

having appellate jurisdiction of superior cases to save going up to Westminster. One of the five provisions of Magna Charta signed by King John in 1215 was that such local justices should be appointed in the counties. This was not fulfilled, however, until after the death of John, during the minority of his son Henry III, and under the regency of Robert De Burgh. Thomas de Heydon therefore, was the first judge in Norfolk appointed under Magna Charta.

2. William Heydon, of Heydon, Esq., eldest son and heir of the above, and who succeeded him in the estate at Heydon: was no doubt the father of John de Heydon, the judge and ancestor of the Devon line; as the Devon authorities state that the judge was a younger son of one of the Norfolk family; and the judge flourished in 1273. This William, born, probably, about 1220, died 1272. His eldest son,

3. William, also of Heydon, succeeded him. He lived at Heydon in the reign of Edward I, from 1272 to 1307, and was the elder brother of the judge: died about 1307.

4. Simeon Heydon, of Heydon, his son and heir, succeeded him. Simeon had two sons, David, the elder, and heir; and Sir Richard Heydon, who entered the army in Edward III's time, and, in the days of the Black Prince, engaged in the wars then carried on in France, where he was killed, about A.D. 1370. Richard appears to have been the ancestor of the Hertfordshire branch, which settled at Watford about 1375. Simeon was succeeded by

5. David Heydon, of Heydon, who married Margarete ———, and had by her, his son and heir,

6. Hugh Heydon, of Heydon, who married Alice, daughter and heiress of Loverds, by whom he had the manor of Loverds, in Heydon, and whose arms, *argent*, a pair of windmill sails *sable*, was quartered by the Heydons. By Alice he had his heir,

7. William Heydon, of Heydon, Esq., who succeeded him, and married Isabel, daughter of John Moore of Norwich, Gent., by whom he had, as heir and successor [Watson in his *History of the Warren Family* says, that Wm. de Warren married Isabel, daughter of this Wm. de Heydon about 1380],

8. Robert Heydon, Esq., of Heydon, who married Cecily, daughter and heiress of Robert Oulton, of Oulton in Norfolk, Esq., an eminent