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The Earliest Existing Register-Book of S. Helen's Church, Darley Dale, Derbyshire.

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NEXT to Youlgreave, the Darley registers are the most interesting I have as yet tackled in North Derbyshire; and such excerpts as are here presented may stimulate further research. Possibly, the account of the great snow might, by the aid of chemicals, be made decipherable. Most, if not every one, of the names of the earlier landowners and gentry have long since, "like the idle vapour of a dream," faded out of the neighbourhood—the Baches, Beresfords, Birds, Columbells, Darleys, Fernes,* Foljambes, Greaves, Greensmiths, Knive-ton, Marburys, Millwards, Mowers, Seniors and Steares.

Bassano tells us that Robt. Millward, of Snitterton (n. 1597; q: ob. 1622 ?), "fought a single combat in Spain with a Spaniard.

* Henry Ferne, of Snitterton (ob. 1703), was receiver-general of customs t' W. 3. & Anne.

He and his adversary were first to fight with quarter-staff, in which he was wounded. They then betook them to sword and dagger. The Spaniard hereby soon lost the use of his left arm and afterwards his life."

There is a curious proviso in the will of Peter Columbello, dated 20. Oct: 1616*—that if his brothers or sisters shall find his hopeful son Roger "takeinge of tobaccoe," he is forthwith to forfeit his howseholde-goodes at Darley.

The families, some of them still in our midst, of most frequent occurrence in the earlier entries are—Allen, Allsoppe, Barker, Bradwell, Britland, Bullock, Clay, Derbyshire, Ferne, Flint, Gregory, Knowles, Nedham, Pidcocke, Ragge, Shore, Silkstone, Soresby, Sterndale, Stephenson, Taylor, Tissington, Vygors, or Vickers, Wall, Waterhouse vel Walters, Wildgoose (abbreviated, as we shall presently see, into the euphonious Goose), Wilmot, and Woodiwisse.

RECTORS OF DARLEY—

Robert Dawe, parson of Darley, 1615.

Robert Evans, parson of North Medietie, ob. 1639.

James Holland, rector of S. Medietie, ob. 1644.

Charles Broxholme, rector of South Medietie, ob. 1648.

John Potts, rector of North Medietie, (resigned?) 1663.

Edward Payne, minister of South-mediety, ob. 1665.

Thomas Moseley, rector of North-mediety, ob. 1685.

John Edwards, rector of Darley, ob. 1689.

Henry Aldrich, rector, ob. 1720.

John Garmston, M.A., formerly fellow of Magd: Coll: Camb:
rector of Darley and Prebendary of Wolverhampton, ob. 1744.

Thomas Savage, M.A., rector of Darleigh, and formerly fellow of
New Coll, Oxon, ob. 1764.

Sir William Ullithorne Wray, 11th bart: rector, 1764-1808.

Benjamin Lawrence, M.A. rector 1808-1838.

* 1616 was the year of Shakspeare's death; as also of the erection of the exceptionally large number of *twelve* sedilia in Darley Church.

- 1588, Apl. 25. John Hollilie had a sonne bp : named Arthur.
 1593, June 13. Robert, s. M^r Sleeman.
 1598, Nov : 20. Roger, s. Roger Hursthouse.
 1599, Feb. 24. M^r Parker had a sonne bp :
 1610, Feb : 11. Hector Typpinge.
 1612, Mch : 8. Dorithy, d. Godfrey Lingard.
 1613, July 21. Ellyce, s. Ellice Whewhall.
 1615, Mch : 1. Elizabeth, d. Robert Dawe, parson of Darley.
 1616, Dec. 15. John, s. M^r John Shoare.
 1617, May 24. Mary, d. George Spendlove.
 „ Sep : 20. Jane, d. M^r Robert Evans, parson of Darliye.
 1618, Aprel 25. Jane, d. Ottewell Beeleigh.
 1619, Dec : 12. Rosemand, d. M^r Roger Collombell, esquier.
 1627, Jany. 9. M^r John, y^e sonne of Roger Columbello, esquier.
 1629, Feb. 15. William, s. Henry Silkstone.
 „ „ 22. Elizabeth, d. Edward Sorsbie.
 „ June 14. Catharine, d. ffancis Allsoppe.
 1631, June 12. Elizabeth, d. George Profit.
 1634, Feb. 9. ffrances, d. John Millwarde, esquier.
 1636, Jany. 1. Anne, d. Anthony Renshawe.
 1637, April 2. Abraham, s. John Sheldon.
 1638, Jany 14. Anne, d. Henry Corbet, of Harowden, Northants.
 1639, Aug. 11. ffrances, d. Anthonie Tissington.
 1640, Apl. 17. Marie, d. George Winterbothome.
 1642, May 25. Isaac, s. Richard Burgesse.
 1646, June 12. John, s. James Chadwicke, of Todhole.
 1647, July 18. Walburge, d. John Pott, rector of y^e North
 Medeity.
 „ Augt. 4. Collumbell, s. M^r Francis Grantham, of Darley-
 hall.
 1648, Oct 3. John, s. M^r Edward Payne, rector of South-
 Medeity.
 „ „ 9. John, s. Katharin Aston, a Staffordshire woman
 1649, Jany. 17. Hellen, d. Ellis Longley, of Rowsley.
 1649. Jany. 30. Henery, s. John Milward, esq :
 1651, Augt. 26. George, s. M^r George Cartwright, of Stancliffe.

- 1651, Nov: 12. Dorothy, d. John Ashborne, of Rowsley.
 1654, Sep. 12: Francis, s. Sir William Boothby, bart :
 1659, Dec. 7. Edward, s. Anne Shackerlie.
 1660, Feb: 26. Anne, d. M^r John Stevenson, of Rousley.
 1662, May 29. William, s. William Sappox.
 1665, Aug: 4. John, s. Robert Sidwell.
 1668, Dec. 13. William, s. Abraham Woodiwisse.
 1673, Jany. 30. Anne, d. M^r Thomas Mosselie, rector North-
 Medeity.
 1674, July 26. John, s. Edward Walklate.
 1678, Jany. 20. John, s. Joseph Mutthill.
 1687, Jany. 27. Margery, d. Wensly Bestall, of Wensly.
 „ Oct. 22. Edward, s. M^r Edward Bedford.
 1698, Feb. 7. Henslow-Fotherley-Fortunatus. s. Henry William-
 son, esq :
 1707, May 18. Silence, d. Geo : Willimot, i'th' Lane.
 1714, July 6. John, s. Edmund Leicester.
 1726, Jany. 14. Joseph, s. George Longley.

MARRIAGES.

- 1541, Henrie Stafforth & Joane Newton were married this yeare.
 John Senior & Agnes Proudlove.
 1549, Richard Wildgoose & Luxa Winfield.
 1558, Nov. 5. Richard Pendleton & Cicilie Ballidon.
 1569, Sep. 8. Thomas Barker & Marie Heathcoate.
 1578, Nov. 12. William Bagshawe & Lure Ratcliffe.
 1579, Feb. 4. M^r John Walderome & M^{rs} Rosamond Collum-
 bell.
 1592, Augt. 6. Robert Milnes & Joane Lowe.
 1598, May 2. M^r Henrie Chaworth & M^{rs} Dorothie Collumbell,
 „ June 6. Thomas Tidderington & ffrances Potte.
 „ Sep. 28. Christopher Goodenough & Grace Applebie.
 1599, Nov: 6. Thomas Rushton & Tabitha Senior.
 1614, Nov. 22. Ralfe Alexander & Bennet Bradlie.
 1615, Jany. 9. M^r George Collombell & M^{rs} Wallbrydge Pott.
 „ Apl. 21. Thomas Parke & Mary Stamforde.

- 1624, Aug 31. Jhonne Buxtonne, of Brassongtonne, & Bridget Senior.
- 1626, Feb. 18. John Sellars & Cicile ffoole.
- 1627, Dec. 12. Bryante Berisford, parson of (q. Bothomsall ?) in Lincolnshire, & M^{rs} ffrances Collomble.
- 1629, June 25. Christopher Cotton & Anne Wilde.
- 1631, Jany. 27. Giles Cowley & Joan Richardes.
- 1633, June 18. John Ashbourne & Dorothey Stevenson.
- 1635, Apl. 7. Hemor Champney & Anne Allen.
- „ Aug. 19. M^r George Greysone & M^{rs} Alice Milnes.
- 1636, Maye 11. John Baddesley & Elizth Beardsley.
- „ „ 17. George Buxton & Katharine Oldfield.
- „ Nov. 15. Luke Whittington & M^{rs} Marg^t Milnes. gen :
- 1638, July 3. Anthonie Tissington & Marie Gamble.
- Oct. 30. John Somersæll & Dorothis Gibson
- Dec. 1. Henrie Silkeston & ffrances ffullwood.
- 1639, Sep. 28. George Columbell & Anne Gladwin.
- 1641, Jany. 28. ffrancis Dawes & Judith Boothbie.
- Nov. 25. Richard Benbow and Dorothis Supper.
- 1642, Feb. 2. Richard Wildgoose & Bersheba Watson.
- 1644, Aug. 31. Ottiwell Beely, of Sniterton, & Susanns Holme.
- 1645, Feb. 6. Henry Burgh & Mary Newton, widow.
- 1646, Feb. 14. John Wolley, of Matlock, & Katherin Raynes, of Wendsley.
- 1648, Apl. 4. John Bowyer, of Knipersley, co. Staff: esq: & M^{rs} Mary Milward.
- 1650, Nov. 5. John Beresford, gen: & Jana Bennet.
- 1656, Jany. 27. John Millward, gentleman, the sonne of John Millward, of Snitterton, esq: in y^e parish of Darley & county of Darby, & M^{rs} ffrances Sneyde, y^e daughter of Raph Sneyde, esq: deceased, in y^e parish of Woodstanton, in y^e co. of Stafford, were published three severall Lords-dayes at the close of y^e morning Exercise, and y^e marriage was solemnized; &c.

- 1656, Feb. 3. M^r Josiah Stubbs, of Bloare ? co. Staff : & Mary Benite, of Darley.
- 1657, Sep. 16. M^r Humfrye Jennens, of Brimingham, & Mary, d. John Millward, of Snitterton, esq :
- 1659, Oct. 4. Robert Constable, of North-cliffe, co. York, Esq : & Elizth, d. John Milward, of Snitterton, esq :
- 1662, Feb. 20. M^r John Steere, of Stancliffe, & M^{rs} Elizabeth Hides, of Cowley.
- 1663, June 23. M^r William Bache, of Stanton, & M^{rs} ffraancis Senior, of Cowley.
- 1663, Nov. 12. Francis Swindel & Anne Shakerley.
- 1664, Jany. 17. George Willimot & Isabel Rimington.
- 1665, Feb. 16. Benjamin Heathcote, of Chesterfield, & Mary Bestall.
- 1666, July 28. William ffranklin & Dorothy Taylor.
- 1671, April 24. M^r ffraancis ffolmbige-bache, & M^{rs} Mary Potte.
- 1672, Jany. 22. M^r George Birds, of Stanton-hall, & M^{rs} Bright ffox, of Youlgrave.
- „ May 16. Adam Woolley, of Allen-hill, & Millisent, d. M^r Henery Wiggley, of Cromfort.
- 1676, Feb. 1. W^m Grantham, of Darby, and M^{rs} Anne Adderly, of Chesterfield.
- 1677, Sep. 1. John Ford, of Leeke, & Hellen, d. Thos : Satham, of Stantcliffe.
- 1681, M^r John Berisford & M^{rs} Cath^e Reynes.
- 1688, May 17. Gilbert Thacker, of Etwall, esq : & M^{rs} Elizth Marbury, of Darley.
- „ Dec. 6. M^r John Greaves, of y^e Woodhouse, & M^{rs} Annie Bird, of Stanton-hall.
- 1690, Nov. 27. Edward ffinnie, esq : & M^{rs} Anne Senior, of Cowley.
- 1693, Dec. 28. M^r Joseph Butler, of Sheffield, apoticary, & Sara, d. M^r Peter Barker, of Darley.
- 1707, Feb. 25. Henry Nightingale, of Morton, & Sarah Hadfield.

- 1707, May 5. John Grenoway, of Tilass, Berks, & Marg^t
Draper, of Sullam, Berks.
- 1713, Mch. 16. Ralph Gell, of Carsington, & Elizth Worthy, of
Slalie.
- 1714, Jany. 6. John Revell, of Morton, & Mary Ryley, of
Pentrich.
- 1716, Mch: 16. W^m Fallows, of Alderley, & Frances Bateman,
of Yolgreave.
- 1724, Augt. 13. William Milnes, of Hope, & Mary Bagshawe,
of Chesterfield.
- 1726, July 18. Thomas Beresford, of Allstonfield, & Jane
Tipping, of Darley.
- 1751, Feb. 6. Thomas Hall & Mary Goose.

BURIALS.

- 1551, Nine persons were buried from the 5th of Julye till the
10th, which dyed of y^e sweating sicknes.
- 1557, Agnes Buxton dyed of y^e plague & was buried the 1st
March.
- 1558, Alice Stafford (and 5 others) dyed of y^e plague & was
buried 14th April.
- 1559, Feb. 3. Elizabeth Pendleton was buried.
- „ „ 12. Agnes Ballidon was buried.
- 1560, Elizabeth Ballidon was buried in January.
- 1562, Dec. 4. John Rowsley had a child buried.
- 1581, May 25. Richard Needham, gen: buried.
- 1589, July 14. James Plato was buried.
- 1590, March 14. M^r Holland buried.
- 1593, April 2. Hugh Brough.
- 1594, April 5. M^r Vavesour.
- „ „ 14. Old Ottewell Williamot had a sonne b^d
- 1612, Oct. 1. William Carlell, a strange beggar.
- 1616, Dec. 15. John, sonne of John Warde—petrified with cold
on y^e moore.
- 1623, Nov. 18. Joan, da M^r Rob^t Evans, parson of Darley.

- 1624, Jany. 25. Richard, sonne Godfrey Baall.
- 1631, Feb. 3. Ould Catharaine was buried.
- 1634, June 18. William Norman.
- 1639, M^r Rob^t Evans, parson of the North Medietie
of Darleigh, dyed 15th Nov: sep: 23^d
- 1640, Mch : 31. John Supper.
- 1642, June 6. Widdow Cheethome.
- 1644, Apl. 2. M^{rs} Walburge Columbelle, of Stancliffe, widdow.
- „ June 29. M^r James Holland, rector of South-medietie,
æt. 69.
- „ July 11. Margery, wife of Adam Marshall, from Rowsley-
hall.
- 1645, Feb. 23. Richard Bendbow, of Hackney-lane.
- 1647, Dec. 7. Collumbelle, s. M^r Fs: Grantham, of Hackney-
lane.
- 1648, Jany. 15. Charles Broxholme (?) rector South-Medietie,
æt. 56.
- „ Sep. 13. A male child of Robert Gregory, of ffrogatt;
drowned, brought downe the River in the
fflood.
- 1649, Feb 23. James, s. Edmund Tatersall, a straunger.
- 1650, May 4. Ottiwell Arnfeild, a slater.
- 1654, Sep. 11. ffrances, da. of col: John Millward, of Snitter-
ton; by Anne, ux ejus, da. James Whitehalgh,
of Whitehalgh, y^e wife of Sir William Boothby,
baronet, buried the 11th, aged 21.
- 1657, May 28. Damorish, da. W^m Buxton, b^d at Darby.
- 1659, Dec. 7. Edward Shackerlie.
- 1662, June 11. Walburge, d. M^r John Potte, rector of y^e North-
medietie.
- 1663, Dec. 3. Robert Dum, of Toadhole.
- 1665, June 20. M^r Edward Paine, *minister* of the South-
medietie.
- 1669, Oct. 4. M^r John Milward, of Snitterton, Chaptaine
(*captain*).
- 1671, Apl. 10. Thomas Ironfeild.

- 1673, Aug. 19. A maide from Sniterton Hall.
- 1676, Feb. 5. Roger Ball, killed in a grove (*mine*).
- „ May 8. Philippe Barnes, of Brigtowne—was huntsman to Jo. Earle of Rutland.
- „ Sep, 12. A son of one Abill, a stranger and by trade a tinker.
- 1678, May 30. Anne, d. Samuel Giles, a stranger y^t came out of Staffordshire.
- „ June 17. M^{rs} Frances Chadderton, of Doncaster, and da. M^r Godfry Columbell.
- 1735, Nov. 9. Katherine Harper.
- 1743, Aug. 24. M^{rs} Catherine Harpur, of Bridge-town.
- 1751, Oct. 4. M^{rs} Mary Harpur.
- 1757, Mch. 21. M^{rs} Mary Langford, from Leek, Staffsh :
- 1758, Feb. 14. Thos : Cheyney Savage.