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TO THE EDITOR OF THE PENNSYLVANIA MAGAZINE OF HISTORY AND BIOGRAPHY:

The memoir of Thomas Gilpin, published in the October number, 1925, cannot fail to be of great interest to your readers.

Permit me, however, to offer a few corrections. George Gilpin, Queen Elizabeth's Ambassador at the Hague, is stated therein to have left no descendants. This is an error. A search at the Hague disclosed the fact that his second wife Mary (Points) died there leaving a will, a copy of which is in the writer's possession. He left sons: Captain Philip and Gideon, and daughters Margaretta and Ann.

The genealogical details as to the English ancestry of the family, in light of more recent research, need considerable revision. As this involves the progenitors of the American pioneer, Joseph Gilpin, it may not be uninteresting to your readers to set forth the facts as disclosed by the records.

Respectfully,

ALFRED RUDULPH JUSTICE.

The early history of the Gilpin family is based chiefly on the researches of George Gilpin, Esq., son of William and Elizabeth (Washington) Gilpin, who about the year 1590, forwarded a copy of his MS. to his uncle, George Gilpin, Queen Elizabeth's Ambassador at the Hague; hence unusual reliance is to be placed on his statements concerning his relatives at this time and previous thereto. It was again, about the year 1650, the subject of careful research by Sir Daniel Fleming, Bart, of Rydal Hall, who was noted for his genealogical investigations of Westmoreland Families. (See Nicholson & Burns' Hist. of Westmoreland.) His manu-

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scripts are now in possession of the Fleming family, at Rydal Hall.

1629, George Carlton, Bishop of Chichester, wrote a Life of Bernard Gilpin, the Apostle of the North, which contains much of interest concerning the family.

In 1713, William Gilpin of Scaleby Castle, Recorder of Carlisle, with the aid of his relative Alan Chambre, Recorder of Kendal, made a pedigree of the family.

1753, the Rev. William Gilpin of Boldre (1724–1804) wrote a Life of Bernard Gilpin, which is practically a second edition of Carlton.

Thomas Gilpin of Philadelphia (1729-1778), grandson of Joseph Gilpin, the progenitor of the Gilpins in America, visited England in 1753, and has left us the result of his investigations. It may be stated that he makes mention of the fact that Thomas Gilpin, the eminent Minister of the Society of Friends, was a son of Thomas Gilpin of Mill Hill, but does not state he was descended from Bernard and Dorothy (Airy) Gilpin.

Joshua Gilpin, son of Thomas (1765-1841) made copies of the early English accounts which are embodied in the "Memoirs of the Gilpin Family of Philadelphia."

Hon. Henry D. Gilpin, Attorney General of the United States, and Vice President of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, was also a diligent student of the family history and his valuable library and collection of family papers are now in possession of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

The late William Jackson, F. S. A. of White Haven, England, compiled an elaborate pedigree chart of the Gilpin Family, which is inserted in the "Memoirs of Dr. Richard Gilpin," published by the "Cumberland and Westmoreland Arch. & Antiquarian Society," 1879. He had access to the Fleming MSS., and secured much additional data from various sources mentioned

in a note to the Pedigree, page 155. This will be referred to later as the Gilpin Chart.

It has been stated by Joshua Gilpin, and accepted apparently without inquiry by William Jackson, F. S. A., and the error repeated by numerous writers since, that Thomas Gilpin of Mill Hill, was the son of Bernard and Dorothy (Airy) Gilpin and grandson of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, and great-grandson of William and Elizabeth (Washington) Gilpin.

Referring to the MS. of the "Memoirs of the Gilpin Family of Philadelphia," Vol. 2, page 7, in the Gilpin room of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, we have the following statement which forms the basis for the error:

"But the date, residence and tradition combine in fixing Thomas Gilpin, the son of Bernard Gilpin, as the Thomas Gilpin of Mill Hill." No other proof is offered.

The writer first became doubtful about this descent in attempting to check up the marriage and birth records chronologically, and it became clear that Thomas Gilpin of Mill Hill, b. circa 1586 and married 1608, could not have been the son of Bernard Gilpin, bapt. March 1, 1583/4, and whose parents were married in 1580.

Martin Gilpin, son of William and Elizabeth (Washington) Gilpin, b. circa 1554, d. December 18, 1629, buried at Kendal, Westmoreland. M. 1580, Katherine Newby, d. 1633/4 (Gilpin chart), daughter of Richard Newby of Strickland, parish of Kendal.

Will of Katherin Gilpin of Kirkie Kendall, widow, late wife of Martin Gilpin, deceased, dated 29 August 1632, pr. Arch. Richmond, 11 January 1633. "To be buried in my parish church of Kendal, as near my late father and my children as possible. Whereas: my son Barnard Gilpin was bound to my late husband for £10 payable on demand, one-half of which is due to me as

executor of my late husband, the said £5 to be paid as follows: 20/ to his wife, 20/ to my daughter-in-law Isaac's wife. 20/ to his son Samuel, 20/ to my grand-child Thomas Bateman, and the £10 he is bound to pay me at hardimas next. I leave to Dorothy Bateman who hath been long with me for and towards her preferment, whereunto her father consented that I should dispose thereof to such of his children as I thought fitt." Whereas Henry Bateman owes me £10 which his father promised he would cause him (to) pay forth of his portion, of which £10, I leave to his father £5, and £5 I abate to the said Henry.

To Katherin, wife of Thomas Sands £5 forth of my goods. My part of pewther being half remaining in the house where I now dwell to be equally divided between them, my following grandchildren: Matithia, wife of George Warde. Dorithie Bateman, Marie Bateman, Katherin Sheepperd, Dorothie Gilpin, daughter of son Isaac, Elizabeth Gilpin, sister of said Matithia, Ann Dixon, daughter of Arthur Dixon. To my four sons in law, four of my silver spoons, one each, and the fifth to Dorothy Bateman.

To the said Dorothy Bateman, "the bedd clothes wherein I ly, viz, the fether bedd, the boulster, the coverlett and cadowe."

Residue of my goods to my four daughters, Grace, Dorothy, Marie and Alice, joint executors (No surnames given). Supervisors: my two sons Bernard and Isaac. Witnesses: William Helmer and Robert Crosfield.

Inventory of the goods of Katherin Gilpin, taken by William Helmer and William Rakestraw, 9 Jan. 1633, consisting of household effects, etc. Among the articles enumerated were: a laddle and a postnett, a morter and a pestell, chamber potts, Speets racks, and other small iron gear, brewing Knoppe; gile fatt gal-

lons, carpets and guishions, wood and peats, one silver bole, one gilded salt, Silver buttons.

Summary of the value £XXX, XV/ VId.

A third part of wch goods at the least was given by the said Martin Gilpin to his children, and his said wife was but to have the use thereof during her life, albeit they were whollie prised (by mistaking) after her death. And her funeralls wth Pbate of her will are to be deducted amounting tobeside her legacies.

No list of Debtors or Creditors.

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Richmond Archdy, Kendal Deanery.

Will of Richard Newby of Strickland in Parish of Kendal Co. West'm., yeoman, dated 2 March 1616/17, to be buried in Kendal church. To said church 10/. For poor of hamlets of Grayrigg, Lambrigg, Docker, Strickland Roger, and Strickland Kettle respectively £40—full particulars as to trusts. Copy of will to be kept in the reveotry at Kendal church. All lands in Dillaker and Strickland Roger of West'md. to my son Randall Newby for life remainder as to Dilliker, to Allen Gilpin, 4th son of Martin Gilpin and of Katherine his wife my Daughter, in tail, paying at Burneshead chapel Westm'd. to Helen Warde now wife of Anthony Warde only Daughter of my s'd son Randall, £20, in Default to Isaac Gilpin 2nd son of s'd Martin & Katherine in tail, in Default to Randall Gilpin 3rd son of s'd. Martin & Katherine in tail in Default to Bernard Gilpin, eldest son of s'd Martin & Katherine in tail in Default to right heirs of s'd. Allen Gilpin. All lands in Dilliker called Low Grayning Field late my brother Miles Newby's dec'd from Death of s'd son Randall as former lands. Lands in Strickland Roger where s'd. son Randall now Dwelleth to s'd Randall Gilpin in tail from Death of s'd. son Randall in Default to s'd Allen Gilpin in fee. Son Randal to abide by will

considering great charge of children my Sd. Daughter Katherine hath, many of them being unprovided for otherwise than from me. To Sd. Isaac Gilpin my interest in messuage in Strickland Kettle whereon I lately dwelled & which was heretofore granted to me by Sd. Martin Gilpin, also £66, 13, 4. To Anne Tunstall £10, if Sd. Isaac & she marry one another. Allen Gilpin £120 to S'd Randall Gilpin £100 to my Daughter Katherine £10 & I forgive her £4 she owes me. To Grace Bateman her Daughter & wife of William Bateman £20 etc. & £6, 13, 4 d. to children of Sd. Grace equally. To Dorothy Crossfield wife of Robert Crossfield another Daughter of Sd. Katherine £26, 13, 4. To Mary Shepperd wife of William Shepperd another of her Daughters £26, 13, 4, to Alice Gilpin, voungest Daughter of Sd. Katherine, £20. To sd. Bernard Gilpin £10. To William Gilpin his eldest son £5. To his three younger sons 40/ a piece. To Dorothy Gilpin wife of Sd. Bernard 20/. To Mattithia their Daughter 40/. To Mrs. Choiter 10/. To sd. Helen Ward my said son Randall's Daughter £20. To her mother 20/. To Anthony Ward husband of Sd. Helen To my sister Holme 30/. I forgive her debts. To Dorothy & Elizabeth her daughters 30/ a piece. John Wilkinson son of Robert Wilkinson, 10/. Robert Brabyn my godson 10/. To Miles Newby 10/. To Martin Gilpin of Gill my godson 10/. To Henry Newby late servant to my son Randall 10/. brother Richard Newby 10/. To Thomas Crossfield, son of Sd. Robert Crossfield 20/. I forgive son Randall £20 I lent him long ago. To Sd. Robert Crossfield £20. £280 for which Thos. Harrington, gentleman, and his mother have mortgaged lands in Longsleddall to me & also £25 residue of £66 for which John Warriner hath m'tged me lands in Strickland Kettle, to my Executors half each, or in default, S'd Mortgaged lands to Daughter Katherine in fee & son Randall in fee equally. 10/ for amendment of highways below Chapel-in-the-Wood & Kendal. To friend James Rigge 10/, to William Bateman & William Shepperd 20/ a piece. To servants dwelling with my son in law Martin Gilpin & my son Randal 5/ a piece. Sums lent to Sd. Martin Gilpin or son Randall, I continue in their hands as executors. Rest of goods to my son in law Martin Gilpin & Sd. Katherin his wife, my daughter & sd. son Randall-half each & they three to be executors. Robert Crossfield to deside disputes. Supervisors, my son in law Martin Gilpin S'd Barnard Gilpin & Robert Crossfield. £20 to be abated of legacy to Allen Gilpin because the house in Kendal late Richard Seils was bought by me to his use & for £64 I lately lent my son Randall & Anthony Ward—they to apply £5 thereof to S'd Allen Gilpin. £5 to S'd Randal Gilpin & £54 among Sd. Randall Newby, Anthony Ward & their wives.

Witnesses: James Rigg, Miles Robinson, Robert Cressfield.

Inventory £1659, 14, 6d. Dated 19 Dec. 1617.

Bond 30 Jan. 1617 by Martin Gilpin of Strickland Roger, Co. Westmoreland, gentleman & Randall Newby of Same yeoman. Both sign.

Witns. Robt. Crosfield, Barnard Gilpin & John Houghton.

Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin had issue: Bernard, Grace, Dorothy, Mary, Jane, Alice, Isaac, Randall and Allan.

Bernard Gilpin, eldest son of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, bapt. March 1, 1583/4, at parish church of Kendal, d. April 21, 1636. M. circa 1603, Dorothy Airy.

Will of Bernard Gilpin of Strickland Roger in Kirkbie, Kendall, dated 12 April 1636. Pr. 28 May 1636, Deanery of Kendal, Arch. Richmond. To be buried in the parish church of Kendal.

Whereas: I have preferred my sonne Martin Gilpin to be an apprentice and synce the expiration of his said apprenticeshipp I have given him allowance and means for his further p'ferment. And whereas I have allso limmitted & appointed the some of twenty pounds to be paied to my brother Crosfield unto my sonne Francis Gilpin, forth of the price of Brabon tenement "these to stand for their child's portions."

To my son Arthur Gilpin £20 which legacy is to become void when he reaches the age of 21, if he then refuses to release his claim to a tenement in Strickland Roger, late Randall Gilpin's, upon reasonable request. To my son Randall Gilpin, 20 marks. To my son Alan Gilpin, £10. To my daughter Elizabeth Gilpin, 20 Nobles. To my son William Gilpin, my best cloke. My wife Dorothy Gilpin to be executrix & residuary legatee. My brother Robert Crosfield, my brother Isaac Gilpin, & George Warde, to be supervisors, and to have 10 Shillings apiece.

Witnesses: William Bateman, William Shepherd. (Other witnesses missing on account of the will being torn.)

Bond by Dorothy Gilpin, Francis Gilpin of Strickland Roger, yeoman, & William Baxter of Strickland Ketle, husbandman, (bearing signatures of the two last, and mark of the first named).

Inventory of the goods of Bernard Gilpin of Strickland Roger taken by Bartholomew Newbie, Hy. Bracken, Thos. Bracken, and Wm. Baxter, 22 April, 1636. Consisting of household and farm utensils, wearing apparel, pewter—silver spoons etc. and live stock 4 Cows—4 heiffers—143 sheep—2 Mares. A debt due from William Baxter £3, 7/. Summary £103, 5/10d.

Debts owing to sundry parties as follows: To Thomas Wilson, £14. To Thomas Burton, £13. To Arthur Dixon, 10/. To Isaac Gilpin, £3. To Henry Bracken,

£1, 8/. To William Gilpin's wife, £1. To Richard Towers, £4. For Servants wages, £1, 4/. To Margaret Warde, 8/. To Stephen Gurnell, 3/, 9d. To Edwin Mackrey, 8d. To Robert Tower, 3/. To Henry Holhead's wife, 4/. To John Nealson, 4/. To Richard Bland, £2, 1/. To George Warde, £4. To Francis Cholmely, £1. To Bartholomew Jennings, 3/, 9d. To Martin Gilpin, £2. Summary of debts, £59, 15/, 11d. Including Funeral Exp. & miscellaneous.

Barnard and Dorothy (Airy) Gilpin had issue: Matithia, William, Martin, Francis, Samuel, Arthur, Randall, Katherine, Elizabeth and Allan.

Grace Gilpin, daughter of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, bapt. July 10, 1585. M. May 23, 1601, William Bateman, of Blees, Westmoreland.

Dorothy Gilpin, daughter of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, of Strickland. M. September 6, 1606, at Parish Church of Kendal, Robert Crosfield. Robert Crosfield is mentioned in the will of Bernard Gilpin, of Strickland Roger, as my brother Crosfield, and received a legacy of £20. He was one of Bernard Gilpin's executors and a witness to the will of his motherin-law Katherin Gilpin.

Mary Gilpin, daughter of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, M. William Shepherd.

Jane Gilpin, daughter of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, d. in infancy.

Alice Gilpin, daughter of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, M. after 1616, Arthur Dixon. Arthur Dixon is mentioned as one of the creditors of Bernard Gilpin of Strickland Roger. His daughter, Ann Dixon, was left a legacy by her grandmother Katherin Gilpin, 1632, and is also named in the Inventory of Dorothy Gilpin, of Kendal, widow of Thomas Gilpin of Caton, Lancashire. He is stated to have had two other children, James and Martin. (Papers of Henry D. Gilpin's Collection.)

Isaac Gilpin, son of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, of Strickland Kettle & Gilthroton, Westmoreland. M. Ann Tunstall, daughter of Ralph Tunstall of Coatham Mandeville, Co. Durham.

Randall Gilpin, son of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin; d. s. p.; M. Helen Wilson, daughter of William Wilson.

Allan Gilpin, son of Martin and Katherine (Newby) Gilpin, d. unmarried 1622.

The will of Allan Gilpin of Strickland Roger, parish of Kirby, Kendall, dated November 19, 1621, pr. May 11, 1622. (Arch. Richmond, Kendall Deanery.)

"I bequeath to my father £10 and to my mother £10, To my brother Barnard £10; and to my brother Randall £10. To my sisters Grace, Dorothy, Mary and Alice £10 each. Peggy Bateman, William Bateman's youngest daughter, £10, if she die before full age, the same to her sisters, Mary and Anne. To little Martin Gilpin, my brother Barnard's son 40/ and to little Dorothy Bateman, daughter of said William 20/. To the servants in my father's house 5/ each. To my three sisters-in-law, 10/, each. To Henry, son of William Bateman 20/. To Thomas Crosfield, 20/. To William Gilpin, son of brother Barnard 20/. To my brother Isaac, my ground in Dilaker, according to my grandfather's mind."

Executors: father, mother, and brother Barnard. Overseers: brothers-in-law Robert Crosfield, William Bateman, and William Shepperd.

Witnesses: Bernard Gilpin and Randall Gilpin.

Having proved by these records that Thomas Gilpin of Mill Hill was not the son of Bernard and Dorothy (Airy) Gilpin, it remains to establish his parentage.

Referring to the Gilpin Chart, we find that Randal Gilpin who married Elizabeth Sykes, had four sons: Richard, Bernard, George and John.

Richard Gilpin married and had one son, who died without issue.

Bernard Gilpin married and had but one daughter, who died young.

George Gilpin married and had two sons: Thomas and Barnard.

John Gilpin, d. 1591. M. circa 1571, Thomazen Everard, daughter of John Everard of Gillingham, Norfolk, Gentleman, by his wife Dorothy Chancye and sister of Sir Edward Everard, of Gillingham.

The will of John Gilpin, of Gillingham, Norfolk and of St. Andrew Holborn, Gentleman, dated March 1, 1586, pr. May 10, 1591 (35 Sauberbe) mentions wife Thomazen, and my six small children and hers (names not given). The Gilpin Chart, however, mentions their names as Everard, John, Christian, Grace, Ursula and Theophila.

Referring to the children of Thomas Gilpin of Mill Hill, parish of Caton, it will be observed that he named sons: George, Francis, Everard, John and Darias. If he was the son of George, it is quite probable he would name his eldest son George, which was the case. On the other hand, if he was the son of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin, he might name sons John and Everard, which was the case.

It is quite probable that Thomas of Mill Hill was a posthumous child of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin, as John, in his will 1586, states his six children were young. Perhaps Thomas was brought up by his uncle George from childhood, which might account for his naming his eldest son George. It is significant that he had sons John and Everard.

Everard Gilpin, Gentleman, son of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin. M. Sarah Quercy, daughter and heiress of Quercy of Boxcott, Suffolk; John Gilpin who married Martha Bray, daughter of John Bray of Surrey, was possibly a son; his widow Martha, married 2nd, Bernard Burton, Esq., one of the Privy Chamber of King James (Visitations of

Surrey) Admitted pensioner at Emmanuel, June 1, 1588, matriculated 1588. (Alumni Cantabrigienses, Vol. 2, p. 218.)

John Gilpin, Gentleman, son of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin. According to the Fleming MSS. he died at Scanderoon, s. p.

Christian Gilpin, daughter of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin, M. Elias Foxton, of Cambridgeshire, Gentleman, of Gray's Inn, son of William Foxton, Esquire, Alderman. (Visitations of Cambridge.)

Grace Gilpin, daughter of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin, died single.

Ursula Gilpin, daughter of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin, died single.

Theophila Gilpin, daughter of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin. M. circa 1610, Francis Gilpin, bapt. March 25, 1585, died 1637, son of Richard and Elinor (Layton) Gilpin of Aldingham, Lancashire. (Visitations of Suffolk.) The will of Francis Gilpin of Wanstead, Essex, Gentleman, dated November 4, 1636, pr. June 19, 1637 (P. C. C. 98, Goare) mentions wife, Theophila, and a daughter Sarah. Issue: Sarah.

Thomas Gilpin, of Mill Hill, parish of Caton, Lancashire, perhaps son of John and Thomazen (Everard) Gilpin, b. circa 1586, d. 1628. M. February 11, 1608, at parish church of Caton, Dorothy Gibson, bapt. September 14, 1586, at Caton, Lancashire, daughter of Robert and Dorothy Gibson, of Mill Hill.

Concerning Thomas Gilpin of Mill Hill, parish of Caton, Lancashire, we have but little knowledge; the account from "Piety Promoted" states that he and his wife were Puritans, and people of good repute. His will, which follows, shows that his widow Dorothy, was executrix and that William Foxe was her bondsman. The latter also appears as the principal creditor of Thomas Gilpin.

Dorothy Gilpin mentions her son Everard Gilpin,

as living in London, and leaves a special sum for her overseers to use in placing Thomas in some "fitt calling" to earn his livelihood, and a similar provision for her daughter Jane; we know that Thomas was a Tallow Chandler. The writer found the will of William Fox, of St. Saviours, Southwark in Surrey, citizen and tallow-chandler of London, dated February 13, 1638/9, who mentions children Elizabeth, Anne, and Jane to inherit at the ages of 21 years. Nothing appears therein to indicate relationship to the Gilpins.

Will of Thomas Guilpine, of Caton, Lancashire, dated May 24, 1628, To be buried in Caton Church yard. To my wife Dorothy, one third of my entire residuary estate after the payment of debts. To my son Fraunce Guilpine; in full lewe of his child's part and portion of my goods; one greate ark standinge in the Barnne before the doore; one greate chiste att pke Barnnes; one steepinge Knopp standing in the kylne; a pr of my best bedstockes and all my husbandry geare. To the rest of my children, another third part equally among them. The residue to my wife Dorothy and my children: Evarard, Thomas, Ruthe, Jane and Dorothy, equally between them.

Executrix: wife Dorothy.

My special good and deare friends William Thornton, and William Barwick of the Greene, Supervisors.

Witness: Bernarde Pulley. No signature or mark. Bond of Dorothy Guilpine, of Caton, widow, and William Foxe of Griffingham, Lancashire, yeoman; dated June 26, 1628. Mark of Dorothy Gilpin. Signature of William Foxe.

Inventory of the goods of Thomas Guilpine, late of Caton, deceased, taken by Edmund Bell, Thomas Padgett, Christopher Hodgeson, and John Berry, June 11th, 1628. One cow and calf, four beasts, thirty two sheep and 19 lambs, a horse, two mares and foale, farming utensils and household goods.

Total £94, 9/8d.

A list of debts owing as follows: To Elizabeth Baulderston, £IX. Richard Parkinson, £VI. George Waven, £III. Bryan Smith, £III, VI/. William Fox, £XX. Thomas Bennison, XXIVIJ/. Thomas Townson, XL/. John Hodgeson, £V. Maude Addamson, X/. William Bradgate, IIIJ/. For Servants wages, VI/. For Easter dues and School wages IIIJ/, VJd. To Mr. Bradshawe, William Wales and Marmaduke Hodgeson as appeareth by their leases about £XV. Summary £LXVJ, XIX/, VJd.

Will of Dorothy Gilpin of Kendal, widow, dated April 6, 1637, pr. May 13, 1637, Deanery of Kendal, Arch. Richmond. To be buried in Kendal Church. To four poor people of Kendal 5/ at the discretion of my overseers. To my eldest son Everard Gilpin, living in London, 20/ within a year. To my daughter, Ruth Gilpin, daughter of Jane Gilpin, and son Thomas Gilpin, £5 each, payable at the discretion of my overseers at times fittest for the placeing of them in some fitt course and callings for their livelyhood & preferment. To my daughter, Ruth Gilpin, "my litle bible." To my syster, Elizabeth Edmonson, one roofe bard, one smock, one white petticoate, one blacke cloth safeguard; on condition she pay Edward Bateman for a stone of lime for which I have passed my word for paiement. My son John Gilpin, Executor & residuary legatee. My friends and cousins, Allan Gilpin and Lawrence Belton, Supervisors.

Witnesses: H'y Masy, John Gilpin & Allan Gilpin (Signature).

Testator's Mark & Seal (A I C)
(P)

Bond by John Gilpin of Kendal, Mercer (Signature).

Inventory of the goods of Dorothy Gilpin of Kendal, by Anthony Shaw, Francis Hunter, Geo. Cocke & Edward Bateman, 21 April, 1637. In ready money X/. Apparel. Goods and wares in the shop. All the goods in the house. One cow. Owing to her, in good debts and desperat debts. Summary £XLIX, XVJ/, IIIJd.

Debts which she owes: To William Birkett, Mr. Stephen Watson of Yorke, Richard W. ——ilsoe, Isabel Nicholson, Thomas Towanson of Lancaster, Mr. Henry Bateman of Oldhutton, William Jenninges, William Edmonson, Arthur Dixon, Rowland Wright of Manchester, Thomas Blamer of Manchester, Alice Birkett, widow, John Burrows, Mr. Richard Forth, Joseph Edmondson, divers small debts. Summary £XXXVII, XIX/, Xd. Additional to son John Gilpin £XLIIJ.

Issue: George, Francis, Everard, John, Ruth, Darias, Thomas, Rebecca, Jane and Dorothy, all baptized at the parish church of Caton, Lancashire.

George Gilpin, son of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. September 27, 1609, buried May 4, 1614, at parish church of Caton, Lancashire.

Francis Gilpin, son of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. September 18, 1611, at Caton, Lancashire.

Everard Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. November 25, 1613, at parish church of Caton, Lancashire. He was living in London at the date of his mother's will; doubtless so named to perpetuate the family name of Everard.

John Gilpin, son of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. December, 1615, at parish church of Caton, Lancashire. He was Executor and Residuary Legatee of his mother's will, probably named after Thomas Gilpin's father.

Ruth Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. April 20, 1620, at parish church of Caton, Lancashire, mentioned in the wills of both her parents.

Darias Gilpin, son of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. February 3, 1621/2, at parish church of Caton, d. young.

Thomas Gilpin, son of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. August 24, 1622, at Parish Church of Caton, d. 12/3/1702/3 intestate. ("English Friends Records" and "Piety Promoted") M. circa 1650, Joan Bartholomew, bapt. August 28, 1625, died 3/21/1700/1, daughter of Thomas Bartholomew of Shillingford, Oxfordshire, Gentleman.

According to the biographical sketch of Thomas Gilpin, published in "Piety Promoted," "his parents were people of good repute in the country and were religious, being called Puritans, who educated their children very strictly. Shortly after his father's death (1632), his mother removed with her children to Kendal, Westmoreland, but a short distance from Caton, five of her ten children being dead, and Thomas, the youngest son being at that time about ten years of age. After he grew up in more years and his mother deceased, he ran into foolish and wanton delights as sports and pastimes, musik and dancing, and went to London where he served as an apprentice to a tallow-chandler."

During the Commonwealth period, he joined Cromwell's army and according to the "Memoirs of the Gilpin family," by Hon. Henry D. Gilpin, he fought at the battle of Worcester (1651) and arose to the rank of Colonel, and his brother-in-law Thomas West was a Major in the same regiment; Albert Cook Myers investigated this tradition, and has been unable to confirm the statement by any available data. There was a quarter-master Thomas West, in H. M. own regiment of foot guards in 1661, which was organized shortly after the Cromwellian regiments had been disbanded, but whether he was related to the West family into which two of Thomas Gilpin's children married, is unknown.

After leaving the army, Thomas Gilpin settled in Oxfordshire, and lived for a short time with his father-in-law in Shillingford, after which he resided in Warborough.

About the year 1654, while on a trip to London, he became a convert to the recently established faith of the Society of Friends, and in 1662, he became a Minister and made frequent visits to the neighboring counties. He is mentioned by Besse among the sufferers; he left a very small personal estate and died Intestate.

Admn. Bond of Thomas Gilpin of Warborough, Widower.

Isaac Gilpin of Warborough, Maulster.

Thomas Gilpin of Shillingford in Warborough, Agricola.

Thomas Fletcher of Oxon, Miller.

The said Isaac Gilpin, son of the deceased, to make an inventory and administer the said estate, 30th October, 1703. Then follows the Inventory, the chief part of which consists of a legacy left him by (——) Haynes of Banbury. (Signatures of Isaac Gilpin and Thomas Gilpin.) Isaac Gilpin. Thomas Gilpin.

Issue: Mary, Thomas, Isaac, Sarah, Rachel, Joseph and Richard.

Rebecca Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, buried April 26, 1623, parish church of Caton.

Jane Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. September 10, 1624, at parish church of Caton.

Dorothy Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Dorothy (Gibson) Gilpin, bapt. October 14, 1627, at parish church of Caton. She is mentioned in her father's will, but is not named in her mother's will; she probably died between the dates of the two wills.

Mary Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Joan (Bartholomew) Gilpin, b. 7/10/1651, died young.

Thomas Gilpin, son of Thomas and Joan (Bartholomew) Gilpin, b. 9/13/1653, died 11/13/1732. M. 1st 2/6/1684/5, at Thomas Elwood's house, Elizabeth West, died 7/19/1686, daughter of William and Elizabeth West, of Long Crendon, Bucks.

At the time of his marriage, Thomas Gilpin produced a Certificate from the Friends' Meeting at Turfield Heath, Oxfordshire. He married secondly Ann—, whose death is recorded 2/28/1715, buried at Warborough 3/11/1715.

Isaac Gilpin, son of Thomas and Joan (Bartholomew) Gilpin, b. 1/9/1656-7. M. 4/-/1685, at Upperside Meeting, Bucks, Ruth Crook, of Chepping Wiccomb, Bucks, daughter of William Crook, of Minigrove, Oxfordshire.

(Minutes Upperside Bucks Meeting).

Sarah Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Joan (Bartholomew) Gilpin, b. 2/8/1658. M. 4/7/1683, at Devonshire house, Richard Andrews, of Paternoster Row, London, Stationer, son of Richard and Esther Andrews, of Stratford, Essex. Richard Andrews, Sr., died 7/9/1683, aged 50 years, and was buried at Chequer Alley.

Sarah Andrews and her son Richard, after the death of her husband, Richard, Jr., lived with Moses West of Hertfordshire, whose daughter, her son Richard married. (A biographical account of Richard Andrews, will be found in "Piety Promoted").

Rachel Gilpin, daughter of Thomas and Joan (Bartholomew) Gilpin, b. 2/14/1660, d. 8/6/1684. M. 2/3/1682/3, at Haddenham, Co. Bucks, Thomas West, son of William and Elizabeth West of Long Crendon, Bucks.

They were the ancestors of Benjamin West, the Artist.

Joseph Gilpin, son of Thomas and Joan (Bartholomew) Gilpin, b. 4/8/1663, d. 9/9/1741. M. 12/23/1691, at Baghurst Meeting, Hannah Glover, d. 1/12/1757,

daughter of George and Alice (Lamboth) Glover of Ichingswell, parish of Kingscleare, Southampton. He was the American pioneer.

Richard Gilpin, son of Thomas and Joan (Bartholomew) Gilpin, b. 1/2/1666/7, d. young.

Kentmere Hall, seat of the Gilpin family 1268 to about 1650.

The township of Kentmere is nine miles from Kendall and about four miles from Stavely, Westmoreland, and forms a narrow valley about two miles in length. The country is hilly. To the north are the hills of Patterdale, the source of the river Kent, which at one time spread out into a mere. The little lake thus formed has been drained and its bottom is now a fertile valley farmed by the tenant of Kentmere Hall.

The Hall consists of a pele tower of the usual rectangular type, 31 feet by 23 feet over the walls. the southwestern angle there is a projecting turret running up to the height of the tower, containing garderobes. The tower presents a vaulted cellar on the basement, and three floors of single rooms, above which there is a boldly projected parapet, supported on heavy At the angles above the roof rise bartizan turrets, with battlements. The structure is very roughly but strongly built of the ragstone and cobbles with which the country abounds, and the design for defence is shown throughout. There is no entrance from the outside into the vaulted cellar, but from the interior of the hall, down a few steps through a pointed doorway. The only external entrance was on the first floor level by outside steps. The cellar has a narrow square window opening to the east.

On the first floor, there are three window lights, besides which there are two defensive loopholes or arrow slits which pierce the wall in a slanting or oblique direction, on the east front, so as to command the angles.

The original architectural features and details have been preserved without change or renovation. In the solar is a decorated window, it is of two lights trefoiled, under ogee heads, and surmounted by a moulded square dripstone; it dates from the fourteenth century. There are the remains of a fire place with a vent in the north wall. In the opposite corner to the garderobe turret, the semi-circular wall of the wellstair commences and is built into the room. This winding stone stair, much worn, leads up to the battlements.

The steps are built into the wall and overlap each other without a central pillar. The floor above comprises a single apartment with square headed windows, with dressed stone for the jambs, with mouldings. There is a door, now blocked, which communicated with the other part of the house. The old entrance is through a pointed arched doorway in dressed sandstone with the angle splayed, evidently of the late Decorated period. This leads into a passage $28\frac{1}{2}$ feet long which traverses the breadth of the building to the back door and to the down house in the back yard. The down house was a place where in ancient times the brewing and washing was done and used also as a receptacle for the "elding" or firewood.

To the right of the passage there is a long building placed transversely and about 25 feet in breadth with very substantial walls, now used for a stable.

The portion of the house to the left which constitutes the present farm residence contains on the ground floor what was formerly the dining hall and a low upper story of sleeping apartments.

The hall originally was about 30 ft. long and 14 ft. 2 in. in breadth and from it a pointed arched doorway led by a few steps into the vaulted cellar of the tower. The principal window was square headed, with a moulded drip stone and divided into four lights by molded mullions.

The description is from "The Old Manorial Halls of Westmoreland and Cumberland" by the late Dr. M. W. Taylor, F. S. A.