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P R E F A C E .

The earliest Register of the Parish of Rowington, now extant, commences with the year 1638, those of prior date being unfortunately lost. The Transcripts at the Bishop's Registry, at Worcester, of earlier date, are contained on sixteen membranes, a separate one for each of the following years, 1616, 1619, 1620, 1621, 1622, 1623, 1624, 1628, 1629, 1630, 1631, 1633, 1634, 1635, 1636 and 1637, and are herein transcribed.

The existing Registers from 1638 to 1812 are contained in four volumes:—

Volume I. is a small vellum bound book, in fair condition, $9\frac{1}{4}$ in. by $5\frac{1}{2}$ in., containing eighty-three leaves of parchment, written on both sides, with two exceptions (viz., between 1723-4), with entries from 1638 to 1731. The writings in few places being faded and illegible.

Volume II. contains twenty-five leaves of parchment, bound in leather $13\frac{1}{2}$ in. by $9\frac{1}{4}$ in., with entries from 1732 to 1773 inclusive.

Volume III. is of same size, bound in board, consisting of forty-five paper leaves of printed forms for Banns and Marriages, four on each page, the last five leaves being unused, and contains entries of Banns and Marriages only from 1754 to 1812 inclusive.

Volume IV. contains twenty leaves of parchment, bound in leather, similar to Volume II., and of same size, with entries of Baptisms and Burials only, for years 1774 to 1812, both dates in all cases being inclusive.

It was a common practice for the clerk to make a rough note at the time of the ceremony, it being afterwards copied into the Register Book at a later date; as thus several entries would be copied at one time mistakes were made chronologically. The Editor has some of these rough notes in his possession, though not of Rowington.

As the legal year, prior to 1752, began on the 26th March, the yearly entries run from that date.

For the sake of abbreviation the letters "s" and "d" are generally used in this volume instead of full words of "son" or "daughter"; and the word "was" before baptized or buried is sometimes omitted, otherwise it is a true copy of the Original Registers.

Since the printing of the body of this Register, the "Digest of Parish Registers within the Diocese of Worcester and List of Bishops' Transcripts now in existence in Edgar Tower, Worcester,"* has made its appearance, and by the help of this useful handbook, three, and a portion of a fourth, Bishops' Transcripts of this parish, for 1612 (or 13), 1617, 1618, and 1626, have been found, and appear as an Appendix on pages 187-191.

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* Published by authority of the Worcester Diocesan Conference, and obtainable from the Midland Educational Company, Corporation Street, Birmingham, price 5s.

Rowington.

A° 1616**.

The Christnings.

- Imp. the xvijth of Apprill Richard Atkins the s. of Humphrey Atkins was baptized.
- The viijth of June Margaret Atwood the d. of Henry Atwood was baptized.
- The xvijth of June William Wiat the s. of Richard Wyat was baptized.
- the same daie also was baptized Thomas Collens the s. of William Collens.
- The fourth of Julie John Lucas the s. of Clement Lucas was baptised.
- The xxvijth daie of Julie George Smart the s. of Richard Smart baptized.
- The xith df August William Saunders the s. of William Saunders was baptized.
- The same daie Elizabeth d. of John Bird was baptized.
- The xvij of August Hester Kinge the d. of John Kinge was baptised.
- The xxx of August Dorothy Eles the d. of Valentine Eles was baptised.
- The eighth of Septembr Thomas Edwards the s. of Thomas Edwards was baptized.
- The xth df Decemb. Samuel Tiner the s. of Thomas Tiner was baptized.
- The xvijth of Decembr, Edmund Shipton, s. of Henry Shipton was baptized.
- The xxivth of Decemb. Laurence Horsley the s. of Lawrence Horsley was baptized.
- The second of feeb. Richard Averde the s. of John Averde was baptized.
- The same daie of Edward the s. of Edward was baptized.
- The fourth of feeb. John Bidle the s. of Thomas Biddle was baptized.
- The xvith of March Thomas Shaxspire the s. of Wm. Shaxspire was baptized.

The burials.

- The xxith of Apprill was buried William Cowper, fermer.
- The xxxth of Apprill Edward Horsley the s. of Wm. Horsley was buried.

* From 1616 to 1637 inclusive the entries are copied from the Transcripts at The Worcester Diocesan Registry.