Marriage Connections

This study memorializes 330 years of marriage connections for the Eliot men (and their children, male and female), in a direct line of inheritance to the present Port Eliot family. Through the marriages listed on these pages, the Eliots of Port Eliot were connected to many of the most influential families of their own times. Until the end of the 17th century, religious conviction and non-Royalist political status factored as heavily in the coupling of Sir John Eliot's children and grandchildren as did the economics aspect of each "marriage settlement". With the transfer of ownership from Daniel Eliot's line to that of William Eliot's line in 1702, the Puritanical nature of the family character faded, replaced by the less controversial (but just as politically motivated) focus on empowering the name of Eliot of Port Eliot and enlarging the estate. While the 18th century brought the vast wealth of the Craggs and Elliston estates into the Eliot coffers, the honorary government posts and titles which the Eliots held were not sufficient to support a large estate – and the Eliot estate had grown very large. Over the years, as the number of Eliot properties and holdings increased, so also grew the need for an occasional influx of capital, and the Eliot tradition of making an "advantageous marriage" changed in nature from political to financial. Regardless of the century, though, or the reason for the match, the Eliots of Port Eliot have always held these relationships in high regard, and cousins have often remained close for as many as three or four subsequent generations.

Original Marriage Settlements for many of the Port Eliot family marriages were deposited at the Cornwall Record Office in 2002, as part of the Port Eliot Collection. The last couple known to have recorded an official Marriage Settlement was Edward Granville Eliot and Jemima Cornwallis (1824). The next two Eliot marriages did not take place until 1850 and 1881, neither of which has left a surviving Marriage Settlement on file. While more recent marriages of the late-19th and 20th centuries would continue to link many influential names to that of the Port Eliot family, the Marriage Settlement seems to have passed by then into the realm of "historical document".

The numbers in parentheses, at the end of each line, indicate the corresponding names (as found on the chart at the bottom of the page) of the couple through whom the connection has been made. For information on individuals (including marriage notes), please go to www.EliotsofPortEliot.com.

ABERCORN, Earls of, Ireland (24)

BALCARRES, Earls of (28,30,36)

BARRY of Roclaveston Manor, Nottinghamshire (26)

BEAUCHAMP, Earls of (38,40)

BEAUFORT, Dukes of (31,45)

BEDFORD, Dukes of (31,37)

BESSBOROUGH, Earls of (40,41)

BIDDULPH of Westcombe, Kent (19)

BONFOY of Abbott's Ripton, Huntingdonshire (25)

BONVILLE of Shute, Devon (A)

BOSCAWEN of Tregothnan, Cornwall (4)

BRAYBROOKE, Barons of (37)

BRIDGWATER, Dukes of (31)

BRUIN of Plymouth, Devon (1)

CAMPBELL of Gartsford, Scotland, Baronet (28,30,36)

CARLISLE, Earls of (31)

CARLYON of Tregrehan, Cornwall (21)

CARSWELL of Hache Arundell, Devon & Careswell of Staffordshire (3)

CHATHAM, Earls of (29)

CHEWODE of Oakley, Stafford (43)

CLIVE of Plassey, Barons of (34)

CLONMELL, Earls of (38)

COCKS of Herefordshire (30,36)

COCKS of Castleditch, Eastnor, Herefordshire (28)

CORNWALLIS, Marquesses of (37)

CORYTON of West Newton Ferrers, Cornwall (19)

COTTON of Maddingly Hall, Baronet (20,23)

COVENTRY, Earls of (38)

CRAGGS of Wyserley, Durham (20,23)

CROMWELL of Hinchinbrooke, Cambridge (17)

DE MOREL CHAMPEMONTE, Count (36)

DEVONSHIRE, Dukes of (31)

DUNDONALD, Earls of (31)

EATON of Tolethorpe Hall, Rutland (41)

ELLISTON of London and Essex (27)

ELY, Earls of (25)

ERSKINE of Alva, Baronet (35)

EVESHAM, Baron of (28)

FIENNES of Newton Tony, Wiltshire (6)

FITZ of Tavistock, Devon (2)

FLEMING of Stoneham, Hampshire (17)

FORTESCUE of Woodleigh, Devon (7,8)

FORTESCUE of Weare Giffard, Devon (3)

GALLOWAY, Earls of (31)

GEDY of Trebursey, Cornwall (4)

GIBBON of London (27)

GLANVILLE of Cornwall (36)

GORDON, Dukes of (37)

GOWER, Earls of (31)

GRANVILLE, Earls of (31)

GRENVILLE of Buckinghamshire (29)

GUEST of Dowlais, Wales (40,41)

GUYE or GYE of Kingsbridge, Devon (B)

HARDWICKE, Earls of (3,28,36)

HARROWBY, Earls of (31)

HELE of Fleet House, Devon (15)

HEYTESBURY, Barons of (33)

HIPPSLEY-TUCKFIELD of Fulford, Devon (35)

HOLBECH of Warwickshire (35)

HULBERT of Tottenham, Kent (32)

JAUNCEY of Tullichettle (32)

JOHNSON of Bath, Baronets (39)

KNIGHT of Gosfield Hall, Essex (20,23)

LEWIS of London (32)

LINDSEY, Earls of (41)

LITTLETON of Pillaton Hall, Staffordshire (19,22)

LONGFORD, Earls of (38)

LYTTLETON, Lord and Baron of Frankley (36)

MACDONALD of Sleat (31)

MANCHESTER, Dukes of (37)

MARLBOROUGH, Dukes of (41)

MARTIN of Ham Court, Worcestershire (39)

MAXWELL of Monreith, Scotland (37)

MITCHELL-INNES of Ayton Castle, Scotland (32)

MORDAUNT of Walton, Warickshire, Baronets (35)

MURKLE of Scotland, Baronets (37)

NEALE of Tollerton Hall, Nottinghamshire (26)

NEWSHAM (or NEWSAM) of Chadshunt, Warwickshire (20,23)

NORBROOKE of Exeter, Devon (B)

NORTON of Southwick, Southampton (5,10)

NUGENT, Earls of (20,23)

PAWLET of Hinton, St. George, Devon (3)

PENDOCK of Tollerton Hall, Nottinghamshire (26)

PEYTON of Carrick-on-Shannon, Ireland (32)

PITT of Boconnock, Cornwall (29)

PLAOUTINE of Russia (32)

POLE-CAREW of Antony, Cornwall (28,36)

PORTEN of Putney, Kent (27)

POST of New York, USA (44)

POWIS, Earls of (34)

PRIDEAUX of Gurlyn, Cornwall (9)

PRINGLE of Caledon and Armagh (32)

PRINGLE of Torsonce (32)

PROWSE of Axbridge, Somerset (35)

RADNOR, Earls of (33)

RAMSBOTTOM of Clewer Lodge, Berkshire (32)

RATTRAY of Atherston (28,30,36)

RAVENSWORTH, Baron of (28,30,36)

RICHARDS of Westminster (20,23)

RICHMOND, Dukes of (37)

ROSCARROCK of Cornwall (9)

SANTLOW of Godshill, Isle of Wight (23)

SAVERY of Slade in Cornwood (12)

SAY AND SELE of Newton Tony, Wiltshire (6)

SCHREIBER of Colchester (41)

SOMERS-COCKS, Earl Sommers (28,30,36)

SOMERSET, Dukes of (29)

SOMERSET, George FitzRoy Henry, Baron Raglan (40)

SPARKE of The Friary, Plymouth, Devon (13)

SPECCOTT of Penheale, Egloskerry, Cornwall (11)

SPECCOTT of Thornbury, Devon (7,8)

SPENCER, Earls of (40)

STAFFORD, Marquess of (31)

STANHOPE, Earls of (29)

STRODE of Plympton, Devon (12)

SUTHERLAND, Dukes of (31)

SUTHERLAND, Earls of (31)

SYDNEY of St. Leonards, Viscount (29)

TAYLOR of Sevenoaks, Kent (29)

TEMPLE, Countess of (29)

TEMPLE of Stowe, Devon (6)

TREFUSIS of Cornwall (20,23)

TREVANION of Plymouth, Devon (21,22)

TREWBODY of Lanlivery and of Boscondle, Cornwall (21)

WADSWORTH of New York, USA (44)

WALLER of London (32)

WESTMINSTER, Marquesses of (41)

WESTMORLAND, Earls of (40)

WHITE of Southwick, Southampton (5, 10)

WILLIS of Bletchley & Whaddon Hall, Cornwall (18)

WIMBORNE of Canford Magna, Dorset, Barons of (41)

WINCHESTER, Marguess of (28,30,36)

WISE of Sydenham, Devon (14)

WRAXALL of Somerset (17)

WYNDHAM of Salisbury, Wiltshire (33)

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF MARRIAGES

- A. John Eliot and Jane Bonville (pre-1500)
- B. Edward Eliot and Alice Guye (pre-1500)
- 1. John Eliot and Mary Bruin (pre-1575)
- 2. John Eliot and Grace Fitz (pre-1576)
- 3. Richard Eliot and Bridget Carswell (pre-1592)
- 4. Sir John Eliot and Radigund Gedy (1609)
- 5. John Eliot and Honor Norton (1632)
- 6. Elizabeth Eliot and Col. Nathaniel Fiennes (1636)
- 7. Bridget Eliot and Sir Peter Fortescue (1646)
- 8. Edward Eliot and Anne Fortescue (after 1649)
- 9. Nicholas Eliot and Katherine Prideaux (1651)
- 10. Susanna "Susan" Eliot and Edward Norton (1657)
- 11. Honour Eliot and John Speccott (1664)
- 12. Bridget Eliot and William Savery (1665)
- 13. Duglass Eliot and John Sparke (pre-1673)
- 14. Radigund Eliot & Sir Edward Wise (1675)
- 15. Susan Eliot and Sir Henry Hele (1676)
- 16. William Eliot and Anne Williams (pre-1683)
- 17. Daniel Eliot and Katherine Fleming (1685)
- 18. Katherine Eliot and Browne Willis (1707)
- 19. Edward Eliot and Susanna Coryton (1711)
- 20. Edward Eliot and Elizabeth Craggs (1718)
- 21. Elizabeth Eliot and Rev. Samuel Trewbody (1719)
- 22. Katherine Eliot and Captain Sir Nicholas Trevanion (1721)
- 23. Richard Eliot and Harriot Craggs (1726)
- 24. Harriot Craggs Eliot (widow of Richard) and Captain John Hamilton (1749)
- 25. Anne Eliot and Captain Hugh Bonfoy (1751)
- 26. Harriot Eliot and Pendock Neale (1753)
- 27. Edward Eliot (1st Lord Eliot) and Catherine Elliston (1756)
- 28. Elizabeth Eliot and Charles Cocks, Lord Somers (1759)
- 29. Edward James Eliot and Harriot Pitt (1785)
- 30. John Eliot (1st Earl of St. Germans) and Caroline Yorke (1790)
- 31. William Eliot (2nd Earl of St. Germans) and Lady Georgiana Leveson-Gower (1797)
- 32. Harriet Hester Eliot and Major-General Sir William Henry Pringle (1806)
- 33. William Eliot (2nd Earl of St. Germans) and Letitia A'Court (1809)
- 34. William Eliot (2nd Earl of St. Germans) and Charlotte Robinson (1812)
- 35. William Eliot (2nd Earl of St. Germans) and Susanna "Susan" Mordaunt (1814)
- 36. John Eliot (1st Earl of St. Germans) and Harriet Pole-Carew (1819)
- 37. Edward Granville Eliot (3rd Earl of St. Germans) and Right Honorable Lady Jemima Cornwallis (1824)
- 38. Susan Caroline Eliot and Henry Beauchamp Lygon, 4th Earl of Beauchamp (1824)

- 39. Charlotte Sophia Eliot and Rev. George Martin (1825)
- 40. Louisa Susan Cornwallis Eliot and Rev. Walter William Brabazon Ponsonby, 7th Earl of Bessborough (1850)
- 41. Charles George Cornwallis Eliot and Constance Rhiannon Guest (1865)
- 42. Henry Cornwallis Eliot (5th Earl of St. Germans) and Emily Harriet Labouchere (1881)
- 43. Christian Edward Cornwallis Eliot and Laura Grey Chetwode (1897)
- 44. Montague Charles Eliot and Helen Agnes Post (1910)
- 45. John Granville Cornwallis Eliot (6th Earl of St. Germans) and Lady Blanche Linnie Somerset (1918)