

the freehold and charterhold purchased by her in Tudington, co. Norfolk; appoints her son Raph, of Ackworth Park, sole executor.

Wolley Leigh left three children, John, who died young without issue; Jane, who married Sir John Lowther, M.P. for Cumberland from 32 Car. II. to 12 Will. III., and one of the Commissioners of the Admiralty in the latter reign, who died Jan., 1705-6.

Sir Thomas Leigh, his eldest son and successor, was baptized at Stow Bardolph 4th Nov., 1639, and was aged five years one month and twelve days at the time of his father's death. He was knighted at the coronation of Charles II., 28th April, 1661, and died in 1677. He married Hannah, daughter and heir of Anthony Rolfe, of Tuttington, near Aylsham, co. Norfolk.

He had issue Thomas Leigh, third son, who died from a fall from his horse at Ackworth, in Yorkshire, in 1688.

Wolley Leigh, of whom hereafter.

Sir John Leigh, Knt., his son and heir, was born at East Wickham, 8th Aug., 1660, knighted at Whitehall at the coronation of James II., 20th May, 1685, and married, in the Temple Church, 28th Jan., 1678, Catherine, daughter of John Barton, serjeant-at-law. His will, which is dated 2nd Sept., 1690, was proved in the P.C.C.<sup>1</sup> by Catherine Leigh, his widow, on 7th March, 1691. He describes himself as Sir John Leigh of Addington, Knight; appoints Christopher Smith, of Clifford's Inn, London, gent., to be guardian of his deare and beloved sonne John Leigh until his age of twenty-one; bequeaths to his son the diamond ring and necklace of pearl which were his ancestors, after the death of his deare wife, "provided she doth not marry"; in the event of his son dying, then to his next relation to whom the inheritance shall descend; mentions that he had but one son, John Leigh, and no daughter, and that his son was yett very young, and that he was desirous that his estate of inheritance should be and continue in the name of Leigh so long as it should please Almighty God; he therefore devises the reversion to Wolley Leigh,

<sup>1</sup> Vere, 44.