

BATH ABBEY

BURIAL REGISTER
NAME & MEMORIAL INDEXES

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Introduction

As part of the development of a composite index of burials for Bath's cemeteries, the entries in the burial register for Bath Abbey have been added. Burials occurred in the Abbey itself and, to a lesser extent, in the adjacent Abbey Churchyard.

In the period 1700-1845 90% of the burials were inside the abbey, 8% in the churchyard and 1% in the skullhouse.

In 1685-89 some entries are annotated "buried in the church" and other "buried in the churchyard". Thereafter there are occasional annotations of "churchyard". In Jewers' transcription in 1694 "after this entry, unless otherwise stated, it must be understood that the buried is entered as "in ye church" ". Some entries have "was carried away" meaning that the service was carried out at the abbey but the burial was elsewhere. This is explicit elsewhere, for example an entry in 1703 has "was carried to Lambeth Parish in Surrey". Such entries have been omitted from this index. The entry for "Earl of Suffolck" (15 Mar 1721/2) — Charles William Howard (1693-1722) — does not state that he was "carried away" but "was carried through the City" and in fact he was buried in the Howard vault at Walden Abbey, Saffron Walden, Essex.

The churchyard seems to have been used mainly for the poor as entries in 1736 have, for example "a pore man from ye Poor House, Churchyard", "a poor woman & a poor child. Churchyard" and "A youg man from ye ospetol. Churchyard."

For nobility, entries sometimes give the formal title rather than the surname and forenames. These have been corrected. For example "Honble. Barbara, Countess Dowager of Caithness" (1793) should be "Barbara Sinclair". In other cases the forenames have been omitted, the person being so well-known from title and surname that it was considered unnecessary. For example "Rev Dr Watson"(1804) has no forename but this has been added. There are also disparities between the spelling of a surname in the register and its occurrence on a memorial and, in such cases, it is the latter which has been used. There are also some mistakes such as 'Sentleger' instead of 'St Leger' and these have been corrected.

From 1774 there are references for "Skullhouse" as the burial location. This would seem to have been for the poor, given entries such as "A poor woman. Skullhouse". References to the use of the burial location end in 1780. John Wood in his "A Description of Bath" (1795) gives on pp 306-311 a description of the abbey including measurements but no reference to a charnel house. There are also three burials in 1779 in "the grove". In the 1776 map of Bath "engraved for the Bath & Bristol Magazine", the Grove is shown to the east of the abbey (later to become Orange Grove) and the churchyard to the west. The area to the south was at that time built on.

In Jewer's transcription, the entry for 2 Oct 1774 has the footnote "From this time until 1792, after which it becomes only occasional, the location of graves is indicated in the register, but as no good purpose appears to be served by giving them, only those that mention

an inscribed stone are noted here, as they shew such existed, and in some cases indicate relationships."

In 1784 references start to burial on "Poor House ground". This is the Abbey & St James Poor House cemetery on Lyncombe Hill within the parish of Widcombe. There is a separate burial register for that graveyard so these entries should be duplicates. However a reference in 1785 to "A poor woman. Poor House ground" has no corresponding entry in the other register. The name index for burials in that cemetery have been documented separately.

Prior to 1813 there are no ages and only occasional references to the place where someone died. Where a memorial gives an age this has been added to the index entry. The age profile is only for 17.5% of the entries. In addition, the quality of the information is sometimes low with 'Mr' and 'Mrs' without a forename. Some of these have been able to be resolved by reference to memorials. There are also discrepancies in the spelling of surnames between that in the register and that appearing on a memorial. Where the memorial has a better spelling the index has used this version.

There are 65 entries in the period from 1700 where the name is unknown and there are entries such as 'a poor man' and 'Mr Parson's servant'.

It is noteworthy that the burial registers for the original St Mary's, Bathwick have the majority of those buried coming from outside the parish and there are many references to the individuals being from "Abbey" or "St Peter & Paul" parish.

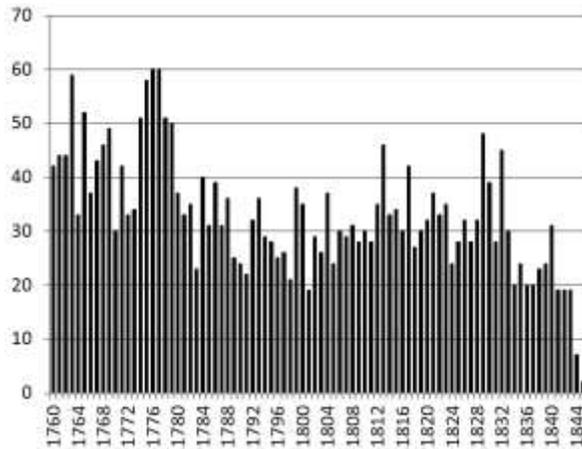


Figure 1 Number of burials per year

The number of burials per year was small, between 20 and 60. The Abbey parish had a small population in its confined area from Westgate Buildings in the west to Orange Grove in the East. North was St Michael’s parish and to the south St James’. Those buried seem to be divided into:

- nationally prominent people
- locally prominent people
- parishioners

As noted before, from 1784 the graveyard in Widcombe was used although the majority of those buried there were from the more populous St James’ parish. From 1844 the Abbey Cemetery in Widcombe was used and by early 1845 the last burial in the abbey had occurred and no further burials there were permitted.

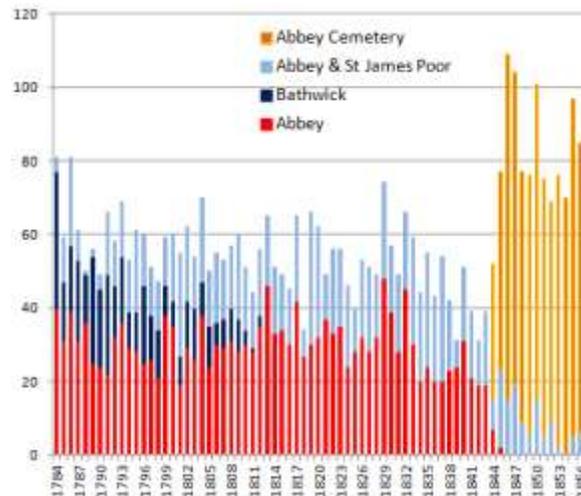


Figure 2 Number of burial per year by graveyard

Memorials

There are two types of memorials: plaques on the wall and inscribed floorstones. There are over 600 plaques but they do not all refer to people who were buried at the Abbey. The index indicates if there is a plaque. There are 847 floor stones which were documented in 1872.

Of the 5,353 entries in the burial register from 1700, 224 (4.2%) correspond to names on memorials.

Notable People

The History and Antiquities of Bath Abbey Church: including Biographical Anecdotes ... by John Britton (London: 1825) has various anecdotes and the following list of ‘distinguished persons’:

ALPHABETICAL LIST or DISTINGUISHED PERSONS

Entered in Bath Abbey Church*.

A.

Alicorn, The Rev. Edward, D.D., died Jan. 11, 1652.
Aubery, The Rev. Edmund, Archdeacon of Wells, b. 1714; d. Nov. 7, 1757.
Avery, William, one of the Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple, d. Oct. 17, 1745.

B.

*Baker, William, S.T.P., Bishop of Norwich, b. 1667; d. Dec. 4, 1732.
Baker, Sir William, M.P., a London merchant, b. Nov. 5, 1705; d. Jan. 23, 1770.
*Bates, Ely, Writer on Morals, d. Jan. 4, 1812.
*Baye, Samuel, M.D., b. at Cologne, 1588; d. Aug. 5, 1668.
*Beauvois, Osmund, D.D., F.R.S., F.S.A., d. July 1, 1789.
Bedingfield, Lady Mary, daughter of Viscount Montague, and wife of Sir Rich. B. of Oxburgh, Norfolk, Bart., b. 1733; d. Sept. 17, 1767.
Bellingham, John, Esq., of Farnham, Sussex, d. 1577.
Bentham, Jeremy, author, d. Mar. 28, 1792.
Boothby, Sir William, Bart., a Major-General in the Army, and Colonel of the 6th Regiment of Foot, d. 1787.
Bostock, Richard, M.D., d. Mar. 16, 1747.
*Bowles, John, d. 1819.
*Broome, William, LL.D., poet, d. Nov. 16, 1745.
Buck, Lady Anne, d. 1764.
Butt, John Martin, M.D., F.R.S., b. at Lichfield, Oct. 14, 1738; d. Oct. 18, 1769.

C.

Caldwell, Lady, wife of Sir John C., of Castle Caldwell, in Ireland, b. 1756; d. Mar. 18, 1795.
Callis, Smith, Esq., Rear Admiral of the Blue; distinguished himself at the battle of St. Tropez, b. 1709; d. Oct. 16, 1761.
Camplin, Thomas, LL.D., Archdeacon of Bath, and afterwards of Taunton, b. 1756; d. Aug. 17, 1780.
Champion, Colonel Alexander, Chief Commander of the East India Company's troops in Bengal, d. Mar. 15, 1793.
Chapman, Peter, Military Officer at Tilbury Camp, in the reign of Queen Elizabeth, b. 1506; d. Feb. 1602.
Chapman, Richard, Alderman of Bath, d. May 1, 1572.
Chapman, William, Mayor of Bath, d. Oct. 20, 1627.
Chapman, Robert, A.M., Rector of Walcot, b. 1702; d. 1728.

* Memoirs of the persons whose names are thus marked (*) will be found in the preceding pages.

Churchill, Lieut.-General Charles, Governor of Plymouth, *b.* 1679; *d.* May 14, 1745.
Cranston, Lady Elizabeth, *b.* 1770; *d.* 1798.
Crowle, D., Esq., M.P., Barrister at Law, *b.* 1699; *d.* June 21, 1757.

D.

Dauntsey, John, Physician, *d.* Feb. 1650.
*Derrick, Samuel, M.C. at Bath, Author, *d.* Mar. 28, 1769.
*Draper, Sir William, K.B., *b.* 1721; *d.* Jan. 1787.
Durell, John, Esq., Advocate General of Jersey, *b.* 1705; *d.* June 22, 1739.

E.

Elletson, Roger Hope, Lieutenant Governor of Jamaica, *b.* 1727; *d.* Nov. 28, 1775.
Ellis, Rev. John, LL.B., of Merionethshire, *d.* 1785.
Ernele, Walter, Esq., of Burton, Wiltshire, *d.* Sept. 27, 1618.

F.

Fawkener, Sir Everard, *b.* 1694; *d.* 1758.
*Fielding, Sarah, Author, *b.* 1714; *d.* April 1768.
Fleetwood, Sir Thomas, Bart., of Martin Sands, Cheshire, *d.* Dec. 1802.
Frampton, Mary, daughter of Richard F., Esq., of Morton, Dorset, *b.* Jan. 1, 1677; *d.* Sept. 6, 1698.
Frowde, Sir Philip, Knt., Colonel in the Army of Charles I., in the Civil War, *d.* Aug. 6, 1674.

G.

Gambier, James, Vice Admiral, *d.* 1789.
Gethin, Lady Grace, Writer of Religious Tracts, wife of Sir Richard G., of Gethin Grott, Ireland, Bart., *b.* 1676; *d.* Oct. 11, 1697.
*Glanvil, Joseph, Rector of Bath Abbey Church, *b.* 1632; *d.* 1680.
Godfrey, Charles, Esq., Colonel in the Army, Brother-in-law to the Duke of Marlborough, under whom he served in the Netherlands, *b.* 1648; *d.* Feb. 23, 1714.
*Grenville, Hon. Henry, *d.* 1784.
Gresley, Sir Nigel, Bart., of Drakelow, in Derbyshire, *d.* 1787.
Grieve, James Tamesz, of Moscow, in Russia, *d.* 1787.
Grieyu, Elizabeth, wife of Richard G., Esq., of Alnwick, Northumberland, *d.* Nov. 7, 1752.
Griffith, Guyon, D.D., Divine, *d.* 1784.
*Guidott, Thomas, M.D., Physician and Author, *d.* 1701.

H.

*Harington, Henry, M.D., Poet and Musician, *b.* Sept. 29, 1727; *d.* Jan. 15, 1816.
*Haweis, Thomas, LL.D., Divine, *b.* 1733; *d.* 1820.
Hickes, Robert Adams, Divine, *d.* 1788.
Honeywood, Eliz. *d.* 1812.
Honeywood, John, M.A., Divine—
Houston, Sir Patrick, *d.* 1785.
*Howlett, The Rev. John, Author, *d.* Feb. 29, 1804.

Hudson, Henry, *d.* 1789.
Hughes, Robert, Esq., Rear Admiral of the Red, *b.* 1717; *d.* Jan. 15, 1774.

I.

Ivy, Sir George, Knt., of West Kingston, Wiltshire, *d.* 1639.

J.

James, Charles, D.D., Divine, *d.* 1695.
Jephson, William, Serjeant at Law, *d.* 1772.
Jerningham, Sir John, Bart., of Cossey Hall, Norfolk, *b.* 1679; *d.* June 14, 1737.
*Jorden, Edward, M.D., *b.* 1569; *d.* 1632.

K.

Katencamp, Herman, British Consul in Spain, *b.* at Exeter, Sept. 20, 1750; *d.* March 23, 1807.

L.

Lapworth, Edward, M.D., *d.* May 24, 1636.
Lekh, Calveley, M.D., Fellow of All Souls' College, Oxford, *b.* 1682; *d.* April 25, 1727.
Leyborne, Rebecca, wife of Dr. Robert Leyborne, *b.* June 4, 1698; *d.* Feb. 18, 1756.
Leyborne, Robert, D. D., Rector of St. Dunstan's, Stepney, and St. Ann's, Middlesex; and Principal of Alban-Hall, Oxford; *d.* 1759.
Lychfield, Thomas, Lutanist to Queen Elizabeth, *d.* 16th Century.

M.

*Maclaine, Archibald, LL.D., Divine and Author, *d.* 1804.
Madan, Lieut. Col. Martin, Groom of the Bedchamber to Frederick, Prince of Wales, *b.* 1701; *d.* March 4, 1756.
*Maplet, M.D., John, *b.* 1615; *d.* Aug. 10, 1670.
Martyn, Esq., Thomas, of Exeter, *d.* September 10, 1627.
Masham, Lady Damaris, wrote on Morals, daughter of Dr. Ralph Cudworth, and wife of Sir Francis Masham, of Oates, in Essex, Bart.; *b.* June 18, 1658; *d.* April 20, 1708.
Mason, Robert, LL.D., Master of the Rolls, in the Reigns of Charles I. & II., *b.* 1589; *d.* 1662.
*Melmoth, William, Lawyer and Author, *b.* 1690; *d.* 1779.
Meredyth, Col. Henry, of Ireland, *d.* 1715.
*Meyler, William, Poet, &c., *d.* 1821.
Migliovaccio, Jacobo Antonio, from Florence, in Italy, *d.* 1704.
*Miller, Lady, Writer of Travels, wife of Sir John Miller, Bart. of Bath Easton, *b.* 1740; *d.* June 24, 1781.
*Montague, James, Bishop of Bath and Wells, *b.* 1568; *d.* July 20, 1618.

N.

*Nash, R., Esq. *b.* October 18, 1674; *d.* Feb. 3, 1761.
Norton, Colonel Ambrose, Cousin-german of Sir George Norton, of Abbot's Leigh, Somerset, *b.* 1646; *d.* September 10, 1723.

O.

*Oliver, William, M.D. F.R.S., Author, *d.* April 4, 1716.

P.

*Palmer, Esq. John, M.P., *d.* 1818.
*Parry, Caleb Hillier, M.D. F.R.S., *d.* 1822.
*Pelling, John, B.D., *d.* Feb. 19, 1620.
Pennington, Hon. Lady, sister of Henry, Viscount Lonsdale, and wife of Sir Joseph Pennington, of Muncaster, Cumberland, Baronet, *d.* Sept. 15, 1738.
Phelps, Robert, Esq., Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, *b.* Feb. 5, 1618; *d.* June 21, 1707.
Philipps, Sir Erasmus, Bart., M.P., of Picton Castle, Pembrokeshire, *b.* 1700; *d.* October 14, 1743.
Poole, David, Esq. Serjeant at Law, *b.* 1703; *d.* October 29, 1762.
*Porter, Walsh, Esq., Amateur, *d.* 1809.
*Postlethwaite, Thomas, D.D., Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, *b.* 1733; *d.* May 4, 1798.
*Pownall, Thomas, Antiquary, *d.* Feb. 25, 1805.

Q.

*Quin, James, Actor, *b.* 1693; *d.* 1766.

R.

*Rauzzini, Venanzio, Musician, *b.* 1748; *d.* April 8, 1810.

S.

Saunders, Erasmus, D.D., Prebendary of Rochester, *b.* 1716; *d.* December 29, 1775.
*Shadwell, Sir John, M.D. F.R.S., Physician to George I., *b.* London, 1670; *d.* 1747.
Sherwood, John, M.D., *d.* Feb. 1620.
Shrewsbury, Elizabeth, Countess of, daughter of John, Lord Dorner, *b.* 1724; *d.* August 1809.
*Sibthorp, John, M.D. F.R.S., *b.* 1672; *d.* 1800.
Stewart, William, Brigadier General, distinguished himself at the Battle of Almanza, *d.* November 10, 1736.
Stibbs, Edward, Chester Herald, *b.* at Bath, 1681; *d.* January 10, 1739.
*Stubbe, Henry, Physician and Author, *d.* 1676.
Swinburne, Sir John, Bart., of Capheaton, Northumberland, *b.* 1697; *d.* January 8, 1744.

T.

Temple, Sir Richard, Bart., a Commissioner of the Navy, and afterwards one of the Commissioners of the Revenue at New York, *d.* 1786.
*Thicknesse, Ralph, M.A., Divine and Musician, *d.* October 11, 1742.
*Thomas, the Rev. Josiah, Archdeacon of Bath, *d.* 1822.
Thomson, Sir Alexander, Lord Chief Baron of the Court of Exchequer, *d.* April 15, 1817.
Townsend, Hon. Edw., D.D., Dean of Norwich, *b.* 1720; *d.* Jan. 1765.

V.

*Venner, Tobias, M.D., *d.* 1660.

W.

*Wall, John, M.D., *b.* 1709; *d.* January 27, 1776.

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Waller, Lady Jane, wife of Sir William Waller, Knight, a General Officer in the Parliamentary Army during the Civil Wars.
 Wally, John, Mayor of Bath, *d.* April 4, 1615.
 Walsh, Lieut. Col., Robert, *b.* 1722; *d.* September 12, 1788.
 Webb, John, Esq., son of Sir John Webb, Bart., of Conford, Dorset, *b.* 1700; *d.* March 9, 1745.
 Wentworth, Lady, daughter of John, Viscount Lonsdale, and wife of Sir John Wentworth, of Yorkshire, *b.* 1676; *d.* April 16, 1706.
 Wyril, Sir Marmaduke Astey, Bart., of Burton Constable, Yorkshire, *b.* February 6, 1742; *d.* February 23, 1774.

Z.

*Zea, Don Antonio Francisco, Agent of the Colombian Republic in Europe, *d.* 1823.

† Seward, in his "Anecdotes of Distinguished Persons," states that "Sir William Waller was buried in the Abbey Church, Bath," vol. i. p. 402. He was, however, interred in a Chapel, in Tothill Street, Westminster. See Chalmers's Biog. Dict.

It should be noted some of the people for which there is biographical information weren't buried in the abbey. For example, there is no entry in the burial register for William Oliver (-1764).

Below is brief information on a selection of notable people buried in the abbey.

Richard "Beau" Nash (1674-1761)

Born at Swansea, attended Jesus College, Oxford, had a short spell in the army and then as a barrister. From 1704 until his death he acted as 'Master of Ceremonies' in Bath and, from 1735 also at Tunbridge Wells.

The *Bath Chronicle* of Thu 26 Feb 1761 has a lengthy obituary which starts "He was by Birth a Gentleman, and ancient Briton; by Education, a Student of Jesus College in Oxford; by Profession - - - his natural Genius was too volatile for any. He tried the Army and the Law; but soon found his Mind superior to both --- he was *born to govern*. His Dominion was not like that of other Legislators, over the Servility if the Vulgar, but over the Pride of the Noble and the Opulent. His Public Character was great, as it was self-built

and self-maintained: His Private amiable, as it was grateful, beneficent, and generous. By the Force of Genius he erected the City of Bath into a Province of Pleasure, and became, by universal Consent, its Legislator and Ruler. ..."

Various biographies refer to his mistresses, his gambling, his confrontation in 1739 with John Wesley, and his debts.

From the *Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette* of Thu 19 Mar 1761: "All the Effects of the late Richard Nash Esq. will certainly be sold the Middle of next Week, at his late Dwelling-House in St John's Court."

The Life of Richard Nash by Oliver Goldsmith appeared in 1762. One of Nash's successors as Master of Ceremonies, Samuel Derrick (1724-1769), was also buried in the abbey.

Venanzio Rauzzini (1746-1810)

Born in Italy, a singer, composer, pianist and singing teacher.

From the *Bath Chronicle* of Sat 14 Jan 1793: "Rauzzini came to Bath, on the invitation of Lamotte, in 1776. His magnificent singing was enhanced by a fine presence and a personality of singular charm. It is not surprising that he soon captivated Bath audiences, and by 1780 he had assumed full direction of the Assembly Room concerts. ... Rauzzini had a villa in delightful surroundings at Perrymead and here he entertained numerous visiting musicians, the most distinguished being Haydn who came to Bath in 1794. ..."

Thomas Robert Malthus (1766-1835)

A noted British scholar whose ideas on society and economics and, in particular population

growth, the Corn Laws and Poor Laws were influential on people such as William Pitt the Younger, Charles Darwin and Alfred Russel Wallace. He wrote several works on Political Economy.

He died on 29 Dec 1834 at 17 Portland Place, Bath while on a visit to his wife's former home at Claverton, near Bath.

From *The Bath and Cheltenham Gazette* of Tue 6 Jan 1835 (vol. XXIII No. 1,161) in the list of deaths has: "Dec. 29, at the house of his father-in-law, Joseph Eckersall, esq., Portland place, in this city, after a few days' illness, the Rev. T. R. Malthus, professor of History and Political Economy, at the East-India College, Herts, to the severe affliction of his friends and relatives, as well as to the public loss of his Country."

There is a stone plaque in the north-west corner of Bath Abbey by the usual entrance door, on the left-hand side.

His wife is buried in St Mary's Churchyard, Smallcombe, the Abbey by then being closed for further burials.

William Meyler (1766-1821)

Bookseller with a shop in Abbey Churchyard. From the *Bath Chronicle* of Thu 15 Mar 1821: We have to record, with unaffected concern, the decease of Mr. WM. MEYLER, bookseller, joint proprietor and editor of the Bath Herald; who, after several years of infirmity and much recent suffering, closed his earthly career on Saturday last, in composure, resignation, and peace, at the advanced age of 65. As a conductor of a weekly intelligencer, the editor of the Bath Herald may claim both the positive merit of

having afforded, through more than a quarter of a century, much interesting information, and much innocent amusement to his townsmen; and the negative one of (a still higher praise) of never having sought popularity by prostituting his publication to the circulation of local scandal, or calumnious gossiping. ... Mr. Meyler was a senior member of the Common Council, and one of the magistrates, of this city.”

Francisco Antonio Zea (1771-1822)

Born in Colombia, he embarked on religious studies but changed to jurisprudence but never completed his studies. Imprisoned in Spain in 1794 for being associated with the publication of republican material, he was later prefect of Malaga during the French occupation of Spain. In the independence movement of the Spanish South American colonies, in 1819 when a congress founded the Republic of Colombia with Simon Bolivar as its first president, Zea was elected Vice-President. In addition to his political activities he had a career as a botanist. He went to England in 1822 to secure a loan but died at the Royal York Hotel at Bath on 28 Nov 1822.

John Palmer (1742-1818)

Owner of the Old Orchard Theatre in Bath, inheriting this from his father, which by a royal patent in 1768 had become the original Theatre Royal. Based on the stagecoaches which he used for transporting actors and stage props between Bath and his theatre in Bristol he proposed using stagecoaches to improve the postal system. After a successful trial of this in 1784 he was granted permission for a number of other routes

across the country. He was made Surveyor and Comptroller General of the Post Office in 1786, a post that he held until 1792. He was Mayor of Bath in 1796 and 1809 and MP for the City 1801-1808. (MPs were elected in those days by the small number of ‘freemen’ of the city.) He died at Brighton.

Fletcher Partis (1737-1820)

Born in Cumberland, he was a lawyer and conveyancer. He worked as an attorney in the Middle Temple, London but with his wife retired to Bath. In 1820 he bought land for the establishment of a home for gentlewomen “who had been left in reduced circumstances”, aged over 50 and members of the Established Church. He died shortly after this purchase. By his will £30,000 should have gone to the four trustees of the charity nominated in 1821 but this was contested and it went instead to his wife, Ann. It was she who saw through the establishment of Partis College at Weston near Bath which opened in 1825. On Ann Partis’s memorial in Bath Abbey Cemetery is: “Blessed with wealth her constant care was to use it to the glory of god: and the benefit temporal and eternal of her fellow creatures with the entire approval of her husband who left all his property at her sole disposal she built and endowed a college which bears his name at Weston in this neighbourhood for the repose, the relief, and the spiritual consolation of thirty gentlewomen”

William Bingham (1752-1804)

Born in Philadelphia in 1752, by the time of the American Revolution he was one of the wealthiest men in Pennsylvania. He served as a

diplomat and then as a representative in the state’s assembly and was then nominated as a member of the US Senate in which he served 1795-1801. He was also a major land developer in New York state as well as Pennsylvania.

Richard Hussey Bickerton (1759-1832)

From the *Hampshire Telegraph* of Mon 13 Feb 1832 p4: “Died, on Thursday, at his residence, in the Circus, Bath on the 73d year of his age, Sir Richard Hussey Bickerton, Bart. K.C.B. Admiral of the Red, and General of the Royal Marine Force. The deceased was made a Lieutenant in 1777, and a Post Captain in 1781, and commanded the *Invincible*, 74, in an affair between Sir Samuel Hood and the Count de Grasse. At the capitulation of the French army in Egypt, Sir Richard superintended their embarkation - a duty which he executed with such celerity that the revolutionary General Menou, complimented him by saying “the vigilance of Sir Richard’s squadron has accelerated the reduction of that place, as it cut them off from all hope of reinforcement.” At this period also Sir Richard was invested with the Turkish “Order of the Crescent,” on the field of battle, and was knighted by the Captain Pacha in the presence of the whole English and Turkish armies. Sir Richard was seven years a Lord of the Admiralty, and succeeded Sir Roger Curtis as Command-in-Chief at Portsmouth - a post he held at the time the Allied Sovereigns honoured this port with a visit.”

From the same page: “We are confidently told that the Generalship of Marines, vacated by the decease of Admiral Sir Richard Bickerton, will

not be filled up. We rejoice to see our Navy rewarded, but sinecures must be abolished.”

Thomas Camplin (-1780)

Holywell Music Room which opened in 1748 is considered as one of the earliest buildings in Europe erected specially for musical performances. A public subscription was started in 1742 and the design of building is attributed to Revd Dr Thomas Camplin, Vice-Principal of St Edmund Hall and from 1761 Archdeacon of Taunton. There are plans for the building to be renovated and enlarged.

Lieut.-Gen. Sir Henry Augustus Montagu Cosby (1743-1822)

A lengthy obituary appeared in *Gentleman's Magazine* vol 92 Jan-Jun 1822 pp 177-182. This describes his extensive military career, principally in India against the French in the area around Madras. He was knighted in 1782. The death notice in the *Annual Register* 1822 p267 has: “[Jan] 17. At Bath, in his 79th year, lieut.-general sir Henry Augustus Montagu Cosby, senior officer of the whole of the honourable company's service.”

James Tamesz Grieve (1744-1787)

There is a memorial to Elizabeth Grieve who died in 1757, wife of James Grieve, physician to Elizabeth, Empress of Russia. There is no entry for her the burial register. Another memorial is to James Tamesz Grieve, of Moscow, who died on 9 May 1787, aged 43. There are also references to John Grieve (1757-1805) who was a physician to Russian tsars. *John Grieve's Correspondence with Joseph Black and Some Contemporaneous Russo-Scottish Medical*

Intercommunication by John H Appleby (Medical History, 1985, 29: 401-413) has: “The Grieve family had links with Bath. In February 1785, John Grieve became a member of the Bath Philosophical and Agricultural Societies. He later read a short paper to the latter, describing a single-horsed plough he had seen on his journey from St Petersburg to Riga in May 1783. At one time he may have considered settling in Bath”. He returned to Russia where he died.

The physician referred to would seem to be James Grieve (1700-1773), of Roxburghshire, who practiced medicine in various places in Russia in the period 1734-1763 before being appointed a physician at St Thomas's, London. The *Caledonian Mercury* of Tue 9 Mar 1756 carried an advert for the book *A Cornelius Celsus, of Medicine* by James Grieve, M.D. *By the Banks of the Neva: Chapters from the Lives and Careers of the British in Eighteenth Century Russia* by Anthony Cross (CUP 1997) p151 gives a brief account of his work in Russia. James Grieve, MD, St Petersburg was a subscriber to *Travels From St. Petersburg In Russia To Diverse Parts Of Asia In Two Volumes*, by John Bell (Glasgow: 1763)

From *The Graves Family Bulletin* Vol. 8, No. 9, Oct. 29, 2006: “In 1784, personal grants were made to a couple of physicians, John and James Grieve, both noted as being “from Russia”. They were brothers in the service of the Empress of Russia in the Russian Army Medical Service, and were descended from the family of Grierson of Lag in the County of Galloway.”

Monumental Inscriptions

In *The Gentleman's Magazine and Historical Chronicle* of 1785 Vol 53 on pp213-214 appeared a letter with a list of names on monumental inscriptions in Bath Abbey.

Alchornus, Edward, S. T. P.	1652	Cornith, Susanna	London 1750	Gyare, Mary	1714
Alleyne, Hannah	Barbadoes 1762	Cowper, Rebecca	Herts 1762	Heath, William	Batb 1607
Asty, Elizabeth	Herts 1736	Coward, Leonard	Batb 1764	Henthaw, Jonathan	— 1764
Avery, William	London 1745	— Elizabeth	— 1764	Hobart, Dorothy	Norfolk 1722
Asbery, Edmund	Wells 1757	Crowle, David	York 1757	Hughes, Admiral	1774
Baker, William, D. D.	1732	Cunliffe, Margaret	Warwick 1759	James, Charles, D. D.	Gloucester 1695
Baker, Sir William, Knt.	London 1770	Currer, Sarah	York 1759	Jernegan, Sir John, Bart.	Norfolk 1737
Bave, Rebecca	Batb 1725	Cullifford, Robert	Dorset 1616	Jesop, Edward	Essex 1770
Bave, Samuel, M. D.	1668	Dunce, Samuel	London 1736	Isham, Susanna	Noriton 1726
Barnes, Bartholomew	1607	Durell, Adv. Gen. of Jersey	1739	Ivy, Sir George, Knt.	Wils. 1639
Bellingham, John	Suffex 1577	Dixon, Abraham	Noriton 1746	— Dame Susanna	—
Beddingfield, Hon. Lady	Norfolk 1767	— Alice	— 1753	Kelly, Elizabeth	Ireland 1561
Billings, Frances	Batb 1728	Darell, John	Surrey 1768	Kingston, Anthony	Batb
Billings, John	Batb 1732	— Catherine	— 1774	Lamb, John	Jamaica 1772
Bohstock, Richard, M. D.	Salop 1747	Duncombe, John	1747	Lagh, Calverly, M. D.	1727
Bosanquet, Jacob	London 1767	Elletson, Governor of Jamaica	1775	Leman, Dorothy	1709
Blanchard, James	Somerset 1690	Ernele, Walter	Wils. 1616	Leyborn, Robert, D. D.	1759
Brampton, Diana	Essex 1725	Fenwick, Jane	Northumberland 1769	— Rebecca	1756
Brocas, Thomas	Southampton 1750	Fielding, Sarah	1761	Eloyd, Evan	Flints. 1728
Brocas, Mary	Southampton 1775	Finch, Anne	Essex 1713	Lister, Martha	Linc. 1725
Brown, Nicholas	Northumberland 1762	Ford, Richard	Batb 1733	Lowther, Catherine	Westmoreland 1764
Burr, John Marten, M. D.	1769	— Eleanor	— 1732	— Robert	— 1744
Busby, Ann	Oxford 1751	Frampton, Mary	Dorset 1698	Madan, Col. Martin (see p. 151)	1756
Bushell, Hester	Batb 1671	Frowde, Sir Philip, Knt.	— 1674	Maplet, John, M. D.	1670
Bushell, Tobias	Batb 1694	Gee, Roger	York 1778	— Anne	1670
Callis, Admiral Smith	— 1761	Gethin, Dame Grace	Ireland 1697	Mason, Robert	Kent 1662
Chapman, Richard	Batb 1572	Gordon, George	Aberdeen 1779	Matthews, Anne	Stafford 1742
— William	— 1627	Godd fellow, Charles	London 1728	Martin, Thomas	Devon 1627
— Peter	— 1602	Godfrey, Charles	Oxon 1714	Matham, Dame Damaris	Essex 1708
— Susannah	— 1672	Grege, Elizabeth	Northumberland 1722	Montague, Bishop of Winchester	1618
— Walter	— 1729	Grieve, Elizabeth	1758	Morris, Thomas	London 1763
Clavering, Elizabeth	Durham 1763	Gunson, Richard	London 1762	Morrison, Elizabeth	1738
Churchill, Governor	1745	Gwyn, Elizabeth	1756		
Clements, William		Gyare, Elizabeth	1688		

Molyneux, Diana	Nottinghamshire	1750
Meredyth, Col. Henry	Ireland	1715
Nicolls, Maria	Northton.	1614
Norton, Col. Ambrose	Somerset	1723
Ogle, John	Northum.	1738
Oliver, William, M. D.	Cornwall	1716
Parker, John	Lanc.	1761
Peafce, John	Bath	1672
Pedder, James	Jamaica	1775
Pellings, John		1620
Pennington, Lady	Cumberland	1738
Pipon, Thomas	Ferfey	1735
Pierce, Elizabeth		1671
Philips, Sir Erasmus, Bart.	Pembroke	1743
Phillips, Robert	Lanc.	1707
Poole, Serjeant	London	1762
Porter, Catherine	Stury	1779
Pringle, Margaret	Scotland	1728
Price, Elvedale	Denbigb	1764
Piper, Granville	Cornwall	1717
Quin, James		1764
Roebuck, John	York	1767
Reeve, Mary	London	1664
Rice, Griffith	Carmarthen	1729
Robinson, Luke	York	1776
Roffey, Rebecca	York	1755
—— James (the Tragedian)	——	1769
Sanderfon, Col Robert	Ireland	1714
Saunders, Erasmus, D. D.		1775
Schutz, Elizabeth		1765
Scarfe, Elizabeth	Cornwall	1747
Shadwell, John, M. D.		1747
Sherwood, Maria		1612
—— Henry		1620
Simpson, Joseph		1755
—— Mary		1755

Stacey, Richard	Westminster	1714
Stapylton, John	York	1750
Stewart, Brig. General		1736
Stibbs, John	Bath	1703
Sowerby, Ralph	Northum.	1765
Southouse, Henry	London	1700
—— Thomas	——	1716
Sutton, Robert	Notts	1775
Swanton, Jane	Bath	1696
Swinburne, Sir John, Bart.	Northum.	1744
Taylor, John	London	1712
Thompson, Lucy	Salop	1765
Townhend, Hon. Edw. Deap of Norwich		1765
Turnor, John	Lin.	1719
Venner, Tobias, M. D.		1660
Waller, Lady Jane		
Wahup, Margaret	Westm.	1718
Wally, John		1615
Wall, John. M. D.	Worcester	1776
Waldo, Elizabeth,	Middlesex	1763
Ward, Edward	Northum.	1777
Watts, Robert	York	1739
Webb, John	Gloucster	1745
—— Hon. Elizabeth	——	1772
Wentworth, Hon. Lady	York	1706
Winkley, Elizabeth	Lanc.	1756
Wiltshire, Anne		1747
Woolmer, Edward	Bath	1727
—— Susanna	——	1733
Wyvill, Sir Marm. Afty	York	1774

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S	the section: 'A' for Abbey, 'Y' for Churchyard, 'G' for grove, 'S' for skullhouse and 'J' for St John's
Wall	the number of the wall memorial as the section number followed by the entry number
Floor	the number of the floor memorial
Buried	the date of burial
Died	the date of death
Age	
Born	Approximate year of birth
Abode	
Notes	annotations from the burial register entry or other information such as that from a memorial
B	'●' indicates a burial
MI	'●' indicates that a memorial exists
Occupation	
Where born	the country and county codes for place of birth
M/S	married or single