

lands in fee at Kenilworth, in England, both before and after their immigration to this country, and that they were descended from a George Griswold, of that place. See *Appendix XXXIV*. This George Griswold was the father of three sons,—Edward, born in 1607, of whom hereafter; Matthew, born in 1620; and Thomas, who remained at Kenilworth, residing on the property belonging to his brother Matthew. The elder brothers immigrated to New England in 1639, in the ship of which Mr. William Whiting was the undertaker,* in company—as is said by tradition—with the Rev. Ephraim Huet, of Windsor, who had been a minister of Wroxall, near Kenilworth, in Warwickshire; was proceeded against by Archbishop Laud, in 1738, for neglect of ceremonies, and came to America during the next year.† They settled at Windsor, Connecticut, from whence, however, Matthew shortly removed to Saybrook, finally establishing himself at Lyme. He became the founder of a very distinguished branch of the family, and died September 27, 1698, having occupied various positions of trust in the colony and acquired a large estate. Among his descendants were Matthew Griswold, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and his son Roger, both of whom were Governors of the State of Connecticut.‡

II. EDWARD GRISWOLD, the eldest son of George Griswold, of Kenilworth, County Warwick, England, remained at his first place of settlement for some time.§ A Colonial record of 1649 shows him to have been at that time still residing at Windsor, where his sons Francis and George likewise had their families.|| It is believed that he removed to Killingworth (now Clinton), Conn., in 1663, giving to this New England town the name of his old place of residence in Warwickshire.¶ He was a deputy to the General Court before this, in 1662. Under the year 1667, as “Mr. Edw. Grissell,” he is enrolled a deputy, and, as “Mr.

* See *Appendix XXXIV*.

† *Genealogical Dictionary*, by James Savage, Boston, 1860, Vol. II, p. 490.

‡ *The Griswold Family of Connecticut*, by Prof. Edward Elbridge Salisbury, reprinted from the *American Magazine of History* for 1884.

§ See *Appendix XXXIV*.

|| *Public Records of the Colony of Connecticut, 1636-1665*, Hartford, 1852, p. 196.

¶ In Queen Elizabeth's time Kenilworth was spelt Killingworth.