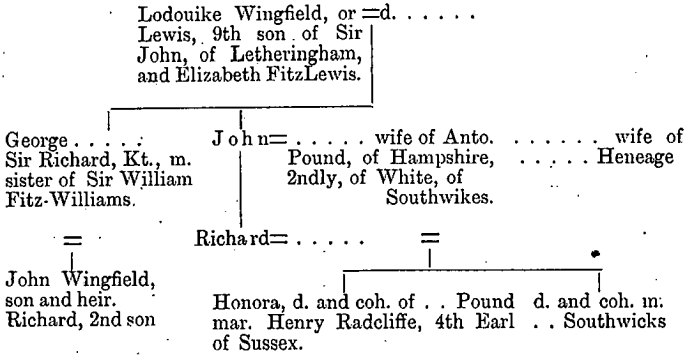


WINGFIELD OF —G.

Ancestors of the
Viscount Powerscourt.



From the Visitation of Hunts. 1613.

THE FOLLOWING NOTE ON

WINGFIELD HOUSE, IPSWICH,

the site of the present "Tankard" Tavern, is contributed by

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1619, April 10th. "Thomas Wingfield and Dame Alice, his wife, sold their house, called Newton's Lodgings, or Wingfield House, with all its cellars, stables, &c., situated in Tacket Street, Ipswich, to Sir Clipsey Grandy and Dame Martha, his wife."

It continued in their possession until June 8th, 1625, when Dame Grandy, widow of Sir Clipsey, sold it to a Mr. Coote Wade.

This gentleman only retained it till 1626. In that year selling it to Mr. Edmond Jenny, of Bredfield, Suffolk, who, dying in 1659, willed it to his son Arthur. This Arthur, in 1664, left his property to his eldest son Edmond.

The house was then occupied by Mr. Thomas Newton, and assessed at £10. In 1674 Dr. Ludkin lived there.

In 1736, Henry Betts, a merchant and brewer, purchased the house of Edmond Jenny, it being then in the occupation of Benjamin Cocker.

In 1738 Betts converted the mansion into a tavern, calling it "The Tankard." The first host was Daniel Smith.

The eldest son of Betts now possessed the property; he dying in 1784 left all his property to his niece, Mary Mann.

In 1787 she sold out to Thomas Slapp, of Botesdale, from whom it was purchased by Joshua Head, brewer, from whom it passed to Mr. J. Cobbold.

In 1843 the old "Tankard" was partly rebuilt, and called the "Theatre" Tavern. About 1876 it was re-named again the "Tankard."

The last remaining part of Wingfield House, used as a hay loft, &c., was destroyed by fire, July 27, 1878.



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*His Autograph from an Original in the Possession of
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