

HENRY WANSEY

b.1774

d.1855 (80)

Wansey of Warminster

Henry Wansey was a Non-Conformist and lived in Sambourne House Warminster. He needed such a large house for his large family and he possessed much of the adjoining ground, and had a large and well kept garden. We read of his marriage in the Gentleman's Magazine 1800 "3rd September 1800 married at Camberwell, Surrey, Mr. Henry Wansey of Warminster, Wilts, to Miss Elizabeth Wansey of Camberwell." Elizabeth Wansey's father was John Wansey who married Sarah Raymond so that Henry Wansey married his cousin.

Of this marriage were born:-

1.	Emma	born 1801	died Camberwell 1805	aged 3
2.	William Raymond	" 1803	" Clifton 1809	" 6
3.	Henry	" 1804	" Milan 1829	" 24
4.	Esther	" 1805	" Warminster 1810	" 5
5.	Ellen	" 1807	" Bridport 1889	" 82 (E.E.P)
6.	Margaret (Palmer)	" 1808	" Clifton 1839	" 30 (born J)
7.	Edward	" 1809	" Sutton Verry 1864	" 55 (1837)
8.	Charles	" 1811	" Bristolington 1877	" 66
9.	Harriet	" 1812	" Warminster 1840	" 27
10.	John	" 1814	" Warminster 1829	" 15
11.	Marie (Davis)	" 1816	" Warminster 1863	" 47
12.	Catherine	" 1818	" Warminster 1829	" 11
13.	Louisa (Colfox)	" 1821	" Bridport 1899	" 78
14.	Anna Elizabeth (Colfox)	" 1823	" Bridport 1892	" 75
15.	Arthur Henry	" 1827	" Sambourne 1900	" 72
			Stoke Bishop	

Henry Wansey died at Warminster March 21, 1855 aged 80.
Elizabeth " " " " Jan, 21, 1869 " 87.

Many of these children died young, viz. Emma aged 3, Esther aged 5, William Raymond aged 6, while three others died in the year 1829 namely, Catherine aged 11, John aged 15 and Henry aged 24. Henry died two years after the death of Henry Wansey F.S.A., his great uncle who had before his death left him by will his estates in Pennsylvania U.S.A. What became of these valuable estates I do not know. Henry died at Milan aged 24 in the year 1829.

- (5) Ellen Wansey died unmarried at Bridport aged 82.
- (6) Margaret Wansey married Henry Andrews Palmer, and died at Clifton 1839 aged 30. Emily E. Palmer was born January 22, 1837 and married Rev. John Meek Clark, whose children now living are Margaret, Marian and Basil.
- (7) Edward Wansey had a farm at Sutton Verry two miles from Warminster and died there aged 55. He had married (2 years before) Catherine Martineau, who after his death married (aged 48) Frank Morgan and built Highbury House, Boreham Road, Warminster (after her Highbury House, London).
- (11) Maria Wansey married - Davis whose children were Thomas and Mary.
- (13) Louisa Wansey married Thomas Colfox of Rax Bridport and died at Bridport in 1899 aged 78. Their two daughters are (1) Harriet who married - Crookshank and whose daughter is Mrs. Sydney W. P. Beale of Cobnor, Emsworthy, Hants (2) Minnie, who married Oliver Lupton and lives at Leeds and has several children.
- (14) Anna Elizabeth Wansey married William Colfox of Westmead, Bridport, whose children were Alfred and Alice. Colonel Alfred

Colfox lives at Coneygar, Bridport, and was sometime Lord Lieutenant of the County of Dorset. His son Philip Colfox is a Major and a Member of Parliament. Alfred Colfox married Coney Kettlefold, their son Philip married - Bullen and their sons are Andrew and John. Alfred Colfox's daughter Constance married - Hare.

12. OCTOBER.

ARTHUR HENRY WANSEY

b.1827

d.1900 (74)

Arthur Henry Wansey, my dear father, left Sambourne House at Warminster and built a new Sambourne, on the edge of the Clifton Downs by the "Sea Walls", at Stoke Bishop, Bristol. In 1862 (34) he married Blanche Wellsted, the eldest daughter of the Rev. Alfred Oliver Wellsted, who was sometime Vicar of St. Jude's Church, Bristol, and afterwards Rector of Wakes Colne, Hastead, Essex. Blanche was born 7th September 1843, and now lives with her youngest daughter, Margaret Raymond Wansey, an Artist, at 28 Cheyne Court, Chelsea, London, S.W. 3. (A.O.W. married Julia Anderson at St. John's, Margate).

When was the change - we fear - due to this? Arthur Henry Wansey was Deputy Judge and Registrar of the Tolzey Court, Bristol, a Notary Public, Solicitor and Lawyer to Sir Greville Smyth. For sometime he was the President of the Bristol Incorporated Law Society. Like his father, Arthur Henry Wansey was all his life a Non-Conformist, and he supported the Unitarian interests. He was very fond of shooting, of salmon and trout fishing, making fly fishing tours to Scotland, Ireland, the Wye Valley, and was a member of the Wylde Fishing Club. He also visited Italy, Egypt and the Upper Nile, Spain, France and Switzerland. As he lived he died greatly beloved and greatly respected.

In August 1848 he wrote:- "I am now 21, and during my happy childhood have received such care and affectionate treatment, that my character, such as it is, has been established for me; and I have had but few temptations. But now I become more answerable for the improvement of my talents and the realisation of those ideas, to which I have hitherto been taught to aspire. To whom much has been given, of him will much be required. As I wish to be a thinking man, I must get out of the habit of speaking hastily and vaguely, and I must not indulge a spirit of opposition for the sake of argument or showing superiority, and I must be careful to represent facts and people truthfully. I must read more, constantly and systematically, and improve my knowledge of History, Geography and the Literature, Biography and Politics of my country. I must cultivate charity in its broad sense, and I must be increasingly watchful and careful of my own character. I must fit myself for enlightened and genteel Society, and endeavour to become in feeling and deportment a true Gentleman.

There is no end to improvement."

H. H. W. August 1848.

Arthur Henry Wansey in after life fulfilled the hopes and aspirations of his youth; and his custom was, in his own home, every day of his life, to summon his household and staff of servants together, twice a day, and to himself read the Bible and read prayers to them, before breakfast and for the last thing at night.

In August 1848 he composed and wrote out the following

prayer:-

"I thank Thee Almighty Being for the manifold blessings which I enjoy - for health, for friends, for cheerfulness. May the memory of my advantages impress me with a sense of my duties and responsibilities, and may I bear in mind that the object of life is Improvement. May I pursue and prosper in my business so far as is necessary, remembering that it is the means not the end of life: but also the means of doing much good and conferring much happiness on others. May my pleasures be harmless and consist in making others happy. May I avoid all paltering with truth, be manly and fearless in the right cause; and in my dealings with others be temperate, just and charitable. Give me, I pray Thee, the power to exercise a sound judgment, to form good resolutions, and self denial that I may follow without hesitation the dictates of conscience. And give me resignation and patience under all Thy dispensations, and the greatest of all blessings - Contentment."

In an Obituary Newspaper notice we read:- "For over half a century the deceased practised in this City, and won for himself a high position, not only in the profession, but in the esteem of his fellow citizens. He was a man of commanding presence and looks, and his geniality and genuinely kindly nature gave him a delightful personality, which it was a pleasure to come in contact with, either in business matters or social duties. In 1860 the late Mr. Wansey became Registrar of the Tolzey Court; but before that his partner Mr. Henry Andrews Palmer, had held it for some years. Deceased took little part in political life of late years, although as far back as 1860 he occupied the presidential chair of the Anchor Society."

Mr. Henry Andrews Palmer was a very prominent citizen who took a deep interest in the advancement of Science and Art in the City of Bristol. He was A. H. W's brother in law as well as his partner in business.

The Bristol Mercury of October 19th, 1901, spoke of Mr. Wansey being "a man of courtly grace" and adds - "While he was naturally of a most retiring disposition and never coveting public life, either in politics or municipal life, he was distinguished by an old-time courtesy which impressed itself upon all who had dealings with him. This courtly grace distinguished Mr. Wansey in all relations of life, and either in business or social circles, he gave an added pleasure to those who had the acquaintance of his friendship."

Arthur Henry and Blanche Wansey's children were:-

1.	Edith Elizabeth Wansey	born	died
2.	Arthur Alfred Wansey		1892
3.	Blanche Wellsted Wansey		
4.	Hester Marian Wansey		
5.	Florence Wansey		
6.	Margaret Raymond Wansey		
7.	Henry Raymond Wansey	16 Oct. 1873	
8.	Hugo de Waunoi Wansey	23 Jan. 1876	1877 1 year 2 mo.

- (1) Edith Elizabeth Wansey married John William Rose who is a London solicitor. His offices are at 9, Suffolk Street, Pall Mall, S.W. and their home address is Kingswear, Heath Drive, Walton on the Hill, Surrey. They have two children (1) Arthur Raymond Rose and (2) Violet Rose.

- (2) Arthur Alfred Wansey was educated at Marlborough College, and having passed his lawyer's examinations became a partner in his father's office in Baldwin Street, Bristol.
- (3) Blanche Wellsted Wansey married Cecil Henry St. Leger Russell, formerly scholar of Trinity College, Oxford, and afterwards Sixth Form Master at Clifton College. Harley Raymond their son was at Magdalen College, Oxford, but fell in the battle of Loos, 1915, in the Great War.
- (4) Hester Marian Wansey married Rev. C. P. Wilson, formerly Master at Clifton College, afterwards Vicar of Weaste, Manchester, of St. Agnes' Bristol, Vicar of Fishponds Bristol and now Canon of Bristol and Vicar of St. Nicholas.
- (5) Florence Wansey married Ralph Thompson M.D., a London surgeon and lives at 45 Queen Anne Street, W. 1.
- (6) Margaret Raymond Wansey lives with her mother at 28 Cheyne Court, Chelsea, and is an Artist.
- (7) HENRY RAYMOND WANSEY b.1873

(Only surviving son of Arthur Henry Wansey).

My early days were spent very happily at home at Sambourne, Stoke Bishop, Bristol. Being the youngest of seven my education began with a home governess. In 1884 I started going to the Junior School of Clifton College, walking there and back daily across the Clifton Downs. In the summer holidays we went to stay in the house my father had built in Devonshire on a beautiful site overlooking the mouth of the River Dart. (The Redoubt, Kingswear, S. Devon). We had large gardens and a wood, and spent much time in rowing and sea-fishing.

In the Junior School sports I won the high jump and won many prizes for games when a boarder in the Upper School. In my House I had the best batting and bowling average at Cricket and played racquets for Clifton against Cheltenham. I also won the School Golf prize but in February 1890 was taken very seriously ill with pneumonia and was at death's door. Five doctors attended me and I had two nurses besides my mother who would not leave me. I was so ill that I could not move an inch by myself and at one time my life was despaired of. After an operation on my chest and three months in bed I was removed from the school to my home and gradually getting better went on to our house in Devonshire. In January 1891 my father took me for a sea voyage to Egypt. We were away for about two and a half months, and we went together 1,000 miles up the Nile, to the second Cataract in Cook's steamers, and saw many ancient temples and beautiful sights. We returned in April much the better for the voyage. I returned to school for the Summer Term and obtained my Cricket XI Colours, but was by no means strong. I left the College in 1892 having won the bat given by the great W. E. Grace for the highest score in the match Clifton against Cheltenham.

In the following October I went up to Oxford and was entered at University College. In November I heard the famous D. L. Moody preach at Oxford and was much influenced by it - and began going daily to a prayer meeting held by undergraduates in an upper room in the High Street. There with twenty to forty others I spent many a happy half hour in Bible reading and prayer. As Secretary of the District Visiting Society I spent some of my afternoons in the lowest part of the town distributing tracts, and in the summer bicycled out with others to the surrounding villages where we held open air services

preaching on the village greens. On Sunday evenings I attended the open air service at the Martyrs' Memorial in St. Giles and was thus publicly marked as an extreme man. In my College I held Bible readings and Prayer meetings in my rooms - and in sports played Water Polo once for the 'Varsity, won the first prize for Hand Fives and the cup for the best batting average in my College XI. In 1892, 1893, I camped out for 10 days at Tintern with the Bristol Boys Brigade; in 1894 camped out with Oxford and Cambridge men at the Keswick Convention; and also in 1894 camped out at Highcliffe in Hampshire at the Public School Boys Camp. In the summer of 1895 I spent nearly a month with two other undergraduates in a small hut on Riskworth Moor near Halifax where we held a very successful Mission amongst the navvies. In January 1896 I went to Liverpool for the great Student Missionary Conference as I had already determined to be a Foreign Missionary. In September 1895 after our usual summer holiday at the "Redoubt", Kingswear, S. Devon, I went with my mother and sister to Paris and Lucerne, staying there about a fortnight. In December 1896 I took my degree and left Oxford.

In order now to prepare for Ordination my father sent me for a year to be with Bishop Westcott, at Auckland Castle, Co. Durham: and I was ordained on Advent Sunday 1897 in Durham Cathedral. After being some time at my first curacy, St. Hilda's Sunderland, being unwell a tour to Palestine was suggested, and I had a delightful journey there staying three weeks in Jerusalem and altogether being exactly 40 days in the Holy Land. On my return I was licensed to the curacy of the Parish Church at Darlington. In 1901 I left Darlington to become an Assistant Chaplain in the Missions to Seamen, first at South Shields and then at Hartlepool. I was called to my dear father's death bed on my birthday 16th October 1902, and he died two days later, his last words being "God bless you my boy."

On the exact anniversary of his death I was accepted as a Foreign Missionary by the Committee of the Church Missionary Society: I said to them these words - "I feel confident that it is part of God's plan for my life that I should go out as a missionary to the heathen. I feel confident too, that I stand here to-day in obedience to the guidance of the Holy Ghost."

Henry Raymond Wansey born 16th October 1873, married 25th February 1905 in Nagasaki, Japan, Beatrice Margaretta Nottidge, born 1st May 1870 died 24th January 1924, buried at Imber, Warminster. Their children:-

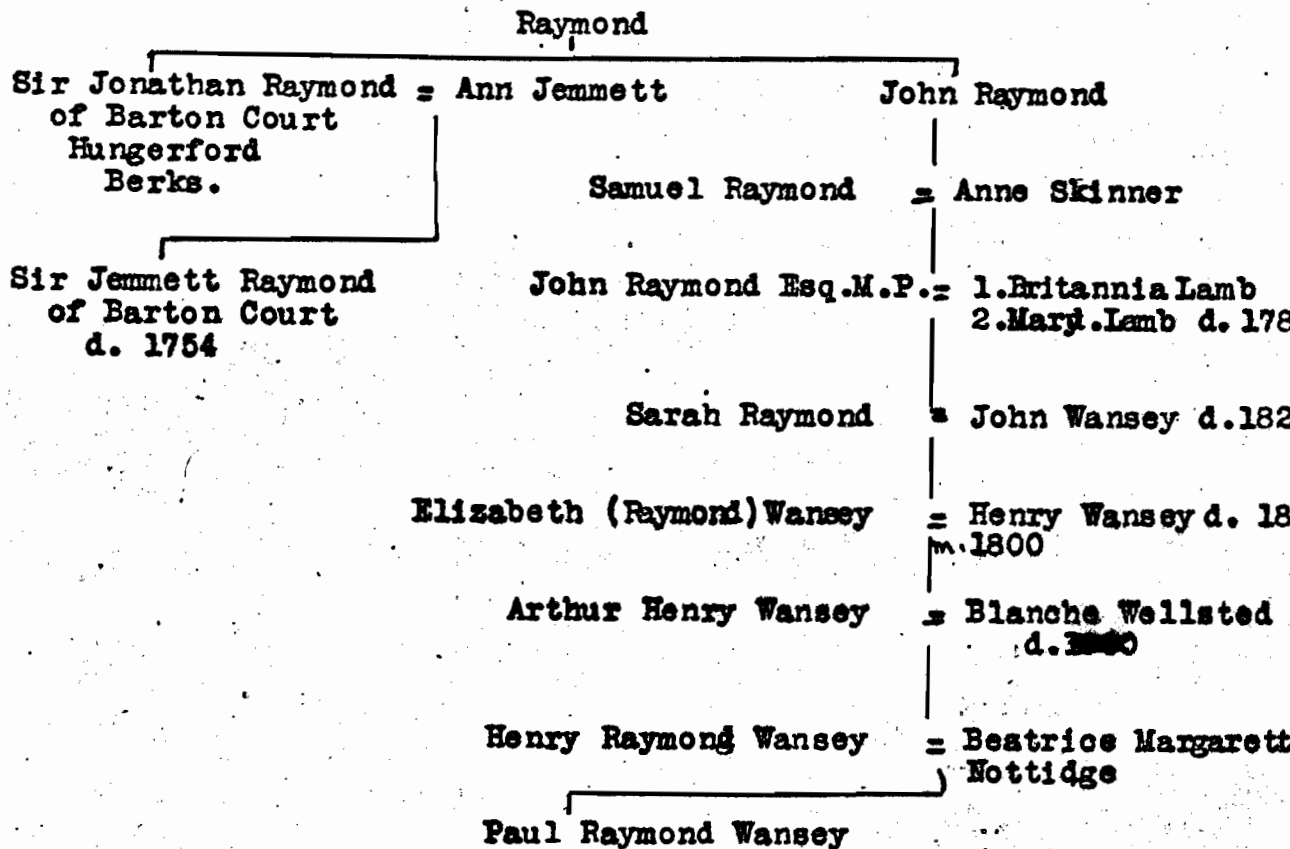
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| 1. | Paul Raymond Wansey | born at | Kanizawa, Japan, | 12th July 1906. |
| 2. | John Wansey | " " | Tokyo | 18th Oct. 1907. |
| 3. | Peter Nottidge Wansey | " " | Tokyo | 28th Sep. 1908. |
| 4. | Mary Beatrice Wansey | " " | Nikko | 20th Sep. 1909. |
| 5. | Joseph Christopher Wansey | " " | Nikko | 1st Oct. 1910. |
- D. 24 Dec. 1992.

In 1913 Beatrice Margaretta had been in Japan 15 yrs, then nearly she was 28 when she went there.
Beatrice was trained at the Midway Mission Hospital

After Mr. Foster's death in 1902, Mrs. Foster left Bristol & went to live at 28, Cheyne Row, London, where she died. Her daughter Margaret Wansey lived with her.

THE RAYMOND PEDIGREE.

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The Raymond Family was an influential one and intermarried with the Knightly family of Brown of Wolverton, the Baronial family of Lord Craven etc., etc., I have in my (H.R.W's) possession 12 old silver tea spoons of the Raymond family left me by my father. These spoons once probably belonged to John Raymond Esq., M.P. and were first given to his daughter. The coat of arms on them is a Saracen's head.

JOHN WANSEY, St. Stephens, Walbrook, aged 21, bachelor, married Sarah Raymond, of Liberty of the Tower of London, 21 years, spinster. March 24th 1772. Bishop of London's Marriage Licence.

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JOHN RAYMOND my (H.R.W's) great great grandfather had three estates (viz. Tower Hill, London; Hatchlands, Surrey and Horn Park near Eltham), and he was sometime Member of Parliament for Melcombe Regis, Weymouth. He married two daughters of John Lamb merchant of Hackney, viz. (1) Britannia (2) Mary whose fifth and youngest daughter was Sarah Raymond who married John Wansey, Factor, Blackwall Hall, London.

John Raymond died 1780, and was buried in the family vault with Wanseys. From monumental inscriptions in the churchyard of St. Augustine's, Hackney, we find:- Mrs. Sarah Wansey dau. of John and Mary Raymond, ob. 8. Nov. 1802, aet 53. Emma Wansey dau. of Henry and Elizabeth Wansey of Warrminster, Wilts, ob. 6 May 1805 aet 3 yrs. 7 months. Mr. John Wansey ob. 2 May 1820 in his 72nd year: Mr. John Wansey son of above ob. 12 Dec. 1832 aet 48. Sarah Wansey dau. of John and Sarah Wansey ob. 8th Dec. 1837 aet 62 years.

Buried in a vault with other Raymonds and also bankers.
(Miscellanea Genealogica et Heraldica New Series 1880 Vol.III.p.210
In "Familiae Minorum Gentium p.p. 368,369". The Raymond pedigree
begins with Raymond, father of Sir Jonathan Raymond, Sheriff of
London, later of Barton Court, Hungerford, father by his wife Ann
Jemmett (whose father Philip Jemmett Esq., was of London, Brewer
and Sheriff of Berks) of Sir Jemmett Raymond of Barton Court,
knighted 1680, born 1662 and died in 1754 aet 92. The second
son of - Raymond was Samuel Raymond died 1780 and married Anne
daughter of Nichs. Skinner, parents of John Raymond Esq., M.P.
who died at Battersea Rise, Clapham. (See also Joseph Hunter's
Publications of the Harleian Society 1894 Vol. I. XXXVII.