

DOCUMENTS
OF THE OVERSEERS
OF ST. MARY'S PARISH
IN ELY.
1606 - 1808.

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FOREWORD.

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The documents which are to be found in the chest in most of our parish churches provide invaluable material for the study of Local History. Local Government centred on the Parish Church; on the Churchwardens, on the Surveyors of Roads and on the Overseers of the Poor. If the historian is fortunate he will be able to see at first hand from churchwardens' accounts the working of the parish affairs; from the records of the Overseers of the Poor the very considerable amount of organization which was covered by the Poor Laws of the Stuart period. But what he is almost certain to find is the vast number of documents which resulted from the Act of Settlement passed by the Cavalier Parliament of Charles II.

Trevelyan in his "English Social History" writes:-

By this Act every parish in which a man tried to settle could send him back to the parish of which he was native, for fear that if he stayed in his new abode he might at some future date become chargeable on the rates. Nine-tenths of the people of England, all in fact who did not belong to a small class of landowners, were liable to be expelled from any parish save their own, with every circumstance of arrest and ignominy, however good their character and even if they had secured remunerative work. The panic fear of some parish authorities lest newcomers should some day fall on the rates, caused them to exercise this unjust power in quite unnecessary cases. The Act placed a check upon the fluidity of labour and was as much an outrage as the press-gang itself on the boasted freedom of Englishmen. Yet it was seldom denounced, until many years later Adam Smith dealt with it in scathing terms. It is hard to ascertain the exact degree to which it operated, and Adam Smith appears to have exaggerated the harm done and the number of cases in which cruel wrong was inflicted; but at best it was a great evil.

As will be seen from the documents here transcribed the bulk of the papers which exist at St. Mary's are concerned

with the question of settlement. At the beginning of each section I have included a specimen of the documents chosen at random and these samples may be taken as representative of those which are listed in date order in the pages which immediately follow. The Examinations, however, are each of them distinct and individual personal records and for this reason I have thought it worth while to transcribe them in full.

The documents which I have recorded are to be found in the ancient parish chest which stands in the south-east corner of the nave of St. Mary's church. For permission to browse among these papers, to sort and arrange them, I am indebted to the Vicar of Ely, the Revd. Canon J.M.E. Bagley, to whom my grateful thanks are due.

REGINALD HOLMES.

Archery Cottage,
80 Fieldside,
Ely. Cambs.

Easter 1970.

APPRENTICE INDENTURES.

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This Indenture made the Thirtieth day of Aprill in
 the Eighth yeare of the Reigne of o^r Sovereigne Lord
 Charles by the grace of god of England, Scotland,
 ffrance & Ireland King, defender of the faith etc.
 Witnesseth that Thomas Rayner and John Carter of Ely
 wthin the Isle of Ely in the County of Cambr, Yeomen,
 Church Wardens of St. Maries parish in Ely afore said
 together with Robert Anger, William Gotobed Junr.
 Robert ffowler and William Smith of Ely afore said
 overseers for the poore of the said parish for the
 time being have according to the statute in that be-
 halfe made and provided put forth and bound one
 Richard Kisbey (sonne of Andrewe Kisbey late of Ely
 deceased) a poore childe an apprentice unto William
 Kisbey of Ely aforesaid, husbandman: and after the
 manner of an apprentice wth him to dwell from the
 day of the date hereof untill hee shall accomplish &
 come to the full age of one & twenty yeares, during
 all which said terme the said Richard apprentice unto
 the afre said William as his Master well & faithfully
 shall serve, his secrets shall keepe, his commande-
 mentes lawfull & honest every where and at all times
 shall doe, ffornication wthin the house of his said
 master nor wthout hee shall not committ, hurt to his
 said master hee shall not doe nor consent to be done
 but to his power & knowledge he shall let & withstand
 the same and thereof in due time his said Master ad-
 vertise & fore warne. Taverns & other victualling
 houses of Custome hee shall not haunt or frequent
 except it bee about his said masters businesse &
 affaires there to bee done. At the Dice, Cardes or
 any other unlawfull games hee shall not playe, the
 goods of his said master he shall not inordinately
 waste nor them to any man lend wthout his said mas-
 ters speciall lycence & approbation. Matrimonie wth
 any woman wthin the said terme hee shall not contract
 nor espouse, nor from his service neither by day nor
 by night shall absent or withdrawe himselfe but as a
 true and faithfull servant ought hee shall behave
 himselfe towardes his said master as well in wordes
 as in deedes. And the said William Kisbey unto the
 said Richard his apprentice in the Arte & Skill of
 Husbandry wch hee now useth after the best manner

that hee can or may shall teach & informe or cause to bee taught and informed as much as thereunto belongeth or in any wise appertaineth and in due manner and measure to Chastise him, ffynding to the said servant meate, drinke, lodging, linnen, woollen hose, shoes and all other thinges necessary and expedient for an Apprentise of his Ranke & quallitie according to the Custome of the Country wherein hee liveth. And at the End & Expieracon of his Apprentishippe shall give or cause to be given unto his said Apprentise dubble apparrell (vizl) one suite for the holy dayes & another for the working dayes decent and meet for his body, and in the meane while shall discharge the said parish of & from all manner of Charges, Expences & incumbrances whatsoever for & concerning the maintenance & bringing up of the said Richard Kisbey his said Apprentise till he shall come to one & twenty yeares of Age. In witnesse whereof the parties above named unto these present Indentures have set their handes & seales interchangably the day and yeare first above written.

WILLIAM KISBIE.

Sealed & delivered
in the presence of

HENERY FFREEMAN.

ROBT. BROWNE.

INDENTURES.

William Marshall	1614.
to Richard Daye, Clothyer	
Richard Kisbey	1633.
to William Kisbey, Husbandman	
William Musset	1636.
to Thomas English, Bricklayer	
Mary Hitch	1639.
to William & Jane ffairchilde, Husbandman	
Agnes Massey	1640.
to Thomas Wright, Rushropemaker	
Margaret Westland	1642.
to Thomas ffillips, Labourer	
Elizabeth Pecocke	1656.
to Richard Barkham, Barber	
Elizabeth Daulbey	1657.
to Henry Buirdall, Labourer	
Phillip Caull	1660.
to Thomas Renalls, ffeltmaker	
Grace Homes	1667.
to John Tingey, Inholder	
Thomas Silvertop, allice Thomas Daye,	1667.
son of Mary Silvertope & Thomas Daye,	
to William King, Boat writt	
William ffarinton	1667.
to George Raee, Chapman	
Joane Gifford	1668.
to William Benwell, Blacksmith	
Richard Sanders	1669.
to Richard ffreeman, Labourer	
William Westwood	1670.
to William Atkins, Yeoman	
Martha Westwood	1670.
to Robert Weard, Ropmaker	
John Wilson	1671.
to Thomas White, Yeoman	
John Markham	1671.
to William Harrimere, Waterman	
Alice Holmes	1671.
to Richard fflanders, Husbandman	
Jeane Rogers	1671.
to John Atkins, Laborer	
Richard Markham	1671.
to Luke Whilley, Waterman	
Mary Potman	1673.
to William Beasley, Grocer	

Marke Rogers	1674.
to John Seamer, Collarmaker	
William Clarke	1675.
to Will l am Haynes, Yeoman	
Henry Clarke	1675.
to ffrancis Leader, Chetisham, Husbandman	
Richard Person	1675.
to William Letten	
Alce ffuller	1677.
to Anne Burton, Spincer	
Anne Phipers	1677.
to William Layton, Labourer	
Robert Phipers	1677.
to Daniell Willsonna, Husbandman	
Thomas Write	1677.
to Francis Write, Mender of broken brass	
Anne ffrost	1678.
to Richard Toppe, Labourer (A pair)	
Edward Cooke	1678/9.
to William & Dotrity Bristow, Labourer	
Sary Howard	1679.
to John Barker, Labourer	
Sarah Carby	1679.
to ffrancis & Mary Taylor	
Thomas Willsonne	1679.
to William & Mary Adkin, Husbandman	
Mary Savage	1682.
to George & Elizabeth Dolbey	
Thomas Savage	1682.
to William Tomson, Bricklayer	
Elizabeth Mathew	1684.
to Thomas Mathew, Woolcomer (A pair)	
Edward Weat	1684.
to Thomas Leggat, Innholder	
Anne Cooke, spinster	1684.
to John Mathews, Innholder	
Edward Nicholson	1685.
to John Adams, Gent.	
John Walman	1686.
to Robert Mingay, Esqr.	
Anne Walman	1686.
to John & Bridgett Basford, Cordwinder	
William Ward	1687.
to Luke Dench, Yeoman	
John Ward	1687.
to William Taylor, Husbandman	

William Thickpenny to John Birder, Husbandman	1687.
William Kisbey to William Smith, Husbandman	1688.
Elizabeth Lynton to Alice & John Bartingell her son	1693.
Mary Offord to John Grant, Miller	1694.
Alice Gates to Thomas Greene, Yeoman	1694.
Edmond Spearman to Simon Groome, Waterman	1695.
William Coxx to Christopher Croxton, Thatcher	1695.
Jeane Spearman to Arthur Secker, Tallow Chandler	1696.
John Nicholson to Nathaniel Nicholson, Husbandman	1696.
John Tompson to James Guy, Bricklayer	1696.
William Norman to Richard Russell, Gent.	1696/7.
Ann Spearman to William Drake, Thatcher	1697.
John Day to William Barker of Downham, Labourer	1699.
Mary Norman to Robert Brooks of ffordham, Husbandman	1699.
John Taylor to Robert Rayner, Husbandman	1700.
William Kitchen to Richard Searle, Yeoman	1700.
Richard Presston to Edward ffew, Husbandman	1700.
Mary Daviss to Thomas Leggett, Husbandman	1700.
Elizabeth Daviss to John Birder, Husbandman	1700.
Philip Taylor to Richard Pool, Husbandman	1700.
Anne Day to Thomas Lambert of Littleport, Yeoman	1701.
Robert Whitchurch to William fflanders, Husbandman	1704
Symon Lynton to Nicholas Briton, Husbandman	1705.

Thomas Wright	1706.
to Thomas Pierson, Husbandman	
Robert Whitehand	1709.
to Thomas Garner of Haddenham, Taylor	
Mary Cooke	1710.
to Martha Dench, Widdow	
Thomas Whitechurch	1711.
to Philip Ewsden, Blacksmith	
Anne Phypers	1712.
to William Rayner, Labourer	
William James	1713.
to William Betts, Husbandman	
Charles Sudom	1720.
to John Knowlewater of Downham, Yeoman	
Matthew Dolbye	1722.
to Thomas Page, Shepherd (A pair)	
John Wilson	1723.
to Wm. Mears, Waterman	
John Dolby	1723.
to William Cooper, Bricklayer	
William Shelford	1724.
to John Armstead, Gardiner	
William Wistone	1724.
to Thomas Thing, Fisherman	
Mary Wallman	1725.
to John Poole, Husbandman	
William Cox	1727.
to Thomas Knowles, Gardiner	
Richard Cradduck	1727.
to Abraham Underling of Burn in Cambr. Yeoman	
John Rayner	1727.
to James Barker of the River of thames, St. Saviours Southwark, Fisherman & Waterman	
Robert Jackson	1729.
to Robert Sibley of Coveney, Turf Merchant (A pair)	
Thomas Aungier	1731.
to Mary Fincham of Wallington, Suffolk, Waterman	
John Spearman	1733.
to Luke Dench, Yeoman	
Mathew Dolby	1733.
to Thos. Gotobed of Shoreditch, Cordwainer	
James Bentley	1734.
to John Armstead, Gardiner	

William James	1737.
to John Sweat of Swacey, Waterman	
Robert Robinson	1740.
to William Brown, Turf Man	
Henry James	1742.
to Francis Loyd of Willingham, Waterman	
Luke Benton	1745.
to John Adams, Junr., Turff Digger	
Francis Stamford	1746.
to Robert Burbush, Waterman	
Thomas Large	1746.
to William James, Waterman	
Thomas Gotobed	1748.
to Jonathan Page, Husbandman	
Richard Large	1748.
to Clayton Smith, Waterman	
William Benton	1749.
to John Prior, Waterman	
John Benton	1750.
to Stephen Clark of Willingham, Waterman	
Newell Clements	1751.
to John Smith, Waterman	
John Smith	1752.
to John Bartingell, Turf Digger	
William James	1753.
to William James, Brickmaker	
Robert Cooper	1759.
to Robert Hodson of St.Clements, Cambridge, Waterman	
Thomas Ewsden	1760.
to William Goodwin, Cooper	
John Ewsden	1761.
to John Bartingale, Turf Merchant	
William Cooper	1762.
to William Stecton of St.Ives, Waterman	
John Cooper	1762.
to William Stecton of St.Ives, Waterman	
William Drake	1762.
to Thomas Drake of Thorney, Thatcher	
Thomas Sindal	1763.
to John Carter of Mildenhall, Thatcher	
Robert Robinson	1763.
to Robert Austin, Weaver, Ropemaker & Hemp Dresser	
James Cooper	1765.
to Robert Whitley, Waterman	

William Sindall	1766.
to John King of Stoke, Norfolk, Waterman	
Charles Cooper	1768.
to Richard Farrow of Downham Market, Waterman	
Richard Sindall	1769.
to John King of Stoke, Norfolk, Waterman	
Thomas Drake	1773.
to Wyatt Stamford, Turffman	
William Drake	1775.
to Gamalian Greaves of Outwell, Waterman	
George Rayner	1787.
to John Atkin, Carpenter	
William Dolby	1787.
to John Large the younger, Turffman	
John Brighton	1789.
to James Laws, Waterman	
Thomas Rayner	1792.
to Stoughton Miles, Woolcomber & Worstead Maker	
Robert Papworth	1793.
to Matthew Baker of Wiggshall St. Mary Magdalene, Blacksmith	
John Biddall	1794.
to Robert Whiteley, Waterman	
James Atkins	1796.
to Stoughton Miles, Worstead, Yarn & Stocking Manufacturer	
William Wayman	1802.
to William Aungier, Turner & Chair Maker	
Thomas Freeman	1808.
to William Nunn of Cambridge St. Clements, Waterman	
William Caster	1808.
to Thomas Harding of Cambridge St. Clements, Waterman.	
John Gilson	1808.
to Edward Mason of Cambridge St. Clements, Waterman	

BONDS

TO PERFORM COVENANTS IN APPRENTICESHIPS.

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Know all men by these presents That wee Henry Coverley of Ely wthin the Isle of Ely & Countie of Cambridge, husbandman, & Robert Ley of Wichford wthin the Isle & Countie afresaid, husbandman, doe stand firmly holden & bounde unto Michael Aungier, Gentleman, & Thomas Gotobed the Elder of Ely aforesaid, Churchwardens for St. Maries parish in Ely in Twenty pounds of good & lawfull money of England To be paid unto the said Michael Aungier & Thomas Gotobed or to Successors Churchwardens of Maries parish in Ely aforesaid for the time being to the use & behoofe of the said parish and the whole Towne of Ely aforesaid. To the wch payment well & faithfully to be made wee bynde us & either of us & o^r & either of o^r heires, executors & administrators & every of them joyntly & severally for & in the wholl payment aforesaid firmly by these presentes. Sealed wth o^r seales & dated the thirteenth day of January in the yeare of o^r Lord one Thousand Six hundred ffiftie & two.

The condicon of this obligacon is such That whereas the above bound Henry Coverley hath taken one Katherine ffoster the daughter of one John ffoster late of Wichford aforesaid, husbandman deceased, to mayntaine, bring up & keepe wth meate, drinke, apparrell & all things necessary untill shee ye said Katherine shall come to her full age of one and Twenty yeares If therefore the said Henry Coverley, his heires, executors or administrators or any of them doe at his or their owne proper costs & charges from time to time & at all times bring up, mayntains, susteyne & keepe the said Katherine ffoster wth sufficient meate, drinke, apparrell, lodging, washing & all manner of things necessary and shall discharge or save hamelesse the Towne of Ely aforesaid of her the said Katherine untill shee shall come to her full age of one & twenty yeares, So as the said Katherine be no waies chargeable to any of ye Inhabitants of ye said Towne of Ely at any time during the said terme That then this obligacon shalbe void & of none effect, otherwise to remain & stande in full force & vertue.

Sealed & delivered
in the presence of
SAMUELL SMITH
ROBERT ATKINSON
his marke

Henry Coverley
his marke
Robert Ley
his marke

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BONDS.

William Cottis als ffakon	Glover	1619
Henry Coverley	Husbandman	1652
for Katharine ffoster		
John Gefford, Cambridge	Wheelmaker	1655
for Edward Gefford		
Richard Barkham	Barber	1656
for Elizabeth Pecocke		
Edward Petchey, Stuntney	Husbandman	1657
for Ann Gotobed		
Thomas Barnard	Labourer	1667
for Allice Throughgood		
William Harrimer	Waterman	1671
for John Markham		
Francis Leader	Yeoman	1675
for Henry Clarke		
William Hayns	Yeoman	1675
for William Clarke		
John Barker, Robert Cooke		1679
and Stephen Wray for a		
poor parish child		
John Skinner	Agricola	1681
for Mary Skinner		
George Dolby	Labourer	1682
for Mary Savage		
Thomas Cadman	Barber	1682
for Elizabeth Savidge		
Thomas Mathew	Woolcomer	1684
for Elizabeth Mathew		
Thomas Leggat	Agricola	1684
for Edward Weat		
John Beesely		1686
for James Blackesley		
William Smith	Husbandman	1688
for William Kisby		
Alice & John Bartingell	Widow & Turf	1693
for Elizabeth Lynton	Merchant	
John Grant	Miller	1694
for Mary Offord		
William Smyth	Agricola	1694
for John Robinson		
Christopher Croxton	Tector	1695
for William Coxx		

Simon Groome for Edward Spearman	Waterman	1695
*Gmilielmus Drake for Ann Spearman	Thatcher	1696
James Guy for John Tompson	Saluarius	1696
Nathaniel Nicholson for John Nicholson	Labourer	1696
Arthur Secker for Joane Spearman	Chandler	1696
Robert Brookes, Fordham for Mary Norman	Agricola	1699
*Robertus Brooks of ffordham for Mary Norman	Agricola	1699
*William Barker of Downham for John Day	Labourer	1699
Thomas Lambert, Littleport for Anne Day	Yeoman	1701
Edward Corey for Nathaniel Kitchen	Bricklayer	1707
Thomas Garner, Haddenham for Robert Whithand	Taylor	1709
Martha Dench for Mary Cooke	Widdow	1710
William Rayner for Anne Phypers	Labourer	1712
William Betts for William James	Labourer	1713
Thomas & Robert Hallock for Mary Hallock	Yeomen	1716

* on back of Indenture, q.v.

BONDS FOR STRANGERS.

Edward Holdcote of Elington, Hunts.	1606
Richard Chapman of Stoney Stratford, Bucks.	1633.

EXAMINATIONS.

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1731.

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The Examination of Jno. Wilkin,
Labourer, of Ely, taken upon Oath
this twenty ninth day of January
1731 before us Edward Partheriche
Esqr, George Mayfield Esqr. & Jno.

King Esqr, three of his Majestys Justices of ye Peace
for ye sd Isle.

This Examinant upon his Oath says yt he is now about
sixty five years of age, yt he was born in ye Parish of
Ely St. Marys in ye Isle of Ely, yt he was never bound ap-
prentice & yt ye last whole years Service yt he performed
was in ye Parish of Ely St. Marys wth Wm. Layton, Yeoman, &
since that he sold an estate in ye Parish of Ely St. Marys
aforesd & came to live in another estate of his own in ye
Parish of Ely Trinity aforesd & has done never any act
since that he knows off to gain a settlement elsewhere.

The Marke off

Jno

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Wilkin.

Jurat coram Nobis
die & anno Suprad
E. Partheriche.
Geo Mayfield.
John King.

1744.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of ffrancis Ayton, Shoemaker, taken upon oath the 31th day of October 1744 before us two of his Majestys Justices of the peace for the said Isle and one of us of the Quorum.

Who saith that he is about 25 years of Age, was born in the parish of Saint Nicholas in the City of Durham and about thirteen years of Age was bound Apprentice by Indenture to one Robert Smith of the parish of Saint Oswald in the sd city of Durham, Shoemaker, for seven years; that he served his sd Master about five years and a quarter of the said term of seven years and his sd Master then dying this Examint went to one Thomas Ware of the sd City, Shoemaker, (but of what parish this Examint knows not) and staid with the sd Ware about nine weeks and at the general Quarter Sessions off the peace held next after the decease of this Examints Master for the sd City he this Examint was discharged at the sd Sessions from the Service of the Widow of his sd Master and was not turn'd over to any other person, since which time this Examint has been travelling about the Country for work and never rented ten pounds a year, paid any poor Rates, executed any annual office or done any other Act (to his knowledge) to gain a settlement elsewhere. And this Examint further maketh oath that about seven Months since he this Examint was marry'd to Elizabeth Moor of the parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the said Isle, Widow, at the parish Church of Saint Mary aforesd.

Francis Ayton.

Sworn the day & year
first abovesd before us

A. Peacocke.

E. Partheriche.

1744.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of John Martin, Laborer, taken upon oath before us two of his Majestys Justices of the peace for the sd Isle (one of us of the Quorum) the 31th day of October 1744.

Who saith that he is about 35 years old, was born at Hawkston in the County of Cambridge, that at Michmas 1739 this Examint let himself to Rivers Tayler of Histon in the sd County, ffarmer, for one whole year but at what wages this Examint cannot remember; that he performed his whole years service and recd his whole wages, that he continued with his sd Master for the three next following years, perform'd the sd last three years Service and recd the sd several last three years Wages from his sd Master, the last two years Wages being six pounds each year; that he never rented ten pounds a year, paid any poor Rates, executed any annual Office, or done any other Act (to his knowledge) to gain a Settlement elsewhere. And further maketh Oath that about 14 Months since he marryed Elizabeth Harrington, Widow, at the Town of Cambridge.

John his
 / Martin
 mark.

Sworn the day and
year first abovesd
before

A. Peacocke.

E. Partheriche.

(See removal order to Histon 1744).
and certificate issued by Histon
to St. Mary's in 1745.)

1744.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of John Norman, Bricklayer, taken upon Oath before us two of his Majestys Justices of the peace for the sd Isle and one of us of the Quorum this 31th day of October 1744.

Who saith that he is about 24 years old, was born at Isleham in the County of Cambridge, was at about 12 years of Age bound Apprentice by Indenture to one Richard Norman of Great Swaffham in the sd County, Bricklayer, for 7 years; that he served about two years and a half of the sd term with his sd Master, who then dying he worked by the week with one Thomas Parrot of Isleham aforesd, Bricklayer, when the sd Parrot had any work to do in the Bricklayers way; that he never rented ten pounds a year, paid any poor Rates, exercised any annual Office or done any other Act (to his knowledge) to gain a settlement elsewhere.

John Norman.

Sworn the day and
year abovesd before

A. Peacocke.
E. Partheriche.

Margaret his Wife.
John ag'd one Month.

(Note:- Holy Trinity gave a certificate for John Norman to St. Mary's in 1749.)

1744.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of George Cope, Carpenter, taken upon oath this 31th day of October 1744 before us two of his Majestys Justices of the peace for the sd Isle and one of us of the Quorum.

Who saith that he is about 27 years of Age, was born at Uttoxeter in the county of Stafford; at about 14 years old was bound Apprentice by Indenture to one Richard Chatterton, of the parish of Saint Mary in the City of Litchfield, Carpenter, for seven years; that he served his said Master the sd term of seven years and since travelled the Country for work; that he never rented ten pounds a year, paid any poor Rates, executed any annual Office or done any other Act (to his knowledge) to gain a Settlement elsewhere and that about 2 years and a half since he was married to Ann Ingram, Spinster, at the parish Church of Trinity in Ely.

George Cope.

Sworn the day &
year first abovesd
before

A. Peacocke.

E. Partheriche.

Mary ag'd abt
18 months.

1749.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Thomas ffrog taken upon Oath before us two of his Majesties Justices of the peace for the sd Isle (one of us of the Quorum) the 14th day of December 1749.

Who saith that he is about two and twenty years of Age, was born at the parish of Witcham in the sd Isle and before Michmas 1746 this Examint lett himself to Mary Bent of Beild in the parish of Trinity in Ely in the said Isle, Widow, for one year from Michmas 1746 for the sum of ffive pounds and performed the said years Service with and received the said years wages of his said Mistress Mary Bent, and thatvat the Statutes held at Mepal in the sd Isle before Michmas 1747 he this Examint lett himself to Matthew Cave of the said parish of Witcham, ffarmer, to enter upon his Service with the said Cave 8 or 10 days after Michmas 1747 to Michmas 1748 for the sum of seven pounds and fifteen shillings and perfform'd the sd Service with and rec'd the sd Wages of the said Cave his Master and that about 8 or 10 days after Michmas 1748 he this Examint lett himself to John Cropley of the parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the sd Isle, ffarmer, until Michmas 1749 for the sum of six pounds and two shillings and performed the sd Service with and rec'd the sd Wages of his sd Master Cropley.

his
Thomas  ffrog.
Mark

Sworn the day and
year first abovesd
before us

A. Partheriche.
Henry Morley.

Eliz his wife.

(Note: in 1749 Ely Trinity issued
a certificate to St. Mary's for
Thomas Frohawk.)

1750.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Twiford Woodham of Ely in the said Isle, Surgeon, taken upon Oath before us two of his Majesties Justices of the peace for the said Isle this fourteenth day of August 1750.

Who saith that Mary Richardson of the parrish of Saint Mary in Ely in the said Isle, Singlewoman, aged about twenty years is very much disordered in her senses and as he this Examinant apprehends it may be dangerous to permit her to go abroad.

Twiford Woodham.

Sworn the day and
year first abovesaid
before us

A. Peacocke.
Henry Morley.

1753.

The County of Bedford to Wit.

The Examination of George Harrowood, Weaver.

The Examinant upon oath saith that his last legal Settlement is in the Parish of Saint Mary in Ely which he obtained by being hired for and serving a year there with one Isaac Morfet

George Harrowood.

Sworn before me

Oct.11 1753.

Phil Birt.

Elizabeth his wife.


(Note: a removal order was issued from Wootton, Bedford, to Ely St. Mary's for George Harrowood and Elizabeth his wife in 1753.)

1753.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Elizabeth Hoton, Widow and Relict of Alexander Hoton, Taylor, decd. taken upon oath before us two of his Majesties Justices of the Peace for the said Isle (Quorum unus) this 30th day of November 1753.

Who on her said oath saith that she is aged about forty eight years, was born in the parish of Stow Bardolph in the County of Norfolk, where this Examinant's ffather Edmund Bocking lived and was legally settled and this Examinant lived servant with Sr. Ralph Hare, Baronet, in the said last menconed parish for one Year or upwards and that she never lived out of the said parish until the year 1727 when she intermarried with the said Alexander Hoton at the ffleet in London, who was born in Scotland, but in what parish or place there this Examinant knows not, and ever since her marriage aforesaid until her said Husband's Death, which happened upwards of six years since, her said Husband travelled from place to place up and down the Country and worked Journey-work at his said Trade of a Tayler but never rented Ten pounds a year, served any parish Office or paid any parish Rates nor hath this Examinant since her said Husband's Death done any Act to gain a Settlement since her said Husband's Decease and hath a Daughter by her said Husband named Elizabeth aged about fifteen years who was born in the parish of in Kings Lynn.

Elizabeth ^{her}  Hoton, Widw.
mark

Sworn at Ely the
day and year first
abovesaid before
A. Peacocke.
Henry Morley.

Legy Street.

1753.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of John Race, Tayler, taken upon oath before us two of his Majesties Justices of the peace for the said Isle (Quorum unus) this 30th day of November 1753.

Who on his said oath saith that he is aged about Twenty three years, was born in the parish of Bircham in the County of Norfolk and was bound Apprentice by Indenture to Wm. Imping of the said last menconed parish, Tayler, for Eight years and served his said Master the said Term in the said parish And that he hath done no Act since (to his knowledge) to gain a Settlement in any other parish or place.

John Race.

Sworn the day and
year first abovesaid
at Ely before

A. Peacocke.

Henry Morley.

Wife Elizabeth.

1754.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Matthew Atkin, Labourer, taken upon Oath this eighth Day of October 1754 Before Us Two of His Majesties Justices of the Peace for the said Isle (one of the Quorum.

Who sayeth, That he is about fifty five Years of Age, was Born in the Parish of St. Mary's in Ely in the said Isle, where he lived with his Father till he was about Twenty three years of Age and then Hir'd a Farm in the parish aforesaid of upwards of fifty five pounds a year. Then he lett himself to Mr. Kilburn Jennings of Fen Stanton, Huntingdonshire, from May Day to Michaelmas folowing. Then he lett himself at Fen Stanton Statues Huntingdonshir to Henry Man of ye same place for a year for eight pounds ten shillings, which Years Service he performed & received his Wages for the same. Then he lett himself to Bruncell Throgmorton Esqr of Hemingforth in Huntindonshr for a Year for eight pounds fiveteen Shillgs wch Years Service he perform'd & received his wages for ye same. Then he lett himself to Mr. George Bly of Eberton in Huntindonshre for a Year for six pounds and at the expiration of that Year lett himself to the same person for another Year for the same Wages, Both which years he serv'd and received his Wages for the same. Then he marryed to Anne Page of Gamlingay in Cambridgeshr & Hired a House of Sr. George Downing Bt. of the same place for Forty Shills a year, Sr. George paying all Rates to Church & Poor; & that he the said Matthew Atkin never paid any Rates to Church or Poor, or serv'd any Annual Office nor Hir'd any more than Forty shillings a Year.

The Mark of

Matthew  Atkin.

Sworn the Day
& Year above written
befor us:-

Henry Morley.

A. Peacocke.

1756.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examinacon of Thos. Ellis taken on Oath before us two of his Majesties Justices of the peace for the sd Isle (Quorum unus) the 2d day of June 1756.

Who on his Oath saith that he is aged about forty five years, was born in the parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the sd Isle and that at Ladiday about 14 or 16 years since he this Examinant hired a House at a place called Clayway in the parish of Trinity in Ely aforesd where this Examinant dwelt for about 2 years and then this Examinant hired a ffen Ground of Mr. Wm. Turkington in Padnal called Padnal in the parish of Trinity for the yearly Rent of three pounds ten shillings which sd Ground this Examint was Ten^t to for five years togethr at the sd yearly Rent and was Ten^t to the sd Clay-way House for seven years together at the yearly Rent of fforty shillings and that he paid several parish Rates to the sd parish of Trinity in Ely for the sd Ground call'd Padnal Hill during the time he was the Tenant there-to and that afterwards this Examint removed into a Cotage of Thos. Whitechurch situate in Little London in the sd parish last menconed where he lived one year at the Rent of Eighteen shillings and at the end of that year this Examint hired a Cotage in the last menconedmplace and parish at the like yearly Rent of eighteen Shillings of Wm. Brister wher he dwelt four years and that he paid no parish Rates for the sd two Cotages or either of them and then this Examint hired a Cotage of Mr. Corn^s Gay in Little London in the sd parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesd for the yearly Rent of twenty seven shillings where he has lived above three years and that he has not paid any parish Rates during the time he has dwelt in the sd last mencon'd Cotage and this Examnt never served any publick Office in any parish or place.

Thomas Ellis.

Sworn at Ely the
day & year first
abovesd before
A. Peacocke.
Henry Morley.


1756.

North-Riding }
 of }
 Yorkshire. }

The Examination of Katharin Wright
 taken upon Oath before me the 16th
 Day of March 1756.

This Examinant saith upon Oath that she is about the
 Age of 36 Years; and that the Place of her last legal set-
 tlement is at the Isle of Ely in the County of Cambridge
 and further saith not.

Taken before me
 the Day and Year above
 R. BELL.

her
 KATH  WRIGHT
 mark.

North Riding)
 of)
 Yorkshire.)

To the Master of the House of Correction
 in the said Riding; and also to all
 Constables and other Officers whom it
 may concern to Receive and Convey; and
 to the Church-wardens, Chapel-wardens or
 Overseers of the Poor of the Parish or
 Township of the Isle of Ely in the Coun-
 ty of Cambridge or either of them to re-
 ceive and obey.

WHEREAS Katharine Wright & her Son Daniel was apprehended
 in the Town of Thirsk in the said Riding as a Rogue and Vag-
 abond, being there found wandering and begging: And upon
 Examination of the said Rogue and Vagabond taken before me
 Ra: Bell Esqr, one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace
 for the said Riding, upon Oath (which Examination is here-
 unto annexed) it doth appear that the Place of her last
 legal Settlement is at the Isle of Ely in Cambridgeshire:

THESE are therefore to require you the said Master to
 convey the said Rogue and Vagabond to the Parish of
 Bo:bridge in the next Riding that being the first Parish
 or Town in the next Precinct thro' which they ought to pass
 in the direct Way to the said Parish or Town of ye Isle of
 Ely to which they are to be sent, and to deliver ym to the
 Constable or other Officer of such first Parish or Town in
 such next Precinct, together with this Pass and the Dupli-
 cate of the said Examination, taking his Receipt for the
 same. And the said Rogue and Vagabond to be thence con-

veyed on in like Manner to the said Parish or Town of Isle of Ely there to be deliver'd to some Churchwarden, Chapelwarden or Overseer of the Poor of the same, to be there provided for according to Law; and you the said Churchwardens, Chapelwardens and Overseers of the Poor are hereby required to receive the said Rogue and Vagabond and provide for ym as aforesaid.

Given under my Hand and Seal this 16th Day of March in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and 56.

R.BELL.

Dorso.

Grantham Mar 29 1756.

All^d to pass. Rich^d Peete. Aldⁿ.

Stamford Borough)	
in the County of)	Allow'd to pass March 30 1756.
Lincoln.)	Thos Wallis. Mayor.

Liberty of Peterborough)	Allow'd to pass March 30th 1756.
Northtonshire.		
		Hen. Dove.

(Note: it would seem that having reached Peterborough Katharine gave birth to another child and again moved north.)

The Town of Newcastle)	To the Constable of White Fryers Ward within the said Town and County of Newcastle upon Tyne, and to the Churchwardens, Chapelwardens or Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of St.Mary's in Ely in Cambridgeshire or any of them whom it may concern, to receive, convey and obey.
upon Tyne in the		
County of the Town of		
Newcastle upon Tyne.		

WHEREAS Catherine Wife of William Wright a Soldier in Colonel Jeffrey's Regiment of Foot with Daniel and Mary her Children now wandering in the said Town and County as a Rogue and Vagabond, and brought before me one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said Town and County: And upon Examination of the said Catherine (which

Examination is hereunto annexed) taken before me upon Oath, it doth appear that the said William Wright's settlement was in the parish of St. Mary's in the Town of Ely & County aforesaid, and hath not since obtained any legal Settlement.

THESE are therefore to require you the said Constable to convey the said Vagabond to the first Constabulary in the next County of Durham being the direct Way to her said Husband's settlement in order to be thence conveyed as the Law directs, until they shall arrive at the said Parish; there to be delivered to the Churchwarden, Chapelwarden or Overseer of the Poor of the same and provided for according to Law, and the said Churchwardens, Chapelwardens or Overseers of the Poor are hereby required to receive the said Vagabond and provide for them as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal this Thirteenth Day of Dec^r in the 30th Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the 2^d by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the Year of our Lord God One thousand seven hundred and fifty six.

W. CLAYTON.

Dorso.

The County of Durham.
14th Decem. 1756.

Convey the within Named to
Eryholme in Yorkshire.
Wm. Lambe.

Granth^m with ye Soak.

Allow'd to pass this Liberty.
Dec 21st 1756. Jn. Whalwright.
Ald.

Stamford Borough
in the County of Lincoln)

) Allow'd to pass Dec 23 1756
Rob. Ridlington. Mayor.

1758.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of John Bacon taken on Oath before us two of his Majesties Justices of the peace for the sd Isle (Quorum unus) the 26th Day of April 1758.

Who on his sd Oath saith that hes is aged near 40 years was born in the parish of Mildenhall in the County of Suffolk wherein he lived until Michmas 1739 at which time this Examints ffather Edmund Bacon bound this Examint an Apprentice by Indenture to Wm. Drake of the parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the sd Isle, Thatcher, for five years and paid with him to the said Drake the sum of Six pounds and sixteen shillings and continued and served his said Master the sd full Term of five years and at the End of the said five years this Examint returned to the said parish of Mildenhall where he hath lived and continued ever sinve and about eight years since this Examint intermarried with Martha Stafford, Singlewoman, who is now living. And this Examint saith the said Indentures of Apprenticeship are lost but how, where or when he cannot tell. And this Examint saith that he never rented Ten pounds a year nor executed any annual Office nor paid any parish Rates in any parish whatever.

John Bacon.

Sworn at Ely the
27th day of April 1758
abovesd before

A. Peacocke.
Henry Morley.

John aged 7 years.
Hannah 2 years.

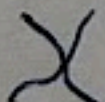
1758.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of William Westwood, Labourer, taken upon Oath this 7th Day of Septemr 1758 before us Two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace in & for the sd Isle and One of the Quorum, as follows.

Who on his Oath saith that he is about Six & Twenty years of Age, was born in the Parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the sd Isle and that a short time before Michaelmas 1753 he this Examinant Let himself to John Aungier of Stuntney in the Parish of Trinity in Ely aforesd for One Year at the Wages or Sum of Five Pounds & Fifteen Shill^s and that he performed his said Year's Service with and rec'd his Wages accordingly of his said Master, and also that he this Examint Let himself again from Michmas 1754 for another year to his said Master Aungier at the Wages or Sum of Six Pounds, and that he served his said Master the said year, except the last Sixteen or Seventeen weeks, at which time this Examint intermarried with Elizabeth Aungier, Singlwoman, and left his said Master's Service within the next Six or Seven Days, and also that he this Examint was Bound Apprentice by Indenture Dated the 10th Day of Septem 1747 to Paul Gotobed of Ely aforesd, Wheelwright, to serve from the Date thereof for the Term of seven years, which said Indenture was never Cancelled or Destroyed.

The Mark of

William  Westwood.

Taken upon Oath
at Ely aforesd
the Day & Year
abovesd before us
A. Peacocke.
Henry Morley.

Wife Elizabeth
William son abt 9 M^o.

1759.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Catherine Wright, widow, late the wife of Hugh Robinson taken upon oath the 31st day of March 1759 on her Oath saith that her said Husband Robinson was Born in the Highlands in the Kingdom of Scotland but in what Parish, place or County this Examinant knoweth not and this Examinant further saith that She was born in the County of Pearth in the sd Kingdom of Scotland but in what Parish or place this Examinant knoweth not. This Examinant further saith that about fifteen years since she and the said Hugh Robinson intermarried in some Parish Church in Colchester in the County of Essex by whom she hath one Lawfull and Natural son now Living named Daniel Robinson now aged about fourteen years who was born at Hadley in the County of Suffolk and this Examinant saith that her said son Daniel never was let for a year or did any other act to gain a Settlement in any parish or place.

Catherine ~~her~~ Robinson.
mark.

Sworn at Ely the sd
31th day of March 1759
before

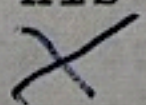
A. Peacocke.
Henry Morley.

1764.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Thomas Haylock, Labourer, taken before Us two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said Isle (and one of the Quorum) this Twenty Seventh February 1764 as follows.

Who on his said Oath saith that he is about Twenty years of Age, was born in the Parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the said Isle and that at a Statute held at Downham in the Isle aforesaid just before Michmas 1762 he this Examinant Let himself to the Widow Hatch of the Hamlet of Stuntney in the Parish of Trinity in Ely in the said Isle for one year from that Michmas at & for the Wages of Seven Pounds & ffive Shillings and that he performed the said year's Service with his said Mistress, excepting about a fortnight in the Month of March, when this Examinant being lame was at his Sister Evans's in the sd Parish of St. Mary in Ely aforesd - and that he rec'd his sd year's Wages of his said Mistress except ffive Shillings which he discounted with his Mistress for his Loss of time that fortnight, returning to his said Service & continuing with his said Mistress to the full End of the Term, and that he this Examinant has done no Act since to his knowledge to gain himself a Settlement in any other Parish or Parish.

Thos ^{his}
 Haylock.
 mark.

Taken upon Oath
 at Ely the Day and
 year first abovewritten
 before

A. Peacocke.
 John Waddington.

Lincolnshire)
Holland) To wit.

1769.

The Examination of Robert Green taken upon Oath this seventh Day of December 1769 before me One of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said Parts of Holland in the County aforesaid.

This Examinant saith that he is a Single Man, that he hath been down in these Parts for Work, is fallen ill & hath nothing left to subsist Himself with - And that his legal Place of settlement is in the Parish of St. Maries in the City of Ely in the County of Cambridge and that He hath not obtained any legal Settlement elsewhere.

his
Robert ~~X~~ Green
mark.

Sworn the Day and
Year abovesaid
before Me
J. Dinham.

Lincolnshire)
Holland) To the Constables and all other Officers of the Parish of Spalding in the parts of Holland aforesaid; and also to all Constables and other Officers whom it may concern to receive and convey; And to the Churchwardens, Chapelwardens or Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of St. Maries in the City of Ely in the County of Cambridge to receive and obey.

WHEREAS Robert Green was this Day apprehended in the Parish of Spalding aforesaid as a Rogue and Vagabond (videlicet) in Wandering up and down, being ill and having no money to support Him and upon Examination of the said Robert Green now taken before me The Revd. I. Dinham, Clk. upon Oath (which Examination is hereunto annexed) it doth appear that his legal Place of Settlement is in the Parish of St. Maries in the City of Ely in the County of Cambridge. These are therefore to require you the said Constable or other officer to convey the said Robert Green to the Parish of Tydd Saint Giles, that being the first Parish in the next Precinct

through which he ought to pass in the direct Way to the said City of Ely to which He is to be sent, and to deliver him to the Constable or other Officer of such Parish in such next Precinct, together with this Pass and the Duplicate of the Examination of the said Robert Green, taking his Receipt for the same. And the said Robert Green is to be thence carried on in like Manner to the said Parish of St. Maries in the City of Ely, there to be delivered to some Churchwarden, Chapelwarden or Overseer of the Poor of the same Parish of St. Maries to be there provided for according to Law. And you the said Churchwarden, Chapelwarden or Overseer of the Poor are hereby required to receive the said Person and provide for Him as aforesaid.

Given under my Hand and Seal this seventh Day
of December in the year of our Lord 1769.

J. DINHAM.

1773.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of William Gambell taken upon Oath before us two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace in and for the said Isle (and one of us of the Quorum) this 23rd day of Jan^y 1773.

Who upon his Oath saith he is aged about thirty four years, was born in the Parish of Worthington in the County of Buckingham, that before Michaelmas 1759 he let himself to the Revd. Wm. Host, Clerk, of the Parish of Sandringham in the said County of Norfolk for One year for the wages of ten Guineas, that he served his said Master the whole year and received his full wages for the same and that he has done no act since to his knowledge to gain a Settlement in any other Parish or place.

William Gambell.

Sworn & Subscribed
before us the Day & Year
first above written.

A. Peacocke.
Jno. Drage.

(Note: a certificate was issued by
Sandringham to St. Mary's in 1774
for William Gamble.)

1773.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Charles Cooper taken on Oath before us two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace in and for the said Isle (and one of us of the Quorum) this 23rd day of JanY 1773.

Who upon his said Oath saith he is aged about twenty three years, was born in the Parish of St. Mary in Ely in the said Isle, that his Father Wm. Cooper was an Inhabitant legally belonging to Sutton in the sd Isle by Virtue of a Certificate obtained some time since from the then Churchwardens & Overseers, that he has done no Act since his Birth to gain a settlement in any other Parish or place whatsoever.

Charles Cooper.

Sworn & Subscribed befor
us the Day & Year first
above written

A. Peacocke.
Jno. Drage.

Wife named Eliz:
and child Wm. aged
abt 14 Months.

1773.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Thomas Chevell taken on Oath before us two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace in and for the said Isle (and one of us of the Quorum) this 23rd day of JanY 1773.

Who upon his said Oath saith he is aged about twenty five years, was born in the Parish of Trinity in Ely in the said Isle, that at a Statutes before Michaelmas 1770 at the Parish of Witcham in the said Isle he this Examt let himself from the Michaelmas following to John Washington of the Parish of Littleport in the said Isle for one year for the wages of seven pounds and this Examt entered upon this Service with his said Master Washington and continued with him at Littleport aforesaid till the Lady day next following, when the said Washington removed to a ffarm in the Parish of Downham in the said Isle, to which this Examt went with his said Master and continued in his said Master's Service in Downham afresaid untill the Michaelmas following, that he received his said Wages of his said Master and that he has done no Act since to his knowledge to gain a settlement in any other Parish or place.

Tho his
 X Chevell
 mark

Sworn and Subscribed
before us the day
& year first above written

A. Peacocke.
Jno. Drage.

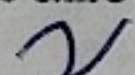
Wife nam Mary
one child Eliz
abt 15 months old.

1773.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of James Norton Taken on Oath before us two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace in and for the said Isle (and one of us of the Quorum) this 23rd day of Jan^y 1773.

Who upon his said Oath saith he is aged about twenty five years of Age, was born in the Parish of Hardingham in the County of Norfolk, that before Michaelmas 1776 (sic) he let himself to John Garnham of the Parish of St. Botolph in Morley in the said County of Norfolk for one year for the wages of one Pound fifteen Shillings, that he served his said Master the whole year and received this full wages for the same and that he has done no Act since to his knowledge to gain himself a Settlement in any other parish or place.

his James

 Norton. Mark.

Sworn & Subscribed before
 us the day & year first
 above written

A. Peacocke.
 Jno. Drage.

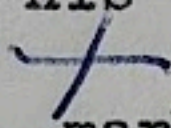
Wife name Mary.

1773.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Joseph Acreed taken on Oath before us two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace in and for the said Isle (and one of us of the Quorum) this 23rd day of Jan^y 1773.

Who upon his said Oath saith he is aged about thirty nine years, was born in the parish of Stow Green in the County of Lincoln, that at Midsummer 1771 he this Examt hired a Windmill in the Parish of St. Mary in Ely in the said Isle of his Sister in Law Elizabeth Acreed for one year at the Rent of Nine pounds and also hired a house in the same parish of Jonas Wilks for the same year at the yearly Rent of three Pounds three shillings and that he paid both the said yearly Rents to the same Acreed & Wilks.

Jos ^{his}  Acreed
mark.

Sworn & Subscribed the
day & year first above
written before us

A. Peacocke.
Jno. Drage.

1788.

The Examination of Samuel Sherman of the Parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the said Isle, Labourer, taken on Oath before us two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace in & for the said Isle this 25th day of February 1788.

Who upon his said Oath saith he is aged about Thirty eight years, was born in the Parish of Southey in the County of Huntingdon, that about Twenty years since about the month of May he let himself to Elizabeth Cave, Widow, who resided at a Farm called Beald Farm belonging to the Parish of Trinity in Ely aforesaid till the Michaelmas following for the sum or wages of about Eighteen Shillings, that he continued in his said Service till Michaelmas & received all his Wages and then Let himself to his said Mistress for one year for the Wages of Three Pounds, that he continued the year & received his full year's wages of his said Mistress, that about twelve years since he Let himself to Mr. Thomas Page of the Parish of St. Mary in Ely in the said Isle for one year for the sum or wages of Nine Pounds, that he continued the year with and received all his wages of his said Master and that he also continued the next following year in his said Service under a different hiring and that he has done no Act since to his knowledge to gain a Settlement in any other Parish or Place, and this Examt further saith that during the time he has resided in the parish of St. Mary in Ely aforesaid he has for several years paid poor Rates to the said Parish.

Samuel

his
X
Mark.

Sherman

Taken before us
Jno Waddington.
Thos. Gotobed.

Feb^y 25th 1789.

This mans Settlement without a doubt is in St. Mary Parish.

Jno. Waddington.

Thos Gotobed.

1788.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of Edward Thurlow, Labourer, taken on Oath before us Two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace in and for the said Isle (one whereof is of the Quorum) this 5th Day of Jan^y 1788.

Who upon his said Oath saith he is Aged about Twenty six years, was born in the Parish of Hardwick in the County of Cambridge, that sometime before Michaelmas 1776 he Let himself to Wm. Hanchett of the parish of Girton in the said County, ffarmer, for one year for the sum or Wages of fifty Shillings, that he continued the year with and received his full year's wages of his said Master, that he also continued in his said Service the Two next following years under different hiring and in the last year of his said Service he removed with his said Master Hanchett from the said parish of Gurton to the parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the said Isle with whom he continued the last Six Months of his last years Service and received all his Wages - that he then continued out of place till a week before Christmas following, when he Let himself to John Nunn of the Parish of Over in the said County of Cambridge, ffarmer, from that time to the Michaelmas following for the sum or wages of four pounds Ten shillings, that he continued in his Service till the Michaelmas aforesaid and received all his Wages, that he then Let himself again to his said Master Nunn for one year for the sum or Wages of Seven Pounds Ten Shillings, that he entered on his said years Service and continued therein till the Sunday before the plow Monday following, when his Master and he having some words about some Horse Corn and threatning to have a Warrant for him this Examint run away and left his said Master without having received the Wages due to him, that he afterwards served as a Substitute in the Cambridge-shire Militia for three years during which time the said Militia was embodied and in Actual Service and that he has done no Act since to his knowledge to gain a Settlement in any other parish or place.

Edwd ^{his} ~~X~~ Thurlow.
mark.

Taken before us
Jno. Waddington.
Thos. Gotobed

Wife name Sarah
Child John aged abt 4 yrs.

CASE.

This man, his wife and family are now become chargeable to the Parish of St. Mary in Ely.

You will be pleased to Observe that Edward Thurlow the pauper's last Service was with Mr. Nunn of Over. That he served him from a week before Christmas 1779 untill Michaelmas 1780 - and received his Wages. That he then let himself again for one Year but left his said Master's Service on the Sunday before the plow Monday following without receiving any Wages.

Qy.

Therefore as this Man served part of his Year with Mr. Nunn of Over and received his Wages for that part of the year - Let himself again to his Master Nunn and stayed with him in the same Service under different hirings for a Space of time, which more than compleated the Year, and would have received his Wages had he kept in his Master Nunn's Service And not deserted it through his own imprudent Conduct - To what parish do he and his family belong.

(Another hand).

E. Thurlow's Settlement was at St. Mary's before he was hired by Mr. Nunn at Over. There he served a very little more than a year, under two Contracts, one whereof was for a year; & as it is now clear that such a Service gains a Settlement it is not material how much the Service exceeds a year. He has received no Wages under the 2^d Hiring, but that was his own Fault: the Service gains the Settlement & he was in his Master's Service untill the Day he ran away. I am therefore of Opinion that his Settlement is at Over.

H. Partridge.

17 Jan^y 1788.

(Note: St. Mary's issued a Removal Order in 1788 to Over for Edward Thurlow, Sarah his wife and their son John).

1796.

The Examination of John Harrison aged about 16 years a Rogue and Vagabond apprehended by James Mac Andrew in the Parish of Great Yarmouth aforesaid and brought before me Samuel Tolver Esqr, One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Borough aforesaid, taken this 5th Day of May in the Year of our Lord 1796.

Who on his Oath saith That he is the son of Christopher Griffin Harrison late of Ely in the County of Cambridge and now a convict at Ely to which place his said Father belongs And that he this Examinant hath never lived as a Year Servant or done any other Act whereby to gain a Settlement to his knowledge or belief. And this Examinant being lately turned out of Doors by his Mother in Law, he hath since wandered about and lodged in Outhouses and in the open Air at Great Yarmouth aforesaid, where he was apprehended & Committed to the House of Correction.

The mark of
John X Harrison.

Taken and sworn at
Great Yarmouth afore-
said the Day and Year
first above written,
Before me
Saml.Tolver.

Town and Borough of)	To the Constables and other Offic-
Great Yarmouth)	ers of the Peace of the Parish of
in Norfolk)	Great Yarmouth in the County of
To wit.)	Norfolk to remove and convey; and
	to the Churchwardens, Chapelwardens
	and Overseers of the Poor of the
	Parish, Place or Precinct of Ely in
	the County of Cambridge either or
	any of them to receive and obey.

WHEREAS John Harrison aged about 16 years was on the 27th Day of April last apprehended in the Parish of Great Yarmouth aforesaid as being a Rogue and Vagabond.

And whereas the said John Harrison hath been by me,

Samuel Tolver Esqr, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said Borough, examined, adjudged and convicted to be a Rogue and Vagabond and hath in consequence of such Conviction been committed to and confined in the House of Correction in and for the said Borough for the space of Seven Days pursuant to the Statutes in that Case made and provided.

And whereas upon Examination of the said John Harrison taken before me this Day upon Oath (which Examination is hereunto annexed) it doth appear that the last legal Settlement of the said John Harrison is in the said Parish of Ely.

THESE ARE THEREFORE to require you the said Constables or any of you to convey the said John Harrison to the Parish of Caister next Yarmouth, that being the first Parish in the next Precinct through which he ought to pass in the direct Way to the said Parish of Ely to which he is to be sent, and to deliver him to the Constable or other Officer of such Parish in such next Precinct, together with this Pass and the Examination of the said John Harrison, taking his Receipt for the same. And the said John Harrison to be thence conveyed on in like Manner to the said Parish of Ely, there to be delivered to some Churchwarden, Chapelwarden or Overseer of the Poor of the same Parish to be there provided for according to Law. And you the said Churchwardens, Chapelwardens or Overseers of the Poor are hereby required to receive the said John Harrison and provide for him as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal at Great Yarmouth aforesaid this fifth Day of May in the Year of our Lord 1796.

Saml. Tolver.

The Constable of Caister is ordered to convey the above named John Harrison to the City of Norwich, that being the directt road to the sd parish of Ely.

May 6th 1796.

Engle Knights.

NORWICH.

To Edmond Cardreux, Constable.

Convey the within named Vagrant to Easton in the County of Norfolk and deliver him to the Constable there together with this Examination and Pass, taking his Receipt for the same.

Given under my Hand the 17th Day of May 1796.

J.G.Baseley.

NORFOLK.

To the Constable of Easton.

Convey the within named vagrant to Wisbech in the Isle of Ely and Deliver him to the Constable there, together with Examination and Pass, taking his receipt for the same.

Given under my hand the 7th day of May 1796.

Roger Kerrison.

ISLE OF ELY.

To the Constable of Wisbech St. Peters in the said Isle.

Convey the within named Vagrant to Ely in the said Isle and deliver him to the Constable there.

Given under my Hand the 10th Day of May 1796.

Cæsar Morgan.

1797.

Huntingdonshire to Wit.

The Voluntary Examination of William Freeman now at Somersham in the County of Huntingdon respecting the place of his Settlement taken upon Oath before us this 25th October 1797 two of His Majesty's Justices of the peace acting in and for the said County.

This Examinant saith that he was born at Sutton in the Isle of Ely and County of Cambridge where he continued to live till he was of the Age of 17 years, that he was afterwards bound by Indentures an Apprentice to John Campion of Sutton aforesaid, Blacksmith, for the Term of Seven Years, under which Service he lived with the said John Campion at Sutton two years, and the said John Campion having removed from thence to Ramsey in the said County of Huntingdon this Examinant lived with him there four years, at the End of which period he ran away from his said Master at Ramsey and went to Ely in the said Isle and County of Cambridge and worked in his Business of a Blacksmith with Edward Luddington of Ely to whom he was assigned over for the seventh or last year of his Apprenticeship by the said John Campion in consideration of four pounds fourteen shillings and sixpence paid to him by the said Edward Luddington and of one Shilling a week and two new Suits of Cloaths in the Year, which the said Edward Luddington agreed to give this Examinant, who served the said Edward Luddington the whole of such last or seventh year of such Apprenticeship, and this Examinant further saith that he afterwards was hired to and lived with the said Edward Luddington (who resides in the Parish of St. Mary, Ely) for one year at the Wages of Fifteen Guineas or pounds, he forgets which, and that after having gone to Littleport in the said Isle he was there Examined as to the place of his Settlement which he declared upon Oath to be as above stated and that he was removed by an order from Littleport to the parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid and was acknowledged and received by the Officers of the parish as belonging to them. And the said Examinant further saith that he hath done no Act since his said Service with the said Edward Luddington in the parish of Saint Mary, Ely, aforesaid to gain a Settlement elsewhere, and lastly he saith that in Consequence of an Accident which happened to him about fourteen Days since

of being run over by a Cart upon the Road between Saint
Ives and Somersham aforesaid he hath been in the House
of John Hilliard at the Sign of the Red Cow in Somersham
aforesaid.

William Freeman.

Sworn before us
this 25th Octr 1797

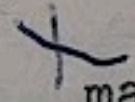
Rob. Burton.
John Wilson.

1799.

Isle of Ely to Wit.

The Examination of William Chevis now residing in the parish of Ely Saint Mary in the said Isle, Labourer, taken on Oath before us two of his Majesty's Justices of the peace for the said Isle this twentieth Day of December 1799.

Who on his said Oath saith That he is aged about Twenty years and was born in the parish of Downham in the said Isle where his Father and Mother resided and were parishioners But who about Twelve years ago removed to the parish of Soham in the County of Cambridge and resided there under a Certificate from the said Parish of Downham. That at Michaelmas in the Year of our Lord One thousand & seven hundred and ninety eight he let himself as a Servant in Husbandry to Ralph Eden of the said parish of Soham in the County of Cambridge, Farmer, for the Term of One Year at the Wages or Sum of Seven pounds - that he continued with his said Master till the end of the said year and received his full years Wages for the same accordingly. And that he intermarried with Sarah his present Wife at the Parish Church of Ely Saint Mary aforesaid this Morning and hath by her no lawful issue.

Wm. ^{his}  Chevis.
mark.

Sworn before us at Ely
aforesaid the Day and
Year first before written

Tho. Waddington.
Wm. Metcalfe.

REMOVAL ORDERS

FROM ST. MARY'S

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ISLE OF ELY
TO WIT

To the Churchwardens and Overseers of
the Poor of the Parish of St. Mary's in
Ely in the said Isle of Ely and to the
Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor
of the Parish of Great Dunham in the
County of Norfolk.

Whereas complaint has been made by you the Churchwardens
and Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of Saint
Mary's in Ely in the said Isle unto Us whose Hands and
Seals are hereunto set, two of His Majesty's Justices of
the Peace (whereof one is of the Quorum) for the said
Isle of Ely aforesaid, That John Faulkner, Blacksmith,
and Elizabeth his wife lately intruded themselves into
your said Parish of Saint Mary's in Ely in the said Isle
there to inhabit as Parishioners contrary to the Laws
relating to the Settlement of the Poor, and are there
like to become chargeable, if not timely prevented;

AND WHEREAS upon due Examination and Enquiry made into
the Premises and also of the said John Faulkner upon his,
it appears unto us, and we accordingly adjudge, That the
said John Faulkner and Elizabeth his wife lately intruded
themselves into your said parish of Saint Mary's in Ely
in the said Isle and are like to become chargeable unto
the said Parish of Saint Mary's in Ely in the said Isle
and that the last legal Place of Settlement of the said
John Faulkner & Elizabeth his said wife is in the said
Parish of Great Dunham in the County of Norfolk.

THESE are therefore in His Majesty's Name, to order and
require you the said Churchwardens and Overseers of the
Poor of the Parish of Saint Mary's in Ely aforesaid that
you, or some of you, do forthwith remove and convey the
said John Faulkner and Elizabeth his wife from your said
Parish of Saint Mary's in Ely to the said Parish of Great
Dunham in the County of Norfolk and them deliver to the
Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor there, or some or
one of them, together with this our Warrant or Order, or
a true Copy hereof; whereby they are likewise required
in his Majesty's Name and by virtue of the Statutes in
such Case made forthwith to receive the said John Faulk-
ner and Elizabeth his said wife into their said Parish and
provide for them as their own Parishioners. GIVEN under
our Hands and Seals the Eighteenth Day of January in the
Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and forty five.

E. PARTHERICHE.
A. PEACOCKE.

REMOVAL ORDERS.From St Mary's.To.

Henry Cooper & Margery his wife	Sutton in the Isle	1731.
John Martin, Labourer	Histon	1744.
& Elizabeth his wife.		
Joseph Atkin & Mary his wife.	Wilberton	1745.
John Faulkner, Blacksmith,	Great Dunham,	1745.
& Elizabeth his wife.	Norfolk	
George Musson, Taylor,	Downham in the Isle	1748.
& Ellen his wife.		
Thomas Gardner, Shepherd,	Haddenham	1748.
Elizabeth his wife, and		
daughters Sarah & Elizabeth.		
Elizabeth Constable,	Ely Trinity	1748.
Singlewoman.		
Alice Aungier, wife of John.	Witcham	1750.
Mary Ellis, Singlewoman.	Ely Trinity	1750.
Jeremiah Renn & Ann his wife	Ely Trinity	1752.
Joseph Atkin, Mary his wife	Wilburton	1753.
& five children, Susanna,		
Mary, Sarah, Phoebe & Thomas.		
Elizabeth Lutt, Singlewoman.	Ely Trinity	1754.
Alice Ellis, Singlewoman	Ely Trinity	1756.
Robert Thurbon	Woodhurst, Hunts.	1762.
William ffeast & Elizabeth	Witchford	1764.
his wife.		
Sarah Tingey, Singlewoman.	Sutton in the Isle	1765.
William Macer, Elizabeth his	Ely Trinity	1780.
wife & two children, Abigail		
& Mary. (In duplicate).		
James Thompson, Susanna his	St. Margaretts,	1780.
wife & two children, Parker	Lynn, Norfolk	
& James.		
Allen Green & Sarah his wife.	Ely Trinity	1784.
Edward Thurlow, Sarah his	Over, Cambs.	1788.
wife & son, John.		
Elizabeth Dunham, Singlewoman.	Ely Trinity.	1794.
Anne Dunham & Mary her daughter.	Ely Trinity	1795.
William Wayman, Mary his wife		
& four children, Sarah,	Sutton in the Isle.	1796.
Susanna, William & Matthew.		

From St. Mary's.

To.

Frances Owen, Singlewoman.
Susanna Alderton, being
with child.

John Everitt, Elizabeth his
wife & four children, Mary,
John, William & Elizabeth.

Ely Trinity.
Littleport.

1797.
1798.

1801.

REMOVAL ORDERS

TO ST. MARY'S

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REMOVAL ORDERS.To St. Mary's.

William James & Jane his wife
 John Peachey alias Frost,
 bastard son of John Peachey
 & Elizabeth Frost
 Philip Eusden, Jane his wife
 & daughters Anne & Elizabeth
 John Drake
 George Harrowood & his wife
 Elizabeth
 Anne Holmes, Singlewoman
 William Holmes, Elizabeth his
 wife & daughter Elizabeth
 Ann Leach, Singlewoman
 Catharine Wright & family
 Sarah Eaton, in a dangerous
 state
 Ann the wife of William Wells
 a soldier
 Robert Mayer & Elizabeth
 his wife
 Robert Merry & Elizabeth
 his wife
 Robert Green, Rogue & Vagabond
 James Evans, Gardener & his
 wife Mary
 Elizabeth Peters, Widow, and
 her son whom she calls John
 Harlock
 Thomas Rainer, his wife Anne
 & Thomas their son
 William Holmes & his wife
 Elizabeth
 George Turner, Anne his wife
 & children Anne & Thomas
 John Acreed, Mary his wife
 & children, Elizabeth
 William & Martha
 John Harrison aged 16, Rogue
 & Vagabond, committed to the
 house of correction at Wisbech

From.

Ely Trinity 1728.
 St. Buttolph's, 1735.
 Cambridge
 St. Edward's, 1746.
 Cambridge
 Sutton 1750.
 Wootton, Bedford 1753.
 Downham in the Isle 1754.
 Downham in the Isle 1755.
 Haddenham 1755.
 Newcastle upon Tyne 1756.
 Ely Trinity 1756.
 Downham 1756.
 Sutton 1765.
 Witchford 1765.
 Spalding, Lincs 1769.
 Ely Trinity 1770.
 Holy Trinity, 1777.
 Cambridge
 Mildenhall 1781.
 Wilburton 1788.
 Lavenham, Suffolk 1794.
 Witcham 1795.
 Great Yarmouth 1796.

To St. Mary's.

Thomas Gotobed
 Thomas Talbot & his wife
 Anne
 Mary, wife of John Hall
 deceased, and two children,
 Susan & William
 William Page, Jane his wife
 & two children, John and
 Rebecca

From.

Wicken	1802.
Great St. Mary's, Cambridge	1804.
Brandon, Suffolk	1807.
Sutton, Holland, Lincolnshire	1808.

SETTLEMENT CERTIFICATES.

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WE the present Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Saint Maries in Ely within the Isle of Ely in the County of Cambridge do in behalf of ourselves and the Inhabitants of the said Parish certify the Reverend Dean and Chapter of Ely and their Successors That Joseph Marshall, Gardener, is an Inhabitant legally settled in our said Parish of Saint Maries in Ely aforesaid; therefore if he shall think it convenient to sojourn in that part of the Town in Ely aforesaid called the College for conveniency of his business and shall there become chargeable We do hereby promise to receive him, his Wife and children, and provide for them as our Poor, according to the direction of the Law, Unless he or they shall obtain a Legal settlement with you or elsewhere;

In witness whereof we have set our Hands and Seals this sixth day of April in the Twenty fifth year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland King, defender of the ffaith and so forth, and in the year of our Lord one thousand Seven Hundred and ffifty two.

Signed Sealed and Delivered
by the Churchwardens and
Overseers of the Parish of
St. Maries in Ely aforesaid
in the Presence of Us

John Loyterton

John Gotobed

ROBERT SUBBS Seal

THOMAS AUNGIER Seal

J. CUTTRISS Seal

We two of His Majesty's Justice of the Peace for the Liberty aforesaid do allow of this Certificate. Also do Certify that John Loyterton one of the Witnesses did make oath before Us, that he see the Churchwardens and Overseers, whose Names and Seals are hereunto set severally sign and seal the said Certificate; and that the Names of the two Witnesses are of their own hand Writing.

A. PEACOCKE
ROB. WENHAM

SETTLEMENT CERTIFICATES.

John Woodcock	Ely Trinity	1699
Austin Allen	Kirbymalzeare, Yorks.	1700
George Goddard	Ely Trinity	1705
John Mayes	Ely Trinity	1705
Henry Hargrave	Ely Trinity	1705
Abednego Scott	Ely Trinity	1709
John Smith	St. Edward's, Cambridge	1711
Robert Tompson, Shepherd	Cottenham	1713
Margrit Mantle, wid.	Soham	1714
John Palmer	Woodhouse Eaves,	
	Barrow on Soar, Leices.	1714
Andrew Clare	Yaxley, Hunts	1714
Robert Sibley	Ely Trinity	1714
William Cock	Dullingham, Cambs.	1716
Robert Watts	Meldreth, Cambs.	1717
William Cooper	Sutton	1717
Edward Rooke	Over	1717
James Pitts	Downham in the Isle	1719
Thomas Beard	St. Ives, Hunts.	1719
Luke Benson, Grocer	Ely Trinity	1720.
& Tallow Chandler		
Mathew Atoor	Bluntisham cum Earith	1722.
Anthony Towhsend	Ely Trinity	1723
John Papworth jun.	Ely Trinity	1723
Earthen potter		
Robert Bridgman	Conington, Cambs.	1723
John Gallyard	St. Martians,	1723
	Stamford Barn	
Edward Burgis	Littleport	1723
Pitches Eburn	Ely Trinity	1723
Robert Sibley	Ely Trinity	1723
Thomas Boox	Ely Trinity	1724
Robert Murfeit	Ely Trinity	1724
Nathaniel Alvy	Ely Trinity	1724
William Fox, Joyner	St. Andrew's, Cambridge	1725
Ruth Clark, widow	Barking, Essex (Nov.)	1727
Ruth Clark, widow	Barking, Essex (Dec.)	1727
Thomas Rudam	Gedney, Lincs.	1728
Marmaduke Dantree	Ely Trinity	1730
John Bennitt	Ely Trinity	1730
Henry Wade, Cordwainer	Ely Trinity	1730.

Robert Rayner, Singleman
 William Warwick
 Edward Ewsden
 John Barton
 John Easty
 John Annable
 Richard Langford
 Samuel Webb

George Hipwell,
 Blacksmith
 Edmund ffield
 Labourer

Thomas Cook
 William Blunt
 Matthew Hopkin
 Robert Aungier, Turner
 Isaac Kempton
 Henry Wicks, Shoemaker
 Roger Dann, Shepherd
 Thomas Preston
 Austin Wade
 Joseph Pambey, Shepherd
 John Martin
 Joseph Atkin
 John Homes
 George Sole
 John Evens
 John Loyterton
 Francis Pepper, Turfeman
 George Mussen, Tailor
 John Giddens
 John Norman
 Thomas Frohawk
 Thomas Tingey, Blacksmith
 John Poole the younger
 Oxendon Eburn
 Mary Ellis
 John Papworth
 William Shearman
 John Knowles
 Richard Waites
 Thos. Harwood

Ely Trinity
 Ely Trinity
 Welney, Norfolk
 Coveney in the Isle
 Chippenham, Cambs.
 Streatham, Cambs.
 Stretham
 Romford, Liberty of
 Havering Atte Bower,
 Essex.

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 Whichford
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 Ely Trinity
 Haddingham, Cambs.
 Histon, Cambs.
 Wilburton
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True Nicklace	Downham in the Isle	1755
Robert Whitechurch	Downham in the Isle	1755
Susannah Cropley, wid.	Witchford	1757
Paul Gotobed	Ely Trinity	1758
John Freeman	Ely Trinity	1758
William Wayman, Labourer	Sutton in the Isle	1759
Samuel Sharman	Southo, Hunts.	1760
John Cooper, Labourer	Sutton in the Isle	1760
George Williams	Alconbury, Hunts.	1760
William Layton, Labourer	Ely Trinity	1760
Thomas Atkin	Wilburton	1760
John Addy	Hoginton, Cambs.	1761.
William Cheesewright	Ely Trinity	1761
Robert Webb, Labourer	Heaslinfield, Cambs.	1762
William Pain	Coveney in the Isle	1762
Matthew Mutton	Ely Trinity	1763
William Wymore	Isleham	1763
Robert Elsdon	St. Andrew's the Great, Cambridge	1763
William Feast	Witchford	1764
Richard Knowles	Haddenham	1764
Sarah Hotten, wid.	Coveney	1764
Thomas White	Thorney	1764
James Pain	Cottenham	1768
John James, Cordwainer	Ely Trinity	1768
William Legg, Woolcomber	Ely Trinity	1769
Richard Sharpe	Cottenham	1769
Thomas Canham, Labourer	Ely Trinity	1769
Jane Leeds	Ely Trinity	1769
Mary Benington, Single	Hanington Grey, Hunts.	1770
Ann Field	Ely Trinity	1770
Richard Sindall	Wilburton	1771
Edgar Poole	Brandon, Suffolk	1771
John Taylor	Broughton, Hunts.	1771
William Lewis, Woolcomber	St. Ives, Hunts.	1771
Thomas Cowper	Carlton cum Willing- ham, Cambs.	1771
Thomas Harwood	Witchford	1772
William Gamble	Sandringham, Norfolk	1773
Joseph Packett	Stretham, Isle of Ely	1774
John Austin	Ely Trinity	1774
Daniel Rayner	Downham, Isle of Ely	1774
William Skinner	Downham, Isle of Ely	1776
John	Ely Trinity	1779

Stoughton Miles
Woolsorter
William Whitehead
William Feast
James Duffield
Thomas Burkitt
James Butler
William Phypers
Mary Topp, Singlewoman

Foulmire, Cambs.	1779
Haddenham	
Ely Trinity	1779
Brinton, Norfolk	1781
Over, Cambs	1781
Ely Trinity	1782
Ely Trinity	1782
Trumpington, Cambs	1783
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BONDS AND ORDERS
IN BASTARDY

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KNOW ALL MEN by these Presents that I Granado Pigott of Ely in the Isle of Ely & County of Cambridge, Gentleman, am held and firmly bound unto Paul Gotobed and Thomas Day, Churchwardens, and William Layton and Robert Few, Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the said Isle of Ely and County of Cambridge aforesaid in the Sum of Eighty Pounds of good and lawful Money of Great Britain to be paid to the said Churchwardens and Overseers or to their certain Attorney, their Executors, Administrators or Assigns, for which Payment well & faithfully to be made I Bind myself, my Heirs, Executors and Administrators and Every one of us for & in the whole firmly by these Presents, Sealed with my Seal, Dated this Thirtieth Day of December in the first year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith and so forth and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty.

THE CONDITION of this Obligation is such that WHEREAS Mary Ellis of the Parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid, Singlewoman, was in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty and Nine Delivered of a Female Bastard Child, and also was lately Delivered of another Female Bastard Child in the said Parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid, both which said Children are likely to be Chargeable to the said Parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid, and of both which said Children the abovesaid Granado Pigott is the reputed Father, IF THEREFORE the said Granado Pigott, his Heirs, Executors and Administrators or any of them shall and do from time to time and at all times hereafter fully and clearly Acquit, Exonerate and Discharge or otherwise well and sufficiently save, keep harmless and indemnified as well the abovenamed Church-Wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid and their Successors for the time being Church-Wardens and Overseers

Of the Poor of the said Parish of Saint Mary in Ely
aforesaid, as all & singular other the Parishioners
and Inhabitants of the said Parish of Saint Mary in
Ely aforesaid as now are or hereafter shall be for
the time being of and from all and all manner of Costs,
Charges, Damages and Expences whatsoever, which shall
or may at any time or times hereafter arise, happen,
come, grow or be imposed upon them, either or any of
them for or be reason of the Education, Maintenance,
Nourishment and Bringing up of the said two several
Female Children or Either of them and of and from all
Actions, Suits, Troubles & other Charges and Demands
whatsoever touching or concerning the said Female
Children or Either of them, Then this present Obliga-
tion to be void, or else to be and remain in full
Force, Power and Virtue.

Sealed and Delivered,
being first duly Stamped,
in the Presence of
Lavr. Cunningham
Thomas Hatterslay

G. PIGOTT.

Isle of Ely to wit.

The order of us Aungier Peacocke and Henry Morley Esquires two of his Majesties Justices of the peace for the said Isle (one being of the Quorum) and both inhabiting near the parish of Saint Mary in Ely in the said Isle made this first day of March in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty for the Relief of the said parish and for the keeping of a Male Bastard Child begotten of the Body of Ann Patrick, Widow, and born in the said parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid on the eleventh day of January last past and chargeable to the said parish.

Whereas it appeareth unto us upon the oath of the said Ann Patrick taken in writing before us on the first day of March instant that Henry Hills of the parish of Trinity in Ely aforesaid, Bricklayer, had carnal Knowledge of the Body of the said Ann Patrick and is the ffather of the said Male Bastard Child We do therefore order and adjudge the said Henry Hills to be the only ffather of the said Male Bastard Child born in the said parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid and chargeable to the said last menconed parish. And we do further order him the said Henry Hills to pay weekly and on the Saturday in every week successively the sum of One shilling and sixpence of lawful money of Great Britain unto the Overseers of the poor of the said parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid for the time being or one of them for and towards the Maintenance of the said Male Bastard Child so long as the said Male Bastard Child shall continue chargeable to the said parish. And we do also further order the said Henry Hills to pay to the Overseers of the poor of the said parish of Saint Mary or one of them the sum of Three pounds and Five shillings of like lawful money immediately after Notice of this our Order towards the charge of the lying in and other necessary Expences of the said Ann Patrick. And we do also further order that the said Ann Patrick shall from the date hereof pay weekly and on the Saturday in every week successively the sum

of sixpence of like lawful money to the Overseers of the poor of the said parish of Saint Mary for the time being or one of them towards the maintenance of the said Male Bastard Child so long as the said Male Bastard Child shall continue chargeable to the said parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid except such part of the time as she shall nourish and keep the said Male Bastard Child. And lastly we do order that the said Henry Hills on Notice of this our Order do immediately put in sufficient sureties for the performing of this our Order or otherwise personally to appear at the next General Sessions of the peace to be held in and for the said Isle and also to abide such Order as the Justices of the peace for the said Isle or the more part of them at the said Sessions shall take in this behalf if they then and there shall take any and that if at the said Sessions the said Justices for the said Isle or the more part of them shall take no other Order then to abide and perform this our Order. Given under our Hands and Seals the said first day of March in the said year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty.

A. PEACOCKE D.D.
HENRY MORLEY.

Whereas by our Bond or Obligacon dated 11th October 1774 Wm. ffrancis and Samuel Jaggard became bound to John Crop-ley and Thomas Rayner, Churchwardens, and John Vaughan and Wm. Taylor, Overseers of the Poor of this parish in fforty pounds Condiconed for their indemnifying and saving harmless the parishioners of this parish of and from all Costs which they the said parishioners or any of them should be put unto for or by reason of the Birth, Main-tenance or Educacon of a child wherewith Mary Drake of this parish, Singlewoman, was then pregnant and the said Mary Drake was afterwards delivered of a male Bastard child in the sd parish which since its Birth being chargeable to the parishioners of this parish and there being now due to the parishioners of this parish the sum of for the maintenance of the said Bastard child We whose names are hereunder subscribed met together at a Vestry in the parish Church of Saint Mary in Ely pur-suant to a publick Notice given in the said parish Church on Sunday last immediately after Divine Service do Agree and Order that an Accon at Law be brought forthwith against the said Wm. ffrancis and Samuel Jaggard upon the said Bond and that the present Churchwardens and Over-seers of the poor of the said parish of Saint Mary in Ely aforesaid do employ and retain an Attorney to bring, pro-secute and carry on the Suit against them the said Wm. ffrancis and Samuel Jaggard or either of them as witness our Hand the 16th day of November 1778.

John Inkersole, Barham, Hunts., Yeoman for Hannah Willson, Singlewoman	1714.
Paul Gotobed, Mildenhall, Suffolk, Milner. William Gotobed, Ely. Milner, and Matthew Gotobed, Ely. Cordwainer for Sarah Thompson, Singlewoman	1724.
Edward Finch, Ely St. Mary's, Barber for Mary Aungier, Singlewoman	1731.
Francis Newborn, Ely St. Mary's, Agricola Guardian of Thomas Lawrence aged 18 for Mary Burrage, Singlewoman	1732.
James Orbell, Ely St. Mary's for Elizabeth Markham, Widow	1739.
John Googe, Chatteris, Labourer Matthew Young, Witcham, Labourer for Margaret Norman, Singlewoman	1739.
Samuel Starkey, Ely Trinity, Waterman and John Starkey, Waterman for Ann Adams, Singlewoman	1745.
William ffarin, Gilhorn, Stafford, Hardwaresman for Alice Dolby, daughter of ffrancis Dolby, Labourer	1745.
John Aungier, servant in husbandry with Edward Martin at Breem for Alice Nicholson, Singlewoman. Also Bond.	1748.
Thomas Moul, Laborer for Elizabeth Constable, Singlewoman Also Licence to depart from her master.	1749.
Mark Benton the younger for Sarah Porter, Singlewoman	1749.
Henry Hills, Ely Trinity, Bricklayer for Ann Patrick. Also Bond with Michel Hills the elder, Bricklayer.	1750.
Daniel Pate, Laborer, and William Pate, ffarmer, and John Harlock, ffarmer for Mary Hellock, Singlewoman	1753.
William Coe of Downham Market, Norfolk, Laborer, and James Bird of the same, Malster, Robert Addison of the same, Carpenter & Edward Creasey of the same, Baker	1754.
for Margaret Pigott, Singlewoman John Cordell of St. Ives, Hunts., Yeoman for Sarah Eaton, Singlewoman	1758.

Granado Pigott, Gentleman for Mary Ellis of St. Mary's, Singlewoman	1760.
William Cawthorne, Labourer of Ely, and Benjamin Cawthorne of Downham in the Isle Labourer	1760.
for Susanna Sindall, Singlewoman William Peters, Labourer and Thomas Page, Gentleman	1762.
for Susannah Sindall, Singlewoman James Chambers of Soham, Yeoman, and Edward Chambers of the same, Yeoman, father of above for Ann, wife of William Wells listed as a soldier in foreign parts	1763.
George Brooks of Ely, Gentleman for Hannah Berridge, Singlewoman	1764.
Jeremiah Cuttriss of Ely, ffisherman, John Cuttriss, ffisherman, and Samuel Cuttriss, Boatwright for Sarah ffrohawk, Singlewoman	1764.
Thomas Cooper, Ely St. Mary's and Thomas Rouse of the same for Susanna Kitchen, Singlewoman	1770.
Thomas Poole junr., Thomas Poole senr. and Robert Poole of Witcham for Margaret Pope of Witcham	1771.
William ffrancis of Wood Ditton, Butcher, and Samuel Jaggard of Dullingham, Butcher, for Mary Drake, Singlewoman, "with child of whom Robert Eaves is the father"	1774.
Also action for enforcement 1778.	
Henry Langford of Ely for Ann Cradock of Ely Trinity	1776.
Thomas Dann of St. Mary's, Shepherd for Susanna Obvell, Singlewoman	1777.
James Ind of Fenstanton, Hunts., Esqr. and John Edward Martin of the same, Gentleman for Sarah Cunningham of Ely St. Mary's "that John Martin, now apprentice to Robert Muriel of Ely Trinity, Surgeon & Apothecary, Brother to the above bounden John Edward Martin, is the father	1778.
William Browning of Littleport, Labourer for Alice Smith of Ely St. Mary	1785.
George Saunderson of Ely, Servant in Husbandry, and Michael Rowell, William Few & Benjamin Moore of Cottenham, ffarmers for Martha Langhorn, Singlewoman	1787.

- William Dunham, Francis Dunham & Richard Sharp
of Ely, Yeomen 1788.
for Ann Wood, Singlewoman
Worth Marshall of Ely, Yeoman 1794.
for Mary Topping, Singlewoman
(Note: Worth Marshall was a lay clerk. The bond
is witnessed by Highmore Skeats, who was Cathedral
Organist.)
Samuel Mainer of Ely, Gardener, and Castle Kempton, 1798.
Cordwainer
for Elizabeth Porter, Singlewoman
"Samuel Mainer the younger, son of above Samuel
Mainer, is the father
William Sargeson, Laborer 1803.
for Lydia Vaughan, Singlewoman
Matthew Clarke of Stretham, Carpenter 1804.
for Mary Morden, Singlewoman

EXCOMMUNICATION.

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TO our most serene Prince in Christ and Sovereign Lord
 GEORGE the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain,
 France and Ireland King, Defender of the Faith and so
 forth WE MATTHIAS by Divine permission Bishop of Ely
 with all Duty, Submission and Obedience due to so ill-
 ustrious a Prince GREETING and wishing prosperity here
 and hereafter in him by whom Kings reign and Princes
 bear rule. WE do with all obedience signify and make
 known to your Royal Majesty That the Right Worshipful
 WHARTON PECK, Doctor of Laws, Chancellor of our Diocese
 of Ely and Judge of our Consistorial Court of Ely Law-
 fully appointed in a certain Cause or Business of Cor-
 rection, by virtue of the Office of our said Chancellor
 and merely Spiritual, lately depending in Judgment be-
 fore him and his Surrogate on the presentment of the
 Churchwardens of the parish of Ely St. Mary's in Ely in
 the Isle of Ely and County of Cambridge and or Diocese
 of Ely of the one part and Mary Ellis of the parish of
 Ely Saint Mary's aforesaid, Singlewoman, the party a-
 gainst whom the said Cause or Business was promoted on
 the other part, hath at the petition of the proctor, in
 that behalf authorized, pronounced the said Mary Ellis
 contumacious (by reason of her manifest contumacy and
 contempt in not appearing lawfully on a certain compe-
 tent Day Time and place appointed to her the said Mary
 Ellis and long since past, she being first to that ef-
 fect lawfully Cited so to appear, thrice publicly
 called, long and sufficiently expected, and in no wise
 lawfully appearing, but contumaciously absenting herself
 and so persevering so to do) and for punishment of such
 her Contumacy Decreed her to be Excommunicated in the
 Face of the Church between Divine Service and Sermon by
 a Presbyter lawfully authorized in that behalf, and
 under the Sentence of Excommunication for Forty Days and
 More since the publishing thereof, through an obstinate
 and incorrigible disposition stood, and doth now stand,
 in Contempt of your Majesty's Authority and Jurisdiction
 Ecclesiastical, to the great prejudice of her Souls
 health and pernicious example of other good Christians.

And WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical Laws have no further
 power in this behalf WE therefore in order to reform the
 Contumacy and Contempt of the said Mary Ellis, Humbly

supplicate and beseech that your Royal Majesty would vouchsafe to be graciously pleased, pursuant to the Laws and laudable Customs and Statutes of this Realm, to extend your Royal aid and Command to your Secular Officers to take and imprison the Body of the said Mary Ellis, that they whom the fear of God will not reclaim from their evil ways, your Majesty's observance may force and compel; and may the Almighty long preserve your Majesty to the well governing your people. IN TESTIMONY whereof We have caused the Seal of our Consistorial Court of Ely to be affixed to these presents. Dated the Thirteenth Day of March in the year of our Lord one Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Two and of our Translation the Ninth.

THO. HIGGINS. Dep. Reg^r.

(Dorso)

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Correction.

13th March.

Significavit.
Bennet.

MILITIA SUBSTITUTES.

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Isle of Ely in the
County of Cambridge

} To the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of St. Mary's in Ely in the said Isle and County.

WHEREAS Thomas Burkitt of your said parish, Glover, hath before us, one of His Majesty's Deputy Lieutenants, and one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said Isle been chosen by lot to serve in the Militia of the said county, now embodied and in actual service; and hath provided Thomas James his Substitute, who hath been sworn and enrolled to serve, and hath served therein for the space of one month and upwards, and not been disapproved of by the Commanding Officer: We do hereby order you to pay to the said Thomas Burkitt the sum of Three pounds and three shillings which we adjudge to be half the current price paid for a Volunteer within the said Isle, out of a rate made for Volunteers within your said Parish, and if there be no volunteers provided by you in the said Parish, then out of a rate to be made after the manner of the poor rate, excepting out of the said rate all ballotted persons who have served for three years by themselves or substitutes or are now serving in the said militia.

Given under our hands the First day of June
in the year of our Lord 1782.

A. PEACOCKE.
THOS. GOTOBED.

June 28th 1782.

Received of Mr. Hindes Harlock
Three pounds Three Shillings
for the above use by me

his
Thos X Burkitt
mark.

Witness Saml. Duffield.

MILITIA SUBSTITUTES.

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Thomas James for Thomas Burkitt	Glover	£3.3.0d	1782
Robert Richardson for William Yarrow	Labourer	£3.3.0d	1782
Ambrose Lord for William Weyman	Carpenter	£3.3.0d	1782
Francis Pennington for William Dolbey	Farmer	£3.3.0d	1782
Jonathan Layton for John Roberts	Labourer	£3.3.0d	1782
John Butler for Francis Giles		£3.3.0d	1782
William Smith for William Pisford	Labourer	£3.3.0d	1782
William Johnston for Richard Pope	Servant	£14.0.0d	1803
Charles Smith for George Richardson	Labourer	£4.10.0d	1803
James Jacobs for James Dawson	Blacksmith	£7.10.0d	1803
John White for William Poole	Labourer	£14.0.0d	1803
Henry Porter for George Cropley	Farmer	£14.0.0d	1804
Edward Hitch for Thomas Cropley	Farmer	£14.0.0d	1804
Joseph Smith for Wm. Salmon	Dairyman	£7.10.0d	1804
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