

(A 47) Elizabeth Smythies, living at Weston Lawn, Bath, 1880, died unmarried.

(A 48) Sarah Smythies, living at Weston Lawn, Bath, 1880, died unmarried.

(A 49) Catherine Smythies, married J. Hooper.

(A 50) Christian Mary Smythies, living at Weston Lawn, Bath, 1880, died unmarried 22 May 1891.

(A 51) Joshua Smythies, son of William Carleton Smythies (A 43), died young.

(A 52) Humphrey Smythies, son of Palmer Smythies (A 31), was baptized at St. Mary-at-the-Walls, Colchester, but the record of his birth and baptism, in which it may be noted his name is spelt Humphrey, is in the Register at St. Mary Magdalene, Colchester. The following quaint entry is found on the first page of the Register at South Moreton: "The Rev<sup>d</sup> Mr Smythies gave ten books of the new version of the Psalms for the use of the Singers of South Moreton for which the Church Wardens are annually accountable to the Minister—in the year of our Lord 1766. These books were given—John Bohem, Dennis Alder, Church Wardens." And below, "N.B.—the sole intent of this memorandum is that the Books may not be embezzled privately, Hum'y Smythies." A notice of his preferment to Blewbury-cum-Upton in 1759 occurs in "Gent. Mag.," xxix., 195, and of his preferment to Alpheton in 1781 in the same, li., 48. In Alpheton Church is a mural monument with the following inscription: "In memory of Humphry [*sic*] Smythies, M.A., Rector of this Parish, who died May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1806, in the 83<sup>rd</sup> year of his age." By his father's will he was left a share in the Witlesham property (see A 31, above).

Humphrey Smythies married Katherine Abbot (widow of Mr. Abbot of Abingdon), whose maiden name was Carter, and from the date of the birth of their son Henry Yeats (A 59) it is probable the marriage took place about the end of 1763 or beginning of 1764, but enquiries at Abingdon and elsewhere have not been successful in eliciting further information. She died and was buried at Stanground, where her son was Vicar, and a mural monument in the chapel at the east end of the north aisle of the church bears the following inscription: "In memory of Katherine Smythies, Relict of Humphrey Smythies, M.A., Rector of Alpheton in the County of Suffolk and of Staughton in the County of Bedford. Died May 6, 1810, Aged 76." The Register merely records that Katherine Smythies, mother of the Rev. H. Y. Smythies, Vicar, was buried on 12 May 1810.

A miniature portrait of Humphrey Smythies, painted on ivory by Charles Jagger (1770—1827) of Bath, *circa* 1803, is now in possession of his great-grandson Major Raymond Smythies (A 70).

(A 53) Ann Smythies, daughter of Palmer Smythies (A 31), married the Rev. Brook Nathaniel Bridges, a member of the Kent family of that name (Brook Bridges, Esq., of Goodneston was created a Baronet 1718). The subsequent marriage of her daughter Margaretta to the Rev. Samuel Raymond of Belchamp Hall, Walter Belchamp, formed the first link between the Smythies and Raymond families. A head-and-shoulders portrait in oils on canvas of Rev. Samuel Raymond\* and a half-length portrait of Margaretta his wife (30 in. by 25 in.) by John Simpson are now in possession of Major Raymond Smythies (A 70), also a miniature on ivory of Margaretta Raymond.

(A 54 to A 58). See pedigree.

\* This is a replica of the portrait in the Belchamp Hall collection, which includes also a portrait of the Rev. Samuel Raymond, when a younger man, by Gainsborough, and a remarkable series of portraits of his ancestors from John Raymond (by Cornelis Janssen), who bought the estate from Sir John Wentworth about 1611, onwards.