

Fylymore, of Cam, was named an overseer of the will of Harry Fylymore, of Wickwar. Willym Phyllymore, in 1571, was assessed to the subsidy, and paid 4s. upon £4 "in goods." On the 24 July, 1571, William Fynimore attested the will of John Tratman [Trotman], of Cam, clothman. He made his own will as William Phinimore, of Cam, yeoman, 3 December, 1590, and was buried, as we have seen, 11 December, 1590.* His wife, Alice Phinimore, was buried at Cam 29 January, 1586. They appear to have left the following sons surviving them:—

George Phinimore, buried at Cam 6 March, 1614-5, probably the ancestor of several families of Phillimore, at Cam, most if not all of whom are now extinct.

Richard Phinimore, of Cam, yeoman, was buried there 1 January, 1615-16. His son, *John Phillimore*, of Cam, yeoman, was also buried there 28 January, 1680-81, aged 91 years.† The principal representatives of this branch are, Capt. W. B. Phillimore, of Kendalls, Herts., Mr. Egerton G. B. Phillimore, M.A., and Sir Walter G. F. Phillimore, Bart., D.C.L.

John Phinimore, the third son, was probably the ancestor of the Phillimores, of Slimbridge, Gloucestershire, now represented by Mr. Daniel Phillimore, Raymeadow, Toddington, Gloucestershire.

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In the early part of the seventeenth century, we find several families, whose name was then usually spelt Phenimore, settled in the parish of Halberton, near to Tiverton. From the fact that Humphrey has always been a favourite Christian name with them, it has been suggested that they may be descendants of Humphrey Fynmore, presumably the eldest son of William Fynmore, the Mayor of Reading. At present no other evidence in support of the theory is forthcoming. The Halberton registers, which do not begin till 1605, show that Katherine, wife of Christopher Fynmore, was buried there in 1614, and a Christopher Phenimore in 1634. It is possible that they may have been the parents of Richard, Philip, and Abraham Phenimore, of whose families the registers contain many particulars. Unfortunately there are gaps, and the entries are scarcely explicit enough to construct from them any

* Probably this William Phinimore may be identified with "Old Fillmore, of Cam," who, unfortunately for himself and his sons, originated a Gloucestershire proverb. John Smyth, of Nibley, the author of the *History of the Hundred of Berkeley*, recently, for the first time, published by the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society, writing in 1639, says:—"He hath offered his candle to the diuell. This [proverb] (now common) thus arose:—Old Fillmore, of Cam, goinge in 1584, to p'sent Sr. Tho. Throgm: [Throckmorton], of Tortworth, with a sugar lofe, met by the way with his neighbor, S. M., who demanded "whither and vpon what busines hee was going, answered—To offer my candle to the diuill; "which comminge to the eares of Sir Tho. At the next muster hee sent two of Fillmore's "sunnes soldiers into the Lowe countries, where the one was slayne, and the other at a deere "rate redeemed his retourne."

† Pedigrees of some of his descendants will be found in *Burke's Landed Gentry*; *Foster's Baronetage*; and *Blunt's Dursley and its Neighbourhood*.