THE NAUNTON PEDIGREE
AND FAMILY PAPERS

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Unclaimed money in Chancery has afforded a fascination for many people, but one never seems to hear of a successful claimant. Members of the Naunton family appear to have been concerned from time to time in this unprofitable exercise, and correspondence and other papers deposited in the West Sussex Record Office by Mr. W. G. S. Naunton provide material for a first-class detective story with a genealogical flavour. As these papers are now in a repository at some distance from the county to which they principally relate, it may be a convenience to those interested in Suffolk history to put their existence on record and leave the unravelling of the full story of the vicissitudes of the family to anyone who feels inclined to attempt the solution of a mystery which has baffled other investigators.

Of the antiquity and noble descent of the Naunton family there can be no question. Pedigrees will be found in the Visitation of Suffolk, 1664 (Harleian Society, vol. 61, p. 100), and in Suffolk in the XVIIth century (1902), pp. 226-8; various other references are listed in J. B. Whitmore, A Genealogical Guide (1953), p. 367. As the Leman family also feature in this genealogical tangle, the reader is referred to Whitmore (p. 308) for references to their pedigrees.

Mr. George Ward Naunton and Mr. George Herbert Naunton, grandfather and father respectively of Mr. W. G. S. Naunton, the present owner of the documents, were both keenly interested in their family history and carried on a long correspondence with various relatives, with members of the Leman family, and with record searchers. Such of this correspondence as has survived is now bound in one volume (West Sussex Record Office, Add. MS. 2401) and is briefly listed on pp. 53-60. The Leman family had collected various relics of the Naunton family and these were acquired by Mr. G. H. Naunton; of these items, the most important is the pedigree (W.S.R.O. Add. MS. 1315) described below and discussed by P. C. Rushen in a letter, 3 December, 1899 (see p. 56). Rushen, who seems to have been a solicitor's clerk, was an amateur antiquary also with an interest in the Naunton family; he certainly had a flair for investigating the bypaths of genealogical research. His letters, and those of other correspondents, contain much useful information. It is the descent from 'Major' Robert Naunton
(died 1665; no. 223 in the pedigree) which appears to have caused all the trouble; he was the son of Sir Robert Naunton (1563-1635; no. 211 in the pedigree), politician and Master of the Court of Wards, and author of *Fragmenta Regalia* which was posthumously published, in a most careless fashion, in 1641. There were other editions of this work (see pp. 62, 63) which describes the chief courtiers of Elizabeth I. This elder Sir Robert Naunton is the subject of a long entry in the *Dictionary of National Biography*; it was he who inherited Letheringham Priory through his grandmother, Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Anthony Wingfield (no. 177 in the pedigree), and converted it into an imposing mansion which was demolished in 1770.

A note on Letheringham Abbey [sic] was contributed to these *Proceedings*, vol. xx, part 1 (1929), pp. 9, 10, by E. Farrer, and an account of Letheringham Church and Abbey was published in the *Suffolk Chronicle and Mercury*, 8 June, 1928. *Atheomastix* by Martin Fotherby (1549?–1619), Bishop of Salisbury, was first published in 1622 and dedicated to Sir Robert Naunton; a copy of this book is in Chichester Cathedral Library.

**THE PEDIGREE**

This impressive document, 173 x 45½ inches, is signed, *Tho. Leman, faciebat*. He was the Rev. Thomas Leman, 1750–1856, who is described in Rushen's letter, 3 December 1899 (see p. 56). The pedigree recites the descent, in 24 generations, of William Naunton who died in 1758 without issue, and the descent of Thomas Leman (son of John Leman of Wenhaston, d. 1777) who married Frances, daughter and heir of John Nind. This Thomas was the great-grandson of John Leman who married Theophila, daughter and heir of Robert and Mary Naunton (nos. 242 and 243 in the pedigree). The pedigree, beginning at Norman times and embracing a host of references to noble and well-known families, is enriched with 171 painted shields of arms, and at the foot is an achievement of the Naunton family (quarterly of 32, with the names of 31) surrounded by six subsidiary shields and crests (see pp. 48, 49). There is a crude drawing of an effigy of a member of the Bovile family, two extracts from Inquisitions, and spaces left for further extracts or eulogies, and a drawing of the seal of William de Cantelupe. The colours and metals of the arms are bright although some of the silver is beginning to flake. The pedigree, on paper backed with linen, is decorated with a dark green painted border on which is a simple stencilled leaf-design in black.

The arrangement of the pedigree is so complicated that, on grounds of expense, its reproduction in any form is impracticable,
but an abbreviated version has been deposited in the Ipswich and East Suffolk Record Office (HD39). Attention has been paid to contracted words and these are usually distinguished by an apostrophe. As is usual in such documents, there is inconsistency on the part of the compiler which presents problems when it is desired to present a printed version of a manuscript, but it is hoped that by exercising a little editorial license the result is free from ambiguity. The blazons have been carefully rechecked but although the shields appear to have been competently executed, there are minor variations from accepted forms which the expert will detect. It was not thought necessary to draw attention to all such variations.

Another pedigree of the Naunton family, said to have been prepared for Sir Robert Naunton in about 1630, was recently presented to the Kent Archives Office by Mr. L. Lewis-Evans who acquired it from a dealer who was on the point of removing the coats of arms to stick on to lampshades. This pedigree has not been compared with that transcribed below.

Stemma Siue propagatio perantiqua equestris Familiae de Naunton simul cum praclarissimis Affinitatibus eadem Coniunctis Vnde constare potest tam Stirpis eternae Antiquitas : quam Sanguinis Nobiliritas ad personam Honoratissimi viri Roberti de Naunton Equitis aurati vnus e Secretioribus consiliis Domini Regis ac Magistri curiae, Wardorum et Liberationum deriuta ex Archivis Regis Scriptis munimentis et aliis Recordis fide dignis labore et industria collecta,

4. Randolph de Meschines Comes de Carlisle. Ensigned with a viscount's coronet.
7. Richardus secundus Comes Cestriz obit sine Prole. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. Gules crusily or, a wolf's erased argent langued azure.
8. Randolph de Meschines Comes Cestriæ. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.
9. Lucia filia Algaris Comitis de Leicestriæ. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. No. 5, impaling Or an eagle displayed sable armed gules.
12. Randolph de Genoniis 4 Comes Cestriæ. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.
16. Richardus de Clare.
17. Roseia filia Gwalteri de Gyfford Comitis Buckingham. Or three chevrons gules, impaling 15.
18. Conanus Crassus Comes Brytaniae. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.
19. Matilda filia spuria Henrici primi Regis Angliæ. Ermine, impaling [blank].
20. Milo Comes Hereford. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.
21. Sybilla filia et Cohares Barnard Newmark. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. Gules two bends the upper or and the lower argent, impaling Gules five lozenges conjoined in fess or.
24. Henricus Comes Northumb et Comes Hunting'. per resignation'. patris. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.
25. Ada filia Gulielmi Comitis Warren et Surriæ. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. Or a lion rampant within a double tressure flory counterflory gules, impaling Checky or and azure.
27. Bertreda filia Symonis Comitis de Eureux in Normandia. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. Azure six garbs or, three, two and one, impaling Per pale indented argent and gules.
29. [Blank]. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. No. 14, impaling [blank].
30. Alanus Vice Comes de Rohan. Ensigned with a viscount’s coronet.
31. Constantia filia et Cohæres Conani. Ensigned with a viscount’s coronet. Gules ten mascles conjoined or, three, three, three and one, impaling Ermine.
32. Gulielmus de Brewse.
33. Bertha filia et heræs Milonis Comitis Hereford. Azure crudishly a lion rampant or, impaling Gules two bends the upper or and the lower argent.
34. Gulielmus de Brewer.
35. Johanna filia Gulielmi de Ripariis Com’ Devonix. Gules two bends wavy or, impaling 22.
37. Dermitius Mackmurghius Regulus Leinstriæ in Hibernia. Ensigned with a viscount’s coronet. Sable three garbs argent two and one.
38. Malcolm Rex Scotiæ ob’t sine Prole. Ensigned with a prince’s coronet. Or a lion rampant within a double tressure flory counter-flory gules.
39. David Comes de Huntingdon. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet.
40. Matilda una cohæredum Hugonis Comitis Cestriæ. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. Or three piles in point gules, impaling Azure three garbs or two and one.
42. Randolph Blundeville Com. Cestriæ obiit sine Prole. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. Azure three garbs or two and one.
43. Robertus Blanchemain Comes Leicestriæ. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet.
44. Petronilla filia et Hæres Hugonis de Grand-Mesnell Baronis de Hinckley & Seneschall’ Angliæ. 14, impaling Gules a pale or.
45. Alanus Vicecomes de Rohan ex quo Vicecomites de Rohan in Normand’. Ensigned with a viscount’s coronet. Gules ten mascles conjoined or three, three, three and one.
46. Galfridus Vicecomes de Rohan filius junior. Ensigned with a viscount's coronet. *Gules ten bezants four, three, two and one.*

47. Philippus de Beaumes. Blank shield.

48. Philippus de Brewse.

49. Berta filia & Coheres. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. *Azure crusilly a lion rampant or,* impaling *Or two lions passant in pale gules.*

50. Richardus de Strongbow Comes de Pembroke. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.

51. Eva filia et haeres Derm. Machmurghii Reguli Leinstri'. *Or five chevronels gules,* impaling 37.

52. Alanus Comes Gallovidiaz. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.

53. Margareta filia et cohaeres David Comit' de Huntingd. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. *Azure a lion rampant argent ducally crowned or,* impaling *Or three piles in point gules.*


56. Margareta 2a filia & Cohær Uxor Sayeri de Quincy Comitis de Wynton'. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. *Gules seven masgles conjoined or, three, three and one,* impaling 14.

57. Alanus la Zouche dictus Comes de Brytaniaz. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.

58. Alicia Soror et haeres Ranulphi de Beaumes. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. Arms as 46, impaling [blank].


60. Reginaldus de Brewse ob' 1224.

61. filia Gulielmi de Brewer. *Azure crusilly a lion rampant or,* impaling *Gules two bends wavy or.*


63. Elizbetha filia et haeres Richardi de Strongbow. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. *Per pale or and vert a lion rampant gules,* impaling *Or five chevronels gules.*

64. Gulielmus Burdet Miles Dominus de Newto' Burdet in Comit' Leicester temp. Henr. 2. *Azure two bars or.*

65. Rogerus de Quincye Com. de Wynton. Ensigned with an earl's coronet.

66. Helena filia et Cohæreris Alani Comitis Gallovidiaz. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. *Gules seven masgles conjoined or, three, three and one,* impaling *Azure a lion rampant argent ducally crowned or.*

67. Rogerus la Zouche vixit 4 Henri III.

68. Margareta filia [blank]. As 46, impaling *Gules.*

69. Gulielmus de Brewse.
70. Eva filia et cohaer' Gulielmi Marshall Comitis de Pembroke. 
   Azure crissilly a lion rampant or, impaling Per pale or and vert a 
   lion rampant gules.
71. Gulielmus Burdet fundator Monasterii de Ancote. Arms as 
   64.
72. Galfridus Glanville. Argent a chief indented azure.
73. Helena filia et Cohæres Rogeri de Quincy Comitis de Wynton' 
   ob'. 24 Ed. I.
74. Alanus Zouch ob. 54 Hen. 3. As 46, impaling Gules seven 
   masses conjoined or, three, three and one.
75. Gulielmus de Cantelupe.
76. Eva filia et hæres Gulielmi de Brewse. Gules three fleurs-de-lys 
   or, two and one, impaling Azure crissilly, a lion rampant or.
77. Richardus Burdet Miles. Arms as 64.
79. Elizbetha Uxor Almerici Peche. Argent a fess between two 
   chevrons gules, impaling 72.
82. Juliana. Arms as 81.
83. Basilia. Arms as 81.
84. Eudo la Zouche.
85. Milicentia Soror et hæres Georgii de Cantelupe. As 46, im-
   paling Gules three fleurs-de-lys or, two and one.
86. De Mohstealto pum' [sic] Maritus. Blank, impaling Gules three 
   fleurs-de-lys or, two and one.
87. Georgius de Cantelupe. Gules three fleurs-de-lys or, two and one.
88. Johanna Uxor Henrici Hastings. Or a maunch gules, impaling 
   87.
89. Henricus de Naunton temp Henr. 3.
90. filia de Teye. Sable three martlets argent, two and one, impaling 
   Argent a chevron azure, on a chief of the last three martlets of the first.
91. Richardus Burdet de [blank].
92. Blank. Arms as 64, impaling [blank].
93. Emma Uxor Johannis Huntingfield.
94. Edmund Pesche. Argent a fess between two chevrons gules.
95. Richardu de la Byshemile maritus secund’
96. Gulielmus la Zouche de Harringworth.
97. Matilda filia et hæres Johan’ Lovell Milit’. Gules ten (only 
   nine showing) bezants, four, three, two and one, a canton ermine, 
   impaling Or crusilly fitchée a lion rampant azure.
98. Johannes de Vere Comes Oxoniae duxit Matilda’ filiam Barth. 
   Badlesmere. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. Quarterly 
   gules and or, in the first quarter a mullet argent, impaling Argent 
   a fess double cottised gules.
99. Gulielmus de Bovile.
100. Isabella filia Basiliæ. Quarterly, 1 and 4, Quarterly or and sable, in the first quarter a lion passant gules; 2 and 3, as 72, impaling [blank].

101. 2de Rogerus la Zouche cui Milicent de Montealto dedit.

102. Hugo de Naunton tem. Edw. I et Edw. 2 vocatus fuit Hugo Senior.

103. Eleanora filia Roberti Comitis Oxoniæ. Naunton as in 90, impaling de Vere as in 98.

104. Johannes Aspall Miles. Azure three chevrons or.


107. Rogerus la Zouche.

108. Gulielmus la Zouche.

109. Eudo la Zouche de Harringworth ob. ante patrem.

110. Johanna filia et hæres Gulielmi Inge. Zouche as in 97, impaling Or a chevron vert.

111. Albericus de Vere Comes Oxoniæ duxit uxor’ Fitzwater de Woodha’-water in Com’ Essex. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. de Vere as in 98, impaling Or a fess between two chevrons gules.

112. Isabella filia et sola hæres Gulielmi de Bovile.

113. Hugo de Naunton prim’genitus temp. Edw. III. Naunton as in 90, impaling Bovile as in 100.

114. Catharina filia Rob’t. Howard Militis de Wiggenh[all]. Naunton as in 90, impaling Gules a bend between six crosses crosslet fitchée argent.

115. Bartolomeus de Naunton Miles 2. filius.

116. Johanna filia et cohæres Joha’s Argentyne Militis. Naunton as in 90, impaling Gules three covered cups argent, two and one.

117. Elizabetha filia et hæres Gulielmi la Zouche.

118. Johannes Burdet de Lousbye. As 64, impaling Azure [sic] ten bezants, four, three, two and one.

119. Thomas de Naunton Miles ob. [blank] de Monewden et Tostock in Suff. 41 Edw. III.

120. Margareta filia et cohæres Johannis Aspall Militis. Naunton as in 90, impaling 104.

121. Richardus Ashebye.

122. Blank. Argent a lion rampant sable, a chief gules, impaling [blank].

123. Gulielmus La Zouche hæres Avi suit duxit uxo’ Elizabetham filia’ Gulielmi Roos de Hamlak. Zouche as in 97, impaling Gules three water-bougets argent, two and one.

124. Richardus de Vere Com’ Oxon’ duxit Aliciam filia’ et cohæred’ Georgii Sargeaux de Com Cornubi’. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. de Vere as in 98, impaling Argent a saltire gules between twelve cherries erect of the last slipped vert.
125. Johannes Naunton Locumtenens Mareschalli Hiberniæ sub [blank].
126. Blank. Naunton as in 90, impaling [blank].
127. Petrus de Naunton filius et Hæres.
128. filia Johannis Berneye. *Quarterly, 1 and 4, Naunton (as in 90),
2, Bovile (as in 100), 3, Glanvile (as in 72), impaling Quarterly azure and gules a cross engrailed ermine.*
129. Robertus Bokenham de Suffolk duxit præd' Margareta'.
*Argent a lion rampant gules, impaling Naunton as in 90.*
130. Margareta sola filia et hæres nupta Roberto FitzRafe Militi.
*Or three chevrons gules each charged with as many fleurs-de-lys argent, impaling Naunton as in 90.*
131. Elizabetha filia et hæres Johannis Burdet.
132. Thomas de Ashebye de Lousebye ob. 1422. Ashebye as in 122, impaling 64.
133. Rogerus Drurye de Rougham in Com' Suff.
134. Margereta filia et hæres. *Argent on a chief vert two mullets or, impaling Naunton as in 90.*
135. Gulielmus La Zouche dux'. Agnetem [blank]. Zouche as in 97, impaling *Argent a lion rampant sable a label of three points gules.*
136. Johannes de Vere Com' Oxon' duxit Elizabetha' filia' et cohæredem Johan' Howard. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. de Vere as in 98, impaling *Gules on a bend between six crosses crosslet fitchée argent an ermine spot.*
137. Edwardus Naunton filius et hæres qui possidebat terras super dict'. Naunton as in 90.
138. Petrus de Naunton filius et hæres temp. Hen. V.
Naunton quarterly as in 128, impaling *Gules three stags' heads caboshed argent two and one.*
140. Thomas de Ashebye ob. 1433.
141. Catherina filia Roberti Brett de Addingto'. Ashebye as in 122, impaling *Gules a fess dancetty argent between twelve billets or, seven and five.*
142. Gulielmu' Drury miles de Rougham duxit Catherina' filiam Thomæ Swynforth mil. per Catharin' Roet. Drury as in 134, impaling *Argent on a chevron sable three boars' heads couped of the first.*
143. Gulielmus La Zouche de Harringworth. *Gules ten (only nine showing) bezants, four, three, two and one.*
144. Georgius de Vere obiit ante Patrem duxit [blank] filiam Stafford. *Quarterly gules and or [sic], impaling Or a chevron gules within a bordure engrailed sable.*
145. Johann' de Vere Comes Oxoniæ ob. s.p. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. de Vere as in 98.
Robertus de Naunton temp. Hen. V.

[Blank] filia Tymperley. Naunton quarterly as in 128, impaling Quarterly, 1 and 4, Quarterly gules and argent in the first quarter an escallop or; 2 and 3, Gules a lion rampant argent.

Johanne' Durwarde Arm. 1st Maritus.

[Blank] filia Petri de Naunton. Ermine on a chevron sable three crescents or, impaling Naunton quarterly as in 128.

Jacobus Hobart de Haleshall in Com. Norf. miles 2 Marit'. Sable two flaunches ermine, at the fess point an estoile or, impaling Naunton quarterly as in 128.

Thomas Ashbye obiit [blank] de Maner' de Lovethorpe.

[Blank] filia Villiers. Ashebye as in 122, impaling Argent on a cross gules five escallops or.

Thomas Drury de Rougham dux' Catherin' filia' et coheredem Johan' Whitwell de Com' Suff. Drury as in 134, impaling Gules a fess checky argent and sable double cottised or.

Edmund' Knightley miles.

Ursula 3 filia Georgii Vere sepulta in ecclesia de Letheringham. Quarterly, 1 and 4, Ermine; 2 and 3, Paly of six or and gules, a bordure azure, impaling de Vere as in 98.

Guilem' La Zouche de Harringworth.

Alicia fili' et hæres Richar' de St. Maure. As 143, impaling Argent two chevrons gules, a label of three points azure.

Johannes Comes Oxoniæ ob. sine Prole. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. De Vere as in 98, impaling Howard as in 114.

Dorothea nupta Johanni Nevill de Latimer. Gules on a saltire argent a rose of the first leaved vert, impaling de Vere as in 98.

Antonius Wyngfield Auræ Periscelidis Eques. Enclosed within a Garter.

Elizabetha filia Georg' Vere. Argent on a bend gules cottised sable three wings of the first, impaling de Vere as in 98.

[Blank] filia Tey.

Thomas Naunton filius et hæres. Naunton quarterly as in 128, impaling Argent a chevron azure, on a chief of the last three martlets of the first.

Margaretæ filia et hæres Richard' Bustarde. Naunton quarterly as in 128, impaling Or an eagle displayed gules within an orle of torteaux.

Johannes Bawde.

Jana filia Gulielmi Hussy. Gules three chevrons argent, impaling Or a cross vert.

Agnes filia Richardi Illingworth capt' Baron' Scaccarii.
168. Gulielm' Ashby 5 Edw. 4. Ashebye as in 122, impaling Quarterly, 1 and 4, Argent a chevron azure between three staples sable; 2 and 3, Argent a cross engrailed sable between four ermine spots.

169. Agnes filia Thomæ Poulineye mil. Ashebye as in 122, impaling Argent a fess dancetty gules and in chief three leopards' faces sable.


171. Gulielmus Dominus Zouch obiit

172. Catherina filia Lentall. Zouche as in 143, impaling Sable a bend lozenge argent.

173. Catherina Uxor Henrici Percy Comes Northumb. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. Or a lion rampant azure, impaling Nevill as in 159.

174. Dorothea Uxor Thomæ Cecil Comitis Exon'. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. Barry of ten argent and azure, six escutcheons sable, three, two and one, each charged with a lion rampant of the first, impaling Nevill as in 159.

175. Elizabetha Uxor Johannis Danvers. Gules a chevron between three mullets or, impaling Nevill as in 159.

176. Uxor Gulielmi Cornwallis de Brome in Comit' Suff. militis. Sable güté-d'eau, on a fess argent three corbies sable, impaling Nevill as in 159.

177. Elizabetha filia Antonii Wyngfield Equitis.

178. Gulielmus Naunton. Quarterly, 1, Naunton; 2, Quarterly or and sable; 3, Glanvile (as 72); 4, Bustarde (as in 164), impaling Wingfield as in 161.

179. Everard Ashby.

180. Maria filia Johann’ Bawde de Somerby in Comitat’ Lyncoln’. Ashebye as in 122, impaling Bawde as in 166.

181. Gulielmus Berkleye. Gules a chevron between ten cinquefoils argent, impaling Bawde as in 166.

182. Elizabetha filia Johannis Bawde.

183. Thomas Armestronge. Gules three arms embowed in armour argent, impaling Bawde as in 166.

184. Georgius Ashby.


188. Joanna filia Dynham. Zouche as in 143, impaling Gules four fusils in fess ermine.


191. Henricus Domin' Danvers. Gules a chevron or between three mullets argent, impaling [blank].


193. Uxor Fermor militis.

194. Uxor Comitis Argathelïæ in Scotia. Ensigned with an earl's coronet. Quarterly, 1 and 4, Gyrorynt of eight or and sable; 2 and 3, Or a lymphad sable, impaling Cornwallis as in 176.


196. Elizabætha filia et hæres Everardi Ashby. Quarterly, 1, Naunton; 2, Bovile (as in 100); 3, Glanvile; 4, Bustarde, impaling, Quarterly, 1, Ashby; 2, Burdet; 3, Argent a chevron azure between three staples sable (see 168); 4, Azure, ten trelieaux [? recte bezants]; 5, Argent a lion rampant sable; 6, Argent a cross engrailed sable.


198. Franciscus Ashby obiit sine Prole. Arms as 197.

199. Mauritius Berkley Armig'.

200. Maria filia [blank] hall de Grantham. Berkeley as in 181, impaling Argent on a chevron between three talbots' heads erased sable an estoile or.

201. Antonius Beaumonde.

202. filia Thomæ Armestronge. Azure semé-de-lys a lion rampant or, impaling Armstrong as in 183.

203. Johannes Ashby de Loseby.

204. filia Tanfield de Bayton. Ashby as in 122, impaling Argent two chevronels between three martlets sable.

205. Robertus Drury duxit Elizabetha' filiam Thomæ Teye. Drury as in 134, impaling Tey as in 163.

206. Richardu' Domin' Zouch de Harringworth.

207. filia [blank] Capel. Zouche as in 143, impaling Gules a lion rampant between three cross crosslets fitchée or.


210. Jacobus Dominus Hay Vice Comes Doncast'. duxit Luciam filia' Heni' Comitis Northumb'. Ensigned with a viscount's coronet. Argent three escutcheons gules two and one, impaling Percy as in 173.
211. Robertus Naunton Miles Scriba regis Jacobi publicis rebus prepositus.

212. Penelope filia et sola hærae. Thomæ Perrott Militis per Dorothea’ fil’ Gault. Com’ de Essex & postea Com’s Northumb’. Quarterly 1, Naunton; 2, Bovile; 3, Glanvile; 4, Bustarde; 5, Ashebye; 6, Azure two bars or, impaling, Quarterly, 1 and 4, Gules three pears or on a chief argent a demi-lion issuant sable (for Perrott); 2, and 3, Ermine on a bend sable three martlets or.

213. Gulielmu’ Naunton filiu’ secundus.


217. Maria Comitissa de Buckinghamiæ Uxor Georgii Villers de Brockesby Mil. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. Villiers as in 152, impaling Beaumond as in 202.


221. Robertus Drury de Rougham miles duxit Elizabetha’ filiam Gulielmi Drury de Hawsted. Drury as in 134, impaling Argent on a chief vert a cross tau between two mullets or.

222. Maria 2d filia & Cohæræs Arthuri Coke & Eliz heredis Georgii Waldgrave Militis (Uxor Prima).


224. Jana filia Spencer de Rendlesham ob. 1652 (Uxor secon’d). Naunton quarterly as in 212, impaling Quarterly argent and or, overall on a bend sable three mullets of the second.


226. Elizabetha uxor Thomæ Lord de Whytes Place in Milton in Com. Cant. Argent on a fess gules between three cinquefoils vert a stag trippant between two pheons or, impaling Naunton quarterly as in 212.

227. Maria uxor Henrici Lord. Arms as 226.

228. Jacobus Naunton filius primogenitus obiit sine Prole.

229. [Blank]. Quarterly, 1, Naunton; 2, Bovile; 3, Glanvile; 4, Bustarde; 5, Ashebye; 6, Barry of six azure and or; 7, Perrott; 8, Argent [sic] on a bend sable three martlets or. [See no. 212].

230. Paulus Vice Com Bayning. Ensigned with a viscount’s coronet.
231. Penelope sola filia et hæres Roberti Naunton militis. *Or on each of two bars sable two escallops of the first,* impaling Naunton quarterly as in 229 but with the 8th quarter as *Ermine on a bend sable three martlets or.*

232. Johannes Villiers Vice Com. de Purbeck. Ensigned with a viscount’s coronet. Villiers as in 152, impaling Coke as in 223.


235. Francisca sola filia et hæres Francisci Comit’ Rutlandiæ. Villiers as in 152, impaling *Or two bars azure, a chief quarterly, 1 and 4, Azure two fleurs-de-lys or, 2 and 3, Gules a lion passant guardant or.*

236. Christopheru’ Villiers Comes de Anglesey. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. Villiers as in 152.

237. Susanna Uxor Gulielmi Fielding Comitis de Denbiga. Ensigned with an earl’s coronet. *Argent on a fess azure three lozenges or,* impaling Villiers as in 152.

238. Gulielm Ashby.

239. Dorothea filia ... Miners. Ashebye as in 122, impaling *Gules a fess argent between three plates.*

240. Robertus Drury duxit Elizabetham filia’ Caroli Croftes de Berdwell. Drury as in 134, impaling *Or three stags’ heads erased sable two and one.*

241. Robert ob. 1636; Robertus, ob. 1641; Penelope, ob. 1641; Gulielmu’ ob. 1642. Infantes Roberti & Mariæ Naunton. Naunton as in 90.


243. Theophila filia superstes & heres Roberti et Mariæ Naunton. *Azure a fess between three dolphins naiant argent,* impaling *Quarterly, 1, Naunton; 2, Bovile; 3, Bustarde; 4, Ashebye; 5, Per pale gules and azure.*


246. Elizabetha filia [blank] Goodchild. *Quarterly, 1, Naunton; 2, Bovile; 3, Glanville; 4, Bustarde; 5, Ashebye; 6, Burdet. Next to this a blank shield.*

247. Gulielm’ ob. 1654; Barbara, ob. 1659; Elina, ob. 1670; Elizabetha, ob. 1658; Carolus, ob. 1699; Thomas. Infantes Robst et Barbar’ Naunton. Naunton as in 90.
248. Henricus Ewin.
249. Anna Naunton. [Blank], impaling Naunton as in 90.
250. Gulielmus Ashby obiit sine Prole. Ashebye as in 122, impaling [blank].
251. Drury. Drury as in 134, impaling [blank].
252. Gulielmus Leman Armiger de Charsfield in Com. Suff. quarterly, 1 and 4, Leman (as in 243), 2 and 3, Naunton (as in 90), impaling Naunton as in 90.
253. Elizabetha filia et haeres Roberti Sterling Armiger. Quarterly, 1 and 4, Leman (as in 243), 2, Naunton (as in 90); 3, Sterling (as in 253), impaling Leman (as in 243).
254. Elizab' ob. 1742; Robertu' ob. 1736; Jana ob. 1708 Infantes Roberti et Elizabethae Naunton. Naunton as in 90.
256. Gulielmus Leman de Beccles Armiger obiit.
257. Sara filia Thomæ Leman de Brampton Com. Suff. Armiger. Quarterly, 1 and 4, Leman (as in 243); 2, Naunton (as in 90); 3, Sterling (as in 253), impaling Leman (as in 243).
258. Johannes Leman filius secundus de Wenhastond in Comitat' Suff. obiit 1777.
259. Anna filia [blank] Reynolds de Cantabrigia ob. 1796. Leman quarterly as in 257, but with a crescent argent in chief on the first quarter for difference, impaling Azure a chevron between three cross crosslets fitchée argent.
261. Elizabetha filia Caroli Castleton Baron obiit. Leman quarterly as in 257, but with a mullet argent in chief on the first quarter for difference, impaling Azure on a bend or three lamphreys [or three adders nodded] of the first.
263. Susanna uxor Gulielmi Orgill de Jamaic' Armig obiit.
264. Thomas Leman.
265. Francisca filia & haeres Johannis Nind et Vidua Alexan Champion Arm. Leman quarterly as in 257; an escutcheon of pretence, Argent two bars gules.

Achievement A. Quarterly, 1, Naunton; 2, Bovile; 3, Glanvile; 4, Bustarde. Crest [intended as], A cockatrice, wings close, proper.

Achievement B. Quarterly, 1, Naunton; 2, Bovile; 3, Glanvile; 4, Bustarde; 5, Ashebye; 6, Burdet; 7, Perrott; 8, Argent on a bend sable three martlets or [see no. 212]. Crest, A talbot's head couped sable.

1 The crests above the seven achievements described below are badly drawn.
Achievement C. Burdet, impaling Argent a cross engrailed sable between four ermine spots [see no. 168]. Crest [intended as], A lion's head couped argent.

Achievement D. Ashebye, impaling Argent a chevron azure between three staples sable [see no. 168]. Crest [intended as], A ram's head couped or.

Achievement E. Zouche as in 118, impaling Argent a cross engrailed sable between four ermine spots [see no. 168]. Crest, Out of a ducal coronet or an ass's head argent.

Achievement F. Argent semé of hammers sable a lion rampant gules, impaling Argent a chevron azure between three staples sable. Crest, A wyvern gules.

Central Achievement. 1 and 32, Naunton; 2, Bovile; 3, Glanvile; 4, Bustarde; 5, Ashebye; 6, Burdet; 7, Zouche as in 118; 8, Earl of Brittany (as in 19); 9, Gules seven mascles conjoined or, three, three, and one (as 66), for Quincy Com. Wynton; 10, Gules a cinquefoil pierced ermine, for Blanchemain C. Leices'; 11, as no. 44, for Grandmesnel B. Hinkl'; 12, Azure a lion rampant argent ducally crowned or (as in 66), for Allan Com' Gallovidadæ; 13, Or three piles in point gules (as in 53), for David Com' Huntingd'; 14, as no. 6, for Gualt' Com' Northumb'; 15, as no. 1, for Hugo Com. Cestria; 16, as no. 7, for Richard Com' Cestræ; 17, as no. 5, for de Mespines C. Cestr.; 18, Azure six garbs or, three, two and one (as in 27), for Kevelioc C. Cestræ; 19, as no. 42, for Blundeville, C. Cestr.; 20, Gules three fleurs-de-lys or (as in 76), for Cantelupe; 21, Azure crusilly a lion rampant or (as in 33), for Brewse; 22, Gules two bends the upper or and the lower argent (as in 21), for Milo Com. Hereford; 23, Gules five lozenges conjoined in fess or (as in 21), for Newmark; 24, Gules two bends wavy or (as in 35), for Brewer; 25, as no. 22, for Ripariis C. Devoniaæ; 26, Per pale or and vert a lion rampant gules (as in 63), for Marshal C. Pemb'; 27, Or five chevronels gules (as in 63), for Strongbow, C. Pemb.; 28, as no. 15, for Gifford C. Bucking'; 29, as no. 37, for Mackmurch R. Leins'; 30, Illingworth [sic]; 31, Argent a cross engrailed sable between four ermine spots (as in 168). Crest, A cockatrice wings close, proper.

NAUNTON FAMILY:
ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS OR COPIES OF DOCUMENTS

1. Copy, c. 1830, of grant, 7 June 1553, to Elizabeth Naunton, widow (no. 177 in the pedigree), of 'the Scite Compass Circuit Ambit and Precinct of the late Priory of Letheringham . . . And

2 The numbers in brackets refer to the entries in the pedigree.
also all those our Rectories and Churches of Letheringham, Chaffield otherwise Charfield and Hoo and the Portion of Tithes in Hacheston otherwise Askton issuing out of the Rectory there . . . . To be held by the service of the fortieth part of one knight's fee and rendering yearly £9 3s. 5½d. at the Augmentations, with certain exonerations. See Calendar of the Patent Rolls, Edward VI, vol. 5 (London, 1926), p. 74. [West Sussex Record Office, Add. MS. 2365].


3. 24 February 1625/6. Charles, King of England, to Roger Twiford of Traventy, co. Carm. gent. Assignment of the custody, ward and marriage of Cuthbert Pepper, son and heir of Robert Pepper, dec'd, for £13 6s. 8d. Signed by Robert Naunton (no. 211 in the pedigree) as Master of the Court of Wards and Liveries; seal missing. Endorsed, 7 March 1625/6, with licence to Roger Twiford to assign his interest to William Killinghall of Middleton George, co. Durham, esq. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2367].

4. 12 November 1628. Lease at an annual rent of £13 4s. 8d. Charles, King of England, to Elizabeth Heveningham of Alton, near Stone, co. Staffs., widow, mother of Walter Heveningham, His Majesty's ward. Lands parcel of the possessions of Nicholas Heveningham, dec'd (father of the said Walter) in Alton. Signed by Robert Naunton (no. 211 in the pedigree) as Master of the Court of Wards and Liveries; seal missing. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2368].

5. Undated copy (w.m. 1841) of will of William Naunton of Letheringham (no. 255 in pedigree), 27 March 1756, proved at Norwich, 6 November 1758. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2369].

6. Undated letter from Robert Gun giving copies of advertisement for the heir(s) at law of William Naunton of Letheringham (no. 255 in the pedigree); extract from same and copy of obituary notice of W.N. from The London Chronicle, 5 September 1758. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2370].


8. Copy, 15 January 1890, of Bill of Complaint (Chancery Proceedings, 1758-1800, No. 1929), 11 May 1769 (amended by

3 Abbreviated to W.S.R.O. in subsequent entries.
4 Paper is watermarked as dated.
Orders 26 May 1770 and 13 April 1771) of John Thomas Naunton of Henllys, co. Monmouth, gent., in his Chancery suit against William Leman of Beccles and his son-in-law Thomas Rede (nos. 256 and 263 in the pedigree), Elizabeth Brittiffe of Norwich, Robert Leman of Wickham Market, esq., and others [unnamed] who pretend that the orator is not the heir in tail male of Sir Robert Naunton and William his brother (nos. 211 and 213 in the pedigree). Orator claims that ‘Major’ Robert Naunton was his great grandfather. This gives important genealogical information and details of the property. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2372.]


11. Brief (w.m. 1823) of the cause of David Thomas Naunton reciting the trial of his grand-uncle Evan Thomas Naunton v. Leman which took place at Bury St. Edmunds in about 1788, and that the case was decided in favour of the Nauntons. The last plaintiff of the Nauntons, Thomas Phillip Naunton, died in 1789, leaving an only son, the present claimant. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2375; see also letter from P. C. Rushen, 3 May 1903 below].

12. Copy (w.m. 1849) of letter, 3 October 1831, from Edward George Smith of Neath, to David Naunton of Yohadyfodwy. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2376].

13. 7 October 1882. Statutory declaration of Maria Naunton (née Ward) of Swaffham, co. Norfolk, widow, concerning her husband, Walter Naunton, and the issue of their marriage. With three copies of baptismal entries and one marriage entry in Gt. Yarmouth and Southwold parish registers. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2377; see also letters 26, 29 September 1882 below].


15. Undated. ‘Some notes taken in the case, Naunton v. Leman, for the Letheringham Estate’, compiled by Owen Morgan. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2379; see also letter 7 April 1899 below].

William de Grey, first Baron Walsingham, 1719-1781; see D.N.B.
NAUNTON FAMILY: GENEALOGICAL PAPERS

16. Printed pedigree of the Naunton family showing the descent of 'Thomas the present Claimant', the son of David Naunton and Mary Williams of Ystrad-y-fodwg, co. Glam., 1869. Sent as printed matter to H. P. Naunton of Pontypridd. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2380].


18. MS. copy of preceding. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2382].

19. Pedigree prepared by W. W. Naunton of Shrewsbury showing the descendants of Thomas Naunton of Hacheston (d. 1712) and wife Martha (d. 1730). [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2383].

20. Pedigree showing the descendants of the marriage of Charles (Wigg) Naunton (1746-1811) and Mary Burnet. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2384].

21. Pedigree similar to preceding, but not so complete. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2385].

22. Pedigree showing the descendants of Sir Robert Naunton (d. 1635) and of William Naunton. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2386].

23. Pedigree compiled by P. C. Rushen showing the descendants of Charles Naunton of Southwold (1772-1844) and his wife Elizabeth (née Libbis) (d. 1839). [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2387].

24. Draft pedigree showing the descendants of Thomas Naunton (1700-1779) and Thomas Naunton (m. 1778) of Martlesham. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2388].


26. Note from Walford's County Families (1898) about Naunton Robert Twysden Leman of Brampton Hall, Suffolk. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2390].

27, 28. Extracts from Southwold parish registers. 2 copies. [W.S.R.O., Add. MSS. 2391, 2392].


31. Rubbing of monumental inscription to Anne Naunton (d. 30 October 1624). See P. C. Rushen, Transcripts of the Parish Registers of Letheringham ... and of all the Sepulchral Inscriptions & Arms (1901), p. 121. This was the brass purchased by Mr. Naunton (see receipt 3 September 1898 below). [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2395].

33. Rubbing of brass to an unknown lady. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2397].

34. Exercise book containing the draft of a history of the Naunton family by J. de V. Naunton. Many pages have been cut out of the book and these, with other similar drafts, are loosely inserted in the covers. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2398].

35. 'A characteristic as well as historical sketch of Robert de Naunton—soldier'. Undated. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2399].

36. Miscellaneous notes, draft pedigrees, and sketches of arms; the latter includes a pencil drawing of a hatchment which may be the one referred to in a letter from Mrs. R. E. Leman, 4 September 1898 (see below). All bound together and of small value. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2400].

NAUNTÓN FAMILY: CORRESPONDENCE

The following letters, written mainly to G. W. and G. H. Naunton, have been arranged in chronological order and bound as one volume [W.S.R.O., Add: MS. 2401].

21. 7.1859. W. Naunton of Swaffham to his son George giving names of members of the family.

28.10.1869. W. Naunton of Swaffham to his son George on personal matters.

16. 9.1882. George Guy Vertue of Teddington to G.W.N. about the Naunton and Vertue families; refers to the efforts of Thomas Naunton 'to recover his rights'.

19. 9.1882. Georgiana Woolston of Yarmouth to her nephew G.W.N. referring to his visit to Wales to trace the Naunton pedigree.

26. 9.1882. Rev. Proby L. Cautley, vicar of Southwold, enclosing certified copies of six entries in the Southwold parish registers relating to the Naunton family. (7 docs.).


4.10.1882. Rev. P. L. Cautley confirming the accuracy of a certificate and saying 'We have a large family of Nauntons in this Parish who have been here for ages and have a tradition amongst them of being connected with the Leman family'.

20.10.1882. Charles Naunton Mayhew of Beccles referring to the Naunton pedigree and to the advertisement that £30,000 was waiting to be claimed.
20.12.1882. Georgiana Woolston (staying at Flixton) to her nephew referring to the Naunton family and an account of them in *The Suffolk Traveller*.

12. 1.1883. Owen Morgan ['Morién'] of Pontypridd asking 'how you are getting on about the money' and offering to give assistance.

15. 1.1883. Owen Morgan saying he had spent much time on the Naunton case 15 years ago when he 'succeeded in getting at the mysteries ... & in unriddling the secrets of the Naunton sphinx'.

30. 1.1894. Percy C. Rushen of London about his connection with the Naunton family and saying that he is 'now engaged in tracing it all out thoroughly' and has received valuable assistance from W. Naunton Waller, High Sheriff of Suffolk.


6. 1.1895. P.C.R. enclosing pedigrees [only a scrap in pencil remains] and asking for G.W.N's. pedigree.

13.11.1897. Rosa E. Leman of Reydon sending a catalogue from Sotheby of books to be sold including some from the Brampton Hall Library 'notably the original MS. of the *Fragmenta Regalia* of your's & my son's ancestor Sir Robert Naunton'. Refers to G.H.N. having secured 'the old dower chest'.

20.12.1897. R.E.L. saying that her son objects to the pedigree being photographed at this time of year; refers to a picture and an oak cabinet. The writer wishes to consult G.H.N. [he was a solicitor] professionally.

25. 8.1898. R.E.L. saying that her son will accept £100 for the Naunton pedigree and portrait, but imposes restricted access to the pedigree.

29. 8.1898. R.E.L. about the pedigree and portrait and mentioning 'the old brass to the memory of Anne Naunton' which R.E.L. kept 'in case you would like to purchase'. See W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2395 above.

2. 9.1898. Copy undertaking signed by G.H.N. to let Naunton Leman have access to the Naunton pedigree.

3. 9.1898. Receipt for £103 paid by G.H.N. to Robert Naunton Leman for the Naunton pedigree, the picture of 'Major Naunton' and the brass of Anne Naunton.

4. 9.1898. R.E.L. referring to a hatchment which 'may be an old Naunton relic'. See W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2400 above.
8.10.1898. Morien Owen Morgan of Treforest, co. Glamorgan, about the illuminated pedigree; the portrait of Major Robert Naunton 'over the fireplace in the Red Room' at Bampton Hall; the 'present' Leman family and the marriage of the Rev. Thomas Orgill Leman to a Miss Rose; the bill of complaint, May 1769 (see W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2372 above); correspondence with Capt. Brooke of Ufford Place. Gives brief descent of the Lemans of Northaw.

16.10.1898. R.E.L. about 'the Naunton hatchment & also the Bible you took with you' (see W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2416 below).

21.10.1898. Georgiana Woolston to her nephew enclosing details of her family.

1.11.1898. G.W. to the same acknowledging his photograph and sending details of her aunt Sarah Palmer.

6. 1.1899. Owen Morien Morgan acknowledging the copy of the bill of complaint, Naunton v. Leman, commenting on the action of Chief Justice De Grey stopping the trial, enquiring and giving information about the Leman family and recollecting his acquaintance with them 29 years ago. 'Can you prove your descent from Charles, Major Robert's 2nd son by Barbara Castle? It would remove from my mind the suspicion of murder from the memories of Wm. Leman and Thos. Rede of Beccles. Attempts were made on the life of Evan Thomas Naunton. He was living in Southwark in 1789 but suddenly disappeared'. (See also letter from P.C.R., 3 May 1903, below). 'I found the original of Cowper's "John Gilpin" was a Leman of Northaw'.

28. 1.1899. P.C.R. asking for photographs of the portraits of Sir Robert and Major Naunton and of the dower chest. Says he has been working at Collectanea Nauntonia 'and have complete copies of Bills and Answers Naunton v. Leman and of the Evidence taken on Commission in 1771'.

5. 2.1899. J. M. Naunton of Southwold enclosing a newspaper [30 years old] and my husband 'hope you will get all the money that he think did belong to the Naunton family and when you come and see us again bring him a little'.

20. 3.1899. P.C.R. enclosing draft pedigree of Naunton of Letheringham and referring to his work on it during 8 years.
25. 3.1899. P.C.R. about a proposed visit.
6. 4.1899. P.C.R. about a proposed visit to Hemel Hempsted.
7. 4.1899. Walter Naunton of Shrewsbury to his nephew about the Naunton pedigree, enclosing newspaper article written by 'Morien'; refers to the loss of the Stella.
3. 5.1899. P.C.R. enclosing (i) copy of will of Francis Naunton of Southwold, peruke maker, 18 Sept. 1770 (proved 18 Jan. 1797); (ii) copy of deed of renunciation of Charles Naunton of Southwold, baker, Robert Algar of Wrentham and wife Elizabeth of the administration of the estate of Charles Naunton, dec'd, and the appointment of John Morphew of Norwich, gent., as administrator, 12 Dec. 1770; (iii) prospectus of History and Antiquities of the Town of Chipping Campden [sic] [co. Glos.], by P.C.R.; refers to the 'emblazoned pedigree' and to Southwold registers.
9. 6.1899. P.C.R. asking for the return of a pedigree 'for the purpose of sending it to a lady correspondent in Surrey', and for Southwold parish register extracts.
15. 6.1899. P.C.R. saying he can connect the Southwold Nauntons 'on to my own particular family of Nauntons as I suspected' and correcting some of G.H.N.'s. statements. 'If this supposition [that all our N's come from Thomas N. "the mysterious wanderer"] is correct this will smash the Welsh Nauntons case'. Refers to his History of Camden.
26. 6.1899. P.C.R. referring to Southwold registers; History of Camden; the likeness of the Major to one of P.C.R.'s distant relatives.
22. 8.1899. R.E.L. referring to oral tradition that 'the old Delft bowl [is] the family christening bowl'. '... old William Leman ... took from Letheringham Abbey whatever he could get'.
3.12.1899. P.C.R. asserting that the 'large emblazoned pedigree of the Naunton family ... is the copy' by the Rev. Thomas Leman [1750-1826; son of Rev. John Leman, brother to William Leman who seized the Naunton estate. 'He was the last of the Suffolk Lemans who bore the name by birthright, the Lemans of Brampton taking the name of Leman by license 1808'] of the original drawn up temp. James I. Note of the Davy
MS. in the British Museum relative to this pedigree which was bequeathed by the Rev. Thomas Leman to the Rev. Naunton Thomas Leman of Brampton who had it in 1828. P.C.R. thinks that the original pedigree is with 'a certain gentleman in Suffolk with whom I have corresponded'. Mentions wine-label, c. 1780, with arms of (?) Mary Leman of Bury St. Edmunds (d. 1808) leaving her fortune to the Rev. Naunton Thomas Leman. P.C.R. mentions that he is copying all the monumental inscriptions in the City of London.

10.12.1899. P.C.R. sending pedigrees to show that the Nauntons of Southwold were not lineal descendants of Major Naunton.

15. 1.1900. Walter Naunton of Shrewsbury, to his nephew, returning P.C.R.'s draft pedigrees, and a draft [with red ink] of one going back to the writer's great-grandfather, Charles Wigg Naunton (1746-1811). With observations on the pedigree.

16. 2.1900. R.E.L. referring to the sale (see 19.8.1899 above); asks for a copy of the life of Sir Robert Naunton; mentions the antiquity of the Nauntons as given in an old pocket-book and quotes Dr. [Thomas] Fuller. Mentions a pamphlet, 'An Address to the people of England on the threatened invasion' (1803).

22. 2.1900. P.C.R. enquiring if a registered letter has been received.

30. 6.1900. P.C.R. referring to the return of pedigrees; wanting to buy the Leman prayer-book; Capt. Naunton Vertue's will; Elizabeth Jane Naunton, born 1874.

15. 7.1900. P.C.R. about an inaccurate pedigree owned by Naunton Waller which P.C.R. advises G.H.N. not to purchase. Refers to publication of Titcombe's *Seckfordian History*.

17.10.1900. P.C.R. about the copy he has made of Letheringham parish register and saying that no evidence exists of the erasure of the entry of baptism of Thomas, son of 'Major' Naunton; P.C.R. copied all the monumental inscriptions; offers to sell a set of photographs of the church and Abbey.

16.11.1900. Carnegy Johnson of London to Walter Naunton of Shrewsbury about his transcript of the poem by Sir Robert Naunton; mentions Sir Robert's prayer-book and Bible which had been offered for sale; refers to bookplates; thanks for photographs.

11.12.1900. Copy of preceding letter from C.J.

19.12.1900. Georgiana Woolston (aged 84) about Emma [?Naunton].

5. 1.1901. Frank Groome of Edinburgh to Walter Naunton of Shrewsbury in response to an appeal in Notes & Queries. 'The greatest collection of Naunton MSS. is at Ufford Hall, near Woodbridge, & was formed by the late Capt. Brooke. There are several articles on the Nauntons in “Suffolk Notes & Queries”, which I edited for the Ipswich Journal about 1877. . . In the Davy collection in the British Museum there is a good Naunton pedigree'.

11. 1.1901. W.N. of Shrewsbury to his nephew enclosing a copy of the preceding letter.

20. 1.1901. Frank Groome. 'I don't think anything has been printed about the Naunton collections at Ufford . . . At Brandeston, in a garden, there is a pile of fragments of Naunton monuments'.

7. 2.1901. W.N. enclosing references from Dictionary of National Biography; gives references to Naunton family in Notes & Queries and says that 'the original Portrait of which you recently purchased an Engr'd. Copy 1615 is in possession of M'r. Read or his family—There is another Engr'd. by Simon Passi but I have never seen this'.

12. 4.1901. Rev. Joshua Davies, vicar of Charsfield; Hoo and Letheringham asking for a contribution towards the restoration of the last two churches.

16. 4.1901. P.C.R. enclosing the preceding letter; asking for the return of his pedigrees and seeking the loan of another.

27. 4.1901. P.C.R. acknowledging a letter.

27. 6.1901. P.C.R. advising the publication of the Letheringham parish registers and inscriptions at 10s. 6d. a copy (see W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2423 below); with printed prospectus.

29. 7.1901. P.C.R. asking G.H.N. [who was a solicitor] to write a professional letter to an aged uncle at Woodbridge about property (draft enclosed). Says that counsel in

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6 See also Suffolk Chronicle and Mercury, 8 June 1928.
the Naunton trial were Mr. Pewyn for Leman and Arthur Jones for Naunton; refers to the report in Blackstone (see W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2374 above).

[n.d.] Capt. Edward Metcalfe expressing thanks for a gift; refers to an advertisement in 1758 (see also W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2370 above) and gives information about the Naunton family. The writer, late of the 7th Hussars, was a son of Charles Metcalfe, J.P., D.L., of Inglethorpe Hall, Emneth, Norfolk, Clerk of the Peace for the Isle of Ely. Refers to the claim of the Duke of Norfolk to the Earldom of Norfolk.

6.11.1901. E.M. expressing thanks for photograph and pedigree. Refers (i) to 'a lot of things which I have already sent away to the Ns but I will send some extracts from Addn. MSS. 17098, & Memoirs' [presumably Memoirs of Sir Robert Naunton, 1814]; (ii) to a pedigree given to Bath Institute; (iii) having written to G.H.N. for the loan of the pedigree roll.

[n.d.] Draft reply to the preceding letter(s) from E.M.

8.11.1901. E.M. asking for loan of the illuminated pedigree and saying that he is interested in the family on behalf of Major Herbert Nanton, D.S.O.

9.11.1901. E.M. giving details of Major Nanton’s ancestry.

11. 1.1902. Frank Dale of Wickham Market about the repair of the Naunton tomb at Letheringham.

18. 7.1902. E.M. returning documents he had borrowed and giving references to persons surnamed Naunton.

3. 5.1903. P.C.R. enclosing 'two interesting Naunton MSS. that have come into my hands and are for sale'. One is a letter to the Heir at Law Society in 1842 by a nephew of the then Welsh claimant enclosing a fragment of a copy of a power of attorney to a lawyer, Evan Thomas Naunton; the other is an account book of Robert Gosnold, of Otley, who married Ursula, aunt of Sir Robert Naunton. P.C.R. says he has letters addressed to Thomas Pengelly, a London merchant, dated from Yarmouth, 1665-1680, containing local news; he offers them at 9d. a letter.

6.10.1905. Rev. Joshua Davies of Charsfield asking for funds to provide an organ at Letheringham church and to re-letter the Naunton monuments.

[n.d.] Miss E. Piper of Richmond, co. Surrey, enclosing an unidentified newspaper cutting.

21. 4.1920. Robert Bond & Sons of Ipswich to J. de V. Naunton regarding a sale at Letheringham Abbey.
15. 6.1920. E. Williams of Hove, co. Sussex, acknowledging 4s. 6d. and sending ‘the Naunton volume’.

29.10.1920. G. Woods Wollaston, Richmond Herald, to J. de V. N. about the Naunton family and referring to pedigrees of Naunton, Leman and Page. ‘I think the matter is well worth further investigation, for even if you do not descend from this Robert [Naunton] of 1664 [whose pedigree is in the Visitation of Suffolk] there is nothing in the pedigrees recorded here which precludes the possibility of your being descended from an earlier generation not shown on the pedigrees... Such researches would have to be prosecuted in original evidences outside the College...’


16. 1.1921. Walter Naunton of Shrewsbury to J. de V. N. enclosing a newspaper cutting about a sale of books, etc. of the Naunton family. ‘Pater [G.H.N.] purchased the Pedigree on a Roll from an offshoot of the Family some years ago... I bought the Oak Cabinet—very good and genuine old Piece of Furniture—£45... I would advise you to order a Copy of The Strand Magazine for April 1897... the Article is such to contain a lot of information useful to you’.

12. 3.1925. Rev. Ernest F. Eales, rector of Naunton, co. Glos., referring to the death of George Herbert Naunton and asking for information about the family. ‘That there was a family of “de Nauntons” which took its name from this place is fairly certain for in the year 1303 “Henry de Naunton” was nominated to this Rectory’. Refers to Sir Augustus Meredith Nanton of Winnipeg.

CATALOGUES, NEWSPAPERS AND PRINTED MATERIAL OTHER THAN BOOKS

Sale catalogue of antique furniture, oil paintings, engravings, books, china and other effects at Brampton Hall, Suffolk, the property of R. Naunton Leman, jun., 19, 20 July 1897. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2402]. Lots 280 and 282 were ‘an ancient dower chest’ and a ‘carved oak cabinet’.


Author of Naunton upon Cotswold (1928).

Catalogue of family plate, the property of R. Naunton Leman, jun., late of Brampton Hall, sold by auction at the Town Hall, Beccles, 28 August 1899. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2405].

Catalogue of paintings, books, furniture and other effects at Rhysnant Hall, Montgomeryshire, sold by order of Major Walter Clopton Wingfield, 28, 29 June 1900. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2406].

The Journal of the Ex-Libris Society, July 1900, containing illustration and description of the bookplate of Sir Robert Naunton (1563-1635), and for October 1900, containing a letter on the same subject by P. C. Rushen. [W.S.R.O., Add. MSS. 2407, 2408].

Catalogues of secondhand books offered by Henry Sotheran & Co. (1913), Edward Baker (post 1916, and Christmas 1917) and P. J. & A. E. Dobell (1918), each with a few items scored in the margins. [W.S.R.O., Add. MSS. 2409-2412].

The London Chronicle: or, Universal Evening Post, 2-5 September 1758, containing a notice of the death of William Naunton of Letheringham Abbey, ‘well known to the lovers of hare-hunting, for his excellent judgment and the discipline he kept in the field in that diversion’. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2413].


PHOTOGRAPHS

Photographs of Letheringham church and monuments there and elsewhere; book with signatures of W. Leman, 1766, and Naunton Thomas Orgill, 1807; deed signed by Robert Naunton [now W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2368; see above]; portrait of ‘The Major’ [Robert Naunton, d. 1665] ? in Brampton Hall; armorial porcelain; carved chest and cupboards; Sir Robert Naunton as engraved in Fragmenta Regalia, 1824; tomb of Jennie (d. 1915), wife of Walter W. Naunton of Shrewsbury. 20 items bound together. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2415].

[See also Proc. Suff. Inst. Arch., vol. x (1900), pp. 380, 381 and illustration facing p. 251.—Editor].
The Genealogies recorded in the Sacred Scriptures, according to every Family and Tribe. With The Line of our Saviour our Jesus Christ observed from Adam to the blessed Virgin Mary. By I. S.
The Holy Bible, Containing the Old Testament and the New . . .

Imprinted at London by Robert Barker and John Bill, Printers to the Kings most Excellent Maiestie. Anno 1620.


In one vol., with heraldic bookplate of W. Leman, and the following genealogical information on parchment leaves:

Wm. Leman and Elizabeth Sterling married at Letheringham 6 Oct. 1703.
Wm. Leman born at Chasefield, 10 Sept. 1704 and bap. 21 Sept. 1704, Robert Naunton, Suckling Leman and Mary Sterling being god-parents.

John Leman born at Chasefield, 10 March 1705 and bap. 27 March 1705, Thomas Leman of Wenhauston, John Barker and 'Aunt' Wyard being god-parents.

Elizabeth Leman born at Chasefield, 18 Oct. 1707 and bap. 6 Nov. 1707, Arthur Jenney, Mrs. [Mary] Suckling and 'Aunt' Leman being god-parents.

Robert Leman born at Chasefield, 11 July 1709 and bap. 21 July 1709, Thomas Leman of Brampton, Hunn Wyard of Petistry and 'Aunt' Boys being god-parents.

Mary Leman born at Chasefield, 26 Jan. 1710 and bap. 13 Feb. 1710, John Playters of Worlingham, Mrs. Jane Braham of Benhall, widow, and Elizabeth Leman of Weston being god-parents.


Temperance Leman born 1 Aug. 1716 and bap. 16 Aug. 1716, Edw. Osborn of Sething, the Countess of Leicester and the Countess of Rochford being god-parents.

On the fly-leaf is written:

For my deare Sister Mrs Theophila Coke given as a memorall of hir diseased mother and hir dying Sister, desiring hir to be queath it in hir Will unto my doughtar Theophila Naunton. MN 1643

The donor was Mary, second daughter and coheir of Arthur Coke (no. 222 in the pedigree) and the daughter Theophila became the wife of John Leman (nos. 242 and 243 in the pedigree). The Sterlings also feature in the pedigree (see no. 253). This must be the Bible referred to in Mrs. R. E. Leman's letter, 16 October 1898 (see above). [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2416].

Fragmenta Regalia, or observations on the late Queen Elizabeth, Her Times and Favorits. Written by Sir Robert Naunton, Master of the Court of Wards. Printed, Anno Dom. 1641. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2417].
Fragmenta / Regalia. / Written by Sr Robert Naunton, / Master of the Court of Wards. / Printed Anno Dom. 1641. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2418].


Inscribed: (i) Mrs Ann Leman her Booke March the 2d 1680 (ii) Theophila Leman Ex dono Anne Leman Alias Anne Sterlinge 1691 (iii) Theophila Naunton her Booke. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2419].

Arcana Aulica: / or Walsingham's / Manual / of / Prudential Maxims, / for the / States-Man and Courtier. / To which is added / Fragmenta Regalia: / or, / Observations on Queen Elizabeth, / Her Times, and Favourites. / By Sir Robert Naunton. / London, / Printed for Matthew Gillyflower at the / Spread-Eagle in Westminster-Hall, 1694. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2420].


The / Court / of / Queen Elizabeth: / originally written by / Sir Robert Naunton, / under the title of / "Fragmenta Regalia". / With considerable biographical additions, by James Caulfield. / London [as preceding], 1814.

Two vols. in one. / With newspaper cuttings and bookplate of David E. Davy inserted at end. / A bookplate has been removed from the inside front cover. / On the flyleaf are signatures: M. I. Bates, Melton; A. W. Bates, Blaxhall Rectory 1870. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2421].

Fragmenta Regalia. / Memoirs of Elizabeth, / her / Court and favourites. / By / Sir Robert Naunton, / Secretary of State to King James the First. / A new edition, / with / notes, and a memoir of the author. / The text collated with the manuscript copies in / the British Museum. / Printed for Charles Baldwyn, / Newgate Street, London. / MDCCCXXIV. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2422].

Transcripts of the Parish Registers of / Letheringham / in the County of Suffolk / A.D. 1588-1758 & 1812 / and of all the / Sepulchral Inscriptions & Arms / now and formerly within its / church and churchyard / with
Notes on some of the persons named in the said Transcripts and an Account of the said Parish, its Rectory, Church and dissolved Priory etc by Percy C. Rushen. Privately produced by the Transcriber-Author Deben House, Fentiman Road, London, S.W. 1901. No. 5 of an edition of 50 copies. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2423].


The portrait of Lady Penelope Naunton (by a pupil of the School of Vandyck) is no. 201 in this catalogue. She was the first wife of Philip, fifth Earl of Pembroke. [W.S.R.O., Add. MS. 2424].

The oil painting of 'Major' Robert Naunton is now owned by Mr. W. G. S. Naunton.

On the south wall of the nave of Tickencote church in Rutlandshire is a small brass to Sir Anthony Wingfield with this inscription:

At Flodden-feld did brauely fight and dye
Of Wingfeldes Sonnes ye famed Sir Anthonye:
But Dethe hee counted mickle gain sith hee
Over ye Scot did gain ye Victorye.

The author of Notes on this church says that the brass may originally have been in Letheringham church, but was found in 1862 in a Lowestoft shop and was bought by Mr. J. H. L. Wingfield of Tickencote Hall; his descendant, Mr. John Parry Wingfield gave it to the church in 1938. For numerous references to the Wingfields at Letheringham see P. C. Rushen's Transcripts of the Parish Register and Monumental Inscriptions.

There are, no doubt, many other references which could be included in this list of family papers and relics but the seeking out of them is work for the genealogist rather than for the archivist. The 'mysterious heir' to the Naunton fortunes (if indeed, there is a mystery and a fortune) may appear one day to claim whatever may be his inheritance, but it should be clear from the records and correspondence preserved so carefully by their present owner, his father and other relatives, that the path leading to success in establishing unassailable proof of descent is a hazardous one. For that and other reasons the present writer refrains from further comment and leaves the archives to tell their own story.
I would like to take this opportunity of expressing to Mr. Naunton the gratitude of the County Records Committee for placing these family archives in the West Sussex Record Office where they are available for study. I also wish to thank Mr. and Mrs. Naunton for their generous hospitality and for their constant help and interest while the documents were being examined and listed.

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