

TELEGRAMS-QUILTERS, FELIXSTOWE.
TELEPHONE 10-105.

QUILTERS "THE CLIFF"
FELIXSTOWE.

17.6.11

My dear Mary,

Nathaniel Wedd

(A son of ~~Lucas~~ Kingslett)
is here, ill, & I have
been talking Wedd genealogy
with his wife. I have
before me various letters -

(1) Copy letter from J. Ransom Whitting
to Mary Wedd (N. Wedd's Aunt)

"I expect your nephew knows
all about the Wedds of Foulmire
(Cambridgeshire, I have a letter from
your father to mine stating that

WELLS THE GILF
FELIXSTOWE

Dr. Fred Smaithe said the Wadds
were descended from Welsh princes.
Perhaps Dr. Smaithe could help
if he is living.

Strange is it not, I once
went to Boston with an
introduction to Piskey Smaithe,
& this Dr. Fred Smaithe is
the last of the family, & they
were some distant connections
of ours, or rather the Boston Wadds.

(2) Copy (part of) letter from Mary Wadd
to Mrs. Kate Wadd - 11 Feb 1911

"I have a copy of this pedigree

Dr. Fred Smaithe made out.
He sent it to me to show
how I could trace my
descent to Mary Tudor!
My earliest recollection
of any idea that we were
originally Welsh came
from one of my brothers
coming home from school
on day, & saying that
Dr. Patten had told him
that his name came from
a Welsh name meaning a
'pledge' & that he (Dr. P.)
had never known a Wadd
break his word.
I fancy the fortunes of our branch

of the Wedd family got
very low some 4 or 5 generations
since, but I think there
always has been something
very reverse to common (in
the vulgar acceptance of the
word) about the Wedds,
and I think there is a
certain reticence in the
family character, which
I get to think as I grow
older goes with "good blood".

(3) A second letter from same to same
18 Feb 1911. states that
J. Ransom Whitty (see 1)'s
mother was Mary Wedd.

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It appears that we
Wedds are closely
connected with the
Kynes - a noble

Fen family. One of
them beat William the
Conqueror & obtained
from him the possession
of their own family estates.
Nightingale Kynes died in
1814 & ^{wrote} about the Kynes
estates &c.

THE GREAT BRITISH
QUILTERS THE GUILD
FELIXSTOWE
There are many more
letters, of a long
Latin copy of an inscription
from Boston Church -

The Pishey I saw, I saw,
was doubtless named
after Pishey Keymer -
as the Christian name is
so uncommon or unchristian.

The Keymers are doubtless
ancestors to be proud

of.
I am going to see
Mr Hat Wedd tomorrow
after lunch - I wish
you were to be with me.
How about Albert Foster
Wedd family tree -
If you ever see his sister
Emily, will you ask
her?

Yours affly
E. H. Wedd