

Dowrish Register Report

The Dowrish family literally were the “folks next door” for the Gye family. Dowrish House and its lands abutted the manor of Prowse where the Gye family lived. It appears that it was a family of a “comfortable middle-class” life in Renaissance England.

First Generation

1. Thomas¹ DOWRISH, Esq. was born circa 1532^[1] and died in 1590; he was 58^[1]. Thomas and his family lived in Dowrish House^[1], a manor in Sandford, Devonshire, England. Sandford is about 8 miles NW of Exeter, Devonshire, England^[2].

He married **Anne FARRINGDON^[1,3,4]**, daughter of **Charles FARRINGDON & Margery STUCKLEY**.

They had the following children:

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| 2 | i. | Walter |
| 3 | ii. | Hugh |
| 4 | iii. | Robert |
| 5 | iv. | Elizabeth |
| 6 | v. | Grace |
| 7 | vi. | Anne or Jane |

Generation: G11 Grandparents twice

Person Numbers: 14,934 / 14,935 (via Elias Maverick) and 14,998 / 14,999 (via Moses Maverick)

Second Generation

Family of Thomas DOWRISH Esquire (1) & Anne FARRINGDON

2. Walter DOWRISH, Esq. (*Thomas¹*) was the eldest and Thomas' heir^[2]. He was named as a trustee in the inquisition which was held at Exeter Castle on 7 March, 42 Elizabeth (1599-1600) to enquire after his nephew George Gye, who was declared “an Ideot”^[5].

3. Hugh DOWRISH (*Thomas¹*) was Thomas' second son^[2].

4. Robert DOWRISH (*Thomas¹*) was the third son^[2].

5. Elizabeth DOWRISH (*Thomas¹*) married **John NORTHCOTT, gent.**, who was also named as a trustee in the inquisition concerning George Gye on 7 March, 42 Elizabeth (1599-1600)^[5]. They were residents of Crediton, Devonshire, England^[2].

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6. **Grace DOWRISH**^[3,6] (*Thomas*¹) died suddenly in 1603 or 1604, before she could make her will^[2]. Circa 1555, Grace married **Robert GYE, gent.**^[7], son of **John GYE & Mary PROWSE**^[8]. They lived at the manor at Prowse in Sandford, Devonshire, England^[2]. The Prowse property and Dowrish House were next to one another.

They had the following children (*surnamed GYE*):

- i. Gilbert
- ii. Edmund
- iii. John
- iv. Walter
- v. Peter
- vi. George
- vii. Robert
- viii. Johan or Joan
- ix. Jane
- x. Anne
- xi. **Mary**^[7,13,14]

Generation: G10 Grandparents twice

Person Numbers: 7466/7467 (via Elias Maverick) and 7498/7499 (via Moses Maverick)

7. **Anne or Jane DOWRISH** (*Thomas*¹) married **William BODLEIGH, Esq.** who was also named as a trustee in the inquisition concerning George Gye on 7 March, 42 Elizabeth (1599-1600)^[5]. They lived in Dunscombe, Devonshire, England^[2].

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