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Dictionary of National Biography Volume XIII 1833

Crew John 1st Baron Crew of Stene 1598-1679

Member of Parliament for Amersham 1625, Brackley 1626, Banbury 1628 and Northants 1640. Committed to the Tower of London in 1640 for refusing to surrender papers in his posession as chairman of a committee on religion. Released one month later. Created Baron Crew of Stene at Whitehall (Pepys Diary) on 20th April 1661. His eldest daughter Jemimah married Sir Edward Montague, later Lord Sandwich and Lord High Admiral.

Crew Nathaniel 3rd Baron Crew of Stene 1633-1722 Bishop of Durham Was 5th son of John Crew. Entered Lincoln College, Oxford in 1652 took a B.A. degree in 1656 and elected fellow of the college. In 1663 made Proctor of University, 1668 Rector of Lincoln and took holy orders in 1664. Made Dean of Chichester in 1669 by the influence of the Duke of York. Later he became Clerk to the Closet of Charles II and Privy Counsellor.

In 1671 he was appointed Bishop of Oxford and in 1674 Bishop of Durham. Became Baron Crew of Stene in 1697 on death of his brother. In 1691 he married Penelope daughter of Sir Phillip Frowde of Kent who died 1699. In 1700 he married Dorothy, daughter of Sir William Forster of Bamburgh, Northumberland. The bishop was then aged 67 and his wife 24. Lady Crew became co-heir to the manors of Bamburgh and Blanchland. The estates were sold in 1704 and bought by Lord Crew for £20,671. Lady Crew died in 1715 at Stene. The Bishop died 18th September 1722 aged 88.

Crew Sir Thomas 1565-1634
Third son of John Crew of Nantwich Cheshire. Speaker of the House of Commons in 1623. In September 1623 he took degree of Serjeant at Law and in February 1624 was made Kings Serjeant and knighted. Died 1634 and buried in the chapel he had built in 1620 at Stene.

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The History and Antiquities of the County Palatine of Durham by William Hutchinson F.A.S. Volume 1 1823.

Nathaniel Crew born 31st January 1633, enthroned 10th November 1674 and died 24th June 1720 (?).
"He also gave to his nephew the Honourable James Montagu the elder (who was with him beyond sea at the revolution) £100 to build a school house at Newbold Verdon".
"To the school master of North-Verdon £20 a year. To the trustees of the hundred of Sparkenhoe in the county of Leicestershire for the relief of the widows, orphans and children of poor clergymen deceased within the said hundred, £10 yearly."
By a codicil to the will he gave to Mr. Edward Wortley, late Ambassador to Constantinople, his silver cistern, to Mr. James Montagu his gilt tankard, a silver plate for the alter of North-Verdon and £30 towards the alter piece.

unmarried in France 1681, Edward died unmarried in 1680, Samuel died unmarried in 1661, Nathaniel and Walgrave who married Susannah daughter of Robert Mellor of Derby.

Other works with reference to Nathaniel Crew in Durham Public Library Local Collection

i. Extracts from Pepys Diary in Northern Notes Vol III 1970 p.i. 052/L
ii Gibson William Sidney: Dilston Hall or memoirs of the Rt Hon. James Radcliff Earl of Derwentwater, a visit to Bamburgh Castle with an account of Lord Crew's charities.
iii Fordyce Vol I pp 78-80 942 81/L
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v Surtees Vol I cxv-cxx 942 81/L

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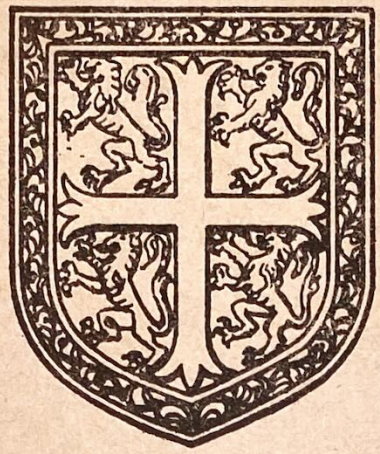
The Camden Miscellany Vol IX 1895 Memoirs of Nathaniel Lord Crew Edited by Reverend Andrew Clark.

"These memoirs are published from a quarto manuscript bought by Lord Crew's trustees for the library at Bamburgh"

Page 19 "In 1681 Mr. John Crew ye Bps Father dyes and leaves to ye Bp ye manor of Newbold in Leivestershire worth about £500 or £600 a year, well wooded and watered with a fine Park and all ye conveniences and ornaments of a good seat. He said he would "leave it to one yt would make ye chimney smoak" alluding to ye Bps hospitable and generous spirit."

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The Charities of Nathaniel, Lord Crewe and Dr. John Sharp 1721-1976

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