not perfect, as given, for some of the charges were omitted by Lord Brudenell in his sketch, as were also the letters indicating the tincts.

This is the only reference to a Markham at Duddington that the writer has come across in his investigations.

³ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. II. pp. 329, 330.

⁴ M8. *Topographical Northamptonshire*, c. 13, pp. 106, 123. Bridges' M88., Bodleian Library.

In the Church of S. Dennis, Cold Ashby, co. Northampton, there is a marble monument on the north wall of the chancel with these arms and inscription.

[Arms.]

In a lozenge, party per pale. Dexter, as, on a chief or., a demi lion rampant gu. for MARKHAM. Sinister, quarterly gu. and or for _____.

[Inscription.]

Near this Place
are deposited the remains
of

MRS. ELIZABETH CASTLE*

Who departed this life
July 6th 1748
Aged 75.

Also of

MRS. ELIZABETH MARKHAM

(Grand-Daughter of the
above named

MRS. ELIZABETH CASTLE)

Who departed this life
Feb. 3rd 1793.

Who this Mrs. Elizabeth Markham was, has not been traced, but most probably she was descended from the Rev. George Castel, of Bitteswell, co. Leicester, the distance between Cold Ashby and Bitteswell being but small.

The Registers of Cold Ashby and Bitteswell have been searched, but they yield no further information.

* In the Cold Ashby register this name is spelt Castell.

In

In 1633 one Valentine Markham, of London, recorded his pedigree and the following arms at the Visitation of London:—⁵

Armes. *As. on a chief or. a demi lion rampant gu.*

Crest. *On a reth a winged lion sejant rampant guardant holding a lyre with his dexter paw tail between his legs turning up or.*

This Valentine was the son of Richard Markham, who married Dorothy, the daughter of Thomas Wood, of London. Richard Markham lived in the parish of S. Michael, Cornhill, and all his children were baptised there. He was certainly a relative of Gregory Markham, although their consanguinity cannot now be shown, but probably he came from Creaton to London at some earlier time. Gregory Markham by his will left Valentine the sum of forty shillings to buy him a ring, according to the quaint custom of the time. Valentine married and left two sons, the elder Robert, the younger Thomas, and one daughter.

The Markhams of Creaton have also for many years used the lion as their device. On some old family plate, bearing the hall mark for the years 1753-4, the crest is:

A Lion sejant rampant guardant with wings endorsed holding a pair of horse hames tail between his legs turning up.

⁵ Documents in the Herald's College, printed in *The Visitation of London*, 1633, Harleian Society.

John

John Markham, of Northampton, used for his signet—



A lion sejant rampant guardant with wings endorsed holding a shield, tail between his legs turning up.

The articles binding his son Charles Markham to him as an articulated clerk in 1795 are sealed with this crest. Some forty years later Christopher Markham used almost the same emblem as his book-plate.

The arms and crest of the present family of Markhams of Northamptonshire are:



Shield. As. On a chief or. a demi lion rampant gu.

Crest. A lion sejant rampant guardant with wings endorsed holding a pair of horse hames tale between his legs turning up or.^{6,7}

Like many other families, however, who bear armes, the Markhams of Creaton and Northampton, although they have used this shield and crest, with variations, for many years, have never recorded them at the Heralds' College.

⁶ *Encyclopaedia Heraldica*, by William Berry.

⁷ *Ordinary of Armorial*, by J. W. Papworth, 1874.

CHAPTER II.

Narrative History.

Every family is a history in itself, and even a poem to those who know how to search its pages.— LAMARTINE.

IN Northamptonshire, the midmost county of England, are situate the adjoining parishes of Creaton and Cottesbrook. The twin villages of Great and Little Creaton, lie on the old coach road leading from Northampton to Welford and Leicester; they are in the Hundred of Guilsborough. There is only one Church, a small and somewhat plain building dedicated to St. Michael, mostly in the early English style, and this stands in Great Creaton. But as some compensation Little Creaton has, or rather had, a famous inn known as Highgate House; this building is now a private residence, but the large stables still show how important the place was in the old coaching days.

The parish of Cottesbrook is large in extent, but small in population, the country round being beautiful with the beauty belonging essentially to this county, the fields are large and are separated by tall straggling hedges, cleped bullfinches, the land being nearly all old pasture. In the centre of the village stands the picturesque Church of All Saints; it is, or more

properly

properly was, one of the very few cross Churches in the county, the north cross aisle, however, has long since been destroyed. Near the Church runs the Kalendar or Callender Brook, this stream rises near Naseby, and flows on through Kalendar Meadow, where centuries ago the Abbot of Sulby Abbey had placed a cell of Premonstrasian Canons of St. John; these buildings have long ceased to exist.

In the year of our Lord 1486, we find that Sir Thomas Markham, of Sedgebrook, in the county of Lincoln, Knight, the son of Sir John Markham Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, was possessed of the Manor of Cottesbrook, and of the right of presentation to that living,⁸ in right of his wife, Katherine Hartshorne, and that his son John was also possessed of these estates; but in 1489 this John Markham bargained and sold the manor and the advowson of Cottesbrook to Sir Reynold Bray, Knight, for the sum of £4000, a large amount of money in those days, for the use of William, Bishop of Lincoln, in whose diocese the county of Northampton then was, the See of Peterborough, in which Northamptonshire is now included, not having been formed until 1541, when the last Abbot of Peterborough, John Chambers, was ordained the first Bishop.

Thus the Markhams of Sedgebrook sold these estates at the close of the fifteenth century, and were not again heard of at Cottesbrook; but at the commencement of the sixteenth century we find a family of Markhams living at Great Creaton and the principal landowners in the Parish.⁹

⁸ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i. p. 554, *et seq.*

⁹ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i. p. 563.

From

From these facts it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that these families were related to each other, and that the Markhams of Great Creaton were descended from the Markhams of Sedgebrook. Be this as it may, in the beginning of the sixteenth century

I. A Markham was living at Great Creaton, who married and had two sons:—

- i. *Francis Markham*, the elder, was born in 1522, and married Joan, but they do not seem to have had any children. Francis died, and was buried at Great Creaton on the 16th June, 1606.
- ii. *William Markham*. [II.]

II. WILLIAM MARKHAM who was born in or about the year 1530, he married, but who his wife was does not appear. He died in 1605, and was buried at Great Creaton, having had the following children:—

- i. *Gregory Markham*. [III.]
- ii. *Anne*, who married Edward Boone, she died before 1636, leaving one daughter Anne.
- iii. *John Markham*, who was born and lived at Great Creaton, he married Dorothy, the daughter of John Pearson, of Stratton, co. Northampton, but had no issue.

He made his will in April, 1641, whereby he gave and bequeathed his soul to God which¹⁰ gave it, and committed to his body to the earth, from whence it was

¹⁰ " In London was a preest,
Which was so plesant and so servisable."

The Chanones Yemannes Tale,
CHAUCER.

taken,

taken, " decently to be buried in the Church or Church yard of Creaton Magna;" he bequeathed to his wife the messuage in which he resided for life, and afterwards to his nephew, the Rev. Francis Markham, his lands were also to go to his nephew the parson after the death of his wife; and he bequeathed the sum of ten pounds for the poor of Creaton afore-said.

John Markham died in April, 1641, and was buried at Creaton.

- iv. *Thomas Markham*, who was born about 1585, appears to have been somewhat of a spendthrift, as his brother Gregory made the following provision in his will: — "Item I release and forgive unto my Brother Thomas all such money as he any waies oweth me."

In the year 1586, Thomas Markham took the oath of allegiance to King Charles II., and signed his name to the Swearing Rolls now at the County Hall. He made his will, giving the sum of 5s. to the poor of Great Creaton, a foregift of £25 to William Conquest, 10s. to Elizabeth Lucas and other small bequests. He died in 1663, having had issue three children.

1. William Markham, who married and had a son John Markham and other children.

2. A daughter who married William Conquest.
3. Elizabeth, who married Lucas.
- v. *A daughter*, who married Henry Allen, of Great Creaton, and had one daughter Frances Allen.

III. GREGORY MARKHAM was born at Great Creaton about the year 1575. He, like Dick Whittington, sought his fortune in London town, where a family of Markhams were already living in Cornhill. He settled within the sound of Bow Bells, in the very heart of the city. He was apprenticed to the Skinners' Company, as appears by the following extract from the books of the company:—

" 1593

" Gregorie Marcant of William Marcant of Creton in the County of Northampton Yoeman hath put himself Apprentice to John Sone Skynner from the 24th of June 1593 for eight years."

Having completed his service he was admitted a master skinner, as the books of the company show:—

" 5 July 1600

" Gregorie Marcant late Apprentice with John Sone having served his term of eight years mentioned in his Indenture was sworn the same daie and admitted to his Freedom."

Gregory Markham then became a London merchant, and settled in Cornhill.

He made his will on the 2nd April, 1632, whereby he left his personal estate according to the custom of the city of London, that was half equally between his children, the other half in certain legacies, with four pounds to the poor of the parish of S. Michael, Cornhill, and other four pounds to the poor of the parish of Creton. His house in Cornhill was to go to his son Gregory for life, and his house in Shoe-lane was to be sold. He left to Valentine Markham the sum of forty shillings to buy him a ring.

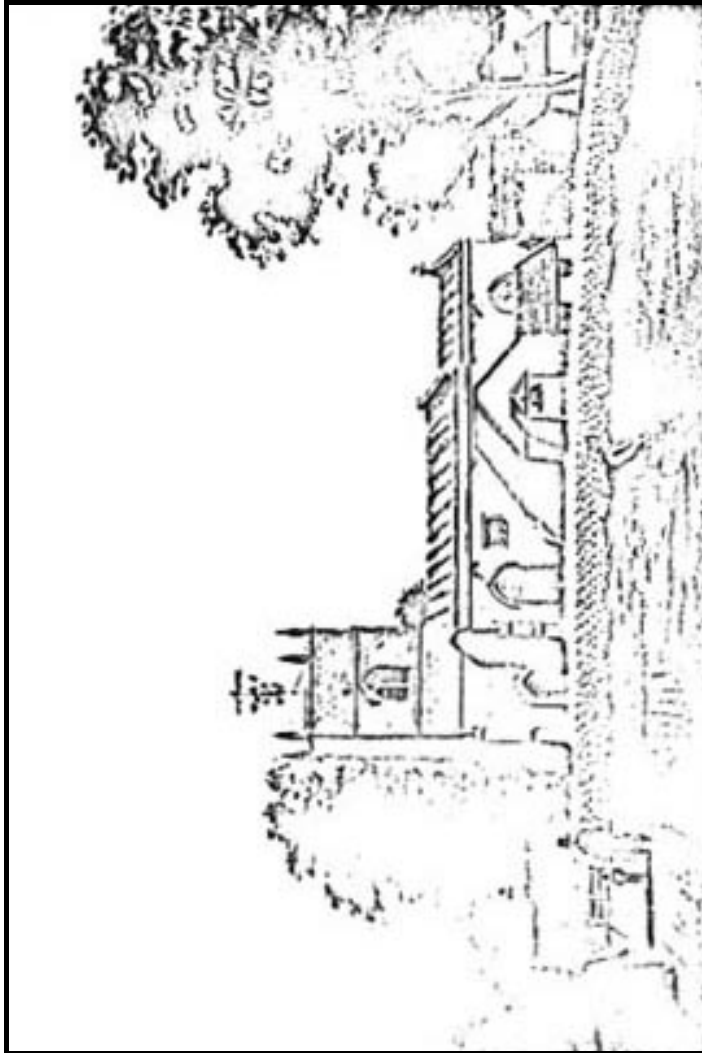
Gregory Markham died and was buried on the 28th June, 1632, in the vaults of S. Michael's Church, Cornhill ; but as the Church was burnt down in 1666, and almost immediately rebuilt, there is now no trace of the tomb.

About the year 1598 he married Elizabeth. She long survived her husband, died in 1661 and was buried at S. Michael's. They left the following children:—

- i. *Martha*, who, on the 24 Feb. 1622, at S. Michael's Church, married Randall Wilbraham, of the adjoining parish of Martin Outwich, London. He was the second son of Richard Wilbraham of Reys Heath, co. Chester; he settled in London and became a merchant Taylor.* They left one son Thomas Wilbraham and a daughter called Rose.

* ARMS. *Az. two bars ar. on a canton sa. a wolf's head, erased of the second, langued and armed gu.*
 CREST. *A wolf's head erased ar."*

¹² Documents in the Heralds' College, printed in *The Visitation of London*, 1663, Harleian Society.



DRAWN BY G. CLARK OF CALDWELL.

GREAT CREATON CHURCH.

- ii. *Gregory Markham* was born about 1600, he received his freedom as appears by the following extract from the books of the Skinners' Company:—

" 8 July 1626

" Gregorie Markham son of Mr. Gregorie Markham was this day preferred to his Freedom by Patrimony."

On the 23 January, 1622, he married Rose Scarborough at the Church of All Hallows in the Wall, London, They had the following children.

1. Joseph Markham, born January, 1623, and died August, 1624, in S. Michael's Parish.
 2. Anna, born July, 1626, died July, 1626.
 3. Alice, born Nov., 1627, died Sept., 1630.
 4. , 5. Sarah and Mary, twins, born Feb., 1628.
- iii. *Francis Markham*, who was born in London in 1601, he matriculated at Magdaline Hall on the 6 Nov. 1618; he obtained his B.A. degree at Magdaline College on the 9 May, 1622, and his M.A. degree on the 9 July, 1624. He was ordained, and returning to the home of his ancestors in 1627, he was instituted Rector of Great Creaton, being presented to the living by his father Gregory Markham, who was

patron,

patron, but on the death of his father he became possessed of the living.

This living was stated in 1640 to have been worth £11 1s. 6d.

In 1661 the Rev. Francis Markham made his will, the commencement being as follows:—

" IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. The eighth day of June in the yeare of Our Lord God one thousand six hundred sixty one *I Francis Markham* of Creaton Magna in the county of Northton Clarke being att this present praysed be God of good understanding and perfect memory doe make this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following Imp^r I commend my soule in the hands of God who made trusting to saved by the bedience of Jesus Christ my Lord who gave himselfe to death for me and comitt my body decently to be buried in the Church or Churchyard."

He then gave and devised certain lands, commonly reputed to be one quarter of a yard land situate in Spratton, to his elder daughter Elizabeth. He gave and bequeathed to his youngest son Francis his Spratton house and garden, and one hall of a yard land in the fields and precincts of Spratton. He gave and bequeathed to his wife his goods, cattle, and chattels, to a value not exceeding twelve pounds, as they should be valued

and

and prized in an inventory. He gave and bequeathed to his son-in-law the Rev. George Castle the sum of ten shillings; and to his sisters-in-law Joyous and Elizabeth ten shillings each to buy them rings and other small bequests. Also to John Locke the aged, who was brought low through infirmities, twenty shillings; and to John Esson ten shillings; and to the poor of the parish of Great Creaton the sum of fifty shillings.

" And whereas I have given by this my will the sume of foure pounds to some particularly and to the rest generally to the whole poore of the Parish of Great Creaton the sum of fouer pounds that sume is to be paid out of a yellow purse wherein itt hath been treasured up for such a purpose a great while and wherein is contained a further sume appoynted for pious and charitable uses which I leave to my Wife to dispose off at leasure as oppertunity serveth to the ends and purposes intended."

Francis Markham appointed his wife Joane sole executrix, and his son James Markham and his son-in-law George Castle supervisors and overseers.

Francis Markham died on the 26 June, 1661, and the following inscription was written on his grave-stone, which was

placed

placed within the altar rails in Creaton Church:—

" Hic jacet Franciscus Markham M.A. & Rector de Creaton, doctus, fidelis & pius. Obiit Junii 26 A.D. 1661. Ætatis 60." ¹²

Francis married Joan, the daughter of James Clement.

She was buried by the side of her husband, with these words on the tomb:—

" Hic jacet Joanna uxor Francisci Markham obiit Junii 16 A.D. 1666. Ætatis 84." ¹²

They left issue:—

1. James Markham, who was born in 1628. He went to college and took his M.A. degree, and then returned to Creaton where he lived.

He died on the 7 December, 1692, and was buried in Creaton Church, within the altar rails, by the side of his father, a plain flat stone being placed over the tomb.

" Hic Jacobus filius
natu maximus
Francisci & Joannæ Markham
A.M. Obiit 7 bris 12. A.D. 1692
Ætatis 64." ¹²

¹² Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i. p. 564.

James Markham married Elizabeth. They had ten children, all of whom were born at Creaton:—

- (1.) Elizabeth, born February, 1666.
- (2.) Susanna, born May, 1669.
- (3.) James Markham, born June, 1671. He died young, and was buried within the altar rails in Creaton Church.

" Hic jacet Jacobus Filius natu maximus Jacobi and Elizabethæ Markham. Obiit Oct 23 A.D. 1675. Ætatis 5."

- (4.) Mary, born October, 1673, also buried in the Church.

" Hic jacet Maria Markham Filia Jacobi & Elizabethæ Markham. Obiit Nov. 13, A.D. 1696. Ætatis 24."

- (5.) Joanna, born March, 1675. She was also buried in Creaton Church.

" Hic jacet Joanna Filia Jacobi et Elizabethæ Markham. Obiit

Nov. 11, A.D. 1677. Ætatis 2."

- (6.) James Markham, born August, 1678. This was the Markham stated by Bridges to have been worth £120 per annum in the lordship of Creaton in 1721.

His will bears date 25 July, 1734, in which he devises his lands at Great Creaton and in the counties of Lincoln, York, Middlesex, and Hereford. He must have died shortly after making his will. He married Ann, the daughter of Crosse, by whom he left three children:—

[1.] Elizabeth, born 29 November, 1717. She outlived her brother and sister, and in 1785 she was a spinster living at Northampton. Thus this branch of the family became extinct.

[2.] James Markham, born at Creaton, 16 December, 1719.

[3.] Susanna,

[3.] Susanna, born 5 July, 1721.

(7.) Joanna, born August, 1683.

(8.) Martha, born May, 1686, a twin with Anna. She died and was buried in Creaton Church.

" Hic jacet Martha Filia Jacobi & Elizabethæ Markham. Obiit Decembris 18 A. Dom. 1709. Ætatis 24."

(9.) Anna, who on 12 June, 1711, at the Parish Church of S. Giles, Northampton, married William Webster, of Great Claybrook, co. Leicester, he is mentioned as being one of the principal landed proprietors in the open fields when the lordship was inclosed in 1694, by private agreement, this inclosure being ratified by Act of Parliament in 1733.¹³

Anna Webster died on the 23 Jan., 1712, aged 27, and was buried

¹³ Nichols' *History of Leicestershire*.

at Creaton with these lines over the tombstone:—

" Hic jacet Anna Jacobi & Elizabethæ Markham filia, necnon uxor Willielmi Webster, jun. de Claybrook in agro Leicestriensi, obiit Jan. 28, Anno Dom. 1712. Ætatis suæ, 27." ¹⁴

(10.) James Markham, born May, 1687.

2. Gregory Markham, who was born about 1630. He married about 1658, and probably had only three children:—

(1.) Theodore Markham, who was born about 1659 or 1660. He married Miss McCarthy, of Kinsale, in Ireland, and settled in the Emerald Isle. He had one son,

[1.] William Markham, who was born about 1690. He appears to have lived partly at Kinsale, and partly at Creaton.

On the 8 May, 1715, at the Church of S. Etheldreda, Guilsborough, he married Bridget, the daughter of Mr. Lucas, of Hollowell, and seems to have had three children:—

William Markham, who was born at Creaton in May, 1717. He lived principally at Kinsale, and returned to England to keep Christmas with his relations ; but he died on the 24 Dec., 1752, and was buried at Creaton. He left issue:—

Thomas Markham, who married Mary, and left issue several children. Elizabeth, who married John Hamon.

Now at Kinsale there are, or were, three distinct families of Markhams, and some of these are undoubtedly descended from the Markhams of Creaton.

(2.) Elizabeth, who was born about 1660. She died

¹⁴ 'Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i. p. 564.

and was buried at Creaton the 1 March, 1722, without having been married.

- (3.) Sarah, born about 1661.
 3. Elizabeth, a spinster in 1661.
 4. Francis Markham.
 5. Martha. She was never married, and was buried at Creaton, 1 Jan., 1710.

These tomb-stones still lie in the chancel and nave of Creaton Church but many years ago when the floor was relaid, they were all covered by the new tiles. The inscriptions are therefore given from copies taken in the last century for John Bridges, the county historian.

6. Mary, married the Rev. George Castel, M.A., of Bitteswell, co. Leicester. He was instituted vicar of Bitteswell in 1660, and when he arrived he made many curious entries in the Parish Register, all showing that he was somewhat of a character. The first was:—

" 1659. The next following recorded by George Castel,

Vicar,

Vicar, the omissions of former years, hath bin occasioned partly by the neglect of his predecessor and partly by an Act of Parliament for a town register not observed by this parish."

He also left on record

" A transcription of customes of all tythings due to the Vicar of Bitteswell rates and others as have been recorded by Mr. Edw. Duckminster who was Vicar of the said parish about the year 1630. By me George Castell present vicar 1665."

" Imprim. Pro domo 2½d : that is for the house 1 d. for the hearth 1 d. and for the garden ½ to be paid at Easter.

* * * *

" For marriages 10d to the Minister and 2d to the clerk.

" For Churchings 5d; and if the child die 1 d."¹⁵

George and Mary Castle had ten children. They died, and were buried in the chancel of the Church at Bitteswell,

¹⁵ 'Nichols' *History of Leicestershire*.

with

with the following inscriptions on the stones:—

" Here lies the body of Mary
the wife of George Castle
buried Nov. 10. 1680."

" M. S

Georgius Castell M.A.
hujusque ecclesiæ vicarius fidelissimus
obiit 10 kal. Sept anno Dom 1704
annoque æt suæ 81." ¹⁶

- iv. *William Markham*, of London, who was born about 1603. He died before 1658, having married Joyous, and left issue:—
 - 1. William Markham.
 - 2. Elizabeth.
- v. *Thomas Markham*, who was born and died in August, 1607, in the parish of S. Michael.
- vi. *Elizabeth* was born in August, 1608, and died in October, 1614, in S. Michael's parish.
- vii. *John Markham*. [IV.]
- viii. *Elizabeth*, born November, 1616. She married Mr. Peake, an attorney. They left several children.

IV. JOHN MARKHAM, the son of Gregory, was born at Cornhill, in September, 1609. He became a merchant, living at S. Martin's Outwich, in the city of London.

¹⁶ Nichols' *History of Leicestershire*.

John Markham made his will 9 September, 1658, whereby, first, he commended his soul into the hands of Almighty God, in faith that by and through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, his only and alone Saviour and Redeemer, all his sins should be pardoned, and he made a partaker of eternal joy and happiness; his body after his life ended he committed unto the earth, to be decently buried in Christian burial; and concerning the worldly estate that it had pleased God to make him a steward of, he disposed, according to the custom of the city of London, of one-third to his wife Elizabeth, one-third equally among his children, and the other third in diverse bequests. He died in 1658, and was buried in the Church of S. Martin's, Outwich. This Church, which was the smallest in London, has since been destroyed, and the site is now occupied by the Capital and Counties' Bank.

John Markham married Elizabeth Simpson, and they left issue:—

- i. *John Markham*. [V.]
- ii. *Elizabeth*, who married Thomas Cox, of Stanton, co. Buckingham. He died in Feb., 1719.
- iii. *Sarah*, who married Francis Tutt. When she was a widow she wrote to say "that she had no convenience for a horse — had no pretensions to entertain relations — lived a very private life — annoyed her neighbours very little — could not be put to the charge of unnecessary visits — and sent her services." She died in 1727.



CORNHILL IN 1630.

(From View published by Boydell.)

- V. JOHN MARKHAM was born in London about the year 1650. He became a silk-throwster, and settled at the picturesque little village of Staines, co. Middlesex.

John Markham died 1 Dec., 1721, and was buried at Staines.

He married Rose, and their children were:—

- i. *John Markham*, who was born about 1683. He settled as an attorney at Winslow, co. Buckingham, where he died, and was buried in the parish Church, the following inscription being placed on a flat stone in the nave:—

" John Markham Gent
died 29th May 1746 aged 63
Phillipa his wife
died 20th Aug. 1723 aged 35
also of Mary and Robert
their children
who died in infancy." ¹⁷

Some six years ago the whole of the Church was repaved and reseated; and this tombstone, with others in the Church, was removed, and now finds a resting-place under the eaves of the chancel.

John Markham married Phillipa and left issue:—

1. Maria, born March, 1712, died July, 1713, and was buried at Winslow.

¹⁷ Lipscombe's *History of Buckinghamshire*, vol. iii. p. 549.

2. John Markham, born at Winslow, 12 March, 1713, and died 2 June, 1746, without leaving issue.
3. Alexander Markham, born at Winslow, October, 1716, he matriculated at Lincoln College, Oxford, 12 March, 1732, took his B.A. Degree 1736, his M.A. 3 July, 1739, and was presented to the living of Steeple Claydon, co. Buckingham, by Ralph, Earl Verney, and inducted on the 11 Sept., 1741. On his own cession on taking another living he was again presented by the same patron, and instituted to the Vicarage, 23 Aug., 1746, he died May, 1767,¹⁸ having had issue:—
 - (1.) John Markham, who was born in 1754. He matriculated at Brazenose College, Oxford, 16 Feb., 1771, and became fellow and tutor of Worcester College, Oxford, took his B.A. degree 1774, and his M.A. degree. In 1780 he was instituted curate of Northill, co. Bedford.

¹⁸ Lipscombe's *History of Buckinghamshire*, vol. iii. p. 83.

In 1800 we find him attending the wedding of the Rev. Robert Philip Goodenough, clerk and rector of Carlton, co. Nottingham, and Cecilia Markham, of S. George Hanover square, co. Middlesex, and signing the register at that Church.

He lived at Northill until his death on 5 June, 1811.

- (2.) Thomas Markham, an attorney, who lived at Cheltenham. He on the 29 August, 1799, married Eleanor Carne, of Nash, co. Glamorgan.

He served the office of High Sheriff for that county in 1805.

He had no children, and by his will he devised his house at Cheltenham and £300 to his sister, Elizabeth Markham, and the residue to Eleanor his wife. He died the 19 Nov., 1824, at Nash.

The Rev. David Markham¹⁹ says that this Thomas was of the family of the Markhams of Cotham, but in this he is clearly mistaken.

- (3.) Henry Markham, who was also an attorney at Cheltenham. He died without having been married, and a stone with the following inscription was placed in the parish Church at Cheltenham:—

" In a Vault
under this Stone
lie the remains
of
Henry Markham,
who died Dec. 11th, 1799,
and of
Elizabeth Markham,
his sister,
who died Aug. 24th,
1826." ²⁰

- (4.) Elizabeth, who was buried with her brother.
4. Robert Markham, who was born 19 Oct., 1719, and died 6 June, 1720.

¹⁹ *History of the Markham Family*, 1854, p. 47.

²⁰ *Blacker's Monumental Inscriptions in the Church of Cheltenham*.

5. Robert Markham, born Jan., 1721, and died 11 Aug., 1758, without leaving issue.
- ii. *Robert Markham*, of Staines. On the 5 March, 1719, he wrote to his brother, John Markham from Wood street, London, where he probably had a place of business, concluding his letter with:

" My Love to your Fireside & self
 " who am
 " Your Loving Brother,
 " R. Markham."

He was buried at Staines, 3 July, 1753.

- iii. *William Markham*. [VI.]
- iv. *Sarah*, who married William Curll, of Saham-Toney, near Walton. She had one child, and died 1723.
- v. *Thomas Markham*, of Staines. He married, and died 7 Dec., 1749, and also buried at Staines : his wife died and was also buried at Staines, 4 Aug., 1741.
- vi. *Elizabeth* married Henry Plowman before 1728, but had no issue.

VI. WILLIAM MARKHAM was born at Staines about 1687. He became a lawyer, was appointed one the six clerks in chancery, and settled in the ancient borough of Northampton, which "standeth on the north side of the Avon Ryver (the Nene) on the browe of a meane hille, and risith still from the south to the north. Al the old building of the town was of stone, the new of tymbre. There be in the walls of Northampton four gates. The castelle standeth hard

by

by the west gate, and hath a large kepe. The area of the residew is very large, and bullewarkes of yerth be made afore the castelle gate. — Paroche Churches in Northampton, within the waulles, be seven; whereof the Church of Al-Halowes is principale, standing yn the harte of the towne, and is large and welle builded."²¹

To this town, therefore, came William Markham, probably immediately after his marriage, as he is described in 1717 as being of London.

William Markham made his will on the 18 May, 1762, "being of sound mind, memory, and understanding, although not in perfect health," desiring to be buried as near his wife as might be in S. Giles' Church in private manner, giving to his son Charles Markham, his house in Gravel lane and leasehold houses in New Bond street, Westminster, to his grandson, Henry William Markham, part of his farm at Pickering, co. York, and to the poor of S. Giles' three guineas and other small bequests.

He died and was buried at S. Giles' parish on the 31 January, 1763.

William Markham married Elizabeth Plowman. They left three children:—

- i. *Elizabeth*, born 31 December, 1717. She died 16 April, 1718.
- ii. *John Markham*, born about 1718, buried at S. Giles', May, 1723.
- iii. *Elizabeth*, born about 1720, died without having been married, and was buried at S. Giles', 29 May, 1752.

²¹ Leland's *Itinerary*.

iv. Charles

- iv. *Charles Markham* was born 10 Sept., 1722, at Northampton. He matriculated at Lincoln College, Oxford, 29 April, 1741, and took his B.A. degree in 1744.

In August, 1752, he was inducted to the living of Great Oxendon, a little Northamptonshire village near Market Harborough, sacred to the memory of the Rev. John Morton, the Northamptonshire naturalist. From this place it is not a far cry to the pleasant little Leicestershire village of Shangton, which is situated on a beck, about six miles north of Market Harborough, the population being now, as then, only about 74 souls. The Church is dedicated to S. Nicholas, and is a miniature affair, with a west bell-cote and a couple of bells. To this living of "Shanckton" was the Rev. Charles Markham presented by Sir Edmund Isham, Bart., of Lamport, co. Northampton, and on 14, July, 1767, duly instituted.²² The rectory inhabited by him has since been pulled down, and a new house erected by the Rev. Robert Isham. There is still, however, a walk under an avenue of elm trees known by the name of "Markham's Walk." At the General Election in 1775 Sir Justinian Isham and Charles Markham were the only electors who polled for this village.

The village of Church Langton adjoins Shangton, the Church being a remarkably

²² *History of the Parish of Langton*, by J. R. Hill, 1867.

fine

fine one. This living was held by the Rev. Charles Markham as executor for the Rev. W. Hanbury, from the year 1778 to 1782, and when his son, William Hanbury, was ordained, Charles Markham at once resigned. He owned the estate at Grendon, and devised it to Charles Markham, the late Clerk of the Peace. In 1778 he took his M.A. degree from Emmanuel College, Cambridge.

In 1783 Thomas Markham, his second cousin, the attorney, who lived at Cheltenham wrote to him for some information as to the Markham pedigree, and he sent him the following courteous reply:—

" Sir,

" J recd yours relating to pedigree of the Markhams — J have never studied that matter, therefore am incapable of assisting you in the completion of your Genealogical Table — the house at S. Albans now enjoyed by your family, and also that part possessed by my late father (who died twenty years since) as appears by Deed of conveyance was purchased in 1661 — by M^{rs} Eliz Markham, who was my late father's grandmother, she was I suppose then a widow — my grandfather Markham lived at Staines in Middlesex, as I have heard, was a Silk Throwster — my father was born at Staines. This is all the imperfect account I can give about this affair — I desire to send my complements to your Mother, Brother, and yourself,

sincerely

sincerely wishing you Health and Prosperity in all your Undertakings — By the Blessing of God, J have enjoyed good state of Health many years, — and am now happy in that respect — J am very glad to hear your Brother and yourself, and family are well settled in Life. J know your late father, my cousin Alexander M : was pofsefsed of a considerable temporal estate.

" J am your humble servant
" Shangton June " Cha : Markham.
2^d 1783.

" P.S. — Am sorry cannot give you any Information about this matter, J should have been glad to have communicated it to you — J don't know where to direct you for Information J live at Shangton a small Parish, almost depopulated by Inclosures J have been pofsefsed of the Living near 26 years — It is six miles from Market Harborough — Letters are not brought regularly here".

" To
M^r Thomas Markham
an Attorney
4^d at Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
(by London) "

Charles Markham died, and was buried on 8 Dec. 1802, in the Church-yard at Shangton, to the south of the chancel, the following inscription being cut on the tomb-stone:—

" Sacred

" Sacred
to the memory of
The Rev^d
Charles Markham
M A
formerly of Northampton
who was upwards of 45 years
resident Rector of this Parish
he died the 4th day of Dec^r
1802
in the 81st year of his age." ²³

On the 7 June, 1773, Charles Markham was married to Sarah Thompson, by the Rev. John Wilson in his own Church. She survived her husband and was subsequently buried by his side.

" Sacred
to the memory of
Sarah Relict of the
Rev^d Cha. Markham M A
who departed this life
January 15th 1815
aged 80 years." ²³

They left no issue.

- v. *Robert Markham*, born 27 Sept., 1724, died, and was buried 10 March, 1725.
 - vi. *Henry William Markham*. [VII.]
 - vii. *Rose*, died an infant on the 25 Oct., 1727.
- VII. HENRY WILLIAM MARKHAM was born at Northampton on the 13 Feb., 1725. He became an attorney, and was appointed steward and bailiff's clerk

²³ *Northamptonshire Notes and Queries*, 1889, vol. iii. p. 152.

for

for the borough of Northampton. For some years he occupied a house in S. Giles' square.

Henry William Markham was not by any means in his uncle Plowman's good books, being described by him in his will as "his haughty nephew" and as "a squanderer of money in vanity and silliness, so he only left him the sum of £150 instead of £1500 which he said he had intended to have done.

It must be admitted that poor Mr. Plowman had some ground of complaint, for in March, 1763, H. W. Markham was gazetted bankrupt, and all his property, even the old family pew, was conveyed to a trustee. However, afterwards he honourably paid every creditor twenty shillings in the pound. He died, and was buried at Northampton, on the 5 Jan., 1776.

Henry William Markham married Frances Mansel, and they left the following children:—

- i. *Henry William Markham* who was born 13 Feb., 1745. For some years he occupied a house on the north side of S. Giles' street, probably the one now occupied by Dr. Evans, and for this house he also voted at the election in 1765. He became an ensign in the 59th Regiment of Foot, and died at Cars Field, Maine, co. Berwick, on the 22 April, 1797, and was buried near the altar in the Church at Cornhill there.
- ii. *Christopher Markham*, born on the 3 March, 1747, and died on the 24 June the same year.
- iii. *John Markham* born on the 5 May, 1748, and was buried 17 May, 1749.

iv. *John*

- iv. *John Markham*. [VIII.]
- v. *Frances*, born in June, 1754, and died Feb., 1804, at her house in Sheep street, Northampton. She was never married.
- vi. *Sarah*, born 4 Jan., 1756. She died an infant.

VIII. JOHN MARKHAM was born at Northampton on the 5 May, 1750. He was admitted an attorney and lived in S. Giles' street. In 1774 John Markham joined the old Kingsthorpe Bowling Green Club, which was commenced in 1771. This famous club for upwards of eighty years made the White Horse Inn, Kingsthorpe, its head quarters; and at this inn the members enjoyed their cheese cakes (for which the inn was famous) and port wine, and occasionally a good substantial dinner, telling their anecdotes and making their little jokes.

When the running of the coaches was discontinued the White Horse Inn ceased to be used as an hostelry and became a private house,²⁴ the members of the club thus becoming wanderers; and when Mr. H.P. Markham built his house near Pitsford, he made a new bowling green, where, be it remembered the club-members have since regularly met; and, in the present orthodox fashion, its centenary was duly celebrated in 1871.

At the election in 1768 John Markham came to poll for Mrs. Mansell's house in S. Giles' street, alleging that she lived there as his housekeeper, that he was not married, that he was 21 at least, that he lived there from February last, that he did not live there at Christmas, that he paid £10 12s. a year, and

²⁴ *Rambles Roundabout*, by G.J. De Wilde, 1871, p.11.

that

that he took the house himself. Ultimately his claim was allowed, and he polled for Sir George Osborn and Sir George Bridges Rodney.²⁵

On the 15 Jan, 1776, John Markham was elected steward and bailiff's clerk for keeping the court of sessions of the corporation and borough of Northampton. He was also appointed clerk of lieutenantancy for the county, then an important office connected with the raising of the Militia, Yeomanry, and Volunteers.

John Markham, in the beginning of August, 1803, was driving back to Northampton from Towcester, in a gig with his son Charles, when an accident occurred. He was carried home, and immediately made his will, giving all his real and personal estate to his wife, trusting her to make fair partition of the same. Dr. Kerr was then called in and amputated his leg, but mortification ensued, and on the 4 August he died, and was buried in S. Giles' Church, a tablet with the following words being placed on the south wall of the north-east chapel:—

" In this vestry
are deposited
the mortal remains of
John Markham Gent
for many years an inhabitant
of this parish
who departed this life
on the 4th Aug 1803
ætat 53
leaving an affectionate wife
with 4 sons and 3 daughters

²⁵ *Minutes of Northampton Election*, 1768, p. 327.

to deplore his loss
also those
of Hannah Markham his widow
who died
on the 7th of May 1820 ætat 61
their six surviving children
(Catherine having died at Kaira in the
East Indies on the 14th Aug 1818)
in filial love and tender regard to the
memory of their affectionate parents
have caused this monument
to be erected."

John Markham married Hannah Wagstaff, and they left the following children:—

- i. *Charles Markham*. [IX.]
- ii. *John Markham*, who was born 31 Dec., 1780. He became a farmer, and for some years lived at Brixworth and Walgrave, co. Northampton; he afterwards went to live at Hanging Houghton, Lamport, co. Northampton, where he lived until his death on the 7 Jan., 1855. He was buried in Lamport churchyard to the south-east of the Church.

" Sacred
to the memory of
John Markham
of Hanging Houghton
in this Parish
who died 7th Jan 1855
in the 75th year
of his age."

John Markham married Elizabeth Congrave Phillips, of Badby, co. Northampton, in June, 1804. She died in July, 1810, and was buried at Brixworth. She had issue:—

1. Emma, born March, 1805. She died in August, 1821.
 2. Eliza Phillips, born Jan., 1807. She married George Tibbets, and had a large family.
 3. Charlott, born Feb., 1808, and died the same year.
 4. Ann, born May, 1809. She died an infant.
- iii. *Frances*, who was born 15 Jan., 1781-2, and in March, 1814, married John William Smith, of Shrewsbury. He was born in 1770, and died in Nov., 1859, and was buried in the churchyard at Walgrave, co. Northampton. They had issue:—
1. Anne, who was born in June, 1815, and married Arthur Bayley Markham. She died 5 Sept., 1872, and was buried at Grendon.
 2. Frances Louisa Catherine, born in July, 1816, and died 19 Feb., 1881, and was also buried at Grendon.
 3. William Smith, born 1817, died 1830.

4. John Kennedy Smith, born July 1819. He died and was buried at S. Chads, Shrewsbury, 4 January, 1864.
 5. Eliza Emma, who was born February, 1822, and married William Orlando Markham. She died in August, 1848.
- iv. *Edward Markham*, who was born 18 February, 1783, and was buried 3 August the same year.
- v. *Henry William Markham* was born 4 March, 1785. He was an army surgeon, and died and was buried at Salisbury, a tablet with the following words being placed on the north wall of the north-east chapel, S. Giles' Church, Northampton:—
- " To the Memory of
Henry W^m Markham, Esq.
for many years, surgeon
in the 96th and afterwards
in the 56th Regiment of Infantry
he departed this life
on the 14th March 1840
after a short and severe illness
in the 55th year of his age."
- vi. *Elizabeth* was born in March, 1786. She lived with her brother Christopher, in S. Giles' street, Northampton; all her life.

She died and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard, near the south door, with the following simple words on the tomb-stone:

" In Memory of
Elizabeth Markham,
born 1st March 1786,
died 13 November 1870."

- vii. *Catherine*, born in March, 1787. She married Captain John Gregory Page Atkins, of the 17th Light Dragoons, on the 15 March, 1808, and died at Kaira in the East Indies, in August, 1818, having had four children:—

1. Georgiana Markham, born March, 1809. She died a spinster, and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard.

" Georgiana
Markham Atkins
died Mar^h 10th 1860,
aged 51."

2. William Henry Atkins, born November, 1811. He learnt farming from Mr. Potterton, who lived at Boughton, and then took a farm at Coton under Guilsborough, which did not turn out a success. He lived at a little house in S. Giles' street for many years : he died a bachelor, and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard:—

" Here

" Here lies
William Henry Atkins
who died
the sixth day of May 1870
aged 59 years."

3. Emily, who was born in June, 1812. She married William Parkinson, and had a son Frederick Parkinson. She died on the 5 August, 1869.
4. Eliza Harriet, born 8 May, 1817. She married George John Vine, of Hadlow, co. Kent, now of Covent Garden, London, M.D.; and had four daughters, Catherine Eliza, Cecilia, Ada Harriet, and Mary Emily, and died 24 May, 1889.

- viii. *Christopher Markham* was born on the 12 September, 1790. He went to Rugby school under Dr. Wooley. He was articled to his brother, Charles Markham, and became an attorney.

At the Election in 1852, Christopher Markham unsuccessfully opposed Mr. Vernon Smith as Member for the Borough.

In 1856 Christopher Markham was elected Mayor of the Borough of Northampton. In the Northampton Museum there is an excellent portrait of him in his robes of office, presented to the Corporation by Mr. W. T. Higgins, Mayor, 1857.

He

He lived in Little Holdenby House, S. Giles' street, until it was pulled down, and he then lived in the house erected on the same site, now No. 20, S. Giles' street.

On the 25 June, 1858, he died, unmarried, and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard, near the south door, these words being placed on the stone:—

" In memory of
Christopher Markham Esq.
born 11th Sept^r 1790
died 25th June 1858."

IX. CHARLES MARKHAM was born at Northampton on 28 December, 1778. He was educated at Rugby School, and on the 1 January, 1795, articulated to his father, John Markham, for five years, and admitted an attorney of the King's Bench, and solicitor of the High Court of Chancery on 12 February, 1800, and appointed Master Extraordinary in Chancery on 7 April, 1800; he was also appointed a commissioner for the counties of Buckingham, Bedford, Northampton, and Leicester.

Charles Markham lived with his mother at Little Holdenby House for some years, then at the house at the corner of S. Giles' square and Derngate, he afterwards removed to a house on the Parade; and in 1815 he took up his abode in the old house, No. 71, Abington street.

Charles Markham was a most enthusiastic correspondent, and some of his letters are charmingly written. In 1815 he wrote from Wills' Coffee House in

London

London to Mr. Markham, of Nash, after an accidental meeting in town, wishing him a safe and pleasant journey to his residence, and " To M^{rs}. Markham (though unknown to her) and to your sister at Cheltenham, I will trouble you to present my kind remembrance, and I can assure you that it would give to my wife and to myself very great pleasure to hear that you and M^{rs}. M. would pass a few days with us on your way Home, or that you would so favour us on some future occasion."

He wrote the following Poem to the Harvest Moon which was printed in the *Northampton Herald*:—

" THE HARVEST MOON.

" This is the Harvest Moon !

Whose pale but steady light not only serves
To guide the trav'ler in his doubtful course,
But helps the lab'rer in his glad employ
Of gathering in the ripened harvest
With which the Almighty, in His mercy great
And kindness infinite for thoughtless man,
Has blessed the earth in full abundance.
Patient of toil, the humble gleaners
In this benign and happy season pass
Whole days in picking fallen heads of corn,
And at late hour of even may be seen
By moonlight going to their wonted homes,
From fields not distant, each with burden gained
Through persevering industry, allow'd
By charitable custom and good will.
Their harvest lodged, the careful housewife
For her returning husband's meal prepares,
Whose rougher labour through the day requires

Refreshment

Refreshment suited to his toil; meanwhile
 Their children to the village green repair,
 And for a time indulge in rustic play
 And harmless gambols, and on the morrow,
 Zealous and happy, to the fields again
 Return, guided by anxious parent,
 And again bring home their valu'd store.
 And thus from day to day they labour still
 During this toilsome, but most welcome month,
 Until at length their harvest pleased they view,
 Useful for food and wholesome, and enjoy'd
 The more being the fruit of industry.
 And should Almighty goodness thus bestow'd
 On man, by thoughtless man in disregard
 And unbecoming silence be received ?
 Should he not rather pour this tribute full
 Of gratitude and thanks, to Him who these
 And ev'ry blessing gives from day to day;
 To Him who in their course mysterious
 The seasons' ever coming, yet as oft
 Departing, guides with unfailing wisdom,
 And in His all-bestowing mercy gives
 To every creature food ? Should man, I say,
 Heedless from whence these many bounties come,
 Neglect to offer thanks where thanks and praise
 So great and manifold are justly due ?
 Let man reflect, let him, with mind intent,
 Confess the goodness of Almighty God;
 And feeling wonder, gratitude, and love,
 Tow'rd Him who guides and regulates the whole,
 Never forget his own unworthiness
 Or his great debt to Goodness Infinite.

" C. M."

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The Castle Ashby Volunteer Infantry Corp was raised and accepted by His Majesty, 20 August, 1803. There were only three officers appointed : Thomas Scriven, Captain Commandant; Richard Scriven, Lieutenant; and Samuel Seagrave, Ensign; and next year Charles Markham received a commission from Charles, Earl of Northampton, as Ensign, vice Seagrave resigned.

Charles Markham succeeded his father as Clerk of Lieutenancy; and, on the death of Christopher Smyth, the then Clerk of the Peace in 1823, he was appointed Clerk of the Peace for the County of Northampton by Charles, Marquis of Northampton. He was also appointed a Perpetual Commissioner on the 28 December, 1833.

Charles Markham died in 1846, and the solicitors of the town and county, as a body, attended his burial in the north-east Chapel of S. Giles' Church, Northampton; where a tablet with the following words was placed on the south wall:—

" Charles Markham, Esquire,
 a native of this parish, and for many years
 Clerk of the Peace for the County of
 Northampton, died 20th Oct. : 1846, ætat 68,
 his remains repose in a vault in this Church
 by the side of those of his
 Father and Mother
 Eliza Mary, the Relict of the above
 named Charles Markham,
 died the 17th December 1858 aged 73 years
 she was buried in the Church yard
 of this Parish."

Charles

Charles Markham married Eliza Mary Packharness, and they had nine children.

- i. *Anna Maria Frances* who was born in March, 1813. She, in 1848, married John Cox, clerk in holy orders, who was the son of Thomas Cox, who married Frances Packharness (the sister of Eliza Markham). He was the curate of Walgrave, and had the sole charge of the parishes of Walgrave and Hannington, co. Northampton; and he lived in the Rectory of Walgrave for some five and thirty years. He and Mrs. Cox then went to live at Castlestone, Northampton, where he died and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard, in 1867.

Mrs. Cox continued to reside in the town until her death on 1 January, 1878, then she was buried by the side of her husband.

They had the following children:—

1. Charles Markham Cox, who was born on the 5 November, 1849.
2. Mary Elizabeth, who was born on the 3 August, 1852, and died the 6 November, 1852.
3. Ethel Markham, who was born the 13 January, 1855. On the 17 September, 1881, at Guilsborough, she married Frank Garratt of the 13th Hussars, and went with him to India; he

died

died at Meerut, N. W. P., India, from jungle fever, on the 16 September, 1886. Mrs. Garratt returned to England with her two infant daughters — Frances Marjory, who was born at Meerut in 1883; and Dorothy Malsor, who was also born at Meerut in 1885.

4. Helen Theresa, who was born on the 26 May, 1857.

- ii. *Arthur Bayley Markham* was born at Northampton on the 11 May, 1815. He went to a Mr. Comfield's school, opposite to S. Peter's Church, and then to a school at Walthamstow, kept by the Rev. T. Roberts.

About 1832, he was articled to Mr. George King, solicitor of Tokenhouse Yard, London, and was admitted an attorney in 1838. The same year he married Anne Smith, daughter of John William Smith, and went to live at Bank House, Acton, co. Middlesex, until the death of his father in 1846, when he returned to Northampton, and took up his abode in the old house in Abington street.

Anne Markham died in 1872, and was buried in Grendon churchyard, Arthur B. Markham died the next year, and was buried in the same churchyard; as was

also

also his sister-in-law, Frances Louisa Catherine Smith : there is a flat tombstone there with the following inscription:

" Here rest
the bodies of
Arthur Bayley Markham
of Northampton
who was born 11th May 1815
and died 20th December 1873
and of
Anne his wife
who was born 8th June 1815
and died 5th September 1872
and also of
Frances Louisa Catherine Smith
her sister who was born July 5th 1816
and died 19th February 1881."

Arthur Bayley and Anne Markham had in all twelve children:—

1. Edith Frances who was born the 4 December, 1839. On the 15 May, 1866, she married Charles Sebastian Smith at the Church of the Blessed Virgin, Grendon; they have had these children:—
 - (1.) Charles Arthur Smith, born the 7 June, 1867.
 - (2.) Edith Mary, born on the 18 June, 1869, and died on the 12 June, 1884.

(3.) Dora,

- (3.) Dora, born 31 July, 1871, and died 22 August, 1871.
 - (4.) Annie Theresa Frances, born 2 October, 1872.
 - (5.) Evelyn Mary, born 19 March, 1874.
 - (6.) Henry Markham Smith, born 17 October, 1876, died 16 November, 1876.
2. Anne Gertrude was born 6 May, 1842. On the 6 September, 1866, she married Charles King Anderson, the youngest son of Thomas Anderson, of Jesmond House, co. Northumberland — Jesmond or *Jesus Mount*, where the devotees of former ages used to go, passing up Pilgrim street, Newcastle.

Charles King Anderson died 16 January, 1876, and was buried at Willesden Parish Church. They had the following children:

- (1.) Charles Cyril King Anderson born 13 February, 1868, died 12 February, 1876.
- (2.) Alwyn Lowder King Anderson, born the 4 November, 1870.

(3.) Gwendoline

- (3.) Gwendoline Mary Gertrude, born 12 March, 1873.
- (4.) Mabel Mary, born 18 June, 1874.
- 3. Charles William Markham, born 15 September 1843, and now of Grendon and Northampton.
- 4. Alice, born 16 January, 1845, now living at Northampton.
- 5. Katherine Louisa was born the 16 October, 1846. On the 13 September 1865, she married Major H. Landon, now of Creaton House, near Northampton.

Their children are:—

- (1.) William Henry Fitzroy Landon, born 24 May, 1867.
- (2.) Mary Louise, born 19 August, 1868.
- (3.) Augusta Mabel, born 24 June, 1871.
- (4.) Leila Evelyn, born 4 November, 1874.
- 6. Emma, born 6 May, 1848. She married at S. Giles' Church, Northampton, on the 21 July,

1873, Charles Jewel Evans, and resided first in Abington street, and now in S. Giles' street.

They have the following children:—

- (1.) Charles Alfred Markham Evans, born on the 21 September, 1874, at Northampton.
- (2.) Mary Emily, born on the 5 January, 1876, at Northampton.
- (3.) George Jewel Evans, born on the 28 June, 1878, at Northampton.
- (4.) Harriet Mary Burroughes, born on 2 July, 1886, at Northampton.
- 7. Ada Mary, born 27 November, 1849, at Northampton. On the 16 October, 1877, at the Church of the Blessed Virgin, Grendon, she married Charles Gray, M.A., Clerk in Holy Orders, the first Vicar of S. Michael and All Angels', Northampton; now Vicar of Belgrave-cum-Birstall, Leicester, Chaplain to the Bishop of Leicester, and J.P. for the county of Leicester.

They have two children:—

- (1.) Henry Alexander Gray, born 4 July, 1878.
- (2.) Constance, born 26 July, 1883.
- 8. Arthur Markham, born 21 June, 1851 ; he died young, and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard, Northampton.

" In
Memory of
Arthur
second son
of
Arthur Bayley Markham
attorney at law
and of Anne his wife
who died on 6th May, 1856
in the fifth year of his age

" There is no flock however watched & tended
But one dead lamb is there !
There is no fireside howsoe'er defended
But has one vacant chair !"

- 9. Henrietta Elizabeth, born the 23 December, 1852. On the 23 July, 1878, at S. Giles' Church, Northampton, she married Reginald Bell, of The Hall, Thirsk, co. York, Justice of the Peace, and Captain in the 1st Volunteer Battalion of the Princess of Wales' Own (Yorkshire Regiment).

They

They have the following children:—

- (1.) John Bell, born 26 June, 1879.
- (2.) Violet Eva, born 28 December, 1880.
- (3.) Frederic Bell, born 25 December, 1881.
- (4.) Henrietta May, born 1 January, 1883.
- (5.) Ralph Bell, born 29 September, 1884.
- (6.) Evelyn Heather, born 5 June, 1886.
- 10. John Mansel Markham, born 16 August, 1854, he was educated at Magdalen School, Oxford, and became a solicitor practicing at Northampton.
- 11. Gervase Edward Markham, born 17 July, 1856, at Northampton, he was educated at Magdalen College School, Oxford, and King's College, London; he became a mining engineer and was appointed manager of one of Messrs. Bolckow, Vaughan, & Co.'s Collieries, near Bishop Auckland, co. Durham.

12. Winifred

12. Winifred Markham, born 1 Sept., 1858; on the 9 August, 1881, at S. Giles' Church, she married Captain (now Major) Liebenrood, of the 58th Regiment.
- iii. *Henry William Markham*, who was born at Northampton on the 5 August, 1816. He first went to school at Miss Hoyland, a little Quakeress who lived in the Drapery,* then to the Rev. W. L. Collins, of Theddingworth, co. Leicester (editor of *Ancient Classics for English Readers*); afterwards to Guilsborough Grammar School, co. Northampton, where the Rev. Charles Tucker was head master.

In 1832 Henry P. Markham was articled to his father at Northampton; early in March, 1838, he went to Edinburgh studying medicine there as an amateur, and returning to Northampton in August the same year to be present at his brother's wedding. He was admitted an attorney at law and solicitor of the High Court of Chancery in the Hillary Term, 1838.

In 1846, on the death of his father, Henry P. Markham was appointed Clerk of Lieutenancy and Clerk of the Peace for the County of Northampton by the then Lord Lieutenant and Custos Rotulorum, the Marquis of Exeter.

* Sister to John Hoyland, Author of *Historical Survey of the Gypsies*, 1816. (See *Northamptonshire Notes & Queries*, vol. i. p. 107.)

In 1889, the Local Government Act was passed, and by virtue of this Act, H. P. Markham became clerk to the Northamptonshire County Council; and at the last Quarter Sessions held in the county for the transaction of administrative business, a resolution was unanimously passed, and afterwards written on vellum, with the superscription:—

" COURT OF
GENERAL QUARTER SESSIONS
for the
COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON
23rd March 1889
Vote of thanks
To

Mr. Henry Philip Markham.

" **A**T A COURT OF GENERAL QUARTER SESSIONS of the COUNTY of NORTHAMPTON held by adjournment (on the coming into operation of the Local Government Act, 1888), in the County Hall, on Saturday the 23 day of March, 1889, It was unanimously resolved on the motion of Henry Minshull Stockdale, Esquire, the chairman, seconded by the Right Hon. Earl Spencer, K.G., Lord Lieutenant of the County, That the thanks of the Court be given to Mr. Henry Philip Markham, Clerk of the Peace, for the able and efficient

way in which he had assisted in the administration of the County business, and had brought into operation the Local Government Act."

Mr. H. P. Markham was returned as councillor for the East Ward of Northampton in 1854, 1857, 1860, 1863. He was returned again in 1878 and 1881 for the same ward. In the year 1862 he was chosen Mayor of the Borough of Northampton.

On the 6 December, 1855, at Matlock, co. Derby, he married Edith, the daughter of Lieutenant Alexander, of the 57th Regiment of the line: they have the following children:—

1. Rose Isabelle, who was born at Northampton, on 1 February, 1857.
2. Christopher Alexander Markham, who was born at Chapel Brampton, near Northampton, on 12 June, 1859. On the 21 June, 1882, he was articled to his father; in August, 1887, he was admitted as a solicitor; and appointed deputy Clerk of the Peace for the County.

On the 23 January, 1886, Christopher Markham was gazetted as lieutenant to the 4th Battalion of the Northampton-

shire

shire Regiment ; and in 1888 he was appointed instructor of Musketry to the 3rd and 4th Battalions of the same Regiment.

He was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries, 6 March, 1890.

Editor of *The Northamptonshire Notes and Queries*, 1890; and Author of:

History of the County Buildings of Northamptonshire.

Northampton, 1885.

Ancient Punishments in Northamptonshire ; and

Domesday Book, Northamptonshire.

Papers published in the *Associated Architectural Societies' Reports*, 1886 and 1887.

The Northamptonshire County Council.

Paper published in the *County Council Magazine*. 1889.

3. Lillias Agatha Mary Racster, was born at Sedgebrook, near Northampton, the 22 July, 1862.
- iv. *William Orlando Markham*, who was born 28 January, 1818.

He was apprenticed to James Flesher; of Aylesbury, surgeon, on the 7 February, 1843, for five years; and he afterwards studied medicine at Edinburgh, Paris, and Heidelberg. He took his M.D. degree in

Edinburgh

Edinburgh in 1840. In 1854 he was elected a Fellow of the R.C.P. London, and F.K.Q.C.P., Ireland, (Hon.) in 1867. He was for some years physician to S. Mary's Hospital, London, and Lecturer of S. Mary's Medical School, being the Gulstonion Lecturer for 1864.

In August, 1866, Dr. Markham was appointed Medical Inspector for the Metropolitan District, by Mr. G. Hardy. He then ceased to conduct the *British Medical Journal*, of which he had been Editor from 1860 to 1866.

On his retirement the following address written by Sir Thomas Watson, was signed by fifteen hundred of the members of the British Medical Association, and was presented to him on the 3 June, 1867, at Willis' Rooms, having been circulated with this letter:—

*75, Grosvenor Street, W.,
20th February, 1867.*

DEAR SIR,

It has been proposed to present the subjoined address to DR. MARKHAM. If you are willing to sign it, be good enough to append your name to the accompanying form, and to return it to me on or before the 4th of March.

Yours faithfully,
A. P. STEWART.

DEAR

DEAR SIR,

We, the undersigned, are desirous of offering to you, upon your retirement from the Editorship of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, the expression of our sincere admiration of the manner in which, for a period of six years, you have exercised the duties of that difficult and invidious office. Throughout your whole conduct of the Journal, we recognise plain-spoken candour, and a most independent, truthful, and impartial spirit, in your dealings with the writings and the acts, as well of your personal friends as of your professed opponents. We acknowledge, and thankfully appreciate, your zealous maintenance of the social dignity and the scientific position of the medical profession; and your constant and stern reprobation of quackery, and of the sanction or support of it by any members of our body.

In heartily bidding you an official farewell, we pray for your health and happiness, as we confidently anticipate your faithful service, in the new and important office to which you have recently been called.

Name _____

Dr. Markham is the author of the following works:—

Remarks on the Surgical Practice of Paris. A Thesis to which the Gold Medal was assigned by the Senatus Academicus of Edinburgh University, at the Gradation of 1840. *London*, 1840.

A Treatise on Auscultation and Percussion, by Dr. Joseph Skoda. Translated from 4th Edition, by W. O. Markham, M.D., assistant Physician to St. Mary's Hospital. *London*, 1853.

Diseases of the Heart. Their Pathology, Diagnosis, and Treatment. *London*, 1856.
— and Edition. *London*, 1860.

Vivisection : is it necessary or justifiable ? Prize Essay, published by the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. *London*, 1866.

Hot-air Stoves as House Warmers. A Paper published in the *Sanitary Record*, March 15, 1881.

He married on the 29 April, 1847, at the church of Meole-Brace, co. Salop, for his first wife, Eliza Emma Smith, aforesaid, by whom he had one son:—

1. Henry William Kennedy Markham, who was born on the 26 July, 1848; he went to Rugby School, and afterwards to S. John's College, Cambridge, where he took his B.A. degree.

He was then articled, and admitted as a solicitor in 1875. In 1874 he was appointed second lieutenant in the Northampton Militia, now the 3rd Battalion Northamptonshire Regiment, and was gazetted as captain 29 December, 1883.

Eliza E. Markham died 12 August, 1848, at Kensington Gardens, London, and was buried at Dunchurch, co. Warwick ; and

W. O. Markham

W. O. Markham married for his second wife, Catharine, the daughter of Dr. James Hamilton, of Edinburgh, and widow of Mr. Thomas Segrave, by whom he has one daughter:—

2. Eliza Catharine, (Nina), who was born 4 September, 1855. She married, at the Church of the Holy Trinity, Clapham Common, on the 4 December, 1883, Captain James A. Poland, R.N. He retired from active service in October, 1886, and was gazetted Rear-Admiral 1 January, 1888.

They have two daughters, named Catharine Hamilton and Selina Violet Trevors.

- v. *Alfred Markham*, born in October, 1819, and died in June, 1820.
- vi. *John Cox Markham*, born in 1821, died at Charminster, co. Dorset, and was buried on Good Friday, 1836.
- vii. *Charles Markham* was born on the 1 March, 1823, he was educated at Guilsborough and Oundle Grammar Schools, and afterwards went to Mr. Wallis, at Overstone, co. Northampton, to learn farming, but not liking the work he took up engineering, and ultimately he obtained an appointment in

the

the engineers' office of the Midland Railway Company, and then became locomotive superintendent. While in this position he made great improvements in the working of locomotive engines.

In 1856 he became a member of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers and read papers before the Institute, in 1857 on Naylor's steam hammer; in 1860 on the brick arch in locomotives; and again in 1860 on safety couplings. He was also one of the leading members of the Iron and Steel Institute.

In 1864, Charles Markham accepted the post of managing director of the Staveley coal and iron works; and made his home at Brimington Hall, co. Derby. He afterwards lived at Tapton House, near Chesterfield, co. Derby; and was appointed Justice of the Peace for the County of Derby. In 1880 he founded at Northampton a "Markham Memorial," in memory of his parents, giving £1,000, the interest of which was to be yearly expended in the purchase of books for the use of the town.

At the Election in 1886 he came forward as liberal unionist for the north-east division of Derbyshire, but was not returned as member.

In 1888, after a long illness, he died and was buried in the cemetery at Brimington.

These words are carved on a plain granite stone:— " Here resteth the body of Charles Markham, of Tapton House, who departed this life August 30, 1888, aged 65 years. Though passed away beyond the limits of human vision he still lives in the hearts of his sorrowing family, and in the memories of countless friends : and the results of his life are stamped upon the district whose prosperity and resources he did so much to promote and develop."

On the 24 April, 1862, at the church of S. Bartholemew's, Sydenham, Charles Markham married Rosa, the fourth daughter of Sir Joseph Paxton ; they had the following children:—

1. Geraldine, who was born on the 11 July, 1863. On the 25 April, 1889, she married, at S. Margaret's Church, Westminster, Samuel Hugh Francklin Hole, the only son of The Very Rev. S. Reynolds Hole, Dean of Rochester.
2. Charles Paxton Markham, who was born on the 14 April, 1865, and was educated at Rugby and Uppingham Grammar Schools.

On the 14 June, 1882, he joined the 2nd Volunteer Battalion of the Sherwood Foresters. He was elected a director of the

Staveley Coal and Iron Company in 1888.

On the 6 June, 1889, at Birkenhead, he married Margaret Hermine, the daughter of Thos. Hughes Jackson, of the Manor House, Claughton, co. Chester.

3. Arthur Basil Markham was born the 25 August, 1866, and was educated at Rugby. He received a commission in the 3rd Battalion of the Sherwood Foresters (Militia) on the 24 May, 1884, became Captain the 10 May, 1889, and resigned the same year.

On the 31 January, 1889, he married, at S. James' Church, Piccadilly, London, Agnes, the daughter of T. R. Welstead, of Kimbolton House, co. Huntingdon, who had died 15 December, 1873, and was buried at Tilbrook, co. Bedford.

4. Ernest Whinfield Markham, who was born 3 Oct., 1867. After a short illness he died in 1888, unmarried, and was buried at the cemetery, Brimington.

" He the young and strong who cherished
Noble longings for the strife ;
By the road-side fell and perished,
Weary with the march of life."

These words are placed on his tombstone:—

" Ernest Whinfield Markham
born Oct. 3, 1867, died April 21,
1888. In memory of a beloved
son and in humble hope of a
joyful re-union. 'Deere Childe.' "

5. Violet Rosa Markham, born 3 Oct., 1872.
- viii. *Thomas Hugh Markham* was born on the 28 November, 1825, at Northampton. He went to Bromsgrove Grammar School in October, 1838, and matriculated at Brazenose College, Oxford, on the 21 March, 1844. He took his B.A. degree, 1847, and his M.A. degree, 1852. On the 2 May, 1851, he was called to the Bar, he had his chambers at 4 King's Bench Walk, being of the Inner Temple. He joined the Midland circuit.

Thomas H. Markham was for some years the Revising Barrister for Lincolnshire.

He wrote the following Handbooks on Law:—

The Common Law Procedure Acts, 1852 and 1854.

London, 1856.

— Second Edition.

London, 1860.

The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Acts, 1857 and 1858.

London, N.D.

The Commercial and Trader's Legal Guide.

London, N.D.

The Joint Stock Acts of 1856, 1857, 1858, and the
 Banking Acts of 1857 and 1858. *London, N.D.*
 The Shareholders Legal Guide. *London, 1858.*
 The Common Law Procedure Act, 1860. *London, 1861.*

Thomas H. Markham was never married. He died whilst revising the register at Gainsborough, co. Lincoln, and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard, Northampton; these lines being cut on the stone:—

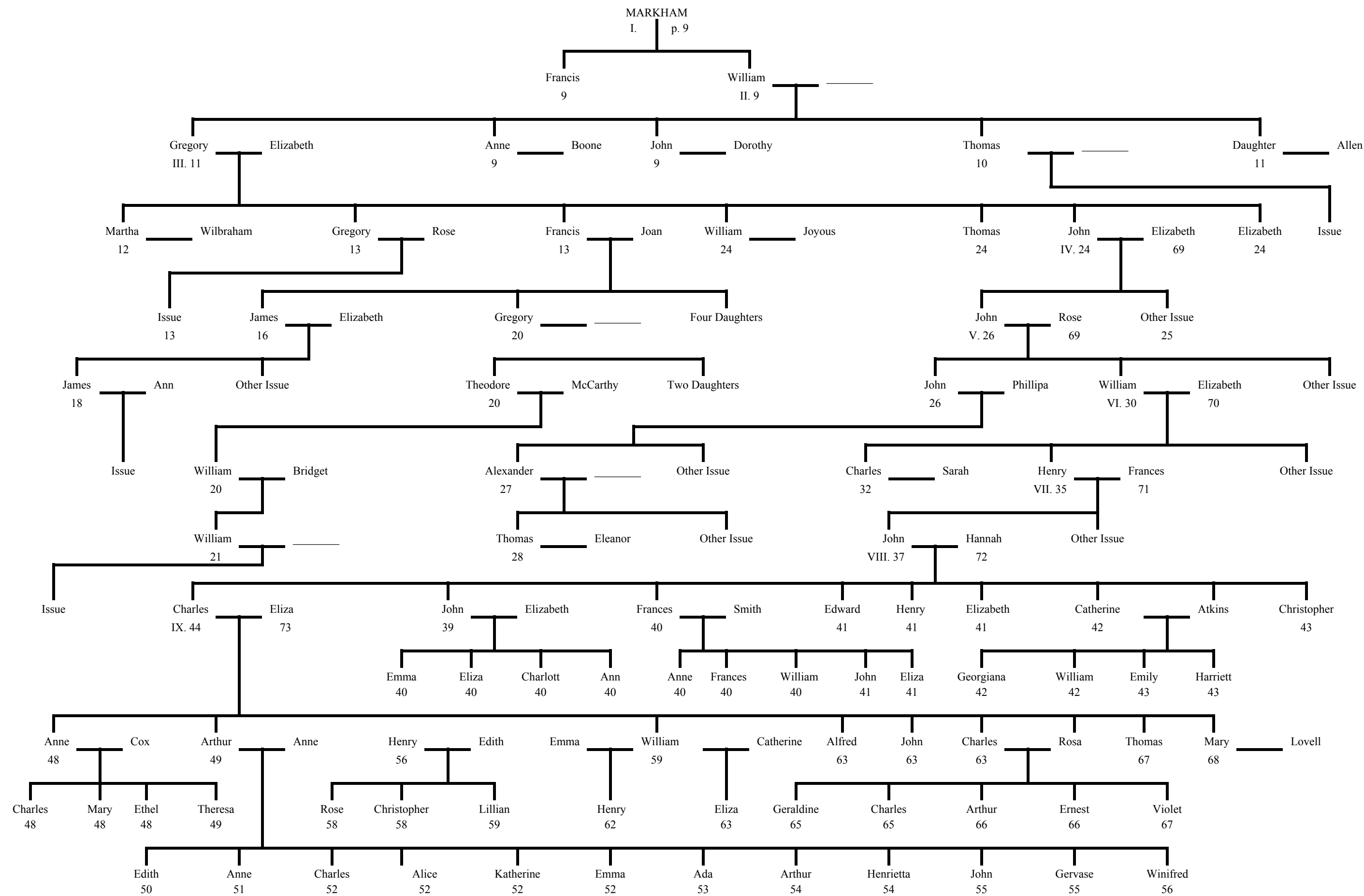
" Thomas Hugh Markham
 born XXVIII. November MDCCCXXV.
 died at Gainsborough
 XIX. September MDCCCLXVIII.

" He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life.
 John III. 36."

ix. *Mary Helen*, born at Northampton, the 16 May, 1827.

On the 7 June, 1855, at the Church of S. Giles, Northampton, she married Isaac Edward Lovell, formerly of West Haddon, but now of Nortoft House, Guilsborough, co. Northampton, Justice of the Peace.

Gen Pedigree
of the
Markhams of Creaton and Northampton.



The numbers under each name refer to the page where partionairs of each person will be found.

CHAPTER III.

Female Ancestors.

Past things and thoughts and buried lives come back.

EDWIN ARNOLD.

THE first ancestor on the distaff side, of whom anything further than the Christian name is known, was ELIZABETH SIMPSON,²⁶ the wife of John Markham.

She was the daughter of John Simpson, of S. Albans, and sister of Sir John Simpson, of the Inner Temple, London, knight and sergeant-at-law, who had married Jane, the daughter of Judge Twisden. This sergeant-at-law made his will the 10 December, 1681, whereby he gave property to "my dear and loving wife Dame Jane Simpson and to my daughter notwithstanding her disobedience to me and her mother if she survives her husband :'" and other estates in Hertfordshire and Yorkshire were to go to his nephew, John Markham, and his heirs. Sir John Simpson died the same year, and was buried in the Temple Church, co. Middlesex.

Of ROSE,²⁷ the wife of John Markham nothing is known, except that she was born in 1652, and died on the 1 November, 1740 and was buried at S. Giles', Northampton.

²⁶ See p. 25.

²⁷ *lb.* 26.

The next ancestress was ELIZABETH PLOWMAN.²⁸ She was the daughter of Henry Plowman, who was born in 1659, and became an attorney, living at S. Giles', Northampton. He died in 1739, having married Elizabeth, by whom he had four children:—

1. Henry Plowman, who was born in 1696, and married Elizabeth Markham.²⁹ She died in 1741, and the next year he married for his second wife Ann Russell, a widow. He was possessed of Little Holdenby House, a farm at Roade, the old house in Abington street, and other estates, and his father, Henry Plowman the elder, devised to him his Rugby estate, on part of which the station is built; but if he did "not observe the rules and methods following that is to say if ever he takes a Journey of a Sunday or Travels upon the Road on that day or goes avising to any person w'soever or suffer any Person to come and visit him at his house on a Sunday then and in that case and from that very time I give the same to Charles Markham and his heirs."

Henry Plowman the younger died 1752. He had only one son Henry by his second wife, who was born in November, 1822, and died the same year.

2. Rebecca, the next child, married Samuel Pennington, the Registrar, at the Church of S. Giles, Northampton, on the 10 September, 1714. They left a numerous family.

3. Elizabeth, who married William Markham at the Parish Church of S. Giles, Northampton, on the 1 January, 1716-7. She died, and was buried at S. Giles' in October, 1745.

²⁸ See p. 31.

²⁹ *lb.* 30.

4. Ann, who married Edward Whinfield, being "so disobedient as to take a husband without any the least notice being given to" Henry Plowman. They left issue:—

Henry Whinfield, who married Bridget Pennington, and left one daughter Bridget, who married Stephen Round, of Windsor, an attorney : they also left issue.

FRANCES MANSEL³⁰ was the daughter of the Rev. Christopher Mansel, rector of Longton, co. Durham. The Mansels, or Maunsells, are descended from Ralph Mansel, who held land in Chicheley, co. Buckingham in 1167. Although the Mansels have had an interest in Cosgrove, co. Northampton, since the time of James I., they did not obtain that manor until 1803, when John Biggin devised the estate to George Mansel.

Frances Mansel was the sister of John Mansel. He entered the Army early in life, and rose to the rank of a major-general. He had command of a brigade of heavy cavalry during the Duke of York's campaign in 1794, and whilst leading a brilliant charge at the battle near Cawdry, General Mansel received his death-wound, after having had three horses killed under him.

He was buried in a redoubt at the head of the camp the next day, all the officers of the Army attending the funeral.³¹

This Frances Markham was the lady of whom it is remarked in an old letter that " through the height

³⁰ See p. 36.

³¹ Baker's *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. ii. p. 131.

of pride and aided by her flashy husband she used her uncle Plowman very ill." She lived in the parish of S. Giles, Northampton, and was married at the Parish Church on the 16 April, 1744; and died on the 20 February, and was buried on the 27 of the same month, 1804.



HANNAH WAGSTAFF³² was the daughter of John and Theodosia Wagstaff, and perhaps descended from the Wagstaffs of Boddington. John Wagstaff was Bailiff of Daventry in 1764, 1781, and again in 1799.³³ The bailiff, for the time being, was a Justice of the

³² See p. 39.

³³ Baker's *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i. p. 322.

Peace, Quorum, and Clerk of Market; the next year he was Justice of the Peace and Coroner of the Inquest. " Hannah was a beautiful woman and all her children were eminently handsome." She was born on the 31 July, 1758, and was married to John Markham on the 23 July, 1778, at the Parish Church of the Holy Cross, Daventry. She died on the 7 May, 1820, and was buried with her husband in S. Giles' Church.

ELIZA MARY PACKHARNES³⁴ was the daughter of John Packharness, who went out to S. Ann's, Jamaica. He there married Sarah Bayley, and had three beautiful daughters. The eldest, Frances,³⁵ married Thomas Cox, who died, leaving her with two sons — Henry and John. This John Cox married Mary Ann Woodward for his first wife, and afterwards Anna Maria Markham : the second daughter was Eliza Mary, and the third Sarah Ann, who married Thomas Parkinson, of Ilkeston.

About 1803 John Packharness sent his three daughters away from S. Ann's to the States at the rising of the slaves there. The daughters then heard that their father was ill, and they at once returned to S. Ann's, but by the time they arrived he was dead.

After the death of her father Eliza M. Packharness came over to England, and stayed for a time with Hannah Markham; the natural result of this visit being that on the 23 September, 1811, Charles Markham married her at the Church of S. Gregory by S. Paul's, London.

^{34, 35} See p. 48.

Eliza M. Markham died and was buried in S. Giles' churchyard, a flat stone being placed over the grave with these words:—

" In loving memory of
Eliza Mary
relict of Charles Markham Esq^{re}
born March 1785
died December 1858

" Pure religion and undefiled before
God and the Father is this, to visit
the fatherless and widows in their
affliction, and to keep himself un-
spotted from the world.
I Chap. James, 27 verse."

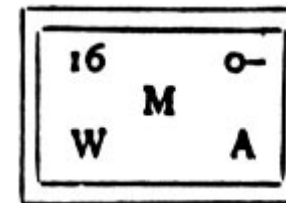
CHAPTER IV.

Family Houses.

The house of everyone is to him as his Castle and Fortress.
SIR EDWARD COKE.

CREATON.

THE first property belonging to the Markhams of Creaton, as far as is known, was the estate at Great Creaton; and in this village, the old house, still stands on the village green, it faces towards the north-east, with a little garden at one side and stables at the back. The building is constructed of warm-coloured local sand-stone and thatched : it is not large, but exceedingly comfortable, the windows small with thick stone mullions, and inside some of the rooms the deep chimney corners give the place a most homely appearance. One gable fronts towards the green, and high up in this, in true Northamptonshire fashion, a stone is built with these initials and date, tied together with a knotted cord:—



This



This house was probably built by William Markham immediately before his death in 1605; his wife's name most likely commenced with A, which should account for the third initial.

With this house the Markhams owned a large portion of the parish of Creaton, and land in the parish of Teeton. Some time in the eighteenth century the Markhams seem to have parted with their Creaton and Teeton property. For in 1783, when the Award of the lands in the parishes of Great and Little Creaton was made, the Commissioners allotted to Robert Andrews of Creaton, in respect of the estate called Markham's two allotments. The first containing fifty-two acres, and lying on the west of the public road from Creaton to Cottesbrook. The second containing one hundred and thirty acres, and lying on the east of the same road.

LONDON.

LONDON.

When Gregory Markham settled in London in 1593, he acquired a house in Cornhill where he lived until his death, having devised the same to his son Gregory Markham : but there is no record of the position of this house in the parish of S. Michael.

Nor is there any record of the position of the house where lived his son John Markham, in the parish of S. Martin Outwich : or his grandson John Markham at Stains.

S. GILES' SQUARE, NORTHAMPTON.

Passing on we come to William Markham, who was the first to settle in the parish of S. Giles, Northampton; according to the tradition on the south side of Abington street. His son Henry William Markham lived in the same parish, and for some years occupied a house in S. Giles' square. In the first title deed relating to this property, dated 1679, it is described as " a newe messuage situate in the Parish of S^t. Giles in the Town of Northampton wherein lately befor the dreadful fire then one Dorothy Moore Widow did dwell:" and the sum paid for it was £70. This was immediately after the great fire of Northampton, which occurred in 1675. In a deed dated 1737, this house was described as being " known by the name or sign of the Hand and Pen," this was the place where, no doubt, Henry W. Markham carried on his business as an attorney. The custom at that time being invariably for business people to live where they carried on their business. It appears from a well-known old plan of the town that H. W. Markham voted in respect of this house at the great election in 1768 for Sir George Osborn, Bart., and Sir George Bridges Rodney,

Bart.,

Bart., the candidates. The poll being held in a gay and festive manner for fourteen days without any break. The present office of Messrs. Markham stands on the same piece of ground, whereon this most appropriately named "Hand and Pen" house stood more than a century and a half ago. But the building itself was razed when the Northampton and Bedford Railway was constructed, and entirely re-erected.



S. GILES' STREET, NORTHAMPTON.

The old house situate in S. Giles' street, called Little Holdenby Houses; was probably erected early in the seventeenth century, in a deed made in 1666,

by

by which it was conveyed by Samuel Pishworth to John Clark, it was described as being "a capitall messuage mation House or Tenement with outhouses yard garden Backside situate in S^t. Giles Street." It being quite possible that this house was one of the few that escaped the great fire in 1675. No doubt after the destruction of Holdenby House about the year 1652, the front doorway, the large window over it and the pilasters, were brought to Northampton and added to the front of this house. By a deed dated 21 April, 1696, the property was leased by John Clark to Henry Plowman, the elder, for the term of twenty-one years, at the sum of £15, in this lease the house is for the first time called "Little Holdenby House." In 1720, a William Clark sold the property to Henry Plowman for £600; who in 1728 conveyed it, together with two pews in the Parish Church of S. Giles, to his son Henry Plowman the younger, of Pitsford; who left all his property to his wife Anna for her life, and after her death to his nephew, the Rev. Charles Markham, subject to certain payments.³⁶ Thus the property came into the possession of the Markham family, in which it has since remained. Little Holdenby House extended over the whole of the piece of ground now occupied by two houses, numbered 18 and 20, which were erected after the destruction of the large house in 1841; the doorway was however carefully preserved and erected in the garden; from whence it was removed and presented to Viscountess Clifden, and thus restored to Holdenby. The window and stone-work over the door was removed to Grendon, and made into a porch for Mr. Markham's house there.³⁷

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³⁶ See p. 70

³⁷ *Northamptonshire Notes and Queries*, vol. i., 1885, p. 217.

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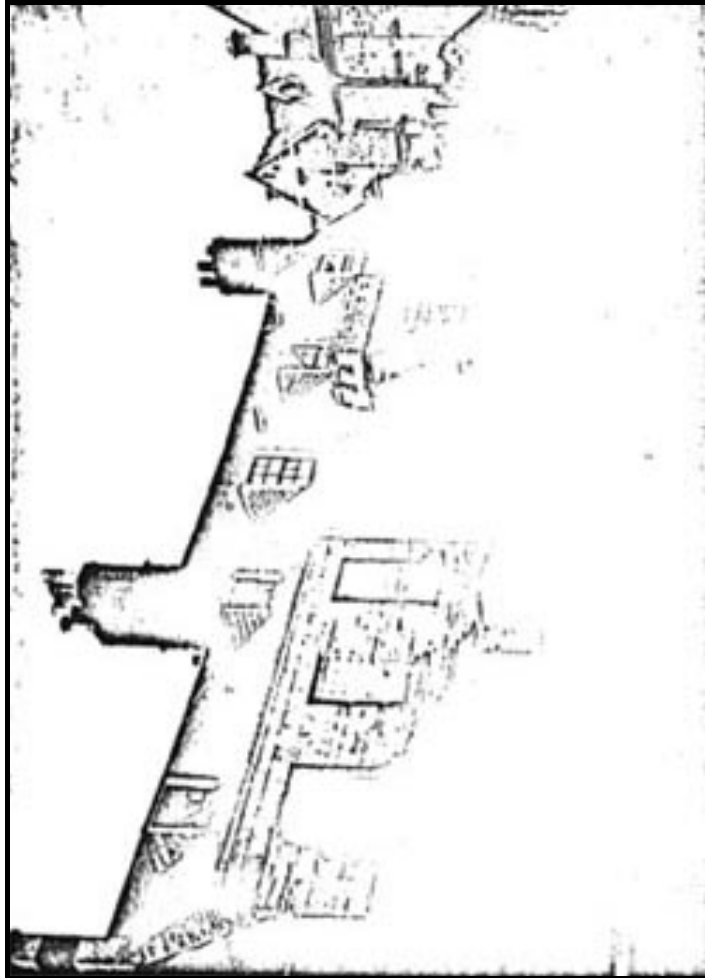
house was occupied by Christopher Markham and Elizabeth during their lives; and now by Charles W. Markham.

ABINGTON STREET, NORTHAMPTON.

The House in Abington street, occupied successively by Charles Markham, Arthur Bayley Markham, and Charles W. Markham, was probably erected at the commencement of the last century, being constructed of local iron-stone, the front covered with stucco and the roof formed of the old fashioned Collyweston stone; the interior being pannelled throughout with oak and having an oak staircase; at the back there is a large garden at a much higher level than the street.³⁸ In 1756 this property was conveyed to Henry Whinfield, Clerk in Holy Orders, and after it was settled upon various trusts for the children of Henry Whinfield and Bridget his wife.³⁹ The Rev. Henry Whinfield died in August, 1793, and soon after the property was conveyed to John Markham to the use of Bridget Whinfield and her son Edward Henry Whinfield. In March, 1824, Charles Markham purchased the whole of the property from the Whinfield family, for the sum of £1000, the premises being described as " that capital messuage or tenement situate in the Parish of S^t. Giles in the Town of Northampton on the North side and at the upper end of Abington Street with the buildings yards and gardens formerly in the tenure of Rebecca Pennington afterwards of Esther Raynsford Widow since of Rev W Price Doctor of Laws late of Rowland Mainwaring Esquire and then of Charles

³⁸ *Journal of the Northamptonshire Natural History Society*,
vol. v., 1889, p. 173.

³⁹ See p. 71.



AN OLD HOUSE IN NORTHAMPTON.
FROM A NEGATIVE BY MR BUNE.

Markham." The pew situate near the upper end of the middle aisle and the pew on the south side of the north aisle in the Parish Church of S. Giles, had always been held with this house. Mr. De Wilde suggests⁴⁰ that the house occupied by Thomas Caldicutt in 1768, was afterwards Mr. Markham's, but this was not the case, as Mr. Caldicutt's house was subsequently occupied by Dr. Kerr, several other houses intervening between Caldicutt's and Markham's houses, one of which was occupied by Mrs. Freeman, the grandmother of Professor E. A. Freeman. Sergeant Shipley voted in respect of this old house at the election in 1768.

This house was some time since sold to the owners of the Nunnery, and in 1889 was entirely razed to the ground.

Thus none of the old houses in Northampton belonging to the Markhams have been preserved, to the sorrow of the family, be it said, for as Professor Ruskin remarks " There is a sanctity in a good man's house that cannot be renewed in every tenement that rises in its ruin."

GRENDON.

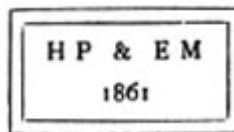
This house is situated in the village close to the Church, the locality is charming and the view over the Nene Valley towards Earls Barton, Ecton, and Whiston, is very beautiful. It is old family property, having come from the Rev. Charles Markham of Shangton, and the porch of the house towards the garden is made from the upper window of Little Holdenby House.

⁴⁰ *Rambles Roundabout* by G. J. De Wilde, 1871, p. 237.



SEDGEBROOK.

In the year 1860, Henry Philip Markham purchased a small estate of about ninety acres of land in the Parish of Pitsford, some five miles from Northampton. This place was called Pitsford Lodge. The farm-house is an old-fashioned thatched building erected in the year 1760 by Richard Britten. Close to these premises H. P. Markham built his house, of warm-coloured local sand and iron-stone, and called it Sedgebrook. In the gable he placed a stone with these initials and date:—



The house faces towards the south south-west, and from the house and garden the view is very pleasant, extending from Blisworth, Harlestone Heath, and Berry Wood to Brampton, Holdenby, Ravensthorpe, Guilsborough, Spratton, and Naseby.

On the bowling green here the Old Kingsthorpe Bowling Green Club still hold their meetings during the summer.⁴¹



TAPTON.

Tapton House situate near Chesterfield, co. Derby, was purchased by Charles Markham in 1870, and he continued to reside there until his death.

This house was inhabited by the great engineer, George Stevenson, from 1841 until his death in 1848.

⁴¹ See p. 37.

" Tapton House is a large roomy brick mansion, beautifully situated amidst woods, upon a commanding eminence, about a mile to the north-east of the town of Chesterfield. Green fields dotted with fine trees slope away from the house in all directions. The surrounding country is undulating and highly picturesque. North and south the eye ranges over a vast extent of lovely scenery; and on the west looking over the town of Chesterfield, with its Church and crooked spire, the extensive range of the Derbyshire hills bounds the distance. The Midland Railway skirts the western edge of the park in a deep rock cutting, and the shrill whistle of the locomotive sounds near at hand as the trains speed past." ⁴²

⁴² *Lives of the Engineers*, by S. Smiles, vol. iii, 1862, p. 359.

CHAPTER V.

Other Northamptonshire Families of Markhams.

I cannot say certainly of these as Naomi did of Boaz, 'They are near of kin unto us,' having no assurance (though great probability) of alliance unto them.

THOMAS FULLER.

THERE were several other families of this name in this same county of Northampton; and the following are a few chaotic notes relating to them.

The first Markham recorded in this county appears to have been Anne, the daughter and heiress of James Markham. She married Richard Andrew, of Charwelton, near Daventry, co. Northampton, about the year 1410.⁴³ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i., p. 38.⁴⁴ But it does not appear who this James Markham was, or where he lived; and it is not stated specifically that Anne Andrews ever lived at Charwelton.

⁴³ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i., p. 38.

⁴⁴ Baker's *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i., p. 295.

At Wootton, near Northampton, Tho. Markeham was the incumbent⁴⁵ from the year 1462, until his death in January, 1476 : having been presented to the living by Edmund Grey, Lord Hastings.

From the Markhams of Cotham in the county of Nottingham, were descended at least four families who settled in this county.

First and foremost we find that Sir John Markham, of East Markham, in the county of Nottingham, " a village verily but small to speake of, yet gaue it name to the familie of the *Markhams*, which for worth and antiquity hath bin verie notable, being descended from one of the heires of *Cressy*, & formerly from an heire of *Lexinton*." ⁴⁶ He was the Puisne Judge of Common Pleas; and about 1390 he married for his second wife Milicent, the daughter of Sir Thomas de Bekeryng, widow of Sir Nicholas Bourdon, who was slain at the battle of Shrewsbury, by whom he had two children; his son, " the greatest ornament of this family was *Sir John Markham*, who sitting Lord chiefe Justice of England, guided the helme of Justice with so even an hand and so great equity (a thing that I would haue you to read in the English historie) that his honor and glorie shall never perish." ⁴⁷ And his daughter Catherine, who married first of all Matt. Leeke, and for her second husband Walter Pedwardyn, of Clipston, near Market Harborough; and the Clipston estate was settled upon Sir John Markham and his

⁴⁵ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i., p. 393.
^{46, 47} *Britain*, by William Camden, 1637, p. 550.

heirs after his death.⁴⁸ According to the Rev. David Markham, however, this lady's name was Margaret.⁴⁹

Then came the Sir Thomas Markham, of Sedgebrook, co. Lincoln, who presented to the living of Cottesbrook, and his son John Markham, as before mentioned.⁵⁰

To return to the Markhams of Cotham, it appears that Sir John Markham, the great-great-grandson of Sir John Markham, the Chief Justice, married for his third wife Anne, the daughter and co-heir of Sir Richard Stanhope, by whom he had two sons, William and Thomas, and one daughter Isabella. The Lord Chief Justice Sir Edward Montague, of Boughton House, near Kettering, co. Northampton, Knight,⁵¹ married three wives and had the very respectable family of seventeen children. One of these, Elizabeth, married first Richard Cave, the owner of the manor of Little Oakley, a village near Boughton House. R. Cave died about 1560 ; and Elizabeth married secondly in 1567, William Markham. They had only one daughter, Ann. Elizabeth Markham died in 1569, and was buried in the chancel of S. Peter's Church, Little Oakley, and a large monument was erected over the tomb. The next year William made his will in the following terms:—

" In dei noie Amen the xixth day of July in the yere of o^r Lorde God 1570 and in the yere of the

⁴⁸ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. ii., p. 17-18.

⁴⁹ *History of the Markhams*, p. 13.

⁵⁰ See p. 8.

⁵¹ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. ii., p. 328.

raigne of o^r souaign Lady Elizabeth by the Grace of God of England France and Irelande Quene Defendo^r of the faith &c., The Twelve I Willm Markeham of Little Okeley in the Countie of Northt Esquier considering the uncerteyntie of this life and remembring howe all men are borne to die not knowing eny certeyntie of tyme place or in what sorte mynding therefore to sett and leave my Manno^r Londe tente and all other my hereditamente and all my goode and chattelle in such estate and order that whensoever it shall please God to call me oute of this worlde there shall and may appere a playne declaracon of my mynde and Disposicon of the same in most helth of body and in perfecte mynde and remembraunce do make this my last will and Testament of all my householde stuffe Jewelle plate debte leases and of all my goode and cattelle and by the same will and testament do devyse all my lands tente and hereditamente as hereafter shall appere declared and set fourth First I bequeath my soule to Almightye God whome w^t the Catholicke church I confesse to be my maker and redeamer whose mercy by the merytes of his passion shall save that in me whose Justice would condempne my body I restore to the Earth to be buried in the Chauncell of the pishe Church of Little Okeley aforesaid w^t such solemyne exepues and funerall together w^t suche lawfull and laudable ceremonyes by the Catholicke Church allowed & authorized there to be done in such sorte and with suche expences as by my Overseers shal be thought mete for a man of my vocacon Item I will that the monment and tombe there alredy begon be by my Overseers accordingle finisshed in colo^r and scriptures Item I will that my Overseers distribute

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according to their disresicon, to the pore people as concerning all my landes tente & hereditamentes in the counties of Nott and Lincoln or ellswere I will and bequeath them unto Anne my daughter To have and to holde to her and her heiress of her body lawfullie begotten the remaynder thereof to Thomas Markham my Brother to him and his heiress for ever and as touching the disposicon of my goodes and chattells I geve and bequeath unto John Alexander xxvj^l xiiij^s viij^d desiring my Brother Thomas Markham to take hym into his svice. . . . All the residue of my goods cattells plate Jewelles leases unbequethed my debtss paid my legacies pformed and my funeralle discharged and allowed I wholie geve and bequeth to Anne Markham my Daughter whom I constitute appointe ordeyn and make the sole executrix of this my present last will and Testament charging and commanding her Upon my blessing to performe it in all poyntes and forasmuch as my said daughter Anne whome I have made my Executrix is an Infant of tender yeres and w^tin age I will that during her nonage and infancie she be in the rule custody and government of my Brother S^r Edward Mountague Knight my brother Thomas Markham and my Brother John Harrington whome I require and appoint to be overseers of this my pnte Will and in whom I repose a special trust and convidence for the educacon and bringing up of my said Daughter respecting there kyndered and alliance w^{eh} naturallie sholde bee as careful for her well doing as if I had recompenced there travell w^t greate rewardes yet nevertheless in token of remembraunce I give and bequeth Unto either of them for their paynes as followeth that is to say to

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the said S^r Edward Montague Knight my best armo^r being in his custody to the said Thomas Markhm all the residue of my armo^r and to the said John Harrington two of my best geldinges Item I give and bequeth to James Parnell Clarke liij² iiij^d and a blacke gowne the w^{eh} gowne he hath alredy Item I give unto the said James Parnell my lease of the whyte tythes of Ltidinarde he discharging the cure there. Item I will and chardge my said Daughter Upon my blessing that she do not marry w^toute the assent of my overseers or two of them Item I give and bequeth to John King xx^s and to Athony Harrington x^s. In witness whereof I have putte my hande the xxiiij day of July in the yere first above written — Theis being witnessys Willm Markhm John Frere James Pernell W. Brakenbury Richard Trowell John Slade Edmund Tyas and others."

William Markham died in 1571 and was buried by his wife in the chancel of Little Oakley Church, but the monument was never finished in colour and Scripture texts, that not being thought meet by his overseers. His daughter Ann married Mich. Timperley of Hintlesham, but had no children, and thus this branch of the Markhams became extinct.

The second son of Sir John Markham by his third wife Anne Strelly was Thomas, who was generally called or known by the name of "Black Markham of Kirby Bellers." He was the founder of the Ollerton branch of the Markham family, and usually lived at his hunting box, Kirby Bellers. About the year 1570

he



KIRBY BELLERS.

he married Mary, the daughter and heiress of Rice Griffen, of Braybrook and Dingley, near Market Harborough ; ^{52, 53} he also owned the manors of Chiping Warden, Weston Favel, Arthingworth, and Thorp Lubenham, and was the son of Sir Thomas Griffen.

⁵² *History of the Markhams.*

⁵³ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i., pp. 115, 468 ;
vol. ii., p. 3.

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By an Indenture dated 10 December, 4 Elizabeth (1561) and made between Sir Thomas Griffen, Thomas Markham, and Mary his wife, after reciting that doubts had arisen whether the inheritance of Dame Jane, late wife of Sir Thomas, and of Sir Thomas, or either of them, should descend after his decease to the heir male of Sir Thomas and Jane, with remainder to Edward Griffen, in tail male, or to Mary in fee or fee tail, it was agreed for the appeasing of all suits that Thomas and Mary Markham should have the manors and lands in the counties of Somerset, Gloucester, and Pembroke, of the inheritance of Dame Jane from the decease of Sir Thomas, till the heir male of Thomas Markham, his son and heir apparent should attain the age of 21 years, with ultimate remainder to Mary in fee; and that Thomas and Mary Markham should release and assure the castle and manor of Braybrook, and manors of Chipping Warden, Weston Favell, and Thorpe Lubenham in this county, and Gumley in Leicestershire, of the inheritance of Sir Thomas from Nicholas his father deceased to the said Sir Thomas in tail male, remainder to Edward Griffen in tail male.

Sir Thomas Griffen, by will dated 25 April, 1566, devised this and other manors to his executors in trust during the life of his son Thomas Griffen. He died in August following, seised (amongst other properties) of the manor and hundred of Chipping Warden held *in capite*, by payment of 60s. yearly to the ward of Rockingham Castle for the reparation of the tower called Griffen's Tower,⁵⁴ this waste leaving Mary the wife of Thomas Markham his heir general aged 21 years, and Thomas Griffen his son and heir male aged

⁵⁴ *Rockingham Castle*, by H. C. Hartshorne, 1852.

35 years,

35 years, but who for 12 years then past had been a dumb idiot and lunatic.

Thomas Markham and his wife in Easter Term 9 Elizabeth (1567) pursuant to covenant in the deed of settlement of 4 Elizabeth, levied a fine, amongst other properties of the manor advowson and hundred of Chipping Warden, the nominal consignee being Clement Catesby and Thomas Homes.⁵⁵

Early in the sixteenth century there was another family of Markhams at Great Oxendon. Among the first entries in the registers of this village, are the deaths of Elizabeth Markham in September, 1574, and Thomas Markham in October, 1582. This Thomas married, and had four sons and three daughters. The eldest, William, married Em., but had only two children, Bridget and Thomas, who married and had three children, who seem to have died childless. This Thomas owned property in Silsworth, in the parish of Watford, which he leased to Samuel Clerke, of West Haddon, on the 22 May, 1626. The third son of Thomas was Robert Markham, he was twice married and had four sons; he was the churchwarden of Great Oxendon in 1607. His great-grandson, John Markham, was born in April, 1645, he married Dorothy and had five children, he seems to have outlived all his kith and kin and died at the advanced age of 83 years; and the following entry in the parish register is the last one relating to a Markham until the Rev. Charles Markham was inducted to the living in 1752:—

" 6 Nov. 1728. Buried John Markham an old Widdower."

⁵⁵ Baker's *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i., p. 526.

Whether

Whether these Markhams of Oxendon became extinct the writer has not been able to discover.

A family of Markhams also lived at Brixworth, near Northampton, and their names appear amongst the earliest registers; thus on the 24 June, 1568, Anne Markam was baptised, and on the 24 August in the same year, Robert Markham was buried, having previously made his will as follows:—

" In the name of God Amen the xxth daie of August Anno Dm 1568 I Robert Marcam of Brixworthe in the Countie of North^t husbandman hoole of mynd and of good remembrance beinge — Doe make this my last Will and Testam^t in mann^r and forme ffollowinge Ffirst I bequeth my soule to Almighty God my maker and redemer and by the meritts of Christs passion to be saved and my body to be buried in the church yard of Brixworthe also I gyve and bequethe to the bells xij^d to the poore people xij^d to the highe waies xij^d Itm I gyve to Richard Marcam my sonne xx^l and the same sonne of xx^l to be paid at xvi yeares of age I gyve to Anne Marcam my daughter vi^l xiii^s iiii^d and to be paid at xviii years of age and yf yt so fortune that any of my children dothe depte this worlde I will the one shall have the others pte of there legacie I gyve to Gregory Marcam my browne bullocke I gryve to Marye Edwardes an ewe shepe I gyve to Clement Edwardes an ewe shepe The residue of all my goods unbequeathed I gyve to Isabelle my wyfe whome I make myne Executrix to see my legacies pformed and done I make Thomas Twycker and John Martin

Overseers These being wytnes S^r Thomas Negus Vicar John Marriot Augustin Walton wth other moe."

Proved 7 October, 1568.

On the 27 September, 1629, a William Markham, bachelor, was buried at Kingscliffe, co. Northampton.

About the year 1710, a Mr. Markham is stated to have been possessed of an estate in the parish of Preston Capes, near Towcester.⁵⁶

The Rev. Enoch Markham was the son of Enoch Markham, and descended from Sir Robert Markham, of Cotham. The elder Enoch was a painter and was brought up under Jervas, the King's painter, but he never rose above mediocrity. He was bringing up his son Enoch as a painter, but his nephew William (the future Archbishop of York) being then a student at Christ Church, Oxford, thought he saw good talents in him; so he entered his cousin Enoch at Christ Church,⁵⁷ and maintained him there. Enoch then married a cutler's daughter at Oxford. Through the Earl of Winchelsea he became the head master of Oakham school, and afterwards became the vicar of Easton Maudit, as the following entry in the register of that parish shows:—

" Enoch Markham B.A. Student of Christ Church Oxford succeeded Edward Smallwell in 1752, but at Michmas 1753 he accepted of the Vicarage of Newnham cum Badby and thereby vacated this living. He

⁵⁶ Bridges' *History of Northamptonshire*, vol. i., p. 85.

⁵⁷ *A Naval Career during the old War*, 1883, p. 10.

was succeeded by Thomas Percy A.M. of Christ Church College at Michmas 1753."

This note is in the handwriting of Dr. Percy, afterwards Bishop of Dromore, in Ireland; the well-known author of *The Reliques of Ancient English Poetry*, and the friend of Dr. Johnson, who often visited him at Easton Maudit.

On the 7 September, 1753, Enoch Markham was instituted to the Vicarage of Badby, on the presentation of the dean and chapter of Christ Church, Oxford, who were also the patrons of Easton Maudit. He retained the living of Badby until his death in 1769, and he was buried in Newnham Church, but the tombstone has been since destroyed.⁵⁸

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Oxendon, co. Northampton.
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Shangton, co. Leicester.
Staines, co. Middlesex.
Steeple Claydon, co. Buckingham.
Winslow, *Ib.*

The MSS. of George Baker, being very inaccessible, have not been searched; but it is unlikely that they contain anything relating to the Markhams, as he never published the portion of his history dealing with Creaton or Northampton.

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