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Dear Tim ~  
  
You have set forth the extended ancestry of the immigrant, [Mr.]  
Thomas Newberry (died 1636[/37]), of Dorchester, Massachusetts, giving  
what appears to be a valid descent from Isabel de Vermandois. The  
extended ancestry is doubtless based on material found in the book,  
Newberry Genealogy, by John Bartlett, published in 1914. Mr. Bartlett  
provided sufficient evidence to prove that the immigrant was the son  
of Richard Newberry, of Yarcombe, Devon (your Generation 14), by his  
wife, Grace Mathew.  
  
However, in tracing the immigrant's ancestry, Mr. Bartlett relied on  
two pieces of evidence to identify Richard Newberry, of Yarcombe,  
Devon [father of the immigrant] as a younger son of Richard  
Newborough, Gent. (your Generation 15), of Othe Francis (in  
Netherbury), Dorset (died c.1570), by his wife, Elizabeth Horsey  
  
1. Mr. Bartlett claimed that Richard Newberry [father of the  
immigrant] is the same person as “Richard Newborough, of Leavenhey,  
co. Devon, Gent.,” who gave testimony in 1594 in a chancery lawsuit  
involving his brother, Walter Newburgh, and his widowed mother,  
Elizabeth Woodshaw.  
  
Bartlett indicated that "Leavenhey" was a locality in the parish of  
Yarcombe, Devon. There is indeed a locality named "Livehayne" in the  
parish of Yarcombe, Devon [see Gover, Place-Names of Devon 2 (1932):  
652]. However, there is another locality called Livingshayes (aka  
Levenshayes) in the parish of nearby Silverton, Devon [see Gover,  
Place-Names of Devon 2 (1932): 571], which is more likely the place  
intended.  
  
If so, then it would appear that Richard Newburgh, Gent., brother of  
Walter Newburgh, Gent., resided in 1594 in the parish of Silverton,  
not in Yarcombe, Devon. I might add that there is no evidence that  
the immigrant's father, Richard Newberry, of Yarcombe, Devon, was ever  
a gentleman.  
  
2. Bartlett further indicated that the "seven children" of Richard  
Newberry, of Yarcombe, Devon, were legatees in the 1632 will of  
Richard’s other alleged brother, William Newburgh, Gent., of Frampton,  
Dorset. He quotes the actual will. Mr. Bartlett shows that Richard  
Newberry [father of the immigrant] and his wife, Grace Matthew, had  
nine children in all, of whom two died in infancy. As such, in 1632  
Richard Newberry should have had seven children living just as his  
brother's will indicates. This all looks good.  
  
However, Mr. Bartlett altered the actual list of the children of  
Richard Newberry of Yarcombe. The Yarcombe parish registers [FHL  
Microfilm 917559] indicate that Richard Newberry, of Yarcombe, Devon,  
had eight children baptized in that parish (not nine as claimed by Mr.  
Bartlett). Of these eight children, only five were living in 1627,  
thus proving that Richard Newberry, of Yarcombe, Devon was NOT the  
brother of William Newburgh, Gent., of Frampton, Dorset as claimed by  
Bartlett.  
  
Here is the corrected list of Richard Newberry's children:  
  
1. John 1582  
2. William 1584; buried 12 May 1606 as "William son of Richard."  
3. Ellen 1586 (Bartlett gave her name as Alice!!).  
4. Fides, 1589 [Fides is presumably Latin for the given name, Faith]  
5. Robert, 1592, likely died young. Bartlett states he was buried 28  
April 1596. However, the Robert Newberry who died at Yarcombe in this  
time period was buried 28 April 1590, before the baptism of this  
child.  
6. Thomas, 1594 (the immigrant).  
7. Dorothy, 1597, buried 6 Aug. 1606, as "Dorothy dau. of Richard"  
8. Robert, 1600.  
  
So who was the father of Richard Newberry? Actually that is quite  
easy to find. Richard Newberry was the son and heir of William  
Newberry, of Yarcombe, Devon, who left a will was dated 20 May 1596,  
proved 6 Dec. 1596 (P.C.C. 90 Drake). In the will, William Newberry  
names his wife, Ellyne [Ellen]; the minor children of Richard  
Newberry; and he leaves the residue of his estate to his son, Richard  
Newberry, whom he names his executor.  
  
Mr. Bartlett discussed the 1596 PCC will of William Newberry, of  
Yarcombe, Devon in his book - see page 31. There he gives the  
pertinent information and says that William Newberry's will named a  
son, Richard. But Bartlett dismissed the importance of this evidence  
by stating that William Newberry's son, Richard, "born in 1564, is of  
record at Membury in 1591, 1596, and 1600, and later moved to Shute,  
Devon, where he died in August 1618, leaving no issue."  
  
However, Mr. Bartlett carefully omitted giving a transcript of of  
William Newberry's will which indicates that William's son, Richard,  
DID have issue in 1596:  
  
"Item [I] geve and bequeath unto every of Richarde Newberyes Children  
Thirteen poundes sixe shillinge eight pence a peece, to be paide to  
every of them when they shalbe of age to geve discharge as  
before...." END OF QUOTE.  
  
Bartlett's statements about William Newberry's son, Richard, being  
born in 1564, and later being at Membury and Shute are not supported  
by any documentation.  
  
As such, it appears that there were two different men in this time  
period: Richard Newborough [or Newburgh], Gent., of Livingshayes (in  
Silverton), Devon living in 1594, and the immigrant's father, Richard  
Newberry, who occurs at Yarcombe, Devon from 1581 up through at least  
1632.  
  
In summary, contemporary records indicate that the immigrant, [Mr.]  
Thomas Newberry, of Dorchester, Massachusetts, was the son of Richard  
Newberry, of Yarcombe, Devon, and his wife, Grace Matthew. Richard  
Newberry in turn was the son and heir of William Newberry, of  
Yarcombe, Devon (died 1596), by his wife, Ellen (buried at Yarcombe,  
Devon 26 June 1609). Thus, the immigrant loses all of his royal  
ancestry.  
  
Lastly, some good news. I've found that in 1627 Richard Newberry,  
Thomas Newberry, Richard Fry, and John Tutton purchased the wardship  
of John Fry alias Urch for £15 [see Hawkins Sales of Wards in Somerset  
(Somerset Rec. Soc. 67) (1965): 20–21]. This record likely involves  
Richard Newberry of Yarcombe, Devon and his son, Thomas Newberry, the  
immigrant. I say that because I found the marriage at Yarcombe,  
Devon for John Frie alias Urch in 1635, which individual I assume is  
the ward of 1627.  
  
Best always, Douglas Richardson, Salt Lake City, Utah  
  
On Oct 29, 3:55 pm, Tim Forsythe < [tjforsy...@gmail.com](mailto:tjforsy...@gmail.com)> wrote:  
< My line of descent from Isabel de Vermaindois can be found  
here:<http://ancestorsnow.com/ancestors/dlist_9.php>  
  
< Generation 11  
>< [1475]   Sarah Newberry (1650-1716)  
  
< Generation 12  
< [2950]   Capt. Benjamin Newberry (1624-1689)  
  
< Generation 13  
< [5900]   Thomas Newberry (1594-1635)  
  
< Generation 14  
< [11800]   Richard Newberry (~1557-~1629)  
  
< Generation 15  
< [18180]   Sir Robert Wingfield, Esq. (~1490-~1575)  
< [23600]   Richard Newborough, of Worth Francis (~1517-<1569)  
  
< Generation 16  
< [47200]   Walter Newburgh (~1487-1517)  
  
< Generation 17  
< [94400]   Thomas Newburgh, Esq. (~1445-1513)  
  
< Generation 18  
< [188800]   John Newburgh, Esq. (~1400-1484)  
  
< Generation 19  
< [377600]   John Newburgh, Esq. (~1370->1439)  
  
< Generation 20  
< [755201]   Margaret Poyntz (~1340-)  
  
< Generation 21  
< [1510402]   Sir Nicholas de Poyntz, 4th Lord Poyntz (~1320-1376)  
  
< Generation 22  
< [3020804]   Hugh de Poyntz, 3rd Lord Poyntz (~1294-<1337)  
  
< Generation 23  
< [6041609]   Elizabeth la Zouche (~1270-~1297)  
  
< Generation 24  
< [12083219]   Milicent de Cantelou (~1238-~1299)  
  
< Generation 25  
< [24166439]   Eva de Braiose (~1223-1255) (same as 9308195)