

chapel at Faxton, which I visited in 1849. In the same chapel, are also set up the coats of their kinsmen, Pell, Bagshaw, Purefoy, Seymour and Hemings.

Thomas Nicolls, father of the judge, mentions, in his will, his "servant and kinsman, Edward Pell." This was probably some young cousin from Eltington. There was an Edward there, (grandson of Thomas Pell, gent., who died 1558,) who became the successor of his grandfather in the manor estate.

Judge Nicolls' mother, Anne (Pell), after her husband's death, married Richard Purefoy, also spelled "Purefey," third son of Edward Purefoy, of Shalston in the county of Buckingham. Her husband, Purefoy, purchased the manor of Faxton, where Judge Nicolls afterwards resided.

This lady, Anne (Pell) Purefoy, was the great friend of our Gov. Thomas Dudley, in his orphanage, and the one who looked after his education. Perhaps she was his aunt. Her will has not yet been found. If that ever comes to light, we may, perhaps, learn much about her relationship to the Dudleys, and who left the £500 legacy to young Dudley, of which Cotton Mather speaks in his sketch of the Governor.

The Purefoys were, some of them, Puritans, conspicuous in Cromwell's time. This was a very ancient house, and many branches of it are traced in the County Histories of England. The Dudleys, and many of their kinsmen and friends dwelt in the Parish of St. Dunstan's, in the West of London, where we find a "Roger Dudley" mentioned in the records. There were two of the name of "Roger Dudley" in London A. D. 1560-1600. It is recorded, that Dorothy, dau. of Roger Dudley, gent., was baptized there March 31, 1603, and Richard, son of Roger Dudley, was buried Aug. 20, 1603. Also, William Purefoy,* gent., was married to Jane Purefoy, Jan. 23, 1611, and Thomas, son of John Dudley, gent., was baptized there May 30, 1591. At St. Dunstan's, also, John Purefoy of Shalston, in Bucks, married Anne, daughter, of Thos. Windsor Esq., of Bentley. This John Purefoy was brother to Judge Nicolls' father-in-law, Richard Purefoy, whose wife, (Anne) aided Gov. Thomas Dudley to get his education. And this Anne Windsor was granddaughter of Sir Andrews Windsor, K. C. B., brother of Edmund Dudley's first wife, that is, Edmund, the father of John, the Duke of Northumberland, grand-

rectory of Broughton, in Northamptonshire, sending him his presentation unexpectedly, from his chamber, in Sergeants' Inn, where Dr. King, Bishop of London, being accidentally present, thanked the judge for his good choice, &c.

* This was the M. P. for Coventry, A. D. 1625.