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PREFACE.

THE present Volume completes the Indexes to the Wills, Inventories, and Administration Bonds now preserved in the District Probate Registry at Chester, from the earliest date, viz. :—1545 to the year 1800. This is the latest date to which the President of the Probate Division of His Majesty's High Court of Justice has permitted the Indexes to be copied, and is no doubt sufficiently late for the historical and genealogical purposes of Members of the Society.

In bringing this series to a conclusion, the Council desire to point out that the Members are now in possession of the only complete series of the kind that has been published by any Archæological Society. In these Indexes upwards of 140,000 names of Lancashire and Cheshire men occur, spread over the period between the years 1545 and 1800, which thus constitute an invaluable aid to the student of local and family history as well as to anyone engaged upon researches relating to the origin and meaning of family and place names.

In conclusion, the Editor wishes to express the indebtedness of the Members of this Society to Henry A. Jenner, Esq., the District Registrar of the Probate Division at Chester, for the facilities he has afforded at all times ; to Mr. Charles Edwards, the Chief Clerk at the Registry, for his unvarying kindness ; and to Mr. William Wallworth, the Record Keeper, and Mr. Wray, for their uniform courtesy and attention.

List of the Wills

NOW PRESERVED IN THE PROBATE REGISTRY,

CHESTER.

FROM THE YEAR 1791 TO 1800 INCLUSIVE.

A BBEY, Robert, of Liverpool, mariner, a bachelor	Admon.	1791
Abbey, William, of Liverpool, mariner ...	...	1799
Abbot, William, of Liverpool, timber merchant	...	1795
Abbot, William, of Manchester, cordwainer	...	1800
Abbott, Richard, of Horwich, weaver ...	Admon.	1798
Abbott, William, of Liverpool, timber merchant	...	1792
Ables, Charles, of Liverpool, mariner ...	Admon.	1796
Abram, Henry, of Rufford, yeoman ...	...	1795
Ackerley, Joseph, of Mickle Trafford, esquire	...	1793
Ackers, John, of Bolton, exciseman ...	Admon.	1794
Ackers, Richard, of Liverpool, mariner ...	Admon.	1799
Acroyd, John, of Baxenden in Whalley, miller	Admon.	1795
Acton, Joseph, of Norton, yeoman ...	...	1799
Acton, Philip, of Woodferd Hall, parish of Over	...	1795
Acton, Thomas, of Winnington ...	...	1792
Adams, John, of Liverpool, mariner ...	Admon.	1800
Adams, Thomas, of Butley ...	Admon.	1794
Adamson, Roger, of Liverpool, miller ...	Admon.	1792
Addison, Ann, of Liverpool, widow ...	Admon.	1795
Addison, Elijah, of Shawhill near Chorley, spinster	Admon.	1799
Addison, Thomas, of Rufford, gentleman ...	...	1800
Adkinson, Nathaniel, of Stone Heads within Whalley, parish of Taxall, gentleman (<i>see</i> 1802)	Admon. with Will	1800
Adlington, Ellen, of Liverpool, spinster ...	...	1799
Adlington, John, of Liverpool, dyer ...	...	1794
Adlington, Joseph, of Liverpool, dyer	1793
Adshead, Benjamin, of Hough, cotton manufacturer	...	1795

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Adshead, James, of Kenworthy, farmer	1792
Adshead, Jeremiah, of Stockport, innkeeper	1793
Adshead, John, of Norbury, weaver ...	...	1796
Adshead, Joseph, of Liverpool, mariner ...	...	1791
Adshead, Peter, of the Hough, yeoman ...	...	1792
Adshead, Ruth, of Staleybridge ...	...	1798
Adshead, William, of Cheadle, weaver ...	...	1799
Adshead, Timothy, of Adlington, yeoman ...	...	1798
Ainscow, William, of Great Bolton, plumber ...	...	1797
Ainsworth, Amor, of Wickinhole in Butterworth, yeoman ...	...	1799
Ainsworth, George, of Hooleyhill, innkeeper	Admon.	1796
Ainsworth, Hannah, of Great Bolton, widow ...	...	1797
Ainsworth, Henry, of Birch, parish of Manchester ...	...	1795
Ainsworth, Henry, of Sheep Green ...	...	1795
Ainsworth, James, of Crosby, farmer ...	Admon.	1798
Ainsworth, John, of Greenhurst, yeoman ...	...	1795
Ainsworth, John, of Heaton in Dean, yeoman ...	...	1796
Ainsworth, John, of Manchester ...	Admon.	1796
Ainsworth, John, of Padgate, yeoman ...	...	1799
Ainsworth, John, of Wigan, yeoman ...	Admon.	1795
Ainsworth, Richard, of Liverpool, mariner ...	...	1795
Ainsworth, Thomas, of Lambsbury, yeoman ...	...	1791
Ainsworth, William, of Liverpool, mariner ...	...	1799
Airey, Thomas, of Burnley, shopkeeper ...	...	1798
Aitkin, John, of Laneside within Haslingden, cotton manufacturer ...	... } ...	1791
Alanson, John, of Parr, yeoman ...	...	1792
Albitson, John, of Manchester, currier ...	...	1799
Albiston, Thomas, of Congleton, silk throwster	Admon.	1796
Alcock, Thomas, of Nether Knutsford, yeoman ...	...	1799
Aldcroft, Ann, of the parish of Bowden, spinster ...	...	1792
Aldcroft, Charles, of Bolton, gentleman ...	...	1796
Aldcroft, Thomas, of Croft, farmer ...	...	1800
Alder, William, of Liverpool, merchant ...	Admon.	1800
Aldersey, Edward, of Manchester, woollen manufacturer	} Admon.	1799
Aldersey, Mary, of Chester, spinster ...	...	1792
Aldersey, Thomas, of Liverpool, mariner ...	Admon.	1791
Aldersley, Thomas, of Tattenhall, farmer ...	...	1797
Aldred, Elizabeth, of Liverpool, widow ...	...	1794
Aldred, Jeremiah, of Brokenbanks in Salford, gentleman		1791
Aldred, Mary, of Macclesfield, widow ...	...	1800
Aldred, Mary, of Openshaw, widow ...	...	1800
Aldred, Rachel, of Bury, widow ...	Admon.	1797
Aldred, Richard, of Macclesfield, chapman ...	...	1800
Aldred, Robert, of Green Lane in Barton-upon-Irwell ...	...	1791
Alexander, George, of Hurleston, farmer ...	...	1791
Alison, Thomas, of Liverpool, merchant ...	...	1799
Alker, Jannet, of Chorley, spinster ...	...	1795