

Jacob of Gamlingay, and Bromley,  
and of Ireland.



Arms.

Argent, a cheb. gules between three heraldic tigers' heads erased proper.  
Crest—a heraldic Tiger passant proper, maned and tusked et.

[The Art of Heraldry Pg 443](#) Argent, a chevron gules between 3 wolfs heads erased (Horseheath) Also Wilson, same page: Argent a chevron gules between 3 tigers heads erased - we believe this is the start of use Jacob arms by Michael Wilson's line.



## Jacob Family & Heraldry Notes

Much info on Jacobs from "An Historical & Genealogical Narrative of the Families of Jacob (1875)" sent by Nicholas Jacob in France. Another excellent source is [MyJacobFamily.com](http://MyJacobFamily.com) website by Kenneth Jacobs in England.

**Where did they come from?** The Jacobs came from Cambridgeshire, England.

Abraham Jacob of Bromley by Bow, London (1570 – 1629) was a customs agent in London. He fathered Sir John Jacob the first baronet (1597-1666). He built a red brick manor with spacious gardens in Bromley, Kent. Very wealthy (3000£ per year). Expelled from parliament in 1641. On 17 February 1642, he sequestered his estates, imprisoned for refusing to support Parliament. Entered indenture with son Robert for love of his second son Henry and to continue the lands in name and blood of Jacob. Leases his manor for 99 years to James Noell.

Abraham's brother was John Jacob Esq., of London, was a merchant in the latter part of the reign of James I. He married into a family named Halliday, probably the same as that of the Lord Mayor of London, whose daughter was Sir John Jacob's first wife, and by her had three sons, all of whom settled in Ireland, two of them at least being officers in the army. One of the sons was William who inherited all of his father's property.

**William Jacob** (circa 1610-1688), a lieutenant in Cromwell's army. The lands of Sigginstown in granted to him on 22<sup>nd</sup> of June 1667, in consideration of his military service. This property consisted of '533 acres 2 roods and 28 perches plantation measure, or 864 acres 1 rood and 34 perches statute measure. 28 other people and soldiers sold William Jacob lands in return for small amounts of cash, and seemed to return to England. He was claimant for other lands in the neighbourhood but withdrew petition and they were regranted to original holder (?). William married Miss Austen of Horsemonden parish, Kent. He died in 1668, having enjoyed Sigginstown only 1 year. (Was the property abandoned between 1641 and 1667??) William had two sons, John and Austen (nothing known about Austen).

**John Jacob** (circa 1640 – 1711) Best gentry of the county, special jury panel before 1677. He married and had 6 sons, 2 daughters. His family branched out into three: Sigginstown, Rathdowney (Wexford) and Queens County. His 4<sup>th</sup> son, Richard Jacob of Ballyragget (castle?). John died in 1711 and is buried in Tacumshane churchyard. Left everything to his 2<sup>nd</sup> son Edward, as the first son, William, was disinherited. (William was in Wexford town, held a lot of property but attainted as a Protestant by Parliament of James II in 1689. Died before his father) (Archibald Hamilton Jacob, Blackstoops, Enniscorthy was a descendant of the disinherited William, and was magistrate and captain of the Loyal Vinegar Hill Rangers or Yeomanry. "Archy Jacob (1770-1836) was a staunch loyalist and Orangeman. His name was the terror of the disaffected during the rebellion of 1798.")

**Edward Jacob, Esq.** (Dates?) inherited Wexford property, houses in Dublin (Henry, Liffey, New and Peter streets). Married 3 Jan 1696 Sarah Knox, daughter of Thomas Knox (Rathmacknee, Wexford). He was an attorney.

**Rev. John Jacob (1702-1743)** Born in Wexford in 1702 and entered Trinity College in 1719, at the age of 17, and graduated as B.A. in 1724. He entered into Holy Orders and afterwards married Jane, daughter of Mr. Brittleworth, from Wicklow. Buried in the churchyard of Ishartmon, County Wexford) he had three sons and one daughter, who survived him when he died on 1743. Jane Jacob died 1768 with lease of Sigginstown?? Index to Will listed as 1711

**Rev. Ulysses Jacob (1727 – 29 Jan 1813)** Entered Trinity College Dublin on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June 1750, graduated Spring 1755. He married 11 July 1750, Clarissa, daughter of Mr. Devereux of Kilrush, Wexford, two sons and two daughters. Buried at Johnstown, next to his mother's tomb, 'Contiguous to this tomb is interred the body of the late Ulysses Jacob'. The Wexford Herald, January 30, 1813: 'On Saturday, at Sigginstown, in the 86<sup>th</sup> year of his age, the Reverend Ulysses Jacob, one of the oldest Magistrates of the County'.

"The property devolved upon one of the sons above mentioned who, being weak-minded, was cared for by one of his sisters, who had married a farmer, named Wilson. She eventually was in possession of Sigginstown, and left it to her son who alienated most of the property, and now lives (in 1875?) in the half-ruined house, adjoining the old tower of Sigginstown Castle" (from the Jacob family book 1875)

**Mary Jacob** 1773 - ? Married Farmer Michael Wilson 1770- 1850? See the Wilson Family for next chapter.

The Jacob family does remain in the area although we have never met them.