Staffordshire Medics

Samuel ADDERLEY or ADERLY (fl. 1674)

Person ID: 65

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Person ID: 35731

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Staffordshire?

Samuel Adderley was made an extra licentiate of the College of Physicians in London on 3 December 1674. Nothing further is known of Adderley. Conjecturally, he might be the same as the Samuel Adderley of Blake Hall, Staffordshire. He was the son of Henry Adderley and his wife Mary, the daughter of Nicholas Lathropp of Bromshull, Staffordshire, and was baptised at Dilhorne, Staffordshire, on 7 November 1641. He married Catherine, the daughter of Adam Colclough of Delph House, Staffordshire, and his wife Catherine, the daughter of Edward Streete of Kidlington, Oxfordshire. The couple had eight children (Samuel, Henry, Ralph, Thomas, William, Benjamin, Jane and Magdalen). Adderley was buried at Dilhorne on 25 January 1683/4. His will betrays no evidence of medical interests.

Munk, i, p.369; H.S.Grazebrook (ed.). *The Heraldic Visitations of Staffordshire* ... *1614* ... *1663 and 1664* (London, 1885), pp.4, 88; Staffordshire RO, D1062/1 [parish registers of Dilhorne, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will of Samuel Adderley, gent, of Blackhough, Staffordshire, 19 January 1683/4, pr.4 December 1684].

Henry ALCHURCH (fl.1656)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Sedgley, Staffordshire

In October 1656, Henry Alchurch, surgeon, of Sedgley, Staffordshire, petitioned the county quarter sessions concerning malicious treatment which he believed he had received at the hands of one William Keysell of Sedgley. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/296/25.

John ALLEN (*fl.*1680s)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

John Allen was practising as a surgeon in the town of Tamworth, Staffordshire, in the mid 1680s. His apprentice Charles Austin was buried at Tamworth on 28 September 1684. Further identification is not possible due to common frequency of the name in the parish registers. He may, however, have been the son of John Allen Snr, gentleman and town clerk of Stafford, who was buried there on 22 April 1685.

Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/2 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire, 1635-1690].

Philip ALLEN (d.1746)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Philip Allen practised as a barber and periwigmaker in the Staffordshire town of Wolverhampton between about 1710 and his death in 1746. He married Margaret Lewis at Wolverhampton on 12 February 1709/10. She was buried there on 8 July 1741, while her husband Philip was buried in the same church on 7 October 1746.

Children of Philip Allen and Margaret:

John, bapt.17 November 1710 [Wolverhampton]. William, bapt.14 July 1712 [Wolverhampton]. Anne, bapt.3 June 1714 [Wolverhampton].

Apprentice of Philip Allen, barber and periwigmaker:

John Nightingall for the premium of £12 as recorded in 1710.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/2, 3 and 63 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/41, f.136.

Michael BAGELEY (fl. 1691)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Tean, Staffordshire

In April 1691, Michael Bageley, barber chirurgion, of Tean, Staffordshire, entered into an agreement with William Gallimore, webster, of the same village regarding the feoffment of land in Waste Lane End. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D 4622/1/41/6 [18 April 1691].

John BAKER (*fl.*1715)

Occ: barber Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

William Hedges, the son of Joseph Hedges, staymaker, of London, was apprenticed to John Baker, barber, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, for the premium of £5 as recorded in 1715. Otherwise unidentified.

TNA, IR 1/4, f.167.

Edward BALL (fl.early eighteenth century)

Occ: apothecary/surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

John Ball, the son of Edward Ball, apothecary and surgeon, of Walsall, Staffordshire, was apprenticed to Gervase Wilder, apothecary and surgeon, of Walsall for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1719. Otherwise unidentified.

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TNA, IR 1/8, f.6.

Robert BANKS (fl. 1664)

Person ID: 699

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Person ID: 19113

Occupation: unlicensed physician Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Robert Banks of Tamworth, Staffordshire, was prosecuted in the consistory court of Lichfield for practising physic without a licence on 28 April 1664. In his defence, he claimed the prosecution was malicious and that he did possess a licence which he was unable to exhibit at the present time. Banks nonetheless assured the court that he had testimonials from many hands to justify his practice. He was thus allowed to continue to practise in the interim on the sick and unwell. He may have been the Robert Banks who was buried at Tamworth on 1 May 1671.

Staffordshire RO, B/V/1/68, *sub* 28 April 1664; D3773/1/2 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire, 1635-1690].

George BARNETT (b.c.1686)

Occ: barber/perukemaker Loc: Staffordshire

George Barnett, 'tonsor' of 'Grastone', Staffordshire, was licensed to marry Mary Webster of Mansfield on 21 June 1712. The couple married at West Retford, Nottinghamshire, on the same day. Given that Barnett gave his age as 26 in 1712, he may be the same as the George Barnett, son of John and Constance Barnett, who was baptised at Kingsley, Staffordshire, on 5 August 1686. Otherwise unidentified, but possibly the George Barnett buried at Stafford on 29 May 1728.

T.M.Blagg and F.A.Wadsworth (eds), *Abstracts of Nottinghamshire Marriage Licences*, 2 vols (London, BRS, Index Library, vols 58 & 60, 1930-5), ii, p.97; Nottinghamshire Archives, parish registers of West Retford, Nottinghamshire; Staffordshire RO, D1478/2 [parish registers of Kingsley, Staffordshire]; D1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire].

George BARWELL (d.1720)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Cheadle, Staffordshire

George Barwell was in practice as an apothecary in the town of Cheadle, Staffordshire, from at least 1695 until his death in 1720. He married Sarah Colclough at Cheadle on 19 April 1695. She was buried there less than a year later on 9 February 1695/6. Barwell does not appear to have re-married. He was buried at Cheadle on 7 December 1720. In his will, he left all his estate, including property in Cheadle, to his sister and executrix Susanna Barwell on condition that she make a series of monetary payments to the testator's brothers Edward, Thomas and John. He also provided small bequests for his 'loving friends' Caesar Colclough, esquire, the latter's sister Bridget and Charles Beech. Barwell's estate was valued at £132 15s, of which his apothecary's shop goods were assessed at just under £100.

Staffordshire RO, D962/1/5 and 8 [parish registers of Cheadle, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and will of George Barwell, apothecary, of Cheadle, Staffordshire, 6 January 1718/19, pr.11 January 1720/1].

William BATEMAN (d.1705)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stoneleigh, Staffordshire

William Bateman, apothecary, was buried at Stone, Staffordshire, on 17 October 1705. In 1694, Bateman is mentioned by **William Westmacott**, who practised at nearby Newcastle under Lyme, as one 'who is trusted to take any observations from any ingenious or distemper'd persons' that made trial of the spa at Blurton.

Staffordshire RO, STONE/2 [parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and will of William Bateman, apothecary, of Stone, Staffordshire, pr.15 April 1706][unseen]; W.Westmacott, A Short Account of Blurton-Spaw-Water, with some plain Directions, and necessary Rules for the more efficacious Drinking of it (London, 1694).

Richard BATT (fl.1583)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

In 1583, Richard Batt, surgeon, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, was accused by his inlaws of attempting to bewitch his mother-in-law, Howys Hasslebye, of Little Markham, Nottinghamshire, by means of a wax effigy and a painting made by a Nottingham painter, John Matthew. In his defence, he claimed to be making a box that contained various medicines for one of his patients who was sick with a flux.

Historical Manuscripts Commission. The Manuscripts of His Grace the Duke of Rutland Preserved at Belvoir Castle, 4 vols (London, 1888-1905), i, pp.294-6.

Thomas BATTEN (d.1661)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Betley, Staffordshire

Thomas Batten, doctor of physic, was buried at Betley, Staffordshire, on 10 April 1661. Administration of his estate, valued at £44 13s, was granted to his widow Elizabeth on 24 April 1661.

Staffordshire RO, D689/1/2 [parish registers of Betley, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and administration bond of Thomas Batten, doctor of phisick, of Betley, Staffordshire, 12 and 24 April 1661].

Michael BAXTER (b.1640)

Person ID: 34572

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Person ID: 968/19149

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Michael Baxter is identified as a Lichfield apothecary in a quitclaim which he signed in 1672 concerning 10 acres of arable land at Whittington, Staffordshire. He was the son of Mr Richard Baxter and his wife Mary and was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 31 March 1640. No record of his death or burial has been found.

William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/1409 and 1413 [manor court roll, Withington, 1664]; M 964/6 [quitclaim to Zachary Babington of Lichfield, 20 September 1672]; Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

Mrs BEARDMORE (d.1651)

Occ: midwife Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Mrs Beardmore, midwife, was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, on 11 December 1651.

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/2 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

Henry BEDELL (d.1680)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Henry Bedell, doctor of physic, was buried at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 17 September 1680. In a very brief nuncupative will, made a month before his death, he placed all his estate, valued at £86, in the hands of his widow Mary (b.1618; the daughter of John Bowes, esquire, of Elford, Staffordshire, and his wife Anne) and son [William] with the hope that they might raise £200 as a portion for his unmarried daughter [Elizabeth]. Bedell's Cambridge-educated son William became rector of Hargrave in Northamptonshire where Henry Bedell's widow Mary was buried on 2 December 1692.

Children of Henry Bedell:

William. Aged 16, he was admitted a pensioner at Trinity College, Cambridge, on 1 February 1677/8 and proceeded BA in 1681/2. He was buried at Hargrave, where he was rector, on 13 August 1726.

Elizabeth.

Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/32 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [[inventory and administration bond of Henry Bedell of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 4 October 1680]; Birmingham Archives, MS 3878/373 [assignment of bond to Henry Bedell, gent, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 22 August 1671]; H.S.Grazebrook (ed.), *The Heraldic Visitations of Staffordshire* ... 1614 ... 1663 and 1664 (London, 1885), p.46; Rev.H.I.Longden (ed.), *The Visitation of the County of Northampton in the Year 1681* (London, Harleian Soc., vol.87, 1935), p.14; Northamptonshire RO, 152p/2 [parish registers of Hargrave, Northamptonshire, 1683-1756]; Venn, i, p.115.

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John BEECH (fl. 1685-1702)

Occ: barber Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

John Beech was active as a barber in the town of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, between 1685 and 1702. His wife Hannah was buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 7 November 1702. No record of John Beech's death or burial has been found.

Children of John Beech:

Jane, born 12 August 1685; bapt.22 August 1685; buried 28 October 1687 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Hannah, bapt.27 March 1687 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Amy, born 24 August 1687; bapt.13 September 1687 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Jane, bapt.12 December 1688 [Newcastle under Lyme].

John, bapt.22 September 1690 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Thomas, bapt.23 July 1692 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Mary, bapt.5 March 1693/4 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/4 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

Humphrey BENNETT (d.1660)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Humphrey Bennet, surgeon, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, on 21 August 1660. His will is notable for its original and godly preamble. Bennett also left a small bequest for Deliverance Fennyhouse (d.1672), rector of Leigh in Staffordshire. He also remembered in his will three brothers (Henry, John and Francis), a sister Jane Jackson, and godson Humphrey Bennett, the son of his brother Henry, to whom he left a new case of instruments including a silver tipped razor as well as 'two printed books of Chirurgery called Woodall and Read with all my Receipts of Chirurgery'. The first book can be identified with some certainty as *The Surgeon's Mate* (1st ed, London, 1617) by **John Woodall**. The second work could be the translation of Franciscus Arceus' *A Most Excellent and Compendious Method of Curing Woundes* (London, 1588) by **John Read** but is more likely to be one of the works of the Scottish-born surgeon **Alexander Read**. Bennett also left small bequests to three of his apprentices, **Edmund Hector**, Arthur Sherrard and Richard Gladwin. Finally, he named his 'dear and beloved' wife (unnamed) as residual legatee and sole executrix, thanking her for 'her true, faithfull, and constant affection ... in both health and sicknes'.

Staffordshire RO, D27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1574-1680]; B/C/11 [will of Humfrey Bennet, chirurgion, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 30 May 1660, pr.15 May 1661].

Richard BENTLEY (*fl.*1682-1719)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

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Richard Bentley practised as a barber and periwigmaker in the town of Uttoxeter from about 1682 to 1719. He and his wife Hannah (otherwise unidentified) baptised ten children in the town. He may have been the Richard Bentley buried at Uttoxeter on 17 March 1747.

Children of Richard Bentley and Hannah:

Sarah, bapt.25 March 1682 [Uttoxeter].

Lettice, bapt.20 December 1683; buried 23 May 1687 [Uttoxeter].

Richard, bapt.30 July 1685; buried 29 May 1687 [Uttoxeter].

Mary, bapt.18 January 1686/7 [Uttoxeter].

Richard, bapt.6 January 1688/9 [Uttoxeter]. Richard married Elizabeth Bentley at Stone, Staffordshire, 12 November 1719.

James, bapt.30 April 1691 [Uttoxeter].

Elizabeth, bapt.2 March 1692/3 [Uttoxeter].

Hannah, bapt.4 February 1694/5 [Uttoxeter].

Lettice, bapt.30 December 1696 [Uttoxeter].

Samuel, born 9 December 1699; bapt.13 December 1699 [Uttoxeter].

Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/3 and 4 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, baptisms and marriages, 1652-1690; 1690-1714]; diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, marriage allegation bonds, 1636-1893; parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire, 1712-1743.

Samuel BERESFORD (1629-1697)

Occ: clergyman/physician

Loc: Shrewsbury and Shifnal, Shropshire, and Tamworth, Staffordshire

Samule Beresford was the son of Thomas Beresford or Basforde, carpenter, and his wife Sarah, and was baptised at St Alkmund's, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, on 21 June 1629. Beresford attended Queens' College, Cambridge, where he graduated BA and MA in 1652 and 1655 respectively. Ordained in 1652, he originally assisted his uncle Thomas Blake, pastor at Tamworth, Staffordshire, where on 12 May 1652 he married Penelope Wagstaffe (d.1683), the daughter of John Wagstaffe, husbandman, of Fazeley. Briefy vicar of Aston in Warwickshire in 1656, he transferred to the parish of St Werburgh's, Derby the following year and continued there until his ejection in 1662. A reluctant nonconformist, he continued to preach (as a Presbyterian) to congregations in Shrewsbury, Shifnal and later in Staffordshire. According to Calamy, he was 'a skilful Physician; tho' in giving his Advice he confin'd himself to particular Friends'. His medical interests may have been stimulated by his brother-in-law **Gerald Wagstaffe** who practised as a surgeon at Tamworth until his death in 1683. The latter named Beresford as joint executor of his will in that year. By the 1670s, he was living at the house of Sir Thomas Wilbraham of Weston under Lizard, Staffordshire where he died and was buried on 11 October 1697.

In a lengthy will, Beresford, who died childless, made provision for his second wife Elizabeth (otherwise unidentified) and left various properties at Shrewsbury and Worfield, Shropshire, to her and various kinfolk. He also left an annuity of £10 pa and a copy of the 'London

annotations on the Bible in two volumes in English' to his 'good friend' **Joshua Simonds**, apothecary, of Shrewsbury.

Shropshire Archives, P252/A/1/1 [parish registers of St Alkmund's, Shrewsbury, Shropshire]; Venn, i, p.139; *Calamy Revised*, ed.A.G.Matthews (Oxford, 1934; reissued 1988), p.51; Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/2 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire, 1635-1690]; TNA, PROB 11/374, ff.261v-262v [will of Gerald Wagstaffe, surgeon, of Tamworth, Warwickshire [sic], 16 February 1682/3, pr.20 November 1683]; parish registers of Weston under Lizard, Staffordshire; TNA, PROB 11/443, ff.225r-228r [will of Samuel Beresford, sometime minister of the gospel in Derby, and heretofore an inhabitant of Shifnal, Shropshire, but now of Weston under Lizard, Staffordshire, 11 September 1697, pr.25 February 1697/8].

Richard BILSON (b.1612)

Occ: barber Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Richard Bilson was the son of Robert Bilson and was baptised at Tamworth, Staffordshire, on 7 October 1612. He died sometime between February 1652 and October 1667. In his will, where he is described as living in Amington (historically in the Warwickshire half of the town), Bilson left small bequests to various brothers, a sister and friends and named his brother Simon Bilson as residual legatee and executor. He left a small estate valued at just £17 of which £15 consisted of debts and £2 of wearing apparel, shop clothes, basins and 'all other tools belonging to the trade of a barber'.

Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/1 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will of Richard Bilson, barber, of Amington, Warwickshire, 24 February 1651/2, pr.22 October 1667].

Sampson BIRCH (1632-1713)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Sampson Birch was the son of William Birch and was baptised at Penkridge, Staffordshire, on 1 November 1632. Described as an apothecary of Stafford, he married Edith Shaw at Blithfield, Staffordshire, on 15 May 1660. Birch was the author of two letters, the originals addressed to the Oxford naturalist Robert Plot (1640-1696), which were subsequently published in the *Philosophical Transactions* of the Royal Society in 1683. They concern the case of 'an extraordinary birth' in Staffordshire and the troubled pregnancy of one Mrs Taylor of Heywood from whom the Lichfield surgeon, **Edmund Hector**, assisted by Birch's wife (who may have been a midwife), was forced to remove the remains of a dead foetus. Part of these were sent to Plot at Oxford and from thence to the Royal Society where the celebrated anatomist **Edward Tyson** examined the remains. He concluded that Mrs Taylor, who was otherwise in good health, had given birth to a 'preternatural' or 'monstrous' offspring which possessed many features of a formed body including teeth, bones and hair.

Birch combined a curiosity for natural philosophical rarities with a strong sense of civic duty. He served as mayor of Stafford on three occasions (1671, 1681 and 1685) and was a staunch

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Tory loyalist who as mayor in 1682 corresponded with the government to inform of the activities of local Whigs, including fellow apothecary **Thomas Giles**, following the recent visit of the duke of Monmouth. These letters also suggest that he performed bloodletting on some of his patients. Birch, moreover, was well connected with some local powerful families, including the Congreves. In 1678, he was named executor in trust of the will of John Congreve (1636-1688). Samson Byrch, 'senator', was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 14 October 1713.

Publication:

'An Extract of two letters from Mr.Sampson Birch, an alderman and apothecary at Stafford, concerning an extraordinary birth in Staffordshire, with reflections thereon by Edward Tyson, M.D.Fellow of the Coll.of Physitians, and of the R.Society' in *Philosophical Transactions*, vol.13, no.150 (1683), pp.281-4.

Staffordshire RO, D1354/1/1 [parish registers of Penkridge, Staffordshire]; parish registers of Blithfield, Staffordshire; Robert Plot, *The Natural History of Stafford-shire* (Oxford, 1686), pp.271-2; J.W.Bradley, *The Royal Charters and Letters Patent Granted to the Burgesses of Stafford, AD 1206-1828* (Stafford, 1897), p.206; *CSPD*, 1682, pp.303, 427, 456; Staffordshire RO, D1057/D/2/1-2; D1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire].

BIRKES (d.1644) Person ID: 34576

Occ: midwife Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

One Birkes, a midwife, was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 5 June 1644.

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/2 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

Joan BLAKE (d.1694) Person ID: 34577

Occ: midwife Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Joan Blake, midwife, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, on 6 June 1694.

Staffordshire RO, D27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1680-1741].

Aaron BLAKEMAN (1685-1736) Person ID: 19438

Occ: barber Loc: Penkridge/Brewood, Staffordshire

Aaron Blakeman was the son of Thomas Blakeman and his wife Alice and was baptised at Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire, on 26 August 1685. He married Sarah Baxter at Penkridge, Staffordshire, on 22 January 1706/7 and was buried at neighbouring Brewood on 1 May 1736.

Staffordshire RO, D1188/1 [parish registers of Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire]; diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, marriage allegations and bonds, 1636-1893; D1354/1/2 [parish registers of Penkridge, Staffordshire]; D4014/1/4 [parish registers of Brewood, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will of Aaron Blakeman, surgeon, of Brewood, Staffordshire, pr.10 May 1736].

Thomas BOWLER (c.1684-1751)

Occ: surgeon/apothecary Loc: Ashbourne, Derbyshire, Leek & Stone, Staffordshire

Thomas Bowler, an apothecary, aged 23, of Ashbourne in Derbyshire, married Ellen or Helen Thorpe, widow, of Leek at Leek, Staffordshire, on 10 February 1707/8. Bowler initially practised at Leek before removing to Stone in Staffordshire where he was buried on 18 November 1751.

Apprentices of Thomas Bowler, surgeon and apothecary:

John Dodd, son of Elizabeth Dodd, widow, of Stafford, Stafford, Staffordshire, for the premium of £45 as recorded in 1711.

James Wardle, son of Randall Wardle, gentleman, of Eaton, Cheshire, for the premium of £25 as recorded in 1716.

Staffordshire RO, marriage licence bonds and allegations, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield; D 1040/5/3 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire]; D 3455/1/1 [parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/42, ff.38, 58; 1/45, f.8.

Henry BOYLSTON (d.1679)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Nothing is known of Boylston's antecedents other than that he was 'brought up' from infancy to the trade of an apothecary by **Thomas Cope** of Lichfield. In the latter's will of 1641, he stood to inherit various properties in the city as well as his master's shop and wares in the event that he married Cope's daughter Elizabeth which he duly did at Hanbury, Staffordshire, in May 1641. Elizabeth died in childbirth and was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 28 April 1644. Boylston subsequently married Rhoda Rokeby, the daughter of George Rokeby (d.1656), of London. He served as mayor/senior bailiff of the city of Lichfield on three occasions – in 1661, 1667 and 1676 – and died sometime around the beginning of 1679 when his widow Rhoda was granted administration of his estate. He was still alive in July 1677 when he signed the testimonial for fellow apothecary **William Smith** who was seeking a licence to practise medicine and surgery.

Children of Mr Henry Boylston and wife Elizabeth:

Elizabeth, bapt.28 April 1644; buried 18 July 1645 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Children of Mr Henry Boylston and wife Rhoda:

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George. Aged 20, he was licensed to marry Margaret Gilbert of Marchington, Staffordshire, 6 July 1674. He was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, 2 April 1694. Grace, bapt.26 November 1655 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Henry, bapt.20 July 1658 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

TNA, PROB 11/186, ff.111v-114r [will and codicil of Thomas Cope, apothecary, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 3 and 13 March 1640/1, pr.7 May 1641]; Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/4 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 6/54, f.25 [administration of estate of Henry Boylston to widow Rhoda Boylston, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 17 February 1678/9]; Staffordshire RO, marriage licence bonds and allegations, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield]; D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; Worcestershire RO, 795/02/BA2302/28/6315.

Henry BOYLSTON (1679-1749)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Henry Boylston was the grandson of the Lichfield apothecary **Henry Boylston** and the son of George Boylston (d.1694) and his wife Margaret, nee Gilbert. He was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 9 August 1679 and married Ann Hector, the daughter of Edmund Hector, surgeon, of Lichfield at St Mary's on 11 June 1706. He is named as an apothecary in the deed granted to him to administer the estate of his grandmother Rhoda Boylston in 1709. Boylston served as mayor or senior bailiff of the city of Lichfield in 1712 and was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, as a resident of the parish of St Mary's, on 26 June 1749.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1677-1754]; D 27/1/4 [parish records of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

Richard BRACEGIRDLE (1612-1677)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Richard Bracegirdle, the son of John Bracegirdle, yeoman, and his wife Anne, nee Edwards, was baptised at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 13 October 1612. He was apprenticed to his uncle **Richard Edwards**, apothecary, of London on 17 May 1631. Edwards, like Bracegirdle an Anglican and royalist, was constantly in trouble with the London College of Physicians for practising medicine in the capital. He later remembered him and his son Richard in his will of 1655. Bracegirdle returned to his native Wolverhampton before 1640 and remained there until his death in 1677. Like Edwards, he seems to have practised medicine in addition to setting up as an apothecary in the town. In 1644, for example, he wrote to a patient, 'Mr Pershurst' (Richard Pershouse), providing medical advice.

Bracegirdle married on four occasions. Nothing is known of his first wife Elizabeth, nee Merris, whom he must have married before 1640. She was buried at Wolverhampton on 10 August 1652. Secondly he married Dorothy Chetwynd of Rugeley, Staffordshire, who was buried at Wolverhampton on 21 April 1657. Thirdly, Bracegirdle married Sarah, the daughter of Alexander Wightwick (d.1660), of Tunstall, Staffordshire, who was buried at

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Wolverhampton on 7 January 1659/60. Finally, he married Jane Jevon at Wolverhampton on 30 September 1668. Mr Richard Bracegirdle was buried at Wolverhampton on 31 March 1677. In his will, where he described himself as a gentleman, he made provision for his wife Jane and left his daughter Sarah £1,200 as a dowry if she married according to the consent of her uncles Francis and Samuel Wightwick. Finally, he named his son Henry as residual legatee and executor. The latter was responsible for erecting a stone epitaph to his father's memory in the church of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, in which Bracegirdle was praised for his medical understanding and lauded as an inveterate opponent of religious fanaticism. Further evidence of the same can be found in Richard Baxter's account of Bracegirdle's altercation with the ejected minister-cum-physician, **John Reynolds**, at Wolverhampton in 1669 which led to Baxter's imprisonment.

Richard Bracegirdle and his son Henry were named as residual legatees and executors of the will of **William Kitchin**, surgeon, of Shorwell on the Isle of Wight in 1671. The two men were described as kinsmen of the testator. Kitchin also left a property at Shorwell to Henry and £50 to Sarah Bracegirdle.

Children of Richard Bracegirdle and Elizabeth:

Richard, bapt.3 October 1640; buried 14 July 1676 [Wolverhampton].

Jervase, bapt.25 March 1642; buried 27 April 1644 [Wolverhampton].

Henry, bapt.18 December 1643 [Wolverhampton]. He matriculated at Merton College,
Oxford, on 13 November 1663, graduating BA in 1667 and BCL in 1670. He served as sacrist to St Peter's, Wolverhampton and was buried 12 February 1702/3.

Elizabeth, bapt.6 December 1645; buried 25 November 1652 [Wolverhampton].

John, buried 1 June 1652 [Wolverhampton].

Mary, buried 1 June 1654 [Wolverhampton].

Anne [*m.i.*].

Children of Richard Bracegirdle and Sarah:

Sarah, born 19 August 1658; bapt.11 September 1658 [Wolverhampton]. She married John Bearcroft, the son of John Bearcroft, of Mere Green, Worcestershire, at Wolverhampton, 16 October 1677.

Anne [m.i.].

Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/1/1, 2 and 62 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; London apothecary database; William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/1604 [land deed, 10 May 1640]; TNA, PROB 11/250, ff.298r-v [will of Richard Edwards, citizen and apothecarie of St Benet Sherehog, London, 22 November1654, pr.6 November 1655]; Wellcome Library, London, MS 8797 [Bracegirdle to 'Mr Pershurst', 9 December 1644]; m.i., St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire; H.S.Grazebrook (ed.), The Heraldic Visitations of Staffordshire ... 1614 ... 1663 and 1664 (London, 1885), pp.313-4; TNA, PROB 11/354, ff.9r-10r [will of Richard Bracegirdle, gent, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 28 March 1677, pr.26 May 1677]; Matthew Sylvester (ed.), Reliquiae Baxterianae (London, 1696), iii, p.48; Foster, i, p.165; TNA, PROB 11/339, ff.356r-357v [will of William Kitchin, chirurgion, of Shorwell, Isle of Wight, Hampshire, 10 February 1670/1, pr.1 August 1672].

Charles BRADGATE (1696-1722)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Charles Bradgate was the son of Edward Bradgate, apothecary, and his wife Mary, nee Man, and was baptised at Tamworth on 17 September 1696. Mr Charles Bradgate, apothecary, was buried at Tamworth on 1 April 1722. He left all his estate, including a shop valued at £55, to his 'loving brother' John Bradgate (b.1700) whom he also appointed as executor.

Staffordshire RO, D/3773/1/3 and 4 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and will of Charles Bradgate, apothecary, of Tamworth, Warwickshire, 1 April 1722, pr.26 April 1722].

Edward BRADGATE (1664-1711)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Edward Bradgate was the son of Edward (d.1696) and his wife Mary and was baptised at Hellidon, Northamptonshire, on 15 March 1663/4. He married Mary Man at Tamworth on 30 December 1684. Mr Edward Bradgate was buried at Tamworth on 23 March 1710/11. He named his eldest son Edward as principal heir, leaving him various properties in Tamworth as well as in his native village of Hellidon in Northamptonshire (occupied by the testator's brother William) which he was to inherit following the death of his mother Mary. Bradgate also left £800 in bequests for his other four children, Charles, John, Jane and Mary who were placed under the supervision of their brother Edward. Finally, he appointed Mr John Mainwaring of Drayton Manor and Mr Jonathan Backhouse of Tamworth to act as overseers and assistants to his designated executors, namely his wife Mary and son Edward. Bradgate's widow Mary was buried at Tamworth on16 October 1719.

Children of Edward Bradgate and wife Mary:

William, bapt.28 November 1685; buried 10 October 1707 [Tamworth].

Edward, bapt.13 January 1686/7; buried 14 January 1686/7 [Tamworth].

Michael, bapt.16 January 1687/8; buried 16 April 1690 [Tamworth].

Edward, bapt.23 December 1690 [Tamworth].

Elizabeth, bapt.23 January 1692/3; buried 8 December 1696 [Tamworth].

Jane, bapt.25 February 1694/5 [Tamworth].

Charles, bapt.17 September 1696 [Tamworth]. Apothecary. He was buried at Tamworth, 1 April 1722.

Mary, bapt.29 June 1698; buried 25 March 1713 [Tamworth].

John, born 27 December 1700; bapt.8 January 1700/1 [Tamworth].

Northamptonshire Archives, 161P/2 [parish registers of Hellidon, Northamptonshire, 1646-1684]; Rev.H.I.Longden (ed.), *The Visitation of the County of Northampton in the Year 1681* (London, HS, vol.87, 1935), p.23; Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/3 and 4 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire]; B/C/11 [will of Edward Bradgate, apothecary, of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 3 October 1710, pr.17 April 1711].

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Ellin BRADSHAW (d.1652)

Occ: midwife Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Ellin Bradshaw, widow and midwife, was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, on 18 January 1651/2.

Staffordshire Record office, D 3251/1/2 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme].

John BRAY (d.1696)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

John Bray, apothecary, was buried at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 16 July 1696. Administration of his estate, valued at £85 (of which the shop and goods consisted of £40) was granted to his widow Anne on 22 October 1696. She subsequently married **James Barrett**, apothecary, of Uttoxeter in 1698.

He may be the same as the John Bray who married Anne Nelstrop at St Peter's, Derby, Derbyshire, on 17 October 1687.

Children of John Bray and Anne:

John, bapt.14 July 1688; buried 15 July 1688 [Uttoxeter].

Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/3 and 32 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and administration bond of John Bray, apothecary, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 30 July and 22 October 1696]; Derbyshire RO, D1792 1/1 [parish registers of St Peter's, Derby, Derbyshire, 1558-1812].

Francis BRIDGES (d.1716)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Francis Bridges practised as an apothecary and surgeon at Burton upon Trent form at least 1676 until his death in 1716. In 1709, he was paid by the Burton vestry for dressing a leg. Bridge's wife Joanna was buried at Burton upon Trent on 26 February 1701/2, while he was buried there on 17 November 1716. Bridges left his personal estate (valued at £24 4s 8d and including a box of surgeon's instruments) and freehold and leasehold property in Burton to be divided equally between his grandchildren Mary and Joseph Odingsells, children of daughter Elizabeth, and his daughter Sarah, the wife of John Newton, grocer, of Nottingham. He further nominated the latter and his cousin Samuel Henworth as joint executors of the will.

Children of Francis Bridges and wife Joan or Joanna (otherwise unidentified):

Hanna, born 20 August 1676; bapt.4 September 1676; buried 17 October 1676 [Burton upon

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Joseph, born 19 January 1677/8 [Burton upon Trent]. A physician, he was made MD at Utrecht in 1697 and was buried at Burton upon Trent, 22 February 1697/8.

Mary, born 3 December 1679 [Burton upon Trent].

Elizabeth, bapt.13 October 1681 [Burton upon Trent]. She married Gabriel Odingsells of Nottingham at Stapenhill, Derbyshire, 11 March 1707/8.

Sarah, bapt.7 November 1683. She married John Newton of Nottingham at Sutton on the Hill, Derbyshire, 23 July 1701.

Staffordshire RO, D4219/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 1538-1685; 1687-1764]; P/C/11 [inventory and will of Francis Bridges, apothecary, of Burton upon Trent, 1 September 1715, pr.15 June 1717]; Derbyshire RO, D1282/A/PI/1/1 [parish registers of Stapenhill, Derbyshire, 1679-1755]; parish registers of Sutton on the Hill, Derbyshire.

Joseph BRIDGES (1678-1698)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Joseph Bridges was the son of **Francis Bridges**, apothecary, and his wife Hannah (elsewhere Joanna), and was baptised at Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, on 19 January 1677/8. Nothing is known of his education prior to his graduation as MD at the university of Utrecht in the United Provinces in 1697 (31 May). His graduation thesis, *De Medicina Promovenda* ('Concerning the Promotion of Medicine') was dedicated to the nonconformist physician Dr **Henry Sampson** and at the end of the thesis are three carmina from fellow students, David Mayo, William Alexander and R.Hawes. In the same year, though still not quite twenty, he published an English translation of the work of Dr **Nehemiah Grew** on purging salts which was intended to correct the multiple errors of an earlier translation by the chemist **Francis Moult**. Bridges died the following year and was buried at his native Burton upon Trent on 22 February 1697/8. No will survives.

Publications:

De Medicina Promovenda (Leiden thesis MD 1697; copy in British Library).

A Treatise of the Nature and Use of the Bitter Purging Salt ... Written Originally in Latin, by Nehemiah Grew, Dr in Physick ... And Now Published in English, by Joseph Bridges, Doctor in Physick. With Animadversions on a late Corrupt Translation publish'd by Francis Moult, chymist (London, J.Darby, 1697).

Staffordshire RO, D4219/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 1538-1685; 1687-1764]; Innes Smith, p.30.

Thomas BRIDGES (d.1740)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

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Thomas Bridges was active as an apothecary in the town of Burton upon Trent from about 1701 until his death in 1740. He may have been the son of **Francis Bridges**, a Burton apothecary, but no record of his birth or baptism survives. Bridges married Elizabeth Fox of Caldwell, Derbyshire, at Stapenhill, Derbyshire, on 4 February 1700/1. He was buried at Burton upon Trent on 29 July 1740. In his will, he left all his real and personal estate, including a house on Horninglow Street, Burton, to his wife Elizabeth whom he also named as executrix. She was buried at Burton on 28 October 1759.

Children of Thomas Bridges:

Elizabeth, bapt.13 June 1709 [Burton upon Trent].

Derbyshire RO, parish registers of Stapenhill, Derbyshire, 1679-1755; Staffordshire RO, D4219/2 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 1687-1764]; consistory court will of Thomas Bridges, apothecary, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 19 April 1739, pr.21 May 1741]; Derbyshire RO, D303/25/4 and 5 [wills of Thomas Bridges, apothecary, of Burton upon Trent, pr.21 May 1741 and Elizabeth Bridges, widow, of Burton upon Trent, pr.29 May 1760].

John BROWNE (d.1705)

Occ: barber Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Browne, barber, of St Mary's, Lichfield, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 28 July 1705.

Staffordshire RO, D27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will of John Browne, barber, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, pr.14 January 1705/6] [unseen].

John BURGESS (1656-1732)

Occ: apothecary/grocer Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

John Burgess was the son of John Burgess (d.1687) and his wife Mary and was baptised at Newcastle under Lyme on 26 October 1656. He married Rebecca Brett at Newcastle on 26 December 1676. She was buried there on 23 April 1723. Mr John Burgess, gent, was buried at Newcastle on 30 January 1731/2. In his will, he left various properties in Newcastle under Lyme and adjoining lands to his son Samuel and daughter Mary, the wife of John Bourne. He also left a further £160 in bequests to his other three children, John, Susanna Pretty and Sarah Warburton. There were also small bequests for a granddaughter Mary Mellor and cousin Susanna Bourne. He appointed his daughter Mary as residual legatee and named Mary and her husband as joint executors. An inventory of Burgess' personal estate valued his belongings at just under £50.

He is not to be confused with the John Burgess, grocer, who was buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 17 December 1726.

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Children of John Burgess and Susanna:

Elizabeth, bapt.3 November 1677 [Newcastle under Lyme].

William, bapt.20 June 1679; buried 21 September 1680 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Samuel, born 10 March 1680/1; bapt.5 April 1681 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Susanna, born 7 June 1683; bapt.19 June 1683; buried 30 July 1683 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Susanna, born 3 July 1684; bapt.10 August 1684 [Newcastle under Lyme]. She married

Joseph Pretty, both of St Swithin, London, at St Benet Paul's Wharf, London, 2 June 1711.

Mary, bapt.4 January 1686/7 [Newcastle under Lyme]. She was married to John Bourne in 1731.

William, born 1 June 1692; bapt.15 June 1692 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Described as the son of John Burgess, apothecary, of Newcastle under Lyme, he was apprenticed to **John Trowns**, apothecary, of Ratcliffe, Middlesex (a member of the Clothworkers' Company of London), 4 January 1708/9.

Sarah, born 2 August 1693; bapt.11 August 1693 [Newcastle under Lyme]. She was Sarah Warburton in 1731.

John [will].

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/3, 4 and 5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; will of John Burgess, gent, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 14 May 1731, pr.25 May 1732]; Londonroll.org [Records of London Livery Companies Online: Apprentices and freemen, 1400-1900]; London Metropolitan Archives, P69/BEN3/A/001/MS05716 [parish registers of St Benet Paul's Wharf, London, 1619-1732].

Edward CARELESS or CARLESS (d.1714)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Worcester, Worcestershire and Brewood, Staffordshire

Edward Careless Snr, apothecary, was buried at Brewood, Staffordshire, on 7 May 1714. He was the eldest son of John Careless and 'adopted son' of Colonel William Careless or Carlos (d.1689), who named him as principal heir and executor of his will. Edward almost certainly shared the strong Roman Catholic and royalist sympathies of the rest of the family, especially his uncle Colonel William Careless who famously accompanied Charles I at Boscobel after the battle of Worcester. In his will, made in December 1688, William described Edward, who was married to his 'now wife' Dorothy, as an apothecary in Worcester. Having inherited his uncle's property in the town of Stafford, he probably moved to the family's ancestral lands at Brewood in Staffordshire.

Children of Edward Careless:

Edward. He was apprenticed to Benjamin Foster, pewterer, of London, 22 March 1710/11.

Staffordshire RO, D4014/1/3 [parish registers of Brewood, Staffordshire]; *ODNB*, sub Carlos (formerly Careless), William, article by John Sutton; TNA, PROB 11/396, ff.395v-396v [will of William Carlos, esquire, of Greene Street in Hallowe, Worcestershire, 28 December 1688, pr.19 October 1689]; London Apprenticeship Abstracts, 1442-1850; Staffordshire RO, P/C/11 [administration bond and inventory of Edward Carless, apothecary, of Brewood, Staffordshire, 4 September 1714] [unseen].

John CARTWRIGHT (*fl.*1662-1666)

Occ: unlicensed physician/surgeon Loc: Rowley Regis, Staffordshire

John Cartwright, yeoman, of Rowley Regis, Staffordshire, was presented in the consistory court of Worcester on two occasions – in July 1662 and March 1666 – for practising physic and surgery without a licence. On the former occasion, he was admonished and on the latter he seemingly acted promptly to right the wrong. On 7 March 1665/6, **Ambrose Crowley**, surgeon, and Jo[hn] Woodhouse attested to his fitness to be granted a licence.

He is probably John Cartwright, wheelwright, the son of John Cartwright (d.c.1661), yeoman, of Rowley Regis. No record of his or his father's burial appears in the register of Rowley suggesting that he may have been a nonconformist. This is increasingly likely if the Ambrose Cowley who signed a testimonial on his behalf is the same as the Ambrose Crowley, Quaker, who was born at Rowley Regis in 1635.

Worcestershire RO, 794.011/BA 2513/19, ff.111r, 136v; 795.02/BA 2302/11/2515; will of John Cartwright, wheelwright, of Rowley Regis, Staffordshire, pr.11 June 1673.

Thomas CARTWRIGHT (d.1686)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Thomas Cartwright practised as a barber at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, from about 1663 until his death in 1686. He married Lea Williams at Wolverhampton on 12 November 1663 and was buried there on 22 June 1686. His widow Lea was buried in the same parish on 2 February 1696/7.

Children of Thomas Cartwright:

Henry, bapt.19 January 1664/5; buried 27 November 1684 [Wolverhampton].

Ann, born and bapt.2 October 1666 [Wolverhampton].

Lea, bapt.3 September 1668 [Wolverhampton]. She married Ralph Histons at Wolverhampton, 13 January 1702/3.

Elizabeth, bapt.6February 1671/2 [Wolverhampton].

Francis, bapt.18 February 1674/5 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/1/1, 2 and 61 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Thomas CARTWRIGHT (d.1706)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Thomas Cartwright practised as a barber in the town of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, from at least 1690 until his death in 1706. In the baptismal entry of one of his children, he was described as a 'one of the singing men of ye church'. Thomas Cartwright, barber, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 3 June 1706.

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Children of Thomas Cartwright:

Thomas, bapt.26 April 1690 [Wolverhampton]. Henry, bapt.25 March 1697 [Wolverhampton]. Edward, bapt.26 February 1701/2 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/1/3 and 62 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Edward CHANCEY (d.c.1709)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Edward Chancey was practising as an apothecary in the town of Stafford in the early years of the eighteenth century. His will was proved on 8 March 1709.

Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will of Edward Chancey, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire, pr.8 March 1709] [unseen].

Thomas CHAPLAINE or CHAPLIN (1668-1696)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Thomas Chaplaine was the son of Mr Francis Chaplaine, who served as mayor of Lichfield in 1669, and was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 11 November 1668. He was buried at St Chad's, Lichfield, on 17 April 1696. In his will, he left bequests to his brother Francis and various nephews and nieces, naming his two 'well beloved' sisters Mary and Elizabeth Chaplaine as residual legatees and joint executors. An inventory of his estate, valued at just short of £150, including detailed reference to his apothecary's shop which contained books (£1 18s), dry drugs, electuaries and conserves (£35), chymical preparations, spirits, distilled waters, tinctures and syrups (£13 9s 11d), oils, ointments and emplasters (£5 10s) and various tools of the apothecary's trade.

Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; D29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1635-1799]; P/C/11 [inventory and will of Thomas Chaplaine, apothecary, of Lichfield, 30 March 1696, pr.26 October 1696].

Robert CLARKE (d.1644)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Robert Clarke, barber surgeon, was buried at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 23 April 1644.

Staffordshire RO, D3891//1/2 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire].

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William CLARVEATO (*c*.1597-1656)

Occ: physician Loc: London/Middlesex/Dorchester, Dorset/Lichfield, Staffordshire

The fullest account of the life and origins of Dr William Clarveato can be found in a deposition he made before the magistrates of Dorcester, Dorset, in 1637. There, he claimed to have been born in Florence about 1597 and to have studied at Padua for four years where he graduated MA. Clarveato subsequently practised surgery in his native Italy, travelled widely throughout Europe, including stays in France, Spain and Germany before coming to England in about 1619. Thereafter, he claimed to have mainly lived in and around London. At his first coming to Dorchester, he proclaimed himself a doctor of physic of Trinity College, Cambridge, but he subsequently admitted this was a falsehood. During the course of his interrogation, he was also forced to confess that he had no licence to practise medicine from the King. The first official notice of Clarveato appears in the registers of St Clement Danes, Middlesex, in 1627, when he, with his wife Katherine, baptised a son Daniel in that parish. Thereafter, he seems to have moved around the city frequently until in November 1635 Clarveato came to the notice of the College of Physicians. Described as an empiric, living in the parish of St Mary Magdalen, Old Fish Street, he was accused of giving medicines to two children in Ratcliffe who died of suspected poisoning. Nothing is known of the outcome of this case, though it may have prompted his removal from the city. A fortnight after the College's attempt to restrain Clarveato's practice he was said to be living across the river in Bermondsey, Surrey. He almost certainly possessed valuable contacts at court. The following year (30 December 1636), he was licensed to practise surgery throughout the province of Canterbury on the recommendation made on his behalf to the king by **Anthony Ramsey**, doctor of physic.

With licence in hand, Clarveato now set off for the west country where, according to the depositions made before the mayor and magistrates of Dorchester, he was 'drawing multitudes of people to him pretending to cure them'. The decision to leave London may also have been prompted by the recent death of his Scottish-born wife Katherine who was buried at Martin in the Fields, Middlesex, on 28 July 1636. Clarveato himself gave a long account of his wanderings in which he referred to his recent habitation in Southwark and removal to the earl of Leicester's house from whence he came to Bath where he hoped to meet with one of his former patients, Lord Chief Justice John Finch (1584-1660). Forced to quit Bath because of the plague, he subsequently travelled through Wiltshire, where he practised medicine and surgery, and finally came to Dorset to visit friends who included Mr Edward Lawrence, Mr Robert Moone and Mr Harding, the county coroner. Clarveato's account, though riddled with falsehoods and distortions, seems to have persuaded the magistrates of the town to defer from further prosecution. He was still living in the town in February 1640 when he was ordered to remove two painted posts which he had erected outside his house in order to advertise his medical practice.

At some point between 1640 and 1650, Clarveato moved once more, this time to Lichfield in Staffordshire, where he seems to have struck up a close friendship with the astrologer Elias Ashmole (1617-1692), a native of the city. Ashmole, for example, received a receipt for a rupture from Dr Clarveato. Clarveato was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 1 December 1656. Ashmole subsequently noted an escutcheon made for him on a gravestone in the church. That he died a wealthy man is further suggested by the fact that he apprenticed three of his sons to London citizens, though this is little apparent from his will. Clarveato's will was brief. He left two small bequests to his sons **Patrick Clarveato**, a physician at

Gloucester, and Henry while naming his wife Martha (of whom, nothing else is known) as residual legatee and executrix.

Children of William Clarveato:

Daniel, bapt.9 March 1626/7 [St Clement Danes, Middlesex]. Daniel, a chrisom, buried 16 June 1628 [St Margaret's, Westminster, Middlesex]. Jupiter, buried 18 August 1628 [St Margaret's, Westminster].

Patrick, bapt.21 February 1628/9 [St Margaret's, Westminster, Middlesex]. He was apprenticed to Robert Johnson of the Goldsmiths' Company, London, on 21 May 1647 [subsequently struck through for dishonesty]. He became a physician in Gloucester, Gloucestershire.

Collonell. He was apprenticed to Samuel Moorhouse of the Haberdashers' Company, London, 25 December 1658 [entered April 1659]. Collonell Clarveato, gentleman, citizen and haberdasher, of St Sepulchre, London, married Mrs Blandina Thacker (b.1651), the daughter of John Thacker, esquire, of Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, at St Paul's, Covent Garden, Middlesex, 14 September 1669.

Fernelius. Born in about 1648, he was apprenticed to William Procter of the Vintners' Company, London, 4 November 1662, and married Mary Welbanck of St Margaret's, Westminster, as a vintner of Whitefriars, at St Margaret's, Westminster, on 27 December 1674. Fernelius was buried at St George's, Southwark, Surrey, on 7 December 1690. Henry. Born in about 1654, he married Elizabeth Walton, widow, of St Michael Bassishaw, London, at All Hallows Staining, London, 25 September 1677.

Dorset History Centre, DC/DOB 8/1, ff.333r-v; C H Mayo (ed.), *The Municipal Records of the Borough of Dorchester* (Exeter, 1908), pp.496, 668; City of Westminster Archives, STA/PR/4/11 [parish registers of St Clement Danes, Middlesex, 1558-1638]; Royal College of Physicians London, Annals, iii, f.160a [6 November 1635]; I.Scouloudi (ed.), *Returns of Strangers in the Metropolis*, 1593, 1627, 1635, 1639: A Study of an Active Minority (London, Huguenots Society of London, vol.57, 1985), p.327; J.Broadway, R.Cust and S.K.Roberts (ed.), A Calendar of the Docquets of Lord Keeper Coventry 1625-1640. Part 2 (List & Index Soc., vol.4, 2004), p.286; City of Westminster Archives, STJ/PR/6/10 [parish registers of St Martin in the Fields, Middlesex, 1619-1636].

C.H.Josten (ed.), Elias Ashmole (1617-1692): His Autobiographical and Historical Notes, His Correspondence, and other Contemporary Sources Relating to His Life and Work, 5 vols (Oxford, 1966), ii, p.509; iii, p.898 [Bodl, Ashmole MS 374, f 17v; MS 1399 I.10; MS 1521, iii, p 80; MS 853, ff 66-68]; Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; TNA, PROB 11/260, ff.297r-v [will of William Clarvetto, doctor of physic, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 11 November 1656, pr.23 December 1656]; A.M.Burke (ed.), Memorials of St Margaret's Church Westminster. The Parish Registers, 1539-1660 (London, 1814), pp.129, 548, 550; Londonroll.org [Records of London Livery Companies Online: Apprentices and freemen, 1400-1900]; London Metropolitan Archives, CLC/L/HA/C/011/MS15860/006, p.64 [Haberdashers' Company Records]; City of Westminster Archives, STP/PR/1/1 [parish registers of St Paul's Covent Garden, Middlesex, 1653-1670]; J.Foster (ed.), London Marriage Licences, 1521-1869 (London, 1887), col.287; City of Westminster Archives, MA/01/01/004 [parish registers of St Margaret's, Westminster, Middlesex, 1612-1631]; London Metropolitan Archives, P92/GEO/142 [parish registers of St George the Martyr, Southwark, Surrey, 1685-1714]; G.J.Armytage (ed.), Allegations for Marriage Licences Issued by the Vicar-General for the Archbishop of

Canterbury 1669 to 1679 (London, HS, vol.34, 1892), p.124; London Metropolitan Archives, P69/ALH6/A/001/MS17824 [parish registers of All Hallows Staining, London, 1642-1710]; DL/A/D [marriage allegations and licences, diocese of London].

Ralph CLARKSON or CLERKSON (fl. 1541)

Occ: barber Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Ralph Clarkson or Clerkson, barber, of Lichfield was a defendant in a case brought by the vicars choral of Lichfield for trespass in 1541.

TNA, KB27/1118 [1541].

Francis CLAYTON (fl.1712)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Samuel Faulkner, the son of William Faulkner, yeoman, was apprenticed to Francis Clayton, barber, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, for the premium of £10 as recorded in 1712. Otherwise unidentified.

TNA, IR 1/2, f.33.

Mr COLE (fl.early 17th century)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Writing in about 1638, the celebrated surgeon **Alexander Read** described performing an amputation in Shropshire twenty years earlier which he claimed had been witnessed by one Mr Cole, surgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, as well as a Mr Heywood, surgeon, of Newport, Shropshire. Otherwise unidentified.

Alexander Read, A Treatise of the First Part of Chirurgerie (London, 1638), p.16.

Edward COLES (d.1703)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Edward Coles practised as an apothecary at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, from at least 1693 until his death in 1703. He was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 17 October 1703. He may have been the Edward Coles, otherwise unknown, who was the author of two letters to Dr **William Gibbons** and Mr **Nicholas Staphorst** in 1697 describing a chemical experiment involving a 'sulphureous spirit' and a volatile alkali.

Children of Mr Edward Coles:

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Person ID: 35733

Person ID: 34583

Edward, bapt.2 March 1692/3 [Wolverhampton]. Elizabeth, bapt.10 September 1694; buried 3 April 1696 [Wolverhampton]. Elizabeth, bapt.28 November 1698 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/1/3 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Edward Coles, apothecary, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, pr.18 May 1704] [unseen]; Philosophical Transactions, vol.19 (1695-1697), pp.542-3.

Richard COLLIER (d.c.1620)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

In February 1620, an inventory of the goods of one Richard Collier, surgeon, 'late of Lichfield', was apprised in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield. He may have been living at Uttoxeter at the time of his death of which no record has been found. Collier would appear to have combined the role of surgeon with that of apothecary as the inventory includes reference to apothecary pots and drugs. His estate was valued at £23 9s 1d.

He may have been the Richard Collier, son of John Collier, who was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 8 January 1588/9. One Richard Collier married Elizabeth Tomson at St Mary's on 4 February 1610/11.

Staffordshire RO, consistory court of Coventry and Lichfield, inventory of Richard Collier, chirurgion, 18 February 1619/20; D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

John COMBERLEDGE or CUMBERLEDGE (1652-1720)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

John Comberledge was the son of John Comberledge and was baptised at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, 4 July 1652. He was admitted sizar at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on 10 April 1669, matriculating in 1668 and proceeding B Med in 1673. He subsequently settled into medical practice at Newcastle under Lyme where he married Anne Tatton, the widow of William Tatton (d.1675) and daughter of Dr **Henry Croxton** at Newcastle on 17 May 1677. She was buried at Oswestry, Shropshire, on 26 February 1711/12. Doctor Cumberledge, 'from the Hill', was buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 27 October 1720. He died intestate, administration of his estate being renounced by his son Thomas in favour of Comberledge's stepdaughter and principal creditor Elizabeth Tatton. An inventory valued his estate at just under £44, his books being valued at £10.

Children of Dr John Comberledge:

Nathan, buried 23 November 1678 [Newcastle under Lyme]. John, born 6 May 1679; bapt.28 May 1679 [Newcastle under Lyme]. He was admitted a pensioner at St John's College, Cambridge, July 1700, matriculating the same year. He

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does not appear to have graduated.

Nathan, born 16 May 1680; bapt.3 June 1680; buried 23 July 1681 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Richard, born 16 August 1681; bapt.1 September 1681 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Mary, born and bapt.12 November 1682 [Newcastle under Lyme].

William, born 31 May 1684; bapt.11 June 1684; buried 16 April 1685 [Newcastle under Lyme].

William, born 24 October 1685; bapt.12 November 1685; buried 13 June 1687 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Thomas, bapt.16 November 1688 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Edward, born 3 October 1690; bapt.1 November 1690 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/1/2 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; Venn, i, p.432; Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/1/4 and 5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; Shropshire Archives, P214/A/4/1 [parish registers of St Oswald's, Oswestry, Shropshire]; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11, renunciation, bond and inventory of John Comberledge, physician/doctor of physic, of Newcastle under Lyne, Staffordshire,1 November and 17 December 1720.

John CONDLIFFE or CUNDLIFFE (fl.1698)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

John Condliffe of Leek, Staffordshire, was licensed to practise surgery in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield on 19 May 1698. He would appear to have been practising in Leek since at least 1692 as he later signed a testimonial on behalf of his former apprentice, **Daniel Sutton**, of Congleton, Cheshire in February 1702/3 in which he affirmed that the latter had served a seven-year apprenticeship with him beginning eleven years previously.

He is probably the same as the John Condliffe who married Dorothy Dresser, both of Leek, at Cheddleton, Staffordshire, on 12 December 1705. She was buried at Leek on 12 October 1745. John Condliffe of Old Hayton was buried at Leek on 12 October 1745.

He was almost certainly related to the man of the same name who practised as a barber surgeon at Congleton in Cheshire from at least 1719 until his death in 1747. This John Condliffe married Margaret Hatton of Knutsford, Cheshire, at the latter parish in 1719 and was buried at Astbury, Cheshire, on 9 June 1747. His will mentions an estate at Biddulph, near Leek, Staffordshire, and six children, three of whom were under the age of 21.

Staffordshire RO, B/A/4/13, *sub* 19 May 1698; Cheshire and Chester Archives and Local Studies, EDC9/1702/10 [5 February 1702/3]; Staffordshire RO, B/V/6/Meerbrook [1705]; D1395/1 [parish registers of Cheddleton, Staffordshire]; D1040/5/14 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire, burials, 1678-1754]; Cheshire and Chester Archives and Local Studies, parish registers of Knutsford, Cheshire, 1689-1753; parish registers of Astbury, Cheshire; consistory court of Chester Wills, *supra* 1748 [will of John Condliff, chirurgeon, of Congleton, Cheshire, 27 May 1747, pr.19 October 1748].

Thomas CONGRAVE or CONGREVE (c.1663-1720)

Person ID: 3293

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Thomas Congrave was the son of Thomas Congrave, yeoman, of Chadwell, Shropshire, and was born in about 1663. Following an education at Newport in Shropshire, he was admitted as a pensioner, aged 18, at Sidney Sussex College, Cambridge, on 28 November 1681, proceeding BA in 1685/6 and B Med in 1687. He practised in the town of Wolverhampton where he made his will in February 1718/19. Congrave was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, 23 February 1719/20.

Congreve was responsible for drawing up a plan or scheme to create a waterway linking the rivers Severn and Trent.

Venn, i, p.379; Wolverhampton Archives and Local Studies, D/JSR/44/60 [printed copy of will of Thomas Congreve, batchelor of physick, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 28 February 1718/19, pr.9 March 1719/20]; Staffordshire RO, P/C/11 [another copy of will and inventory of Thomas Congreve, batchelor of physic, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire] [unseen]; Walsall Local History Centre, 374/128 [copy of scheme to build a navigable channel between the rivers Severn and Trent bound into 'A Survey of Staffordshire'].

Robert COOPER or COWPER (d.1728)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Robert Cooper practised as an apothecary at Wolverhampton from about 1680 until his death in 1728. He married twice. Firstly, he wed Mrs Sarah Tomkins at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 30 December 1680. She died shortly after giving birth to the couple's second child and was buried in the same parish on 11 February 1682/3. Secondly, he married Theodosia Jennings of Church Eaton, Staffordshire, at the latter parish on 22 August 1689. Mr Robert Cooper was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton on 25 March 1728. His widow Theodosia was buried in the same church a year later on 1 May 1729.

Children of Mr Robert Cooper and wife Sarah:

Thomas, bapt.3 November 1681 [Wolverhampton]. Elizabeth, bapt.31 January 1682/3; buried 16 February 1682/3 [Wolverhampton].

Children of Mr Robert Cooper and wife Theodosia:

Robert, bapt.13 December 1692 [Wolverhampton]. Sarah, bapt.7 January 1695/6; buried 10 July 1699 [Wolverhampton]. Thomas, bapt.16 August 1697; buried 21 September 1700 [Wolverhampton]. Theodosia, bapt.19 August 1701; buried 5 June 1705 [Wolverhampton]. A daughter [name illegible], bapt.17 May 1705 [Wolverhampton].

Apprentice of Robert Cooper, apothecary:

John Pardoe, son of Thomas Pardoe, gentleman, of Criddon in Chetton, Shropshire, for the premium of £60 as recorded in 1712.

Staffordshire RO, D/157/1/1/61 and 62 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, burials, 1679-1701; 1701-1728]; D3371/1 [parish registers of Church Eaton, Staffordshire]; D1157/1/1/2 and 3 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/42, f.174.

Thomas COPE (d.1641)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Thomas Cope, apothecary, of the parish of St Mary's, Lichfield, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, on 17 March 1640/1. Nothing further is known about his life or career except what is revealed by his very lengthy will. Cope had no surviving children and left a large number of bequests of property at Lichfield and Tamworth (the latter bequeathed to him by his unnamed father) as well as monetary gifts totalling over £1,000. The chief beneficiaries were his wife Sybil (otherwise unidentified), brother Robert Cope, nephew and godson Thomas Cope (who was to be apprenticed to a London freeman) and wife's nephew Henry Boylston. The latter was described as having been 'brought up' from infancy by Cope in the trade of an apothecary. In the event that Boylston married Cope's niece, Elizabeth Cope, he would inherit various properties in Lichfield as well as the testator's shop wares and books. The couple subsequently married at Hanbury, Staffordshire, in May 1641.

Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; D27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1574-1680]; TNA, PROB 11/186, ff.111v-114r [will and codicil of Thomas Cope, apothecary, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 3 and 13 March 1640/1, pr.7 May 1641].

Robert COTTON (d.1689)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Robert Cotton practised as a surgeon in the town of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, from about 1653 until his death in 1689. He married Elizabeth, the daughter of Anthony Carter of Marchington Woodland, Staffordshire, at Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, on 20 January 1652/3. Cotton was listed as a convicted recusant in 1667 and again in December 1680 and was buried at Burton upon Trent on 4 September 1689.

He was probably related to fellow Catholic and surgeon **William Cotton** of Burton.

Staffordshire RO, D1209/1/1/1 [parish registers of Abbots Bromley, Staffordshire, 1558-1678]; 'A List of Convicted Recusants in the Reign of Charles II' in *Miscellanea 5*, vol.6 (Catholic Record Society, London, 1909), p.309 [British Library, Add MS 20739]; D.Fowkes and M.Greeenslade, 'A List of Staffordshire Recusants, 1678-80', *Staffordshire Catholic History*, xxiv, p.7; Staffordshire RO, D 4038/J/104; D4219/1/2 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 1687-1764].

William COTTON (d.1709)

Person ID: 34587

Person ID: 34585

Occ: surgeon Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

William Cotton, surgeon, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, was listed as a recusant, along with his wife and sister, in 1706. He is probably the same as the William Cotton, 'paterfamilias', who was buried at Burton on 30 March 1709.

One William Cotton and his wife Anne baptised three daughters – Mary, Anne and Elizabeth – in Burton between 1692 and 1697.

He was probably related to fellow Catholic and surgeon **Robert Cotton** of Burton.

M.Greenslade, 'Staffordshire Papists in 1705 and 1706', *Staffordshire Catholic History*, xiii, p.12; Staffordshire RO, D 4219/1/2 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire].

Richard COWPER (fl.1626)

Occ: barber Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Cowper, son of Richard Cowper, barber, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, was apprenticed to Richard Minors, citizen and draper, of London, for seven years on 12 July 1626. He was discharged on 7 June 1630. Otherwise unidentified.

M.Scott (ed.), *Apprenticeship Disputes in the Lord Mayor's Court of London 1573-1723* (London, BRS, Apprenticeship Series, vol.1, Part 1, 2016), p.306.

Richard CROMWELL (d.1691)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

According to a pamphlet published in 1691, one Richard Cromwell, 'some Time a Souldier and Chyrurgion in the late D[uke] of Monmouth's Army', was executed for murder at Lichfield, Staffordshire, on 3 July 1691. Curiously, the publisher Michael Johnson, appended a collection of recommended remedies used by Cromwell locally including one which reputedly cured a boy of blindness.

Otherwise unidentified, he may nonetheless be the same as the Richard Cromwell, barber surgeon, whose daughter Elizabeth was baptised at St Michan's, Dublin, on 21 May 1678.

The Happy Sinner: Or, The Penitent Malefactor. Being the Prayers of one Richard Cromwel ... who was Eexecuted at Leichfield for Murder ... And Also, His Legacy to his County, of Choyce, Physical, and Chyrurgical Receipts (London, R.Clavell, 1691); H.F.Berry (ed.), The Registers of the Church of St Michan, Dublin, Part One: 1636 to 1685 (Dublin, 1907), p.129.

Elizabeth CROSSE (d.1588)

Occ: midwife Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

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Elizabeth Crosse, the wife of Henry Crosse, was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, 20 November 1588.

Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677].

Robert CROXTON (1619-1675)

Occ: physician Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Robert Croxton was the son of Thomas Croxton and his wife Letitia and was baptised at Stowe by Chartley, Staffordshire, on 13 April 1619. By 1648, he had settled at Newcastle under Lyme with his wife Anne (otherwise unidentified) where he was appointed town clerk in 1664 and practised as a physician until his death in 1675. He was buried at Newcastle on 7 December 1675. His widow Anne was buried in the same town on 28 May 1677. Croxton was succeeded in his practice at Newcastle and nearby Burslem by the nonconformist physician **William Westmacott**. Croxton's widowed daughter Anne married fellow practitioner, Dr **John Cumberledge**, who also practised at Newcastle under Lyne.

Children of Dr Robert Croxton and his wife Anne:

Letitia, bapt.2 November 1648 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Elizabeth, bapt.1 July 1650 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive in 1690 [will of sister Letitia]. Sarah, bapt.9 May 1652 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Letitia or Lettice, bapt.25 August 1654 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Letitia was living in Barbados when she made her will in August 1690. She was intending to sail to England.

John, bapt.17 August 1656 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive in 1690, but dead by 1704 [will of sister Letitia]

Thomas, born & bapt.7 November 1658 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive in 1690 [will of sister Letitia].

Sarah, bapt.17 January 1660/1 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive in 1690 [will of sister Letitia]. Robert, bapt.23 April 1663 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive in 1704 when probate of will of sister Letitia was granted to her brother.

Mary [twin], bapt.27 December 1666 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive in 1690 [will of sister Letitia].

Damaris [twin], bapt.27 December 1666; buried 30 December 1666 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Deborah, alive in 1690 [will of sister Letitia].

Anne. Her first husband William Tatton was buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 31 August 1675. She subsequently married Dr **John Comberledge** at Newcastle on 17 May 1677 and was buried at Oswestry, Shropshire, 26 February 1711/12.

Staffordshire RO, D1220/1/1 [parish registers of Stowe by Chartley, Staffordshire]; D3251/1/2, 3 and 4 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington DC, MS.V.a.44 [W.Westmacott, 'Memorabilia'], p.17; TNA, PROB 11/478, ff.17v-18r [will of Lettice Croxton, spinster, of the island of Barbados, West Indies, 25 August 1690, pr.17 September 1704]; C/6/98/46 [Cumberledge v.Hole, 1701]; Shropshire Archives, P214/A/4/1 [parish registers of St Oswald's, Oswestry, Shropshire].

George CURITALL or CURTALL (b.1553)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

George Curitall was the second son of **Harman Curtall**, variously described as a surgeon and physician, and his wife Margery and was baptised at St Alkmund, Derby, on 12 June 1553. Having inherited property in Derby, George practised as an apothecary in Lichfield, Staffordshire, from between 1583 and 1610, having married Margery Draughtgate at Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, on 12 June 1583. He was a prominent figure in the government of the town, serving as mayor or senior bailiff on two occasions, in 1599 and 1609 as well as sheriff in 1590. Curitall's daughter Joan married Richard Swynfen, whose son John Swynfen (1613-1694) became a prominent supporter of Parliament during the civil war and served as an MP both before and after 1660.

Children of George Curitall:

Sibil, bapt.6 May 1584; buried 13 June 1584 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Dorothy, bapt.6 March 1585/6 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Robert Stone at St Mary's, Lichfield, 17 May 1608.

Robert, bapt.3 September 1588 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Joan, bapt.18 June 1591 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Richard Swynfen (1596-1659) at St Mary's, Lichfield, 4 February 1611/12.

Derbyshire RO, parish registers of St Alkmund's, Derby, Derbyshire; Staffordshire RO, will of Harman Curtall, physician, of Derby, Derbyshire, 2 November 1569, pr.14 Sept 1572; William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/1736 [lease of property in Slater Street, Lichfield, 26 May 1604]; Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/1 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire]; T.Harwood, *The City and Antiquities of the Church and City of Lichfield* (London, 1806), pp.423-4; Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; *ODNB*, *sub* Swynfen, John, article by J.Sutton.

James DAVENPORT (1682-1712)

Occ: barber Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

James Davenport was the son of John Davenport and his wife Jane and was baptised at Leek on 9 June 1682. He was apprenticed to **John Dale**, barber surgeon, on 24 June 1694. Davenport married Mary Course at Leek on 4 November 1702 and was buried in the same parish on 15 July 1712. His wife Mary predeceased him and was buried at Leek on 28 July 1711. The administration of Davenport's meagre estate, which included razors, a case, combs, basins and three old wigs, valued at just over £2, was granted to his sister Prudence White, widow.

Staffordshire RO, D1040/5/2, 3 and 14 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire]; D 538/C/11/1; B/C/11, inventory and administration of estate of James Davenport, barber, of Leek, Staffordshire, 2 & 4 September 1712].

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Thomas DICKENSON or DICKINSON (1681-1722)

Occ: apothecary/surgeon Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Thomas Dickenson or Dickinson was the son of Lewis Dickinson and his wife Elizabeth and was baptised at Acton Trussell, Staffordshire, on 14 November 1681. He married Elizabeth Rann, widow, at Seighford, Staffordshire, on 29 July 1708, by which time he was already in practise as an apothecary and surgeon at Stafford. Elizabeth was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 14 September 1718. Thomas Dickenson, pharmac[opola], was buried in the same church on 29 March 1722. He was survived by two young sons, Lewis and Thomas, who inherited various properties in Stafford. Thomas also received £400. Lewis was apprenticed to another apothecary, John Minors of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leicestershire, in 1729 and eventually settled in Stafford where he prospered serving as mayor of the town between 1755 and 1759.

Children of Thomas Dickenson and wife Elizabeth:

Lewis, bapt.7 October 1713 [St Mary's, Stafford]. He was apprenticed to John Minors, apothecary, of Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire, for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1729. Lewis married Mrs Alice Palmer at Seighford, Staffordshire, 14 February 1738/9 and was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, 26 June 1775.

Thomas, bapt.25 November 1717 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Apprentice of Thomas Dickenson or Dickinson, apothecary/surgeon:

John Hassard, son of John Hassard, tallowchandler, of Ashby de la Zouch, Leicestershire, for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1712.

J.G.L.Burnby, 'A Study of the English Apothecary from 1660-1760, with Special Reference to the Provinces', University of London PhD, 1979, pp.424-432; Staffordshire RO, parish registers of Acton Trussell, Staffordshire; D731/2 [parish registers of Seighford, Staffordshire]; D1399/2 and 4 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will of Thomas Dickenson, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire, proved 6 November 1723]; TNA, IR 1/1, f.132; 1/12, f.1.

Thomas DIXON (d.1632)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Thomas Dixon practised as an apothecary in the town of Stafford from at least 1615 until his death in 1632. He was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 23 December 1632. An inventory of Dixon's estate, in poor condition, refers to his shop and various wares including mortars and a pestle, weights and scales, and 'compositions, simples and phisicall medicines' (the latter valued at £7). Administration of Dixon's estate was granted to his widow Joanna (of whom nothing else is known) on 23 May 1733.

Children of Thomas Dixon and wife Joanna:

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Walter, bapt.11 October 1615 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Francis, bapt.10 January 1616/17 [St Mary's, Stafford]. He was apprenticed to Anthony Baily, vintner, of London, 6 September 1631.

Gerard, bapt.12 March 1618/19 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Thomas, bapt.18 December 1625 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Margaret, bapt.13 June 1627 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Staffordshire RO, D1399/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; inventory of Thomas Dixon, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire]; **London apprenticeship abstracts**, **1442-1850**.

Edmund DOLPHIN (d.1681)

Occ: physician/yeoman Loc: West Bromwich, Staffordshire

Edmund Dolphin, a yeoman farmer and physician, was buried at West Bromwich, Staffordshire, on 16 May 1681. Nothing is known of his practice. In his will, he mentions a wife Elizabeth, various cousins and grandchildren, but no surviving children. Dolphin named his brother in law John Dowler and son in law John Norris as joint executors, leaving the former 'all my books belonging to phisick'. An inventory of his goods and estate refers to a parcel of phisick books valued at £1. The total value of his estate was assessed at £132 15s 4d. Dolphin's wife Elizabeth, who was the chief beneficiary of the will, was buried at West Bromwich on 29 October 1684.

Sandwell Community History and Archives Service, parish registers of West Bromwich, Staffordshire; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11, will and inventory of Edmund Dolphin, yeoman/physician, of West Bromwich, Staffordshire, 12 May 1677, pr.11 April 1682.

Richard DRAFGATE or DRAFTGATE (1587-1657)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Richard Draftgate was the son of William Draftgate and was baptised at Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, on 26 January 1586/7. He was in practice as an apothecary at Lichfield by 1616 when he signed a bond. In 1648, he leased a property in Sadler Street to **John Parker**, apothecary, at an annual rent of 40s. Draftgate became a prominent member of the corporation serving as sheriff in 1623 and senior bailiff or mayor in 1638, 1649 and 1656. He died in office and was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 23 February 1656/7. One Mrs Drafgate, possibly his widow, was buried in the same parish on 14 January 1679/80.

Children of Richard Draftgate:

John, bapt.3 December 1615 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Richard, bapt.10 October 1617 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He married Elizabeth Corbet at St Chad's, Lichfield, 27 November 1639.

Thomas, buried 20 December 1625 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

William, bapt.10 October 1626 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 11 October 1626 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

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Unnamed son, buried 5 May 1627 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Samuel, bapt.31 March 1628 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Elizabeth, bapt.26 April 1629 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 4 May 1629 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Sara, bapt.2 June 1630 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

James, bapt.20 January 1631/2 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 16 April 1632 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Mary, bapt.18 April 1634 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Joseph, bapt.7 May 1635 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/1 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire]; William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/660, 661 [lease, 1648]; 1181 [bond, 1616], 1379 [feoffment re property in Sadler Street, Lichfield, 13 October 1637]; Staffordshire RO, D27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1574-1680]; D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; D29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1635-1799].

Robert DUDLEY (d.1700)

Occ: physician/surgeon Loc: Handsworth, Staffordshire

Robert Dudley practised medicine and surgery at Handsworth, Staffordshire, from at least 1685 until his death in 1700. In the former year, he took on as apprentice **Thomas Dunton**, yeoman, of Sheldon, Warwickshire. On completion of his seven-year apprenticeship, Dudley provided a testimonial to the licensing authorities confirming Dunton's fitness for an archiepiscopal licence to practice. Dudley was buried at Handsworth on 4 November 1700.

Shakespeare Birthplace Trust RO, Stratford upon Avon, ER16/30; Lambeth Palace Library, VX 1A/10/277/1-3; Birmingham Reference Library, Birmingham, parish registers of Handsworth, Staffordshire.

Thomas DUDLEY (d.1616)

Occ: barber Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Thomas Dudley, barber, the son of Thomas Dudley, capper, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, was a defendant in a case brought before the Court of Common Pleas in 1596 with regard to a broken covenant in London. He was buried at Uttoxeter on 28 May 1616. In a nuncupative will, Dudley asked that his executors – Richard Stanton and Edward Allen – dispose of all his goods among his friends and kinfolk. Pushed by the latter to be more specific with regard to his wife Constance, brother William and other near relatives, Dudley would appear to have been highly reluctant to leave much to his immediate family. His estate, which included 'barbing tools' worth 18d, was valued at £166 3s 6d.

TNA, CP40/1575 [1596]; Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/1 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire]; nuncupative will and inventory of Thomas Dudley, barber, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 25 May 1616, pr.1616; inventory dated 28 May 1616.

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Richard ELLIOT or ELLIOTT (fl. 1685-1689)

Occ: physician/surgeon Loc: Stone, Staffordshire

Richard Elliot of Stone, Staffordshire, was licensed to practise the art of medicine and surgery at Stone and throughout the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield sometime between 1687 and 1688.

Richard Elliot married Elizabeth Sheret at Stone on 29 September 1684. No record of his baptism or burial has been found.

Children of Richard Elliot of Stone:

Christian, bapt.20 September 1685 [Stone]. Sarah, bapt.6 February 1686/7 [Stone]. Grace, bapt.27 May 1688; buried 7 June 1689 [Stone]. Leonard, bapt. and buried 7 July 1689 [Stone].

Staffordshire RO, B/A/4/7, sub 1686-7; parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire.

William ELLISON (d.1643)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

William Ellison practised as a barber surgeon in the city of Lichfield from about 1624 until his death in 1643. He married twice. Firstly, he wed Dorothy Priese at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 6 October 1624. She was buried in the same church on 15 October 1636. Just three weeks later, Ellison married Elizabeth Kirke at St Chad's, Lichfield, on 7 November 1636. Ellison himself was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield on 30 December 1643.

Children of William Ellison:

Ambrose, bapt.15 December 1627 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

William, bapt.8 August 1630 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He was apprenticed to James Cooke, weaver and member of the Clothworkers' Company of London, of Southwark, Surrey, 2 January 1649/50.

Eleanor, bapt.30 April 1633 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Elizabeth, buried 7 October 1634 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Unnamed son, buried 24 July 1638 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Charles, buried 9 September 1638 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Elizabeth, buried 22 July 1639 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Unnamed daughter, buried 18 November 1642 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Staffordshire RO, D27/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1574-1680]; D29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1635-1799]; D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; Londonroll.org [Records of London Livery Companies Online: Apprentices and freemen, 1400-1900].

Person ID: 4586

Elizabeth ELWALL (d.1701)

Occ: midwife Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Elizabeth Elwall, widow and midwife, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, 22 August 1701.

Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/1/62 [parish registers, burials, of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Benjamin ENDON (1651-1704)

Occ: physician/yeoman Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

Benjamin Endon was a yeoman farmer who also practised medicine in and around Leek in Staffordshire. In 1697, he described himself as a physician on countersigning the testimonials in support of **William Grosvenor** of Leek who was seeking a medical licence to practise in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield.

Benjamin Endon was the son of Samuel Endon (d.1701) of Rudyard, Staffordshire. He was born on 28 January 1650/1 but was not baptised, along with the rest of his siblings, until 28 August 1663 at Leek in Staffordshire. Endon married Margaret Knight of Rowley Gate at Leek on 15 October 1679 and was buried, alongside his ancestors, at Leek on 28 April 1704. Despite his modest income and lack of formal education (his estate was valued at £56), Endon was well read with a particular interest in 'several sciences' as well as mystical religion. In his will, he left 'all my books of chymistrie and for surveying of lands' to his cousin Thomas Endon, while bequeathing a library of works by the German mystic Jacob Boehme (1575-1624) to his 'trusty and wellbeloved friends' Joseph Endon and Joseph Walker of Siddington, near Macclesfield, Cheshire.

Staffordshire RO, B/A/11/D, *sub* Longsdon, Staffordshire; D1040/5/1, 2 and 14 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire, 1634-1666; 1666-1698; 1678-1754]; consistory court will and inventory of Benjamin Endon, yeoman, of Dunwood in Leek, Staffordshire, 11 May 1703, pr.12 October 1704.

John FALLANS or VALANCE (fl. 1584)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

John Fallans or Valance, apothecary, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, appeared as a defendant in a debt trial in the Court of Common Pleas in 1584.

TNA, CP40/1422 [1584].

Thomas FINNEY (d.c.1671)

Person ID: 21404

Person ID: 34593

Person ID: 34912

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Thomas Finney was the son of John Finney, smith, of Stafford, Staffordshire, and was apprenticed to **James Gover**, apothecary, of London on 26 February 1655/6. Following his return to Stafford he died in the town sometime around 1671. No record of his burial has been found in the parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford.

London apothecary database; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11, will and inventory of Thomas Finney, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire, pr.4 February 1670/1 [unseen].

FITTER (d.1584) Person ID: 21603

Occ: midwife Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Widow Fitter, a midwife, was buried at Walsall, Staffordshire, 23 February 1583/4.

F.W.Willmore (ed.), *Transcript of the First Register Book of the Parish Church of St Matthew, Walsall, 1570-1649* (Walsall, 1890), p.157.

Anthony FLINT (*fl.*1713-1716)

Occ: barber/barber surgeon Loc: Penkridge, Staffordshire

Anthony Flint practised as a barber and barber surgeon in the Staffordshire village of Penkridge in the early eighteenth century. He was probably the man of the same name who was buried at Penkridge on 16 January 1721/2.

Apprentices of Anthony Flint, barber/barber surgeon:

Nathaniel Kirke for the premium of £2 as recorded in 1713.

George Hill, son of John Hill of Hill House, Staffordshire, for the premium of £4 as recorded in 1716.

Staffordshire RO, D 1354/1/2 [parish registers of Penkridge, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/4, ff.1, 159.

Sir John FLOYER (1649-1734)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Dr John Floyer of Lichfield, Staffordshire, was the son of Richard Floyer (1603-1679), barrister of the Inner Temple, and his second wife Elizabeth (1618-1680), the daughter of William Babington of Curborough, near Lichfield. He was born at Hints, Staffordshire, probably on 27 March 1649 (the entry in the parish register is somewhat confused as to the precise date) and was educated at Queen's College, Oxford, matriculating there on 10 June 1664. Floyer subsequently graduated BA in 1668, MA in 1671, B Med in 1674 and MD in 1680. He settled into practice in Lichfield in the mid 1670s and was living with his sister

Person ID: 35734

True (1652-1710) at St John's Street by 1694. While at Oxford, Floyer had imbibed many aspects of the new approach to scientific and medical enquiry (his medical *quaestiones* focused on the role of fermentation in processing food in the stomach) while remaining respectful of ancient authorities – an approach that was to underpin his medical beliefs and writings for the rest of his life. Floyer also retained a deep attachment to his *alma mater*, bequeathing a vast library of books and manuscripts to Queen's at his death.

Floyer was a prolific author of whose works covered a diverse range of subjects and combined original research with a broadly conservative approach to medicine. This approach was evident, for example, in his first publication where he attempted to classify medicines according to their taste and smell. In The Touch-stone of Medicines (1687-90), he acknowledged the contribution of men like Boyle, Willis and Malpighi while at the same time disparaging 'the Whims of Chymists [and] the Fanaticisms of Occult Qualities' (vol.1, epistle dedicatory). In his second work concerned with animal humours, which he dedicated to fellow physician and natural philosopher Sir Charles Holt of Aston in Warwickshire, Floyer again sought to reinterpret Galenic notions of the subject through the application of new methods and approaches to medicine and science. All the while Floyer was evolving new ideas in relation to therapeutics, an approach which culminated in his third and most influential publication concerned with the curative qualities of water and cold bathing. As early as 1694, Floyer was recommending the waters of a local spa (W.Westmacott, A Short Account of Blurton-Spaw-Water). In the interim, he would appear to have promoted various spas and waters in and around Lichfield with a particular interest in the medical efficacy of cold water bathing as a means to moderate the growing influence of body-warming beverages such as tea and coffee. Following a growing debate over Floyer's methods, he followed up in 1702 with a more detailed defence of cold water bathing which proved to be his most popular and enduring work.

Floyer produced two more medical publications based on much reading, research and selfexperimentation. In 1698, he published A Treatise of the Asthma, dedicated to his friend and fellow physician Phineas Fowke who, like Floyer, demonstrated a keen reverence for ancient medical authorities. Despite Floyer's dogged attempts to defend 'the rational Use of sensible Observations, and the old Galenical Practice built on them', he nonetheless made a series of original discoveries in relation to the nature and causes of asthma, an affliction from which he long suffered. Finally, between 1707 and 1710, Floyer published his two-volume work on the pulse in which he advocated for accurate measurement and observation of the pulse through the means of a pulse watch. In the same work, he was also one of the first in Europe to describe various Chinese practices relating to the pulse and its relationship to acupuncture. While Floyer did not relinquish entirely the study of physic in his later years – he published three further works on a variety of subjects, including the relationship of age to health – his interests after 1710 inclined increasingly towards theology and prophecy with a particular fascination for prodigies. Between 1713 and 1721, he wrote four works on various themes related to the oracular, angelic and spiritual worlds and in 1722 combined medicine and religion when he called for a return to the practice of immersion in infant baptism. The latter contained a postscript arguing against the practice of inoculation which he further explored in an unpublished manuscript (Queen's College, Oxford, MS 568).

Floyer's published works and correspondence suggest a man who cultivated medical connections across the religious and political divide. In 1694, the ejected minister turned physician **John Peachey** thanked Floyer for his generosity in sharing information and cures and alluded to his strong belief in the virtues of simple 'specifics'. In his work on cold water

Baynard and frequently circulated his writings in order to elicit comment from other practitioners. A few years earlier, for example, Floyer was engaged in correspondence with fellow Oxford alumnus Richard Higges who, as a physician practising at Coventry, remained fully immersed in the medical world of his *alma mater*. In a wide-ranging discussion of contemporary medical issues, Floyer rejected Cartesian ideas relating to particle shapes in water and argued forcefully for the validity of empiricism and experimentation. Almost twenty years later, he was corresponding with the Kent physician, John Thorpe, to whom he sent a copy of his first volume on the pulse, with the aim of sharing information relating to respiration and comparative physiology.

In addition to medical research and theological speculation, Floyer was also active in local politics where he exhibited strong support for Anglicanism and the Stuart cause. As a burgess in Lichfield, he played a prominent role in the campaign to frame a new charter for the city following Quo Warranto proceedings in December 1684 and was accused of using his influence with George Legge, Lord Dartmouth (to whom he dedicated his *Touch-stone of Medicines*) in order to exclude Whig supporters of exclusion. He briefly acted as a campaign manager for his friend Elias Ashmole. When a new charter was issued by James II in March 1686, Floyer was named as a JP but was later removed in August 1688. He was rewarded for his loyalty with a knighthood on 24 January 1684/5. His Tory views may have moderated after the Revolution. Sometime around 1710, he wrote a fawning letter to the duke of Marlborough, in which he praised him for his military victories in an attempt to seek patronage for his published work on the pulse.

John Floyer married twice. Firstly, in 1680, he married Mary Fleetwood (b.c.1646), the daughter of Sir Henry Archbold, chancellor of the diocese of Lichfield, and widow of Henry Fleetwood, the son of James Fleetwood (1603-1683), bishop of Worcester. Following her death (date unknown), he married one Madam Whitehall at Lichfield Cathedral on 15 June 1706. Floyer was buried in the cathedral at Lichfield on 30 January 1733/4. No memorial or will survives. A vast collection of his manuscript remains are currently deposited in the library of Queen's College, Oxford. These include treatises containing advice to aspiring medical students as well as instructions for the education of his grandson John, who died in 1720, aged four.

Children of Dr John Floyer:

John, bapt.9 January 1681/2 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He married Katherine Littleton at Shareshill, Staffordshire, 30 January 1714/15 and served as Tory MP for Tamworth. He was buried in the close at Lichfield, 4 June 1762.

Archbold, bapt.18 September 1683 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He was admitted as a scholar to Merchant Taylors' School, London, on 11 March 1693/4.

Publications:

ΦAPMAKO-BAΣANOΣ: or, the Touch-stone of Medicines. Discovering the Vertues of Vegetables, Minerals, & Animals, by Their Tastes & Smells. In Two Volumes (London, 1687-1690). Dedicated to George Legge, 1st Baron Dartmouth.

The Preternatural State of animal humours Described by Their Sensible Qualities (London, W.Downing, 1696). Dedicated to **Sir Charles Holt**.

An Enquiry into the Right Use and Abuses of the Hot, Cold, and Temperate Baths in England (London, R.Clavel, 1697). Dedicated to William Cavendish, 1st Duke of Devonshire.

A Treatise of the Asthma (London, R.Wilkin, 1698). Dedicated to Dr Phineas Fowke.

The Physician's Pulse-watch; or, an essay to explain the old art of feeling the pulse, and to improve it by the help of a pulse-watch, 2 vols (London, S.Smith, B.Walford, J.Nicholson, et al, 1707-1710). Dedicated to Queen Anne and John Churchill, 1st Duke of Marlborough.

The Sibylline Oracles Translated from the Best Greek Copies, and Compar'd with the Sacred Prophesies (London, R.Bruges, 1713). Dedicated to John Hough, bishop of Coventry and Lichfield.

Two Essays. The First Essay concerning the Creation, AEtherial Bodies, and Offices of good and bad Angels. The Second Essay concerning the Mosaic System of the World (London, W.Ward, 1717).

An Exposition of the Revelations by shewing the agreement of the prophetick symbols with the history of the Roman, Saracen, and Ottoman Empires, and of the Popedom (London, 1719).

The Prophecies of the second book of Esdras amongst the Apocrypha, explained and vindicated from the objections made against them (London, 1721).

An Essay to Restore the Dipping of Infants in Their Baptism; with a Dialogue betwixt a Curate and his Parishioner Concerning the Manner of Immersion ... To which is added by way of Appendix, Dr Williams' Letter concerning the Great Cure he lately performed by Cold Bathing. And a Letter against the Inoculation in the Small Pox (London, J.Holland, 1722).

Medicina Gerocomica: Or. The Galenic Art of Preserving Old Men's Healths, Explain'd: In Twenty Chapters (London, J.Isted, 1724).

A Letter to the Honourable Mr.Ch.St.: Concerning the Regimen of the Health of the Younger Years and Adults, as Galen has described them (London, J.Isted, 1725).

A Comment on Forty Two Histories Described by Hippocrates in the First and Third Books of his Epidemics (London, J.Isted, 1726).

ODNB, sub Floyer, Sir John, article by D.D.Gibbs; M.Jenner, 'Bathing and Baptism: Sir John Floyer and the Politics of Cold Bathing', in K.Sharpe and S.Zwicker (eds), Refiguring Revolutions: Aesthetics and Politics from the English Revolution to the Romantic Revolution (Berkeley, Los Angeles & London, 1998), pp.197-216; H.S.Grazebrook (ed.), The Heraldic Visitations of Staffordshire ... 1614 ... 1663 and 1664 (London, 1885), pp.131-2; Staffordshire RO, D3261/1 [parish registers of Hints, Staffordshire]; Foster, ii, p.512; M.Jenner, 'Tasting Lichfield, Touching China: Sir John Floyer's Senses', The Historical Journal, 53 (2010), pp.647-60.

[John Peachey], Some Observations Made Upon the Wood Called Lignum Nephriticum (London?, 1694), p.5; St John's College Library, Oxford, MS 296, ff.14-15 [Floyer to

Higges, c.1690]; Society of Antiquaries, London, MS 202, f.115 [Floyer to Thorpe, 4 March 1708/9]; B.D.Henning (ed.), *The History of Parliament. The House of Commons 1660-1690*, 3 vols (London, 1983), i, p.???; Bodl., Rawlinson MS D864, f.13 [Floyer to Ashmole, 1685]; Society of Antiquaries, London, MS 199/bis*, f.108 [Floyer to duke of Marlborough, c.1710]; Lambeth Palace Library, FM 1/7, sub 5 April 1680 [marriage licence]; Staffordshire RO, D102/1 and 2 [registers of the Close, Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire, 1665-1744; 1744-1797]; Queen's College, Library, Oxford, MSS 558-581; D.Gibbs and P.K.Wilson (ed.), "Advice to a Young Physician" by Sir John Floyer MD (1649-1734) of Lichfield in Staffordshire (York, 2007); Staffordshire RO, D20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1677-1754]; D3144/1/2 [parish registers of Shareshill, Staffordshire]; Rev.C.J.Robinson (ed.), A Register of the Scholars Admitted into Merchant Taylors' School, from A.D.1562 to 1874. Volume 1 (Lewes, 1882), p.336.

Edmund FOLKINGHAM (d.1681)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Edmund Folkingham practised as a surgeon in Lichfield, Staffordshire, from at least 1666 until his death in 1681. Prior to 1666 he may have practised in London where an Edmund Folkingham of St Giles in the Fields, Middlesex, married Anne Pullin of St Botolph Bishopsgate, London, at St Bartholomew the Great in the city on 29 May 1656. Folkingham's four oldest children were baptised elsewhere than Lichfield. Folkingham was buried at St Chad's, Lichfield, on 6 June 1681. He divided his modest estate, totalling £60, between his seven children and wife Anne. Folkingham had previously granted most of his surgical instruments to his eldest son, Edmund, while he also left a house at Uttoxeter, previously the possession of his father John, to his youngest son Benjamin who became a surgeon in London.

Children of Edmund Folkingham and Anne:

Edmund [will].

Anne [will].

Elizabeth [will]. She was described as Elizabeth Brassett in her brother's will of 1725. John [will].

William, bapt.30 April 1666 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He was apprenticed to Stephen Street of the Cooks' Company, London, on 13 January 1681/2.

Joseph, bapt.19 August 1667 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Sarah, bapt.5 September 1670 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Mary, bapt.28 August 1673 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Benjamin, bapt.5 September 1677 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Surgeon, of London. He was buried at St Olave Hart Street, London, 19 June 1726.

London Metropolitan Archives, P69/BAT3/A/001/MS 06777/003 [parish registers of St Bartholomew the Great, London, 1653-1672]; Staffordshire RO, P/C/11 [will and inventory of Edmund Folkingham, chyrurgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 31 May 1681, pr.30 July 1681]; D29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1635-1779]; D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; TNA, PROB 11/609, ff.237v-238r [will of Benjamin Folkingham, barber surgeon, of London, 27 August 1725, pr.20 June 1726]; **London apprenticeship abstracts, 1442-1850**; London Metropolitan

Archives, P69/OLA1/A/009/MS28870 [parish registers of St Olave Hart Street, London, 1684-1805].

Thomas FORD (d.1726)

Occ: barber Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Thomas Ford was active as a barber in the Staffordshire town of Uttoxeter from about 1689 until his death in 1726. He was buried at Uttoxeter on 15 May 1726. In his will, where he described himself as a gentleman, he left £200 to his unmarried daughter Anne and the rest of his estate to his son William, wife Agnes (otherwise unidentified) and brother George. An inventory listed his personal estate at less than £20.

Children of Thomas Foard/Ford, barber, and wife Agnes:

William, bapt.26 October 1689 [Uttoxeter].
Anne, bapt.9 February 1691/2 [Uttoxeter].
John, bapt.18 July 1694 [Uttoxeter].
Jane, born & bapt.18 March 1696/7; buried 15 December 1698 [Uttoxeter].

Staffordshire RO, D3891/3, 4 and 5 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1652-1690; 1690-1714; 1715-1738]; will and inventory of Thomas Ford, gent, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 11 April 1726, pr.11 May 1726].

Roger FOWKE (b.1645)

Occ: licensed physician Loc: Brewood, Staffordshire

Roger Fowke, esquire, of Gunston Hall, Brewood, Staffordshire, was licensed to practise medicine throughout the province of Canterbury on 27 February 1680. Letters testimonial supporting his application were signed by several local clergymen and various parishioners, both male and female, as well as two medics, **J.Benthornburgh**, MD (otherwise unidentified) and **James Gope**, an obscure Oxford apothecary.

Fowke was the son of John Fowke (d.1670) and his wife Joyce, the daughter of Sir George March of Limehouse, Middlesex, and was baptised at Brewood, Staffordshire, on 15 May 1645. His date of death is unknown and occurred sometime between 1673 and 1698. He left all his estate to his mother and executrix Joyce and thereafter the same to pass to his brother Richard, a clergyman, and other siblings.

Lambeth Palace Library, VX 1A/10/148/1-3; Sancroft, f.227 [*Directory*, i, no.305]; Staffordshire RO, D4014/1/1 [parish registers of Brewood, Staffordshire, 1563-1645]; TNA, PROB 11/446, ff.140v-141r [will of Roger Fowke of Gunston Hall, Brewood, Staffordshire, 2 December 1673, pr.9 June 1698].

Walter FOWKE (b.1600)

Person ID: 5144

Person ID: 5132

Occ: physician? Loc: Bishop Burton, Yorkshire & Little Wyrley/Brewood, Staffordshire

Walter Fowke is consistently described as 'MD' or physician in accounts of his son **Phineas Fowke** but unlike the latter there is no other evidence to suggest that Walter ever obtained a medical degree or that he practised medicine. He was the son of Roger Fowke and his second wife Sybil Chelsham (d.1600) and was baptised at Brewood, Staffordshire, on 12 June 1600. Fowke married twice. Firstly, he married Mary Thornton, widow, the daughter of Thomas Micklethwaite, rector of Cherry Burton, Yorkshire, at the latter parish on 29 February 1636/7 [sic]. He would appear to have spent the early part of his life in Yorkshire where all five of his children were born and baptised. Secondly, Fowke, described as resident in London, married Anne Denny at Digswell, Hertfordshire, on 14 September 1665 (she may have been a widow; most accounts describe her as Anne Meddow). Anne's daughter Jane married Dr **Richard Holland** (d.1730) of London and Shrewsbury. No record of Fowke's death has survived. His widow Anne died on 13 November 1715, aged 77, and was buried at Brewood on 19 November 1715. She left much of her estate to her daughter Jane and son in law Dr Holland.

Children of Walter Fowke and Mary:

Phineas, bapt.7 January 1638/9 [Bishop Burton, Yorkshire]. Walter, bapt.14 January 1641/2 [Bishop Burton, Yorkshire]. Sarah, bapt.1 September 1645 [Bishop Burton, Yorkshire]. Sibill, bapt.24 November 1646 [Bishop Burton, Yorkshire]. Martha, bapt.8 August 1650 [Bishop Burton, Yorkshire].

Children of Walter Fowke and Anne:

Jane. She married **Richard Holland**, MD, of Shrewsbury, Shropshire, and was buried at Brewood on 27 December 1740.

Staffordshire RO, D4014/1/1, 3 and 4 [parish registers of Brewood, Staffordshire, 1563-1645; 1686-1729; 1729-1784]; Borthwick Institute, York, bishop's transcript of the parish registers of Cherry Burton, Yorkshire; Hertfordshire Archives and Local Studies, parish registers of Digswell, Hertfordshire; TNA, PROB 11/552, f.229r [will of Anne Fowke, widow, of Brewood, Staffordshire, 13 September 1712, pr.6 June 1716]; Borthwick Institute, York, parish registers of Bishop Burton, Yorkshire.

Samuel FREEMAN (1636-1669)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Samuel Freeman was the son of William Freeman and was baptised at All Saints, Derby, on 23 October 1636. He practised an apothecary at Uttoxeter in Staffordshire where he died and was buried on 9 July 1669. He left an estate, worth £115 (of which £65 consisted of apothecary shop wares), to be divided between the four children of his sister Sarah (b.1634), the wife of William Dods, and his brother-in-law John Gould. Freeman named his 'loving friends' George Fletcher of Derby and John Moore of Shirley as joint executors.

Derbyshire RO, parish registers of All Saints, Derby, Derbyshire; Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/3 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1652-1690]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Samuel Freeman, apothecary, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1 June and 5 July 1669, pr,17 September 1669].

Thomas GARLICK (d.1737)

Occ; surgeon Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Person ID: 5425/21874

Thomas Garlick was active as a surgeon in the town of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, from the late seventeenth century until his death in 1737. He is first noted as the apprentice of **Zachary Turnpenny** in the latter's will of 1695 where he inherited his master's barbering tools and various items of clothing. Garlick was the author of two treatises on the cure of gout and gonorrhea in which he claimed to have developed new ways of treating the two conditions using a form of injections. He also left behind a manuscript treatise on surgical practice which like his published works drew heavily on case histories. These all make clear that Garlick was well read and learned, not just in medicine but also in the mechanical philosophy of natural philosophers such as Robert Boyle (*Essay on the Gout*, pp.6-7). Towards the end of his career, Garlick seems to have worked closely with his son Thomas (1704-1752), who practised surgery at Wellington in Shropshire. Plans to publish further works on the cure of the king's evil and cancers do not appear to have materialised. There is little doubt that Garlick's purpose in publishing such works was to promote his practice and cures, many of which were sold from outlets in London.

Little is known of Garlick's personal life. In a legal dispute over the inheritance of his father-in-law John Yester, gent, of Wigan, Lancashire, reference is made to his wife Anne. She was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton on 27 May 1733. Her husband Thomas Garlick was buried in the same church on 5 April 1737.

Children of Thomas Garlick:

Thomas, bapt.4 June 1704 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton]. A surgeon, who was practising before his father's death in Wellington, Shropshire, he was buried at Wolverhampton on 17 March 1752.

Robert, bapt.23 August 1705; buried 19 September 1706 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

John, bapt.8 December 1706 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Elizabeth, buried 24 July 1707 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Theophilus, bapt.3 June 1708 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Robert, bapt.4 January 1710/11 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

James, bapt.21 April 1712 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Francis, bapt.20 August 1713 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Elizabeth, bapt.8 November 1716 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Jane, bapt.12 May 1719 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Catharine, bapt.24 October 1720 [St Peter's, Wolverhampton].

Publications:

A Mechanical Account of the Cause and Cure of a Violent Gonorrhea in both Sexes (London, T.Warner, 1719). 2nd edition (London, T.Warner, 1727).

An Essay on the Gout (London, T.Warner, 1729). Dedicated to Dr Raphael Sedgwick.

Staffordshire RO, P/C/11 [will of Zachary Turnpenny, barber chirurgion, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 14 January 1694/5, pr.7 January 1695/6]; British Library, Sloane MS 2263 ['Praxis chyrurgiae rationalis']; Sloane MS 2084, f.175 [letter to Garlick, 1700/1]; Wigan Archives and Local Studies, D/D An/Bundle 40/342; Wolverhampton City Archives, DB – 24/A/424 [property dispute at Bilston, Staffordshire]; Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/13 and 63 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Gervase GENT (d.1690)

Occ; grocer/apothecary/surgeon

Gervase Gent, a Quaker, practised as a grocer, apothecary and surgeon in the town of Leek in the second half of the seventeenth century. He is identified as such from the contents of an inventory of his goods taken after his death in 1690. Gent was buried at the Quaker burial ground at Basford near Stoke on Trent on 15 January 1689/90. Gent, who described himself as a yeoman in his will, was clearly an educated man who probably made his own medicines and dispensed them while also practising surgery. At his death, he owned a large range of drugs, a mortar and pestle, surgical instruments and razors, glister pipes and £3 worth of books. In additional to charitable bequests to poor, local Friends, Gent left a copy of a Latin bible, a Greek testament and a copy of the ejected minister Isaac Ambrose's *Looking Unto Jesus* (1658) to his grandson William Hulme. He also owned extensive property in America, Leek and Tideswell, Derbyshire, which he left to his three daughters, Christian Bagshaw (wife of Thomas Bagshaw), Joyever Gent and Charity Gent. The latter couple ultimately gave some of the same to the Quakers to build a new meeting house at Overton Bank, Leek, in 1697.

Children of Gervase Gent:

Christian. She married Thomas Bagshaw and was alive in 1690 [will]. Joyever [will].

Charity [will]. She may be the same as the Charity Gent buried at Tideswell, Derbyshire, 28 November 1730.

TNA, RG 6/1275 [registers of the monthly meeting of Cheshire and Staffordshire Quakers, Uttoxeter, Staffordshire]; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of Gervase Gent, yeoman, of Leek, Staffordshire, 25 January 1689/90, pr.4 April 1690; inventory dated 11 February 1689/90]; L.Jewitt, 'Traders' Tokens of Derbyshire', *The Reliquary* (London, vol.7, 1866-7), pp.159-60; Derbyshire RO, parish registers of Tideswell, Derbyshire.

William GENT (d.1693)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Cheadle, Staffordshire

William Gent practised as an apothecary at Cheadle, Staffordshire, in the late seventeenth century. He died in 1693 and was buried at Leek in the same county on 5 August 1693. In his

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brief will, he left all his estate to his wife (Hannah) and children, without naming them. An inventory of his goods includes a detailed record by weight and value of all the drugs and ingredients in his shop.

Children of William Gent and Hannah:

John, bapt.11 July 1689 [Cheadle]. Samuel, bapt.18 January 1691/2 [Cheadle].

Staffordshire RO, D 1040/5/14 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Gent, apothecary, of Cheadle, Staffordshire, 21 April 1693, pr.25 September 1693]; D962/1/8 [parish registers of Cheadle, Staffordshire, 1660-1721].

Joshua GERARD or GERRARD (d.1698)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Joshua Gerard was the son of Joshua Gerard (d.1691), yeoman, of Werneth, near Stockport, Cheshire. No record of his birth or baptism survives on account of his father's Presbyterianism. Educated at Tarvin, he was admitted a pensioner at Christ's College, Cambridge, on 9 June 1688, proceeding B Med in 1693. Gerard subsequently settled into practice at Tamworth where he was buried on 17 April 1698. In his will, he left property in the parish of Bradbury, Cheshire, to his young son John and named his wife Sarah (otherwise unidentified) as residual legatee and sole executrix.

Gerard's brother John was a physician at Chester. Another brother, Joseph, officiated as rector of Tarvin, Cheshire, from 1680-1708.

Children of Joshua Gerard:

John [will].

TNA, RG4/1799 [registers of the Presbyterian chapel at Dukinfield, Stockport, Cheshire]; Venn, ii, p.207; Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/3 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 1690-1710]; TNA, PROB 11/483, ff.79r-80r [will of Joshua Gerard, practiser in physic, of Tamworth, Warwickshire, 7 March 1697/8, pr.8 June 1705].

Thomas GILES or GYLES (d.1688)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

After serving an apprenticeship under **John Allen**, the nonconformist apothecary of Kidderminster, Worcestershire, Thomas Giles or Gyles set up in practise as an apothecary at Stafford sometime before 1668 until his death in 1688. During the Exclusion Crisis, he was accused by fellow apothecary and mayor **Sampson Birch** of being a closet nonconformist who spent much time spreading seditious libels and printed matter intended to promote the Whig cause. Others attested in the same vein claiming, among other things, that he hoped to see the duke of Monmouth crowned king after the death of his father, Charles II. It was also

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reported that he possessed gunpowder which might be used in any future rebellion. Nonconformist medical connections are suggested by the role he played in encouraging **William Westmacott**, son of an ejected minister, to set up in practice in Stafford in place of another nonconformist Dr **Valentine Fyge** to whom Giles had served as apothecary.

Giles died in 1688 and was buried in the chancel of St Mary's, Stafford, on 10 August of that year. In his will, made shortly before his death, he left an estate of over £350 with property at Ashley in Worcestershire to be divided between his three children, Anne, Thomas and Hannah and wife Alice (otherwise unidentified). Giles nominated his brother-in-law Thomas Potter, Thomas Taylor the younger of Worcestershire and cousin Abel Payton to act as executors, nominating another brother in law, William Scott to act as overseer.

Children of Thomas Giles/Gyles and wife Alice:

Anne, bapt.10 December 1668 [St Mary's, Stafford]. Thomas, bapt.27 January 1669/70 [St Mary's, Stafford]. Mary, bapt.26 June 1671; buried 5 March 1675/6 [St Mary's, Stafford]. Hannah, bapt.9 March 1672/3 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Richard Sylvanus Williams, 'Some Account of Staffordshire Medical Practitioners to 1851', p.82; *CSPD, 1682*, pp.303, 427, 456; Folger Shakespeare Library, Washington DC, V.a.441 [William Westmacott, 'Memorabilia'], p.17; Staffordshire RO, D1399/2 [parish registers of Stafford, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/393, ff.144r-145r [will of Thomas Gyles, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire, 4 August 1688, pr.26 November 1688].

William GLAZIER (d.1640)

Occ: barber Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

William Glazier, barber, of Tamworth was buried at Tamworth on 7 August 1640.

Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/2 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 1635-1690].

Francis GOODWIN (d.1713)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Blymhill, Staffordshire

Francis Goodwin of Beighterton in the parish of Blymhill was buried at nearby Weston under Lizard, Staffordshire, on 3 October 1713. In his will, Goodwin left property at Haughton in Staffordshire and Cherrington in Shropshire to his sister Anne Blakemore, widow, and her son Francis Blakemore. Goodwin also left bequests totalling over £150 to various relatives as well as to the poor of several parishes. He also gave £10 to Samuel Garret, rector of Weston under Lizard, who with the testator's nephew Francis Blakemore, acted as joint executors.

Staffordshire RO, D1060/1/1 [parish registers of Weston under Lizard, Staffordshire, 1702-1811]; B/C/11 [will of Francis Goodwin, chyrurgeon, of Beighterton, Staffordshire, 12 February 1702/3, pr.7 October 1713].

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Henry GRANGER (fl.1712-1718)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Henry Granger practised as a barber and periwigmaker in the Staffordshire town of Wolverhampton in the early eighteenth century.

Apprentices of Henry Granger, barber/periwigmaker:

Thomas Barnes, son of Gabriel Barnes, nercer, of Stone, Staffordshire, for the premium of £15 as recorded in 1712.

Richard Blackburn for the premium of £15 as recorded in 1718

TNA, IR 1/1, f.100; 1/6, f.75.

John GRANGER (d.1703)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

John Granger, apothecary, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, on 12 May 1703. Otherwise unidentified. There were numerous contemporaries of this name living and working in Wolverhampton at this time, including a John Granger, bellows maker.

Staffordshire RO, D1157/1/1/62 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, burials, 1701-1728].

Robert GREAVES or GREEVES (fl. early 1630s)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

In around 1634, Robert Greeves, surgeon, of Walsall acted as a witness in a sexual defamation case in the town. He described himself as aged 32. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, B/C/5/1634/13.

Anthony GREEN or GRENE (fl. 1567)

Occ: physician Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Anthony Green or Grene, physician, of Stafford, Staffordshire, along with three other defendants, including **Robert Plumer alias Hale**, surgeon, of Lichfield, appeared as defendants in a debt trial heard in the Court of Common Pleas in 1567.

TNA, CP40/1253 [1567].

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Oliver GREEN (d.1694)

Occ: barber Loc: Eccleshall, Staffordshire

Oliver Green, barber, was buried at Eccleshall, Staffordshire, on 8 October 1694.

Staffordshire RO, D3767/1/4 [parish registers of Eccleshall, Staffordshire, 1653-1683]; P/C/11 [inventory and administration of estate of Oliver Green, barber, of Eccleshall, Staffordshire, 1695] [unseen].

William GROSVENOR (c.1661-1747)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

William Grosvenor is described variously as apothecary, grocer and physician in the records of the town of Leek. In 1697, when he was living at Longsdon near Leek, he was licensed to practise medicine and surgery throughout the diocese of Lichfield. Certificates on his behalf were signed by the vicar of Leek as well as **Thomas Beckett**, surgeon, and **Benjamin Endon**, physician.

He is probably the same as the William Grosvenor who was baptised at the age of 20 at Leek on 7 November 1681. He was the son of Joseph Grosvenor (d.1696) and Catherine (d.1709) of Derby Street, Leek. William Grosvenor married twice. His first wife Elizabeth was buried at Leek on 6 May 1700. Grosvenor's second wife Sarah was buried in the same parish on 15 January 1738/9. Grosvenor himself was buried at Leek on 17 March 1746/7. In his will, Grosvenor left property, possessions and money to be shared among his five surviving children, viz.Samuel, Catherine, Thomas, Joseph and Elizabeth.

Children of William Grosvenor:

Samuel, bapt.17 October 1689; buried 2 June 1747 [Leek].

William, bapt.5 March 1691/2 [Leek].

Thomas, bapt.10 May 1694 [Leek].

Catherine, bapt.28 August 1713 [Leek]. She was licensed to marry Thomas Ensor, mercer, of Leek, 8 July 1732.

John, bapt.12 November 1716; buried 14 May 1717 [Leek].

George, bapt.21 March 1717/18; buried 5 April 1718 [Leek].

Joseph [will]. He practised as an apothecary at Cheadle, Staffordshire.

Elizabeth [will].

Victoria County History. Staffordshire, eds C.R.J.Currie and M.W.Greenslade, vol.7 (London, 1996), **bet.pp.84-169**; Staffordshire RO, B/A/11/D, sub Longsdon; D1040/5/2, 3 and 14 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire, 1666-1698; 1701-1747; 1678-1754]; D 3359/Condlyffe [deeds dated 23 January 1711/12 and 9 December 1723]; consistory court will of William Grosvenor, gent, of Leek, Staffordshire, 23 January 1741/2 and 23 March 1744/5, pr.14 May 1747]; marriage allegations and bonds, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, 1636-1893.

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Joan or Johan GROVE (d.1648)

Occ: midwife Loc: Over Areley, Staffordshire

Johan Grove, midwife, was buried at Over Areley, Staffordshire (now in Worcestershire), 17 January 1647/8.

H.R.Mayo (ed.), The Registers of Over Areley, Formerly in the County of Stafford ... 1564-1812 (Worcester, 1916), p.101.

James HADDOCK or HADDOCKE (d.1661)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

James Haddock was a prosperous apothecary who practised in the town of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, from the early 1640s until his death in 1661. By the time of his death, he was running two apothecary shops at Newcastle and Cheadle with an estimated value of over £400. His total worth was assessed at over £630. Haddock was also a prominent member of the municipal government of Newcastle under Lyme. He was made a capital burgess in April 1648 and served as mayor in 1659-60. Haddock was buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 27 March 1661, his burial entry in the parish register describing him as an alderman. Administration of his will and tuition of three of his children (John, Henry and Mary) was granted to his widow, Jane. She may be the same as the Jane Haddock, widow, who was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 30 December 1666.

Nothing is known of Haddock's antecedents. His roots may have been in Lancashire. In April 1654, a kinsman, John Haddock, travelling from London to Lancashire, died in his house and was buried at Newcastle under Lyme. His mother, a widow, was buried at Newcastle on 12 September 1650. Haydock is not, however, to be confused with James Haddock, the son of the Salisbury physician **Richard Haydock**, who served an apprenticeship as an apothecary in London in 1627.

Children of James Haddock:

James. An apothecary, he was buried at Newcastle, 20 March 1690/1. Jane, bapt.22 May 1642; buried 8 May 1661 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Henry, bapt.4 August 1644; buried 26 October 1662 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Hester, bapt.11 October 1647; buried 16 June 1649 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Josias, bapt.11 July 1652 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Elizabeth, buried 3 October 1657 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Jonathan, buried 17 October 1657 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Mary, born 16 April 1659; bapt.24 April 1659 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [inventory and administration of estate of James Haddock of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, pr.27 September 1661]; T.Pape, *Newcastle-under-Lyme in Tudor and Early Stuart Times* (Manchester, 1938), pp.313, 325, 326, 334; Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/2, 3 and 4 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme,

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Staffordshire]; D27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1574-1680].

James HADDOCK (d.1691)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

James Haddock was the son of **James Haddock** (d.1661), apothecary, of Newcastle under Lyme who practised there from about 1665 until his death in 1691. No record of his baptism has been found. Haddock, the son of bailiff Haddock, was admitted as a burgess without payment of fine in 1654 on account of several disbursements made by his father in the course of his duties on behalf of the mayor. He married a woman named Mary (no surname given) at Newcastle under Lyme on 30 January 1664/5 and was buried in the same parish on 20 March 1690/1. Administration of his meagre estate (shop assets valued at just under £5) was granted to his widow Mary.

The 'old' Doctor Haddock, who was buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 23 May 1722, may have been one of his sons. His wife Martha was buried next to her husband two days later.

Children of James Haddock and Mary:

James, born 29 November 1665; bapt.3 December 1665 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Samuel, bapt.20 June 1667 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/3, 4 and 5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; T.Pape, *Newcastle-under-Lyme in Tudor and Early Stuart Times* (Manchester, 1938), p.325; Staffordshire RO, inventory and administration of estate of James Haddock of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, pr.9 October 1691].

Florence HAIRE or HAYER (fl. 1642)

Occ: midwife Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

In April 1642, Florence Haire or Hayer, a midwife, of Tamworth affirmed before quarter sessions that one Jane Rooker of Fazeley had told her the name of the father of her recently-born child.

Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/250/29.

Richard HAMERSLEY or HAMMERSLEY (d.1733)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Richard Hamersley was a barber surgeon active in Walsall, Staffordshire, in the first third of the eighteenth century. He is best known for the publication of two works arguing for strict observation of the sabbath including trimming on the Lord's Day. In 1726, he was granted

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administration of the will of his son Richard, a brassfounder, at Wolverhampton. Hamersley was buried at Walsall on 22 May 1733.

Children of Richard Hamersley and wife Elizabeth:

Richard, bapt.26 April 1680 [Walsall]. Brassfounder, at Wolverhampton. Elizabeth, bapt.17 November 1681 [Walsall].

Publications:

Advice to Sunday Barbers, Against Trimming on the Lord's Day (London, 1706) [preface dated Walsall, 3 June 1702].

A Help against Sin in our Ordinary Discourse (Birmingham, 1719).

Notes and Queries, 3rd ser., vol.5 (London, 1864), p.145; Staffordshire RO, inventory and administration of the estate of Richard Hamersley, brassfounder, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 19 February 1725/6, pr.23 March 1725/6.

Richard HAMMOND (1679-1739)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Richard Hammond was the son of Mr Joseph Hammond and was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 29 January 1678/9. An apothecary, he married Felicia Foden of Cowley in Gnosall, Staffordshire, at the latter parish on 3 August 1710. Hammond rose to a prominent position in the governance of the city of Lichfield serving as junior bailiff, senior bailiff and as a justice of the peace. He was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 3 March 1738/9 where a memorial to his memory was erected.

Children of Mr Richard Hammond:

Felicia, bapt.30 April 1712 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Joseph Adey at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 22 April 1739 and was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, 20 April 1778. Mary, bapt.16 April 1718 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Thomas Cobb at St Mary's, Lichfield, 18 December 1760 and was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 16 August 1693.

Apprentice of Richard Hammond, apothecary:

Edward Thorley, son of Richard Thorley, gentleman, of Barton, Staffordshire, for the premium of £40 as recorded in 1714.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; marriage allegations and bonds, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield; D 951/1/3 [parish registers of Gnosall, Staffordshire]; D 27/1/3 and 5 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; *m.i.*, St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire; TNA, IR 1/4, f.135.

Susanna HARGREAVES (fl. 1684)

Occ: midwife Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

Susanna Hargreaves, the wife of Richard Hargreaves, of Leek, Staffordshire, was sworn a midwife by George Rhodes, vicar of the same parish, on 21 May 1684.

Staffordshire RO, D1040/5/2 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire].

Mary HASSALL (fl.1704)

Occ: midwife Loc: Staffordshire

In January 1704, Mary Hassall, midwife, submitted a bill to the parish of Audley, Staffordshire, for attending on the labour and birth of Isabell Hulse for three days and nights as well as for attending a meeting at Newcastle under Lyme and the quarter sessions in Stafford. She asked for £1.

Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/432/33.

James HAYES (1687 or 1688-1740)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

James Hayes, the son of Mr Silvester Hayes, was baptised at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, on 5 January 1687/8. He practised as an apothecary at Wolverhampton where he was buried on 25 June 1740. In his will, Hayes left all his estate, real and personal, to his wife and executrix Elizabeth.

Apprentices of James Hayes, apothecary:

William Grave, son of Elizabeth Grave, widow, for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1715. George Hatchett, son of Anne Hatchett of Wolverhampton, for the premium of £40 as recorded in 1720.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/13 and 63 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/711, ff.292r-v [will of James Hayes, apothecary, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 14 December 1727, pr.16 September 1741]; TNA, IR 1/4, f.138; 1/47, f.67.

Benjamin HECTOR (1682-1757)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Benjamin Hector was the son of the well-connected surgeon of Lichfield, **Edmund Hector**, who followed in his father's footsteps and practised surgery in the town in the first half of the eighteenth century. He was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 31 August 1682 and married Mary Walton of Longdon, Staffordshire, at Longdon on 18 February 1707/8. She was buried

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at Lichfield Cathedral on 25 July 1742. Hector, who served as sheriff of the city in 1727, probably inherited his wife's estate at Longdon. Benjamin Hector, gent, of Longdon was buried at Sandon, Staffordshire, 13 July 1757.

Benjamin's eldest son Edmund (1709-1794) initially practised surgery at Lichfield before removing to Birmingham in 1731. He was a close friend and acquaintance of Dr Samuel Johnson.

Children of Benjamin Hector:

Edmund, born 30 January 1708/9; died 2 September 1794 [*m.i.*, St Philip's, Birmingham]. Anne, bapt.10 January 1710/11 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Mary, bapt.3 August 1714 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 26 August 1716 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Philip, bapt.12 September 1720 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 15 September 1741 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Apprentices of Benjamin Hector, surgeon:

Jonathan Hall, son of Thomas Hall, gentleman, of Featherston, Staffordshire, for the premium of £40 as recorded in 1715.

John Bradgate, son of Mary Bradgate, widow, of Warwick, Warwickshire, for the premium of £70 s recorded in 1718.

William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/899; Staffordshire RO, D20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1677-1754]; D1011/1/1 [parish registers of Longdon, Staffordshire]; D27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1680-1741]; D102/1 [registers of Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire, 1665-1744]; D1048/1/2 [parish registers of Sandon, Staffordshire, 1708-1800]; *ODNB*, sub Hector, Edmund, article by T.Jock Murray; TNA, IR 1/4, f.135; 1/6, f.62.

Edmund HECTOR (d.1709)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Edmund Hector, whose parentage is unknown, served an apprenticeship in Lichfield under **Humphrey Bennett**, a surgeon of that town who left him a case of surgical and trimming instruments in his will of 1660. He married shortly afterwards to a woman called Dorcas (sometimes Dorothy) with whom he had fourteen children (she is otherwise unidentified). Hector is mentioned in the *Philosophical Transactions* in 1683 where reference is made to his role in removing the dead foetus of a patient. Hector may have possessed a particular interest in midwifery. The celebrated obstetrician **Percival Willoughby** of Derby attended on the birth of one of his children and his own son **George Hector**, who followed in his father's footsteps, was responsible for the safe delivery of Dr Samuel Johnson.

Hector was an active member of the corporation of Lichfield serving as sheriff (1682) and senior bailiff or mayor (1690 and 1699). He died in 1709 and was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 8 December 1709. Hector left the bulk of his estate to his wife Dorcas whom he also named as sole executrix. He also left small bequests to his seven grandchildren as well as

money for rings for his two sons George and Benjamin, and their wives, his son in law Henry Boylston and friends Mr Thomas Smalridge and Mr **John Parker**, the latter probably the apothecary of that name then living in Lichfield. Hector's widow Dorcas (Dorothy in register) was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 30 September 1726. She was survived by her two sons **George** and **Benjamin**, both surgeons.

Children of Edmund Hector and wife Dorcas/Dorothy:

Edmund, bapt.19 March 1661/2 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Thomas, bapt.29 November 1663 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Edmund, bapt.3 December 1665 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 4 April 1666 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Peter, bapt.15 April 1667 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Richard, bapt.21 July 1672 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 25 May 1677 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Philip, bapt.2 August 1674 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

George, bapt.8 January 1675/6 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. A surgeon.

John, bapt.22 September 1678 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 20 May 1680 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Charles, bapt.27 September 1679 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 1 April 1690 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

James, bapt.4 September 1681 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 8 September 1694 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Benjamin, bapt.31 August 1682 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. A surgeon, he was buried at Sandon, Staffordshire, 13 July 1757.

Nathaniel, bapt.9 September 1683 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Mary, bapt.14 January 1684/5 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Ann, bapt.6 April 1686 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married **Henry Boylston**, apothecary, at St Mary's, Lichfield, 11 June 1706.

Staffordshire RO, consistory court will of Humphrey Bennett, chirurgion, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 30 May 1660, pr.15 May 1661; 'An Extract of two letters from Mr.Sampson Birch, an alderman and apothecary at Stafford, concerning an extraordinary birth in Staffordshire, with reflections thereon by Edward Tyson, M.D.Fellow of the Coll.of Physitians, and of the R.Society' in *Philosophical Transactions*, vol.13, no.150 (1683), pp.281-4; *ODNB*, *sub* Willughby, Percival, article by J.Lane; Staffordshire RO, D27/1/1 and 3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1574-1680; 1680-1741]; P/C/11 [will of Edmund Hector, chirurgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 29 November 1709, pr.8 or 18 December 1710]; will of Dorcas Hector, widow, of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 20 August 1726, pr.2 December 1726; D20/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677; 1677-1754].

George HECTOR (1675 or 1676-1763)

Occ: surgeon/midwife Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

George Hector was the son of the surgeon **Edmund Hector** and was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 8 January 1675/6. He was active in the corporation in the first two decades of the eighteenth century serving as a JP and member of the corporation as well as a

churchwarden in the parish of St Mary's. Hector was paid by the Conduit Lands Trust to treat the city's poor. He is best known today as the man midwife who delivered Samuel Johnson in 1709.

Hector married Elizabeth Brooks (b.1675), the daughter of Thomas and Sarah Brooks of Kingsbury, Warwickshire, at the latter parish on 29 October 1696. Sometime in the late 1720s, Hector left Lichfield for Shifnal and then Lilleshall in Shropshire, where he continued to practise surgery and was buried on 19 May 1763. He was described as living at Shifnal in 1735 when he was named as the residual legatee and joint executor of the will of his brother-in-law **Jonathan Brooke**, doctor of physic, of London.

Children of George Hector:

Elizabeth, bapt.24 November 1698 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 6 April 1708 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Brooke or Brooks, bapt.26 September 1700 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He practised medicine at Lichfield and married Mary Barret at Mancetter, Warwickshire, 6 May 1748. He inherited the books, gold watch and cane of his maternal half uncle, Dr Jonathan Brooke, in 1735. Brook was buried at Lichfield Cathedral on 16 December 1773.

Mary, bapt.29 December 1702 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Penelope, bapt.20 November 1704 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She was living with her maternal half uncle, Dr Jonathan Brooke, in St Mary le Bow, London, in 1735 when the latter left her £500 in his will.

Ann, bapt.17 October 1706 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She was left £100 in the will of her maternal half uncle, Dr Jonathan Brooke, in 1735.

Sarah, bapt.1 December 1708 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married her father's apprentice Edmund Withering. Their son William Withering was a celebrated botanist and physician.

George, bapt.5 September 1710 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Charlotte, bapt.7 November 1711 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Frances, bapt.24 October 1713 [St Mary's, Lichfield].; buried 1 December 1713 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Lydia, bapt.3 April 1715 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 5 May 1717 [St Michael's, Lichfield]. Honora, bapt.10 July 1717 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Eleanor, buried 6 November 1721 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Apprentice of George Hector, surgeon:

John Wilkes, the son of Richard Wilkes, of Willenhall, Staffordshire, for the premium of £100 as recorded in 1717.

Staffordshire RO, D20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1677-1754]; *VCH, Staffordshire*, ed.M.W.Greenslade, vol.14 (London, 1990), **bet.pp.109-131**; A.L.Reade, *Johnsonian Gleanings. Part VIII* (London, 1937), pp.7-8; Staffordshire RO, LD/16/5/1 [payment for cures, 1698]; LD/106/4/4 lease to George Hector of charity lands, 23 June 1707]; Warwickshire RO, DR/B/3/2 [parish registers of Kingsbury, Warwickshire]; TNA, PROB 11/670, f.18v [will of Jonathan Brooke, doctor in physick, of London, 12 March 1734/5, pr.24 March 1734/5]; Shropshire Archives, P161/A/1/2 [parish registers of Lilleshall, Shropshire, 1693-1763]; Staffordshire Archives, D27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1680-1741]; Warwickshire RO, DR/0130/4 [parish registers of

Mancetter, Warwickshire]; Staffordshire RO, D102/2 [registers of Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/45, f.114.

Richard HENN (d.1727)

Occ: barber Loc: Rugeley, Staffordshire

Richard Henn practised as a barber in the town of Rugeley, Staffordshire, from at least 1707 until his death in 1727. He married twice. His first wife Letitia was buried at Rugeley on 26 January 1710/11. Henn subsequently married Hannah Sawyer, widow, at Rugeley on 8 February 1713/14. He was buried at Rugeley on 7 May 1727.

Children of Richard Henn:

Thomas, bapt.31 December 1707 [Rugeley]. Hannah, bapt.24 September 1714 [Rugeley]. Richard, buried 14 March 1721/2 [Rugeley].

Staffordshire RO, D1454/1/2, 3 and 20 [parish registers of Rugeley, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [administration of will and inventory of Richard Henn, barber, of Rugeley, Staffordshire, 12 May 1727] [unseen].

Thomas HENWORTH (d.1703)

Occ: barber Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Henworth is identified as a barber in the apprenticeship record of his son John in 1707. He married Eleanor Warner of Newcastle under Lyme at Trentham, Staffordshire, on 9 April 1676 and was buried at Burton upon Trent on 27 August 1703. Henworth's widow Eleanor was buried in the same parish on 24 April 1734.

Children of Thomas Henworth and wife Eleanor:

William, bapt.4 December 1679 [Burton upon Trent]. Barber

Dorothy, bapt.13 June 1682 [Burton upon Trent]. Alive in 1730 [mother's will].

Thomas, bapt.9 March 1683/4 [Burton upon Trent]. Alive in 1730 [mother's will].

Elizabeth, bapt.21 September 1686 [Burton upon Trent]. She married Thomas Astley [bricklayer] of Burton at St Werburgh's, Derby, 20 February 1720/1 and was alive in 1735 when she was granted administration of her mother's will.

Walter, bapt.24 July 1688; buried 14 April 1703 [Burton upon Trent].

Joseph, bapt.28 October 1690 [Burton upon Trent]. Alive in 1730 [mother's will].

John, bapt.14 January 1692/3 [Burton upon Trent]. He was apprenticed to Gilbert Walbank, citizen and fishmonger, of London, for seven years as a brushmaker, 3 December 1707 (discharged 20 May 1712). He was dead by 1730 [will of mother Eleanor].

M.Scott (ed.), *Apprenticeship Disputes in the Lord Mayor's Court of London 1573-1723* (London, BRS, Apprenticeship Series, vol.1, Part 1, 2016), p.511; Staffordshire RO, D4480/1/2 [parish registers of Trentham, Staffordshire]; D4219/1 and 2 [parish registers of St

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Modwen's, Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire]; consistory court wills, will of Eleanor Henworth, widow, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 13 June 1730, pr.20 January 1734/5]; Derbyshire RO, parish registers of St Werburgh's, Derby, Derbyshire, 1563-1812.

William HENWORTH (1679-1742)

Occ: barber Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

William Henworth was the eldest son of **Thomas Henworth**, barber, and his wife Eleanor, nee Warner, and was baptised at Burton upon Trent on 4 December 1679. He is described as a barber in 1710 and again in 1735 when he was indicted at the county quarter sessions. On both occasions, he was accused of riotous behaviour towards various individuals and on the latter occasion, with Joseph Henworth, barber (probably his son), he was charged with forcibly entering the house of Thomas Towndrow, apothecary, and expelling him.

Henworth, described as of Walton (upon Trent?), married Elizabeth Potter at Lichfield Cathedral on 5 June 1710. He died in 1742 and was buried at his parish church of St Modwen's, Burton upon Trent, on 12 July 1742.

Children of William Henworth and Elizabeth:

Saria, bapt.22 June 1711 [Burton upon Trent]. Joseph, bapt.25 July 1716; buried 27 May 1746 [Burton upon Trent]. Thomas, bapt.9 May 1718; buried 5 August 1718 [Burton upon Trent].

D4219/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Modwen's, Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire]; Q/SR/321/88; Q/SR/745/14; Q/SR/530/27; D 102/1 [parish registers of Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire].

Anthony HEWETT or HEWITT (fl.1621-1680)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Anthony Hewett was the son of John Hewett and was born about 1603. He studied as a student at Christ's College, Cambridge, where he graduated BA in 1620/1 and MA in 1624. Hewett subsequently studied medicine at Padua in Italy where he proceeded MD on 10 April 1636 (incorporated Cambridge the following year). On his return to England, he settled into a long and successful medical practice in the cathedral city of Lichfield. Hewett is first mentioned as resident there in 1641 when the apothecary Thomas Cope left him £5 in his will. Two years earlier, he was left a small bequest in the will of his friend and colleague **Samuel Remington** of London, the two men having graduated MD at Padua on the same day. Hewett's long-standing immersion in the medical world of Lichfield is evident from testimonials which he provided for two Lichfield practitioners, **Richard Williams** and **William Smith**, in 1677.

Hewett died sometime between 1680 and 1684. No record of his burial has been found though he requested interment in the close at Lichfield Cathedral where he was living at the time of his death. He married twice. His first wife Isabel, the eldest daughter of Michael

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Noble of the Close, Lichfield, and his wife Mary, the daughter of Walter Cotton of Crakemarsh, near Uttoxeter, was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 6 May 1654. Dr Hewett is mentioned in the wills of both Michael and Mary Noble, the latter constituting him as joint executor. Secondly, he married Jane Wyrley, the daughter of Humphrey Wyrley (d.1689) of Hamstead, near Handsworth, Staffordshire, and his wife Knightley, the daughter of Francis Wyrley, of Dodford, Northamptonshire. She was presumably the unnamed wife mentioned in Hewett's will. The vast bulk of his estate, including property and coalmines at Goscote, near Walsall, were bequeathed to his three daughters, Elizabeth, Mary and Sarah as his son John had already received his portion. Mary and Sarah, alongside Hewett's son in law John Holbrooke, clerk, of Aston, Shropshire, were named as joint executors. Around twenty volumes from Hewett's library of Renaissance medical works found their way into the possession of **Sir John Floyer** and now reside at Queen's College, Oxford.

Children of Anthony Hewett or Hewitt:

Michael. He matriculated at Brasenose College, Oxford, 21 June 1662, aged 19. John. He was apprenticed to William Stonestreete of the Grocers' Company, London, 3 January 1660/1 and was still alive in 1680 [father's will]. Knightley, bapt.29 June 1650 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Anne, buried 6 May 1654 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Isabella, buried 16 August 1665 [Lichfield Cathedral]. Mary. Alive 1680 [father's will].

D.Gibbs, 'Dr Anthony Hewitt (c.1603-1684) MD Padua and Cambridge: Physician of Lichfield and Student of Renaissance Medicine', *Staffordshire Studies*, 16 (2005), pp.113-123; Royal College of Physicians London, Innes Smith MSS; Venn, ii, p.361; TNA, PROB 11/186, ff.11v-114r [will of Thomas Cope, apothecary, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1 & 13 March 1640/1, pr.7 May 1641]; PROB 11/179, ff.131r-v [will of Samuel Remyngton, doctor of physic, of London, 3 January 1638/9, pr.21 February 1638/9]; Lambeth Palace Library, FII/18/103a-b; Worcestershire RO, 795.02/BA 2302/28/6315.

Staffordshire Archives, consistory court will of Anthony Hewett, doctor of physick, of the Close of the cathedral city of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 30 September 1680, pr.21 May 1684; H.Sydney Grazebrook (ed.), *The Heraldic Visitations of Staffordshire ... 1614 ... 1663 and 1664* (London, 1885), pp.221, 335; TNA, PROB 11/211, ff.323r-324r [will of Michael Noble, esquire, of the Close, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 14 March 1647/8, pr.12 March 1649/50]; PROB 11/244, ff.427r-v [will of Mary Noble, widow, of the Close, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 23 January 1653/4, pr.25 July 1655]; P.E.Jones (ed.), *The Fire Court. Calendar to the Judgments and Decrees of the Court of Judicature Appointed to Determine Differences Between Landlords and Tenants as to Rebuilding after the Great Fire*, 2 vols (London, 1966), ii, p.55 [Dr Hewett's former possession of reversion of a property in parish of St Stephen, Coleman Street, London]; Foster, ii, p.700; **London Apprenticeship Abstracts**, 1442-1850; Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; D102/1 [registers of the Close, Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire, 1665-1744].

Robert HIDE or HYDE (fl.1577-1618)

Occ: barber Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Robert Hide is identified as a barber in three leasehold transactions, dated 22 December 1577, 20 September 1599 and 20 August 1612, in which he agreed to rent a property on the High Street in Burton upon Trent from William, Lord Paget. In all probability, this represents a father and son of the same name. The latter is almost certainly the same as the Robert Hide who married Esther Bierde at Burton on 19 January 1611/12. He was buried at Burton on 7 January 1617/18.

Children of Robert Hide and Esther:

Abraham, bapt.23 June 1616; buried 25v March 1644 [Burton upon Trent]. Johanna, bapt.18 April 1619 [sic] [Burton upon Trent].

Staffordshire RO, D 603/E/1/32, 45 and 77; D 4219/1/1 [parish registers of St Modwen's, Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire].

William HODGETTS (fl. 1660s)

Occ: mad doctor Loc: Sedgley, Staffordshire

William Hodgetts was a mad doctor who was boarding several lunatics at his house in Sedgley, Staffordshire, in the mid 1660s. He may have been the same as the William Hodgetts who married Mary Lake at Sedgley on 29 April 1665.

Richard Sylvanus Williams, 'Some Account of Staffordshire Medical Practitioners to 1851', p.105; Dudley Local History Centre, parish registers of Sedley, Staffordshire [check].

John HODGSON or HODSON (1677-1726)

Occ: barber/barber surgeon Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

John Hodgson was the son of John Hodgson and his wife Sarah and was baptised at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 5 May 1677. He married Elizabeth Baker of Etwall, Derbyshire, at Uttoxeter on 8 September 1698. She was buried in the town on 7 May 1724. Hodgson died intestate and was buried at Uttoxeter on 15 February 1725/6. His estate was valued at just over £16.

John was the brother of the barber William Hodgson of Stone, Staffordshire.

Children of John Hodgson and wife Elizabeth:

John, born 17 January 1699/1700; bapt.21 January 1699/1700 [Uttoxeter]. Sarah, bapt.11 July 1704 [Uttoxeter]. Ann, bapt.22 January 1705/6 [Uttoxeter]. Mary, bapt.24 May 1707 [Uttoxeter]. Elizabeth, bapt.10 February 1708/9 [Uttoxeter]. Lucy, bapt.5 October 1714 [Uttoxeter].

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Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/3, 4 and 5 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1652-1690; 1690-1714; 1715-1738]; B/C/11 [administration and inventory of estate of John Hodgson or Hodson of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 11 May 1726].

William HODGSON or HODSON (1688-1728)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker

William Hodgson or Hodson was the son of John Hodgson and his wife Sarah and was baptised at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 2 September 1688. On 5 May 1709, he was licensed to marry Catherine Mullington, both then living in Stone, Staffordshire. No record of the marriage survives. William Hodgson was buried at Stone on 20 April 1728. Hodgson's estate, valued at about £85, was divide between his three children, Thomas, Mary and Anne, and his wife Catherine. Catherine and Hodgson's brother, Richard, were named as joint executors.

William was the brother of the surgeon **John Hodgson** of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire.

Children of William Hodgson or Hodson and Catherine:

Mary, bapt.13 August 1712 [Stone].
William, bapt.9 April 1714; buried 9 July 1721 [Stone].
Thomas, bapt.3 February 1715/16 [Stone].
Samuel, bapt.16 February 1717/18; buried 14 December 1722 [Stone].
John, bapt.11 January 1720/1 [Stone].
Sara, bapt.29 April 1724; buried 29 April 1725 [Stone].
Anne, bapt.16 January 1725/6 [Stone].

Apprentice of William Hodgson or Hodson, barber/perukemaker

Robert Hewitt, son of Hugh Hewitt, deceased, for the premium of £10 as recorded in 1716. William Amery, son of John Amery, maltster, of Stone, for the premium of £14 as recorded in 1723.

Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/3 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1652-1690]; marriage allegations and bonds, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, 1636-1893; parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire, 1712-1744; consistory court will and inventory of William Hodgson, barber and perukemaker, of Stone, Staffordshire, 31 March 1728, pr.7 November 1728; TNA, IR 1/45, f.52; 1/48, f.55.

Richard HOLLINBURY (fl.1583-1593)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Richard Hollinbury was an apothecary who was practising in the town of Stafford in the late sixteenth century. In 1589, he was sued for a debt in the borough court of Stafford; gte case was subsequently transferred to the Court of Chancery. Hollinbury's wife Joanna was buried

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at St Mary's, Stafford, on 2 August 1591. No record of Richard's death or burial has been found.

Children of Richard Hollinbury and Joan/Joanna:

Elizabeth, bapt.15 March 1582/3. She married William Brett at St Mary's, Stafford, 31 January 1600/1.

William, bapt.30 May 1584 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Matthew, bapt.22 July 1585 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Ann, bapt.10 September 1586 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Richard, bapt.10 December 1587; buried 1 May 1588 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Mary, bapt.20 February 1588/9 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Richard, bapt.1 April 1591; buried 2 April 1591 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Francis, baptised and buried 6 September 1593 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Need reference to borough court [R.S.Williams, p.82]; TNA, C2/Eliz/D4/9 [1589]; Staffordshire RO, D 1399/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire].

Stephen HOLLINBURY (d.1576)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Stephen Hollinburie, pharmacopola, was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, 11 July 1576. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D 1399/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire].

Robert HOLME (d.1655)

Occ: physician? Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Robert Holme, doctor, was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 25 January 1654/5. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/3 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 1653-1667].

Walter HOPKINS (1694-1767)

Occ: barber/barber surgeon Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Walter Hopkins, the son of William Hopkins, was baptised at Wolverhampton on 8 June 1694. He practised as a barber and barber surgeon in Wolverhampton in the first half of the seventeenth century. Hopkins married twice. He wed Mary Billen at Wolverhampton on 7 September 1720. She was buried in the same parish on 29 September 1756. Hopkins subsequently married Elizabeth Bolton, widow, of Stafford at Wolverhampton on 12 August 1757 and was buried there on 15 July 1767. In his will, in which he described himself as a

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gentleman, he left £120 to each of his two sons, William and John, and named his unmarried daughter Elizabeth as residual legatee (who was to inherit all the testator's household goods following the death of her stepmother). Finally, Hopkins named Jacob Smith, sadler and ironmonger, of Walsall, and William Adams, distiller, of Wolverhampton as joint executors.

Children of Walter Hopkins and Mary:

William, bapt.13 July 1721 [Wolverhampton]. Elizabeth, bapt.18 August 1724 [Wolverhampton]. John, bapt.12 July 1731 [Wolverhampton].

Apprentices of Walter Hopkins, barber/barber surgeon:

William Jeffries for the premium of £15 as recorded in 1718. Joseph Scolefield for the premium of £10 as recorded in 1731. John Spencer, son of Sampson Spencer, for the premium of £5 as recorded in 1741.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/12, 3, 22, 63 and 64 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; marriage allegations and bonds, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield; diocese of Lichfield and Coventry wills [will of Walter Hopkins, gentleman, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 5 August 1763, pr.11 April 1768]; TNA, IR 1/6, f.148; 1/12, f.194; 1/50, f.125.

John HORDERN (fl. 1696)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Kingswinford, Staffordshire

John Hordern, apothecary, of Kingswinford, Staffordshire, was indicted at the county sessions in October 1696 where he was charged with assaulting one John Hodgetts in a stable at Kingswinford. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/428/7.

Jerome HOROBIN (d.1611)

Occ: surgeon/innholder Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Jerome Horobin combined the practise of surgery with running an inn in Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, from about 1580 until his death in 1611. He would appear to have possessed a good reputation as a surgeon as he drew patients from as far away as Worcestershire and Yorkshire (two of his patients were buried at Burton, 30 May 1585 and 7 May 1586). Horobin was also one of the 'godly' inhabitants of the town who with like-minded friends went to hear the confession of the suspected witch Alice Gooderidge of Stapenhill, near Burton upon Trent, in 1597.

Horobin married Elizabeth Walton of Langford, Derbyshire, at Langford on 11 December 1580. He was buried at St Modwen's, Burton upon Trent, on 24 November 1611.

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Jesse Bee et al, The Most Wonderfull and True Storie, of a Certaine Witch named Alse Gooderidge of Stapenhill (London, 1597), sig.D3r; M.Gibson, Possession, Puritanism and Print: Darrell, Harsnett, Shakespeare and the Elizabethan Exorcism Controversy (London, 2006), p.50; Staffordshire RO, D4219/1/1 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 1538-1685]; Derbyshire RO, parish registers of Longford, Derbyshire; Staffordshire RO, D(W)1734/2/1/107-173; D603/E/1/37.

John HULME (*fl.*1658)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

Hulme is identified as a surgeon in the baptismal record for his daughter Anne at Leek in Staffordshire in 1658. His wife Mary may be the same as the Mary Thickens who married one John Hulme at Leek on 30 November 1645. However, further identification is not possible due to the number of men of the same name then living in Leek.

Staffordshire RO, D1040/5/1 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire, 1634-1666].

William HULME (1637-1693)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

William Hulme, the son of Robert Hulme of Tittesworth, near Leek, and his wife Elizabeth, was baptised at Leek, Staffordshire, on 24 September 1637. An apothecary, he married Elizabeth Pyot at Leek on 6 June 1665. A year later, he was indicted to appear before the quarter sessions charged with a riot and rescue (outcome unknown). Hulme was buried at Leek on 21 October 1693. In his will, he described himself as a doctor.

Children of William Hulme and Elizabeth:

Charles, bapt.31 December 1666 [Leek]. James, bapt.16 April 1669 [Leek]. William, bapt.10 June 1682 [Leek].

Staffordshire RO, D 1040/5/1 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire]; marriage allegations and bonds, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, 1636-1893; Q/SR/332/11 [April 1666]; **B/C/11** [will and inventory of William Hulme, pr.1693] [unseen].

William HULME (fl.1694)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Rushton Spencer, Staffordshire

In 1694, William Hulme, surgeon, of Rushton, Staffordshire, attended on the victim of an assault and later gave evidence regarding the same at the county's quarter sessions. Otherwise unidentified. He may have been the same as the William Hulme of neighbouring Biddulph who was buried at Rushton Spencer on 15 January 1721/2.

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Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/419/18; D 1109/1 [parish registers of Rushton Spencer, Staffordshire].

Gregory HUNNINGS (d.1624)

Occ: barber Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Gregory Hunnings practised as a barber in the city of Lichfield, Staffordshire, from about 1602 until his death in 1624. He married Alice Ryght [Wright] at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 5 January 1601/2 and was buried in the same parish on 22 July 1624.

Children of Gregory Hunnings:

Frances, buried 22 March 1601/2 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Joan, buried 22 March 1601/2 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Ann, bapt.14 February 1605/6 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 8 December 1610 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Sarah, bapt.15 February 1608/9 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 27 November 1614 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Mary, bapt.21 September 1610 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 27 November 1614 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Henry, buried 30 September 1614 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Margaret, bapt.24 April 1616 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Jane, bapt.13 February 1617/18 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Staffordshire Archives, D27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1574-1680]; D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677].

Nicholas HUNT (c.1639-1684)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Nicholas Hunt, who was born in about 1639, practised as a barber surgeon in the town of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, from at least 1669 until his death in 1684. He married Anne Halsey at Uttoxeter on 9 June 1669 and was buried there on 16 September 1684. Hunt left an estate of over £236, including a bull, cattle, books as well as surgical instruments, a plaster box and four basins, to be divided between his wife Anne and four children. He named his wife Anne and brother in law John Halsey. Mercer, of Uttoxeter as joint executors.

Children of Nicholas Hunt and Anne:

Hannah, bapt.2 January 1669/70; buried 22 October 1671 [Uttoxeter]. Mary, bapt.31 August 1671 [Uttoxeter]. Nicholas, bapt.12 June 1673 [Uttoxeter]. Alive in 1684 [will]. Anne, bapt.20 May 1675 [Uttoxeter]. Alive in 1684 [will]. Catherine, bapt.14 May 1676 [Uttoxeter]. Alive in 1684 [will]. Ellen, bapt.15 August 1680 [Uttoxeter]. Alive in 1684 [will].

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Staffordshire RO, D3891/1/3 and 32 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1652-1690; 1678-1715]; marriage and allegation bonds, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, 1636-1893; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Nicholas Hunt, barber surgeon, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 25 July 1684, pr.3 November 1684].

John JACKSON (b.c.1644)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Abbot's Bromley, Staffordshire

In 1685, John Jackson, surgeon, of Abbot's Bromley, Staffordshire, appeared as a witness in a defamation suit brought by Mary Harding against Isabel, the wife of John Dickinson of Drointon, for sexual slander. He was described as aged 41. He may have been the John Jackson who married Elizabeth Tunnicliff (26 October 1679) and Elizabeth Greenwood (23 December 1684) at Abbot's Bromley and was buried there on 30 December 1716.

Staffordshire RO, B/C/5/1685/212-215; D 1209/1/1/1 [parish registers of Abbot's Bromley, Staffordshire].

William KEELING (fl. 1688)

Occ: physician Loc: Keele, Staffordshire

Josiah Keeling, the son of William Keeling, physician, of Keele, Staffordshire, was apprenticed to Henry Corbett of the Blacksmiths' Company, London, on 1 November 1688. His father is otherwise unidentified and does not appear in the parish registers of Keele.

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Samuel KELSALL (d.1698)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Audley, Staffordshire

Samuel Kelsall, surgeon, was buried at Audley, Staffordshire, 24 July 1698. He may have formerly worked as a shoemaker before setting up as a bonesetter and doctor in the 1670s.

Staffordshire RO, D3483/1/1 [parish registers of Audley, Staffordshire, 1538-1712]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Samuel Kelsall, surgeon, of Audley, Staffordshire, pr.27 October 1698] [unseen].

John KENT (1682-1737)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, and Warwick, Warwickshire

Details of Kent's career as an apothecary are scant. He was living in Wolverhampton in 1711 when he took one John Nickins, the son of Nicholas Nickins (d.1729), vicar of Rushall,

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Staffordshire, as apprentice. However, by the time of his death in 1737 he was living in the borough of Warwick.

John Kent was the son of John Kent, rector of Wolverton, Warwickshire, and his wife Elizabeth, and was baptised at Wolverton on 19 November 1682. He may not have married and was buried at Tettenhall Regis, near Wolverhampton, on 8 March 1736/7. In his will, he left sizeable donations to the Charity School at Wolverhampton as well as to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. The main beneficiaries were his nephew and niece, Richard and Elizabeth Kent, the children of Kent's deceased brother Abraham (b.1681), who both received £800 each. He left all his land at Whitnash in Warwickshire and Wednesfield in Wolverhampton to his sister Anne Boddington and named her daughter Anne as residual legatee and executrix.

Apprentice of John Kent, apothecary, of Wolverhampton:

John Nickins, son of Nicholas Nickins, clerk, of Walsall, Staffordshire, for the premium of £25 as recorded in 1711.

TNA, IR1/42, f.119; Warwickshire RO, DRO, 178/1 [parish registers of Wolverton, Warwickshire, 1680-1782]; Staffordshire RO, D 1364/1/3 [parish registers of Tettenhall Regis, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/684, ff.90r-v [will of John Kent, apothecary, of Warwick, Warwickshire, proved 5 July 1737]; IR 1/42, f.119.

John KNIGHT (1672-1713)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

John Knight was the son of Walter Knight (d.1719) and his wife Mary and was baptised at Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, on 9 August 1672. He may have served an apprenticeship in London as in 1707 one John Knight of Burton upon Trent married Mary Fitchet at St Paul, Covent Garden, Middlesex (19 June). Knight was buried at Burton upon Trent on 30 January 1712/13. In his will, he left a small estate valued at just under £30 to his wife Mary, sisters Jane Coufflin and Frances Cotterill, and father Walter. Among his possessions were a large number of razors, cases and wigs, old and new, as well as a few books, Bible, and numerous pictures including 'one big picture of King William'.

Staffordshire RO, D4219/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 1538-1685; 1687-1764]; City of Westminster Archives, STP/PR/1/3 [parish registers of St Paul, Covent Garden, Middlesex, 1703-1739]; Staffordshire RO, P/C/11 [will and inventory of John Knight, barber and perriwigg maker, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 14 April 1712, pr.6 February 1712/13].

William KNIVETON (d.1724)

Occ: doctor Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

William Kniveton, 'commonly called Dr Kniveton', would appear to have practised medicine in Newcastle under Lyme from at least 1709 until his death in 1724. He was buried at

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Newcastle on 12 January 1723/4. One widow Kniveton was buried in the same parish, 24 August 1735.

Children of [Dr] William Kniveton:

Thomas, bapt.7 October 1709 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Mary, born 2 September 1712; bapt.7 September 1712 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Katherine, bapt.2 June 1714 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Elizabeth, bapt.12 September 1716 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

Joseph KIRKE or KYRKE (1619-1646)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Joseph Kirke was the son of Samuel Kirke and his wife Elizabeth and was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, 2 April 1619. He was buried at St Mary's on 1 March 1645/6. His will, where he describes himself as a barber surgeon, suggests he was married, but not happily. Kirke left a derisory some to his unnamed wife and comments on an unpaid dowry. He left the bulk of his estate to be shared between his mother, Elizabeth, and siblings Clement, Samuel (who received a case of barber's instruments, basin and cloths), Richard, Zachary, William and Isabel. Kirke was seemingly well connected. He nominated Nicholas Deakin and Humphrey Wood as overseers, the former acting as sheriff of the city in 1647.

Kirke's older brother Zachary (b.1611) was a painter and alabaster carver of some local fame who later served as sheriff in 1668. A brief and muddled letter from Joseph to Zachary, written shortly before his death, survives. Joseph probably died in the royalist forces defending Lichfield in 1646.

Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; P/C/11 [will of Joseph Kyrke, barber surgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 12 February 1646/7, pr.15 March 1646/7]; I.Carr and I.Atherton (eds), *The Civil War in Staffordshire in the Spring of 1646: Sir William Brereton's Letter Book, April-May 1646* (Bristol, Staffirdshire Rec Soc, 4th ser., vol.21, 2007), pp.224-5 [which wrongly suggests a putative dating of the letter to *c*.9 May 1646].

Joseph LANDER (*c*.1649-1706)

Occ: barber/surgeon Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Joseph Lander was born in about 1649. He practised as a barber and surgeon in the town of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, from about 1672 until his death in1706. Lander married Ann Mason (*c*.1651-1721) of Burslem, Staffordshire, at Newcastle under Lyme on 13 January 1672/3. He was buried in the same parish on 16 February 1705/6. His widow Ann lived for another fifteen years. She was buried at Newcastle on 16 April 1721.

Children of Joseph Lander and Ann:

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William, bapt.22 April 1674 [Newcastle under Lyme]. A barber, he was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, 24 June 1703.

Sarah, bapt.14 February 1676/7; buried 23 May 1685 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Elizabeth, born 1 August 1678; bapt.11 August 1678; buried 21 October 1695 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Hannah, born11 September 1680; bapt.15 September 1680; buried 28 June 1683 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Joseph, born 29 May 1684; bapt.10 June 1684; buried 10 May 1685 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Feliciah, born 26 May 1685; bapt.7 June 1685 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Esther, born 28 April 1687; bapt.11 May 1687 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Sarah, buried 17 June 1688 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Anne, born 25 August 1689; bapt.4 September 1689 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Thomas, born 2 November 1690; bapt.19 November 1690 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Anthony, born 4 May 1697; bapt.27 May 1697; buried 12 April 1698 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/4 and 5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

William LANDER (1674-1703)

Occ: barber Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

William Lander was the son of **Joseph Lander**, barber, and his wife Ann, nee Mason, and was baptised at Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, on 22 April 1674. He died intestate and was buried at Newcastle on 24 June 1703. His estate, partly appraised by his father, was valued at just £26 10s (of which £3 consisted of shop goods, including razors, combs, etc). Administration of his estate was granted to his widow Elizabeth (otherwise unidentified).

Children of William Lander:

William, born 12 December 1701; bapt.30 December 1701 [Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

Staffordshire RO, D3251/1/4 and 5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and administration of estate of William Lander, barber, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 1 October 1703].

Thomas LANSDON (d.1639)

Occ: barber surgeon

Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Mr Thomas Lansdon, barber surgeon, was buried at Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 8 July 1639. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/2 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 1635-1690].

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Francis LEE or LEES (d.1713 or 1714)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Francis Lee or Lees practised as a surgeon in the town of Stafford from about 1665 until about 1713. At the time of his death, sometime between September 1713 and November 1714, he was described as living with his wife Sarah in the parish of St Mary's, Stafford. Lee's personal estate was small (valued at just £16 12s), but he held two freehold and one leasehold property in Green Gates Street, Stafford, which he bequeathed to his son and heir Francis and wife and executrix Sarah. Lee also provided small bequests of £20 and £10 respectively to his two married daughters, Mary Dudley and Sarah Cornes.

Children of Francis Lee/Lees and wife Sarah:

Francis, bapt.29 June 1665; buried 7 July 1665 [St Chad's, Stafford].

William, bapt.29 June 1665; buried 12 July 1665 [St Chad's, Stafford].

Robert, bapt.1 April 1667 [St Chad's, Stafford].

Sarah, bapt.5 May 1669 [St Chad's, Stafford]. She married Joseph Cornes at St Mary's, Stafford, 19 April 1696. Alive in 1713 [will].

Mary, bapt.15 February 1672/3 [St Chad's, Stafford]. She married Peter Dudley at St Mary's, Stafford, 8 September 1697. Alive in 1713 [will]. Francis [will].

Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of Francis Lees, chirurgion, of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire, 3 September 1713, pr.9 November 1714]; D1398/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Stafford, Staffordshire, 1637-1714]; D1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire].

John LEES or LEESE (d.1716)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Stone, Staffordshire

John Lees of Stone, Staffordshire, was licensed to practise surgery in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield on 14 May 1698. He was buried at Stone on 24 January 1715/16. In his will, Lees left bequests totalling £745 as well as unspecified property to various beneficiaries including his wife and executrix Elizabeth (otherwise unidentified), sister Margaret Lees of Fosbrooke, Staffordshire, and **William Warrilow**, a barber, of Stone.

Staffordshire RO, B/A/4/13, *sub* 14 May 1698; parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire; B/C/11 [will of John Leese, barber chyrurgion, of Stone, Staffordshire, 20 January 1715/16, pr.26 April 1716].

Richard LEIGH (c.1650-1728)

Occ: physician Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

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Richard Leigh was the son of Edward Leigh of Rushall, Staffordshire (1603-1671) and his wife Eleanor, nee Talbot (d.1707). He entered Queen's College, Oxford, on 23 March 1666, aged 16, proceeding BA in 1669. Shortly after, he left for London where, according to Wood, he flirted with a career as an actor. He subsequently published numerous works including attacks on John Dryden and Andrew Marvell, as well as a collection of poetry in which he lauded Gilbert Sheldon, archbishop of Canterbury. At some point, he settled in Wolverhampton where he practised medicine. He was buried alongside his father at Rushall on 2 September 1728. In his will, he makes no mention of his medical practice or interests but does advertise his strong Roman Catholic beliefs, leaving money to poor Catholic in Wolverhampton as well as large amounts of devotional statuary and art to various family members. In addition, he left land and property in Staffordshire and Holborn, Middlesex, to various nephews, including the children of his older brother Dr **Edward Leigh** of Grantham, Lincolnshire, who may have encouraged his entry into the medical profession. He named Edward's son and godson Richard Leigh as residual legatee and executor. There is no evidence that Leigh married.

Publications:

The Censure of the Rota on Mr Driden's Conquest of Granada (Oxford, 1673).

The Transposer Rehears'd, or, the Fifth Act of Mr Baye's Play being a Postscript to the Animadversion on the Preface to Bishop Bramhall's Vindication (Oxford, 1673).

Poems upon Several Occasions, and, to Several Persons by the Author of the Censure of the Rota (London, 1675).

ODNB, *sub* Leigh, Richard, article by T.B.Saunders, revised by J.Moody; Foster, iii, p.898; Staffordshire RO, parish registers of Rushall, Staffordshire; TNA, PROB 11/624, ff.212v-214r [will of Richard Leigh, doctor of physic, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 25 March 1725/6, pr.12 September 1728].

Edward LIGHTWOOD (1675-1757)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Yoxall, Staffordshire

Edward Lightwood, surgeon, of Yoxall, Staffordshire, is mentioned in two property deeds dated 1713 and 1735. He may have been the same as the Edward Lightwood, the son of Zachary Lightwood and his wife Catherine, who was baptised at Yoxall on 10 April 1675. One of this name, gent, was buried there on 10 January 1757.

Staffordshire RO, D 730/1/1A and B [parish registers of Yoxall, Staffordshire]; D(W)1752/B/1/1 and 2 [conveyance of property at Yoxall, dated 28 September 1713]; Birmingham Archives, MS 3211/ACC 1920-021/288075 [indenture dated 12 November 1735].

Robert LLOYD (d.1709)

Occ: physician Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

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Nothing is known of Lloyd's antecedents or education. He may be the same as the Lloyd of Lichfield, M.L. (medical licentiate?) whose family's coat of arms is noted by the county historian Robert Plot. Lloyd would appear to have been established in medical practice at Lichfield by 1664 and he continued to practice in the city until his death in 1709. In 1673, he provided a certificate supporting a plea of manslaughter in the case of a Staffordshire man, and he also supplied letters testimonial on behalf of fellow practitioners **William Smith** of Lichfield (1677) and **John Parkes** of Halesowen (1682). In 1688, he corresponded with the Coventry physician **Richard Higgs** in the hope that the latter might travel to Ashbourne in Derbyshire to consult in the case of one Mr Boothby, the son of Sir William Boothby. Lloyd, alongside **Dr John Coke or Cooke** of Derby, believed that his patient was suffering from a 'gonnorhea virulenta' and had recently relapsed following brief signs of a recovery.

Dr Robert Lloyd was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 28 February 1708/9. In a brief will, he left all his real and personal estate to his daughter Elizabeth, having already provided for his wife and other children. Lloyd's widow Elizabeth was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, 7 November 1713.

Children of Dr/Mr Robert Lloyd, gent:

Robert, bapt.28 January 1663/4 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Anne, bapt.1 January 1665/6 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Mr John Hill at St Mary's, Lichfield, 29 September 1695.

Talbot, bapt.4 July 1669 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Philadelphia, bapt.16 September 1670; buried 25 May 1678 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Robert Plot, *The Natural History of Stafford-shire* (Oxford, 1686); *CSPD, 1673*, p.2; Worcestershire RO, 795/02/BA 2302/28/6315; 795.02/BA 2302/33/7315; St John's College Library, Oxford, MS 296, f.19 [Robert Lloyd to Richard Higgs, 26 February 1687/8]; Staffordshire RO, D20/1//1 and 2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677; 1677-1754]; P/C/11 [will of Robert Lloyd, doctor of physick, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 17 April 1704, pr.28 May 1709].

Richard LOE (d.1711)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Richard Loe was the son of William Loe, apothecary, of Walsall, and his wife Eleanor. Despite his father's wishes that he may be 'bredd up a scholler', Richard followed his father into trade as an apothecary in his hometown. He was buried at Walsall on 7 November 1711. In his will, he mentions a wife, son and daughter (unnamed) to whom he left the bulk of his estate which was valued at almost £170. He also named his brother William and brother-in-law Mr Richard Scott as joint executors.

Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Loe, apothecary, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 7 June 1677, pr.1677; inventory dated 25 July 1677; will and inventory of Richard Loe, apothecary, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 15 July 1708, pr.25 January 1711/12; inventory dated 18 January 1711/12]; Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire.

William LOE (d.1677)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

William Loe, apothecary, was buried at Walsall, Staffordshire, on 11 June 1677. He died a wealthy man on paper with an estate valued at over £1,000. However, over two thirds of the valuation consisted of debts and mortgages. In his will, made a few days before his death, he left the bulk of his estate, including land and houses in Walsall and Tipton, to his wife Eleanor and children Richard, William and others (unnamed). He intended that his son Richard be 'bredd a scholler', if suitable, though in the event he followed his father's trade as an apothecary. Loe named his wife Eleanor and uncle Mr Henry Stone as joint executors, instructing them to oversee his estate for the benefit of his children, all of whom were not yet 21.

Children of William Loe and wife Eleanor:

Richard. He became an apothecary in Walsall. William, bapt.21 November 1674.

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall [see]; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Loe, apothecary, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 7 June 1677, pr.1677; inventory dated 25 July 1677].

George LONG (d.1712)

Occ: clergyman/physician.

Loc: Leicester, Leicestershire & Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

George Long entered Trinity College, Cambridge, in 1646 where he graduated BA in 1650 and MA in 1653. He was a fellow of the College until his deprivation in 1660. Thereafter, he served briefly as curate of the parish of Newcastle under Lyme in Staffordshire before being ejected in 1662. Unable to conform, Long resorted to medicine. He subsequently graduated as MD at Leiden on 12 July 1668 having submitted a thesis on convulsive illness which he dedicated to his cousin George Long, esquire, and another relation Kenrick Eyton (d.1681), a former royalist, lawyer and politician who sat as MP for Flintshire in 1660. On returning to England, Long initially settled at Leicester where he was licensed to preach as a Presbyterian in 1672. Persecution followed as he frequently moved his young family across the country settling briefly at Birmingham, Ireland, Darlington and Coventry.

Sometime around 1692, he returned to Newcastle under Lyme where he continued to practise medicine and minister to a congregation of nonconformists. In 1701, he was left £10 in the will of fellow nonconformist minister Roger Morrice of Leek. Long finally moved around 1705 to Bristol where he died on 26 December 1712 and was buried in the parish of St James' three days later. His wife Lydia predeceased him having been buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 29 February 1703/4.

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Children of George Long and wife Lydia:

John, born 19 May 1669; bapt.23 May 1669 [St Mary's, Leicester].

Elizabeth, bapt.22 June 1672 [St Martin's, Leicester]

Matthew, bapt.28 November 1673 [St Martin's, Leicester].

Nathaniel. He entered the nonconformist academy at Rathmell on 12 April 1692 and became a minister at Wrexham in 1704. He died two years later, aged 30.

George, buried 8 June 1688 [St Chad's, Shrewsbury].

Venn, iii, p.102; *Calamy Revised*, ed.A.G.Matthews (Oxford, 1934; reissued 1988), p.327; Innes Smith, p.144; TNA, PROB 11/463, f.67r [will of Roger Morrice, clerk, of Leek, Staffordshire, 11 October 1701, pr.19 January 1702/3]; Bristol Archives, P/ST.J/R/1/c [parish registers of St James', Bristol, Gloucestershire, 1688-1714]; Staffordshire RO, D 3251/1/4 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; LRRO, 8D/59/15 [parish registers of St Mary's, Leicester, Leicestershire]; DE 1564/1 [parish registers of St Martin's, Leicester, Leicestershire]; F.Nicholson and E.Axon, The Older Nonconformity in Kendal ... With Transcripts of the Registers and Notices of the Nonconformist Academies of Richard Frankland, MA, and Caleb Rotheram, DD (Kendal, 1915), p.587; Shropshire Archives, P253/A/4/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, 1678-1719].

Christobel LOVETT (d.1693)

Occ: midwife Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Christobel Lovett, a midwife, was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, on 17 January 1692/3. She was probably married to Richard Lovett, the couple baptising a daughter Margaret at Newcastle on 2 June 1656.

Staffordshire RO, D 3251/1/3 and 4 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

Henry MACHIM or MACHON (d.1686)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Henry Machim or Machon, barber surgeon, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 6 July 1686. He had practised in the city for over 20 years. At his death, his estate, which included barber's tools and musical instruments, was valued at just £21 11s 6d. Administration was subsequently granted to his widow Susanna, who was buried at St Michael's on 12 November 1693.

Children of Henry Machim:

Deborah, bapt.13 August 1674 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Margaret, bapt.10 April 1682 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Susanna, bapt.5 January 1683/4 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

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Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [inventory and administration of will of Henry Machon, barber chirurgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 2 August 1686, proved 7 December 1686]; D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677].

Henry MAINWARING (d.1713)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Audley, Staffordshire

Henry Mainwaring, surgeon, was licensed to practise surgery in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield in 1701. He was buried at Audley, Staffordshire, on 8 November 1713. In his will, he left all his estate to his wife Mary and two sons, Thomas and Bolton, not yet 21. An inventory of his goods valued his estate at £56 5s (where he is described as Dr Henry Mainwaring). Mainwaring's friends Richard Parrott, gent, of Bignalhill and William Kelsall Snr, yeoman, of Audley, subsequently renounced the will, administration being granted to the testator's widow.

Staffordshire RO, licence to practise [see]; D 3483/1/2 [parish registers of Audley, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will, renciation, inventory and administration of the will of Henry Mainwaring, chyrurgion, of Audley, Staffordshire], 10 August 1713, pr.23 April 1714; inventory dated 18 November 1713].

George MARSHALL (1689-1719)

Occ: barber Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

George Marshall was the son of Joseph Marshall and was baptised at Longdon, Staffordshire, on 26 September 1689. He set up in practice as a barber in the city of Lichfield where he died, unmarried, in 1719. A resident of the parish of St Mary's, he was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 6 December 1719. He left a small estate worth just over £80 to three cousins, Mary, John and Lydia Betts.

Staffordshire RO, D 1011/1/1 [parish registers of Longdon, Staffordshire]; D 27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of George Marshall, barber, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 17 June 1719, pr.15 December 1719; inventory dated 14 December 1719].

James MARTIN or MARTYN (d.1579)

Oc: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Sometime in the 1530s, James Martyn, surgeon, of Lichfield acted as plaintiff in a case brought before the Court of Chancery against his former patient Robert Markham of Oxton, Nottinghamshire, following a dispute over Martyn's fee and travelling charges in curing Markham's leg.

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He may be the same as the James Marten, physician, of Wall, near Lichfield, Staffordshire, who was a defendant in a debt case in the Court of Common Pleas in 1567. Mr james Martin was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 2 April 1579.

TNA, C1/854/6 [1533-8]; CP40/1253 [1567]; Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

John MARTEN or MARTIN (1674-1745)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Marten was the eldest surviving son and heir of Simon Marten (d.1688), a notary public, and wife Abra (d.1705), of Lichfield. He was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, 21 October 1674. He seems to have served an apprenticeship in his native city where in 1695 he was living in the house of Rhoda Boylston, widow, with fellow apprentice Henry Boylston who later married Anne Hector, the aunt of Edmund Hector. Marten settled into business as an apothecary and seems to have prospered. In 1725-6, he served as sheriff of the city. Marten married twice. Firstly, he wed Hannah Hutchinson (1666-1719), the daughter of Richard Hutchinson, rector of Church Lawford, Warwickshire (marriage licence dated 20 December 1697). Hannah was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 17 May 1719. And secondly, Marten married Mary, the widow of Charles Howard, clothworker, of Lichfield, and the daughter of. Thomas Bromley, yeoman, at St Mary's, Lichfield on 1 July 1722. Mary was buried in the same parish on 27 October 1737. Mr John Marten was buried at St Mary's on 26 March 1745. Marten was remembered by Dr Samuel Johnson as 'a pious man' who was regularly escorted to church by his son-in-law and fellow surgeon/apothecary, Carey Butt (1709-81). He was a resident of Sadler Street where a plaque today marks the house in which he formerly lived.

Children of John Marten and wife Hannah:

Hutchinson, bapt.26 September 1699; buried 18 March 1699/1700 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Simon, bapt.8 September 1700; buried 10 September 1700 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Hannamaria, bapt.23 January 1701/2; buried 26 April 1735 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Henry, bapt.16 October 1703; buried 8 April 1735 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Ellizabeth, bapt.22 March 1707/8 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Carey Butt, surgeon and apothecary, of Lichfield, at St Mary's on 3 April 1737, and died in 1789 at Trentham, Staffordshire, where she was buried on 2 January 1790.

A.L.Reade, *Johnsonian Gleanings*. *Part IV*. *The Doctor's Boyhood*. *Appendices* (London, 1923), pp.118-19, 122; Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677; 1677-1754]; marriage allegations and bonds for diocese of Coventry and Lichfield.

William MARTIN or MARTYN (d.1680)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

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William Martin, apothecary, died unmarried and was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 8 March 1679/80. In a nuncupative will, made shortly before his death, he left all his estate to his sister and executrix Ann Martin, asking that she 'be kind to his poor relations', particularly his brother Mr john Martin of Stafford. His estate was valued at a miserly £27 16s 8d (including £1 of books).

Staffordshire RO, D 1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [nuncupative will and inventory of William Martin, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire, *c*.27 February 1679/80, pr.26 March 1680].

John MASON (d.1648)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

John Mason, barber, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, 8 September 1648. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D 1167/1/1/1 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Thomas MEERE (*fl.*1697-1702)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Thomas Meere was active as a barber in the town of Wolverhampton at the turn of the eighteenth century.

Children of Thomas Meere:

John, bapt.24 June 1697 [Wolverhampton]. Richard, bapt.10 April 1699 [Wolverhampton]. Mary, bapt.2 April 1700 [Wolverhampton]. William, bapt.8 February 1701/2 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/3 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Thomas MINION (d.c.1689)

Occ: barber and periwigmaker Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Described as a barber and periwigmaker, Minion died at Lichfield in about 1689. He baptised a son Thomas at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 8 February 1685/6.

Staffordshire RO, P/C/11 [administration of will and inventory of Thomas Minion, barber and periwigmaker, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, pr.14 September 1689] [unseen]; D 20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1677-1754].

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Thomas MORREY (fl.1712)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Betley, Staffordshire

William Brittaine, the son of William Brittaine, yeoman, of Betley, Staffordshire, was apprenticed to Thomas Morrey, apothecary, of the same place for the premium of £20 as recorded in 1712. Otherwise unidentified.

TNA, IR1/43, f.77.

Richard MORRIS (1664-1746)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Chesterfield, Derbyshire, and Rugeley, Staffordshire

Richard Morris was the son of Richard Morris (d.1670) and was baptised at Rugeley, Staffordshire, on 18 October 1664. A convert to Quakerism, he married Esther Storrs, the daughter of William Storrs, draper, of Chesterfield, Derbyshire, and his wife Sarah, nee Sikes, in 1699. Morris briefly settled with his Quaker in-laws in Chesterfield where four children were born between 1701 and 1706 before returning to his native Rugeley in Staffordshire. There, he practised surgery until his death, aged 82, on 28 November 1746. Morris was buried in the Quaker burial ground at Stafford on 1 December 1746. In his will, the major beneficiaries were his daughter Mary, widow of Joseph Clutton, a London apothecary, his son-in-law William Birkbeck and the children of his dead son Moses. Morris was predeceased by his wife Esther who died on 17 April 1708 and was buried two days later.

In 1798, Morris' grandson Morris Birkbeck (1733-1816), a Quaker merchant of Wandsworth in Surrey, was responsible for publishing a manuscript treatise on the scriptures written by his grandfather shortly before his death in 1746.

Children of Richard Morris and Esther:

Mary, born 3 October 1701 [Chesterfield Quaker meeting]. She married Joseph Clutton, apothecary, of London at the Stafford meeting on 4 May 1725. She was alive in 1745 [will].

Moses, born 19 July 1703 [Chesterfield Quaker meeting].

Moses, born 12 April 1705 [Chesterfield Quaker meeting]. An apothecary at Rugeley, he died on 26 September 1742 and was buried at the Quaker burial ground at Stafford on 29 September 1742.

Sarah, born 30 October 1706 [Chesterfield Quaker meeting]. She married William Birkbeck of Settle, Yorkshire, at the Stafford meeting on 5 May 1730.

Publications:

Some Animadversions on the Supposition of the Scriptures Being the Only Principal and Perfect Rule to Salvation ... By Richard Morris, of Rugely, Staffordshire. Written about the Year 1742 (London, J.Phillips, 1798).

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Staffordshire RO, D 1454/1/1 [parish registers of Rugeley, Staffordshire]; Friends House Library, London, Portfolio MS 11, no.6 ['Some Account of the Life of Esther Morris by her husband Richard Morris, 1709/10]; TNA, RG6/1034 [monthly meeting of the Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Quakers]; RG6/1460 [monthly meeting of the Cheshire and Staffordshire Quakers]; Staffordshire RO, consistory court of the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, will of Richard Morris, surgeon, of Rugeley, Staffordshire, 28 June 1745, pr.16 December 1746.

Richard MOSELEY or MOUSELEY (d.1723)

Occ: barber Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Richard Moseley or Mouseley, barber, was buried at Walsall, Staffordshire, 26 March 1723. He was named as one of the joint executors of the will of Richard Roe, apothecary, of Walsall in February 1716/17.

Staffordshire RO, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; **B/C/11** [will and inventory of Richard Moseley, barber, of Walsall, Staffordshire, pr.22 April 1723 [unseen]; B/C/11 [will of Richard Roe, apothecary, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 2 February 1716/17, pr.22 March 1716/17].

John MOUNT (d.1719)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Mount worked as a surgeon in the city of Lichfield from at least 1684 until his death in 1719. He married twice. Nothing is known of his first wife Elizabeth who was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 10 June 1686. He subsequently married Joyce Hollis at the Cathedral Close in Lichfield, 4 November 1691. Mr John Mount was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 19 April 1719. Administration of his will was granted to his widow Joyce with a proviso that she made good a payment of 20s to Mount's son, Richard.

Children of Mr John Mount:

Richard, bapt. 23 March 1683/4 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He was still alive in 1719. Margaret, bapt.2 October 1694 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Apprentices of John Mount:

Richard Lees, son of John Lees, gentleman, of Morton Morrell, Warwickshire, for the premium of £49 in 1712.

Richard Lowe, son of Diana Lowe, widow, of Lichfield, Hampshire [sic], for the premium of £41 10s as recorded in 1713.

Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 102/1 [parish registers of Cathedral Close, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1677-1754]; P/C/11 [administration of the

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will of John Mount, surgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, pr.8 June 1719]; TNA, IR1/2, ff.89, 118.

William NEVILL (d.1637)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

William Nevill, doctor of physic, was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, 24 June 1637. In a very brief will, witnessed by the vicar of St Mary's among others, Nevill left all his estate to his wife Elizabeth, the couple having no children.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677]; TNA, PROB 11/175, f.366r [will of William Nevill, doctor of physic, 14 June 1637, pr.19 December 1637].

Samuel NEWBOULT (1636-1666)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Samuel Newboult was the son of Richard Newbolt, ironmonger, and his wife Elizabeth, of the town of Stafford, and was baptised at Stafford on 21 November 1636. He set up as an apothecary in the city of Lichfield. On 29 June 1661, he married Elizabeth Mott at St Chad's, Lichfield. Newboult died in 1666. In his will, he left all his estate, real and personal, to his wife Elizabeth and named her and his father Richard as joint executors (the latter subsequently renounced the role). In addition, Newboult nominated his brother-in-law John Mott as overseer. A detailed inventory of Newboult's goods, partly conducted by the apothecary **Henry Boylston**, valued his estate at £74. It strongly suggests that his shop sold a wide range of groceries and sweetmeats as well as the usual drugs.

Staffordshire RO, D 1399/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; D 29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Samuel Newbolt, apothecary, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1 June 1666, pr.20 August 1666].

Edward NICHOLLS or NICHOLS (d.1751)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stone, Staffordshire

Edward Nicholls practised as an apothecary in the town of Stone in Staffordshire from about 1714 until his death in 1751. Edward Nicholls, gent, of Stone, was buried in the parish on 15 April 1751. In his will, where he described himself as an apothecary, he left the bulk of his business and land to his son Thomas while making various bequests of land and money to his wife Elizabeth and three daughters, Elizabeth, Mary and Anne.

Children of Edward Nicholls and wife Elizabeth:

Thomas, bapt.25 July 1717; buried 28 August 1717 [Stone]. Edward, bapt.7 October 1719; buried 4 July 1732 [Stone].

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Thomas, bapt.2 March 1719/20 [Stone]. Elizabeth, bapt.19 February 1721/2 [Stone]. Mary, bapt.31 October 1723 [Stone]. Anne, bapt.5 November 1724 [Stone]. John, bapt.2 June 1726 [Stone].

Apprentice of Edward Nicholls, apothecary:

James Mayo of Newport, Shropshire, for the premium of £40 as recorded in 1714. Thomas Hillman, son of James Hillman, clerk, of Brewood, Staffordshire, for the premium of £40 as recorded in 1720. He practised as an apothecary at Newcastle under Lyme.

TNA, IR1/44, f.30; Staffordshire RO, parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire; consistory court of diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, will of Edward Nicholls, apothecary, of Stone, Staffordshire, 9 January 1736/7, pr.13 June 1751]; TNA, IR 1/4, f.30; 1/8, f.179.

William NICHOLLS or NICHOLS (d.1721)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire

William Nichols, apothecary, of Longton, was buried at Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire on 21 March 1720/1. He is described as a widower in the parish register. Nichols died intestate, administration of his estate, valued at just £23, being granted to his son William.

Staffordshire RO, D 1188/3 [parish registers of Stoke on Trent, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and administration of estate of William Nicholas, apothecary, of Longton, Stoke upon Trent, Staffordshire, 4 April & 9 May 1721].

William NORRIS (d.1678)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Hopton, Staffordshire

William Norris, a Quaker surgeon, was buried in the Friends burial ground at Stafford on 25 January 1677/8. His widow Jane died later the same year. Norris named his wife Jane as the chief beneficiary. He also nominated her, alongside his 'beloved friend' and fellow Quaker John Alsopp Snr of Ingestre, Staffordshire, to act as joint executors of his will. Norris also left a small bequest to the Quaker apologist Humphrey Wolrich (d.1707). An inventory of his goods valued his estate at just over £108 (of which £10 consisted of instruments, tools and books 'belonging to his calling').

TNA, RG6/1460 [registers of the Quakers monthly meeting for Cheshire and Staffordshire]; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Norris, chirurgion, of Hopton, Staffordshire, 4 January 1677/8, pr.8 April 1680; will and inventory of Anne Norris, widow, of Hopton, Staffordshire, 8 April 1678, pr.14 June 1678].

Edward OLDFIELD (*fl.*1692-1706)

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Occ: barber Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Edward Oldfield, barber, married Elizabeth Cooke, both of Uttoxeter, in the parish church of Uttoxeter, 20 April 1692. Elizabeth died in childbed and was buried at Uttoxeter on 19 March 1694/5. Oldfield subsequently married Elizabeth Parker of Hanbury, Staffordshire, at Hanbury, 6 April 1702.

Children of Edward Oldfield:

Edward, bapt.12 March 1694/5; buried 12 August 1695 [Uttoxeter]. Thomas, bapt.9 October 1703 [Uttoxeter]. Edward, bapt.10 September 1706; buried 5 October 1706 [Uttoxeter].

Staffordshire RO, D 3891/1/4 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1690-1714]; D 1528/1/2 [parish registers of Hanbury, Staffordshire].

Edmund OLDFIELD (fl.1715)

Occ: barber Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Richard Sherwin, the son of Mary Sherwin, widow, of Adderley, Shropshire, was apprenticed to Edmund Oldfield, barber, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, for the premium of £14 as reported in 1715. Otherwise unidentified.

TNA, IR 1/45, f.8.

Humphrey OLDFIELD (d.1719)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Humphrey Oldfield, apothecary, married Lettice Wood at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 12 June 1700. He was buried at Uttoxeter on 9 October 1719. His widow Lettice ultimately removed to Stone in Staffordshire to live with her grandson, Humphrey Oldfield, also an apothecary. She died intestate and was buried at Uttoxeter on 29 September 1754.

Children of Humphrey Oldfield and wife Lettice:

Edward, bapt.12 February 1701/2 [Uttoxeter]. He married Sarah Bull at Wirksworth, Derbyshire, on 26 March 1722. An apothecary, he was buried at Uttoxeter, 11 April 1729. John, bapt.19 March 1702/3; buried 14 April 1704 [Uttoxeter].

Staffordshire RO, D 3891/1/4 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, baptisms and marriages, 1690-1714]; D 3891/1/5 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, burials]; B/C/5/1706/90 [witness in testamentary case, 29 January 1705]; consistory court wills, administration of will of Lettice Oldfield, widow, of Stone, Staffordshire, pr.7 November 1754; Derbyshire RO, parish registers of Wirksworth, Derbyshire, 1697-1812.

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Thomas ORBIN (fl.1638)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Rowland Orbin, the son of Thomas Orbin, barber surgeon, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, was apprenticed to Richard Currier of the Blacksmiths' Company, London, on 25 June 1638. Otherwise unidentified.

London apprenticeship abstracts, 1442-1850.

Robert PARADINE (d.1642)

Occ: physician Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Robert Paradine, physician, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, 31 July 1642. He was predeceased by his wife Margaret who was buried in the same parish on 7 March 1638/9. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

John PARKER (1609-1655)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Parker was the son of Thomas Parker and was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 22 October 1609. He may be the same as the John Parker who married Anne Simons at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 15 October 1633. Parker practised as an apothecary in the city, at the sign of the Naked Boy on Saddler Street, until his death in 1655. He leased the property from fellow apothecary **Richard Drafgate**.

Mr John Parker was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 27 February 1654/5. In his will, he left an estimated estate of £228 which included 'sixteene books little and bigge'. The main beneficiaries were his wife Joan, who continued in the trade of an apothecary, and their children. Parker's son **John Parker** was apprenticed to his mother in 1670 and later settled into practise as an apothecary in the city. Joan herself was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 29 November 1688. She divided her estate, valued at £177, between her son John and three daughters Mary, Elizabeth and Joan. John received the bulk of her estate, including all shop goods, wares and instruments and utensils 'belonging to the trade of an apothecary'.

Children of John Parker and Joan:

Mary, bapt.6 December 1649 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Alive and unmarried in 1711. Elizabeth, bapt.1 October 1651 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Joan, bapt.13 April 1653 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Alive and unmarried in 1711. **John**, bapt.12 September 1655 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Apothecary.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677; 1677-1754]; D 27/1/2 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire];

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William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/660, 661 [lease of Sadler Street, 11 December 1648]; 1772 & 816 [nuncupative will and inventory of John Parker, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 12 February and 7 March 1654/5]; SD Pearson 997 and 998 [indenture of apprenticeship, 27 September 1670]; Staffordshire RO, consistory court wills [will and inventory of Joan Parker, widow, of Lichfield, 17 May 1685, pr.13 December 1688; inventory dated 10 December 1688]; William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/532a/844 [another copy of will and inventory of Joan Parker].

John PARKER (1655-1711)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Parker was the son of John Parker, apothecary, and his wife Joan and was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, 12 September 1655. After serving an apprenticeship with his mother (indentured for nine years) and Collins Woolrich of Shrewsbury, he inherited the family business and traded as an apothecary in the city until his death in 1711. Parker also practised surgery and medicine. He obtained an archiepiscopal licence to practise both faculties on 6 February 1685. Letters testimonial on his behalf were signed by two physicians – Anthony Bruser and John Harborough of London – as well as a local clergyman and the churchwardens of his home parish, St Mary's in Lichfield. Parker married twice. Firstly, on 14 June 1680 he married Sarah Hodgson at St Michael's, Lichfield. Secondly, he married Jane Saunders in the Close at Lichfield, 16 August 1691. Both predeceased Parker who was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 8 February 1710/11. Parker died childless and intestate, administration of his will being granted to his two sisters, Mary and Joan Parker, who shared the estate. They later sold their brother's drugs and utensils to Joseph Barker, apothecary of Coleshill, Warwickshire.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677; 1677-1754]; William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/819, 997 and 998; Staffordshire RO, consistory court wills [will and inventory of Joan Parker, widow, of Lichfield, 17 May 1685, pr.13 December 1688; inventory dated 10 December 1688]; Lambeth Palace Library, London, VX 1A/10/222/1-4; Sancroft, f.254; Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; Staffordshire RO, D 102/1 [parish registers of The Close, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [administration of estate and inventory of John Parker, apothecary, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, pr.27 February 1710/11]; William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/728 and 729 [10 August 1711].

Richard PARSS (fl.1702)

Occ: barber Loc: Wednesbury, Staffordshire

In 1702, the Walsall barber surgeon **Richard Hamersley** recounted his frequent meetings with one Richard Parss, a barber, at Wednesbury where he frequently travelled to treat injured mineworkers. Parss had expressed doubts about his practice of trimming and barbering on the sabbath – something which Hamersley vehemently opposed - but refusing to heed several warnings, he eventually committed suicide leaving a widow to be cared for by the parish.

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Otherwise unidentified.

Richard Hamersley, *Advice to Sunday Barbers, Against Trimming on the Lord's Day* (London, 1706), pp.52-4.

James PATTISON (d.1733)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

James Pattison practised as a barber and periwigmaker in the Staffordshire town of Newcastle under Lyme in the early eighteenth century. He was buried at Newcastle on 19 January 1732/3. Having died intestate, administration of his estate, valued at just £18 1s 6d, was granted to his widow Catherine in May 1733.

Children of James Pattison:

James, bapt.26 September 1718 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Honour, bapt.2 March 1720/1 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Sarah, bapt.16 December 1722 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Apprentice of James Pattison, barber and periwigmaker:

James Smith, son of John Smith, yeoman, of Wildgoose House, Leek, Staffordshire, for the premium of £12 as recorded in 1711.

Staffordshire RO, D 3251/1/5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; diocese of Coventry and Lichfield wills and inventories [administration and inventory of James Pattison, barber, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 23 and 24 May 1733]; TNA, IR 1/42, f.31.

Peter PAYTON or PEYTON (d.1711)

Occ: physician/clergyman

Loc: Kidderminster, Worcestershire, North Luffenham, Rutland, and Stafford, Staffordshire

Peter Payton or Peyton was the son of John Peyton and was baptised at Kidderminster, Worcestershire. After practising medicine at Kidderminster in the early 1690s, he later settled as a dissenting minister at North Luffenham, Rutland (where he preached to a congregation at Uppingham in that county) before moving to serve a congregation at Stafford. He was buried at St Mary's, Stafford ('praedicator apud convent'), 5 August 1711. In his will, he admonished his eight surviving children to 'keep close to the pure and unmixed Worship of the holy God and walk in all humble duty towards your Mother, so shall the blessings of the upper and nether Springs be upon you'. He left over £350 in bequests to his wife Mary and children, requesting that his son Peter be trained for the ministry and so inherit his study of books. Finally, he named his wife and brother-in-law Benjamin Cooke, mercer, of Worcester as joint executors and nominated his 'loving kinsmen' Mr Edward Butler of Kidderminster and brother-in-law Caleb Tilt as overseers.

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Peter's son Peter did follow in his father's footsteps. He was educated at the Findern Academy between about 1717 and 1721 before becoming Presbyterian minister at Chipping Campden in Gloucestershire. At his death, he bequeathed 99 books of divinity to the church there.

Children of Peter Payton or Peyton and wife Mary:

John, born 22 October 1689 [Kidderminster].

Thomas [will].

Hannah, born 20 May 1695 [North Luffenham]

Hanson, born 7 April 1696 [North Luffenham]

Peter, born 14 May 1700 [North Luffenham].

Anne, born 5 February 1700/1 [North Luffenham]. Dead before 1711 [will].

Mary, born 30 December 1690 [Kidderminster].

Elizabeth [will].

Jane [will].

Worcestershire RO, parish registers of Kidderminster, Worcestershire; A.Gordon (ed.), Freedom After Ejection. A Review (1690-1692) of Presbyterian and Congregational Nonconformity in England and Wales (Manchester, 1917), pp.127, 332; Staffordshire RO, D 1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/523, ff.294v-295v [will of Peter Payton, clerk, of Stafford, Staffordshire, 26 May 1711, pr.1 October 1711]; Leicestershire and Rutland RO, DE 1940/1 [parish register of North Luffenham, Rutland].

John PERKINS (d.1685)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Perkins, apothecary, married Ruth Wakelin at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 3 December 1649. He was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 12 March 1684/5. Perkin's widow Ruth was buried at St Michael's, 6 January 1700/1. In her will, she made numerous small bequests to friends and relations while dividing the bulk of her small estate, estimated at just over £52, between her three married daughters, Mary, Ruth and Hester.

Children of John Perkins:

Simon, bapt.4 February 1651/2 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He was apprenticed to **Robert Phelps**, apothecary, of London, 4 August 1668. He settled as an apothecary in Ellesmere, Shropshire (d.1693 or 1694).

Mary, bapt.4 May 1654 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Thomas Rutter at St Mary's, Lichfield, 24 August 1683.

Ruth, bapt.17 February 1655/6 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Thomas Bayley at St Mary's, Lichfield, 21 October 1698.

Hester, bapt.2 March 1657/8 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She married Mr Lemuel Low of Bilborough, Nottinghamshire, at Weston upon Trent, Derbyshire, 24 November 1685. John, bapt.4 March 1659/60 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 1 March 1682/3 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Rebecca, bapt.27 March 1662 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1566-1677; 1677-1754]; D 27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; consistory court of Coventry and Lichfield wills, will of Ruth Perkins, widow, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 9 September 1699, pr.1 February 1700/1; inventory dated 3 January 1700/1]; **London apothecary database**; Derbyshire RO, D 1376/A/PI/2 [parish registers of Weston upon Trent, Derbyshire, 1565-1785].

Edward PERRY (d.1706)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Mr Edward Perry, apothecary, married Mrs Elizabeth Persehouse at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 21 November 1691. He was buried at Wolverhampton on 22 February 1705/6. In his will, he left £100 to his two surviving children, William and Elizabeth (a debt owed by the testator's brother William Perry, gent, of Broughton) and the rest of his estate (valued at just over £163) to his wife Elizabeth.

Children of Mr Edward Perry and Elizabeth:

Ann, bapt.7 September 1692 [Wolverhampton].

Elizabeth, bapt.2 December 1701 [Wolverhampton].

William. He was apprenticed to John Blithe, sadler, of Birmingham, Warwickshire, for the premium of £15 as recorded in 1710.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/3 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Edward Perry, apothecary, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 22 December 1705, pr.30 October 1706; inventory dated 20 June 1706]; TNA, IR, 1/41, f.53.

John PERRY (d.1711)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Bilston, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Mr John Perry, apothecary, of Bilston was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, 3 September 1711.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/3 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of John Perry, apothecary, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, pr.19 January 1711/12] [unseen].

Robert PLUMER alias HALE (fl.1567-1581)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

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Robert Plumer alias Hale, surgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, along with three other defendants, including **Anthony Green** or Grene, physician, of Stafford, appeared as defendants in a debt trial heard in the Court of Common Pleas in 1567. Plumer was fined for his part in a 'great notorious riot and assembly' in the city of Lichfield in 1581.

He married Isobel Hancock at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 11 February 1566/7.

TNA, CP40/1253 [1567]; E159/344, Michaelmas [1581]; STAC 5/A52/12; Staffordshire RO, D20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

Reginald PRINSEP (d.1723)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Reginald Prinsep, apothecary, married Anne Homer of Tamworth at Tamworth on 26 December 1705. He practised as an apothecary in the town until his death in 1723. Mr Reginald Prinsep was buried at Tamworth on 8 October 1723. His widow Anne was buried in the same place on 25 April 1729.

Children of Mr Reginald Prinsep and wife Anne:

Reginald, bapt.16 October 1707 [Tamworth]. Anne, buried 6 February 1710/11 [Tamworth]. Samuel, bapt.16 December 1712 [Tamworth]. Elizabeth, buried 30 September 1713 [Tamworth]. Dorothy, bapt.30 November 1715 [Tamworth]. Mary, bapt.5 February 1717/18 [Tamworth]. Edward, bapt.30 September 1720 [Tamworth].

Staffordshire RO, D 3773/1/4 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire]; William Salt Library, SD Beck 71 [mortgage deed for tenement at Curborough, Staffordshire, 29 September 1719]; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will of Reginald Prinsep, pr.15 November 1723] [unseen].

James PULSON alias MORGELL (1594-1626)

Occ: barber Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

James Pulson alias Morgell was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 30 March 1626. He was probably the son of **John Pulson** who was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 14 May 1594.

Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, 1566-1677].

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Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

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John Pulson, barber surgeon, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 14 March 1626/7.

Children of John Pulson:

Margery, bapt.28 January 1592/3 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 29 January 1592/3 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

James, bapt.14 May 1594 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 30 March 1626 [St Michael's, Lichfield].

Thomas, bapt.21 September 1596 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, 1566-1677].

Samuel RAVENSHAW (*c*.1686-1730)

Occ: surgeon and apothecary

Loc: Betley, Staffordshire

Described as aged 23, Samuel Ravenshaw married Jane Hanson, both of Whitchurch, Shropshire, at Tilstock in the parish of Whitchurch on 4 August 1719. A licence for the marriage, dated the same day, described Ravenshaw as a surgeon. He was buried at Betley, Staffordshire, on 25 March 1730. In his will, where he described himself as a surgeon and apothecary, he left all his estate to his wife Jane.

Shropshire Archives, P 303/A/1/3 [parish registers of Whitchurch, Shropshire, 1653-1744]; Staffordshire RO, marriage allegation, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield; D 689/1/2 [parish registers of Betley, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will of Samuel Ravenshaw, surgeon and apothecary, of Betley, Staffordshire, 21 March 1729/30, pr.23 April 1730].

William RAWLINS (*c*.1664-1695)

Occ: barber Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

Described as aged about 28, William Rawlins, barber, of Leek, married Elizabeth Wall of All Saints, Derby, at Brailsford, Derbyshire, on 30 May 1692. Rawlins was buried at Leek on 27 December 1695. In his will, he left all his estate, including 6 pictures and barbing instruments (total estimated value of just over £54), to his wife Elizabeth.

Staffordshire RO, marriage allegations and bonds, diocese of Coventry & Lichfield, 1636-1893; Derbyshire RO, D 1927/A/P/1 [parish registers of Brailsford, Derbyshire]; Staffordshire RO, D 1040/5/14 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Rawlins, barber, of Leek, Staffordshire, 19 December 1695, pr.9 January 1695/6; inventory dated 7 January 1695/6].

John REILEY, ROYLEY or RYLEY (b.1649)

Occ: barber Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

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John Reiley or Royley was the son of George (d.1685 or 1686) and Margaret Reiley and was baptised at Newcastle under Lyme on 6 May 1649. He married Elizabeth Brooks at Newcastle on 5 February 1684/5. She was buried at Newcastle on 11 March 1702/3. No record of John's burial has been found.

Children of John Reiley/Royley and wife Elizabeth:

Elizabeth, born 2 July 1686; bapt.16 July 1686; buried 27 July 1686 [Newcastle under Lyme].

George, born 25 August 1687; bapt.13 September 1687 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive in 1725 [will of brother John].

Joseph, born 3 August 1690; bapt.5 August 1690 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Hannah, born 1 September 1692; bapt.6 September 1692; buried 25 September 1692 [Newcastle under Lyme].

John. A surgeon. He was buried at Newcastle under Lyme on 2 November 1727. He was probably the barber surgeon and periwigmaker who took on Joseph Smith, the son of John Smith, as an apprentice in 1711.

Staffordshire RO, D 3251/1/2, 4 and 5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; will of John Ryley, chyrurgeon, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 9 February 1724/5, pr.7 May 1728; TNA, IR1/43, f.77.

Francis RICHARDSON (1652-1694)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Francis Richardson was the son of John Richardson, apothecary, and was baptised at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, on 24 May 1652. He was described as an apothecary in a deed relating to lands at Wolverhampton in 1678. It also mentions his brother **Thomas Richardson**, an apothecary, of Market Drayton, Shropshire. Richardson married Anne Brinley at St Chad's, Lichfield, on 25 May 1675 and was buried at Wolverhampton on 27 November 1694.

Children of Mr Francis Richardson:

John, bapt.7 April 1676 [Wolverhampton].

Judith, buried 22 July 1677 [Wolverhampton].

Joan, bapt.25 July 1677; buried 18 August 1684 [Wolverhampton].

Ann, bapt.30 December 1679; buried 25 October 1683 [Wolverhampton].

Francis, bapt.30 April 1684 [Wolverhampton].

Mary, bapt.3 June 1686 [Wolverhampton].

Jonas, bapt.4 September 1693 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/2, and 61 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; William Salt Library, Stafford, M468; Staffordshire RO, D 29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

John RICHARDSON (d.1687)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Mr John Richardson, apothecary, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 5 April 1687. He had practised as an apothecary in the town since at least 1640. His first wife Dorothy was buried at Wolverhampton on 1 October 1642.

Children of Mr John Richardson:

Elizabeth, bapt.11 January 1639/40; buried June 1649 [Wolverhampton].

William, bapt.27 January 1641/2; buried 11 August 1642 [Wolverhampton].

William, bapt.19 November 1643 [Wolverhampton].

Joan, bapt.4 March 1644/5 [Wolverhampton].

Mary, bapt. September 1647 [Wolverhampton].

Elizabeth, bapt.13 July 1650 [Wolverhampton].

Francis, bapt.24 May 1652; buried 27 November 1694 [Wolverhampton]. Apothecary.

Judith, born 21 February 1653/4; bapt.22 February 1653/4 [Wolverhampton].

Thomas, born 11 March 1655/6; bapt.29 March 1656 [Wolverhampton]. He was apprenticed to **William Hobbs**, apothecary, of London, 6 August 1672 and petitioned for non-enrolment in 1676. Two years later he was described as an apothecary living in Market Drayton, Shropshire.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/1, and 61 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; **London apothecary database**; M.Scott (ed.), *Apprenticeship Disputes in the Lord Mayor's Court of London 1573-1723* (London, BRS, Apprenticeship Series, vol.1, Part 2, 2016), p.1135; William Salt Library, Stafford, M468 [deed 25 May 1678].

Roger RICHARDSON (fl.1710-1742)

Occ: barber Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Roger Richardson practised as a barber in the Staffordshire town of Uttoxeter in the first half of the eighteenth century. He married twice. Firstly, he wed Patience Shaw of Uttoxeter in that town on 14 June 1710. She was buried at Uttoxeter on 4 July 1742. Richardson was subsequently licensed to marry Elizabeth Shaw, a thirty-six-year-old spinster of Uttoxeter, on 23 January 1743/4 (no record of the marriage has been found). One Roger Richardson was buried at Uttoxeter on 19 April 1771.

Apprentices of Roger Richardson, barber:

Andrew Gallinore, son of John Gallinore, yeoman, of Hollington, Staffordshire, for the premium of £14 as recorded in 1713.

Joseph Laimder of Uttoxeter for the premium of £4 6s as recorded in 1713.

Richard Cotton, son of William Cotton, yeoman, of Stone, Staffordshire, for the premium of £16 as recorded in 1723.

Edward Wright, son of Edward Wright of Willowcroft for the premium of £16 as recorded in 1729.

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Staffordshire RO, diocese of Coventry & Lichfield, marriage licence bonds and allegations; D 3891/1/4 and 6 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/43, f.77; 1/48, f.55; 1/49, f.138.

Richard ROE (d.1717)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Richard Roe, apothecary, was buried at Walsall, Staffordshire, on 4 February 1716/17. He would appear to have been in practice in the town from just before the turn of the century. His wife Margery predeceased him and was buried at Walsall on 30 November 1712. In his will, made shortly before his death, he left the bulk of his estate (valued at about £192) to his two daughters Rebecca and Elizabeth (both minors), ensuring that property was placed in trust under the care of his two executors, Richard Moseley, barber surgeon, and Richard Burrow, maltster, both of Walsall. It also mentions his father Humphrey (deceased) and brother John.

Children of Richard Roe and Margery:

Mary, bapt.23 October 1697 [Walsall]. Rebecca, bapt.6 January 1698/9; buried 13 November 1700 [Walsall]. Rebecca, bapt.26 February 1700/1 [Walsall]. Elizabeth, bapt.6 May 1703 [Walsall].

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall [see]; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11, will and inventory of Richard Roe, apothecary, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 2 February 1716/17, pr.22 March 1716/17; inventory dated 7 February 1716/17].

Thomas ROE (d.1649)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Thomas Roe, surgeon, was buried at Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 4 June 1649. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D3773/1/2 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire, 1635-1690].

Jonathan ROGERS (d.1705)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Jonathan Rogers, apothecary, married Alice Mason at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 21 September 1680. He was buried at Wolverhampton on 14 April 1705. Alice was buried in the same parish on 29 May 1729.

He may be the same as, or related to, the Jonathan Rogers who practised as a surgeon in Stourbridge, Worcestershire in the 1660s and 1670s.

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Children of Mr Jonathan Rogers and wife Alice:

Jonathan, bapt.2 August 1681; buried 22 July 1684 [Wolverhampton]. Elizabeth, bapt.5 August 1682; buried 13 July 1684 [Wolverhampton]. William, bapt.8 June 1688 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/2, 62 and 63 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Thomas ROPER (d.1704)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Thomas Roper, apothecary, married Lora Sheppard at Himley, Staffordshire, on 31 May 1680. He practised as an apothecary at Walsall, Staffordshire, until his death in 1704. He was buried at Walsall on 9 March 1703/4. In his will, he dispensed bequests of property at Solihull, Tamworth and King's Norton and estate valued at around £200 to his sons Thomas and William and daughters Elizabeth and Mary. Much of the property was to be managed on behalf of the same by Roper's kinsman Thomas Russell, ironmonger, of Birmingham, who was named as overseer. Finally, Roper left the residue of his estate to his wife Lora whom he named as sole executrix.

Children of Thomas Roper and Lora:

Thomas, bapt.17 March 1683 [Walsall].

John, bapt.20 April 1685 [Walsall].

William. Aged about 23 in 1711 [marriage licence]. He married Katherine Nickin at Walsall, 20 January 1711/12, and was buried at Walsall, 25 May 1718.

Timothy, bapt.12 December 1689; buried 6 January 1690 [Walsall].

Mary, bapt.13 January 1690 [Walsall].

Lora, bapt.8 July 1694; buried 21 May 1695 [Walsall].

Elizabeth, bapt.17 November 1695 [Walsall].

Lora, bapt.2 November 1701 [Walsall].

Staffordshire RO, D 5327/1/1 [parish registers of Himley, Staffordshire]; Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of Thomas Roper, apothecary, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 15 February 1703/4, pr.9 June 1704; inventory dated 10 April 1704].

William ROPER (c.1688-1718)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

William Roper was the son of **Thomas Roper**, apothecary, and his wife Lora and was born in Walsall in about 1688. Aged about 23, he married Katherine Nickin at Walsall on 20 January 1711/12 and was buried in the same parish on 25 May 1718. He died intestate,

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administration of his small estate, valued at a meagre £38, being granted to his widow Katherine.

Children of William Roper and Katherine:

Katherine, bapt.19 November 1613 [Walsall]. William, bapt.20 January 1715 [Walsall].

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [inventory and administration of will of William Roper, apothecary, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 19 and 20 June 1718].

Walter ROSE (c.1670-1731)

Occ: barber Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Walter Rose, barber, was described on a monument in the church of Tamworth as aged 61 at the time of his death in 1731. No record of his baptism has been found. Walter Rose, described as 32 and of Hagley in Worcestershire, married Jane Hall of Thirsk, Yorkshire, at Thirsk on 5 October 1702. Rose practised as a barber in the town of Tamworth until his death on 9 February 1730/1. He was buried at Tamworth three days later. Having died intestate, administration of his small estate, valued at just £27, was granted to his widow Jane who died on 2 January 1732/3. She was buried at Tamworth four days later.

Children of Walter Rose and Jane:

Walter, bapt.26 November 1703 [Tamworth]. Henry, bapt.11 November 1707 [Tamworth]. Charles, bapt.20 February 1710/11; died 3 May 1770; buried 5 May 1770 [Tamworth]. Cary, bapt.21 January 1713/14 [Tamworth].

C.F.Palmer, *The History of the Town and Castle of Tamworth* (Tamworth, 1845), p.288; Borthwick Institute, marriage licence allegations and licences in the archbishopric of York; North Yorkshire RO, N/PR/TH1/2 [parish registers of Thirsk, Yorkshire, 1654-1720]; Staffordshire RO, D 3773/1/3, 4 and 5 [parish registers of Tamworth, Stafordshire/Warwickshire]; B/C/11 [inventory and administration of will of Walter Rose, barber, of Tamworth, Stafordshire/Warwickshire, 21 May 1731].

William ROSSINGTON (fl.1543)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Eccleshall, Staffordshire

William Rossington, barber, of Eccleshall, Staffordshire, was a defendant in a case of trespass in the Court of King's Bench in 1543.

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Thomas RUSSELL (d.1648)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Thomas Russell, barber, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 24 February 1647/8. In his will, made a week before his death, he expressed the pious hope that after his death he would 'live with the Lord and all the elect people of God'. Russell divided his belongings between his three children – Elizabeth, William and John – and wife Joyce leaving all the instruments of his trade, plus books, to his son John. He named his wife Joyce and son William as joint executors and nominated his 'old loving friend' Mr Walter Richards as overseer.

Children of Thomas Russell:

William. He was apprenticed to Matthew Peck of the Vintners' Company, London, 6 December 1641.

Elizabeth, bapt.20 October 1634 [Wolverhampton]. John [will].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/235, ff.103v-104r [will of Thomas Russell, barber, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 16 February 1647/8, pr.20 March 1653/4]; **London apprenticeship abstracts**/

Robert SALE alias PLYMUN (fl.early 16th century)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

One Robert Sale alias Plymun, surgeon, was active in the city of Lichfield, Staffordshire, in the early sixteenth century.

TNA, SP 1/231, f.98.

Joseph SANCKE (d.1640)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Joseph Sancke, barber, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 18 June 1640. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

John SAVAGE (fl.1714-1719)

Occ: doctor Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

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The parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme contain various references to a Dr or Mr John Savage, active between 1714 and 1719. It is not known for certain whether or not he was a medical doctor.

Children of Dr/Mr John Savage:

Mary, born 20 March 1713/14 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Elizabeth, bapt.18 October 1716 [Newcastle under Lyme]. John, bapt.12 March 1718/19 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D 3251/1/5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire].

SCOTCH DOCTOR (d.1707)

Occ: doctor Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

The parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, record the burial there of 'a stranger known by no other name than the Scotch Doctor' on 7 December 1707.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/62 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Benjamin SCOTT (d.1709)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Mr Benjamin Scott, barber surgeon, married Elizabeth Humbersley at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 12 August 1691. She was buried at Wolverhampton on 24 December 1696. He subsequently married Frances Persehouse at Wolverhampton on 20 November 1698 and was buried in the same parish on 13 June 1709.

Children of Mr Benjamin Scott and Elizabeth:

William, bapt.11 July 1692 [Wolverhampton]. Ann, bapt.28 December 1693 [Wolverhampton]. Elizabeth, bapt.13 January 1694/5 [Wolverhampton].

Children of Mr Benjamin Scott and Frances:

John, bapt.1 September 1699 [Wolverhampton]. Benjamin, bapt.17 October 1700 [Wolverhampton]. Mary, bapt.18 December 1701 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/3 and 62 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Benjamin Scott, surgeon, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, pr.22 October 1709 [unseen].

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Raphael SEDGWICK (d.1748)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Penn, Staffordshire

Raphael Sedgwick was admitted as a sizar to St Catharine's College, Cambridge, on 3 July 1697. He matriculated two years later, graduating B Med in 1714. He settled at Penn in Staffordshire, though it is not known whether he practised medicine there (he was described as 'esquire' in his burial entry in 1748). Sedgwick married Anne Bradney who was buried at Penn on 1 August 1728. Raphael Sedgwick, esquire, was buried in the chancel of the parish church at Penn on 12 November 1747. In his will, where he described himself as doctor of physic, he makes no mention of any surviving children leaving his estate (which included property at Northfield, Sutton Coldfield, Penn and Shenstone) to his three sisters and seven nephews. He also confirmed the arrangements made by his wife Anne before her death relating to the trusteeship of the charitable school at Penn founded by the Reverend Charles Wynne.

Children of Raphael Sedgwick and Anne:

John Bradeney, bapt.8 September 1716; buried 26 December 1721 [Penn]. Anne Bache, bapt.11 December 1718 [Penn].

Venn, iv, p.40; Staffordshire RO, D 3607/1/1 [parish registers of Penn, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/761, ff.277r-279r [will of Raphael Sedgwick, doctor of physic, of Penn, Staffordshire, 4 October 1747, pr.22 April 1748].

Richard SEYTON (1689-1722)

Occ: barber and periwigmaker Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Richard Seyton was the son of Job Seyton and his wife Hanna and was baptised at Pipe Ridware, Staffordshire, on 9 December 1689. He married Elizabeth Arnold at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 7 October 1716 and was practising as a barber and periwigmaker in the city until his death in 1722. He would appear to have died childless and was buried at King's Bromley, Staffordshire, on 22 April 1722. In his will, he left all his personal estate, amounting to about £76, to his wife and executrix Elizabeth saving one small financial bequest to his sister Bridget Seyton.

Apprentice of Richard Seyton, barber and perukemaker:

Meredith Jee, son of Thomas Jee, yeoman, of Longdon, Staffordshire, for the premium of £5 as recorded in 1719.

Staffordshire RO, D 4190/1/1 [parish registers of Pipe Ridware, Staffordshire]; D 20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 4051/1/1 [parish registers of King's Bromley, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Richard Seyton, barber/barber surgeon, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 3 April 1722, pr.4 October 1722; inventory dated 16 June 1722]; TNA, IR 1/47, f.68.

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Jonas SHAN or SHANN (d.1734)

Occ: barber/perukemaker Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Jonas Shan or Shann practised as a barber and perukemaker in the Staffordshire town of Wolverhampton in the early eighteenth century. He was buried at Wolverhampton on 5 March 1733/4.

Apprentices of James Shan or Shann, barber/perukemaker:

Henry Russell, son of Joyce Russell, widow, of Wolverhampton for the premium of £7 as recorded in 1715.

John Ellis, son of Sarah Ellis, widow, of Wolverhampton for the premium of £8 as recorded in 1718.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/163 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/44, f.115; 1/46, f.36.

John SHARRATT (d.1685)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Mr John Sharratt, barber surgeon, was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 19 August 1685. His wife Anne predeceased him being buried at Wolverhampton on 17 January 1684/5. In his will, he left a number of small bequests to friends. Sharratt bequeathed his barber surgeon's tools and instruments to his apprentice William Grey and the rest of his estate, valued at a meagre £38, to his son William and daughter Frances Goreing (who were not then resident in Wolverhampton). He named his executors as his 'loving friend' Thomas Dunn of Tonstall and Mr Robert Normansell.

He was alive in 1653 when he acted as bondsman for George Turnpenny, sadler, of Wolverhampton to appear at the next sessions.

Children of John Sharratt:

John, buried 5 October 1667 [Wolverhampton]. William [will]. Frances [will].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/2 and 61 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of John Sharratt, barber chyrurgeon, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 11 August 1685, pr.3 September 1685; inventory dated 20 August 1685]; Q/SR/284/60.

Samuel SHAW (1666-1730)

Occ: doctor of physic/schoolmaster

Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

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Samuel Shaw was the son of Samuel Shaw (d.1696), schoolmaster and ejected minister, and his wife Jane, the daughter of Ferdinando Poole (d.1676), who was also ejected as a minister in Nottinghamshire in 1661. Both men were Presbyterians as was Shaw's brother Ferdinando (1674-1745), who ministered to a congregation at Derby. Samuel was baptised at Ashby-dela-Zouch, Leicestershire, on 5 November 1666 and was admitted as a sizar at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, in 1684. Failing to graduate, Shaw turned to medicine. In May 1691, he entered the physic line at Utrecht University where he graduated MD a year later (4 June 1692). Shaw's thesis on jaundice was dedicated to the Whig activist and plotter Thomas Grey, earl of Stamford, and at the end of the same there were carmina written by **William Emmerson**, a friend and fellow medical student, and Matthew Prior (1664-1721) the poet who was then serving as secretary to the English ambassador at The Hague.

Following his marriage to Mrs Anne Pegg at Ashby-de-la-Zouch on 1 May 1698, Shaw settled at Tamworth on the Staffordshire/Warwickshire border where he combined medical practice with a career as a schoolmaster. He was subsequently elected as master of the Free Grammar School at Tamworth on 23 November 1708, a post formerly held by his father, and in 1722 was chosen as a capital burgess and bailiff for the town. He was also the author of several works on the Latin tongue. Shaw's first wife Anne was buried at Tamworth on 12 December 1707. He subsequently married Mrs Anne Antrobus at Tamworth on 5 April 1708. Dr Samuel Shaw, schoolmaster, was buried at Tamworth on 24 April 1730. In his will, where he described himself as doctor of physic, he left all his estate, real and personal, to his wife Anne with the instruction that on her death it should be divided equally between his four daughters, namely Jane, Anne, Elizabeth and Margaret.

Children of Samuel Shaw with first wife Anne:

Samuel, bapt.27 March 1699 [Tamworth]. Jane, bapt.25 October 1700 [Tamworth]. Elizabeth [twin], bapt.22 July 1702 [Tamworth]. Ann [twin], bapt.22 July 1702 [Tamworth].

Children of Samuel Shaw and second wife Anne:

Margaret, bapt.17 February 1708/9 [Tamworth]. Mary, bapt.17 December 1710; buried 20 December 1710 [Tamworth]. Mary, bapt.5 May 1714; buried 17 September 1715 [Tamworth].

Publications:

A Grammatical Dictionary, Containing the Heteroclites of the Latin Tongue ... in which the Gross Mistakes of our Dictionaries in the Names of Diseases, Drugs, and Plants, are Corrected and their Omissions Supply'd ... in a Letter to ... Dr Freind (London, William and John Innys, 1726).

A Short and Plain Syntax, for the Instruction of Children in the Latin Tongue (London, William and John Innys, 1724; 2nd ed, 1727).

Calamy Revised, ed.A.G.Matthews (Oxford, 1934; reissued 1988), p.435; ODNB, sub Shaw, Ferdinando, article by D.L.Wykes, and Shaw, Samuel, article by J.Benedict; LRRO, DE 1013/1 and 2 [parish registers of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leicestershire]; Venn, iv, p.54; Innes

Smith, p.209; Staffordshire RO, D 3773/1, 3 and 4 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire]; consistory court of Lichfield Wills, will of Samuel Shaw, doctor of physick, of Tamworth, Staffordshire, 21 December 1728, pr.19 March 1730/1.

William SHAW (fl.1713)

Occ: barber Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Samuel Brindley, the son of James Brindley, gentleman, was apprenticed to William Shaw, barber, of Stafford, Staffordshire, for the premium of £10 as recorded in 1713. Otherwise unidentified; Brindley went on to practise as a barber at Stafford.

TNA, IR 1/2, f.139.

Henry SHERRATT (d.1686)

Occ: physician Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

Henry Sherrat, physician, of Park Lane in the parish of Leek, Staffordshire, was resident in the town from at least 1677 until his death in early 1685/6. No record of his baptism, marriage to Joan, or burial has been found. He may be the same as the Henry Sherratt of Leek, aged about 20, who was licensed to marry Margaret Cooke, widow, of Norton, on 12 April 1672. Again, no record of that marriage has been found. In his will, he left an estate valued at £278 to be shared among his wife Joan (executrix) and three children, Henry, John and Elizabeth. It makes no mention of medicine.

Children of [Doctor] Henry Sherratt:

Unnamed son, bapt.27 February 1676/7 [Leek]. Henry [will] John [will]. Elizabeth [with wife Joan], bapt.17 April 1682 [Leek].

Staffordshire RO, diocese of Coventry & Lichfield, marriage allegation bonds, 1636-1893; D 1040/5/2 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Henry Sherratt, physician, of Leek, Staffordshire, 26 January 1685/6, pr.21 April 1687; inventory dated 25 February 1685/6].

William SHERRATT (fl. 1613)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Chorley, Staffordshire

In February 1613, Zachary Babington, the master of St John's Hospital in Lichfield, conveyed the lease of a property in Lichfield to William Sherratt, surgeon, of nearby Chorley. The details of the lease also refer to Sherratt's wife Grace and daughters Joan and Frances. Otherwise unidentified.

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William Salt Library, Stafford, SD Pearson/1385 [3 February 1613].

William SHERRATT (d.1680)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stone, Staffordshire

William Sherratt, apothecary, was buried at Stone, Staffordshire, on 31 May 1680. In his will, he left property at Leek to his wife Elizabeth (otherwise unidentified) as well as numerous small bequests to his brother John and sisters Dorothy Sherratt and Jane, the wife of Andrew Rudkin. He named his wife Elizabeth as residual legatee and executrix. An inventory estimated the value of his estate to be around £127 (£71 of which consisted of drugs and apothecary wares, and £4 10s worth of books).

Children of William Sherratt and wife Elizabeth:

William, bapt.1 December 1680 [Stone].

Staffordshire RO, parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire; B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Sherratt, apothecary, of Stone, Staffordshire, 19 May 1680, pr.6 August 1680; inventory dated 29 May 1680].

John SHERWIN (fl. 1650-1656)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Variously described in the parish registers as John Sharwin, Sherwin and Sharwood, barber, he may have been the John Sherwin, son of William Sherwin, tanner, who was baptised at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 27 September 1625. No further identification possible.

Children of John Sherwin:

John, bapt.30 May 1650 [Wolverhampton]. Unnamed child, buried, 8 July 1652 [Wolverhampton]. Richard, bapt.24 October 1656 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/1 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Gerard SKRYMSHER (1618-1700)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Norbury, Staffordshire

Gerard Skyrmsher, the youngest son of James Skyrmsher, esquire, was baptised at Norbury, Staffordshire, on 30 July 1618. His mother Eleanor nee Hucknoll, who died in childbirth, was buried there the same day. Gerard matriculated as a pensioner at Trinity College, Cambridge, at Easter 1635. He graduated BA in 1638/9 and was awarded his MD by royal mandate in 1661. The award of Skrymsher's degree was almost certainly delayed due to the civil wars.

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Both his brothers Charles and John were punished as royalist delinquents. Gerard Skyrmsher married Catherine Johnson (date and place unknown) and the couple, resident at Woodeaves in the parish of High Offley, near Norbury, where four children were baptised. Dr Gerard Skrymsher died on 2 October 1700 and was buried three days later in the parish church of Norbury. A memorial to his memory and that of his widow Catherine, who died on 27 July 1725 (and buried at High Offley on 31 July), was erected in the parish church of High Offley by their daughter Mary in 1728. There are undated, brief notes, ascribed to one 'Scrymgeour, MD' in the Sloane manuscripts in the British Library.

Children of Gerard Skrymsher and Catherine:

Hester, bapt.20 June 1686 [High Offley]. She married Thomas Boothby of Forton at Caverswall, Staffordshire, on 30 December 1704.

Charles, bapt.17 April 1688 [High Offley]. BA Cambridge 1713/14. He married Anne Hill at High Offley, 7 January 1715/16.

Elizabeth, bapt.19 April 1691; buried 22 February 1692/3 [High Offley].

Mary, bapt.10 May 1694 [High Offley]. She married John Bromfield of Midgebrook, Cheshire.

Staffordshire RO, D 1729 [parish registers of Norbury, Staffordshire]; Venn, iv, p.34; M.A.E.Green (ed.), *Calendar of Committee for Compounding*, ii, p.1576; iii, p.2315; H.S.Grazebrook (ed.), *The Heraldic Visitations of Staffordshire* ... 1614 ... 1663 and 1664 (London, 1885), p.268; Staffordshire RO, D 4035/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of High Offley, Staffordshire]; D 968/3 [parish registers of Caverswall, Staffordshire]; British Library, Sloane MS 174, ff.1-15b.

James SMITH (d.1741)

Occ: surgeon/physician Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

James Smith practised as a surgeon and physician in the town of Uttoxeter from at least 1687 until his death in 1741. He married twice, Firstly, he wed Elizabeth Fowler at Uttoxeter on 24 November 1687. She was buried in the local parish church on 27 August 1723. Secondly, Smith married Helen Sherwin of Uttoxeter at Norbury, Derbyshire, on 22 December 1724. Dr James Smith was buried at Uttoxeter on 27 December 1741. Smith left the bulk of his estate, including properties in Uttoxeter and all surgical instruments and medicines, to his son Vere on condition that he left £40 each to his three siblings (James, Joseph and Mary) as well as £40 to the children of his sister Elizabeth Webb and a small annuity to his half-sister Ellen. He also left a small bequest of £10 to his wife Ellen.

Children of James Smith and Elizabeth:

Elizabeth, bapt.27 May 1692 [Uttoxeter]. She married William Webb of Stoke on Trent, at Colton, Staffordshire, 14 December 1720.

Joseph, bapt.17 October 1702 [Uttoxeter].

James, bapt.29 February 1703/4 [Uttoxeter].

John, bapt.7 March 1706/7 [Uttoxeter].

Vere, bapt.16 June 1708 [Uttoxeter]. Vere, a surgeon, married Mary Clowes at Colton, Staffordshire, 25 December 1737 and was buried at Uttoxeter on 18 April 1762.

Mary, bapt.6 May 1711 [Uttoxeter]. Ann, bapt.8 August 1714; buried 22 August 1715 [Uttoxeter].

Children of James Smith and wife Ellen:

Ellen, bapt.14 November 1725 [Uttoxeter].

Apprentice of James Smith, surgeon/physician:

William Hayford, son of Thomas Hayford, yeoman, of Eccleshall, Staffordshire, for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1710 [surgeon]

John Repton, son of William Repton for the premium of £63 as recorded in 1730 [surgeon].

Thomas Kinnestley for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1/30 [surgeon].

Staffordshire RO, D 3891/1/3, 4, 5 and 6 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire]; Derbyshire RO, D 641A/P1/1 [parish registers of Norbury, Derbyshire, 1668-1812]; Staffordshire RO, consistory court wills, will and inventory of James Smith, surgeon, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 18 December 1741, pr.27 March 1742; inventory dated 31 December 1741]; D 4613/1/2 [parish registers of Colton, Staffordshire]; TNA, IR 1/24, f.178; 1/41, f.60; 1/49, f.220.

William SMITH (*fl.*1662-1677)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

William Smith, who claimed to have practised medicine and surgery for many years in the city of Lichfield, was licensed to practise both in the diocese of Worcester, 20 July 1677. Testimonials on his behalf were signed by the bailiffs and sheriff of Lichfield as well as by two physicians of the town, **Anthony Hewett** and **Robert Lloyd**. Nothing further is heard of him after this date.

Children of Mr William Smith, apothecary:

John, bapt 11 December 1662; buried 1 April 1663 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Thomas, bapt.22 April 1674 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Elizabeth, bapt.30 September 1676 [Lichfield].

Worcestershire RO, 795.02/BA2302/28/6315; Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, 1566-1677].

William SMITH (d.1715)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

William Smith the younger, the son of William Smith, was buried at Walsall, Staffordshire, on 8 April 1715. In his will, he left all his estate in the hands of his father, William, requesting that he undertake the guardianship and tuition of his daughter Mary until she was eighteen. His estate was valued at less than £20.

Person ID: 12208

Person ID: 12194/26021

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Smith the younger, chirurgion, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 20 February 1714/15, pr.22 April 1715; inventory dated 20 April 1715].

John SPENDELOW (b.1667)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Spendelow was the son of Peter Spendelow and his wife Alice and was baptised at Norbury, Staffordshire, on 29 December 1667. He set up in practise as an apothecary in the early 1690s and was still alive in 1710. Spendelow's wife Margaret (otherwise unknown) was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, 11 April 1720. No record of his death or burial has been found.

John the brother of **Thomas Spendelow**, apothecary, of Newcastle under Lyme.

Children of Mr John Spendelow:

Peter, bapt.3 April 1692; buried 29 September 1694 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

John, bapt.3 May 1694; buried 23 May 1694 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Thomas, bapt.11 July 1695 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Peter, bapt.23 September 1696 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Margaret, bapt.7 May 1699 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Elizabeth, bapt.25 September 1700 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Alice, bapt.25 September 1701 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Charlotte, bapt.1 November 1703 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Theophilus, bapt.23 April 1704 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. He was apprenticed to a London goldsmith and married Grace Wilshaw of St Mary le Savoy at St James' Piccadilly, Middlesex, 4 February 1728/9.

Susanna, bapt.3 June 1705 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Ann, bapt.20 September 1706; buried 8 November 1706 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Michael, bapt.17 September 1710 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Staffordshire RO, D 1729 [parish registers of Norbury, Staffordshire]; W.M.Myddelton (ed.), *Chirk Castle Accounts, AD 1666-1753* (Manchester, 1931), p.116; D 20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; City of Westminster Archives, STJ/PR/6/3 [parish registers of St James', Piccadilly, Middlesex, 1723-1754].

Thomas SPENDELOW (1663-1701)

Person ID: 26121

Person ID: 34640

Occ: apothecary Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Thomas Spendelow was the son of Peter and Alice Spendelow and was baptised at Norbury, Staffotrdshire, on 7 April 1663. He practised as an apothecary in the town of Newcastle under Lyme from about 1686 until his death in 1701. He was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, on 5 December 1701. He married twice. Firstly, he wed Hannah Rocke at Newcastle on 17 December 1685. She was buried at Newcastle on 18 March 1692/3.

Secondly, he married Abigail Aspinall at Sandbach, Cheshire, on 28 May 1693. Spendelow was well connected serving as mayor of Newcastle in 1698-9 and as receiver general for Staffordshire, 1697-9. However, the latter office led to him becoming embroiled in financial suits and he died intestate. Spendelow's widow Abigail renounced administration of her husband's estate which was granted to his principal creditor, Edward Ford, husbandman, of Keele, Staffordshire. She subsequently married **John Swan**, apothecary, of Newcastle at Biddulph, Staffordshire, 11 September 1705.

Thomas was the brother of **John Spendelow**, apothecary, of Lichfield.

Children of Mr Thomas Spendelow and wife Hannah:

Anne, bapt.21 December 1686 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Alive 1727 [will of son Thomas]. Hannah, bapt.14 October 1688 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Elizabeth, bapt.5 March 1689/90 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Roger, bapt.16 April 1691 [Newcastle under Lyme]. He married Jane Liversage at Audley, Staffordshire, 28 February 1729/30.

Mary, born 21 November 1692; bapt.2 December 1692 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Children of Mr Thomas Spendelow and wife Abigail:

Thomas, bapt.18 April 1694 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Apothecary.

Abigail, born 30 November 1696; bapt.17 December 1696 [Newcastle under Lyme]. She was licensed to marry William Raffels, gent, of Newcastle, 4 January 1719/20. Alive in 1727 [will of brother Thomas].

Peter, bapt.29 June 1699 [Newcastle under Lyme]; Mr Peter Spendelow, apothecary, was buried at Newcastle under Lyme, 29 October 1732.

Staffordshire RO, D 1729 [parish registers of Norbury, Staffordshire]; D 3251/1/4 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; Cheshire Archives and Local Studies, parish registers of Sandbach, Cheshire; *Journal of the House of Commons*, vol.13 (London, 1803), p.468; *Calendar of Treasury Books*, vol.17 (London, 1939), p.378; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [administration of the will of Thomas Spendelow, apothecary, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, pr.16 January 1701/2]; D 3539/1/3 [parish registers of Biddulph, Staffordshire]; D 3483/1/2 [parish registers of Audley, Staffordshire].

Thomas SPENDELOW (1693-1727)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

Thomas, the son of Thomas Spendelow, was baptised at Newcastle under Lyme on 18 April 1693. He practised as an apothecary in the town of Newcastle under Lyme where he died in 1727. He was then serving as mayor of the town. Spendelow, who married Eleanor or Ellen (b.1683), the daughter of **Thomas Birdall** or **Byrdall**, apothecary, of Shifnal, Shropshire, in 1718, was buried at Newcastle on 18 March 1726/7. He left an estate of almost £450 (including £94 worth of drugs and medicines) and property in Newcastle to his son Thomas, daughter Ellen and wife Ellen. His will also mentions his sisters Anne and Abigail and brother Peter, a fellow apothecary in Newcastle. Spendelow named his wife and brother-in-law, **Aaron Birdall**, apothecary, of Shifnal, Shropshire, as residual legatees and executors.

Children of Thomas Spendelow and Eleanor/Ellen:

Ellen, bapt.15 December 1719 [Newcastle under Lyme]. She married Richard Lateward, hatter and widow, in 1761.

Abigail, bapt.4 January 1720/1; buried 14 January 1720/1 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Thomas, bapt.8 March 1721/22 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Elizabeth, bapt.23 June 1723; buried 2 January 1723/4 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D 3251/1/4 and 5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; diocese of Coventry & Lichfield, marriage allegations and licences; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Thomas Spendelow, apothecary, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 8 March 1726/7, pr.18 April 1727; inventory dated 1 April 1727].

Anne SPOONER (d.1670)

Occ: midwife Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Anne Spooner was active as a midwife in the town of Uttoxeter in 1654 when she swore before the quarter sessions that one Elizabeth Greene had affirmed the paternity of her child while in labour. Anne Spooner, midwife, was buried at Uttoxeter on 7 September 1670.

Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/288/12; D 3891/1/3 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire].

Edward STUBBE or STUBBES (d.1712)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Edward Stubbs, barber and periwigmaker, of the parish of St Mary's, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 25 January 1711/12. He left a small estate of just over £11 granting small bequests to his father and mother, Richard and Margaret Stubbs, as well as a niece, Susanna Chinmow. At the time of his death, Stubbs was employing two apprentices — Edward Blyth and William Hickman. He agreed to terminate the former's indentures in the event that he set up as a barber (in part using Stubbs' tools of the trade) and took on Hickman as his own apprentice. Finally, he named his brother Richard as executor.

Apprentices of Edward Stubbe or Stubbes, barber and periwigmaker:

Edward Blyth (see above).

William Hickman for the premium of £13 as recorded in 1710.

Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/3 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Edward Stubbs, barber, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 22 January 1711/12, pr.19 December 1713]; TNA, IR 1/41, f.36.

Goddard STUBBE or STUBBS (d.1714)

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Person ID: 26306

Person ID: 34641

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Goddard Stubbe or Stubbes was probably born in the parish of Cannock, the son of George Stubbe, between 1686 and 1697. He practised as an apothecary in the town of Stafford where he died in 1714. No record of his death or burial has been found. Stubbe left a nuncupative will in which he left all his estate (of about £26) to his eldest brother George and youngest brother Joseph who also acted as joint executors.

Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [nuncupative will of Goddard Stubbe, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire, 16 January 1713/14, pr.1 October 1714].

Joseph STUBBE or STUBBS (d.1749)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Uttoxeter and Cannock, Staffordshire

Joseph Stubbe or Stubbs, apothecary, married Margaret Pratty at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 2 February 1700/1. Shortly after 1703, Stubbe removed to Cannock where he continued to practise as an apothecary until his death in 1749. He was buried at Cannock on 31 May 1749. Stubbe left all his property and personal estate to his wife Margaret and after her death to the couple's grandson Joseph Stubbe. She was buried at Cannock on 29 June 1752.

Children of Joseph Stubbe/Stubbs and Margaret:

Robert, bapt.18 August 1702 [Uttoxeter]. He was apprenticed to Benjamin Cartwright, locksmith, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, for the premium of £7 as recorded in 1719. Goddard, bapt.25 November 1703 [Uttoxeter].

George, bapt.28 March 1706 [Cannock].

Joseph, bapt.20 June 1713; buried 14 November 1714 [Cannock].

Margaret, bapt.25 September 1720; buried 18 March 1721 [Cannock].

Staffordshire RO, D 3891/1/4 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire]; D 3784/1 [parish registers of Cannock, Staffordshire]; consistory court wills of Coventry and Lichfield, will of Joseph Stubbs, apothecary, of Cannock, Staffordshire, 5 July 1744, pr.1 December 1749]; TNA, IR 1/46, f.36.

John SWAN or SWANN (d.1721)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

John Swan, apothecary, of Newcastle under Lyme married Abigail, the widow of **Thomas Spendilow**, apothecary, at Biddulph, Staffordshire, on 11 September 1705. He served as an alderman in the town and was buried at Newcastle on 25 March 1721. In his will, he left £400 in portions for his four daughters (Elizabeth, Mary, Hannah and Lettice) and the rest to his wife Abigail who acted as executrix alongside the testator's kinsman Henry Norman, stationer, of Stafford.

Children of Mr John Swan and Abigail:

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Mary, born 19 March 1705/6; bapt.3 April 1706 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Hannah, born 11 August 1708; bapt.15 August 1708 [Newcastle under Lyme]. John, born 27 March 1711; bapt.6 April 1711; buried 30 October 1711 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Elizabeth, born 29 October 1712; bapt.31 October 1712 [Newcastle under Lyme]. Lettice, bapt.28 March 1717 [Newcastle under Lyme].

Staffordshire RO, D 3539/1/3 [parish registers of Biddulph, Staffordshire]; D 3251/1/5 [parish registers of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will of John Swan or Swann, apothecary, of Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire, 16 November 1718, pr.9 May 1721].

Samuel SWINFEN or SWYNFEN (1679-1736)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Samuel Swinfen was the son of Francis Swinfen, draper, of Shrewsbury and his wife Jane, nee Doughty, and was baptised at St Chad's, Shrewsbury, on 2 May 1679. He matriculated at Pembroke College, oxford, on 31 March 1696 and graduated BA and MA in 1699 and 1702/3. Swinfen subsequently studied medicine at Oxford graduating B Med in 1706 and MD (from Pembroke College) in 1712. He also served as grammar lecturer at Oxford in 1705. On 18 November 1710, Swinfen married Mabel Fretwell, the daughter of Ralph Fretwell (1631-1701), at Weeford, Staffordshire. Her father was a Quaker who settled in Barbados as a sugar merchant and slave owner who subsequently returned to England where he built Hellaby Hall in Yorkshire from the profits of his West Indian plantation. He died a very wealthy man. In his will, he left £5,000 each to his two daughters, Dorothy and Mabel.

After graduating MD, Swinfen set up in medical practice in Lichfield, Staffordshire, where he became godfather to the celebrated lexicographer, Dr Samuel Johnson. Shortly before his death, he removed to Birmingham where he died on 10 May 1736. He was attended in his last illness by Dr Richard Wilkes (1690-1760) of Willenhall who observed that Swinfen died of diabetes and ulcerated lungs. In his will, Swinfen asked to be buried at Weeford, Staffordshire, if he died within 10 miles of the village (his burial place is unknown). He placed all his property which he had inherited from his uncle Mr Doughty and a property leased from the prebend of Weeford, plus most of his personal estate in the hands of his brother-in-law James Boulton and Richard Rider, esquire, requesting that they sell the same as executors in trust, and provide marriage portions of £200 each for his eldest daughters Jane and Mabella. He also left £200 for his son George and asked that the residue of his estate be shared equally among all his children, excepting his eldest son (John). The latter was to receive the rest of his father's real estate in Lichfield and elsewhere in Staffordshire. Swinfen's widow Mabella was buried at Weeford on 7 December 1758.

Dr Samuel Swinfen was the grandson of the godly parliamentarian John Swinfen (1613-1694) and the younger brother of Richard Swinfen (1677-1726), MP for Tamworth.

Children of Dr Samuel Swinfen or Swynfen and Mabel:

Jane, bapt.28 August 1711 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Mabel or Mabella, bapt.1 October 1712 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. She was licensed to marry the

twice-widowed John Turton of Orgreave, Staffordshire, 30 March 1744.

Frances, bapt.7 February 1713/14; buried 9 February 1713/14 [Lichfield Cathedral].

John, bapt.10 March 1714/15 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Elizabeth, bapt.26 June 1716 [Lichfield Cathedral]. She married Jacob Desmoulin, a schoolmaster, at St George's Chapel, Mayfair, Westminster, Middlesex, 24 May 1752.

George, bapt.9 October 1717 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Ann, bapt.14 May 1719 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Frances, bapt.17 November 1720 [Lichfield Cathedral]; buried Weeford, 6 August 1796. Mary, bapt.20 March 1721/2 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Hester, bapt.5 November 1723 [Lichfield Cathedral]. She married Thomas Williams at St Katherine by the Tower, London, 8 November 1744.

Barbara, bapt.25 January 1724/5 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Richard, bapt.22 May 1727 [Lichfield Cathedral].

ODNB, *sub* Swynfen, John, article by J.Sutton; J.W.Clay (ed.), *Familiae Minorum Gentium*, 40 vols (London, HS, 1896), vol.4, pp.1305-6; Shropshire Archives, P 253/A/1/2 [parish registers of St Chad's, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, 1639-1721]; Foster, iv, p.1448; Staffordshire RO, D 4351/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of Weeford, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/463, ff.161v-162r [will of Ralph Fretwell of Barbados, 9 August 1701, pr.17 February 1701/2].

J.Hill and R.K.Dent, *Memorials of the Old Square* [St Thomas', Birmingham] (Birmingham, 1897), pp.37-40; Staffordshire RO, MS 5350, pp.16-17 [diary of Dr Richard Wilkes, 1736-38]; TNA, PROB 11/678, ff.152v-153v [will of Samuel Swinfen, doctor in physick, of Birmingham, Warwickshire, 1 May 1730, pr.1 July 1736]; Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, 1677-1754]; D 102/1 [registers of Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire, 1664-1744]; G.J.Armytage (ed.), *The Register of Baptisms and Marriages at St George's Chapel May Fair* (London, 1889), p.217; London Metropolitan Archives, CLC/199/TC/014/MS 09667 [parish registers of St Katherine by the Tower, London, 1735-1751].

William TAYLOR (d.1595)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

William Taylor, surgeon, was buried at Walsall, Staffordshire, 29 January 1594/5.

F.W.Willmore (ed.), Transcript of the First Register Book of the Parish Church of St Matthew, Walsall, 1570-1649 (Walsall, 1890), p.157.

Benjamin THORNBOROUGH or THORNBURY (1627-1690) Person ID: 12977

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Seighford, Staffordshire

Benjamin Thornborough was the son of Sir Benjamin Thornborough (d.1635) of Swindon Hall, Yorkshire, and his second wife Barbara, the daughter of Sir Thomas Crompton of Cresswell, Staffordshire. He was baptised at Clapham, Surrey, on 5 April 1627. Thornborough was the grandson of John Thornborough (d.1641), the alchemically inclined bishop of Worcester who left him £100 in his will in 1641. As a 'great papist', Benjamin

Thornborough does not appear to have attended university in England nor to have acquired any medical degree to practise medicine. He is nonetheless described as MD and physician in various documents most notably in January 1677 when he was accused of spreading false rumours that Sir Charles Wolseley and the earl of Anglesey were plotting on behalf of the 'good old cause' in Staffordshire. He was also described as a physician when included on a list of papists in the county in December 1680.

Thornborough married twice. His first wife was Mary, the daughter of Stockett Lutwich of Swynnerton, Staffordshire (and prebendary of Lichfield), and widow of Captain Peter Stepkins (d.1648) of Seighford. She was buried at Seighford on 21 April 1684. Secondly, he married Elizabeth Alsop of Eccleshall, Staffordshire (marriage licence dated 9 November 1689). 'Dr Thornbury' was buried at Seighford on 19 February 1689/90. In his will, made two months before his death, he had asked to be buried in the church of St Mary's in Stafford 'as near to relations there as may bee'. At the time, he owned a house, barns and stables in Eastgate Street which he bequeathed to his wife Elizabeth for life. After her death, the same were to pass to his 'loving brother-in-law and true friend' Edward Alsop of Oncott (in Eccleshall) and then Lettice Evans 'who now lives with mee'. In addition, Thornborough left almost £250 in bequests to various siblings and relations as well as naming his wife Elizabeth as residual legatee and sole executrix. Finally, he asked that his 'loving friend' Mr Humphrey Perry act as assistant to his wife. Thornborough concluded with a long list of debts both owing (£661) and due (£50), including one of £30 due from **Sampson Birch**, presumably the apothecary of Stafford.

H.S.Grazebrook (ed.), *The Heraldic Visitations of Staffordshire* ... 1614 ... 1663 and 1664 (London, 1885), p.205; London Metropolitan Archives, 195/TRI1/065 [parish registers of Clapham, Surrey, 1551-1803]; *ODNB*, *sub* Thornborough, John, article by B.Usher; TNA, PROB 11/187, ff.26v-27v [will of John Thornborough, bishop of Worcester, 8 July 1641, pr.6 August 1641]; *CSPD*, 1676-1677, pp.508-9; TNA, C6/399/55 [1680]; Staffordshire RO, D 4038/J/104; G.J.Armytage (ed.), *Allegations for Marriage Licences Issued by the Vicar-General of the Archbishop of Canterbury, July 1687 to June 1694* (London, HS, vol.31, 1890), p.125; Staffordshire RO, D 731/2 [parish registers of Seighford, Staffordshire]; TNA, PROB 11/399, ff.281r-v [will of Benjamin Thornburgh, esquire, of Stafford, Staffordshire, 17 December 1688*, pr.22 May 1690].

*Presumably an error for 1689 as Thornborough did not marry his second wife Elizabeth until November of that year. The will states that it was made on 17 December 1688 'in the first year [sic] of the reign of King James the Second'.

Richard THORNTON (d.1653)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Richard Thornton, surgeon, was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, on 9 August 1653. In his will, made shortly before his death, he asked to be buried in the neighbouring church of St Michael's. Thornton left various properties and, both freehold and leasehold, in the city of Lichfield to his wife Mary (otherwise unidentified). He does not appear to have had children. Thornton's mother Margaret, who was still living, received a small annuity and there were also small bequests for his brothers Rowland, John, Nicholas and Thomas. Thomas himself was to receive all of the testator's 'books of physick and chirurgery belonging to my

profession (he may have been the surgeon of the same name then practising in Northampton). The children of another brother, William, alongside those of Rowland and John, were to inherit his property after the death of his wife and executrix Mary. Finally, Richard's brother Thomas was asked to take on his apprentice George Dawes.

Thornton was probably the son of Nicholas and Margaret Thornton of Shenstone, Staffordshire. No record of his baptisms has been found. He was almost certainly the Mr Thorneton who was paid by the treasurer of the royal garrison at Lichfield for curing wounded soldiers there in late 1645.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire'; TNA, PROB 11/229, ff.361v-362r [will of Richard Thornton, chirurgion, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 25 July & 6 August 1653, pr.29 September 1653]; Rev.T.Harwood, *The History and Antiquities of the Church and City of Lichfield* (London, 1806), p.45.

William THORPE (d.1707)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

William Thorpe, apothecary, was buried at Leek, Staffordshire, on 18 February 1706/7. In his will, he left all his estate to his wife Ellin whom he also named as executrix. She subsequently married **Thomas Bowler**, apothecary, of Ashbourne, Derbyshire, at Leek on 10 February 1707/8.

Children of William Thorpe and Ellin:

Mary, bapt.12 February 1701/2; buried 30 May 1702 [Leek].

Staffordshire RO, D 1040/5/3 and 14 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire]; consistory court of Coventry and Lichfield, will of William Thorpe, apothecary, of Leek, Staffordshire, 14 February 1706/7, pr.1 April 1707].

John TOMBES (c.1664-1721)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

John Tombes was the son of John Tombes (d.1668) of Bewdley, Worcestershire, and the grandson of the eminent Baptist preacher John Tombes (1602-1676) who left him property in Herefordshire and other small bequests in his will of 1676. His mother Sarah (1640-1667) was the daughter of William Bottrell, a member of the governing elite of Ludlow during the interregnum who sat as MP for the town in the Barebones Parliament. Tombes the physician was probably born around 1664. In May 1680, he matriculated at Christ Church, Oxford, but did not graduate. He subsequently entered Leiden University as a medical student in September 1685 graduating MD there on 29 May 1688. Tombes thesis on chlorosis or 'green sickness', a form of anaemia in young girls, was published in the same year. He subsequently set up in medical practice in the town of Stafford where he died and was buried in the parish church of St Mary's, Stafford, on 21 September 1721.

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Tombes does not appear to have married. He left an estate at Great Bridgeford in the parish of Seighford as well as property in the town of Stafford to his godson John Foster (the son of Tombes' nephew Joseph Foster, cutler, of Birmingham) and kinsman John Robins, alias Tombes, of Salisbury, Wiltshire. The same estates were devised to provide £37 pa in annuities to a sister Sarah Hewlett (widow of John Hewlett, tanner, of Salisbury), sister-in-law Elizabeth Tombs (widow of brother Edward) and servant Mary Alport as well as £5 pa for the poor of Stafford. In addition, he left over £1,150 in bequests to various relations, friends, local clergy and charities some of which, in the case of John Robins alias Tombes was to fund his apprenticeship as an apothecary and instruction in the art of surgery. In a codicil, Tombes also left various items of silver as well as gold rings to numerous relations and friends, including Dr Richard Wilkes, fellow physician in Stafford. Finally, he named his nephew Joseph Foster, cutler, of Birmingham as residual legatee and executrix.

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TNA, PROB 11/351, ff.330v-331v [will of John Tombes, clerk, of Salisbury, Wiltshire, 6 May 1676, pr.17 July 1676]; *Calamy Revised*, ed.A.G.Matthews (Oxford, 1934; reissued 1988), pp.487-8; Foster, iv, p.1492; Innes Smith, p.???; Staffordshire RO, D 1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; East Riding Record Office, Beverley, Yorkshire, DDCC/126/111 [26 September 1715]; TNA, PROB 11/585, ff.337v-339r [will of John Tombes, doctor of medicine, of the borough of Stafford, Staffordshire, 16 July and 12 September 1721, pr.16 June 1722].

Thomas TOWNDROW (1665-1724)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire

Thomas Towndrow was the son of Henry Towndrow and his wife Joan and was baptised at Burton upon Trent on 2 July 1665. He married Mrs Hanna Greatrix of Burton at Egginton, Derbyshire, on 27 June 1697. Towndrow practised as an apothecary, and probably as a surgeon, in the town of Burton until his death in 1724. He was buried at the parish church of St Modwen on 1 November 1724. In his will, he left his house and shop in Burton, along with all drugs, medicines and 'all the Engines, Instruments, Bookes and Goods ... belonging to my trade or any wise relating to Phisick or Chirurgery' to his eldest son Thomas. Having previously made provision for an estate in Hanbury, he allowed his other son Henry an annuity of £50 pa until he reached the age of 28. The rest of his personal estate was to be shared by his wife Hanna and son Thomas, the former being named as residual legatee and executrix.

Children of Thomas Towndrow and Hannah:

Henry, bapt.26 July 1698; buried 27 July 1698 [Burton upon Trent].

Thomas [will]. Apothecary at Burton upon Trent. He married Mary Dickenson of Hill Ridware, Staffordshire.

Henry, bapt.22 December 1701 [Burton upon Trent]. A clergyman, he graduated BA, MA and DD Cambridge, 1722/3, 1726 and 1751. A fellow of Jesus College, Cambridge, he held

numerous livings including the rectory of Cavendish, Suffolk, where he died and was buried on 25 and 29 September 1765.

Mary, bapt.23 November 1703; buried 14 July 1707 [Burton upon Trent]. William, bapt.23 June 1710; buried 9 September 1713 [Burton upon Trent].

Staffordshire RO, D 4219/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire]; marriage allegations and bonds, diocese of Coventry and Lichfield; Derbyshire RO, D 840 A/PI/1 [parish registers of Egginton, Derbyshire, 1561-1812]; Staffordshire RO, P/C/11 [will of Thomas Towndrow, apothecary, of Burton upon Trent, Staffordshire, 12 June 1724, pr.20 May 1725]; 313/39 [prenuptial agreement between Thomas Towndrow, apothecary, of Burton and Mary Dickenson of Hill Ridware, 1729]; Venn, iv, p.255; Suffolk RO, Ipswich, parish registers of Cavendish, Suffolk; Rev.F.Haslewood, 'Cavendish Church', *Proceedings of the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and Natural History*, 8 (1894), pp.267, 270.

William TURNER (1663-1728)

Occ: barber Loc: Betley, Staffordshire

William Turner, the son of Francis Turner, was baptised at Betley on 19 July 1663. A barber, he married Sarah Corne at Betley on 31 October 1692 and was buried in the same parish on 4 December 1728.

Children of William Turner and Sarah:

John, bapt.19 May 1693 Betley]. He was apprenticed to Samuel Salt of the Vintners' Company, London, on 2 February 1708/9. William, bapt.26 January 1694/5 [Betley]. Joseph, born 18 February 1696/7; bapt.14 March 1696/7 [Betley].

Staffordshire RO, D 689/1/2 [parish registers of Betley, Staffordshire]; **London apprenticeship abstracts**, **1442-1850**.

George TURNPENNY (d.1700)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

George Turnpenny served as a surgeon to the poor of the town of Walsall from 1668 until his death in 1700. He also served as mayor of the town in 1675-6. He married Elizabeth sometime before 1658 and the couple had at least eight children, including **George** and **Zachary Turnpenny**, who both followed their father in taking up the occupation of surgeons. George died in 1700 and was buried at Walsall on 27 January 1699/1700. In his detailed will, Turnpenny left a range of bequests to his sons George, Samuel (who received his father's aldermanic gown), John and Charles as well his daughter Elizabeth, the wife of Benjamin Mousley of Walsall. His son **George** inherited all his surgical instruments and books excepting those that he had inherited from his son Zachary which he gave to his apprentice William Hatton. The chief beneficiary of Turnpenny's extensive property portfolio, including leases of land from the dean and chapter of Lichfield in Baslow, Derbyshire, was his son John who was also named his executor. An inventory of his goods,

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however, valued his personal estate at a meagre £33. Turnpenny's wife Elizabeth, who was also provided for in the will, died on 3 September 1706 and was buried at Walsall nine days later.

Children of George Turnpenny and Elizabeth:

Richard, born 2 May 1658; buried 17 April 1695 [Walsall]. Samuel [will].

John, bapt.18 September 1659 [Walsall]. He married Alice Dunn (d.1735) and died a wealthy man as a chandler of Wolverhampton. He was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 17 June 1717.

Elizabeth, born 1 August 1664 [Walsall]. She married Benjamin Mousley at Wollaton, Nottinghamshire, 14 August 1685.

Zachary, bapt.26 July 1666 [Walsall]. Surgeon, of Wolverhampton.

George, bapt.1 December 1669 [Walsall]. Surgeon, of Walsall.

unnamed infant, buried 16 May 1674 [Walsall].

Charles, bapt.22 June 1676 [Walsall]. A dyer, he was buried at Walsall, 21 June 1752.

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; 277/98/1 [agreement to construct waterworks signed by George Turnpenny, mayor, 8 August 1676]; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of George Turnpenny the elder, chirurgeon, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 20 January 1699/1700, pr.19 April 1700; inventory dated 27 January 1699/1700]; P/C/11 [will of Zachary Turnpenny, barber chyrurgeon, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 14 January 1694/5, pr.7 January 1695/6]; D 1157/1/1/62 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; Nottinghamshire Archives, parish registers of Wollaton, Nottinghamshire.

George TURNPENNY (1669-1703)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

George Turnpenny was the son of **George Turnpenny**, surgeon, of Walsall, and his wife Elizabeth and was baptised at Walsall on 1 December 1669. He probably served an apprenticeship under his father whose practice he inherited on George Senior's death in 1700. George Turnpenny was buried at Walsall on 12 March 1702/3. His widow Mary predeceased him being buried at Walsall on 23 February 1698/9. In his will, he left his meagre estate, valued at just over £10, to be managed by his brother Charles on behalf of his only child, Mary.

Children of George Turnpenny and wife Mary:

Richard, bapt.24 October 1691; buried 17 April 1695 [Walsall]. Mary, bapt.9 October 1698; buried 1 July 1705 [Walsall].

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of George Turnpenny the elder, chirurgeon, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 20 January 1699/1700, pr.19 April 1700; inventory dated 27 January 1699/1700]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of George Turnpenny, chirurgeon, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 2 March 1702/3, pr.9 April 1703; inventory dated 18 March 1702/3].

Zachary TURNPENNY (1666-1695)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Zachary Turnpenny was the son of **George Turnpenny**, surgeon, and his wife Elizabeth and was baptised at Walsall, Staffordshire, on 26 July 1666. He practised as a surgeon in the town of Wolverhampton where he was buried on 3 February 1694/5. He would appear to have died unmarried. An inventory of Turnpenny's estate, which included a tortoise shell tobacco box with the king's picture, valued his wealth at around £132. He divided the bulk of his estate between his father George and brothers and sisters John, George, Samuel, Charles and Elizabeth. Turnpenny left most of his surgical instruments and books to his father George though he also stipulated that his apprentice **Thomas Garlick** was to receive his barbering instruments and tools.

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall; Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/61 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Zachary Turnpenny, barber chirurgeon, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 14 January 1694/5, pr.7 January 1694/5; inventory dated 4 February 1694/5].

William TURTON (d.1713) 13329

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Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Mr William Turton, doctor of physic, was buried at Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, on 17 June 1713. He died intestate, leaving a small estate of £40 15s, of which a study of books was valued at £30. Administration of his estate was granted to his brothers Joseph Turton, ironmonger, and Thomas Turton, gent, both of Wolverhampton, on 29 November 1713. Otherwise unidentified. He may have been the man of the same name who baptised a son John, with his wife Rebecca, at Wolverhampton on 28 December 1695. William Turton may have been related to John Turton, the son of a Staffordshire nonconformist ironmonger, who graduated B Med at Cambridge in 1728 and subsequently practised at Wolverhampton and London.

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/3 and 62 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [inventory and administration of estate of William Turton, doctor of physic, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, pr.29 November 1713; inventory dated 25 November 1713]; Venn, iv, p.279.

Humphrey VALE (d.1672)

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Occ: barber Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Humphrey Vale, barber, of Bolehall Street, was buried at Tamworth on 9 December 1672. In his will, he left the bulk of his estate, valued at about £82, to his two children, Elizabeth and

Humphrey, and wife Elizabeth whom he named as executrix. He also nominated Samuel Langley, clerk, and John Vaughton of Tamworth to act as overseers.

Vale may have been the same as the Humphrey Vale who married Elizabeth Cushing, both of St Martin in the Fields, Middlesex, at the latter parish on 22 November 1655. The couple baptised a son Humphrey in the same parish on 5 July 1666 (he had been born four days earlier).

Children of Humphrey Vale and Elizabeth:

Elizabeth [will]. Humphrey [will].

Sarah, bapt.12 October 1672; buried 3 November 1672 [Tamworth].

Staffordshire RO, D 3773/1/2 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Humphrey Vale, barber, of Bolehall, Warwickshire, 7 December 1672, pr.17 January 1672/3]; City of Westminster Archives, STM/PR/8/4 and STM/PR/1/5 [parish registers of St Martin in the Fields, Middlesex, 1653-1664; 1660-1672].

Peter VERNAM (d.1588)

Occ: barber Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Peter Vernam, barber, was buried at St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, on 17 September 1588. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

Elizabeth VIGARS (fl.1679)

Occ: midwife Loc: Leek, Staffordshire

Elizabeth Vigars of Leek, Staffordshire, was sworn a midwife by George Rhodes, vicar of Leek, on 29 March 1679. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, D 1040/5/2 [parish registers of Leek, Staffordshire].

John VINCENT (fl.1698)

Occ: doctor Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

Barbara, the daughter of John Vincent, 'French doctor', was born on 15 October 1698 and was baptised at Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, on 24 October 1698. Otherwise unidentified, he was probably an itinerant physician.

Staffordshire RO, D 3891/1/4 [parish registers of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, 1690-1714].

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WAGGE (*fl.*1652) Person ID: 13571

Occ: astrologer Loc: Wetton, Staffordshire

While travelling through the Peak District in 1652, the celebrated astrologer Elias Ashmole recorded meeting one Wagge of Wetton, a fellow 'astrologus'. Otherwise unidentified.

C.H.Josten (ed.), Elias Ashmole (1617-1692): His Autobiographical and Historical Notes, His Correspondence, and other Contemporary Sources Relating to His Life and Work, 5 vols (Oxford, 1966), ii, p.509; ii, p.624.

Gerald WAGSTAFFE (c.1629-1683)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Gerald Wagstaffe was the son of John Wagstaffe (d.1683) of Fazeley, near Tamworth, Staffordshire. No record of his baptism has been found but he was probably born around 1629. In 1643, he was apprenticed to the London surgeon **Ralph Thicknes**. On returning to Tamworth, he married Anne Hill in the parish church there on 20 May 1652. Wagstaffe, who served as churchwarden of the town in 1661-2, was buried at Tamworth on 25 August 1683. In his will, he left the bulk of his estate which included a property in Tamworth to be divided between his five children John, George (who inherited his father's surgical instruments), Penelope Anna and Christian and wife Anna.

John, the eldest son, was almost certainly the Cambridge graduate of the same name who was serving as rector of Little Wenlock, Shropshire, in 1684, when he published a sermon that he claimed to have previously preached at Tamworth. The work itself was a typical paean in favour of conformity based on patriarchal foundations in which he refers to his 'late deceased' father and his aversion to a return to bloodshed and civil war. John may have exaggerated his father's loyalty to the Stuarts and restored Church. In his will, he named John as co-executor with **Samuel Beresford**, the ejected minister who later took up the practice of medicine while continuing to preach to dissenting conventicles.

Children of Gerald Wagstaffe and Anna:

John. BA & MA Cambridge, 1673/4 and 1677. He was buried at St Alkmund's, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, 29 March 1690. Administration of his will was granted to his brother George.

George, buried 18 May 1657 [Tamworth].

Penelope, born 24 September 1657 [Tamworth].

Anna/Hannah, born 29 March 1659; buried 4 May 1660 [Tamworth].

Anna, bapt.24 February 1660/1 [Tamworth].

George, bapt.11 April 1663; buried 5 July 1696 [Tamworth].

Christian, bapt.23 November 1665 [Tamworth].

Staffordshire RO, consistory court of Coventry & Lichfield, will of John Wagstaff, husbandman, of Phasely, Staffordshire, 26 June 1679, pr.10 September 1689; Guildhall Library, MS 5255/1 [Barber Surgeons Company, Wardens' Accounts and Audit Books, 1603-1659]; Staffordshire RO, D 3773/1/1 [parish registers of Tamworth,

Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 1635-1690]; TNA, PROB 11/374, ff.261v-262v [will of Gerald Wagstaffe, chirurgeon, of Tamworth, Warwickshire, 16 February 1682/3, pr.20 November 1683]; John Wagstaffe, *Joshua's Resolution: or the Duties of Household-Governours* (London, 1684); Shropshire Archives, P 252/A/1/2 [parish registers of St Alkmund's, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, 1654-1710]; TNA, PROB 6/66, f.78 [administration of will and estate of John Wagstaffe of Wenlock, Shropshire, 20 May 1690].

Robert WAGSTAFFE (d.1733)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

Robert Wagstaffe practised as a barber in the town of Wolverhampton from at least 1697 until his death in 1733. He was buried at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, 18 January 1732/3. In his will, he left an estate worth around £81 to be divided between his five children (William, John, Robert, Catherine and Mary) and sister Frances Fellowes who was to act as executrix as well as taking on her brother's apprentice Francis Whily for the remainder of his term.

Children of Robert Wagstaffe, barber:

William, bapt.11 July 1695 [Wolverhampton]. Wife Susanna [will]. Catherine, bapt.4 February 1696/7 [Wolverhampton]. Robert, bapt.23 August 1697 [Wolverhampton]. John, bapt.2 January 1699/1700 [Wolverhampton]. Mary, bapt.14 April 1701 [Wolverhampton]. Frances, bapt.29 December 1702; buried 10 March 1706/7 [Wolverhampton]. Edward, bapt.1 March 1705/6; buried 14 August 1712 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/3, 62 and 63 [parish registers of St Peter's, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Robert Wagstaff, barber, of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire, 25 December 1728, pr.25 July 1733; inventory dated 19 January 1732/3].

John WAKEFIELD (fl.1648)

Occ: barber Loc: Uttoxeter, Staffordshire

In July 1648, John Wakefield, barber, of Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, petitioned the county bench in regard to his errant apprentice of four years standing, Thomas Bembrigge, who had made his daughter pregnant and had now absconded. He requested that Bembrigge should be ordered to serve out his time and make compensation to his master. Otherwise unidentified.

Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/263/24.

Thomas WAKELIN (1667-1713)

Occ: barber Loc: Wolverhampton, Staffordshire

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Thomas Wakelin practised as a barber in the town of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire. He was the son of William Wakelin and was baptised at St Peter's, Wolverhampton, on 9 January 1666/7. He married just before the turn of the century (wife unknown) and was serving as parish clerk in 1701. Wakelin was buried at Wolverhampton on 9 July 1713.

Children of Thomas Wakelin:

Peter, bapt.3 July 1699; buried 14 March 1702/3 [Wolverhampton]. Mary, bapt.3 August 1701; buried 13 January 1704/5 [Wolverhampton]. Mary, buried 31 January 1707/8 [Wolverhampton].

Staffordshire RO, D 1157/1/1/2 and 3 [parish registers of Wolverhampton, Staffordshire].

Peter WALLEY (d.1715)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Peter Walley, apothecary, was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 8 February 1714/15. In his will, made a few weeks before his death, he left all his estate, including two properties in the town of Stafford (he purchased the Old Swan, which still stands, in 1711), to his wife Ann (executrix) and daughter Elizabeth.

Apprentice of Peter Walley, apothecary:

Robert Abnett, the son of William Abnett, gent, of Stafford, Staffordshire, for the premium of £40 as recorded in 1712.

Staffordshire RO, D 1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will of Peter Walley, apothecary, of Stafford, Staffordshire, 21 January 1714/15, pr.2 December 1715]; TNA, IR1/43, f.77.

Francis WALTHOE (d.1722)

Occ: barber/innholder Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Francis Walthoe is variously described as a barber (marriage licence) and innholder of the town of Stafford. As a widower, he married Elizabeth Freeman of Twickenham, Middlesex, at St Bride's in London on 29 June 1706. Walthoe was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 21 October 1722. He died intestate, administration of his estate, valued at £169, being granted to his widow Elizabeth.

Apprentice of Francis Walthoe, barber:

John Byrche, son of Matthew Byrche, blacksmith, of Staffordshire for the premium of £10 as recorded in 1715.

London Metropolitan Archives, P69/BRI/A/006/MS06548 [parish registers of St Bride's, London, 1695-1706]; Staffordshire RO, D 1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford,

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Staffordshire]; consistory court of diocese of Coventry & Lichfield, inventory and administration of the will of Francis Walthowe, innholder, of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire, 5 November 1722, pr.6 November 1722; TNA, IR 1/4, f.7.

Thomas WALTHOE (d.1662)

Occ: barber Loc: Stafford, Staffordshire

Thomas Walthoe practised as a barber in the town of Stafford from at least 1642 until his death twenty years later. He was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 12 June 1662. In his will, he left property in Stafford to his wife Mary on condition that she left their six children (Thomas, Joan, William, Francis, Elizabeth and John) £20 each at their coming of age. Walthoe named his wife Mary as sole executrix and nominated his brother William and cousin John Walthoe, butcher, of Stafford, as overseers. An inventory gave an estimated value of Walthoe's estate at around £333. He would also appear to have been of a godly disposition. The preamble to his will mentions the elect and he possessed three great bibles and two little bibles as well as other books (valued at £2).

Children of Thomas Walthoe and Mary:

Dorothy, the illegitmate daughter of Thomas Walthoe and Mary Barnett, bapt.23 April 1642. She was buried at St Mary's, Stafford, on 1 January 1668/9 but is not mentioned in her father's will.

Thomas [will].

Mary, bapt.7 December 1648; buried 8 December 1648 [St Chad's, Stafford].

Joan, bapt.30 October 1649 [St Chad's, Stafford]. She married John Palmer at St Mary's, Stafford, 2 February 1670/1.

William, born 13 January 1654/5 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Francis, born 29 July 1656; bapt.2 August 1656 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Elizabeth, born 16 May 1658; bapt.June 1658 [St Mary's, Stafford].

John, bapt.19 July 1660 [St Mary's, Stafford].

Staffordshire RO, D 1399/2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Stafford, Staffordshire]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Thomas Walthoe, barber, of Stafford, Staffordshire, 8 May 1662, pr.11 August 1662; inventory dated 5 August 1662]; D 1398/1/2 [parish registers of St Chad's, Stafford, Staffordshire].

John WARBURTON (*c*.1667-1717)

Occ: doctor of physic. Loc: Coventry, Warwickshire, and Abbot's Bromley, Staffordshire

John Warburton was the son of Robert Warburton (d.1696), esquire, of Grange, Cheshire, and his wife Elizabeth, the daughter of William Berkeley, haberdasher and alderman, of London. No record of his baptism has been found; he was probably born in Cheshire around 1667. Warburton entered Leiden university as a medical student in December 1688 and again in October 1691, graduating MD on 5 May 1692. His thesis on angina (copy in British Library) was dedicated to three physicians, **Richard Blackmore**, **Nathaniel Banne** and **Joshua Palmer**, as well as his father Robert and uncle Peter Warburton, esquire, of Abbot's

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Bromley, Staffordshire. Warburton was a member of a family devoted to the cause of Dissent. His sister Mary married the celebrated nonconformist divine Matthew Henry (1662-1714) and his father Robert's home at Grange was a popular refuge for nonconformist ministers.

After graduating at Leiden, Warburton first settled at Coventry in Warwickshire. He was living there in 1700 when he married his cousin Hester Warburton, the daughter of Peter Warburton of Abbot's Bromley in Staffordshire. The couple were married at Abbot's Bromley on 17 October 1700 and settled in the village thereafter. Warburton was buried at Abbot's Bromley on 20 September 1717. He died intestate. Administration of his estate, which included over £700 worth of Bank of England stock in the form of lottery annuities, was granted to his brother Peter.

G.Ormerod, *History of the County Palatine and City of Chester*, 3 vols (London, 1819), ii, p.94; Innes Smith, 242; Staffordshire RO, diocese of Coventry & Lichfield, marriage licence bonds and allegations; D 1209/1/1/2 [parish registers of Abbot's Bromley, Staffordshire]; Bank of England will registers, 1717-1845, accessible via Findmypast; Cheshire Archives and Local Studies, Chester, diocese of Chester Wills, supra 1718.

Thomas WARNER (d.1729)

Occ: barber Loc: Mavesyn Ridware, Staffordshire

Thomas Warner practised as a barber in the village of Mavesyn Ridware from about 1697 until his death in 1729. His first wife Dorothy (otherwise unidentified) was buried there on 20 February 1715/16. He subsequently married Mary Bolton of Stafford at Mavesyn Ridware on 15 November 1719 and was buried in the village on 26 November 1729.

Children of Thomas Warner and Dorothy:

Jonah, bapt.7 September 1697 [Mavesyn Ridware].

Alice [twin], bapt.25 September 1699 [Mavesyn Ridware].

Thomas [twin], bapt.25 September 1699 [Mavesyn Ridware]. He was apprenticed to John Henworth of the Fishmongers' Company, London, 5 September 1716.

Dorothy, bapt.12 January 1702/3 [Mavesyn Ridware].

Staffordshire RO, D 3712/1/2 and 3 [parish registers of Mavesyn Ridware, Staffordshire]; London apprenticeship abstracts, 1442-1850.

William WARRILOW (d.1730)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Stone, Staffordshire

William Warrilow practised as a barber surgeon in the town of Stone, Staffordshire, from about 1715 until his death in 1730. He was buried at Stone on 22 April 1730. He left an estate valued at about £82 (including drugs, medicines, oils, ointments and plasters worth £8) to be divided between his two sons John and Thomas. He also granted his wife (unnamed) an annuity of £10 pa in lieu of her dowry and a further £100 to his daughter Elizabeth. Warrilow

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named his two brothers in law, William Barbor of Stone and Thomas Shelley of Cotes as joint executors.

Children of William Warrilow:

Thomas, bapt.8 April 1715 [Stone]. William, bapt.20 February 1716/17 [Stone]. Elizabeth, bapt.26 December 1719 [Stone]. Jane [with wife Jane], bapt.27 March 1722 [Stone].

Apprentices of William Warrilow, barber surgeon:

Daniel Wood, son of Richard Wood, husbandman, of Longton, for the premium of £15 in 1712

James Robinson, son of Thomas Robinson, butcher, of Stone, for the premium of £5 in 1716. James Warrilow, son of Anthony Warrilow, butcher, of Fosbrooke, Staffordshire, for the premium of £15 as recorded in 1716.

Thomas Walker, son of Sarah Walker, widow, for the premium of £207 in 1722.

Staffordshire RO, parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire; consistory court of Coventry & Lichfield, will and inventory of William Warrilow, barber surgeon, of Stone, Warwickshire, 5 August 1728, pr.30 May 1730; inventory dated 20 May 1730; TNA, IR1/2, ff.43, 188; 1/45, f.8; 1/48, f.8.

Samuel WASE (d.1728)

Occ: apothecary Loc: Eccleshall, Staffordshire

Samuel Wase, apothecary, married Anne Dickenson at Lichfield Cathedral on 3 October 1699. The couple settled in the town of Eccleshall where Wase practised as an apothecary until his death in 1728. He was buried at Eccleshall on 16 April 1728. Wase left an estate valued at £128, including a property at Polshall in Wolverhampton, to be divided among his wife Ann and their seven children (William, Ann, Hannah, Elizabeth, Jane, Dorothy and Mary). Wase named his wife Anne and son William as joint executors. She was buried at Eccleshall on 31 December 1753.

Children of Samuel Wase and Anne:

William [will].

Ann, bapt.2 November 1701 [Eccleshall].

John, bapt.29 January 1702/3 [Eccleshall].

Hannah, bapt.29 July 1704 [Ecclehsall].

Elizabeth, bapt.7 April 1706 [Eccleshall].

Jane, bapt.1 September 1707 [Eccleshall].

Samuel, bapt.23 February 1708/9; buried 21 August 1709 [Eccleshall].

Dorothy, bapt.5 May 1710; buried 30 June 1710 [Eccleshall].

Samuel, bapt.22 August 1711; buried 7 September 1711 [Eccleshall].

Dorothy, bapt.10 September 1712 [Eccleshall].

Mary, bapt.9 November 1713 [Eccleshall].

Henry, bapt.8 March 1714/15; buried 11 March 1714/15 [Eccleshall].

Staffordshire RO, D 102/1 [parish registers of Lichfield Cathedral]; D 3767/1/4 and 5 [parish registers of Eccleshall, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Samuel Wase, apothecary, of Eccleshall, Staffordshire, 19 September 1727, pr.3 February 1728/9; inventory dated 9 January 1728/9].

William WESTMACOTT (c.1650-1721)

Occ: physician Loc: Stafford and Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire

William Westmacott was a chemical physician who, after a long period travelling the country and studying and practising under a variety of mentors, finally settled in Staffordshire where he established a successful practice. Westmacott himself provided a highly detailed account of his life and career in a manuscript biography which today survives in the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington DC.

Westmacott was the son of William Westmacott (d.1686), a puritan preacher who was ejected at Cropthorne in Worcestershire in 1660. He was born at the home of his maternal grandfather at Shurdington in Gloucestershire sometime around 1650 and was educated at Cropthorne, Northleach (under his paternal grandfather) and Evesham. As a young man, he briefly assisted his father who was then teaching a school at Pershore in Worcestershire and settled with him at nearby Defford when his father purchased an estate there. It was here that he first began to read physic prior to spending a year in London learning the basics of the art under the chemical physician, Abraham Hargrave. Following the onset of the Second Anglo-Dutch War, he returned to Worcestershire where he was bound apprentice for two years to Thomas Flavell, apothecary and surgeon, of Bromsgrove, 'in order to learn how to make my own medicines, that I might make ym myself when I came to practice'. After just six months, however, providence dictated that the young Westmacott should next locate at Stratford upon Avon in Warwickshire, where he kept the shop of one Mrs Mary Hammond and fell under the influence of the local physician Edward Wagstaffe. After a stay of two years, Westmacott travelled widely across the Midlands and parts of southern England visiting Loughborough, Fairford, Faringdon (Berkshire) and parts of Wiltshire before ending up in Bristol toward the end of the 1660s and early 1670s (he was in the latter city in December 1671 when he witnessed the will of a Bristol cooper). There, he came under the spell of Dr Richard Martin and his apothecary Philip Read during which period of about a year he 'advantaged my self in the practical part of physicke very much' and visited the spa at Bath. After a brief period working in Shropshire, where he became friends with the Shrewsbury apothecary Collins Wolrich, Westmacott finally settled in Staffordshire, firstly at Stafford and then at Newcastle under Lyme.

Through the auspices of the nonconformist minister John Bryan (d.1699), Westmacott inherited the Stafford practice of 'old Doctor Fygge', that is **Valentine Fygge**, who had formerly prospered as a chemical physician in London. He claims to have arrived in the town of Stafford in September 1673 following an invite from Fygge's old apothecary, **Thomas Giles**. After three years, Westmacott made his final move to the town of Newcastle under Lyme where he was invited to fill the place of the recently deceased **Dr Robert Croxton**. For the next forty years or more, Westmacott plied his trade in the town, where he vied for patients with the Cambridge-educated physician **John Comberledge** who had set up in

medical practice at Newcastle at about the same time. Westmacott was the author of two works published in 1694. One was a short, four-page pamphlet advertising the benefits of the spa waters at Blurton, near Stoke on Trent, which contained the imprimatur of **Sir John Floyer**. The other, a much longer, learned tract, consisting of a natural history of herbs and plants mentioned in the scriptures, was intended as part of a larger research programme designed to encourage divines to act as spiritual physicians in discerning the theological significance of nature (a promised second and third volume on sacred minerals and animals did not materialise). The work itself seems to have been instigated by Westmacott's mentor John Bryan (above). Westmacott had previously corresponded with the Royal Society in 1676 in the hope of publishing his account of a woman in Stafford who was suffering from severe headaches as a result of an intervention by a neighbour, 'a confident petticoat docteress' (it failed to appear in the *Philosophical Transactions*).

From Westmacott's training and published writings, it is clear he was devoted to what he termed a 'pharmaco-chymical Inspection' of nature (*Historia Vegetabilium Sacra*, sig.A5r). Nonetheless, he was somewhat of an eclectic, citing Galen, Aristotle and Hippocrates alongside such 'moderns' as Robert Boyle and **Thomas Sydenham**. Respectful of the merits of learning, despite his lack of a university education, he was also mindful of the benefits of experience and practice, concluding that 'No letter'd hypothesis in the theory, nor a diploma of MD, painted as a reward, can make a man the true servant of nature' (*Historia Vegetabilium Sacra*, pp.5-6). It should also be stressed that there is little in Westmacott's career or writings to suggest, as Paul Krivatsky has done, that Westmacott was the heir to a radical medico-theological tradition dating back to the Digger Gerard Winstanley.

William Westmacott married Rebecca Burslem, the widow of Captain James Burslem (d.1676), at Newchapel in the parish of Wolstanton, Staffordshire, on 16 October 1680. He ended his account of his life with the death of his wife Rebecca, 'a very sickely woman, often near death', who died on 4 April 1701. She was buried at Newcastle four days later. William was buried in the same church on 29 January 1720/1. He left no will or children. He did, however, proffer support to his siblings, including his younger brother Theodore Westmacott (1673-1728) who lodged with him from 1686 until 1691. William hoped to put Theodore out apprentice to **Humphrey Wyke**, an apothecary at Shifnal in Shropshire, 'to get skill in pharmacy and surgery', while also continuing his academical studies under Mr Woodhouse. In the event, he entered the ministry serving as pastor to a dissenting congregation at Chalford in Gloucestershire in which capacity he may also have practised medicine (he is refered to as 'Dr Westmacott' in 1720).

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Simon WESTON (1690-1762)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Rugeley, Staffordshire

Simon Weston, of Rugeley, Staffordshire, was licensed to practise surgery throughout the province of Canterbury on 6 June 1713. Letters testimonial on his behalf were signed by **James Ferne** and **John Girle**, surgeons, of London. He was the son of Mr Ralph Weston and his wife Frances and was baptised at Rugeley on 15 April 1690. Weston married Elizabeth Leacroft at Lichfield Cathedral on 17 June 1714 and practised at Rugeley until his death in 1762. He was buried there on 27 November 1762.

Children of Mr Simon Weston and wife Elizabeth:

Ralph, bapt.1 August 1721 [Rugeley]. Mary, bapt.17 November 1722 [Rugeley].

Lambeth Palace Library, VX 1A/10/460; VG 1/6, f 268; Tenison 2, f 302v [*Directory*, i, no 887]; Staffordshire RO, D 1454/1/2 and 3 [parish registers of Rugeley, Staffordshire]; D 102/1 [parish registers of the Close, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

William WHEELER (d.1668)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

William Wheeler, barber surgeon, was buried at Walsall, Staffordshire, 16 April 1668. In his will, made shortly before his death, he left an estate valued at just over £56, including property at Tardebigge and Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, to his wife Mary and only child, Henry.

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will and inventory of William Wheeler, barber chirurgion, of Walsall, Staffordshire, 3 April 1668, pr.24 April 1668; inventory dated 20 April 1668].

Joan WILDBLOOD (d.1626 or 1627)

Occ: midwife Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

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Joan Wildblood, midwife, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, 1 January 1626/7.

Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

Gervase WILDER (*fl.*1713-1719)

Occ: apothecary/surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Gervase Wilder practised as an apothecary and surgeon at Walsall in Staffordshire in the early eighteenth century. He may be the man of the same name who was buried at Walsall on 23 October 1733.

Apprentices of Gervase Wilder, apothecary/surgeon:

Eli Robinson, son of Eli Robinson, yeoman, of Rugeley, Staffordshire, for the premium of £30 as recorded in 1713.

William Janus, son of William Janus, vicar, of Sedgley, Staffordshire, for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1717.

John Ball, son of **Edward Ball**, apothecary and surgeon, of Walsall, Staffordshire, for the premium of £50 as recorded in 1719.

Walsall Local History Centre, parish registers of Walsall, Staffordshire; TNA, IR 1/5, f.141; 1/8, f.6; 1/43, f.110.

Richard WILLIAMS (fl.1677)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Richard Williams, of the diocese of Lichfield, was licensed to practise surgery in the dioceses of Coventry and Lichfield, Gloucester and Worcester, on 9 August 1677. Testimonials for Williams, who had been born in the diocese of London, were provided, among others, by fellow practitioners, **Robert Lloyd**, **William Smith** and **Anthony Hewitt**, all of Lichfield. They affirmed that he had practised the art or trade of a surgeon for many years 'with very good successe, having performed many extraordinary cures' throughout the diocese of Lichfield.

No record of his marriage, death or burial has been found.

Children of Richard Williams:

John, bapt.19 July 1666 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Anne [with wife Anne], bapt.25 November 1667 [St Chad's, Lichfield]; buried 21 August 1671 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Richard, bapt.12 June 1699 [St Mary's, Lichfield]; buried 13 January 1669/70 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Michael, bapt.20 February 1670/1; buried 2 September 1671 [Lichfield Cathedral].

John, bapt.13 August 1672 [Lichfield Cathedral].

Mary, bapt.24 February 1674/5 [Lichfield Cathedral].

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Lambeth Palace Library, FII/18/103a-b; F1/D, f.164v [*Directory*, ii, no.1067]; Staffordshire RO, D102/1 [registers of the Close, Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire, 1665-1744]; D 29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 20/1/1 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

Francis WILLIAMSON (1659-1726)

Occ: barber/periwigmaker Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

Francis Williamson, the son of Thomas Williamson, was baptised at St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire, on 7 August 1659. A barber and periwigmaker, he married Jane Woodcock at St Mary's on 20 April 1696 and was buried in the parish of St Chad's, Lichfield, on 20 February 1725/6. In a brief will, he left all his estate, personal and real, including a property in Wade Street in Lichfield (purchased from Mr John Bayley the younger), to his wife and executrix Jane. The total value of his estate was £54 5s.

Children of Francis Williamson and Jane:

Sarah, bapt.18 February 1696/7 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Thomas, bapt.27 February 1698/9 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Francis, bapt.21 November 1700 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Jane, bapt.17 August 1702 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Ann, bapt.2 October 1704; buried 11 January 1714/15 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Frances, bapt.26 July 1707 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Charles, bapt.6 April 1710 [St Mary's, Lichfield]. Elizabeth, bapt.20 September 1713 [St Mary's, Lichfield].

Apprentice of Francis Williamson, barber:

Thomas Jordan for the premium of £10 as recorded in 1715.

Staffordshire RO, D 20/1/1 and 2 [parish registers of St Mary's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; diocese of Coventry and Lichfield, wills and inventories [will and inventory of Francis Williamson, perukemaker, of Lichfield, Staffordshire, 17 March 1714/15, pr.29 March 1726]; TNA, IR 1/44, f.115.

Henry WOOD (*fl*.1662)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Walsall, Staffordshire

Wood served as constable of Walsall in 1661-2 and was made a capital burgess of the town in September 1662. He was seemingly appointed as a loyal royalist.

Staffordshire RO, Q/SR/262/51 [bondsman on behalf of Thomas Osburne, nailer, of Handsworth, Staffordshire, 1647]; Walsall Local History Centre, 35/9/4 [accounts of Henry Wood, constable]; For nuncupative will, see Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [will proved 6 November 1674 [unseen].

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John WOOD (d.1636)

Occ: physician Loc: Lichfield, Staffordshire

John Wood, physician, was buried at St Michael's, Lichfield, on 20 October 1636. Otherwise unidentified. He may have been the same as the John Wood who married Katherine Holt at St Chad;s, Lichfield, on 17 November 1635.

Staffordshire RO, D 27/1/1 [parish registers of St Michael's, Lichfield, Staffordshire]; D 29/1/1 [parish registers of St Chad's, Lichfield, Staffordshire].

Robert WOODCOCK (d.1674)

Occ: barber Loc: Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire

Robert Woodcock was the son of John Woodcock of Tamworth. He married Tabitha Lakin at Monks Kirby, Warwickshire, on 29 July 1656 and was buried at Tamworth on 16 November 1674. Robert's widow Tabitha was buried in the same parish on 4 September 1702. She left an estate valued at £54 5s 8d to her four children Francis, Edward, Tabitha and Mary, naming the latter as residual legatee and executrix.

Children of Robert Woodcock and Tabitha:

Francis, bapt.4 July 1662 [Tamworth]. Alive in 1702 [mother's will]. Edward, bapt.18 July 1665 [Tamworth]. Alive in 1702 [mother's will]. Tabitha, bapt.19 August 1667 [Tamworth]. She married William Parker of St Bride's, London, at St Martin in the Fields, Middlesex, 23 April 1690. Mary [mother's will].

Warwickshire RO, DR 380 [parish registers of Monks Kirby, Warwickshire, 1647-1674]; DR/B/6/3 [parish registers of Grendon, Warwickshire]; Staffordshire RO, D 3773/1/2 and 3 [parish registers of Tamworth, Staffordshire/Warwickshire, 1635-1690]; B/C/11 [will and inventory of Robert Woodcock, barber, of Tamworth, Staffordshire, pr.11 December 1674 [unseen]; consistory court of Coventry and Lichfield, will of Tabitha Woodcock, widow, of Tamworth, Warwickshire, 18 June 1702, pr.27 October 1702; inventory dated 15 October 1702; City of Westminster Archives, STM/PR/6/5 [parish registers of St Martin in the Fields, Middlesex, 1658-1710].

Benjamin WOOLLAMS (1654-1700)

Occ: barber Loc: Eccleshall/Stone, Staffordshire

In about 1674/5, the London physician and Baptist **George Jones** listed the shop of one Benjamin Werloms, barber, of Eccleshall, Staffordshire, as an outlet for one of his pills. Werloms was almost certainly the same as Benjamin Woollams. He was the son of Francis Woollams and was baptised at Eccleshall on 16 March 1653/4. At some point after about

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1674 he would appear to have moved to nearby Stone where he was buried on 26 August 1700. His wife Anne (otherwise unidentified) was buried in the same parish on 4 May 1691.

George Jones, *Student in the Art of Physick and Chyrurgery for above Thirty Years* (London, 1675?), p.4; Staffordshire RO, D 3767/1/3 [parish registers of Eccleshall, Staffordshire]; parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire.

Arthur WOOLLEY (*c*.1677-1724)

Occ: doctor of physic Loc: Barton under Needwood, Staffordshire

Arthur Woolley was the son of William Woolley, silk laceman, of London and his second wife Elizabeth, the daughter of Colonel Thomas Saunders of Little Ireton, Derbyshire. His background was staunchly puritan and nonconformist. Woolley's father William was a prominent London Presbyterian and his grandfather Thomas Saunders was a former parliamentarian soldier who supported the regicide and sat as an MP during the Cromwellian Protectorate. Described by Lucy Hutchinson as 'a very godly, honest, country gentleman', his home at Little Ireton became a haven for nonconformist ministers after the Restoration.

Woolley first entered Leiden University as a medical student in September 1698, where he gave his age as 21. He subsequently transferred to Utrecht and graduated MD there on 5 February 1703. Woolley's thesis on the ileum or small intestine carried a carmina by his friend S.Williams. Back in England, Woolley settled into medical practice in the village of Barton under Needwood in Staffordshire where, unmarried, he died in 1724. He was buried at Barton on 26 December 1724. Woolley left over £190 for mourning for family and friends who included two physicians, Dr William Howard of London and Dr John Woodhouse of Nottingham. Other beneficiaries included Samuel Saunders, esquire, the husband of Woolley's sister Esther (he received all Woolley's books), and the testator's brother Adam Woolley who inherited his estate at Barton and was named as residual legatee and executor.

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Nicholas WOOLLEY (fl. 1675)

Occ: licensed physician/surgeon Loc: Newborough, Staffordshire

Nicholas Woolley, of Newborough, Staffordshire, was licensed to practise medicine and surgery in the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield and Lincoln on 13 May 1675. In a personal letter addressed to Gilbert Sheldon, archbishop of Canterbury, the celebrated man midwife,

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Dr Percivall Willoughby, attested to Woolley's medical skills though he also added that he wasn't able at the present time to minister to patients as he was too busy attending upon Lady Egerton (dated from Derby, 3 April 1675). Other letters in support of Woolley's application were forwarded by neighbours at Littleover which stressed how much good he had done for the sick 'in this country.

No trace of Woolley has been found in the parish registers of Newborough.

Lambeth Palace Library, VX 1A/10/85/1-2; VG 1/1, f 273v; Sheldon, f 256 [*Directory*, i, no 933].

Simon WRIGHT (d.1686)

Occ: barber surgeon Loc: Stone, Staffordshire

Simon Wright, barber surgeon, was buried at Stone, Staffordshire, on 22 March 1685/6. In his brief will, composed just a few days before his death, he left his meagre estate (valued at just over £7) to his brother William who was also named as joint executor with Thomas Wright of Tattersall.

Staffordshire RO, parish registers of Stone, Staffordshire; B/C/11 [will of Simon Wright, barbour surgeant, of Stone Staffordshire, 16 March 1685/6, pr.30 April 1686; inventory dated 22 March 1685/6].

William YATES (d.1671)

Occ: surgeon Loc: Rolleston, Staffordshire

William Yates, surgeon, of Rolleston died in 1671. He asked to be buried in the church of Rolleston with a funeral sermon preached by the rector William Squire. Yates left a new suit of clothes and £2 to his brother Robert while leaving the rest of his estate to his sister and executrix, Anne.

Staffordshire RO, B/C/11 [nuncupative will of William Yates, chyrurgeon, of Rolleston, Staffordshire, 30 September 1671, pr.27 October 1671].

Thomas YEOMANS (d.1715)

Occ: barber Loc: Gnosall, Staffordshire

Thomas Yeomans, barber, of Gnosall, Staffordshire, was buried at High Offley in the same county on 2 September 1715. In his will, he left an estate worth £36, including moneys owed to him by the executor of his father's estate, John Blakemore, gent, of Sheriff Hales, to his mother Rachel, now the wife of Thomas Preston (the couple were married at Lichfield cathedral on 11 October 1700). Yeomans also named his stepfather as executor.

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Staffordshire RO, D 4035/1/1 [parish registers of High Offley, Staffordshire]; P/C/11 [will and inventory of Thomas Yeomans, barber, of Gnosall, Staffordshire, 31 August 1715, pr.17 October 1715; inventory dated 11 October 1715]; D 102/1 [parish registers of the Close, Lichfield Cathedral, Staffordshire].