

Richard Leigh was heir to his uncle, Francis Leigh. He married at Sutton-at-Hone, on 10th Jan., 1783, Elizabeth, daughter of John Mumford, of St. John's, in that parish. He was noted as a leading supporter of the Marylebone Cricket Club, and for the hospitality which he exercised at his house at Wilmington, near Hawley. He wrote two comedies,—“Grieving 's a Folly,” performed at the Lyceum, and “Where to Find a Friend,” for which the Hon. G. Lamb composed an epilogue. He died at the age of sixty-seven, and was buried at Sutton-at-Hone, 2nd Oct., 1828, his wife having predeceased him, and having been buried there on 13th December, 1810. By her he had issue a son, Francis, who died in 1798, at the age of twelve; a daughter, Elizabeth, who inherited the Mumford estates in Sutton-at-Hone, and died unmarried whilst on a visit at Richmond, on 11th November, 1859; and Richard Leigh, his successor.

Richard Leigh, the last male representative of the family, married Jane Moon, a person of humble station, and died without issue, at his house in Mount Street, London, on 9th Oct., 1841, aged forty-seven years and nine months, and was buried at Sutton-at-Hone, on the 18th Oct. following. By his will he devised the Hawley, Dartford, and Bexley estates to his wife for her life. She remarried, in 1847, Richard Saunders, Esq., of Langay, co. Cavan, Ireland, and was buried at Sutton-at-Hone on 29th Dec., 1873, at the age of seventy-three.¹

To return to William Leigh, the second son of Sir Francis Leigh, by Christian, his second wife. He was baptized at Addington, 20th Nov., 1620, and died before 1660. He married Lydia,² daughter of Thomas Overman, and left issue three sons, Francis, William, and Thomas, and a daughter, Christian, all living in 1660.

Francis Leigh was baptized at Bexley, 26th Dec.,

¹ For this and other information respecting the Hawley branch of the Leigh family I am indebted to a MS. entitled “A Genealogical Memoir of the Ancient, Honourable, and Extinct Family of Leigh of Addington, by H. S. Sweetman, B.A., Barrister-at-Law. 1860.”

² She was living in 1697, and held a court in that year for the manor of Puttenham. (Manning, *Hist. of Surr.*, vol. ii. p. 17). She was buried at Puttenham on 7th Sept., 1711.