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THE ENGLISH ANCESTRY OF WILLIAM ALMY OF PORTSMOUTH, R. I.

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WILLIAM ALMY, an early settler of Portsmouth, R. I., was at Saugus (now Lynn) in the Massachusetts Bay Colony in 1631, and at a Court holden at Boston, 14 June 1631, was "ffyned ijs vid for takeing away Mr Glouers cannoe without leaue."* At a Court of Assistants holden at Newe Towne, 1 July 1634, he "is fyned xs for not appearing att the last Court, being sumond, & is inioyned to bring to the nexte Court an inventory of the goods hee receaved of Edw: Johnsons, duely prized by indifferent men."† This fine was remitted at a General Court held at Boston, 6 Sept. 1638, some three years after he had brought his family to New England, the record reading: "The Court did discharge the fines vnderwritten, weh do stand recorded before in this booke. . . . 1634. . . . First July, Willi: Almy, being fined 10s, is discharged." Soon after the imposition of the fine in 1634 he must have returned to England; but he came back, with his wife and two children, from London to New England in 1635, in the Abigail, Robert Hackwell, master, the passenger list containing, with many other names, those of Wm Almond, aged 34, Awdry Almond, aged 32, Annis Almy, aged 8, and Chri: Almie, aged 3. They appear to have embarked in the ship on 17 June 1635.§

In an account of the Almy family, published in Chicago, Ill., in 1897, by a descendant of William Almy through his son Christopher, the statement is made that "William Almy, the common ancestor of all who bear the name in America, was a native of Belinden [sic, ? Benenden] Parish, Kent County, England, and was born in the year 1601." No evidence, however, is adduced to support this statement about the birthplace of William Almy, but the date of his birth is evidently computed from his age as given in the passenger

list in 1635.

* Massachusetts Bay Records, vol. 1, p. 88.

† Ib., vol. 1, p. 122. ‡ Ib., vol. 1, pp. 243, 244.

The first clue as to the English home of William Almy was revealed in 1910, when among the marriage licences published by the British Record Society in "Leicestershire Marriage Licences, 1570-1729." appeared that of William Almie, gentleman, of South Kilworth, and Audrey Barlowe of Lutterworth, granted in 1626.* This printed record was found a few months later by G. Andrews Moriarty, Jr., A.M., a member of the Council of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, who communicated it to several genealogists and later, with other information at that time in print in regard to the ancestors of the immigrant to New England, to the Essex Institute Historical Collections.† Since then research among the probate records, parish registers, and marriage licences of co. Leicester has brought to light much additional material relating to the Almy families of that county, and this material, together with certain records previously published, is given below.‡

The Will of Robert Almeye § of Dunton [Dunton-Bassett], co. Leicester, husbandman, 11 December 1579. To be buried in the churchyard of Dunton. To Margreate Almey, my daughter, 40s. and one cow. To Jonne Almey, my daughter, 40s. and one cow. To Elline Almey, my daughter, 40s. and one cow. All such portions to be paid on their day of marriage or else within one year after my death. If any of my said daughters die before she be married, I will that the said 40s. be distributed betwixt the other sisters which be unmarried and the cow to remain to Thomas Almeye, my son. William Almey, my son, shall have the house that he now dwells in during his life, paying the rents and finding the reparations. William Simante shall have the same use of the house he now dwelleth in during his wife's life, and half the cows' pasture and half the yards, paying half the rents and half the reparations. The rest of all my goods, movable and immovable, to Thomas Almey, my son, whom I make my full executor. Overseers: Thomas Almey and William Almeye the Elder. Witnesses: Thomas Orpode, Thomas Almey the Elder, William Denston, John Mortemere, with others. Proved 8 February 1581 [1581/2] by the executor named in the will. (Leicester Wills, 1581,

The Will of WILLYAM ALMIE of Dunton [Dunton-Bassett], co. Leicester, husbandman, 25 April 1587. To be buried in the churchyard of Dunton. To Jone, my wife, the one half of my goods, movable and immovable, except the teams of horses and maers and the crop of corn and hay, with all carts and gears with horeles and other standards in the house, which I give to Christopher, my son. To Henrye, my son, £3, and in every field one acre of land, that is to say, in lands shooting into Brimserlye, one rood shooting upon Willym Paulmers hadland, one half acre upon Stringeland, one rood shooting on Mr. Ricars layre [Leire] hadland, and one rood in Waterie, one rood on Corneyresse, a rood in Flowes, and a half acre on Ould Waye side, all said lands to be tilled by my executor when he doeth his own during the whole term of the lease, and every year during the term of the said lease the Caridge of one loade of Coles. To Jone Winkels, my daughter, 3s. 4d. To Gillyan Mesum, my daughter, 3s. 4d. To Agnes Hunt 20s. To Alice

Vide infra, p. 318.
† Cf. Essex Institute Historical Collections, vol. 49, pp. 172-176.

‡ The compiler of this article acknowledges his indebtedness to G. Andrews Moriarty, Jr., A.M., LL.B., of Newport, R. I., and to Charles Kingsbury Miller of Chicago, Ill., for valuable assistance in securing copies of the English records which have not hitherto appeared in print.

Vide infra, Pedigree II. Of this and the following wills abstracts only are given. Vide infra, Pedigree II.

Cf. Drake's Founders of New England, p. 34, and Hotten's Original Lists, p. 93. Cf. Historic Families of America. William Almy, of Portsmouth, Rhode Island, 1630. Joris Janssen De Rapaljé, of Fort Orange (Albany), New Amsterdam and Brooklyn, 1623, p. 9.

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Hinton, my daughter, 10s. To Agnes More one heifer, to be delivered when she attains the age of sixteen years. The rest of all my goods and the lease of my farms to my son Christopher, whom I make my full executor. Overseers: William Paulmer and Thomas Browne. Witnesses: Thomas Browne, Thomas Almie, Roger Renolds. Proved 25 June 1587 by Christopher Almey, son of deceased testator, and executor named in the will.

Debts which he oweth: To Master Bartholemue Bruxbye £10. To Willyam Almie £4. 2s. To Willyam Hunter £5. 13s. 4d. To a woman

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The Will of Robert Awlmy of Nether Claybrooke, co. Leycester, husbandman, 20 February 1593 [1593/4]. To be buried in the churchyard of Cleybrooke. To Christopher Awlmy, my eldest son, £8, to be paid to him at eighteen years of age, also a coffer, and the ewe which his grandfather gave him. To John, my son, £8, to be paid at his attainment of twenty years of age, also a pair of cobberies. If either of my sons die before the several ages above mentioned, then the survivor shall have the portion of him that dieth. The rest of my goods to Margaret, my wife, whom I make my sole executrix. Overseer: my brother Musson of Wigston. Witnesses: John Higginson, Robert Nichols, Thomas Goddard. Proved 8 June 1596 by the relict and executrix named in the will. (Leicester Wills, 1596, 35.)

The Will of Christopher Allmye | of Much Ashbye [Ashby Magna], co. Leicester, 26 November 1600. To be buried in the churchyard of Much Ashbie. Towards the repair of the said church 5s. To the poor of the said town 20s. To the ringers and them that shall carry my body to the grave 12d. apiece. To each of my godchildren 12d. To each of my five servants a sheep apiece. To my daughter-in-lawe Amy Waele two Kyne and ten ewe

sheep. To Margaret Waele £5 in money, one mattresse, one boulster, one coverled, one blaunkett, two pairs of sheets, and one coffer in the parlour where I lie. To Mathewe Brokesby, my grandchild, when he shall accomplish the age of twenty-one years, and to the heirs of his body lawfully begotten all my lands and tenements lying and being in the towne and feyldes of Neather Cleybrooke, and also one cottage at Pelton within the county of Warwicke, alwaies provided that the said Mathewe do pay unto his brother Humfrey Brokesby during the term of his natural life 40s. yearly. If the said Mathewe Brokesby be called out of this life without leaving heirs male of his body lawfully begotten, then the said lands shall go to the eldest brother then living and to the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten. To the said Mathewe Brokesby twenty wethers to his own use when he shall attain the age of sixteen years, and also one nag or gelding of £5 price or else £5 in money, as he shall choose. To Humfrey Brokesby, one other of my grandchildren, twenty sheepe and one nag or gelding of £5 in price or else £5 in money, when he shall accomplish the age of sixteen years. I also give £13. 6s. 8d., to be paid him at the age of twenty-one years. To Thomas Brokesby, one other of my grandchildren, £13. 6s. 8d., to be paid him at the age of twenty-one years. To William Brokesby, one other of my grandchildren, £13. 6s. 8d., to be paid him at the age of twenty-one years. To Mary Brokesby, one other of my grandchildren, £13. 6s. 8d., to be paid her at the age of twenty-one years or on her day of marriage, and one red coffer with all the linen in it. The rest of my goods to Raph Brokesby, my son-inlaw, and Margaret, his wife, whom I make full executors. Supervisor: my landlorde Robert Brokesby, Esquier. [No signature nor witnesses.] Proved 24 January 1600 [1600/1] by the executors. (Leicester Wills, 1600, 14.)

The Will of AMIE ALMY* of South Killworth [co. Leicester], wife of Christopher Almy, 10 April 1621. Whereas it was agreed by my friends and my husband, Christopher Almy, that, if I died before he died, then I should give £50, and my husband should pay it, I bequeath to my son Henry Greene £10. To my daughter ffrauncis Greene £10. To my son Kedson and my daughter Kidson's child. Cary Kidson, £19, to be put to use for him; and if my son Kidson die, then my daughter Kidson shall have it for herself and Cary, her son; but if they both live, then the Childe Cary Kidson to have it paid him at the age of eighteen years. To my son Dickers and my daughter Dickers three sons £10. The money shall be paid within two years of my death. I make my son Henry Greene sole executor. To William Greene, your [sic] son, 20s. [Signed] Amie Almy. Witnesses: Thomas Geast, Oliver Geaste. Proved 18 May 1626 by Henry Greene, the executor named in the will. (P. C. C., Hele, 76.)

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The Will of Christopher Allmey* of South Kilworthe, co. Leicester, gentleman, 2 October 1624. To be buried in the church or churchyard of South Killworthe. To my daughter Marie Allmey £400, one half thereof to be paid to her on the day of her marriage and the other half twelve months after her marriage, if the said Mary Allmey be ruled in her choice by Edward Hoden of Rugby and William Allmey of Bitswell, my brethren, and John Paule of little Ashby, my sonne-in-lawe; but if she be not ruled as aforesaid, I give the said Mary Allmey, my daughter, £20 and no more. My will is that she continue and remain with my son William Allmey and be by him maintained until the time of her marriage. But if it shall happen that upon any distaste or difference the said Mary shall desire to live elsewhere, then my said son William Allmey shall, at the end of every year after her departure from him, during the time she remaineth unmarried, pay to her the sum of £3. 6s. 8d., for and towards her maintenance. To Willm Paule, Christopher Paule, and Richard Paule, sonnes of the said John Paule, £10, to be equally divided between them, such money to be paid severally to each of them as they shall accomplish the age of fifteen years; if any of the said children die before that age, his share shall remain to the survivors or survivor. To the poor of the parish of Dunton 20s. To the poor of Lutterworth 20s. To the poor of the parish of South Kilworth 20s. To the maintenance and repairs of the Church of South Killworth 13s. 4d. To each of my godchildren 12d. To William Allmey, my only son, and to his heires all that my tenement or messuage, building, orchard, and garden in South Killworth aforesaid wherein I nowe dwell, and the three yards land, meadow, common, and pasture, thereunto belonging, with all other my lands, tents, and hereditaments, lying within the towne feildes and territories of South Killworth or elsewhere. And for default of such issue to Joane Paule, wife of John Paule of little Ashby in the county of Leicester, yeoman, and to Marie Allmey, my two daughters, and to their heirs lawfully begotten; provided always that the said Mary Allmey be guided by the said Edward Hoden and William Allmey in her choice of a husband, or else the said lands, tenements, and hereditaments to remaine solely to the said Joane Paule and her heirs, and for default of such, to the right heirs of me, Christopher Allmey; provided also that the said William Allmey, my son, do well and trulie pay all such legacies and bequests as are herein given, or else the said Joane Paule and Marie Allmey shall stand possessed of all the lands, tents, and hereditaments aforesaid, and pay the said William Allmey, my son, £100, and all my legacies and bequests (provided the said Mary Almey shall be guided as aforesaid in her choice of a husband, or else to Joane Paule and her heirs I give absolutely the said lands, etc.) to the said Joane Paule and Mary Allmey and their heirs for ever. The rest of my goods to William Allmey, my son, whom I make full executor. Supervisors: the said Edward Hoden and William Allmey, my brethren, and John Paule, and I give them 20s. each for their paines. The marke of Christopher Allmey. Witnesses: Thomas Geast, Geor: Wrighte. Proved 29 October 1624 by William Allmey, son of the said deceased, and executor named in the will. (P. C. C., Byrde, 89.)

The Will of WILLIAM ALMIE† of Bitswell, co. Lester, yeoman, 18 March 1628 [1628/9]. To be buried in the church, at my-seat's end. To my son William Almie £10. To his wife £5. To either of his children £5 apiece. To Jhon Younge his four children 6s. 8d. apiece. To Jhon Almie his two children 6s. 8d. apiece. To Bridget, my kinswoman, 20s. To Jhon Oram, my man, 10s. To the poor of Dunton 10s. To the poor of Bitsewell, to every cottage, 12d. I make my son Andrew Almie my heire and lawfull executor, to whom

I give my lands and all the rest of my goods, moveable and immoveable, to see my body honestly brought to the ground and my legacies performed and paid. Overseer: Jhon Dowse, my brother-in-law. William Almie, his marke. Witnesses: Jhon Dowse, Jhon Hardiman, Edward Duckmanton, Clerk. Proved the last day of April 1629 by Andrew Almie, son of said deceased, and executor named in the will. (P. C. C., Ridley, 32.) [Proved also at Leicester, 18 June 1629, by the executor named in the will. (Leicester Wills, 1628/9, 318.)]

Administration on the goods of John Almey,* late of Lutterworth [co. Leicester], deceased, was granted 23 September 1636 to Anna Almey, widow and relict of said deceased. (Leicester Administrations, 1636, 58.)

The Will of William Allmye* of Bitswell, co. Leicester, yeoman, 24 July 1646. To be buried in the churchyard of Bitswell. Unto the poor of the town of Bitswell 20s., to be distributed among them within one year of my death. To my son John Allmye one yard land lying in the fields of laire [Leire], now or late in the possession of Richard Lea, with the appurtenances thereunto belonging, and one Cottage house in Dunton Bassett, with a close and all the appurtenances thereunto belonging. Unto my son John £50, to be paid to him on 29 September next, and £50 more when he shall attain the age of twenty-one years, if he so long live; if not, then it shall be equally divided between my son William and my son Elisha. Unto my son Elisha £200, to be paid to him as followeth: £10 when he shall accomplish the age of eighteen years, £90 when he shall attain the age of twenty-one years, £50 at the age of twenty-two years, and £50 at the age of twenty-three years, if he live so long; but if he die before the age of twenty-one, the residue to be divided between my sons William and John equally or the survivor of them. To my maid Catheren and my mayed Hosea 3s. 4d. apiece. To my brother Andrew Allmye's son William 6s. 8d. To my uncle Thomas Dowse 10s. To my uncle William Dowse 5s. To my son William Allmye my house in Bitswell with the two yard land, one called Lords Land, the other Beals Land, with my pingle at layer [Leire], and the two yard land that is in the occupation of my father Dowse, after his decease; and my crop in the ffield of Bitswell, with all my horses, beasts, and sheep, and all my implements of husbandry, with all other things unbequeathed, I give unto my son William, with the lease of the Close in Bitchby. Executors: my loving father John Dowse and my son William Allmye. [Signed] William Allmye. Overseers: my loving brother Andrew Allmye and my cosen William Holden, and I appoint them 3s. 4d. apiece for their pains. Witnesses: William Harrisson, William Holden, Andrew Allmy. (Leicester Wills, 1647, 65.)

The Will of William Alimy† of Odson, co. Leicester, yeoman, 20 July 1660. To be decently buried in Neilston church. To my daughter Ann Allmey £60, to be paid when she shall attain the age of twenty-one years, and meantime she shall have the use of it towards her bringing up, and likewise one bed, and the great chest and cupboard in the hall; and if the said Anne die before she attain the age of twenty-one, her portion is to be divided between the other three children. To my well-beloved son Thomas Allmy £60. To Susanna Allmye, my daughter, £60. To my son William Allmye £60, under like conditions. And if all die before attaining the stated ages, the money shall be divided between my four brothers and two sisters. To my son Thomas the great table and one sealed bed, which his grandmother gave him, and the best brass pot. The rest of my household goods shall be

Vide infra, Pedigree I. A very brief abstract of this will was printed in Putnam's Genealogical Quarterly Magazine, vol. 4, p. 249 (January 1904).
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equally divided among my children. Richard Bell of Dunton Bassett oweth me £6. 9s. Thomas Chapman oweth me £2. 10s. Richard Brone oweth me 20s., Moses Hall 13s. 6d., and Samuell Browne 13s. 6d. Executor: my brother-in-law. [Signed] William Allmye. Witnesses: Peter Simpkin, Raphe Jagner, Christopher Clarke. Proved 6 October 1660 by Robert Aldridge, sole executor appointed by the said William Allmey in the will. (Leicester Wills, 1660, 232.)

The Will of Christopher Almey of Siston, co. Leicester, 15 April 1680. To Elizabeth, my now wife, my cottage or tent with all appurtces wherein I now dwell, during the term of her life, and after her death to my son Thomas Almey and his heirs for ever, on condition that he or they pay to Robert Almey, my son, £10, so soon as the said Robert shall have accomplished the age of twenty-one years; and if the said Thomas fail, then my son Robert shall inherit half the cottage, to him and his heirs for ever. To my said son Robert Almey £10. To my two daughters, Anne Almey and Elizabeth Allmey, £20 each, when they shall severally attain the age of twenty-four years. Residuary legatee and executor: Elizabeth, my wife. [Signed] Christopher Almey, his mark. Witnesses: Edmund Gerke, Thomas Rothley, Joane Weldon, her marke. [No date of probate.] (Leicester Wills, 1680, 48.)

The Will of Margaret Almy of Little Ashby, co. Leicester, widow, 24 August 1680. To my son Edward Bent £5. To my cosen Jedidia Washinton, my sister's son, £10. All that close lying in Great Ashby, known as Westwell, also that other close in Little Ashby, called Fillowdow Close, to the use of Edward Bent, my daughter's husband, and his wife, my daughter Margaret Bent, during their two lives; after their death a fourth part to remain to Jone Owton, my sister's daughter, and the other three parts to her three younger sons. John Owton, Goodder Owton, and Jedidia Owton, to be equally divided among them. My house in luterworth [Lutterworth] I leave to Edward Bent and Margaret, his wife, during their two lives, and to their heirs lawfully begotten, but, failing such heirs, to my Cozen Edward Owton the Younger, my sister's daughter's son. To my Cousin An Washington, my sister's daughter, £3. To the poor of the parish of Little Ashby £2. 10s., to be given them at St. Thomas's Day. To my Cosen John Washington's daughter £5. To Mary Boyes, our maid, £2. To Thomas Moorib, who dwelleth in my house at Luterworth, £6. To my Cosen An Washington, my sister's daughter, £10, to be in the hands of Jedidia Washington, her brother, and, if she die before receiving it, the said Jedidiah to give it to his brother John Washington, immediately on the death of the said An. Residuary legatee and executrix: my daughter Margaret Bent. Overseers: my son Edward Bent and John Gilbertson. Margaret Almy, her mark. Witnesses: Thomas Orped, his mark, John Gilbertson, Edward Bent, M. Boyes, her mark. [No record of probate.] (Leicester Wills, 1681, 186.)

The Will of ROBERT ALMEY of Thurnby, co. Leicester, grazier, 21 December 1690. To my eldest son, John Almy, 1s. My youngest son to pay to my eldest son, John Allmy, £5 after my wife's decease, in lieu of a lease of some Closen in Essendon Lordship, called by the name of Fulsick. I give the said lease to John, the son of my youngest son, Christopher Allmey. To my son Christopher Allmey 1s. To my daughter Jane, the wife of John Bauldrick of Houghton on the Hill, and to her children 40s., to be paid within one year of my death. Sole executrix; my well-beloved wife Alice Allmey. [Signed] Robert Almy. Witnesses: Joseph iohnson, James Humberston, Francis Walton. Proved 6 August 1691 by the executrix named in the will. (Leicester Wills, 1691, 59.)

FROM THE TRANSCRIPTS OF THE PARISH REGISTERS OF DUNTON-BASSETT, CO. LEICESTER*

1583 Richard Winckles and Jone Almey, daughter of Wm Almey, married 17 February [1583/4].

1590 Henerye Almey buried 10 May.

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1604 Jone Allmye, wife of Thomas Allmie, buried 31 October. 1611-12 Thomas Almie, Churchwarden, signs the transcript. 1622 William Aullmye, son of William Aullmy, baptized 7 April.

1622 Thomas Aullmy buried 11 March [1622/3].

1626 Richard Allmye, son of William Allmye, baptized 3 September.

1627 Richard Allmye, son of William Allmye, buried 6 February [1627/8]. 1629 William Allmie, Churchwarden, signs the transcript.

1633 William Allmey, Churchwarden, signs the transcript. 1638 William Allmey, Churchwarden, signs the transcript.

FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS OF SOUTH KILWORTH, CO. LEICESTERT

1611 Anna Almey buried 1 August.

1622 Anna Almey buried 5 March [1622/3]. 1624 Christopher Almey buried 4 October.

1626 Anna Almey, daughter of William Almey, baptized 26 February [1626/7].

From Leicestershire Parish Registers, Marriagest

Ashby Parva

1627 Samuel Jephcote and Mary Almy 30 October. (Vol. 5, p. 54.)

Aulestone

1571 Richard Amon and Margarett Davye 17 November. (Vol. 12, p. 3.) 1573 William Amon and Margerie Framcon 28 November. (Vol. 12,

1605 Henry Wistowe and Anne Alma[n] "The last of" February [1605/6]. (Vol. 12, p. 6.)

1665 James Licores [? Licorish] and Alice Almond of Aylestone 28 November. (Vol. 12, p. 10.)

Bitteswell

1620 William Almie and Jane Dowse 1 November. (Vol. 5, p. 115.)

1660 Elisha Allmey and Alice Wikeman, both of Bitteswell, 29 April. (Vol.

1660 William Allmey and Elizabeth Vincent, both of Bitteswell, 26 June. (Vol. 5, p. 117.)

1664 William Chebzey of Rugby, co. Warwick, and Hannah Almey of Bitteswell 22 January [1664/5]. (Vol. 5, p. 117.)

* The existing parish registers of Dunton-Bassett, co. Leicester, begin in 1653; but transcripts of the earlier registers of this parish, before 1650, are preserved in the Archdeacon's Registry at Leicester for the years 1561-2, 1565-6, 1583, 1590, 1602, 1612, 1613, 1617, 1622, 1625-1630, 1632-1634, and 1636-1639, and in the Bishop's Registry at Lincoln (Dunton Research which is now in the Discose of Peterborough Registry at Lincoln (Dunton-Bassett, which is now in the Diocese of Peterborough, having originally belonged to the Diocese of Lincoln) for the years 1604, 1606, 1607, and 1609. In this article are given summaries of all the entries in these two sets of transcripts in which the name Almey or variants of this name occur, down to 1650. The entry for 1604 is from the transcripts at Lincoln; the other entries are from the transcripts at Leicester. In the registers these entries are written in Latin.

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