

## Wheathamstead Parish Registers : Extracts from the Lost Register Books

EXTRACTED BY JOHN H. BUSBY.

THE present Registers at Wheathamstead commence in 1690, the earlier books apparently having been lost, rumour saying when the old Rectory was burnt down in the eighteenth century. However, in the Bodleian Library at Oxford, in a book of manuscript notes on Hertfordshire, by Edward Steele (Gough's *Herts*, No. 8), I came across some pages of extracts from the Wheathamstead Registers, going up to 1689.

The importance of these extracts, containing as they do many important entries relating to such ancient Hertfordshire families as the Bockets and Bristows, cannot be over-estimated. Besides extracts from the Baptism, Burial and Marriage Registers, Steele gives extracts of Burials taken from an old book of Church Warden Accounts, and also a short list of Rectors which contains some names not in Clutterbuck or Cussans.

The footnotes are from the original book of extracts made by Steele.

An abstract of the Register of Wheathamsted in com. Hertford containing the Births, Burials and Marriages of the Principal Families mentioned therein.

### CHRISTENINGS.

William son of Mr John Bocket	26 May	1544
Richard son of John Butler, Knight	26 May	1544
Thomas son of ye said Sir John Butler	26 Apr.	1545
Margaret da. of Nicholas Bristow	20 Jul.	1545
Radulfus son of Mr John Bocket	8 Aug.	1546
Bensted Bocket	12 May	1548
Nicholas Butler	13 Sep.	1551
William son of Sir John Butler	28 Aug.	1554
Joan da of Thomas How gent.	1 Nov.	1561
John son of Nicholas Bocket	14 Jan.	1562
Phillip Butler	25 Jan.	1563

Isabel da. of John Brocket	24 Jun.	1566
Elizabeth da of Thomas Hayward	6 Jul.	1567
Luce da. of William Bristow	28 Dec.	1568
John son of Julius Ferryes	4 Dec.	1575
Martha da. of William Bristow	11 Jul.	1576
Ellin da. of William Bristow	1 Dec.	1577
Henry son of Ralph Connesby Arm.	4 Mar.	1577
Margaret da of William Bristow	28 Dec.	1578
William son of William Bristow	3 Dec.	1579
Mary da. of George Perient	7 Sep.	1581
Margaret da of John Brocket	29 Apr.	1582
John son of John Brocket	24 Jul.	1583
Thomas son of John Brocket of Mackrey End	8 Oct.	1584
Thomas son of Umphrey Cottrell gent.	9 May	1585
Robert son of Phillip Butler Esq.	24 Sep.	1585
Anne da. of John Brocket de Mackrey's End	2 Mar.	1585
Thomas son of Mr Foster of South Mims	24 Jan.	1590
Elizabeth da. of Mr Salter	25 Apr.	1591
Thomas son of Mr. Wawkaden of Hanside	17 May	1592
Robert son of Nicholas Bristow	5 July	1596
Mr Duncombe had a da. christened	13 May	1598
Thomas son of Edward Duncombe gent.	17 Aug.	1600
Katherine da. of Edw. Duncombe gent.	23 Jul.	1601
Frances da. of John Brocket Esq.	29 Mar.	1604
Daniel son of Henry Bowerman	1 May	1604
Judith da. of John Brocket Esq.	30 May	1605
Luke son of Mark Stubbinge	29 Sep.	1605
Edward son of John Brocket Esq.	14 Jan.	1606
William son of John Brocket Esq.	20 Jul.	1608
John, son of John Brocket Esq.	20 May	1611
John son of Mr John Brocket of Mackerie End	29 Jul.	1612
Charles son of John Brocket Esq.	1 Jul.	1613
Perient son of Martin Trott Esq.	6 Nov.	1614
Thomas son of John Brocket Esq.	15 Jan.	1614
Sible da. of Mr Docter Newell	17 May	1616
Garway son of John Brocket Esq.	6 Jun.	1616
Nicholas son of John Chirshier gent.	18 Jul.	1616
Elizabeth da. of Sir John Garrard Kt.	22 May	1617
Charles son of John Brocket of the Street Esq.	2 Jun.	1618
Thomas son of Thomas Harward	1 Nov.	1619
Nicholas son of Martin Trott gent.	18 Apr.	1620
Anne, da. of Phillip Paine gent.	27 Aug.	1620
Elizabeth da. of Richard Michell gent.	9 May	1622
Hester da. of John Cowper a pilgrime	18 May	1622
Richard son of Richard Michell gent.	14 May	1623
Constance da. of Mr. Shepard	14 Nov.	1624
George son of John Brocket of the Street Esq.	4 Jan.	1624
Edward son of John Brocket of Mackrills End	23 Jun.	1625
Margaret da. of Sir John Garrett	28 Oct.	1625
Clare da. of Mr Thomas Shephard of the Bury	26 Feb.	1625
Mary da. of Richard Michell	11 Apr.	1625
Elizabeth da. of John Brockett of Mackrills End	28 Jun.	1626
Frances da. of Sir John Garrard	28 Nov.	1626

Hannial son of Thom. Shephard gent.	18 Mar.	1626
Mary da. of John Brockett Esq.	19 Jun.	1627
Thomas son of John Brockett	4 May	1628
George son of Robert Nicholl gent.	24 Jul.	1628
Elizabeth, da. of John Brockett Esq. senr.	3 Aug.	1628
Hannah da. of Robert Michell	27 May	1627
Charles son of Sir John Garrard Kt. and Barronet	24 Jan.	1628
John son of Henry Byrde, clerke, and Abygail his wife	1 May	1629
Mary da. of Richard Michell	14 Sep.	1629
John son of John Brockett senr.	20 Oct.	1629
Anne da. of Sir John Garrard Kt. and Bart.	14 Apr.	1630
Anne da. of Sir William Salter	30 Nov.	1630
William son of John Brockett Esq.	23 Oct.	1631
Barnister son of John Brockett	20 Jan.	1632
Henry son of Mr John Brockett Esq. and Marie his wife	22 Jul.	1634
Mary da. of Martin Trott gent. and Elizabeth his wife	15 Jul.	1635
Jane da. of Justinian Ishann born 19 Aug. and bapt.	1 Sep.	1635
Elizabeth da. of Sir John Garrard bart. and the Lady Jane his wife born 19 Apr. 1639, bapt.	23 Apr.	1639
William son of Sir John Garrard Kt. and Bart. and ye Lady Jane his wife	11 Nov.	1641
Mary da. of Mr. Edward Brocket and Mary his wife	25 Sep.	1654
Elizabeth da. of Mr. Edward Brockett and Mary his wife	21 Nov.	1654
Joshua da. of Mr Thomas Thornton, Minister, and Elizabeth his wife	4 Mar.	1656
Rachell da. of Sir John Garrard and the Lady Jane his wife	19 Nov.	1657
Frances da. of Mr Edward Brockett	15 Jun.	1658
Thomas son of Mr Thomas Thornton, Minister	7 Aug.	1658
Ezabella da. of Sir John Garrard and the Lady Jane his wife	26 Dec.	1658
John son of Edward Brockett gent. and Mary his wife	5 May	1660
Elizabeth da. of Mr. Thomas Thornton, Minister	25 Aug.	1660
Anne da. of Edward Brockett gent.	6 Jan.	1661
Elizabeth da. of Mr Richard Michell and Elizabeth his wife	9 Nov.	1665
Jane Da. of Mr Richard Michell and Grace his wife	29 Feb.	1667
Jane and Rebekah the das. of Anthony Farrington Esq. and Sarah his wife	19 Apr.	1669
Henry son of John Lambe Rector of Wheathamstead and Elizabeth his wife	31 Mar.	1674
Mary da. of John Lambe Rector of Wheathamstead and Elizabeth his wife	29 Jul.	1675

Jane da. of John Garrard Esq. and the Lady Katherine Barywell his wife	5 Aug.	1675
Thomas son of John Lambe Rector of Wheathamstead and Elizabeth his wife	27 Sep.	1676
John son of John Lambe Rector of Wheathamsted and Elizabeth his wife	6 Nov.	1677
Charles son of John Lambe Rector of Wheathamstead and Elizabeth his wife	28 Nov.	1678
Mary da. of Henry Michell gent. and Mary his wife surgionionners at Mrs. Brocketts, widdow	28 Apr.	1678
Catherine da. of Richard Lambe and Elizabeth his wife	15 Jan.	1679
Thomas son of Mr. Joseph Michell and Anne his wife baptised at ye Hill	5 Mar.	1679
Elizabeth da. of John Lambe, Rector, and Elizabeth his wife	9 May	1680
Joseph son of Mr. Joseph Michell and Anne his wife	25 May	1681
Richard son of Mr. Henry Michell and Mary his wife	8 Sep.	1681
Dorothie da. of John Lambe Rector and Elizabeth his wife	12 Oct.	1681
Anne da. of Mr Joseph Michell and Anne his wife	28 Mar.	1682
Anne da. of Richard Lambe and Anne his wife	16 Apr.	1682
Jane da. of Mr. Richard Emerton and Rachel his wife	10 Jun.	1683
Tudor son of John Lambe, Rector and Elizabeth his wife	11 Jun.	1683
Richard son of Richard Lambe	2 Sep.	1683
Catherine, da. of John Lambe, Rector and Elizabeth his wife	1 May	1685
Jane da. of John Lambe Rector and Elizabeth his wife	18 Jan.	1686
Elizabeth da. of Mr. Valentine Lawrence and Sarah his wife	11 Oct.	1688

## BURIALS.

Antony Purdom son of George Purdom of Lond.	1 Oct.	1540
Henry son of Thomas Mash of Lond.	9 Jan.	1540
Thomas Rochester of London	20 Sep,	1541
† Sir Griffin Dun Kt.	15 Jan.	1542
Cicely Alway a Londoner	21 Jan.	1542
William son of John Brocket	8 Jun.	1545
Sir John Brocket Kt.	14 Apr.	1558
John Haworth	25 Sep.	1558
John Hayward et Edmund Clark	27 Sep.	1558

† He is writ Sir Gryffith Dennys in the aftermentioned book.

Elizabeth Bristow	18 Jan.	1559
John Brocket son of John Brocket	2 Feb.	1559
Ellin da. of Sir John Butler Kt.	9 Jan.	1561
Johanna filia Nicholas Brocket	20 Apr.	1566
Margery wife of Nicholas Style	22 Feb.	1569
John son of John Hayward	13 Feb.	1570
Sara da. of Mrs Colt	12 Aug.	1570
*Francis Stedman	5 Nov.	1570
*George Carpenter the last of	5 Jan.	1571
*Thomas son of Charles Wharton	19 Feb.	1571
Filia Mic. Harding Londinensis ultimo	Feb.	1571
Sir John Butler of Lamer died 23 Feb. 1575 and was buried at Watton Ston	6 Mar.	1575
Ellin Bristow.	22 Feb.	1577
Elizabeth da. of Ralph Connesby gent.	28 Feb.	1579
William son of William Bristow gent.	22 Nov.	1579
Grizell uxor D. Johannis Butler Equitis de Lamer obit 19 Feb. 1581 et inhumata erat apud Watton	2 Mar.	1581
John son of Mr Bates Londinensis	30 Jul.	1583
Mr Nicholas Brocket	23 Apr.	1585
Anne Brocket	22 Mar.	1586
Martha wife of John Brocket	2 Apr.	1586
Anne wife of William Bristow gent.	7 Mar.	1590
Elizabeth wife of Mr Kingsbury	2 Jul.	1592
Joanne da. of William Kingsbury	19 Nov.	1592
Mrs North	8 Jan.	1593
John son of Mr Salter	26 Apr.	1597
Edward Brocket Esq.		1598
Mary da. of Edward Brocket Esq	1 May	1604
The da. of Mr Henry Rawlin	1 May	1608
William Brocket son of John Brocket Esq.	7 Nov.	1609
Magdalene da. of Mr Doctor Trevor	29 Apr.	1611
Mr Richard Elsdin	10 Mar.	1612
Lancelot son of Mr Thomas Andrews Cyttizen of London	26 Apr.	1613
Sir John Brocket Kt.	20 Sep.	1613
Duglois da. of one Mr Sparks of London	19 Aug.	1616
Charles son of John Brocket of the Street Esq.	9 Jan.	1617
Sibili da. of Mr Doctor Newell	14 May	1617
Mr John Alder Citizen of London	3 Dec.	1617
Mrs Margaret Bardolf wid. of Mackery End	23 Jan.	1618
Garraway Brocket one of the sons of John Brocket Esq.	19 Apr.	1619
Marie wife of John Brocket Esq.	29 Jul.	1619
Thomas Brocket son of John Brocket	9 Aug.	1619
Thomas son of Thomas Hayward	3 Nov.	1619
Randall Brocket	23 Jan.	1621
Jane wife of John Brocket of Mackerells End Esq.	20 Feb.	1621
Frances Brocket da. of Mr Brocket of the Street Esq.	23 Jul.	1623

\* In ecclesia.

Balldin son of Mr Sheppard	28 Jul.	1624
Mary da. of Mr. Richard Michell, gent.	16 May	1625
Cressey Bardolf	1 May	1628
Constance da. of Mr. Sheppard	17 May	1628
Thomas Sheppard gent.	12 Jul.	1628
John son of Mr. John Brocket of the Street	4 Nov.	1628
Edmund Bardolf	15 Apr.	1631
Elizabeth wife of Sir John Garrard Baronet	22 Apr.	1632
Elizabeth da. of John Brocket senr.	18 Jul.	1632
Mr. Stubbings	30 Jul.	1632
Marke son of Mr. George Stubbings	28 Aug.	1632
Elizabeth da. of Nicholas Hide gent.	25 May	1633
Edward son of Sir John Garrard Kt. and Bart.	12 Sep.	1635
†William Munsey M. of Arts of Trinity College in Camb.	21 Sep.	1636
Marke Stubbinge, Parson	30 Apr.	1637
Sir John Garrard Kt. and Baronett	15 Jan.	1638
Elizabeth da. of Mr Chamberlain inhabitant of St. Nicholas Lane London	12 Nov.	1642
Francis da. of Sir Robert Barkham	10 Nov.	1642
Charles son of Sir John Garrard	19 Jul.	1645
Mr Richard Howard	1 Aug.	1649
John Brocket Esq.	5 Nov.	1649
Jane wife of Mr Lentrep, Minister	30 Jan.	1661
Thomas Stubbinge, Merchant	28 Jan.	1662
Mary wife of Mr. William Rolfe	29 Jan.	1663
Elizabeth da. of Mr Jeremy Becket	10 Jan.	1664
Alice da. of Mr Gythinge, Minister	10 Mar.	1664
Richard son of Robert Devenish gent. of Hamwell	1 Jul.	1667
Mrs. Mary Brocket widow from Ayte.	21 Dec.	1667
Jeremy Becket from Caswell	29 Mar.	1668
Mr. Richard Michell from Coddecot	13 Nov.	1669
Edward Brocket gent	19 Jan.	1670
William Rolfe gent.	25 Jul.	1670
Mr. Thomas Brocket from the Place	6 Jul.	1671
Nicholas Garrard son of Sir John Garrard	11 Jan.	1674
Mrs Margaret sister to Sir John Read	8 Sep.	1675
Mr. William Brocket	1 Jan.	1676
Mr. William Garrard from Lamer	27 Mar.	1676
John Hunsdon gent from Makrells End	9 May	1676
Mary da. of Joel Jones Vicar of Hemelhempsted	4 Jul.	1676
Mary wife of Mr Richards	15 Feb.	1677
Mdm. Izabella Garrard	16 Aug.	1677
Mrs Mary da. of Mr John Lambe, Rector	16 Mar.	1678
Mdm. Anne Michell wid. from Codecot	4 Dec.	1677
Mary wife of Richard Smith, Vicar of Penn in com. Bucks	10 Jan.	1680
Mrs Mary Brocket wid.	14 Oct.	1680
Jane da. of Joel Jones, Vicar of Hempsted	1 Jul.	1682
Mrs. Elizabeth Parepoynt a mad woman	4 Dec.	1683

†The deceased was a Fellow of Trinity College in Cambridge.

Dorothy da. of John Lambe, Rector	16 Mar. 1684
Sarah da. of Thomas Michell of London	19 Feb. 1686
§Nathan Varyard, Minister	23 Mar. 1686
Elizabeth da. of Mr Thomas Michell of London	25 Apr. 1686
Benjamin son of Mr Joseph Michell	9 Jun. 1686
Mr Samuel Hunsdon from Redbourn	23 Dec. 1686
Sir John Garrard from Brid-Hall	17 Mar. 1687
Jane da. of John Lambe, Rector.	16 May 1687
Mrs. Mary Small from ye Place School	5 Mar. 1689

§ He was Rector of St. Peters Eayt in this county.

#### WEDDINGS.

Edward Meridale of New Ine in Lond. gent. and Susan Simon da. of Robert Simon of Cooter's End	4 Jun. 1604
Edward Seabroke of Wheathamstead wid. and Joanne Burchmore wid. the relict of Richard Burchmore, while he lived of the parish of Caddington in com. Bedf.	7 Nov. 1608
John Stuke, Minister of Stapleford and Anne North of ——— widow	21 Oct. 1614
John Garrard Esq. and Jane Lambert	2 Dec. 1636
Thomas Wright and Anne St. John	19 Feb. 1640
Staford Lentrope, Minister and Jane Michell	21 Dec. 1659
*Mr Nicholas Onley, Minister and Mary da. of Dr. Henry Kelligrew	14 Aug. 1665
Anthony Farrington Esq. and Sarah Garrard da. of Sir John Garrard and the Lady Jane	25 Dec. 1666
John Dod, Rector of Lythorn in Northamptonshire and Frances Philips in Lamer Chappel	12 Feb. 1673
Mr. William Buttler, Cittizen of Lond. and Mrs Frances Brocket	24 Oct. 1678
Mr. Thomas Gillpin, Rector of Lindfort in com. Bucks and Mrs Jane Standly of Wheathamsted married in the Chappel at Lamer	15 Dec. 1678
Lawrence Kilbee, Cittizen of Lond. and Elizabeth Brocket	3 Jun. 1680

\* Now D.D., Prebend of Westminster and Rector of St. Margarets adjoining.

By an Ancient Book of ye Church Wardens Accounts  
I find these following persons buried within this Parish  
Church.

Mr. Robert Brocket sepult. in Ecclesia	22 Hen. 7	1507
Mr Richard Landy sepult. in Ecclesia	22 Hen. 7	1507
Mrs Landy sepult. in ye Church Porch	22 Hen. 7	1507
John Landy his wife and 3 children in ye Church	22 Hen. 7	1507
John Heyworth's wife in ye Church	22 Hen. 7	1507
The Lady Elizabeth Brocket in ye Church	22 Hen. 7	1507
Mr Sybley's father buried in the Church	3 Hen. 8	1511
Mr Kyrshaw's wife in the Church	3 Hen. 8	1511
Mrs Gylam in the Church	10 Hen. 8	1518
Mr John Heyworth's child		1521
Thomas Auncell in ye Church	16 Hen. 8	1524
Mrs Luce Brocket in ye Church	17 Hen. 8	1525
The son of Mr Cheworth in St. Nicholas Chapell	17 Hen. 8	1525
Mr Dythykes 2 children in the Church	20 Hen. 8	1528
William Sibley's wife in the Church	20 Hen. 8	1528
William Sibley's mother buried in the Church	23 Hen. 8	1531
John Heyworth's da. buried in St. Nicholas Chapell	23 Hen. 8	1531

## RECTORS.

*John of Leicester	6 Edward 1		1278
†William de Stocton	24 Edward 1		1296
†William Grettewell		obit 4 Feb.	1401
§Henry Cotarn	22 Henry 7		1507
Robert Melsom cler.	1 Henry 8		1509
§Sir Thomas Pycarde	18 Henry 8		1526
Peter Vannes	33 Henry 8		1541
Nicholas Tooke	9 Edward 6		1566
Nicholas Bristow			1596
Mark Stubbinge cler.		Sepul. 3 Sep.	1627
Lambert Osbaldeston cler.			1638
Lodowic Wemmes S.T.P.			1639
Thomas Thornton cler.			1651
Henry Killigrew S.T.P.			1663
John Lambe cler.		obit 10 Aug.	1708
Edward Wake present rector			1716

\* Sir Henry Chauncey, p. 523.

† Prynes Collect. p. 988 et inscript memori in cancelli. He was also Rector of Lafford and omnium Sanctorum Derbye. *Ibid.*, p. 683.

† Inscript Memori.

§ Henry Cotarn and Sir Thomas Pycarde are mentioned in an ancient Booke of the Church Warding's Accounts, the rest are to be seen in the Court Rolls of the Manor of ye Rectory. E.S.