

WELLES (cont.)

(with children), of Oliver Saint John, Knt., second (with one daughter), of John Beaufort, Duke of Somerset (died 27 May 1444), and daughter of John Beauchamp, Knt., of Bletsoe, co. Bedford. He was summoned to Parliament from 25 Feb. 1431/2 by writs directed *Leoni de Welles*. A firm Lancastrian, he was taken prisoner by the Yorkists at Blore Heath on 23 Sep. 1459, and was with Queen Margaret's army which won St. Albans on 17 Feb. 1460/1. LIONEL DE WELLES, Lord Welles, was slain testate aged fifty-five at the Battle of Towton on 29 Mar. 1461, and was buried with his first wife at Methley. His widow died apparently shortly before 3 June 1482.

C.P. 6:564 (1926). *C.P.* 12(2):443-450 (1959) (wife also called Cecily). *Pagez* (1977), p. 401 (states daughter Margaret was daughter of second marriage).

Children of Lionel de Welles, by Joan de Waterton:

- i. ALIANOR DE WELLES [see next].
- ii. MARGARET DE WELLES, married THOMAS DYMOKE, Knt. [see DYMOKE 5].¹

6. ALIANOR DE WELLES, was sister and co-heiress of John Welles, 10th Lord Welles. She was married for the first time to THOMAS HOO, Knt., K.G., of Hoo in Luton, co. Bedford, Sheriff of Bedfordshire and Buckinghamshire, son and heir of Thomas de Hoo, Knt., of Hoo, by Eleanor, daughter and co-heiress of Thomas Felton, Knt., of Litcham, Norfolk. He was born before 1400, and distinguished himself in the French wars. On 2 June 1448, for his good service in England, France and Normandy, he was created Lord Hoo of Hoo in the county of Bedford and of Hastings in the county of Sussex. He was summoned to Parliament from 2 Jan. 1448/9 by writs directed *Thome Hoo Chivaler*. He had been married for the first time to Elizabeth Wichingham, daughter of Nicholas Wichingham, Esq., of Wichingham, Norfolk, and had one daughter, Anne, wife of Geoffrey Boleyn, by that marriage [see BUTLER 5 for descendants of Anne (Hoo) Boleyn]. THOMAS HOO, Lord Hoo, died testate on 13 Feb. 1454/5 *s.p.s.m.* His will, dated 12 Feb. 1454/5, provided bequests for the marriages of his daughters "Anne, Alyanor and Elyzabeth", and names "my lord Welles, my wyves father" and "Alyenor my wyffe". His widow was married for the second time to JAMES LAURENCE, Esq. (by whom she had two sons, Thomas and John, both of whom died *s.p.*), and for the third time, it is said, to HUGH HASTINGS.

C.P. 6:561-565 (1926). *C.P.* 12(2):449 footnote *j* (1959). *Beville* (1976), pp. 308-321 (buried in a chapel in Battle Abbey ... after the Dissolution effigy taken to All Saints', Herstmonceux, Sussex).

Children of Thomas Hoo, by Alianor de Welles:

- i. ANNE HOO, born about 1447 [see next].
- ii. ALIANOR HOO, born about 1449, JAMES DE CAREW, of Beddington [see CAREW 6].²

5. ANNE HOO, daughter and co-heiress by second marriage, was born about 1447 (aged seven at her father's death), and was the second daughter of that name. She was married for the first time before 1467 to ROGER COPLEY, Esq., of Roughey, near Horsham, Sussex, son of Richard Copley, Knt., of Batley, West Riding, co. York, by Elizabeth, daughter of John Harington, of Doncaster, West Riding. He was born about 1430, and was apprenticed to a London mercer, being admitted to the Mercers' Company in 1456. She brought him three manors: Roughey, near Horsham, Sussex, Gatton, Surrey, and The Maze, Southwark. They had three sons and five daughters. ROGER COPLEY, ESQ., was of record as a mercer in 1482, but died

¹Ancestors of William Asfordby, Joseph Bolles, George Reade, Diana & Grey Skipwith.

²Ancestors of Essex Beville, Mary Launce.