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Clune was a Lordshipe marched by it selfe afore the new Acte.

By Clune is a great Forest of redde Dere and Roois longinge to the Lord of Arundell, and standinge in the Lordshipe of Temecestre, thrwge the whiche Teme Ryver cummethe longinge also to the Lord of Arundle.

Dolveron Castle ruinus in the Lordshipe of Kidowen apon an Halfe Mile or more from Severne, a iii. Miles up Severne from Montgomery, and was the very chefe Place of the hole Lordshipe of Kidewen.

Cair Dicol is a iiii. Miles from Montgomerike. It stondithe in Chyrbiry Hundred on a Hille, and is motyd and diked lyke the Mote a Mile owt of Bysshops Towne.

All Chirbyri Hundrid by the new Acte is adjecte to Shrobbschere. Afore the Devisyon it was a Member to the Lordshipe of Montgomerike, and then Worthinge Vilage, vi. Mils from Montgomerike, was a lymes to Shropshire, but now Shrobbschere some way towchithe within a Mile and a halfe of Montgomerike Towne.

It apperithe in the Acte what Lordshipps be adjoynid to the v. new Shires.

Kenlet a preaty Broke in the Vale by Montgomerike. His Cowrce is about vii. Miles in lengthe, and enterithe into Severne abowte a Mile from Chirbyri Priory.

Clunne Forest very faire and good Game.

Low Pois is in Lengthe from Buttigton Bridge a 2. Miles from the Walche Poole toward Shrobbsberi onto above.

In all Hy Powis is not one Castle that evidently aperithe by manifest Ruins of Wauls; and they wer wont to bringe in tymes past in the old Lord Duddley's Dayes theyr Prisoners to Walchepoole.

And in Low Powis is but onely the Castle of the Walchepoole.

Priories.

LLanlligan a veri litle poore Nunneri about the Border of Kidewyn and Nether Powis.

Chirbiri a Priori of Chanons in Chirbiri Hunderith 2. Miles from Montgomerike. Muche of the Stone and Leade brought to repayre Montgomery.

Mastar Mitten of Shropshire now Lord of Monthey Lordshipe set to Montgomerishire.

Clunne and Temecester Lordshipps longe to the Lord of Arundle.—Vol. VII., p. 17, 18.

Market Townes in Shropshire.

Shrewisbiry.

Bridgenorth a xiiii. Miles from Shorbbesbyri.

Welington a vii. Miles from Shrobbesbyri toward London way.

At Bloreheeth a Mile above Drayton by North, was a Feelde faught by-twene King Edwardes Men and Henry the 6. The Erle of Saresbyri and Northern men on King Edwardes Parte overcam the Lordes Audeley (slain) and Dudeley (woundid) with Quene Margaret, Wife to Henry the 6. and Chestershir men lost the Feld. She cam Eccleshall thither. Hauls Bishop of Chester her Chapeleyn caussid the Queene to ly ther.

Peter Undergod, a Gentilman longging to an English Prince of Wales, did build St. John's Hospital withowt ate of Ludlo . . . dan gave Landes onto hit.

Chirburi Hunderid was annexid to Montgomerike as a Help to have men out of hit for Defence.

Drayton apon Terne River a xiiii. Miles from Shreusbiri.

Wigmore Castel a xx. Myles from Shreusbiri standing on a Broket sumtime almost dry.

Whittington, a Castel of the Lorde Fizwaren's, vi. Miles from Shreusbiri upward almost on Severn, and by this goith Offa's Diche.

^{arden}Shrawle longging to the Erle of Arundel ii. Miles from Shrawardine iii. Miles from Shreusbiry, Whittington bytwxyt Shreusbiri and hit.

Redde Castel by Whitchirch, [a late the] Lorde Audeles. viii. Myles plaine [Northe] from Shreusbiri, now al ruinus. It hath bene strong and hath decayid many a Day.

Drayton apon Terne River a xii. Miles from Shrewisbyri.

Whitechirche a xiiii. or xv. Miles from Shrewisbyri.

Newport apon a Brooke a xii. or xiiii. Miles from Shrewisbyri. With in a Mile of Newport is a goodly Mere or Poole.

Ludlo.

Bishops Castle a very celebrate Market.

Castelles in Shropshire.

Shrewsbiri.

Brigenorth on Severn xiiii. Myles from Shreusbiri lower on the River.

Cause Castel on a Hil v. Myles from Shreusbiri by Sowth West longging to the Duke of Bokingham, now to the Lorde Staford.

Montgomeri the Kinges Castel (in the Shire, but not de) xii. Myles from Shrewsbyri. It was ons a great wallid Town caullid Cairaovalduine.

Ludlo xx. Myles from Shreusbiri.

Newport apon a Brooke, or Moore, xiiii. Miles by East from Shreusbiri.

Whitchirch apon a Broket a xvi. by West from Shreusbiry.

Middle Castel longging to the Lord of Darbe iii. Miles from Shrewsbury veri ruinus.

Morton Corbet in a Marres, iiii. Myles from Shreuisbiri by North, longging to the Corbettes.

Knoking Castel in Shropshire now a ruinus thing longid to the Lord Lestraunge, and now to the Erle of Darby.

Chorleton Castel on Terne, longging to the Lord Poys, vi. Miles from Shrewisbiri, and a Myle from Tern Village. Terne is to say a Lake or Poole.

Cortham Castel apon Corfe Riveret, unde & Corvesdale, xiiii. Myles from Shreusbiri by South.

Acton Burnel was a goodly Manor Place, or Castel, iiii. Myles from Shreusbyri, wher a Parliament was kepte in a greate Barne. It longgid ons to the Lord Lovel, then to the Duke of Northfolke, and now to Syr John Dudle.

Acton Burnell.

Sum of thes Castelles though they be married to the Lorde Lovel, and thereby the Lovelles Landes encresid, and after was made in Count Lovel. Lovel had Acton Burnel.

Sum of thes Castelles though they be yn Shropshire, yet thei be not de. For they be privilegid, and use theire owne Lawes and Courtes, except the last Statute let them.

Oswestre Castel is now in Shropshire.

^{Ken} Kamsham Castel clene down. It stooode within a ii. Milis of Ludlo on a Hille Toppe.

Holgate Castel stondeth under the Cle Hilles harde by Corvesdale a vi. Miles from Ludlo. The Duke of Northfolk exchaungid it for other Landes with Mr. Dudeley. ^{Sumtime longing to the Lord Lovel,}

Bramscrofte, a very goodly Place like a Castel, longging to the Erle of Shrewsbiri. It stondeth in Cle Hilles or about them a . . . Miles from Ludlo.

Shepeton Corbet Castel a vi. or vii. Miles from ^{almost} Ludlo in the way bytwixt Ludlo and Bishops Castel.

Stokesay longing sumtime to the Ludlos, now to the Vernuns, buildid like a Castel v. Miles owt of Ludlo.

Hopton Corbet half way bytwixt Bishops Castle and Wigmoore, and a iii. Miles from Shepeton.

Syr Richard Ludlo had ii. Doughters. One was married to Humfrey Vernoun, and the other to Thomas Vernoun, Bretherne to the late Syr Henry Vernoun of the Peke. The 3. Sun of Henry married one of Montgomerye's Heyres.

Bishops Castel well maintenid is set on a stronge Rokke, but not very hy.

Abbays and Priories in Shropshire.

The Abbay of Shrobbesbyri.

Album Monasterium by Albertbyri, long syns suppressid.

Ombridge, Blake Chanons, in the way to London, ii. Miles beyonde Welington Market, and a ii. Miles beyond Lincel Abbay.

Lincel, or Lilleshull.

Brerewoodde

Byrwoode, a Priory of White Nunnes lately suppressid, in the very Marche of Shropshire toward Darbyshire.

Billevoise. Whit Monkes.

Haghmon. Blake Chanons.

Wenloch. Blak Monkes.

Tunge, a litle Thorough-Fare betwixte Ulmorhampton and Newport, 7. Miles from Ulmorhampton, 5. from Newporte. It is in Shropshire. There is College and Wardon, with an Almose House of the Auncient Foundation of the Vernouns of Haddon in the Peke. Many, or almost al, ly there that were famous of theim sins the Foundation.

Syr Henry
Vernoun a
late daies
made the
Castel new
al of Brike.

There was an olde Castel of Stone caullid Tunge Castel. It standith half a mile from the Toune on a Banke, under the wich rinnith the Broke that cummith from Weston to Tunge. Weston is 2. Miles of, and is in Stafordshire.

Rivers in Shropshire.

Severne.

Terne risith nere Mere Village in Stafordshire. It goeth by Draiton, Ternehil, Besteford and Slepe Villages, and cummith into Severn at Acham Village a ii. Myles from Shrewsbyri. I hard otherwise that hit cam ynto Severn abowt Ternebridge.

Corfe rising in Corvesdale cummith into Teme at Ludlo.

Corvedale plentiful of Corne strecchith from abowt Wenloch to Ludlo.

Ree cummyng by Wenloche.

Roden risith in the Lake of Combremere. After hit it runneth by Whitchirch, a good Market Town, by Lee Village, and Shabiry Village, and at Walcote into Terne. There be very gret Bremes and other good Fischis in Cumbremere.

Evern.

Oney cummith into Teme abowt Bromefeld a Celle to Glocestre.

Harmer Pole a Mile from Shrobbesbyri.

Teme River enterith into the farther Syde of Severne not far from Powik Mile, a Mile and a half beneth Wicester.

The Site and Commodites of the Soile of Shropshire.

Ther be founde in Morisch and Mossy Ground a vii. Miles from Shrobbesbyri, and yn other Places of the Shire, Fyr-

woodde Rootes, and also the hole Trees hewen downe in olde time; but of whom, or for what cause, no Man there can telle. They finde them lying yn the Grounde, sumtime a Foote or ii. depe, sumtime a v. or vi. Foote depe. Many of them be of a greate Lengthe, and withowt Twysxe. Yn brenning they smel welle.

Mortimers Clebyri in Shropshire, a Village and a Parke by Wire Forest, yn the way bytuixt Ludlo and Beudeley.

Cle Hilles be devided ynto 3 Partes.

The Hilles next to Wenlok be caullid the Broune Cle, and ther be Dere.

Sainct Margeretes Cle toward Ludlo.

Theterston Cle betwixt the Forest of Wyre, where is fair Timbre, and Ludlo.

Ledewik Broke springith in Cle Hilles, and renning a vii. Miles goith into Teme at Burforde, wher is the House of the Barony of Burforde longig to Mr. Cornwale.

Cle Hilles begin a iiij. Miles from Tembyri, and strech with-in a iiij. Miles of Wenlok. So that be gesse I cownt them in Lenght an viii. or x. Miles.

In these Hilles risith Rhe River, and at Newton Milles in Wicestreshire a iii. Miles beneth Tembyri cummith into Teme.

The Limites of Shropshire.

Blakemere a very large Parke nye to White-chirche, ys (as I have harde say) yn sum parte a limes betwixte Shropshire and Chestreshire. In the Parke is a fair Maner Place.

Monkbridge, a Mile beneth Tembyri, is (as I ther hard say) a limes to Wicestreshire, Shropshir, and Herfordshire. N.B.

Langfelde Dale.

Strettons Dale.

Syr Richarde Manoring, chefe of that Name, dwellith a iiij. miles be Est from Price Village at a Village caullid Hightfelde, having a Parke and greate Plenty of Wood about hym.

Sandford dwellith at Sanforde, wher is onely his Place and a Parke, iii. Miles be South from Whitechirch.

Newport dwellith at a place caullid Archaulde. It stondith betwixt Roden and Terne Rivers toward their Mouthes.

Syr John Talbot dwellith a xvi. Miles from Shrewsbyri in the way to London toward Hampton Village. His Howse stondith in a Parke called Pepper Hill.

The Hedde Howse of the Chorletons now is Appley, half a Mile from Welington Market, a Mile from the Wreken Hilles. Howbeit Chorleton Castel semith in time past to have bene the principal. Ther be divers of the Chorletons Gentilmen of Shropshire.

Appley a
Manor
Place.

Chorleton of Chorleton Castel married the Heyre of the Lorde Powis, and Gray. Sins Lorde Poys married Chorleton's Heyre. Arture Newton hath almost made away al his Landes.

Yerne is made yn certen Places of Shropshire, and especially yn the Woodes betwixte Belvoys and Wenloke.

Colys be diggid hard by Ombridge, where the Priory was.—Vol. VII., p. 20—25.

Buldewas in Shropshir apon the right Banke of Severn hard by it. It is 7. Mils from Shrobbesbyri.—Vol. VIII., p. 36.

The chefe of the Lord Chorletons Founders of the Grey Freres in Shrobbesbirie.—Vol. VIII., p. 56.

Byshops Castle a 23. Miles by North North West from Hereford in Shropshire. It is xii. Miles from Shrowsbirie.—Vol. VIII., p. 57.

Edwinus, vir potens in finibus Ledburie & montibus Gomerici, liberatus a paralyti dedit Ledburiam eccl. Herefordensi. Ledburie North & Bishops Castell idem manerium, & in antiquis chartis nominatio est castri de Ledburie.—Vol. VIII., p. 59.

Cle Hills.

Cle Hills be holy in Shropshire. Tende River dividethe them from sune Parte of Worcestershire, but from Shropshire by the more Parte of the Ripe.

No great Plenty of Wood in Cle Hills, yet ther is sufficient Brushe Wood. Plenty of Cole Yerth Stone nether exceidinge good for Lyme, whereof there they make muche and serve the Contre about. Cle Hills cum within a 3. good Myles of Ludlow. The Village of Clebyri standythe in the Rootes by Est of Cle Hills 7. Myles from Ludlow in the Way to Beaufeley. There was a Castle in Cleberie nighe the Church by Northe. The Plote is yet cawled The Castell Dike. There be no Market Townes in Cle Hills.

The highest Parte of Cle Hills is cawlyd Tyderstone. In it is a fayre playne Grene, and a Fountayne in it. There is another Hill a 3. Miles distaunt from it caulyd The Browne Cle. There is a Chace for Deare. Ther is another cawlyd Caderton's Cle, and ther be many Hethe Cokks, and a Broket, caulyd Mille Brokcet, springthe in it, and astar goithe into a Broket cauled Rhe, and Rhe into Tende by neth Tende Bridge. There be some Blo Shopps to make Yren apon the Ripes or Bankes of Mylbroke, comynge out of Caderton Cle or Casset Wood.—Vol. VIII., p. 61, 62.

Et pars de Shrobbeshir usque ad med: Tam flu: prope oppidum Shrobbesbyri: & foresta de Dene in com: Glocestriae,

Castellum Richardi a 2. Miles from Ludlow by Sowthe, where is a Paroche Church of the same Name by it. The Castle standythe on a Hill. It is about a Myle dim. from the right Ripe of Temde. It was the Lord Vaulx lately. Pope bowght it. Now the Kyng's.—Vol. VIII., p. 63.

William Fitz Alane foundyd Haghemon anno Dom. 1101. the 1. of W. Ruffus. Ther was an Hermitage and a Chapell before the Erectyng of the Abbey. W. Fitz Allyn and his Wyffe, with Richard Fitz Allen and othar, ar ther buried, and Richard Fitz Alan a Child, whiche Child fell, as is sayde, by the Neclygence of his Norice out of hir Armes from the Batlements of the Castle of Shrawardig.

The Abat of Haghmon told me that he hathe hard that the Castell of Acton Burnell or goodly Manor Place, where the Parliament was kepte, was first made by one Burnell a Byshope.

Roder Ryver rysethe, as some say, in a great Poole callyd Hurmer a 6. Myles from Shrobbesbyry by Northe.

Ther yssuythe out of this Pole a Broke, and aftar resortith to an othar Poole callyd Wibbemere, and here, as the moste commune sayenge is, risethe Roden Ryver, that aftar a 6. or 7. Myles Course commythe into Terne a 2. Myles above Terne Bridge.—Vol. VIII., p. 106, 107.

Of Lyche-
fild I have
left out for
Brevity. it
is to small
purpos.

Acton Bur-
nell.
Burnell
episcopus.

SHROPSHIRE COMPOUNDERS.

THE following is taken from a small 8vo. book entitled "A Catalogue of the Lords, Knights, and Gentlemen that have compounded for their Estates. London, printed for Thomas Dring, at the signe of the George in Fleetstreet neare Cliffords Inne. 1655."¹

	£	s.	d.
Allenson, William, of Wem, gent.	80	0	0
Ashton, Edward, of Aldenham, Esq.	2,000	0	0
Acton Walter, Newdenham	3	6	8
Baldwin Charles, Elsieck, Esq.	586	0	0
Butts John, of Ludlow, gent.	3	6	8
Betton, Robert, of Shrewsbury	320	0	0
Benthall, Lawrence, of Benthall	280	0	0
Badewin, Edward, of Dillewbury, Esq. ..	245	0	0
Barns, Thomas, of Low	50	0	0
Betton, Thomas, of Shrewsbury	53	7	6
Billingly, Francis, of Astley, gent	140	0	0

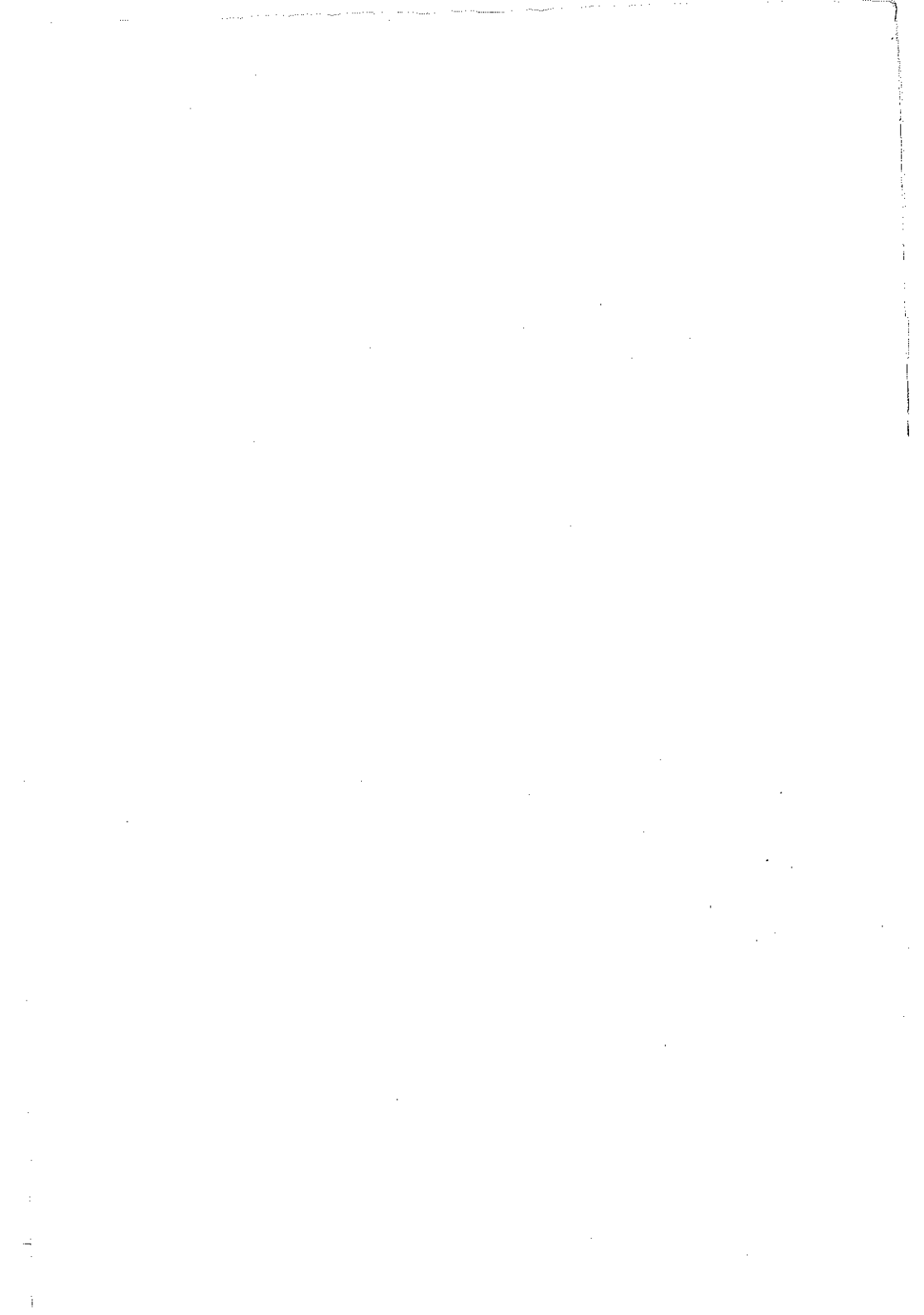
¹ The book is prefaced by the following dedication:—"To those Noble persons that are concern'd, the Stationer humbly dedicates the ensuing Pages.—Protesting that he hath no desire to revive your past misfortunes, or to involve you in new ones: could he harbour a just fear, this black legend should be more gladly sacrificed to the flames, then offered to the world: He knows you too Generous, to gather solace from the sufferings of others, or else, to shew you, that your affliction is not solitary, would be a sufficient excuse to patronize this publication. 'Tis a Melancholly thing to reflect upon crimes, but not alwaies so upon losses, since we may be necessitated to imbrace the last, out of a conscience to evade the first. This book is but an index to a greater volume, such as have been scourged by the times, use to number many such lashes as these: But 'tis not for us of the lowest sphere, to censure or moderate in those intricate contests, which our home-divisions have engendered, our inconsiderableness has redeem'd us from those snaring Enigma's, those Rocks, upon which the greatest Reasons and Estates have dash'd and perished, you your selves best know your own ingagements: But in (*Thesi*) this may be received as a sober truth, that he happilie consults his Treasure, who honestly loses, or piously expends it; yea more, every drop of blood that is shed in a good cause, shall commence a Ruby in heaven.—The meekest of those that serve and honour you,
T. D."

Banch, Henry, of Aldon, yeom. ...	...	676	0	0
Blodwell, John, of Lloyn, Esq. ...	...	105	0	0
Broadhurst, William, of Lilles Hall, Esq. ...	...	26	0	0
Challenger, Thomas, of Shrewsbury ...	...	60	0	0
Corbet, Sir Vincent, of Morton Corbet, Knight and Baronet, with £80 per annum settled ...	...	1,588	13	4
Cherbery, Lord Richard Herbert, of ...	...	1,000	0	0
Crump, Thos. Junior of Ludlow ...	...	1	0	0
Daniel, Richard ...	...	45	0	0
Daves, John, of Coughly, gent. ...	...	75	14	7
Draper, Thomas, of Walton, Esq. (no sum stated) ...	...		
Eyton Robert, Pentree Maddock, Knt. ...	...	83	6	8
Eyton, Sir Thomas, of Eyton, Knight ...	...	976	0	0
Evans, Robert, of Krickheth, gent ...	...	120	0	0
Edwards, Thomas, of Greet, Esq.	2,060	0	0
Edwards, John, of Rorington, gent.	144	12	4
Felton, Will., of The Low	90	0	0
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Frederick Thinn, Sir Henry, of Caus Castle, Knight and Bar., with £200 per annum settled	3,554	0	0
Goodwin Ralph, Ludlow, Esq. ...	...	412	10	0
Gibbs, Richard, of Shrewsbury ...	...	43	0	0
Harding, John, of Shrewsbury, gent. ...	...	50	0	0
Haines, John, of Langdon ...	...	35	5	0
Holland, Thomas, junior, of Bridgenorth ...	...	21	0	0
Harris, Sir Thomas, of Boreatton, Bart., and Dame Ann, the widow of Sir Paul Harris, deceased, delinquents ...	...	1,542	0	0
Ireland, Thomas, of Abington, Esq. ...	...	716	0	0
Jennings Philip, Dudleston, gent.	137	4	6
Jones Edward, of Martins, gent.	74	5	0
Jones, Thomas, of Ludlow	1	0	0
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Lee Sir Richard, of Langly, Knt. and Baronet, with £169 9s. per an. set.	3719	13	4
Lacon Rowland, Kinlet, Esq.	66	0	0
Lacon, James, West Coppies ...	...	554	0	0
Langly, John, of Brosly, gent. ...	...	50	0	0
Lloyd Richard, of Lloyd-Amnain, Esq. ...	...	480	0	0
Lloyd, Ed., of Llanvardo, Esq. ...	...	300	0	0
Morgan, Isaac, of Brickton	50	0	0
Morris, Hugh, of Weston	61	0	0
Moor, Thomas, of Elsemeer	154	7	0
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Newport Earl Mountrig, with £40 per annum settled upon the minister...	4179	0	0
Oakely, Richard, of Oakely, Esq.	... ..	460	0	0
Ottley, Sir Francis, of Pitchford ...	... ..	1,200	0	0
Owen, William, of Pontesbury, gent.	... ..	150	0	0
Owen, Pontesbury, of Eaton Moscot, Esq.	... ..	601	14	0
Owen, Roger, of Shrewsbury, Esq.	... ..	700	0	0
Owen, Sir William, of Candore, Knight	... ..	314	0	0
Owen, William, of Porkington, Esq.	... ..	414	6	8
Owen, Richard, of Shrewsbury, gent., with £10 per annum settled	... ..	50	10	0
Owen, Edward, of Condoover, gent.	... ..	207	0	0
Piggot, Thomas, of Chetwin, gent.	... ..	440	0	0
Perse, John, of Westbury, gent. ...	... ..	560	0	0
Prince, Sir Richard, of Shrewsbury, Knight	... ..	750	0	0
Phillips, Richard, of Netly, gent.	... ..	117	0	0
Penn Humphrey, Ashford-carber	... ..	197	0	0
Screven Richard of Frodgly, Esq.	... ..	117	0	0
Smaleman Robert Wildertop, Esq.	... ..	140	0	0
Scot, Richard, of Shrewsbury	... ..	28	0	0
Scot, John, of Shrewsbury	... ..	23	0	0
Smith, Francis, of Burton	... ..	28	0	0
Stanley, Edward, of Cocking, gent.	... ..	182	0	0
Sandford, Francis, of Sandford, Esq.	... ..	459	0	0
Tournay, Timothy, of Bold, Esq., with £30 per annum settled	... ..	692	0	0
Thornes, Francis, of Shelooock, Esq.	... ..	720	0	0
Talbot Sir John Salop Lancaster, Knight	... ..	444	0	0
Wolridge Sir Thomas, Dudmaston	... ..	780	14	0
Wallascot Katharine widow of William	... ..	178	0	0
Weld Sir John senior of Willy	... ..	1121	18	4
Weld Sir John junior of Willy, Knight	... ..	757	2	0
Whitmore Sir Thomas Apley	... ..	5000	0	0
Walcot, Humphrey, of Pointon, Esq., with £80 per annum settled	... ..	500	0	0
Waring, Walter, of Oldbury, Esq.	... ..	511	0	0
Young, John, of Plymley, gent.	... ..	200	0	0

The spelling and punctuation of the above have been carefully copied from the original. Readers must make corrections for themselves.

A. R.





OSWESTRY ECCLESIASTICAL HISTORY.

BY ASKEW ROBERTS, CROESWYLAN.

THE OLD CHAPEL.

HAVING completed a sketch of the history of the "Old Church," I am desirous to follow it with a similar history of the "Old Chapel," so that our record of the ecclesiastical history of Oswestry may be complete.

The "Old Chapel," in one form or another, has existed in Arthur Street since the year 1691-2, but Nonconformity was established in the district at an earlier period. In 1662 the Rev. Rowland Nevet, M.A., was ejected from the living of Oswestry by the Act of Uniformity. He had been vicar of the parish for twelve years, and a clergyman of the Church of England for twenty-seven. When ejected, he removed to Sweeney, where he preached, and formed a Congregational Church. But there were Nonconformists in the district at an earlier period still, and memorials of them exist in front of the mansion at Sweeney, the residence of Stanley Leighton, Esq., M.P. These old grave stones are, some of them, legible, and the following inscription may be read :—

Here lyeth the body of A blessed saint
exercised all her dayes in mortification, &c.
Self-denial strong loves to God and the
most spiritual saints zeal to his glory
and the most tender to her husband
honest Jane y^e wife of Ambrose Mostin
deceased July 26th 1651

Witness Walter Cradock with all
the saints that knew her.

There is a reference to this lady in Calamy's *Non-conformists' Memorial*. Her husband was vicar of

Wrexham before the Restoration, and was a son of Dr. Mostyn, of Greenfield, in Flintshire. She was the daughter of Sir E. Broughton, Bart. Another inscription preserved relates to a lady of whom we have no record :—

Here lyeth Mrs. Abigail Chetwood, daughter to Sir Richard Chetwood, who died the 1st of May, 1658.

Burials also took place after Mr. Nevet formed the Congregational Church at Sweeney, and the record of one of these remains, as follows :—"Thomas Baker, Esq., deceased Mar. 19, aged 68, A. D. 1675."

Mr. Baker, who was owner of the mansion at Sweeney, served the office of High Sheriff of the County in 1649, the first year of the Protectorate : and in the Parliament of 1653 he was summoned by Cromwell, with John Brown, of Little Ness, as a Knight of the Shire.¹

Mr. Nevet was born at Hodnet in 1609, educated at Shrewsbury School and Edmund Hall, Oxford, taking his degree of A.M. in 1634. In the following year he was ordained, and became vicar of Stanton, Shropshire,

¹ "Thomas Baker was noe comely person of body, nor of great parts, and litle education, butt hee was very rich in lands, woods, money and goods. . . . How bee it he maryed with a lovely gentlewoman of a masculine spirit and noe meane beauty ; I saw noe inducement that shee had to marry him, save his riches. Her name was Elizabeth, and her maiden name was Fenwicke ; shee was descended of a good family, and well educated. Judge Mackworth married her sister. Shee had a brother that was a Collonell in the Parliament Army, a comely proper Gentleman. Hee was sometime Governor of a small Garrison in the Castle att Moreton Corbett, which he fortyfyed with a mudde wall, and there manfully withstood a sharpe assault of his enimyces. . . . Mr. Thomas Baker erected a faire house in Sweeney, a handsome pile of Building, the contriver's name was Baker, hee was a disbanded captaine. I have heard Mr. Baker say it was whooly built in sixteen weeks. . . . Thomas Browne, the eldest son of John Browne, of Little Nesse (Mr. Baker's oracle), marryed with my Cozen, Mary Gough, eldest daughter of my uncle, John Gough, of Besford, halfe brother to old Thomas Baker, and had a son by her, named Thomas Browne, and this young man Mr. Baker made choice of to bee his heire."—(Gough's *Antiquities of Myddle*, published by Adnitt and Naunton).

"where he continued many years, with great success in his ministry. When he was single he kept house, judging that more for the furtherance of his work among his people, than to table. After the war he removed to Oswestry." After his ejection he lived thirteen years as minister of the Nonconformist congregation at Sweeney, and he died "in his house near Oswestry, Dec. 8, 1675, and was buried at Morton Chapel." Dr. Calamy says¹ that when "the plague prevailed in Oswestry Mr. Nevet still continued with his people; and it was an opportunity of doing much good." What particular form of epidemic this refers to, or its precise date, I am not able to say, as our local histories are silent on the question. When Mr. Nevet died, Philip Henry "preached his funeral sermon at Sweeney, on 2 Peter i. 14."²

The same 'Act' that caused Mr. Nevet to retire from the vicarage of Oswestry also silenced Mr. Timothy Thomas, the incumbent of Morton, a hamlet in the immediate vicinity of Sweeney, in the church of which Mr. Nevet was buried. According to Dr. Calamy, Mr. Thomas, jointly with Mr. Nevet, acted in the capacity of chaplain to Mrs. Baker, the widow of the M.P. whose tomb-stone still exists in front of Sweeney Hall. Mr. Thomas died in 1676, about twelve months after the decease of Mr. Baker, and three or four months after the death of Mr. Nevet. In the *Life of James Owen*³ we are told that,

In November 1676, he had a Call to Swiney, near Oswestree in Shropshire, where he liv'd with great Acceptance, in the Quality of Chaplain to Madam Baker, a Person of eminent and exact Piety; and ministred in Holy Things to a Congregation

¹ *Nonconformists' Memorial*, Palmer's edition, Vol. III., p. 149.

² In a list of "New Elected Burgesses" in 1674, amongst the Oswestry Corporation Records, the following occurs:—"Recv'd of Rowland Nevitt, of Weston, clerk, 6s. 8d." This was the first year of Charles the Second's Charter.

³ London, printed for John Lawrence, at the Angel in the Poultry, 1709.

of serious People in and about *Oswestree*, who had for 30 Years enjoy'd the Labours of that worthy Minister of Christ, *Mr. Rowland Nevet*.

This Church of Congregational Dissenters worshipped at *Sweeney* until the year 1691-2, when for convenience a removal was made to *Oswestry*. But previously to its removal, events took place that are deserving a record. On the 27th Dec., 1681, *William Lloyd*, Bishop of *St. Asaph* (1680—1692), sought to annihilate Nonconformity in his diocese by argument. Again to quote *Owen's Life* :—

That Excellent and Learned Prelate, being a declared Enemy to Persecution, studied to reduce the Dissenters in his Diocese, by mild and Christian Methods ; He visited the most considerable Towns within his Episcopal Care, and by Dint of Argument endeavour'd to remove the Scruples of all those who dissented from the National Establishment.

His Lordship after some private Conferences with *Mr. Owen*, order'd him to give his Attendance at the Publick Hall of *Oswestree*, and there produce his Reasons why he Preach'd without Ordination by Diocesan Bishops. The Warning was short, for he had not above Four or Five Days to prepare, yet had no Reason to be asham'd of the Consequence.

His Lordship having directed him to procure what other Ministers he pleas'd to assist at the Conference, *Mr. Owen* fixed upon the Reverend *Mr. Philip Henry*, of *Broad oake*, and *Mr. Jonathan Roberts* of *Slainvair* (sic) in *Denbighshire*, both educated at *Oxford*, and turn'd out of the Church by the Act of Uniformity, 1662.

Mr. Henry was a Gentleman of Excessive Modesty, yet would not forsake *Mr. Owen* at so critical a Juncture ; He manag'd his part with a prudent and primitive Temper, with such Mildness and forcible Reasons, as recommended him to the high Esteem of my Lord the Bishop, and the Company.

Mr. Roberts was an excellent Scholar and a warm Disputant ; a truly upright Man, an *Israelite indeed* for Plainness and Integrity.

The Bishop brought with him the Learned *Mr. Henry Dodwel* ; whose Judgment I presume was not so much dis-temper'd then, as it has since appeared to be, by his late Writings ; else the Reverend Prelate would not have been so unequally yok'd.

It may interest some readers to know that the “ warm

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disputant" Mr. Roberts was the innocent cause of something like a row that broke up the Conference. Sir J. B. Williams, in his edition of the *Life of Philip Henry*, gives a record, which says :—

The Conference broke off a little abruptly. The bishop and Mr. Henry being somewhat close at an argument, in the recapitulation of what had been discoursed of, Mr. Jonathan Roberts whispered to Mr. Henry, "Pray let my lord have the last word;" which, a justice of peace upon the bench over-hearing, presently replied :—"You say, 'My lord shall have the last word;' but he shall not, for I will;—we thank God, we have the sword of power in our hands; and, by the grace of God, we will keep it; and it shall not rust; and I hope every lawful magistrate will do as I do. And, look to yourselves, gentlemen, by the grace of God, I will root you out of the country." To which a forward man in the crowd said, "Amen! Throw them down stairs!" This the Bishop heard with silence, but the Mayor of the town took order for their safety.¹

A small printed handbill is preserved in the Bodleian Library (*Wood*, 276a, fol. 142), which professes to be written by "J. M.," of Oswestry, to the celebrated Richard Baxter, in London, relative to the treatment the widow of Mr. Baker received at the hands of the preachers. This letter bears date only three months earlier than the discussion with Bishop Lloyd just referred to, and by its imprint ("*London*: printed for *Al. Banks*, 1681") it would appear that (although the writer called himself a friend, and wrote to a leader of the Nonconformists), there was somebody who thought the scandal ought not to die, and so got, what purports to be a private letter, published probably as soon as it was written: that is, if it was ever sent to Mr. Baxter at all. It is headed "A Letter from a Friend in Shropshire to his Countryman Mr. Richard Baxter, in London." And is as follows :—

"Being well assur'd of the respect you bear to mankind in general, and particularly those of your Native-Country, I

¹ Probably the ninth Mayor elected in Oswestry. His name was Peter Griffiths. Records of the discussion are preserved in the *Lives of Owen and of Henry*.

presume to trouble your Reverence with the perusing of these lines, being mostly matter of Fact, as it is acted by one Mr. *Hugh P—* and Mr. *Philip ap R—* Preachers of an Independent Congregation at *Swiny* in this parish, at Mrs. *Bakers*, in which you may easily observe how some men corrupt the word, and what kind of gain they make by the pretence of *Godliness*. Had I known the particular Resident at *London* for this part of *England* I would have forbore this trouble to your self; but presuming you may have some knowledge of him, I desire, at your first conveniency, to communicate this with what you shall think fit further to be done in the Affair, as your Reverence's Wisdom shall find most expedient. The Case is, Mrs. *Baker* before-named was left by her Husband [Thomas] *Baker* (one whom you know to be an honest man, and active in the late Reformation) in possession of an acquir'd Estate, to the value of £500 *per annum* well stock'd, and generally believed to be a money'd man. The said Preachers, with one Mr. *M—* of *Shrewsbury*, a Person for his Integrity well known to all the Gentlemen in the County, were deputed Trustees for the securing of the said Estate according to the Will of the Donor, his chiefest care being to prevent any Claim his Nephew Mr. *John Lloyd* might make to it, for that his said Nephew was a frequenter of the Parish-Church all his life-time, &c., and did not partake of the benefits he might have made by Dissenting in that particular. But so it is, the Testator has been dead about four years, and our good woman before-nam'd has enjoy'd the Estate, and has not in any thing slackn'd her hand wherein she might serve the *cause*; for doing of which the more effectually, she converts the Hall of her Mansion-House to a very convenient *Meeting-place*, and furnish'd it with a *Pulpit*, and all necessary Pews and Seats for accommodating of the Auditory, which was very numerous; for the Word was preach'd as well in Welsh as in English; Mr. *P—* performing the first part; and of both Nations there was generally a great appearance.

"It is to be considered in our remote parts, and especially in Villages, there is not Conveniences for accommodating of People with necessary Provisions, when so far from their homes; to supply which, the good Woman (out of her own Purse) relieved all persons according to their Qualities, which you may reasonably guess cost Money; and 'tis now more than suspected that she has disbursed above £2,000 besides the yearly In-come; for that was very insignificant to the pressing occasions of the congregation; and indeed (to give

some of 'em their just commendation) they were not wanting at any time to supply the good gentlewoman with such sums of Money as she thought (for the better carrying on of the Work) she might stand in need of; and for security, they were so much her true Friends that they never refus'd the meanest Servant in the House; by which kindness they the more easier effected their ends; as you shall presently understand.

"The good Woman being intangled, as you have seen, and now hardly is Mistress of anything she us'd to call her own, she laid it a little too near her heart, and was very much afflicted with melancholly, and by the care of her Trustees she was conveyed to *Shrewsbury*, for the better recovery of her health, and in the meantime the Estate is seiz'd by the said Preachers for the use of the Creditors; which was done so effectually, that all, or most of the poor Servants being engaged with their Mistress, fled, for fear of the storm coming upon themselves, and left the booty to any that would take it.

"Mr. *P*—— and Mr. *ap R*—— having now preach'd themselves from the Hall to every individual Room in the House, and in full possession of the whole, it's observ'd that the usual care was taken on the Congregation is somewhat abated, and the numbers begin to lessen, not only in the *Weekly-Meetings*, but in the *Great and Monthly Meeting*, which was celebrated with *breaking of Bread in the evening, after a good Dinner at noon*; the defect of the latter does seem much to impair the use of the former; to prevent such an evil, will take up some time and cost.

"And now, my good Country-man, as I have always heard a very good report of your Justice and Integrity, and your willingness to imploy your self upon all occasions wherein you might serve your Generation in any honourable undertaking, let me desire you to consider the sighs of the poor abus'd Widow, and find some expedient that she may be restor'd to her House and Estate; for in all probability that may be the only effectual way of a certain Cure; for so great a burden is too hard for one shoulder, (as appears by our object;) but if laid upon the whole, it will not only cure a Distemper in her, but in many hundreds, who (it's fear'd) are infected, more or less, with the spoils of a devour'd Widows House; And if by your *spiritual Comforts* to the poor Woman you are successful, no doubt but it will be an acceptable piece of Service, and a much greater to God and the whole Kingdom, if your fatherly Admonitions against such Practices, there shall be no occasion for the future to make any Complaints of this kind.

My service to the Brethren, but more especially to your self :
I am a hearty well-wisher, and your Country-man.

"Oswalstree in the County of

"J.M."

"Salop, July 20, 1681.

I suppose two centuries ago, as in the present age, there was sometimes "a lying spirit abroad"; and it is fortunate for the reputation of the early Nonconformists of Oswestry that evidence exists which goes to prove that this anonymous writer either took his facts by hearsay or invented them. First of all, as to Mrs. Baker's financial difficulties. Gough, in his quaint *History of Myddle*, previously quoted, plainly shows that these difficulties arose in Mr. Baker's time, and arose from many causes :—

Hee had spent all the money that his father had left him, and, haveing noe child, hee began to consider of an heire to his estate, and first he designed his sister's son, and to that end sent him to Oxford to learne University readeing; butt hee proved extravagant, and gott much into debt, and profited nothing in learning, and therefore the uncle payd his debts and cast him off. When hee came home hee marryed a wife of noe fortune, and hardly a good name, and this alienated Mr. Baker's affection whoaly from him.

Let me observe, in passing, that this passage gives a flat contradiction to another assertion in the letter; viz., that Mr. Baker disinherited his nephew because he was a frequenter of the Parish Church. To continue Gough's narrative :—

I have not heard that Mr. Baker sold any lands, but hee had contracted much debt, and therefore hee ordered some lands to be sold after his death for the payment of debts, which was accordingly done by Mrs. Baker (for shee survived him). The rest descended to my Cozen, Thomas Browne the yonger, which was Sweeney Hall, and the demeanes, lands in Weston Rin, and houses in Oswaldstre.

Had such difficulties arisen in Mrs. Baker's affairs as those referred to in the letter of "J. M.," Gough must have known of them, and so garrulous a chronicler would have been sure to give full details. The Nonconformists had plenty of enemies, and on a very slight

rumour there would be no lack of accusers ready to found a very formidable impeachment. Open-house was probably observed at Sweeney when the congregation met for worship, and the necessities of the poorer sort were relieved by the owner of the mansion, but this practice could scarcely be termed "devouring the spoils of the widow," and it was observed in Mr. Baker's time. Again to quote Gough :—

Hee was a great patron and benefactor to all Independent preachers, such as Vavasor Powell,¹ who commonly preached every day in the weeke. I have heard him pray and preach four houres together in the dineing roome at Sweeney, where many persons came to heare him; and when the people departed they had everyone a quarter of a twopenny bun or cake, and everyone a glass of beere, of about halfe a pint. And to say the truth of Mr. Baker hee kept good hospitality, and was very charitable to the poore. He seldome changed his servants butt when they marryed away without a reward; butt all this was thought to bee done by the direction of Mrs. Baker.

So much for Mrs. Baker's difficulties and Mr. Baker's bigotry. I have already stated that Mr. James Owen supplied the office of chaplain rendered vacant by the deaths of Mr. Nevet and Mr. Thomas, and I have also said that the congregation removed to Oswestry in 1691-2. This would be ten years after the letter to Baxter was written. And if, in 1681, Mr. Owen was chaplain to Mrs. Baker and minister of the congregation, who were "Hugh P——, and Philip ap R——, the preachers of an Independent Congregation at Swiney," who sought to "devour the widow?" The discussion with Bishop Lloyd was held only two months after the letter was written, yet we do not find Mr. Owen seeking their aid, which it is only reasonable to suppose he would have done had any such "preachers" existed; and it seems to the last degree improbable

¹ "Vavasor Powell, the Apostle of Wales, spent eleven years following the Restoration in prison, at Shrewsbury, Southsea, and at Cardiff."—(*Green's Short History of the English People.*)

that any "friend of 'the Cause'" (as "J. M." professes to be) would write a letter such as this, and also have it printed.

The migration of the Independent Church in 1691-2 was to Arthur Street; a room in a house where the Butchers' Arms now stands being the place first opened for worship. There is no record as to the original terms on which this property was taken, but amongst the Chapel documents there is one, dated 1695, endorsed—"Ye Chappel lease for 21 years," by which Mr. Charles Noden of London, merchant, on the one side, and Edward Rogers of Oswestry, butcher, on the other, agree to a lease of the premises, which are described as being "in a certaine streete there called Wolliw Streete," then in the possession of Edward Gryffithes and Edward Rogers, at the yearly rental of £2. On the expiration of this lease, the rent seems to have been raised to £3, but soon after the parties interested purchased the property, and spent some money on it, as the following curious document will show :—

Accompts of James Felton whatt hee Layd out for all sorts of Timber work & wagis for ye repairing of meeting house				
July 29, 1715	payd yong' Willoughby Samuel Phillips, Mr. Barnett for Taking down ye pulpit & ye seats of new loft	...	...	0 3 0
	p'd John Edwards & his brother for carrying in ye stable	...	...	0 1 6
August 13	p'd John Hughes smyth for iron work...	...	...	0 6 5
	p'd Mr. Phillips for 3 days work	...	...	0 4 0
	p'd Mr. Barnett for 3 days work	...	...	0 3 6
20	p'd Mr. Barnett for 6 days work	...	...	0 7 0
	p'd Mr. Phillips for 6 days work	...	...	0 8 0
	p'd Mr. Ridgway for 5 days work	...	...	0 7 6
	p'd Mr. Willoughby A new Lock stapels & Setting up ye dore	...	...	0 3 0
27	p'd david ye plasterer for 4 days work	...	...	0 3 0
	p'd Mr. Barnett for 6 days work	...	...	0 7 0
	p'd Mr. Phillips for 5 days work & halfe	...	...	0 7 6
	p'd Mr. Ridgway 6 days work	...	...	0 9 0

	p'd Mr. Barnett's daughter for sewyeing	...	0	0	3
30	p'd Mr. Jenkin Evans widow for Altring...2 new	...	0	7	6
	p'd for 3 Loades of Lime	...	0	1	9
September 6	p'd Thomas Turner for Glazin' ye windows	...	0	4	6
10	p'd david ye plasterer for 6 days work	...	0	5	6
	p'd Mr. Ridgway for 11 days work	...	0	16	6
17	p'd Mr. Ridgway for 4 days work	...	0	6	0
	p'd Mr. Willoughby for iron work hingis & nayles	...	0	9	0
	p'd Margrett Williams for boards	...	0	2	3
	p'd Thomas Edwards for nayles	...	0	7	5
	p'd M's Mary Edwards for nayles	...	0	6	4
	p'd Robart Mathews for Boards	...	0	8	10
	p'd Jane Pritchard for Boards	...	0	4	0
21	p'd David ye plasterer for 3 days & half work...	...	0	2	9
	p'd Thomas Turner for Glazing	...	0	16	5
	p'd Edward Edwards for Glazing	...	0	13	0
22	p'd Mr. Nathaniel Edwards for his journey to Sallop & chargis	...	1	8	6
23	p'd John Burgis for A peece of timber	...	0	1	6
30	p'd John Owen for Bricks	...	0	1	9
	p'd John Vaughan for A peece of Timber	...	0	1	0
	p'd Thomas Turner for Glazin'	...	0	4	9
	p'd Edward Edwards for Glazin'	...	0	4	4
	p'd Mr. Richard Thomas for Timber and bords	...	1	10	0
October 3	p'd Mr. Edward Rogers for bords and other things	...	0	18	0
	p'd Thomas Willoughby for work & nayles to ye window hing's	...	0	1	6
November	Edward Roberts for Alle ye Constables had for Tending the house	...	0	3	4
	Mrs. Lus'd Jones for A Table mending of itt	...	0	7	8
	for a small stole [stool] in ye pulpitt	...	0	1	0
	for Simon Roberts his Caring & Tending ye work att ye house	...	0		
	payd Mr. Edward Kinaston by Mr. Nathaniel Edwards order from London the sum of	...	3	2	8
	att ye Returning of ye Tenants ord'r to us & finding out ye seat yt was in Church spent...	...	0	1	8
	for interest to Mrs. Evans for halfe A year for 50£	...	1	5	0
	for interest of 50£ of Mr. James Owen since November	...	1	5	0

March 25th, 1716 this accounte was allowed
by ye congregation Mr. ffelton discharging ye
interest accruing at May [next]

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Mr. Owen¹ left Oswestry in the year 1700, and it would seem by his memoir that the Nonconformists of Shropshire were at that time Presbyterian, rather than Independent, in their form of Church government, for Mr. Owen says, in a letter to his brother, written in 1699, "There was a meeting of our county ministers who unanimously declared for my removal to Salop, which I have, after many thoughts at length resolved on, it being a public post, and near the Welsh country, as also to Oswestry and Wrexham, which are very uneasy at the thoughts of my leaving them, especially poor Oswestry, who keep themselves within no bounds of sorrowing. . . ." Mr. Owen, when his connec-

¹ The Rev. Canon Williams, rector of Culmington, in his *Dictionary of Eminent Welshmen*, gives a memoir of Mr. Owen. "He was born at Bryn, in the parish of Abernant, Carmarthenshire, in 1654. He joined the Dissenters when young, and began to preach among them at Swansea. He afterwards removed to Bodvil, Carnarvonshire. In 1679 he married [*Mrs. Sarah George of Oswestree*, in *Oswestree Church*. She was a gentlewoman of very great Seriousness and Solidity.] As a scholar he stood high in the estimation of his learned contemporaries, for besides an accurate knowledge of the Latin, Greek, and Hebrew, he is said to have been no mean proficient in the Arabic, Syriac, Saxon, and French languages. In divinity and ecclesiastical history, as well as logic, and other arts and sciences, he had confessedly attained to eminence. Being thus distinguished for so many literary endowments, he was eminently qualified to be placed at the head of one of those academical institutions where the Dissenters have their young men educated for the ministry. For this purpose he removed from Oswestry to Shrewsbury in 1700, and he continued there during the remainder of his life, discharging his duties with great ability, and to the entire satisfaction of all that were concerned. He died Apr. 8, 1706, at the age of 52, and was buried at St. Chad's Church," Mr. Williams also enumerates several works that were written by Mr. Owen; and gives some details in his career which space forbids my transcribing. The Rev. James Owen was thrice married. His second wife, to whom he was united in 1693, was the widow of Alderman R. Edwards of Oswestry. She died in 1699. In 1700 Mr. Owen was married to his third wife, the widow of Mr. John Hough "citizen of *Chester*, and daughter to *John Wynne* of *Copertenny* in *Flintshire*, Esq.; and sister to the present worthy gentleman of that name" (*Owen's Life*, p. 86).

tion with the Oswestry congregation was closed, did not forget the people, for he conveyed to "Thomas Hunt of Boreatton, Esq.,¹ Lazarus Jones² of Shrewsbury, gent., Peter Griffiths of Llanvyllin, gent., John Wynne of Wrexham, gent., Thomas Davies of Shrewsbury, gent., Nathaniel Thomas of Felton, gent., Nathaniel Edwards of Oswestry, gent., Timothy Edwards of Rhydy croese, gent., James Felton of Oswestry, brazier, and Edward Rogers of Oswestry, butcher," property valued at £53, which "adjoyning all together in length extend from the brooke running down a certain street in Oswestry called Williw street to the walls of the said towne and lay in breadth between the lands of John Blodwel, Esq., and William Tomkies on the one side and the lands late of Morris Davies on the other side." The trustees were to pay out of the rents £3 annually interest to "charitable uses—that is to say unto such minister or ministers who do or shall at any time hereafter belong to the protestant dissenting congregation in Oswestry of which Mr. James Owen was late minister and Mr. Jenkin Evans is now p'sent minister." The trustees of the meeting-house also borrowed a sum of £50 to enable them to acquire some cottage property adjoining Mr. Owen's property, for which they paid £2 10s. 0d. per annum interest, as will be seen by the account I have transcribed.

There was also another bequest in Mr. Owen's time, the donor being Dr. Hugh Price, which consisted of a ground rent of £3 per annum for one thousand

¹ This was the son of Col. Hunt of Shrewsbury, M.P. for Shrewsbury in the Parliament of the Commonwealth. He married, May 22, 1701, the daughter of Sir Edward Ward, Lord Chief Baron. The late Right Hon. George Ward Hunt, Lord of the Admiralty, was descended from him. He was an attached friend of the Rev. James Owen's, and the life of the latter, published in 1709, was dedicated to him. Mr. Hunt and his son, as will be seen further on, were both of them trustees of the first chapel built in Oswestry.

² Lazarus Jones was, I believe, an ancestor, on the female side, of the Venableses of Woodhill.

years, on property called Cae Rayles. The following is the clause in the will relating to it :—

Item. I have given & bequeathed after the death of my present wife Mary the sume of $3\frac{1}{2}$ to be raysed yearly from certayne landes menc'ned in a deed made to Mr. James Owen & Mr. Lazarus Jones towards encouraging of a prayerfull Mynister in Oswestrey afores'd according to the contents of that deed whereunto relac'on being had it doth & may more fully appeare.

The houses now known as Union Place, in Beatrice street, stand on this property.¹

The date of the deed conveying property to the Oswestry Nonconformist Church on the part of Mr. Owen is 6 Feb. 1700, and as it mentions the name of a new minister Mr. Owen's place must soon have been supplied. Very little has come down to us respecting the Rev. Jenkin Evans, but the following high testimony regarding him is recorded by Matthew Henry :—"He was a good worthy minister and an excellent man. He was much beloved in Oswestry and did good there and in the country about." Whilst Mr. Evans was minister a deed was prepared under the provisions of which the Rev. James Owen and others who had left Oswestry made over their interest in pews and sittings in the chapel to their successors ; from which it would appear that the place for worship was a joint stock affair belonging to the few who occupied pews in it.

This "Deed for ye Seats in ye Chappel" is dated 1701, and the parties signing it are James Owen of

¹ Cae Rayles was conveyed from "Hugh Price of Ridge to Thomas Hunt of Boreatton, esq., James Owen of Shrewsbury, clerk, Lazarus Jones of Shrewsbury gent, Peter Griffiths of Llanvylling gent, John Wynn of Wrexham gent, Thomas Davies of Shrewsbury gent, James ffelton of Oswestry brazier, Edward Rogers of Oswestry butcher, and Timothy George of Oswestry grocer, to pay $3\frac{1}{2}$ a year to the Dissenting minister at Oswestry. Dated 26 Oct. 1700." The houses called "Union Place," were (says a writer in *Bye-gones*, July 28, 1880), built by the party who looked after the roads at the time of the Union with Ireland: a notable event in Oswestry, so largely did it increase the coaching traffic.

Shrewsbury, John Griffiths, Lazarus Jones of ditto, gents. ; James Crawford, Shrewsbury, linen draper ; Hugh Price, Oswestry, gent., Timothy George, Oswestry, mercer, Joseph Jones and Edward Rogers : the latter however did not attach his name until 1716, and there is space left in it for other names. The signature of the Rev. James Owen is witnessed by the Rev. Francis Tallents, the clergyman ejected by the Act of Uniformity from St. Mary's, Shrewsbury.

In an old copy of Baxter's works, there is the following in the autograph of Jenkin Evans :—"A Paragraph out of Sir Henry Ashhurst¹ Bart his Letter to me Jan. 20, 1707, 'I do intend to give you Mr. Baxter's Four great Volumes, *for your life & your sons* after you, if Dissenting min^r (or min^{rs}) but if not, I will give 'em to the Dissenting min^r of Oswestry in Time to come.' Accordingly this sett was sent me JEN: EVANS." Mr. Evans died in 1709, in his 35th year. Matthew Henry came to Oswestry to preach his "funeral sermon." It is said that Mr. Evans translated the whole of Henry's *Scripture Catechism* into Welsh, and that it was at his suggestion Mr. Henry added the texts of Scripture in proof of each reply. Mr. Evans's widow married a Mr. Whitworth, who it is supposed was for a short time minister at Oswestry, but we have no definite record until 1725, when we find the post occupied by the Rev. Joseph Venables, as the following entry in the works of Baxter, previously alluded to, will testify :—"Oswestry, Mar 27, 1725. All ye undermentioned Mr. Evans's sons are now apprentices."² This being the case Mr.

¹ Sir Henry Ashhurst, son of Alderman Ashhurst, was descended from the Ashursts of Ashurst, in Lancashire. He was a steady friend of Richard Baxter's.

² In our Oswestry Corporation Records, amongst the "Burgesses made in the time of Francis Tomkies Esq., Mayor," appears the name of Mr. Jenkin Evans, 19 May, 1702 ; for which privilege he paid £2. The Parish Registers of Oswestry contain records of the Baptism of two or three of Mr. Evans's children.

Venables obtained possession of the book, which, I may say, has been handed down from minister to minister to the present time.

A document is preserved, bearing date 24 May, 1731, in which a sum of £40 is conveyed to the "Trustees of the Protestant Dissenting congregation in Oswestry afores'd called presbyterians, the interest and product thereof to be from thenceforth paid & applyed for and towards the support and maintenance of the preaching ministers of the said congregation." This money was bequeathed by "Lazarus Jones late of Shrewsbury," in 1723. In 1727 there was also a bequest of £200 and sundry articles of plate, from Mrs. Sarah Lloyd; the following being the extract from her will :—

Also I give and bequeath the Sum of Two hundred pounds out of my personal estate to be paid within six months next after my decease without Interest upon the Trustees for the time being of and for the house or building in Oswestry aforesaid where protestants dissenting from the Church of England do usually meet or assemble for religious worship In trust that the said sum of Two hundred pounds shall be by them so soon as conveniently may be after the receipt thereof put forth at Interest and so continued from time to time and that the Interest of the said Two hundred pounds shall be paid yearly for ever to the pastor or teacher of the Congregation of Dissenting Protestants in Oswestry aforesaid for the time being towards the maintenance and for the want of such pastor or teacher to such use and uses as the said trustees for the time being or the Major part of them shall think fit, . . . Likewise I give and bequeath my largest silver tankard and my largest silver caudle cup and my largest silver salver into the custody and keeping of such protestant dissenting pastor or teacher in Oswestry aforesaid and who is or shall be pastor or teacher of the Congregation of Dissenting protestants there of which the Rev. Mr. Joseph Venables is the present pastor for the time being for the use of the said protestant dissenting congregation to be used at the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper thereof.

Mr. Venables's conduct does not seem to have been so consistent as the members of his church could have

desired, and in 1734 a remonstrance was handed to him by John Felton, signed by twenty-one of his fellow-members. Ten years later his conduct was still more unbecoming a minister of religion, and the Trustees sought an "opinion" from Mr. Thomas Hunt, jun., a barrister at Shrewsbury, and the son of the Mr. Hunt of Boreatton, previously mentioned as one of the Trustees of the Chapel. By this time, 1746, the differences between pastor and people had become very great, and included a dispute respecting the disposal of the funds bequeathed in aid of carrying on the services of the meeting-house. Eventually, and chiefly through the instrumentality of Mr. Felton,¹ Mr. Venables was induced to resign his position.

The Rev. Thomas Morgan, who succeeded Mr. Venables, was a man of a very different stamp, and under his ministrations Nonconformity again began to prosper. Up to this time the meeting-house was at the junction of "Street Arthur" and Willow Street, but Mr. Morgan very speedily interested himself in the erection of a chapel. In 1748 a "Building and Malt mill lying in Oswestry near the Castle Hill and then or late in the possession of John Evans," was purchased from "Richard Thornes of Oswestry gentleman." The deed by which this purchase was ratified bears date 1749, and states that Mr. Thornes did covenant with Thomas Morgan to convey the "Baily Malt Mill" with garden attached then in the possession of John Chidloe, to "Thomas Hunt of Boreatton, Esq., Thomas Hunt of Shrewsbury, Esq., Ebenezer Keay of Whit-

¹ In the Old Chapel documents there are the names of three generations of Feltons, all braziers; and the Corporation Records give the name of "James Felton, brazier," as a Town Councillor, nominated in the Charter of Charles II., dated 1674, which office, however, he seems to have declined to serve. Up to a comparatively recent period, the initials "J. F." remained in white pebbles in the pavement before what was once the property of the family, in Bailey Street, now used as a hop warehouse.

church, clerk, Job Orton¹ of Shrewsbury, clerk, John Yates of Whitechurch, mercer, Samuel Harrop of Shrewsbury, brazier, Samuel Bennion of Shrewsbury, grocer, John Felton of Oswestry, brazier, William Evans of Llanfyllin, mercer, John Wright of Wrexham, tanner, Edward Edwards of Oswestry, Chandler, and William Bickerton of Oswestry, gardener." A circular was issued, of which a copy has been preserved, and is as follows :—

To the ministers of Christ, & all other Charitable and well disposed Christians to whom these presents shall come.

WE whose names are under written members of ye Protestant Dissenting Congregation at Oswestry in ye county of Salop do hereby Certify, yt for many years past, we have labour'd under great disadvantages on ye account of ye inconvenience of our present place of Worship, & its being so unhappily situated as to being expos'd to ye noise of Passengers & children in two adjoining streets; and not only so but it is now gone to decay, & ready to fall. We therefore think it would be advisable, & indeed necessary to build another in a more commodious place; & have accordingly purchas'd a spot of ground for yt purpose. The proposed Building together with ye purchase of ye Ground amounts to upwards of £200. And as we are poor, and few in number, we are oblig'd to apply to our Christian friends for assistance; and we hope those who are able will lend us a helping hand to compleat our Design; as we believe it will tend to ye Glory of God & ye support of Religion

¹ An eminent Nonconformist divine, was a native of Shrewsbury, where he received part of his education, which was completed under Dr. Doddridge, at Northampton. On entering into the ministry he became pastor of a congregation at Kidderminster, and afterwards at Shrewsbury. Some years before his death he retired from ministerial duty, and died in 1783, aged sixty-six. Mr. Orton wrote :—1, The life of Dr. Doddridge, which is a very excellent piece of biography; 2, Sermons to the Aged, 12mo.; 3, Sacramental Meditations, 12mo.; 4, Discourses on Practical Subjects, 8vo. After his death was printed his Practical Exposition of the Old Testament, 6 vols. 8vo., and Mr. Stedman, a clergyman at Shrewsbury, published a volume of excellent letters, which show Mr. Orton's piety and liberality of sentiment to great advantage.—*Salisbury's Border Counties Worthies.*

among us; and we doubt not but ye Lord will reward their Labour of Love at the resurrection of ye Just.

Tho. Morgan
John Felton
John Bickerton
John Jackson
Jer: Paye
Wm. Bickerton
Saml: Bickerton
Saml: Jackson
David Price
Edw: Paye
Edwd: Edwards

(In ye name of all ye rest)

We whose names are hereunto subscrib'd Ministers of ye Gospel are well assur'd of ye truth of what is above certified of ye people assembling there; and therefore recommend ye case as highly deserving ye countenance and assistance of our fellow Christians.

Job Orton
Joseph Fownes
Ebenezer Keay
Jen: Jenkins
Joseph Baker

This address was signed by Mr. Morgan and his deacons;¹ and other supporters; the Rev. Job Orton and other ministers appending a recommendation to it. The chapel was duly built, and stood on the same site as the present "Old Chapel" now converted into Sunday School-rooms. It was the first Nonconformist Chapel ever erected in Oswestry,² those of other

¹ Outside the order there is often a very vague notion as to what Nonconformists believe and teach, but this is not the place to go into the question. As regards the Independents—by which name the "Old Chapel" worshippers are now called—they, professing to take only the Bible as their standard and guide, believe with Thomas Cartwright (the Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity at Cambridge in 1570) that "bishop and deacon are the only orders named in Scripture; that the bishop should be the pastor of one congregation, and should be chosen by the church itself." Their deacons are laymen who look after the temporal wants of the church, as the bishop (or elder), or minister does after the spiritual.

² The place spoken of as "now gone to decay," was not generally known as a chapel, and amongst the Corporation documents previous

denominations not having sprung up till many years afterwards.

At the Shropshire Quarter Sessions of July, 1750, it was duly licensed as a place for Nonconformist Worship; the original licence is preserved, and reads as follows :—

“SHROPSHIRE *To Wit,*

“At the General Quarter Sessions of the Peace of our Sovereign Lord the King, held at the Guildhall in Shrewsbury, in and for the County of Salop, on Tuesday in the week next after the Translation of Saint Thomas the Martyr (to wit) the tenth day of July in the twenty-fourth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second, by the Grace of God King of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith and so forth, and in the year of our Lord 1750, before Sir Henry Edwardes and Sir Richard Corbett, Baronets, John Walcot, Richard Lyster, Andrew Hill, Esqs., and others, His Majesty's Justices assigned to keep the peace in this county aforesaid, and also to hear and determine divers Felonies, Trespasses, and other Misdeeds in the said county done and committed, and which are there to be heard and determined.

“It is ordered by this Court that the new Chappel situate in Street Arthur in Oswestry in this county be recorded as a place of religious worship for his Majesty's Protestant subjects dissenting from the Church of England.

“By the Court,

“RICHARD BALDWIN, *Clerk of the Peace for the County of Salop.*”

to this date there is the record of a presentment, at the Quarter Sessions, by the Constables of Willow Street ward of the Overseers of the Highway, “for not repairing the causeway leading from the Molt Mill down to the Meeting-house.” Indeed the term “Chapel” was not general for many years later. In a Description of Salop, “wrote by a Gentleman who had made a tour through the same,” in 1772, it is said of Oswestry that “There are many Dissenters here, and they have a Meeting, where they attend Divine Service according to their own form.” “Going to Meeting” was the common expression of Nonconformists, the addition “House” being discarded as unnecessary. As late as 1808 I have seen an announcement in the *Salopian Journal*, of a sermon preached in the “Swan Hill Meeting, Shrewsbury.” There are some old-fashioned Dissenters who still prefer the name to that of Chapel or Church.

I have not been able to find amongst the Chapel records any documents from this period until some thirty years later, but I believe a chapel-house was added to the new chapel soon after it was built, and that the bequest of Mrs. Lloyd was used towards the expenses incurred in both buildings. The old meeting-house (now the Butchers' Arms) was again converted into a dwelling-house, and the rents of it, and three or four cottages, which had been purchased with previous bequests, were used towards the support of the minister. The history of this period is very scanty. Mr. Morgan resigned his trust when old age crept over him, and was succeeded by a Mr. Dewhurst¹ and he, again, was followed by a Mr. Davies. In 1777 the advent of the Rev. Edward (afterwards Dr.) Williams, gave new life to the Dissenting Community, which from that date began to multiply.

The second century of Nonconformity in Oswestry may be said to commence with the advent of the Rev. Edward Williams, who not only became minister of the Chapel, but established here a College (or "Academy," as they were called in those days) for the training of Dissenting ministers.² Mr. Williams's labours in this direction commenced in 1781, when he received a couple of students at the wish, and the charge, of Lady Glenorchy, and twelve months later the College was removed from Abergavenny to Oswestry,³ the border town being in every respect better

¹ Mr. Dewhurst, who only remained a short time at Oswestry, married a Miss Katharine Bickerton of Glascoed, near Oswestry.

² Mr. Williams (says Canon Williams in his *Eminent Welshmen*) was "born Nov. 14, 1750, at Glanelwyd, near Denbigh. Having, at the age of twenty, decided on entering the Dissenting ministry, he was placed under a private tutor. He was afterwards sent to prosecute his studies at the Dissenters' Academy at Abergavenny." Mr. Gilbert, in his *Life of Williams*, says that "in 1775 he became minister at Ross, from whence he removed to Oswestry in 1777."

³ Mr. Williams was solicited to remove to Abergavenny to become head of the Institution, but declined to do so, giving as a reason, that at Oswestry "the prospect of success was brighter than usual; the people were going to enlarge the meeting-house; and the country around was very destitute of preaching."

for the purpose than the remote one in South Wales. "Oswestry," says Mr. Williams in one of his letters negotiating on the subject, "is a pleasant and healthy spot ; extremely convenient for England and Wales ; where preaching is very much wanted, and desirable openings for it are growing pretty numerous ; while provision and fuel are in plenty, on reasonable terms."

The Rev. Thomas Jones, of Creaton,¹ a somewhat famous Evangelical clergyman, who died in 1845, at the advanced age of 93, was curate of Oswestry in Mr. Williams's time ; and he thus refers to the affairs of the Old Chapel in his Autobiography :—

On the 15th July, 1781, I removed to Oswestry, a market town in Shropshire. The parish contained between six and seven thousand inhabitants, and had been for generations greatly neglected. True religion was at the lowest ebb among them. Hardly any form of godliness was retained, except attendance at church once on the Sabbath. The town was in no way noted for any public vices or gross immoralities ; but in religion it was dead. The Dissenters were neither numerous nor increasing, though Dr. Williams, a truly excellent man, had been there for some years. Here I had two full services on the Sunday, the morning in Welsh, and the afternoon in English, and daily prayers, and much occasional duty ; which I performed with ease, as the Lord had by this time renewed my bodily strength.

As it appears to me my Ministry in those days was of the feeblest kind. I was neither a good Divine nor a good speaker. I knew but little, and was still labouring under a disadvantage owing to the two languages. Even Dr. Williams's young students held my preaching in contempt, because of its artless and plain character. I let them practice what was artificial, while I followed nature ; and in doing so I succeeded better than they did. My voice was good, and my delivery natural, simple, and fervent. . . .

¹ Mr. Jones was curate, respectively, at Leintwardine, Longnor, Oswestry, and Loppington, between the years 1779 and 1785. Of his career in Oswestry, Canon Williams says, "He distinguished himself here by his zeal, and his anxiety to extend amongst his parishioners a feeling of spiritual religion, but his preaching was so unpalatable to the majority that he was deprived of his curacy in 1782."

The effects of my feeble Ministry were certainly very considerable. Though I was nothing, yet the Gospel was proved to be the wisdom of God and the power of God; many were made to feel something of its power. . . . About forty persons joined the Wesleyan Methodists in about a fortnight after I left; and as many the Calvinistic Welsh Methodists; and Dr. Williams's Chapel, which was not nearly filled before, became now more than full; and they found it necessary to enlarge the building very considerably. So the people became Dissenters, and those who drove them away laid this to my charge, when in fact the guilt was all their own.¹

How much was due to Mr. Jones's preaching, it is hard to say, but, as a matter of fact, the Old Chapel was enlarged in 1783 (as was also the Chapel-house, for the better accommodation of students), at a cost of £230; and amongst the donors to the fund for doing this, are attached the names of Nonconformist families long connected with Oswestry, amongst which I find Bickerton, Hilditch, Ireland, Jameson, Holbrooke, Menlove, &c.

It was during the early years of Mr. Williams's residence in Oswestry that the first Sunday School in the town was established; indeed, there is tolerably good testimony that this was commenced the year following the one in which Mr. Raikes established the first Sunday School in England, at Gloucester.

Mr. Williams received his diploma of D.D. from Edinburgh in Dec., 1791, during which month he removed to Birmingham,² and was succeeded in Oswestry

¹ See *Life of the Rev. Thomas Jones*, by the Rev. John Owen, vicar of Thrusington. 1851.

² Dr. Williams became the minister of Carr's Lane Chapel, since made memorable by the ministrations of the Rev. John Angell James, and more recently by those of Mr. R. W. Dale. From Birmingham he removed to Rotherham, in 1795, to take charge of an Independent College at that place, and there he died, in 1813, at the age of sixty-three. He was a prolific author, and his controversies with the Bishop of Lincoln, Belsham the Unitarian, and Booth the Baptist, made some stir in the religious world when they were in progress. Whilst at Oswestry Mr. Williams seems to have been a sort of "Bishop" amongst the Dissenters. There are papers existing which

by the Rev. John Whitridge.¹ During Mr. Whitridge's residence in Oswestry Nonconformity flourished, and he and his congregation were instrumental in benefitting the town in many ways. In a memoir of him, written by the late Mr. Sabine, sen., solicitor, which appeared in the *Evangelical Magazine* in 1827, the writer says :—

Soon after his settling in Oswestry Mr. Whitridge had an opportunity of testifying publicly the loyalty of his principles. It was at the period of the French Revolution. The town was in a violent commotion, and the minds of many of the populace were highly inflamed. At a public meeting held in the Town Hall, for the purpose of adopting measures for quieting the ferment, and of signing a declaration of loyalty and attachment to the Constitution, Mr. Whitridge addressed the meeting, in a speech which was highly and deservedly applauded, and for which he received the unanimous thanks of the assembly.

So important an event did this meeting seem to be to its promoters that the resolutions passed were advertised in the London, Shrewsbury and Chester newspapers.² The Mayor presided, and Mr. Whitridge's speech was highly applauded chiefly, no doubt, be-

show that he had much to do with founding Nonconformist Churches at Ellesmere, Welshpool, and other places ; and in his *Life*, by Gilbert, it is stated that he was the means of commencing Sunday Schools in three or four towns in North Wales.

¹ Mr. Whitridge was a native of Cumberland, and the son of "a statesman" (i.e., "one who cultivates his own land"). The family, by the female line, descended from that of Anne Askew, a descent of which Mr. Whitridge was justly proud. He was educated, for Holy Orders, at St. Bees, but became a Nonconformist. He was, first, minister at Newcastle, in Staffordshire, from which place he removed to Oswestry.

² The following copy of the advertisement is taken from the *General Evening Post* of Jan. 31, 1798 :—

"Oswestry, Dec. 27, 1792.

"At a meeting of the Mayor, Aldermen, and others, Inhabitants of the Town and Neighbourhood of Oswestry, held this day in the Town-hall, "John Mytton, Esq., Mayor, in the Chair.

"THE following Declaration and Resolutions were unanimously agreed to :—
 "That we whose names are subscribed hereto, conscious of the blessings and advantages we enjoy under our present free government, and hearing with concern, that attempts have been made to disseminate seditious principles through various parts of this Kingdom, think it becomes us, at

cause, just then, Nonconformists were little understood. Mr. Whitridge was minister of the Old Chapel upwards of thirty-four years, and died in Oct. 1826. He was buried in a vault underneath the Chapel; the Rev. Peter Edwards of Wem officiating. On the Sunday following the Rev. Thos. Weaver of Shrewsbury preached a funeral sermon at Oswestry from the appropriate text, "So Moses, servant of the Lord, died there."

During Mr. Whitridge's time the Old Chapel was, I believe, twice enlarged. First in 1794 by the erection of a new gallery,¹ and again in 1808 by a considerable addition.

this moment, publicly to pledge ourselves to support, by all the measures in our power, the present most excellent Constitution as established by law, in King, Lords, and Commons; and to profess our sincere and firm attachment to His Majesty's person and family.

"That we will, in our several stations, exert our utmost endeavours to impress on the minds of those connected with us, a respect for the laws; and we will, when found necessary, unite and cheerfully assist the civil magistrates, and executive Government, in suppressing riots and unlawful assemblies (if any such happen amongst us), and any other attempts to disturb the peace and happiness of this Kingdom.

"That we will establish such a pecuniary fund as shall be judged necessary for carrying the purposes of this meeting into execution; and that a book shall be opened for a voluntary subscription to be paid into Messrs. E. W. Evans and Co's bank in this town.

"That John Mytton, Esq., Wm. Owen, Esq., Laz. Venables, Esq.; John Probert, Esq.; Rev. Turner Edwards, Rev. Richard Maurice, Tho. Davies, Esq., Wm. Leigh, Esq., Mr. John Lloyd, Mr. Robert Lloyd of Moolre, jun., Mr. E. W. Evans, Rev. Wm. Roberts, John Gibbons, Esq., Mr. Lewis Jones, Rev. Joseph Venables, Rev. Mr. Whitridge, Rev. Owen Owen, Rev. Daul. Griffith, Rev. Eusebius Edwards, Mr. Jonathan Barff, Rev. John Bassnett, Mr. Thomas Williams and Mr. John Lovett, or any three of them, be appointed a committee for effecting the purposes of this meeting, and that they meet at the Town Hall on Monday, the 31st of December inst., and adjourn from time to time as they shall think proper.

"That the thanks of this meeting be given to the Mayor for his readiness in calling it, and for his conduct as chairman.

"That the thanks of this meeting be also given to the Rev. Mr. Whitridge, for the very handsome manner in which he has come forward and declared the loyalty of himself, and the congregation of Protestant Dissenters, in this town and neighbourhood, and their attachment to the Constitution.

"That this Declaration and Resolutions be published in the *General Evening Post*, *Shrewsbury Chronicle*, and *Adams's Chester Courant*; and the Chairman be requested to sign the same.

"JOHN MYTTON, Chairman."

¹ Mr. Warren, a Lancashire gentleman, in conjunction with the grandfather of Sir Robert Peel, established print works at Morda toward the end of last century. The goods were manufactured in Lancashire, and brought to Morda to be dyed and printed. Mr.

We have seen that the "Old Chapel Sunday School" was probably commenced soon after Mr. Raikes inaugurated the movement in Gloucester. At that time there was no day school in the town for the benefit of the poor. The "Oswestry General School Society" was not founded until 1796.¹ We can scarcely imagine, in these days of compulsory education, the state of a town with positively no day school of any description for poor children; and such was the state of Oswestry when Mr. Whitridge became minister of the Old Chapel; and these schools being a novel institution in the town, it will not be out of place to quote from one or two of the earlier reports that happen to be preserved. The first of these is dated May 1808, and is headed "Oswestry Sunday School." We are told

The Committee appointed to manage the Oswestry Sunday School, have great pleasure in reporting the prosperous State of the Institution. They have been enabled by the great liberality of the public, not only to provide an ample supply of Books for the School, which now consists of 205 Scholars, but also to establish an Evening School, in which 44 Children and Young Persons are taught to write; and a Daily School, in which 23 Girls are taught sewing, &c.

Warren was a Nonconformist, as were many of his work-people, and it was chiefly for their accommodation that the gallery was put up.

¹ In a newspaper report of March 1820, it is stated that sermons were preached on the 12th of that month,—in the Baptist Chapel by the Rev. Mr. Cooke; in the Methodist Chapel by the Rev. Mr. Beech; and in the Old Chapel by the Rev. Mr. Whitridge,—in behalf of the funds of this Society; and that a public examination of the Schools took place the following morning, "in the Scriptures, also in arithmetic, writing, &c.," and a public meeting was held in the Old Chapel on the same evening, Henry Parry, Esq., in the chair. Speeches were delivered by the Rev. J. Whitridge, Mr. Samuel Roberts (bookseller), Rev. Mr. Jones, Mr. John Davies, Mr. Whitmore, Mr. Watmough, and others; and Mr. John Lacon read a report, which referred to the establishment of the Schools, and stated that they had "originated with some members of the Old Chapel in 1798, and in imitation of the well-known Charity Schools of Wales, established by Mr. Charles." Mr. Lacon might have gone back a couple of years, for I find, in a MS. account book kept by the Rev. J. Whitridge, payments made in connection with these Schools as early as 1796.

Sunday Schools are so evidently calculated to promote the Usefulness and Happiness of those for whose Benefit they are intended, that they are almost invariably approved, and where well managed, very generally countenanced. They have not indeed universally succeeded. Some which prospered for a Time have fallen into Decay. This, it is presumed, has generally been occasioned by want of due Diligence in the Teachers, and not rewarding, in a judicious Manner, deserving Scholars.

Rewards have been distributed in this School, sometimes in Money, and sometimes in Bibles and other Books, with good Effect; but no Description of Reward has operated so favourably as that of being admitted to the Daily and Evening Schools—a Privilege which it is the particular Desire of the Committee to continue; and they rely on the experienced Liberality of the Public for the Accomplishment of their Wish.

Several Scholars having attended the School from Maesbury and Sweeney, and there being many more poor Children in those Neighbourhoods in great Want of Instruction, who could not come so great a distance, it has been deemed proper to commence Schools at each of these Places. At the former there are 46 Scholars, and the latter 43. Several of the Teachers whose names are given in this Report, attend them by Rotation. It is proposed to afford some pecuniary Aid to those Places, to which, it is apprehended, no Objection will be made, as Contributions are received from their respective Neighbourhoods.¹

In addition to the voluntary teachers referred to, and who were probably chiefly engaged in the Sunday Schools,² there were paid male and female teachers appointed; and amongst other sums in the balance sheet is one of a guinea to Mr. Mitchiner, "Salary for Instructing the Children in Singing." But the ornamental had, of course, a very limited place in the Educational Code, and the Committee chiefly prides itself on the fact that—

Some Scholars who began with the Alphabet, are now

¹ Sunday Schools are still continued by the Nonconformists in each of these places; and chapels have been built; that at Sweeney by the Baptists, and at Maesbury by the Independents.

² A writer in *Bye-gones*, Apr. 7, 1880, refers to two of these, who were, respectively, engraver and printer, at Warren's Factory at Morda.

capable of reading the Bible, with considerable Propriety—Several have learnt to write a decent Hand, and a few have been instructed in the Rudiments of Arithmetic. Some of the Girls, who were altogether untaught when they entered the School, have made a pleasing Progress. The Parents are not in many Cases able to furnish them with sufficient Employment. If Subscribers in general would occasionally supply them with work [sewing] as some have done, they would have an opportunity of witnessing their Improvement.

The only other report I have seen is headed “Oswestry Charity Schools,” and is dated April, 1810. It states that—

The Managers of the *Charity Schools*¹ connected with the *Old Chapel* of this Town, reflect with thankfulness to God, on the great, and still increasing encouragement afforded them, in the work in which they have been engaged. In addition to the *Sunday* and *Evening Schools*, and *Schools of Industry*, formerly established, they have instituted a *Day School*, in which 83 Scholars are now taught according to Mr. Lancaster’s

¹ A “Charity School” existed in Oswestry at the beginning of last century. The following quaint record of it is taken from a small-quarto pamphlet, entitled, “An Account of Charity Schools in Great Britain and Ireland; with the Benefactions thereto; and of the Methods whereby they were set up and are governed, &c. Eleventh edition, with large additions, London 1712.” The report is as follows :—

“*Oswestry, Shropshire.* Forty children cleathed and taught by a Mistress to read and to give an account of *Mr. Lewis’s* Exposition and the Abridgement of the History of the Bible, by Heart, besides *Mr. Turner’s* Spelling-book, and the Catechism broke into short questions. And when any child can perform all this, the Mistress hath a reward of 7s. 6d. After which the Boys are sent to a Master who teaches them to write and cipher by the great, (sic) for 5s. a Head, which is paid as soon as they have made such Progress as the Minister judges sufficient for their purpose. But the Girls are taught to spin, knit and sew for 10s. each. And these Rates are allowed for their Learning whether the Time be long or short. To put them forwards 20 are set to strive against 20 for Shoes, and the 20 that get most of the Exposition and other Books by Heart, have Shoes. Then there remain 10 against 10 and so on till they are shod all round. A Shift is hung up in the School for the best Spinner, a Headdress for the best Sewer, a pair of Stockings for the best Knitter, a Bible for the best Reader and a Copy-book for the best Writer. The Subscriptions are about £10 per annum besides the Offertory of £7 or £8 more.”

In an account of Oswestry published in the *Universal Magazine* of 1757, this School is referred to as “formerly existing,” and Price, in his *History of Oswestry* (1815), says that the funds of the Charity were applied to the use of the Oswestry National Schools. He does

*Method of Education*¹. The same method is also adopted in the tuition of the boys of the *Sunday School*, but want of a sufficiently spacious Schoolroom has hitherto prevented the extension of this system to the girls. It is the earnest wish of the Committee to obtain such a room, which may serve also

not affix a date to this, but in the first report of the Oswestry Society for Bettering the Condition of the Poor (1812), the following reference is made to the subject :—

"It is with the greatest satisfaction that the Members of this Society view the liberal grants of £200 from the National Society, and £100 from the Corporation of Oswestry, towards building a School-room for the education of persons who are to become teachers in Schools in Wales, and that the School is to be open to residents in the Town and neighbourhood of Oswestry."

The School, we are told by Price, was open "also for the education of the children of the poor in the town and neighbourhood;" and Cathrall, in his *History* (1855), says that this movement commenced in July, 1810, which would be just three months after the report of the Old Chapel Schools I quote was issued. The primary object of this paper not being a history of the Schools of Oswestry, I will only say further that the National School was established in what is now the Guildhall, and was shortly afterwards removed to the House of Industry; again speedily to be brought into the town. The first attempt at a School in the House of Industry (according to the minutes) seems to have been in Jan. 1810, on the suggestion of the Rev. C. A. A. Lloyd, rector of Whittington; and he, and the Rev. J. Whitridge, Mr. Parker of Sweeney, and the Rev. J. W. Bourke, vicar of Oswestry, were appointed a committee to carry out the suggestion.

¹ "In 1803, Lancaster [a Dissenter] published a Tractate on Education, recommending the Monitorial system, as it is now called, and admitting Dr. Bell to be the original inventor of it, an admission which he afterwards discredibly retracted. Lancasterian Schools now began to spread over the country. The Church grew alarmed at the successful results of the efforts made by Dissenters to educate the poor, and resolved to be philanthropical ere it was too late. Bell was put up against Lancaster. Money was collected, and an immense amount of emulation was excited. Fortunately, however, this rivalry produced only beneficial effects, and the motives which induced it may therefore be forgotten."—(*Chambers's Encyclopedia*, vol. II., art. 'Andrew Bell, D.D.'). Joseph Lancaster, I have been told, married Miss Jones of Whitehall, near Aston, Oswestry, so he was in some measure connected with this district. Lancaster gave lectures on his system at the Talbot Inn, Shrewsbury, and some of his punishments were eccentric, *e. g.*, enclosing a boy in a large wicker cage, which by pulleys and cords was hoisted up to the ceiling and there suspended.

for the *School of Industry*. Having been hitherto aided in their endeavours, beyond their most sanguine expectations, they are not without hope of being enabled under the same Divine blessing, to realize the wish.

At the date of publication, April, 1810, the statistics of the Schools were as follows:—"Scholars in the Sunday School at Oswestry, 225; Maesbury, 48; Sweeney, 27; Blodwel, 40; Maesbrook, 25; Llanforda, 65. Scholars in the Day Schools, 122; Evening School, 60." That these Schools were intended for the benefit of the rising generation rather than the interests of a denomination, is shewn by the fact that on the lists of subscriptions appear the names of some of the more liberal of the Churchmen of that age; notably those of T. Longueville-Jones, John Gibbons, Christopher Temple, &c.

After the death of Mr. Whitridge,¹ the Rev. Thomas William Jenkyn became minister at the Old Chapel. Mr. Jenkyn² settled at Oswestry early in 1827, and

¹ Before I pass on to the Old Chapel history during the pastorate of Mr. Whitridge's successor, I may observe that Mr. W. was an active man in matters outside his own denomination. In 1808 he was elected one of the Board of Guardians of the newly-formed "Oswestry Incorporation." In those days the chairman of the Board was appointed at one meeting to preside at the next; and unless the one appointed attended, or provided a substitute, he was fined. It is pleasant to see the harmony that existed, as evidenced by such entries as the following in the minute books:—"Oct. 7, 1805. Rev. John Whitridge chairman for Rev. D. Griffiths, vicar." "Jan. 28, 1805. Rev. J. W. Bourke sat as chairman for the Rev. John Whitridge." Mr. Whitridge was also a member, and warm supporter, of the Society for Bettering the Condition of the Poor, established in 1812, of which T. N. Parkor, Esq., of Sweeney, the Rev. James Donne, of the Grammar School, and the Rev. George Lloyd, rector of Selattyn, were respectively the first president, vice-president, and treasurer. Mr. Whitridge was married in 1795 to Miss Elizabeth Phillips of Tynyrhos, near Oswestry, by whom he had six daughters, three of whom married and settled in Oswestry.

² Mr. Jenkyn was a native of Merthyr Tydvil, and studied for the ministry at the Nonconformist College of Homerton,* then under the

* In 1821 Mr. Jenkyn contributed some specimens of Homer, done into Welsh hexameters, to *Seren Gomer*, and ingeniously subscribed himself "Siencyn ab Tydvil, Trehomer,"—"Jenkyn son of Tydvil, Homer-tof-wjn."

three years later the present "Old Chapel," in Arthur Street, was built. In an appeal to the public in aid of funds, the promoters said :—

While the Congregational Dissenters differ with the members of the National Church of England, upon the subject of Episcopacy, and with the members of the National Church of Scotland, upon that of Presbyterian, they hold, with both those Churches, but 'One Lord, One Faith, One Baptism'; they introduce no Schism into the Universal Church of Christ; nor do they, by the separate discipline of their private communion, violate the Great Communion of Saints, which neither distance nor modes of worship can ever destroy.

In the Appeal for funds for the erection of the Chapel, the promoters go on to say that at that period, out of a population in the parish of nine thousand persons, the places of worship would only accommodate four thousand; and as they had done something to supply the deficiency, they appealed with some confidence to the public for subscriptions. Further, they thought—

It should be recollected (though it is not urged as any

superintendence of Dr. Pye-Smith, a distinguished scholar. Before his settlement in Oswestry Mr. Jenkyn was minister of an Independent Church at Wem; succeeding the Rev. Thomas Toller, at the Chapel where, a few years earlier, the father of William Hazlitt was pastor. During his residence at Oswestry he preached a series of sermons which made some stir at the time, and were afterwards published under the title of *The Extent of the Atonement*; a volume which has passed through five editions in England, thirteen in America, and one in Wales. It was this book, I believe, that caused an American University to confer on the author the title of "D.D." Mr. Jenkyn, after he left Oswestry, resided for a few years in Stafford; from whence he removed to Halle, in Germany, for the purpose of study. Whilst there he received an invitation to become Theological professor at a Nonconformist College that had been founded by Mr. Coward; a post he retained until 1850, when that institution was united with the kindred ones of Highbury and Homerton. Dr. Jenkyn then settled at Rochester, where he died in 1858, at the age of sixty-four. His daughter, and only child, married the son of Alderman Challis, late M.P. for Finsbury. Dr. Jenkyn was a man of varied attainments, and, amongst other things, wrote a series of papers on Geology for the first edition of Cassell's *Popular Educator*. He was a Fellow of two or three of our learned Societies.

ground of claim) that they are at the same time taking with their fellow-parishioners their full proportion of the alterations of the Parish Church¹ as well as with the country generally in the Government grants.

One further extract I feel much satisfaction in making, as it indicates a larger degree of Christian charity than many would give a country town credit for half-a-century ago :—

The Committee take this opportunity of publicly expressing their sense of the kindness of the Committee of the National School, in granting the Congregation the use of the Boys' School during the progress of the building; and also that of the Managers of the Wesleyan Chapel, for the use of that place of worship.

The Chapel was "publicly dedicated² with religious services" in April 1830, on which occasion the preachers were the Revs. J. Thorpe of Chester, T. Weaver of Shrewsbury, and T. Raffles, L.L.D., of Liverpool.

Mr. Jenkyn left Oswestry in July 1835, and in December of the same year the Rev. William Reeve became the minister. Mr. Reeve had only recently returned from India, where he had been a missionary. It is stated in Cathrall's *History of Oswestry* that the "Young Men's Institute" (now "The Institute" occupying the Public Hall, in Oswald Road) "was originated about 1838 by the Rev. William Reeve

¹ These alterations included the hideous disfigurements of the Chancel, when an entrance door from the street was cut into it. If anything could have excused Dissenters breaking the law, and refusing to pay their "full proportion" of the compulsory Church-rate, it surely would have been in resisting such a piece of architectural barbarism!

² "Oct. 30, 1829. This morning at half-past ten was consecrated our new Chapel by the funeral of little Betsy R—. The little coffin rested on one of the workmen's tables, and I stood on a mound of earth, and addressed the people. All the workmen were present, and several of our young people and children came to be present at this first service in the new Chapel. I said 'This Chapel is erected to prepare men to die, and the first Preacher in it is Death himself!'"—(*Personal Journal of the Rev. T. W. Jenkyn*, in MS.)

and a few members of his congregation, chiefly young men. The meetings were for some time held in the Vestry of the Old Chapel. When the British Schools were erected in 1841, an opportunity was taken to endeavour to extend the benefits of the Institution by transferring its meetings to the lower Schoolroom.¹

It was during Mr. Reeve's time, as may be gathered by the paragraph from Cathrall's history, that the British Schools were erected, and it was largely due to the worshippers at the Old Chapel that this good work was effected. Mr. Reeve remained in Oswestry eight years, when failing sight caused him to retire from his ministerial duties.² He was succeeded at the Old Chapel by the Rev. John Davies, a brother-in-law, I believe, of the late Mr. Freshfield, of the Bank of England. Mr. Davies was a great sufferer, and died, at Welshpool, soon after he left Oswestry, quite suddenly, of that terrible disease, *Angina pectoris*. In 1851 the Rev. James Matheson, B.A., became the minister, and although a man of extremely delicate health, he was an earnest worker in every movement for the religious, moral, and intellectual welfare of Oswestry.³ After Mr. Matheson came the Rev. J.

¹ There are some parties yet living in Oswestry who remember the very pleasant commencement of the "Young Men's Improvement Society" (for so it was first called). Mr. Reeve had taken with him to India—for the amusement and instruction of the people—model steam engines, electrical apparatus, air pumps, magic lanterns, and the like; and when he returned to England these he brought back. He had not long been settled in the town when he commenced a series of Lectures on Electricity, Astronomy, Chemistry, &c., and these he illustrated by means of his apparatus. These lectures were supplemented by those of other parties, and thus the institution was set afloat.

² When in India, Mr. Reeve published a volume of sermons entitled *Miscellaneous Discourses on Subjects Doctrinal and Practical*, which was printed at the Church Mission Press at Madras. These had been delivered at St. Andrew's Church and Davidson's Street Chapel, Black-Town, in 1831-2.

³ Mr. Matheson was the son of Dr. Matheson, who accompanied Dr. Reed (the founder of Earlswood Asylum), in a mission to the

Lockwood, B.A., who still lives, and sometimes pays his old friends a welcome visit ; and he was succeeded in 1864, by the Rev. T. Gasquoine, B.A. Mr. Gasquoine's settlement in Oswestry is so recent that his sojourn here will scarcely come under the head of "history." After fourteen years of useful labour in the town, he was compelled in 1879 to sever his connection with it in consequence of the state of his health, to the regret of more than the members of his church and congregation.

With Mr. Gasquoine's pastorate the history of the "Old Chapel," as a place of worship, ends. A new building, which the majority decided should be called "Christchurch," has been erected, and the old place converted into Sunday School Rooms.

The early labours of the supporters of the Old Chapel, as I have endeavoured to narrate them, shew that financially they struggled for existence ; and as the worshippers in each succeeding generation became more liberally endowed with this world's goods, they still found that there were plenty of outlets for their benevolence. As a rule, I have avoided statistics, but I may just say, in conclusion, that it was stated incidentally at a social meeting, at which a presentation was made to Mr. Gasquoine on his leaving Oswestry, that "during the fourteen years he had been minister of the Old Chapel, the congregation had raised £13,000 for religious and philanthropic objects."

American Churches, and who jointly published an interesting account of their visit when they returned. Mr. James Matheson, when he left Oswestry in 1855, was presented, "in the name of several of the inhabitants, including clergymen and laymen—representatives of every phase of Christian Faith in the town, who had cordially contributed to the testimonial, with a copy of Bagster's *Polyglot New Testament*, as a mark of their esteem, and in recognition of his services for the good of his neighbours." Mr. Matheson died at Bournemouth, Mar. 6, 1878.

THE GUILDS OF SHREWSBURY.

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IN early times there were in the town of Shrewsbury many Guilds or Trading Companies incorporated by Royal Charters. These Guilds were entirely distinct from and independent of the Corporation or governing body of the town. They were originally constituted for religious purposes, which were conjoined with the trading measures of the several crafts or trades. In those days they were admirably adapted to promote social order and harmony and morality, and by the mutual combination of the members, well calculated to encourage and support their trades. The Wardens of the several Companies possessed and exercised almost absolute authority over the freemen and apprentices, who were compelled to submit, the former by dread of expulsion, and the latter by the fear of breaking their Indentures of apprenticeship, which necessarily involved the impossibility of becoming freemen and the consequent inability of exercising their trade or calling within the town. They had Halls, in which they met periodically to elect their officers, to admonish and punish offenders against the rules and regulations of the Company, and generally to decide upon such measures as would efficiently keep the trade in the hands of the freemen, and protect and uphold them in the exercise thereof. They were, in fact, little empires exercising authority amongst themselves, and exempt, so far as their special objects, from external interference; nevertheless all of them in general and political matters ultimately subject and amenable to the Bailiffs and Council of the town.

Of their exact number we are ignorant, but probably it ranged between twelve and sixteen or eighteen.

Most of them were incorporated by Edward IV. by Royal Charters, but from time to time they drew up what were termed "Compositions," embodying their Charter and the Bye-laws they had made for the Government of the Company, and these they exhibited to the Judges of Assize as they came in circuit to Shrewsbury, who, after perusing and approving of them, confirmed and authorized their use by their signatures as Representatives of the Royal person. These "Compositions" then became the laws of the Company, and even when, as was the case in many instances, the original Charters were lost or unproducible, they were produced and appealed to in all disputes within the Company itself, and also at trials at law to restrain foreigners from setting up trades within the town.

In an admirable paper on these Guilds, written by the late Mr. Henry Pidgeon, and published in the *Reliquary*, vol. III., p. 61 (1863), he gives the dates of the several Incorporations, as follows:—"Drapers, by Edward IV., 12 Jan. 1461-2. Mercers and Goldsmiths, by Edward IV., 1480, but entries of admission of freemen occur in 1425. Saddlers, Painters, Glaziers, Curriers, Plumbers, Tinplaters, Booksellers, Lorrainers, by Edward IV., 8 May 1479. Barber-Chirurgeons' composition, 32 Edward I., 1304, with whom the Wax and Tallow Chandlers were incorporated by James II., 1686. The Charter of the Shoemakers is dated 12 Nov. 1387, and recites a Charter of Edward III. Their Composition is dated 1561. Vintners 14 Edward IV., 1412. Weavers 27 Henry VI., 1448-9. Fletchers, Coopers, and Bowyers 27 Henry VI., 1449. Carpenters and Tylers, Brickmakers, Bricklayers, and Plasterers, 28 Henry VI. 1449-50. Tailors and Skinners, 39 Henry VI., 1460. Composition of the Smiths, Armourers, &c., 19 James I., 1621. Fishmongers, 1423. Compositions of Millers, Bakers, Cooks, Butchers, and

Shearmen, before 1479. Companies of Tanners, Glovers, &c., existed in 1479."

Of these Companies the Drapers and Mercers were the most aristocratic and important, and never joined in the annual procession of "Shrewsbury Show" to Kingsland. The former, by gift or devise of members of the Company, or by purchase, amassed a considerable amount of landed property, a portion of which has been sold, and the income derivable from the remainder still possessed by the Company is distributed in the support of the Drapers' Almshouses, in charitable donations, and in the support and relief of decayed members and their descendants. The other Companies had no other property but such as resulted from the Admission of Freemen and Apprentices, and fines, all which was probably expended in maintaining the splendor and dignity of the Company in their banquets and the support of Shrewsbury Show, and in the relief and funerals of poor brethren. The Companies existed in full vigour, and exercised their privileges assiduously and watchfully down to the passing of the Municipal Reform Act, which, though not exterminating them, restrained and annulled the exercise of their previous rights. With their cessation their Books and Records became neglected, dispersed, and lost in most cases, and are now unrecoverable, if in existence, which is very doubtful. Such of them as are attainable, it is intended to print from time to time in our *Transactions*, either in extenso or in abstract.

Our Museum possesses the Composition of the Smiths and Armourers in its original curious leathern case, and also the suit of Plate Armour worn by the "King" in the procession of Shrewsbury Show.

Through the liberal generosity of William Muckleston, Esq., of Meole Brace, the last Warden of the Mercers' Company, our Society has been enriched by the presentation of the entire Records and Papers belonging to the Mercers' Company.

The extracts from the Records of these Guilds will

exhibit a very curious phase of society, long since passed away, give information of the members of the several crafts at particular and successive periods of time, and prove of essential service in genealogical matters affecting the residents in our town and neighbourhood.

THE COMPANIE, FRATERNITIE,
AND FELLOWSHIPPE
OF
TAYLERS AND SKINNERS
IN THE
TOWNE OF SALOP

1478.

Memorandum that the tenth daie of Aprill in the Eighteenth yere of the Raigne of oure sov'aigne Lord King Edward the fowerth The right rev'end father in God John Bushopp of Worcester, President of my Lord Prince his Councell, and the right noble Lo: Anthonie Earle Reviere uncle and gov'noure to the said prince and others of his honorable Councell being in the Townehall of Shrewsburie for the weale rest and tranquillitie of the same towne and for good rule to be kept by the officers ministers and inhabitaunts thereof by the assent of the said officers ministers and inhabitaunts have ordeigned and made certen ordinances to be used and firmly kept amongst them wthin the said Towne from henceforth.

First that the Baielieffs for the time being justlie trulie and indifferentlie shall execute their offices according to their liberties and laudable customes wthoute anie corrupcion favoure or partialitie. And that they see if anie person come into the Towne there abiding two daies suspitiouslie wthoute anie lawfull errand or occasion, That then he the third daie be putt in prison there to remaine till he have found suertie of his good abearing, or els to avoide the towne. And if anie man be comitted to their warde by the wardens wth the fower men ordeigned to the said Wardens to be assistaunt in Counsell in good counsell giving of anie Crafte wthin the said Towne and Frauncheses, That then that person that is so comitted to warde by the said Wardens and fower men be not deliv'ed

oute of warde by the Bailieffs wthout assent and agreement of the said Wardens and fower men. And theis pointes to be kept upon payne of an hundred powndes. The one haulfe thereof to the use of the kinge oure Sov'aigne Lord and the other haulf to the weale of the Towne of the goodes and cattells of the Bailieffs or Bailieff that this ordinaunce breaketh

Item that the Wardens and fower men abovesaid in ev'ie Crafte in all goodlie haste make an ordinaunce among themselves That no mann of their Crafte journeyman or other bee attendant nor at the calling of anie gentleman, nor to noe other person otherwise then the lawe will but onlie to the Wardens of their crafte for the good rule of the same and assisting of the Bailieffs for keeping of the peace and for the good rule of the Towne under a certain payne to be limited by the said Wardens. Also that ev'ie craftman be thereto suerlie chardged and sworne, And that all suche as bee mysrulye that will not obey their wardens and fower men bee put oute of their crafte and banished the Towne or els putt in warde and not deliv'ed till the Wardens and fower men of that crafte be there unto agreed. And iff anie of the said wardens be negligent and will not observe theis points That he forfeit twentie pownds, the one half thereof to the use of the King oure Sov'aigne Lorde, and that other haulf to the weale of the said Towne.

Item that the Recorder of the said Towne justlie truelie and indifferentlie execute his office wthoute anie corrupcion favoure or partialitie, And that he see as farre as in him is, that theis ordinaunces and ev'ie parte of them be trulie executed and justlie kept And if they be broken in anie point either by the Bailieffs Wardens or inhabitaunts that then he call upon the levying of the forfeitures. And if their therein default or disobeysaunce, that he certifie it plainlie to my Lo: prynce or his Councell wthin xven daies. And that the said Recorder trulie execute his chardge in this behaulf, upon payne of twentie powndes to be levied of his goodes and cattells The one haulf thereof to the use of the kinge oure Sov'aigne Lord, and the' other haulf to the weale of the said towne.

And for the more auctoritie and credence to be given to theis ordinaunces the said Lordes have caused my Lorde Princes signett to theis presents to be putt and signed it wth their owne hands the daie and yere abovesaid.

20 Sept. 6 Eliz. 1563.

To all true X'ren people to whome this present writing shall come to be seene redde or understoode Homffrie Onslowe

esquier and George Higgon gent. Bailieffs of the Towne and Franchises of Shrewesburie in the com' of Salop senden greeting in oure Lord God ev'lasting. Whereas manifestly it appeareth unto us as well by oure owne knowledge as also by diverse and sondrie writings & composic'ons heretofore had and made amongst the Brotherhood and fellowship of Taylors and Skynners wthin the Towne of Shrewesburie and the franchises of the same remayning in one fellowship or brotherhood time oute of mynde united, concerning the laudable orders customes and good governments of the same Brotherhood and fellowship: And forasmuche as certain of their writings and composic'ons in some pointes be rather superstitious then godlie repugnant to God's lawes and the lawes of this Realme: For reformac'on whereof and the better establishment of the same fellowship in good order, and for the avoiding of superstition to the honoure and glorie of God and increase of good government amongst the same fellowship, upon their most humble suit unto us made in that behaulf Know ye that wee the said Bailieffs by the consent of the Aldermen and Com'on Councill of this Towne of Shrewesburie, and by the like assentes & consents of the said fellowship, and by deliberate advise therein and thereuppon taken To have fullye agreed concluded and graunted and by theis p'ntes doe fullie agree conclude and graunte That all and singular the articles rules and ordinaunces in theis presents conteigned and spec'fd shall be from henceforth for ever a perpetuall Lawe and ordinaunce against and betweene us the said Bailieffs and oure successors Bailieffs of the Towne of Shrewesburie and the said Fellowship and ev'ie Brother therein that nowe bee and in tyme to come for ev' shall bee for their tranquillitie and due obedience towards God the Queene and for the furtheraunce of the com'on wealth of this Towne of Shrewesburie w^{ch} articles and rules doe followe, viz.

First it is assented that the Wardens that now bee and the Wardens that hereafter shall bee for ever shall yerelie upon the Monday seavennight next after the Feast of Pentecost cause the whole Fellowship and Combrethren of the same by their Stewardest for the time being to be som'oned to meete wth the said Wardens for the time being at their accustomed meeting place, at w^{ch} place and w^{ch} time the Wardens then for the time being shall constitute nomynate and make two of the most worthiest & discreetest and w^{ch} will and best can, of the same fellowship w^{ch} hath not bene Wardens of three yeres next before to be wardens for the yere then next following w^{ch} wardens of newe chosen shall nominate and appoint unto

them fower of the worthiest wisest and discreetest of the same fellowshipe to be their Assistaunts in good councell giving for the rule and government of the same fellowship. Wth Wardens and fower assistants shall at the same place and tyme nominate and appoint twoe of the same fellowship to be Stewardes of suche of the same fellowship as have not been Wardens before upon payne that the Wardens and Assistants shall forfeit sixe shillings and eight pence, And yf it fortune the said Wardens that nowe bee or in time comyng shall bee to departe this lieff wthin the yere that then another to be chosen in his place in forme aforsaid by the most number of the same fellowship, And in like manner the Stewardes shall be elected in his place that dyeth which Wardens and fower assistants shall have power & auctoritie to heare and examyne all manner of matters causes and controvsies wth shall happen amongst the Brethren of the same fellowship as well touching the defaults of their occupac'ons as also of other causes and controvsies in the same fellowship, And thereupon to order agree and f'mallie to end the same wth amends to the partie grieved, and other punishments lawfull according to the offence and qualitie thereof, if they by their wisdomes can so order and end the same. And that none of the same fellowship to sue or impleade anie of the same fellowship for anie matter cause or controvsie wthoute the matter and cause be first heard and exa'i'd by the Wardens and fower assistants upon payne of forfeiture of vjs. viij^d. to him that will either refuse the Wardens & assistants order or sue & impleade anie of the same fellowship wthoute licence of the Wardens the cause first exa'i'd as before notwithstanding, And upon suche licence had to take the remedie before Mr. Bailieffs of this Towne for the time being & noe where els except it be for want of justice upon payne of forfeiture of vjs. viij^d.

Item it is likewise assented & agreed upon that no person or persones from henceforth shall be admitted received or allowed by the said Wardens and fellowship to be a Master and Brother of the same fellowship wthin the Towne and Fraunches of Shrewsburie unles he be known and tried to be a sufficient and able workman and of good name & fame. And that he paye for his admission & allowaunce to be a Master being a fornyer unto the Wardens for the time being the some of twenty pounds of lawfull money of England, And being an Apprentice & having served seaven yeares at the least in his occupac'on wthin the Towne of Shrewsburie the some of twentie shillinges except he serve & be entred according to the Statute in that case provided. And that no person or persones shall

be received & made Master but in the feast of the Nativity of Christ or wthin twelve daies then next after upon payne that the Wardens that shall receave admytt or allowe anye suche to be a Master contrarie to the forme aforesaid shall forfeit the some of fourtie shillings.

Item it is further assented & agreed that noe Master of the same fellowship shall receave or take anie apprentice into his or their service for anie lesse terme than seaven yeares at the least, And that suche Apprentice shall be of the age of 24 yeres at the least, at the end of his Apprenticeship, and that he be sonne of one suche person that may dispend twentie shillings of freehould at the least for ever, or for terme of lief, or that he bee the sone of a freeman of the like occupac'on wthin the towne of Salop or of some other upon payne that ev'ie suche M^r that shall receave any Apprentice contrarie to the same shall forfeit Tenne pownds.

And further that no Master of the same fellowship wthin the said Towne of Salop or the Frauncheses thereof shall receave or sett aworke anie of the servaunt or servaunts of anie other Master of the same fellowship wthout the good will and assent of suche Master wth whome the said servaunt and servants last served or consent and licence of the wardens & fower assitaunts, or the most number of them upon the cause of the departure of suche servaunt first had & examined by them upon payne that suche Master as setteth suche a servaunt aworke contrarie to the forme aforesaid shall forfeit tenne shillings for ev'ie suche offence.

Item that no person or persones being Master of the same fellowship upon som'ons given to him by the Stewardes for the time being to appeare before M^r Wardens for the time being, shall absent himself, but keepe his appearance in the daie, hower & place to him lymited & appointed and upon his appearance shall not departe wthout especial licence of the Wardens for the time being upon payne of forfeit of one shilling for ev'ie default.

And further it is graunted & assented that no person or persones being noe free Master of the same fellowship of Taylors and Skynners hereafter shall or maie take measure carrie or receave or worke anie garments appertayning to the same craft of Taylors & Skynners wthin the Towne of Shrewsburie or the Fraunchess thereof in anie open or privey place upon paine of forfeiture of twentie shillings.

Item it is further assented concluded & agreed that none of the said fellowship being a Taylor shall worke anie of the parte of the misterie of a furrier or Skynner nor no Skinner

shall worke anie of the craft or misterie of a Taylor upon payne of forfeiture of sixe shillings & eight pence ev'ie the offender for ev'ie suche offence.

And further that none of the same fellowshipp finishe anie mann' of garment or garments first cutt or begon to be wrought by any other M^r of the same fellowshipp without the licence of M^r Wardens for the time being except it be the furrier from the taylor or the taylor from the furrier upon payne of forfeiture of tenne shillings ev'ie offender for ev'ie offence.

And further it is assented concluded & agreed that none of the same fellowshipp doe at anie time or tymes of the assemblies hereafter revile despise or use anie wordes of envye opprobrye or despite to or against anie of the Brothers of the said fellowshipp or unreverentlie uncomelie or dishonestly talke revile or have to doe wth the Wardens & fower assistants for the time being upon payne that ev'ie suche offender shall forfeit for ev'ie his offence the some of three shillings & fower pence.

Item it is further assented & agreed that all & ev'ie other laudable Acte or Actes w^{ch} the wardens that nowe bee or the Wardens in time to come shall make ordeigne and esteblish amongest the foresaid fellowshipp for the better rule & gov'nance of the same shall be good & avayleable against them & all others of this Towne of Salop and that suche orders actes & rules shall not bee repugnant to the com'on lawes of this Realme nor to the hurte of the Com'onwealth of the Towne of Salop.

Item it is assented concluded & agreed that all & singuler the forfeitures above recited & w^{ch} hereafter be recited ymediatlie after the forfeit made shall be levved reared & gathered by the Stewardes of the fellowshipp aforesaid at the com'aundment of the Wardens to them given upon payne that the Stewardes w^{ch} shall neglect their duties in this behaulf shall forfeit for ev'ie default three shillings and fower pence.

And ov' that it is assented & agreed upon that it shall be lawfull unto the Stewardes for the time being for refusall or denyall of the payment of anie forfeiture by anie w^{ch} shall make anie suche forfeit to distreyne ev'ie suche person and persones by his goodes for the same forfeit & the distresse to deteigne untill the same forfeit be paide. And if anie person or persones so offending wthstand the distresse to be taken that then he forfeit the some of sixe shillings & eight pence for ev'ie his offence. And thereuppon it shall be lawfull unto the Wardens for the time being to com'ence their acc'on of debt in the towne courte of Shrewsburie against suche person so offending & making resistance before the Bailieffs there for

all forfeitures soe levied upon them wherein noe wager of lawe shall be admitted or receaved. All w^{ch} forfeitures shall be paid by the said Stewardes as soone as it shall be levied unto the handes of the Wardens for the time being to be preserved & kept to the sev^l uses intents & purposes hereafter in theis p^{ntes} expressed viz. the one haulf of all & singuler the forfeitures to the use of the Baielieffs of the Towne of Salop & the Burgesses of the same, & the other haulf for the supportac'on & mayntenaunce of such chardges as the said fellowship shall bee put unto of the furniture of souldiers or suche like chardges for the service of the Queen's Majesty her heirs & successors & for the relief of the poore of the same fellowship decayed by age or by anie other misfortune to be pittied or lamented for the w^{ch} some or somes of money the Wardens shall yerlie upon the next Exchequer daie before the elecc'on of new Wardens come before Mr. Baielieffs & the sixe men for the time being & then yeld accompt & make paym^t of all & singuler the moyetie of all forfeitures by them receaved & levied w^{thin} the time of their office upon the payne that the Wardens that doth contrarie, shall forfeit fortie shillings to be levied reared & gathered by the said Bailieffs or by their officers for the time being to the use of the mayntenaunces of the Towne Bridges upon Seaverne, And for the other moyetie of the said forfeitures the said Wardens for the time being in the day of the elecc'on of new Wardens shall yeld true accomptes and make true payment of the same, and all other money & debt of the said fellowship unto the Brethren then assembled to be by the newe Wardens imploied bestowed & disbursed by their discrecc'on to the uses beforesaid So that allwaies the fower sitters be made privy to the disbursing thereof.

Item it is further assented concluded & agreed that no Master of the same fellowship shall sett his shoppe to anie other of the same occupac'on not being free of the said fellowship nor shall keep two shoppes but that the whole profit of the same shoppe shall come to the same Master, his Journey-mans wages onlie excepted, upon the forfeiture of thirteene shillings and fower pence.

And further it is assented concluded & agreed that none of the Masters of the same fellowship shall receive admitt or allowe into his service anie apprentice but that he shall w^{thin} one fortnight next after the admitting or receaving of suche Apprentice have him bound as Apprentices ought to be bound according to the form of this Composic'on that is to witt of seaven yeres at the least, And thereupon w^{thin} the said

space of one fortnight present him to the M^r Wardens for the time being & his Indentures, that notice thereof maie be taken of the daie & yere of his admittance and end of his apprenticeship w^{ch} shall be registered in one booke for that purpose kept by the Wardens upon payne of forfeiture of twentie shillings, And for the true accomplishment & performance of all and singuler the articles before expressed as well the Wardens as all the Brethren have made their corporall oath and all others hereafter to be made free of the said fellowship shall be sworne uppon their admittaunce of the Wardens to performe the same, And to be true to the Queen's Ma'tie her heirs & successors & to the Bailieffs of this Towne of Salop & to the fellowshipp aforesaid & to beare & be contributorie to all chardges assessments taxes imposic'ons & benevolences required of him graunted by the fellowshipp or otherwise to be paid of the same.

Provided allwaies that if anie ambiguitie, doubt or question shall hereafter happen to arise upon the taking construcc'on or meaning of anie article clause or sentence in this present Booke or that anie person or persones shall at anie time hereafter complayne & declare themselves unto the Justices of Assise in this countie of Salop for the time being That they be vexed or troubled in bodie or in goodes by reason of theis ordinaunces aforesaid, or anie of them, otherwise then by the lawes & Statutes of this Realme they ought to bee by the abusing misinterpreting or mistaking of anie of theis ordinaunces aforesaid That then not onlie the same ambiguitie doubt or question to be from time to time decided discussed corrected & reformed by the said Justices of Assise But also all the said ordinances & ev'ie of them by the discrec'ons of the said Justices of Assise or anie of them for the time being to be utterlie void & made frustrate as to him or them shall seeme good.

In Witness whereof wee the said Bailieffs by the assent & consent of the Aldermen & Councell aforesaid have sette oure Seale of Office of Bailiffwicke to theis presents. Dated in the Exchequer of the Towne of Shrewsburie the twentyeth daie of September in the sixt yere of the Raigne of oure Sov'aigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of God Queene of England Fraunce & Ireland, Defender of the Faith &c.

6th August 7 Eliz. 1564.

Memorandum that at the Assises houlden at Salop the sixt daie of August in the seaventh yere of oure foresaid Sov'aigne Ladie the Queens Ma^{tie} upon the humble petition of the

Wardens & Masters of the fellowship aforesaid, Wee Sir Edward Saunders Knight Lo: Chief Baron of the Queenes Highness Exchequer of England & Thomas Carns of Bromley the Queens Highness St'geant of her lawes, Justices of Assises of & for the countie of Salop amongst other Shires & counties of this realme of England have perused considered & overseene all & singuler the ordinaunces rules & articles afore in this foresaid Composic'on & understand by the same that they are laudable & not repugnant to the lawes of this Realme, And therefore doe also by theis presents allowe ratifie confirme & establishe the same to bee houlden & kept according to the true intent & meaning of the same in as lardge & ample manner & forme & as absolutelie as wee or anie one of us in aie ratifie confirme or allowe the same by force of a late Statute of Act of Parliament made in the 19th yere of the Raigne of the late King of worthie memorie Henrie the Seaventh late King of England &c touching fraternities brotherhoods & guildes & touching Masters & Wardens of Companies. In Witness whereof wee the said Justices have putt to theis p'ntes oure hands and Seales the foresaid daie and yere.

15 September 3 Cha. I. 1627.

To all Christian people to whom these presents shall come to be read hard or understoode wee Richard Persehowse & Richarde Flewellin Bayliffs of the Towne of Salop in the County of Salop & Robert Bell & John Williams Wardens of the Company & Society of Taylers & Skynners within the towne of Salop & liberties thereof send greetinge in our Lord God everlastinge. Whereas there was the twentieth day of September in 6th yere of the Raigne of our late Sov'aigne Ladie Qⁿ Elizabeth late Queene of England &c a Composition & certen ordinaunces graunted & agreed upon by Humfrey Onslowe Esq. & George Higgon gent. then Bayliffs of the said Towne of Salop unto the said Fellowship & Combrethren of Taylors & Skynners within the said Towne of Salop & the Franches thereof & with the consent of the said brethren & fellowship whoe have been tyme out of minde before the graunting thereof & yett are united as a fraternitie, And whereas also afterwarde, that is to say, the sixt day of August in the seventh yere of the Raigne of our said Sov'aigne Lady Queene Elizabeth the said Composition & the Articles & ordinaunces therein being p'used & considered upon by Sr Edward Sanders knight then Lord cheefe Baron of the said late Queene's Ma^{ties} Court of Exchequer & Thomes Carns the

then Queenes Ma^{ties} highness Sargent at Lawes being Justices of Assizes of & for the County of Salop was by them confirmed & ratified approved & allowed of in as lardge & ample manner & form as they might or ought to doe by force of a late Statute of Acte of Parliament made in the 19th year of Henry 7th late Kg. of England as by the said Composition under the handes of the said Humffrey Onslowe & George Higgons & the seale of office of the said Towne of Salop And the said Confirmation of the said Judges of Assizes under their handes & seales to w^{ch} relation being had more at lardge it doth & may appeare in w^{ch} Composition there is one Article or ordinance containyd That it should & might be lawfull to & for the Wardens of the said Company from tyme to tyme then to come to make ordeyne & establish amongst the said fellowship for the better rule & gov'ment of the said fellowship any other laudable acte or actes whatsoever, And that the same soe to be made shall be good & availeable against the said fellowship & Combrothers of Taylers & Skynners & all others of the said Towne of Salop soe as the said orders actes & rules shall not be repugnant to the Com'on Lawes of this Realme nor to the hurte of the Comonwealth state & gov'ment of the said Towne of Salop. Now forasmuch as experience & tyme hath found out divers defects in many of the said Articles in the said Composition by reason whereof the said Combrothers are of late much ympov'ished & likely to falle to utter ruyne & decay unlesse speedie remedie be had therein, Know ye therefore that wee the said Wardens of the said Company to & with the approbation & confirmation of the said Bayliffes & Burgesses & by & with the assent & consent of the Aldermen and com'on Councell of the said Towne & by the approbac'on of S^r John Bridgman knight now Cheefe Justice of the Kings Ma^{ties} Councell in the Marches of Wales established & Recorder of the said Towne of Salop & Edward Jones Esq. Steward of the said Towne of Salop for the better weale tranquillitie peace & government of the said Company by force & power of the said 10th Article in the s^d former Composition expressed doe make ordayne & establish the Articles rules orders & actes hereafter menc'oned.

1. And first it is assented concluded ordayned & agreed upon by the said Wardens with the consent of the said Combrethren of the said Company of Taylers & Skynners, That the new elected Wardens yearly of the said Company shall within twoe dayes next after the day of their Election accordinge to the said Composition come & yeelde themselves to be sworne upon the Holy Evangelists before the Bayliffs of the said

Towne yearly then beinge for the true executinge of the office of Wardenshipp & to observe p'forme fulfill & keepe to their uttermost power all the articles ordinances actes & rules in the former Composition expressed & hereby not altered & all other the articles ordinances actes & rules hereafter newlie made & established by these presents upon payne of forfeiture of every warden that shall refuse soe to be sworne five powndes.

2. Item it is further assented concluded & agreed upon betweene the said Wardens & Combrethren of the said fellowship of Taylers & Skynners & accordinglie it is ordered & ordayned That there shall be yeerlie a Treasurer chosen by the major number of those that have borne the office of Wardens of the said Company upon the day of election of the new Wardens yearly w^{ch} Treasurer before he shall receive any money or duties belongeinge to the said Co shall likewyse yeerlie be bound unto the Wardens of the said Company with sufficient sureties beinge subsidie men or otherwise men of good ability for the yeeldinge up of a just & true accompt & shall truelie pay all such somes of money w^{ch} shall be then in his handes to the handes of the new Treasurer w^{ch} shall happen to be newly chosen in forme aforesaid to the use of the said Company & fellowship within twoe daves after his election.

3. Item it is further ordeyned consented & agreed upon by & betweene the said Wardens & Combrethren of the said Company of Taylers & Skynners That there shall bee yeerlie chosen upon the day of election of new Wardens of the said fellowship & Combrotherhood five men of the most worthiest wisest honest & discreete p'sons w^{ch} have formerlie been Wardens of the said Company or fellowship being present to be aydinge & assistinge to the said Wardens & fower men called assistants for the tyme beinge in the givinge of good Councell to the said Wardens for the tyme beinge in all & every matter concerninge the good & welfare of the said Company as alsoe to be p'sent to receave & yearly to heare & take the accompts of the ould Wardens & Treasurer of the said Company And likewise to consent & be present or the major number of them at the delivery or payment of any some or somes of money that shall be layd out by the said Treasurer to or for the use of the said Company or fellowship.

4. Item that the said fower men or assistantes & five men soe to be yearlie newly elected & chosen for the aydinge & assistinge of the Wardens yearly for the tyme beinge shall wthin twoe dayes next after their election be yearly sworne upon the Evangelist before the Bayliffs of the said Towne for

the tyme beinge for the givinge of their best Councell & assistance unto the wardens of the said Company for the tyme beinge, And to be present with the new Wardens at the receavinge of the accompts yearly from the ould Wardens of the said Company & for the doeinge of their best endeavours to see all the rest of the ordinances rules & orders in the Composition comprised p'formed & accomplished accordinge to the true entent & meaninge of them soe fare forth as in them lyeth unlesse they be hindred by sicknes or other urgent impediments upon payne of forfeiture for every of them that refuse soe to be sworne twenty shillings & a new one to be p'sently chosen in his place for refusinge.

5. Item it is further assented & ordayned by the said Wardens with the consente of the Combrethren of the said Company for the better weale & gov'ment of the said Company that the Stewardes of the said Company shall likewise upon the day of their election or wthin twoe dayes after be sworne upon the Holy Evangelists before the Bayliffs of the said Towne of Salop for the tyme beinge well & truelie to use exercise & p'forme the sev'all offices of Stewardes of the said Company & to be obedyent to the Wardens of the said Company in p'forming all such lawfull acco'ns & businesses as they shall be employd in by the Wardens for the tyme beinge concerninge the said Co upon the payne of ev'ie Steward that offendeth thirteene shillings fower pence & a new Steward to be presentlie in forme aforesaid chosen in the place of him soe refusinge.

6. Item it is further ordayned consented & agreed upon for the better explanation of 3rd Article in the former Composition menc'oned That it shall & may be lawful for every Master of the said Company to receave & take any p'son beinge of good name & fame to be his or their Apprentice any thinge in the said Article to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstandinge And noe Master of the said fellowship hereafter shall or may take any p'son to be his or their Apprentice for any lesse terme than seven yeares at the least according to the Statute in that case p'vided upon payne that every free master that shall offende in this Article contrary to the true intent & meaninge hereof shall forfeit tenn poundes for every offence according to the tenor of the said 3rd Article beinge the forfeiture in the said Article layde downe.

7. Item it is further agreed & ordayned that all & every p'son & p'sons haveinge served as an Apprentice with any of the free Masters of the said fellowship within the said Towne & liberties according to the statute for seaven yeares & beinge

then of the age of fower & twenty yeares shall or may hereafter be admitted a free brother and master of the said fellowship of Taylers & Skynners & shall upon their admittance by the Wardens & nyne men come & submitt themselves to be sworne before the Bayliffe of the said Towne for the time beinge upon the Holy Evangelists to be true to our Sov'aigne Lord the Kings Ma^{tie} his heirs & successors & to the Bayliffs of the said Towne of Salop for the tyme beinge & their successors Bayliffs of the said Towne & to the Wardens of the said fellowship & to their successors Wardens & to doe execute pay suffer & p'forme all the rules articles decrees ordinances actes paynes forfeitures penalties fynes cesments & impositions whatsoever w^{ch} shall bee imposed ceased taxed or layd upon him or them by the Wardens & nyne men for the yeare beinge according to the true intent & meaning of the former Composition herein not altered & these new articles in every point thereof to his & their uttermost power.

8. Item it is further ordayned concluded condiscended & agreed upon by & betweene the said Wardens & Combrethren of the said fellowship That the former & ould Wardens & Treasurer shall yearlie upon the day of election of new Wardens or within two dayes after deliver & yeeld up unto the handes of the new Wardens & Treasurer all such sums of money goodes furniture & ymplements concerninge or belonging to the said Company w^{ch} they have or had in their custody since they weare Wardens or weare deliv'd to them by the ould p'cedent Wardens & treasurer or eyther of them in chardge and thereof make present & undelayd payment & sattisfaction to the new Wardens & treasurer in the presence of the sitters & five men or soe many of them as shall be then present, the money to be kept by the Treasurer & the goods furniture & ymplements to be kept by the Wardens And if any warden or wardens make default then he or they soe being fownd in default shall forfeite twenty powndes to the uses aforesaid.

9. Item that noe p'son or p'sons shall be admitted or suffer to be admitted or made a free brother of the said Company of Taylers & Skynners unless he or they have served seaven yeares according to the Statute in that case made & provided & to be of the full age of fower & twenty yeares at the end of his Apprenticeshipp & before he be admitted a free brother of the said Company according to the tenor of the 3^d Article in the said ancient Composition And that every p'son or p'sons soe admitted & made free within the Towne & liberties of the Towne of Salop having served seaven yeares bonâ fide with

any free master & Combrother of the said fellowship of Taylers & Skynners wthin the said Towne or liberties in manner & forme aforesaid shall pay before he or they be admitted by the Wardens & nyne men for his freedome to the handes of the Wardens twenty shillings And that every Forriner havinge served seaven yeares in manner & form aforesaid the same beinge testified upon oath before the Bailiffs of the said Towne for the tyme beinge and the Wardens of the said Company of Taylers & Skynners shall before he be admitted a free Brother pay to the Wardens for the tyme beinge Twenty powndes of lawfull English money which moneys shall not be diminished or abated nor spent imbesselled or given away but wholly & entierlie to be & remayne to the use of the said Company & for the supporting of the said Co^e & the settinge forth of souldiers for the Kings Maties service upon payne that the Wardens offendinge herein shall forfeite Twenty powndes a peece.

10. Item that none of the same fraternitie shall or doe at any tyme hereafter reveale divulge or utter any seacretts spoken of or agreed upon in any of the assemblies of the said Company except such seacretts as are spoken of or done agaynst the Crowne & dignitie of the Kings Ma^{tie} his heires & successors or against the profite worshipp & wellfare of the Towne of Salop or the Com'on Lawes of this Landes upon payne of forfeiture for every default Tenn shillings.

11. That noe pettie Chapman or other p'son or p'sons shall buy any Skynnes of furs within this Towne & liberties of Salop except those that are free of the said Companie & doe use the trade of a Skynner or furrier within the said Towne upon payne of forfeiture of everye defaulte thirteen shillings fower pence unlesse he has served by the space of seaven yeares as apprentice according to the Statute in that case provided & have bene made free of the said fellowship, except they be first dressed by one of the brothers of the said Company within the said towne of Salop.

12. Item it is by assent ordered that the Wardens & Sitters & five men wth the consent of such as have bene Wardens or the most number of them shall electe & choose a sufficient & able Clarke to attend the said Wardens at all tymes to register in the Companies booke all such thinges w^{ch} are agreeede upon by the Wardens in their yeare both at their assemblies & elsewhere And alsoe to make Indentures for Apprentices & bondes & to enter them in the Companies booke & enter the names of the free men newly admitted & all other thinges belonging to the said Company takinge for his fee for every

payre of Indentures & bound made in p'chment twoe shillinges six pence & in pap' twoe shillinges & for entringe the Apprentice xij^d And for entring a free man twelve pence and yearlie to have for his wages paid him by the Wardens the some of five shillings And that the Clarke of the said Company shall wryte the accompts of the Wardens for the tyme beinge in the Companyes booke.

13. Item it is further by agreement as aforesaid ordayned that noe Master or free man of the Company shall at any tyme hereafter during the tyme that he shall beare any office or offices within the said Company of Taylors & Skynners weare any lyvery of any Earle Lord Barronett Knight Esquire or gentleman unlesse it be the lyvery or liverys of the Bayliffs of the said Towne upon payne of forfeiture of forty shillinges for every such offence to the uses aforesaid.

14. Item it is likewise ordayned & agreed upon by & betweene the said Wardens & Combrethren of the said fellowship that noe master or masters mistris dames or widdowe of the said fellowship shall worke or sett to worke or suffer himself or herself or any Journeyman or Journeyman or Apprentice or Covenant servant to worke any manner of worke belonging to the said fellowship upon the Sabbath Dayes called Sundayes either in open or private place upon payne that he or they soe offendinge shall for every such offence forfeit to the uses aforesaid the some of five shillinges.

15. Item for the better fortifyinge & better explanation of 9th Art. in the said oulde Composition containned It is further concluded & agreed that the said Combrethren of the s^d fellowship at their general assemblies before the Wardens for the time being or either of them or elsewhere in any other place shall not use or give any uncivill unrulie disorderd or bad words to the reproach or discredit of the Wardens for the time being either before their faces or behind their backs or any other of the Combrothers there present but at all their assemblies upon command of the s^d Wardens or one of them present shall be silent & forbear to talk any more without licence of the said Wardens or Warden then present upon the payne in the s^d 9th Art. expressed for every such offence w^{ch} is three shillings four pence.

16. Item it is further assented ordayned & agreed upon that if the Wardens Treasurer four assistants five men or Stewardes or Clerk of the s^d fellowship or some or any of them shall happen to decease & depart this life or not inhabit within the s^d Town or the liberties thereof for the space of one month during the time of their several offices then a new to

be chosen in the room & place of him or them so deceased or not inhabiting in the s^d Towne or liberties thereof within the space of six days after his or their deceases or departure by the most election of them that have been Wardens upon summons given by the Wardens or Warden living or their Stewards or Steward for that purpose upon payn of forfeiture of every Warden that doth neglect to assemble the Company for that purpose Twenty shillings.

17. Item it is further assented ordained & agreed by the Wardens for the time being for the better explanation of the 13th Art. in the former Composition specified that no Master Mistris dame or widow whose husband or husbands have been a free master or masters of the said fellowship of Taylors & Skinners within the s^d Town shall set his her or their Shop or Shops to any other Taylor or Skinner not being free of the s^d C^o nor shall keep two Shops within the s^d Town & liberties of Salop but that the whole profit of the same shop shall directly come & accrue to the s^d Master Mistress dame or widow without fraud or guile according to the true intent & meaning hereof—the just & due wages to the servant only excepted upon the pain or forfeiture of 13^s/4^d for every such offence in the s^d Art. ment^d.

18. Item it is further ordained assented & agreed upon by the s^d Wardens & Combrethren of the s^d C^o & fellowship of Taylors & Skinners within the s^d town of Salop that if any apprentice or Apprentices that shall hereafter be bound to any of the free masters or Combrethren of the s^d fellowship shall at any time within the time of his or their apprenticeships steal away or unlawfully depart from & out of the service or services of his or their Master or Masters without the licence & consent of his or their Master or Masters that then every such apprentice or apprentices not returning or coming to his or their master or masters within the space of 7 days then next after his departure shall never receive have or take the benefit of a free master or freeman of the s^d fellowship unless he come in & be admitted as a foreigner & do pay a foreigner's fine. And if the master or masters of any such apprentice or apprentices shall not within the space of 9 days after his or their departure acquaint the Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being therewith to the end such departure or departures may be entered into the Co's book that then such master or masters so offending shall for every such offence forfeit £5 to the uses afo^d.

19. Item it is further ordained consented & agreed upon by & betⁿ the s^d Wardens & Combrethren of the s^d fellowship

that the Wardens shall within the space of 4 days next after they have or shall receive to the use of the s^d C^o any sum of money above the sum of 10^s/ a piece shall deliver the same in the presence of the nine men or the major number of them to the Treasurer of the s^d C^o to the use of the s^d C^o upon pain that every Warden offending herein shall for every offence forfeit £5 to the uses afo^d.

20. Item it is ordained &c by & bet. the s^d Wardens & Combⁿ of the s^d fellowship that it shall & may be lawful to & for any Warden or Steward of the s^d C^o for the time being having urgent occasions to go forth of town at any time or times during their offices to nominate & appoint a sufficient Deputy or Deputies to supply his or their place or places in his or their absence so as the deputy for the Warden shall be always one that hath been formerly Warden of the s^d fellowship and that if any Warden offend herein that then he so offending forfeit to the uses afo^d for every such offence 3^s/4^d & that every Steward forfeit for the like 12^d.

21. Item it is fur^r ordained & agreed that there shall be at all assemblies concerning the affairs of the s^d C^o two Wardens or one Warden & a deputy for the other, & that if any Warden happen to be absent at the day time & place of their election of new Wardens that then the Warden present shall have power to nominate elect choose & make one new Warden & that the other Warden shall then & there be chosen by the greater & major number of the Combⁿ of the s^d fellowship then p^rsent w^{ch} have formerly been Wardens of the s^d C^o any thing before to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

22. Item it is fur^r ordained established & agreed upon by & betⁿ the s^d Wardens & Combⁿ that the Wardens for the time being shall yearly read or cause to be read all the old Articles & ordinances in the former Composition contained & herein not altered And also all these ordinances in this new Composition contained before the s^d C^o at a publick Summons that all the Combⁿ may take notice of it, that is once at the admittance of new freemen & the second time upon the election day of new wardens & before they proceed to the making of the new Wardens upon pain of forfeiture of 3^s/4^d to the Wardens or Warden that shall neglect the same.

23. Item it is fur^r ordained consented & agreed upon between the s^d Wardens & Combⁿ of the s^d fellowship that every Warden that appointeth or giveth out summons by the Stewards shall keep his due time & place appointed upon pain of forfeiture for every Warden so offending 3^s/4^d And if any Steward keep not his due time & place at all times of their

assemblies to attend the s^d Wardens that every Steward so offending shall forfeit for his offence 20*d* & thereupon it shall be lawful for the other Steward alone to distrain the same Steward by his goods at the commandment or appointment of the Wardens for the s^d sum of 20*d*. And if he refuse or neglect the same that then he forfeit the sum of 3^s/4^d & hereupon it shall be lawful for the Bailiffs for the time being to send their officers or officer to distrain both the Stewards by their goods for the same forfeitures & the distresses to detain until the whole sum of 20*d* & 3^s/4^d be paid with such other punishment as they shall think fit at their discretion the wth forfeitures shall be paid to the Wardens for the uses afo^r.

24. Item it is fur^r ordained &c by & bet. the s^d Wardens & Combⁿ of the s^d fraternity that if any ambiguity doubt controversy or question shall at any time hereafter happen to arise grow or be between the s^d Wardens & Combⁿ concerning all or any part point article or sentence in the ancient Composition expressed & in this not altered or in these new Art^s That the same ambiguity doubt controversy or question shall from time to time & at all times h^af^r be decided discussed expounded ordered & determined by the Bailiffs of the s^d town for the time being with the consent of the Wardens for the time being or one of them if they so can & if they cannot then by the s^d Bailiffs of the s^d town for the time being with the aid & assistance of the Recorder or Steward of the s^d Town for the time being.

25. Item it is fur^r ordained &c by & bet. the s^d Wardens & Combⁿ of the s^d fellowship for the observance of laudable customs that the Wardens of the s^d C^o shall attend the Bailiffs in their gowns as oft as they be thereunto called And that no Warden or Wardens of the s^d fellowship shall at any election of new Wardens hereafter elect or choose any Warden or Wardens but such as will come in their gowns to receive & take the s^d office And that if any one so to be chosen shall offend herein that then he or they so offending & the old Warden or Wardens that shall so elect & choose him or them or those that otherwise shall consent or make him or them shall forfeit every one of them 3^s/4^d a piece.

26. Item & fur^r it is ordained that if any Warden shall offend against any of these ordinances & will not duly execute the same according to the true intent & meaning hereof nor will not do his best endeavour to cause the offenders to be distrained & the forfeitures committed to be reared but shall suffer disorders to be unpunished contrary to any of these Articles & the Articles in the former Composition specified &

not altered, that then every such Warden or Wardens shall forfeit over & besides the former pains & forfeitures in the former Articles particularly laid down for every such default the sum of 20^s/ a piece. And thereupon it shall be lawful for the s^d Bailiffs of the s^d Town for the time being upon complaint to them made by any of the Combⁿ of the s^d C^o & proved before them to send their officers to distrain every such Warden or Wardens by his or their goods for the same forfeiture & the distress and distresses to detain till he or they so offending pay the whole forfeitures w^{ch} forfeitures shall be by the s^d Bailiffs for the time being by the consent of the said nine men reared distrained & reserved the one half for the use of the C^o, the other half shall go to the use of the Bailiffs & Burgesses of the s^d Town of Shrewsbury for the supportation of the walls & bridges of the s^d Town.

In testimony whereof we the s^d Bailiffs of the s^d Town of Salop have hereunto sett the seal of office of Bailiwick & the s^d Recorder & Steward of the s^d Town have set to their hands & seals & the s^d Wardens of the s^d C^o by & with the consent & good liking of the residue of the Combⁿ of the s^d C^o have put to their hands & seals the 15th September in 3^d year of Charles I. A.D. 1627.

27. Furthermore it is ordained that if any free brother or sister of the s^d C^o do for lucre or gain to themselves or for any other sinister end whatsoever deal fraudulently in or against any of the Articles or ordinaunces in the Compositions to them granted or shall secretly contract with any Journeyman or apprentice or any other person to defraud any of the free Masters of the s^d C^o of their right in authorising any person whether Journeyman Apprentice or other that is not free of the s^d C^o to work indirectly at the trade of a Tailor or Skinner within the s^d town of Salop or liberties thereof under a pretence to take any apprentice otherwise than the Law alloweth with purpose to convey the benefit of the work of their Craft or occupation from the s^d free Masters unto any other person that is not free of the s^d C^o that every such person for every month so offending shall forfeit £5.

28. And further it is ordained that all such persons being freemen of the s^d C^o that have not taken oath, for observation of the Articles & ordinances contained in the last Composition made for the well governing of the s^d C^o shall upon command of the Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being appear before the Bailiffs of the s^d Town & then & there take their corporal oaths as the rest of the Combⁿ of the s^d C^o have done for due observation of all the s^d several Articles & ordinances in the

s^d Composition And that if any of the s^d Combⁿ refuse to take the s^d oath being thereunto required or commanded by the Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being he or they so refusing shall forfeit for his or their s^d contempt or refusal 40^s/.

29. And it is also fur^r ordained that all forfeitures made by any person or persons offending against any of the s^d Articles or ordinances contained in the s^d Compositions shall be from time to time levied by the Stewards of the s^d C^o by command of the Wardens by distress of the offenders goods or chattels And that if any such distress for any forfeiture in the s^a Compositions ment^d shall happen to be made by the s^d Stewards or either of them & that the goods so distrained shall not within 6 days next following the taking thereof be redeemed by the party or parties so offending whose goods they were by payment of his or their forfeiture for which they were distrained That then it shall be lawful to & for the s^a Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being at any time after the s^d 6 days expired to appraise & sell or cause to be appraised & sold all or any the goods of any such offender & out of the monies made & raised by the sale thereof duct satisfy & pay the sum of money or forfeiture for which the same goods were so distrained to the uses hereinafter specified & render unto such offender the residue or surplusage thereof if any such shall be And if there can no sufficient distress be had taken or come by of the goods of the party offending against any of the s^a ordinances for any forfeiture or offence by him made or committed that then it shall & may be lawful for the Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being to commence & bring their action plaint or suit in the Town Court of the s^d Town of Salop or in any other his Ma^{ties} Court or Courts as they shall think fit against any party or parties that shall make any such forfeiture or offend against any of the s^d ordinances or articles in the s^d Composition ment^d for recovery of every such forfeiture or sum of money forfeited, the one half of which s^d forfeiture recovered or gotten shall be paid by the s^d Wardens to the Bailiffs of the s^d Town for the time being towards the repairing of the bridges & walls of the s^d town, & the other half thereof remain & be kept for the use & good of the s^d Company.

Ratified & Confirmed by Humphrey Davenport knight Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer & William Jones, knight one of the Justices of K. B., Justices of Assize for County of Salop at the Assizes held at Bridgenorth in the Co. of Salop 16th March 11 Cha^s. 1st.

15 February 1627.

Forasmuch as sithence the making of the new Articles which were set down established & annexed unto the old Articles in the former antient Composition for the better explaining expounding & construction thereof And forasmuch as it doth manifestly appear that yet remain some defects & abuses which might & ought to be redressed & reformed, which were not then foreseen, & experience hath now brought to light, and that the same power still remaineth unto us to establish any lawful & laudable act or acts decrees or ordinances for the benefit & good of the s^d C^o. for reformation whereof we Robert Bell & John Williams Wardens of the s^d C^o. with the assent & consent of our Assistants & the rest of the Combⁿ, & also with the approbation & confirmation of the Bailiffs at an open assembly upon the 15th February 1627 do further make ordain decree & establish the several Articles orders & decrees hereafter expressed, according to the power & auth^y unto us given & granted in the 10th Art. in the anc^t Composition as followeth.

Imprimis it is by the authority aforesaid, ordained consented & agreed upon by the Wardens & fellowship that no Master or Masters or widow being free of the same fellowship shall at any time hereafter retain or receive or set to work any servant or journeyman, except he be such as hath served seven years apprenticeship according to the statute. And that every Master before he do entertain any such servant shall present him to the Wardens for the time being or to the Bailiffs of the Town for the time being & then & there to make proof of his s^d service of seven years apprenticeship & likewise to show a Certificate under such testimony as the law requireth that he is departed from his last Master in good manner with his love and licence And upon the allowance of them the Wardens or Bailiffs to receive him & not otherwise but according to the true intent & meaning hereof And further that if any Master have already entertained any such servant or servants unless they have been such as have remained resided & dwelt within this Town for 7 years before, he must put him of & detain him no longer upon warning given him by the Wardens.

2. Moreover it is likewise agreed upon & ordained, that the Wardens shall once every quarter of a year at least take a survey of all manner of persons that take upon them to work at the trade of Tailor or Skinner within this Town & liberties as well as others that be servants whether they have according to the laws & statutes of this kingdom served their apprenticeship And without favor or partiality take course to

remove them hence or cause them to cease from working at the same trades. And to that end they may suppress all such & not be remiss or slack therein tho' they shall take the uttermost benefit the law will afford them in this behalf And shall do their best endeavour therein And that whosoever shall do contrary unto the true intent & meaning hereof shall pay such fines & forfeitures as in the same Statutes are laid down, with such other punishments as the Bailiffs of the Town shall think fit & meet the one half to the good of the C^o. and the other half to the use of the Bailiffs & Burgesses.

3. And further it is ordained by the s^d Wardens & fellowship that no free Master of the same C^o shall either directly or indirectly either by himself or any other buy any manner of Lace, silk, cloth or stuff or any other thing whats^r belonging to the same Craft or occupac^on of a Tailor, being unlawfully come by of any Journeyman or Apprentice or any other person to the prejudice of or discredit of any of the same fraternity, or hurt of the commonwealth, or shall conceal the same & not acquaint the same servants M^r therewith or the Wardens of the C^o or the Bailiffs of the same town, to the intent such person may be punished, & the Master shall for every such offence forfeit 5^s/ with such other punishment as the Bailiffs shall think fit to inflict to the uses aforesaid, & the servant to be punished by the discretion of the Wardens or Bailiffs.

4. And further if any do unjustly detain any wages due to any servant, he having made complaint thereof unto the Wardens, & they having ordered him to pay the same if the same Master perform not the order laid down by the Wardens & assistants in every point, he shall forfeit the sum of 6^s/8^d for every such offence to the uses aforesaid.

5. And further it is assented & ordained that once every quarter of a year the Wardens shall assemble the whole C^o together if they do want stock of money for their necessary occasions or relief of their poor & every freeman of the richer sort reputed shall pay unto the Wardens towards a stock quarterly the sum of 4^d & every other the sum of 2^d except such as be in great necessity & poverty upon pain of 12^d for every one that refuseth to pay the same to the uses aforesaid.

6. Item it is further ordained by the Wardens & fellowship, that every person or persons that shall hereafter desire to be made free of the same C^o shall upon S^t Thomas's Day yearly, next before Christmas according to an antient & laudable custom of the s^d C^o come & acquaint the Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being th^with & request their good will & consent to be admitted a freeman of the s^d C^o And also the

same day shall repair to the rest of the Comb^a of the same fellowship & intreat their consent & good will in an humble & decent manner so to be admitted a freeman, And this being done, the Wardens for the time being are to appoint him or them a day or time to meet with them & their Assistants & to examine their service of apprenticeship, & to determine of their admittance or admittances or not And if any person or persons refuse or neglect his or their duty herein & do not ask the consent as abovesaid, that then he be put off from being admitted for that year & admonished against the next year by the Wardens to perform it.

7. And further it is ordained that upon Thursday in the Whitson week the Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being shall yearly assemble & call together their Assistants & the rest those that have been Wardens unto the accustomed meeting place & then & there advise together & determine who are fit persons to succeed them in their office of Wardenship, that they may have convenient time to provide them gown & other things fitting & decent against the day of election, & that they may avoid disorders & disturbances upon the same day & time upon pain of forfeiture of 3^s/4^d to the uses aforesaid.

8. And it is by the Wardens & fellowship of the s^d C^o further ordained & established, that if any person or persons among the s^d fellowship shall att any time hereafter desire the office or offices of Wardens & be admitted & chosen thereinto, & have not formerly been sitter or sitters that then every one so admitted shall pay for his fine, to the hands of the Wardens for the time being & before he or they be admitted or sworn for the use of the C^o the sum of 26^s/8 a piece And further if any person or persons desire to be a sitter or assistants unto the Wardens of the s^d C^o, which have not formerly been Steward or Stewards of the s^d C^o, that then he or they shall pay to the hands of the Wardens of the s^d C^o for the time being to the uses of the s^d fellowship for his or their fine or fines the sum of 13^s/4^d which money with all other belonging to the s^d C^o shall be & remain wholly without any diminution to the use of the s^d C^o & shall be safely kept & preserved by the Wardens & Treasurer for the setting forth of soldiers for his Mat^{ies} service, & relief of the poor of the s^d C^o & other such necessary businesses according to the true intent & meaning of the Compositions & ordinances granted & established unto the s^d C^o upon pain of forfeiture of 40^s/7 to the uses aforesaid.

To all Christian people to whom this present writing shall come greeting. Whereas there hath been time out of mind a

Guild & Fraternity of Taylors & Skinners within the Town suburbs & franchise of Shrewsbury in the County of Salop. And whereas by virtue of their Composition duly granted them in 7th Queen Elizabeth under several considerations & provisions for the preservation of Her Ma^{ties} person, for the providing for & maintaining of a certain number of maimed soldiers & for the support & relief of poor brethren & sisters of the s^d guild & fraternity in case of their poverty & misfortunes, which s^d Compⁿ was afterwards confirmed & allowed by two of the then Judges of Assize for the Co. of Salop to wit Sir Edw^d Saunders knt. lord chief baron of Her s^d Ma^{ties} Excheq. & Thomas Cornes Sarj of Lawes wherein amongst other articles & things there was power & liberty granted them the s^d Masters & Wardens of the s^d Guild & Fraternity of Taylors & Skinners for making of all laudable & useful act & acts for the better rule & government of the same, & for the honor & welfare of the s^d C^y so that the same be not repugnant to the laws, in which s^d Compⁿ the fine for the admittance of every Foreigner a freeman having served seven years to the trade was the sum of £5 with the usual & accustomed fees as may appear.

And whereas by virtue of a new Composition granted them the s^d Masters & Wardens of Taylors & Skinners dated 15 Sept. 3 Car. 1. & confirmed at the Assizes holden at Bridgenorth in Co. Salop 16. March 11th Car. 1. upon the petition of the Master & Wardens of the Guild & Fraternity afs^d by his two Judges to wit Sir Henry Davenport knt Lord Chf. Bar. Excheq. & Sir W^m Jones knt one of Judges of K.B. It was amongst other things agreed & confirmed that the afs^d Foreigner's fine sho^d be raised to the sum of Ten Pounds as by the 9th Art. in the last recited Compⁿ & Confirmation may likewise appear.

In & by which Compⁿ the Masters & Wardens of the s^d Guild & fraternity of Taylors & Skinners have also power & liberty to make such other laudable & useful act & acts for the weal government & welfare of the s^d Fraternity as shall seem reasonable for maintaining the honor & credit of their Company's brotherhood provided the same be not repugnant to Law.

Now forasmuch as experience & time hath found out some defects & omissions in the s^d Articles & Compositions by reason of the smallness of the foreigner's fine by reason whereof the Combrethren of the s^d Guild & fraternity are of late much impoverished & likely to fall into utter ruin & decay unless speedy remedy be had therein Know ye therefore that we

the s^d Wardens & nine men of the s^d guild & fraternity of Taylors & Skinners by consent of the Mayor Aldermen & Burgesses of Shrewsbury & by the approbation of Robert Pryce Esq. Steward of the s^d Town of Shrewsbury & Tho^s Edwards Esq. Town Clerk of the same being two of the Councill at law for the s^d Town for the better weal tranquility peace support & government of the s^d C^o & for the better enabling them to maintain trained soldiers for his Ma^{ties} use & service & for maintaining of maimed soldiers & for maintaining of poor decayed Tradesmen freemen & Comb^a of the s^d guild & fraternity & others having a dependance upon the s^d C^o according to the power & liberty given us do make ordain & establish the other Articles & Ordinances hereafter mentioned, that is to say, That no Foreigner nor Foreigners whatsoever shall be at any time or times hereafter directly or indirectly admitted a Freeman or Freeman of the s^d Guild & Fraternity of Taylors & Skinners unless he & they prove themselves qualified as by the s^d 9th Art. in the last Compⁿ mentioned is directed & shall pay before he or they be admitted into the s^d fraternity, for such his or their Admittance to the Wardens of the C^o for the time being the sum of £20 of good & lawful money of England which monies shall not be diminished nor abated nor spent imbezzled or given away but wholly & entirely to be & remain to the use of the s^d C^o & for the supporting of the s^d C^o & for the setting forth of soldiers for the King's Ma^{ties} service upon pain that the Wardens offending herein shall forfeit £20 a piece to & for the use of the s^d C^o.

Item that no person or persons whatsoever not being free of the s^d guild & fraternity of Taylors within the s^d Town shall at any time hereafter directly or indirectly privately or publicly sell or utter to sale any garment or garments ready made up & finished belonging to the trade of a Taylor to make up & finish every such person or persons so offending herein shall forfeit 40^s for every such sale or uttering to sale or exposing every such garment to sale publicly or privately; the same penalty & forfeiture so forfeited to be levied & distrained for or sued for as by the former Art^s in the Compⁿ hereunto annexed mentioned is directed & appointed to be recovered.

In Witness whereof the Wardens & nine men of the s^d guild & fraternity have hereunto put their hands & seals signifying & purporting the whole consent of the s^d C^o & all members thereof; the third day of August in the second year of the

reign of our Sovⁿ Lord James the Second by the grace &c
Annoq D'ni 1686.

THOMAS DAX	} Wardens
DANIELL MATHEWS	
James Richardson—John Gibbons—Griffith Wood—	} Nine Men.
Richard Wheatley — Edward Darbyshire — Joseph	
Pryce—Sam ^l . Parker—Tho ^s Fardoe—Richard Dax	

The 31st Article.

Item that no person or persons shall be remitted to keep a shop within the s^d town or liberties thereof or to sell or expose to sale any garment or garments whatsoever except he or they do & shall pay to the hands of the Wardens then being the sum of £5 for their admittance so to do & also that they shall not sell or expose to sale any new Garment except what is made by a free brother of the Co. of Taylors & Skinners upon pain & forfeiture of 40% for every offence, And further that they shall pay & contribute to all such assessments & taxes which shall or may be necessary, as oft as they shall be called thereto by the Wardens of the s^d Co of Taylors & Skinners within the s^d Town.

The 32nd Article

Item that no petty Chapman or other person or persons whate^r shall buy & sell . . . or barter, any new garment or garments new or old within this town or liberties publickly or privately, except he or they are admitted so to do by the consent of the Wardens & Combⁿ of Taylors & Skinners, & have paid the sum of £5 for their privilege as aforesaid in the foregoing Article upon pain & forfeiture of 20% for every offence, the one half of which s^d forfeitures shall be paid by the Wardens of the s^d Co for the time being to the Mayor of the s^d Town towards the repair of the bridges & walls of the s^d Town, & the other half remain & be for the use & benefit of the Co. of Taylors & Skinners of the s^d Town.

Ratified & Confirmed at the Assizes held at Salop 3 August 2. James 2. 1686. by Sir Rich^d Holloway knt one of Just. K.B. & Sir Edward Lutwich knt one of Just. C.P.—Justices of Assize for Co. of Salop.

THE STEWARDS OATH.

Ye shall be true & faithful to our Sovⁿ Lord the King's Majesty that now is & to his heirs & successors and to the Bailiffs of the Town of Shrewsbury for the time being & their successors Bailiffs of the said Town from time to time being

Ye shall well and truly use exercise & serve your several offices of Stewards of the Companie Fraternitie & Fellowship of Taylors & Skinners in the said Town of Salop & be obedient to the Wardens of the said Company for the time being in doing acting & performing all & every such lawful commands acts & things as the said Wardens for the time being shall charge you or either of you to do execute or perform for or concerning the good or welfare of the said Company Fraternity & Fellowship according to the true intent & meaning of the Compositions to the said Company Fraternity & fellowship granted without favour or partiality to your utmost power.

So help you God.

THE OATH OF THE NEW FREEMEN, &c.

Ye shall be true & faithful to our Lord the King's Majesty that now is & to his heirs & successors, and to the Bailiffs of the Town of Shrewsbury for the time being, & their successors Bailiffs from time to time being, & shall & will be obedient to the Wardens of the Company Fraternity & Fellowship of Taylors & Skinners in the said Town of Shrewsbury for the time being & to their successors Wardens of the said Company or fellowship. And further you shall well truly & faithfully observe performe fulfil & keep all & singular the articles ordinances acts rules orders & decrees contained specified & expressed in the new Compositions granted & established to the said Company & fellowship of Taylors & Skinners within the said Town and all other decrees & ordinances lawful and laudable established for the good and welfare of the said Company according to the true intent & meaning thereof. And shall not nor will not do any act or acts thing or things whatsoever which any way further may be prejudicial or hurtful to any of the Combrethren of the said Company either by dealing underhand with any Journeyman of the said Company for lucre gain or profit to yourself or otherwise than by the said Compositions and Ordinances you are licensed & lawfully you may do.

So help you God,

THE WARDENS OATH.

Ye shall be true and faithful to our Sovereign Lord the King's Majesty that now is and to his heirs and successors, and to the Bailiffs of the Town of Shrewsbury for the time being and their successors Bailiffs for the time being. And ye shall truly duly and justly execute your Offices of Wardens of the

Company Fraternity and Fellowship of Taylors & Skinners within the said Town, and rule guide and govern the said Company according to the true intent and meaning of all and singular the articles orders ordinances acts and decrees in the Compositions to you granted specified, and shall and will well and truly accomplish perform fulfil and keep all the said articles ordinances acts rules and decrees in the Compositions contained in every point thereof to the uttermost of your power skill or knowledge and all other decrees and ordinances lawful and laudable established for the good of the said Company And lastly you shall not waste spend consume or give away any of the goods cattalls and chattells which are belonging or of right ought to belong to the said Company of Taylors & Skinners or consent thereunto, And at the end of your office of Wardenship shall deliver and yield up a just and true accompt of all monies or other goods cattells or chattells which you shall have formerly received either by forfeitures or otherwise, and thereof make present and undelayed payment to the new Wardens and Treasurer of the said Company in the presence of the nine men of the said Company or the major number of them.

So help you God.

THE OATH OF THE FOUR ASSISTANTS AND FIVE MEN

Ye shall be true to our Sovereign Lord the Kings Majesty that now is and to his heirs and successors, and to the Bailiffs of the Town of Shrewsbury for the time being and their successors from time to time being. And ye shall be aiding and assisting to the Wardens of the Company, fraternity and fellowship of Taylors and Skinners within the said Town with your best advice & counsel in all and every matter concerning the good & welfare of the said Company as often as ye shall be thereunto called summoned or requested for the maintenance of all and singular the Articles ordinances acts and rules contained and expressed in the Compositions to the said Company fraternity & fellowship granted, and all other decrees and ordinances lawful and laudable established for the good of the said Company according to the true intent & meaning thereof And shall likewise be present at the passing of the accompts at the end of your offices from the old Wardens to the new elected Wardens and Treasurer so far forth as in you lieth unless you be hindered by sickness or other impediment.

So help you God.

THE FEES TO BE PAID.

Imprimis—every Foreigner payeth to the Wardens for his admittance £20.

Item—every one that served his apprenticeship payeth for admittance 20^s/.

Item—to the Clerk for the entering their names in the Book 12^d.

Item—to the then Stewards 12^d.

Item—to the Clerk for reading the Oath before the Mayor 6^d.

Item—to him that holdeth the Book 2^d.

Item—to the Clerk for a copy of the Oath 4^d.

Item—to the Wardens & Nine Men one pottle of sack 4^d.

Item—towards Colours 12^d.

Item—towards renewing the Compositions 24^d.

Item—for Admission Stamp 27^d.

Item—at Swearing 1^s/6.

FOR THE ADMITTANCE OF EVERY HALF-BROTHER.

To the Wardens & C^o 4^s/.

To the Clerk 2/.

To the Stewards 1^s/.

PROCEEDINGS.

1627 The Wardens & Sitters met about a Complaint that W^m Burch made against Thomas Sheerer the 23 Aug. & they both agreed to stand to the final order of M^r Peter Skarlet & David Madox glover for all controversies between them.

1627 Aug. 23 The Wardens & Sitters met & agreed that the Wardens should fetch process for Intruders & implead them before the Council in the Marches & M^r Chelmicke to draw the bill against them.

1627 Sep. 10 At a Summons at the commandment of M^r Bailiffs we agreed that a cessment should be made for xl^s. for the setting forth of soldiers & other necessary occasions for the behoof of the Company.

1628 Michael Rafes of Mortin impleaded before the Council for working within the liberties & submitted himself to the Wardens & assistants & paid his fine of xx^s. & had xij^s. given him back upon his humble petition & submission under his own hand in writing.

1627 William Smith of Frankwell arrested by the Wardens for working in the town & submitted & paid his fine of xx^s. & upon his submission in writing he had xvj^s viij^d. given him back & he paid all charges of suit besides.

1627 Thomas Hayward impleaded before the Council for working within the liberties—submitted—fine xx^s. ret^d. xvij^s.

1627 Aug. 20 Rich^d Owen alias Dicke & Richard impleaded for the same.

John Griffis of Abbey foregate do. Robert Etchills of Salop impleaded for working unlawfully under Widow Tilsley—fine xx^s. ret^d xvij^s.

1628 Hugh Evans of Stanton impleaded for working within liberties fine xx^s.—& for that the ladie Corbett intreated for him had xvij^s. vj^d. returned.

1627 Roger Poole of Astley impleaded for working within Astley—fine xx^s.—xv^s. ret^d.

1627 Sep. 20 Richard Davis of Salop impleaded for working unlawfully—fine xx^s. xv^s. returned.

1628 Abraham Whitticars of Salop questioned before the Wardens for working unlawfully & for that he was ignorant of the danger & promised never to offend any more was forgiven upon his submission in writing.

1628 Francis Poole of Salop impleaded for unlawful working.

1628 May 24 Rafe Burrowes of Whicksall impleaded for working within Astley—fine xx^s.

1628 Feb. 6 A summons in the New Hall concerning quarterage, the sum laid down & agreed upon came to xij^s. viij^d.

1629 July 7 A cessment of xxx^s. made to discharge what the trained soldiers is behind & for a bed & Wardinge against the next Assizes & fayres, & what remayneth to be accompted for by the Wardens at the ende of their office.

1629 Aug 25. Mem. that Daniel Chidlow hath paid v^s. to Pierce Jones according to an award made by Henry Bennett & Henry Jones Wardens for the ending of a sute comenced by Danyell Boules & John Smith against the said Dan^l Chidlow about admitting the said Pierce Jones a free Maister.

1629 Mem. that at a gen^{ll} Assembly of the Company upon Monday senight after the feaste of Pentecoste being the daye of Elcce'on of newe Officers the whole Company assembled agreed, upon p'mise made by Elizabeth Hussey widdowe not to sett on worke or mayneteyne any man to worke under her contrary to the Composition that the Treasurer shall paye unto her viij^s. iij^s in respect of her poverty & chardge of children.

Mem. that Charles Davis son of Hugh Davis of Cotton neere Shrewsbury having bene bound Apprentice unto John Style for seven yeares to the trade of a Skinner as by his Indenture may appere more at large bering date the second day of December the first yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne lord

King Charles King of England, now for as much as his said Maister is deceased & that there is no free Maister of a Skinner now w^{thin} the towne to returne him over unto for to serve out the remainder of his terme, we the said Wardens wth the consent & approbation of M^r Rich. Hunt & M^r Thomas Knight bailiffs of the saide towne & also the consent of our assistants & felowship & also the consent of the said Charles Davis & his father & other frends have returned the said Charles Davis over to serve the rest of his time unexpired wth Randle Thomas according to his Indentures & then to be made a free brother according to the Composition as an Apprentice ought to be.

JOHN WILLIAMS

RANDLE THOMAS Dep. Warden to Geo: Cowper.

Mem. at a Somons in the new hall the 3 day of September 1633 it was agreed that David Jones son of Timothy Jones baker being entered apprentice to & with Randle Jones for 7 yeares & is by him returned over to serve his apprentiship with Barbara Evans widow, as appereth by an entrie made when Thomas Sheerer & John Smith were Wardens last, that this retorne shall be void & the same David Jones to have no benefit of freedome unlesse he be returned or bound over to a free maister according to the Composition & the intent thereof.

The like agreement is for Will' Jones son of John Jones of Stanstey who is in a fraudulent maner bound apprentice to Thomas Sherer being a married man & living in the countrey.

The like agreement is for Will' Thomas son of John Thomas of Sandford bound to Morris Rainolds who doth dwell out of the libertie & is not payable to scott and lot in the Company & so for all others that he hath taken apprentice.

The like is agreed concerning William Wither son of Thomas Wither of Leaton bound to serve with William Jenkin of Leaton who suffereth him to go up & downe the countrey to worke for himselfe.

1635 Robert Bell refusing to serve as Warden a suit to be commenced against him to recover penalty of £5.

1635 March 2 agreed that the new Book be sent unto Bridgenorth next assizes there to obtain the Judges hands.

1636 March 27. The freemen sworn to the New Book before Thomas Jones & John Proud. Bailiffs of Salop.

1642 May 16. It is agreed upon by the whole of the companie that John Davis of Bicken must pay x^s. for settinge Humphre Roggers at worke without lycence of his master John Williams.

6 April 1657 At a generall assemblie heald the day and yeare first above written that there is agreement for an Assessment for to sue for Lands that is due and right to the Companie concerninge Cutlers Croff the some of 6^l cesment.

1666 At a general assembly held in the Chamber of Concord &c.

1711 April 11. No Combrother shall at any one time have more than two Apprentices—one having served $3\frac{1}{2}$ years before the other appre' be bound.—& no apprentice above 17 years taken—& he must be unmarried. penalty £5.

1681 Feb. 2. Wardens & other officers empowered to renew the Composition and to establish any new Articles for the good and welfare of the C^o.

1738 Agreed that if the Wardens do not nominate two Wardens to succeed them such as shall be approved by the C^o that then the appointment be taken out of their hands pro hac vice, & the rest of the Combrethren who have been Wardens appoint—Penalty for nonattendance at meetings 1^s/.

1742 Oct. 26. The Wardens ordered to prosecute Humphrey Davies of the Stone Bridge who intermarried with Joan Barrow widow of W^m Barrow for illegally carrying on a branch of the s^d trade by keeping an open shop to sell cloths contrary to the Composition.

1742 March 8. The Wardens empowered to sue & prosecute John France of the Castle foregate for illegally carrying on the trade of Breeches Maker.

1760 May 15. John Robinson having eloped from his apprentice John Roberts without returning him to a proper Master the Company erased his name from Freemen.

1750. One Andrew Bridges to be proceeded against as an Intruder.

1696 April 24. Crispin Drury is admitted a half brother on such terms that he shall not make any garments but what is made by a free brother.

1758 July 6. W^m Stone admitted a half brother to make leather breeches only.

1759 Dec. 7. Joseph Parry admitted a half brother to make only Cloaks or Domineys—paid £5.

1669 June 17. Edward Gosnell, mercer, admitted a half brother on condition that he useth not the trade of a Taylor nor maintain any under him.

1627 July 4. Ordered that the controversy between John Hussey & Peter Richardson be ended by John Hussey paying 8^d. & so to be lovers & friends.

And that Peter Richardson hath paid to the Wardens 3^s/4^d for words of Aproberie gyven at a Somons in the newe Hall before the whole Company against John Hussey.

THE COMPANY'S GOODS 1638.

The new Composition,—the Old Composition—the Journeyman's Composition.

The Copy of the Wardens accounts in a Book—the Book wherein is copied the Compositions—& the Book of the Journeyman's Composition.

A corslett complete as head-piece, pike, sword, belt, & a halberd & old head piece.

The Company's Arms in glass in a frame in Daniel Bolas' custody.

Two yards & 3 quarters of Black Cloth.

A blue coat, & badge, sword, belt & pike & halbert.

The Box and two keys.

The key of the Arbour door in Kingsland.

The Colours, streamers, staffs &c.

8 Coats of Arms.

A Banner for the trumpet.

One dozen of buckets.

2 Coats of Arms to carry before the C^o.

4 Shields.

A target to carry.

The Manteau, the petticoat & sleeves.

The Wardens staves & heads.

1836 Sep. 12 The Goods belonging to the C^o. (viz. the Pall, Gowns & Cloaks) excepting the Wardens' Gowns, Flags, Halberd—Coat, Hatts & Sword be sold.

1845. Harbour at Kingsland repaired.

1849. New Coat for Beadle.

1852. 5^s/ each distributed among the 15 remaining Freemen.

1853. A Silver Cup with the Shrewsbury Arms & an Inscription & address presented to M^r. Tho^s Moody on his going to America for his 12 years gratuitous service as Clerk.

1854. 4^s/ each distributed among the 10 remaining Freemen.

1861. The Harbour sold to the Corporation for £60.

APPRENTICES.

Date of Ind're	Names	Masters
1611 April 20.	Roger ap Jen'n s. of Griffith ap Jev'n of Sarscott co: Salop husbandman.	Thomas Davies taylor,
	left without freedom	

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- 1611 June 5. Henry Bennett s. of John John Hussey.
Bennett late of Montgomery
dyer deceased.
(a freeman)
- 1612 May 1. Thomas Wilding s. of Rich^d George Cowper.
Wilding late of Salop mercer.
(a freeman)
- 1612 Nov. 1. Thomas Sherer s. of Rich^d
Sherer late of Salop weaver George Cowper.
dec^d.
(a freeman)
- 1614 Dec. 25. John Williams orphan in John Hussey.
Shrewsb^y.
(a freeman)
- 1614 Aug. 23. David Olliver s. of Olliver ap Thomas Hieran.
David of Kilkewydd co:
Montgomery yeoman.
(departed without freedom)
- 1615 April 29. William Bucknoll s. of Francis Waltar Turner.
Bucknoll of Acton Burnell
co: Salop yeoman.
(a freeman)
- 1614 Jan. 2. William Cocke s. of David Roger Cocke.
Cocke of Dovaston co. Salop
yeoman.
(a freeman)
- 1616 Dec 30. Humfrey Jones s. of Ellis George Cowper.
Jones of Havod Meredith
co. Merioneth gent.
(a freeman)
- 1613 Feb. 2. Samuel Mosley (a freeman) Edward Wright.
1613 July 22. Edward Geste s. of Robert Thomas Hieran.
Geste of Leighton co. Mont-
gomery yeoman dec.
- 1613 June 29. Edward Warter s. of Roger Warter of
Yockleton co: Salop husbandman to Edward Bowers (a
freeman).
- 1614 June 20. Edward Lewis s. of Edward Lewis of Ludlow
co: Salop to Edward Bowers.
- 1612 Jan. 1. Thomas Adderton s. of John Adderton late
of Shrewsbury tailor to George Hardinge. (a freeman).
- 1616 Feb. 2. Joseph Horton s. of Richard Horton late of
Shrewsbury fletcher to William Burch.

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1617 July 1. Richard ap William s. of William Owen of par. of Llandisant co. Anglesea yeoman to Morgan Price. (departed without freedom).

1617 July 31. Foulke Williams s. of Owen Williams of Frodesley co. Salop, cooke, to Richard Lawrance. (a freeman).

1618 Nov. 1. Richard Evans s. of Ellinor Evans of Shrewsbury widow to George Cowper. (dead).

1618 Sep. 20. John Twiford s. of John Twyford of Ov'ton co. Flint yeoman to John Bayley.

1619 July 6. Humfrey Brookes s. of Edward Brookes of Preston Gubbolds co. Salop cook, to Thomas Davies. (a freeman).

1617 Feb. 2. Thomas Smyth s. of William Smyth of Upton Magna co: Salop taylor to W^m Smyth his father a freeman, (a freeman).

1617 March 4. Roger Jukes s. of John Jukes of Shrewsbury tanner to John Jones. (a freeman).

1618 Aug. 1. Edmund Tipton s. of Roger Tipton late of Pontesbury co: Salop husbandman to Richard Evans taylor

1617. Nicholas Ryder s. of Nicholas Ryder of Ford co. Salop to Daniel Ryder of Shrewsbury taylor.

1619 July 6. Thomas Hierne s. of Thomas Hierne of Shrewsbury to Thomas Hierne his father.

1620. . . . Richard Newell s. of Thomas Newell of Shrewsbury glover to John Style skinner. (a freeman).

1620. . . . Thomas Capper s. of Thomas Capper being a freeman's son of Shrewsbury to Gregory Crumwell of Shrewsbury taylor. 9 years.

1620 Oct. 23. Thomas Grosyer s. of W^m Grosyer of Shrewsbury weaver to John Browne of Shrewsbury taylor—(departed without freedom).

1619 Feb. 2. George Tawney s. of James Tawney of Astley Abbotts co. Salop yeoman to Thomas Tawney of Shrewsbury taylor. (departed without freedom).

1620 May 18. Robert Jennings s. of John Jennings of Ironbridge co. Salop yeoman to William Smyth of Upton Magna taylor.

1620 Jan 2. Thomas Wayne s. of Humfrey Wayne of Shrewsbury to Hugh Davies of Frankwell taylor. (a freeman).

1629 Jan. 1. James Davies s. of Hugh Davies of Frankwell to his father Hugh Davies.

1621 Nov. 22. Richard Gardner s. of George Gardner of Shrewsbury deceased to Roger Cocke. (departed without freedom).

1620 Jan. 1. Richard Morris s. of David Morris of Shrewsbury to Robert Bell. (a freeman).

1621 Feb. 1. John Browne s. of Roger Browne of Shrewsbury trowman to Daniel Chidlowe of Shrewsbury tailor. (departed with^t freedom).

1622 March 25. Peter Taylor s. of John Taylor of Escoyd co. Flint to Samuel Moseley of Shrewsbury tailor. (departed without freedom).

1618 July 4. John Crompe s. of John Crompe of Rowton co. Salop yeom. to Roger Morgan. (a freeman).

1616 Nov. 28. Adam Jandrell s. of Abraham Jandrell of Shrewsbury tailor to Abraham Jandrell his father.

1622 July 1. Samuel Dyas s. of Thomas Dyas of Wroxeter tailor to Roger Morgan.

1622 July 11. John More s. of Nicholas More of Shrewsbury brewer to Thomas Sherer tailor. (departed without freedom).

1621 Jan. 5. Richard Towers s. of Edmund Towers of Preston Gubbolds tailor to his father. (a freeman).

1622 Dec. 20. William Onslowe s. of Edward Onslow of Clive tailor to his father—(a freeman).

1621 March 1. John Croxton s. of Waringe Croxton of Hanmer co. Flint gent. to Richard Lyth of Acton Reynold. (a freeman).

1622 May 16. Edward Barber s. of Ed. Barber late of Yockleton yeoman to Erasmus Mycklewright—(departed without freedom).

1623 Nov. 1. Thomas Ball s. of Walter Ball of Crigion co. Montgomery to Thomas Maddox. (a freeman).

1624 Oct. 1. Robert Micklewright to Erasmus Micklewright his father. 6 y^{rs}.

1624 Oct. 1. William Micklewright to Erasmus Micklewright his father. 11 y^{rs}.

1621 Aug. 1. Richard Pryce s. of Richard Price of Pool co. Montg. yeoman to Thomas Wilding.

1620 Jan. 7. Edward Morris s. of Stephen Morris of Shrewsbury corviser to Hugh Davies. (a freeman).

1622 Feb. 16. Walter Grice s. of Nicholas Grice of Prior's Lee yeoman to William Smyth.

1621 July 18. Thomas Hopton s. of Richard Hopton of Wentnoll co. Salop gent. to John Smyth. (departed without freedom).

1625 July 10. Arthur Price s. of Richard Price gent to John Williams. (departed without freedom).

1624 April 7. Thomas Barber s. of John Barber of Stretton

co: Salop yeoman to John Jones of Shrewsbury taylor. (a freeman).

1625 Jan. 19. Lewis Humphreys s. of Humfrey ap Hugh of Shrewsbury weaver to Humfrey Jones. (departed without freedom).

1626 June 2. John Daxe s. of Reignold Daxe of Ford co. Salop yeoman deceased to Roland Morgan of Shrewsbury tailor. (a freeman).

1621 Feb. 15. William Wyther s. of Thomas Wyther of Leaton co. Salop yeoman to Morise ap Reignold of Baschurch tailor. (a freeman).

1627 Dec. 3. William Newnes s. of Samuel Newnes of the Clive to Edw^d Onslow of the Clive. (a freeman).

1626 June 15. Henry Spenser s. of James Spencer of Heighford co. Salop. yeoman to Morrice ap Reignold of Baschurch tailor. (departed without).

1626 Aug. 16. William Medlicott s. of Bartholomew Medlicott of Church Hanwood yeoman to Henry Bennett of Shrewsbury tailor. (departed).

1626 Dec. 1. Arthur Mainwaring s. of George Mainwaring of Monks-avishead in or near the town of Shrewsbury gent. to John Smyth of Shrewsbury tailor.

1627 March 27. William Wicherley s. of W^m Wicherley of Crowesmere par. Ellesmere co. Salop yeoman deceased to Morris Reignolds of Baschurch.

1628 Feb. 4. George Cowper Jun^r to George Cowper sen^r his father. (freeman).

1628 Feb. 8. William Goslinge s. of George Goslinge of Shrewsbury tanner to Richard Morries taylor (departed).

1628 March 16. Robert Towers s. of Edmond Towers of Newton upon the heath deceased to Roger Morgan.

1627 Sep. 29. John Shelvocke s. of Richard Shelvocke of Sharklewood co. Salop. yeoman to Tho^s Sherer.

1628 March 16. George Farre s. of Geo. Farre of Bridge-north blacksmith dec^d to Thomas Hodgson of Shrewsbury tailor (freeman).

1625 May 4. Richard Trevener s. of Thomas Trevener late of Shrewsbury Corviser dec^d to Humfrey Charles of Shrewsbury tailor.

1625 April 16. William Baylie s. of John Baylie of Shrewsbury tailor to John his s^d father.

1625 May 20. Edward Bowles s. of Daniel Bowles of Shrewsbury to his s^d father Daniel.

1635 May 11. Alexander s. of John Baugh of Shrewsbury to Daniel Bolas. (freeman).

1608 July 4. William s. of W^m Mason of Ford co. Salop. yeoman to Roger Heynes tailor. (freeman).

1622 April 24. Thomas s. of John Mainwaringe of Audlem co. Chester gent. to Thomas Sherer.

1624 Aug. 1. Edward s. of John Barber late of Stretton co: Salop dec^d to Randle Jones. (freeman).

1634. . . . Rowland s. of Richard Harris to Tho^s Sherer.

1642 Sep. 30. George s. of Roland Morgan of Shrewsbury tailor to his s^d father Roland.

1646 April 1. Thomas s. of Thomas Curton of Longnor co. Salop. husbandman to John Skrimsher of Shrewsbury tailor.

1648 Oct. 28. William s. of Richard Crowder clothworker dec^d by consent of his mother to Henry Weston his father in law.

1651 Dec. 1. William s. of William Palin dec^d to Thomas Standly tailor.

1653 May 31. Joseph s. of Randle Geast of Little Bowd-
work co. Chester to Thomas Standley.

1627 July 27. Thomas Prees s. of Morries Prees of Llany-
hangel acroythin co. Cardigan gent. to Henry Bennett.

1627 June 24. Richard Hande s. of Rob^t Hand of Ightfield
co. Salop blacksmith to Richard Lyth. (departed without
freedom.)

1627 Sept. 21. John Turner s. of William Turner late of
Nantwich co. Chester tailor dec^d to Robert Bell. (escaped).

1627 Dec. 29. Richard Davies s. of John Davies of
Yeedyall co. Stafford glover dec^d to Morgan Price.

1628 June 2. Josias Bell s. of Rob^t Bell of Shrewsbury
tailor to his father.

1624 July 20. Edward Saunders s. of James Saunders late
of High Offley co. Stafford yeoman to George Cowper.

1628 April 26. Richard Higgons s. of Thomas Higgons late
of Lichfield co. Stafford dec^d to Peter Richardson. (escaped).

1629 Sep. 30. David Davyes s. of Humfrey Davyes of
Shrewsbury throwman to Edward Bowen.

1628 May 1. Robert Davis s. of Howell Davis of Onslow to
John Jones.

1628 Aug. 1. John Maddox s. of Roland Maddox of Astley
yeomⁿ to Thomas Maddox of Astley tailor.

1626 July 22. Isaac Bentley s. of Rob^t Bentley of Astley to
Tho^s Maddox.

1630 May 1. Jacob Prychard s. of Peter Prychard of
Shrewsbury weaver to Richard Morris.

1630 May 11. Richard Jones s. of John Jones of Abbey
foregate miller dec^d to John Robertes. (departed).

1630 Nov. 1. Richard Forester s. of Adam Forester of Meriton husbandman to Roger Burde of Meriton taylor. (freeman).

1630 Jan 31. Edward Prees s. of Ellis Prees late of Shrewsbury tailor dec^d to Pears Jones.

1630 Feb. 7. Thomas Botfield s. of Mary Botfield of Shrewsbury widow to Richard Tenche of Shrewsbury tailor. (escaped).

1630 Dec. 10. David Jones s. of Timothy Jones of Shrewsbury baker dec^d to Randle Jones tailor. (freeman).

1630 Feb. 24. George s. of Randle Knatsford cardmaker to Edward ap Owen. (freeman).

1631 May 26. Thomas Wilecox s. of Hugh Wilcox of Heywood co: Salop yeoman dec^d to Adam Bromley. (died).

1631 June 1. John Jones s. of John Jones of Monksforyatt Salop tailor to his father. (freeman).

1631 April 30. Thomas Higgons s. of Richard Higgons of Shrewsbury dec^d to Samuel Moseley. (freeman)

1626 Feb. 2. Samuel s. of John Browne tailor to Richard Harries taylor. Harries left town—returned to Tho^s Hieron.

1631 March 14. James Bradley s. of John Bradeley late of Shrewsbury glover dec^d to Adam Bromley tailor.

1637 Nov. 25. John Curton s. of Richard Curton of Grinsill co. Salop yeoman to William Newnes.

1632 June 8. John Griffiths s. of Humfrey Griffis of Shrewsbury clothworker to Thomas Davyes.

1632 Aug. 1. William Rabon s. of Ralphe Rabon of Wem co. Salop miller to Tho^s Maddox. (departed).

1630 Dec. 10. David Jones s. of Timothy Jones baker dec^d to Randall Jones. returned to Barbara Evans widow. (freeman).

1632 Feb. 2. William Thomas s. of John Thomas of Sandford dec^d to Moses Reignoldes of Milwich par. Baschurch tailor.

1632 Feb. 20. William Wither s. of Tho^s Wither of Leaton tailor to William Jenkyn of Leaton taylor. (freeman).

1632 March 20. Joseph s. of Bartholomew Medlicott of Great Hanwood to John Roberts tailor.

1633 June 19. William Jones s. of John Jones of Staustey co. Denbigh tailor dec^d to Tho^s Sherer.

1632 Aug. 17. Francis Thomas s. of Rees Thomas of Shrewsbury tanner to John Sucker tailor. (freeman).

1634 May 5. Jacob Thomas s. of Isaac Thomas of City of London merchant to Randle Thomas tailor—returned on death of Randle to his widow Elinor.

1633 June 12. Thomas Onslowe s. of Richard Onslowe of Shrewsbury yeoman to Tho^s Sherer. (freeman).

1631 Sep. 29. Arthur Shawe s. of Roger Shawe of Salop tailor to Arthur Sherer. (departed).

1633 July 17. William Francke s. of W^m Francke late of Shrewsbury tapster to Henry Bennett tailor. (escaped).

1633 July 20. David Davyes s. of Humfrey Davyes of Shrewsbury trowman dec^d to Hugh Davyes tailor. (departed without freedom).

1633 Nov. 1. Edward Jones s. of John Jones of Shrewsbury clothworker to Edw^d Morris. (departed without freedom).

1639 Oct. 7. Tho^s Clare the younger s. of Tho^s Clare of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1634 June 3. John Parre s. of Edmond Parre of Pitchford co. Salop yeoman to Humfrey Chandles.

1634 Dec. 30. William Newnes appr'e to Edw^d Onslow reported served.

1634 Sep. 29. John Tawney s. of James Tawney of Astley co. Salop yeoman to Thomas Maddox of Astley tailor.

1634 Dec. 20. John Bennett s. of Henry Bennett of Shrewsbury tailor to his father. (died).

1634 Nov. 24. Richard Braine s. of Robert Braine of Withiford to Thomas Waine. (escaped).

1634 Aug. 1. David Waine s. of Humfrey Waine to Tho^s Wayne.

1631 Feb. 28. John Skrymsher s. of James Skrymsher of Bicton mercer to W^m Cockes tailor.

1639 June 24. Benjamin Farre s. of George Farre of Bridgenorth smith dec^d to George Farre of Shrewsbury tailor.

1634 March 28. Francis Rawlins s. of Tho^s Rawlins of Shrewsbury to Thomas his father.

1635 March 11. Edward Rawlins s. of Tho^s Rawlins of Shrewsbury to George Cowper.—returned to his father Tho^s.—(dead).

1639 July 16. John Taylor s. of Jacob Taylor late of Whitechurch co. Salop tailor dec^d to Tho^s Maddox.

1634 Oct. 29. Richard Cockes s. of Roger Cockes of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1639 June 24. Benjamin Farre s. of George Farre of Bridgenorth smith dec^d to George Farre of Shrewsbury tailor.

1636 March 12. Thomas Griffies of Clive co. Salop to Howell Vaughan of Acton Reynald tailor.

1637 Nov. 1. John Cheshire s. of Adam Cheshire late of Adgon lane dec^d to Rich^d Tavers of Newton on the heath tailor. (escaped).

1639 March 21. William Smyth s. of John Smyth of Upton Magna tailor to Tho^s Smyth his uncle a freeman.

1636 March 26. William Onslowe the younger of Clive to Edward Onslowe of Clive tailor.

1634 Nov. 1. Thomas Cocks s. of Roger Cocks of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1639 Oct 26. Roland Tomson s. of Roland Tompson late of Astley cooke dec^d to Tho^s Maddox.

1637 Aug. 3. John Powell s. of Richard Powell of Oswestry husbandman to Alex^r Cleaton.

1638 Sep. 1. Thomas Leighton s. of Francis Leighton of the town of Shrewsbury gent.¹ to Daniel Bowles for 7 years from date—Mr Warden Bowles doth report his true service.

1639 June 24. Francis Chaurles s. of Humphrey Chaurles of Shrewsbury to his father.

1639 Dec. 1. Richard Dackes s. of Tho^s Dackes of Ford co. Salop smith to John Dackes of Shrewsbury tailor.

1640 March 28 Thomas Dunford s. of Tho^s Dunford of Battlefield husbandman to William Wyther of Leaton.

1639 Sep. 29. Edward Jones s. of John Jones of Shrewsbury to John Jones his father.

1640 July 4. Jarrott Williams s. of Tho^s Williams late of Winnington co. Salop gent. dec^d to Humphrey Charles tailor

1640 Nov 30. John Price s. of Morgan Price tailor to his s^d father.

1640 June 24. Isaac Griffies s. of Edw^d Griffies of Shrewsbury shoemaker to Tho^s Sherex.

1640 Oct 9. Thomas Jones s. of Tho^s Jones of Great Berwick co. Salop laborer to David Jones tailor. (departed without freedom).

1640 July 17. William Browne s. of Joseph Browne of Shrewsbury tailor to David Jones.

1645 Dec. 1. Nathaniel Davies s. of Francis Davies of par. of Kinnerley co. Salop to W^m Withers of Leaton tailor.

¹ Francis Leighton was buried at Alberbury, February 24, 1622-3, and Mary his wife buried there Feb. 24, 1629. Francis Leighton was son of William Leighton, of Westbury, (bp. 1565, and bur. 1637-8), by Jane, d. of Edw. Grey, of Buildwas, and relict of William Sheldon, who was one of the sons of Sir Edward Leighton, of Wattlesborough, and Ann Darrell his first wife. It was the custom of early times for the eldest son to inherit the ancestral estate, and to send the younger sons to Shrewsbury to gain their livelihood as tailors, shoemakers, and mercers, or other trades, which no doubt they did, supported by the family influence and connection.

1640 Nov. 9. Rubin Thomas s. of Rich^d Thomas of Shrewsbury laborer to Samuel Moseley tailor—returned 1643 to John Jones.

1640 May 1. Thomas Donforde s. of Tho^s Donforde of Battlefield husbandman to W^m Withers of Leaton.

1641 March 25. John Maddox s. of W^m Maddox of Berlington co. Salop dec^d to Robert Davyes tailor. (departed without freedom).

1641 Dec. 13. George Jaxson s. of George Jaxson dec^d late of Acton par. Childs Ercall co. Salop to Edw^d Morrys tailor. (departed without freedom).

1641 Jan. 8. Roger Birde s. of Roger Birde of Merriton co. Salop to his s^d father—tailor.

1642 June 20. Tho^s Burche s. of W^m Burche late of Shrewsbury tailor dec^d to David Jones.—returned 1646 to George Cowper.

1641 Feb. 1. Tho^s Pughe s. of Tho^s Pughe of Frankwell to Hugh Davyes tailor. returned to Edw. Morris.

1642 July 18. Thomas Williams s. of W^m Edwards late of Ebnall co. Salop yeoman to George Farre tailor.

1642 Dec. 20. John Evans s. of George Evans of Shrewsbury to David Jones tailor. (died).

1642 Nov. 1. Tho^s Felton s. of Roger Felton of Leaton to Thomas Standle of Berwick.

1643 Nov. 18. Edward Benion s. of Roger Benion of Shrewsbury weaver to W^m Cocks tailor.

1644 May 1. Richard Woodfen s. of John Woodfen of Weverham co. Chest. mercer to John Woodfen. (escaped).

1644 April 20. William Jenkin s. of W^m Jenkin of Leaton tailor to his s^d father.

1645 Oct. 2. Edward Charles s. of Humfrey Charles to his father.

1625 Aug. 22. John Hankin s. of John Hankin of Risher co. Cest. to John Woodfen tailor. (released).

1645 March 1. Griffith Shimell of Shiffnal co. Salop to Richard Williams of Shrewsbury tailor. (departed without freedom).

1645 Oct. 27. John Bennett s. of David Bennett of Shrewsbury tailor to Thomas Standle of Berwick tailor.

1646 April 25. David Thomas s. of Rees Thomas dec^d to Daniel Bowles. (departed without freedom).

1646 May 19. Henry Bennett s. of Henry Bennett late of Shrewsbury dec^d tailor to George Farre of Shrewsbury tailor.

1646 Sep. 1. Timothy Adney s. of John Adney of Preston Brockhurst to W^m Newnes of Yorton tailor.

- 1646 July 25. Thomas Reynolds to Richard Foster.
- 1646 April 16. Robart Moynes s. of Richard Moynes late of par. of St Alkmonds Shrewsbury dec^d to Francis Rawlins tailor. (escaped).
- 1646 Feb. 2. Samuel Betton s. of Joseph Betton of Shrewsbury tanner dec^d to W^m Withers of Leaton tailor.
- 1647 April 9. George Wall s. of Tho^s Wall to his s^d father.
- 1647 April 4. Thomas Martin s. of Charles Martin felt-maker to Thomas Wall tailor.
- 1647 Jan. 1. Thomas s. of Tho^s Maddox to his father.
- 1648 May 11. Samuel Morris s. of Edw^d Morris to his father.
- 1647 Dec. 10. George Richardson s. of Peter Richardson dec^d to Richard Cocks.
- 1648 April 20. John Lloyd s. in law to Jasper Lloyd of Great Berwick co. Salop carpenter to Tho^s Dunford.
- 1647 Feb. 21. John Wall to his father Tho^s Wall.
- 1646 Sep. 1. John Beysey s. of John Beysy of Leinster dec^d to Humfrey Charles. (departed without freedom).
- 1648 Jan. 1. Richard s. of John Sandland of Broughton weaver to Philip Bunney of Haston.
- 1648 Jan. 3. Robert Clare s. of Tho^s Clare of Abbey foregate dec^d to Tho^s Clare his brother.
- 1649 May 1. Tho^s s. of Adam Bromley of Abbey foregate tailor to his father.
- 1649 March 29. George Hussie s. of W^m Hussie of Alperain in par. Bumberie co. Cest. tailor to George Cowper the younger.
- 1649 Nov. 1. W^m s. of W^m Turner of Prees co: Salop yeoman to Thomas Wall.
- 1648 Oct. 12. John Hodges s. of Mark Hodges of Meole to John Scrimshawe of Shrewsbury.
- 1649 Aug. 10. Samson Fuller to George Farre. (departed).
- 1651 Oct. 3. Edward Brookes s. of Humphrey Brookes of Preston Gubbalds tailor dec^d to Francis Thomas of Shrewsbury tailor.
- 1650 March 1. Roger s. of Tho^s Maddox to his father.
- 1650 March 20. Griffith s. of David Bennett to Tho^s Onslow tailor. (debarred his freedom).
- 1652 Aug. 18. Richard Lea s. of James Lea late of Haughton par. Ercall co. Salop dyer to Tho^s Maddox of Astley tailor.
- 1652 Nov. 7. Thomas Crowder s. of Rich^d Crowder dec^d to Edmund Vickars of Downton.
- 1653 April 10. Ralphe Jennings of par. Malpas s. of Richard Jennings dec^d to Edward Chaurles of Shrewsbury tailor.

1653 June 29. Joseph s. of Rowland Evans shearman of Shrewsbury to Richard Cockes tailor.

1653 June 24. William Chilton of Upton Magna to Rich^d. Cockes.

1653 March 1. Roderick Hughes s. of Edw^d Hughes of Dollthirline co. Merioneth to Tho^s Burch.

1653 Feb. 14. Tho^s Dax s. of John Dax of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1653 Dec 26. Tho^s. Withers s. of W^m. Withers of Leaton to his father.

1653 Jan. 31. Jonathan Dugdale s. of Randle Dugdale of Shrewsbury to Thomas Clare.

1653 Feb. 7. Thomas Ellett s. of Justinian Ellett to Tho^s. Jaxon.

1655 June 23. Richard Bromley s. of Adam Bromley to his father.

1655 June 28. Adam Bromley s. of Adam Bromley to his father.

1655 July 1. William Charles s. of Humfrey Charles dec^d to Francis Charles his brother.

1655 June 30. John Wilcox s. of Samuel Wilcox dec^d. at the Cricket co. Salop to George Farre. (departed without freedom).

1654 July 10. John Gibbons s. of John Gibbons of Shrewsbury gent. to George Cowper.

1655 Oct. 8. Tho^s. Boulton s. of Tho^s. Boulton of Shrewsbury tailor to Edward Benion.

1655 May 1. John Barber s. of Edw^d Barber to his father.

1658 Aug. 3. W^m. Ragg s. of George Rugg to John Preese of Abbey foregate tailor.

1658 May 1. John Punch s. of John Punch of Little Ness corviser to Thomas Standley of Shrewsbury tailor.

1655 Jan. 26. W^m. Tylston s. of Tho^s. Tylston dec^d to John Scrimshawe. (ran away).

1656 March 26. Thomas Barber s. of Tho^s Barbor of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1656 May 3. Richard Hassall s. of Richard Hassall of Widdenbury co. Cest. husbandman to Tho^s. Clare.

1653 March 1. Mathew Lloyd s. of David Lloyd of Shrewsbury tanner to John Shelvoek.

1656 Feb. 14. Edward Madox s. of Rich^d. Madox of Shawbury co. Salop yeoman to Tho^s. Madox of Astley tailor.

1657 April 1. Richard Edsall s. of Tho^s Edsall to his father

1657 Sep. 10. William Morris s. of William Morris of Astley to George Cowper of Shrewsbury tailor (7) & the 8 year he is to be his covenant servant.

1657 Sep. 14. John Dax s. of John Dax of Shrewsbury to his father.

1658 Feb. 2. Henry Armmishrowe s. of John Armmishrowe of Buildwas to Richard Cokes.

1660 April 23. Thomas Smith the yo^r to Tho^s Smith the elder.

1659 Oct. 26. Thomas Geast s. of Edw. Geast to Tho^s. Madox of Astley.

1659 July 18. W^m. Bray s. of W^m. Bray of Frankwell to John Powell of Shrewsbury tailor. (ran away).

1659 June 21. John Gough s. of W^m. Gough of Cherbury co. Salop tailor to Thomas Standley of Shrewsbury.

1659 Feb. 10. Stephen Pughe s. of Tho^s. Pughe of Frankwell to Edw^d. Morris of Frankwell.

1660 Jan. 1. Nicholas Harries s. of Tho^s. Harris to Tho^s. Edsall. returned 1663 to Tho^s. Jaxon.

1660 Jan 1. John Wood s. of Tho^s. Wood of Pontesbury corviser to Tho^s. Burch.

1661 May 18. W^m. Lewes s. of Francis Lewes of Prees co. Salop to James Cannys of Shrewsbury tailor.

1660 Feb. 6. Richard Farmer s. W^m. Farmer of Shrawardine tailor dec^d. to Tho^s. Dunford of Battlefield.

1661 July 1. Edward Ellis s. of Cadwallader Ellis of Shrewsbury brewer to John Hodges.

1661 Nov. 13. Roger s. of Zacharias Darbishire late of St. Mary's par. Shrewsbury laborer dec^d. to Francis Chandles. (crossed out).

1661 Feb. 14. Roger Smith s. of Roger Smith to John Lloyd of Wollaston co. Salop tailor.

1661 Feb. 22. Nicholas Stedman s. of Michael Stedman of Aston co. Salop gent. dec^d. to William Chilton of Shrewsbury tailor.

1662 July 29. George Farr s. of Geo. Farr of Shrewsbury tailor by Mr. Dounes gent. late Alderman of Shrewsbury dec^d. to John Gibbons (crossed out).

1662 July 14. Harry Heylinge s. of Edw^d. Heylinge of Kyrerley co. Salop yeoman to Richard Cokes.

1662 Sep. 3. Thomas Jennings s. of Rich^d. Jennings of Shrewsbury dec^d to John Powell of Pulley tailor.

1662 Jan. 3. George Farmer s. of Edw^d. Farmer to Thomas Sherer. returned to Tho^s. Smith.

1662 Dec. 25. Thomas Jaxon s. of Tho. Jaxon of Shrewsbury to his father.

1662 Feb. 2. Rich^d. Dax s. of John Dax of Shrewsbury to his father.

1663 Jan. 25. Thomas Davis s. of Edw. Davis pewterer to John Scrimshaw.

1663 Sep. 20. Robert Foulber s. of Rob^t. Foulber to Francis Rallings, returned 1667 to Jonathan Dugdale. (crossed out).

1663 July 25. Samuel Matchen s. of Leonard Matchen miller to Abraham Allcox.

1664 April 16. Rich^d. s. of Tho^s. Onslow to his father.

1664 June 20. Samuel Cowper s. of George Cowper of Shrewsbury to his father.

1665 April 10. John Fox s. of John Fox of Shrewsbury to Edward Bennion.

1665 Oct. 2. Samuel Porter s. of Rich^d Porter of Shrewsbury to W^m Chilton.

1665 Dec. 20. Thomas Scot s. of John Scot of Shrewsbury to his father.

1665 July 27. W^m. Barbar s. of W^m. Barbar of Stretton co. Salop to Edw^d. Barbar.

1665 March. Richard Mansell s. of Andrew to his father.

1666 May 2. Samuel Moss s. of John Moss to Tho^s Bourth.

1666 Sep 20. John Taylor s. of John Taylor to Jonathan Dugdale. (crossed out).

1666 Dec 7. John Boulton s. of Tho^s. Boulton to his father.

1666 Jan. 1. Samuel Eller s. of Tho^s. Eller to his father.

1667 June 22. Rich^d. Newnes s. of W^m. Newnes to his father.

1667 Nov. 10. Benjⁿ. Pitts s. of Tho^s. Pitts to his father.

1667 April 3. Rich^d. Mounford s. of Rich^d. Mounford of township of Beresford co. Salop to Edw^d. Broncks. (crossed out).

1667 Oct. 22. Michael Carter s. of Tho^s: Cartar of Shrewsbury trowman to Samuel Morris.

1667 Jan. 1. Tho^s. Gathing s. of David Gathing, smith of Shrewsbury to Richard Cocks.

1667 Jan. 2. Walter Tench s. of Robert Tench of Shrewsbury to his father.

1667 Jan. 2. Tho^s Price s. of John Price to John Price.

1668 May 13. William Mancell s. of And^w. Mancell of Shrewsbury to his father.

1668 May 1. Rich^d. Cowper s. of W^m. Cowper of Shrewsbury to Jonathan Dugdale. (crossed out).

1668 June 20. Philip Pichford s. of Edw^d. Pichford of Shrewsbury to Tho^s. Dax.

1668 Aug. 1. Randal Turner s. of Rich^d. Turner of Shrewsbury to John Wilcox of Shrewsbury tailor. (crossed out).

1668 Sep. 21. Samuel Spencer s. of Stephen Spencer of Shrewsbury to Thomas Smith of Shrewsbury tailor returned 1670 to John Gibbons.

1669 April 6. Tho^s. Cuorton s. of Tho^s. Cuorton of Astley to Tho^s. Crowder of Shrewsbury tailor. (crossed out).

1668 March 4. Joseph Prise s. of Rolland Prise of Shrewsbury to Tho^s. Clare.

1668 Oct. 22. John Barbor s. of Tho^s. Barbor of Shrewsbury to his father.

1668 Mar. 23. Richard Houldstone s. of W^m. Houldstone of Shrewsbury laborer to John Hodges.

1668 Nov. 4. William Dax s. of John Dax of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1669 June 17. John s. of George Farr late of Shrewsbury to Tho^s. Pitts.

1669 Oct. 28. W^m. s. of Francis France dec^d. to Tho^s. Boulton.

1668 Feb. 9. Randle Torner s. of Rich^d. Torner dec^d. to Rich^d. Bromley.

1670 May 11. W^m. Stanley s. of Tho. Stanley to John Scrimshawe.

1670 April 14. Roger s. of Fabian Burrows tailor to Edw. Bennion. returned 1671 to his father.

1670 June 22. Sam^l. s. of John Cartwright of Shawbury to Edw. Maddox.

1670 May 1. Rich^d. s. of Roger Boulton of Audley co. Stafford blacksmith to James Smith.

1670 Sep. 7. John s. of Tho. Tomkis of Stapleton co. Salop to Andrew Mounsell.

1670 Sep. 19. John s. of John Machen of Pyon co. Stafford corvisee to W^m. Holmes.

1670 Dec. 13. John s. of John Exeter of Abbey foregate taylor to John Gibbons. (crossed out).

1670 Nov. 1. John Evans s. of Rob^t. Evans late of Llanginnog co. Montg^y. Weaver dec^d to John Maddox.

1671 June 1. W^m. s. of W^m. Jones baker dec^d. to John Wilcox. (crossed out).

1671 April 1. John s. of John Stephens of Westley yeoman to John Powell.

1671 Oct. 4. Joⁿ s. of Tho. Alcox of Welbatch yeoman to Abram Alcox.

1671 Oct. 7. Joⁿ. s. of Arthur Daikin dec^d. to Matthew Lloyd.

1671 Jan. 2. James s. of James Richardson tailor to Matthew Lloyd.

1671 Jan. 10. Rich^d. s. of Rich^d. Heyward dec^d. to Benjⁿ. Pitts.

1671 Feb. 20. Peter s. of Henry Wood to Geo. Farmer.

1672 May 1. Tho^s. s. of George Cowper tailor to Edw. Benyon.

1672 May 1. Joⁿ. s. of Tho. Stanley tailor to Tho^s. Boulton.

1672 Dec. 24. Charles s. of Cha^s. Jones of Pulley husbandman to John Pughe tailor.

1672 Aug. 19. Cha^s. s. of Tho. Wall tailor to his father.

1672 Aug. 1. John Nownes s. of W^m. Nownes to his father.

1673 July 15. Rich^d. s. of Rich^d. Fossbrooke of Wellington co. Salop to John Gibbons.

1673 Aug. 30. Andrew s. of Tho. Maunsell to Abram Wilcox.

1673 Nov. 11. Joⁿ. s. of Joⁿ. Jones laborer to Joⁿ. Byerly tailor.

1673 Dec. 18. Rich^d. s. of Joⁿ. Taylor tailor to his father.

1673 Jan. 24. Edw^d. s. of Rich^d. Barber of Yockleton to Edw. Barber.

1673 Dec. 18. George s. of Tho. Jones tailor to his father.

1674 Dec. 13. Tho^s. s. of Rich^d. Fleminge of Meriton co Salop husbandman to W^m. Jenkin.

1674 Dec. 17. Fra^s. s. of Rich. Williams Cotton hill to John Jones.

1675 May 1. John s. of Simon Downes to Andrew Mauncell.

1675 Feb. 10. Tho^s. s. of Tho. Maddox to his father.

1676 April 9. John s. of Roger Teccoe to Geo: Farmer returned on death of Farmer to W^m. Whetley.

1676 April 12. Charles s. of Edw^d Owen clothier to John Hodges tailor.

1675 Nov 10. Thos. s. of Rob^t. Jones of Chilton to John Powell.

1676 Dec 20. Rolland Maddox s. of Tho^s. Maddox to his father.

1675 July 1. James Pearson s. of Mary Pearson widow late of Newport to James Richardson. returned to W^m. Mauncell.

1677 Dec 3. John Jones s. of Owen Jones of Shrewsbury to Nicholas Carter. (died).

1677 Sep. 20. W^m. Tornell s. of Francis Tornell to John Hughes.

1676 Dec. 21. Tho^s. Hodges s. of John Hodges of Shrewsbury to his father.

1677 Dec 20. John s. of John Lloyd of Berwick to

1677 Jan. 26. Roland Deking s. of W^m. Deking of Astley to Tho^s. Maddox.

1678 Dec. 1. Robert Balley of Stepington co. Salop to Griffith Wood of Shrewsbury tailor.

1678 July 2. Edw^d. Cheshier s. of Rich^d. Cheshier of Shrewsbury to Joseph Prise. (escaped).

1678 Dec 21. Roger Bostok s. of Rich^d. Bostok of Bosley co. Montg^y. to John Taylor.

1678 March 1. Francis Gould s. of Tho. Gould of Shrewsbury to Benjⁿ. Pitt.

1679 May 26. Rich^d. Boudller s. of Rich^d. Boudller of Shrewsbury to Samuel Caysie of Shrewsbury tailor.

1679 May 29. John Phassant s. of Tho. Phassant of Shrewsbury to Samuel Morris.

1679 May 29. John Prise s. of Edw. Prise of Pulley to John Hughes.

1677 Dec 14. Tho^s. Vahon s. of Tho: Vahon of Acton Reynald heath tailor to his s^d father.

1679 June 12. John Houlstone s. of W^m. Houlstone of Shrewsbury to Richard Houlstone.

1679 June 23. Tho^s. Lliset s. of Francis Lliset of Westbury co. Salop to John Barbor.

1679 Sep. 13. George s. of Roger Wood of Shrewsbury buttonmaker to James Burch. (crossed out).

1679 Sep. 21. Simon Ridar s. of Simon Ridar of Shrewsbury to John Boulton. (crossed out).

1679 Nov. 10. James Parker to Sam^l. Parker of Shrewsbury.

1680 May 26. Richard Gravener s. of Mary Gravener of to Robert Tanet.

1678 June 24. Tho^s. Wootton s. of Tho. Wootton of Harlescot to John Jones.

1680 June 2. William Hughes to Tho^s. Maddox of Acton Reynald.

1678 Jan. 1. Tho^s. Jones s. of Tho. Jones to his father of Shrewsbury.

1680 June 7. John Osall s. of Laurence Osall of Shrewsbury to Michael Carter.

1680 June 7. Tho^s. Woof of Shrewsbury to W^m. Bourges of Shrewsbury.

1680 July 8. Richard Charles s. of Fra^s. Charles to his father.

1680 June 25. Randell Bourges of Shrewsbury to John Morris of Shrewsbury. (crossed out).

1678 Dec. 22. Owen Price s. of John Price of Abbey foregate to his father.

1680 Jan. 3. Sylvanus Franciscus Cox of Shrewsbury to his father Richard Cox.

1680 Jan. 4. Robert Hodges s. of John Hodges of Shrewsbury to his father.

1680 Jan. 4. Edw^d. Davis s. of Edw. Davis of Shrewsbury to his father in law Griffith Wood of Shrewsbury.

1681 April 9. Joseph Hoshar s. of Rich^d. Hoshar of Shrewsbury to Richard Whetley of Shrewsbury.

1681 April 10. Joshua Gibbons s. of Mr. John Gibbons of Shrewsbury to his father.

1681 May 24. John Vahon s. of Tho^s Vahon of Acton Reynald to his father.

1681 June 2. Richard Whitakers s. of Rich^d. Whittickers of Oswestry yeoman to Tho^s. Gathing of Shrewsbury.

1681 Jan. 17. Joseph Tannat s. of John Tannat of Shrewsbury to John Jones.

1681 July 7. Roland Jeuckes s. of Samuel Juckes of Downton co. Salop gent. to Sam^l. Spencer of Shrewsbury on whose death 1685 returned to Sam^l. Carper.

1682 Feb 11. William Maddox s. of John Maddox of Astley to John his father.

1681 Sep. 29. Peter s. of Peter Barker corviser of Shrewsbury to John Boulton.

1681 March 4. Tho^s. Davis s. of John Davis of Abington to Tho^s. Fleming. (crossed out).

1682 June 13. Tho^s s. of W^m Newell to John Exeter.

1682 June 30. Samuel Evans s. of John Evans to Samuel Parker.

1682 July 26. Rich^d Tifilds s. of John Tifilds to Rich^d Wheatley. (dead).

1682 Sep. 1. Sam^l Richardson s. of James Richardson to his father.

1682 Nov. 24. Sam^l Morris s. of Sam^l Morris of Shrewsbury to his father.

1682 Nov 30. Andrew Mounsla s. of John Mounsla to his father.

1682 Dec 5. Benj Gilbert s. of Rob^t Gilbert of Shrewsbury to Tho. Dax.

1682³/₄ Feb. 12. Cha Leghe s. of Henry Leghe gent. of co Salop to John Mounlow.

1682 Nov. 28. Tho. s. of Tho. Dax to his father.

1684 Dec. 29. John Wright s. of John Wright of Widenbury co. Cest. to George Scrivener.

1683 June 9. W^m s. of Raynall Couper to Rich^d Farmer of Bictonheath returned to Rich^d Whateley of Shrewsbury.

- 1683 June 9. David s. of Matthew Lloyd to James Richardson on his decease returned to Henry Gorsuch.
- 1682 Aug. 1. Rich^d s. of Tho. Williams to Ab^m Alcox.
- 1682 Dec. 9. Matthew s. of Tho. Malpas to Roger Renicker.
- 1682 Dec 10. John s. of John Andrews to John Price.
- 1683 Feb. 4. John s. of John Pichford to his father.
- 1684 April 29. Tho^s Orme s. of Phebian Orme of Shrewsbury to Phebian Orme of Shrewsbury tailor.
- 1683 Feb. 6. John Burch s. of James Burch of Shrewsbury to Sam^l Spencer.
- 1684 Dec 10. James s. of W^m Pealeing, Clothier to Cha Jones.
- 1684 Oct. 18. Rich^d Jackson s. of Tho. Jackson dec^d to Rich^d Wheatley. (crossed out).
- 1684 Oct 22. Roger s. of Roger Renikers of Shrewsbury to his father.
- 1684 Nov 17. Charles Davis s. of Edw. Davies of Shrewsbury to Rich. Fosbrook.
- 1684 Oct. 10. Silvanus Francis Cox s. of Rich. Cox to his father as a furrier or skinner.
- 1684 Nov 10. Edw^d s. of Rich. Cox to his father as a furrier or skinner.
- 1684 Dec 12. Benj Pitt s. of Benj. Pitt to Thomas Pitt of Shrewsbury tailor.
- 1684 Dec 28. Robert s. of Benj. Pitt to his father.
- 1684¹/₆ Feb. 19. John Boulton s. of W^m Boulton of Shrewsbury to Cha Wall.
- 1685 April 23. Humphrey s. of Humphrey Price to Tho^s Crouther of Astley.
- 1684 April 3. Hugh Jones s. of Hugh Jones to Roger Benion. (crossed out).
- 1685 May 9. Tho^s s. of Fra^s Rawlins to Francis Rawlins.
- 1684 Nov 20. W^m s. of Geo. Swinton of Shrewsbury to Edw. Darbyshire.
- 1685 Sep. 22. John Humphreys s. of Rich^d Humphreys of Treadigle co. Montgomery to Griffith Wood.
- 1685 Oct 22. John Hughes s. of W^m Hughes of Astley to John Evans of Abriton co. Salop.
- 1685 June 24. W^m s. of Tho^s Barton of par. Hanbury co: Stafford to William Tooth tailor.
- 1685 Feb. 24. Rich^d Gittins s. of Abram Gittins of Habberley to Joseph Jones.
- 1686 April 10. Francis Davies s. of Tho^s Davies of Newton on the Hill par Middle clothier to John Cureton of Grinsill.

1686 May 27. Tho. Millington s. of James Millington of town of Hyatton co. Salop to Tho^a Jones of Bicton heath returned to John Taylor of Salop.

1686 June 29. Tho. Holland of Middlewich co. Cest. to Henry Gossuch.

1686 July 28. John s. of Tho. Robarts bellfounder to Sam^l Parker.

1686 Sep. 17. Joseph Knott s. of Randle Knott to Ja^s Parker.

1686 Dec. 10. Samuel Habergall s. of John Habergall to John Mounslow.

1686 Dec. 20. Samuel s. of Rob^t Clare to his father.

1686 June 22. Matthias Wilding s. of Matthew Wilding to Samuel Morris of Shrewsbury.

1686 June 20. Rich^d Holt s. of W^m Holt of Bridgenorth to Daniel Baxter.

1687 April 1. Richard Bowers s. of John Bowers to John Barber of Preston Montford.

1687 May 19. Frances Mighen s. of Rich^d Mighen to Hen. Gorsuch.

1687 July 7. Roger Blagg s. of Roger Blagg of Nantwich tailor to Wm. Tooth. (crossed out).

1687 June 24. Peter Lambert s. of Edw^d Lambert of Upton Magna to Geo. Scrivener. (crossed out).

1686 Nov 30. Henry Scott s. of Humphery Scott of Shrewsbury to Edw^d Ollivars of Shrewsbury.

1687 Sep. 14. William Barbar s. of Edw^d of Shrewsbury to his father.

1687 Dec. 3. Edw^d Lloyd s. of Theophilus Lloyd of Lanryod co. Montgomery to John Taylor.

1687 Jan. 10. John Gennoe s. of John Gennoe to John Morris of Shrewsbury. (crossed out).

1688 March 31. Thomas Pichford s. of Tho Pichford of Astley to John Evans of Battlefield.

1688 Sep. 29. Robert Hodges s. of John Hodges of Shrewsbury to Richard Houlston.

1688 June 10. Christopher Morris s. of John Morris to his father.

1690 June 9. Luke Edwards s. of Luke Edwards to Rich. Houlston.

1692 March 4. Samuel Newns s. of Rich^d of the Clive tailor to his father.

1688 July 17. Tho^a Jones s. of Charles Jones of Pulley to Cha^s Jones his brother.

1688 Dec. 20. Sam^l Cooper s. of Sam Cooper to his father.

1689 July 16. Tho Sherwood s. of Rob^t Sherwood bound to Cha Owen who went in King's Service returned to Sam^l Morris.

1689 June 25. Richard Bowers s. of W^m Bowers to Cha^s Wall.

Rich^d Bell s. of W^m Bell Henry Gorsuch.

1692 April 30. Benj^a Pichford s. of John Pichford to Rich^d Fosbrook.

1690 May 16. Rob^t Wilson s. of Rob^t Wilson of Harlescot to Thomas Woolen.

1690 Jan. 1. Robert Bouker of Wellington to Rich^d. Smith.

1691 April 4. Sam^l. Dike s. of Sam^l. Dike to Tho. Chanler.

1691 July 1. John Wakefield s. of Ellis Wakefield of Shrewsbury to Rich^d Smith.

1691 Aug. 24. Nicholas Felton s. of Joseph Felton of Shrewsbury clothworker to John Morris of Shrewsbury returned 1696 to Roger Chanler.

1691 Nov. 17. William Houlston s. of Rich^d Houlston to Joseph Price.

1689 June 17. Harry Nigger to John Barber of Montford Bridge.

1690 Sep. 29. John Morris s. of John Morris to his father.

1692 Sep. 29. William Whigley to Roger Renikers.

169²/₅ Jan. 1. Peter Bancroft s. of Peter Bancroft of Shrewsbury joiner to Edw. Barber of Shrewsbury.

1692 Dec 22. Thomas Price s. of Joseph Price to his father.

1692 Dec 22. Rich. Fosbrook s. of Rich. Fosbrook to his father.

169²/₅ Mar. 16. John Tompkins s. of Joseph Tompkins tanner to Tho^s. Evans.

169²/₅ Feb. 1. Adam s. of Rich^d. Bromley to his father.

169²/₅ Feb. 7. Bould Charles s. of Tho. Charles to his father.

1692 May 15. John Gough s. of John Gough to James Parker.

1692 Nov 14. John Dukes s. of Rich^d Dukes to Will^m Tooth.

1693 Dec 27. Roger Edge s. of Roger Edge to John Exeter.

1693 Nov. 7. John s. of John Whitefield of par. St Mary's to Rich^d Fosbrook.

1693 Nov 9. John Whatthall s. of Jonathan Whatthall of St Alkmund's par. to Rich^d Fosbrook.

169²/₅ Feb. 2. David Jones s. of Rich^d Jones corviser dec^d to Tho. Evans.

1694 May 1. John Wood s. of Jon Wood of par. Yarpole co: Hereford to Griffith Wood.

- 1693 $\frac{1}{2}$ April 26. Rich^d Parry s. of Evan Parry to Griffith Wood. (died).
- 1693 Oct. 7. Rob^t Moore s. of Jacob Moore to Rich. Roberts.
- 1693 $\frac{1}{2}$ Mar. 22. Jon. Price s. of Walter Price to Jon. Boulton.
- 1694 May 15. Jon. Howells s. of Dan^l Howells of Holy Cross to Cha^s Jones.
- 1694 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dec 8. Jon Renikers s. of Roger Reniker to his father.
- 1694 June 9. Rich^d Fardoe s. of Tho. Fardoe to his father.
- 1694 June 23. Tho. Prichard s. of W^m Prichard innholder dec^d to Rich^d Wheatley.
- 1694 July 5. Tho. Wall to Edward Barber.
- 1694 Sep. 22. W^m Pierce s. of W^m Pierce of Castle foregate to John Taylor, returned 1696 to John Richardson.
- 1694 Oct 1. Tho^s Donne s. of Ralph Donne of Shrewsbury to Samuel Conny as a furrier and skinner. (escaped).
- 1694 Oct 24. Benj. Roberts s. of Tho. Roberts bellfounder to Rich Wheatley.
- 1693 Dec 20. Peter Davies s. of W^m Davis of Shrewsbury clothier to Edw. Benion, returned 1696 to Tho^s Evans.
- 1694 Nov 6. Rob^t Williams s. of Roger Williams of Dorrington to John McCormich of Shrewsbury tailor.
- 1694 Oct 17. William Longden s. of Tho. Longden of Shrewsbury to Roger Chandles.
- 1694 Jan 8. Rich^d Drury s. of Crispin Drury to Fabian Orm.
- 1694 Feb. 9. W^m Watson s. of W^m Watson to W^m Jennings of Leighton.
- 1694 July 19. Edw^d Webb s. of John Webb dec^d to Fabian Orm, returned to Sam. Morris.
- 1695 Dec. 22. Francis Bishop to John Monsloe.
- 1694 $\frac{1}{2}$ Feb. 2. Rich^d Mall s. of Jon. Maul servitor of Betton to Henry Gorsuch.
- 1695 May 8. John s. of John Berinton of Shrewsbury to John Hughes of Astley. (dead).
- 1695 May 29. Rich^d Evans s. of Edw. Evans of par. Llan-silin to Tho. Evans.
- 1695 Henry s. of Isaac King dec^d to Henry Gorsuch.
- 1694 May 21. Thomas s. of Edw^d Olivars to his father.
- 1694 May 21. Edw^d s. of Edw^d Oliver to his father.
- 1695 Nov 5. Cha^s s. of Edw. Tyler of Coleham corviser to Rich^d Smyth of Shrewsbury, returned 1696 to W^m Tooth.
- 1695 Oct 25. Peter s. of W^m Drakecot of Shrewsbury to John Jarman of Shrewsbury.

- 1696 Jan John s. of Owen Price dec^d of Shrewsbury to John Price.
- 1696 Mar. 28. John s. of Jon. Croxston dec^d by consent of Mr. Tho^s Calcott of Berwick jun^r Gent to Tho^s Fardoe of par. S^t Chad, returned to Joseph Harris of Emstrey tailor.
- 1696 May 1. Price Newcom s. of Phillip Newcome dec^d by consent of Rev^d John Price of Westbury D D. to Rich^d Roberts.
- 1696 May 1. Tho^s s. of Rob^t Adams to his father.
- 1696 Aug 11. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Walton dec^d of Whittington to Rich Whateley.
- 169⁹/₇ Feb. 2. Rich^d s. of Evan Jones of Shrewsbury corviser to John Pheasant.
- 1697 April 14. W^m s. of W^m Powell of Coleham to Tho^s Jones of Brace Meole, returned 1699 to Cha^s Jones.
- 1697 March 9. John s. of Tho. Griffiths dec^d of par. S^t Chad to Ja^s Parker, returned to Joseph Harris 1700 glover.
- 1697 Jan 3. Sam^l s. of Sam^l Parker to his father.
- 1697 Aug. 31. Rich^d s. of Owen Davies dec^d to Fabian Orme.
- 1697 Nov 26. Daniel s. of Sam^l Pursevant to Roger Chanles.
- 1698 April 20. Edw^d s. of Widow Chanles to Fra^s Chanles.
- 1697 Jan 21. Tho^s s. of John Morris to his father.
- 1698 July 13. Samuel s. of Anthony Powell woodcutter to Tho^s Jones of Meole Brace, on decease of master returned 1699 to Cha^s Jones.
- 1698 Oct 18. W^m s. of Roger Blakeway dec^d to W^m Bagley.
- 1699 April 14. W^m s. of Walter Green Wollers to Tho^s Pichford of Astley.
- 1699 June 10. Robert s. of Dorothy Rawlins of Frankwell widow to Samuel Morris.
- 1699 July 10. Nathaniel s. of Rich^d Crayne of Salop clothier to Henry Gorsuch.
- 1699 July 17. Edward s. of W^m Peake of Salop innholder to Henry Gorsuch.
- 1699 Oct 3. Richard s. of Widow Griffithes of Salop to W^m Tooth.
- 169⁹/₁₀ Mar. 1. John s. of Rich^d Griffiths of Salop Brazier to John Boulton.
- 1700 April 20. Tho^s s. of John Barber of township of Bicton tailor to his father.
- 1700 May 1. W^m s. of Cha^s Jones of Pulley tailor to his father.
- 1700 April 29. Michael s. of Elizabeth Andrews of Shrewsbury widow to Joseph Pryce, returned to Richard Wheatley.

1700 May 1. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Cratchley of Shrewsbury tallow chandler dec^d to his father in law Rich^d Ridgeway of Shrewsbury tailor.

1700 May 1. Henry s. of Abiden Harrison of Castle Foregate innholder to Rich^d Fosbrook.

1700 May 20. Thomas s. of Henry Gorsuch of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1700 June 1. Abraham s. of Evan Jones of Frankwell corviser to John Pheasant of Frankwell tailor.

1700 July 16. Rich^d s. of Roger Andrews of Shrewsbury corviser to Fabian Orme, returned to Rich Ridgway.

1700 Oct. 19. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Tydder of Salop corviser to Sam^l Morris.

1700 Oct 22. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Clemson of Salop corviser to Tho^s Sherwood.

1700 Dec 13. James s. of Jane Parker of Salop widow to Sam^l Parker.

1700 Feb. 3. John s. of Abraham Davies of Shrewsbury to Matthias Wilding of Shrewsbury.

1700 Feb. 3. Tho^s s. of David Merick of Salop brewer to John Jarman.

1700 Feb 11. John s. of Tho Edwards of Meole Brace yeoman to Richard Ridgeway.

1701 May 15. Robert s. of John Powell of Forden co. Montgomery yeoman to Lewis Powell of Salop tailor.

1701 May 17. William s. of Sam^l Savage of Long Parke house co Salop yeoman to Roland Dakeinge of Astley.

1701 Dec. 26. Tho^s s. of Rich^d Savage of Shrewsbury Clockmaker to Rich^d Smyth. (crossed out) returned to Rich Chandles.

1701 June 26. Benjⁿ s. of Nicholas Broxton of Wellington yeoman to Griffith Wood.

1701 Nov 3 W^m s. of Henry Jones late of Castle foregate dec^d to John Jones of Berwick, on death returned 1702 to John Morris 2nd of that name tailor.

1701 Dec. 8. Tho^s s. of Joseph Stephens of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1701 Dec 22. W^m s. of Sam^l Parker of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1701 Mar. 2. Rich^d s. of John Gregory of par S^b Alkmond Salop yeoman to John Pheasant.

1702 July 6. Rich^d s. of Edw^d Evans of Abbey foregate innholder to John Humphreys of Shrewsbury tailor.

1702 Aug. 14. Tho^s s. of Cha^s Wall of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1702 Sep. 29. Samuel s. of Tho^s Gough of Vennington co. Salop dyer to Henry Gorsuch.

1702 Nov. 5. John s. of Henry Gorsuch of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1702 Oct. 13. George s. of George Heyward of Castle foregate brickmaker to John Evans of Battlefield.

1701 Sep. 16. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Maddox of Coleham Miller to W^m Wigley.

1703 May 1. Peter s. of Cha^s Wall of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1705 April 12. Neter Lloyd s. of W^m Lloyd dec^d by consent of Exc^{rs} of M^r Donne to Cha^s Jones of Pulley.

1703 July 20. Samuel s. of Cha^s Wheeler of Shrewsbury Clothworker to Richard Ridgeway.

1703 Sep. 29. Rowland s. of Joseph Price of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1703 Dec 24. Edw^d s. of Edw^d Farbrother of Shrewsbury dec^d to Rich^d Fosbrooke, on death 170³ returned to W^m Bagley.

170³ Feb. 2. James s. of W^m Cadman of Salop yeoman to W^m Cadman.

170³ Feb. 14. John s. of John Rider of Hencock co. Salop brickmaker to Joseph Tannant of Salop tailor.

1703 Dec. 1. Tho^s s. of Walter Smyth of Over Rowton to W^m Barber of Shrewsbury.

1704 May 10. W^m s. of John Wheeler of Shrewsbury bricklayer to Tho^s Pardoe of Coleham. (crossed out.)

1703 Nov. 5. Tho^s Granger with consent of Trustees of Tho^s Langley Esq. to John Jarman.

1704 July 17. John s. of Tho^s Davies of Shrewsbury innholder to Cha^s Jones of Pulley.

1704 July 24. John s. of W^m Powell late of Shrewsbury yeoman to W^m Powell of Shrewsbury tailor.

1704 Aug. 9. Michael Andrews s. in law of Rob^t Wood returned fm Rich^d Wheatley to Rich^d Andrews of Shrewsbury.

1704 Sep. 6. Joseph s. of Joseph Meachen of Salop carpenter to Tho^s Sherrer.

1704 Dec. 9. Edw^d s. of Rich^d Lewis dec^d of township of Rowton to Edw^d Olliver of Alberbury tailor by consent of Rich^d Fosbrooke.

1704 Jan. 1. Rich^d s. of Joseph Stephens of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1704 May 3. Rich^d s. of Cha^s Jones of Pulley tailor to his father.

1705 June 15. Rich^d s. of Edw^d Olliver of Alberbury to his father.

- 1705 June 16. W^m s. of Eliz. Jones of Berrington widow to W^m Tooth on death 1709 returned to Rich. Jennings.
- 1705 June 23. Philip Bell to Tho^s Sherrer.
- 1705 June 25. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Gittins of Shrewsbury innholder to Rich^d Roberts.
- 1705 July 7. Joseph s. of Rich^d Williams of Buildwas to Joseph Harris of Shrewsbury tailor.
- 1705 Nov. 1. Joshua son of Joshua Hughes of Abbey foregate yeoman to John Boulton.
- 1705 Aug. 31. W^m s. of Matthew Eyton of Kempton yeoman to Henry Gorsuch.
- 1705 May 1. John James s. of Samuel Gibbons of London gent. to John Gibbons.
- 1706 June 4. Richard s. of Rich^d Haberley of Coleham to Roger Griffithes of Pulley.
- 1706 Jan 28. Richard s. of Edw^d Brain butcher dec^d to Jos^h Harries. (died.)
- 1706 April 16. Roger s. of John Jarman of par. of Treveglow co. Montgomery to John Jarman of Shrewsbury.
- 1706 Dec. 27. Tho^s s. of Rowland Blakeway to Rich^d Roberts.
- 1707 March 25. Charles s. of Anthony Powel of Meole Brace lathe cleaver to Samuel Powel of Meole Brace tailor.
- 1707 March 31. Tho^s s. of Peregrine Rogers of Wattlesborough to John Griffiths, returned on death 1709 to Joseph Harries.
- 1703 Dec. 1. Tho^s s. of Walter Smith of Upper Oulton co. Salop to W^m Barber, returned on death 1706 to Edw. Barber.
- 1706 Aug. 7. Henry s. of Henry Litchfield late of Salop tobaccoist to John Jarman.
- 1707 Nov. 27. Daniel s. of Tho. Matthews of Escoid par. Malpas co. Flint to Joseph Harries.
- 1707 July 1. Thomas s. of William Bowers of Hencott to W^m Bagley.
- 1706 March 7. W^m s. of John Morris of Butcher row to his father.
- 1707 Sep. 1. Joseph s. of Richard Yates of Wellington to Rich^d Andrews.
- 1707 Sep. 10. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Charles dec^d to John Bolton.
- 1707 Aug. 17. John s. of W^m Layton needlemaker¹ to John Bolton.

¹ William Leighton, of Shrewsbury, needlemaker, was admitted Burgess of Bridgnorth 1678. His son Wm., of London, tailor, admitted Burgess 1727, and another son John, of London, tailor, also admitted 1727. There was a family of Leighton at Bridgnorth from 1598.

- 1707 May 27. John s. of George Sherwyn to W^m Powell.
 170 $\frac{1}{2}$ Feb. 9. Edw^d s. of Tho^s Fleming of Merington lib^a of Shrewsbury to Sam^l Newans of Yoretton heath lib. of Shrewsbury.
 1708 Nov. 20. James s. of Tho^s France of Battlefield to Tho^s Pichford of Astley.
 1707 Feb 16. Tho^s s. of John Nicholas to Rich^d Mall.
 1708 Jan 24. W^m s. of Morris Eccleshall to Abraham Jones of Salop.
 1708 July 24. W^m s. of Isaac Pugh to John Gibbons, returned to Benj. Pitts 1709. (crossed out).
 1709 Feb. 24. John James Gibbons returned to Joshua Gibbons on death of John Gibbons.
 1708 Nov. 5. W^m s. of Roger Gough of Forton to Rowland Deakin of Astley.
 1708 June 24. W^m s. of W^m Baker to Michael Andrews.
 1709 Feb. 2. Tho^s Tinsley to Sam^l Newans of par. Broughton.
 1709 Dec. 27. John s. of John Pheasant to his father.
 1710 Jan. 18. Benj. Johnson to Rich. Roberts.
 1709 June 20. Joseph s. of Edw. Brain dec^d to W^m Powell.
 1709 Aug. 24. Aaron s. of Moses Nicolas to Peter Davies.
 1709 Feb. 6. W^m Phythian of Sandford par. Prees to John James.
 1709 Nov. 1. Edw. Purslow to Richard Jennings.
 1709 Dec. 15. W^m s. of Rich^d Charles to Henry Gorsuch.
 1710 Nov. 29. Rich^d s. of Jos^h Stevens dec^d returned to Tho^s Newell.
 1710 Feb. 2. John s. of Rebecca Bray to Robert Rawlings.
 1709 June 28. Tho^s s. of Rich^d Taylor of Shrewsbury dyer to John Rushton of Shrewsbury.
 1709 Oct. 15. Roger s. of James Rider of par. of St Julians skinner to Sam^l Powell of Meole Brace.
 1709 July 6. Rich^d s. of James Pugh to Rich. Ridgway on death 1710 returned to Abraham Jones.
 170 $\frac{1}{2}$ Mar. 12. Rob^t s. of Tho^s Morris of Claverley Hall par. Prees co. Salop to Rich. Mall.
 1710 Nov. 16. Ja^s s. of Tho. Heath mercer to Rich. Mall.
 1710 Jan. 6. John s. of Roger Griffiths to his father.
 1711 Dec. 3. Tho^s s. of Stephen Attrey corviser to Sam^l Newans of par. Broughton co. Salop.
 1711 Aug. 2. W^m s. of John Ansell to W^m Wigley.
 1712 June 24. W^m Pinches of par. St Mary Salop to Tho^s Speke of Leaton.
 1712 Dec. 5. Tho. s. of Tho. Dax to his father.

1712 Mar. 13. Tho. s. of Rich^d Smith of Shrewsbury to Tho. Dax returned to his father.

1713 Ap. 5. Henry s. of Henry Thomas to George Heyward. (crossed out).

1713 Jan. 11. W^m Morris to John Griffiths.

1710 Feb. 16. Sam s. of Elinor Davies to John Griffiths.

1713 Aug. 17. Daniel Clemson to George Scrivener.

1713 Oct. 14. W^m s. of W^m Barkley to his father.

1713 May 9. Edw. Parsons to Cha^s Jones of Pulley.

1711 Oct. 11. Joseph s. of Tho^s Fardoe to Joseph Harries.

1713 Nov. 6. John s. of Richard Smyth D^a to W^m Jones.

1714 Apr. 2. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Stoakes of Olton co. Stafford yeoman to Tho^s Smith of Salop.

1716 May 10. Tho^s s. of W^m Barton of Salop tailor to Tho. Newel. returned to his father.

1712 Feb. 21. Tho^s s. of John Spenloe of Shrewsbury to Sam^l Powell of Brace Meole.

1715 Oct 31. W^m s. of W^m Morris to Henry Harrison. returned 1717 to George Heyward.

1715 Nov. 20. John s. of John Jarman to his father.

1715 March 2. John Watts to Edward Chandless.

1715 Dec. 2. John Mitchel of Frankwell to Rob^t Rawlins.

1716 Sep 22. Tho^s Jones to W^m Blakeway.

1716 May 1. Roger s. of Roger Griffiths to his father.

1716 June 25. John s. of Tho^s. Fardoe to his father.

1716 May 1. W^m s. of Rich^d Haberley to Rich^d Haberley of Salop.

1717 May 29. John s. of John Morris tailor to his father.

1717 Sep 29. Sam^l s. of Widow Leech to Roger Griffiths.

1718 June 1. Rich^d s. of John Jarman to his father.

1718 Sep 8. Tho^s s. of Alice Mall of Shrewsbury widow to Richard Mall of Shrewsbury tailor.

1718 Feb 28. Jonathan s. of John Walthall of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1719 May 20. John s. of W^m Crockett to John Rushton.

1719 May 1. W^m s. of Joseph Harris to his father.

1719 July 9. W^m s. of John James to his father.

1719 July 9. Joshua s. of John Hughes of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1719 May 25. John s. of John Corbet of S^t. Alkmond's par. to Geo. Heyward.

1717 Sep 29. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Sherwood to Rich^d Jones.

1719 Nov 5. Rich^d s. of Rich^d Asterley dec^d to Joseph Wadkin.

1716 Nov 1. W^m s. of W^m Wigley tailor to his father.

- 1719 Dec 24. Rich^d Humphreys to his father John Humphreys.
- 1720 Mar. 31. John Smith to Rich^d Fardoe.
- 1719 June 24. Rich^d s. of W^m Berkley of Salop tailor to his father.
- 1720 Oct 9. Abraham Mitchell to James Heath. (crossed out).
- 1720 May 1. John Tomlin to W^m Berkley.
- 1720 July 22. John s. of Rich^d Jones of Montford to John Gough tailor.
- 1720 Feb 14. Cha^s s. of Abrah^m. Bayley to Henry Gorsuch returned 1721 to Rich^d Mall.
- 1720 Nov. 24. Edw^d. Payne to John Jones.
- 1720 Nov. 26. John s. of Tho. Frank of par S^t. Alkmond to James Freeman of Harlescot.
- 1720 May 1. W^m. s. of Sam^l Browne of Upton Magna to Rowland Deakin of Abbey foregate.
- 1720 Oct 23. John s. of Rich^d. Cloudman to Roger Griffiths.
- 1721 Jan 1. John s. of W^m. Bagley tailor to his father.
- 1721 June 24. John s. of Rich^d Finch to Rich^d Chandless.
- 1721 Dec. 16. Tho^s s. of John Oakley par S^t. Chad baker to W^m. Pugh.
- 1721 Dec 27. George s. of W^m. Scoltock of par S^t Mary to John Owen.
- 1722 May 1. Francis s. of Rob^t. Rawlins tailor to his father.
- 1722 May 31. Rich^d. s. of John Griffithes of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.
- 1723 June 18. John s. of W^m. Blakeway tailor to Sam^l Parker sen, returned 1724 to his father.
- 1723 June 18. Rich^d. s. of Rich^d. Mall tailor to Tho^s. Dax, returned to his father.
- 1723 Jan 14. John s. of John Walton to Ed^m Purslow.
- 1724 May 26. W^m. s. of Widow Fardoe to John Jones.
- 1724 May 21. John s. of W^m. Berkley tailor to his father.
- 1723 Jan 21. Edw^d. Martin to George Heyward.
- 1723 Feb 18. Samuel Bowers to W^m Jones.
- 1724 Jan 2. W^m. Mallard to his brother John Mallard, returned to Daniel Clemson.
- 1724 Mar. 4. Tho^s. s. of Tho Lockley of township of Eyton par of Chirbury co. Salop laborer to Rich^d. Griffis, returned to Tho^s. Bickley par of Alberbury. (crossed out)
- 1724 Nov 5. George s. of George Hayward of Shrewsbury to his father.
- 172³ Feb. 6. James Corke s. in law of Tho. Whitekers of par S^t. Julian, Shrewsbury to Ed. Charles.

- 1725 May 12. Tho^a Hosier to W^m. Blakeway.
 1725 July 15. Tho. s. of Humph. Roberts to John Gorsuch.
 1725 May 12. John s. of John James to his father.
 1725 Mar. 25. Tho^a s. of Tho. Downes to his father.
 1725 Jan. 1. Rich^d Jones s. of Rich^d Jones to his father.
 1725 Aug. 3. George s. of W^m Hanmer of Pontesbury tailor
 to Richard Andrewes.
 1725 Mar. 1. Edw^d s. of John Hill to John Griffithes.
 1726 June 10. Benjⁿ Smith to Joseph Braine.
 1726 Ap. 26. Rich^d Richards to Rich^d Griffithes.
 1725 June 24. W^m s. of W^m Powell to his father.
 1726 Nov. 13. John s. of James Pughe jun^r to Sam^l Parker.
 172⁸ Mar. 21. Rich^d Lewis to Edw Oliver. (died).
 1727 June 7. John Owen to John Jarman.
 172⁸ Feb^r 20. Robert Jones s. of Jones of Sutton
 to Job Blarkley. (died).
 1728 June 24. John s. of Sam^l Powell to his father.
 1728 Dec 21. W^m Farmer to Rob^t Rawlins.
 1728 Jan. 6. And^w Davies to W^m Pinches. (crossed out).
 1728 June 25. John Jones to his father John Jones.
 1728 Sep. 7. Griffith s. of Morris Egallsea to W^m Eggallsea
 (crossed out) his master being no inhabitant.
 1728 Ap 23. Tho^a s. of Tho. Tomkis of par. St Alkmond to
 James France of Harlescot.
 1726 Dec 10. Edmund s. of John Jones to Roger Griffiths,
 returned to his father.
 1729 Dec 15. Tho^a Betton to John Owen.
 1729 May 29. Samuel Wilding to John Gough.
 1729 Sep. 12. W^m s. of Marg^t Lloyd to Job Blankley.
 1730 June 27. Nathaniel s. of John Drinkwater dec^d of
 City of Worcester to W^m Barton, returned 1734 to Joshua
 Parkinson.
 1730 Dec 23. John s. of James Wilson of par. St Alkmonds
 to John Hale.
 1730 Dec 22. John s. of John Robinson of par. St Chad to
 Rob^t Needam.
 1730 Dec 22. Edw^d Powell s. of Sam^l Powell to Charles
 Powell, returned 1734 to his father.
 1730 May 23. Samuel s. of Tho^a Barber to his father.
 1730 Jan. 20. John s. of John Owen to his father.
 1731 Jan 1. Joseph s. of Rich^d Fardoe to his father.
 1731 Mar. 25. W^m s. of W^m Hussey of par. S. Mary to Geo.
 Hayward.
 1731 Sep 7. W^m s. of Rich^d Williams dec^d to Tho^a Speak
 of par. S. Mary.

1731 Sep 7. Rich^d s. of Rich^d Williams dec^d to George Scawkecott.

1731 March 23. John s. of George Haslewood of Bridge-north to Rich^d Malle jun^r.

1730 Feb 1. Rob^t s. of Cha^s Davies to his father.

1730 Nov 5. Jeremiah s. of Tho^s Thomas to his father.

1732 July 5. Samuel s. of Sam^l Perdduck par. S^t Mary to James France of Harlescot.

1732 Aug 18. Rob^t s. of the widow Rebecca Corson of Wolverhampton to John Gorsuch.

1731 Dec 17. John s. of widow Cheshire to Daniel Clemson.

1731 Samuel s. of widow Jackson of par. S. Chad to Roger Griffiths of par. S. Julian.

1732 Jan 1. Andrew s. of Rich^d Edwards of Shrewsbury to his father.

1733 May 17. Samuel s. of W^m Blakeway to his father.

1733 Dec 25. John s. of Abraham Jones of Frankwell to his father. (crossed out).

1733 Jan 1. Edw^d s. of Edw^d Moodey of par. of Montford to Tho^s Barber of par. S^t Chad.

1734 May 18. John s. of Roger Griffiths jun of par. S. Julian to his father.

1733 Oct. 6. John s. of Edw^d Hanmar to John Rusheing.

1731 Dec. Rich^d Rolands s. of Lewis Rolands to John Mallard.

1731 Dec 17. Tho^s s. of Widow Leech to John Griffiths.

1733 Feb 13. Rich^d s. of Widow Downes of par. S. Mary to Richard Dorrington.

1734 June 24. Tho^s s. of Rich Griffiths to his father.

1734 Ap. 7. Joseph s. of George Hayward to his father.

1734 Oct 1. John s. of John Taylor of Meole Brace to Richard Hindeley of Abbey foregate tailor.

1735 June 16. Joseph s. of Joseph Braine to his father.

1735 June 27. W^m Spoonely s. of Jane Gerrea of par. S. Chad to Joshua Parkinson, returned 1736 to John Meigher.

1734 Sep 29. W^m s. of Rich^d Jones to his father.

1735 April 21. Rob^t s. of Rich^d Evans of Shrewsbury tailor by consent of John Lighton Esq. to John Jerman jun^r, returned 1736 to John Jerman sen^r.

1736 May 19. Tho^s s. of Sam Newens of Yorton par. Broughton to his father.

1737 June 14. Laurence s. of James Heath to his father.

1739 Mar. 24. W^m s. of John Mitchell to his father.

1743 June 14. Luke s. of Rich^d Hindley of par. S. Julian to his father,

1741 June 14. Samu s. of W^m Haberley of par. S. Julian to his father.

1735 April 21. Edw^d Bottley to Rob^t Needham.

1737 Mar 25. Benj. s. of Rich^d Fardoe to his father.

1736 Nov 15. Tho^s s. of Widow Hopton to Daniel Clemson.
(crossed out.)

1736 Oct. 21. James s. of James Pugh to Edw. Jones.

1737 Jan 6. Tho^s s. of Rich^d Jones of Shrewsbury to his father.

1736 John s. of John Jones of Salop to his father.

1743 June 14. Tho^s s. of W^m Phithian of par. S. Mary to his father.

1735 Sep. 29. W^m s. of John Shaw of Shineton to Rich^d Asterley.

1738 June 26. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Smith to his father.

1738 Dec. 16. John s. of John Campbell of St Chad par. to W^m Blakeway.

1738 Nov. 26. John Jones to Edw. Lewis.

1751 Jan 1. Frederick s. of Rich^d Beech of par. S. Alkmond inn holder to W^m James of par. S. Mary tailor.

1739 Nov. 2. Tho. s. of Tho. Holmes of par. St Chad to Tho^s Oakley.

1742 Oct. 22. Jeremiah s. of John Baker of par. S. Alkmond to W^m Barton, on death returned to Rob^t Needham.

1743 July 23. Henry s. of Henry Totorson of par. S. Julian to Rich^d Asterley.

1742 Dec 2. Sam^l s. of Jane Purslow of par. S. Julian widow to Robert Needham.

1744 Dec. 24. George s. of John Robinson of par. S. Chad to John Edwards.

1739 July 3. Humphrey s. of Humphrey Shotton to his father.

1746 June 10. John s. of John Jerman of par. S. Alkmond to Tho^s Oakley.

1740 April 15. Daniel s. of Dan^l Clemson to his father.

1741 May 1. Geo : Davis of par. of Astley Abbots to Edw. Jones.

1744 Dec 17. Jonathan s. of John Mallard to his father.

1744 Jan. 15. Corbett s. of John Wallton sen^r to John Walton jun^r, returned to Tho. Oakley.

1745 Jan. 19. Joseph s. of John Davies late of par. St Chad to George Hayward, on death 1748 returned to Tho. Oakley.

1743 Jan. 2. Edw^d s. of John Hole of par. S. Chad to his father.

1746 Jan 2. Tho^s s. of John Walton jun^r of par. S. Alkmond to his father.

1747 Jan 4. W^m s. of W^m Baker of par. S^t Chad to his father.

1745 Jan 2. Gabriel s. of Tho^s Lee yeoman of par. of S^t Chad to Edward Moody of par. S. Chad tailor.

1746 Sep. 29. Rich^d s. of Rob^t Owen of par. S. Julian to Rob^t Needham.

1747 June 23. John s. of John Gough of par. S. Chad to his father.

1747 June 23. Rich. s. of Rich. Asterley of par. S. Chad to his father.

1743 Jan. 4. Sam^l s. of Tho^s Thomas of par. S. Chad to his father.

1747 May 20. Jeremiah s. of Jeremiah Ray of Hodnett webster to Tho^s Downes of Grinshill tailor.

1748 June 13. Sam^l s. of Rich. Derrington of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1747 Jan. 7. Tho^s s. of Edw^d Thomas of Shrewsbury corviser to Tho^s Thomas of par. S. Julian tailor.

1748 Nov. 29. Edw^d s. of John Simpson of par. Holy Cross to Tho^s Roberts of par. S. Mary. (ran away).

1748 Feb 27. Joseph s. of Tho. Jones of par. S. Mary to Tho^s Tomkis of Battlefield.

1748 June 10. James s. of Humphrey Shotton to his father.

1748 June 10. W^m s. of W^m Powell to his father.

1749 Nov. 5. Richard s. of Rich^d Griffiths of par. S. Julian to Tho^s Taylor.

1750 June 26. Rich^d s. of Rich^d Hindley of par. S. Julian to his father.

1750 Nov 1. Edw. s. of Geo: Chester of Clive yeoman to Tho^s Downs of Grinsill tailor.

1748 June 10. James s. of John Holt of par. S. Chad to his father.

1750 May 1. W^m s. of W^m Habberley of par. S. Julian to his father.

1753 Jan 2. W^m s. of John Walton sen^r of par. S^t Mary to John Walton jun^r. of par. S^t Alkmond.

1753 Jan 5. Humph^y s. of Tho^s Roberts of par. S. Mary to his father.

1751 Aug 17. W^m s. of Rich^d Mansell of Wellington to Edw^d Jones staymaker.

1751 Dec 24. And^w s. of Mary Webb widow of par. S. Mary to John Mitchell of par S^t Chad.

1753 Jan 8. John s. of Benjⁿ Wood of par. of S. Mary to Joseph Brain Sen^r

1753 Ap. 9. Tho^s s. of Tho Mansell of par. S. Chad to Dan^l Clemson.

1750 May 24. W^m s. of Geo : Scoltock to his father.

1754 Aug 4. John s. of Geo : Scoltock of Leaton to his father.

1751 Dec 24. Tho^s s. of Eliz. Taylor of par. S. Chad to Rich Hindley.

1755 May 1. John s. of W^m Habberley of par S. Julian to his father.

1754 May 17. Cha^s s. of Cha^s Layng of par. S^t Sepulchres London to W^m Philsbury of Shrewsbury staymaker.

1753 Aug. 14. John s. of Joseph Shotton of Newport co. Salop to John James of par. S. Mary.

1756 May 21. Tho^s s. of Tim^y Bellis of par. S. Chad to his father.

1756 Ap. 19. John s. of David Roberts of par. S. Chad tailor to John Robinson (master eloped).

1756 July 5. Tho^s s. of John Davies of par. S. Chad innholder to John Mallard of par. S. Alkmond.

1755 John s. of John Morgan of par. S. Mary laborer to W^m Hussey of par. S. Mary.

1756 July 12. Rich^d s. of John Hinley of par. S. Chad maltster to Tim^y Bellis of par. S. Chad.

1750 Dec 26. Watkin s. of Evan Williams of par. S. Julian ostler to Edw. Botley par. S. Chad.

1758 Feb 2. W^m s. of Sam. Jones of par. S. Chad baker to John Mitchell of par. S. Chad.

1759 June 18. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Downes of par. Grinsill tailor to his father.

1759 May 1. Tho^s s. of Rich^d Hinley of par. S. Julian to his father.

1759 June 25. Sam^l s. of Sam^l Spendlove of par. S. Chad cooper to Tim^y Bellis.

1760 Jan 2. Tho s. of Tho Oakley of par. S. Chad tailor to his father.

1756 May 4. Tho^s s. of Edw. Payn of par S. chad. tailor to his father.

1759 May 21. Tho^s s. of Tho Leech of par. S. Mary tailor to his father.

1759 May 1. Rich^d s. of Tho^s Edwards of Shrewsbury Ironmonger to Daniel Clemson stay maker.

1760 Aug. 1. John s. of John Clara of City of Bristol jeweller to Tho^s Barton.

1761 Jan 1. John s. of Tho^s Gray of par. S. Chad tailor to his father.

1762 Aug 20. Edw. s. of Edw. Lewis of par. S. Chad to Tho^s Gray.

1760 Mar. 12. Edw. s. of Edw. Price of Bicton Heath laborer to Edw Moody of same place.

1760 Dec. 29. John s. of Griffith Humphreys to Rob^t Humphreys of par. S. Chad.

1762 Mar. 1. Cha^s s. of W^m Belcher of Wellington Salop to Joseph Brayn jun^r of par. S. Chad.

1757 June 15. Tho. s. of Tho. Hughes of par. S. Mary tailor to his father.

1762 Mar. 25. John s. of John France of par. S. Chad chairman to Tho. Hughes of par. S. Mary.

1663 Jan 3. James s. of Gabriel Lee of Shrewsbury tailor to his father.

1759 June 24. W^m Wallton of Sand co. Stafford to W^m Pillsbury tailor.

1762 Jan 11. W^m s. of Tho^s Roberts of par. S. Mary tailor to Tho. Oakley of par. S. Chad.

1762 Jan. 25. Edw. s. of W^m Thomas of par. S. Chad to W^m Shaw.

1764 Jan 1. W^m s. of W^m Scriven of par. S. Chad to Rob^t Humphreys.

1765 July 6. Sam^l s. of Sam^l Wilding^s of par. S. Mary to his father.

1763 Apr. 18. Tho^s s. of Tho^s Doley of par. S. Chad to Rich^d Asterley. (ran away).

1766 Sep. 22. Richard s. of Rich^d Lawrence of Shrewsbury to John Corbett.

1762 Dec. 25. Tho^s s. of Rich^d Hamilton of par. S. Chad to W^m Shaw.

1776 June 17. Tho^s s. of Rich^d Lawrence to his brother Rich^d Lawrence.

THE FREEMEN'S NAMES.

Richard Hussey
David Evans
Robert Antley
Thomas Charlton
David Maddox
Thomas Evans
Richard Harris
Rondle Thomas
Thomas Conney
Richard Scott
Edmond Maunsell
David ap Owen

Thomas Davies
John Adames
Richard Baker
John Stile
John Gardener
Robert Bagley
John Blakeway
George Crumwell
Walter Turner
Thomas Gwynnet
William Esdershawe
Rondle Jones

John Hussey
Richard Evans
Rondle Tylsley
John Jones
Robert Bell
William Byrebo
Edward ap Owen
Richard Heynes
John Browne
Edward Wrighte
George Goughe
Richard Lawrence
Roger Cocke
Daniel Bowles
Morgan Price
George Cowper
David Griffithes
Nathaniel Evans
Ellis Griffithes
Roger Morgan
Robert Lawes
Arthur Sherer
Thomas Hiron
Philip Hill
Abram Jaundrell
John Bayley
Daniel Chidlowe
Thomas Tanney
William Mason
John Browne
Daniel Ryder
Thomas Cunney
Thomas Rawlins
John Jones
William Smith
Robert Davies
William Ryder
John Evans
John Smith
Thomas Wilding
Thomas Sherer
Henry Bennet
Thomas Adderton
Edward Onslowe
Roger Bird
William Jenkin
Andrew Massie
Hugh Davis

William Cocke
William Bucknall
John Jones junior
Samuel Moseley
Edward Warter
John Williams
Erasmus Micklewrighte
Richard Lithe
Edmund Towers
John Kinnerley
Morrice Reynolde
Thomas Maddox
Thomas Clare
Abraham Thomas
Rowland Morgan
Humfrey Jones
John ap Evan
John Baker
John Teekoe
John Suker
Richard Newell
Roger Jackes
Thomas Hodgson
Henry Jones
Peter Richards
Richard Evance
Pearce Jones
Joseph Browne
John Crompe
Thomas Smyth
Humfrey Brooke
Humfrey Chaales
Adam Bromley
Foulke Williams
Richard Morris
Thomas Wayne
Edmond Viccars
John Robertes
Richard Tenche
Israel Croxson
Thomas Ball
Edward Morries
John Davies
Richard Towers
Edward Barber
Charles Davies
Edward Barber
Charles Davies

Thomas Hiorne jun ^r	Phabian Boures
Thomas Barber	Thomas Felton
John Pridden	Roland Harris
William Onslowe	Francis Chandles
Howell Vaughau	Edward Chandles
Arthur Maynewaringe	Thomas Byrche
Alexander Cleaton	Edward Benyon
John Maddox	John Shelvocke
William Newnes	William Browne
John Daxe	William Smith
Thomas Price	Thomas Jones
Stephen Edwardes	John Price
Richard Forster	William Harrison
Joseph Bell	John Lloyd
Hugh Cooke	Isaac Davis
Thomas Jones	James Richardson
George Farre	Philip Walker
David Jones	George Fantom
George Cowper jun ^r	John Powell jun ^r 1658
John Jones jun ^r	John Hodges 1658
William Wyther	William Jenkin 1658
Robert Davies	James Smith
Richard Davyes	James Canings
John Woodfen	Robert Clare
Thomas Walle	William Chillon
Richard Jennyns	Thomas Boulton 1661
Thomas Standleye	Roderick Hughes
Thomas Onslowe	John Gibbons
Francis Rawlins	Mathew Lloyd
George Knaleforde	John Richardson 1663
John Skrymshawe	Abraham Allcox 1663 f
Francis Rawlins	Andrew Mansell 1663 f
Alexander Baughe	Samuel Connye
Thomas Doughtee	Roger Birde
Richard Cooke	Edward Brookes
Richard Williams	John Barbor
Thomas Edsall	Samuel Morris
Francis Thomas	Robert Tench
Thomas Jaxon	Jonathan Dugdale
George Farre	John Carter
Henry Weston	Thomas Terner
John Scott	Thomas Crowder
Richard Wever	Thomas Dax 1665
Philip Bennion	Edward Davis 1665
John Powell sen ^r	John Willcox
Thomas Dunford	John Afo Thomas Mittonn 1666
Thomas Leighton	Joseph Evans
Thomas Clare	Thomas Pitts

Thomas Smith jun^r 1669
 Richard Bromley
 Stephen Pughe
 Matthew Ridley
 Edward Gosnell
 William Holme
 George Farmer 1670
 William Lewis 1670
 Edward Maddox 1670
 John Hughes
 Thomas Maddox 1670
 George Passand 1670
 Thomas Jennings 1671
 Benjamin Pitts 1671
 William Ragge 1672
 John Taylor
 Samuel Cowper
 John Byerley
 Thomas Williams
 Griffith Wood
 Christopher Swayle
 John Munslow 1674 f
 Richard Farmer 1674
 John Jones 1674
 John Exeter 1674 f
 James Burch 1674 f
 Thomas Teage
 Thomas Gathing 1676
 Michael Carter 1675
 John Mores 1676
 Joseph Price 1676
 Samson Porter 1677
 Thomas Cuerton 1677 f
 Thomas Vaughan 1677
 William Burges 1677 f
 Richard Houlston
 Edward Olivers
 Roger Benyon 1677
 John Evans 1677
 John Boulton 1677
 Thomas Turner 1677
 Edward Darbishire
 Samuel Parker
 John Cuerton
 Richard Nowenes
 William Mansell
 Richard Whatley
 Peter Wood 1680

Samuel Spencer 1680
 William Jones 1680
 Edward Barber
 John Barber 1680
 Thomas Chanles 1680
 Charles Walle 1680
 Roger Chanles 1680
 Richard Fosbrooke 1681
 Robert Adames 1680
 Richard Haward 1681
 John Tumkis 1681
 Roger Rennikers 1681
 Randall Turner
 John Exeter 6 Jan. 1681
 Thomas Fleming 6 Jan. 1681
 George Scrivener 6 Jan. 1681
 Charles Jones Mar. 20. 1681
 Daniel Matthews June 8. 1682
 Charles Lloyd June 10. 1682
 Thomas Adams June 14. 1682
 Henry Gorsuch July 14. 1682
 Thomas Fardoe Aug. 28. 1683
 Nicholas Baxter Dec. 13. 1683
 Phebian Orm Jan 14. 1688
 Joseph Stephens June 18. 1684
 James Parker Aug. 9. 1684
 Richard Dax Nov. 20. 1684
 Charles Owen Jan 5. 1684
 Samuel Mose Jan. 5. 1684
 William Tooth Feb. 27. 1684
 Joseph Jones 1686
 Rowland Deaking 1686
 John Downes 1686
 Joseph Tannat 1686
 William Maddox 1686
 John Pheasant 1686
 Richard Chandles 1687
 John Worthington 1688
 John Wynn Nov. 16. 1689
 John Morris Jan. 1689
 Richard Smyth Sep. 1690
 Joseph Harries 1690
 Thomas Sherwood 1691
 John Bolton Jan. 1691
 Samuel Evans Jan. 1692
 Richard Bowdler Jan. 1692
 Richard Roberts July 1692
 John Hughes Jan. 1693

- John Jukes Jan. 1693
 John Bishop Ap. 1694
 John Macormick June 1694
 John Jarman July 1694
 Tho^s Dax July 1696
 William Bigley Jan. 1696
 John Andrews Jan. 1696
 Thomas Newell Jan 1697
 David Lloyd Jan 1697
 William Barton Jan. 1698
 William Barber Jan. 1698
 Thomas Pichford 1698
 William Swinton Jan. 1698
 Mathias Wilding Jul. 1698
 John Roberts Jan. 1698
 John Humphreys Nov. 1699
 John Morris Jan. 1699
 John Hughes Jan. 1699
 Richard Ridgway Jan. 1699
 Lewis Powell May 1700
 George Hall June 1700
 William Wigley Jan. 1700
 Benjamin Pitts June 1701
 John Walter Jan. 1701
 David Jones Jan. 1701
 John Price Jan. 1701
 William Cadman Jan. 1702
 Peter David Dec. 1702
 George Jones Dec. 1702
 Harry King Jan. 1703
 Richard Jennings June 1704
 Richard Andrews June 1704
 William Powell June 1704
 John Griffiths June 1704
 Joshua Gibbons June 1704
 William Farmer June 1705
 Samuel Powell July 1705
 Charles Tyler Jan. 1705
 Richard Mall Jan. 1705
 John Howells May 1706.
 William Blakeway May 1706
 Roger Griffiths June 1706.
 Robert Rawlings June 1706
 Thomas Speke Jan. 1706.
 Michael Andrews June 1707
 John Woodhall June 1707
 Edw^d Chandles June 1707
 Abraham Jones July 1707
 John Griffiths Dec. 30. 1707
 Richard Andrews Dec. 30. 1707
 Samuel Newnes Feb. 1707
 Thomas Fardoe Jan. 1708
 Roger Edge Sep. 1. 1708
 John Wakefield Oct. 12. 1708
 John James Nov. 1708
 John Rushton Feb. 1708
 Rich^d Gregory Jan. 2. 1709
 William Savage Jan. 5. 1709.
 George Hayward June 1710
 Richard Evans Jan. 1710
 Thomas Smith Jan. 1710
 Charles Davies March 1710
 John Powel 1711
 Edward Fairbrother 1711
 Henry Harrison 1712
 John Hickee Aug. 1712
 William Houldstone Ap. 1713
 William Eyton May 28. 1713
 Richard Jones July 27. 1713
 James Parker July 29. 1713
 William Jones Aug. 10. 1713
 Rich^d Haberley Aug. 24. 1713
 W^m Barkley Oct. 12. 1713
 Charles Powell Mar. 1714
 John Waterman May 1714
 Edw^d Fleming July 1715
 Richard Stevens Sep. 1715
 Joseph Williams Jan. 1715
 James France Jan. 1715
 John Gorsuch Jan. 1715
 W^m Eccleshall Mar. 1715
 Joseph Machin 1716
 Tho^s Blakeway
 Tho^s Tinsley 1716
 John Jones 1717
 John Owen Nov. 30. 1717
 Samuel Parker Dec. 31. 1717
 John Morris Dec. 31. 1717
 Richard Fardoe Dec. 31. 1717.
 William Meire June 5, 1718
 John Gough Jan. 2. 1718
 Joseph Wadkin Dec. 2. 1718
 James Evans Feb. 9. 1718
 John Griffiths May 19. 1719
 Will^m Pugh July 10. 1719
 James Heath Oct. 5. 1719

- Samuel Davis Oct. 5. 1719
 John Jones Nov. 2. 1719
 Tho. Thomas Nov. 23. 1719
 William Harrison Dec. 2. 1719
 Edw^a Lewis Dec. 29. 1719
 Rich^d Griffithes Mar. 1. 1719
 William Pinches Mar. 12. 1719
 Rich^d Edwards June 6. 1720.
 Edward Purslow July 4. 1720.
 John Williams Aug. 28. 1721
 Job. Blankley Sep. 22. 1722
 Tho. Spendelow Jan. 8. 1722
 William Baker May 17. 1722.
 Rich^d Pugh. Nov. 27. 1722
 John Mitchell Dec. 10. 1722
 William Phithien Jan. 4. 1723
 Joseph Braine May 13. 1723
 John Mallard June 3. 1723
 Will^m Habberley Jan. 9. 1723
 Tho^s Downes Feb. 15. 1723
 Daniel Clemson Sep. 22. 1724
 Roger Griffiths jun^r May 29. 1725
 John Jones s. of Cha^s Jones May
 29. 1725
 John Fardoe June 2. 1726
 Tho^s Taylor 1726
 Richard Dorrington Feb. 13. 1726
 John Watts Mar. 17. 1726
 Robert Needham May 21. 1727
 William Browne July 5. 1727
 Thomas Barber Feb. 22. 1727/8
 Richard Henley July 6. 1728
 William Morris July 15. 1728
 Rich^d Davies Sep. 8. 1728.
 Thomas Mall Sep. 3. 1728
 Rich^d Asterley Oct. 23. 1728
 John Jones Feb. 24. 1728
 William Jones June 9. 1729
 John Barber Dec. 1729
 Edw^d Payne 1729
 Richard Mall Mar. 22. 1730
 George Scawcooke May 24. 1731
 William Mallart June 1. 1734
 John Hicks jun^r July 18. 1732
 William Harris Ap. 12. 1733
 Tho^s Oakley May 12. 1733
 John Jarman May 14. 1733
 Humphrey Sholton June 7. 1733
 Joshua Richardson Jan. 24. 1733
 Edward Jones Oct. 16. 1734
 Edward Hill Oct. 23. 1734
 John Edwards Jan. 2. 1734
 Tho^s Tompkis Ap. 25. 1734
 William Powell July. 1734
 John Blakeway
 Tho^s Jukes 1736
 Samuel Wilding 1736
 John Wyer
 John Evans Jan. 4. 1736
 John Corbett
 George Hayward June 5. 1738
 William Hussey June 5. 1738
 Tho^s Roberts 1741
 Tho^s Barton Jan. 29. 1738
 John Holt Nov. 17. 1740
 Tho^s Hosyer June 1. 1741
 Sam^l Blakeway June 1. 1741
 John Walton June 9. 1741
 Dan^l Mathews Sep. 4. 1741
 John Powell June 21. 1742
 John Cheshire June 21. 1742
 John Jukes Feb. 16. 1742
 Joseph Brain June 20. 1748
 John Downes May 28. 1744
 Tho^s Downes jun^r May 28. 1744
 Richard Jones May 13. 1745
 Edward Moody Jan. 2. 1745
 William Shaw June 23. 1747
 John Robinson June 23. 1747
 Edw^d Botley Feb. 7. 1748
 Andrew Edwards May 29. 1749
 Thomas Holmes June 6. 1749
 John Hanmer June 18. 1750
 John James June 19. 1750
 Andrew Bridges Oct. 15. 1750
 Timothy Bellis Feb. 23. 1753
 Benjamin Fardoe Jan. 4. 1754
 William Phillipsbury Ap. 2. 1754
 John White June 17. 1754
 Tho^s Hughes Sep. 16. 1754
 John Sherrey June 10. 1755
 Corbett Walton June 21. 1756.
 Thomas Gray June 13. 1757
 James Shotton June 21. 1757
 John Goodall Aug. 8. 1757
 Joseph Hayward May 24. 1759

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John Wood June 18. 1759
 Tho^a Leech June 18. 1759
 Rob^t Humphreys Sep. 8. 1759
 Tho^a Smith Ap. 7. 1760
 Tho^a Morris Ap. 7. 1760
 Rich^d Asterley jun^r June 12. 1760
 William Mansell Aug. 26. 1760
 William Parkar Jan. 1. 1761.
 Samuel Edwards June 2. 1761
 William Faircloth June 2. 1761
 Tho^a Jones July 5. 1762
 Gabriel Lee Jan. 3. 1763
 Rich^d Hindley Aug. 1. 1763
 Sam^l Derrington June 25. 1764
 John Habberley May 16. 1765
 W^m Jones jun^r Feb. 3. 1766
 W^m Jones June 2. 1766
 John Meighen June 10. 1766
 Thomas Walton July 29. 1766
 John Morgan Aug. 6. 1766
 Robert Colley May 27. 1771
 Tho^a Taylor May 27. 1771

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Thomas Moody May 23. 1842
 Edward Edwards June 11. 1822
 Samuel Moody June 11. 1822
 William Guest (Harmer hill)
 Aug. 25. 1823
 Thomas Griffiths Aug 30. 1823
 John Owen June 14. 1825.
 John Vaughan May 18. 1826.
 Edward Hammer Sep. 14. 1827
 James Evans Feb. 11. 1828
 Richard Breeze May 29. 1828
 William Morgan May 29. 1828
 James Fenn staymaker July
 30 1830
 John Owen staymaker Oct 30.
 1829
 William Myers June 6. 1831
 John Bowen July 24. 1831
 William Darlington May 26. 1832
 John Phillips Sep. 8. 1832
 John Williams May 31. 1832

THE NAMES OF THE HALF BROTHERS.

Edward Gosnell mercer June
 17. 1669
 Isaac Davies
 Philip Walker
 William Hanson
 Samuel Candy (Coney) s. of
 Tho^a Coney of Shrewsbury
 tailor dec^d (skinner)
 Michael Andrews
 Pelham Corbett
 William Matther hosier Dec 8.
 1769
 John Pichford
 Robert Larkin
 Robert Finch
 Richard Willjane
 Edward Barratt Esq.
 Robert Evans
 Richard Andrews
 Thomas Buck Aug 18. 1687
 Samuel Cooper
 William Lloyd 1694
 Edward Gregory Oct 6. 1695

Crispin Drury Ap. 24. 1696
 Rich^d Mason Ap. 24. 1696
 Edward Wattson 1699
 Robert Wood May 6. 1703
 M^r Michael Brickdale July 7. 1704
 Thomas Hughes Oct. 30. 1707
 Michael Andrews Dec 2. 1718
 June 11. 1683

Edward Lloyd Esq.
 John Hollins Doct. of Physic
 Finias Foulk Doctor
 And^w Taylor gent
 John Littelton gent
 Will. Kinaston gent
 Rob^t Forster gent
 John Woolding gent
 Rich^d Salter gent
 Oswell Smith gent
 Will^m Jones Esq.
 Rich^d Scott gent
 Thomas Dawes gent
 M^r Edw^d Gosnell

Moses Reynolds Esq. & Mayor 1699	Jane Humphris Feb. 19. 1782
John Skrymshall gent	John Danks July 1. 1780
M ^r Rich. Loxdale June 1707	William Evans Apr. 10. 1783
M ^r Rich ^d Chandles linendr 1714	Thomas Davies Jan 26. 1783
James France 1715	Isaac Prychard May 9. 1784
Rich ^d Tomkies Innholder. 1717	Joshua Wheeler Oct. 16. 1784
Thomas Allen 1717	Edward Kiffing
Rich ^d Dickin gent.	George Heath 1784
Elizabeth Macormick May 19 1719	Griffith Humphres Feb 18. 1782
Tho ^s Swanwick July 25. 1721	Humphrey Davies May 1742
James Pool May 29. 1724	John France Feb. 20. 1748
James Berrin July 1. 1723	Edward Eckley Apr. 1. 1745.
John Jones May 21. 1727	William France July 19. 1748
George Baldwin Aug. 22. 1726	William Swanwick Feb. 20. 1751
M ^r Joseph Norgrove Oct 8. 1726	Meredith Davies Jan. 5. 1753
William Baron Feb 21. 1726	John Doncaster June 18. 1754
John Henches Aug 5. 1727	William Stone July 6. 1754
Tho ^s Cooper Feb. 23. 1728	M ^r Joseph Parry Dec. 17. 1759
Martha Jones Feb. 9. 1728	M ^r Woodruff Oct 18. 1762
	Rich ^d Oliver June 1768

WARDENS.

1627 Robert Bell	1639 Roger Cockes
John Williams	Humfrey Chandles
1628 Daniel Bowles	1640 Thomas Sherer
John Smyth	Thomas Adderton
1629 Henry Bennett	1641 John Jones
Henry Jones	Alexander Cleaton
1630 Randle Thomas	1642 Daniel Bowles
Randle Jones	Henry Bennett
1631 George Cowper	1643 Humfrey Chandles
John Williams	John Dackes
1632 Thomas Sherer	1644 Roger Cockes
John Smyth	Thomas Adderton
1633 Daniel Bowles	1645 Thomas Sherer
John Jones	David Jones
1634 Henry Bennett	1646 Daniel Bowles
Thomas Connyo	John Jones
1635 Robert Bell	1647 John Dax
John Williams	Rich ^d Cockes
1636 Thomas Sherer	1648 Humphrey Chandles
Thomas Adderton	George Farr
1637 Daniel Bowles	1649 Thomas Adderton
John Jones	Hugh Cooke
1638 Tho ^s Connyo	1650 Daniel Bowles
Henry Bennett	Thomas Sherer

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| 1651 John Dax
Thomas Jaxon | 1675 Thomas Clare
George Farmer |
| 1652 Richard Coxes
George Farr | 1676 Edward Benyon died
John Hodges
Samuel Cowper |
| 1653 Thomas Adderton
Edward Chanles | 1677 John Willcox
James Richardson |
| 1654 Daniel Bowles
Edward Benion | 1678 Benjamin Pitts
John Monslo |
| 1655 Francis Chanles
George Cowper | 1679 Thomas Dax
Joseph Price |
| 1656 Richard Cockes
George Farr | 1680 John Hodges
Griffith Wood |
| 1657 Thomas Adderton
Thomas Jaxon | 1681 Samuel Cowper
Edward Darbshire |
| 1658 John Dax
Hugh Cooke | 1682 John Monslo
Richard Wheatly |
| 1659 Edward Benion
Thomas Doughty | 1683 Rich ^d Cocks
John Gibbons |
| 1660 Richard Cockes
Edward Chandles | 1684 Francis Rawlins
Benjamin Pitts |
| 1661 Francis Rawlins
Francis Chandles | 1685 Edward Darbshire
Roger Benion |
| 1662 John Dax
Thomas Burch | 1686 Thomas Dax
Daniel Matthews |
| 1663 Thomas Jaxson
Thomas Doughty | 1687 Joseph Price
George Scrivener |
| 1664 Edward Chandles
William Chilton | 1688 Griffith Wood
Samuel Parker |
| 1665 Richard Cocks
John Gibbons | 1689 Richard Whateley
Henry Gorsuch |
| 1666 Francis Rawlins
Matthew Lloyd | 1690 John Monsloe
Edward Ollivars |
| 1667 Francis Chandles
Thomas Burch | 1691 Joseph Price
Thomas Woolen |
| 1668 John Dax
Edward Chandles | 1692 George Scrivener
Richard Bromley |
| 1669 John Gibbons
Thomas Dax | 1693 John Gibbons
Rich ^d Fosbrook |
| 1670 Matthew Lloyd
Thomas Clare | 1694 Samuel Cony
Richard Whately |
| 1671 Richard Cockes
John Hodges | 1695 Griffith Wood
Thomas Evans |
| 1672 Samuel Conney
John Wilcox | 1696 Joseph Price
William Tooth |
| 1673 Francis Rawlins
Benjamin Pitt | 1697 John Monsloe
Richard Smith |
| 1674 Matthew Lloyd
Thomas Dax | 1698 Richard Fosbrook
Roger Chanles |

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| 1699 John Gibbons gent | 1723 Thomas Smith |
| Thomas Dax | John Rushton |
| 1700 Richard Smith | 1724 William Jones |
| Richard Dax | John Griffithes jun ^r |
| 1701 Richard Wheatley | 1725 William Powell |
| Richard Roberts | Charles Powell |
| 1702 John Munslow | 1726 William Blakeway |
| Charles Wall | William Maer |
| 1703 Griffith Wood | 1727 Samuel Parker |
| John Boulton | John Hicks |
| 1704 Richard Fosbrooke | 1728 John Griffiths |
| Charles Jones | William Barkley |
| 1705 Henry Gorsuch | 1729 John James |
| John Jarman | Daniel Clemson |
| 1706 Samuel Parker | 1730 John Rushton |
| Joseph Harries | Richard Fardoe |
| 1707 Thomas Dax | 1731 Thomas Smith |
| William Bagley | John Fardoe |
| 1708 Richard Roberts | 1732 Roger Griffiths |
| John Humphreys | Richard Jones |
| 1709 George Scrivener | 1733 John Griffith |
| Richard Mall | John Mallard |
| 1710 John Jarman | 1734 Charles Powell |
| William Powell | Robert Needham |
| 1711 Samuel Parker | 1735 Daniel Clemson |
| Richard Jenings | Samuel Powell |
| 1712 Thomas Dax | 1736 John Jarman |
| William Blakeway | Richard Fardoe |
| 1713 Richard Roberts | 1737 Thomas Smith |
| Abraham Jones | James Heath |
| 1714 John Jarman | 1738 John Fardoe |
| John James | William Powell |
| 1715 Richard Mall | 1739 John Mallard |
| Thomas Smith | Richard Edwards |
| 1716 William Powell | 1740 William Blakeway |
| Henry Harrison | Edward Lewis |
| 1717 Samuel Parker | 1741 Charles Powell |
| George Hayward | John Gough |
| 1718 William Blakeway | 1742 Samuel Powell |
| John Gorsuch | Richard Asterley |
| 1719 Thomas Dax | 1743 Samuel Parker |
| Roger Griffithes | John Owen |
| 1720 William Powell | 1744 Daniel Clemson |
| William Jones | Thomas Oakley |
| 1721 John James | 1745 Edward Lewis |
| Samuel Parker jun ^r | Richard Derrington |
| 1722 Thomas Dax | 1746 John Gough |
| John Griffithes | John Holt |

1747 Richard Asterley Edward Jones	1771 Richard Asterley Samuel Derrington
1748 Thomas Oakley Thomas Roberts	1772 Timothy Bellis John Haberley
1749 William Powell William James	1773 John Shuker Samuel Wilding
1750 Thomas Smith John Powell	1774 Thomas Morris Samuel Wilding jun ^r
1751 John Holt Samuel Blakeway	* * *
1752 Richard Derrington John Walton	1854 John Humphreys James Evans
1753 Richard Edwards Thomas Barton	1855
1754 Edward Jones John Saker	1860 Edward Edwards
1755 William James Humphrey Shotton	1861 Richard Fenton John Williams jun ^r
1756 John Walton Andrew Edwards	
1757 Thomas Barton Thomas Roberts	1827 Robert Gray Robert Lucas
1758 John Powell John Mitchell	1828 John Woodall Thomas Colley
1759 Richard Derrington Joseph Brain jun ^r	1829 Thomas Colley Richard Breeze
1760 Andrew Edwards Thomas Jukes	1830 John Humphreys Edward Edwards
1761 Thomas Oakley John Hicks	1831 Joseph Collier John Humphreys
1762 Samuel Blakeway William Shaw	1832 John Bowen William Morgan
1763 William Blakeway sen ^r William Pillsbury	1833 the same
1764 Richard Derrington Thomas Gray	1834 the same
1765 John Saker Robert Humphries	1835 the same
1766 William Shaw Timothy Bellis	1836 the same
1767 Thomas Dukes Richard Asterley	1837 Samuel Moody John Vaughan
1768 Joseph Braine Thomas Hughes	1838 the same
1769 Thomas Gray Thomas Morris	1839 the same
1770 Robert Humphries Richard Hindley	1840 the same
	1841 the same
	1842 the same
	1843 the same
	1844 John Vaughan James Evans
	1845 the same
	1846 the same
	1847 James Evans Edward Edwards
	1848 Edward Edwards John Humphreys

1849 the same	1851 the same
1850 John Humphreys	1852 the same
John Vaughan	1853 the same

ASSISTANTS OR NINE MEN.¹

- 1627 Edmund Mauncell—John Hussey—Roger Cocks—Daniel Bowles
 1628 William Burch—John Jones—W^m Cocks—Henry Jones
 John Stille—Dan^l Chidlow—Thomas Sherer—John Williams—
 Rob^t Bell
 1629 William Burch—Richard Newall—Rowland Morgan—Rich.
 Evans
 Randle Jones—Rob. Bell—Daniel Bowles—John Stile—George
 Coney
 1630 George Cowper—Henry Bennett—Roger Morgan—Peter
 Richardson
 Tho^s Davyes—Rob. Bell—Dan^l Bowles—John Williams—John
 Smyth
 1631 Roger Cocke—Tho^s Conney jun^r—(Rich^d Newell)—Rich^d
 Morris (Tho^s Hierne)
 Randle Jones—Dan^l Bowles—John Smyth—Henry Bennett—
 Tho^s Evans dec^d (Tho^s Jones)
 1632 Daniel Rider—Peter Richardson—Tho^s Wayne—W^m Burch
 Tho^s Davyes—George Cowper—John Williams—Henry Bennett
 David Maddox
 1633 Thomas Sherer—Henry Bennett—Richard Evans—Thomas
 Hudson
 Tho^s Davyes—Randle Jones—Rob^t Bell—George Cowper—
 John Smyth
 1634 Daniel Bolas—Tho^s Adderton—Richard Evans—Charles Davyes
 Roger Cocks—Geo. Cowper—Tho^s Sherer—John Smyth—
 John Jones
 1635 Israel Croxon—John Roberts—Richard Tench—Edward Barber
 Thomas Davyes—Dan^l Bolas—Tho^s Sheret—Henry Bennett—
 John Jones
 1636 Thomas Davies—Robert Bell—George Cowper—Henry Bennett
 John Williams—Jo^hn Jones—Tho^s Hierne—W^m Cocks—Adam
 Bromley
 1637 Tho^s Adderton—Tho^s Sherer—Alex^r Cleaton—Humfrey
 Chandles
 Tho^s Davies—George Cowper—Henry Bennett—Roger Cocks—
 John Williams
 1638 Roger Cocks—Tho^s Rawlyns—Alex^r Cleaton—John Dackes
 Tho^s Davies—Tho^s Gwynnett—George Cowper—Tho^s Sherer
 John Jones

¹ The "Four Men" are in the *first* line, the "Five Men" in the *second* line.

- 1639 Tho^s Rawlins—W^m Cocks—Alex^r Cleaton—Tho^s Jones
Tho^s Davies—Dan^l Bolas—Henry Bennett—Tho^s Sherer—
Tho^s Adderton
- 1640 John Daxe—Hugh Cocks—Tho^s Jones—George Cowper jun^r
George Cowper sen—Dan^l Bolas—Henry Bennett—John Jones
—Humf. Chandles
- 1641 Thomas Barber—Hugh Cocke—Tho^s Jones—George Farre
Tho^s Gwynnett—Geo : Cowper—Tho^s Sherer—Tho. Adderton
—Hen. Bennett
- 1642 Tho^s Rawlins—John Dackes—Geo : Cowper jun^r—Hugh Cocks
Geo : Cowper sen. Tho^s Sherer—Tho. Adderton—Humf.
Chandles—Alex^r Cleaton
- 1643 Tho^s Rawlins—W^m Cocks—Hugh Cocks—John Woodfen
Henry Bennett—Tho^s Sherer—Tho^s Adderton—Roger Cocks—
John Jones
- 1644 Tho^s Rawlins—W^m Cocks—David Jones—Geo : Cowper jun^r
Geo : Cowper sen^r John Jones—Tho^s Sherer—Humf. Chandles
—John Dax
- 1645 Tho^s Barber—Geo : Cowper jun^r—John Skrymshawe—Rich^d
Cocks
Randle Jones—Geo : Cowper sen.—John Jones—Humf.
Chandles—John Dax
- 1646 Tho^s Rawlins—Geo : Cowper—Tho^s Standley—Rich^d Cocks
Roger Cocks—Tho^s Sherer—Alex^r Cleaton—John Dax—David
Jones
- 1647 W^m Cokes—Geo : Farr—Geo : Cowper—Tho^s Edsall
Roger Cocks—Dan^l Bolas—John Jones—Tho^s Sherer—Alex.
Cleaton
- 1648 Geo : Cowper. Fra^s Rawlins—Tho. Edsall—Francis Thomas
John Jones by X—Tho^s Sherer—Alex. Cleaton John Dax—
Rich^d Cocks
- 1649 Geo : Cowper jun. John Skrimshaw—Tho. Jaxon—George
Evans
John Jones—Tho. Sherer—Humph. Chanles—John Dax—
Geo. Farr
- 1650 Geo : Cowper—Tho^s Barber—John Skrimshaw—Geo : Evans
(died)
Tho^s Adderton—John Dax—Hugh Cocks—Geo. Farr—David
Jones (died)
- 1651 Tho^s Barber—Geo : Cowper—John Skrimshaw—Tho^s Doughty
Dan^l Bowles—Tho^s Sherer—Tho^s Adderton—Geo. Farr—Rich^d
Coxs
- 1652 William Coxes—Tho^s Barber—Fra^s Chanles—Edw. Chanles
Dan. Bowles—Tho^s Sherer—Tho^s Adderton—John Dax—Tho^s
Jaxon
- 1653 Edw. Barbor—Tho^s Doughty—Edw. Benyon—Tho^s Burch
Dan. Bowles—John Dax—Geo. Farr—Rich^d Cokes—Tho^s
Jaxon

- 1654 W^m Cockes—Edw. Barbor—Tho. Doughty—Francis Chanles
John Dax—Geo. Farr—Tho^s Jaxon—Rich^d Cox—Edw^d Chanles
- 1655 John Skrimshaw—Tho. Doughty—Tho. Clare—Tho. Burch
Dan. Bowles—Tho^s Sherer—Geo. Farr—Rich. Cockes—Edw.
Bennion
- 1656 W^m Cockes—Edw. Barber—Tho. Barber—Edw^d Morris
Dan Bowles—Tho. Adderton—John Dax—Geo. Cowper—
Fra^s Chanles
- 1657 Edward Barber—Philip Bunne—Tho. Barber—Tho^s Burch
Dan, Bowles—Edw. Benion—Edw. Chanles—Fra^s Chanles—
Geo. Cowper
- 1658 Edward Barbor—Tho^s Barber—John Skrimshaw—Tho^s Doughty
Dan Bowles—Geo. Cowper—Rich^d Cockes—Tho^s Jaxon—Edw.
Benyon
- 1659 Edw. Barber—Tho^s Clare—Fra^s Rawlins—Tho. Burch
John Dax—Rich^d Cockes—Edw. Chanles—Geo. Farr—Tho^s
Jaxon
- 1660 Edw. Barber—Fra^s Rawlins—John Hodges—Tho^s Clare
Tho. Adderton—Edw. Benyon—Tho^s Doughty—Geo. Cowper—
Geo. Farr
- 1661 Edw. Barber—Tho^s Edsall—Tho^s Byrch—John Hodges
Tho. Jaxon—Edw. Chanler—Geo. Farr—Tho. Adderton—
Edw. Benyon
- 1662 W^m Cocks—Tho^s Clare—John Hodges—W^m Harrison
Geo. Cowper—Edw. Benyon—Tho. Doughty—Edw. Chandler—
Fra^s Rawlins
- 1663 James Richardson—Tho. Clare—John Hodges—W^m Chilton
Rich^d Coxes—John Dax—Fra. Chanles—Geo. Cowper—Tho.
Byrch
- 1664 John Hodges—Ja^s Richardson—Matthew Lloyd—John Gibbons
Tho. Jaxon—Rich^d Cox—John Dax—Tho. Sherer—Tho.
Byrch
- 1665 John Hodges—Ja^s Richardson—Matthew Lloyd—Sam^l Coney
John Dax—Fra. Rawlins—Edw. Benion—Tho. Burch—W^m
Chilton
- 1666 Tho^s Clare—Ja^s Richardson—Joseph Thomas—Jonathan
Dugdale
W^m Chilton—John Dax—Edw. Chanles—Tho^s Burch—Fra.
Chanles
- 1667 Edw. Barber—John Skrimshaw—Ja^s Richardson—Tho^s Dax
Fra^s Rawlins—Matthew Lloyd—Tho^s Jacksons—John Dax—
Edw. Chanles
- 1668 Tho^s Dax—Edw. Barber—Tho^s Boulton—Tho^s Clare
Tho^s Burch—Fra. Chanles—Matthew Lloyd—John Gibbons—
W^m Chilton
- 1669 Tho. Clare—John Hodges—John Wilcox—Tho^s Pitts
John Dax—Edw. Chanles—Edw. Bennion—W^m Chilton—
Matthew Lloyd

- 1670 Tho. Pitts—Ja^s Richardson—Matthew Ridley—Rob^t Clare
John Gibbons—Tho^s Dax—Rich. Cockes—John Dax—Fra.
Rawlins
- 1671 W^m Holmes—Tho. Pitts—Matthew Ridley—James Richardson
Matthew Lloyd—Tho. Clare—Fra. Rawlins—Tho. Dax—Fra.
Charles
- 1672 Tho^s Pitts—Tho^s Boulton—Ben. Pitts—Tho. Jenings
Rich. Cox—John Hodges—Edw. Charles—Tho^s Dax—Fra.
Chandles
- 1673 Geo. Farmer—Tho. Pitts—John Powell—W^m Rag
Sam. Conney—John Wilcox—Edw. Chandles—John Hodges—
Mat. Lloyd
- 1674 Tho. Pitts—Geo. Farmer—Griffith Wood—Sam^t Cowper
Benj. Pitts—John Dax—John Hodges—Tho. Clare—John.
Wilcox
- 1675—Ja^s Richardson—John Powell—John Munslow—Sam. Cowper
Matt. Lloyd—Tho Dax—Edw. Benyon—John Hodges—
Ben. Pitts
- 1676—Griffith Wood—John Munslow—Matt. Ridley—Rob^t Tench
Thos. Clare—George Farmer—Edw. Charles—Mat. Lloyd
Tho. Dax
- 1677 Ja^s Burch—John Taylor—Sam. Morris—Tho^s Page
Sam. Cowper—Tho. Dax—Geo. Cowper—Tho^s Clare—Ben.
Pitts
- 1678 Tho Pitts—Ja^s Birch—Griffith Wood—Joseph Price
John Willcox—Ja^s Richardson—Tho. Dax—Tho. Clare—Geo.
Farmer
- 1679 Tho. Pitt—Griffith Wood—Roger Benion—Tho. Gathing
Benj. Pitt—John Mounslo—John Hodges—John Wilcox—Ja^s.
Richardson
- 1680 Abram Allcox — Rich. Houlston — Edw. Darbshire — Edw.
Ollivars
Fra^s Rawlins—Rich. Cox—John Gibbons—Tho. Dax—Joseph
Price
- 1681 Abram Allcox—Edw. Ollivars—Rich. Bromley—Tho. Chandles
Fra. Chandles—Griffith Wood—John Monslow—Tho. Dax—Ja^s.
Richardson
- 1682 Phebian Boures—Ja^s Burch—Sam. Spencer—Sam. Parker
Sam. Cowper—Edw. Darbshire—Ja^s Richardson—Griff. Wood
—Fra. Charles
- 1683 Abram Allcox—Edw. Oliver—Ja^s Burch—Sam. Spencer
John Munslow — Rich. Wheatley — Ja^s Richardson — Edw.
Darbshire—Grif. Wood
- 1684 Rich. Fosbrook—Geo. Scrivener—Dan. Matthews—John Carter
Rich. Cox—John Monslow—Edw. Darbshire—Griff. Wood—
Rich. Wheatley
- 1685 John Carter—Ja^s Burch—Edw. Oliver—Dan. Matthews
Fra^s Rawlins—Benj. Pitt—John Monsloe—Ja^s Richardson—
Rich. Whateley

- 1686 Sam^l Parker—Henry Gorsuch—Tho. Fardoe—Rich. Dax.
Sam. Cowper—Ja.^s Richardson—Griff. Wood—Joseph Price—
R^d Whateley
- 1687 Edw. Oliver—Cha^s Wall—Tho. Fardoe—Joseph Jones
Tho. Dax—Dan. Matthews—Griff. Wood—Rich. Whateley—
Ja.^s Richardson
- 1688 Rich. Fosbrook—Henry Gorsuch—W^m Tooth—Edw. Barber
Geo. Scrivener—Ja.^s Richardson—Rich. Whateley—Dan^l
Matthews—Tho. Dax
- 1689 Rich. Fosbrook—W^m Tooth—Fabian Orm—Joseph Stephens
Griff. Wood—Sam^l Parker—Ja.^s Richardson—Dan. Matthews—
Geo. Scrivener
- 1690 John Carter—Rich. Fosbrook—W^m Tooth—Tho^s Woole
Rich. Whateley—Henry Gorsuch—Griff. Wood—Jos. Price—
Dan. Matthews
- 1691 Rich. Fosbrook—Rich. Houlston—John Morris—John
Worthing
John Monsloe—Edw. Oliver—Rich. Whateley—Hen. Gorsuch—
Sam. Parker
- 1692 Rich. Fosbrook—Fabian Orm—John Downes—Tho. Evans
Jos. Price—Griff. Wood—Rich. Whateley—Sam. Cooper—Sam.
Parker
- 1693 John Monslowe—Rich. Smith—John Pheasant—Cha^s Jones
Rich. Bromley—Edw. Olivar—Hen. Gorsuch—Sam. Parker—
Sam. Conney
- 1694 Edw^d Barber—Rich. Smith—Rich^d Roberts—Roger Chanles
John Gibbons...Rich. Fosbrook—Fra. Chanles—Griff. Wood—
Edw. Oliver
- 1695 W^m Tooth—Rich^d Roberts—Roger Chanles—John Mecormick
Sam Coney—Rich^d Whately--John Gibbons—John Monsloe—
Joseph Price
- 1696 Edw. Barber—Tho. Fardo—Rich^d Roberts—John Jarman
Griff. Wood—Tho. Evans—Rich^d Whately—John Monsloe—
Hen. Gorsuch
- 1697 John Boulton—John Jarman—John Hughes—Joseph Harris
Joseph Price—W^m Tooth--Sam^l Parker—Rich. Whately—
Griff. Wood
- 1698 Richard Dax—Rich^d Houlston—Tho. Dax—John Andrews
John Gibbons—Fra. Chandles—John Monslo—Rich. Smith--
Hen. Gorsuch
- 1699 Rich. Roberts—John Jarman—David Lloyd—Tho^s Newell
Rich. Fosbrooke—Roger Chandles—Rich. Wheatley—Hen.
Gorsuch—Rich. Smyth
- 1700 Mattbias Wilding—Rich. Houlston—John Boulton—J^{no}
Mounslow
John Gibbons gent.--Tho^s Dax—Rich. Fosbrooke—Roger
Chandles—Edw. Cheshire
- 1701 John Jarman--Edw. Cheshire—Lewis Powell—John Morris
Rich. Smith—Rich. Dax—Griff. Wood—Joseph Price—W^m Tooth

- 1702 Richard Wheatley—Rich. Roberts—Joseph Price—Sam. Parker
W^m Tooth—John Boulton—John Pheasant—Tho^s Sherwood—
John Micormick
- 1703 John Munslow—Cha^s Wall—Henry Gorsuch—Rich^d Fosbrooke
Tho. Dax—W^m Barber—John Humphryes—Lewis Powell—
John Walter
- 1704 Griff. Wood—John Boulton—Henry Gorsuch—Rich^d Roberts
Sam. Parker—John Jarman—Edw. Barber—David Jones—
J^{no} Hughes
- 1705 Rich^d Fosbrooke—Cha^s Jones—Griff. Wood—Sam. Parker
Tho^s Dax—Rich^d Roberts—Cha^s Wall—W^m Bagley—W^m Powell
- 1706 Henry Gorsuch—John Jarman—Tho^s Dax—Cha^s Wall
Griff. Wood—W^m Barton—Rich. Andrews—W^m Barber—John
Humphreys
- 1707 Samuel Parker—Joseph Harries—Jos. Price—John Jarman
Rich. Roberts—Rich^d Dax—W^m Tooth—John Boulton sen^r
Edw. Barber
- 1708 Edw. Barber—Rich. Mall—Rich. Andrews—W^m Blakeway
Tho. Dax—W^m Bagley—John Jarman—Sam. Parker—Roger
Chandles
- 1709 Tho. Dax—W^m Bagley—Sam. Parker—John Jarman
Roger Chandles—Edw. Barber—Ric. Mall—Ric. Andrews—
W^m Blakeway
- 1710 George Scrivener—Rich. Mall—Rich. Roberts—Tho. Dax
John Pheasant—Edw. Barber—Rich. Jennings—J^{no} James—
Tho. Fardoe
- 1711 John Jarman—W^m Powell—Rich. Mall—Tho^s Dax
Rich. Roberts—Roger Chandles—Sam. Powell—John James—
W^m Blakeway
- 1712—Samuel Parker—Rich. Jennings—Rich. Roberts—John Jarman
W^m Powell—Rich. Mall—Tho^s Smith—Abram Jones—John
James
- 1713—Tho^s Dax—W^m Blakeway—John Jarman—Sam^l Parker
W^m Powell—John James—Rich. Jennings—Rob^t Rawlins
- 1714 Roberts—Jones—Dax—Powell
Jennings—Mall—Parker—Blakeway—
Rushton
- 1715—W^m Powell—John Jarman—John James—W^m Blakeway
Tho. Dax—W^m Barklay—James Parker—John Hicks—Hen.
Harrison
- 1716 Rich^d Mall—Tho^s Smith—John James—Tho^s Dax
Sam. Parker—W^m Blakeway—Ab. Jones—Rich. Jones—Geo.
Hayward
- 1717 W^m Powell—Hen. Harrison—Rich. Mall—John James
Tho. Smith—Rich. Roberts—Tho^s Dax—John Gorsuch—Roger
Griffiths
- 1718 Sam. Parker Sen^r—George Hayward John James—Henry
Harrison

- W^m Powell—Tho^s Dax—Tho. Smyth—Sam. Parker jun—W^m Jones
- 1719 W^m Blakeway—John Gorsuch—Cha. Powell—W^m Mear
John Jarman—John James—W^m Powell—Tho. Smith—Sam.
Parker jun
- 1720 Tho^s Dax—Roger Griffiths—Jos. Wadkin—John Griffiths
John Jarman—John Gorsuch—John James—Rich. Andrews
Jno. Rushton
- 1721 W^m Powell—W^m Jones—John Jarman—Tho. Dax
John Rushton—W^m Blakeway—Tho. Smith—W^m Pugh—Tho.
Thomas
- 1722 John James—Sam. Parker jun—James Heath—Rich^d Fardoe
Tho^s Smith—W^m Powell—John Gorsuch—W^m Blakeway—W^m
Jones
- 1723 Rich. Fardoe—John Griffiths—Edw. Purslow—W^m Baker
W^m Powell—John James—Sam. Parker jun—W^m Jones—W^m
Blakeway
- 1724 Tho^s Smith—John Rushton—John Gough—Rich^d Edwards
W^m Powell—John James—Tho. Dax—Roger Griffiths—W^m
Blakeway
- 1725 W^m Jones—John Griffiths—Tho. Dax—John James
Tho. Smith—Tho. Spenlow—Geo. Hayward—W^m Mear—W^m
Habberley
- 1726 W^m Powell—Cha^s Powell—John Mallard—John Jones
Sam. Parker—John Rushton—Tho^s Dax—John Griffiths sen^r
- 1727 W^m Blakeway—W^m Mear—Dan. Clemson—John Fardoe
John Rushton—W^m Jones—Jno. Griffiths jun—John James—
Jno. Mallard
- 1728 Sam. Parker—John Hicks—Joseph Braine—Tho. Taylor
John James—Roger Griffis—W^m Meare—W^m Jones Tho^s
Smith
- 1729 John Griffiths—W^m Barkley—Thos. Smith—W^m Jones
John Rushton—Sam^l Parker—John Gough—Rob^t Needham—
Rich. Derrington
- 1730 Tho^s Mall—John Pheasant—John Fardoe—John Jones
John James—Dan. Clemson—W^m Jones—John Griffiths, sen^r—
Roger Griffiths
- 1731 Tho^s Maule—John Jones—Rich^d Asterley—W^m Pinch
John Rushton—Rich. Fardoe—John James—Dan. Clemson—
W^m Jones
- 1732 Rob^t Needham—Rich^d Maule—W^m Morris—Rich^d Edwards
Tho^s Smith—John Fardoe—John James—W^m Jones—John
Griffiths Jun^r
- 1733 Edwd^d Paine—Rich. Edwards—Edw. Pursloe—Rich^d Griffiths
Roger Griffith—Rich^d Jones—Dan. Clemson—John James—
Sam Parker
- 1734 Rich^d Derrington—John Jarman—Tho^s Oakeley—John Griffiths
Rich^d Fardoe—Roger Griffiths—John James—Tho^s Smith—
Dan. Clemson

- 1735 John Fardoe—James Heath—William Harris—John Owen
Tho^s Smith—Cha^s Powell—Rob^t Needham—John James—Sam.
Parker
- 1736 John Pheasant—Rich^d Maul—W^m Powell—John Blakeway
Dan. Clemson—Sam. Powell—Sam. Parker—Tho^s Smith—John
Fardoe
- 1737 Rich^d Fardoe—John James—Cha. Powell—John Fardoe
Rich. Edwards—W^m Powell jun^r—John Hicks jun^r—John
Edwards—Jno. Mallard
- 1738 Tho. Smith—Cha. Powell—John James—Rich^d Fardoe
John Mallard—Jos. Brain—W^m Mallard—Rich. Derrington—
Geo. Hayward
- 1739 John Fardoe—W^m Powell—Tho. Smith—John James
Rich. Fardoe—Edw. Lewis—John Evans—W^m Mallard—W^m
James
- 1740 John Mallard—Rich. Edwards—John Corbett—John Evans
Sam. Parker—Tho. Smith—John James—Rich. Fardoe—W^m
Mallard
- 1741 Blakeway—Edw. Lewis—Sam. Parker—Tho^s Smith
Rich. Fardoe—John James—Dan. Clemson—Sam. Powell—
Edw. Jones
- 1742 Cha^s Powell—John Gough—Geo. Hayward—Tho. Roberts
Dan. Clemson—Tho. Oakley—Edw. Lewis—John Owen—John
Pheasant
- 1743 John James—John Fardoe—Cha. Powell—Tho. Taylor
Edw. Lewis—Sam. Powell—Rich^d Asterley—John Powell—
Sam Blakeway
- 1744 Sam Parker—John Owen—John Holt—John Walton
W^m Powell—John Fardoe—Edw. Lewis—John Gough—Rich.
Asterley
- 1745 Dan. Clemson—Tho. Oakley—John Cheshire—Tho^s Jukes
John Gough—Tho. Smith—Rob. Needham—Ja^s Heath—Tho.
Roberts.
- 1746 Edw. Lewis—Rich. Derrington—John Downes—Roger
Griffiths
John Fardoe—Rob. Needham—Rich. Asterley—Dan. Clemson—
Tho. Oakley
- 1747 John Gough—John Holt—James Evance—Rich^d Jones
Edw. Lewis—Tho. Oakley—Tho. Roberts—Rich^d Derrington—
John Powell
- 1748 Rich Asterley—Edw. Jones—W^m Shaw—Jos. Brain jun.
Dan. Clemson—John Wallton—Rob. Needham—John Powell—
John Holt
- 1749 Tho. Oakley—Tho. Roberts—John Su^rer—John Robinson
Tho. Smith—Rich^d Asterley—John Powell—Rich. Derrington
John Holt
- 1750 W^m Powell—W^m James—W^m Blakeway—Rich^d Derrington
Tho. Oakley—Humph Shotten—Edw. Bottley—Tho. Roberts—
John Fardoe

- 1751 Tho^s Smith— Tho. Roberts—John Powell—Edw. Lewis
Rich. Asterley—Tho. Oakley—W^m Blakeway—Rich. Derrington
Rich. Hindley
- 1752 John Holt—Sam. Blakeway—W^m Blakeway—Tho. Oakley
Tho. Roberts—Tho. Smith—Tho. Barton—Edw. Lewis—Rich.
Asterley
- 1753 Rich^d. Derrington—John Walton—Sam. Blakeway—Andrew
Edwards
Dan. Clemson—Tho^s Oakley—W^m Blakeway—Jno. Powell—
Humf. Shotton
- 1754 Rich^d Edwards—Tho. Barton—W^m Blakeway—Tho. Roberts
Tho. Oakley—John Walton—Rich. Fardoe—Jos. Brain jun.
Humph. Shotton
- 1755 Edw. Jones—John Suker—John White—Tho. Oakley
Tho. Roberts—W^m Blakeway—John Walton—Tho. Barton—
Hen. Harrison
- 1756 W^m James—Humph. Shotton—John Corbett—Henry Harrison
Tho. Oakley—Rich. Derrington—Tho. Roberts—Rich. Edwards
Tho. Barton
- 1757 John Walton—And^w Edwards—Corbett Walton—W^m Shaw
Rich. Edwards—Rich. Derrington—John Mitchell—J^{no} Powell
J^{no} Corbett
- 1758 Tho. Roberts—Tho. Barton—Rich^d Derrington—And^w Edwards
John Walton—Sam. Blakeway—Jos. Brain jun^r—Ja^s Shotton—
J^{no} Corbett
- 1759 John Powell—John Meighen jun^r—W^m Blakeway—Tho. Roberts
John Walton jun.—Tho. Gray—Tho. Barton—And^w Edwards—
Sam. Blakeway
- 1760 John Walton—Tho. Roberts—Joseph Hayward—Sam. Blakeway
Tho. Oakley—John Hicks—John Powell—Rich. Derrington—
Jos. Brain
- 1761 And^w Edwards—Tho. Dukes—Tim. Bellis—Rob^t Humphries
John Walton—Tho. Smith—W^m Blakeway—Tho. Roberts—
Rich. Derrington
- 1762 Hicks— Spilsbury— Asterley— Brayne
Worton— Dukes— Humphris— Bellis—
Blakeway
- 1763
- 1764 Blakeway sen.—Brain—Walton—Hughes
Mansell—Pillsbury—Humphries—Roberts—Shaw
- 1765 Rich. Derrington—Tho. Grey—Jos. Brayne—Rich. Asterley
Rich. Hinley—Tho. Roberts—John Walton—W^m Pillsbury—
W^m Mansell
- 1766 John Shuker—Rob. Humphreys—Tho. Oakley—Tho. Roberts
Tho. Mansell—John Walton—Tho. Dukes—John Abberley—
Gabriel Leigh

- 1767 W^m Shaw—Tim, Bellis—John Walton—Jos, Brain
John Shuker—Rob. Humphreys—Tho. Hughes—Tho. Morris—
W^m Jones
- 1768 Barton—Shuker—Gray—Rob^t Humphries
Wood—Mansell—Jukes—Asterley—Derrington
- 1769 Jos. Brayne—Tho. Hughes—John Shuker—Sam. Blakeway
Rich. Hinley—Rob. Humphries—Rich. Derrington—W^m
Griffiths—W^m Mansell
- 1770 Grey—Morris—Brayne—Shuker
Edwards—Derrington—Barton—Mansell—Blakeway jun^r
- 1771 Rob^t Humphreys—Rich. Hinley—And^w Edwards—Tho. Barton
Jos. Brayne—Tho. Gray—John Shuker—Tho. Hughes—John
Wood
- 1772 Rich. Asterley—And^w Edwards—John Shuker—Tho. Barton
Tho. Gray—Tho^s Morris—Tho. Hughes—Rob. Colley—Jos.
Hayward
- 1773 Tim, Bellis—John Abberley—Rich. Asterley—Rich. Derrington
Rob. Colley—Jos. Hayward—Tho. Taylor—Tho. Morris—Tho.
Barton
- 1774 John Shuker—Sam. Wilding sen.—Tho. Barton—Tim, Bellis
And^w Edwards—Jos. Hayward—Rich. Asterley—Geo. Bowdler—
S. Wilding jun^r
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- 1827 Tho^s Lawrence—John Poyner—Richard Fenton—John
Vaughan
Jonⁿ Bowen—John Woodall—Tho^s Madeley—Sam^t Moody—
Tho^s Colley
- 1828 Rob^t Gray—Robert Lucas—Benj. Blower—Tho^s Madeley
John Vaughan—Tho. Lawrence—Sam. Moody—John Poyner—
Jonⁿ Bowen
- 1829 Rob^t Gray—Tho. Lawrence—Sam. Moody—John Woodhall
Tho^s Lawrence—Jonⁿ Bowen—Joseph Collier—Rich. Fenton—
John Humphreys
- 1830 Tho. Lawrence—Sam. Moody—John Woodhall—Tho.
Lawrence
W^m Breeze—Jos. Collier—Jon. Bowen—W^m Morgan—James
Phillips
- 1831 Tho. Lawrence—Rob. Gray—Edw. Edwards—Sam^t Moody
W^m Myers—John Poyner—Jon. Bowen—W^m Morgan—John
Woodall
- 1832 Rich. Gray—John Humphreys—John Woodall—Sam. Moody
James Phillips—Edw. Edwards—W^m Myers—Rich. Breeze—
Sam. Franks
- 1833 Rob. Gray—John Humphreys—John Woodall—Sam. Moody
Edw. Edwards—W^m Myers—Rich. Breeze—Sam. Franks—
Edw. Hanmer
- 1834 Sam. Moody—John Woodall—Edw. Edwards—James Phillips
W^m Darlington—Rob. Gray—W^m Myers—Sam. Franks—John
Poyner

- 1835 the same
 1836 Sam. Moody—John Woodall—Edw. Edwards—James Evans
 John Humphreys—John Vaughan—Sam. Franks—Rob. Gray
 —John Poyner
 1837 Jon. Bowen—W^m Morgan—Edw. Edwards—John Poyner
 John Humphreys—John Woodall—Rob. Gray—Rich. Breeze—
 Tho. Madeley
 1838 Jon. Bowen—Edw. Edwards—Tho. Alcock—Rob. Gray
 John Woodall—Tho. Madeley—Rich. Breeze—Tho. Lawrence
 —John Humphreys
 1839 Rob. Gray—John Bowen—John Woodall—Tho. Madeley
 Tho. Lawrence—Rich. Breeze—Tho. Alcock—Tho^s Lawrence
 John Humphreys
 1840 the same
 1841 Jon. Bowen—Tho. Alcock—Edw^d Edwards—John Williams jun^r
 Cha^s Blair—John Humphreys—Rich. Breeze—T. Richards—
 Josh. Keeling
 1842 the same
 1843 Cha^s Blair—John Griffiths—T. Richards—Jon. Bowen
 Tho^s Cruwys—John Williams jun—Rich. Fenton—Tho^s Alcock
 Joshua Keeling
 1844 Cha^s Blair—John Griffiths—Jon. Bowen—Tho^s Cruwys
 John Williams jun—Tho^s. Alcock—Josh. Keeling—Rich.
 Fenton...Tho^s Richards
 1845 the same
 1846 the same
 1847 the same
 1848 John Vaughan—Sam. Moody—Tho. Griffiths—Tho^s Alcock
 Tho^s Richards—Cha. Blair—Josh. Keeling—John Williams jun—
 Rich. Fenton
 1849 Tho. Moody—James Evans—Rich^d Fenton—John Williams sen.
 John Williams jun.—T. Blair—T. Gadd—Tho. Richards—John
 Vaughan
 1850 Rich. Fenton—Tho. Blair—Edw. Edwards—Tho. Griffiths
 Tho. Alcock—John Williams jun.—Tho^s Moody—Tho^s Richards
 W^m Morgan
 1851 the same
 1852 the same
 1853 the same
 1861 John Williams sen.—Cha^s Blair—Rich^d Hussey—John Williams
 Edward Edwards—Ja^s Phillips—Ja^s Evans—Tho. Griffiths—
 Josh. Keeling

TREASURER.

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| 1628 Edmond Mauncell | 1639 Thomas Conny |
| 1629 Roger Cockes | 1641 Daniel Bolas |
| 1631 Randle Thomas | 1642 John Jones |
| 1636 Thomas Conny | 1643 Daniel Bowles |
| 1638 Daniel Bolas | 1646 Humphrey Chandles |

1647 Francis Rawlings	1670 John Wilcox
1648 Daniel Bowles	1671 John Gibbons
1650 John Jones	1673 Richard Cookes
1661 Francis Rawlins	1674 Francis Rawlings
1652 George Cowper	1680 Samuel Cowper
1655 Edward Chandles	1681 John Gibbons
1658 Thomas Adderton	1688 Samuel Coney
1659 William Cockes	1684 John Gibbons
1661 Thomas Doughty	1685 Richard Whatley
1662 Francis Chandles	1686 John Monslow
1663 Edw ^d Chandles	1690 George Scrivener
1664 Francis Chandles	1691 Sam ^l Conney
1665 George Cowper	1693 George Scrivener
1669 Thomas Burch (died)	

CLERK.

1628 Roger Cocks	1726 Richard Chandles
1629 Roland Tench	1729 John Morris
1644 Hugh Cooke	1737 Richard Mall
1665 John Hodges	1738 Richard Chandles
1669 Thomas Stokis	1742 John Edwards
1677 John Hodges (died)	No Clerk mentioned from 1764
1681 Benjamin Pitt	to 1774.
1685 John Morris	
1699 Richard Mason	* * * *
1706 Richard Chandles	
1717 Richard Dickin	1827 Robert Gray
1718 John Fosbrooke	1841 Thomas Moody
1727 Thomas Dax	1853 Edward Edwards

TREASURER.

1707 Samuel Parker	1735 William Blakeway
1708 Joseph Price	No treasurer is mentioned from
1711 George Scrivener	1743 to 1769
1718 Richard Mall	1769 John Morgan
1723 Thomas Dax	No treasurer is mentioned from
1724 Richard Mall	1769 to 1774
1734 William Bleakeley	1827 Robert Gray

STEWARDS.

1627 Thomas Hodgson	1630 Richard Tench
Roger Jukes	Richard Morris
1628 Joseph Browne	1631 John Suker
Foulke Williams	Thomas Wayne
1629 Humphrey Chaunles	1632 John Roberts
Peter Richardson	Adam Bromley

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| 1633 Edward Barber | 1657 James Richardson |
| Charles Daryes | Thomas Onslowe |
| 1634 Israel Croxon | 1658 John Lloyd |
| Thomas Hiorne jun ^r | George Fanton |
| 1635 Edward Morris | 1659 John Hodges |
| Thomas Barber | John Powell |
| 1636 Humphrey Chaunles | 1660 William Chilton |
| Alexander Cleaton | Robert Davis |
| 1637 John Dax | 1661 James Smith |
| Stephen Edwards | Thomas Felton |
| 1638 Hugh Cooke | 1662 Thomas Boulton |
| Thomas Jones | John Gibbons |
| 1639 George Cowper jun ^r | 1663 Matthew Lloyd |
| David Jones | Abraham Allcox |
| 1640 Morris Reynolds | 1664 Samuel Conny |
| George Farre | Samuel Morris |
| 1641 Richard Towers | 1665 Joseph Evans |
| Robert Dayes | Jonathan Dugdale |
| 1642 John Pridden | 1666 John Carter |
| John Woodfen | Thomas Dax |
| 1643 Thomas Wall | 1667 Edward Davies |
| John Skrimshawe | John Wicocks |
| 1644 Francis Rawlins | 1668 Thomas Pitts |
| Richard Cooke | Robert Tench |
| 1645 Thomas Standeley | 1669 Thomas Smith |
| Thomas Onslowe | Matthew Ridley |
| 1646 Thomas Edsall | 1670 William Holmes |
| Francis Thomas | George Farmer |
| 1647 Richard Williams | 1671 Thomas Jenings |
| Richard Wever | Benjamin Pitts |
| 1648 Thomas Jaxson | 1672 Richard Bromley |
| George Evans | William Rag |
| 1649 Thomas Clare | 1673 Samuel Cowper |
| John Scott | Griffith Wood |
| 1650 Thomas Leighton | 1674 John Byerley |
| Fabian Burrowes | John Mounslow |
| 1651 Francis Chanles | 1675 Thomas Teage |
| Edward Chanles | James Burch |
| 1652 Thomas Burch | 1676 John Taylor |
| Edward Benion | John Morris jun. |
| 1653 Philip Bunney | 1677 Joseph Price |
| John Shelvocke | Samson Porter |
| 1654 Thomas Onslow | 1678 Roger Benion |
| Thomas Standley | Thomas Cuerton |
| 1655 Isaac Davies | 1679 Edward Darbishire |
| John Price | Richard Houlstone |
| 1656 William Smith | 1680 Thomas Chandles |
| Philip Walker | Peter Wood |

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| 1681 Samuel Spencer | 1705 William Barton |
| Samuel Parker | Richard Andrews |
| 1682 Charles Wall | 1706 Richard Ridgeway |
| John Boulton | John Griffiths |
| 1683 George Scrivener | 1707 Richard Mall |
| Richard Fosbrooke | William Blakeway |
| 1684 Henry Gorsuch | 1708 Michael Andrews |
| James Parker | Richard Jenings |
| 1685 Richard Dax | 1709 John James |
| Thomas Fardoe | Tho ^r Fardoe |
| 1686 Charles Owen | 1710 John Rushton |
| Joseph Jones | Samuel Powell |
| 1687 Edward Barber | 1711 Thomas Smith |
| William Tooth | Abraham Jones |
| 1688 Fabian Orm | 1712 John Griffiths |
| Joseph Stephens | Richard Evans |
| 1689 Richard Chanles | 1713 John Hicks |
| Thomas Woolen | Henry Harrison |
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| John Worthington | John Waferman |
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| Thomas Evans | George Hayward |
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| John Andrews | James Heath |
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1746 James Evance Richard Jones	1770 John Humphries William Jones
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1749 Humphrey Shotton Edward Botley	1773 George Bowdler Samuel Wilding
1750 Richard Hindley Thomas Holmes	1774 John France Thomas Dyas
1751 John Hanmer William Baker	1775 * * *
1752 John James Andrew Edwards	1827 William Myers Sam ^l Franks

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| James Evans | James Evans |
| 1829 James Phillips | 1840 the same |
| Richard Hussey | 1841 the same |
| 1830 Richard Fenton | 1842 the same |
| * * * | 1843 the same |
| 1831 W ^m Myers | 1844 W ^m Morgan |
| Sam. Franks | John Humphreys |
| 1832 James Phillips | 1845 the same |
| W ^m Darlington | 1846 the same |
| 1833 the same | 1847 W ^m Hanmer |
| 1834 the same | Tho ^s Gadd |
| 1835 the same | 1848 Thomas Moody |
| 1836 W ^m Darlington | W ^m Morgan |
| * * * | 1849 the same |
| 1837 James Evans | 1850 Joshua Keeling |
| * * * | James Evans |
| 1838 James Evans | 1851 the same |
| W ^m Morgan | 1852 the same |
| | 1853 the same |
- 1642 Paid for wyne on M^r Major at our swearinge 9^d.
 Paid for tickets against intruders 1/-
 Paid Richard Harris for arresting intruders 1/6
 Allowed myself on the elecion daye 5/-
 Paid w^t was given John Clunn by consent of y^e assistantes 5/-
 Paid w^t was spente on him in Tobacco & beere 1/-
 Paid William Whitefoote for arresting Hughe Morgan 1/9
 Paid Thomas Gwynnett for wardinge at the Assizes 1/-
 ----- for wardinge at the ffayre 3^d
 Paid for a bedde at the assizes 1/3
 Paid Joseph Browne for gatheringe forfeits 3^d.
 Paid for walking the ffayre 6^d.
 Paid for a warder 3^d.
 Spente at the taking in of freemen 1/6.
 Paid for the black cloth 12/-
 Paid w^t was spent at an assembly in my house 1/-
 Paid w^t was laid out at Thomas Clare's buriall 1/-
 Paid M^r Mackworth for Counsell 5/-
 Paid for a pottle of sack to M^r Maier sente 2/-
 Paid for a p^{ce}pt 1/2
 Paid 3 witnesses 1/-
 Paid the trayne souldier 1/-
 Paid for keeping the Armour this yeare 2/6
 Paid the rente of the halle 1/8
 Laid out in a pinte of wine to M^r Owen 6^d.
 Given strange journeyemen 1/6
 Continual payments to the widows of dec^d freemen & at their
 burials

- 1658 Spent at Francis King's burial 9^d.
 Spent at M^r Bowles his burial 5/-
 Spent on the Assession Day 6^d.
 Attending M^r Maior the 5th of November 6^d.
- 1661 Given to David Bray for going to Kingsland 4^d.
 Spent that day that was with us at Kingsland 2/6
 Paid in part for the flag & streamers £2. 11. 1.
 Paid to Peter for the muster 1/6
 Paid for horse to Ponsbury & his meate & my dynner extraordinary 2/9
 Paid to Peter our souldier that tyme 1/6
 Paid to Edward Benyon for the tyme he kept the Garrison 6/9
 Spent that day to meete the Captayne in Franckwell 4^d.
 Paid for a belt 2/6
 Paid for a bed at the assizes 2/6
 Paid for 4 yards of Riben at 5¹/₂d p' yard for the drumes 1/10
 Paid for 2 yards of Riben for Nicholas Willson 11^d.
 Paid for one yard of purple Riben for the cullers 6^d.
 Paid for makeinge the Harbor in Kingsland £2. 7. 0
 Paid for seates 10/2
 Paid Isack Lloyd for the gate the some of £1. 5. 0
 Paid for weedinge the seates 16^d.
 Paid at the White Harte for drinke £1. 13. 0
 Paid for six and thertye menes dynners at the White hart
 £1. 4. 0
 Paid for seaven and fifty mens dynners at 6^d p' man £1. 8. 6
 Paid to the drumes 1^s. 6^d.
 Paid for scowringe the halbeard 6^d.
- 1663 Spent to William Ryder's burial 1/-
 Spent attending the Lord Newport 6^d.
 Spent concerninge the quaker 3^d.
- 1664 Sente to Thomas Doughtie buryall Sack potell Cllat also 5/8
 Sente to the Towne Clarke quart of sack 2/-
 Paid the Towne Clarke for an indietment 2/-
 Paid for 3 witnesses for swering 1/-
 Paid Hugh for dressing the harbar 4/-
 Paid M^r. Harding for his fee 3/4
 Paid M^r. Baldwing for Councell 5/-
 Paid M^r Taylor his fee 3/4
 Paid for hiring a horse to Ponsbury 2/6
 Paid for a chafe and skowringe of the sworde 1/3
 Paid for completing & fylling a bill 3/6
 Paid M^r. Jenkins muster master 1/-
 Sente to M^r. Rawlings buriall a quart of sack 2/-
 Sente to Adam Bromleys buriall quart of claret 10^d.
 Given to James Richeson when the Jurey appered 4/6
 Payd M^r Harding for James Richeson 3/-
 P^d to M^r Baldwyne for Councell 5/-
 P^d to M^r Torner's sone for the same 5/-

- for a Coppey of the Jurey and presept 1/-
 payd to the witnesses 3/4
 Given the Jurey 1/-
 Given to Mr Harding 1/8
 Given to Mr Taylor 2/-
 Given to James Richerson trayne sollder 5/6
 Given to Edward Benon trayne sollder 3/6
 For wine at the burall of Thomas Adderton 1/6
 1665 Payd for Collars 1/-
 Sent for to present the mayor 1/4
 Given to John Donston's buriall 1/-
 Sente to Hugh Cukes buriall 1/8
 Payd Edward Benion for 3 days at Obarbery March 1664. 4/6
 Payd Mr Samuel Lloyd towards the red Cote 7/6
 Give to Mr taylor attorney 3/4
 Given to Mr Haris for Councell 5/-
 Payd the townes Clarkes man 6^d.
 Payd for a copy of the ordar 6^d.
 Sent to Tho^s Sherer's buriall 2/-
 1668 Paid for a sword for the trayne sollder 8/-
 1669 Sent to William Cockes, funerall 4/-
 to Mr jackson's funerall 2/-
 Paid James and John Richardson for the armes £1. 10. 0
 1670 p^d to Jervis for wearing the Blew coate 6^d.
 Sent to Jonathan Dugdale's buriall 2/-
 Sent to Mr maior a gallon of sacke 8/-
 p^d to William Thomas buriall 2/-
 1671 p^d for wine to Thomas Burch's buriall 2/-
 1672 p^d for making the Buckets £2. 18. 8
 1673 p^d for halfe of the Badge £1. 6. 9
 p^d for wine at the day of swearing Wardens 2/4
 Paid the Blewcoat day of Elec'on 6^d.
 Paid to Joⁿ Carter for carrying the colours on the Elec'on day 1/-
 1674 Given the apprentices 2/-
 Wine to Will Holmes funerall 2/-
 1675 p^d for the black cloath £1. 12. 0
 1677 Spente one morning & two days wayting for the queker 2/11
 Payd Benjamin Pittes for restinge of the queker 1/6
 Payd Mr. Tonng a fee agaynste the queker in Mr Chilton's case
 3/6
 Sente to William Chilton's buriall 4/-
 to John Powell's funeral 6/-
 For a horse and myselfe and one with mee to Preston consarning
 the queker 5/-
 A horse and one with me to Cllanuer for the band for shue the
 queker with 4/6
 to John Willcox's buriall 5/-
 payd John Carter for warden 3 dayes at the alleekshone of
 Parliamente men 3/6

- for whit and red silke for a flag & streamers & fring & making
£4. 18. 0
- to John Schrimshaw's buriall 2/-
- Payd Edward Pichford & his brother & 2 mor men for dressing
& triming the Harbor 11/6
- Payd John Baker for timber and 3 balls and workmanship one
the fronte of the Harbor £2. 5. 0
- Payd John Richardson for guilding and paynting and ironwork
£2. 5. 0
- Payd for boylling of the badge 1/-
- Payd M^r. Chamberlin Griffithes for a blew cote and flanon 15/11
- Payd for a trate at the harbor of m^r. mayre & m^r. recorder 5/-
- Payd for making the blew cote 2/8
- Payd for a banor with fringe and silke £1. 6. 0
- Payd for 4 cotes of armes for 4 boyes to carry £1. 5. 0
- Payd for 2 stremers for the harbor 3/-
- 1679; Payd for 3 quartes of sack & a bunn to m^r maior at Kingsland 6/4
- Paid for Collers for that daye for youthe & men & maior 5/8
- P^d. Joseph Price for triming the maior & dressing 2/2
- P^d. the drumes & trumpitt 9/-
- Given m^r. Ireland's man & one to fach the sidsadell 3/-
- 1680 Given for to mend the way to Kingsland 1/-
- Payd towards the meking of the Crest £1. 0. 0
- Payd at y^e morteting of thoursday in Whisen weke 5/-
- 1681 An assize trial against James Hill "in which we were cast"
- 1683 Paid for ribbin for y^e green man 1/-
- Given William Lewis for wering y^e green cote 1/-
- Paid for canvis for y^e seuchings 3/-
- Paid at James Richardson at the mort eating 2/6
- Paid for caring y^e Lame in y^e sonn 2/-
- Given M^r Scott for dresing ye gerle 5/-
- Paid John Richardson for y^e seuchings £1. 12. 0
- 1684 For 3 cl'ns of French wine £1. 16. 0
- 4 bottels of Kanary 8^s for 6 bottels of Sider 3^s
- 1685 funeral of Sam Spencer & Tho^s Barber
- Spent at the Crownation 6^d.
- Thomas Adams & Daniel Matthews funerals
- 1686 Robert Finch—John Mounslo—Tho^s Pitts—John Pichford—
 funerals
- Paid the boye for washing y^e buckett att Abby fyer 2^d.
- 1687 Payd for ruffles and a shute of knotts 6/6
- for makeing y^e peake and altering y^e sleeves 1/6
- for a payre of Gloves for y^e Girle & given y^e girle in mo' 3/6
- for altering the Mantue 1/6
- for Levinian to line the sleeves 10^d.
- given to M^{rs} Scott for dressing the girle 5^s.
- M^r Larkins—Cox—Swale—funerals
- About Gibbons & Scotts business to M^r Tomnge & M^r Bawdwin
 £2. 5. 0

- Paid to ye 2 Judges £5.
 Rob^t Tench—Edw. Darbshire funerals
 1688 John Wilcox's funeral & Rob^t Clare's
 1689 Funerals—Michael Cartar—Fabian Bowers
 1691 Funerals Sampson Porter—James Richardson Tho^s Dax
 1693 Funerals—Joseph Jones
 Spent at making an end with y^e Glovers 3/9
 1694 Funerals—Stanley son^r—Edw. Barber—
 For sheweing the quaker woman 11/-
 1695 Funerals—Isaac Davies.
 P^d, Stephen Peughe for attending y^e thanksgiving 8^d.
 P^d, the flagg y^e thanksgiving for y^e returne of y^e King 1/-
 1696 Funerals—John Price
 1697 Funerals—Roger Renniker—Rich^d. Bromley--John Exeter—
 1698 Funerals—John Carter
 1699 Funerals—Tayler—James Parker
 1701 Payd Jones for the Judges bed 5/-
 Funerals—Tho^s. Evans—Pheb. Orme
 1702 Funerals—Fra^s. Chandles
 p^d when we did petition the Members of Parliament 7/1
 1703 Funerals—John Jones
 1705 Funerals—Barber—Wheltly—M^{rs}. Chandles—Williams
 1706 Funerals—W^m. Barber—David Jones—
 1707 Funerals—John Morris—W^m. Burgess
 1709 Funerals—Wood—John Griffiths—Tooth—Stephen Pughs
 Rob^t Evans—John Morris—Cha^s Tyler
 1710 Funeral—John Woodhall
 1711 Funeral—Richard Ridgway—Farmer of Bieton heath
 1714 Funeral—John Bolton—Tho^s. Williams—
 1715 Funeral—Jenings
 1716 Funeral—Scrivenor—Price
 1717 Funeral—Rich^d Dax
 1722 Funeral—Crispin Drury—John Morris—W^m. Lewis—
 1723 Our Assize Trial
 1724 Funerals—Barber—Tannatt—Parker
 1725 Funeral—old Barber
 1727 Funeral—Benj. Pitts
 1729 Funerals—Dax—Mathias Wilding
 1780 Funerals—Joshua Gibbons—
 1781 Funerals—Blankly—John Morris—
 1787 Funerals—Hindley—W^m. Harris—Evans—
 1788 Funerals—John Morris—Joseph Harries
 1739 Funeral—John Blakeway
 1740 Funerals—W^m. Jones—Edw. Purslow.
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