

The Descendants of Charles, Second Son of “Tottenham in his Boots”, through

(A) his Second Son’s Eldest Son’s Second Son, Charles Henry,

(B) His Second Son’s Second Son, Loftus Anthony,

(C) His Third Son Ponsonby

C12. The Tottenham-Rede Family

C13. The Tottenham-Creighton (Glenade) Family

C14. The Ponsonby Tottenhams

- a) **Ponsonby Tottenham (1746-1818)** was M.P. successively for Fethard, Bannow, Clonmines, Wexford Town, and New Ross. He was Clerk of the Ordnance in Ireland. He married (1) the eldest daughter of Robert Leigh, of Rosegarland, Co. Wexford, and (2) the daughter of Thomas Neville, The Lodge, Brighton (widow of Col. Symes), by whom he had no children. There is a monument to his 1st wife in New Ross, and to his 2nd wife in Exeter Cathedral (north wall of north transept). He himself seems to have lived mainly in Clifton, Gloucestershire, where he died and where there are also memorials to his 1st wife, his daughter, Emily, and his niece, Frances Anne (C7.3-10), daughter of Charles Tottenham (C1b-9), of Ballycurry.
- b) **Elizabeth Tottenham (1760-1828)** married the Ven. Sir James Hutchinson, Bart., Archdeacon of Achonry.
- c) **Loftus Anthony Tottenham (1788-1860)**, B.A. (Trinity College, Dublin), J.P., of Glendale, Co. Leitrim. He married the only child and heir of the Hon'ble Abraham Creighton (later spelt Crichton), son of the 1st Earl of Erne. Loftus Anthony was found “lunatic since 1830” by Inquisition dated 14th Sept. 1836, and died some years later at Folkestone - H.L.T. says in 1860, Burke’s “Landed Gentry of Ireland” in 1850 (probably wrong). H.L.T. seems to have been concerned professionally with the administration of his estate, which was considerable. The Receiving Order of 1837 mentions the Glenade estate, the Duke’s and Earl’s acres in Co. Kilkenny, and several messuages and tenements in New Ross, also certain capital stock in the Aire and Calder Navigation Co. which came to him from Gen. Loftus Tottenham of Wakefield (A1p-8) or his heir, John Tottenham (B5a-9), and debentures in the New Ross Bridge Co. From the Creighton marriage he seems to have inherited estates in Tyrone, Fermanagh, Leitrim (Glenade), and Wexford. He was High Sheriff, Co. Leitrim, 1824.
- d) **Letitia Tottenham (1790-)** married Lt.-Col. Lucas, of Stout Hall, Glamorgan.
- e) **Charles Robert Tottenham (1785-1797)**, the only son of Ponsonby, died at Armagh School, of “water on the brain”, according to the “Gentleman’s Magazine”.
- f) **Annabella Tottenham (1785-1810)** married John Montgomery and had one son.
- g) **Louisa Tottenham (1787-1871)** married Lt.Col. Stephen Peacocke, Scots Fusilier Guards.
- h) **Maria Ponsonby Tottenham (1787-1871)** married Col. Charles de Laet. Waldo-Sibthorpe, M.P. of Canwick Hall, Lincolnshire. They had four sons. Maria’s grand daughter presented Admiral Sir Francis Tottenham with a large oil painting of “Tottenham in his Boots” (1961).
- i) **Charlotte Tottenham (1793-1868)** married Capt. John King, 4th Dragoon Guards, nephew of Earl of Erne.
- j) **Caroline Tottenham (1797-1836)** married Henry Lucas of Uplands Glamorgan, whose brother married Letitia.
- k) **Lt. Charles Henry Tottenham (1818-1871)**. Lt. (1) in 50th Foot, in which he served in India. He was present at “the battles of Moodkee, Ferozeshah, Aliwal, and Sobraon” (Sikh War). Was A.D.C. to Gen. Sir Harry Smith, Bart., G.C.B. He married the daughter and co-heir of the Rev. Robert Rede, of Ashmans, Suffolk.
- l) **Loftus Abraham Tottenham (1818-)** J.P., of Glenade. High Sheriff, Co. Leitrim, 1848. He married the 2nd daughter of Isaac Newton Wigney, M.P., of Brighton.
- m) **Harry Rede Tottenham (1856-1937)**, M.A. Scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge, 1875; Porson prize, 1876; Porson Scholarship, 1877; Craven Scholarship, 1878; bracketed Senior Classic in the Tripos of 1879, and awarded the first Chancellor’s Medal. Elected Fellow of St. John’s College, 1880, and appointed College Lecturer in Classics. The Librarian of St. John’s College wrote “Tottenham is a bit of a legend in Cambridge. ... He had a brilliant university career as a Classic. ...” He remained at St. John’s until 1903, when he resigned his Fellowship, and then lived, for some years at any rate, in lodgings kept by his former ‘gyp’ over the old Victoria Cinema in the Market Place, where he could be seen sometimes, with his flowing white hair and beard, contemplating entering patrons of the establishment below. His wife was the widow of Ernest Temperley, Bursar of Queen’s College, and daughter of the Rev. T. Wildman, D.D., of Callendar, Scotland. In his obituary notice he was described as ‘a shy and not over-energetic teacher who won and kept the affection of his pupils by a gentleness and humour, rare and valued in the days when dons were grave and solemn’. His successor, T. R. Glover, in a letter to The Times, wrote: ‘Tottenham was not of the type that gives great commentaries to the world, but he would, under the stimulus of his friends, write an article now and then full of curious learning; and in 1895 he was finally persuaded to publish a collection of these under the title ‘Cluvienus, his Thoughts’. It was dedicated to the College and contains some jewels of parody”. This book is now, of course, out of print.
- n) **Beresford Granville Stuart Tottenham (1856-)** was an officer in 106th Foot, and 10th Hussars or 5th Lancers. When he died is not known, but we find his 2nd cousin, George Charles Loftus Tottenham (C11c-12) in occupation of Glenade.

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