

EXTRACTS FROM A PRIVATE CHARTULARY, WRITTEN CHIEFLY BY
TALBOT PEPYS, OF IMPINGTON, CO. CAMBRIDGE, ESQ.

THIS MS. book was discovered in the spring of 1852 in a chest in the church of Bolney, Sussex, by the Vicar, the Rev. Joseph Dale, whilst searching after any faculties that might exist for the pews and gallery in the said church; but when or how it came to be deposited there is at present a mystery, for it does not contain a single word relating to the parish of Bolney. Since the following extracts were taken, it has been restored to the family, in the person of its most distinguished living member the Bishop of Worcester.

It has a vellum cover, upon the front of which is written—"This booke was shown to the deponents Jeffry Snignell, Henry Pittocke, and is the booke menc'oned in their answers to the 11th and 12 Interr.

THO. EDEN.

WILL'M CLERK.

WILL'M HODGKEN."

The entries in the book are chiefly in the handwriting of Talbot Pepys, of Impington, co. Cambridge, esquire, sometime Recorder of Cambridge,—so elected 27th October, 1624; see various notices of him in Cooper's *Annals of Cambridge*, iii. 169, 244. He was uncle to Samuel Pepys the Diarist; who on the 15th July, 1661, rode from Cambridge to Impington, "where I found my old uncle sitting all alone like a man out of the world. He can hardly see; but all things else he do pretty lively." The death of "my uncle Talbot Pepys" is recorded in the Diary in March, 1666.

The book was in the possession of the family until the year 1700; as is shown by its containing the signature of "Madam Pepys," for that year, as well as 1698, for the rent of her farm at Chesterton: "I doe owne this acct. SUSANNA PEPYS."

The title page is thus inscribed:

Jesu fili Dei miserere mei.

*Liber Talboti Pepys de instrumentis ad feoda pertinentibus
exemplificatis.*

Aliena non concupisco.

Hereditus mihi potius celestis.

After which occur the following historical notes:—

"Laus Deo in æternum soli saluti meæ.

"The Parliament house should have beene blowen upp wth gun powder

upon Tuesday the fifth day of November, 1605, by Papists. It was by God's inspiration discovered by the Kinges reading of a lett^r wherein was written to the Lord Mounteagle that he should absent himselfe from Parliamt, for that the enemies of the Papists should there receive a suddain blow w^h they never should know who gave them, because it should be done in an instant. The King construed this word 'blow' w^h gun powder, and thereupon caused the vault under the Parliamt house to be searched, and there was found und^r a pile of fagotts manie tunnes of gun powder. This was the 4 of Novemb^r, when in that night about midnight they watched one Faux came there with a darke lanterne to have acted this on the morne, but was prevented by God's great Providence. Of this the Pope knew before;^a see his *breve* commanding all English Catholiks to pray for the successe of the Cath. cause in the beginning of the Parliamt. So did a Spanish Jesuite, putting the verie case. So did Garnet out of confession also, as appeares by his owne Pres, for he had written the matter to a lady in iuyce of lemons, w^h I're was intercepted. So our English priests; see a booke,^b viz. 7 Sparkes of an enkindled Soule, therein speaking of vs, 1, in a mom^t to be dasht to powder; 2, with a cracke; 3, into smoake; 4, an arrow should be shot against us though we were as high as an eagle. This booke came forth in October 1605."

On the opposite fly-leaf is written:—

"6^o Nov. 1612. About 7 of the clocke in the evening, Prince Henrye departed out of this life at St. James his house.

"Deus misereatur nostri."

Fol. 1. "Mr. Thomas Thursbie feoffment to John Pepys my father of Impington manor. 22 Eliz. 1579, 10 Decembr." In the deed he is styled "Thomas Thorisby of Ashwicken, in com. Norff. ar."

Fol. 2. His release to John Pepys, dated two days later.

Fol. 2 b. Lease of Arbrough meadow, from Thomas Brackin of Mendham, co. Suffolk, gent. to Francis Brackin of Girton, co. Cambridge, gent. 28 Feb. 30 Eliz.

Fol. 4. Francis Brackin to John Pepys. 5 June, 30 Eliz.

Fol. 6. Indenture of bargain and sale of Spicer's Close in Chesterton from John Gowldinge of Saffron Walden, late alderman of Thaxted, Essex, to William Spycer of Chesterton, co. Cambr. ycoman. 18 Dec. 7 Eliz.

^a "W^h a consistory privatt of Cardinals, th^rfore warranted by their religion, de hereticis tanquam canibus interficiendis."

^b "Crashaw read the booke in the pulpit, 5^o Nov. 1611."

Fol. 7. Release of the same, dated 19 Dec.

Fol. 7 b. Indenture of bargain and sale of the same from William Spicer to John Pepys, dated 4 July, 15 Eliz.

Fol. 9 b. Feoffment of the same, bearing the same date.

Fol. 10. Assignment of Arbrough meadow from John Brockett, as executor of John Pepys, to Talbot Pepys. Dated 19 Oct. 5 Jac.

Fol. 11 b. Fine levied by Robert, Thomas, Apollo, and Talbot Pepys to Thomas Badcocke and John Mayse. Trin. 3^{io} Jacobi.

Fol. 12. The indenture leading th' use of the fine levied to Tho. Badcocke. Dated 22^o Maij, 3^{io} Jacobi. At this date Robert Pepys the younger was of Cottenham, gent., Thomas Pepys, of Impington, gent., Apollo Pepys, of Gray's Inn, gent., and Talbot Pepys, of Trinity Hall, in Cambridge, gent.

Fol. 15 b. Indenture quadripartite, made 28 May, 7 Jac. between, 1, John Pepys, of the Middle Temple, gent.; 2, Thomas Pepys, of Sutton, in the Isle of Ely, gent.; 3, Apollo Pepys, of Gray's Inn, gent.; and 4, Talbot Pepys, of the Middle Temple, gent. relative to the lands bequeathed to the three latter in their father's will.^c

Fol. 17 b. Assignment of John Yaxley, yeoman,^d of four acres in Chesterton field to Talbot Pepys, dated 27 June, 1609. Refers to an indenture dated 20 Sept. 13 Eliz. whereby Henry Morley, doctor of the law, William Tabor, bachelor in divinity, John Still, bachelor in divinity, William Lewin, gent. George Hawford and Edward Hawford, yeomen, feoffees of the manor of Impington and of lands, &c. in Impington, Cottenham, Landbeach, Waterbeach, Milton, Chesterton, Howes, Girton, and Histon, did demise for 68 years the premises or a moiety thereof to Robert Ray and his assigns.

Fol. 20. John Pepys his indenture of lease to Thomas Brackin of the four acres. Dated 1 Aug. 27 Eliz.

Fol. 21. Release of the same, 27 May, 27 Eliz.

^c The will printed at length hereafter, p. 101.

^d "Mr. Yaxley, the farmo^r of Christ's collodge in Impington, had upon Mr. Athowes advise of Gray's Inne vj^{li} xiiij^s iiij^d of me for a releas of Milton holt and the sower acres in Chesterton feild, upon this preteuce, that they were not wthin the partie'on in the hands of Christ's collodge; so for quietnes, to avoid suite rather then for right, my coz. Athow did advise me to a cōposition, and I had Yaxley's releas 1609." Note at the other end of the book.

Fol. 22. Release from Launcelot Flower, of Ely, gent. to Edward Hawford, S. T. P. master or warden of Christ's college in Cambridge, and John Pepys of Cottenham, gent. as feoffees of fourteen acres in Impington assigned to the use of the parish church of that town.

Fol. 24. Indenture of sale, dated 30 March, 24 Eliz. from John Mafey of Romesey, co. Southampton, cordiner, and Alice his wife, one of the daughters of Jermaine Scott, late of Impington, deceased, and Amy Scott, one other of the daughters of the said Jermaine, on the one part, and John Pepys, of Cottenham, gent. and Bonyface Scott, of Impington, yeoman, on the other part, of lands in Impington and Histon.

Fol. 27. Partition to Robert Scott. Dated 2 April, 25 Eliz.

Fol. 30. John Pepys's will. (Hereafter printed.)

Fol. 35 b. John Pepys's Special Liverie, by letters patent dated 14 May, 1 Jac.

Fol. 41. Sir Francis Hynde, of Maddingley, knight, to John Pepys, of Cottenham, gent.^c release of lands in Croswell field. Dated 20 June, 24 Eliz.

Fol. 42 b. Petition (undated) to the King to grant letters patent to George Heveningham and Margaret his wife and unto Elizabeth Burgoyne, sisters and next heirs of Thomas Burgoyne deceased, and cousins and next heirs of Richard Burgoyne also deceased, of livery in his manors and lands. Thomas Burgoyne is described as son of John, son of Thomas, son of John, brother of William, father of John, father of the aforesaid Richard.

Fol. 47. Bond of Thomas Brakyn of Chesterton to John Pepys in 20^l. dated 20 March, 27 Eliz. to keep the award of Thomas Wendy, of Haslingfield, co. Camb. esquire, and Edward Ellis, of Chesterton, gent. respecting four sellions or leas lying in the fields of Chesterton.

Fol. 48. Quit-claim of Bonyface Scotte, of Impington, yeoman, to Talbot Pepys, of Impington, gent. of lands in Impington. Dated 22 Dec. 1609.

Fol. 48 b. Indenture made 2 June, 11 Jac. between Francis Brakyn, of Cambridge, esquire, and Apollo Pepys, of Impington, of a pasture called Earthborough, not inclosed, in Chesterton.

This is all that is entered at this end of the book.

^c In the Calendar of Pleadings in Chancery (Hb. 16, 58 and Hb. 21, 48), are noticed various proceedings, temp. Eliz., respecting the commons of Cotteuham.

THE WILL OF JOHN PEPYS OF COTTENHAM, 1589.

In the name of God, Amen. The second daie of July, in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand five hundred foure score and nyne, I John Pepys, of Cottenham, in the county of Cambridge, beinge sicke of body, but of good and perfect remembrance, I thanke God therefore, make my last will and testament as followeth.

First, I doe bequeath and comend my soule into the hands of Almighty God, trusting assuredlie thorough his great mercie to be saved by the passion of Jesus Christ my Redeemer.

Item, I will that my body be entomed in the church of Cottenham.

Item, I will that my debts be paid by myne executors.

Item, I will and bequeath to all my foure daughters, Elizabeth, Edith, Susan, and Paulina,^f to everie of them two hundred poundes, to be paid in convenient tyme after my debts be paid.

Item, I doe give unto my sonne Thomas Pepys th'elder^e and to his heires my house in Cottenham wherein Childe now dwelleth, and two acres in Smythe Fenn thereto belonging. Item, one messuage some time Sygar's, where Snyggnell now dwelleth, and eightene roods in Smythe Fenn to the said messuage belonging. Item, three acres in Smythe Fenn in the occupation of the said Snyggnell. Item, one messuage called Sedgell, with five roods in Smythe Fenn thereto belonging. Item, two five roods (*sic*) in the Great Cast in Smythy Fenn. Item, my two closes in Alboroughe (*sic*). Provided, if theis two closes be not holden enclosed, then I will my sonne Thomas Pepys th'elder shall enter, have, occupie, and enjoye to him and to his heires as my grasse and meadow in Artleboroughe (*sic*) aforesaid, belonging to any of my freeholdes in Cottenham. Item, Brookhill Close. Item, three acres sometimes the Sames, lying in Foule Fenn. Item, half an acre and two severall acres more there. Item, fortie acres of arrable land lying in the

^f Elizabeth and Edith Pepys died unmarried. Susannah married in 1602 Robert Beale of Whittlesey, Isle of Ely. Paulina married Sir Sidney Montagu, and was mother of the first Earl of Sandwich.

^e John Pepys had two sons named Thomas. From the Visitations it appears that the elder was, for distinction sake, called "the Black." He died unmarried.

feild of Cottenham, to be sett out indifferently by myne executors.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto my sonne Thomas Pepys the younger^b and to his heirs my tenement in Cottenham wherein Thomas Croppwell now dwelleth, with x. roods in Smithie Fenne thereto belonging. Item, my tenement wherein John Hardingham now dwelleth, with eighteen roods in Smythie Fenn thereto belonging. Item, my Moore close in Cottenham, and all other my lands and tenements and hereditaments whatsoever lying in Cottenham aforesaid not before given unto my said sonne Thomas the elder. Provided that if my said son Thomas the younger cannot quietly enjoy my said More closes, then I will that my said son Thomas the younger shall enter, have, holde, occupie, and enjoye, to him and his heirs, my moitie of Sheepwalke belonging to my moitie of my mannor of Sames in Cottenham aforesaid.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto Robert Pepysⁱ my son and his heirs my tenement in Impington now in the occupation of mother Pocke and threescore and fifteen acres in her occupation. Item, one close called the Oate Close. Item, one other close lately in the occupation of John Lynton. Item, one other close att Spannbridge, sometime in the occupation of John Everede. Also my holte [in] Mylton comonly called Burgoynes Holt. Item, one close in Impington now in the occupation of Edmond Grygg. Item, all myne lands now used by Bonyface Scott by a lease of myne in writing. Item, my tenement in Histon now in the occupation of John Ivatt, with the grove thereto adjoining.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto Apolloj my son and to his heirs my house in Impington wherein Robert Wade now dwelleth and all those my lands that he hath now in his use and occupation. Item, the milkinge yarde there and nyne acres of land therewith used and occupied. Item, the dove house garden. Item, the viccars ferme there, and all the lands therewith letten. Item, one cottage in the occupation of John Hoddylowe. Item, one tenement and fortie acres of land in the occupation of Wil-

^b Thomas the younger was grandfather of Samuel Pepys the Diarist. He died in 1615 (see p. 108).

ⁱ Robert Pepys died without issue in 1630.

^j Apolloj Pepys died unmarried in 1641.

liam Gransdon. Item, Foxe Close, with the grove thereto adjoining. Item, two closes abuttinge on Chesterton feilde now in the use and occupation of William Barbore and Robert Smyth.

Item, I doe give and bequeath to Talbote my son and his heirs the scite of my mannour in Impington, Spicer's close, Jackes close, my redd (?) meadow closes, my sheepegate there, my free rents, my land now in the occupation of John Whiston, Pyper's close, my foure acres in Chesterton feilde, my tenement wherein Robert Ranowe now dwelleth, and all my lands therewith now occupied, my closes at Howes, my Bushe close, my mese and common in Waterbeach sometime Burgoynes. Item, all that my lease of my meadowe in Cottenham called Arborough meadowe for the amendment of his sheepegate, and all other my lands, tenements, and hereditaments in Impington not before bequeathed in this my last will.

Item, I make Robert Pepys and George Pepys my brethren and my brother in law Mr. John Brockett my executors. Item, I will that they, notwithstanding any bequeast or guift in this my last will mencioned, shall holde and enjoye my mannor in Impington and all my said lands and tenements and hereditaments lying in Cambridgshire, as well in reversion as in possession, untill such time as my debts and legacies be paid and my house in Impington be builded and finished, paying yearely to every one of my three elder sons, vizt. John, Robert, and Thomas five pounds at the feast of St. Michael the archangel and the feast of thaununciation of our Lady by even porcions. Item, to everie of my two eldest daughters yerely sixe pounds thirteen shillings and four pence at the said feasts by even porcions as before, untill such time as my debts and bequests before bequeathed be satisfied and paid. For my two youngest sonnes I will that my executors shall fynde them to learninge, allowing them sufficient exhibicion and maintenance according to their discrecion. Provided alwaies that if my two younger sons shall discontinew and not follow their learninge, then I will that myne executors shall allowe them but five poundes a peece yerely, to be paid in such manner and forme as my other sons are allowed. Item, I will that my executors shall have the charge of my two youngest daughters, and shall allow them good exhibition to mainteyne them in what place myne executors shall thinke

meete, untill such time as they shall have accomplished the full age of sixteene yeres, and if it doe fortune any of my said daughters to marry and dye before they and either of them have received their said porcion, then I will the said husbands of them and every of them shall have and enjoy the said porcion; and if any of my said daughters dye unmarried and before they or any of them have received their said porcion, then I will the said porcion and every of them shalbe equally divided amongst the rest of the said sisters then living.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto Anne my wief fortie poundes, to be paid with as much speed as can be at the discretion of my executors.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto John Pepys^k my sonne xx^{li}.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto John and Richard Pepys, the sonnes of my sonne John Pepys, to either of them xx^{li} poundes.

Item, I do give and bequeath unto John Pepys the sonne of my brother Robert Pepys six pounds thirteen shillings and four pence.

Item, I do give and bequeath unto my brother Robert Pepys, my brother George Pepys, and brother in law John Brockett, yf they prove my will and be myne executors, in recompense of their travill, to every one of them xx^{li}.

Item, I do give and bequeath to William Pepys the son of my brother William Pepys twentie poundes.

Item, I will that my executors shall provide mourning appa-
rell, that is to saie, clokes for my executors themselves, a gowne for my wief, a gowne for Mr. Fleming if he be at my buriall, gownes for my daughters, clokes for my sonnes, coates for my youngest children, coates for my men, that is to saie, a coat for William Pepys, a coate for Nicholas Haylocke, a coate for Thomas Watts, a coate for John Hull, a coate for William Saunderson, a coate for Robert Sterne.

Item, I do give and bequeath unto George Pepys the son of my brother George 6^{li} 13^s 4^d.

Item, I doe give and bequeath tenn poundes to be paid to the

^k John Pepys, who appears in the Visitations as the eldest son, died in 1604. He married Elizabeth Bendish, and was ancestor of Lord Chancellor Cottenham.

churchwardens of Cottenham, to be bestowed with the money that Mr. Doctor Leedes did give and others, to purchase a peece of land to remaine to the use of the poore of the towne of Cottenham for ever.

Item, I doe give and bequeath five poundes to be dealt to the poore at my buriall.

Item, I doe give and bequeath 5^{li} to be paid to Mr. Blyth the viccar of Impington and the churchwardens of that towne for the time beinge, to be used by them for a yearlie relief to the poore of the said towne for ever.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Disbon, Agnes Holkett, and Jane Peele, which were my servants, to everie of them fortie shillings.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto my cosen Richard Bolton tenn poundes.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto Nicholas Haylocke sixe poundes thirteen shillings and foure pence.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto Anne (*sic*) my black roand (?) gelding.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto my cosyn John Pepys my godson dwelling in Northolke (*sic*) six poundes thirteen shillings and four pence. Item, I doe give him all such debts as he oweth me.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto Gilbert Bocke my sister's sonne tenn poundes.

Item, I doe give and bequeath unto my sonne Thomas Pepys the younger one hundred poundes.

Item, I will that all my household stuff, as plate, jewells, and beddinge, and all such other my implements of houshold as my first wief did not give with my consent, to be equally divided amongst my children exceptinge my son John.

Item, I will that after my debts and legacies paid, with my house at Impington aforesaid builded and finished, my executors shall take the proffitts of my two leases in Impington and Murrhowe soe longe as they shall thinke it good, to be bestowed on such of my children as by their discretion shalbe thought needefull; and when my executors shall thinke it good to sell my lease of Murrhowe then I will that it shalbe sould unto my sonne John, and if he my sonne John shalbe hable to purchase it, with the payment thereof at such daies as my executors shall thinke

good; and the money thereof comminge to be bestowed on such of my children as my executors shall thinke meete.

Item, I will that my other lease in Impington be sould to my sonne Thomas thelder, as my executors shall thinke good.

All the rest of my goods and chattels not before in this my last will and testament bequeathed I will that they be divided amongst my children at the discretion of my executors.

Item, I revoke all other wills before this my last will and testament made be me. In witnes whereof to this my last will and testament I have subscribed my name with my owne hande, and put to my seale, and published the same to be my last will and testament in the presents of those whose names are here under written.

By me JOHN PEYS.

By me RICHARD BOLLTER.

By me THOMAS WATTS. By me JOHN BLITHE, viccar of
The marke of : R : Robert Wade. Impington.

Beginning at the other end of the book are a variety of Memoranda made by Talbot Pepys of his legal transactions, and of his expenses in various suits of law, interspersed with genealogical entries, which are here copied.

In the cort roll of the manor of Pellhams in Cottenham 12 H. 6 (1434) Thomas Pepys bayliffe of the Abbot of Crowland.

A noate written out of an ould booke of my uncle William Pepys:—

William Pepys, who died at Cottenham 10 H. 8 (1519), was brought up by the Abbot of Crowland in Huntingdonshire,¹ and he was borne in Dunbar in Scotland, a gentleman whom the said Abbot did make his bayliffe of all his lands in Cambridgeshire, and placed him in Cottenham in Cambridgeshire. The which William aforesaid had 3 sons: 1, Thomas; 2, John; 3, William, to whom Margarett was mother naturallie.

1. And this Thomas Pepys had in Cottenham, Richard, and Nicholas, who died a student at London young.

Richard had issue,—Richard (who had issue at Burnham),

¹ Twenty years later, one Richard Pepys (quæ. if William's grandson presently mentioned?) was bailiff of the abbey's manors of Cottenham, Hokynton, and Drydryton, with the fee of ivl. vjs. Gough's Hist. of Croyland, Appx. p. 122.

Nicholas, William (who had issue), and Thomas (who had issue), all borne at Burnham Westgate in Northfolke.^m

2. John had issue Thomas Pepys in South Creake in Northfolke, who had issue Fermer and John.

Fermer had issue, &c.ⁿ

John had issue, &c.

3. William had issue in Cottenham (me) 1, William; 2, John; 3, Robert; 4, George.

All which have issue *a c' io^r* 17 Febr. 1613.

For Pipers Close.—In Easter Terme 1611 I began the suite with Thomas Raven, and the first money I paid was to Mr. Warre xx^s to move for the trial at the barre, and Mr. Yelverton x^s to second the motion, &c. &c. &c. This triall went against me by reason of a rentall 36 H. 6, wherein Pipers Close was called customarie. *Fiat voluntas Dei!*

30 Nov. 1611.—M^m. That upon St. Andrewes day 1611 I went to Mr. Yelverton to take advise in my copyholds cause, &c. &c. &c. whose advise I entend to follow. This gent. refused his fee of me, notwithstanding his trouble.

11 Feb. 1613.—A rue-bargain^o of Mr. Bridgens for a lot of willowes in Milton holt.

15 Julii 1^o E. 6.—A patent of a gr^t of 86^{lb} annuitie to John Pepys during his life in lieu of his surrender of oth^r patt^s of K. H. 8. of the auditorship of the lands, revenues, &c. of the abbeys of Glassenbury and Redding w^h came to K. H. 8. by attainder. Teste Ed^o North mil. apud Westm^r. Per b^re de privat. sigillo et de dat. p^rdict. In dorso, J^oh^oes Pepys generosus. L^re paten. primo E. 6.

^m Samuel Pepys writes in his Diary :

"Feb. 10, 1661-62. To Paul's Churchyard, and there I met with Dr. Fuller's England's Worthys, the first time that I ever saw it; and so sat down reading in it; being much troubled that (though he had some discourse with me about my family and armes) he says nothing at all, nor mentions us either in Cambridgeshire or Northfolke. But I believe indeed our family were never considerable." The real origin and history of the family is given (for the first time) in the "Noate" above printed; but it would seem that the first who came from Scotland to be bailiff to the abbey of Croyland flourished at an earlier date than the "Noate" states,—in the reign of Henry VI. If not "considerable" in station, it must be admitted that they were so in numbers.

ⁿ See the pedigree of the Pepys's of Norfolk, in Pepys's Diary, &c. edit. 1846, vol. v. p. 459.

^o A bargain to be regretted. See Halliwell's Dictionary.

My brother Thomas junior deputed out of this life upon Tuesday the second day of May 1615.

3^{io} Augusti a^o dñi 1615 I tooke to wife Beatrice Castle, daughter to John Castle of Ranningham,^p in the countie of Norfolk, esquier, sister to Mr. Roger Castle and daughter of Francis Playters aunt to the now Sir Tho. Playters of Soterley, in the countie of Suffolk, Knight. *Deo gra's. Benedictio D'ni super nos.*

Castle's Coate Armour.—Argent, three castles gules.

Hugh Dorrell married Eliz. daughter and sole hfe of John Ristoft, who had issue Elizab. sole dau and heir mar. to John Talbot heire of Sir Gilbert Talbot,^q and had issue John Talbot, married to Edith Balaam, who had issue Edmond Talbot, married to Alice Rewse, who had issue Edith Talbot, dau. and sole heire, married to John Pepys father to Talbot Pepys, mar. ut supra.

3^{io} Maij 1617.—Att Heydon, between 9 and 10 of the clocke in the forenoone, being Friday, was Roger Pepys^r my first sonne borne, and was christened the Thursday following, his godfathers Roger Castell and George Mordant. My sister Bedingfeild^s godmother. God blesse him!

1 December 1618.—Between 2 and 3 of the clocke in the morne, being Tuesday (crastino Sth Andree), was John Pepys^t my second sonne borne, and was christened on the Tuesday 8 Dec., his godfathers Edmond Bedingfeild and Apollo Pepys; the Lady Anne Townshend^u his godmother. God blesse him!

At Norw^{ch}, on Tuesday, being the fift day of June 1621, between the howers of eleven and twelve in the night, Thomas^v my third sonne was borne, and baptised the (*blank*) day of the same moneth. His godfathers my brother S^r Sidney Mountagu, Kt.^w and S^r Tho. Bendish, Barronet. His godmother my cozen Mary Plaiters. God blesse him!

^p Raveningham, now called Ravenham. See pedigree of Castell in the History of Norfolk by Blomefield and Parkin, folio, 1775, vol. iv. p. 262.

^q These Talbots are styled of the Isle of Ely in Betham's Baronetage, but are not mentioned by Lysons in his Cambridgeshire.

^r Roger Pepys, of Impington, his son and heir: see the close of this article.

^s "My sister Bedingfield" was probably a Castell, sister of the writer's wife, but this has not been ascertained.

^t John Pepys, LL.D. living in 1684, s. p. having married Catharine widow of Thomas Hobson, of Cottenham.

^u Anne, eldest daughter and co-heir of Sir Nathaniel Bacon, K.B., of Stiffkey, in Norfolk, wife of Sir John Townshend, of Rainham, in the same county.

^v Thomas Pepys, afterwards M. D. He died s. p. * See p. 101.

At Norw^{ch}, on Tuesday, being the 30th day of Januarii 1622, wthin a quart^r of an hower of one of the clocke in the morning of the same day, my daught^r Paulyna^x was borne. Godfather Mr. Robt. Varney. My sister the Lady Mountagu and my sister Bedingfeild godmothers. God blesse her !

At Norw^{ch} my sonne Henry was borne, and died at nurse, and was buried at Lakenham neare Norwich.

Roger Pepys, of Impington, the son and heir of Talbot, was elected Recorder of Cambridge in 1660, and M.P. for the borough in 1661. He was removed from the Recordership 11th March, 1678-9, as Cole states, "for acting in conjunction with the factious party against the court and loyal interest," quoting "The Case of many Protestant Freeholders in Cambridgeshire, &c., showing the manner of the late Elections," 1680. fol. pp. 15. (MS. Addit. 5805, p. 87b.) See also Cooper's Annals of Cambridge, iii. 478, 516, 578. He afterwards obtained a mandamus from the King's Bench for his restoration; see Shower's Reports, ii. 69, where he is misnamed Peachy.

To Roger succeeded a second Talbot, born 1647^y; to him a second Roger, born 1667; and the last Pepys of Impington was Charles Pepys, Esq., son and heir of the latter Roger.^z He died in 1778, aged 68. The name of his wife is left blank in the pedigree printed at the end of the last edition of Pepys's Diary, 1849, vol. v. p. 458. Cole, in his collections for Impington (MS. Addit. 5805, fol. 87) says she was a Spelman of Norfolk. She died in 1805, aged 83.

^x Afterwards the wife of Hammond Claxton, of Boughton, in Norfolk, Esq.

^y Talbot, son and heir of Roger Pepys, Esq., and Barbara his wife, born 20th March, 1646, in Chancery Lane; Francis, another son, 1648. Blomefield's Collect. Cantabr. p. 27.

^z This Roger had an elder son Talbot, who was buried in St. Nicholas' Chapel at Lynn, with this inscription :—

"Talbot the dear son of Roger Pepys and Anne his wife, born at Impington in Cambridgeshire the 25 of June 1703, died the 23 of July 1717.

A Man in Sufferings, Thoughts, and Sense :

A Child in Age and Innocence."

(Mackerell's Hist. of Lynn, p. 115.)

His mother Anne was the daughter of Charles Turner, of Weasenham, in Norfolk.