

He is most distinguished for his great number of children. There were certainly 14 by his two wives—that is, 3 by the 1st and 11 by the second.

The 1st wife, Joice Tiptoft, was descended from kings; but I will not go out of my way to show the royal line. Their children were mostly fortunate and successful, especially in their marriages. The only exception was Rev. George, L. L. D., of whom I have given a sketch. There is not much recorded of this Edmund, Esq. He probably devoted his time to educating and bringing up his children, which was a useful and sufficient employment.

He seems to have been an honorable gentleman, as his most famous nephew, Edmund Dudley, the great lawyer of Hen. VII., was named for him, and founded the historical Dudley house.

JOHN DUDLEY, ESQ., OR KT.

This gentleman, son of John lord Dudley, K. G., and Elizabeth, his wife, and brother to Edmund Sutton or Dudley, was the second son and his house, the second house. He made his will Oct. 1, 1500, being then of Hatherington, Co. Sussex. His wife was Elizabeth, dau. and co-heir of Sir John Bramshot, or John Bramshot, Esq., as some call him, which lady died before her husband. His children, by Elizabeth Bramshot were 1st, Eliz. m. Thos. Ashburnham of Bromham, who made her will in 1523; 2nd, Anne m. Robt. Hall of Ore and Gestling, Co. Sussex; 3rd, Edmund Esq., the great lawyer and M. P.; 4th John, 5th, Peter. The Bramshot estates, which this John Dudley gained by his marriage, were the manors of Gatcombe, Whitwell and Westover, &c. These he had in company with John Pakenham.—*See History of Isle of Wight, Vol. 1, pp. 211, 213.**

* Gatcombe was part of the possessions of Wm. Fitz Stur at the compiling of Domesday book.

In the reign of Edw. II., Lisle, by marrying the dau. and heiress of that family, became owner of extensive possessions held by them. That branch of the Lisles ending in the succeeding reign with John Lisle, this manor, with Whitwell, and Westover, came to John Bremshot, who married Lisle's daughter.

The family of Bremshot ended in two daughters. It appears by an inquisition taken on the death of Edmund Dudley, in the second year of the reign of Henry VIII., that John Bremshot, Esq., died in the eighth year of Edw. IV., seized of the manor above-mentioned, and the advowson of the church of Gatcombe in the Isle of Wight; together with the manor of Bremshot, certain lands called Little Gatcombe, and twenty-two acres of land in Portsea, in the county of Southampton. That he left issue two daughters his heirs, Elizabeth and Margarect. Elizabeth married John Dudley, Esq., by whom she had issue Edmund Dudley, who was attainted for high treason in the first year of Henry the Eighth. Margaret married John Pakenham, Esq., by whom she had issue Edmund Pakenham. That John Dudley and John Pakenham, in right of their wives, took possession of the