

property of Oliver Lord St. John, of Bletso, whose son John, the second Baron, in 1595 sold it to Sir Thomas Middleton.

In 1615 Alderman Sir THOMAS MIDDLETON purchased the manor of Stansted Montfichet in Essex, which in the closing years of his life was his principal residence. He died on August 12, 1631, and was buried in the church there, on the 8th September following (Funeral Certificate).

He was four times married.

(1) Hester, second daughter of Sir Richard Saltonstall, Alderman of London, by whom he had issue,

1. *Richard Middleton*, died young.
2. *Thomas Middleton*, his heir, of Chirk.

(2) Elizabeth, relict of John Olmested, of Ingatestone, Essex, and daughter and heir of James Davers or Danvers, of London, by Elizabeth, widow of Robert Taylor, Alderman of London, and daughter and heir of Hugh Hatton, of Cheshire and London, by whom he left issue,

3. *Timothy Middleton*, of Stansted Montfichet (from whom the Middletons of Essex.)

4. *Henry Middleton*, dead s. p. before 1631.

5. Hester, first wife of Henry Salisbury, of Llewenny co Denbigh esq. She died 26 Jan. 1614 and was buried at Stansted Montfichet. He was created a Baronet 18 Nov. 1619, and died in 1632.

6. Mary, married 25 Nov. 1624 at St. Mary Aldermary, London, John Maynard Esq. (made K.B. in 1626), second brother of William, Lord Maynard. He was M.P. for Lostwithiel in the Long Parliament, and died in July 1658.

(3) Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Brooke of London, and relict first of Richard Thorpe, Vintner and next of Miles Hubert.

(4) Ann, daughter of Gerrard Vanacker of Antwerp, merchant, and widow of Jacob Witte-wrong of London, brewer, married as "Mrs. Jenn Wetterungell of East Ham" at St. Mary, Aldermary, 18 Dec. 1623. She was executrix of her husband's will, and was living 11 Feb. 1634-5 at St. Mary's, Aldermary. It is related by