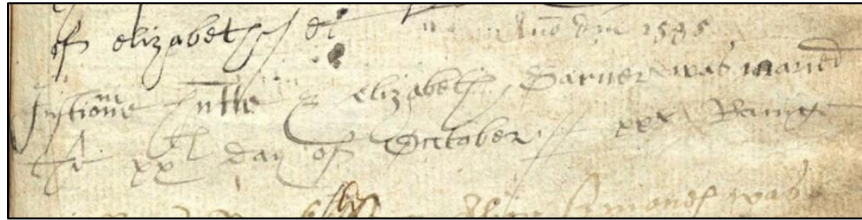


## FAMILY GROUP RECORD OF JUSTINYAN HUNT AND ELIZABETH GARNER

Justinyan Hunt was christened 10 April 1548 in [Cropredy](#), the son of John and Jone Hunt. He married Elizabeth Garner 20 October 1585 in Wardington, Oxfordshire.

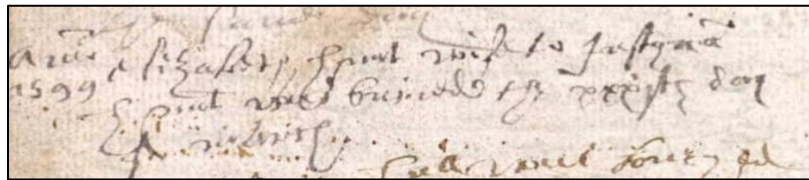


*Marriage record for Justinyan Hunt and Elizabeth Garner in Wardington:  
"Justione Huntte & Elizabeth Garner was maried the xxth day of October"*

Elizabeth Garner or Gardner was born in about 1560, and was likely the daughter of Thomas and Mary Garner of Coton in Wardington.

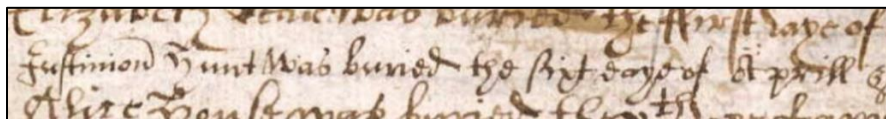
Justinian was a husbandman, like his father, with 3 1/2 yardlands of property. He and his wife, Elizabeth, had nine children. Six of their children survived. Elizabeth passed away after the birth of their last son in 1599. "The youngest died and was buried with his mother Elizabeth in March 1599, leaving the father to cope with two boys and four girls. Staff had always been needed and he continued to manage in this way until his sudden death ten years later. Justinian had attended the sick widow Toms next door, and shortly after he had to ask the vicar, Thomas Wyatt the blacksmith, and the miller Cross to come and witness his own will." (*The Town of Cropedy; Pamela Keegan*)

Elizabeth was buried 31 March 1599 in Cropredy.



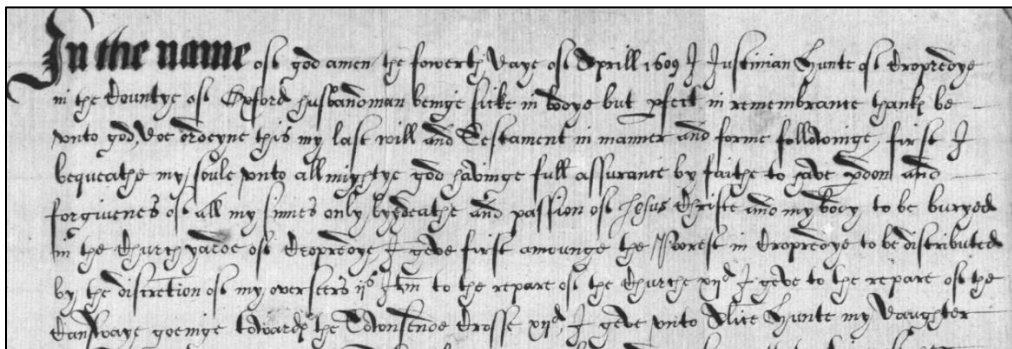
*Burial record for Elizabeth Hunt in Cropredy:  
"Elizabeth Hunt wife to Justynian Hunt was buried the xxxth day of March"*

Justinyan died of the plague in 1609, leaving a will and inventory of his property.



*Burial record for Justinyan Hunt in Cropredy:  
"Justinion Hunt was buried the sixth daye of Aprill"*

"Justinyan had increased the house to include a chamber beneath the entry, an upper chamber over the entry, a hall with chimney, a kitchen, a chamber over the hall with a joyned bedstead, a chamber over the butterie, a kilne house with a loft over it, and a dea house. This was one of the top farms for the village in the turn of the 1600s. His property was worth 272 pounds. He grew barley and "pease", and had seven cows, four horses, 63 sheep, and swine. "The farmer Hunts lived on the [Green](#). They had smaller yards behind, which was amazing how Hunts fitted in their Cowpen, grass yard and courtyard in which they had wooden buildings called hovells with standings, lofts, they built themselves and being moveable belonged to the tenant not the landlord. They put on the scaffold their peese haulm, wood or straw and renewed the roof the following autumn for by then the wood may have been used and the haulm fed to cattle and also the straw. They had a rare bullock yard. Because the farmers could only keep four cows per yardland they mostly kept milch cows, the calf going to market and the milk made into cheese or butter. The few calves left to replace the cows were kept to a minimum. They had not the land in the Open Field to accommodate beef cattle, so it is surprising that they did here. I can only think they had land elsewhere as well for rearing the beef, not mentioned in Inventories as not moveable. They could of course have been butchers as well as farmers. No butcher has surfaced for late 16c or early 17c. Notice the rooms expanded between John and Justinian. The latter died when a plague of some sort carried off several of the villagers. As they went from one house to the other making wills and then inventories they seem to have caught the "bug". It will be noticed that they came straight in to do Justinian's Inventory. No doubt with so many dying, while they took their leave of him they dealt with his affairs. This was "not done" but I expect they had no alternative." Pamela Keegan



*Will of Justinian Hunt of Cropredy, 1609*

*Will of Justinian Hunt Husbandman of Cropredy  
 Made 4 April 1609  
 Proved 10 April 1609*

*In the name of God Amen, the fowerth daye of Aprill 1609, I **Justinian Hunte of Cropredye** in the County of Oxford, husbandman, beinge sicke in bodye but pfect in remembrance thanks be unto God, doe ordeyne this my last will and testament in manner and forme following, first I bequeathe my soule unto Allmyghtye God having full assurance by faith to have pdon and forgiveness of all my sinnes only by ye deathe and passion of Jesus Christ, and my body to be buryed in the church yarde of Cropredye. I geve first amoung the poorest in Cropredye to be distributed by the discretion of my overseers ijs. Item, to the repare of the church xijd. I geve to the repare of the causwaye goeing towards the Townfence Crosse xijd. I geve unto **Alice Hunte my daughter** ten pounds to be payd unto her within five yeares after my decease or att the time of her mariage whichever first shall come. I geve unto **Jane my daughter** ten pounds to be payd*

within five yeares after my decease or att the time of her mariage whichever first shall come. I geve unto **Marye my daughter** ten pounds to be payd within seaven yeares after my decease or att the time of her mariage whichever first shall come. I geve unto **Joyce my daughter** ten pounds to be payd unto her within eight yeares after my decease, or att the daye of her mariage whichever first shall come, also I geve amoung my sayd daughters the one halfe of all my linnen, to be equally devided amoung them after my decease by the discretion of my overseers; also my will and minde ys that my sayd daughters maye together be kepte upon this my liveinge att the charges wholly of my executor in meat, drinke and apparel until they maye be honestly provided for in decente and orderly service, which my desire ys they may be for provided with what convenient speede as maye be. I geve unto **my sonne William** ten pounds to be payd unto him when he shall accomlishe the age of twentye towe yeares. All the rest of my goods, chattells and cattells I geve wholly unto **John Hunte my sonne**, whome I make my sole and onlye executor. My overseers I make Thomas Hollowaye, Edward Lumbert and Thomas Wyatt to whome I geve xijd a peece. I doe will my sonne to provide for evrye of my daughters covennient coffer which I geve unto them.

Wyttness hereunto Thomas Holloway, Thomas Wyatt & John Cross'

Extracts:

*My body to be buried in the Cropredy Churchyard*

Money left:

*To the poorest in Cropredy*

*To the repaire of the Church*

*To the repaire of the causeway goeing towards the Town fence crosse (The "cup and saucer" town cross on the west bank of the Green. Here the people gathered to drink after cutting the meadows.)*

*To Alice Hunt my daughter £10 to be paid within 5 years after my decease or at her marriage*

*To Jane my daughter £10 to be paid 6 years after my decease or at her marriage*

*To Mary my daughter £10 to be paid 7 years after my decease or at her marriage*

*To Joyce my daughter £10 to be paid 8 years after my decease or at her marriage*

*Also to my daughters the one half of all my linnen divided by my overseers*

*To every of my daughters a coffer*

*That the daughters be kept in meat, drink, and apparell until honestly provided for in decent and orderly service at the charge of my Executors.*

*To my son William £10 at 22 years*

*To my son John Hunt the Rest and Residue. He to be sole Executor*

*Overseers: Thomas Hollowaye (Vicar)*

*Edward Lumbert (Neighbor farmer)*

*Thomas Wyatt (Neighbor blacksmith)*

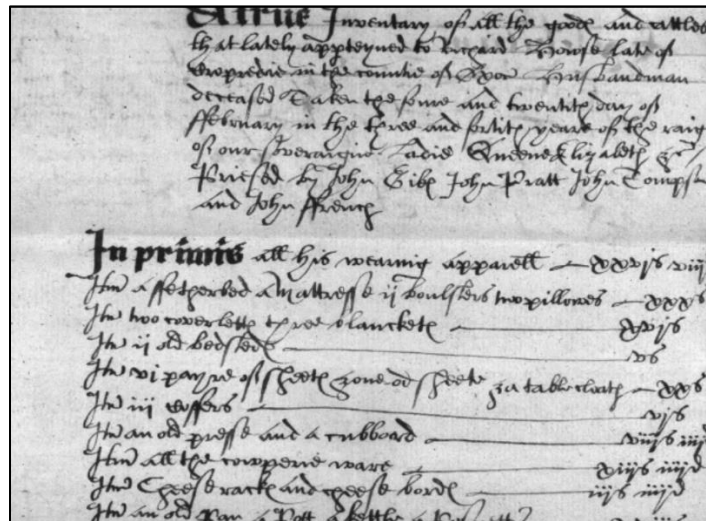
*Witnessed by:*

*Thomas Holloway*

*Thomas Wyatt*

*John Cross (Miller)*

*Inventory Taken 6 April 1609 by Thomas Holwaye vicar, William Hall, Henry Broughton, Edward Lumbert, and Thomas Wyatt*



*Inventory of Justinyan Hunt*

*Imprimis his wearinge Apparell*

*One cloke*

*In the chamber beneth the Entrye*

*One Presse*

*One bedstead, two troughes six loomes two*

*barrells one churne and two kivers*

*Certaine wooll*

*One woolbed one bolster three pillowbeares*

*three blankets one kiverlid one thrumcloth and*

*two winnoclothes*

*Eight sackes one strike six sives one wheele*

*In the upper chamber above the same roome*

*one cheste one coffer one Boxe one corne trye*

*fowre teales*

*Seaven payre and one sheete two towells one*

*tablecloth ffive pillowclothes ffower aprons*

*one shert one chrystening sheete, ffoire*

*smockes seaven table napkins ththree henchiefes*

*two handkerchiefs and other small peeces of linnen*

*a Gowne and one bearing cloth*

*In the hall house*

*A table with a fframe two fformes one*

*falling table two cheeres two stooles one*

*cubber (cupboard) and one pen and two benches*

*Eight Pewter Platters three sauces two salts*

*foure porringers and two pewter cups*

*foure potts one dommet one skillet ffive kettles*

*One skimer three candlestitces one spicemarte and a pestill*

*One spit one payre of cobbenths a payre of*

Tongues a ffire shovle a payre of bellwes two  
payre of ppothookes  
And a payre of hangells  
A ffrying pan and a gryd Iron  
An Iron grate  
In the kicsin (kitchen)  
A head a mesh fat  
a boltinge which (for flour) a moulding stocke a forme  
and a stell

Ten flychis of Bacon and ffive of beef  
In Chamber above the Hall  
A Joynedbed a cubbert and Five coffers  
One heling a thrumcloath a blanket one  
payre of sheetes a floebed a bolster and a  
t---lie (?) cloth

Six payre of sheetes three borde clothes  
Seaven table napkins two wallets  
and two hand towells

Butterie  
Ffive Barrels and a larme (vat) a tuning boule  
And the stelle

Seaven Bottells and a lanthorne

In the Chamber over the butterie  
three Bedsteads and furniture to two of the beds  
A coffer a payre of two selle and a wood hurdle  
a tod (28 lbs of wool) of lockes and three fleeces of black wool  
ffourtye of linnen yearne and a Tod of hempe and one plancke and two payre of cardes  
(cards for preparing wool for spinning)

In the Chamber over the Cutrie  
the bed and furniture to the same (bedding)  
a garner and 18 strikes of mault in the garner  
A lofte over the Kilne house (Few had kilns for malting barley)  
A fat (vat) a gige and Eight boards and a  
plancke a hayre and rough hempe

In the Kilne House  
A Mault Mill and old barrell

In the deahouse  
A cheese presse one chese frame a kneeding  
trough musterd mill a kiver a lome (vat) three  
payles six chese fates two boules ffower  
Milke pans ffive butter potts a pich pan two  
Ship brands (sheep brands) and cheese, laddr and a Pecke  
Three Iron Found Carte and one Barne cart  
Fffive Harrowes and ffive ploughs  
One hovell with hallme in the innard court  
A hovel with halme in the cowpen with  
standers for bease and --lakes (?)

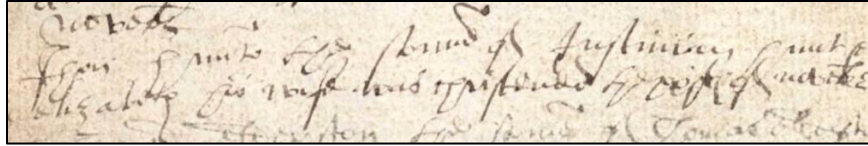
*A second hovell in the cowpen with wood and  
 flaggetts upon it  
In the Rickyard  
 A worke hovell with a  
 garner there standing with working tooles and  
 plough timber and divers other goods  
 A second longe hovell with wood hey corne  
 Barleye and Pease upon yt  
 Saccod (?) Boards and other harrowe timber  
 Two woodpiles of wood with other timber and  
 of fell wood  
 Three score and three sheepe  
 Seven Beasse two yearlings calves and an  
 weanning calfe  
 ffour horses and mares and a yearlyng  
 coltes  
 the swine  
 the poultreye  
 the corne in the barne  
 certaine scaffold and certaine heye  
 the horse geares and three cartropes  
 certaine olde strawe and Ladders  
 the crop in the fielde  
 the remaynder of yeares in two Leases  
 Some totals £272 - 1s - 10d*

John Hunt was only 24 years old at his father's death, and the other children ranged from 20 years to 12 years old. The younger children were left in John's care: *"Justinian Hunt asked that "my said daughters maye together be kept uppon this my livinge att the charges wholly of my executor in meat drinke and apparrell until they maybe honestly provided for in decente and orderly service, wch my desire ys they may be soe provided wth what speede as maye be... to every of my daughters a convenient coffer wch I gave unto them." They had to leave Cropredy to find employment elsewhere,...but "with what speede" surely depended on the economical state of the market, the harvests and the brother's ability to cope, as well as his young wife's tolerance." (The Town of Cropredy)*

Justinyan and Elizabeth had the following children:

1. **Joanne**, christened 7 November 1584 in Cropredy.

\*2. **John**, christened 21 November 1585 in Cropredy; listed as a scholar from Cropredy at Williamscoth School in 1598; married Elizabeth Gibbins 9 May 1610 in Cropredy; died 1641.



*Baptism record for John Hunt in Cropredy:*

*"Jhon Hunt the sonne of Justinian Hunt & Elizabeth his wife was christened the xxith of November"*

3. **Thomas**, christened 13 August 1587 in Cropredy.
4. **Alyce**, christened 27 February 1588/9 in Cropredy.
5. **Joanne**, christened 10 October 1590 in Cropredy.
6. **William**, christened 16 August 1591 in Cropredy; married Ellin Pratt 30 December 1614 in Cropredy.
7. **Mary**, christened 8 February 1594/5 in Cropredy.
8. **Joyce**, christened 13 February 1596/7 in Cropredy.
9. **John**, born 31 March 1599 in Cropredy.

*SOURCES: Cropredy parish register; The Town of Cropredy, Pamela Keegan; Wardington parish register; Will of Justinian Hunt of Cropredy, 1609.*