



# Powell of Hurdcott House

POWELL, ALEXANDER, esq. of Hurdcott House, in the county of Wilts, *b.* 9<sup>th</sup> June, 1782, *m.* in July, 1807. Joanna, second daughter of the Right Reverend Henry Law, Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, and niece of the late Lord Ellenborough, by whom he has issue,

ALEXANDER PITTS-ELLIOTT

Joanna

George Francis Sydenham

Jane

Henry Lionel

Catherine Augusta

Anne Maria

Mr Powell, who represented the borough of Downton for some time in parliament, succeeded his father in January, 1786.



## LINEAGE

This branch of the ancient house of POWELL, of *Penkelly, in the county of Hereford*, (of which were EDWARD POWELL, master of the requests, who was created a baronet. 18<sup>th</sup> January, 1621, and WILLIAM POWELL, who attained similar rank on the 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 1660) spread into Wiltshire about the middle of the 17<sup>th</sup> century.

JOHN POWELL, esq. of New Sarum, espoused 12<sup>th</sup> July, 1669, Katherine, daughter of Alexander Thistlewaythe, esq. of Winterstone, in Wilts, and had issue,

JOHN, his heir.

James, living in 1712, with issue

Katherine, *m.* to John Buckler, esq.

The elder son and heir,

JOHN POWELL, esq. of New Sarum, *m.* Ann, daughter of John Priaulx, esq. and dying 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 1737, was interred in ST. Thomas's church there. He left, with other issue, a son,

SIR ALEXANDER POWELL, of New Sarum, one of the recorders of that city, who received the honor of knighthood in August, 1762. He *m.* first, Anne, eldest daughter of Thomas Gatehouse, esq. of Lower Wallop, Hampshire, by whom (who *d.* 26<sup>th</sup> April, 1747) he had no issue. He wedded, secondly, Rebecca, daughter of Matthew Pitts, esq. of Hurdcott-House, which lady dying *s.p.* 11<sup>th</sup> March, 1753, Sir Alexander espoused, thirdly, Catherine, daughter of the Right Reverend Edward Willes, D.D. Lord Bishop of Bath and Wells, uncle to Sir John Willes, knt. Lord chief justice of the court of common pleas, and had issue,

Alexander, who *d.* in infancy, in 1760

Alexander, who *d.* in 1779, at the age of seventeen.

FRANCIS, heir to his father

Catherine, *d.* unm. In January, 1777

Ann, *m.* to Nicholas Elliot, esq. of Winterbourne, and *d.* *s.p.*

Sir Alexander *d.* 1<sup>st</sup> April, 1784, at the age of sixty-seven, and was buried in St. Thomas's. His only surviving son and heir,

FRANCIS POWELL, esq. of Hurdcott-House, in the county of Wilts, *m.* Anna Maria, daughter of Sydenham Burroughs, esq. of New-Sarum, by whom (who *d.* in 1825) he left at his demise, in January, 1786, an only son and heir, the present ALEXANDER POWELL, esq. of Hurdcott-House.

*Arms* – Or, a chevron between three lions, gambes erect and erased gu.

*Crest* – A lion's gamb as in the arms.

*Motto* – Spes mea, Christus erit.

*Estates* – In Wiltshire and Somerset.

*Seat* – Hurdcott-House, Wilts.

(A *Genealogical and Heraldic History of the Commoners of Great Britain and Ireland* by John Burke - 1833)