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# Family X

# HUGH AUDLEY, THE "USURER"

# **Revisions**

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# **Introduction**

This version of "Audley Family X" is essentially Chapter 12 of the 'Audley Pedigrees' by A. L. Reade, with a small number of updates. All the updates made to this file are in blue coloured font.

The people within this file have been given Tag Reference numbers on the following basis:

$\{XA\}$	People with the <b>Audley</b> Surname
$\{XB\}$	People with the <b>Bonfoy</b> Surname
$\{XD\}$	People with the Davies Surname
$\{XH\}$	People with the Harvey Surname
$\{XJ\}$	People with the <b>Jenning</b> s Surname
{ <b>XP</b> }	People with the <b>Peacock</b> Surname

"Coming by Temple Bar I bought 'Audley's Way to be Rich,' " wrote Pepys on 23 January 1662/3, "a serious pamphlett and some good things worth my minding" (*Pepys Diary*, ed. H. B. -Wheatley, 1893, iii., 21).

Unfortunately for Hugh Audley his reputation has always been that derived from reading the work to which the diarist alludes, *The Way to be Rich according to the Practice of the Great Audley*, published very soon after his death at the end 1662. A. H. Bullen, who contributed a childishly uncritical and quite inadequate notice to *The Dictionary of National Biography*, scheduled him there as a "notorious moneylender," but did little more than

quote the work in question, or Isaac Disraeli's gloss upon it, and probably misinterpreted even that. Mr. Charles T. Gatty, F.S.A., in his two-volume work entitled Mary Davies and the Manor of Ebury, has gone far towards re-establishing Hugh Audley's character (i., 135-55), by showing the reasonable conditions on which he did his business, and his generosity, to all his relatives. This is not the place for dealing with his character in any detail. I must refer readers to Mr. Gatty, and only mention a few points in his favour. The generous bequest he made to his servant, Margaret Lockwood, "in reward and recompence and towards a satisfaction of her broken sleepe and pains taken with mee in my sicknesse," suggests a kindly and grateful man, and true gratitude is one of the greatest and rarest of virtues. And his provision for faithful maidservants, on condition that they were Protestants, and not Presbyterians, Quakers, or adhering to "any other of the new upstaged religions," touches a delightfully human note, if unacceptable to enthusiasts for liberty of conscience. Again, there is his bequest for "poor householders whose charge is greater than their means and endeavours can support," which conjures up no picture of an extortionate -usurer. Mr. Gamy quotes several references to him in the wills of relatives, indicating affection respect. And Thomas Wilson, of Fleet Street, London, gent., in his will dated 7 July 1649 and proved 5 April 1651 (P.C.C., Grey 75), leaves £10 to his master Hugh Awdley, esq., "the original of all I possesse."

"Mary Davies," the subject of Mr. Gatty's elaborate yet pleasantly discursive and even witty work, was Hugh Audley's great-grand-niece, who brought to her husband, Sir. Thomas Grosvenor, the Manor of Ebury purchased by him in 1626. From this lucky purchase is derived the great wealth of the Duke of Westminster, and in the names of many of the streets which now cover the site of the manor we read something of the story of its origin. But few, who now tread North Audley Street, South Audley Street, Davies Street, Ebury Street, Grosvenor Square, etc., give a thought to why they- are so called; or realize, when attending a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace, that they are on part of Mary Davies's estate.

A 'week after Audley's death Pepys was moved to write in his diary (Pepys Diary, ed. II. B. Wheatley, ii., 399):

I hear to-day how old rich Audley is lately dead, and left a very great estate, and made a great many poor family's rich, not all to one. Among others, one Davis, my old school fellow at Paul's, and since a bookseller in Paul's Church Yard; and it seems do forgive one man £60,000 which he had wronged him of, but names not his name; but it is well-known to be the scrivener in Fleet Street, at whose house he lodged.

Five Years later, on 23 October 1667, the diarist makes allusion to one of the Sherriffs of London being knighted (ibid., vii., 166),

and I think the other Sheriffe, who is Davis, the little fellow, my schoolfellow, the bookseller, who was one of Audley's Executors, and now become Sheriffe; which is a strange turn, methinks.

That Audley's generous treatment of his relatives "made a great many poor family's rich" is true. The Grosvenors, except for him, might have remained country baronets dependent on agricultural rents, and the Bonfoys and Harveys never become landed gentry who have still connexion with the estates he settled upon their ancestors.

A considerable part of Mr Gatty's second volume is devoted to the evidence bearing on attempts by fortune-hunters to gain possession of Dame Mary Grosvenor's inheritance by a bogus marriage in Paris in 1701, when her mind was already beginning to be affected.

# WILLS AND ADMINISTRATIONS

**JOHN AWDLEY**, late of St. Michael, Wood Street, London, decd. Admon. granted 18 May 1579, in P.C.C. [Admon. Act, Book, f. 170 d.], to *Robert March*, of the Inner Temple, London, gent.

**JOHN AWDLEY,** late of St Alban's, Wood Street, London, decd. Admon. granted 5 Oct, 1586, in P.C.C. [Admon. Act Book, f. 187], to *Henry Colman*, next-of-kin, to administer goods, etc., of said decd., in the person of *Peter Johnson*, public notary, proctor of said Henry, former Admon. of 28 May 1579, to *Robert Marche*, being renounced.

WILLIAM HARVEY, citizen and grocer of London. 'Will dated 9 Mch. 1597/8. To be buried. in par. church of St. Michael, Wood Street, near my late wife. All my goods, etc., to be divided into three parts, Whereof I give one to my wife Joan or else £800. To younger son William, £300 at his age of 21 and my house in Cheshunt which I bought in his name. To Sarah Harvye, daughter of my brother, Robert Harvye of Cambridge, £10 at age of 21. To his son, Thomas Harvye £10 at the age of 21. To the Company ff the Grocers, London, whereof I am free, 20 marks for a recreation on the day of my burial. To poor children of Christ's Hospital, London, £3. To poor of St. Michael's, Wood Street, where I now dwell, £3. Residuary legatee and cxor., my son Robert. Signed, per me William. Harvye. Wits., John Mayle, scr., Robert Blase servt. to Mr. William. Harvy, grocer. Proved 24 Mch 1597/8, in P.CC. [Lewyn 281], by Alexr. Serle, public notary, proctor to the exor.

SARAH HARVEY, widow, Of St, Olave's, Old Jewry, London. Will dated 27 Oct. 1638. To be burd. in par. church of St. Michael, Wood Street, London, where my father and mother aind husband are burd, and give to the poor of that par., where I.was born, £10 and 20s/- for the new trimming, of the tomb of my late father-in-law, Mr. William Harvey, in that church. To the poor of sd St. Olave's, where I now dwell £5. To my grandchild, Matthew Shirley, son of my dau. Sarah Shirley, decd., £80 on his return from sea. To my niece, Mary Jenyngs £20 on marriage. To my son William Harvey, £300, and to his wife my gold chain. To his Sun, Robert, £200 at his age of 21 and to his dau. Elizabeth, £100 at age Of 21, and to his son Hugh £100. at age of 21. To my son, Robert Harvey, £300, and to his wife my gold buttons. To his son John, £100 at age of 21, to his son Hugh £100 at 21, and same to his unborn child. To my brother, William Harvey, £20. To my sister, Elizabeth Jenyns, £20 The lease of my dwelling house and a house adjoining, which I hold of the Ironmongers Company, in sd. par. of St. Olave's, I bequeath with all wainscot partitions doors, locks, keys, painted cloth and shelves, to my brothers Hugh and Thomas Audley, in trust for my son William, with contingent remainders to his son Robert and the other sons of William. To my grandchild, Mary Waterhouse dau. Of my late daur Magdalen Popham, decd., £120, and to her unborn child £100, to be paid to Edward Waterhouse, husband of Mary. To my son, John Popham, £10, to John Hide, and Nicholas Croone, grandchildren of my sister Alice Clark £5 each. To my daur Mary Gulston, £10, and to her daus. £5 each. To my grandchild Robert Gulston £50. To my Daur Bentley £5 and to her two children,£5 each. To my grandchild Robert Shirley £5 To my Cousin Mary wife of John Davies £5, and to her children £4 each. To my cousin Sarah Clarke £10 and to her daughter Sarah £50, and to her son £10, at their ages of 21. To Mr Francis Waterhouse and his wife £10 each and to their son Edward and my granddau. Mary Waterhouse his wife, a silver bottle. Resid. Legatees my sd. Sons. Exor my bros Hugh Audley,

esq., and Thomas Audley citizen and mercer of London Wits Francis Watwerhouses. Codicil dated 24 Dec. 1638. To my sons £100 more each my cousin Sarah Clarke's son being dead, I make that legacy void. To my cousin, John Davies, £10 and to his wife a hat. Signed, Sara Harvey. Wit Henry Shelbery, scr. Admon.granted 30 Jan. 1638/9, in P C C [Harvey 2], to William Harvey, Hugh and Thomas Audley the exors. Named, for certain reasons renouncing.

THOMAS AUDLEY, mercer of London. Will dated 2 Apr. 1641. To the Mercers' Company-, London, £20. To brother William Harvey mercer and grocer of London, £100. 'To sister, Elizabeth Jenings, widow, £100 and to her dau Mary Jenings £100. To my nephew, Samuel Bonfoie, £20, and to his wife £5. To my nephews, William Harvey and Robert Harvey £50 each. To cousin James Clarke, grocer, £20 and to Sarah his wife £50. To Mr John Downam, parson of Allhallows-the-great London £10. To friend Dorothy Mason widow, £30. To Zachariah Isham of Willey, co. Warw. Gent. £10 and to his wife Jane £5 and to their son Thomas £10. Legaciess to hospitals, prison and poor clergymen's widows. To poor of St Helen's Bishopsgate, London, £30 and the par. of St. Michael, Great Wood Street, wherein I was born £10 and bequests to other pars. Resid. legatee and exor., bror. Hugh Awdeley of the Inner Temple, esq. Signed Thomas Awdeley. Wits Martin Higgins, scr, Gracechurch Street, London and Thomas Thomlingeson hosier there. Admon granted 16 July 1645 to Robert Harvey, nephew by the sister of decd, the exor renouncing. Admon of goods, etc., of sd. deed, left unadministered by Robert Harvey granted 28 May 1679, in P.C.C. [Rivers 91], to John Harvey his son and exor, Hugh Awdeley being dead.

**THOMAS AUDLEY,** Late of St Martin's Outwich, London, decd. Admon. granted 23 Oct. 1644., in Commissary Court of London [Act Book 1639-47, f. 158], to *Robert Harvey*, nephew by the brother (sic), Hugh Audley the exor., renouncing (Will given at Reg. 29, f 366)

**HUGH AWDELEY,** of the Inner Temple, London, esq. Will dated 4 Nov. 1662. Sick and weak in body but in perfect memory. No "blacks or morning weeds to bee used" at my interment. £100 each to Christ's Hospital St. Bartholomew's Hospital and St Thomas's Hospital. £400 to be distributed by exors. to 40 maiden servants as are Protestants, and not reputed to be Presbyterians, Quakers, "or any other of the new upstarted religions" by £10 apiece, who have served one master or mistress for three years. To two kinsmen Mr Nicholas Bonfoy and Mr. Thomas Bonfoy £100 each, and to their wives £10 each for a ring. To godson, Hugh Bonfoy £500, and to all other children of said two kinsmen £100 each. To the two sisters of said two kinsmen£100 apiece and to their husbands £10 each for a ring To Anne Camfield my goddau £200 at 18 To all other children of said two kinswoman £20 each. To four children of cousin Samuel Bonfov deed, £100 each at 18. To Susanne Hide, now wife of ???? Harris £100 and to her children £20 each. To kinsman Mr Edward Waterhouse, a piece of plate value £30. To nephew, Mr. William Harvey, £500, and to his sons, Robert Harvey, Hugh Harvey and Benjamin Harvey, and his dau., Sarah Harvey, £500 each, to be paid within one year after my decease. To nephew, Mr. Robert Harvey, £100, and to his wife, £10 for a ring. Said nephew Robert to be released of all debts, etc., due to me. To cousin, John Harvey, eldest son of said Robert Harvey, £1500, and to his two brors., Hugh and Robert, £500 each, and to their two sisters dau's. of said Robert Harvey, £1500 each, subject to deductions for father's accounts with me, if not cleared. To kinsman, Mr. Robert Shirley, £100, and to his wife £10 for a ring, and to their two dau's. £500 each, to

be paid one year after my decease. To cousin, Mrs. Marie Davies, £1000, to he paid one half 6 months after my decease and the other half 6 months later, and to every one of her children £300 each to be paid within one year as before. To cousin, Mrs. Mary Griffith, £200, in one year as before. To cousin Price, £100, and to her husband £10 for a ring. To half-bror., Mr. William Harvey, £200, and to kind and ancient friend, Mrs. Sarah Methwold, a piece of plate value £10, and to Mr. John Glover, and Priscilla his sister, two of children of Mrs. Elizabeth Glover, decd., £20 each; and to John Lardner, sometime one of my clerks, £10 as a token of affection, and release him from his debt. To my honoured friend, Sir Ralph Sydenham, 30 oz. of gilt plate, and to my honourable friend and kinsman, Hugh Lord Colraine, and Sir Ralph Hare, bart., each pieces of plate to value of £500, and to my kinsman and godson, Mr. Hugh Hare, one of the sons of said Lord Colraine, piece of plate of value of £100. To cousin, James Clarke, the debt he owes me, and £20, and to his dau. Elizabeth, which he had by my kinswoman, Sarah Clarke, decd., £100, unless I give it him in his lifetime. To Marie Lockwood, "in reward and recompence and towards a satisfaction of her broken sleepe and pains taken with mee in my sicknesse," £338.6.8 in money, and all my household goods, apparel, linen, beds and bedding. To Mr. Law the minister, £10, and to Edward Dodson, who was my bror.'s late servant, £10; and £100 to exors. for "poor householders whose charge is greater than their means and endeavours can support." To my Rev, friend, the Rev. Dr. Dukeson, plate to value of £10, and to Mr Knowles, my chirurgeon, a box to value of £10. To the Society of the Middle Temple, of which I am a member, £100 towards repair of their church. To my kind friend Mrs. Sanders, late wife of Mr. Dillan, £5 for a ring. To cousin Gulston's two younger sons, £50 each if not given in my lifetime. To rev. friend Dr. Sebastian Harvey, and my loving friend Mr. John Gardiner, £5 each for a ring. To Rev. Dr. Ball, £5 for a ring; and to Mr. Fifeild, butler of the Inner Temple, and the clerk of the church there, 40s/- each; and to the steward and rest of the butlers of said Inner Temple, 20s/-. each. And whereas I have heretofore lent unto Sir Thomas Gardiner, knt., dec., divers sums of money, secured on land in co. Oxford, in names of self and nephews Mr. William and Mr. Robert Harvey; and also unto Edward Coke, esq., decd., several sums of money secured on land in co. Norfolk, in names of self and kinsmen William Harvey and Nicholas Bonfoy; now I declare that those manors, etc., be sold, with all convenient speed, and money employed for payment of my debts, performance of will, and discharge of trusts reposed in exors. All my goods, chattels, ready money, plate, jewels, etc., to exors. for payment of debts, etc., and I nominate my loving friends and kinsmen, Mr. Thomas Bonfoy and two godsons, Mr. Robert Harvey and Mr. Thomas Davies, to be my exors. (signed) Hugh Awdeley. Wits., Joseph Eyres [a clergyman from Barnstaple, and friend of Dr. Dukeson], Edward Dean, Fra. Atkyn [churchwardens of St. Clement Dane's], and Francis Gregge an attorney of Clement's Inn], Proved 24 Nov. 1662, in P.C.C. [134 Laud], by Thomas Bonfoy, Robert Harvey and 'Thomas Davies. Thomas Davies acknowledges receipt of original will, 2 Dec. 1662, for use of exor.

**WILLIAM HARVEY,** now inhabitant of St. Giles without Cripplegate, co. M'sex. Will dated 16 Feb. 1676/7. To be burd. at night in the par. church of St. Michael, Hagan Lane, Great Wood Street, London, near where my friends and relations are interred. To my eldest son, Robert Harvey, £100, and to him and his wife 40s/- each, having already settled an estate on him. To my son, Hugh Harvey, £500. To my son, Benjamin Harvey, £300. To my grandchildren, Joseph, Elizabeth and Mary Randall, £300 among them at 21. To my son-in-law, Mr. Joseph Randall, £10. To my son-in-law, Mr. Ambrose Holbech and my daur. his wife, £20 each. To my cousin Bonfoy, widow, 40/-. To Mr,

Michael Kirby, £10. To William Warne, scrivener, and his wife, £10 each. Charitable bequests. To my dau. Holbech, my silver and gilt tankard. To my grandchildren, William, Sarah and Mary Holbech, £10 each. To my sister Brownell, 40s/-. Small legacies to neighbours, etc. Resid. legatee and exor., son Hugh. I have lately made a settlement of a third part of my manors of Buckenham, Buckenham Castle, Old Buckenhain, New Buckenham alias the Burgage of New Buckenham, Buckenham Lathes, Buckenham-Close-Manor, the Priory Manor in Old Buckenham, Co. Norfolk, and the same I now confirm. To my son Hugh, all lands, goods, etc., which may or ought to come to me by the will of my uncle, Hugh Audeley, esq., decd. To the poor of St. Michael's, Wood Street, £10. To Mr. Martin, minister there, 40s/-. To my cousin, Mary Griffin, an annuity of £10 a year. Signed, William. Harvey. Wits., Wm. Warne, scr., Benj. Rogers, John Hughes and Henry Duke, his servants. Proved 26 Mch. 1678, in P.C.C. [Reeve 24] by exor. named.

#### CHANCERY PROCEEDINGS

#### HOLMAN v. AUDLEY

15 May 1612. Answer of *Nicholas Audley* to the bill of complaint of *Richard Holman*, that he knows of no bargain concerning silk made between them, and he did not know complainant dealt in anything except tobacco. Business only [C.P. James I., C.2, II. 29/25].

#### AWDLEY v. KENDALL

23 July 1622. Complaint by *Nicholas Awdley*, of London, grocer, that *Thomas Kendall*, of Pelene, co. Cornwall, esq., was indebted to him and entered into a bond of £300 to *Thomas Awdley*, of London, mercer, in trust to pay the same, but did not pay, and certain of his lands became forfeit, which the said *Kendall* alleges to be unincumbered. *Re* said bond [C.P. before 1714, C.8, Mitford 85/43].

#### ONLEY v. AUDELEY

12 Feb. 1622/3. Complaint by *Sir Edward Onley*, of Catesby, co. Northants, knt., that he was and is seised of the manor of Catesby, and certain closes there, and about 14 years ago demised certain land there to one *John Farmer*, for 14 years, and then to *Elizabeth Spencer*, but having need of the same plaintiff gave notice to said *Elizabeth* to leave at Michaelmas, but before that term she died, making *Hugh Awdley*, of the Middle Temple, London, her exor. *Hugh Awdley*, though complainant has paid him the money due to *Elizabeth Spencer*, refuses to give up the deeds, etc.

20 Feb. 1622/3. Answer of Hugh Audeley, esq., re said debt [C.P. James I., C.2, O. 2/52].

#### KENDALL v. AUDELEY

24 May 1623. Complaint by *Thomas Kendall*, of Pelene, co. Cornwall, esq., that he became bound with his cousins and friends for their debts to various persons for various sums, and amongst others in 1618 to *Nicholas Awdeley*, of London, grocer, for £10. In June 1621 he went to London to said *Awdeley*'s house to discuss said debt. After much discussion, everything being arranged, *Awdeley* then drew in his brother, *Thomas Awdeley*, of London, mercer, a man never seen or known by complainant (continues *re* money). When *Nicholas Awdeley* is merry (he having never a child) he boasts he is worth £20,000. Answer of *Nicholas* and *Thomas Awdley re* said money [C. P. James I., C.2, K. 5/3].

#### WILSON v. AWDLEY

7 May 1624. Complaint by *Francis Wilson*, of Westham, co. Essex, gent., that *Elizabeth Spencer*, late of Everdon, co. Northants., widow, now decd., made her will in Sept. 1620, bequeathing legacies to several of her poor kindred, and appointed *Hugh Audley*, of the Temple, London, gent., her sole exor., who has not paid the money, etc.

14 May 1624. Answer of *Hugh Awdeley*, esq., that he found said *Elizabeth Spencer's* debts to be greater than the estate she left, etc. [C. P. Series 2, C.3, 390/35].

#### KENDALL v. AWDLEY

17 Feb. 1624/5. Complaint by *Thomas Kendall*, of Pelene, co. Cornwall, esq., that about 10 years ago he was seised for life of a capital messuage and lands in Pelene, par. of Tywardreth, co. Cornwall, of the yearly value of £100, and of other messuages and lands there, and *John Downe*, then of South Petherwyn, Cornwall, gent., his friend, desiring to borrow some money, complainant became surety for him to *Nicholas Awdley*, citizen and grocer of London, and *Thomas Awdley*, of London, mercer, brother of said *Nicholas*. *Re* said bond.(no date). Answer of said *Nicholas* and *Thomas Awdley re* same. A very long suit [C.P. Charles I., C.2, K. 21/47].

#### NEDHAM v. AUDLEY

13 Feb. 1626/7. Complaint by *John Nedham*, of Snelston, co. Derby, gent., that on 30 Jan. last complainant, being indebted to *Nicholas Audley*, citizen and grocer of London, in divers sums of money, wherefore he had given bonds and also a mortgage on tithes in Atlow, parcel of the Church of Bradborne, co. Derby, and being then in communication with *Edmond Malton*, citizen and apothecary of London, for a marriage with his dau., *Anne Malton*, who was to have a portion of £500, meeting then the said *Nicholas Audley* (being complainant's bror.-in-law, having married complainant's sister), the said *Nicholas* by word of mouth acquitted him of all the said debts. Now, being advised by his wife *Elizabeth* and others not well affected to complainant, *Nicholas* denies the said acquittal and demands payments. (no date). Answer of *Nicholas Audley* that the release was not in writing and therefore not sufficient to acquit complainant [C.P. Charles I., C.2, N. 12/11]

# MASTER v. AUDLEY

29 June 1631. Complaint by *Ursula Master*, of Farwell, co. Staff., widow, late wife and extrix. of *William Master*, of Bullihill, co. Kent., decd., that one *Robert Master*, late of Bullihill, but after of Lichfield, Dr. of Law, became bound to said *William* in a bond dated 2 Aug. II James I. (1613) in £120, for payment of £66, and other bonds, and after his death, *Thomas Master*, Bachelor in Divinity and late Master of the Inner Temple, London, bror. of said *Robert, for* payment of *Robert's* debts. *Thomas Master* by his will desired *Hugh Awdeley*, of the Inner Temple, London, esq., and others, to be his exors, to pay his debts, etc. Continues *re* said debts. July 1631. Answer *of Hugh Audley*, and others re same [C.P. Charles I., C.2, M. 7/29].

# AWDLEY v CLERK

7 Dec. 1631 Answer of *Henry Clerk*, gent., to the bill of complaint of *Hugh Audley*, esq., that he believes it to be true that *Laurence Bolton*, esq, or his son *Edmond Bolton*, were seised of manors and lands in Granborow, Wallescot, Walcott and Willoughbie, and of

the advowson and vicarage church of Granborowe. He knows the said lands, etc., were incumbered, but does not know to what extent. He has not combined with any persons to disturb complainant in his enjoyment of the said manors and lands. Document torn [C.P. Charles I, C.2, A. 2/59],

#### AWDLEY v. EALES

Writ to examine, upon the petition, dated 22 Feb, 7 Charles I. (1631/2). No bill of complaint. Answer of Edward Underhill to the bill of complaint of Hugh Audley, esq. He believes Lawrence and Edward Bolton were seised of an estate in the manor of Grandborough of about the yearly value of £500, but whether in Nov. 1629 they contracted with complainant to sell him the same they know not. Continues re leases of same property made by the Boltons to others, Similar replies by Edmund Fates, William Radburne and Jane his wife, George Beale, clerk, Edmund Bolton and Mary his wife [C.P. Charles I., C.2, A.2/58].

#### NEWDIGATE v. AWDLEY

22 Nov. 1632. Complaint by *John Newdigate* of Arbury, co, 'Warwick, esq., *re* lands, etc., of *Gifford. Hugh Awdeley*, esq, only comes in as feoifee or same [C.P. Charles 1., C.2, N. 11/26].

# AWDELEY v, LINDE

(no date two small torn pieces of parchment, fragments only). Complaint by Hugh *Awdeley*, that by deed dated 27 Feb.???? Elizabeth, she granted to *Robert Turner* and *Cuthbert ????* feedings and pastures in ???? near Westminster, co. M'sex. too torn to make sense of. 18 Feb. 1632/3. Answer of *Sir Humfrey Linde*, knt, *Dame Alice Turner* and *Henry Collins*. Torn [C.P. Series 2, C.3, 394/72]

#### WRIGHT v. AWDLEY

1633 (torn). Complaint by *Edward Wright*, Of the Inner 'Temple, London, gent., that his late father, *Richard Wright*, of the same, gent., in Feb. 11 James I. (1613/14) became bound to *Hugh Awdley*, of the Inner Temple, esq, for payment of £100. Dispute as to money C.P. [Charles I., C.2, W. 124,/93].

#### WRIGHT v. AWDLEY

17 July 1633 Answer of *Hugh Awdley* to above (do., W119/97)

#### HARRIS v AWDLEY

17 June 1634. Complaint by Lewis Harris, of the Strand, co. M'sex, innholder, that about 3 years ago Hugh Audley, of the Inner Temple, London, esq., pretended he was seised, either in his own name or of that of his brother Thomas Audley, of London, mercer, in trust for his use, of land called Horseleys or Knightsbridge Close, and conveyed same by indenture to said Harris for 31 years, Dispute as to rent.

1634. Answer of Hugh and *Thomas Awdley* concerning the said premises and rent [C.P, Charles I., C2H. 41/571]

# GLOVER v AUDLEY

13 Apr 1636. complaint by *Jesse Glover*, of Sutton, co. Surrey, clerk, that he was seised of some estate of inheritance in the manors of Shrevenharn and Bewcott, and the Hundred of

Shrevenham, co. Berks, and by indenture dated 1 June, 5 Charles 1. (1629), conveyed certain lands in said manors to *Hugh Audley* and *Thomas Gates*, of the Inner Temple, London, esqs., and others, to the use of himself for life, with contingent remainders to his wife Elizbeth his sons etc. Dispute as to the said lands, etc. [C.P. Charles I., C.2, G. 36/32].

# MORRIS v. AWDELEY

-- Oct. 1637. Complaint by *Griffen Morris*, of London, and others, that *Ralph Croft* held lands in Knightsbridge, and one *Hugh Awdeley* made an unjust entry upon same, in consequence of money said to be due to him [C.P. Charles I., C. 2, M. 81/163]

# MORRIS v. AWDELEY

4 Nov. 1637. Answer of *Hugh Awdeley*, esq., and *Robert Saywell*, to the bill of complaint of *Griffin Morris* and others. That *Thomas Awdley*, of London, mercer, held the land in question lying in Ebury Farm. He believes *Ralph Croft* had a lease. Since the exhibiting of the bill, and not before, *Thomas Awdley* and complainant have jointly leased other grounds now in dispute. Continues *re* money due. [C.P. Charles I., C.2, M. 78/44]

# FAWCONER v. AWDEI, EY

25 Oct, 1639. Complaint by *John Fawconer*, citizen and clothworker of London, son and heir of *John Fawconer*, late of Napton-on-the-hill, co. Warwick, gent., decd., that his said father, by lease dated 23 Sept., 22 James I. (1624), demised to *Thomas Awdeley*, of London, gent., land in Napton-on-the-Hill, and on 24 Sept. in the same year *Thomas Awdeley* re-leased the same to said *Fawconer's* son, *Thomas Fawconer*, for 29 years, 11 months, 20 days, at a yearly rental of £25, if said *Thomas* and *Nicholas* and *Hugh Awdeley*, his brors., should so long live. *Thomas Awdeley* now denies said lease.

Answer of *Thomas Awdeley*, dated 30 Oct. 1639, that *John Fawconer* owes him, £100 of said rent, etc. [C.P. Charles I., C.2, F. 28/40].

# COLES v. AUDELEY

4 Apl. 1638. Complaint by 'Barnaby Coles, of Downton, co. Wilts., gent., that in Oct., 19 James I. (I621), he lent Richard Hunton, of Salisbury, Wilts., esq., and his son, William Hunton, £100 towards purchase of Manor of Bushton. Various transactions. Now sue Hugh Awdley, of Inner Temple, esq., and others, for certain money due, etc. 23 May 1638. Answer of Hugh Awdeley re same [C.P. Charles I., C.2, C. 80/33.]

#### MARSHALL v. AWDELEY

-- May 1638. Complaint by *Dame Elizabeth Marshall*, of London, widow of *Sir George Marshall*, of Cowfield Park, Malmesbury, Wilts., knt., decd., and formerly the widow of *Robert Angell*, late of London, merchant, decd., the latter of whom left a great deal of money and premises. She made the latter over to said *Sir George*, who mortgaged the same to *Hugh Awdeley*, of the Inner Temple, London, gent. Continues *re* said mortgage. 10 May 1638. Answer of *Hugh Awdley*, gent., concerning said mortgage [C.P.Charles I.,C.2, M. 47/24].

# MASTERS v. AWDELEY

28 May 1639. Answer of *Hugh Awdeley*, esq., to the bill of complaint of *Edward Masters*,

gent., and his children, concerning lands in Beisley, co. Glouc., and a mortgage thereon, and the rent therefor due [C.P. Charles I., C.2, M. 41/3].

#### BABER v. AUDEY

23 Oct. 1639. Answer of *Hugh Awdeley*, esq., to the bill of complaint of *Francis Baber*, the elder, and younger, that, at the request of *William Child*, defendants in Dec. 1637 lent complainant £200. Child is dead and complainant refused to pay, etc.

2 Nov. 1639. Further answer re same. [C.P. Charles I., C.2, B. 41/18].

#### TURNER v. AWDELEY

21 May 1640. Complaint of *Exuperius Turner*, of London, ironmonger, and *Priscilla* his wife, re the debts of *Robert Harris*, decd., bror. of *Priscilla*, and what Hugh Audley, of the Inner Temple, gent., had of the same.

5 June 1640. Answer of *Hugh Awdley re* same [C.P. Charles 1., C.2, F. 36/57].

#### MENNES v. AUDLEY

(no date). Complaint of Sir Matthew Mennes, of St. Martin's in the Fields, co. M'sex, knt., that Sir Robert Southwell, of Woodrising, co. Norfolk, knt., decd., was seised of messuages, lands, etc., in co. Norfolk, Suffolk and Essex, etc., etc., against many defendants, of whom Hugh Awdeley, esq., is one.

20 Feb. 1643/4. Answer [C.P. Series 2, C.3, 453. 120].

#### TOMPKINS v. AWDELEY

3 Apl. 1641. Answer of *Hugh Awdeley*, esq., to the bill of complaint of *William Tomkins*, gent., and *Joan* his wife, admors. of the goods of *Edward Wall*, decd. *Re* money, etc. [C.P. Charles I., C.2, T. 27/34].

Replication of said *Tomkins*, re same [T. 65/110].

# FOSTER v. AWDELEY

10 Feb. 1644/5. Complaint by John Foster, of Westminster, innholder, that Thomas Audley, citizen and mercer of London, decd., and Hugh Audley, of the Inner Temple, London, esq., were jointly seised of lands in Westminster called Broad Meadow, Allen's Great and Little Meadows, and other lands there, and by lease dated 25 Oct. 1637 let same to complainant for 21 years at a yearly rental of £126-2-0. Complainant paid his rent and had receipt for same, but during the disturbances a great part of this land was dug up for fortifications, to complainant's great damage, and he has therefore not been able to pay the rent.

6 June 1645. Answer of Hugh Awdeley re said rent [C.P. Charles I C2, F 45/54].

# DAVIES v. AWDELEY

25 Jan. 1645/6. Complaint by *John Davies*, of Dabington, co. Kent, gent, that *Thomas Awdley*, late of London, gent., decd., and *Hugh Awdley*, of the Inner Temple, esq., were seised of a close of pasture called Upper Crow-field, and other closes, etc., in Martin, co. M'sex, and by deed dated 18 Mch., 17 Charles I. (1641/2), let same to complainant at a rent of £135 for 21 years. *Thomas Awdley* died about that time and *Hugh Awdley* was

solely possessed of same. Concerning rent of said lands. 31 Jan. 1645/6. Answer of *Hugh Awdley re* same [C.P. Charles I., C.2, D. 3/61].

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5 May 1646. Complaint by *Hugh Awdeley*, of the Inner Temple, London, esq., that he lent money to *Hugh*, *Lord Colerayne*, Continues re said debt: very torn. [C.P. Series 2, C.3, 432/65]

# JAQUES v. AWDELEY

---- July 1647. Complaint by *Richard Jaques*, of Rodbone, co. Wilts., gent., that about 13 years ago *Thomas Sadler*, of Lea, co. Wilts., gent., contracted with *Thomas Wilson*, servant to Hugh Andeyy, of the Inner Temple, London, esq., for a lease of messuages and lands near Malmesbury, and afterwards complainant became possessed of part of same. Continues re said leases.

23 Oct. 1647. Answer of Hugh Awdeley, esq., re same [C.P. Charles I., C.2, J. 10/8].

#### WALDRON v. AUDLEY

(no date). Replication of Thomas Waldron, esq., and Dame Ellen Hastings, to the answer of Hugh Awdley, esq., defendant. Concerning money belonging to Sir Philip Knevett, bart., decd., father of Dame Ellen Hastings, on lands mortgaged to said Hugh Awdley [C.P. Charles 1., C.2, W. 124/56].

# JENNINGS v. AUDLEY

(no date). Replication of Elizabeth Jenings, widow, to the answer of Thomas Awdley, defendant. That her mother gave defendant £100, for said Elizabeth's use. Mr. Hugh Hare, uncle of Elizabeth and of defendant, was trusted by her mother to manage complainant's estate, and the latter married her husband, Stephen Peacock, with Hare's consent. She accuses said Awdley of breach of trust [C.P. Charles I., C.2, J. 15/28].

# LAWMAN v. AUDLEY

4 Feb. 1649/50. Complaint by *Thomas Lawman*, of London, gent., and *Porthena* his wife, extrix. of the will of *Nicholas Cholmeley*, of Inner Temple, London, esq., decd., that *Henry Sherfield*, of New Sarum, co. Wilts., esq., decd., borrowed money of *Hugh Awdley*, of the Inner Temple, esq., and conveyed lands to him. *Re* said money, etc. [C.P. Series z, C.3, 451/57].

# **EXTRACTS FROM PARISH REGISTERS**

(Entries not incorporated in the pedigree that follows are printed in italics.)

# ST. MICHAEL, WOOD STREET, LONDON

(Searched by Miss Lucy Drucker, from commencement in 1559 to 1640).

	St. Michael's C	Church, Wood Street, London.	
Tag	Date	Details	Source
	1562. Sept. 19.	bapt. William Harvie.	Parish Register
	1563. July 21.	bapt. Fraunces Harvie.	Parish Register
	1563. July 24	burd. Fraunces Harvie.	Parish Register
	1564. May 15.	burd. Fraunces Harvie.	Parish Register
{XA7}	1564. Sept. 3.	bapt. Elizabeth Audley.	Parish Register
{XA8}	1565. Aug. 31	bapt. Alice, dau. of John Awdley.	Parish Register
	1566. Apl 6.	bapt. Henry, son of William Harvy, grocer.	Parish Register
{XA9}	1566. Sept. 21.	bapt. Sara, dau. of John Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA10}	1567. Nov. 21.	bapt. Bridget, dau. of John Awdley.	Parish Register
	1567/8. Mch. 8.	bapt. Hugh, son of William Harvy, grocer.	Parish Register
	1568. Apl. 4.	burd. Hugh, son of William Harvy	Parish Register
	568/9. Jan. 27	1. burd. Rose Rundle, servant to William Harvy, grocer	Parish Register
	1568/9. Feb. 20.	burd. William Harvy, son of William Harvy, grocer.	Parish Register
{XA10}	1569. May 19	burd. Bridget Awdley, dau. of John Audley.	Parish Register
	1569. May 22.	burd. John Harve, out of the Compter.	Parish Register
	1570. Aug. 9.	burd. Jane Bromley, servant to William Harvy, grocer.	Parish Register
	1570. Aug, 9.	burd. Thomas, brother of William Harvy grocer, of the plague.	Parish Register
	1570. 22 Aug.	burd. Mary Colefox, servt. to William Harvy, grocer, of the plague.	Parish Register

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Tag	Date	Details	Source
{XA11}	1571. 8 July	bapt. Margery, dau. of John Awdley, mercer.	Parish Register
{XA12}	1572. 23 Nov	bapt. Dennyse, dau. of John Awdley, mercer.	Parish Register
{XA7}	1573. 20 Aug.	burd. Elizabeth Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA4}	1573/4. 27 Feb	bapt. Nicholas Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA13}	1575. 31 July.	bapt. Elizabeth Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA5}	1576/7. 13 Jan	bapt. Hugh Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA2}	1577. 12 Oct.	burd. John Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA11}	1577. 2 Dec.	burd. Margery Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA1}	1577/8. 22 Feb	burd John Awdley	Parish Register
{XA6}	1579. 30 Aug.	bapt. George Awdley.	Parish Register
1 <sup>st</sup> Wife of {XH1}	1580. 16 Nov.	burd. Maudlyn, wife of Mr. William Harvye.	Parish Register
{XH1} & Widow of {XA1}	1580/1. 2 Feb.	mard. William Harvy and Margaret Awdley.	Parish Register
	1581. 29 Aug.	mard, John Davison and Tomasine Harvie.	Parish Register
{XH2}	1582. 5 May.	bapt. William, son of 'William Harvie, grocer.	Parish Register
{XA9}	1584. 28 Apl.	mard. Robert Harvy and Sara Awdley.	Parish Register
{XH3}	1585. 23 Sept.	bapt. John, son of Robert Harvy.	Parish Register
{XA12}	1593, 27 Nov.	burd. Dennys Pickeringe, dau. of Mr. Awdley.	Parish Register
{XA6}	1593. 26 Dec.	burd. George Awdley.	Parish Register
Wife of {XA1}& 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wife of {XH1}	1593/4. 14 Jan.	burd. Margaret, wife of Mr. William Harvye.	Parish Register
{XH1}	1597/8. 20 Mch.	burd. Mr. William Harvy, grocer, late deputy to the Alderman of the Ward of Cripplegate.	Parish Register

	St. Michael's Church, Wood Street, London.			
Tag	Date	Details	Source	
{XH1}	1598. 23 May.	burd. Mrs. Joan Harvy, grocer, deceased out of this parish in church of St. Mathew, Friday Street.	Parish Register	
/	1599. 16 <i>Dec</i>	mard. John Huet and Ellen Harvie.	Parish Register	
Husband of {XA9}	1608, 9 Sept.	burd. Mr. Robert Harvie, grocer, out of his parish of St. Olave's Jury, in his father's grave in this church.	Parish Register	
	1610. 24 May.	mard. Mr. William Harvye and Mrs. Marie Goddarde.	Parish Register	
{XH20}	1619. 13 Apl.	burd. Sarah, wife of Robert Sherlye, goldsmith, of St. Foster, Westcheap, one of the daus. of Robert Harvie, grocer, and Sarah his widow, in the grave of her father and grandfather.	Parish Register	
	1633. 15 Apl.	burd. Mr. William Harvy, merchant.	Parish Register	
{XA9}	1638/9. 11 Jan.	burd. Mrs. Sarah Harvie, widow, out of the Old Jury.	Parish Register	

	St. Marylebone Parish Church, London.			
Tag	Date	Details	Source	
Wife of {XA1}	9 <sup>th</sup> July 1542	Chr Margaret Daur of John Hare	Parish Register	

St Olave's Church, Old Jewry, City of London.			
Tag	Date	Details	Source
1st Marriage {XH22}	18 <sup>th</sup> November 1605	Thomas Cuttler married Magdalen Harvey	Parish Register
{XH20}	7 <sup>th</sup> December 1609	Robert Sherley and Sara Harvey were married	Parish Register
2 <sup>nd</sup> Marriage {XH22}	30 <sup>th</sup> June 1618	Robert Smith gentleman married Maudline Cuttler	Parish Register
2 <sup>nd</sup> Husband {XH22}	20 <sup>th</sup> March 1625/6	Robert Smith was buried	Parish Register
3 <sup>rd</sup> Marriage {XH22}	27 <sup>th</sup> December 1626	John Popham married Magdalen Smith	Parish Register

Tag	Date	Details Details	Source
I ug	8 <sup>th</sup> December 1570	Baptism Elizabeth Bofoye (sic) father Bastian Bonfoy (sic)	Parish Register
	· ·	ghter of Sebastian (Bastian) Bonfoy by his 1 <sup>st</sup> Wi	ife
	2 <sup>nd</sup> May 1577	Baptism Peter Bonfoy father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register
		of Sebastian (Bastian) Bonfoy by his 1st Wife of {XA8} Alice Audley	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> May 1577	Burial Peter Bonfoy Father Bastian Bonfoye	Parish Register
	The Burial of a son of prior to his marriage to	Sebastian (Bastian) Bonfoy by his 1 <sup>st</sup> Wife {XA8} Alice Audley	
	4th June 1577	Burial J?ay (sic) Bonfoy (male)	Parish Register
		Sebastian (Bastian) Bonfoy by his 1 <sup>st</sup> Wife o {XA8} Alice Audley	
	6 <sup>th</sup> February 1579	Baptism Susan Bonfoy father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register
	_	thter of Sebastian (Bastian) Bonfoy by his 1st Witte (XA8) Alice Audley	fe
	5 <sup>th</sup> November 1581	Burial Jane Bofoy father George Bonfoy	Parish Register
		er of Sebastian (Bastian) Bonfoy by his 1st Wife of {XA8} Alice Audley	
{XA8}	4 <sup>th</sup> March 1582	Bastian Bonfoy married Ales Awdley (sic)	Parish Register
{XB7}	16 <sup>th</sup> June 1583	Baptism Nicholes (sic) Bonfoy father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register
{XB8}	18 <sup>th</sup> April 1585	Baptism Mary Bonefoy (sic) father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register
{XB9}	18 <sup>th</sup> July 1588	Baptism Elizabeth Bonfoy father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register
{XB1}	24 <sup>th</sup> August 1589	Baptism Samuell (sic) Bonfoy father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register
	3 <sup>rd</sup> August 1588	Burial Sara Bonfoy father Nicholes Bonfoy	Parish Register

	St Anne's Church, Blackfriars, London			
Tag	Date	Details	Source	
{XB10)	7 <sup>th</sup> February 1590	Baptism Rebecca Bonfoy father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register	
{XB11}	13 <sup>th</sup> August 1592	Baptism Hughe Bonfoy father Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register	
1 <sup>st</sup> Husband of {XA8}	3 <sup>rd</sup> September 1593	Burial Bastian Bonfoy	Parish Register	

	All Hallows the Less, London			
Tag	Date	Details	Source	
	19 <sup>th</sup> Feb 1565	Marriage Bastian Bonfoy to Julian Franke??	Parish Register	
	The above marriage is the 1 <sup>st</sup> Marriage of Sebastian (Bastian) Bonfoy whose 2nd Marriage was to {XA8} Alice Audley.			
5th June 1597  Marriage  John Clarke, Gentleman of Lincolns Inn and Alice Bumfoye (sic) Widow of St Anne's in the Blackfriars District of London.		Parish Register		
	1 <sup>st</sup> February 1675	Marriage Herniles Bonfoy to Mary Russ	Parish Register	

St Botolph's Church, Aldgate, London			
Tag	Date	Details	Source
{XB4}	11 <sup>th</sup> July 1618	Baptism Samuel Bonfoy Parents Samuel, a Meale man and Audrey Bonfoy	Parish Register
{XB3}	4 <sup>th</sup> May 1621	Baptism Thomas Bonfoy Parents Samuel, A meale seller and Audrey Bonfoy	Parish Register
{XB12}	16 <sup>th</sup> June 1622	Baptism William Bonfoy Parents Samuel a Mealemam? and Audrey Bonfoy	Parish Register

St Botolph's Church, Aldgate, London					
Tag	Date	Details	Source		
{XB12}	26 <sup>th</sup> June 1622	Burial William Bonfoy Parents Samuel, a seller of Meale & Audrey Bonfoy	Parish Register		
{XB13}	10 <sup>th</sup> May 1623	Burial John Bonfoy Father Samuel Bonfoy a Meale seller	Parish Register		
{XB14}	21st December 1623	Baptism Anne Bonfoy Parents Samuel, a Meale seller and Audrey Bonfoy	Parish Register		
{XB14}	26 <sup>th</sup> December 1623	Burial Anne Bonfoy Father Samuel Bonfoy a Meale man	Parish Register		
{XB15}	24 <sup>th</sup> April 1625	Baptism Andrew Bonfoy Parents Samuel a Meale seller & Audrey Bonfoy	Parish Register		
{XB5}	2 <sup>nd</sup> October 1631	Baptism Sarah Bonfoy Father Samuel, a Meale man & Audrey Bonfoy	Parish Register		
{XH6}	5 <sup>th</sup> June 1662	Robert Harvy & Rebecca Bowater married	Parish Register		

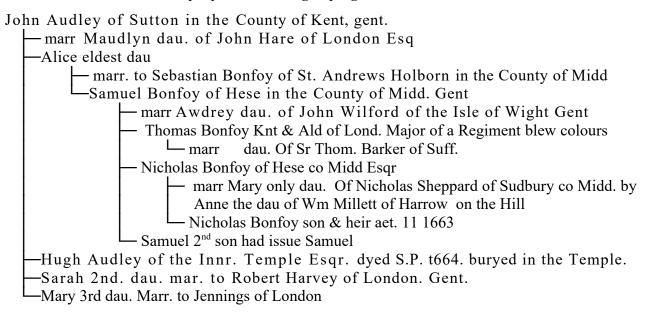
St Botolph's Church, Aldgate, London					
Tag	Date	Details	Source		
{XB8}	9 <sup>th</sup> May 1605	Marriages Marye (sic) Bonfoye (sic) married John Hide			

# **VISITATION PEDIGREES**

At the Visitation of Middlesex in 1664 (Harleian MS. 1468, f. 127) the following pedigree was recorded

ARMS:----Azure, on a cross argent a human heart gules.

CREST: An arm in armour proper, the hand grasping a cross.



NIC° BONFOY a Patt. by Edw. Bysshe

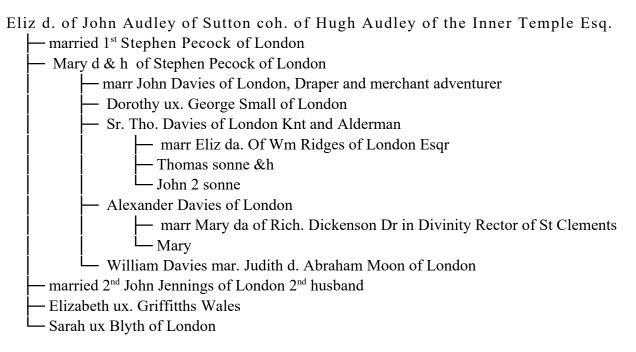
A nearly identical pedigree was recorded at the Visitation of London in 1664 (Harleian MS. 1096, f. 152d.)

ARMS:—Azure, on a cross argent a human heart gules

CREST: --A cubit arm, with the hand gauntleted grasping a Cross Calvary gules.

John Audley of Sutton in Kent - marr Maudlyn da. of John Hare of London, Esq, - Alice eldest da, of John Audley — marr Sebastian Bonfoy of St. Andrew's in com, Middx. -Samuel' Bonfoy of Hese in com. Middx --marr Audrey, d. of John Wilford of ye Ile of Wight. -Maior Tho. Bonfoy of London Esq. L- marr Mary da of Sr Tho. Barker of Suff - Nicholas Bonfoy of Hese Esq 1663 - Married Mary only da. of Nicholas Sheppard of Sudbury in co, Midd. by Ann d. of Wm Millet of Harrow on ye Hill. - Hugh son & h. aet 11 1663 -Samuel Bonfoy 2 son. — marr ???? - Samuel Bonfoy -Mary ux.Jenings of London. -Sara lix. Rob. Harvy of London. -Hugh Audley of ye Inner Temple London Esqr. ob. 15 Novemb. 1662 S.P. bur. in ye Inner Temple Ch.

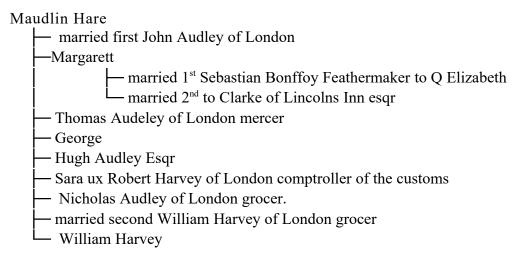
The same pedigree is given at f 159 as regards Audley and Bonfoy, except that Thomas and Nicholas are also given as sons of John Audley of Sutton and as dying s.p., and instead of daughter Mary; the following:



# **ALEXANDER DAVIES**

of Edbury Farme in the county of Mid. Gent.

At the Visitation of Hertfordshire in 1572 (Harleian MS. 1546, f. 137d.) another version was given:



The following pedigree of "Harvey of Stockton" was entered at the Visitation of Warwicks., 1682-83 (Harleian Society, vol. 62, pp. 61-2):

Robert Harvey Esqr. [Grocer] Controller of his Mag Customes in the Port of London Temp: Eliz.
— Sarah daughter of ????? Audley of London Merchant
— John died young
— Thomas died young
William Harvey lived in Bunhill near ye Artillery-garden. Fined for Alderman of London ob circ an. 1675
married ?????
Robert Harvey of Low Layton in com Essex
Hugh Harvey, citizen of London
Benjamin Harvey a Major of the Traind bands in ye city of London
Robert Harvey Citizen of London (and Grocer) died at Denham house in the parish of Queynton in com. Bucks circa ann 1676 aet circa 74
(entered his pedigree in London 1634)
marr Susan daur. Of Augustin Parker of Ipswich in com Suffolk She died in Sept 1678
☐ John Harvey of Ickwelbury in paroch. De Norhill in co Bedf: living ao 1682 aet 52
— married ?????
☐ (issue shewn).
Hugh Harvey of Cambridge and of Cole Park in Wiltsh ob 1677
Mary dr of John Alston of Ipswich in Suffolk
(issue shewn)
— Thomas dyed young.
Robert Harvey of Stockton in co. War. Aet 42 ann.1682
Barbara dau of Edwd Pilkington of the City of London
(issue shewn)
Susan w. of Will Ayliff of Essex now living at Norhill com. Bedf.
Sarah w. of Win Ayini of Essex now niving at Normin com. Bedi.  — Sarah w. of Win Richardson one of the Cursitors, London
Satah w. of with Kichardson one of the Cursitors, London

A brief pedigree of Harvey was entered at the Visitation of London in 1663-65 (Harleian Society, vol. 15, p. 359):—
Robert Haruy of London Grocer
— marr Sarah da. of Mr. Audley of London Marchant
— William Haruy
— married
— had issue not stated

Robert Haruy of London Grocer 1634
— Suzan da. of Augustine Parker of Ipeswich co Suffolke
— John Haruy
— Thomas

ROBERT HARVY

"Le Neve's Knights" gives a pedigree of the Bonfoys (Harleian Society, vol. 8, pp. 191-2):—

LOND. Sr. THOMAS BONFOY Alderman Kted at ?????? 27 Apr. 1665. Blew on a cross Arg. a Humane hart proper. See Visit. Midds. by Sr. E. Byshe, fol. 22.

Sebastian Bonfoy of Lond. Mercht. Alice dau'r of John Audley of Sutton Kent & sister & coheir of Hugh Audley of Buckenham Castle Norff. the rich Usurer. Samuel Bonfoy of Hese in Midds Gent. — Audrey dr of Jo Wilford of the Ile of Wight - Nicholas B. mercht in St Helens & of Hays Midds. -marr Mary only dr. of Nicholas Sheppard of Sunbury Midds Hugh B 11 yrs old 1663 - married Lettice -Samuell Bonfoy - Sr Thomas Bonfoy of Lond. Merchant one of the heirs to Hugh Audley Kted ut supra - marr Lettice dr. of Thomas Barker of Basford and Ringshall Suff. - Susan dr & heir maried to Sr. Charles Caesar of Benington Com. Hertf. Kt Samuell Bonfoy 2d Son of Sam - marr ??????? - Samuell - Richd. B.gre if not the same with Samuell. — ????????? dr of Sr Jo.Rea Ringshall Suff.

(Comment: Names in Red text are the same person).

#### MISCELLANEOUS EVIDENCE

The following account of Hugh Audley and his family is given in Blomefield's *Norfolk*, i., 380-1, under "Old Bukenham":

(Sir Philip Knevet, of Bukenham Castle, created a bart. in 1611)

......and for £18,5081. 10s he sold to *Hugh Audley* and his heirs the castle and priory of *Old-Bukenham*, the manors of *Old-Bukenham*, viz. the castle manor, *Lathes*, alias *Laches*, the *Priory*, and the *Close* manors, the manor or burgage of *New-Bukenham*, *Tatersall's*, or *Tibenham hall*, otherwise *Tibenham-Knevers*, otherwise *Carleton-Rode*, and the tithes of all the premises in *Bukenham*, by deed dated 25 June, 1649.

HUGH AUDLEY aforesaid was sheriff of Norfolk, and dying without issue left three sisters; Elizabeth, married first to Stephen Peacock, and after to John Jennings; Alice, to Sebastian Beaufoy (sic) of London, Gent.; Sarah, to Robert Harvey (note1) of London, Comptroller of the Custom-house, whose son, William Harvey of London and Low-Layton, was baptized at Bow chapel, 25th Sept. 1599; he married Sarah, daughter of Will. Barret of London, by whom he had three sons, Robert, Hugh, and Benjamin, each of which inherited a third part; for in 1666, Oct. 6, the said Hugh settled the whole (except Tibenham manor, which was settled on Robert Harvey, (note 2) &c.) on himself for life, remainder to William Harvey, his nephew, for life, remainder to Robert, Hugh, and Benjamin, sons of William, equally to be shared; Ambrose Holbech of Wallington in Warwickshire, second son of Ambrose Holbech of the same, married Sarah Harvey, and became possessed of that third part, which was her brother Benjamin's; and about 1693, partition was made between. Ambrose his son, who had got, Hugh's part also and Robert Harvey of Low-Layton in Essex, who married Rebecca, daughter of Mr. Bowater of London, and at his death left his part to John Harvey, Esq. his son and heir, who married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir James Houblon of London, Knt. He built the seat at Old-Bukenham called St Andrews, and settled there, and at his death left Robert Harvey, Esq. his only son, who is now[1737] lord and owner of that part, and Ambrose Holbech, aforesaid, Esq. is now lord of the other two third parts.

(Note1) Several of this family are buried in St Lawrence by Guildhall, London(Note2) Tibenham was, on the marriage of Rob. Harvey, settled for life on him and his wife &c

At ibid., ix, 489 under Elmham,- is the following further reference to the family:- Afterwards the estate here was mortgaged by ???? Coke, (the park excepted,) to Hugh Audley of the Inner Temple, London, Esq. on whose death it came with the rest of his personal estate, to his executors, Sir Thomas Davis, Knt. Sir Thomas Bonfoy, Knt. William Harvry, Esq. &c, and so to Robert Harvey of Low Laytonn in Essex, Esq. son of the aforesaid William, who presented in 1680, and John Harvey, Esq. In 1704

Richard Warner, Esq. purchased the manor and patronage of the vicarage of the Harveys, and presented in 1723, and has built an agreeable new manor house &c and died June 1, in 1757, aged 89, leaving his estate to his daughters and coheirs.

The following are extracted from Joseph Foster's London Marriage Licences

BONFOY, Nicholas, of St. Helen, London, merchant, bachelor, 31, and Mary Shepheard, spinster, 16, daughter of Nicholas Shepheard, of Harrow-on-the-Hill, Middlesex, gent., who consents ??????? at All Hallows-in-the-Wall, London. 5 Oct. 1650 (Faculty Office of Archbp. of Cant.).

HARVEY, Robert, of Grandborough, co. Warwick, gent., bachelor, 30, and Barbara Pilkington, spinster, 20, dau. of Edward Pilkington, of Walbrook, of the City of London, apothecary, who consents ????? at Stepney, or St. James, Cletkenwell, Middlesex. 22 Nov. 1671. (Faculty Office of Archbp. of Cant.)

HOLBECH, Ambrose, of Mollington, co. Warw., gent., about 30, bachelor, and Mrs. Sarah Harvey, of St. Giles, Cripplegate, spinster, about 20, consent of father, 'William Harvey, of same, esq., ????? at St. Giles afsd., or St. Leonard, Shoreditch. 27 June 1665. (Vicar General of Canterbury's Registry.)

AYLOFFE, William (Ayloff), of Never Chissill, co. Essex, esq. bach., 30, and Susannah Harvey, spinster, 27, dau. of Robert Harvey, of Denham Hall. co. Bucks., esq who consents ???? at St. James, Clerkenwell, St. Giles in the Fields, or St. Margaret, Westminster, Middlesex.12 Jan. 1671/2. (Faculty Office of Archbp. of Cant.)

DAVIES, Sir Thomas, knight (Davyes), of St. Dunstan-in-the-West. London, bach., 37, and Elizabeth Ridges, spinster, 21, dau. of William Ridges, esq., of St. Sepulchre, Lonndon 'who consents???? at Hornsey, co M'sex. 1 Feb. 1669. (Faculty Office of Archbp. of Cant.)

TREGONWELL, John, of Anderson, co. Dorset, esq., widower, about 35, and Mrs. Mary Davis, of St. Clement Danes, widow, about 22 ???? at Chelsea, Middlesex, or ????15 Feb. 1665/6. (Vicar General of Canterbury's Registry.)

GROSVENOR, Sir Thomas, bart., of Eaton, co. Chester, bach., 21, and Mary Davis, of St. Margaret, Westminster, spinster, about 13????? at St. Clement Danes or elsewhere in the diocese. 8 Oct. 1677 (Bishop of London's Office).

The Victoria County History of Hertfordshire, ii., 417, tells us that the manor of Popes or Popesfield, in St. Peters, was sold by Andrew Duffy in 1610 to Nicholas Audley, of London, grocer, who sold it in 1615 to William Exelby, of North Mimms.

Mr. Lawrence E. Tanner, F.S.A., keeper of the Muniments at Westminster Abbey, kindly tells me of a conveyance there of the tithes of Atlow, in parish of Bradbourne, co. Derby, from John Nedham, Gent., of Snelston, to Nicholas Audley, Grocer of London, for £78.16.0, dated 23 March 1625/6. It is signed "Nicholas Awdley," but there is no seal below (W. A. *Muniments*, 53708).

The following is extracted from Students Admitted to the Inner Temple 1547 - 1660

1603. November. Hugh Audley, London. Second son of John Audley, of Sutton, Kent. Called to Bar 1611 Registrar of the Court of Wards & Liveries. Died 1662 "infinitely rich."

The will of Temperance Cole, of St. Catherine Coleman, London, widow, dated 3 Nov. 1630 and proved 4 Dec 1630 in P.C.C. (Scroope, 1088), nominates Hugh "Audle" as co-exor. with Percival Hill, clerk. There was a suit between the exors. and Anne Freeston *alias* Tompkins, her next of kin, which established the sanity of deceased. The act describes him as "Hugh Awdley, Esq."

Among "Grantees of arms," *Harleian Society*, vol. 66, p. 9, occurs the following:-AUDLEY, Thomas, London, son of John, of Sutton, Kent., gent., and Maudlin his wife, dau. of John Hare of London, confirmed 7 Oct. 1608, by Camden. Stowe MS. 677, fo, 12b.; Guil 199.

The first attempt to deal seriously with Hugh Audley and the numerous kindred who benefited under his will was in a long article contributed in 1871 to vol. 6 of J. G. Nichols's *Herald and Genealogist*, pp. 145-57 and 351-4 by Mr George A. Carthew, and from it I quote a number of facts not contained in the evidences I have myself collected-

- P. 145. Smyth's *Obituary*, under date 15 Nov. 1662, has this entry:--"Mr. Hugh Audley, sometime of ye, Court of Wards, died infinitely rich.'
- P. 150. Died at house of Rev. Richard Dukeson, D.D Rector of St. Clement Danes, where he was lodging.
- P. 152. Arms of Audley: Or, a fess cotised between three conies sable.
- P. 156. Visitation of Suffolk says Robert Harvey, who mard. Sarah Audley, was son of William Harvey, of London, esq., by his wife, Miss Hare of the Coleraine family.
- P. 156. John Hare, of London, mercer, in his will dated 25 Aug. 1564, mentions John Awdeley, mercer, and Margaret his wife.

Richard Hare, citizen and mercer of London (a younger son of John Hare, decd., and ancestor of Sir Ralph Hare, 1st bart., mentioned in Hugh Audley's will), in his will dated 30 May 1574, names his "sister Awdley."

Nicholas Hare (another son of John), in his will of 16 Jan, 1596, names his nephews Thomas Awdeley and Nicholas Awdeley.

Hugh Hare (another son of John), in his will of 25 May 1619 mentions his nephews Thomas Awdeley, Nicholas Awdeley, and Hugh Awdeley; also his niece Clarke, their sister; also his niece the widow Harvey,

- P.354. Robert Harvey, who mard. Sarah Audley, was citizen and grocer of London; burd. at St. Michael's, Wood Street, 9 (Nov.?) 1608, out of his house in Old Jewry, aged 47 years, 5 months and 10 days; Comptroller of the Custom House and Warden of the Grocers.
- P. 353. Will of Robert Harvey, citizen and grocer of London, dated 6 Sept. 1608, proved 9 Sept. 1608 in P.C.C., mentions brother Nicholas Awdley and his wife.

On pp. 354-5 is a letter from "'Tewars," giving identity of some persons mentioned in Hugh Audley's will, including Mrs. Sarah Methwold, who was dau. and coheir of Sir Richard Deane, knt., Lord Mayor of London. in 1628, and mard. 1st William Rolfe, M.P., of Enford, Wilts. (died 1646), and 2nd 1653 William Methwold (died 1653). It also tells us that Sir Thomas Gardiner, Recorder of London, and afterwards Solicitor General to Charles I. (died 1652), in his will of 1649 mentions lands conveyed in 1646 to his "good friend Mr. Hugh Audley, of the Inner Temple, London, Esq., and to his two nephews William and Robert Harvey," which are to be sold to pay debts to said Hugh Audley.

Mr. Carthew's article, which embodies much research, includes tabular pedigrees of the Harveys, Bonfoys and Davieses to which reference should be made. And at pp. 356-59 is an unsigned article on "Sir Thomas Davies, Lord Mayor 1676-7."

In my preliminary remarks to this Pedigree I have made general allusion to Mr. Gatty's big work on Mary Davies and the Manor of Edbury. I will now give detailed references to facts recorded there of which I have made use:

- i43. 1626, March 1 Sir Lionel Cranfield, Earl of 'Middlesex, Nicholas Herman and Thomas Catchmay, sell the freehold of Manor of Edbury to Hugh Awdeley for £9,400.
  - i., 76-8, "Thomas Audly of London son and heir of John Audly of Sutton in ye County of Kent Gentelman & Maudlin his wife daughter of John Hare of London Esquier" obtained from William Camden, on 7 Oct. 1608, confirmation of his arms as Or a Fess Cottised between three Conyes Sable Mantled Sable Doubled Argent, and for his crest on a Torse of his colours a Marrtlett Or beaked winged and tuffed Sable.
  - i, 79. Part of Hugh Audley's youth spent in service of his mother's brother, John Hare, Prothonotary in the Court of Wards and Liveries, in whose office he got an insight into the working of that institution. In 1604 Hugh Awdeley and Richard Chamberlayne got nominations for clerkships in the Court, to which they were appointed in 1619.
  - I., 82., Hugh Audley acted as clerk of the Court from 1619 to 1643, and as keeper of the records from 1644 onwards.
  - i., 87. Hugh Audley esq, ordered by House of Commons, on 16 Feb. 1649, to take the oath and serve as High Sheriff of Norfolk, under a penalty of £1000. This order was confirmed on 26 Feb, 1649.
  - i., 97. He held the Manor of Ebury from 1626 to 1662, though selling a few small parcels during that period.
  - i, 125-7. In 1647 he settled the Manor on Robert Harvey, of Goodmanchester, co. Hunts., son of his late sister Sarah, "for the consideration of the actual love and affection which he did bear unto him," But in Sept. 1656 he revoked that settlement, and re-settled it "to the use and behoof of Nicholas Bonfoy, son of Samuel Bonfoy, Gent., deceased, son of Alice Clarke, widow, deceased, sister of Hugh Awdeley," for his life, and then to Hugh, his eldest son. And in Mch. 1657 he made a fresh settlement, this time on John Rea and Ann his wife, after his death, a later settlement of Oct. 1660 only extending the number of life beneficiaries. But it was actually revoked on 10 Oct, 1661, by a deed leasing it to Nicholas and Thomas Bonfoy and Alexander Davies; and a final arrangement of 1 Nov. 1662, a fortnight before his death, settled all his

Middlesex property on Thomas and Alexander Davies. It should be mentioned that though this property has turned out so immensely valuable, it was not in Hugh Audley's lifetime the plum of his possessions.

- 132-3 The entry of his burial in the Temple Church is as follows:--"Hugh Awdley of the Inner Temple Esq. was buried at upper end of the South isle where the Vestry now standeth the one and twentieth day of November 1662." The Grosvenor archives include the bill for the funeral expenses for the Buriall of the worshppll Hugh Audley Esqe, one of the Masters of the Bench of the Honble Societie of the Inner Temple, in the south Isle of the high Chancell of the Temple Church, upon Fryday night, November 21th 1662."
- i., 138. According to Seymour, Hugh Audley's father left "Manors, lands and tenements among his children
- i., 144. His brother Thomas made him his residuary legatee and writes of him as "my right-well-beloved brother Hugh Awdeley whom I make my executor in respect of that confident trust which I have ever found and do repose in him."
- i., 156. Smyth's *Obituary*, on 24 Dec. 1652, has this entry:—"John Daves, Old Jury, Broaker, **a** prisoner in Ludgate, buried in St. Olave's Old Jury; his son Tho. Daves, a bookseller, was afterwards an Alderman and Lord Mayor of London, enriched by the legacy of Hugh Audley." Plate XI., facing this same page, is a photograph of a pedigree of the Davies family:--

John Audley of Sutton in Com Kant Gnt
— Maudlin da of John Hare of London Esq
Elizabeth da. of John Audley of Sutton after coheire of Hugh Audley of ye Inner Templ. London esq (cont below)
— married 1st Stephen Pecock (see below and for children of first marriage)
—married 2 <sup>nd</sup> John Jennings of London
— Elizabeth
└─ Sarah
— Thomas ob. s. p.
— Nicholas
— Hugh
— Alice ux. Sebastian Bonfoy of London
Sarah ux Robert Harvy of London Grocer
Robert Pocock of Aylsford in Com. Kant. Gnt.
— Jane
—Jeremy ob. s. p.
Robert ob. s. p.
—John ob. s. p.
Stephen Peacock of London (cont from above)
marr Elizabeth da. Of John Audley of Sutton aftrt coheire of Hugh Audley of ye Inner Templ. London esq (cont from above)
☐ Mary da & heire of Stephen Peacock of London (cont below)
John Davies of Barkby in Com. Leic
└─ John Davies of London, Draper and Merchant Adventurer
— Mary da & heire of Stephen Peacock of London (cont from bove)
— Sir Thomas Davies Knight abd Alderman of London aet 40 in 1672
— marr Elizab da. of Willm Ridges of London Esq
Thomas sonn & heir aet 2 Ao 1672
⊢ Alexander Davies of London

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marr Mary da of Richard Dukson Dr in Divini Mary da & coheir Feb 7 Ao 1672	ty & rector of St Clemnt Danes
—William Davies	
└─ Judith da of Abraham Moon of London`	
Dorothy ux. Georgii Small of London	THOMAS DAVIES.

- i., 158. Admission to Merchant Taylors School:--"Davies Alexander second son of John draper, born in Olaves Jewry 17 Apl. 1636."
- i, 169. Baptism from registers of St. Giles in the Fields:---"3 Feb. 1664-5, Mary, Dau of Alexander Davies Esqr and Mary his wife borne the 17 day of January last and baptized this third day of February.
- Smyth's *Obituaries*, under 3 July 1665. has:--"Alexander Davis, scrivener, died at Westminster, suspected (not retorned) of the plague; his mother Mis Davis in Old Jury, died there." A petition to the Lord Chancellor, of 10 May 1694, states that Alexander "died of the plague." His tombstone at St. Margaret's records:—"Here lyeth interred the Body of Alexander Davis of Ebury in the County of Middlesex Esquire who dyed July 2nd Anno Domini 1665, aetatis suae 30."
- I 174. Admon. of the estate of Alexander Davies, late of the parish of Margaret Westminster, decd., was granted on 6 July 1665, in the Peculiar Court of Westminster, to Mary Davies, the relict.
- ii 183. A Commission at Chester in 1705 adjudicated Dame Mary Grosvenor mentally incapable of managing her affairs, which were placed in the hands of trustees. ii., 195. Dame Mary lived at Vale Royal, in Cheshire, till the death of her custodian, Francis Cholomondeley, in July 1713, when she was transferred to the care of Sir Richard Myddelton, at Chirk Castle, at whose death she went back to Vale Royal, to Charles Cholomondeley. But later she returned to Chirk. She was buried at Eccleston on 15 Jan. 1730.
- ii., 211-12. Mts. Tregonwell, mother of Dame Mary Grosvenor, made her will on 6 June 1717 and died on 11 July 1717. Her grave at St. Margaret's, Westminster, bears this inscription:—"Here also lyeth Mary Tregonwell Wife first of ye said Alexander Davis afterwards of John Tregonwell of Dorset Esq and Daughter of Richard Dukeson D.D. She was a Lady of Exemplary Piety and Charity and dyed universally lamented on the eleventh day of July 1717 Aged 75 years." John Tregonwell died in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft, London, and admon. of his estate was granted to Mary his relict in Mch. 1682.

# Was the Mother of Hugh Audley "The Userer" Margaret or Maudelin Hare?

#### Introduction

Chapter 12 of Audley Pedigrees written by A. L Reade describes the family History of Hugh Audley who was Baptised on the 13th January 1576/7 at St Michael's Church Wood Street, London.

There is no disputing that his Father was John Audley who was Buried at St Michael's Wood Street. Audley Pedigrees contains transcriptions from the Parish Registers of that Church and it records the Burial of two people called John Audley one dated 12<sup>th</sup> October 1577 and the other 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1577/8. (Comment: As an aside to the main subject of this file John Audley's Death is probably the latter as a posthumous Son George Audley, was Baptised on the 30th August 1579 at St Michael's, Wood Street, and was Buried there on the 26th December 1593. The other John Audley burial could have been the Death of another of his Sons) Whilst it is not clear which burial is the burial of Hugh Audley's Father John Audley, it is clear that Hugh Audley could not have been very old when his Father died.

On the other hand there is significant uncertainty regarding the name of the Mother of Hugh Audley.

Audley Pedigrees states that John Audley married Maudlin the Daughter of John Hare, although "Audley Pedigrees" does not give a reference from a Parish Register. Following John Audley's Death his Widow becomes the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wife of William Harvey. Audley Pedigrees states that "William Harvey married 2nd Maudlin, Widow of John Audley" and that "thenceforward she was called Margaret, evidently to distinguish her from his 1<sup>st</sup> Wife". This statement is made even though the Marriage record in the St Michael's Wood Street, Parish Register records that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1580/1 William Harvey married his 2<sup>nd</sup> Wife Margaret Awdley. William Harvey's 1<sup>st</sup> Wife Maudlin Bawkin whom he Married on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 1560.

Audley Pedigrees is not the only document (or internet website) that refers to John Audley's Wife as Maudelin there are several. Some refer to her as "Maudelin or Margaret."

The aim of this document is to demonstrate that John Audley's Wife was Margaret (and not Maudlin) the Daughter of John Hare.

# **Evidence for her name being Margaret**

As far as www.audleyfamilyhistory.com is concerned the key pieces of evidence that "Audley Pedigrees does not consider is:

- The Will of John Hare.
- The Baptism of Margaret Hare on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 1542

# The Will of John Hare.

The Will of John Hare (National Archive ref PROB11/48) is 5 pages long and was dated the 25th

day of August 1564, some 13 years before the Death of John Audley. Therefore if John Hare refers to his Daughter in his Will it will be in her true name.

There are two references in John Hare's Will to his Daughter, Margaret, and no reference to a Daughter called Maudlin. If fact in one of the references to Margaret he refers to her as the Wife of John Audley.

#### The evidence is as follows:

Illustration 1 shows a copy of part of one line from page 2 of John Hare's will

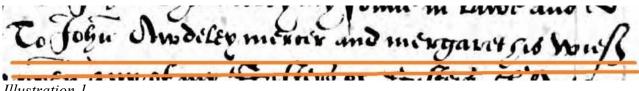


Illustration 1

Even to the untrained eye it states:

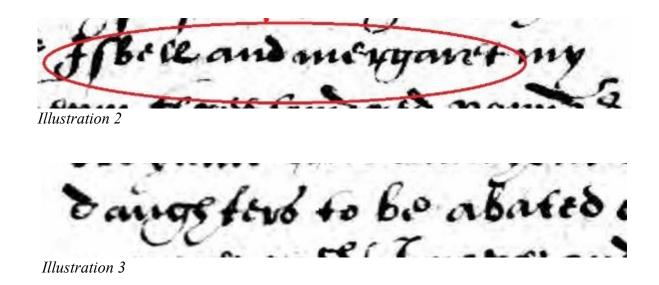
"To John Audley, mercer, and Margaret his Wife"

This section of the Will states:

"Alderman and to my Lady his Wife To Mr. Roger Martin Aldermanne To Mr. Edward Jackmanne Alderman To Sir Thomas Gresham Knighte and my Lady his Wife To master William Hawtrie and his wiff To myy cosins Michaell Hare and his wife To Master Thomas Rowse and my Cosin his wiff To my Cosens Robert Hare, William Hare and Thomazine Hare To Mr Thomas Tymperley To Mr. Thomas Geton and his wyff to Mr Francis Barnham Draper and his wyf To my Sister-in-Law Elizabethe Danby And to my owne sister Agnes Lingley To my cosin Robert Loffe sonn and heire of Hugh Loffe deceased To Mr. Thomas Maston haberdasher and his wyf to Arthur Dawbney and his wife To Thomas Blunte mercer To William Leonerd mercer To Henrie Hawe of Dudlington in the Countie of Norfolk and to his wife To John Chalmeley my son-in-lawe and Isabell his wife To Robert Taylor mercer To John Audley, mercer, and Margaret his Wife Provided always that yet? It shall happen any of my sisters or sisters children or any other person or personnes to whom there is any bequest legacie or devise before given willed or bequeathed to be departed this transition ... before my decease Then I will that Legacie and bequeste be made to the partie or parties devised? To be frustrate? Voyde and of none effecte onelie excepted the legacie and bequeste made to my daughter Chemleis children which I will shalbe to the Survyvour Survivours in suche sonte? As I have before willed And whereas my Cosin Hugh Loffe deceased hathe by his last Will and Testament in writing beinge date the ffourthe day in maii in the yere of our Lord god a thousand five hundred fyftie and five devised and given one tenement called the Lyon m Whitchurche together with all the Lands Tenements Meddows and pastures that he purchased of Edward Stockwood dwelling at Lalam? To his wyff for terme of her lyef the remeynder thereof

to Robert Loffe his sonne and to the heirs. (end of page)".

Illustrations 2 & 3 below shows a copy of the end of one line and the start of the following line from page 1 of John Hare's will.



The above illustrations states

"Isabel and Margaret my daughters"

#### This section of the Will states:

"First I will after my funerals solemnized my will proved and my debtes paid my gooddes and moveables to be equallie devided into three severall and equall partes The one parte to my wyff the other to my children and the third to myself accordinge to the ordynnaces? And annoyent en-tom? Of this Cittie: Saving Isabel and Margaret my daughters to be abated of their portions everie of them three hundred pounds a piece which I gave and paide to their husbands at before and since the day of their saide severall marriages. But my mynde is if it shall happen any surplusage of my gooddes after my dethe upon devision made according to the ---- of the cittie amonge my other children."

No reference to anyone called Maudlin has been identified in John Hare's Will.

# The Baptism of Margaret Hare 9th July 1542 at St Marylebone London

Illustration 4 shows the Baptism of Margaret Hare.

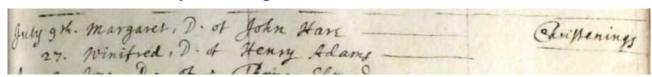


Illustration 4

Her name is clearly Margaret.

Unfortunately we have not been able to identify the Baptism of Isabel Hare.

There is the Marriage of a Margaret Hare to a Thomas Gret on the 29<sup>th</sup> October 1568 at St Giles, Cripplegate Church, London; but this has been discounted as having any relevance to this family as it does not tie in with John Hare's Will.

# The evidence for her name being Maudelin

It is known that William Harvey married Maudlin Bawkin his 1<sup>st</sup> Wife on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 1560 at St Mary Magdalen, Milk Street, London. See Illustration 5 below



Illustration 5

www.audleyfamilyhistory.com aims to argue that the name Maudelin is incorrectly attributed to John Audley's Wife, and comes from the name of William Harvey's 1<sup>st</sup> Wife.(John Audley's Widow became William Harvey's second Wife)

The visitations recorded in "Audley Pedigrees" that record Maudlyn Hare as the Wife of John Audley were undertaken in the period around 1664, this is approximately 70 years after her Death. She was Buried on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 1593/4 as Margaret, Wife of William Harvye.

The visitation of Hertfordshire in "Audley Pedigrees" is dated 1572 and records Maudlin Hare as having had as her first Husband, John Audley, and her second Husband was William Harvey; however this conflicts with the Parish Registers which show that John Audley did not die until 1577 or 1577/8 and William Harvey did not marry his second Wife until 1580!! i.e the visitation record could not have been written in 1572

The visitation of Hertfordshire in 1572 is in Vol 22 of the Harleian Society and can be read on line at http://www.heraldry-online.org.uk/HarleianPublications2.htm. Having looked at this document we cannot find the family tree included in "Audley Pedigrees".

## **Conclusion**

In our opinion the most reliable information is that recorded at the time, namely the Births Marriages and Deaths recorded in Parish Registers and Wills. To us information's from visitations are of a lower level of reliability as, we believe, they are recorded by talking to and writing down what people say regarding their ancestry. We are not sure how much detailed checking was undertaken, regarding these Visitations

As the result of the above we conclude that the Mother of Hugh Audley and the Wife of John Audley was Margaret Hare and nor Maudlin Hare.

## NARRATIVE PEDIGREE

**{XA1}** JOHN AUDLEY, of St. Michaels, Wood Street, London, mercer, and of Sutton, co. Kent, esq., burd. 22 Feb. 1577/8 at St. Michael's, Wood Street. Admon. granted 18 May 1579 in P.C.C., and renounced; and re-granted 5 Oct. 1586 in P.C.C. Married, before 25<sup>th</sup> August 1564 to Margaret, dau. of John Hare, of London, mercer, sister of John Hare, Prothonotary of the Court of Wards and Liveries, and related to Hugh Hare 1606 ?-67), 1st Lord Coleraine; (Comment: the date of the marriage of John Audley to Margaret Hare of before 25th August 1564 is based on the fact that John Hare in his Will dated 25th August refers to John Audley and his Wife Margaret.). Margaret Hare was Baptised on the 9th July 1542 at St Marylebone, London. Margaret was re-married. 2 Feb. 1580/1 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, to {XH1} William Harvey, as his 2nd Wife, and Buried there 14 Jan 1593/4. William Harvey was citizen and grocer of London, and Deputy to Alderman of Ward of Cripplegate Buried. 20th March. 1597/8 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, aged 68; Will dated 9th March. 1597/8, proved 24th March.1597/8 in P.C.C. William Harvey married. 1stly Maudlin Bawkin on 26th May 1560 at St Mary Magdalen, Milk Street, London and by her, who was Buried on the 16 Nov. 1580 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, had with other issue, a Son Robert, of whom later. William Harvey married. 2ndly Margaret, Widow of John Audley, as above, and had issue by her a Son. (Comment: Some of the supporting evidence suggests that the Wife of John Audley was Maudelin Hare; see the section in the Supporting Evidence Section of this file that discusses whether John Audley's Wife was Margaret or Maudelin Hare.)

{XH2} William Harvey, Citizen and Grocer of London; Baptised on the 5th May 1582 at St. Michael's, Wood Street; mentioned as "Brother" in Will of Mrs. Sarah Harvey (nee Audley), on 27th October 1638, as "Brother" in Will of Thomas Audley on 2 Apl. 1641, and as "half Brother" in Will of Hugh Audley on the 4th November 1662, when still alive.

{XH1} William Harvey married. 3rdly Joan, dau. Of ????, who was Buried on the

23rd May 1598 in St. Matthews, Friday Street, London. John Audley had issue by Maudlin Hare his Wife,

- I {XA2} JOHN AUDLEY was Buried on the 12<sup>th</sup> October 1577 at St Michael's Church, Wood Street.(Comment: There is no information suggesting that this John Audley {XA2} is related to {XA1} other than they were Buried in the same Church yard, one 4 months later than the other. A.L. Reade in the "Audley Pedigrees" makes no mention of {XA2} other than suggesting the 12<sup>th</sup> October was an alternative date for the Death of {XA1})
- I. {XA3} THOMAS AUDLEY, of St. Martin's Outwich, Bishopsgate, London, Citizen and Mercer; Born in Parish. of St. Michael's, Wood Street; confirmation of his arms by William Camden, 7th October. 1608; Died about March. 1641/2, unmarried. Will dated 2 Apl. 1641; Amon. Granted 23rd October 1644 in Commissary Court of London, and 16th July 1645 and 28th May 1679 in P.C.C.
- II. {XA4} NICHOLAS AUDLEY, of London, Citizen and Grocer; Baptised. 27th February. 1573/4 at St.Michael's, Wood Street; purchased the Manor of Popesfield, St. Peter's, Herts., in 1610 and sold it in 1615; said in May 1623 to have boasted that he was "worth £20,000"; had no Children on 24th May 1623. Married. Elizabeth, sister to John Nedham, of Snelston, co. Derby, Gent, before 6th September. 1608. He and his Wife were living 13th February. 1626/7, but Died without issue.
- III {XA5} HUGH AUDLEY, baptised. 13th January. 1576/7 at St. Michael's, Wood Street; admitted Student at. Inner Temple in November. 1603, and called to the Bar in 1611; Registrar of the Court of Wards and Liveries from 1619 to 1643, and Keeper of the Records from 1644; of Buckenham Castle, co. Norfolk, and High Sheriff of that County 1649/50. The celebrated "Usurer," who Died unmarried., and "infinitely rich," on the 15th November, 1662, at house of Rev. Richard Dukeson, D.D., Rector of St. Clement Dane's, of whom hereafter, and was Buried in the 'Inner Temple Church. Will dated the 4th November. 1662, proved 24th November 1662 in P.C.C.
  - (For more information about  $\{XA5\}$  from other sources see **Appendix 1**.)
- IV {XA6} GEORGE AUDLEY, Baptized on the 30th August. 1579 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, and Buried there 26th December 1593.

- I. {XA7} ELIZABETH AUDLEY, Baptised 3rd September. 1564 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, and buried. there 20th August. 1573.
- {XA8} ALICE AUDLEY, Baptised on the 31st August 1565, at St. H Michael's, Wood Street; Married 1st on the 4th March 1582 at St Anne's Blackfriars, London to Sebastian Bonfoy, of St. Andrew's, Holborn, Merchant, and Feather-Dresser to Queen Elizabeth I, who was Born in Co. Middlesex, and lived in Black Friars, near. Ludgate. (He had previously been married see comment below) Sebastian Bonfoy Died and was Buried on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1593, at St Anne's Blackfriars. She Married 2nd on the 5<sup>th</sup> June 1597, at All Hallows the Less Church, City of London to John Clarke, of Lincolns Inn, Esq, and perhaps had issue by him. She was alive on the 27th October. 1638, but Died before September 1656, leaving issue by her 1st Husband, (Comment. It would appear that Sebastian Bonfoy had been married prior to his Marriage to {XA8} Alice Audley. It would appear that he married first to a Julian? Franke on the 19th February 1565, at All Hallows the Less Church, City of London. By his 1st Wife he had the following children; Elizabeth Baptised on the 8th December 1570; Peter, Baptised on the 2nd May 1577, and Buried on the  $3^{rd}$  May 1577; A Son whose name is uncertain (possibly J? ay) who was Buried on the 4th June 1577; Susan Baptised on the 6th February 1579; Jane, Buried on the 5th November 1581. (Comment: We have not been able to identify the date of Burial of his 1st Wife.)
  - A. {XB7} Nicholes Bonfoy, Baptised on the 16<sup>th</sup> June 1583 at St Anne's Church, Blackfriars, London. (Comment: It should be noted that in the baptism record his Forename is spelt Nicholes). (Comment: as this document has been created as part of a study unto the Audley surname this person has not been fully researched)
  - B. {XB8} Mary Bonfoy, Baptised on the 18<sup>th</sup> April 1585, at St Anne's Church, Blackfriars. She married on the 9<sup>th</sup> May 1605 at St Mary Bothaw Church, City of London, to John Hide (Comment: as this document has been created as part of a study unto the Audley surname this person has not been fully researched)
  - C. {XB9} Elizabeth Bonfoy, Baptised on the 18<sup>th</sup> July 1588, at St Anne's Church, Blackfriars. (Comment: as this document has been created as part of a study unto the Audley surname this person has not been fully researched)

- D. {XB1} Samuel Bonfoy, of Heese Co Middlesex; he was Baptised on the 24<sup>th</sup> August 1589, at St Anne's Church, Blackfriars, London. He married, Audrey, Daughter of John Wilford, of the Isle of 'Wight, a Gent, and had issue,
  - (1) {XB2} Nicholas, Bonfoy, of St. Helen's, London, Merchant; in 1662 had lands in Abbots Ripton, co. Hunts., settled on him by his Great-Uncle, Hugh Audley; of Heese, co. Middlesex, Esq., 1663; Died November. 1672, Intestate. Married, Mary, only dau of Nicholas Shepheard, of Sudbury, co. Middlesex, by Anne his Wife, dau of William Millen, of Harrow-on-the-Hill; Born circ 1634; mar. lic. issued 5th October. 1650, for All Hallows in the Wall, Will; dated February. 1690. From Nicholas Bonfoy descended the Roopers of Abbots Ripton, who retained Hugh Audley's property there until about 1870, when they sold it to Lord de Ramsey, though they still own the advowson.
  - (2) {XB3} Sir Thomas Bonfoy, Alderman of London; Baptised 4<sup>th</sup> May 1621 at St Botolph's Church, London. Knighted on the 27th April 1665; Will dated the 8th October 1669. Left issue by Lettice his Wife, Daughter of Sir Thomas Barker, of Battesford and Ringshall, Co. Suffolk.
  - (3) {XB4} Samuel Bonfoy, of Uxbridge; Baptised on the 11<sup>th</sup> July 1618 at St Botolph's, London. Died at Thorne, co. Yorks. Admon granted on the 13th May 1658. Left issue by Mary his Wife, Daughter of Sir John Rea, Citizen and Scrivener of London.
  - (4) {XB12} William Bonfoy, Baptised on the 16<sup>th</sup> June 1622, at St Botolph's, London, and was Buried on the 26<sup>th</sup> June 1622, at St Botolph's Church, London.
  - (5) {XB13} John Bonfoy, Buried on the 10<sup>th</sup> May 1623, at St Botolph's Church, London.
  - (6) {XB14} Anne Bonfoy, Baptised on the 21<sup>st</sup> December 1623, at St Botolph's Church, London, and Buried on the 26<sup>th</sup> December 1623, at St Botolph's Church, London..
  - (7) {XB15} Andrew Bonfoy, Baptised on the 24<sup>th</sup> April 1625, at St Botolph's Church, London.

- (8) {XB5} Sarah Bonfoy, Baptised on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1631 at St Botolph's Church, London.
- (9) {XB6} Another Daughter (according to A. L. Reade), both Married, one to Cornfield.
- D {XB10} Rebecca Bonfoy, Baptised on the 7<sup>th</sup> February 1590, at St Anne's Church, Blackfriars. (Comment: as this document has been created as part of a study unto the Audley surname this person has not been fully researched)
- E. {XB11} Hughe Bonfoy, Baptised on the 13<sup>th</sup> August 1593, at St Anne's Church, Blackfriars. (Comment: as this document has been created as part of a study unto the Audley surname this person has not been fully researched)
- III. {XA9} SARAH AUDLEY, Baptised 21st September. 1566 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, Married on the 28th April.1584, at St. Michael's, Wood Street, to Robert Harvey; Died in Paresh. of St. Olave's, Old Jewry; Buried. 11th January. 1638/9 at St. Michael's, Wood Street; Will dated 27th October 1638, with Codicil of 24th December. 1638, and admon. granted 30th January. 1638/9 in P.C.C. Robert Harvey, her Husband, born March. 1561, Citizen and Grocer of London, was he of the name mentioned above, Son of her Stepfather, William Harvey, by Maudlin his first Wife. Robert Harvey, who was Comptroller of the Custom House, and Warden of the Grocers' Co., Died at his house in Old Jewry, and was Buried. 9th September. 1608 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, in his Father's grave, aged 47 years, 5 months and 10 days; Will dated 6th September. 1608, proved 9th September. 1608, in P.C.C. He had issue by Sarah Audley.
  - 1. {XH3} John Harvey, Baptised. 23rd September. 1585 at St. Michael's, Wood Street; living as eldest Son 6th September. 1608; Died young.
  - 2. {XH4} Thomas Harvey, Died young.
  - 3 {XH5} William Harvey, of London, Alderman, and of Low Layton, co. Essex, eldest surviving Son; Baptised. 25th September. 1599 at Bow Chapel; lived at Bunhill, nr. Artillery Gardens. Will dated 16th

February. 1676/7, proved 26th March. 1678 in P.C.C.; to be Buried. at St. Michael's, Wood Street. Married. Sarah (or Mary?), dau. of William Barrett, of London, Grocer, and had issue,

- {XH6} Robert Harvey, of London, Merchant, and of Low Leyton, (1) co, Essex; Died September. 1695. Married on the 5th June 1662 at St Botolph, Aldersgate, to Rebecca, dau. Of John Bowater, (Comment: as John Bowater had two wives it has not been determined by which wife he had Rebecca) of London, and had issue. (Comments: It is believed that the pedigree contained in Vol 6 page 154 of Herald & Genealogist is incorrect in that it suggests that they Married about 1637 when the Parish Register gives their Marriage as 5<sup>th</sup> June 1662. It is also believed that the Children of Robert Harvey and Rebecca Bowater in the Herald and Genealogist are incorrect. Whilst listing the issue of Robert Harvey and Rebecca Bowater is beyond the scope of www.audleyfamilyhistory.com it is suggested that anyone interested in their issue should look at "An Inventory of the Historical Monuments in Essex" Volume 2, 1921. This document records the following floor-slab in the Tower of the Parish Church of St Mary the Virgin, Low Leyton: to Robert Harvey, 1695, Rebecca, his Wife, 1691, and Robert, Thomas, 1668, Mary, 1669, and Benjamin, 1669, their Children, with shield of arms;)
- (2) {XH7} Hugh Harvey, Citizen and Grocer of London; living 4th November. 1662 and 16th February 1676/7.
- (3) {XH8} Benjamin Harvey, of London, Embroiderer; Major of the Trained Bands in the City of London; living 4th November. 1662 and 16 February 1676/7.
- (1) {XH9} Elizabeth Harvey, Married. Joseph Rendall, of London, Grocer, who was alive 16th February 1676/7, and had issue.
- (2) {XH10} Sarah Harvey, Born *circa 1645*; Married., under *licence*. Of 27th June 1665, Ambrose Holbeche, of Mollington, co. Warwicks., who was Born *circa* 1635. Both were living 16th February. 1676/7, and had issue.
- 4 {XH11} Robert Harvey, Citizen and Grocer of London, and of Denham House, Queynton, co. Bucks.; had Manors and Estates in Essex, Notts., Lincoln, Warwicks., Wilts., and Northants., settled

on him by his Great-Uncle Hugh Audley, on the 30th September. 1656; Died *circa* 1676, aged *circa* 74, at Denham House. Married. Susan, dau. of Augustine Parker, of Ipswich, co. Suffolk, who Died September. 1678, having had issue,

- (1) {XH12} John Harvey, of Ickwellbury, par. of Northill, co. Bedford; aged 52 in 1682. He married and had issue, from whom descends the present Audley Harvey family of Ickwell Bury.
- (2) {XH13} Thomas Harvey, Died young.
- (3) {XH14} Hugh Harvey, of Cambridge, and of Cole Park, Wilts., died 1677. Married. Mary, dau. of John Alston, of Ipswich, and had issue.
- (4) {XH15} Robert Harvey, of Stockton, co. Warwicks.; aged 42 in 1682. Married, Barbara, dau. of Edward Pilkington, of Walbrook, London, Apothecary, under Licence. Issued 22nd November. 1671, and had issue.
- (1) {XH16} Susannah Harvey, Born *circa* 1645; mard., under *Licence*. Issued 12th January. 1671/2, to William Ayloff, of Nether Chishall, co. Essex, and afterwards of Northill, co. Bedford, Esq., Born *circa* 1642.
- (2) {XH17} Sarah Harvey, living 4th November. 1662; Married. William Richardson, of London, one of the Cursitors.
- 5.) {XH20} Sarah Harvey, She was unmarried. 6th September 1608, She Married 7<sup>th</sup> December 1609 at St Olave Old Jewry, London to Robert Shirley, of St. Foster's, Westcheap, London, Goldsmith, and was Buried. 13 Apl. 1619 at St. Michael's, Wood Street, with her Father and Grandfather, leaving issue by her Husband, who survived her.
- 6.) {XH21} Mary Harvey, unmarried. 6th September. 1608; Married. before 27th October. 1638 to Gulston, and had issue.
- 7.) {XH22} Magdalen Harvey b1587 in St Olave's Church, Old Jewry, Cirt of London. Baptism: 30th November 1587 Saint Olave, Old Jewry, London and Died sometime between 1627 and the 27<sup>th</sup> October 1638. She Married 1<sup>st</sup> on the 18<sup>th</sup> November 1605 at St Olave Old Jewry, London to Thomas Cuttler. Thomas Cuttler was

Born: 1576 in Aldermanbury St Mary, London and he Died in 1611 in Aldermanbury St Mary, London. She Married 2<sup>nd</sup> on 30th June 1618 at Saint Olave Old Jewry, London to Robert Smith. Robert Smith Died and was Buried on the 24<sup>th</sup> March 1625/6 at St Olave's Old Jewry, London. She Married 3rd on the 27<sup>th</sup> December 1626 at St Olave's, Old Jewry London to John Popham. John Popham was Born about 1590 in Wiltshire and Died, (after his Wife) in 1638/9 in Littlecote, Wiltshire.Magdalene had issue by her first two Husbands. (Comment: The listing of the descendants of Magdalen Harvey is beyond the scope of www.audleyfamilyhistory.com).

- IV **{XA10} BRIDGET AUDLEY**, Baptised 21st November 1567, at St. Michael's, Wood Street, and Buried there 19th May 1569.
- V. **{XA11} MARGERY AUDLEY**, Baptised 8th July 1571, at. St. Michael's, Wood Street, and Buried there 2nd December 1577.
- VI **{XA12} DENNYSE AUDLEY**, Baptised 23rd November 1572, at St. Michael's, Wood Street; Married. ???? Pickering, and Buried there 27th November 1593.
- VII. {XA13} ELIZABETH AUDLEY, Baptised 31st July 1575, at St. Michael's, Wood Street; Married 1<sup>st</sup> Stephen Peacock, of the Custom House, London, Son of Robert Peacock, of Aylesford, co. Kent, and Jane his Wife. By him, who was Dead on 27th October. 1638, she had issue, (More of whom later.)
  - A. {XP1} Mary Peacock, sole dau and Heir; Married John Davies, of Old Jewry, London, Draper and Merchant Adventurer (Son of John Davies, of Barkby, co. Leic.), who Died 24th December 1652, a Prisoner in Ludgate. (In the City of London). She was living a Widow 15th November. 1662, and Died in 1665 in Old Jewry, leaving a Will, and had issue,
    - 1) {XD1} Sir Thomas Davies born *circa* 1632; godson of his Great-Uncle, Hugh Audley; educated at St. Paul's School, with Samuel Pepys; Knighted 23rd October 1667; Master of Stationers' Co. 1668 and 1669; Sheriff of London and Middlesex, 1668; Lord Mayor of London, 1676/7; Died March. 1679/80 aged 47; Buried at St. Sepulchre's, Holbotn. London. Will dated 15th March. 1679, proved 16th April. 1680. Married by Licence. Issued 1st February 1669, to Elizabeth, dau. of William Ridges, of St. Sepulchre's, London,

Esq, who was Born circa 1648, and had issue by her.

- 2) {XD2} Alexander Davies, of London, Scrivener; Born 17th April. 1636, in Parish of St. Olave's, Old Jewry; educated at Merchant Taylors' School; had Manor of Ebury settled on him, 1st November 1662, by his Great-Uncle, Hugh Audley, who had purchased it on 1st March 1626, for £9,400; Died 2nd July 1665, aged 30, of the plague; Buried. at St. Margaret's, Westminster. Admon. granted 6th July 1665 in Peculiar Court of Westminster. Married Mary, dau. of Rev. Richard Dukeson, D.D., Rector Of St. Clement Dane's; she was Born circa 1643, and Married. secondly, at Chelsea, by Licence. issued 15th February. 1665/6, John Tregonwell, of Anderstone Manor, co. Dorset, who was Born circa 1630, and Died in Parish. of St. Andrew Undershaft, London, Admon. of his Estate being granted to Mary, the Relict, in March. I682. She Died 11th July 1717, aged 75, and was Buried. at St. Margaret's, Westminster (Will dated 6th June 1717), having had issue by Alexander Davies,
  - A. {XD3} Mary Davies, only dau and Heir; Born 17th January 1664/5; Baptised 3rd February 1664/5 at St. Giles in the Fields; Married. 10th October. 1677, at St. Clement Dane's, under Licence. of 8th October. 1677, to Sir Thomas Grosvenor, of Eaton, co. Chester, 3rd Bart. (Son of Roger Grosvenor), who was Born 20th November. 1655, and Buried. 2nd July 1700. She died 12th January, 1730, and was Buried. 15th January. 1730 at Eccleston, co. Chester, leaving issue. Her descendant and representative is the Duke of Westminster, whose wealth is mainly derived from the portion of London that has developed on the site of the Manor of Ebury, purchased by her Great-Grand-Uncle, Hugh Audley, in 1626, which she brought to her Husband.
- 3) {XD4} William Davies; Married. Judith, dau. of Abraham Moon, of London.
- (a) {XD5} Sarah Davies, living 6th June 1664 as Wife of John Gournall, of London, Armourer.
- (b) {XD6} Dorothy Davies, Married. George Small, of London.

**{XA13} ELIZABETH AUDLEY** was Married 2nd, after Stephen Peacock's Death, to John Jennings, of London, Upholsterer, and was living as his Widow on 2nd April. 1641, having had further issue by him,

- 1. {XJ1} Sarah Jennings, dau. and Co-heir; Married. ???? Blythe, of London, and had issue.
- 2. {XJ2} Mary Jennings, dau. and Co-heir; unmarried. 27th October. 1638 and 2nd April. 1641; Married. ???? Griffiths of Wales, and was a Widow without issue on 15th November. 1662.

## Appendix 1

(More information about {XA5} from various sources.)

(From W. de G. Birch, "Catalogue of Seals" in the Department of Manuscript in the British Museum, 6 Vols in 14 (London, 1887–1900), nos. (5627, 7016-7028). Information relating to the Audley Seals which the British Library, in London, holds.) (Additional Charter 30822:)

Hugh Awdeley, of the Inner Temple, London, 1628

**{XA5} HUGH AUDLEY, THE "USURER" (1576/7 – 1662)** 

(7024) [A.D. 1628] Red: indistinct.  $3 \times 5$  in. [Add. Ch. 30,822.] 4

(Oval: a shield of arms: quarterly, in the first quarter and indistinct animal. Crest on a helmet, mantling, and wreath uncertain. Cabled Border.)

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A unique gold mourning ring commemorating Hugh Audley, 17th Century Audley's Grand-Nephew Alexander Davies, Thomas' brother, bought out his ...Gold mourning ring of famed 17th c. Lawyer, Sheriff, Usurer found

A unique gold mourning ring commemorating Hugh Audley, 17th Century Lawyer, Sheriff, Property Magnate and rapacious moneylender, has been found in Carleton Rode, Norfolk, eastern England. Metal detectorist John Reed discovered the ring last December and, after expert examination, it was just declared treasure at a coroner's inquest in Norwich.

The ring is made out of 24-carat gold and is engraved on the outside with an elongated skull and crosshatching with a dash at each intersecting point. Black enamel fills in the engraving, emphasizing the skull's features and the crosshatch pattern. It's in excellent condition, with almost all the enamel still in place. There is no enamel in the inscription engraved on the inside of the ring, but it's very readable nonetheless. The inscription is what identifies who the ring is mourning. It reads: "H. Awdeley. ob. 15. nou. 1662." Next to the inscription is a maker's mark, a barely identifiable W inside a shield, which may be the mark of Plymouth Jeweler Richard Willcockes.

Because the inscription is so clear, John Reed was able to research it as soon as he found the ring. He found a Hugh Audley who Died on November 15th, 1662, at the venerable age of 86. Before his Death, he had 11 mourning rings made for his heirs to remember him by. Ten of them were sized for women's fingers, one for a man. If any of the other

10 has survived, we don't know about it.

This was a common practice in the 17th century, not only wearing mourning rings in memory of a dead loved one, but for people to make provisions in their wills to have rings made for specific recipients. The Audley ring design is a classic of the genre, engraved with the deceased name and dates on the inside, a decorative death-themed pattern with black enamel details on the outside. A few years after this ring was made, the mourning ring industry would see an unfortunate boom as a consequence of the Great Plague of London of 1665-6.

Hugh Audley was very rich and famous in his day. He was known as The Great Audley because of his wealth. His death even merited a note in Samuel Pepys' diary:

I hear to-day how old rich Audley is lately dead, and left a very great estate, and made a great many poor family's rich, not all to one. Among others, one Davis, my old schoolfellow at Paul's, and since a bookseller in Paul's Church Yard: and it seems do forgive one man 60,000l. which he had wronged him of, but names not his name; but it is well known to be the Scrivener in Fleet Street, at whose house he lodged.

Pepys is referring to the terms of Audley's will, which spread around the wealth (not all to one). One of his primary beneficiaries was Pepys' friend Thomas Davies, Audley's grand-nephew, a bookseller who would become Sheriff of London in 1667, Master of the Stationers' Company (the publishers' guild of London) in 1668, Master of the Drapers' Company (the cloth merchants' guild) in 1677, and Lord Mayor of London in 1676. I'm sure his inheritance helped make that marked increase in fortune possible. The very large debt of £60,000, worth millions in today's money, which Audley forgave in his Will was owed by Fleet Street writer John Rae. Audley lodged at Rae's house starting in 1654 and wound up taking him to court in 1661.

Audley was something of a Horatio Alger character. A pamphlet published shortly after his death says it all in the title: The way to be rich according to the practice of the Great Audley, who began life with £200 in the year 1605, and dyed worth £400,000, this instant November, 1662. That final sum is the equivalent of \$50 million in today's money. He made this fortune by hustling constantly, basically. Audley began his legal training in 1603 when he was admitted to the Inner Temple, one of London's four professional associations for Lawyers. While he learned the law during the day, at night in the early hours of the morning he taught the same law he had just learned. He published a few tracts while he was at it, and used the profits to build the personal law library he couldn't afford to buy outright.

In 1604, he was appointed a Clerk of the Court of Wards and Liveries, the Court that oversaw all the wards in what would later become Chancery Court (see Dickens' Bleak

House for more on that) where the disposition of Wills was settled. There was a lot of money in this job, because fees would be paid from the wards' fortunes and unscrupulous clerks could nickel and dime them at every turn. Audley was reported to have paid £3000 for this plum position. According to a biography of Hugh Audley written by Isaac D'Israeli, father of future Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli, when someone asked Audley what the value was of his Clerkship, he replied "it might be worth some thousands of pounds to him who after his Death would instantly go to heaven twice as much to him who would go to purgatory and nobody knows what to him who would adventure to go to hell."

At least a few hundred thousand, as it happened. Audley parlayed his Court of Wards windfall into a financial empire. He bailed out the wastrel sons of nobility, bought their debts, extended loans with the estates of their fathers as backing. Charging compound interest (hence the title of Usurer which he bore unconcernedly) he quickly wound up the owner of a great deal of prime real estate. His first major real estate acquisition was the Ebury Estate in Westminster, then on the outskirts of London, now covering much of London's most expensive neighborhood's: Mayfair, Belgravia and Pimlico. He bought it from Lionel Cranfield, Earl of Middlesex, who was deeply in debt and had to sell the property for far less than it was worth. The land where Buckingham Palace would eventually be built belonged to Audley and there's a tiny Mayfair Street named after him.

The Audley estate would become the core of yet another great landowning family, the Grosvenor's, now Dukes of Westminster. Audley's Grand-Nephew Alexander Davies, Thomas' brother, bought out his Brother's share of the inheritance. Alexander bequeathed the former Ebury property to his daughter Mary, and she sadly inherited it when she was just six months old. In 1677, she married Sir Thomas Grosvenor, Baronet, when he was 21 and she was 12. That transactional marriage proved to be a wise one from the Grosvenor's perspective. To this day the family remains one of the biggest landowners in London.

As for the mourning ring, it is currently at the British Museum where it will be valued by experts. A local Norfolk Museum will then be given the opportunity to pay the assessed value to the finder and landowner to secure the ring. If they don't want it, other museums will be given a bite at the apple.