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Reverend Sir

Many years ago when reading the Historical Manuscript Commission, I came across the Historical Collections of Mrs. Mrs. Indignity Society Paris Surrey, in which mention is made of Mrs. Jane Goldwayer, of Wheatley, Essex, the dowry, who was imprisoned in the Blinks Prison, London, 3 December 1580, for Recusancy, by order of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, a copy of her Petition was obtained from Her Majesty's Manuscript Paper Office London, by my grandfather, the late Mr. William Gilbey (1775-1876) M.P. C. S. Eng. & Port. Surgeon Royal Navy, and is now in my possession, Sir Francis Halsingham was then Chief Secretary of State to whom the Petition is addressed and is endorsed in his handwriting Jane Goldwayer to be released, the above lady appeared to have been of some standing in the County judging from her Petition which states that she had five children and could put up sufficient bail. I suppose Wheatley was a Parishi at that date and would therefore be a possibility of gleaming any information from the Registers that is if they go back so far, though she was not a direct ancestor of mine very likely related to my family who were then residing at Upper Clatford Hampshire, and were members of the Established Church to which we still belong, five members of the family have been Clergymen since the Reformation two of them being elected for Nonconformity St Bartholomew's Day 1662. in earlier members of the family the Reverend Nicholas Goldwayer was Chaplain to St Katharine's Hospital, Bustel previous to March 1444

I dare say in Queen Elizabeth's Reign members of our Church inter-
 married with Roman Catholic families no doubt the ^{children} would be baptized
 in the Church, at the period it would have been dangerous to have
 them done elsewhere, perhaps you can enlighten me upon the subject.
 My direct ancestor and namesake the Reverend Henry Goldwager was living
 at Holborn London, previous to 1660 in which ^{year} he went over to Ireland as
 Chaplain to Lord Moore of Mellifont shortly afterwards created Earl of
 Drogheda, was successively Rector of Julianstown and Moorechurch County Meath.
 returned to England and was instituted Vicar of Christchurch and
 Hordenhurst, Hampshire, 6th of August 1673 died 30th January buried in the
 Priory Church 2nd of February 1688-9. He was the second son of Mr William
 Goldwager (1347-1677-78) of Meyad ^{Manor} and Manor, and great-
 grandson of Mr William Goldwager of Upper Clatford, Hampshire, evidently
 a strong royalist as he was a personal friend of the 2nd Earl of Clarendon
 (Henry Hyde) Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, and of Sir Davenney Turber-
 ville, M.A. M.D. the celebrated Oculist who practised as a physician
 at Salisbury to whom his second William Goldwager (16th Feb 1748) was
 articled. References. Harris's Hampshire Vol II. Marquess of Ormonde's
 Historical Collections. Foster's Alumni Oxoniensis, Index Ecclesiasticus
 us. M. & C. Halcott's Memorials of Christchurch-Tynham and Clarendon
 Correspondence published 1828.

I have the honour to be

Reverend Sir,

Yours most faithfully

Henry G. B. Goldwager