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Arthur Forbes Auchmuty

Will 8 Dec 1780 pd 10 March 1786

Brother James Auchmuty of Dublin

Sister Catherine Auchmuty -1794

m 18 Dec 1770 William Gibson of Sligo appt Surgeon 1769

Natural Children Robert Auchmuty, Patrick Auchmuty, Henry Muir Auchmuty

Guardians & Executors

Robert Gregory 1727-1810 of London

m Maria Auchmuty

Henry Grant of Calcutta a free merchant

m 29 Mar 1770 Alicia Camac bro Maj Jacob Camac Bpts Cal 1767/1777 n71

Witnesses Lieut James Morris and Henry Foulis

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List Officers Bengal Army 1758-1858

Arthur Forbes Auchmuty (Auchmuty) Will 8 Dec 1780 pd 10 March 1786 died Nov 1781

I Arthur Forbes Auchmuty major in the honourable East India Company's service on the Bengal establishment do make this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills made by me and do hereby bequeath every thing of which I may be possessed in the following manner after discharging all my legal debts imprimis I give and bequeath to my brother **James Auchmuty** of the city of Dublin two hundred pounds as a token of my affection

secondly I give and bequeath to my sister **Catherine Gibson** of Sligo in the kingdom of Ireland one hundred pounds as a token of my affection

thirdly the residue of my estate both in **Europe and Asia** I bequeath to my **natural children Robert Auchmuty, Patrick Auchmuty and Henry Muir Auchmuty** to be divided amongst them except the sum of one thousand sicca rupees which I bequeath to Gomany? Begam the **mother** of my son **Henry Muir** together with whatever she may have received from me at different times

and I do hereby constitute and appoint **Robert Gregory** esquire of **London** and **Henry Grant** esquire of **Calcutta** **executors** of this my last Will and Testament and **guardians** to my aforementioned sons during their minority

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal where no stamped paper is to be had this eighth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty at Camp near **Futty Ghur** in the presence of Lieutenants **James Morris** and **Henry Foulis**

A Forbes Auchmuty (LS): H Foulis James Morris witnesses (a true copy) Wm Jackson Registrar

This Will was proved at London the tenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty six before the worshipful Thomas Bever Doctor of Laws and surrogate of the right worshipful Peter Calvert also Doctor of Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the oath of **Henry Grant** esquire one of the executors named in the said Will to whom administration was granted of all and singular the goods chattels and credits of the deceased having been first sworn duly to administer power reserved of making the like grant to **Robert Gregory** esquire the other executor named in the said Will when he shall apply for the same

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List of the Officers of the Bengal Army 1758-1834

East India Records

Arthur Forbes Achmuty d 1781 Major Infantry (Hodson 1 p6, II p617)

Patrick Achmuty bapt 29 April 1780 at **Fatehgarh** sof Major Arthur Forbes N/1/2/f.195

Robert Achmuty bapt 29 April 1780 at **Fatehgarh** sof Major Arthur Forbes N/1/2/f.195

Millicent Elizabeth Achmuty bapt 29 April 1780 at **Fatehgarh** dof Major Arthur Forbes N/1/2/f.195

Biographical Index from East India Co records at British Library

Will

dated 8 Dec 1780

made at **Futty Ghur** - now **Fatehgarh** a major town in the state of Uttar Pradesh, India

witnesses: Lieuts **James Morris** and **Henry Foulis**

executors and appointed Guardians: **Robert Gregory** of London and **Henry Grant** of Calcutta

proved 10 March 1786 in London

Ponderings

died Nov 1781 during the first Mahratta War in in operations against Sindhia

did not marry but de facto lady/ladies

natural sons **Robert Auchmuty**, **Patrick Auchmuty** and **Henry-Muir Auchmuty**

natural dof: **Millicent Elizabeth**

became a Major 19 Dec 1769 so Patrick, Robert and Millicent born over 10 years from 1770 to 1780

Henry-Muir born after 29 April 1780 but prior 8 Dec 1780 named for Lt. Col **Grainger Muir**

Could Maria born much earlier be another daughter?

m Robert Gregory 1727-1810 executor of Arthur Forbes and guardian of his children

1 Robert Gregory 1754-1814 disinherited so not good candidate to be the Guardian

Genealogical Dictionary

natural child: child begotten and born out of wedlock; illegitimate child; one born of an illicit union

sp - sine prole: died without issue or in law legitimate issue

Deed between Francis Savage and James Auchmuty dated 20 May 1742

Names: Francis Savage, James Auchmuty, **Forbes Auchmuty**, Richard Auchmuty, William Knox, Chas Dempsy

The within named Francis Savage do hereby acknowledge to have received from within named **James Auchmuty by the hands of Mr Forbes Auchmuty** the sums of seven hundred pounds sterling in part discharge of the Principle and Interest due and secured to me by the within Deed, and for the said sums of seven hundred pounds I have given another receipt of equal date hereto, the witness my hand this **20th May 1742 forty two**

(signed) Francis Savage

Witness present: William Knox Richard Auchmuty

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Witnesses: Lieutenants James Morris and Henry Foulis

Robert Gregory of London & **Henry Grant of Calcutta** were the Executors and appointed Guardians of his sons Robert, Patrick and Henry-Muir Auchmuty during their minority;

bapt 29 April 1780 at Fatehgarh Robert, Patrick and Millicent Elizabeth Achmuty – *East India Co Records*

Baptisms in Calcutta 1767 to 1777

Grant

1776 24 Feb Elizabeth daughter of Mr. **Henry Grant**, Free Merchant see *Note 71*

Note 71 **Henry Grant** A Free Merchant:

married 29 March 1770 **Alicia Camac** a sister of Major **Jacob Camac**.

They acted in England as joint guardians, with Hastings, of younger John Hadley D'Oyly

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Note 66 **Charles Grant** died in London November 1823

First went out to **India** in 1767 and supervised the private trade of Richard Becher who was the Resident at Moorshedabad: returned to England 1771-72 and obtained a writership on the Bengal establishment 1772-73:

Secretary to the Board of Trade: appointed commercial Resident at Malda in 1781 in charge of the silk filature: fourth member of the Board of Trade 1787: retired 1790.

Lived when in Calcutta in Grant's Lane, so named after him, in the first house on the right hand from Bentinck Street: and subsequently in Edward Wheeler's house at Kidderpore.

He and William Chambers (Prothonotary of the Supreme Court and brother of Sir Robert) married two sisters, Jane and Charity Fraser.

Paid £10,000 to save the Old Mission Church from attachment by the sheriff and established a Board of Church Trustees. Director of the East India Company from 1797 to 1823: Deputy Chairman, 1804, 1807, 1808:

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His elder son, the Right Hon Charles Grant (afterwards Lord (Glenelg) was President of the Board of Control from November 1830 to December 1834. The younger son Sir Robert Grant G.C.H. was Governor of Bombay from March 1835 to July 9 1838 when he died at Dapuri near Poona

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(PRO, Kew)

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1768 25 June **Frances** daughter of Arthur Achmuty Esq and Ursula his wife note 7
1770 28 June **Robert Alexander Gregory** son of Capt. Arthur Achmuty and Ursula his wife
1774 15 Oct **Richard** son of Major Arthur Ahmuty in ye. Hon Co's service and Ursula his wife note 58
1775 21 Oct **James** son of Major Arthur Ackmuty and Ursula his wife
1777 13 Jan **Samuel** son of Major Ahmuty Hon Co.'s service and Ursula his wife

Arthur Achmuty note 7

Cadet, 1760: Lieutenant, August 26, 1763: Captain, December 20, 1764:
Major, September 3, 1768: Lieut.-Colonel, September 13, 1779: Colonel 28 May 1786.
Married at Calcutta 25 July 1767 to Miss Ursula DeCruz
Died 6 December 1793 at Dinapore

Richard Ahmuty note 58

query: writer on the Bengal establishment 1791:
Commissioner of Behar 1797: Collector of Allahabad 1803: Judge and Magistrate of Furruckabad 1804
Proceeded to Europe 1806 and resigned in England 30 March 1808

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Will 27 May 1775 pd 26 Oct 1775

Forbes Auchmuty her uncle

James Auchmuty cousin formerley Deputy Surveyor of Port of Galway

James Auchmuty " youngest son of my Uncle Robert Auchmuty deceased

Catherine Gibson "