

THE SEPULCHRAL BRASSES OF  
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

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DEANERY OF NEWPORT PAGNELL—(SECOND PORTION) SEVEN-  
TEEN CHURCHES—TEN BRASSES IN SEVEN CHURCHES.

*Bletchley.*

THOMAS SPARKE, Rector, mural, very finely incised,  
1610.

Inscr: as follows

Qui multos ad Iustitiam adducunt vt stellæ semper  
splendebunt. Dan. 12. 3.

En renouata tamen ista caduca rosa est.

Mors tegit at reteggit nuntius iste Tuba.

Vindex Fama libros fatali tollit ab Vrnâ,

Non extincta sepulta licet SCINTILLA fauilla est,  
atra cinis micat quam tegit SCINTILLA Sic.

Bis geniti, retinete fidem, zelumq' paternum,

Hæredis vestri sic decet esse Patris.

Sic decet; o mea tunc quâ mollite<sup>r</sup> ossa cuba<sup>büt</sup>

Si licet in natis sic superesse meis.

SCINTILLAM SCINTILLA meâ si vestra sequatur

Orba sua flammâ non erit Ara Dei.

Vt sacra in Populo signatur epistola Pauli

Sic mea in hoc sancto lucet Imago Grege.

Corporis in Tabulâ datur impfecta sed illa

Cordib' in vestris viua figura mei est.

Viua mei dixi? Christi at sit vera figura

Sat mihi si Populus vera figura Dei.

THO : SPARKE SS<sup>æ</sup> THEOL : D . CELEBER :

HVIVS ECCLE : RECTOR VIGILANTISSIMVS.

Mortuus A<sup>o</sup> { Ætatis suæ 68 } Oct. 8.  
Dom. 1610 }

Filioli caute vobis ab Idolis. 1 Ioh. 5 . 21.

Deum adorete . Reuel . 22 . 9.

Hoc Monumentum THO : SPARKE filius et Hæres  
pietatis ergo mœrens posuit.\*

\* Cole, in his MSS., adds, "On the verge of the marble frame to  
this monument is wrote :

Non ita vixi ut me pudeat vixisse,  
neque mori timeo, Quia bonū Dominū habem<sup>s</sup> "

*Broughton.*

## 1. Inscr :

Hic iacet Agnes quondam vx' Johis de Broughton filii  
 Robti de Broughton que obiit xi die Mensis octobris  
 A° dñi M°CCC°LXXX°IX° cui' aie propiciet' deus.  
 AMEN.

## 2. Inscr :

Hic iacet Johes de Broughton filii' Robti de Broughton  
 qui  
 obiit xx<sup>o</sup>r die Mesis decembris A°dñi M°CCCC°III°  
 cui' aie ppiciet' dñs. amen.

## 3. Inscr :

Here is layed to rest vntill the day of resvrection  
 the body of Mary the wife of Tho Dvncombe Esqr  
 ye second of that name of this parish and eldest  
 daughte of Charles Edmonds of Preston Denary  
 in the covnty of Northam : Esqr : she was through  
 the grace of God in her life a dvtifvll childe a  
 chaste & loveing spowse a tender mother a faith-  
 fvll piovs & devovte Christian. Shee departed this  
 life the 20<sup>th</sup> of Ianvary 1655 in ye 31<sup>th</sup> yeare of her  
 age and left svrviveing issve behinde her 4 sonnes  
 and 3 daughters.

*Brickhill Little.*

## Inscr :

Sacred  
 to ye Mem : of Mr Rbt Seling  
 Died ye 9 Iuly 169 [6?] Æt. 22.

Under this weeping marble lies  
 the knowing head and honest hart  
 Fare blood & courteous hand & every part  
 of Rob : Seling all with one stone content  
 Though each deserved a severall monument  
 he was beleeve me Reader for tis rare  
 Vertuous thō young & learned thō an heer<sup>e</sup>  
 Not with his blood or Nature's gifts content  
 he paid them both there tribute w<sup>e</sup> they lent  
 his Ancesters in him fix ther pride  
 fo w<sup>th</sup> him all revived w<sup>th</sup> him all died

O cruel death as hear at once to bee  
the ruine of a family  
Learne reader heare thō long thy line hath stood  
time breed destemper in y<sup>e</sup> noblest blood  
learne reader hear to what our glory com  
hears no destinction twixt y<sup>e</sup> house  
and tombe.

*Milton Keynes.*

Adam Babyn̄gton, Rector, 1427.

Inscr : as follows

Hic iacet Adam Babyn̄gton quondam Rector istius Ecclēie  
Qui obiit Octavo die mensis Nouembr' Anno d̄ni Millō.  
CCCC<sup>o</sup> . vicesimo Septimo . cuius aiē ppicietur deus.  
Amen.

*Moulsoe.*

Man in armour and wife. c. 1530. Inscription (marginal) lost.\*

*Walton.*

Inscr :

Elizabetha vale mea lxx, mea vita, qvovsq'  
Ivngimvr in cœlis, filia chara, vale,  
In vultv virtvs, tenerisq' resplendvit annis  
Innocvæ vitæ cvm probitate fides.  
Ehev tam cito qvod resecabat stamina, nollet  
Atropos, ac vitæ parcere Parca tvæ.

Elizabeth, the dvaughter deare  
Of William Pyxe heere lies interr'd.  
O that her death for manie a yeare  
Allmightie God wovld have deferr'd.  
Her mother's hope, her father's ioye,  
And eke her friends delight was shee,  
She was most kinde, covrteovs, not coye,  
A meeker sovle there covld not bee,  
A modest hve, a lovely grace,  
Appeared in her beavteovs face.

But nowe alas her life, beholde,  
In tender bvdde is falne awaye ;

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\* Cole conjectures this to have been the monument of Richard Rowthall (whose will was proved 1528) and wife.

Her comely corps, sencelesse and colde,  
 Intombed is in earthie claye.  
 Her sovle with Christ, which did her save  
 Enjoyes, no doubt, celestiall ioyes ;  
 Satan no power ov'er her can have ;  
 Shee is preserv'd from hels annoyes.  
 Deare Besse adiev, adiev I say,  
 Vntill we meete in heaven for aye.  
 She departed this life the 4<sup>th</sup>  
 of January 1617, & the 55<sup>th</sup>  
 yeare of her Age.

*Wavendon.*

Richard Saunders and wife. 1596. Female figure,  
 with daughters, lost ; male figure, with sons, and in-  
 scription loose, March 1860.

1. Inscr : as follows

Death is to me advantage.

Here lyeth, the body of Elizabeth Savndeers late  
 the wife of Richard Savnders Gent : who in her  
 lyfe time beinge religiovs towards God, and  
 charitable for the relief of the poore and had  
 issve IIII sonnes and III daughters being alwayes  
 carefvll for their edvcation and bringing vp  
 desiringe God to blesse them and dyed the XIX<sup>th</sup>  
 of Ivne Anno Dni 1596.

2. Inscr :

In this chancell lyeth bvryed  
 the body of Richard Savnders  
 whose Ancestors are inter'd at  
 Badlesto & Potsgrave in ye covnty  
 of Bedford, w<sup>ch</sup> Richard had 4 wives  
 viz Elizab : Charge, Frances Fitzhvgh,  
 Beatrice Avnesley and Frances Stanto,  
 by whom he had 27 children he  
 dyed Ivly ye 15. 1639 aged 76.

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