

of Sedgeley, the chace of Pensnett and the manor now of Swinford Regis. in Staffordshire, and the town of Dudley in Worcestershire. He was summoned to parliament 17th and 18th Edw. II., 1323 and 1324, as Baron of Dudley. He sealed with a cross patonce.—dead 12 Edw. III., 1338.

His son, John, in 1338, in a deed, styled himself "John, the son of John de Sutton upon Trent, the lord of Dudley."—*Dug.* This second John de Sutton died 1359, seized of the town and castle of Dudley, and the manors of Sedgley, Himley, Penne, etc.

The history of the early Suttons of Dudley castle is mostly to be learned from such records as the following :

In the 12 Edw. III., John de Sutton, lord of Dudley, the son of Sir John de Sutton, Knight, grants by deed to Wm. (the son of Wm. Corbyn of Birmingham), the younger, a manor in the fee of King's Swinford, called Byrchen Moor, which Wm. Corbyn, the younger, had also a grant 13 Edw. III. from Nic. Willy of a tenement in Sedgcsly, Staff. *Shaw's Staff.*

34 Edw. III. John de Sutton, the son and heir of Sir John de Sutton, Kt., sometime lord of Dudley, grants to Wm. Corbyn the reversion of a meadow called Stoure meadow, between the Stoure meadow and the land of John de Stafford, which meadow Philip de Luttely now holdeth by grant of Isabel, the mother of the said John de Sutton.

6 Rich. II. May 13, 1382.—Enrollment of a mandate to the escheator to deliver to John, son of John de Sutton of Dudley, all his father's lands, which after his death had been taken into the king's hands.

2 Hen. IV., 1400.—John de Sutton held the castle of Malpas and half the castle of Shocklach, a moiety of the whole barony of Malpas, etc.

8 Hen. IV., 1406.—John de Sutton, chevalier, held a moiety of the castle of Malpas, etc., whose father, John, had held it and now Jane, widow of the aforesaid John senior, held in dower, the reversion of which belonged to John, son of John aforesaid. John, son of John de Sutton, son and heir.

10 Hen. IV., 1408.—Jane, widow of Sir John Sutton, Kt., held in dower after the death of her husband, a third part of a moiety, and a fourth part of a moiety of the entire barony and advowson of Malpas from the earl, as in the preceding inquisition with lands in Malpas, Bradley, Agden, Newton. Tushington, Shocklach, Wigland, Fulwich, Oldcastle, Tilston and Christleton.