CHAPTER XVIII.

THE YORKSHIRE BEAUMONTS - THE BRETTON, BYWELL HALL, HEXHAM ABBEY AND THE OAKS, DARTON, FAMILY.

"Nothing can cover his high fame but heaven;"

Beaumont and Fletcher, 
THE FALSE ONE, II. I. 169.

Bretton Hall is six miles from Barnsley, Bywell Hall fourteen miles from Newcastle, Hexham Abbey is in Northumberland, Darton three miles from Barnsley, Chapelthorpe three miles from Wakefield.

Coat of arms: Gules a lion rampant within an orle of 7 crescents arg. charged on the breast with a mullet for difference.

Crest: A bull's head quarterly arg. and gules horned per fesse or. and of the first.

GENEALOGICAL CHART c. 1420 - 1911.

Roger of Crosslandfoss (see p. 267).

| John Lawrence of the Oaks. |

| | John |


| of the |

| Oaks. |

| Catherine. |

| John d.s.p. |

Hammond. Thomas of Flocton if so he is father of George of the Oaks


George


Helen
d.s.p.

d.s.p.


Thomas. George, L.L.B. Susannah.

(see p. 310).

Thomas Richard


Wentworth. d.s.p.

Averil.

Frederick Sophia. Louisa. Lucy Matilda.

Edward Blackett

Henry Thomas George Emily. Maria Diana. Maria Sophia.


Heir to the Whitley estates.
Wentworth Walter, Somerset Dudley Emma Florence. 
Blackett, Archibald, Zamoiski, Diana. 
1st Baron Allendale.

Wentworth Edward Herbert Margaret Violet Amy 
Canning de Gray George Harriet Augusta, Virginia. 
Blackett, Blackett, de Burgh Blackett. 
2nd Baron Blackett. Allendale.

Wentworth Ralph Margaret Aline Mary Agatha Diana. 
Henry Edward, Hilda, de Burgh, Violet. 
Canning. 
3rd Baron Allendale.

LAWRENCE BEAUMONT, of the Oaks, was second son of Roger, 
of Crosslandfoss, Yorks, the latter being the second 
son of Henry de Bellomonte, of Whitley, (see p. 267). He 
was alive in 1483. He married and had issue, a son:

I. John.

JOHN OF CROSSLANDFOSS, was born 11th October 1443 and 
was alive in 1483. He married and had issue:

I. Lawrence, heir.

II. John, alive in 1483.

III. Thomas alive in 1483, of the Oaks.

IV. Henry alive in 1483. He had a daughter, Catherine, 
who married William Armytage of Kirklees, Yorks, the grandson 
of the latter married Margaret daughter of Richard Beaumont 
of Elmley Park, Yorks (see p. 319).

V. William, alive 1483.

VI. Nicholas, alive 1483.
VII. George.

**Lawrence Beaumont,** alive in 1495, had issue, a son John.

I. John, alive in 1515 and died without issue, his estate passed to Richard Beaumont, who was possibly the sixth son of Henry and Johanna (see p. 267).

**Thomas Beaumont,** of the Oaks, probably the third son of John (see supra) and great grandson of Roger, of Crosslandfoss, married a daughter of Potter and had issue:

I. John, died young.

II. James.

III. John, heir.

**John Beaumont** of Cottingham, Yorks, married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas Cockle, of Wakefield. Issue:

I. Hammonds.

II. Thomas. This is possibly the same as Thomas of Flocton, near Kirkheaton, Yorks, who died 1664 (see infra).

**Hammond Beaumont** of Fangfoss, Yorks, alive 1612. Married Priscilla daughter of Francis Nalton, of Walkington, Yorks. Issue:

I. Phineas.

II. John, born 1605, died circ. 1612.

III. Francis.

IV. Ann.

**Thomas Beaumont** of Flocton, possibly the second son of John (see supra), if so he had issue, George and others.

**George Beaumont** of the Oaks was buried 29th April, 1664, at Darton; where there was a cast iron memorial in the church to the memory of himself and wife. He left £30 yearly to the poor of Flocton. He married Sarah, - who died in 1646. They had issue:

I. John, of Wolley Moorhouse, Yorks, baptised at Darton 27th March, 1622, died February, 1652, buried at Darton. He married Helen, daughter of Thomas Townend, of Hoyland, Yorks, and had issue a daughter Helen who died in infancy.
She married secondly Matthew Wilkinson, of Greenhead, Yorks.

II. George, of York, born and baptised at Darton 11th June, 1633, died unmarried 1699. He was a Danzig merchant. In his will he provided £150 for a monument to himself to be placed in Darton Church, £1000 to found a school at Darton, and £500 to the poor of London (Joseph Hunter, SOUTH YORKSHIRE, II. 373).

III. William, heir.

IV. Sarah, born 1626, died 16th February, 1691, and buried at Peniston, Yorks. She married 18th October 1656, Josiah Wordsworth, of Waterhall, Peniston and thereby became an ancestress of the poet. Josiah died 18th February, 1709, aet. 82.

V. Mary, married 18th June, 1657, Jonathan Shaw, of Hull Bank, Bradfield.

WILLIAM BEAUMONT, baptised 5th September, 1638, buried at Darton 18th December, 1713. Married 26th June, 1662 Jane, daughter of William (? George) Milner, of Burton Grange, Yorks, and the Old Hall, Rockley, Yorks, she was born in 1651 and buried in the church at Darton 29th May, 1719. Issue:

I. George, heir.

II. Thomas, of Chapelthorpe Hall, born 1675, died 30th April, 1731, and buried at Darton, he left no issue. He bequeathed £100 to the poor of the parish and £20 for Communion plate for the Church of S. Helen at Sandal Magna, Yorks. In the church is a cast iron memorial, with letters in relief, the inscription reads:

"Infra hoc marmor conduntur cineres
Thomas Beaumont
Nuper de Chapelthorpe, Generosi;
Qui vitam suam
Pietate, temperantia,
Justitia, munificentia,
Omni denique virtute, coelebs, exornavit.
Hinc sibi monumentum
Hoc marmore perennius exigit.
Pauperibus de Crigleston cl
De Darton c. libras
In perpetuum legavit
Ob. 30o Aprilis, A.D., MDCCXXXI
Ao Aetas 56o."
Translation:

"Under this marble are laid the ashes of

Thomas Beaumont  

formerly of Clapelthorpe, of noble birth, who, a bachelor,
adorned his life with Piety, Temperance,
Justice, munificence
and lastly with every virtue.
Hence he raised to himself a monument
more lasting than this marble.
He liberally endowed in perpetuity
the poor of Cridgeston £160
and of Darton.

£100 He died the 30th April A.D. 1731
in the 56th year of his age."

III. Jonathan. A Jonathan married Mary Whitehead of Lavenham,
Suffolk, widow, 16th February 1747 at S. George's Church,
Hyde Park Corner.

IV. Mary married James Smith, Gent., of Manningham. She
left no issue.

V. Jane, married Abraham Hall of Booth Town, Halifax.

VI. Anne, married Thomas Dobson of Bingley.

VII. Sarah, married Roger Coates, she was alive in 1732.

VIII. Others who died in infancy.

George Beaumont, of Chapelthorpe, Yorks, baptised 5th
September 1663 predeceased his father, and buried at
Darton 4th June, 1712. He married about 1691, Gertrude
daughter of John (? William) Bagshawe, of Litton, Yorks., and
Wormhill and Hucklow, Co. Derby. She was buried at Darton
11th September, 1703, a memorial was placed in the church.
They had issue:

I. George, heir to his grandfather.

II. Thomas, died 1770. Rector of Bulwell, Notts. He
left no issue.

III. Jane, died 1743, married Abel Smith, banker of East
Stoke, Notts, she was grandmother of the first Lord Carrington.

IV. Mary married John Grammar, of Pledwick, Yorks.

V. Gertrude, died 1761; married the Reverend Thomas Hall,
of Carcolston, Notts, afterwards Rector of Westborough, Lincs,
where she was buried.

VI. Sarah, died 14th July, 1695.

VII. Elizabeth born at Sandal.

VIII. Hannah, married Reverend Andrew Burnaby of Bampton Manor House, Vicar of S. Mary's, Leicester and Prebendary of Lincoln.

IX. Others died young.

GEORGE BEAUMONT, of The Oaks, and Bridgford Hill baptised at Sandal 24th August 1696, died 27th January 1735, buried at Darton. A monument records:

Ob. Jan. 27, A.D. 1735 Aetat 40o.

He was married at Kirkheaton 23rd April, 1723, to Frances daughter of Richard Beaumont, of Whitley, see p. 289, she was baptised 6th July, 1704, and died 14th April, 1735, buried at Darton. A memorial records:

"In eadem crypta recumbit
Francisca, filia Ricardi Beaumont
De Whitley, armigeri,
Uxor Clara Georgii Beaumont de Darton
Infra nominati
Obiit 14o. Aprilis Ao. Dni. 1735 Aetatis 32."

They had issue:

I. Thomas.

II. George, LL.B. (see p. 311).

III. Susannah, died June 1804, married Reverend John Walter, Rector of Bingham, Notts. They had no issue.

THOMAS BEAUMONT of The Oaks, Darton, born at Whitley 18th February baptised at Kirkheaton 5th March 1723/4, died 6th February, 1785 and buried at Darton. He bequeathed £100 to the poor of the parish. He married 1751, Anna daughter and co-heiress of Edward Ayscough of Louth, Lincolnshire. She was born 1st January baptised at Louth 8th of June, 1735 and died 14th December, 1778, buried at Darton, a memorial records:

"In eadem crypta requiescat Anna
Filia tertia
Edwardi Aysche, de Louth, in Com. Lincoln,
Uxor Thomae Beaumont, de Dorton, armigeri; Natu lmo Jan 1735; obiit 14 Dec 1778
In memoriam Thomae Beaumont Armigeri, de Darton, comitatu Ebor Acensi Qui obiit 6to die Februarii. Anno Domini 1785 Aetatis, 61."

Translation:

In the same crypt rests Anna 3rd daughter of Edward Ayscough of Louth in the county of Lincoln, the wife of Thomas Beaumont of Darton, gentleman, born 1st January 1735 died 14th December 1778.

In memory of Thomas Beaumont gentleman of Darton in the ancient County of York, who died 6th day February A.D., 1785, aged 61.

On the road to Staincross, on high ground, a little distance from Darton, is a lofty column with the following inscription:


Translation:

"In memory of Anna wife of Thomas Beaumont of Darton; this monument was erected for his dear love to his best wife; she was one of the daughters of Edward Ayscough of Louth in the county of Lincoln, born 1st January, 1735 died 14th December 1778."

They had issue:

I. Thomas Richard.

THOMAS RICHARD BEAUMONT, of the Oaks, Bretton Hall, Hexham Abbey and Marylebone, born 29th April, 1758, died at Bretton Hall 31st July 1829, his will was proved for £60,000. He matriculated at Oxford 1777, Lieutenant Colonel 21st Light Dragoons, M.P. for Northumberland 1795 to 1818. He married in 1786 Diana, daughter and heiress of Sir Thomas Wentworth Blackett, Baronet, of Bretton Hall and Hexham Abbey. The Hall was built by Sir William Wentworth in 1720. On the
death of her father in 1792, she inherited these estates, together with lead mines in Northumberland and Durham. On the 24th September 1818 the Abbey was burnt down, it was rebuilt and is probably second to none in the county, with the exception of Alnwick Castle. She died at Bretton Hall 10th August 1831 aet. 68. They had issue:

I. Thomas Wentworth, heir.

II. William, born 1795, died unmarried 1872. Educated at S. John's College, Cambridge; admitted to Lincoln's Inn 26th February, 1813; B.A. in the same year.

III. Richard, entered the Royal Navy 1811. Served on H.M.S. "Venerable" off Brest and the north coast of Spain 1813, also in the West Indies. In 1825 he was in command of H.M.S. "Weazle" in the Mediterranean. He married, 9th February, 1832 Honourable Susan Hussey Boswell, daughter of Major General Godfrey third Baron Macdonald. Issue:

(1) Averil, born 1834, married 10th November, 1870, Henry Hussey Vivian, first Baron Swansea.


(3) Son, born 1843.


(An Edward Blackett Beaumont of Woodhall married, 14th October, 1863, Lucy Matilda, daughter of William George Margesson of Battle (second marriage)). Issue:


(2) Sophia, born at Brettenham, Suffolk 20th April 1828, and baptised there. Married at Darfield 20th April 1852 the Honourable and Reverend Percival George Willoughby of 6 Edgerton Gardens, London and Rector of Sandy, Notts. She died at Inglewood, Woking, 15th January and buried in S. John's Churchyard on the 18th January 1898.
(3) Louise died 1913 aet. 82. Will proved £26135. Married 23rd August 1871, Samuel Warren, Q.C.

(4) Lucy Matilda, married George Margesson of Vann and Oakhurst, Surrey, and Wooldringfold, Sussex, Esq.

V. Henry Ralph, of Newby Park, Ripon, born 1807, died 28th June 1838, matriculated at Christ Church, Oxford, 1824. He married 19th May, 1831, Catherine, daughter of Sir George Cayley, Baronet, of Brampton, Yorks, she died 1887. Issue:

(1) Henry Frederick, inherited the Whitley estates in 1857 (see pp. 289, 295).

(2) Thomas Richard, d.s.p.

(3) George, died young.

(4) Emily, married 19th June 1855, the Reverend Richard Cholmondeley, Vicar of Leeton, Salop.

(5) Maria Catherine.

(6) Diana, died unmarried.

(7) Marianne, of Portman Square, London died February 1858, married 21st September, 1837, to Edward Booth of Norwich, at S. Mary's, Marylebone.

(8) Sophia. Married Baron Botiel.

Sir Thomas Wentworth Beaumont, born at Old Burlington Street, London 15th November, 1792, died at Bournemouth 20th December, 1848. Educated at Eton, Commoner St. John's College, Cambridge, 1809; B.A. 1813; M.P. for Northumberland 1818-26, and lost his seat under circumstances which led to a duel on Bambourg Sands, with Mr. Lampton, afterwards Earl of Durham; M.P. for Stafford 1830-37. He was in Parliament a prominent reformer, and one of the founders of the WESTMINSTER REVIEW, also a minor poet; some of his verses are found in MUSAE ETONENSES. In 1809 he purchased the Bywell Castle estates containing about five thousand acres, and built a bridge over the Tyne there which cost about £16,000. Henry VI took refuge at this castle, after the defeat of his army at the battle of Hexham, the 15th May, 1464.

He married at Ripley, 22nd November, 1827, Henrietta Jane Emma Hawks, daughter of J. Atkinson, Esquire, of Maple Hayes, Co. Stafford. She died 22nd. November, 1861. Issue:

I. Wentworth Blackett, heir.
II. Walter, born 1836.


IV. Dudley Zamoiski, born 1837, matriculated at Christ Church, Oxford, 1855, B.A. 1860; student at Lincoln's Inn 30th August 1860, called to the Bar 6th June 1863. Married twice and had issue.

V. Emma Diana, died 1874. She married in 1857 at S. James's Church, Westminster, the Reverend Stopford Augustus Brooke, LL.D., incumbent of the then very fashionable Church of S. James, York Street, where his eloquence and piety attracted large congregations. In 1872 he was appointed Chaplain in Ordinary to the Queen. In 1876 he removed to Bedford Chapel, Bloomsbury, and carried the whole congregation with him. He seceded from the English Church in 1880. His son Stopford Brooke, born 1859, was Liberal M.P. for Bow and Bromley 1906-10. A daughter married Doctor L.P. Jacks, of Manchester College, Oxon.

VI. Florence, married in 1858 at S. James's, Piccadilly, George F. Marsh Esquire. She married secondly 16th July, 1866, Baron Viccuzo Palumbo.

WENTWORTH BLACKETT BEAUMONT, 1st Baron Allendale, born 11th April, 1829, died 1907, his estate was valued at £2,500,000. Educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge; D.L., J.P., Liberal M.P. for South Northumberland 1852-85, M.P. for Tyneside division of Northumberland 1886-92. He was created a Baron 20th July 1906. He owned fourteen thousand two hundred and seventy nine acres of land in Northumberland of the annual value of £15076; nine thousand and fifteen acres in Yorkshire annual value £18634 and eight hundred and four acres in Durham, annual value £960.

He married firstly 6th March, 1856, Lady Margaret de Burgh, daughter of the first Marquis of Clanricarde, she died 31st March, 1888, and he married secondly 17th February, 1891, Edith Althea relict of Major General Sir George Pomeroy Colley, K.C.S.I., and daughter of Major General Meade Hamilton, C.B. Her will was proved in 1927 (for £51647) ?1927. Issue:

I. Wentworth Ann Blackett, heir.

III. Hubert George de Burgh Blackett, of Aylesbury J.P., born in London 6th April, 1864, and died August 1922, his will was proved at £137,222. Educated at Eton and Charterhouse, matriculated at Balliol College, Oxford, B.A. 1886, 4th Mod. Hist., Liberal M.P. for Eastbourne 1906-10; High Sheriff 1919-20. During the great war he was Assistant Commissioner of the Red Cross in Italy. Married 26th May 1900, Eliza Mercedes daughter of Michael Paul Grace of Battle Abbey, and Belgrave Square, London. She died 10th August, 1917. Issue:


IV. Margaret Harriet Blackett, born 1859. Married 19th May 1881 to Copleston Richard George, 3rd Baron Poltimore.

V. Violet Augusta, died 1862.

VI. Amy Virginia married November 1880, Edward, 2nd Baron Brabourne.

WENTWORTH CANNING BLACKETT BEAUMONT, 2nd Baron Allendale, and created Viscount July 5th 1911. Born at Bywell Hall 2nd December 1860, died 12th December 1923. His will was proved for £2,765,000. Educated at Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge, B.A. 1884; M.A. 1887; D.L., J.P. for West Riding and also for Northumberland; Liberal M.P. for Hexham 1895-1907; Vice-president of Yorkshire Archaeological Society, 1876. Vice-Chamberlain to the Royal Household 1905-7; Captain Royal Welch Fusiliers and Yorkshire Yeomanry. Captain of the Yeoman of the Guard 1907. Lord in Waiting to King Edward 1911. His estates in 1873 consisted of some twenty four thousand acres and an annual value of £34,000.

He married 12th November, 1889, Lady Alexandrine Louisa Maud daughter of Sir George Vane Tempest, 5th Marquis of Londonderry. Issue:

I. Wentworth Henry Canning.

II. Margaret Helen, born 1892; married 8th February 1917, Viscount Evrington.

III. Aline Mary de Burgh, born 1895.

IV. Ralph Edward Blackett, born 12th February, 1901, married
Christine daughter of Brigadier General Cecil Wray 22nd March 1926.

V. Agatha Violet, born 1903, met with an accident in the hunting field, 1925.

VI. Diana died 1897.