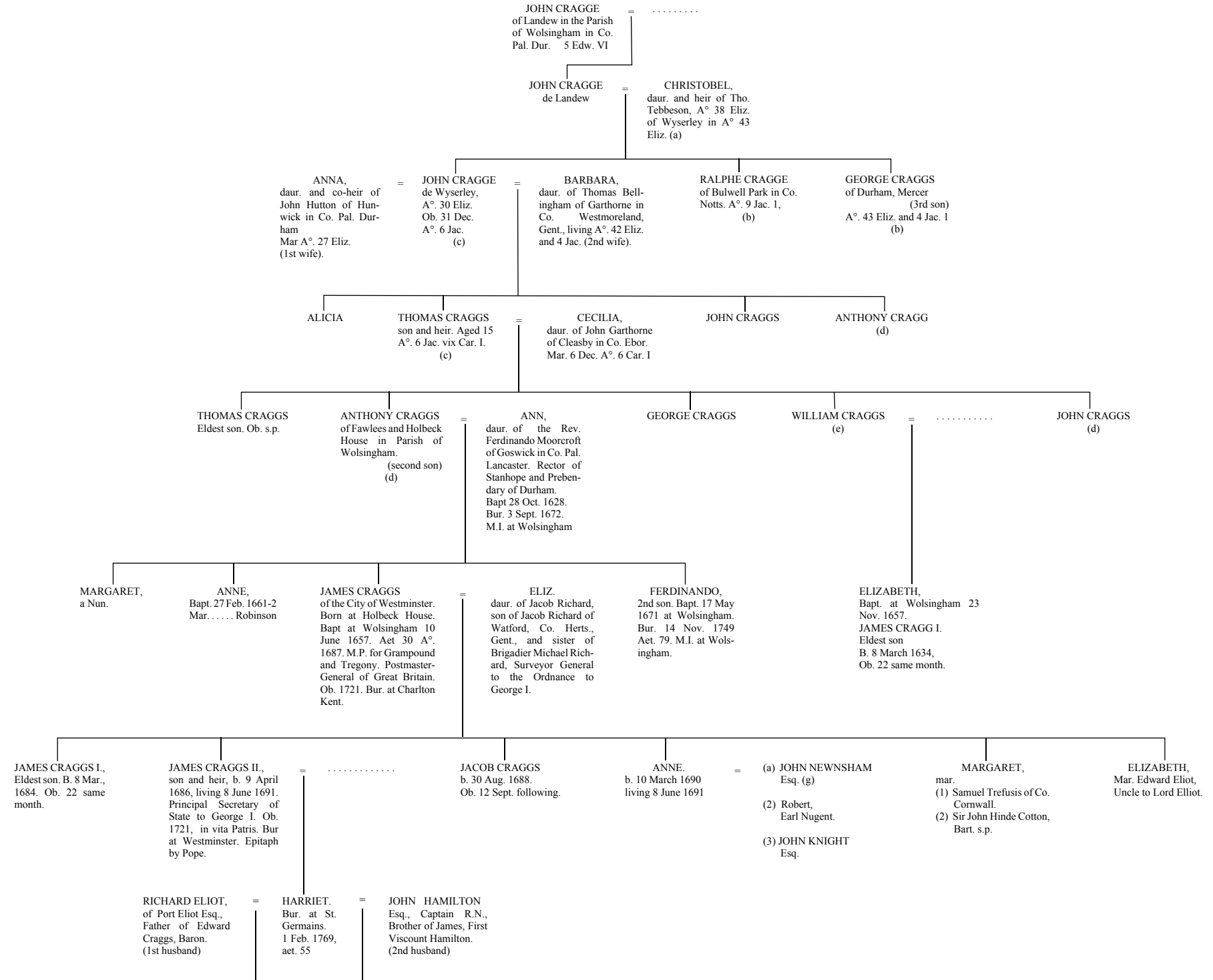


**PEDIGREE OF  
CRAGGS OF WOLSINGHAM**

*Arms* : Sa. on a fesse or betw. three mullets ermi. as many crosses crosslet of the last ermines. †  
*Crest* : A dexter and sinister arm couped above the elbows, armed az. garnished ar. grasping a sword of the last, hilt and pomel, or.



- (a) P'don George Lynsay de adquirendo de Thoma Cragges et Christabella uxor ejus 7 ac. terrae et medietat' molendin' aquatic' de Wolsingham. 29 Sept. A°. 20 Eliz. (1587). and A°. 2 Barnes.
- (b) P'don Geo Craggs p'q. de Christabell Craggs vid infra'd'cas peell' ... A° 9 Tobie. Cormmiss Rado Craggs de Bulwell Parke Notts gen et Thos Wright de Wolsingham, Ward — Thos fil et h. John Craggs — 5 Epi James, 9 Jac.
- (c) P'don Johi Craggs p'q. de Geo. Craggs — 1 mess, 4 cottag 40 acr tre, 100 pti, 60 pasture 20 bosci — 40 more et. .... am past p. obs avensis in Wyserley et Wolsingham, A°. 12 Tobie, 4 Jac. 7 Mau, ( John Craggs Gen. fil et h. Thome 16 July 4 Jac.
- (d) The following record refers to either Anthony, son of John Craggs, or to Anthony his nephew. It would seem that Anthony had previously supplanted one Ralph Tongue in the affections of his cousin, a widow named Mary Belt, and that she either fulfilled her pledges to Ralph Tongue or not marrying him was thrown over by Anthony. Anyhow, it seems evident that she appreciated the advantage of having two strings to her bow. "Anthony Craggs contracted to Mary Belt widow by these words. If things do not go forward as this examinant thinketh—meaning marriage betwixt me and Rafe Tonge within these three weeks—here before God I accept you as my husband and ye said Anthony said I accept you as my wife and upon this condition I give you this ringe which she thinketh he accepted for hee saide it was too wide for her finger and she shld loose it ye said Anthony willing her to put a gimmer upon it for making it safe. — After that ye sd. Mary sd. Cosin Antonye I truste if this matter go forward betwixt Rafe Tongue and me the time before named, I hope you will love me nothing the worse. No, by my true the saith ye sd. Antoyne — Then she sd. I trust if this matter go forward betwixt you and me yr. father will bestowe some p'ferment on us. He answered he knew not what his father wd. do but thought he wd. performe his last talke he had with her." (without date). Ex. Mickleton's MSS. amongst Mr. Surtees' papers.
- (e) William Craggs Gent. mentioned in a law suit Trin. Term 1652 before the upper bench at Durham (Liber Nicolai Richardson) for that Jonathan Devereux of Wolsingham Dent. was attached to answer Katherine Shelley, Spinster, because in 1650 he had by slandering her, prevented her marriage with this William Craggs gentleman being a Bachelor of great and honest reputation and of great wealth and substance.
- (f) On Aug. 31, 1721 His Majesty King George I. was pleased to discharge the executors or administrators of James Craggs, esquire, of and from the quantity of 1,010 oz. 15 dwt. of white plate delivered him as late one of his Majesty's principal secretaries of State. And of and from all actions, suits, prosecutions, troubles and demands concerning the same, and that the indenture entered into by the said James Craggs be delivered up. Subscribed for Mr. Moyle, by warrant under his Majesty's royal sign manual. Counter-signed by the lords commissioners of the treasury.
- (g) The pedigree is entered at the College of Arms up to this point. Certain additional details have been supplied by Mr. William Radclyffe. Rouge Croix. in a MS. penes me H.C.S.

*Notes* :  
† Granted at Westminster, 8 Feb., 1691  
\* Godfather of Anthony Maxton, Rector of Wolsingham