The Ivory family was a prosperous and well educated one. They lived primarily in Offley, Hertfordshire, England; but various members established themselves in other nearby parishes.

One learns a great deal from the wills and other legal documents left by the members of this family. Most of the men were well educated and appeared to educate their daughters as well. Their wives, like so many women of their time, by and large were not so fortunate. Their wills are not so cogently written and are signed with "her mark" – usually a cross written in the space next to her name. Most of the men were Yeomen and property owners and their higher status in English society can also be marked by the fact that members of this family usually died of illness or old age – seen by the fact that they had time to write their wills in the months before their deaths. No deaths from accidents or disasters which befell those who made their livings in a far less safe and comfortable manner. In addition, they understood and would use the legal system for disputes which could not be decided with civilized discussion. Not just in England, but in Lynn, Essex co., MA in New England.

I have seen the ruins of a 16th century Yeoman's cottage in Gloucestershire, England. The entire cottage would fit within the living room of a comfortable American suburban home. It was, at best, two or three rooms. One of my traveling companions (who had studied this period of English society) assured me that this was a good sized cottage for a Yeoman of the day. I cannot imagine raising a family of 6 or more children in such close quarters...and to have that be considered a "comfortable Middle Class life".

Name Variations are: Yuerye (1547), luerye (1547), lverye (1568), lvorie, (1581+) lvorye (1581+), luorie (1624), lvory (1609+), luory (1630), Juorie (1660+), lverie (1618+), luarye, luarie, lurery, lveri, lvere, lvery, lvories.

First Generation

1. **[not known] IVORY** was born probably ca 1450.^[1] Nothing more is currently known of this patriarch or his wife.

Children:

2 i. Robert 3 ii. John

Generation: G14 Grandparents (twice)

Person Numbers: 57,792/57,793 (Sarah) & 129,344/129,345 (Lois)

Second Generation

2. Robert² **IVORY** ([not known]¹) was born probably ca. 1475^[1] and died before 30 August 1525; he was 50. Robert's will is no longer extant, but was dated 30 August 1525 with his brother, John, and his son, Robert, named as executors^[1]. His wife is not known. He was a Yeoman.

Children:

4	i.	Robert
5	ii.	Cristian
6	iii.	Joone/Joane
7	iv.	Margery
8	٧.	Roger
9	vi.	[not known son]

Generation: G13 Grandparents (twice)

Person Numbers: 28,896/28,897 (Sarah) & 64,672/64,673

3. John IVORY (Inot known)1) was made executor of his brother's estate in 1525. French mentions that "...he may be the John who is on the lay subsidy for Offley, Herfordshire, England for 1d. in the year 34-35 Henry VIII (1542-1544)..."[1]

Third Generation

4. Robert³ IVORY (Robert², Inot known)¹) was born probably ca. 1500^[1] and died in Offley, Hertfordshire, England before 13 July 1547; he was 47^[2]. In his will, Robert's last name is spelled YUERYE.

Robert was co-executor (with his uncle John Ivory) of his father Robert Yuerye's will and thus recieved "all residue" of the estate to be divided with his uncle Roger Ivory^[2].

He was on the lay subsidy for Offley, Hertfordshire, England for the amount of 3s. 4d. during the year 34-35 Henry VIII (1542-1544), along with his brother Roger and his uncle John (1d. each)[2].

Finally, he was a plaintiff in the Court of Request against Gregory Warren in 1536^[3]. The Court entry reads:

"Robert Ivery of Offley, co. Herts., husbandman, sued Gregory Warren and Alice his wife [sic] in regard to the lease of a house in Offley, formerly the freehold property of the said Gregory in the right of his wife Alice. The lease was for twenty-one years from 12 December 27 Henry VIII [1535], and the said Alice died before the lease began when the property went to her son and heir by a former marriage, Thomas Skypes. The said Gregory agreed to cause the said Thomas to confirm said lease if the said Robert Ivery would pay him 10 marks, which he did. The said Thomas has not confirmed the lease, and the said Gregory will not refund the 10 marks paid. [Undated, but after the feast of Pentecost. 28 Henry VIII, i.e. after 28 May 1536]. (Public Record Office, Court of Requests, Bundle 3, No. 258.)^[4]

"The Will of ROBERT YUERYE of Offley, co. Herts, 11 April 1547.

To my sister Cristian Cuffley £3. To my sister Joone Childe £6. To my sister Margery £10. To Faithe my wife £20. To Robert my son £20. To Annys my daughter £6. 13s. 4d. To Elizabeth and Alice my daughters £5 each. To Thomas my son £10. To Richard my son £20. My wife to have the house and close called Howme Close for a year and to have the keeping of my son Richard so long as he abide with her. To Richard Chawkeleye, son of John Chawkeleye, 46s. 8d. £20 to be bestowed on the repair of the highway between Stapsley & Luton at the Church Street. To Roger my brother my best jacket and 10s. To Margery luerye, daughter of my brother Roger, a ewe and her lamb. All residue to my son Robert and my brother Roger, whom I make executors. Overseers: Sir John Nixe, vicar of Offley, and John Perett of Greatamsted. Witnesses: Sir John Nixe. William Albright. and Thomas Dermer. Proved 13 July 1547. (Archdeaconry of Huntington [Peterborough], vol. 8, fo. 125.)"[2]

Robert first married Faithe [surname not known] who received £20 in her husband Robert Yuerye's will. She was also to have the house and close called Howme Close for a year and was to take care of their son, Richard, who was apparently still a minor^[2].

They had the following children:

10	i.	Robert
11	ii.	Alice
12	iii.	Thomas
13	iv.	Richard
14	٧.	Elizabeth
15	vi.	Annys/Annis/Anne
16	vii	William

Generation: G12 Grandparents (twice)

Person Numbers: 14,448/14,449 (Sarah) & 32,336/32,337 (Lois)

- **5. Cristian IVORY** (Robert², [not known]¹) married [not known] CUFFLEY. This is known because she received £3 and was referred to by her married name "Cuffley" in her brother Robert Yuerye's will^[2].
- **6. Joone/Joane IVORY** (Robert², [not known]¹) married [not known] CHILDE. This is known because she received £6 and was referred to by her married name "Childe" in her brother Robert Yuerye's will^[2].
- **7. Margery IVORY** (Robert², [not known]¹) received £10 and was apparently still unmarried in her brother Robert Yuerye's will^[2].
- **8.** Roger IVORY (Robert², [not known]¹) received "my best jacket and 10s." in his brother Robert Yuerye's will. Roger was co-executor of his brother Robert Yuerye's will and thus received "all residue" of the estate to be divided with his nephew Robert Ivory[2]. Roger was on the lay subsidy for Offley, Hertfordshire, England for the amount of 1d. during the years 34-35 Henry VIII (1542-1544)[¹]. Roger's wife is not currently known. They had one child:

i. Margery

9. [not known son] IVORY (*Robert*², [not known]¹) was born ca 1513^[1] and was a Husbandman from Hexton, Hertfordshire, England (a parish abutting Offley)^[1].

His existence is known only from a suit he brought against his godfather's executors in the Court of Requests ca. 1536:

"Complaint made by ____ [mutilated] Ivery of Hexton in co. Hertford, husbandman, that his father Robert Ivery made his will 30 August 1525, making his brother John Ivery and his eldest son Robert Ivery executors, and leaving to his son, this complainant, then twelve years of age or under, for his preferment and toward his living, two hundred sheep and twenty quarters of barley, valued at £30. After the death of the complainant's said father the executors proved the will and administered the estate. Complainant was under the rule and governance of one William Welche of Luton, co. Bedford, his godfather, at whose request the executors paid over to him the said sheep and barley, to the intent that he should employ the same to the most profit of the complainant, he agreeing to render the said sheep and barley, with the increase thereof, on demand. About two years since the complainant demanded of the said Welch said sheep and barley with the increase thereof, but he not only refused to surrender the same but sold them and retained the mone. At St. John's day last past the said Welche made his will, appointing his wife Isabell and Thomas Steven of Luton his executors, and died leaving a good estate. Complainant has demanded his sheep and barley of these executors, but they refuse to satisfy his claim. Complainant is a poor man, and has no redress at the common law. He asks for letters of privy seal to be directed to the said executors, commanding them under penalty to appear and answer his complaint. [Undated, but

Fourth Generation

10. Robert⁴ **IVORY** (*Robert*³⁻², [*not known*]¹) was born ca. 1525 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England and died there before 13 January 1568/9; he was 43. Robert was also a Yeoman^[6] and lord of the manors of Hollwell and Westbury in Hertfordshire, England. His name is on the lay subsidy for Offley, Hertfordshire, England in the year 8 Elizabeth [1565-1566]^[3]. He received £20 in his father Robert Yuerye's will^[2].

"The Will of ROBERT IVERYE of Offlye, co. Hartford, yeoman, 14 June 1568.

To William my son the manor of Westberge with the appurtenances, except such rents charged as by this my will I have given unto my other children as hereafter followeth upon condition that William Deremore and Thomas Hanskame do release all covenants and bonds mentioned in a pair of indentures between them and me to the behoof of Katherine my wife, to the said William my son and his lawful male issue, and for want of such issue then to that child my wife now goeth withal, if it be a man child, to him and his lawful male issue, and for lack of such, them to my next lawful heir male. To John my eldest son the manor of Holiwell with the appurtenances, except Cawdewell mill, to him and his lawful male issue, and for lack of such to my next lawful heir male. To Thomas my son Chadwell [sic] mill with appurtenances, to him and his heirs forever. To my sons Robert and Richard, at their ages of twenty-one years, and to the child my wife now goeth withall, if it be a man child, at his age of fifteen years, to each an annuity of £3, payable out of the Manor of Westberie. Richard Iverye my brother shall have the Manor of Westberie with appurtenances, except wood and underwood, for fifteen years from Michaelmas next after my death, paying therefor unto the performance of my will £6. 13s. 4d. a year, and allowing Katherine my wife, yearly during her widowhood, certain crops, cattle, and houseroom [specified]. The said corn, cattle, and houseroom to be paid by my brother until the term of fifteen years be expired, and then by my son William or such other of my sons as shall be the possessors of the said manor. To wife Katherine £30 and all such household goods as were hers by her first husband's will. To Agnes and Elizabeth my daughters and to the child my wife now goeth withal, if it be a woman child, £30 each at the age of eighteen or day of marriage. To Jone Deremere my wife's daughter ten ewes and a bullock. To Thomas Phillipe my servant two lambs. To my sons John, Thomas, Robert, and Richard a pair of sheets and a pillowbere each, to be delievered to William Deremere their uncle to be kept for them until they are able to occupy them. To my daughters Agnes and Elizabeth, my son William, and my wife's daughter Jone Deremer certain household goods to be delievered unto their mother until they be able to occupy them. According to my promise, my brother Thomas from Michaelmas 1569 shall during his lifetime have the house to dwell in where father Sander now dwelleth, he paying therefor yearly 13s. 4d. My brother Richard to keep all my houses in Offley and Hollwell in repair, and to be allowed therefor in his accounts. To brother Richard 13s. 4d and he to be my executor. Overseers: William Cunysbye and William Derem', and to the former 40s. and the latter 20s. Residue of my goods unbequeathed I give to my sons which have no lands given them by will, equally divided. Witnesses: Roger Henlee [or Heulee], vicar of Offlye, William Cunnysbye, William Derem', Richard Hanscome, Thomas Hanskome, and Thomas Derem'. Proved 13 January 1568/9 by Richard Iverye,

the executor named in said will. (Archdeaconry of Huntingdon, Hitchin Registry [Somerset House], vol. 1, fol. 116.)^[6]

Robert first married **[not known] SAUNDER**. She was dead before 1563, when the first child of Robert and his second wife Katherine was born.

They had the following children:

22 i. Richard

23 ii. Robert (>1547-)

24 iii. Thomas (ca1555-<1627)

25 iv. John

Robert second married **Katherine/Katheryn [surname not known]**, widow of Rychard DEREMER, with a son, Thomas and daughter, Joan by him. Katherine died before 17 June 1584 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England and is buried in The Church at Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[7].

Her first husband's will is as follows:

The Will of RYCHARD DERMER of Offley, co. Herts, yeoman, 23 October 1560.

To be buried in the church of Offley near my father. To my son Thomas Dermer all my lands and tenements in Offley and Lylley according to the form of my father's will, and three acres of land at Hitchin cross for that acre I sold to Richard Spyeer alias Helder of Lylley. To my wife Katherine my copyhold tenement in Hitchin with forty acres of free land for her dowry, and copyhold land and two closes called Cores or Coltlande in Hitchin, until Johan my daughter be married, and then the said land and £20 to my said daughter and her heirs. The residue of my moveable goods to my son Thomas and wife Katherine, equally divided, and I make them executors. My wife to have the occupation of half my lands in Offley and Lylley with my son Thomas until he be eighteen, and then to take her half of my moveable goods and depart. Overseer: Thomas Hanseu' of Shyttlyngton, and to him 6s., 8d. Witnesses: John Nyxe, vicar of Offley, John Clarke of Wickyn, bailiff of Offley, Richard Saunder, Robert Welles, and Roger Henlow. Proved 24 January 1560/1 by the widow Katherine, with power reserved for Thomas Dermer, the other executor. (P.C.C., Loftes, 2.) [2]

I am struck by this passage in Rychard Dermer's will "...My wife to have the occupation of half my lands in Offley and Lylley with my son Thomas until he be eighteen, and then to take her half of my moveable goods and depart..."[2] which gives a good indication of the staus of woman of any status in this period in England. Once the boy is of age, she is to take what is hers and go.

Katherine was co-executor of her husband Rychard's will in 1560 (along with her son, Thomas) and was left the "...copyhold tenement in Hitchin with forty acres of free land for her dowry..." as well as splitting "...[t]he residue of [Rychard's] moveable goods...". Since her children were still minors (Thomas being under 18 and Johan being unmarried), Katherine was also responsible for their inheritances until they were of age. Furthermore, Katherine was to "...take her half of [Rychard's] moveable goods and depart..." from the houses and lands willed to her son Thomas as soon as Thomas turned 18. She also received "...£30 and all such household goods as were hers by her first husband's will..." [2]

Katherine appears to have been well able to cope with the raising of all the children (all still minors when her husbands died) and her husbands' considerable affairs. I am assuming that she was an educated woman to have done so as well as she did. Another indicator of this is the fact that she did not feel a need to remarry a third time and instead managed the lands herself. As such, she was on the lay subsidies for Offley, Hertfordshire, England with the following entries:

"...13 Elizabeth [1570-1]

Katherine Iverie widow in lands 40s. [Tax] 5s. 4d.

13 Elizabeth [1570-1]

Katherine Iverie widow in lands 40s. [Tax] 2s. 8d.

18 Elizabeth [1575-6]

Katherine Iverie widow in lands 60s. [Tax] 8s..."

Katherine's will was written on 13 February 1583/4 and proven on 17 June 1584:

"The Will of KATHERYN IVORYE of the parish of Offleye, co., Hertford, 13 February 1583/4. To be buried in the church of Offleye. To the poor in Offleye 20s., to be paid at the discretion of Thomas Derem' [Deremer] my son and Willian Ivorye my son. To Katheryn Tobye 5s. To John Sebrucke 1s. To Robert Cawdwell 1s. To Frauncis Derem' £4. To Thomas Derem', Edward Derem', Mary Derem', and Annis Deremer 40s. each, to be paid by there father Thomas Deremer, being money he oweth me. To Alce Younge, Joane Yonge, and Elizabeth Younge a pair of sheets each. To Thomas Younge, son of Thomas Younge, a cobiron. To William Ivorye my son all the corn and grain that Richard Ivorye oweth me and that was due at Lammas last by the will of my husband Robert Ivorye and is now in suit and various household goods and provisions. The residue of my household goods unbequeathed I give to my daughters Annis and Elizabeth, equally divided. £20 which my son William Ivorye doth owe me he shall pay to my said daughters, to each £10. To daughter Joane Younge all my money and debts unbequeathed, and she to distribute it as I have appointed her to do. Executor: William Ivorye. Witnesses: Thomas Dermer, Thomas Younge, and Willm Ivorye. Proved 17 June 1584 by the executor named in the will. (Archdeaconry of Huntingdon, Hitchin Registry [Somerset House], vol. 3, fo. *55.*)"^[7]

Katherine had her husband's tenement in Hitchin, along with 40 acres of free land (for her dowry) after he died in 1560/1. She also had control over the two closes Cores and Coltlande in Hitchin, along with "copyhold land" until their daughter Johan married. Katherine also had the "...occupation of half [his] lands in Offley and Lylley..." alsong with their son Thomas. However, once he turned 18, she was to take all her goods and go^[2].

Robert and Katherine had the following children:

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i. William
ii. [not known]
iii. Agnes/Annis
iv. Elizabeth

Generation: G11 Grandparents (twice)

Person Numbers: 7224/7225 (Sarah) & 16,168/16,169 (Lois)

- **11. Alice IVORY** (*Robert*³⁻², [not known]¹) received £5 and was apparently unmarried in her father Robert Yuerye's will^[2].
- **12. Thomas IVORY** (*Robert*³⁻², [*not known*]¹) was buried on 28 March 1610 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England. He received £10 in his father Robert Yuerye's will^[2]. From his brother Robert, he was willed "...[a]ccording to my promise...from Michaelmas 1569 shall during his lifetime have the house to dwell in where father Sander now dwelleth, he paying there yearly 13s. 4d..."^[6] From his nephew Richard, he was willed "...one acre of edge grain that I have of John Helder's land, and 20s. to be paid him by my uncle Richard Ivorye..."^[6]

- **13. Richard IVORY** (*Robert*³⁻², [not known]¹) received £20 in his father Robert Yuerye's will. Richard was apparently still a minor at the time of his father's death in 1547, since it is mentioned in his father's will that he shall still abide with his mother, Faithe^[2]. From his brother Robert, he received "...the Manor of Westbertie with appurtenances, except wood and underwood, for fifteen years from Michaelmas next after my death, paying therefor unto the performance of my will £6. 13s. 4d. a year, and allowing Katherine my wife, yearly during her widowhood, certain crops, cattle, and houseroom [specified]. The said corn, cattle and houseroom to be paid by my brother until the term of fifteen years be expired, and then by my son William or such other of my sons as shall be the posessors of the said manor..." In addition, he was charged "...to keep all my houses in Offley and Hollwell in repair and to be allowed therefor in his accounts. To brother Richard 13s. 4d., and he to be my executor..."^[6]
- **14. Elizabeth IVORY** (Robert³⁻², [not known]¹) received £5 and was apparently unmarried in her father Robert Yuerye's will^[2].
- **15. Annys/Annis/Anne IVORY** ($Robert^{3-2}$, $[not\ known]^1$) received £6. 13s. 4d. and was apparently unmarried in her father Robert Yuerye's will^[2].
- **16. William IVORY** (*Robert*³⁻², [not known]¹) Nothing more is known of him. It is probable that he died before his father, since he is not in his father's will.
- **17. Margery IVORY** (*Roger*³, *Robert*², [not known]¹) was born before 1547^[1] and received "a ewe and her lamb" in her uncle Robert Yuerye's will^[2].

Fifth Generation

18. William⁵ IVORY (*Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born in 1563 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England and died there before 29 October 1619; he was 56. He, too, was a yeoman and lord of the Manor in Westbury, Offley, Hertfordshire, England.

William was left the "...manor of Westberye with the appurtenances, except such rents charged as by this my will I have given to my other children..." in his father Robert's will. However, his uncle, Robert, had guardianship of it "...for fifteen years from Michaelmas next after my death..." After those fifteen years, William could take charge of the manor of Westbury. In addition, William received the manor, "...upon condition that Wiliam Deremore and Thomas Hanskame do release all covenants and bonds mentioned in a pair of indentures between them and me to the behoof of Katherine my wife..." If William didn't take posession of the manor of Westbury, it was to go to Katherine's unborn child (provided, of course, it was a boy). If that child was a girl, then this manor went to the next brother in line^[6].

From his half-brother Richard, he was willed "... To my brother-in-law [half-brother] William Ivorie XXX8, he to staye it and have it of the first halfe yeres rent wch he should paye out of the man'[or] of Westburie to my brother Robert...."[9]

In Katherine Ivory's will: "...To the poor in Offleye 20s., to be paid at the discretion of Thomas Derem' [Deremer] my son and Willian Ivorye my son..." In addition, "...To William Ivorye my son all the corn and grain that Richard Ivorye oweth me and that was due at Lammas last by the will of my husband Robert Ivorye and is now in suit and various household goods and provisions. .." William was witness to and sole executor of this will^[7].

William's name appears on lay subsidies for Offley, Hertfordshire, England as follows: "...30 Elizabeth [1587-8]

William Ivory in goods 100s. [Tax] 5s.

39 Elizabeth [1596-7]

William Ivory in goods 100s. [Tax] 13s. 4d.

39 Elizabeth [1596-7]

William Ivory in goods £6. [Tax] 16s.

39 Elizabeth [1596-7]

William Ivory in goods £4. [Tax] 10s. 8d.

3 James I [1605-6]

William Ivory in lands £4. [Tax] 5s. 4d..."[3]

William's will was written on 22 May 1619 and proved on 29 October 1619.

"The Will of William Ivorye of Offley, co. Hertford. yeoman, 22 May 1619.

To daughter Susan £100 at the age of eighteen years. To my sons Joseph Ivorye and Luke Ivorye a cow and £160 each at the age of twenty-one years. To my son John Ivorye £100 at the age of twenty-four years. To my son Thomas Ivorye £120 at the age of twenty-six years. To my son William Ivorye £60 at the age of twenty-six years. To Hannah Walier [stepdaughter] £5 at the age of twenty-one years. To two of my grandchildren, nameley Frauncis Feild, son of my daughter Elizabeth, and William Feild, son of my daughter Johane, £10 each at the age of twenty-one years. To John Waller my son-in-law [stepson] £20 at the age of twenty-one years. To my wife Susan Ivorye £60. My wife Susan to remain in my dwelling house until Michaelmas next without molestation by my executor, and considering my foresaid children, Luke, Joseph, and Susan, are as yet unbrought up, my wife Susan shall have £50 to bring them up. £120 given unto Daniell and Hannah Weller by their father's will to be paid by my executor. To Alice Dormer, daughter of Thomas Dormer the younger, and to Richard Dormer, son of Thomas Dormer the elder, 3s. 4d. each. To Mr. thomas Read. minister of this parish, 40s. To the poor of this parish 40s. All the rest of my goods, cattles, and chattels unbequeathed I give to my son Edmond Ivorye, whom I make sole executor. [Signed] William Ivorye. Witnesses: Thomas Read, Thomas Dormer, and Thomas Dormer senior. Proved 29 October 1619 by Edmond Ivorye, son and executor. (P.C.C., Parker95.)[11]

Sometime about 1605, when William was 42, he first married **Susan [surname not known],** in Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[10].

In her husband William's will, she was left "...£60 [and m]y wife Susan to remain in my dwelling house until Michaelmas next without molestation by my executor, and considering my foresaid children, Luke, Joseph, and Susan, are as yet unbrought up, my wife Susan shall have £50 to bring them up. To my wife Susan Ivorye £120 given unto Daniell and Hannah Weller by their father's will to be paid by my executor..."[11]

This Susan and her third husband William Helder alias Spicer, who was the lord of the manor of Little Offley, were at the center of a lawsuit which arose after Edmund Ivory's death. Edmund's wife Elizabeth felt compelled to sue to protect her inheritance from both her husband and her father, John Woodley. If her allegations are to be believed, William and Susan committed the smarmiest of family power plays: "When the said Edmond was extremely ill, with the illness whereof he died, said complainant being also so ill that she was

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like to die, the said William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, formerly wife to the said Edmond's father and mother-in-law [stepmother] to the said Edmond, and Luke Ivery, Joseph Ivery, and Susan Ivery, his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law [half-brothers and half-sister] came to Hendlowe on pretense of visiting and comforting the said Edmond and this complainant in their illness, and the said Edmond, having no one else so near of kin to trust, gave them the keys of the boxes and rooms where his writings lay, that they might view the same and advise him regarding the settlement of his property. Complainant claims that the said defendants stole said deeds and also some bonds which they had delivered to him when he had paid money due them by the will of the father of the said Edmond, Luke, Joseph, and Susan Ivery, later husband of the said Susan Helder alias Spicer, and they now threaten to sue the estate of the said Edmond for legacies which they claim to have not been paid..."

The reply of the Helder alias Spicers was: "...Answer of William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, and Susan Ivery, defendants to the complaint of Elizabeth Ivery, widow. The said Susan Helder alias Spicer acknowledges it to be true that she visited her stepson and his wife when they lay ill, but denies that he gave her any keys. He did, however, show to her a deed, which was unsealed, demising his lands for £500 to John Woodley with certain trusts for the benefit of his wife and children, which he asked her to keep. Coming again to visit him a second time, he asked to see the deed, which she sowed him. Afterward, he having somewhat recovered from his illness, she gave him back the deed, which she supposes he destroyed, he having disposed of his estate for the benefit of his wife and children in another manner. She denies that she has or ever has had any bonds belonging to the said Edmond..."^[14]

I cannot BELIEVE that Miss Elizabeth French would record all of these salacious details and not give us the outcome of the court case, but such is the case. Phooey.

William Ivory and Susan had the following children:

i. Susan/Susanna

27 ii. Joseph

28 iii. Luke

29 iv. [never named girl]

William second married [not known].

They had the following children:

30 i. Elizabeth

31 ii. Edmond/Edmund/Edward (ca1592-<1630)

32 iii. Johane

33 iv. John

34 v. Thomas135 vi. Thomas2

36 vii. William (1600-1652)

Generation: G10 Grandparents (twice)

Person Numbers: 3612/3613 (Sarah) & 8084/8085 (Lois)

19. [not known] IVORY (Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca. 1569 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England and died in there^[6]. This child, unborn at his father's death, "...if it be a man child..." was left an annuity of £3, "...payable out of the Manor of Westberie..." with payments commencing when he turned 15, in his father Robert's will. If this child was a girl, she received £30 "...at the age of eighteen or day of marriage..." from her father Robert's will^[6].

- **20. Agnes/Annis IVORY** (*Robert*⁴⁻², [*not known*]¹) was born ca. 1565 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England and received £30 "...at the age of eighteen or day of marriage..." from her father Robert's will^[6]. From her half-brother Richard, she was willed £2 "... to be paid one half at the feast of St John the Baptist next after my death and the other half at the said feast in 1583..." In her mother Katherine Ivory's will: "...The residue of my household goods unbequeathed I give to my daughters Annis and Elizabeth, equally divided. £20 which my son William Ivorye doth owe me he shall pay to my said daughters, to each £10..." [7]
- **21. Elizabeth IVORY** (*Robert*⁴⁻², [*not known*]¹) was born ca. 1567 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England and received £30 "...at the age of eighteen or day of marriage..." from her father Robert's will^[6]. From her half-brother Richard, she was willed £2 "... to be paid one half at the feast of St John the Baptist next after my death and the other half at the said feast in 1583..."^[9] In her mother Katherine Ivory's will: "...The residue of my household goods unbequeathed I give to my daughters Annis and Elizabeth, equally divided. £20 which my son William Ivorye doth owe me he shall pay to my said daughters, to each £10..."^[7]
- **22. Richard IVORY** (*Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born after 1547 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[6]. Richard died in Offley, Hertfordshire, England before 20 September 1581; he was 34^[9]. He was a "...servant unto Thomas Deeremer thelder [sic]..."^[6] Richard was left an annuity of £3, "...payable out of the Manor of Westberie..." with payments commencing when he turned 21, in his father Robert's will. He also received "...a pair of sheets and a pillowbere...to be delivered to William Deremere their uncle to be kept for [him] until [he is] able to occupy [it]..."^[6]

Richard's will was written around June of 1581 and proved on 20 September 1581. "The Will of Richard Ivorie the younger of the parish of Offley in co., Hertford, servant unto Thomas Deermer theler of the same parish [undated, but between June and September 1581].

The portion I have or should have had yearly out of the Manor of Westburie, to me and my heirs forever, I give to Robert my brother, on condition that he fufill such gifts and legacies as I have given out of said portion. To brother Thomas ten sheep and one acre of barley which I have out of Thomas Helder's land. To my uncle Thomas Ivorye one acre of edge grain that I have of John Helder's land, and 20s. to be paid him by my uncle Richard Ivorye. To Annis Ivorye and Elizabeth Ivorye my sisters-in-law [half-sisters] £2 each, to be paid one half at the feast of St John the Baptist next after my death and the other half at the said feast in 1583. To my brother-in-law [half-brother] William Ivorie XXX8, he to staye it and have it of the first halfe yeres rent wch he should paye out of the man'[or] of Westburie to my brother Robert. To brother, Thomas my cow. To Mother Hill and Mother Homes 12d. each. To John Homes, John Headey, and William Plunce's wife 5s. each. To widow Beane and Mother Jordaine 2s. 6d. each. To Water Saunder 5s. To my uncle John Saunder 6s. To John Child 6s. 8d. To John Helder 5s. 4d., parcel of 40s. he owes me, on condition he pay the rest to my brother Robert. To Richard Helder, Mathew Hanscombe, and Marie Chaukley 3s. each. Overseer: Thomas Derem' senior, and to him 2s. 6d. All residue of my goods unbequeathed I give to my brother Robert, whome I make sole executor. Witnesses: Richard Ivorie, Thomas Ivorie, and Thomas Deremer Junior. Proved 20 September 1581 by the executor named in the will. (Archdeaconry of Huntington, Hitchin Registry [Somerset House], vol. 3, fo. 16)"^[9]

- **23. Robert IVORY** (*Robert*⁴⁻², [*not known*]¹) was born after 1547 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[6]. Robert was left an annuity of £3, "...payable out of the Manor of Westberie..." with payments commencing when he turned 21, in his father Robert's will. He also received "...a pair of sheets and a pillowbere...to be delivered to William Deremere their uncle to be kept for [him] until [he is] able to occupy [it]..."^[6] From his brother Richard's will, Robert received "...The portion I have or should have had yearly out of the Manor of Westburie, to me and my heirs forever, I give to Robert my brother, on condition that he fufill such gifts and legacies as I have given out of said portion..."^[9]
- **24. Thomas IVORY** (Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca. 1555 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[3]. Thomas died in Kympton, Hertfordshire, England before 5 May 1627; he was 72^[12] and was buried in Kympton, Hertfordshire, England. Thomas was also a Yeoman and was educated enough to write, since he signed his name to his will^[12]. Thomas was left the Chadwell [also Cawdewell] mill in his father Robert's will. He also received "...a pair of sheets and a pillowbere...to be delivered to William Deremere their uncle to be kept for [him] until [he is] able to occupy [it]..."^[6] From his brother Richard's will, he received "... ten sheep and one acre of barley which I have out of Thomas Helder's land..." He also received his cow and was a witness to this will^[9].
 - "The Will of Thomas Ivorie the elder of Kympton, co. Herts, yeoman, 16 April 1624. To be buried in the parish church of Kimpton aforesaid. To wife Elizabeth my house at Kympton Street in the tenure of John Streete for life. To wife and son Thomas various household goods. To daughter Elizabeth a feather bed and £150 one year and a half after her marriage or my decease, which shall first happen. To my sons Robert Ivorie and John Ivorie 12d. each. To Elizabeth my wife an annuity for life of £3, parcel of a rent charge of £9 a year issuing out of the manor of Westburie in the parish of Offley, co. Herts, and an annuity of 40s. issuing out of one messauge in the borough and town of St. Albones, co., Herts, which I purchased of one Robert Briggs. To her also an annuity of £3. 16s 8d. out of Cadwell Mill in the parish of Hollwell, co. Bedford, to be paid by my son John luorie. To my son Richard luorie and his heirs forever my annuity or yearly rent charge of £9 [sic] issuing out of the Manor of Westburie in Offley, co., Herts, he paying 40s. to his brother Thomas Iuorie. To my daughter Anne, wife of Edward Hurst, a brass pan. To my son Thomas luorie my lease of the farm and house called Cannons wherein I now dwell, during my term in it, and all my horses, sheep, hogs, cows, and other cattle. All residue to [something omitted]. whom I make sole executor. My son Robert luorie overseer, and to him 6s. 8d. Son Thomas to maintain daughter Elizabeth for one year and a half if she do not marry. [Signed] Thomas luorie the elder. Witnesses: Thomas lvory [mark] and Robert Golsmyth. Proved 5 May 1627 by Thomas Ivorie the executor. (Archdeaconry of Huntingdon, Hitchin Registry [Somerset House], original will, 1627.)^[12]

Thomas married **Elizabeth [surname not known]** who died before 12 Apr 1631 in Kympton, Hertfordshire, England and was buried there. Elizabeth could only make her mark to sign her will. In addition, the language of the will is very simple and indicates a low level of education^[13].

In her husband Thomas' will, she received "...my house at Kympton Street in the tenure of John Streete for life...[along with] various household goods. ..." In addition, Thomas' will stipulated the following: "...To Elizabeth my wife an annuity for life of £3, parcel of a rent charge of £9 a year issuing out of the manor of Westburie in the parish of Offley, co. Herts, and an annuity of 40s. issuing out of one messauge in the borough and town of St. Albones,

co., Herts, which I purchased of one Robert Briggs. To her also an annuity of £3. 16s 8d. out of Cadwell Mill in the parish of Hollwell, co. Bedford, to be paid by my son John Iuorie..."[12]

The Will of Elesabeth luory of Kimton, late wife of Thomas luory the elder of Kimton deceased, 21 March 1630/1.

To be buried in the parish church of Kimton. To my daughter Elesabeth furniture, etc. To my daughter Ann More furniture, etc. To the three daughters of my daughter An a pillow, etc. To my son John's daughters, to Elesabeth luory, daughter of my son Thomas, and to Elesabeth Hurst, daughter of Edward Hurst, household goods. To my son Thomas my porrage pot, and to his wife apparel. To Sarre, servant to my son Thomas, household goods. The rest of my sheets to the other two daughters [one haved Anne] of Edward Hurst, to be equally divided between them by their mother and their Aunt Coper. To the son of my son Richard 20s. Residuary legatee and executor: son Thomas. Overseer: my son-in-law Jhon Godiere alias Coper. [Signed] The mark of Elesabeth luory. Witnesses: Robert Ivory and Sarye Tristrom. Proved 16 April 1631 by the executor, Thomas Ivorie. Inventory, taken 12 April 1631 by Thomas Chalklay, Robert Gouldsmith, and Henery Larans, £8. (Archdeaconry of Huntingdon, Hitchin Registry [Somerset House], original will. 1631.)^[13]

They had the following children:

37	i.	Thomas
38	ii.	Elizabeth
39	iii.	Robert (ca1590-)
40	iv.	John
41	٧.	Anne
42	vi	Richard

25. John IVORY (*Robert*⁴⁻², [*not known*]¹) was the eldest son and left the "...manor of Holiwell with the appurtenances, except Cawdewell mill..." in his father Robert's will. He also received "...a pair of sheets and a pillowbere...to be delivered to William Deremere their uncle to be kept for [him] until [he is] able to occupy [it]..."[6]

Sixth Generation

26. Susan/Susanna IVORY. (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) In her father William's will, she was left "...£100 at the age of eighteen years..."[11]

In the lawsuit following Edmond Ivory's death, Susan, her brothers, mother and stepfather were accused as follows: "...When the said Edmond was extremely ill, with the illness whereof he died, said complainant being also so ill that she was like to die, the said William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, formerly wife to the said Edmond's father and mother-in-law [stepmother] to the said Edmond, and Luke Ivery, Joseph Ivery, and Susan Ivery, his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law [half-brothers and half-sister] came to Hendlowe on pretense of visiting and comforting the said Edmond and this complainant in their illness, and the said Edmond, having no one else so near of kin to trust, gave them the keys of the boxes and rooms where his writings lay, that they might view the same and advise him regarding the settlement of his property. Complainant claims that the said defendants stole said deeds and also some bonds which they had delivered to him when he had paid money due them by the will of the father of the said Edmond, Luke, Joseph, and Susan Ivery, later husband of the said Susan Helder alias Spicer, and they now threaten to sue the estate of the said Edmond for legacies which they claim to have not been paid..."

Her stepfather and mother denied all allegations and Susan's reply was: "...The said Susan livery states that her father left her by will £100, to be paid her at the age of eighteen years. Her brother Edmond, as executor of her father's will, had paid her £40 and given bonds for the other £60, which is as yet unpaid. Denies that the said Edmond gave her or any of the defendants any keys or that she has any bonds belonging to him..." [14]

27. Joseph IVORY. (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) In his father William's will, he was left "...£160 at the age of twenty-one years..."[11]

In the lawsuit following Edmond Ivory's death, Joseph, his brother and sister, mother and stepfather were accused as follows: "...When the said Edmond was extremely ill, with the illness whereof he died, said complainant being also so ill that she was like to die, the said William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, formerly wife to the said Edmond's father and mother-in-law [stepmother] to the said Edmond, and Luke Ivery, Joseph Ivery, and Susan Ivery, his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law [half-brothers and half-sister] came to Hendlowe on pretense of visiting and comforting the said Edmond and this complainant in their illness, and the said Edmond, having no one else so near of kin to trust, gave them the keys of the boxes and rooms where his writings lay, that they might view the same and advise him regarding the settlement of his property. Complainant claims that the said defendants stole said deeds and also some bonds which they had delivered to him when he had paid money due them by the will of the father of the said Edmond, Luke, Joseph, and Susan Ivery, later husband of the said Susan Helder alias Spicer, and they now threaten to sue the estate of the said Edmond for legacies which they claim to have not been paid..."

Joseph's respose to these charges have not yet been found^[14].

28. Luke IVORY (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) died before 4 Aug 1679 in Old Brandford [Brentford], parish of Ealing als Sealing, Middlesex, England^[15]. Luke was a Tallow-chandler^[13].

In his father William's will, he was left "...£160 at the age of twenty-one years..."[11]

In the lawsuit following Edmond Ivory's death, Joseph, his brother and sister, mother and stepfather were accused as follows: "...When the said Edmond was extremely ill, with the illness whereof he died, said complainant being also so ill that she was like to die, the said William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, formerly wife to the said Edmond's father and mother-in-law [stepmother] to the said Edmond, and Luke Ivery, Joseph Ivery, and Susan Ivery, his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law [half-brothers and half-sister] came to Hendlowe on pretense of visiting and comforting the said Edmond and this complainant in their illness, and the said Edmond, having no one else so near of kin to trust, gave them the keys of the boxes and rooms where his writings lay, that they might view the same and advise him regarding the settlement of his property. Complainant claims that the said defendants stole said deeds and also some bonds which they had delivered to him when he had paid money due them by the will of the father of the said Edmond, Luke, Joseph, and Susan Ivery, later husband of the said Susan Helder alias Spicer, and they now threaten to sue the estate of the said Edmond for legacies which they claim to have not been paid..."

Lukes's respose to these charges have not yet been found^[14].

The will of Luke Ivory of Old Brentford in the parish of Ealing als Sealing, co. Middlesex, tallow-chandler, 25 July 1679.

To my son-in-law John Hovey, now in New England, my brass watch. To the children of my daughter Dorcas, wife to the said John, £100, to be distributed among them according to the discretion of their said mother the said Dorcas, and in case of her death before the distribution of the whole or any part, then to be paid to them share and share alike. To John Jackson, formerly minister of Moulsey in the County of Surrey and now living in Old Brentford, £5. To Luke Grindy 20s. To Elizabeth Thompson, now servant to the said John Jackson, 20s. To Pricilla Land, servant to the said John Jackson, 10s., a chest, &c. To the three children of Robert West 6s. 8d. each. To Edward Allen 10s. To James Tucker of Isleworth, bricklayer, 20s. To my said daughter Dorcas all my bonds and bills, two chests, one containing four pair of sheets, various articles of apparel, including a coat with silver buttons, and the following books: "Two bibles, one Testamt, One Burroughs Jewell of contentment, One Jerusaleme Glory, one strong certainety of Heaven, One Milke and Hony, One Assemblyes Caticisme, One Life and death of Mr. Wilson, One Gods Allsufficiency." the residue of my moveable goods unbequeathed by me and now remaining with the said John Jackson I give to him. Executor: my trusty and well beloved neighbor Simon Siret, cheesemonger. Overseers: my loving friends Mr. Wiggins of London, wollen-draper, "At the signe of the three horseshoes in Gracious street," and Mr. Patten of London, grocer, "at the signe of the Musk Catt and sugar Loafe in Hony Lane Market place," and to each 10s. to buy them rings. [Signed] Luke Ivory. Witnesses: Thomas Daye, William Phillipps, Joseph Collens, and Robert Peppett, Ser. Proved 4 August 1679 by Simon Siritt, executor named in the will. (Comissary of London, vol. 36, fo. 477.)[16]

On 5 November 1634 Luke married **Elizabeth HEMBRO** [or **HANBURY**], daughter of Edward HEMBRO [or HANBURY], in Old Brandford [Brentford], parish of Ealing als Sealing, Middlesex, England^[15].

They had the following children:

43	i.	Dorcas
44	ii.	John
45	iii.	Abigai
46	iv.	Luke
47	V	Marv

29. [never named girl] IVORY (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was buried on 4 April 1610 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England.

30. Elizabeth IVORY (*William*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) married **John FIELD** [sic], in Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[10].

They had one child:

48 i. Frauncis

31. Edmond/Edmund/Edward IVORY (*William*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca. 1592 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[10]. Edmond/Edmund/Edward died in Henlowe, Bedfordshire, England before 18 October 1630 after a serious illness which afflicted both him and his wife (she survived); he was 38^[10] and is buried in Henlowe, Bedfordshire, England^[12]. Edmund could write, since he signed his will instead of just making his mark^[17].

From William Ivory's will: "...All the rest of my goods, cattles, and chattels unbequeathed I give to my son Edmond Ivorye, whom I make sole executor..."[11]

Edmond also brought suit in Court:

"Edmond Ivorey of Offley, co. Hertford, yeoman, son and heir of William Ivory late of Offley, decease, complains in the Court of Chancery, 9 November 1624, that certain of his tenants refuse to pay him and claim that their lands are held not of the Manor of Westbury but of the Manor of Hitchin, the property of Prince Charles [afterwards King Charles I]. Complainant relates that for forty years before his death the said William was rightfully seized in his demesne as of fee, in the Manor of Westbury in Offley, and in other lands and tenements in Offley and Kimpton, the tenants of the said manor holding freehold and copyhold. Among other tenants Sir Edward Benstead, Knight, held about eighty years ago a freehold messauge called The Ley and a carucate of land in Kimpton containing 140 acres, a greater part held of the then lord of the manor at 15s. rent, and 4d. and four capons fealty and suit of court. About fifty years ago said messauge and land was conveyed to Sir John Brockett, who sold Ley and its grounds, and the purchasers came into court before the said William Ivory and his steward 15 January 31 Elizabeth [1588/9] to find out what part of said land belonged to the Manor of Westbury and what part to the Manor of Hitchin. The matter was settled, and the purchasers paid their rental for such part of the land as they held of the Manor of Westbury. The defendants reply, denying any knowledge of any such settlement, and claim that htey hold and always have held their land of the Manor of Hitchin. (Chancery Proceedings, Charles I, Bills and Answers, I and J, Bundle 13, No. 29.)[18]

The Will of Edmund luory of Henlowe, co. Bedford, yeoman, 18 October 1630.

To be buried in the church or churchyard of Henlowe. To my wife Elizabeth £40 a year for life in lieu of dowry, also all my household goods, she to distribute them equally among my daughters at marriage. To William my younger son £100, when he shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years, and all my freehold lands and tenements in Lyggrave and Sundon, co. Bedford, he to have them from Michaelmas 1646, to him and his heirs forever. To my eldest daughter Elizabeth, my second daughter Mary, and my third daughter Sarah £100 each at their several ages of twenty-one years or marriage. My brother John Ivory, clerk, to have all my freehold lands and tenements in Offley and Lylly, co. Herts, and Lyggerave and Sundon, co. Bedford, until Michaelmas 1646, paying therefor to my eldest son John luory 20s. yearly if it be demanded. My brother John to be my executor and to pay the fine of my copyhold lands in Sundon. To Mr. Turner, minister of Henlowe, 40s. My wife shall have the profits of my copyhold land in Sundon and all my quittances in Kimpton until my eldest son be of the age of twenty-one, to bring up my children until their portions be due. Wheras my mother-in-law hath 20 marks per annum paid her out of my lands for life, my wife shall have the same paid to her yearly for life after my said mother's decease. [Signed] Edmund luory. Witnesses: Ed. Kent. Isaac Turner, vicar, and William Underwood. 7 June 1631 Master John Ivory renounced the executorship, and 15 June 1631 it was given to Elizabeth, the widow. (Archdeaconry of Bedford, Original will, 1630-1, No. 206.)[17]

"...He succeeded his father as lord of the manor of Westbury, and had lands in Lyggrave and Sonden, co. Bedford, and Lylly, Kimpton, and Offley, co. Herts..." [10]

Edmond/Edmund/Edward married **Elizabeth WOODLEY**, daughter of John WOODLEY. Elizabeth died aft 13 Dec 1650^[13].

Her husband Edmund's will stipulated: "...To my wife Elizabeth £40 a year for life in lieu of dowry, also all my household goods, she to distribute them equally among my daughters at Page 15

marriage..." In addition, "... My wife shall have the profits of my copyhold land in Sundon and all my quittances in Kimpton until my eldest son be of the age of twenty-one, to bring up my children until their portions be due. Wheras my mother-in-law hath 20 marks per annum paid her out of my lands for life, my wife shall have the same paid to her yearly for life after my said mother's decease..." Finally, "...7 June 1631 Master John Ivory renounced the executorship, and 15 June 1631 it was given to Elizabeth, the widow..."[17]

Elizabeth was also involved in a lawsuit against her husband's relatives:

"Elizabeth Ivery, widow of Edmond Ivery late of Hendlowe, co., Bedford, yeoman, decease, son and heir of ____ [William] Ivery, brought suit, June 1631, against William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, and Luke Ivery, Joseph Ivery, and Susan Ivery, sons-in-law and daughter-in-law [stepsons and stepdaughter] of the said William Helder alias Spicer. The said Elizabeth complains that her father John Woodley deceased gave her said husband Edmond Ivery as a marriage portion £500, and the said Edmond made a deed giving the manor _ [Westbury] in Offley and other lands in Hertfordshire and Bedforshire to the said Elizabeth for life, with reversion at her death to her eldest son, making proper provision for the portions of the other children. When the said Edmond was extremely ill, with the illness whereof he died, said complainant being also so ill that she was like to die, the said William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, formerly wife to the said Edmond's father and mother-in-law [stepmother] to the said Edmond, and Luke Ivery, Joseph Ivery, and Susan Ivery, his brothers-in-law and sister-in-law [half-brothers and half-sister] came to Hendlowe on pretense of visiting and comforting the said Edmond and this complainant in their illness, and the said Edmond, having no one else so near of kin to trust, gave them the keys of the boxes and rooms where his writings lay, that they might view the same and advise him regarding the settlement of his property. Complainant claims that the said defendants stole said deeds and also some bonds which they had delivered to him when he had paid money due them by the will of the father of the said Edmond, Luke, Joseph, and Susan Ivery, later husband of the said Susan Helder alias Spicer, and they now threaten to sue the estate of the said Edmond for legacies which they claim to have not been paid.

Answer of William Helder alias Spicer, Susan his wife, and Susan Ivery. defendants to the complaint of Elizabeth Ivery, widow. The said Susa Helder alias Spicer acknowledges it to be true that she visited her stepson and his wife when they lay ill, but denies that he gave her any keys. He did, however, show to her a deed, which was unsealed, demising his lands for £500 to John Woodley with certain trusts for the benefit of his wife and children, which he asked her to keep. Coming again to visit him a second time, he asked to see the deed, which she sowed him. Afterward, he having somewhat recovered from his illness, she gave him back the deed, which she supposes he destroyed, he having disposed of his estate for the benefit of his wife and children in another manner. She denies that she has or ever has had any bonds belonging to the said Edmond. The said Susan Ivery states that her father left her by will £100, to be paid her at the age of eighteen years. Her brother Edmond, as executor of her father's will, had paid her £40 and given bonds for the other £60, which is as yet unpaid. Denies that the said Edmond gave her or any of the defendants any keys or that she ahs any bonds belonging to him. [The reply of the other defendants, Luke and Joseph Ivery, is not to be found.] (Chancery Proceedings, Charles I, Bills and Answers, I and J. Bundle 12, No. 42.)"[14]

From her son, William's estate (of which she was executrix and residuary legatee), she received "...all my freehold messauges, cottages, lands, and tenements lying in Liggrave in the parish of Luton, or elsewhere in the county of Bedford, for life with reversion at her

decease to my brother John Ivory and his heirs..." In addition, "...By indenture dated 4 July 1650 I sold to my brother John Ivory for £50. 12s. arrable land containing nine acres lying in Sondon. co. Bedord; my executrix to pay back to him £50 and he to make a lease to her in Sondon for sixty years at a yearly rental of one pepper corn. .."^[13]

"...She and her son John were also involved in several suits concerning land on which money was raised to secure the release of John from Hitchin prison, whither he had been taken for debt. His cousin John Ivory of Millbrook, co. Bedford, paid his debts to the amount of £1000, and for recompense took a lease for one hundred and fifty years of the manor of Westbury. This he transferred to various person, who were sued by John Ivory and his mother Elizabeth for the recovery of the same..."[15]

Edmond and Elizabeth had the following children:

49	i.	John
50	ii.	William
51	iii.	Elizabeth
52	iv.	Mary
53	V	Sarah

32. Johane IVORY (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) married [not known] FIELD [sic]. They had one child:

54 i. William

- **33. John IVORY** (*William*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was Rector of Ayott St. Peter, co. Herts, from 1629-1642^[10] In his father William's will, he was left "...£100 at the age of twenty-four years..."^[11] His brother Edmund's will stipulated: "...My brother John Ivory, clerk, to have all my freehold lands and tenements in Offley and Lylly, co. Herts, and Lyggerave and Sundon, co. Bedford, until Michaelmas 1646, paying therefor to my eldest son John Iuory 20s. yearly if it be demanded. My brother John to be my executor and to pay the fine of my copyhold lands in Sundon..." ^[17] On 29 January 1629/30 John married **Elizabeth RADCLIFFE**, daughter of Sir Edward RADCLIFFE, in Minsden, Hertfordshire, England.
- **34. Thomas1 IVORY** (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was buried on 28 March 1610 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England.
- **35. Thomas2 IVORY.** (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) In his father William's will, he was left "...£120 at the age of twenty-six years..."^[11]
- **36. William⁶ IVORY** (William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born in 1600 in Offley, Hertfordshire, England^[19,20,21]. William died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 3d:8m(March):1652; he was 52^[22]. His death record in Boston, Suffolk co., MA lists his occupation as carpenter.

William fascinates me. He left an apparently comfortable life in a prosperous, educated, landed family in England for a modest existence as a carpenter in a burgeoning but rustic settlement in New England. Why?

In his father William's will, he was left "...£60 at the age of twenty-six years..." [11] This isn't much in comparison to what his brothers received. In addition, he was probably still in England when his brother Edmond died in 1630/1631. Their stepmother, stepfather, half-brothers and half-sister apparently came to Edmond's house while both he and his wife were at death's door from an illness and Edmond made the mistake of entrusting them with the keys to his box and office area. They apparently took advantage of the situation and stole deeds and other papers which indicated that Edmond had paid debts he owed them, in hopes of getting more from his estate after he and his wife died. She, however, recovered and had to haul them into court in order to sort it all out. Having no lands or prospects for any and

faced with such duplicitous relatives, William chose to migrate to America.

We're not yet sure when and how he arrived in Boston, Suffolk co, MA. William perhaps arrived in Lynn, Essex co., MA in 1638. Savage^[28] contends that he came over on the Truelove in 1635. However, this entry is for a William Ives, age 28. While "Ives" for "Ivory" is plausible, this would place William's birth 7 years later than commonly accepted and includes no wife or children of William. Then again, Torrey maintains that William and Ann South got married in 1632 in Lynn, Essex co., MA. However, William is not mentioned in Anderson's "The Great Migration" series which records in detail virtually every emigrant to New England before 1634.

We know that William's monetary contribution to the settlement of Lynn, Essex co., MA was very small, since William received only 10 acres in the "six-mile" land grant of 1638^[25,16,17].

On 31 October 1639, William sued Roger Scott for defamation in Essex Court, MA^[23].

"Estate of William Ivory of Lynn.

Inventory of estate of William Ivory of Lin, deceased, filed 29:1:1653. Amount 135li. 9s. 10d. Also a writing filed by Ann Ivory, relict of said William Ivory, as his last will. Declared invalid, for want of an executor. Administration granted to the widow. Deceased's son, thomas Ivory, was ordered to have twenty pounds of the estate when twenty-one years of age, and Lois and Sarah, two of the daughters, ten pounds apiece when they are eighteen or married. Ruth Baly, a married daughter, to have forty shillings after the death of her mother. Remainder of the estate to go to the widow. [Ipswich Quarterly Court Records, vol. 1, leaf 33.]

Copy of this inventory taken 26:1:1653, by Edward Burchum (his mark) and Richard Rooton:

his purse & aparrell, 11li. 12s. 3 Kine, 15li. 3 young Cattell, 9li. 5s. one Asse, 3li. 3 swine, 2li. Land at Boston, 12 li. Land bought of Mr. Laughton, 12li. House & Lande, 30li. Broad Cloth, 5 yards, 4li. 5s. Cotton Cloth, 12s. 6d. Linen Cloth, 1li. 12s. Table linen & Sheets & other things, 6li. Bedinge in the Chamber, Rug, bed, Boulster & pillows, 1li. 15s. foure Boxes, 12s. wheate. 12 bushells, 3li. A Table & Chest, 15s. A Musket, Sword & bandeleres & powder, 1li. 17s. in the Parlor, ffether bed, ruge, pillowes & boulsters, 6li. in Pewter, 1li. 8s. A warmeing pan & a Kettle, 14s. An Iron Pott & a brasse pott, 12s. 6d. Carpenter Tooles & a grindstone, 2li. 10s. Bookes, 1li. 6s. 8d. A Cupbord, Chaire & little Table, 1li. 3s. two ould Chests & other Lumber, 6s. 8d. bord Irons & hookes & some other Small things, 1li.

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A Bottle & Lether Jack & some small things, 7s.
Dishges & Milke vessells, 9s. 6d.
water pailes, Beere Barrells & other small things, 10s.
Sives & other Lumber, 5s.
A wheele & Shovell & forke, 6s.
in fflax, 6s.
in flesh, namely Bacon, 2li.
Debts Owing 2li. [Ipswich Deeds, vol. 1 leaf 126.]*[24]

According to Torrey, ca. 1632, when William was 32, he married **Ann SOUTH**^[29], daughter of Thomas SOUTH & [not known], in Lynn, Essex co., MA.^[20,30,31,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,42] (Torrey notes an incorrect source for their marriage: EIHC 18:178 is wrong.) Ann's will was written in 1675 and recorded in 9m(November):1689^[27,43].

They had the following children:

55	i.	Lois
56	ii.	Sarah
57	iii.	Thomas
58	iv.	Ruth
59	٧.	John

Generation: G9 Grandparents (twice)

Person Numbers: 1806/1807 (Sarah) & 4042/4043 (Lois)

37. Thomas IVORY (*Thomas*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was not educated and could only make his mark as a witness to his father's will[¹²]. In his father Thomas Sr.'s will, he received "...various household goods...." In addition, his brother Richard was to pay him 40s. out of the yearly rent charge of £9 from the Manor of Westbury in Offley, Hertfordshire. He also received, "...To my son Thomas luorie my lease of the farm and house called Cannons wherein I now dwell, during my term in it, and all my horses, sheep, hogs, cows, and other cattle..." and was charged with the maintenance of his sister "...Elizabeth for one year and a half if she do not marry..." He also acted as executor of his father's will[¹²]. From his mother Elizabeth's will, he received: "...my porrage pot, and to his wife apparel..." His servant Sarre or Sarye Tristrom also received household goods. Sarre/Sarye was also witness to Elizabeth's will. Thomas was "Residuary legatee and executor" for this will[¹³].

Child:

60 i. Elizabeth

- **38. Elizabeth IVORY** (*Thomas*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) received the following in her father Thomas' will: "...a feather bed and £150 one year and a half after her marriage or my decease, which shall first happen..."[12] In her mother Elizabeth's will, she received "...furniture, etc..."[13] After 5 May 1627 Elizabeth married **Jhon** [sic] **GODFERE**, alias COPER^[12]. John was named overseer of Elizabeth Ivory's (his wife's mother) will^[13].
- **39. Robert IVORY** (*Thomas*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca. 1590^[3] and was buried on 20 August 1669 in St. Albans, Hertfordshire, England^[10]. In his father Thomas, Sr.'s will, Robert was left 12d. He was also made overseer, and thusreceived an additional 6s. 8d^[12]. Robert was a witness to his mother Elizabeth's will, but received nothing from her estate^[13]. On 13 April 1618, when Robert was 28, he first married **Katherine BEECHE**, in St. Alban's Abbey, Hertfordshire, England^[10]. She was buried on 1 June 1635 in St. Alban's Abbey, Hertfordshire, England^[10]. He second married **Rebecca AYLEWARD**, in St. Alban's Abbey, Hertfordshire, England^[10]. She was buried on 21 December 1656 in St. Alban's Abbey,

Hertfordshire, England^[10].

They had the following children:

61 i. Robert62 ii. Rebecca63 iii. Elizabeth

- **40. John IVORY** (*Thomas*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) had daughters who were left "household goods" in his mother Elizabeth's will^[13]. In his father Thomas, Sr.'s will, John was left 12d. In addition, one can assume from the terms of this will that John was given the "...Cadwell Milln the parish of Hollwell, co. Bedford...", since the terms of the will indicated that he was to pay his mother Elizabeth annuity of £3. 16s 8d. out of it^[12].
- **41. Anne IVORY** (*Thomas*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) received a brass pan in her father Thomas, Sr.'s will^[12]. In her mother Elizabeth's will, she received "...furniture, etc..." and was referred to by her married name of More^[13]. Anne first married **Edward HURST**. They had the following children:

64 i. Elizabeth65 ii. Anne

66 iii. [not known daughter]

Anne second married [not known] MORE.

42. Richard IVORY (*Thomas*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) had a son. His father Thomas' will stipulated that: "...To my son Richard Iuorie and his heirs forever my annuity or yearly rent chard of £9 [sic] issuing out of the Manor of Westburie in Offley, co., Herts, he paying 40s. to his brother Thomas Iuorie..."[12] Child:

i. [not known son]

Seventh Generation

43. Dorcas IVORY (*Luke*⁶, *William*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca 1643 in Old Brandford [Brentford], parish of Ealing als Sealing, Middlesex, England^[15]. Dorcas died in Topsfield, Essex co., MA on 5 November 1711; she was $68^{[15]}$.

Dorcas was much remembered in her father Luke's will: "...To the children of my daughter Dorcas, wife to the said John [Hovey], £100, to be distributed among them according to the discretion of their said mother the said Dorcas, and in case of her death before the distribution of the whole or any part, then to be paid to them share and share alike..." Also, "...To my said daughter Dorcas all my bonds and bills, two chests, one containing four pair of sheets, various articles of apparel, including a coat with silver buttons, and the following books: "Two bibles, one Testamt, One Burroughs Jewell of contentment, One Jerusaleme Glory, one strong certainety of Heaven, One Milke and Hony, One Assemblyes Caticisme, One Life and death of Mr. Wilson, One Gods Allsufficiency..." [16]

On 3 August 1665, when Dorcas was 22, she married **Sergeant John HOVEY**, son of **Daniel HOVEY** & **Abigail ANDREWS**, in Ipswich, Essex co., MA^[44]. John died before 7 April 1718 in Topsfield, Essex co., MA^[45]. John was left Luke Ivory's brass watch^[16]. John and Dorcas were in New England by 25 July 1679, when Luke Ivory's will was written^[16].

They had the following children:

- i. John (1666-)
- ii. Dorcas (1668-)
- iii. [not known daughter]^[45] (1670-1670)
- iv. Elizabeth (1671-)
- v. Susanna (ca1674-)
- vi. Luke (1676-)
- vii. Abigail (ca1680-)
- viii. Ivory (1682-1759)
- **44. John IVORY** (*Luke*⁶, *William*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was buried on 29 July 1636 in Old Brandford [Brentford], parish of Ealing als Sealing, Middlesex, England^[15].
- **45.** Abigail IVORY. (Luke⁶, William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) Nothing more is known of her.
- **46.** Luke IVORY (Luke⁶, William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca. 1640 in Old Brandford [Brentford], parish of Ealing als Sealing, Middlesex, England^[15] and died before 26 October 1666; he was 26. He married **Sara [surname not known]**. Administration on the estate of Luke Ivory of Brandford [Brentford], co., Middlesex, was granted 26 October 1666 to Sara Ivory, relict of the deceased. (P.C.C., Administration Act Book for 1666, fo. 190.)^[46]
- **47. Mary IVORY** (Luke⁶, William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was buried on 23 August 1645^[15].
- **48. Frauncis FEILD.** In her grandfather William's will, she was left "...£10 at the age of twenty-one years..."[11]
- **49. John IVORY** (*Edmund*⁶, *William*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [*not known*]¹) was born ca. 1620^[15]. His father Edmund's will stipulated: "...My brother John Ivory, clerk, to have all my freehold lands and tenements in Offley and Lylly, co. Herts, and Lyggerave and Sundon, co. Bedford, until Michaelmas 1646, paying therefor to my eldest son John Iuory 20s. yearly if it be demanded..." Finally, "...7 June 1631 Master John Ivory renounced the executorship, and 15 June 1631 it was given to Elizabeth, the widow..."[17]

By stipulation of his brother William's will, John was to receive "...all my freehold messauges, cottages, lands, and tenements lying in Liggrave in the parish of Luton, or elsewhere in the county of Bedford..." after their mother Elizabeth's death. In addition, the will said: "...By indenture dated 4 July 1650 I sold to my brother John Ivory for £50. 12s. arrable land containing nine acres lying in Sondon. co. Bedord; my executrix to pay back to him £50 and he to make a lease to her in Sondon for sixty years at a yearly rental of one pepper corn..." He also received 30s. John was also witness to this will^[13].

More on John's travails:

- "...She [his mother Elizabeth] and her son John were also involved in several suits concerning land on which money was raised to secure the release of John from Hitchin prison, whither he had been taken for debt. His cousin John Ivory of Millbrook, co. Bedford, paid his debts to the amount of £1000, and for recompense took a lease for one hundred and fifty years of the manor of Westbury. This he transferred to various person, who were sued by John Ivory and his mother Elizabeth for the recovery of the same..."[15]
- **50.** William IVORY (Edmund⁶, William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca. 1625^[15]. William died in Cranbrook, Kent, England before 13 December 1650; he was 25. He was a Yeoman^[13]. William's will is cogent and puckish and signed, clearly William was educated^[13].

His father Edmund's will stipulated: "...To William my younger son £100, when he shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years, and all my freehold lands and tenements in Lyggrave and Sundon, co. Bedford, he to have them from Michaelmas 1646, to him and his heirs forever..."[17]

The Will of William Ivory of Cranbrook, co. Kent, yeoman. 27 November 1650.

To Elizabeth Ivory my mother all my freehold messauges, cottages, lands, and tenements lying in Liggrave in the parish of Luton, or elsewhere in the county of Bedford, for life with reversion at her decease to my brother John Ivory and his heirs. By indenture dated 4 July 1650 I sold to my brother John Ivory for £50. 12s. arrable land containing nine acres lying in Sondon. co. Bedord; my executrix to pay back to him £50 and he to make a lease to her in Sondon for sixty years at a yearly rental of one pepper corn. To Humphry Sondon and Elizabeth his wife, my sister, 30s. each. To Samuell Sondon, son of the said Humphrey, 20s. to my brother John Ivory and to my brother Miles Smith and Sara his wife, my sister, 30s. each. Executrix and residuary legatee: my mother Elizabeth Ivory. [Signed] William Ivory. Witnesses: William Roberts, M. Smith, John Ivory, George Collopp, and thomas Buckner. Proved 13 December 1650 by Elizabeth Ivory, mother of deceased, and executrix. (P.C.C., Pembroke, 200)^[13]

- **51.** Elizabeth IVORY. (Edmund⁶, William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) In her father Edmund's will, Elizabeth (the eldest daughter) received £100 at the age "...of twenty-one years or marriage..."[17] From her brother William, she received 30s in his will[13]. Elizabeth married **Humphry SONDON** who from his brother-in-law William, he received 30s in Willima's will[13]. They had one child:
 - i. Samuell
- **52. Mary IVORY** (Edmund⁶, William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born ca 1622^[15]. In her father Edmund's will, Mary (the second daughter) received £100 at the age "...of twenty-one years or marriage..."^[17]
- **53. Sarah IVORY.** (Edmund⁶, William⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) In her father Edmund's will, Sarah (the third daughter) received £100 at the age "...of twenty-one years or marriage..." [17] From her brother William Ivory's will, she received 30s^[13]. Sarah married **Miles SMITH**. From his brother-in-law William Ivory's will, he received 30s. Miles was also witness to this will [13].
- **54. William FEILD.** In his grandfather William's will, he was left "...£10 at the age of twenty-one years..."[11]
- **55.** Lois IVORY (*William*⁶⁻⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born in 1640 in Lynn, Essex co., MA; as estimated from the information on her death record. Lois died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 5 September 1720; she was 80 and is buried in the Old or Western Burial Ground in Lynn, Essex co., MA.

On 10 May 1656 when Lois was 16, she married **Lieutenant John2 BURRILL**, son of **George BURRILL** & **Mary COOPER** in Lynn, Essex co., MA.

They had the following children (surnamed BURRILL):

- i. Ebeneezer
- ii. John
- iii. Thomas
- iv. Theophilous
- v. Mary

vi. Sarah
vii. Anna
viii. Samuel1
ix. Ruth
x. Lois
xi. Samuel2

Generation: G8 Grandparents Person Numbers: 2020/2021

56. Sarah IVORY (William⁶⁻⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born in 1643 in Lynn, Essex co., MA^[27]. Sarah died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 8 May 1726; she was 83^[47].

In 12m (Feb): 1660/1, when Sarah was 17, she married **Moses CHADWELL**^[48], son of **Thomas CHADWELL** & **Margaret [surname not known]** in Lynn, Essex co., MA. [20,49,50,51,37,52,53,54]

They had the following children (surnamed CHADWELL):

i. Ruth
ii. Thomas
iii. Lois
iv. Margaret
v. Anna
vi. Sarah
vii. Moses
viii. Elizabeth

Generation: G8 Grandparents Person Numbers: 902/903

- **57. Thomas IVORY** (William⁶⁻⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born in 1635 and married **Mary DAVIS**.
- **58. Ruth IVORY** (*William*⁶⁻⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was born in 1630. Ruth died in Lynn, Essex co., MA on 14 February 1694; she was 64. In late 1649 when Ruth was 19, she married **Theophilus BAILEY**, in Lynn, Essex co., MA. Ruth and Theophilus were presented on fornication charges in September 1649, but the charges were later dropped.
- **59. John IVORY** (*William*⁶⁻⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹)) Nothing more is known of him.
- **60. Elizabeth IVORY.** (Robert⁶, Thomas⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) In her grandmother Elizabeth's will, she received household goods^[13].
- **61.** Robert IVORY (Robert⁶, Thomas⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) was buried on 27 July 1671 in St. Alban's Abbey, Hertfordshire, England^[10]. On 2 April 1660 Robert married **Susan YOUNGE**, in St. Alban's Abbey, Hertfordshire, England^[10].

They had the following children:

- i. Susan
- ii. Rebecca
- **62. Rebecca IVORY.** (Robert⁶, Thomas⁵, Robert⁴⁻², [not known]¹) Nothing more is known of her.

- **63. Elizabeth IVORY.** (*Thomas*⁶⁻⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) Nothing more is known of her.
- **64. Elizabeth HURST.** In her grandmother Elizabeth's will, she received "...a pillow, etc...." as well as household goods^[13].
- **65. Anne HURST.** In her grandmother Elizabeth's will, she received "...a pillow, etc...." In addition, she and her sister were to receive "...The rest of my sheets...to be equally divided between them by their mother and their Aunt Coper..."[13]
- **66.** [not known daughter] HURST. In her grandmother Elizabeth's will, she received "...a pillow, etc...." In addition, she and her sister Anne were to receive "...The rest of my sheets...to be equally divided between them by their mother and their Aunt Coper..." [13]
- **67.** [not known son] IVORY. (*Richard*⁶, *Thomas*⁵, *Robert*⁴⁻², [not known]¹) In his grandmother Elizabeth's will, he received 20s^[13].

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