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William Carr Beresford, 1st Viscount Beresford

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BIOGRAPHY

A distinguished British soldier who served with Wellington in the Peninsular War, Beresford acquired

Bedgebury Park in 1836 and rebuilt and enlarged the estate. He married his widowed first cousin

Louisa Hope in 1832. The marriage was childless, and his English estates passed at his death to his

stepson Alexander James Beresford Hope, who assumed the additional surname Beresford.

NOTES / SOURCES

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Biographical account with arms and grant summary

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