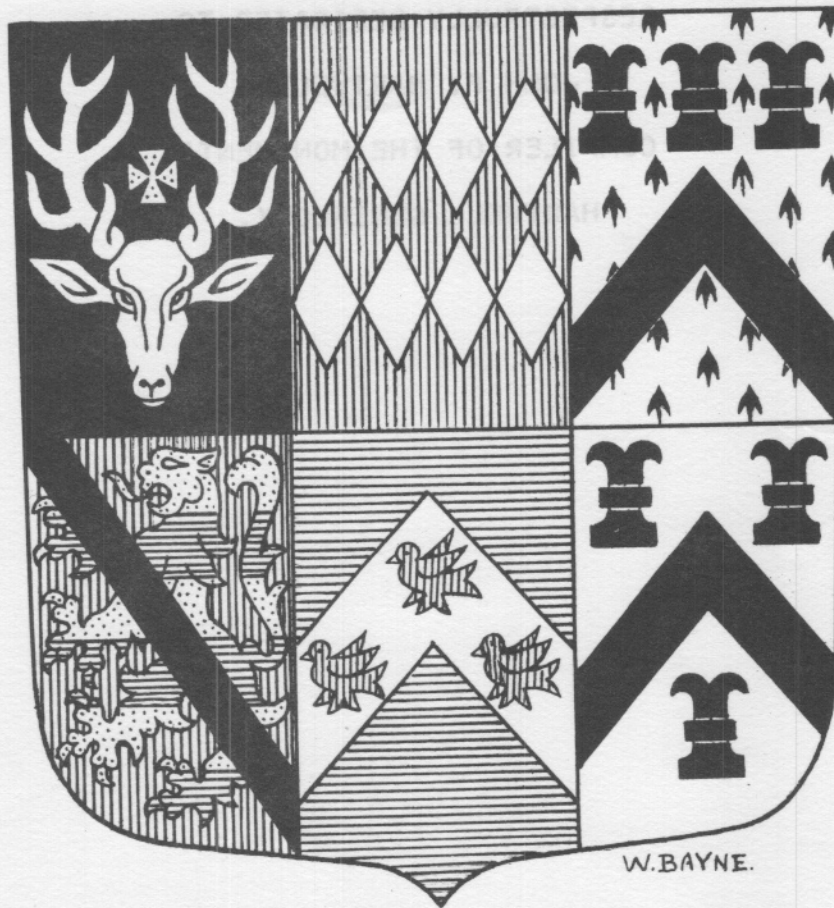


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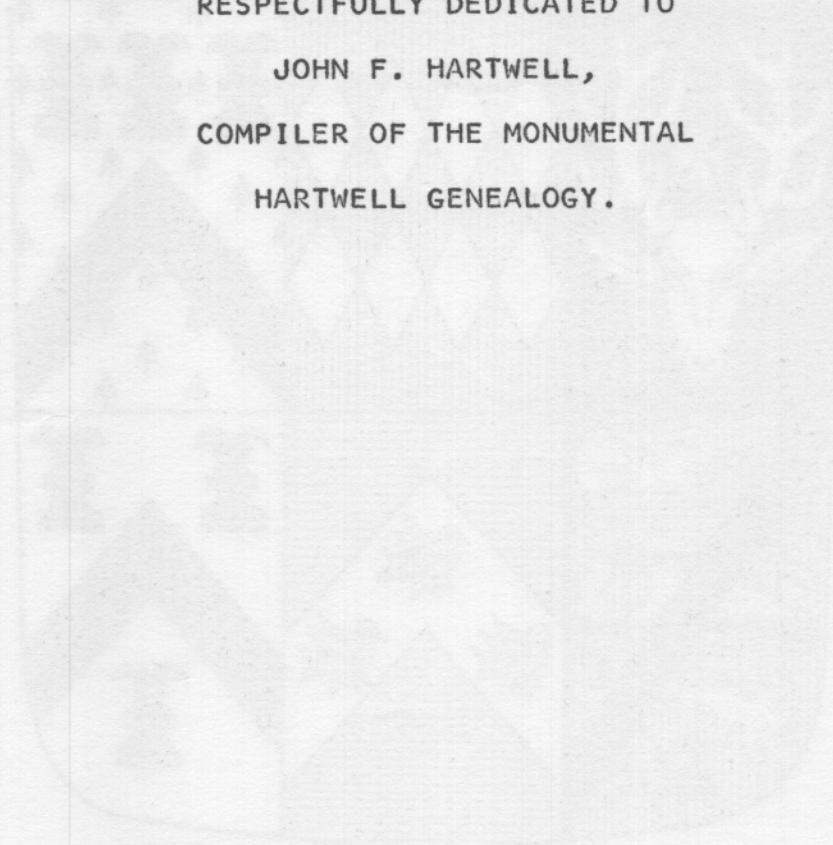


Arms of Hartwell of Northamptonshire from *Heralds' Visitation of 1564-1566*.

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FOREWORD

The Beetle Gazette is the outgrowth of a project started by the Hartwells of America (An Association) in October of 1961. At that time through the good offices of the President of that Association, Mr. Raymond K. Harris of Dearborn, Michigan, it was decided to research and compile a genealogy of those Hartwells and Allied Families living in England. This would include the ancestors of the immigrants to the American Colonies as well as those remaining in England and Ireland.

Mr. Harris began the program by enlisting the aid of researchers in England to make copies of every document relating to the Hartwell family. In the process Parish Registers have been extracted, copies of wills made, and any other item likely to be of interest or value to the project was located and copies were made. This has resulted in a tremendous amount of material on the Hartwell family being made available for the eventual publication of a genealogy.

In the meantime this material is being catalogued and filed by the Editor. It has been our plan to give progress reports of the project, which is termed "The English Hartwells Genealogical Project". To date we have issued two reports, one in July of 1965 and the second in November of the same year. However, these reports merely told of the project; we now hope to make the material gathered in our searches available to the interested reader by reprinting in the Gazettes what we have found.

The contents, therefore, of this publication will be made up of basic documents relating primarily to the Hartwell families, and to such allied families as it may be deemed informative to include. At the same time the Editor invites all interested parties to contribute any information they may have so that this may be as complete a record as

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possible.

Typical contents of the Gazette will include reprints of extracts made from Parish Registers. During the last six years much time, effort and material resources have been expended by Mr. Raymond K. Harris and the Hartwell Association in having copies made of English Parish Registers. In each issue we will bring these records to the attention of the interested.

We have also received a large number of Wills, and most of these have been translated from Latin or Old English, and we will reprint the extracts and such other pertinent information as they may contain. Also, we will give like treatment to a number of old Charters.

During the course of the years a number of books, pamphlets and other printed materials have been received. Where it is practical, we will reprint extracts from these. As the finances for the Gazette improve it is planned to include a number of illustrations with each issue.

At the present time the publishing schedule for the Gazette is set at a quarter frequency: August, November, February and May. This schedule will be extended if it is felt necessary, as reflected in the response accorded The Beetle Gazette. Cost for a yearly subscription is set at this time at \$5.00 a year.

In conclusion the Editor wishes to thank Mr. Raymond K. Harris for his help and assistance in acquiring the material to be reprinted in the Gazette, as well as the Hartwells of America who have established a special fund for the purpose of furthering this project. And to Mr. John F. Hartwell, of Waterville, Maine, the Gazette is respectfully dedicated. He has long been the family genealogist, and his monument is the family genealogy, The Hartwells of America, published in 1958, and its Supplement, which chronicles the history of the family since the arrival of William Hartwell to the Massachusetts Bay Colony, ca. 1636.

Rodney E. Hartwell, F.A.S.
Editor

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CRANFIELD PARISH REGISTER;

REFERENCES TO THE NAME HARTWELL BETWEEN 1600 AND 1700

Extracted by Michael Ashcroft, Esq., Bedfordshire Records Office.

(Cranfield is situated S. W. of the Borough of Bedford, along the line dividing the county of Bedfordshire from that of Buckingham).

BAPTISMS:

1607	29 November	Margaret, daughter of Nicholas Hartwell.
1610	25 March	William, son of Nicholas Hartwell.
1610/1	20 January	Richard, son of Francis Hartwell (Bishop's Transcript has "Thos").
1612/3	24 January	George, son of Nicholas Hartwell.
1613	21 December	William, son of Francis Hartwell.
1616	7 April	J., son of Nicholas Hartwell.
	22 August	Robert, son of Francis Hartwell.
1618	22 August	Nicholas, son of Nicholas Hartwell.
1620/1	18 January	Elizabeth, daughter of Nicholas Hartwell.
1623	11 May	Nicholas, son of Nicholas Hartwell.
1628	21 September	Richard, son of Nicholas Hartwell.
1633	12 May	William, son of William Hartwell.
1634	14 September	Rebecca, daughter of George Hartwell.
1636	29 May	John, son of William Hartwell.
1636/7	12 March	Ann, daughter of George Hartwell.
1638	27 March	Sarah, daughter of Thomas Hartwell.
	11 November	George, son of William Hartwell.
1641	3 July	John, son of John Hartwell.
	3 October	Nicholas, son of William Hartwell.
1642	20 November	Francis, son of George Hartwell.
1643/4	12 January	Amy, daughter of John Hartwell.
1646	19 September	Thomas, son of Richard Hartwell.
1647/8	13 March	Elizabeth, daughter of William Hartwell.
1649	3 May	Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Hartwell.
	29 May	Mary, daughter of William Hartwell.
1660	9 July	John, son of William Hartwell.
1662	6 April	William, son of William Hartwell.
1666	22 April	Mary, daughter of William Hartwell.
1669/70	5 March	George, son of William Hartwell.
1672	7 April	Sarah, daughter of Joshua Hartwell.
1673	10 August	George, son of George Hartwell.
	19 October	Sarah, daughter of William Hartwell.
1677	1 April	Francis, son of George Hartwell.
	15 September	Mary, daughter of Joshua Hartwell.
1678	6 May	Elizabeth, daughter of George Hartwell.
1680	31 March	Joshua, son of Joshua Hartwell.
1681	9 May	Francis, son of George Hartwell.
1682/3	1 January	Francis, son of George Hartwell.
1683	20 April	Isaac, son of Joshua Hartwell.
1687	23 October	William, son of William Hartwell.
1690/1	8 February	Elizabeth, daughter of William Hartwell.
1692	November	Joseph, son of John Hartwell.
1695	3 November	John, son of John Hartwell.
1698	17 December	Susan & Ann, daughters of John Hartwell.

MARRIAGES:

1606	10 November	Nicholas Hartwell married Alice CARRELL.
1609	14 October	Thomas Hartwell of Leighton Buzzard, married Alice STOODE (or STUDD), daughter of Robert STOOD of Cranfield.
1616	19 November	Francis Hartwell married Ann BARNWELL, both of Cranfield.
1626	12 June	Nicholas Hartwell married Agnes MERIMAN.
1632	28 May	Thomas SMITH married Margaret Hartwell.
1643	7 August	George FRANKLINE married Agnes Hartwell.
1656	9 August	J. BASSE married Hannah Hartwell.
1657	27 August	William Hartwell married Mary SYMPSON (Bishop's Transcript has SAMPSONE).
1695	14 May	Thomas MARTIN married Mary Hartwell.

BURIALS:

1616	22 August	Mary, wife of Francis Hartwell.
1619	6 November	Nicholas, son of Nicholas Hartwell.
1621	27 June	Margaret Hartwell.
1622	7 October	Elizabeth Hartwell.
1625	4 June	Margaret, wife of Nicholas Hartwell.
1638/9	14 February	Amy Hartwell.
1639/40	24 January	Agnes Hartwell.
1643	15 October	Frances Hartwell.
1645	20 August	Nicholas, son of William Hartwell.
1655	24 April	William Hartwell.
1658	19 December	Joan, daughter of George Hartwell.
1666	25 April	Mary, daughter of William Hartwell.
1673	27 December	Sarah, daughter of William Hartwell.
1677	17 April	Francis, son of George Hartwell.
1677/8	15 March	Elizabeth Hartwell, widow.
1678	21 May	Mary, daughter of Joshua Hartwell.
1679/80	17 March	Francis Hartwell
1680	17 July	Frances Hartwell, widow.
1681	14 May	Francis, son of George Hartwell.
1685/6	13 January	Hester, daughter of George Hartwell.

SUMMARY:

Mary (1) m. Francis Hartwell m. (2) Ann Barnwell
 buried 22 Aug. 1616. | bap. 4 Nov. 1574, | m. 19 Nov. 1616
 | | Billington.

Richard	William	Robert
bap. 20 Jan. 1611.	bap. 21 Dec. 1613; d. 12 March 1689/90, Concord, Mass.*	bap. 22 Aug. 1616

*Old Town Records, Concord, Mass.

LEIGHTON BUZZARD PARISH REGISTER:

REFERENCES TO THE NAME HARTWELL BETWEEN 1571 AND 1655.
 Extracted by Michael Ashcroft, Esq., Bedfordshire Records Office.

(The records of Leighton Buzzard begin during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I. By the later 17th Century the Hartwells had left the district. From the late 17th Century there are a number of entries for the name of Harrowell and Harrawell. It is just possible that these are corruptions of Hartwell, although it is still to be completely investigated. The name Harwell also occurs, and these have been extracted and included in the list in brackets. Billington Parish, q.v. Francis Hartwell page 4 Summary, is next door to Leighton Buzzard. Leighton Buzzard is N.W. of Dunstable, and is along the line dividing the county of Bedfordshire from that of Buckingham, and is south of Cranfield about eight miles).

BAPTISMS:

1571	8 May	Michael, son of Thomas Hartwell.
1574	4 November	Francis, son of William Hartwell.
1576/7	16 February	Ann, daughter of William Hartwell.
[1594	21 April	Thomas, son of John Harwell.]
1599	1 April	Lawrence, son of John Hartwell.
[1601	6 December	Richard, son of John Harwell.]
[1606	12 October	Joan, daughter of John Harwell.]
[1608/9	23 February	Elizabeth, daughter of John Harwell.]
[1611	22 September	Edward, son of John Harwell.]
[1614	4 December	Richard, son of John Harwell.]
[1615	5 November	William & Edward, twins, sons of John Harwell.]

MARRIAGES:

1574	26 June	William Hartwell and Anneta GILLET.
1594	6 May	Richard FISHE and Agnes Hartwell.
[1655	24 May	Mathew son of John LAKE of Tring, Herts. and Ann Harwell, daughter of Thomas Harawell of Leighton Buzzard.]

BURIALS:

1567/8	1 January	Thomas Hartwell.
1571	14 July	Michael Hartwell of Billington.
1573	26 April	Robert Hartwell.
1576	1 October	William Hartwell.
1602	9 April	The wife of Richard Hartwell.
[1607/8	22 February	Richard, son of John Harwell.]
1611	14 October	Richard, son of Thomas Hartwell.
1612/3	4 February	Richard Hartwell of Billington.

BILLINGTON PARISH REGISTER:

REFERENCES TO THE NAME HARTWELL, Extracted by Michael Ashcroft, Esq., Bedfordshire Records Office.

(Billington adjoins Leighton Buzzard on the S.E., about five miles from Dunstable, Beds.).

BAPTISMS:

1611		Richard, son of Thomas Hartwell.
1612/3	24 February	Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Hartwell.

BURIALS:

1611	24 October	Richard, son of Thomas Hartwell.
1612/3	4 February	Richard, son of Thomas Hartwell.

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

There are two remaining records to be checked for the Cranfield area. First, the manorial court Rolls for Cranfield, of which there are photostats in the Bedfordshire Records Office. They cover the period before about 1465. The second is a survey of the Manor of Cranfield which was made about 1540, and contains the name of the tenants of land there.

The exact copy of the entry in the Cranfield Register for William Hartwell (the immigrant) reads:

William Hertwell the sonne of Frauncis Hartwell:
was baptized the xxjth daie of December 1613.**

**Some consider the name to have been derived from herde-welle, a spring for flocks to drink at; while others insist that it comes from hart and well. The latter is highly possible. We have both hert (hart - male deer [Hertford]), and buck (Buckingham) coming from the British bwch, Saxon buc or bucca (cervus, L. deer). "It being very probable," says Camden, "that those woody parts abounded with deer." At all events, a rebus-seal of the hart and well appears on some of the old documents of the muniment-room of Hartwell House (near Aylesbury), which is strongly indicative of the then prevailing opinion. The seals date from about MDLXVIJ. (see Captain W. H. Smith, R.N., Aedes Hartwellianae, or, Notices of the Manor and Mansion of Hartwell, [vol. I] p. 3, London: MDCCCLI.

ODELL PARISH REGISTERS:

REFERENCES TO THE NAME HARTWELL 1600 TO 1812 Extracted by Michael Ashcroft, Esq., Bedfordshire Records Office.

(Odell is situated N.W. of the Borough of Bedford approximately five miles.)

BAPTISMS:

1604	29 April	Richard, son of Oswald Hartwell.
1611/2	8 March	Mary, daughter of Thomas Hartwell.
1614	13 November	Samuel, son of Thomas Hartwell.
1617	14 December	Alice, daughter of Thomas Hartwell.
1620/1	28 January	George, son of Thomas Hartwell.
1624/5	9 January	Sarah, daughter of Thomas Hartwell.
1627/8	23 March	Katherine, daughter of Thomas Hartwell.
1631/2	19 February	John, son of William Hartwell.
1634	28 December	Mary, daughter of William Hartwell.
1636	15 May	John, son of Richard Hartwell.
1638	25 November	James, son of William and Mary Hartwell.
1652	September	William, son of Samuel Hartwell was born.
1676	23 November	William sons of Joseph and Elizabeth Joseph Hartwell.
1679	7 September	Joseph, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hartwell.
1682	25 June	Elizabeth daughters of Joseph Hartwell. Mary
1685	17 April	William, son of Joseph Hartwell.
1686	28 September	Samuel, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hartwell.
1689	23 June	James, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hartwell.
1707/8	6 January	Samuel, son of William Hartwell, labourer, and Susan.
1709	3 July	Elizabeth, daughter of William Hartwell and Susan.
1712	27 April	John, son of William and Susan Hartwell.
1714/5	6 March	William, son of William Heartwell, labourer, and Susan.
1716	17 June	Mary, daughter of William Heartwell, labourer, and Susan.
1718	2 November	James, son of William Heartwell, labourer, and Susan.
1724	3 August	Joseph, son of James and Martha Heartwell.
1725	25 December	William, son of James and Martha Heartwell.
1727	11 June	Sarah, daughter of James Heartwell, labourer, and Martha.
1729	28 September	Eleanor, daughter of James Heartwell, labourer, and Martha.

Odell Baptisms Continued:

1732	26 March	Joseph, son of James and Martha Hartwell.
1736	22 August	William, son of Samuel Hartwell, labourer, and Mary.
1739	22 April	Samuel, son of James Hartwell, labourer, and Martha.
1755	10 August	James, son of William Hartwell, labourer and Rachel.
1762	14 February	William, son of William Hartwell, labourer, and Rachel.
1763	24 July	Catherine, daughter of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
1765	9 April	Sarah, daughter of William and Rachel Hartwell.
1766	23 February	Martha, daughter of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
1768	17 February	Sarah, daughter of William and Rachel Hartwell.
	31 July	Mary, daughter of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
1769	22 October	William, son of William and Rachel Hartwell.
1770	14 October	William, son of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
1771	8 December	Joseph, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hartwell.
1772	1 November	Freeman, son of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
	25 December	William, son of William and Rachel Hartwell.
1774	25 September	Everet, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hartwell.
1775	12 February	Moseley, daughter of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
1777	23 February	Samuel, son of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
	20 April	James, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hartwell.
1778	25 December	Freeman, son of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
1798	4 November	Freeman, son of Samuel and Jane Hartwell, born 23 August.
1799	30 November	Catherine, daughter of Samuel and Jane Hartwell, born 22 October.
1802	12 September	James, son of Samuel and Jane Hartwell, born 26 May.
1803	7 April	Jane Hartwell, aged 25 years.
1807	3 March	Moseley, daughter of Samuel and Jane Hartwell, born 23 February, private baptism.
1809	6 August	Rebecca, daughter of Samuel and Jane Hartwell, born 10 July.

Odell Baptisms Continued:

1812 23 February Martha, daughter of Samuel and Jane Hartwell, born 2 February.

MARRIAGES:

1620/1 25 January William Hartwell and Elizabeth YONGE.
 1643 16 July Richard SMITH and Alice Hartwell.
 1662 18 October Stephen GUILAT, and Mary Hartwell.
 1723 9 October James Heartwell, and Martha BRABROOK, both of Odell.
 1735 26 October Samuel Hartwell and Mary BAYS, both of Odell.
 1735/6 9 January Jeremiah DOLBIN, soldier, and Elizabeth Hartwell, married at Odell by licence obtained at Souldrop.
 1745/6 26 January J. BATTISON and Eleanor Hartwell.
 1749 22 May Thomas TURNER of Lonon and Mary Hartwell of Odell, by licence obtained at Sharnbrook.
 1754 21 July John WRIGHT and Elizabeth Heartwell.
 1755 11 May William Hartwell and Rachel BAILEY.
 1759 11 October Samuel LEIGH and Eleanor Hartwell.
 1763 18 June Samuel Hartwell, widower, and Hannah MILLER, by licence.
 1768 1 February Joseph Hartwell and Elizabeth TANSLEY.
 1787 17 February John HOW and Mary Hartwell.
 1788 8 October William RISELEY and Martha Hartwell.
 ? 5 June William JEFFREY and Sarah Hartwell.
 1795 26 January Charles BOWLER, labourer, of Hockliffe and Mary Hartwell.
 1798 16 April Samuel Hartwell and Jane KING.
 1802 11 October John SMITH, labourer, of Wollaston, Northants., and Elizabeth Hartwell.

BURIALS:

1608 18 April Mary, daughter of Oswald Hartwell.
 1614 19 June Oswald Hartwell.
 1627 8 June Lady Hartwell, wife of Sir Robert Hartwell, knight.
 1656/7 23 March Thomas Hartwell.
 1657 10 August Joan, late wife of Thomas Hartwell.
 4 November William Hartwell.
 1660 30 September Elizabeth, wife of William Hartwell.
 1675/6 20 March William, son of Samuel Hartwell.
 1676 26 November William, son of Joseph Hartwell.
 28 November Joseph, son of Joseph Hartwell.
 1677 18 August John Hartwell, servant to Sir Thomas Hartwell.
 1680 31 October Mary, daughter of Joseph Hartwell.
 1707/8 28 February John Hartwell, woodward.
 1720 13 June Elizabeth Heartwell, widow.

Odell Burials Continued:

1720	18 August	Elizabeth Heartwell, daughter of widow Heartwell.
1722	27 May	Joseph, son of William and Susan Hartwell.
1723	16 May	William Heartwell, labourer.
1724	5 August	Joseph, son of James and Martha Heartwell.
1728	22 December	Samuel Heartwell, labourer.
1728/9	26 February	Sarah, daughter of James and Martha Heartwell.
1730	7 May	Katherine Heartwell, spinster.
1734/5	10 February	Ann, daughter of widow Hartwell.
1748	26 April	Susan Hartwell, widow.
1752	16 July	Mary, wife of Samuel Hartwell, labourer.
	24 July	Elizabeth Hartwell, spinster.
	10 August	James Hartwell, labourer.
1761	5 March	Martha Hartwell, widow.
1766	16 February	Sarah, daughter of William and Rachel Hartwell.
1768	23 August	William, son of William and Rachel Hartwell, "drown'd".
1770	9 July	William, son of William and Rachel Hartwell.
1772	13 January	Ann Hartwell, widow, of small pox.
1774	11 June	Freeman, infant son of Samuel and Mosely Hartwell.
1776	27 February	Catherine, daughter of Samuel and Mosely Hartwell.
1778	13 March	James, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Hartwell.
1779	27 October	Freeman, son of Samuel and Moseley Hartwell.
1781	29 April	Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Hartwell.
1788	30 July	William Hartwell.
1791	14 September	Rachel Hartwell, died 12 September.
1794	25 August	Elizabeth Hartwell, died 24 August.
1798	10 December	Freeman Hartwell, infant.
1800	15 January	Joseph Hartwell.
1803	4 July	Samuel Hartwell.

FROM THE HISTORY OF THE FAMILY OF HARTWELL, A MS BOOKLET OF THE 4TH BARONET HARTWELL, NOW IN THE POSSESSION OF THE 5TH BARONET, SIR BRODRICK HARTWELL, OF LAVENDON, BUCKS.

1066 At the Norman Conquest the Manor of Hartwell (or Hertwelle) in Northamptonshire, was granted to Odo, half-brother to William the Conqueror, whose sub-tenant was William Peverel, who enfeoffed a family who have assumed the local sur-name.

Geoffrey de Hartwell (1066)

Sir Simon (gave advowson of his Chapel of Hartwell to St. James' Abbey)	William	Henry
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1154 In the reign of Henry II mention is made of Nicholas de Hartwell and Ralph de Hartwell, probably of Hartwell House, Aylesbury, Bucks.

1200 Roger de Hartwell gave to the monks all the tithes of the land given him by the King.

1242 John de Hartwell held fee in the Honour of Dover (Testa de Nevill)

1254 Ralph fitz Nicholas had the wardship of William de Hartwell of Hartwell, Bucks.

1272 John de Hartwell held the manor.

1346 John de Hartwell held the manor, and held the Honour of Dover on payment of 20s. towards the guard of Dover Castle.

c. 1400 Henry Hartwell of Hartwell married Mary, daughter of Sir Lawrence Preston of Preston (whose family had held the manor of Preston since at least the early 13th Century), and there were two sons (at least):

Henry Hartwell of Piddington, (older son)	John Hartwell of London, merchant, m. Elenor, daughter of Thomas DYSTER.
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1430 Wymer Preston gave the manor of Preston to John Hartwell of London, Merchant.

Maud, daughter of Sir Hugh Willoughby of Grendon	m. Thomas Hartwell of Preston.
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Sir William Hartwell knighted 1501, d. 1503.	m. Katherine, daughter of J. Broughton, of Tuddington, Bucks.	Richard Thomas John Edmund
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SUNDRY LONDON HARTWELL REFERENCES

Researched by John G. Miles, Esq., Richmond, England.

CITIZENS OF LONDON:

Thomas Hartwell of St. Dunstan East. married 21 October 1576 Margaret CLARK, died 4 October 1595. Buried at St. Dunstan East.

Children:

Mary, bap. 8 August 1579.

John, bap. 27 November 1580, married 11 September 1608 Anne HAWKS at St. Dunstan East. She died 21 November 1647. He died 5 September 1627. Both buried St. Dunstan East.

Children:

John, bap. 30 July 1609, m. Anne ROBERTS 1634.

Henry, bap. 30 August 1612, bur. 2 September 1625.

Thomas Hartwell of St. Christopher in Stocks. m. Mary HOLME*.

Citizen and Draper. Freeman 1477 by William Holme. Warden 1495. d. 1506. Buried St. Christopher in Stocks. Will PCC 13 Adeane.

Children:

William, m. Agnes WILKINSON, daughter of John and Ellen WILKINSON.

William became clerk to the Drapers Company. Freeman 1508. Clerk 1531-9. Children were Ellen and Thomas.

Thomas. King's College Cambridge. Vice-Chancellor. d. 1543.

John, Carthusian Monk at Sheen.

Roger, ordained 15 March 1571/2 (?).

Robert, Richard, Nicholas, Catherine, Sibil.

(See William Stacy Registrar of Eton College re Thomas, John, Roger. Mary Hartwell called "mother" in will 1527 of Henry Walter, Scrivener.)

* William Holme b. 1417 St. Nicholas Arons, m. Joan. Citizen and Draper. Apprenticed 1433 to William Ward. 1476 Renter Warden. Will 1495 Comm. L. 4/100. Bur. at St. Christopher in Stocks. Children Margaret m. ___ Bulkeley, Mary m. Thomas Hartwell.

Jane Hartwell m. James COOTH of St. Christopher le Stocks 10 July 1652 (Coote) at All Hallows, London Wall. Child: Elizabeth, bap. 16 February 1655.

Henry Hartwell of St. Clement Danes. b. 1633, m. 16 June 1666 at Vicar General Marriage Licence wife (2) Martha Cornelia CONDIA who herself born 1645 d/o Condia. Citizen and Pewterer. Common Serjeant Index II 281; wife Martha; Orphans Anne, Martha, Mary. Will 1672. PCC 61.

Robert Hartwell of St. Michael, Wood Street. Grocer, m. 25 November 1618 at Bishop of London Marriage Licence, Dorothy WILKS.

Thomas Hartwell of St. Alphage. Citizen and Blacksmith. Will 1598. PCC 3 Lewyn.

SUNDRY LONDON HARTWELL REFERENCES CONTINUED:

John Hartwell of St. Martin Onger. m. Catherine . Children:

Mary, bap. 24 April 1705, bur. 24 April 1705. Infant.
Elizabeth, bap. 5 November 1706.
Catherine, bap. 14 November 1716, bur. 22 December 1716. Infant.

Thomas Hartwell of St. Clement Danes. b. 1668, m. 22 October 1691

Vicar General Marriage Licence (1) Anne PARSONS of St. Martin in the Fields. She was b. 1671. He was a Citizen and Fishmonger. 1696 Association Oath Roll.

William Hartwell of St. Michael Bassishaw. Shoemaker. d. 20 July 1622

and bur. St. Michael Bassishaw. Children:

Edward, bur. 20 March 1605. Child.

John, bap. 10 April 1606.

William, bap. 3 April 1608, bur. 26 April 1618.

Jane, bap. 24 June 1610, bur. 28 October 1617.

Joseph, bap. 10 November 1611, bur. 19 March 1612.

Francis, bap. 4 September 1614, bur. 9 September 1614.

Faith, bap. 3 December 1615, bur. 26 July 1619.

Elizabeth, bap. 17 September 1618.

Peter Hartwell of St. Botolph, Aldersgate. Citizen & Pewterer. Free-
man 1688. m. 24 January 1705 at Charterhouse by Vicar General Mar-
riage Licence Dorothy COLE of St. Bartholomew the Less.

John Hartwell of St. Michael Bassishaw. Citizen and Cordwainer. War-
der. m. 1634 at St. Dunstan West, Jane HOWELL (?). Children:

John, bap. 3 August 1638, bur. 4 August 1638.

Rebecca, bap. 1 January 1639, bur. 1 November 1641.

Jane, bap. 23 October 1642.

John, bap. 26 October 1645, bur. 3 September 1646.

Mary, bap. 9 January 1647, bur. 26 January 1665.

Stillborn. bur. 26 July 1641.

Paid £12 rent in 1638 to Robert Webb of St. Michael Bassishaw.

William Hartwell of St. Benet Fish. Citizen and Pewterer, Parish
Clerk. m. 1 November 1547, at St. Benet, Dorothy HERSON, d. 2 Nov-
ember 1563, and bur. St. Benet. Children:

Abraham, bap. 24 December 1552, Master of Pewterers (1595 ?).

Peter, b. 1548.

Jonah, b. 1549.

Susan, b. 1556.

Alexander, b. 1558.

Christian, bap. 17 April 1560.

Joan, bap. 2 March 1561, bur. 1564.

Mabyn, b. 1562.

Ellen, ba. 1563.

Thomas, bur. 28 April 1556.

Dorothy subsequently married Richard WARD on 28 January 1564 at
St. Benet.

SUNDRY LONDON HARTWELL REFERENCES CONTINUED:

Thomas Hartwell of All Hallows, Honey Lane. m. Sarah . Children:

Margaret, bap. 17 October 1714.
Anne, bap. 23 March 1715, bur. 15 August 1716.
Sarah, bap. 31 March 1717, bur. 29 March 1724.
Philip, bap. 2 July 1719, bur. 20 July 1719.
Thomas, bap. 30 October 1720, bur. 6 January 1722.
Elizabeth, bap. 14 April 1723, bur. 22 May 1725.
Maria, bap. 19 July 1724, bur. 7 June 1725.

Thomas Hartwell of St. Mary le Bow. m. Agnes JOHNSON 1748 at St.

Gregory. Child:
Elizabeth, bap. 29 November 1749.

Robert Hartwell, Citizen and Draper; apprenticed 1532. Freeman 1540
by Thomas Pettit. Had a son Thomas who was apprenticed in 1570 by
which time his father dead.

Thomas Hartwell of St. Benet, Paul's Wharf. m. 6 December 1697 Sarah

PACKER at St. Mary le Strand, V.c Gen. Mge. Lic. Child:
Sarah, bap. 27 August 1699, bur. 12 September 1700.

Gabriel Hartwell of St. Clement Danes. A Pewterer. b. 1645, m. 21

April 1673 (1) Avis SHERWIN of St. Clement Danes, Vic. Gen. Mge. Lic.

John Hartwell of St. Michael le Quorn. m. 1702 at St. James Clerken-
well by Vic. Gen. Mge. Lic., Elizabeth NEWSON (?). She d. 26 March

1727 at St. Mary le Quorn. He a poulterer (?) of Horseshoe Alley.
d. 1 February 1733 and bur. St. Michael. Children:
John, bap. 26 November 1710.
Samuel, bap. 22 January 1712, bur. 29 January 1717.
William (?) bur 8 September 1728.

William Hartwell of St. Magnus, (Magne). m. Agnes. Citizen and

Cutler. Warden 1476, 77; Master 1488, 1489, 1494, 1495. Free
1469/70. Bur. at St. Magnus. Will PCC 19 Moon. Children:
John, William, Henry, Alice, Alice who m. John WILFORD. He was a
citizen and cutler. Apprenticed 1478 to John Brown. Was Warden
1498, 99.

Reverend Abraham Hartwell of Toddington, Beds. b. Dorney, Bucks. m.

26 April 1569 at St. Bartholomew, Exchange. Anne SCARLET. Educated
at Oxford (See Foster's Alumni). Child: Peter, bap. 12 February
1570. She secondly married 14 September 1585 John POND at St.
Bartholomew Exchange. Bip. London Mge. Lic. His Will is PCC 15
Lewyn.

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"The Warren House, oldest brick house in Surry, Virginia, was built
by Thomas Warren in 1651 on land bought from Thomas Rolfe. Patent
dated 20 April 1687, granted the land to Henry Hartwell. In a court
action, on 17 December 1712, Henry Hartwell, a member of the Council

and an eminent lawyer, died in England whilst there on affairs pertaining to Virginia. His nephew returned there, and died without issue. See Hartwell Family in Waters' Gleanings, p. 314. Henry Hartwell was a Burgess of James City and Jamestown in 1684."

In a Pipe Roll, Bucks 42. Records of Bucks, 1923. Pipe Rolls Bucks and Beds. 1189, p. 116. Walter de Hertewell (Honour of Peverall) was due to pay £1 for not crossing in the third army to Normandy.

Halsted's Genealogy, p. 551. In 1531 Sir John Mordaunt, Surveyer General of Woods and Forests, wrote to "the officers our forest of Sawcey and of our park at Moulton", over which he had royal mandate, commanding them to deliver to John Hartwell, Esq., and Richard Wale, Gent., "such as many oaks, convenable for posts and rayles...as shall be sufficient for enlarging the park at Hartwell and making a new lodge there."

INQUISITIONS POST MORTEM: Researched by John G. Miles, Esq.

C. Series, II. Vol. 22 (40). Northants. 30.1. Henry VII writ, John Breten granted Manor of Tekon and lands, etc., to Thomas Asteley, John Hartwel, Edward Newenham, John Wattes, Henry Boughton, Humphrey Harper, William Wyrley and Edward Warner, gentlemen. Thereafter John Asteley the elder of Esthaddon gave land in Tekon to, inter alii, John Hartwel, esquire.

E. Series. File 62 (18). Groffham, Hunts. 5 marks yearly rent paid by charter (10.12.22 Edward IV) to Katherine w/o William Hartwell, knight. After 1 Richard III, John Boughton gave the manor and lands to William Hartwell, knight, John Butteler, John Raynes, William Taylard and John Andrews.

C. Series. II. Vol. 20 (1). Sir William having share of lease of lands in Stonham Aspall, Alyngton and half Burgate.

C. Series. II. Vol. 21 (68). As above - Colne Engeyne.

E. Series. II. File 783 (3). As above - Manor of Rye.

C. Edward III Files 246, 247, 248. E. Inq. P.M. File 39 (Northampton, Hereford and Somerset).

John Hertewell held a moiety of a fee in Mo(n)selowe, Leics., of John de Hastynges, Earl of Pembroke.

Richard Hertwell held a moiety of a knight's fee in Aston by Monselowe, Shropshire.

Inq. P.M. of John Berners, Knight. 1 September 49 Edward III. Mentions Richard Hertwell, parson of Westhorsle, Surrey.

CLOSE ROLLS: Researched by John G. Miles, Esq.

Membrane 23d. 14 Henry VI. Sep. 16 Dogmersfield. John Hertwelle the elder and younger to Alice wife of John REYNES, knight, recognisance for £500 to be levied in Bucks. on condition they shall not sue her or others re lands/manors in Beds., Bucks., Southampton, Leicester, Northants, Berks.

Membrane 14d. 16 Henry VI. Feb. 6 Westminster. John Hertwelle the elder gives 1/3 of the manor of Herdenhuys in Wilts by virtue of a recognisance of £1000 made before Richard Whittington late mayor of Westminster, to Robert Hungerford, knight. dd 28 May 15 Henry VI.

Membrane 18d 22 Henry VI and 13d 24 Henry VI. Mention of Thomas Hertwell, Saddler, of London.

Membrane 21d, 8 Henry VI. (1429). "Wynmeres de Preston esquire, late lord of Preston co. Northampton, to John Hertwelle of Hertwelle and Henry Hertwelle of Pydyngton, their heirs and assigns." Quitclaim with warranty of the whole manor of Preston with all lands, rents, services, woods, mills, parks, wards, marriages, reliefs, heriots, escheats, suits of court, fines, amercements, liberties, commons, waters, fisheries, and all other that goes with them, reversions after the decease and term of the tenants for life or years etc in Preston, Pydyngton, Hakelyngton, Horton, Gt. Houghton, Quenton, Cortenhale, Middleton, Hulcote by Toucestre, Esteueston, Westhaddon, Harryngton, Lufwyke, Knoston, Irchester, Bulketon, Weston, Little Dodyngton, Thorp Watervyle and Clendoun co. Northampton and the advowson of Clendoun church, and all the other rights, reversions etc there and elsewhere in that county to the said manor belonging, all which the said John and Henry with others have by his feoffment to them, their heirs and assigns. Witnesses: Thomas Wydevyle, William Carnele, Thomas Wake, John Mortymer, Thomas Merflete. Dated Preston 12 November 8 Henry VI. Memorandum of acknowledgment 3rd December.

Membrane 19d. 8 Henry VI. Eleanor mother of Wymerus Preston esquire in her widowhood to John Hertwelle of Hertwelle and Henry Hertwelle of Pydyngton their heirs and assigns. Quitclaim with warranty of the whole manor Preston co. Northampton as fully as they jointly with others had the same by feoffment of Wymerus her son....

Membrane 22. 11 Henry VI (1432) Feb. 3. Order the sheriff of Northants to elect a verderer for the forest of Rockingham instead of John Hertwelle, who is weak and aged.

Membrane 12. 13 Henry VI (1435) 30 May. As above for Sercey Forest instead of John Hertwelle the elder who is insufficiently qualified.

Membrane 9d. 2 Henry VI (1424). John de REYNES knight to William Westbury, Thomas Seman, clerk, and John Hertwelle of London, Mercer, their heirs and assigns. Charter with warranty of the manor of Okele co. Bedford, with wards etc....dated Okele, Monday Before Annunciation 1 Henry VI. Witnesses: Thomas Wydeville, John Grene, Thomas Wake, esq.

CLOSE ROLLS CONTINUED:

Membrane 2d. 6 Henry VI (1428). Alice late the wife of John Reynes of Baysham, John Poleyn, clerks, John Hertwelle the elder, Thomas Horner and John Avery, their heirs and assigns. Charter with warranty of the manor of Hardenhuyshe and of 16 messuages etc in Ruteshale, Wilts., which, by fine levied 5 Henry VI William Bulloke gave to said John and Alice Reynes and heirs of said Alice.

Membrane 7d. 2 Henry VI (1424). William Caunvile esq. to John Walle, Nicholas Hertwelle, chaplains, William Walle and Amory Matany citizens and drapers of London. Quitclaim of lands etc in Pesemarshe co. Sussex. Acknowledged 20 May 1424.

Membrane 17d. 2 Henry VI (1424) A mainprise, William Hertwelle of Parish St. Matthew, London, Goldsmith.

Henry V.i.1. John Hertwelle.

1422. John Hertwelle, a chaplain.
John Hertwelle of London, a mercer.

Henry VI. i.73. William of London, a goldsmith.

SUMMARY OF THE FOREGOING:

We now see that in 1424 John Hartwell, Mercer, of London bought a share of the manor of Oakley in Bedfordshire. Six years later Wymer Preston quitclaimed the whole manor of Preston to John Hartwell of Hartwell and Henry Hartwell of Piddington. In 1436 in the £500 recognisance we see mention of John the elder and John the younger. We know that the Reynes family were connected with the Hartwells and we must therefore assume that these various Hartwell references where Reynes appear refer to our Beds/Bucks/Northants family. Sir William's sister-in-law Mary Broughton married John Reynes. Alice Hartwell was the third wife of Sir John Reynes and died in 1428.

Also, note the coincidence of the BULKELEY marriage noted in the second of the London references on page 12. This is presently being pursued. There is a later marriage of Martha Bulkeley to Abraham Mellowes (Charlestown, Mass.), and their son Oliver Mellowes had a daughter Elizabeth, who married 1653, Edward Wright of Concord, and they had a daughter Elizabeth (b. ca. 1655) who married John Hartwell, son of the immigrant William Hartwell (m. ca. 1682). (See Concord Vital Records).

SOME ANCIENT CHARTERS

Researched by John G. Miles., Esq., Richmond, England.

British Museum, C. 3329/C. 146. (Oxon). Grant by John de Hertwell, mayor of Oxford, John de Norton and John Gibbes, bailiffs, John de Yeftele and Nicholas Saundresdon, chamberlains, and the commonalty of burgesses of the said town, to Robert Tresallian for his counsel given and to be given, of a yearly pension of 40s. 26 Nov. 41 Ed. III.

Br. Mus. C. 2196 (Kent). Release by Margery, late wife of Robert Botiler, dau. of Gilbert Prudumme, widow, to Richard de Clare, earl of Gloucester and Hertford, of all her right in 12d yearly rent in the town of Tunbridge. Witnesses: Robert de Hertwell, steward of Tunbridge and others. No date.

Br. Mus. A/94. e/40. (Bucks). Grant by Savaric de Clovyle to William son of John de Bracy of land in the fields of Herwelle and Staines, part of which belonged in land held in dower by Matilda de Clovile of the land of the said Savaric, and of meadows and pastures in "le Inmede", Meynotesham, "Langrantfeldmede" and Huttendon. Henry III.

Endorsed by Savaric de Clovile to William son of John de Bracy, of land which his mother had held in dower in the field of Hertwell. Henry III.

Br. Mus. E/326. B/252. (Northampton). Time of Henry VI, his 4th regnal year. Re land in Hertwell and Rode.

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NORTHAMPTON C.R.O. - The Montagu Muster Book 1602-1623:

To The Deputy Lieutenants of the County of Northampton or to any of them....

Sir Robert Hartwell. 7 Lances. 0 Light Horse.
West Division. Horses. 10th October 1608. (1st Book, p. 117).

Sir Robert Hartwell. 1 Lances. 0 Light Horse.
Winersley Hundred. (1st Book, p. 89).

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QUARTER SESSION RECORDS OF NORTHAMPTON COUNTY 1630, 1657, 1657/58:

Charles Edmonds (Edmondson) (d. 1652) Lord of the Manor of Preston Deanery which his father Sir Clement Edmonds had bought from the Hartwell family. Sheriff 1650.

SUBSIDY 44 ELIZABETH. Reference to Robert Hartwell, Esq., of Preston.
Subsidy 42 Elizabeth. Reference to Robert Hartwell, Esq., of Preston.

BEACONS SUBSIDIES ETC IN NORTHAMPTON COUNTY 1586-1623:

- Hartwell, Hartewell, Edward. Of Yardley Hastings. 111 Corslett; 1 Colliner-viewed. (p. 40).
- Hartwell, Edward....
- Hartwell, Sir Robert, Knight, Esquier. Of (Great Houghton)(p. 187)
- Hartwell, Preston
 - 1586. Rate. p. 13. 1
 - 1587. Rate. p. 19. 1 (A rate for the keeping of horses in the west part of the Countie of Northampton. Made 10th October, 1587. 1 Light Horse).
 - 1611. View of Arms. p. 117. (The list of Horse with theyre armes for the West Division of the County of Northampton taken at Northampton the xxvith of Sept. 1611). 1 Demy Lance.

Subsidy Rates of 1600 (p. 54) show 10 lances.

Also a reference (p. 29) to Sir Robert providing 1 Demi-lance and 1 light horse at the assessment of 30th September 1595.

EXTRACTS AND NOTES FROM THE CATALOGUE OF BEDFORD COUNTY RECORD OFFICE MADE BY JOHN G. MILES, GENEALOGIST, 15TH JUNE, 1965 FOR HARTWELLS OF AMERICA.

The RICHARD HARTWRLL CHARITY, CRANFIELD, BEDS., was founded by Richard who died in 1739: a Quaker Charity. He was apparently the son of Joshua, a carpenter, and his wife Joan BENNETT. Joshua, who already had some land in Tarlett End, acquired rights in the 1680's to part of Hooks Wood in some complicated transactions with the Dymoke family, Charles senior and junior. This wood must have been extensive: the original estimate was 61 acres, later found to be not much more than 40 acres with modifications. It was also arranged that a way was to be made into Hooks wood from Hartwell's existing land. In the end it seems clear that Joshua Hartwell remained in possession of a substantial part of the Wood although a small part was sold off to Stephen Parrish. Joshua also had common field land (2 acres purchased in 1676 from John Taylor) in Cranfield and a copyhold cottage, in Town End, Cranfield Manor, occupied on surrender by William Odell on 19th October 1670. His wife inherited from her brother Richard Bennett 10 acres in Great Hills Close and other copyhold property in Tartlett End. The gross estate was £194.13.7, net £114.15.11 as noted on the administration dated 27th February 1678/9.

Joshua's Will (ABP/W 1709/26) mentions beside his wife Joan a son Joshua, daughter Sara and son Richard. Richard, who seems to have been a butcher was to have Hooks Wood and 2 acres of freehold land provided he made a stipulated payments to his brother and sister. The

latter married James WARR, but as there is no further reference to Joshua junior, he may well have died. Richard inherited from his mother Joan in 1724 (ABP/W 1724/44).

Thus Richard, when he died in 1739 had neither children nor nephews and nieces. He therefore left the income from his property to trustees for his sister Sara WARR for life; thereafter for charitable purposes. The trustees were soon in difficulty from a claim from a young cousin Joseph Hartwell, son of Richard, late of London, oilman, and of Ruth Middleton (or Williamson). Ruth seems later to have married John Partridge of Aspley Guise, Beds., a wheelwright. This would have been prior to May 1701. The elder Richard had left his young cousin £30 at the age of 14 for his apprenticeship and £100 at the age of 21. Under the new Act of Mortmain, 1736, which restricted charitable bequests there was a question whether the charity was valid having been set up in a will dated 1734. A later lawsuit was fought in 1821-1836 with the rector over tithes.

There is no surviving series of minutes but there is a good accounts book and an extensive series of amusing and interesting bills for repairs and the like in connection with the property which came to be known as Hartwell Farm. At the time of the Charity Commission Reports it was let to King Baker at £60 p.a. One house was used as an almshouse by 3 poor women and 3 others were allowed to live elsewhere. The former were supplied with coal; the latter had 3s. weekly and 10s. at Christmas for clothes.

At the enclosure of Cranfield in 1840 the property was not affected where freehold. The total area was just over 39 acres.

The Victoria County History of 1912 gives the property as 3 almshouses and 40 acres let at £65 p.a. and adds that by the Scheme of 1898 the net income was applicable in pensions to not more than 6 persons of whom 3 were to be members of the Society of Friends and 3 persons five years resident in the parish. In 1908/9 three widows living in the almshouses received 2/6d weekly and three annuitants £8.6.0 p.a. each.

WILL OF RICHARD HARTWELL (d. 1739):

TO BE BURIED in the family burying-ground in own orchard; recites that on 6th January 1724 he surrendered to the use of his will all copyhold messuages and lands held of the Manor of Cranfield;
to sister Sara WARR, wife of James WARR of Cranfield, household goods and furniture;
to Thomas SIMMONS of Stoke Golding, Bucks., £20;
to James WARR £20;
to William RICHARDSON of Turvey Park £5 or to his son Samuel;
to each hired servant £5;
to the poor of Cranfield £10;
to Joseph Hartwell (son of Richard, late of London, oilman) £30 at age of 14 to apprentice him and £100 at age of 21;
to trustees (who may purchase land:-
Joshua Wheeler, Cranfield; Thomas Simmons, Stoke Golding; Doiley

Will of Richard Hartwell Continued:

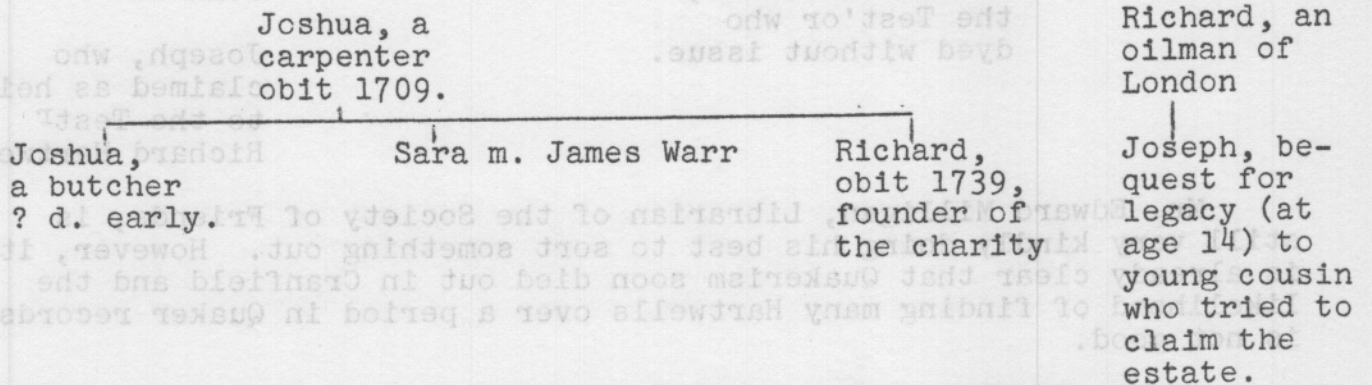
Marks, North Crawley; Lewis Bartrem of Wootton; Thomas Cooper of Newport Pagnell, grocer: they are to place 6 poor unmarried people (3 being Quakers) in the house in Cranfield where tenant Ralph Pooley dwells, or in any other of testator's houses, except the one he dwells in; each such person is to have a new garment annually of cloth stuff or serge and 100 faggots, is to receive 2s. weekly; any balance to be applied to such charitable uses as the majority of the trustees see fit; when the trustees are reduced to 3, 2 new ones to be added who will be Quakers.

Witnessed John Cripps junior, William Goodred. 2 December 1734.

codicil leaving servants' payments to discretion of sister Sara and exors; also further £100 to James WARR; also to kinsman William LEVERETT of Newport Pagnell and sister Elizabeth £5.

Witnessed William Brown, Henry Hobbs, Ann Richardson. 16 July 1739.

GENEALOGICAL SUMMARY OF FOREGOING:



NOTE: Because this was a Quaker charity additional information was sought at the Friends House in London concerning the family. Negative results.

It has been noted that the two small pedigrees amongst the first lawsuit papers do not agree with the rest of the material.

These pedigrees are given on the following page.

The following are the two charts in the lawsuit papers:

272/120. Francis Hartwell the original had 2 sons

Richard	and	William
Joshua		William
Richard the Testator who		John
died without issue.		Joseph who claimed
		the estate as
		Heir at Law of
		Richard the tes-
		tator.

272/121. Francis Hartwell the Grand Ancestor had two sons, viz:

Richard	and	William
Richard		William
Richard Hartwell,		John
the Test'or who		Joseph, who
dyed without issue.		claimed as heir
		to the Test ^r
		Richard Hartwell.

Mr. Edward Milligan, Librarian of the Society of Friends, is still very kindly doing his best to sort something out. However, it is already clear that Quakerism soon died out in Cranfield and the likelihood of finding many Hartwells over a period in Quaker records is not good.

Other references from the Charity Papers are:

272/61. Deed of gift. 30th September 1699. £20 (in the hands of Thos. Baker of Cranfield, gent.). Ruth Hartwell of Woburn, widow to her brother, William Williamson of North Crawley and Grandson Richard Hartwell. Wm. Williamson to have charge till Richard Hartwell is 21.

272/62. Deed of gift. 7th May 1701. Ruth widow of John Partridge of Aspley Guise, wheelright, to son Richard Hartwell...household effects.

272/63. Bond between Wm. Church and Richard Hartwell of Cranfield, gent. 11th Feb. 1731.

Elsewhere there is evidence that Ruth's maiden name was Middleton, yet in 272/61 her brother is called Williamson. Possibly a half-brother? Ruth Partridge, formerly Hartwell and born Middleton (or Williamson?) is the mother of a Richard. 272/61 and 272/62 hint at

the presence of two Richards, father and son. In 272/65 there is mention of Richard Hartwell, a butcher, in 1704/5. There is elsewhere a reference to Richard Hartwell, a yeoman, in 1720/21.

272/67. Richard Hartwell of Cranfield declared fidelity, refusing oath of allegiance, 1st Nov. 1723.

272/68. I.O.U. to Richard in 1726/7.

272/94. Jos. Hartwell (apprenticed to John Adams of Leeds [?] as a grocer) receipted legacy from Richard on 8th Oct. 1746.

The various references here and given in the Parish Registers on pages 3 and 4, allow a certain amount of the family to be built up.

THE FOURTH BELL: Reprinted from the Northampton Chronicle & Echo, 11.8.67.

Your picture (Tuesday of work being carried out to the interior of the Church of St. Guthlac [the hermit of Crowland at Passenham]) is a reminder of some research I undertook about 17 years ago concerning one of its ring of five bells - the fourth.

This bell bears the date 1585 and bears the strange inscription "A Truste frend is harde to fynde" together with the trade stamp of a Liecester-born man who became a travelling bellfounder setting up (as was the custom those days, with no railways or motors) temporary furnaces, customs and re-casting bells on the spot - one Richard Benetlye.

Did the metal for this bell come from the village church of Preston Deanery?

Benetlye was known to buy up old bells, and it was in that year - 1585 that one Jasper Hertwell (an atheist) took over Preston Deanery Manor, plundered the church and sold the lead and the bells - possibly to Benetlye who was travelling the district at the time looking for work.

Jasper Hertwell remained at Preston Deanery Manor until 1622 when it came into the possession of Charles Edmonds who unlike Hertwell, was a Christian and restored the church to its former use; but this tower was without a bell until 1710.

One is handicapped by the fact that records of Preston Deanery were lost in 1678. Only Chancery Lane among others, have scant records to go by.

-P. Amos, 30 Inkerman Terrace, Northampton.

TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM HARTWELL

(William Hartwell of Preston, Knight, d. 1503)

In the name of god Amen The xviii day of September the year of our Lord God 1503 I William Hartwell of Preston Knight of whole and perfect mind and remembrance but dreading death that I can not avoid make my testament in form that followeth first I beseech almighty god to be merciful to my soul when my soul and body shall depart and receive it And my body to be buried in the Chapel of St. Saviour in the church of Preston Item I bequeath to the church of Preston xls [40/2] and to the high altar in the same church iiis iiiid [3/5] Item I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth C marks [100 marks - a mark being 13s. 4d.] with that she be ruled and ordered by my wife her mother beside the bequest of her grandfather Also I bequeath to my daughter Agnes 100 marks with that she be ruled and ordered by my wife her mother beside the bequest of her grandfather Also I bequeath to Alice Stone £10 Also I will that the said Alice Stone have my messuage and all my lands and tenements in Lathbury in the county of Bucks and the my feoffes of and in all my said messuages lands and tenements in Lathbury aforesaid stand and be seised of and in all the said lands and tenements to the use and behest of the said Alice Stone and of her heirs for ever with that the said Alice be ruled and ordered by my wife Also I will that my son George have all and singular my goods and tenements in Banbury in the county of Oxon and all and singular my lands and tenements in Pedyngton, Hakeston [Hackleton] and Horton in the county of Northampton and £4 of yearly rent going out of Sonlymills in the county of Surrey And that my feoffes of and in all my singular lands and tenements in Banbury, Pedyngton, Hakiston and Horton stand to be seised thereof to the use of my brother John Hartwell for terms [tenure] of his life And after his decease to the use and behoof of the said George and his heirs for ever And I will that dame Kathryn my wife have the rule and guying of the said George till he come to his lawful age of XXI years Also I will that my said feoffes suffer the same dame Kathryn to have and perceyve the whole offices profits and revenues of all the landes and tenements during the Nonage of the said George to the use and behoof of the said George Provided always that if at any time hereafter my son and heir John Hartwell cause or make to be caused to be made to George my son a sure and sufficient estate in the lands of and in a messuage or a place called the Basket in Thames Street in the cite of London and of XX pounds by year of clear free rent over and beyond the value of the said George and to his heirs for ever. Then I will that my said son and heir John Hartwell shall have to him and his heirs for ever all the said lands and tenements rents and fines with their appurtenances forewilled to the said George And that my feoffes shall then stand thereof seised to the same use. Also I will that my wife have according to her joynter all my lordships and Maner of Preston without any trouble or interruption of mine heirs for the term of her life And if she depart and dye before my daughters Elisabeth and Agnes or either of them be married then I will that either of them unmarried have 5 marks yearly of and in the Manor of Preston to keep them till they be

married besides all their before bequests Also I will that Steven Pewer my godson have my gown furred with cattis of mountayne and a doublet of satin and my best horse after my Mortuary and a flat piece of silver after the difaction [discretion?] of my wife. Also I will that Bryan Hartwell have my long gown furred with shanks and a doublet of damaske and an horse next to Stevens Also I will that Roger my servant have 20s by year for term of his life to be perceived and had of my manor of Preston and lands in London Also I will that Richard Clark my servant have his Nags and a year's wages The residue of all my goods not bequeathed I give and bequest to dame Katerine my wife to dispose for my soul as god shall put in her mind and her above I make my executrice and Thomas Hartwell of London draper I make supervisioner witness John Cooke of Northampton Clerke Thomas Hartwell of Hartwell gentleman and William Roberts of Houghton yeoman with others many. Probatum etc....

ABSTRACT OF WILL OF JASPER HARTWELL OF PRESTON, CO. NORTHANTS.
PROVED IN PREROGATIVE COURT OF CANTERBURY, BAKON 44.

Will signed 17th January, 1578.

An indenture of lease to Sir Knightley Knight, Mr. George Carlton, Esq. Mr. Thomas Androwe, Esq., Mr. Edward Boughton, Esq., of 18 February, 13 Elizabeth, of Jasper Hartwell's manor of Preston and the advowson of the church of Preston for ten of 60 years to the use of Mr. Jasper Hartwell and persons whom he shall appoint, etc. The above three persons are to make a lease to Jasper Hartwell's wife, Martha, during the nonage of his son, Robert Hartwell. If Robert die before he is 21, Martha is to have all the manor of Preston.

Martha is to have the lease of ther parsonage of Little Holton during the nonage of her son Robert. Further agreements are mentioned involving Mr. Jasper Hartwell and John Hartwell "my servant".

A stipulation is made that Martha, Jasper's wife, shall put his son Robert to study law.

Leases named in Hackleton are bequeathed to John Hartwell, Jasper's servant, and lands in Hotton to John for his life and then to Robert Hartwell, and an annuity.

Substantial legacies are left to Uncle Thomas Hartwell, sisters Joan Chubnell, Elizabeth, Mary and her children, nephew John Millar when he is 20, Paul Hartwell at 18, Edward Millar when he is 16, niece Martha Millar when she is 20, Aunt Millar, and Bridget Millar when she is 16. Cousin Fraunce is named in directions as to an agreement. A legacy is left to Margaret Merriall daughter of Mr. Merriall, wife of Mr. Dracot.

Further directions as to the trust for his son Robert and the annuity he he is to pay to his mother when he is 21 are given.

Further legacies are to be given to Mr. Lewse his servant, brother Millar, brother Chubnall, and servants John Hartwell, Henry Adderson and Mr. Taft. (continued on following page)

Wife Martha is executor. Proved 24th November, 1579.

Notes in the margin concern commissions issued in 1585 to Edward Boughton and in 1588 to the son Robert Hartwell.

Administration 13th June 1588 to Robert Hartwell, Esq., son of Jasper, etc. Martha now also being deceased.

ABSTRACTS OF HARTWELL WILLS FROM BEDFORD, COUNTY RECORD OFFICE

1614/63

14th June 1614, Oswald Hartwell of Woodhall Co. Bedford. To be buried in Woodhall. To son Thomas Hartwell all the house and appurtenances, immediately after the decease of the testators wife Mary Hartwell with 1 1/2 acre belonging to it in the bounds of Woodhall. Give to son John Hartwell and his heirs to have immediately after his decease 2 acres in fields of Woodhall. To Alice Hartwell his daughter a bullock, best cupboard and 2 pieces of pewter. Other legatees are daughter Elizabeth Hartwell, daughter Jollyan. Thomas Hartwell his son shall pay William Hartwell and Richard Hartwell, Thomas's brothers 40/s. when they are 20. Follow further directions regarding education of sons, payment of debts, etc. jointures of three daughters Alice, Elizabeth, and Jolyan. Residue to wife Mary who is exor. Son Thomas and his wife to have part of the house to themselves so that they and their children shall not disturb Mary his mother. Witnesses Lawrence Spry (?) Thomas Wardton. Proved 16th July, 1614.

1567/82

5th October 1566, Thomas Hartwell of Billington parish of Leighton. To be buried in churchyard of Leighton. Bequests to Barnard Hogg son in law, daughter Julyan, Agnes Hartwell, Thomas Hartwell of Little Byllington, William and Alice, children of Barnard Hog, Julyan testators daughter, Joan Wheeler, residue to son Richard. Barnard Hog to be overseer.

Proved 1567 (15th January).

1632/156

Nuncupative will of Nicholas Hartwell of Cranfield Co. Bedford. On 7th December 1632, the day before his death in the presence of John Mouse, Agnes Hartwell his wife and George Hartwell his son, uttered his mind as follows. Bequests to William Hartwell his son, Margaret Smyth alias Hartwell his daughter, John Hartwell his son, Nicholas Hartwell his son. The bequests to John Hartwell to be paid 3 years after his death, that to Nicholas 6 years after his death, a bequest to son Richard Hartwell his son to be paid 9 years after death. Agnes his wife to have the goods in the house which she brought on her marriage. Gave residue to his son George Hartwell who is exor. Proved 10th December 1632.

1576/7 - 147

17th September 1576, William Hartwell of Leighton Buzzard, Co. Bedford-

shire. Gives to son Francis Hartwell a black cow or £20.3s.4d. Un-born child to have a bullock of the said cow. Further bequests to each of his children. If one of them die before the other is 12 years old, the living one to be the heir to the other. Wife Agnes to bring up the children, and use their legacies till they be 12. She is to have residue and be exor. Landlord Robert Thornback and Nicolas Felfe his neighbour to be overseers. Witnesses Robert Thornback, Nicolas Felfe, Robert Felde, Thomas Burack, Anthony Slater. Proved 23rd March 1578.

1681/7

9th March 1680, Mary Hartwell widow of Harrold in County Bedford. To son Thomas Hartwell £30 to be paid 6 years after her decease, and other bequests immediately after her decease. Residue to son John Hartwell, and her house and land who is to pay the £30 at the end of 6 years.

Witnesses Edward Whitfield, Richard Lond, Thomas Hull. Mark of Mary Hartwell.

1688/1

18th March, 4th year of King James 2nd, Richard Hartwell of Woobourn, County Bedford, cordwainer. (No religious preamble). To son Richard Hartwell £80 of which £20 is to be paid him when he is 21, and the other £60 when the exor thinks fit, but not after he is 24. Residue to wife Ruth who is exor.

Witnesses Mark of Richard Hartwell.

Joshua Hartwell
John Bedford
Mark of William Williamson

1691/80

1st April, 1691. John Hartwell of Brickills in parish of St. Peters, in town and County of Bedford, husbandman. To son Francis Hartwell £10 to be paid within 4 years of testators decease by Thomas Honor of Goldington. To son William Hartwell the sheep on Brickhill sheep walk of 30 acres, but he is to have the use of the grounds only till Michaelmas next. To daughter Mary Hartwell various household goods. Residue to son John Hartwell and daughter Mary Hartwell equally between them, both to be exors. John to have the two colts. Witnesses William Sharpe, John Higgs, Thomas Honnor.

Mark of John Hartwell.

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