The Wren Family of Suffolk, &c.

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The Grand Committee formed by the Royal Institute of British Architects and other interested bodies, including the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's, have arranged for a special commemoration of the bicentenary of the death of Sir Christopher Wren. Among other means of signifying this event an exhibition at the Museum of the Public Record Office, of autograph letters, &c., has been arranged. It, therefore, is fitting that the Suffolk Institute of Archæology should include in its Proceedings the following notes upon the Wren family and its East Anglian connections.

WREN OF DRINKSTONE, SUFFOLK.


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Anne, wife of Sir Roht Pytton of Isleham, co. Camb. She outlived her husband and remarried. William Medley of Haddenham in the Isle of Ely.

Frances, dau. of John Williams, Esq., of Fenstanton, co. Huntingdon.

Anne, dau. of Edward North, Esq.

John Wren of Drinkstone, co. Suffolk.

William Wren b. 1558.

A. Catterall Wren (brother of Thomas of Drinkstone, Suffolk). Was admitted a Student of Gray's Inn, 1524, of Newbold Revedel in parish of Monk's Kirby, co. Warwick, and had land at Marston in co. Leicester. Died his will dated 27 July 1588, proved at London, 20 Oct. 1588, wherein he desires to be buried in the chapel of St. John in the parish church of Monk's Kirby.


Matthew Wren, succeeded Bishop of Ely and Norwich, Apologies in his will, prov'd 19 June 1667, that he was born on Thursday 23 Dec. 1585 in the house next on the west side of St. Peter's Church in Cheapside, London, then called the Flower de Luce. Educated at Merchant Taylor's School, which he left 1600. D. 24 April 1667.


Elizabeth bap. 13 Jan 1623 at Sproughton, Suffolk. D. 24 Aug. 1680. Dau. of Thomas Cutler of Ipswich, Suffolk, and had issue.

Robert Browning, 1st husband, of Ipswich.

Sir Christopher Wren = Jane Anne

John = William Jenkinson

William = John Robert Wright of New Windsor.

D. 24 April 1667.

William = John Robert Wright of New Windsor.

MARY dau. of William Jenkinson.

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Mary Wren = John Robert Wright of New Windsor.

Christopher Wren, b. 1632 at Sproughton, Suffolk.

Robert Wright of Newburgh, Suffolk, Esq., Sergeant at Law and had issue.

Mary = John Robert Wright of New Windsor.


 Authorities for the foregoing:—H. Stinton Smith, W. T. Law, in “The Geopalogist.” “Parentalia,” D.N.B., and several correspondents.—WALLACE GANDY.