

NORTHMORE OF CLEVE

Northmore, John, Esq. Of Cleve House, co. Devon, J.P., b. 1 June 1826

Lineage.--The family of Northmore is one of great antiquity in Devonshire. It appears from old family records that **John Northmore** was seized of lands in the 6th year of **King Edward III**, in the parish of South Tawton, co. Devon, where his descendants continued to reside down to the latter part of the 17th century, when the existing mansion and estate of Cleve, in the parish of St Thomas, having been acquired by an ancestor of the present owner, the old residence of Well, in South Tawton, was gradually abandoned, and subsequently alienated. That the family also possessed considerable property, and had much influence in Somersetshire, at an early date, is evident from the will of another **John Northmore**, AD 1411, still extant in Doctors' Commons, wherein he makes large bequests to the church of St Mary Magdalen, in Taunton. The family records also make allusion to **Richard Northmore**, living at South Tawton, in 1458, and to his son **William Northmore** in 1481. In the year 1535 **King Henry VIII** appears also to have granted to the family (one John Northmore having been a page of honour to that sovereign) the manor Topsham, and a moiety of the dues arising out of Lammas Fair, in Exeter, as an appurtenance of the said manor, and their rights were not alienated till 1779. The disjointed and imperfectly preserved records of the family do not, however, permit of a connected pedigree being traced further back than

Richard Northmore, Esq. Of Well, in South Tawton, b circa 1520, who, by his wife Joan (who d. 1585), left at his decease, in June 1594, among other children a son and heir,

Edward Northmore, Esq., Of Well, baptised 3 May, 1560; m. 5 Oct. 1591, Philote, a dau. Of John Hayewoode, Esq. Of East Hayewoode, in Bundeleigh, co. Devon, and dying in March, 1629, left issue,

- i. John of whom presently.
- ii. Jeffrey, baptised 19 Oct. 1596.
- iii. Thomas, baptised 27 Aug. 1599, who, by his wife Joan Gay, had issue, Edward, Thomas, and Joan, m. to Alexander Knapman, Esq.
 - I. Grace
 - ii. Margery
 - iii. Mary

The eldest son and heir,

John Northmore, Esq. Of Well, m. 16 Nov. 1633, Johane, dau. of—Stronge, Esq. Of Torrhill, and by her (who d. in 1636) left, at his decease, in 1671 (with one dau., Elizabeth, m. 11 April, 1681, to Richard Weekes, Esq. Of North Wyko, co. Devon), five sons,

- I. John, his heir.
- ii. William, s. his brother.
- iii. Thomas, of Cleve, M.P. For Okehampton, b. 1643; m. 1st, Anne, dau. of—Pridham, Esq., by whom he left issue a dau. And heiress, Anne, m. to her cousin, William Northmore, Esq.; 2ndly, Elizabeth, dau. Of Solomon Andrews, Esq. Of Lyme Regis, Dorsetshire, high sheriff of that co. in 1697 (she d. 1689); and 3rdly, Elizabeth, dau. Of Sir John St Aubyn, Bart of Clowance, co. Cornwall (she d. 1735), Thomas Northmore, Esq., d. July 1719.

- iv. Edward, vicar of Chudleigh, d unm. Oct 1637.

v. Jeffery, baptised 27 Sept 1648; m. Grace, dau. And heiress of Nathaniel Risdon, Esq. Of Spreyton, and by her (who d. Sept 1720) left (at his decease in Sept 1724) a son, John, who became of Cleve.

John Northmore, Esq. Of Well, baptised 24 January, 1635; m. 26 Nov. 1574, Margery, dau. of— Wolcombe, of Chudleigh, but dying s. p. in April, 1713, was s. by his next brother.

William Northmore Esq. Of Throwleigh, and then of Well baptised 13 January 1639; m. 1st, Mary, dau. And heiress of William Knapman, Esq. Of Wanson, in Throwleigh, but by her (who d. April 1685) he had no issue. He m. 2ndly, 21 Jan. 1688, Anne, dau. Of the Rev William Hutton, rector of Northlew, co. Devon, and by her (who d. In January, 1743) he left qat his death, in Sept. 1716 (together with a dau., Elizabeth, m. 1st to Edward Herle, Esq of Laadew, co. Cornwell, high sheriff of that co in 1713, by whom she had one son; 2ndly, to Charles Kendall, Esq., L.LD (of the family of Kendall of Pelyn), by whom she had several children; and 3rdly, to John Weekes, Esq. Of North Wyke), a son and heir,

William Northmore, Esq of Well, and afterwards of Cleve, M.P. For Okehampton, baptised 8 July, 1690; m. 1st Anne, dau. And heiress of Thomas Northmore, Esq. Of Cleve (she d. 1717); 2ndly Florence, dau of Sir Arthur Chichester, Bart. Of Raleigh (she d. 1725); and 3rdly, Elizabeth (who became his widow) dau. Of William Oxenham, Esq. Of Oxenham, co. Devon. William Northmore, Esq., d. s. p. in March, 1734, and was s. by his cousin,

John Northmore, Esq (son of Jeffery and Grace, his wife), who eventually becoming the representative of the family, s. to Cleve, under the entail of his uncle, Tyhomas Northmore, Esq. He m. 20 May, 1730, Anne, dau. Of John Collacot, Esq. Of Chagford, and by her (who d. Feb. 1772) left at his death, in Dec. 1735 (together with one dau. m. to William-Langdon Wilkins, Esq. Of Slade, co. Devon), a son and heir,

Thomas Northmore, Esq. Of Cleve, baptised 28 Nov. 1735, high sheriff of the co. of Devon, 1769; m. Elizabeth, dau. And heiress of Richard Osgood, Esq. Of Fulham, and by her (who d. in 1770), left at his decease, in October, 1777, three sons, viz.:

I. Thomas, his heir.

ii. William-Gracchus, M.A., in holy orders, b 1768; d 13 Dec 1837, unm.

iii. Edward, b. 1769, capt in H.M. 10th Regt of infantry, d. unm 3 Sept 1814.

The eldest son,

Thomas Northmore, Esq. Of Cleve, J.P., F, A.S., b. 1766; m. 1st, Penelope, dau. Of Sir William-Earle Welby, Bart. Of Denton Hall, co Lincoln (by his first wife, Penelope, dau. Of Sir John Glynn, Bart, of Hawarden Castle, Flints), and by her (who d. 7 Nov 1792) had a son and heir,

I. Thomas-Welby, b. 10 July, 1791, lieut. And capt. In the Scots fusilier-guards, and afterwards in holy orders; m. 13 May 1822, his cousin, Katherine, 3rd dau. Of Sir William-Earle Welby, Bart., and dying 16 July, 1829, had issue by her,

I. Thomas-Welby, b. 20 Aug. 1823.

ii. **John**, now of Cleve.

I. Penelope-Katherine, d an infant.

Thomas Northmore, Esq. m. 2ndly, 9 Nov 1809, Emmeline, 4th dau. Of Sir John Eden, Bart, of Windlestone Park, co. Durham, and by her (who d. 21 July 1850) had issue:

I.Eden Shafto, d unm. In the lifetime of his father, 1 June, 1838.

I.Emmeline Eden.

ii.Charlotte Osgood, m. 4 August, 1835, to John Whitlock, Esq., capt in the H.E.I.C.'s Madras army. He d. 27 May, 1849, leaving issue: * (**my line – see end of document**)

iii.Penelope Louisa Davison, d young.

iv.Cornelia Risdon, m. 8 May, 1857, to Benjamin Jones, Esq. Of Llanelly.

v.Adelina-Johnson.

vi.Caroline Amelia Brunswick, m. 17 March, 1847, to George-Longworth Dames, Esq., capt in H.M. 66th regiment, who d. 20 March, 1860, leaving issue.

Vii. Elfrida St Aubyn.

Viii. Gertrude Johnes.

Thomas Northmore, Esq., d. 29 May, 1851, and was s. by his grandson, **Thomas-Welby Northmore**, Esq., who has since conveyed Cleve to his brother **John Northmore**, Esq., the present possessor.

Arms—Gu., a lion, rampant, or, langued, and armed, az., crowned with an eastern crown, arg.

Crest—A lion's head, erased, gu., crowned as above, and charged on the neck with a rose, arg., bearded and seeded,

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Motto—Nec clata, nec dejecta

Seat—Cleve House, near Exeter, Devon

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***John and Charlotte Osgood – (Daughter Charlotte Northmore)**

Children of Rev Joshua Spicer Wood and Charlotte Northmore Whitlock

Charlotte Northmore Whitlock b 31 May 1841 in Cleve, near Exeter. She m. Rev Joshua Spicer Wood (2nd wife) (b. 3 Dec 1824 in Wakefield, Yorkshire to Joshua Wood and Nancy Spicer) on 29 Oct 1861 in St Barnabas, Douglas, Isle of Man. Had issue:

. Charlotte Whitlock Spicer Wood (b. 6 Aug 1863, Buckley Lam, Little Hulton, Yorkshire, bap in first License Room at L.M. 14 Sep 1863 by her father. Godfather: Rev John S Wood; Godmothers: Alice Whitlock and Mrs Blair, confirmed by Bishop of Sydney at St Andrew's Cathedral, Sydney, NSW, Australia on 8 Nov 1878, d. 22 Oct 1932 aged 69, buried South Head Cemetery, Sydney, NSW, Australia.) Never married.

. Elfrida Anne Spicer Wood (b. 10 March 1864 at the Parsonage. Bap at home by her father 19 May 1864, d. 20 May 1864, buried 23 May 1864 at Walden Church, Yorkshire by Rev J Herbert)

. Gertrude Northmore Spicer Wood (b. 10 Sep 1866 at the Parsonage, Yorkshire, bap in School Church 7 Oct 1866. Godfather: Mr W Atkin; Godmothers: Mrs Jones, Miss Stewart. Confirmed 6 Jun 1882 by her father at Parish of All Saints, Woollahra. NSW, Australia. 'Married' James Cuddy in Sydney in 1904. By this time, Gertrude was the only member of her family still surviving. She had been cosseted and protected by her family and possibly was rather naïve and James took advantage by arranging a sham marriage – a friend posed as a minister. He was a gambler and womaniser who spent his money on himself and when my father was a young lad he remembers a woman (possibly his wife?) with two little children coming to the door, in a desperate state, looking for him. End of 'marriage'. Gertrude died 10 Nov 1958 in Sydney, NSW, Australia, aged 92 years and was buried in South Head Cemetery, Sydney, NSW, Australia, together with her father, mother and sister. Had issue:

. James Joshua Cuddy (b. in Crown Street Hospital, Sydney on 30 Nov 1910 (acknowledged by his father on his birth certificat), m. Violet Bessie Moore, b. 29 Jul 1917, daughter of Thomas Alexander Moore and Mabel Gillam of Brighton-le-Sands, Sydney, Australia on 29 July 1944 at St John's Church, Rockdale, NSW, Australia. James died in Glenfield, NSW, Australia on 12 March 2003, aged 92 and Violet died in Penshurst. NSW, Australia on 5 Jun 2001, aged 83. They were both cremated at Woronora Cemetery, Sutherland, NSW, Australia. Had issue:

. Valerie Margaret Cuddy (b. 4 May 1945 at Rosslyn Hospital, Arncliffe, NSW, Australia, m. Douglas Kevin McEachern (pronounced Mac-ek-ern) (2nd wife) (b. 5 May 1946 in Essendon Private Hospital, Hamilton, Newcastle, NSW, Australia, son of Donald Garth McEachern and Ivy Beryl Rowleson of Rosemeadow, NSW, Australia), on 28 January 1989 in Uniting Church, Ramsgate, NSW, Australia.

Doug had issue from his first wife, Lorraine Maloney (divorced). Anne-Marie McEachern (b. 14 Feb 1979 in Sydney, NSW, Australia lived with us after our marriage until she married Benjamin Ng, son of Bernard and Pat Ng of Mosman, NSW, Australia, on 10 May 2008. Had issue:

- . Bonnie Madeline Ng (b. 2 March 2009 in Brisbane Mater Hospital Queensland, Australia).
- . James Donald Ng (b. 29 March, 2013 in Sydney, NSW, Australia)

(in 1867 Rev Spicer Wood, his wife Charlotte, his two daughters, Charlotte and Gertrude, together with his surviving sons from his first marriage to Anna Holdsworth – Joshua Hodgson Holdsworth Wood and Arthur Herbert Wood – sailed from Liverpool, England in the 'White Star' to Melbourne, Victoria. From there they made their way to Sydney and then Newcastle, where Rev Wood ministered to the coal mining communities of Wallsend in the Diocese of Newcastle in 1867 until his retirement in 1877. The family returned to Paddington in Sydney and Joshua obtained a General Licence from the Diocese of Sydney. And he often took services at St Peters, Watson's Bay, NSW. Australia – a beautiful church overlooking Sydney Harbour.)

. Eden Joshua Spicer Wood (b. 16 Feb 1868 at the Parsonage, Hexham, NSW, Australia. Privately bap at home by his father on 18 Feb 1868. D. 19 Feb 1868 and buried same day at Hexham Cemetery by Rev G C Bode.

. Mary Ethel Spicer Wood (13 Jun 1871 at the Parsonage, Hexham, NSW, Australia, bap by her father at home 17 Jun 1871. Received at St Stephen's Church, Hexham 16 Jul 1871. Godmother: her mother; Godfather: J H H Wood. D. 23 Sep 1871, buried 24 Sep 1871 at St Andrew's, Waratah by Rev F D Bucle.

. Mary Ethel Spicer Wood (b. 31 Jan 1874 at the Parsonage, Dark Creek, Lambton, bap. At St John's Baptist Church, Lambton by her father. Died 26 Apr 1874, buried 28 April 1874 at St Andrew's Waratah, NSW, Australia by Rev J Dixon.

Edward Carlton Whitlock, b 3 Feb 1849, d. 18 Jul 1927 in Cook Hospital, Gisborne, New Zealand. He m. Frances Mary Roe 18 Feb 1882 in Roman Catholic Presbytery, Gisborne, New Zealand, dau. Of Samuel Roe and Bridget Sullivan. She died 5 Dec 1945 in 3 Telford Ave, Mount Eden, Auckland, New Zealand. (Please note that although Frances Mary Roe is spelt in other Whitlock documents as Rowe, this is incorrect. Months ago I was contacted by the NZ side of the family who had been trolling through Ancestry.com and came across the name Whitlock. They sent me a copy of their current family details and also documents and I was able to direct them to the Whitlock site. I don't know whether they contacted you Peter or not, but they were 'over the moon' at finding details of their ancestors.)