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Discussions for and against the theory that (E29) George Audley is the Son of {T35} George Penlington Audley

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Aim of this document

The Aim of this document is to allow people to comment on the possibility that {T35} George Penlington Audley is the Father of {E29} George Audley; although the evidence in the section titled 'Other Audley Families' goes against the theory.

It is known that George Penlington Audley was Baptised at Nantwich, Cheshire, on the 28th June 1776 and Died on the 26th May 1806 aged 29, a member of the Royal Newfoundland Regiment of Fencible Infantry in Nova Scotia, Canada. In his Will, George Penlington Audley requests that after paying his debts the remainder of his estate is given to his Wife and child. Unfortunately he does

not give the names of either his Wife or child. His will was addressed to his Sister and his Will was proved in 1815 by his Sister Joan Lownds Penlington Sims.

This document intends to demonstrate its aim by showing that:

- 1. {T35} George Penlington Audley was a member of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment (by comparison of signatures from the monthly pay-books from the Royal Newfoundland Regiment with those of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment)
- 2. {T35} was a member of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment from the date it was raised on the 17th November 1794, and until the Regiment was disbanded in 1801-1802.
- 3. The Cheshire Fencible Regiment were stationed in Bantry, Co Cork, in Ireland
- 4. {T35} Married Margaret Blair of Bantry on the 11th June 1802 in the same month that the Cheshire Fencible Regiment 'marched back to England'.
- 5. {T35} was back in Chester, England in August 1802 when the Regiment was Disbanded
- 6. That the Son of {T35} was Born and Baptised in 1803 in Liverpool. If this theory is correct then this is the Birth of {E29} George Audley. The difficulty with this theory is that the headstone for the Death of {E29} indicates that he was Born in 1801. The Birth of {E29} in 1801 is what the family believe to be correct.
- 7. That the Regimental records for the Cheshire Fencible Regiment and the Royal Newfoundland Regiment of Fencible Infantry, allow for a logical transition of George Audley from one Regiment to the other.
- 8. That the Wife of {T35} and if this theory is correct the Mother of {E29} remarried in County Cork Ireland in 1825.
- 9. That the claim on Audley Land reported in Letters was a claim on the Will of {T34}Ralph Audley the Father of {T35}, of Nantwich, Cheshire.

The arguments for and against the theory.

1. {T35} was a member of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment (by comparison of signatures from the monthly pay-books from the Royal Newfoundland Regiment with those of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment.).

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It is known from the Will of {T35} that he was a member of the Royal Newfoundland Fencible Regiment. Appendix 3 in the 'History of Audley Family T' file; page 68, compares the signatures from the pay-books of the Royal Newfoundland Fencible Regiment with those of the Cheshire Fencible regiment for 'George Audley'. From the signatures it is concluded that {T35} was in the Cheshire Fencible Regiment prior to joining the Royal Newfoundland Regiment.

2. {T35} was a member of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment from the date it was raised to the date it was disbanded.

Wikipedia https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_British_fencible_regiments indicates that the Cheshire Fensible Regiment was raised on 17th November 1794 and disbanded in 1801-1802.

Appendix 1 in the 'History of Audley Family T' file summarises all the pay records of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment held at the National Archives at Kew. Looking at Pay lists it shows that the Cheshire Fencible Regiment was raised on the 17th November 1794 at was disbanded on the 12th August 1802. George Audley was a member of the Regiment from the date it was raised 17th November 1794 until the date it was disbanded 12th August 1802. George Audley started as a Lieutenant in Lieutenant Colonel's Company. He became a Captain Lieutenant in the Colonel's Company in May 1798, and in August 1799, he became the Captain of his own Company

3. The Cheshire Fencible Regiment were stationed in Bantry, Co Cork, in Ireland

Appendix 1 in the 'History of Audley Family T' file summarises all the pay records of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment at the National Archives at Kew. Up to October 1801 the Pay lists give no idea as to where the Regiment was stationed. The pay-lists changed in October 1801, and for the period November 1801 to May 1802 the Regiment was stationed at Bantry and Skibbereen, Co Cork. In June 1802 the Regiment is recorded as 'On March to England' and in July 1802 Stationed at Chester, in Cheshire, England. Conclusion the Regiment was stationed at Bantry,

4. {T35} Married Margaret Blair of Bantry on the 11th June 1802 in the same month that the Cheshire Fencible Regiment marched back to England

The image below is from the Cork Mercantile Chronicle of 16th June 1802

MARRIED.—In Bandon, last Friday, Mr. Abraham Ellis' of this City, Chandler, to Miss Sweeny, daughter to Mr. James Sweeny, of Bandon ——Last week, Captain George Andley, to Miss Blair, of Bantry.

DIED — Last Wednesday, Mrs. Wrixon, mother to Henry

Comment received through the Rootschat website notes that the marriage took place in 11th June 1802 at Christ Church (also known as Holy Trinity) on South Main Street, in Cork City.

Appendix 1 in the 'History of Audley Family T' file; shows that Captain George Audley was absent with leave during June 1802 and the rest of his company were 'Marching back to England' during June 1802.

It is concluded that as the Regiment was returning to England it was an appropriate time for Captain George Audley to marry Margaret Blair of Bantry, so that she could return to England with him.

5. {T35} was back in Chester England in August 1802 when the Regiment was Disbanded.

The July 1802 Pay-List shows that Captain George Audley and his Company were stationed at Chester and the Company was disbanded and paid until 12th August 1802

6. That the Son of {T35} was Born and Baptised in 1803 in Liverpool. If this theory is correct then this is the Birth of {E29} George Audley. The difficulty with this theory is that the headstone for the Death of {E29} indicates that he was Born in 1801. The Birth of {E29} in 1801 is what the family believe to be correct.

The following image from the Baptism records from St Matthew's' Church, Liverpool has:

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	1803 1805 Wife Elizabeth late Pearson	

Born 5th February 1803; Baptised 3rd April 1803, George, Son of George Audley Gentleman (of) Freemasons Row and his Wife Margaret Blair

To us this is clearly the Birth and Baptism record of the son of {T35}. The difficulty is to identify whether or not this record is also the Birth and Baptism record of {E29}

7. That the Regimental records for the Cheshire Fencible Regiment and the Royal Newfoundland allow for a logical transition of George Audley from one regiment to the other.

The records of the Cheshire Fencible Regiment (Appendix 1 in the 'History of Audley Family T' file) show George Audley was in the Cheshire Fencible regiment until 14th August 1802. He was in Liverpool for the Baptism of his Son on the 3rd April 1803. The first time he is recorded in the records of the Royal Newfoundland regiment (Appendix 2 in the 'History of Audley Family T'file) is April 1804 and the first time he is actually recorded with the Regiment is February 1805. So the time line is appropriate for a single person to be in both Regiments.

8. That the Wife of {T35} and if this theory is correct the Mother of {E29} remarried in County Cork Ireland in 1825.

There is a further marriage in The Constitution (Cork Newspaper) published on the 26th July 1825, at the Desert Church on Saturday the 23rd July 1825 by the Reverend James M'Cheane, "Thomas Blair Patterson of Capinaweel Esq, in this County to Margaret Audley of Bantry."

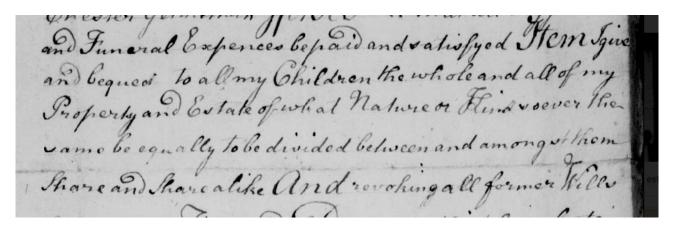
https://durrushistory.files.wordpress.com/2017/03/bantry-kilmocomogue-14th-march-2017-from-1610-some-church-of-ireland-methodist-marriages.pdf has:
1825 Thomas Patterson Fanlobbus (Dunmanway) married Mrs Margaret Audley Bantry.

It would seem logical that Margaret Blair who married {T35} George Audley would return to Ireland after the Death of her Husband in 1806.

Unfortunately the Cork Constitution Newspaper is only included in the British Newspaper Archive from 1825 (five months after the marriage)

9. That the claim on Audley Land reported in Letters was a claim on the Will of {T34} Ralph Audley the Father of {T35}

The Will of Ralph Audley the Father of {T35} states:



'I give and bequet(h) to all my Children the whole and all of my Property and Estate of what Nature or Kind soever the same be equally to be divided between and among them Share and Share alike'.

This can be interpreted that if {E29} was the son of {T35} then as he was a beneficiary of the Will of {T35} he should have been one of the beneficiaries of Ralph Audley the Father of {T35}.

In fact Ralph Audley Died in 1814, and it would appear that the executors he appointed took no action and after the executors deaths Ralph Audley will was proved by {T37} Augusta Cowell, formerly Audley and that she was the sole beneficiary.

Summary of evidence

If it is concluded that the Baptism on the 3rd April 1803 is the Baptism of both the Son of {T35} and the {E29} then the conclusion is that {E29} is the Son of {T35}.

The items against this theory are

- That the Gravestone for {E29} indicates that he was Born in 1801.
- The Death registration for {E29} George Audley indicates that he Died Q2 in 1864 and that he was 63 years old. The only way for this theory to be correct is if he was 61 years old when he Died.
- AL Reade's research information suggests {E29} was Born on the 19th April 1801,. at Waterford, Ireland.

All the above three items would have originated from a single piece of research information. [E29] George Audley married Sarah Robinson by Licence on the 3rd July 1826, at Holy Trinity Within, Waterford City. Neither the Marriage Record nor the Marriage Licence, give his age. Irrespective as to whether he was born in 1801 or 1803 he would have been over 21 years of age at the time of his Marriage. Therefore the date of the Marriage is no help

So we are left with two people called George Audley as follows;

The First, George Audley is the Son of {T35} George Penlington Audley (Born Nantwich, Cheshire.) and Margaret Blair of Bantry. They were Married in June 1802 in County Cork, Ireland. George (their Son) was Born on the 5th February 1803, location unknown, and was Baptised on the 3rd April 1803, at St Matthew's Church, Liverpool England. Following the Death of {T35}, his Mother remarried in 1825 in Country Cork. Other than this we know no more information about him

The Second, George Audley married Sarah Robinson on the 3rd July 1826, in Waterford, Ireland. His full family history is known after that date. However there is no record of him before 1826. his date of Birth on the 19th April 1801, is based on his Death registration, the date engraved on his gravestone, and family belief.

Therefore, could the above two people called George Audley be the same person?

Other Considerations

In the research information letters sent to A L Reade in the late 1920s to early 1930 reference is made to a Coat of Arms on the wall of the house in Waterford. The description, particularly of the motto suggests that the 'Coat of Arms' is that of the Barons Audley. It is believed that 'Audley Family T', were at one time closely related to the Barons Audley and hence the Coat of arms may have passed from {T35} to {E29}.

The same logic can be used for the seal that is referred to in one of the letters.

Other Audley Families in Waterford

There are three families in 'Audley Family E' file, at present; of which {E29} George Audley is the earliest recorded ancestor of one of these families. If these could be linked together or if the other two families could be linked to 'Audley Family T' this would provide substantially more information.

The other early Audley's recorded in Waterford include:

Thomas Audley (*Not currently in the Audley Family E file*) who was Discharged as a result of poor health from the Waterford Regiment of Militia and Infantry (*note that the Colonel of the Regiment was the Marquis of Waterford*) He was discharged on the 29th June 1814. He was aged 49 when discharged. (*Meaning he was Born 1764 to 1765*)

The discharge papers say his trade is a Labourer and was Born at Passage in County Waterford. (Comment: although we cannot find the location of the place Passage in County Waterford.) He had completed 21 years one month of service. He would have been 36 years in 1801 and therefore could have been the Father of {E29} George Audley.

Possibly linked to the above is that there is a Marriage (*Not currently in the 'Audley Family E' fîle*) on the 25th January 1815, between a Mary Audley and a John Skerret in the Parish of Trinity in Waterford County. Both are described as Church of Ireland. Whilst the Marriage does not give the parents name but one of the witnesses is a Thomas Audley Could this Thomas Audley be the Thomas Audley in the Waterford Militia and the Father of Mary in this Marriage?

There is also the Baptism of an Elizabeth Audley on the 21st May 1816, at Trinity, Within (Cathedral). Her parents are given as Thomas Audley & Mary Rafter (sic). There is also the Baptism of a Thomas Adley (sic) on the 26th August 1819, Parents, Thomas Adley (sic) and Mary Raftor (sic). There is also a third baptism on the 13th November 1811, of a William Audley also at Trinity Within (Cathedral.) parents Thomas Audley & Mary Rafter. The above three baptisms are not currently in the 'Audley Family E' file and in all three cases the person being Baptised is described as Roman Catholic.

Our conclusion from the above three paragraphs is that there were probably (at least) two people called Thomas Audley in Waterford in the early 1800s. One is probably of the Church of Ireland religion, and the other Roman Catholic. We also think it is unlikely that a single Thomas Audley would have been Baptised a child in 1811, Married a Daughter in 1815 and then Baptised further children in 1816 and 1819, hence the proposal that there is at least 2 people called Thomas Audley.

If the Thomas Audley in the Waterford Militia was the Father of the Mary Audley who married in 1815, then he would have been aged 50 years old when his Daughter married this seems OK to us.

If the Thomas Audley in the Waterford Militia was the Father of the Roman Catholic people being Baptised, he would have been 54 years when the last child was Baptised in 1819. This seems less likely particularly as he had been discharged from the Army on health grounds in 1814.

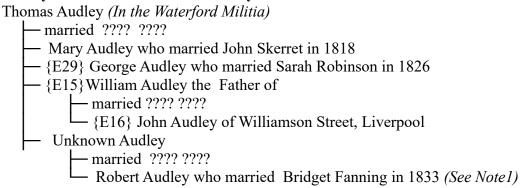
It the research letters to A L Reade it suggests that {E29} George Audley was closely related to the Audley Family of Williamson Street Liverpool, the head of this family would be {E16} John Audley. {E16} Married on the 21st August 1848, at the Liverpool Register Office ,to Catherine Johnson. In the Marriage Certificate {E16} John Audley is aged 21 years indicating that he would have been Born between the 22nd August 1826 to 21st August 1827 and that his Father was William Audley a Customs Officer. The Burial record of {E16} indicates that he was 42 years old

when he was Buried on the 28th June 1868. This would indicate that he was Born between the 29th June 1825 and 28th June 1826. In the 1861 Census of England (*Taken on the 7th April 1861*) he is described as aged 36 years. Suggesting he was Born between 8th April 1824 and the 7th April 1825. Even though there is some uncertainty as to when {E16} was Born he would have been born around the time {E29} George Audley was Married. This seems to suggest that the Father of {E16} John Audley namely {E15} William Audley would be the Brother of {E29} George Audley. If this is correct then {E29} cannot be the Son of {T35}.

The third family in the 'Audley Family E' file is Family 1 Robert Audley who married Bridget Fanning in 1833. We have now found the Marriage record on the Rootsireland website (with the help of 'Geraldine' in California) and that the Marriage took place on the 9th May 1833, in Waterford City. Unfortunately the marriage record does not have the name of the parents nor the Witnesses of their marriage.

The logic in this section would seem to suggest that {E29} George Audley is not the Son of {T35} and the family tree may be something like

Family 1 - Church of Ireland Family



(Note 1) in Bridget Audley nee Fanning's Will dated the 29th September 1856, she makes John Audley of Williamson Street, Liverpool, her Executor and describes him as her Cousin.

Family 2 - Roman Catholic Family

Thomas Audley/ Adley
— married Mary Rafter/Raftor
— William Audley baptised 1811
— Elizabeth Audley baptised 1816
— Thomas Adley baptised 1819

One item that concerns us with the above, is that in the Tipperary Free Press of the 29th December 1832, has a list of persons claiming the right to vote. On that list is a George Audley of Clonmel

County Tipperary, having a house and Premises in Duncan Street, Clonmel. He is described as a Gentleman.

Now if George Audley was the Son of the Thomas Audley in the Waterford Militia, who was described as a Labourer, how did George Audley gain the status of Gentleman?

However in the Baptism of George Audley in 1803 in Liverpool, his Father is described as a Gentleman!!>