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Settlement certificates, bastardy orders

- Steeple Barton Church Documents I

Correspondence (summary) re building of 'new' Rectory
inc. inspections 1970s

N.B. → List of docs. relevant to WB

- The 'intrest of ye parrsmoney' - ^{Howard?} Simons, Spison?, Clark, Howard?
1700s Biles, Harwell, Egleston, Hall
Wharton, Wilks, Harris,
Parkins, Boddington

[Interesting note (1779) re cost of various potions dispensed
"A purging potion" 1/- (24 April 1779)]

- Records of payments to par of the Parish

- 1857 rotation costs itemised

- Exchange of land & hereditaments (altered tithes)
Henry Viscount Clifton / Henry Hall

- Bills for work in churchyard (and cleaning brasses!)

- The Steeple Barton Parish Magazine Aug. 1890
- interesting note on the school's successes in English
and Needlework etc.

- !! • Permission (faculty) to install electric light in the Church 1935

Records kept by overseers list?

x - mark of

9 Nov 1698 Stratton Audly
Francis Fletcher Labourer
xWm Baily, John Paine, Borlace [?] Tugwood
Robert Dashwood. Edw Norreys

10 Apr 1703 Shillington, Bedfordshire
Thomas Ashton and his wife
John Preston, Francis Sha[?] , Thomas Stringer, James Wooden. Witnessed John
Thrussell[?], Tho Rush Junr
Tho Cheyne. J Granger

3 Apr 1709 Westcot Barton to Midle and Steeple Barton
John Bowler
Robert Buswell Jun[?], William Lee, Edmund Buswell, xWilliam Rogers
Witnessed William Martin, xThomas Luin
J Wheate. Thos Napier 10[?] Jun 1709

7 Jan 1711 Hamblett of Hayly in parish of Wittney (to Middle Barton)
Thomas Woodington
Edward Pilkinton, John Humphris. Witnessed Stephen Collier, xRichard Ronals
John Dewe, Tho Jordan

3 Jan 1712 Wootton (to Midle Barton)
Walter Steptoe[?] and his Wife
John Hodgkinson, Richard Morris. Witnessed xJohn Low, xJohn Steptoe
Tho Crisp. T Wheate

2 Jan 1713 Steeple Barton to St Ebbs
William Ward and Sarah his Wife
Edward Michell Samson Rowles Chwardens, Ferdinando Gough Thomas Clark, Overseers Attested
xRobert Aris Elizabeth Jawsone?
B Gardiner [?]
True copy examined by me John Bradley, Clerk and Register of St Ebbs

29 Nov 1730 Westcoat Barton
Samuel Simon and Mary his Wife
Thomas Dandridge and Jno Buswell Attested Robert Forbrother and William Luing
Cha Crisp, Ro Cocks 29 Nov 1730

7 Mar 1732/3 Westcoat Barton
John Parsons Wheelwright and Ann his wife
John Buswell Thomas Dandridge Attested Thos Evens Richard Wells
Cha Crisp. Ro Cocks 26 Mar 1733

10 May 1739 Westcoat Barton
Robert Gould and Mary his wife
Jno Buswell Churchwarden, Thomas Dandridge Overseer Attested Edmund Buswell Richard
Butler
Cha Crisp, Tho Pardo

30 Jan 1743 Great Enston (to Steeple Barton)
Harry Low and Ann his wife
Thomas Parsons, Thomas Kinch, Samuel Allen, Stephen Wisdom. Witnessed Thomas King,
William Larance
R Wykham, Thos Pardo

John Tanner and Ann his Wife and their two Children Namely Thomas and Martha,
John Buswell Churchwarden, Robert Buswell Overseer, Attested by Anthoney Pratt, Joseph
Ash

Nathl Kinch, Thomas Dee, John Hollis. Witnessed by John North, Hen J North
Wm Harrison, Thos Gregory 22 May 1778

REMOVAL ORDERS, Complaint of Steeple Barton

23 Nov 1714 from Steeple Barton to Ledwell in parish of Sandford
John Lord of Ledwell, Sandford, did lately bring to Steeple Barton and leave a bastard
female child borne at Ledwell
J Wheate, Tho Napier

6 Mar 1732 from Steeple Barton to Borstall
William Daws and Mary his Wife
R Cocks, Cha Crisp

9 Dec 1743 from Steeple Barton to Enstone
Harry Low and Ann his Wife
Tho Pardo, R Wykham

12 May 1746 from Steeple Barton to Rousham
Robert Wilkinson and Frances his Wife
G Denton, R Wykham

24 Feb 1758 from Steeple Barton to Wootton
Stephen Wilks
Anthony Keck [?], Jo Travell [?] damaged document

22 Oct 1761 from Steeple Barton to Sommerton
Sophroniah Butler
Anthony Keck [?], Edw Stone

13 Nov 1764 from Steeple Barton to Westcote Barton
Mary Finer wife of Joseph Finer
T Leigh, Thos Gregory

19 Jan 1782 from Steeple Barton to Croughton, Northants
Ann Spicer single woman
John Cooke, Tho Bray

11 Feb 1783 from Steeple Barton to Enstone
William Hitchcock Elizabeth his Wife and Thomas their Son aged one month
John Cooke, Wm Harrison

31 Dec 1800 from Steeple Barton to Glympton
William Eborn
C Cottrell Dormer, C[?] Bowles

21 Jan 1801 from Steeple Barton to Westcott Barton
William Brooks and Sarah his Wife and Ann their Daughter aged twelve years or thereabouts,
John their Son aged nine years or thereabouts, Elizabeth their Daughter aged six years or
thereabouts and Sarah their Daughter aged three
Wm Hollis, Wm Young
C Cottrell Dormer, C[?] Bowles

16 Jan 1813 from Steeple Barton to Hooknorton
Richard Blackwell and Ann his Wife and Mary their Daughter aged about three years and
Joseph their Son aged about five months
C[?] Bowles, Roger Shep[?]

11 Dec 1819 from Steeple Barton to Over Worton
Robert Profit and Sarah his Wife and William aged about six years Mary aged about four years and James aged about five weeks their Children to Over Worton
Thos Perrott, Thos Fawcett

11 Dec 1819 Suspension because of illness of Sarah

1 Jan 1820 Suspension superseded and order to be put into execution, the said Sarah the Wife of Robert Profit being dead

Thos Fawcett, Thos Perrott

10 Oct 1823 from Steeple Barton to Deddington

Mary Miles single pregnant woman

Thos Fawcett, Thos Perrott

3 Jan 1824 from Steeple Barton to Sulgrave

John Wyatt and Mary his Wife and John aged thirteen years Ann aged ten years and Mary aged six their Children

H [?], Thos Perrott

18 Dec 1824 from Steeple Barton to Steeple Aston

Thomas Elmer and Hannah his Wife and Elizabeth their Daughter

Thos Perrott, D Stuart

4 Jan 1840 from Steeple Barton to Lower Heyford

Edward Artess Mary Ann his wife and their five children namely Ann aged eight years, Edwin aged five years, William aged four years, Elizabeth aged two years and Joseph aged six months

William Baker Overseer

John Lechmere, T Thornhill

Copy of Examination of Edward Artess, 31 December 1839

"I am a married man. My wife's name is Mary Ann and I have five children...I am now chargeable to the Parish of Steeple Barton in the County of Oxford relief having been given to my wife & family. My Father belonged to the Parish of Enstone in this County where I was born. I am now 39 years old. I first went out to service & lived at Pillerton & other places but the last place I lived at as a yearly servant was in the Parish of Overnorton in the County of Oxford. I left Warwickshire after Michaelmas Day (Old Michaelmas) in or about the year 1822 or 1823 - I heard of the place and said I was not hired and Mr Huckvale of Overnorton came to me and I agreed to go and stay until the next Old Michaelmas but this agreement was not made until some days after the Old Michaelmas of the year in which the agreement was made. The year before I went to Overnorton I lived with Mr Ball of Honiley in the County of Warwick. I had previously lived with Mr Reade for six months in the same parish. I left Mr Reade's service on the Old Michaelmas, and on the day after or on the same day I went to Warwick Statute Fair & was hired by Mr Ball from that time until the next Old Michaelmas. I had a plate of Beef at my master's expence which was to be the earnest. I said at the time I must go home before I went to my place which Mr Ball agreed to and I should say I remained away four days but this was with my master's consent. I went to Mr Ball's then I remained until the next Old Michaelmas Day and received my £9 wages which I had agreed for. I married in August 1829. I never rented a tenement of £10 a year until about the year 1832. At this time I was keeping the Toll gate in the Parish of Lower Heyford. At Michaelmas 1832 I rented twenty-two acres of Land belonging to the poor in Lower Heyford. I took the Land of Mr Faithful the Clergyman at the yearly rent of £23-10-0 and occupied it for three years and paid my rent but Mr Faithful paid the rates. During the three years that I occupied the Land I lived for the first year in the Toll House at Lower Heyford then for six months at Steeple Aston and for the last year and a half in a Cottage again at Lower Heyford for which I gave between £4 to £5 a year. I have never done any act since that I know of to gain a Settlement."

1860 4 May From Steeple Barton to Chilton Candover, Southampton

[damaged document] Removal order

William Cheves the younger, Lavinia his wife and their two children James aged nine years or thereabouts and Frances Mary Ruth aged seven or thereabouts

JPs satisfied that the sickness of William Cheves will produce permanent disability

Thomas Curme, W Cotton Risley

4 May 1860 Order suspended. William Cheves unable to travel by reasons of sickness and infirmity of body

1860 18 Dec authorizing that the Order of Removal may be safely executed

Itemised bills for expenses of removal

COMPLAINT OF OTHER PARISHES, to Steeple Barton

12 Apr 1740 from Town of Ramsden in ye parish of Shipton under Whichwood to Steeple Barton
Thomas Thornton
[?], Jonas Cope

16 Jul 1744 from Northmymys Hertfordshire to Steeple Barton
John Tillard Elizabeth his Wife and George Tillard aged about nine years and John Tillard aged about eight years their two Children
R Coningesbye, H Smith

22 Nov 1781 from Bledington Glos to Middle Barton
Thomas Mason Ann his Wife and John their Son aged about eighteen Months
Jno Sheppard, John Dolphin

22 Oct 1782 from Padbury Bucks to Middle Barton
Richard Seeley Rebecca his Wife and Elizabeth their Child aged five weeks
R[?] Ellis, Geo [?]

19 Jun 1784 from Chadlington to Steeple Barton
George Farmer Mary his Wife Mary their Daughter aged four years William their Son aged three years and Betty their Daughter aged one year
Fras Knollis, E Goodenough

9 Oct 1817 from Thorpe Mandeville, Northants to Steeple Barton
Thomas Brock and Elizabeth his Wife
W S[?] Willet, Tho Fawcett

5 Feb 1818 from Whatcote Warks to Steeple Barton
James Penn and Margaret his Wife
C G [?], Geo Boswell

17 Oct 1822 from Hamlet of Hensington to Steeple Barton
William Cleaver Elizabeth his Wife and their Child named Joseph
[?] W Mavor

28 Oct 1824 from Chipping Norton to Middle Barton
Sarah the Wife of Thomas Seney and her five Children namely James aged fourteen years, Thomas aged nine years, William aged six years, John aged four years and Mary Ann aged one and a half or thereabouts
John Mallett, WWilliam Tagg

19 Sep 1855 from Leamington Priors to Steeple Barton
Sarah Bassett 30 with Mary Ann Bassett her infant illegitimate child aged four years
Examination of witnesses the sd Sarah Bassett, James Lewis Frost and Mary Butler. 2nd sheet ..the sd Sarah Bassett has derivative settlement [in Steeple Barton] from her father William Bassett. He was legally settled there by being born there in or about 1800-1801. Sd William Bassett legally settled by deriving a settlement from his Father Henry Bassett who is a native of Steeple Barton and who is now residing there. William Bassett was legally married to Mary Parsons at Westcote Barton in 1823 and Sarah Bassett was the legal issue of such marriage
Henry Hunt[?], William Grice

BASTARDY

December 1696 Arrangements for bastard child of William Busby by Elizabeth Turner
William Busby of Steeple Barton and Thomas Busby of Middle Barton
William Hyatt, Churchwardens of Steeple Barton
Samson Hanwell, John[?] Deeley Overseers of Steeple Barton
xWilliam Busby, xThomas Busby
Sealed and delivered (after stamp) in the presence of
Thomas Clark, Geo Ryves

William Busby of Steeple Barton and Thomas Busby of Middle Barton
William Hyatt, Churchwardens of Steeple Barton
Samson Hanwell, John[?] Deeley Overseers of Steeple Barton

3 Nov 1709 Complaint to parish officers of Church Stanaway, hundred of Tewkesbury, that
Martha Morrice, servant, removed from Gloucester to Steeple Barton, is expecting a child
by Thomas Hathaway of Stanaway. Sureties required of Thomas Hathaway that bastard child
will not become chargeable to Steeple Barton

CARE OF CHILDREN

october the [?] day: 1729
I iohn oponn do promis the in habitans
of midel and stepel barton that
I will tak away and tak car of to children
of mary tolots of midel barto and cary them
to my abod at hanil near banbry and
find them sofichent met drink and login
and wari appril for on hol year: and then
dliver them saue to the inhabitents
of midel and sepel barton
with the prouisal paying me three
shilins awik to which i set my hand
John oppon his mark

BASTARDY ORDERS, Steeple Barton

15 Nov 1823, Mary Ann Eggleston, female child born 7 August
John Chilton of Tackley Labourer to pay 30s for expences, further sum of 15s for
maintenance so far and 1s 6d weekly for as long as bastard child shall be chargeable to
parish of SB. Mary Ann Egglestone to pay 9d weekly to parish so long as child shall be
chargeable in case she shall not nurse or take care of the child herself
[?] Tho Fawcett. 2 copies

3 Jun 1824, Mary Abraham, female child born 14 March
Thomas Radbourn of Glympton Labourer, 40s and 1s 8d a week, Mary Abraham 10d a week
Thos Perrott, Tho Fawcett

6 Nov 1824, Susanna Franklin, female child born 18 September
Thomas Hollis the younger of MB Miller, 30s and 4s 6d for maintenance so far and 1s 6d
weekly. Susannah Franklin 1s a week
Tho Fawcett, D Stuart

7 Jan 1826, Sarah Mole, female child born 23 January
Thomas Finch of SB Farmer, 40s and 2s weekly. Sarah Mole 1s a week
Thos Perrott

5 March 1831, Mary Ann Eggleston, female child born 9 January
James Hollis of Fritwell Cordwainer, £2 6 0 and 1s 6d weekly. Mary Ann Egglestone to pay
1s a week
John Lechmere, William Gorden

SETTLEMENT

We whose names are hereunto Subscribed being Churchwardens
and Overseers of the poor of the parish of Stratton Chudy in the
County of Devon do hereby Certifie all persons whom it may concern
that Francis Fletcher Labourer is an Inhabitant of our said parish
And that if at any time or times hereafter the said Francis Fletcher
Departure or come to our said parish to Inhabit We do hereby
promise to receive him as an Inhabitant again Witness our
hands & Seals the Twelfth day of November in the Tenth year of
the Reign of our Sovereign Lord King William the Third our
England of Chuse of Dunt 1698.

W^m The mark of W^m Bailey
Churchwarden

Memorandum that on the
Twelfth day of November 1698
this Certificate was signed by us
two of his Majesties Justices of the
peace for this County; Pursuant to
the Act of Parliament for the better
Reliefe of the poor of the Kingdom

Robert Fairwood
Edw: Norrey

John Fairwood

Bowlers Tugwell

Overseers of the poor

To the Church Wardens & Overseers of the Poor of
Staple Barton in the County of Bedford

Whereas We are given to Understand That
~~Thomas~~ Ashton Cordwainer of our Parish &
in the County of Bedford is Desirous to
with his wife likewise to Inhabit & dwell within your
Parish of Staple Barton We therefore the
Church Wardens & Overseers of the Poor of the
said Parish of Thetlington, whose Names are Here
Subscribed do Certifie unto you, & all others whom
it may Concern, that we do acknowledge, & own, the
said Thomas Ashton to be an Inhabitant Legally
settled in our Parish of Thetlington & we do hereby
Promise & Oblige our Selves & our Successors to
receive & Provide for the said Thomas Ashton
with his wife likewise as Inhabitants of our Parish
when ever they [not acquiring otherwise a legal
Settlement at Staple Barton, aforesaid] shall happen
to come to your said Parish
to become Chargeable or be forced to Ask Relief thereof
In Witness whereof we have Hereunto set our Hand
and Seals the Tenth day of April Anno Domini 1703

Signed & Allowed thus
Justices of Her Majesties
for the said County of Bedford

Tho. Cheyne

J. Granger

John Dutton
Francis R. H.
Church wardens
Thomas Stringer
James wooden

Attested thus the
Inhabitants of the said
Parish of Thetlington.

John Jamesell

Tho. Bush Junr



John Bowley

WE Robert Buswell *John* With^m Lee Edmund
Buswell and William Rogers

Church-Wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of
Westcot Barton in the County of *Oxon*
aforesaid, do hereby own and acknowledge *John Bowley*

_____ to be an Inhabitant
legally settled in the Parish of *Westcot Barton* in the County of *Oxon*
aforesaid. In Witness whereof we have hereunto set our
Hands and Seals, the *third* day _____ Day of *April*
in the *Eighth* Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord
Lady Anne by the Grace of God, of *England*, *Scotland*, *France*,
and *Ireland*, Queen Defender of the Faith, &c. Annoq; Dom. 1709

Attested by

Robert Buswell

William Lee

Edmund Buswell

his mark

William Rogers

To the Church-Wardens and Over-
seers of the Poor of the Parish of
Westcot Barton in the County of
Oxon or to any or either of them.

Witnessed

*William
Martin*

*his mark
Thomas Lavin*

WE whose Names are hereunto Subscribed, Justices
of the Peace of the County of *Oxon*
aforesaid, do allow of the Certificate above-written. Dated
the *30* *th* day of *June* Anno Dom. 1709

*Thos. Whate
Thos. Napier*

Oxon. p.

To the Churchwardens and Overseers of the
Poore of Middle Barton in the County of Dorset

Wee Edward Pilkington John White and John
Humphris being the Churchwarden and Overseers
of the Poore of the Hamblett of Hayly in the
Parish of Witley in the County aforesaid Doe
according to the Statute made in the Eighth and
Ninth years of the Reigne of his late Majesty
King William the Churchwarden and Overseers (an Act for
supplying some defects in the Laws for the
reliefe of the Poore of this Kingdom) hereby
Certifye that wee doe owe and acknowledge
that Thomas Woodington is an Inhabitant
legally settled in our Said Hamblett And that
wee Certifye to the End to Oblige our Said
Hamblett of Hayly to receive him and his family
and provide for them as Inhabitants of
our Said Hamblett according to the Said Statute
whenever hee or they shall become chargeable
to or be forced to aske Reliefe of Middle Barton
aforesaid and Not before any other whereof
wee have herunto sett our hands and seals
this 7th day of January in the tenth year of
his Majesty Reigne Anno dⁿⁱ 1711.

Signed & sealed
in the presence of
Stephen Collier

the mark of

Richard Renals

Edward Pilkington

Churchwarden

John Humphris

Overseer of the Poore

Witness the hands of the Poore of the Said County herunto
Subscribed in presence of the Certificates above written.

John Dene

the Lord

Com Upon Us We John Hodgkinson and Richard Norris Church Wardens and
Overseers of the poor of the parish of Wootton in the County of
Oxford aforesaid, do hereby own and acknowledge Walter Stepleton
and his wife to be Inhabitants legally settled in the parish of Wootton
aforesaid, in witness whereof we have hereunto set our Hands
and Seals this - day of January in the 11th year of the Reign of
Our Sovereign Lady Anne by the grace of God, of Great Britain
France and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith. Anne 11th Jan
1712

John Hodgkinson

Attested by us

The Mark of John Low

Richard Norris

X
The Mark of John Stepleton

To the Church Wardens and Overseers
of the poor of Mids Barton in the
County of Oxford or to any or either of
them

We whose names are hereunto subscribed, Justices of the
peace of the County of Oxford aforesaid, do allow of the Certificate
above written Dated the 2nd day of January 1712.

Geo: Crisp Wheat

County of Oxford

Is. We the Warden and Overseers of the
Poor of the parish of St. Ebbes Barton in the
County of Oxford do hereby own
and acknowledge that and Sarah his wife
to all inhabitants legally settled in the parish
of St. Ebbes Barton at and on WITNESSES
whereof we have subscribed our hands and
Seals the second Day of January in the sixth
year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Ann
by the Grace of God of England Scotland France
and Ireland Queen Defender of the Faith &c
1713

Attest by us
the Wardens of
St. Robert Aris
Elizabeth Dawson

Edward Michell Ch. A.
Samson Rowles - Warden
Ferdinand Gough Overseer
Thomas Clap - Overseer

To the Ch. Wardens and
Overseers of the Poor
of the parish of St. Ebbes in
the City of Oxford or to any
of them

Whole names are here into Sub-
scribed Justices of the City of Oxford -
aforesaid do allow of the Certificate
above written Dated the second day of
January Anno Domini 1713
Benjamin Gardner Vic. Chan.

This is a true Copy of the Certificate
taken and examined by me
John Dracly Clerk and Register of St
Ebbes aforesaid