

Thomas Musgrave, Gent, who died in Antigua about November, 1699, and in whose Will* is mentioned his loving sister Mrs. Anne Winder, his niece Mrs. Hartley, wife of Mr.—Hartley, Bookseller, of London, and Edward Musgrave, Esq., his “dear brother” of Westmorland.

Edward Musgrave † of Ashby, Westmorland, Esq., in his Will (proved in P.C.C., 17th June, 1700), mentions his only son Richard Musgrave and leaves him his demesne lands &c., in the said county with Tythe Barns at Allonby and West Newton in parish of Bromfield, Cumberland, and to his daughter Catherine an annuity, and also a gold ring with inscription “God’s providence is our inheritance,”—he desires his honoured and most faithful friends Sir Christopher Musgrave, Bart., and Sir Richard Musgrave of Haton, Bart., to take upon them the trust of seeing that his son (whom he leaves his Exor) is carefully educated and religiously brought up.

From the Westmorland “Feet of Fines” I find that:—
“Christopher Musgrave, Knight, in 1702, disposes of Lands and Tenements lying in Appleby to Hugh Hugill and Margt his wife for £60.”

Richard Musgrave, in 1703, purchases Lands and Manor of Asby Cotsford from William Johnson, Gent, for £360.

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The following short abstracts and copies of documents add some important links to the chain of history, of the

* Proved 20th December, 1700 (in P.C.C.) by Robert Hartley, Curator, lawfully assigned to Richard Musgrave, Armiger, a minor, son and exor. of Edward Musgrave, Armiger, deceased.

† I have not yet traced from which branch of the Musgrave family he descends. Altho’ it may be from *Cuthbert Musgrave*, who was granted by King Henry VIII, the office of Bailiwick of the town of Penrith by Letters Patent 7 March, 1536,—for we find Richard Dudley of Yenwyth, Westmorland, complaining (Exchequer Bill—Cumb: Eliz: No. 25) that Cuthbert Musgrave having by deed assigned him the said office in 1583-4—did, with his son Cuthbert Musgrave, John Atkinson of Penrith, and John Winder [of Penrith—Will proved 1593] enter into the said bailiwick, by force and arms and disseise him [Richard Dudley] of his office.

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