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#### FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

I am very glad to be able to tell you that a new Rector of Swynnerton has at last been appointed. He is the Reverend Barry Brewer and has come from Exmoor.

He will be inducted into the United Benefice of St. Mary's Swynnerton and St.Luke's Tittensor by the Rt. Rev.Kenneth Oram, Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Lichfield at a special service at Swynnerton on the 11th September 1987 at 7.30 pm.

We are mustering a small party to represent our Society and the Chairman and the Rev Edward Swinnerton will be actually taking part in the service.

I have only circulated those members living in the area with the details but, of course, if anyone else wishes to attend they will be more than welcome.

Mr Curd, one of the churchwardens, also tells me that the new interior entrance doors for the church have arrived and been hung and that they look lovely. We are looking forward to seeing them at the Induction.

For those who cannot be there on that evening, the next time we shall meet there will be on Saturday
7th November when they will be dedicated by the Bishop at a special service which will be followed by tea and our ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

Please note this is a change from the date originally fixed for the AGM (Sep.12th) but we found that too many of the officers and key members of the Society would have been unable to be there.

I shall look forward to seeing a good many of you there.

23rd

Very calm. There is nothing I think so unbearable as a calm at sea. The ship lying quiet, sails flapping sluggishly against the masts and every person whistling for wind. A slight breeze sprung up about 10 a.m. The sun hot but not oppressive.

24th

Going very lazily along.

25th

A dead calm in the morning but a slight breeze at noon. A young woman died this morning at 8 o'clock of Typhus fever. She was married a month last Friday and was consigned to the deep at 12 noon. The ceremony was solemn and impressive. She was served up in a piece of canvas, some heavy pieces of iron attached to her feet. The Church of England burial service read over her by the Captain. A splash and all was over. An unwelcome ending to her earthly hopes and anticipations.

26th

Head Winds.

27th

My birthday. Twenty years old today and head winds. Continued up to August 1st. We have had some very heavy rain. Seen some Dolphin, Beneta etc. Seen large flocks of birds. Unlucky star.

AUGUST 2nd, 1860

Going a little better today but nothing very encouraging.

3rd

Going along first rate this morning. The passengers with a few exceptions all well.

4th

Doing very well this morning. Fair wind. A large cannon brought on deck and fired by the Boatswain at 4 o'clock to announce the crossing of the line. I saw some of the passengers looking over the side of the vessel in hopes of catching a glimpse of it, and they appeared disappointed. A strong favorable breeze.

Sunday. Good sailing Lat 3-15 L. Birds called Bookies in large numbers. Natives of these latitudes. Too stormy to hold service today.

6th

Sailing under a good breeze. It was announced that we would have an Old God Neptune today for the purpose of shaving those of the young seamen that had never crossed the line into his dominions before. Accordingly during the morning his arrival was announced by the blowing of a horn. The first that made their appearance were Neptune accompanied by Amphitrite, his wife. He was dressed in an Imperial robe, made of canvas which enveloped the whole of his body; on his head was a naval crown made of tin with a trident in front of pasteboard and an enormous venerable white beard and mustache made of rope varn. Amphitrite, a metamorphied sailor, dressed as a modern belle with gown, scarf, bonnet, bustle, white collar and all the necessary fixings. Face well rouged with red paint. I certainly thought the old gentleman might have been satisfied with something more ancient. Next came the Doctor, to all appearances a very old man, with wig, beard, etc., a pair of spectacles made of tin of enormous size and dress disquised but whom I recognized as comical John Honeychurch. Following was the Barber with his painted face with a belt round his waist loaded with scissors and razors made from Hoop Iron, the razors notched like a saw. Then followed the barber's man dressed in the most fantastic manner with the Lather Box about as large as a good sized clothes trunk and a large black paint brush. The lather was composed of slush and tar. Then followed the Doctor's assistant with his lotions and pills, and I can assure you that they were purely vegetable having come out of the Life Boat where sheep were kept. Bringing up the rear were constables and courtiers. Arriving on the Poop where there was a sail suspended by the corners close to the deck in front of which was placed a seat for the "to be shaved". Neptune mounted the capstain and after recognizing the Captain and welcoming him to his dominion, informed us that in accordance with a time honored custom dating back to time immemorial he had come on board to ascertain if there were any among the crew who had now crossed the line for the first time. Being informed that there were, he ordered them to be brought forth to undergo inspection under his personal inspection. They were accordingly brought forward and No. 1 placed sitting on the box with his back towards the sail filled with water, the barber's assistant commenced to lather with grease and tar. Neptune all the time talking to the victim-he would repeatedly ask him questions and as soon as he would open his mouth to answer he would find it filled with lather. The barber then commenced his shaving with his number one coarsest. A little more lather and a good deal more shave, after he had fully satisfied himself the Doctor came, looked at his tongue by taking his nose and chin between his fingers and opening his mouth. He prescribed pills which were forced into the victim's mouth, washed down with the lotion, and then before he knew where he was he was tipped over backwards into the bath and allowed to scramble out the best way he could. That finished the caremony and the sailors had determined to shave Jack Honeychurch and for that purpose endeavoured to catch him. Jack took up aloft. The Captain was standing in the companion way at the time, and he informed them that he would not allow any of the passengers interferred with. When somehow the hose got directed towards him. Thoroughly drenching him which caused him to make a sudden retreat downstairs allowing Neptune to transact his own affairs his own way, however, Captain's order was law and Jack did not get shaved.

#### AUGUST 7th, 1860

Sailing with a good fair wind. Had an addition to our number in the person of a newborn female child.

#### AUGUST 8th

Nothing of much consequence. I think I have seen all the passengers by this time. The sick ones are all getting about. The time hangs so heavily on my hands that I have gone to work with the sailors. Captain supplied me with oll skins, etc.

# AUGUST 9th and 10th

Almost a calm. Women have the ship decorated with their washing. I have managed to get well enough acquainted to get some of the Scotch girls to do mine. They wash and I hang them on the rigging.

#### 11th

A dead calm in the morning. A freshbreeze about 2 p.m. We have the sun from 6 to 6 o'clock. Visited by some large birds this morning. We are in the Latitude of St. Helena.

#### 12th and 13th

Baffling winds. Saw a whale this morning.

#### 14th

Crawling along. Passed the Island of Trinidad last night.

#### 15th and 16th

Good as far as wind is concerned, saw a number of whale birds and got out of the Tropics today.

A good steady breeze-sails well filled and going along fine. The child that was born on the 7th was christened today, Margaret Montmorency Dillon, by the Captain. Grand Jubilee. Mother and child well.

## AUGUST 18, 19, 20 and 21, 1860

Magnificent breeze. Ship seems to almost fly. A good many Cape Pigeons flying about the ship. Also saw some fin backed whales. One within 6 yards of ship. Everything lovely. Passengers and every person on the best terms with themselves and each other.

#### 22nd

Almost a gale with abundance of rain and it knows how to rain here.

#### 23rd

Contrary wind. Blew a hurricane last night. Awfullest night I ever experienced. All hands up several times last night. I among the rest. Occasional showers of rain.

#### 24th

Mild and fair wind considerable swell on today. The tinware suffering considerably from being knocked about by the ship rolling and pitching.

25, 26, 27, 28, 28th

Wind strong and fair. They say we are making 12 knots per hour. Sighted one vessel.

#### 30th and 31st

Still continuing to go on well. Blew pretty hard towards evening. Passengers all got their sea legs on.



# LETTERS FROM THE PAST

Continuing the series of letters to and from Mark Swinnerton which we started in our last issue, here first is a tree to explain the relationships.



CHARLES SWINNERTON = Mary Callister
b.1813 Liverpool 1834 Isle of man
d.1907 Isle of Man d.1874

MARK SWINNERTON	CHARLES SWYNNERTON	ROBERT SWINNERTON	JOSEPH SWYNNERTON	GODFREY SWINNERTON				
b.1840 Douglas	(Rev)	1845-1903	1848-1910	1858-1891 unm.				
Isle of Man	1843-1928	=	=					
d.1906 USA = Sarah Garrett	=	Olivia	Annie	FREDERICK				
	Maud Massey	Silvani	Robinson	SWYNNERTON 1858-1918				
		CATHERINE		=				
		MARGARET		Louise Angelo				
		SWINNERTON						
		= Robert Blak	celv					

To Mark from his father Charles

Douglas Isle of Man

26th June 1883

Dear Mark and Sarah,

Your long looked for letter has arrived which has relieved me very much not being able to conjecture the cause of your unusual long silence, had you been in the habit of neglecting to write to me at short intervals, it would not have concerned me so much but for a year and better to pass by without even a line made me very uneasy. I ama delighted to find the cause has only been from the scarcity of time and not from serious illness of yourself or Sarah or family but hope you will not in the future let that be the cause of your not writing.

I got the new photos you sent of the last addition to the family of the Swinnertons and a fine looking fellow he is. I am glad to hear that Sarah has fully recovered and that yourself and children are all right. I have no doubt but the two girls are growing fine tell them that possibly I may come and see them some day and then we will play at horses as we used to along the lobby of the house in the Isle of Man.

Those frequent storms with you are very bad but I suppose go when (?) we may there will be drawbacks of one kind or another. Consequently we must strive to do what is right and trust in him whose providence is over all his works and ordains all no doubt for the best. I am very sorry Charles has lost his wife as he is so sensitive that he will feel it very much, then his children to be left without a mother's care - his address is Revn.

C.Swinnerton. Nowshera. Puniaab. India.

It is strange that no Episcopal church existed in Glenwood, I am happy to hear that you have joined along with the few to forward the erection of a church in that you hold such an honourable position among them.

Joseph is to be married on the 6th of next month to a lady artist Miss Anny Robinson of Manchester. She is highly educated and is a very clever artist painter. They are to be married in London. Godfrey arrived at Valparaso about three weeks ago as Master of the Barque Warwickshire - he has made a very quick run out. Fred is just now gone to Brittany for a few days to sketch and paint. He has several commissions. Robert has opened an Establishment in Southport where he now is while Olivia is conducting the business here. He is expected here next week. The children and herself are all very well and I am living with them - and am very well thank God.

Charles was very well when I last heard from him and stands high in the estimation of his Bishop. Who knows but you may yet have him in Glenwood as your Minister. The Blakeleys are all well in fact the two girls are quite young women. Things here is about the same, just commencing the summer. Many have enquired about you as they meet me. I hope you will have a good summer and that your healths will continue good.

I think you (?) ..... to inclose me more photos than one as you tell me to give a lot away. The bill came to (?) hand (?) all right. Be sure you not only write to me but write to all (?) occasionally.

And now with my best love to Sarah and the wee ones and wishing you all success believe me your

Affectionate Father

Charles Swinnerton

#### To Mark from his father Charles

I wish you all a very merry Xmas

Douglas Isle of Man

(No date but envelope shows it was posted in Liverpool; on 30No 87. probably 30Nov1887.)

Charles's history of the Swinnerton Family was published that yr.

Dear Mark.

Your longed looked for and welcome letter safely arrived and I am happy to hear that yourself, Sarah and the whole of your family are enjoying good health.

There must surely be great remissness on the part of the Post Office authorities in your quarters. I am glad to hear that you have got rid of

your partner in trade as I consider Sarah is the only partner you require. i most decidedly approve of your building a premises for yourself to carry on your business in it makes you more independent and you can alter the building if necessary without the interference of anybody. And as you say it will very soon pay itself in the savings of rent.

Sarah I think deserves great praise for having raised such large quantities of garden produce but I presume she is doing work which she well understands and which is pleasant as an occupation. Mary and Sarah will very soon be of great help to her if not already. I should like to see you all very much but the distance is so great as well as the great objection I have against a long sea voyage more especially as my age is against it. Not having heard from you for such a length of time I concluded in my own mind that either something serious had happened or that you had left that part of the country. I suppose by the ranch you mean the half mile square of land you took from the Government. Have you been able to dispose of any of the timber that you gave me a description of as growing on the land. I should conclude that the land will become valuable as the place increases in importance and the welth. I hope you will still be able to command an increase of business in opposition to your late partner for no doubt he will do all he can to stop it. I presume little Mary and most likely Sarah has forgotten their Grandpa. I am very much pleased to hear that they are both so well and I send many many kisses to them as I only know them by the recollection of their sweet and beautiful little faces as they were when here.

We have had Charles here for about 18 months. He returns to India early next month, leaving his little son and daughter with the Massy family. He has completed the history of the Swinnerton family and it has been printed by the Wm Salt Archeological Society, Staffordshire. I wrote to Charles to say that if possible one of the books should be sent to you. Joseph has made London the place of is residence and has taken a studio there for which he pays £100 per year. He has just finished the erection of a Statue of Mr Hugh Mason of Ashton which is very highly spoken of in the papers.

Robert is still carrying on his business in Victoria Street and doing pretty well. He has six children three boys and three girls.

I forgot to say that Joseph has no children and never will have by this wife as she is far too old in my opinion.

Godfrey is on shore at present having left the Clan Line of steamships as promotion was so slow. I have just heard from Fred, who is at present in Manchester, that Robert Blakeley has every reason to believe that on the arrival of a steamship in port of a thousand tons register that he will be appointed to command her.

I sincerely hope that (?) ..... I have very near completed building a Studio and house attached for Fred in Port St. Mary on one of the most beautiful spots in the Island. It stands so close to the sea that I was forced to erect a sea wall to protect it from storms. He borrowed 2 hundred pounds from Robert Blakeley and another £200 from a gentleman friend of his for to enable him to build it. And a splendid Studio it is. Of course he pays them interest for their money. Well as he is he pays 10/6 per week for his bedroom and the use of the parlour, so that will more than pay his interest. He will not be residing here all the year round, most likely he will let it for say three months in the summer furnished. It has a frontage of 44 yards and will average about 22 feet wide as it runs to a point one

end. It was by accident that I bought it. It so happened that I was in the town when the land with a dry wall Cottage on it was selling by auction and I bought it for twenty pounds. It was worth three times the money the situation is so beauthiful and having so long a frontage next the Sea or Bay.

The town of Douglas is still enlarging and has become a very rowdy place during the summer. There are a large importation of the English, Irish, and Scotch (?) .....

Inclosed I send the children a few Xmas Cards. I have really forgot the names of the boys so you must fill in their names for me. I shall be leaving here for Manchester in the course of a fortnights time to spend the Xmas with the Blakeleys. Roberts eldest girl Frances is going along with me. Fred I hear is painting a portrait or two in Manchester.

Joseph is at present in Rome but is expected in London in the course of a fortnights time.

I still keep very well in health thank  $\operatorname{\mathsf{God}}$  for it is a great blessing at  $\operatorname{\mathsf{my}}$  age.

I am glad to know that Sarah and the children are all well also yourself and that things are shaping for the best.

With my very best love for yourself Sarah and the children believe me

Your Affectionate

Father

Chas Swinnerton

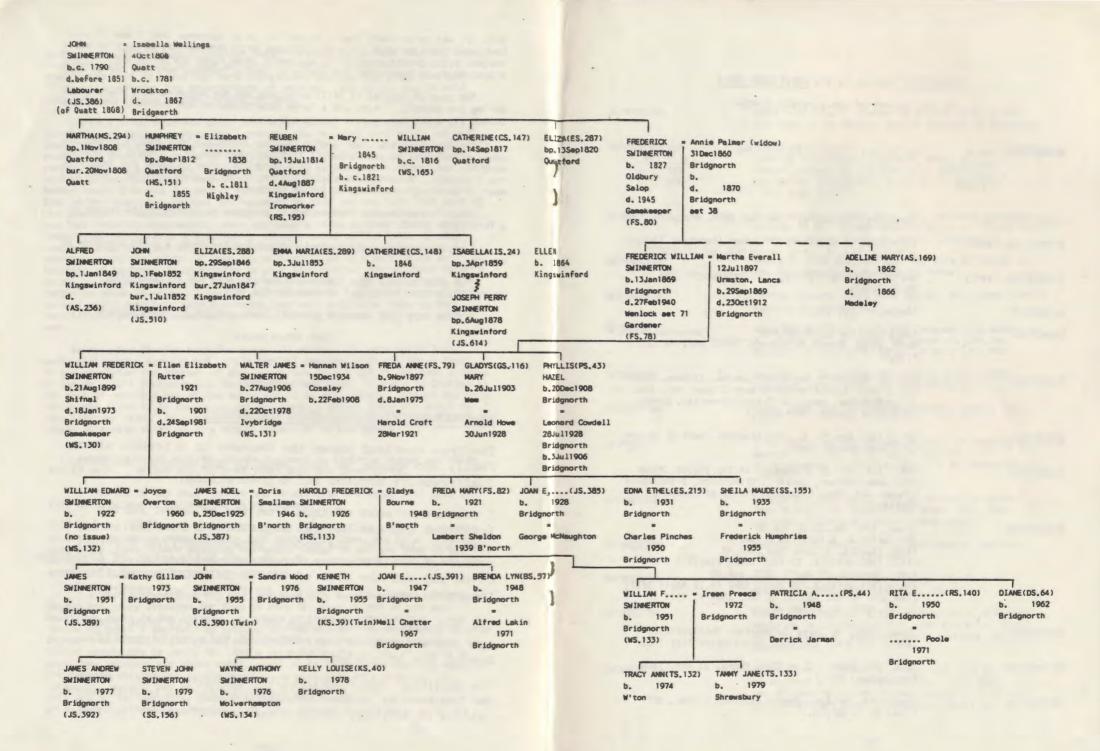
# AN UNCONNECTED BRANCH FROM SHROPSHIRE.

The Tree overleaf shows the descent of a branch of the family who appear to have been in and around the Salop/Staffordshire borders for 6 generations.

I researched most of this from the relevant Parish Registers and the General Registration Records in London with some help on the modern generation from a former member of the Society - Mrs Hannah Swinnerton of Ivybridge, Devon who was the wife of WALTER SWINNERTON, WS.131 on the tree. (see Vol.5 No.4 p.69 for his war record.)

Mrs Swinnerton dropped out of the Society some years ago and sadly no other member of this quite prolific branch has joined us.

The identity of JOHN SWINNERTON (JS.386) remains a mystery as yet but I think he may be the 'JOHN SUNNERTON' baptised at Uffington, Salop on the 17th June 1785 or he may be from the Oswestry family.



# "SWINNERTON" Entries in the GREAT CARD INDEX

Of the Society of Genealogists, London

SWINNERTON v Bough	Wm. & Mary 509-22 Chancery Dep. BEF 1714
" v Butler ·	B50-20 " ELIZ.CAR.1 681-21 " BEF 1714
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SWINNERTON. Mr	Newcastle, Co.Staffs. (Soc.Gen.DMSS. Places)
SWYNNERTON. Family	1589-1631, of Oswestry; of London (Merchant Taylor) of Essex. Ped. S. of G. Smith MSS. Vol.3./23212.
SWINNERTON. Family	Staffs. Pedigree (early) "The Reliquary" 1882. No.87 P.152.
SWYNNERTON	"Ancestor" VII 216.
SWYNERTON	dau & sole (or co.?) heir of Swynerton marr. Henry Vernon of Sudbury. Smith MSS. Vol.21. P.50.
SWYNERTON	Abel of St. John's Walbrook, London. Silkman. 1618
	Sep.18 had license to marry Mary Gilman, spr. dau. of John Gilman, decd. at Trinity Minories, London. (Bishop of London. Marr.Lics.)
SWINERTON	Ann w.1583 Sep.29. m. John Stephens, both of Marden Lic. Staplehurst, Kent.
SWINNERTON	Ann, 1774, Mar.29 St.Martins in the Fields, Middx. wid. John Barfoot, Quaker, St.Botolph, Bishopsgate London. wid. Mar. Licenses. Bishop of London's Registry.
SWINNERTON	Isaac, 1857 Dec.25 d. age.85
	Ann (wife) d. 8 April 1856 age.71
	Isaac (son) d. 9 June 1863, age.40 Eliz. (his wife) d. 13 Feb. 1889, age.77
	Robt. (son) d. 15 April 1873, age.60
	Sarah (his wife) d. 16 April 1897 (b.16 April 1815)
	(See also slips. Geo.S. 16 Dec. 1814 v. Eliz S. 19 Dec. 1829. No.30. as above)
SWINNERTON	James. 1881. Mr James Swinnerton. Macclesfield.
on sittle toll	Lewis' Top.Dict. England. Subscription list 1881.
SWINNERTON	1600 (?G) Gaspar. S. = Eliz. Homes. 21 Oct. 1600. Eastington, Glos.
SWINNERTON	Joan 1683. Per.Est. Dyer v Hopwood. C.Proc. BEF
	1714. MI.T. 287/18.

SWINNERTON	Note from Stow's. Survey of London 1618. P.956. Sir John s. of Thomas, son of Richard of Oswestry.							
SWINNERTON	1720. 26 Dec. John of St. Andrews, Holborn, Bach. = Hannah Edwards of the same par. Spinster. St. George the Martyr, Queen's Sq. Holborn. (Par. Reg. Socy.)							
SWINNERTON	1720. Dec.23. John, Gent. St. Andrews, Holborn, London. b.29. Hannah Edwards sp.29 at Ormond Chap. Somerset House. Chap. St.James, Clerkewell.							
SWINNERTON	Maria d. 1800 Oct.10. aged 65, wife of Samuel S. MI. (Churchyard). Stanwell Co.Middx.							
SWINNERTON	Martha Susanna (sic) 1674 Dec.24. Mar. John Corrick Taunton St. Mary.							
SWYNATON	Maud de. CI338 11-12 Ed.III Co-exor.with Robert de S. of the will of Roger de Swynaton. Lic.Knt. Chancery Miscellania. Bdle. 28 No.5 (26) PRO.							
SWINERTON	Deborah. 1 July 1650. Haslington Chesh. 2342 Register, Grey. 1651. Fol.162 HRP/3/20.							
SWINNERTON	Eliz. 1806. Nov.18. Stanwell Middx. Isaac. Cane Lic.							
SWINNERTON	Eliz. 1829. Dec.19. d. age.9 (dau. of Isaac & Ann) George 1814. Dec.16 d. age.5 (son of "") MI.Weddington Co.Warwick. No.31 & 32 (Bloom MSS in Library)							
SWINNERTON	George W. 1770 Aug.13. Lib of the Rolls, Middx. Jane Murrell. S. Dunstan, W.London. S21. Marr. Licenses. Bishop of London's Registry.							
SWINNERTON	Henry. 1689. Per.Est.Salop Burridge v. Harwood 28/25. C.Proc. BEF 1714-Ham.							
SWINNERTON	Henry. 1697. Per.Est.Shrewsbury. Presland v. Harwood. C.Proc.BEF 1714. MIR. 458/72.							
SWINNERTON	Isaac. 1831 Aug.19. Eliz. of Hen.Coates DEWES of Ashby de la Zouch, Co.Leics. and sister of Ana, wife of Isaac d. age.50 - No.33 as above (MI. Weddington).							
SWINNERTON	R.Len (Elen). Co.Staffs. circa. 14 - to 15 Dau. of Humfrey S. of Swynnerton. Cas.= 1st Henry, 4th son of John de Delves of Doddington in Co.Chester. (killed at Battle of Shrewsbury.) Henry ob. before							

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leaving 2 sons, one dau. = 2nd. Humphrey, e.s. of
Hugh Pershall of Horsley, Co.Staffs, by Julian, dau
of \_\_\_\_\_ Corbett of Moreton Corbett. They had
several sons and daughters. BRM.

Thomas. gen. 1503. Penkridge, Co.Staffs. 1503. DMSS. Soc.Gen.

Thos. 18 Aug. 1664. servant to Andrew Nicholson, scrivener in Wood St. (In a Barbados will.) Smith MSS Vol.4. P.51. HRP 12/29.

SWINNERTON Thomas 1760. Sept.9 = Storer Sara. London. ML's.

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SWINNERTON Thomasine. 1652. Per.Est. Barles v. Tong. 56/54. C.Proc.BEF. 1714. Ham.

SWYNNERTON William. exor. to will of William Strete of Rome 1373/4. Abstract of will.PCC./Rowse.

SWYNNERTON

Elizabeth d.1616. dau. and coheir of Humphrey
Swynnerton of Swynnerton, co. Stafford. marr.

William Fitzherbert of Swynnerton j.a. She rem.
to John Gatacre of Satacre, Co.Salop. Smith MSS.

Vol.21. P.153.

SWYNNERTON

Humphrey of Swynnerton, Co.Staffs. He had 2
daughters, the elder marr. Henry Vernon Esq. of
Sudbury, the young Elizabeth marr. Wm.Fitzherbert
and rem. to John Gatacre. Smith MSS. Vol.21. P.153.

SWYNNERTON

John of Lonodn, Merchant Taylor and Sheriff 1602.

had grant of arms: Arg. a cross couped and from
each end a fleur de lis. all sa. Crest a boar's
head grased and vert (sic) sa. Collared arg.

SWYNNERTON John. 1602. John Swynnerton Sheriff. (Stow's Survey of London 1618 p.955 (St.---(?) MSS.670. P.555 Vol.27. The Genealogist 1911.)

SWYNNERTON Sir.John. Merchant Taylor. Alderman and Lord Mayor of London. 1612. (Stow's Survey of London 1618 p.204. Also PP.206 and 32.)

SWYNARTON Robert de. c.1338 11-12 Edw.III. Exec. with Maud de S. of Will of Roger de Swynerton, Knt, dec. Miscellan. (Chancery) Bdle.28. 5(26). PRO.

SWINARTON Dame Thomasine. 1631 of London. Widow son Robt. Codials. 1634, 1638 (not in full) Will pd.1650. PCC.183. Pembroke. S.of G.Smith MSS. Vol.3. P.321.

SWYNERTON dau & sole (? co) heir of Swynnerton. Marr. Henry Vernon of Sudbury. Smith MSS. Vol. 21. P.50.

Guildhall. ROBERT SWINNERTON, an itinerate bone-picker was charged with an assault upon a child nine years old.

P.C.Herbert,243, said that on the previous evening he saw a mob on Holborn-hill and on dispersing it he found the prisoner and a little boy, the latter bleeding very much at the mouth from the violent conduct of the former, whom witness immediately took into custody.

At the station he was searched, when £10.11.5%d consisting on 1 sovereign, several half-crowns, shillings and sixpences, together with a great number of 3d and 4d pieces, pence and farthings, were found upon him, wrapped up in dirty rags and concealed about his body next his skin. James Horty, the prosecutor, said he was walking up Holborn-hill with another boy, when the prisoner suddenly pounced upon him, struck his head against a stone and then kicked him in the mouth, the force of which threw him upon the kerb. William Parsons, who accompanied the prosecutor, corroborated all that he had stated, and stated positively that no provocation was given to the prisoner by either of them.

Inspector Teague said that there were several other children also severely injured by the prisoner at the same time, but the officer had not been able to find them to bring them up.

The prisoner declined to ask the witnesses any questions, but proceeded to state that he was annoyed by a lot of boys and among them was the boy Parsons who smothered his face with mud and then threw a great stone which struck him on the back of the head and caused him to cry with pain and in endeavour to get at Parsons he knocked the other little boy (prosecutor) down, but it was perfectly accidental. Alderman Hooper ordered him to recompense the little boy, or he should be under the necessity of punishing him severely. The prisoner, who said he had been 4 or 5 years collecting his extraordinary fund, seemed extremely loath to part with his money and the Alderman therefore adjudged him to pay a fine of 10s, after which he was removed.

(Ed.note - you have to be prepared to take the rough with the smooth when you research a family's history!)

# TWO DOCTORS

Samuel Harding, Surgeon, b.Betley 1807 was Susannah Swinnerton's nephew. Apprenticed to Thomas Warburton Surgeon of Market Drayton who had taken over SAMUEL SWINNERTON's practice after his untimely death in 1855. Thomas Warburton had been Samuel's apprentice and assistant at Market Drayton. and was b. in Betley 1826.

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JOHN SWINNERTON was a General Practitioner at New St Doddington, Whitchurch, Shropshire. He was also born at Betley in 1817.

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# "..for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap"

23rd April 1987

Dear Ian,

After taking the course presented by yourself some 2 years ago at Kingswinford, I applied to join the BMSGH. Offering my services to the Society in any way, shape or form I was asked to help transcribe a manuscript relating to Coseley Christ Church ie. Burials and Baptisms from 1830-1837 which I must say, although very time consuming, was also very interesting.

During my many evenings at the Library collating this information, I came across your surname. I duly recorded this information and enclose it for your reference. I do hope that you will find it useful.

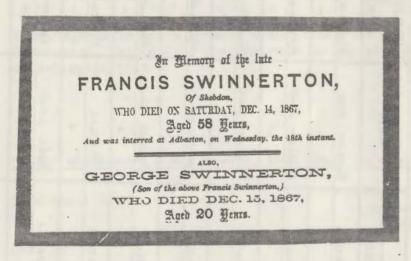
Keen Searching
D.A.Martin

Mr Martin's information was very useful as you can see.

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#### MEMORIAL CARDS

Sometimes known as Remembrance Cards, these were in common use until the 1950s. We have a <u>small</u> collection of these of which I give an example below. This is a rather rare 'double' card and was supplied by our member Frank Swinnerton of the Isle of Man.



If you have any in your family which you could give to the collection or any you would be willing to loan us so that they could be photocopied, we would be very grateful.

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1899

Court 7, Wyle Cop, SHREWSBURY MRS HANNAH SWINNERTON (was between Beeches Lane & Barracks Passage)

Barrack Passage, Wyle Cop, SHREWSBURY W.SWINNERTON Labourer

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St.Andrew's, Buckland. Monachorum (Drake's Church)
NICHOLAS SWYNERTON Vicar 1542-47

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Parish of Sassay, Yorks

C.E.SWINNERTON Vicar 1928

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## WEST BROMWICH BURGESS ROLLS

1883

20th October. AMELIA SWINNERTON 132 Pikehelve St. Hill Top. W.B.

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## FAMILY NOTES

I am happy to say that we have had a number of new members join the Society over the last few months, mostly from overseas. We do need new members because I am sorry to tell you that we have had a very considerable number of members not renew their subscription this year despite several reminders. This gives cause for concern and it is something we must investigate.

However, we give a warm welcome to:-

Mr Lance Kelsey,

Mr John James Brown,

Mrs Bridgid Weaver,

who is a daughter of our member Mrs Papps and a member of the Adbaston Branch.

and welcome back to
Dr Felicity Watts who is now at

We also extend a very warm welcome to the following who are all members of one family and cousins to our member Arthur Kells Swenerton of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry K. Swenerton

Mrs. Helen S. Nixon

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