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THE INTERNATIONAL SHIRLEY CONVENTION

Sat. MAY 13, 1989 STAUNTON HAROLD

in

ENGLAND!

I am looking forward to meeting you on Saturday. We are going to have a great time learning about the Shirleys. I will learn from you and hopefully, I will have brought things that will be of interest to share with you!

IF...you have not made plans as yet to be with us at the convention, please do so TODAY! It is not to late to come and be with us at Staunton Harold. It is a lovely place to be and if you feel more comfortable in bringing a picnic lunch, please feel free to do so. Several have chosen to do this. We do not want anyone to feel they could not come for any reason. This family get together has nothing to do with ones social status!!! We all have something in common and that is, we are Shirley descendants! I am interested in Shirleys from every walk of life!!! Major John Shirley and his wife, Judith, of Ettington will be with us and the Earl Ferrers and his wife, Annabel, plan to be with us. I have asked the Earl to speak to us in the afternoon about his branch of the family and hopefully, Major John Shirley will also say something about his branch.

There are 14 people coming with me from the U.S.A. and they are looking forward to meeting some English Shirley descendants.

NOTE: I am bringing this issue of the NEWS with me for you who live in England and am mailing it on my day of arrival...May 10th!

Some of the items I am bringing with me to display are:

Very <u>large</u> map showing towns and villages of England. I have spent several days preparing this item with color codes etc. to help you understand just where the Shirleys lived in the early times before 1700.

A large wall chart showing the pedigree of the Shirley family from 1086 to 1800's. I have color coded those who descendants were not traced.

I am bringing my computer printouts of the counties and the towns in those counties with the Shirleys born/christened in chronological order. The entire thing is alphabetized!

I am bringing the names of those Shirleys from England/Ireland who were living in the 1850 and 1880 census of U.S.A. and it shows where they were living...for those of you who know you had relatives who lived in the states.

I have marriages computerized.

Misc. records and all are listed

under their counties etc. The marriages

are alphabetized by spouse name...

the non-Shirley.

It is no small matter.......
bringing this much with me but I
wanted to give you a chance to sit
down and look at the kinds of records
we have and you may find your family
info. PLEASE, DO COME TO CONVENTION!!

WILLIAM SHIRLEY OF MARYLAND

WILLIAM SHIRLEY was born in London England in 1816. He lived with his uncle until age 14. His uncle was governor of Newgate Prison. William was then sent to Brussels, Belgium to learn the queensware business, following the example of nearly all his family. When 18 years old he came to Baltimore, Maryland. Shortly after his arrival he secured a position with a wholesale crockery business firm. Nine years later he purchased a crockery business and sold it in 1855.

William was descended from the old Staffordshire family of Shirleys, one of the most respected families in England. William married Ellen N. Frayer in 1840. They were the parents of Henry C., William W., and Hannah and another daughter who died young.

He had two grandsons, Captain Joseph W. Shirley who was with Troop A, Maryland National Guard, and Harry Shirley. William had a brother John who was an early pioneer of California in 1849. He died there at the age of 96 years.

Captain Joseph W. Shirley's grandson, Robert M. Shirley, is a member of the Shirley Association and lives in Westminister, Maryland on a farm called "Chartley." His great grandfather, Henry C. Shirley, acquired the place in 1919 and named it after Chartley Park, their ancestral acres in Staffordshire, England.

The Shirleys raise pure-bred Clydesdale Horses for farm work. The horses have been consistent winners at fairs.

Robert Shirley graduated from Cornell University in 1957. His son Dan is attending University of Maryland studying pre-veterinary medicine. In 1977 Dan was a national winner in 4-H for his work with the horse project. Other children are involved too!



-- Info. sent by Robert M. Shirley.

Robert's father, Joseph Whitney Shirley, Jr., graduated P.M.C. and then to University of Maryland Law School. He practiced law, farmed, and bred Aberdeen Angus cattle and also Clydesdale horses. He managed the Eastern Nat'l Livestock show for 10 years and was on the Board of Directors for the Maryland State Fair.

CATTLE OF "CHARTLEY" IN ENGLAND

The Chartley herd of white cattle dates back to about 1248 when, it is recorded, "some of the wild cattle of the county of Staffordshire which had roamed at large in the Forest of Needwood were driven into the park at this place where their breed is still preserved." (History of Tutbury, 1832.)

The history of the Chartley cattle can be divided into two phases—the first covering the 600 years or so (1248-1905) while it was extant in Chartley Park, and the second, the comparatively few years the herd has been kept at Woburn Park.

While at Chartley the cattle had the range of 1000 acre park in which to roam. By the end of the last century the herd had been much decimated by disease and, by 1905, only eight remained alive. In that year, the eleventh Duke of Bedford decided to purchase the cattle to see if a change of pasture would succeed in giving them a new lease of life. This venture all but led to their total extinction, for the truck in which seven of the eight remaining animals were being transfered from Chartley to Woburn caught fire and most of the occupants were severely burned. As a result of this tragedy, only one bull was of any real use for breeding, and the chance of saving the pure breed was gone. The Chartley cattle were typically "long horn" in appearance and by crossing the surviving bull with the Longhorn cows, the Duke was able to preserve the Chartley type. The last pure-bred Chartley bull died in 1910 and is now exhibited at the British Museum.

WALTER SHIRLEY BRANCH

(LIVING IN AMERICA EARLY 1700)

Walter Shirley, born ca. 1690 Staunton Harold, England - died Frederick Co., Va. (now Jefferson Co., W. Va.), married Dorcas Avis in 1752.

Children

- 1. Walter b. ca. 1728, d. ca. 1804
- 2. Jarvis b. ca. 1732, d. 1819
- 3. James b. ca. 1735, d. 1785
- 4. Sarah
- 5. Dorcas
- 6. Robert b. ca. 1745, d. ca. 1815

In an old Bible dated 1816 contains the note: "Walter Shirley landed in America from England about 1726." This Walter Shirley lived until after his children were grown. Within 3 years following Walter's death, we find his sons participating as rangers in the French and Indian Wars in Captain Robert Rutherford's command. Walter's family lived with him on his Frederick County (now Jefferson Co., W. Va.) plantation. They had ample time and opportunity to hear their father's story. Most of his children lived to be an advanced age and they, in turn, passed the story to succeeding generations.

Walter Shirley was born, circ., 1690. According to Thomas Turner Wysong (b. May 20, 1817) and Lewis Barton Wysong (b. Jan. 1, 1801), County of Frederick a certain tract of Walter Shirley, their forebear, came of a prominent family in England, but owing to an unfortunate episode in which he felled his adversary, he left his native land for America. Washington. He is said to have landed in the Colony of New Jersey. This, according to a family Bible (1816), was in 1726. He married Dorcas Avis, said to have been a good woman of respectable family, and they with their children migrated to the Shenandoah Valley prior to 1745. He settled on a tract of land consisting of 800 acres and lying on "the great waggon road" near Keyes Ferry in Frederick County, Va., now, Jefferson Co., W. Va. In a book entitled "The Rocks of Deer Creek," Thomas Turner Wysong speaks of Shirley as "The Hermit of Otter Rock." Walter Shirley soon became embroiled in pioneer litigation. In Court Orders and Petitions of Frederick County, 1743-1745-(Vol. I, p. 294), record is to be found of a judgment obtained against one William Jay for Ll 16s. The defendant not appearing in court the amount was ordered paid to the plain-

tiff. In Court Orders, 1745-1747 (Vol. II, p. 143), this notation is to be found: "Walter Shirley vs. Frederick Hawes, Attachment suit dismissed upon agreement of parties. In Vol. II, p. 444 (1745-1747, we find: "Walter Shirley vs. Enoch Pearson, In case, Suit being agreed is dismissed." In Court Orders, 1748-1751 (Vol. III, p. 46) he was given a civil commission "to succeed Samuel Walker and sheriff is ordered to notify him that he may appear and be sworn into office."

On October 13, 1750, Walter Shirley received a grant of 404 acres of land from Lord Fairfax (N. N., Bk G, p. 438, Virginia Land Office Records). Guy Broadwater was the surveyor. There being an error in the grant, Broadwater was called upon to resurvey the tract and this resulted in some thirty acres being added to his estate. Shirley won his cases. A second grant was obtained June 20, 1751. This document is reproduced in full: "Book H. Northern Neck Grants, p. 3, Virginia Land Office. The Right Honorable Thomas Lord Fairfax, Baron of Cameron in that part of Great Britain called Scotland, Proprietor of the Northern Neck of Virginia; To all to whom this present writing shall come greeting: Know ye that for good causes for and in consideration of the composition to me paid for the annual rent thereafter reserved I have granted and confirmed and by these presents for me my heirs and assigns do give, grant and confirm unto Walter Shirley of the waste and ungranted land joining the tract wereon he lives in the said County and bounded by a survey there made by Mr. George

Walter Shirley made a will July 10, 1755 (Frederick County Will Book, Vol. 2, p. 175). On August 11th he annexed a codicil. On October 7th of the same year the will was proved in Winchester, the county seat of Frederick County in the Colony of Virginia. This will is given in full:

In the name of God, Amen, the tenth day of July one thousand seven hundred and fifty-five, I Walter Shirley, of the County of Frederick and Colony of Virginia, being weak and sick of body but sound and perfect in mind and memory, thanks to Almighty God, and calling to mind the mortality of this transitory life and that all flesh must once ---- unto death, where it

shall please God to call, do make and declare this will and testament in manner following to wit:

I give and recommend my soul into the hands and possession of Almighty God who gave it me and my body to be decently buried making no doubt but at the general Resurrection to receive it again and as touching the transitory estate wherewith the Lord has been pleased to and on wherewith, I do give and bequeath in the manner following to wit:

ITEM - I give and bequeath unto my eldest son Walter Shirley two hundred acres of land lying and being in the County and Colony aforesaid and on the glade of branch I now live on, and adjoining and including a large spring called the Pond joining Nathaniel Thomas' land and the ---- land. ITEM - I likewise give and bequeath unto my son Jarvis Shirley two hundred acres of land including a little spring near Nathaniel Thomas' corner and mine.

ITEM - I give and bequeath unto my son James Shirley two hundred acres of land lying near the great waggon road where it corners with John Suel and Reuben Rutherford.

ITEM - I also give and bequeath unto my youngest son Robert Shirley one hundred and eighty-three acres of land being the place and plantation whereon I now live all which parcels and dividends of land aforesaid includes the full quantity contained in two separate deeds I obtained from the Right Honorable Thomas, Lord Fairfax, all which dividends of land aforesaid I do give and bequeath unto several sons aforementioned and above the several aforementioned places which I do give and bequeath unto each of them and to their heirs of their bodies lawfully begotten in wedlock and so to continue and descend from lawful heirs to their lawfully begotten of their bodies in wedlock forever.

ITEM - My will and desire is that my four sons Walter, Jarvis, James and Robert Shirley have a full power and full legal and lawful authority themselves as also their heirs hereafter to be or shall be either of them lawfully begotten forever without hindrance or interruption of any or either of them to cut, split, fell,

hall away of and from any part of the aforementioned lands for the use and support of their buildings and plantations forever any wood and timber and my will and desire further is that my lands aforesaid to my said sons or any part thereof ---- by them or any of them or either of them or their heirs heretofore by them or either of them begotten, leased for life or lives or any term of years.

ITEM - My will and desire is that provided my youngest son Robert Shirley shall decease this natural life without heirs of body lawfully begotten as aforesaid, then my other three sons inherit the said land to him before devised to be equally divided between them and their heirs as aforementioned forever and I do allow my son James to have my dwelling house and plantation.

ITEM - And provided any two of my sons should depart this natural life without lawfully begotten heirs aforesaid that then my will and desire is that my two daughters Sarah Shirley and Dorcas Shirley should have, enjoy and inherit the two dividends to their deceased brothers and in manner following (that is to say) the eldest daughter is to have the eldest brother's land and the youngest daughter is to have the youngest brother's land according as she according as he happen to die and to be held and enjoyed as aforesaid forever together with the liberty of opinion as aforesaid forever.

ITEM - My will and desire is that after my just debts and funeral expenses be paid and my loving wife's right of dower according to law together with a large gray pacing mare called my wife's mare together with her side saddle that my movable estate be divided into four parts and that one fourth part be equally divided between my sons Walter, Jarvis and James Shirley and the other three parts to be equally divided between my son Robert Shirley and my two daughters Sarah and Dorcas Shirley.

ITEM - My will and desire that before any distribution of any of my movable estate be made as aforesaid that as much thereof be sold by my executors hereafter named as may be sufficient to pay for digging, walling and fixing a good well with constant water upon that part or dividend of land devised to my son James Shirley together with all things necessary thereunto and I do hereby ordain, constitute and appoint Edward Lucas and John Hartley executors of this my last will and testament disannuling all other wills and testaments by me made and this only to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above mentioned.

Signed, sealed and pronounced and published in the presence of John Crow
Thomas Crow Walter Shirley (Seal)
John Suel

In the name of God, Amen, a codicil to this the within last will and testament of Walter Shirley of Frederick County in the Colony of Virginia, to wit:

ITEM - I give and bequeath to my well beloved friend and brother Francis Avis sixty acres of land out of that tract or parcel of land which I in my last will and testament bearing the date the tenth day of July last did give and bequeath to my beloved son Robert Shirley to be set off out of the same at the discretion of my loving wife Dorcas and him the said Francis to live on and enjoy the same with all the appurtenances thereof belonging during his natural life be paying only the quit rents of the same and the residue of the said tract or parcel of land demised to the within named Robert Shirley which said sixty acres of land I give to him the said Francis Avis for the love and good will I bare him and more especially that he live near my said wife and son to be their friend and counselor seeing that my son may have good schooling and learning which is my last will and desire as witness my hand and seal this eleventh day of August, one thousand seven hundred and fifty-five.

Signed sealed and delivered
in the presence of us
Thomas Rutherford
William Givin Walter Shirley
Worthington
Richard Lock

Walter Shirley died in the late summer of 1755. A number of years elapsed before his estate was finally settled. He was buried in his plantation.

A descendant, Helen Post, wrote to the Vicar of Staunton Harold requesting a search of the Registers.

"We have been through the registers for the appropriate period and while Walters Shirley's birth on May 27, 1690 is there, there is not other entry up to 1726."

Robert Shirley, first Earl Ferrers does mention his son Walter in his will when he says something like... if any of my other named children including Walter are alive....

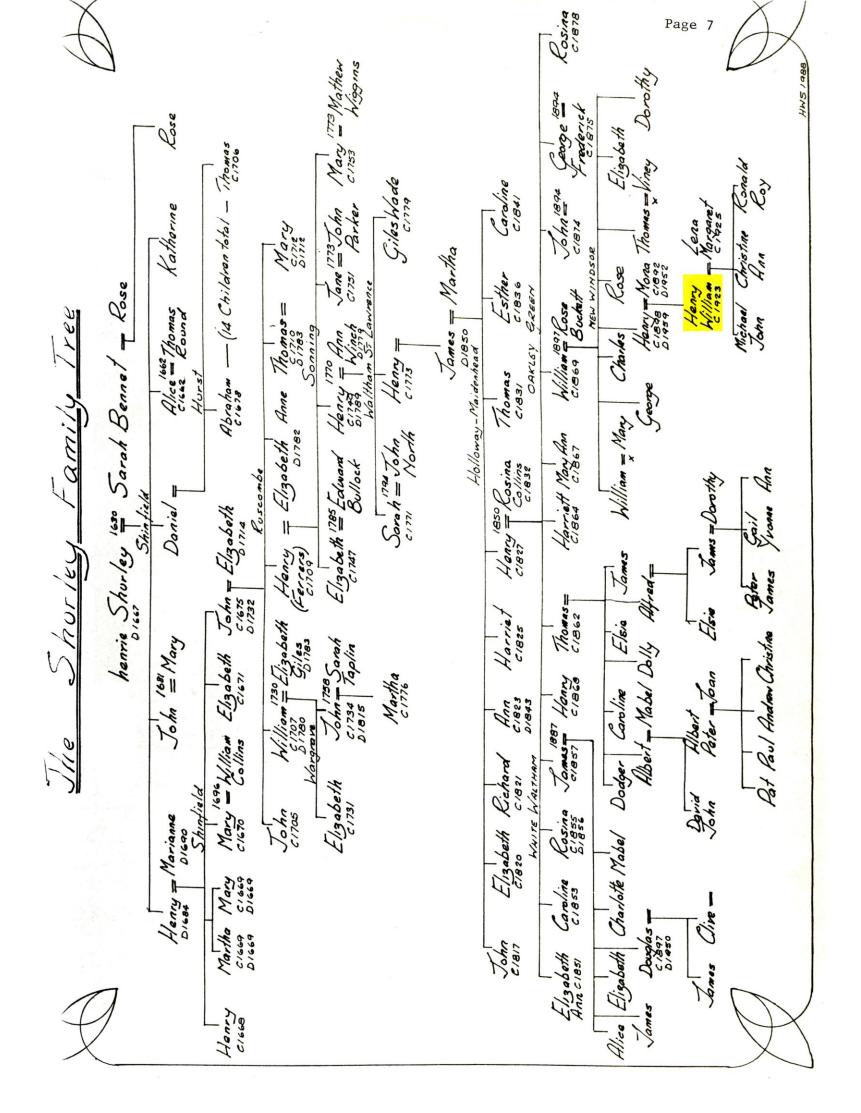
Robert died in 1717.

SHIRLEY MEETING IN IRELAND !!!

MAY 20th, 1989 at the CLUB HOUSE HOTEL Patrick st. KILKENNY, IRELAND

THE TIME: 1:00 P.M.

Have Shirley relatives in Ireland? Tell them to join us for this special afternoon! I will be there sharing the story of the Shirleys and I shall be learning about the Shirley families of Ireland. I am going to be visiting the cemetaries and also the Irish estate of the Shirley family, Lough Fea. I shall have a full report next issue! If you can join us for this days event...contact Mary Shirley 353-562-8120 or Ivan and Susan Shirley in Dublin 1-85-0094.



In the name of God Amen the ffourth daie of Dezember Dni 1666 Ane in the Eighteenth yeare of the Reigne of our Soveraigne Lord Charles the Second by the Grace of God, King of England Scotland FFrance and Ireland, Defender of the faith, I Henry Shurley of the parish of Sinfeild in the Countie of Berk yoman knoweing that the life of all men is most uncerten and that no man can prise to himselfe one houres freedome from death DOE herefore in my perfect mind and memory pray for Allmightie God for the same, Make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and forme following that is to saie FIRST I Commend my soule to God whoe gave itt mee hoping of a Joyfull Resuzzeretion through the onely meritte of Jesus Christ my Lord and Savioer. And when my daies by death shall end My bodie to be buried in Christian buryall att the discretion of my Exectrix hereafter named, And as for that estate which itt hath God to blesse mee withall, I give and bequeath the same as followeth, IMPRIMO I devise and give unto Rose my wife for and during the terme of her naturall life All that my Messuage or Tenement Backside and Close of arrable or pasture ground contayning by affirmation One acre more of lesse situate lying and being in Hartley Battell within the parish of Shinfield aforesaid in the said Countie of Berkshire I had and purchased of my brother Daniell Shurley and alsoe the acre of Meadowe ground in Shinfield aforesaid which I likewise had and purchased of my said brother Daniell Shurley and alsoe all that my Coppice of Woodground contayning by affirmation Eight acres more or lesse commonly called or knowne by the name of Sheet which I had and purchased of Robert Westmorland lyeing and being in Shinfield aforesaid in the said Countie of Berk and from and after the deceasse of the said Rose my wife I DEVISE and give the said messuage or Tenement Backside Close and Meadowe grounde which I purchased as aforesaid of my said brother Daniell Shurley and one Close of arrable lande contayning by affirmation fower acres and a halfe Shooting downe to a Mead called M. Woodcock Meade and being parcell of the said lande called Seete unton John Shurley my sonne his heires and assignes forever ITEM I devise and give unto the said John my sonne and his heires after my said wifes desceasse free libortie of ingresse gresse and regresse att all tourenient times to and from the said Close of land last

mentioned in my and through all the usual waies thereunto nowe used ITEM I devise and give unto my sonne Daniell Shurley and his heires for ever after my said wifes deceasse all that my said Coppice of Woodground called Sheet Coppice and one Close of land contayning by affirmation Sixe acres more or lesse lyeing with in Sheete gate and one other Close of arrable land thereunto adjoyning contayning likewise by affirmation six acres more or lesse lyeing next to Certan land called Plowmans land Item I give to my oldest sonne Henry Shurley twelve pence in money. To my daughter Alice I give Twelve pence in money and to my daughter Katherine I give Twelve pence in money ITEM I give and bequeath unton my daughter Rose Shurley twenty pounds in money to be paid unto her by my Executrix within one moneth next after such time the said Rose shall attaine to the age of one and twentie yeares ITEM all the rest residue of my goode Chattells and Creditte whatso ever unbequeathed my debte Legacies and funerall expenses first paid and discharged I devise give and bequeath unto Rose my wife whome I ordayne and make full and sole Executrix of this my last will and testament. Soe praysinge God for all his benefitte and mercies towarde mee I declare and publish this to be my last will and testament

IN WITTNESSE whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale and daie and yeare first above.

Written: 1666 Henrie Shurley

Signed Sealed declared and delivered by said Henry Shurley in and for his last will and testament in the presence of John Hall

William (WP) Page (his mark) James Hall Senior

Henry Shurley information and pedigree sent by Mr. Henry William Shurley, Middlesex, England.

		A true and periect inventerie of all the goods and chatters of Henry Shurle; Late of Shinfeild in the Countie of Berke a yoman Deceased taken and praysed the minth day of Julie	Pa	ge 9
		in the yeare of our Lorde God one thousand and sixtie and		
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		one flocke bolster and three pelowes	09	0000
	ITEM	in the same Chamber one rugge one Coverled two		
	ITEM	of linnen fower paire and one Sheete two dozen	01	1500
		of Napkines fower tablecloathes three paire of pelowbet) and three toweles one table three Chestes one cofer)	07	0080
		one box and a Deske	01	0000
	ITEM	twelve pound of linen yarne two basketts one warming pann		
		one paire of Andiorns five shovell and tonges and a holberd	01	0406
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		one blankett and a Coverlet one Cheese rack two tressels and) one plaincke	01	0200
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		three fether pellowes one flockebed	10-	0000
		one rugge one Coverlet and a paire of blanketts		0000
		one presse and a Chest and two flitches of bacon	01	15-00
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		stoole two bords with other lumber	00	0804
		one sith and three reaphockes		0400
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		boules one salte one paire of Candlesticks one	03	1106
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		and one wodden Chaire	01	-0600
		Certaine bookes		05 00
		one pairs efandierns and Dogges		0500
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		one stand one lether bottell and two funnells	00-	12-00
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		tray one Dozen of Chees ates two butter churnes		
		two boules and earthen vessell one salttinge trough		-1500
		one table one forme a stand and three shelves		-05 -00 -06 - 00
		Waites and scales		-0300
Ι		four brasse potts seven kittles one pane one morter)	00-	-0500
		and two skilletts one firing pann with other Lumber	03-	-1800
Ι		in the Waishe house one Cheese presse one Cheese		
		tube and three basketts	00-	-1200
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		three paire of pothookes fower Cotterells one	00	47 06
		Cleaver and a shreddinge knife three Andiorns	00	-17 06
		a fire shovell and tonges a paire of bellowes and) a gridiorne and two Candlestickes)		
		one tablebord one forme two Chaires one shelfe	00-	-0700
I		in the roome within the kitchen one kiner three		
		tubbes a booshell a seedlipe two wheeles with other lumber	00-	-08 00
	TEM	pronges shoveles and other working tooles	00	-0400
I		in the stable Carte harness and halters a Carte	00	-0400 -1600
		rope and two pommells)	00-	-1000

ITEM	one plow and a paire of harrowes	00-16-00
ITEM	one longe Carte and one Dunge Carte	011000
ITEM	fower Horse beasts and one Colte	100000
ITEM	seven Kine (Cows)	180000
ITEM	three Bullockes and a weaneinge Calfe	03-10-00
ITEM	two hoggs and two stoare pigges	011600
ITEM	in the barne one fane and fower sackes	000900
ITEM	woode aboute the house	000500
ITEM	eight Acres of Wheate	140000
ITEM	fifteene acres and a halfe of sumer Corne	15-10-00
ITEM	fower Loade of hay	050000
ITEM	Dunge aboute the house	00-15-00
ITEM	beanes in the orcharde	000608
ITEM	one tree that is feled	000500
ITEM	a grionstone	000300
	Sum total	1280100

J**ohn** Blackman Edward Webb

(LATIN RE EXHIBITION OF ABOVE)

his W mark Geo Burnett

NOTES

The Year date changed on the 23 March in those days.

The Will was proved on 22 January 1667 ie 13 Months after it was made. This Inventory was made 9 July 1667 ie 19 Months after the will was made. Date of Henrys death or burial place not known.

List of Wills held in the Buckinghamshire County Record Office, Aylesbury Where surnames are Shirley or variations.

Surname	Fore-name	Place	Date	Occupation
Shirly	Lawrence	Derton	2 Apr	1687 Yeeman
Shirley	Edward	Aylesbury	29 Mar	1784 Labourer
**	Elizabeth	Grendon Underwood	25 Nov	1717 Spinster
**	James	Marsh Gibbon	6 Nov	1810 Labourer
11	John	Little London Brill	16 Oct	1849 Grazier
**	John	Oakley	4 Jul	1778 Dairyman
**	Jonathon	Wooton Underwood	14 Apr	1739 Yeoman
11	Joseph	Marsh Gibbon	5 Oct	1837 Carpenter
11	Mary	Little London Brill	2 Jun	1746 Widow of Lawrence
11	Mary Magdelane	Little London Brill	23 Mar	1842 Widow
"	Michael	Oakley	4 Apr	1723
**	Michael	Brill	4 Mar	1806
"	Michael	Little London	4 Jan	
11	Richard	Wing		1823 Dairyman
"	Stephen	Wing		1836 Yeoman
**	Susanna	Wooton Underwood	7 Oct	1752 Widow
11	Walter	Shabbington	16 Apr	1756 Labourer
Sherley	Elizabeth	Ludgershall		1700 Widow
"	John	Ludgershall		1746 Yeoman
**	John	Moors Leys Oakley		1812 Yeoman
**	Sarah	Halton		1704/5 Widow
11	Thomas	Ludgershall	6 Apr	1695
11	Thomas	Brill	8 Dec	1773 Dairyman
11	William	Lapland Farm Brill	20 Oct	1837 Dairyman
"	Francis	Ludgershall	31 Oct	1762 Yeoman
"	Thomas	Ludgershall	18 Dec	1678 Yeoman
Shurley	None Listed			

Compiled by Henry Shurley 24 Mar 1989.

It should be noted that Reference Numbers would be needed to obtain a copy. For example, Lawrence of 1689 is D/A/WE/39/115. Others were not noted.

EVELYN SHIRLEY ESQ. OF ETTINGTON PARK

Evelyn J. Shirley, Esq. of Eatington Park, who was elected in 1836 as a Conservative for the South Warwickshire succeeded Lord Middleton as master of the hounds in 1821, and the first meet was on Wednesday, Nov. 7th, at Edge Hill. Mr. Shirley was popular and very well known as a county gentleman and a good sportsman, his long residence in Warwickshire had made him well aquainted with the country he had to ride over.

Once it was found that a badger had got into an artifical fox earth at Round Hill, at Walton, and, although the foxes continued to use it as usual, they would not breed there any more as long as the badger remained. Mr. Shirley having looked at the earth, said that he could get him out with his terriers without having to dig very far. If the badger had been in an ordinary fox earth, he would, when disturbed, have gone on scratching into it to a great depth. On another occasion, it took two keepers four days to dig one out of the main earth at Friz Hill. The artificial earth had been lined with bricks in order to keep it dry and render it easy to clean out. The badger, therefore, had made a great mistake when he made his home there. Mr. Shirley had brought with him three terriers of different sizes, and had two openings made into the earth at intervals. He put the smallest of the dogs in first, and the badger, when first disturbed, no doubt moved to the farthest end of the earth, where he could face him with his back to the wall. The dog remained under ground for a quarter of an hour, and then came out, showing marks of having been very severely handled. The next strongest dog was then put in, and he remained there for twenty minutes, and came out quite as much bitten as the first had been. Mr. Shirley then loosed his best dog into the earth, and placed himself above one opening, having in his hands a very thin, strong pair of nippers made like tongs. After this dog had been in the earth for ten minutes the badger began to move, and as he passed by the opening Mr. Shirley caught him by the back of the neck with the nippers, and pulled him out; he weighed 371b. The dog last mentioned was of famous repute.

On January 1st, 1825, public notice was given that Mr. Shirley had signified his intention to resign the management of the Warwickshire houds. Universal refret was expressed owing to his decision, as he had shown fine sport, and had given great satisfaction.

In a quote from "Nimrod".....

Mr. Shirley does credit to his ancestory. He has given the most universal satisfaction, and his motive for giving up the hounds, which I had from his own lips, is creditable to his feeling as a man. "We cannot do everything" he said. "I amd building a house on my property in Ireland, where I mean to reside part of the year, and the hounds would be much in my way."

Material sent by Mr. Gupwell. Taken from THE WARWICKSHIRE HUNT and from A BADGER HUNT.

COLLEGES AT OXFORD ATTENDED BY SHIRLEYS!

John Shirley Trinity College 1582 1587 Thomas Shirley Gloucester Hall Hartford College 1573 George Shirley Oxford Henry Shirley Christs Church 1660 Seymour Shirley Robert Shirley Christs Church 1667 Thomas Shirley Hert Hall Hart Hall

Magdalen College

Queens College 1597 from Stemmata Shirleiana p. 4, 5, 15 & 23.

FROM...Nottingham Evening Post 9/17/88

Coffin lid mystery

MYSTERY surrounds the discovery of an Earl's coffin lid on a grass verge in Stapleford.

The oak lid was found at Kennedy Drive and police were called to trace the origins of the lid bearing the inscription "Edward Shirley Sewallis, 10th Earl of Ferres", 1847-1912."

Police said a coffin is believed to have been taken from a desecrated family grave at Staunton Harold, Leicestershire.

STAFFORDSHIRE (ENGLAND) BURIAL INDEX 'SHIRLEY' surnam with variations of spelling where shown.

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1778 Jan 13 Ann Shurley wife of Arthur
                                                 Gnosall
1778 Mar 20 Arthur Shurley Gnosall
1798 May 2 Benjamin of Hulme
                                       Longnor
                                         Gnosall
1754 Sep 16 Elizabeth Shurley
1771 Jul 8 Ellen wife of Joseph Ip
1809 Nov 21 Ellen Sherley 92 Leek
1786 Jun 14 George Leek
1733 May 11 Hannah Shirly or Barnyates
                                           Ipstones
                                         Leek
                                                  Leek
1740 Aug 28 Hannah dau of Patience of Leek
1759 Nov 16 Hannah infant of Barnyates Leek
1729 Oct 22 James of Leek infant Leek
1761 Mar 11 James infant of Barnyates
                                                 Leek
1786 Feb 3 James of Barn Yates Leek
1716 Dec 10 Jane Shurly Leek
1731 May 1 Jane
1780 Apr 16 John
1792 Sep 28 John
               Jane wife of Roolach Longnor
               John
                         Leek
1792 Sep 28 John Leek
1809 Mar 8 John Penkridge
1784 Feb 20 Jonathan 1810 Jun 22 Joseph of Holme 83 Long
                                            Longnor
1757 Sep 10 Mary wife of William Shirley (alias Bagnal)
1799 Aug 25 Mary wife of Samuel Shurley Gnosall
1807 Mar 10 Mary infant Hanley
1808 Jan 19 Mary
                       22 Hanley
1772 Jan 28 Nancy dau of John
                                      Ipstones
1762 Feb 14 Patience of Leek
1798 Jan 14 Rebecca Norbury
1716/7 Sarah Shurley
                          infant Leek
                                                 (Feb 7)
1769 Dec 8 Sarah of Leek
1784 Mar 16 Sarah Leek
                                    Leek
1788 May 1 Sarah
                                   Leek
                         widow
1836 Jul 8 Sarah of John Street
                                          30
                                                 Shelton
1724 May 12 Thomas of Barn Yates
                                          Leek
1740 Oct 8 Thomas of Mill Street infant
                                                      Leek
               Thomas of Leek Leek
1758 Jan 7
1750 Jan / Thomas of Leek Leek
1758 Sep 16 Thomas Shirly of Barnyates infant Leek
1777 May 2 Thomas Norbury
1778 Jan 14 Thomas
                          Leek
1791 Apr 14 Thomas Sherley
                                      Leek
1798 Mar 27 Thomas son of Benjamin of Hules
                                                       Longnor
1802 May 13 Thomas of Holms Longnor
1786 Jan 3 William
                            Norbury
Memorial Inscriptions:
                               HANLEY METHODIST
    Also Ann relict of William died 7 August aged 81 years
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William Shirley late of Hanley departed this life August 12 1829 aged 56 ys

PREES parish, SHROPSHIRE

John Shirley, Capt. N.S.Y born at Aston Field Staffs 15th April 1784 ... died at Prees 22nd Februsry 1861