

North East Inheritance



2006-2009

North East Inheritance Project

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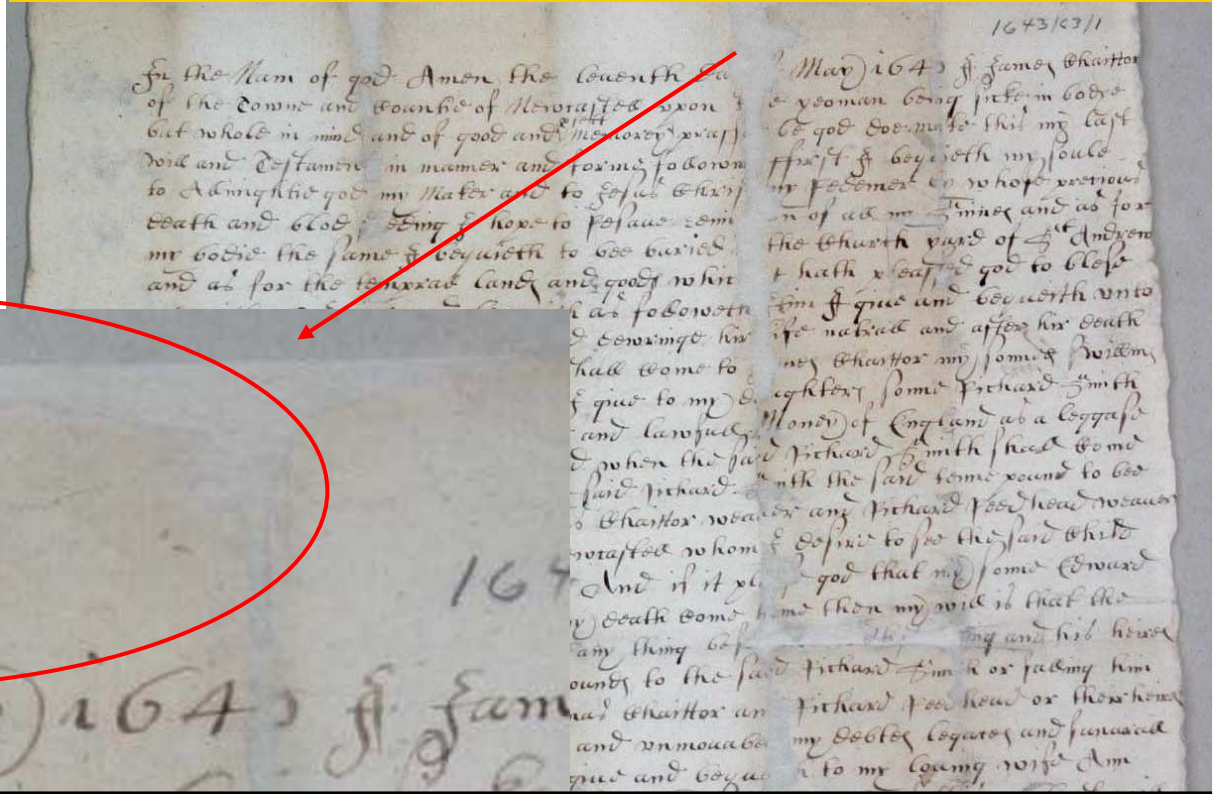
Conservation

Conservation

- Surface cleaning, washing, de-acidifying documents, and resizing
- Repairing with Japanese paper and wheat starch paste
- Repackaging in non-acidic materials (boxes, folders, inert polyester)
- Creation of digital image archival surrogates – so documents will receive significantly less wear and tear in future

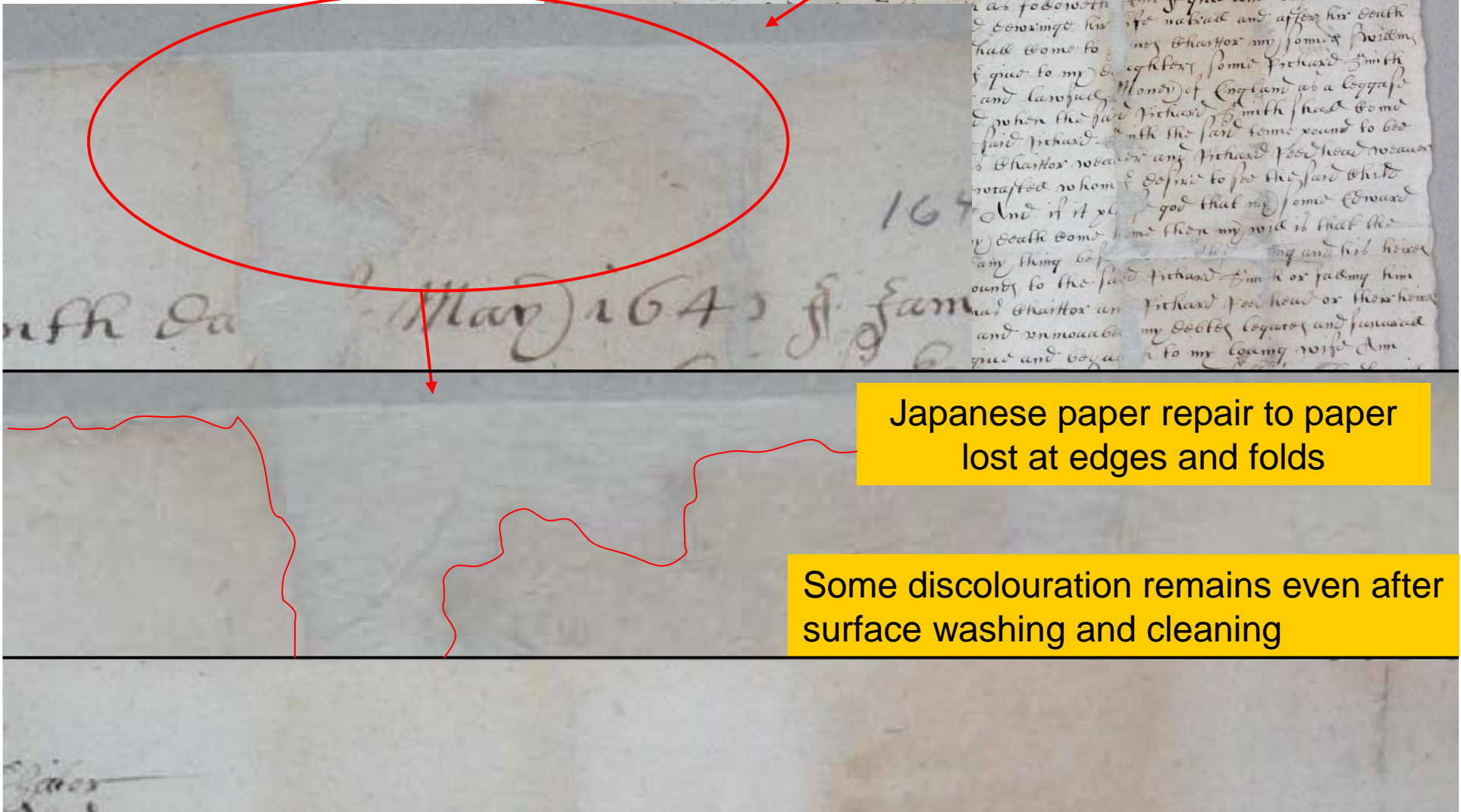
Conservation of the most fragile documents, and improving the packaging for long-term storage, is a key part of the North East Inheritance project.

Will of James Chaictor of Newcastle, yeoman, dated 11 May 1640



Japanese paper repair to paper lost at edges and folds

Some discolouration remains even after surface washing and cleaning





An old archival storage box of bonds *before* cataloguing, re-boxing and repackaging has begun...

...and afterwards.



Cataloguing

Cataloguing Process

- 2½ full-time archivists; 10 volunteers drawn from a 20 mile radius of Durham
- ~90,000 persons; ~150,000 documents (1527-1858); 3 years – to complete in early 2009.
- Using ModesXML software to construct catalogue records conformant with EAD (Encoded Archival Description)

What information do we record?

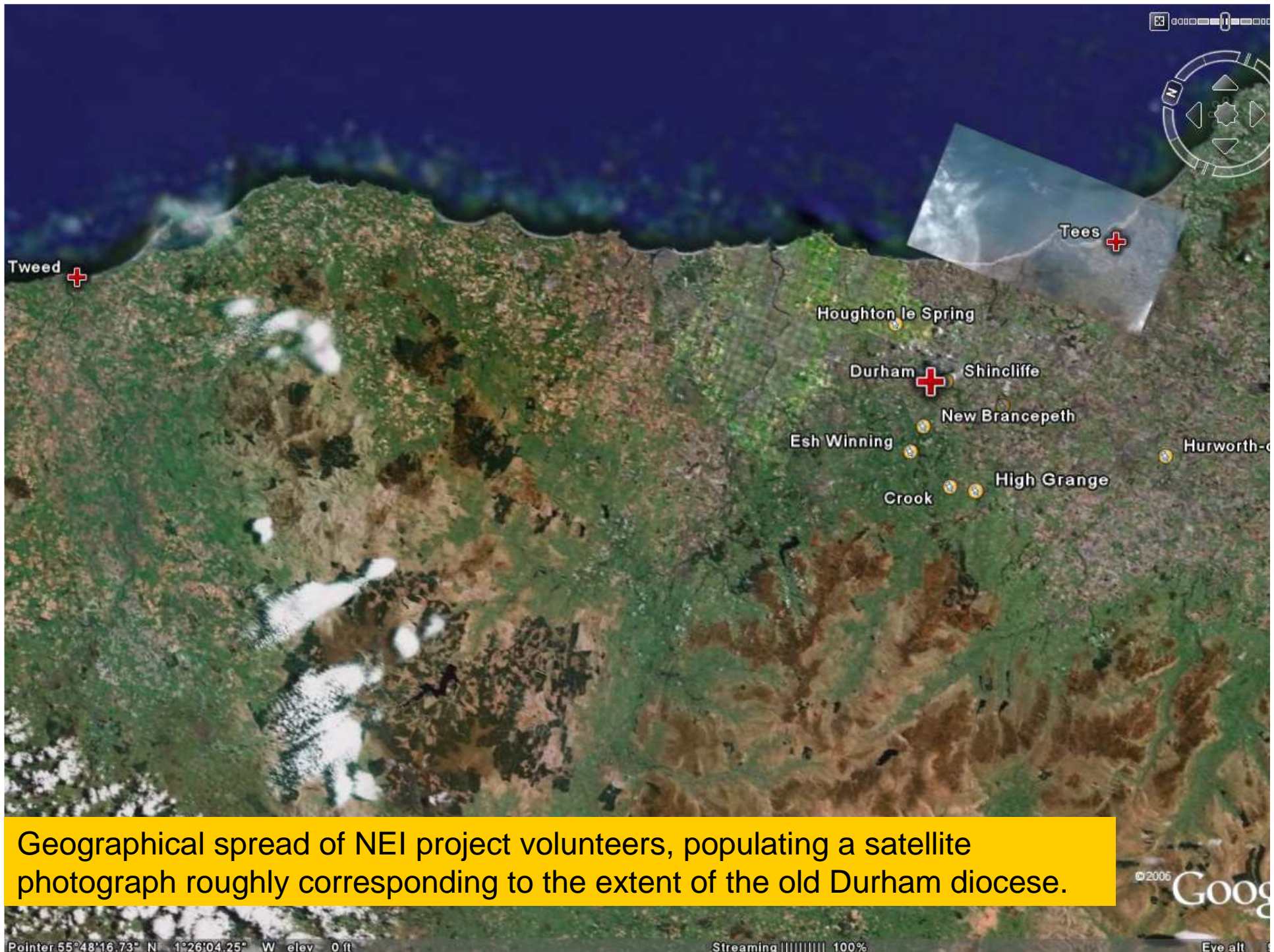
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NEI volunteer cataloguers at work in 'the dungeon' at Palace Green Library.





Geographical spread of NEI project volunteers, populating a satellite photograph roughly corresponding to the extent of the old Durham diocese.

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remembrance, thanks be to God, doe make ordaine & appoint this
my last testament, containinge herein my last will in manner
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to almighty God...

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Item I give & bequeeth to my daughter Elizabeth
the summe of five poundes to my son

a candlestick of brasse, & a casket to be kept to the use of my sonne
Michael: Item I give & bequeeth to my sonne Allan
all the rest of my bedding & miske in my house, as a cup
ped & fatherhood, & all the rest, excepting one brasse pot
give to my sonne Perreuel; and I give to my said sonne
the five poundes w^{ch} his father my late husband gave him

Will of Eleanor Hedley of Bogg,
Ridsdale, Elsdon,
Northumberland, dated 28 May
1604

Testamentu Elica Hedled
de Bogg, parochia de
Eldon, May: 28. 1604

renamed after my debts paid, & Legacies discharged I give
bequeeth to Innamadabe, Michael & Perreuel.
I made executors of this my last will & testament
hereof, I do. Innamadabe Parson of Eldon, Allan
w^{ch} was the first of the three be

Endorsement differs, and is recorded as variant.

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Inventory of the goods & chattels
 of Thomas Hedley of the parish of
 St. Pauls, London, deceased, taken
 by John
 Hall of the County of Middlesex
 of the date of the last of August
 1614

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Hedley's inventory total of £3 18s 10d will also be entered in the catalogue.

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ModesXML - [Application: North East Inheritance. File: 1740s probate data]

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Cataloguing is done using MODESXML, conformant with the XML archival metadata standard EAD (Encoded Archival Description).

The top component (c) is the PERSON record.

Nested inside each Person record, are additional components for each DOCUMENT – a Will in this case.

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DOCUMENT record 1 (Will).

DOCUMENT record 2 (Wrapper).

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And this is the raw XML code behind the MODESXML editing interface, and which will be used to generate the HTML catalogue records viewed online.

Encoded Archival Description

- Non-proprietary encoding standard
- For information about archives (extensive, interrelated, hierarchical, ISAD)
- Networked access to catalogue
- Supports interoperability and data sharing
- A data structure (DTD) using defined XML tags
- Converted to HTML for online output

Probate

[a2a.org.uk](http://www.a2a.org.uk) is an example of an online catalogue uniting many English and Welsh archival collections using EAD and XML: in this case some Salisbury probate records.

Archival History

Practically all the wills proved in the Salisbury ecclesiastical courts, together with their related documents, were moved in 1857 to Somerset House in London or to the district probate registry in Winchester. They were eventually transferred to the Wiltshire Record Office but are therefore not found among the diocesan records. All that remain are some administrative and court papers.

Reference: D/1/63/1
Creation dates: 1843-1845

Scope and Content

Visitation minute book, containing notes and accounts of probate business.

Reference: D/1/63/2
Creation dates: 1845-1847

Scope and Content

Collection Level Description: Durham Probate Records - Mozilla


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Durham Probate Records pre-1858

Dates of Creation: ca. 1526/7-1858


Extent: 246 metres

Name of Creator: Durham Diocesan Registrar

Scope and Content

Records of the pre-1858 probate jurisdiction administered through the consistory court of the Church of England diocese of Durham, together with pre-1858 probate records relating to ecclesiastical peculiars associated with the diocese and the Dean and Chapter of Durham (for details of the extent etc. of the diocese and peculiars see under Administrative etc. history).

The chief groups of records in the collection are as noted below. Surviving material from the Bishop of Durham's Allertonshire peculiar up to 1846 (see under Administrative etc. history) is kept in the main series of probate material for the diocese of Durham described in groups DPR I/1-5 and 7-8 below, whereas material for the Dean and Chapter of Durham's Allerton and Allertonshire peculiar forms a separate sequence (DPR I/6 below, with an index in DPR I/7/7):

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Relying on the same international data interoperability standards, the Archives Hub is a gateway to collection-level descriptions of archives in UK universities and colleges: in this case the Durham diocesan pre-1858 probate records held in Durham University Library Archives and Special Collections – which records are being digitised by the NEI project.



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Suffolk County (Massachusetts) probate court records, 1650-1850 (inclusive), [microform]

Massachusetts. Probate Court (Suffolk Co.)

The records consist of the probate court record books for Suffolk County, Massachusetts.

Wills collection, 1679-1964. Suffolk County Historical Society.

Originals and copies of wills, probate papers, clippings, abstracts, passports, and inventories.

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Consists of wills and estate inventories for Suffolk County, Ma.

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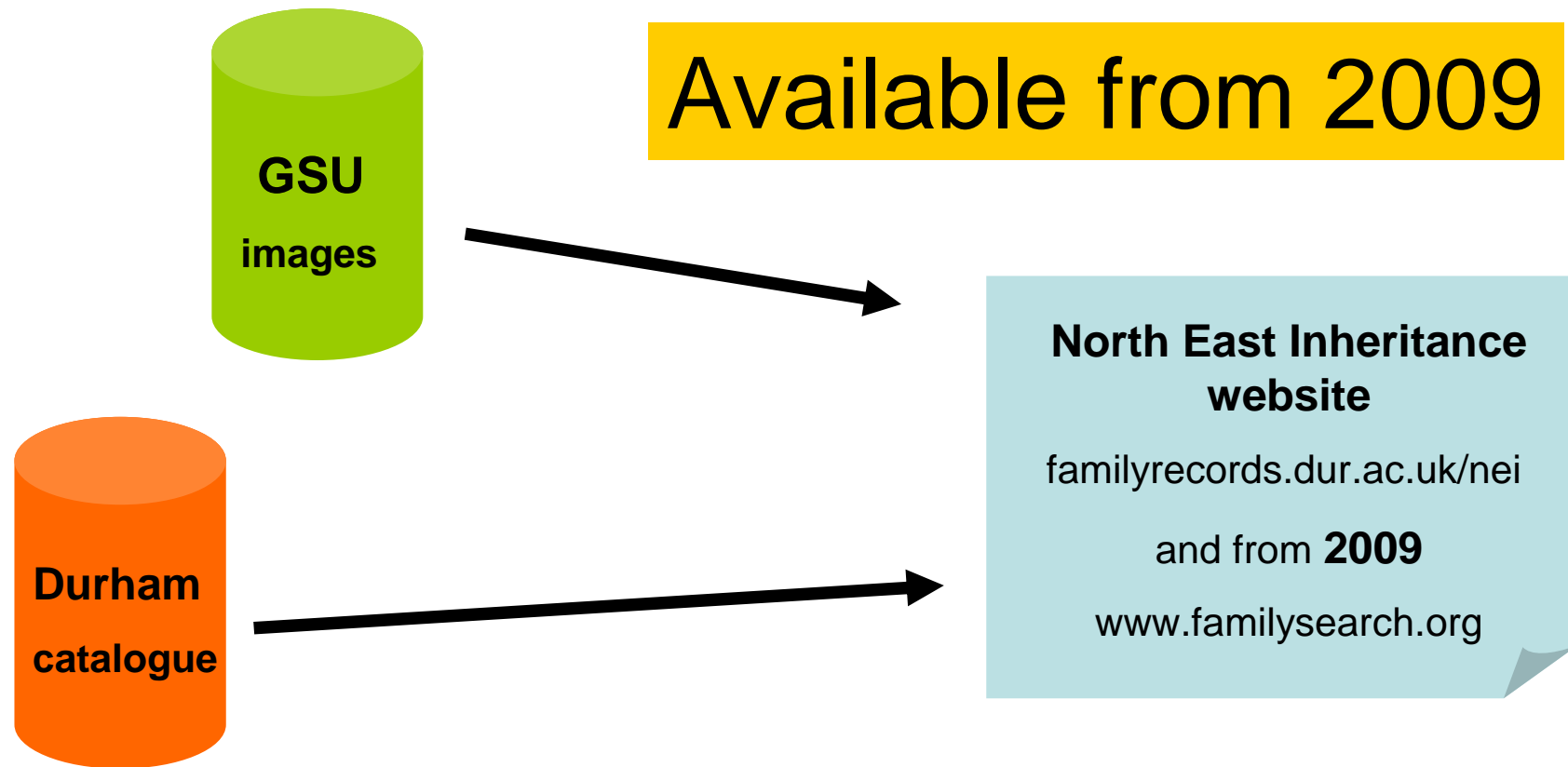
And this is an example of an international archival catalogue resource, run by the Online Computer Library Centre (OCLC): in this case the probate records of Suffolk County, Massachusetts

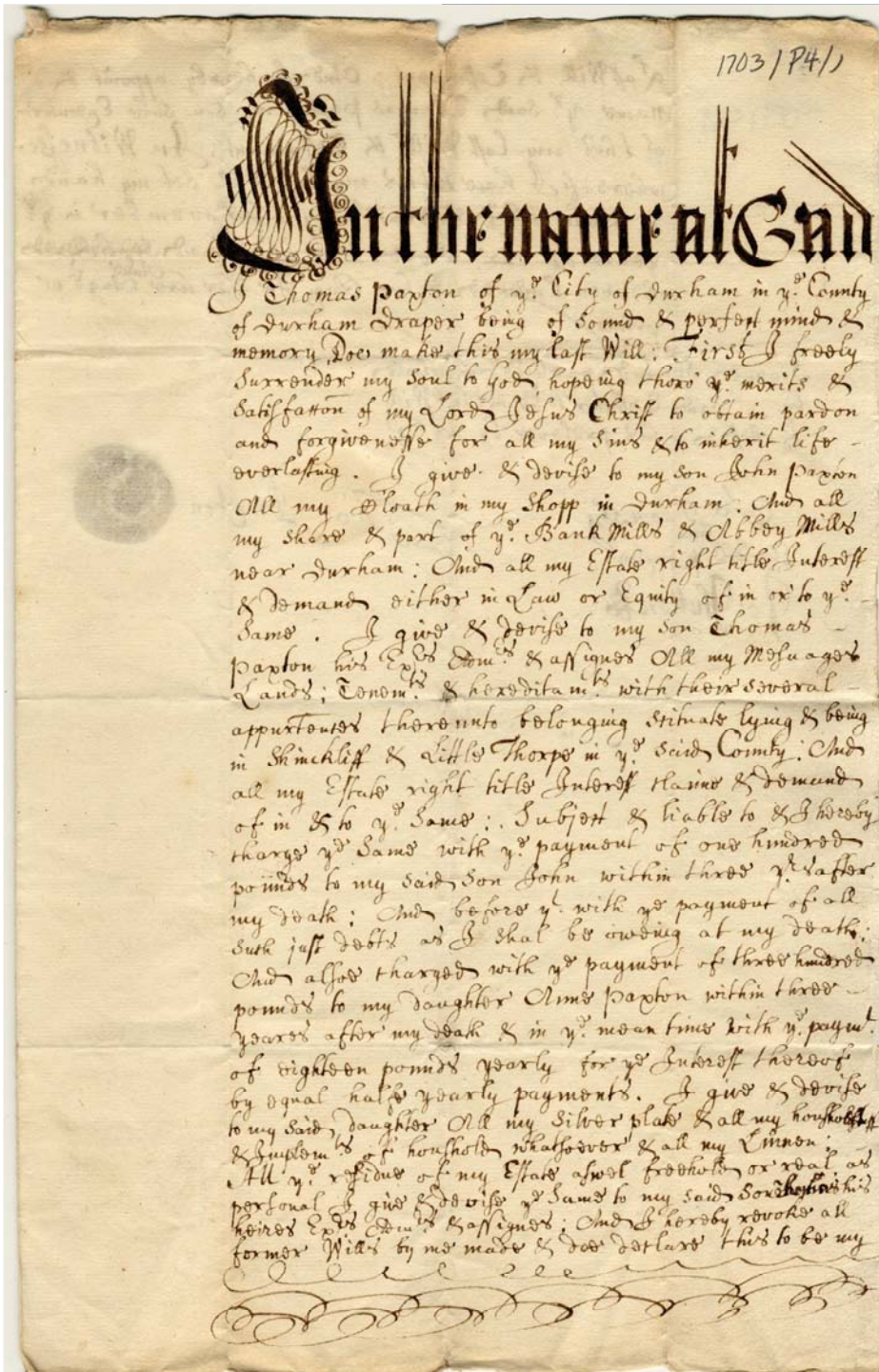
The NEI Catalogue

- Outputs
 - Catalogue: searchable under **Name, Place, Occupation, Date and Keywords**
 - images of every probate document (GSU)
 - NEI presentations, articles, website
- Research outcomes for:
 - family & local historians
 - academic historians
 - schools

The NEI Catalogue

Available from 2009





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Image details

Description	Will of William Raine of Barnard Castle , Durham
Date	23 January 1790
Catalogue reference	PROB 11/1187
Dept	Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury
Series	Prerogative Court of Canterbury and related Probate Jurisdictions: Will Registers
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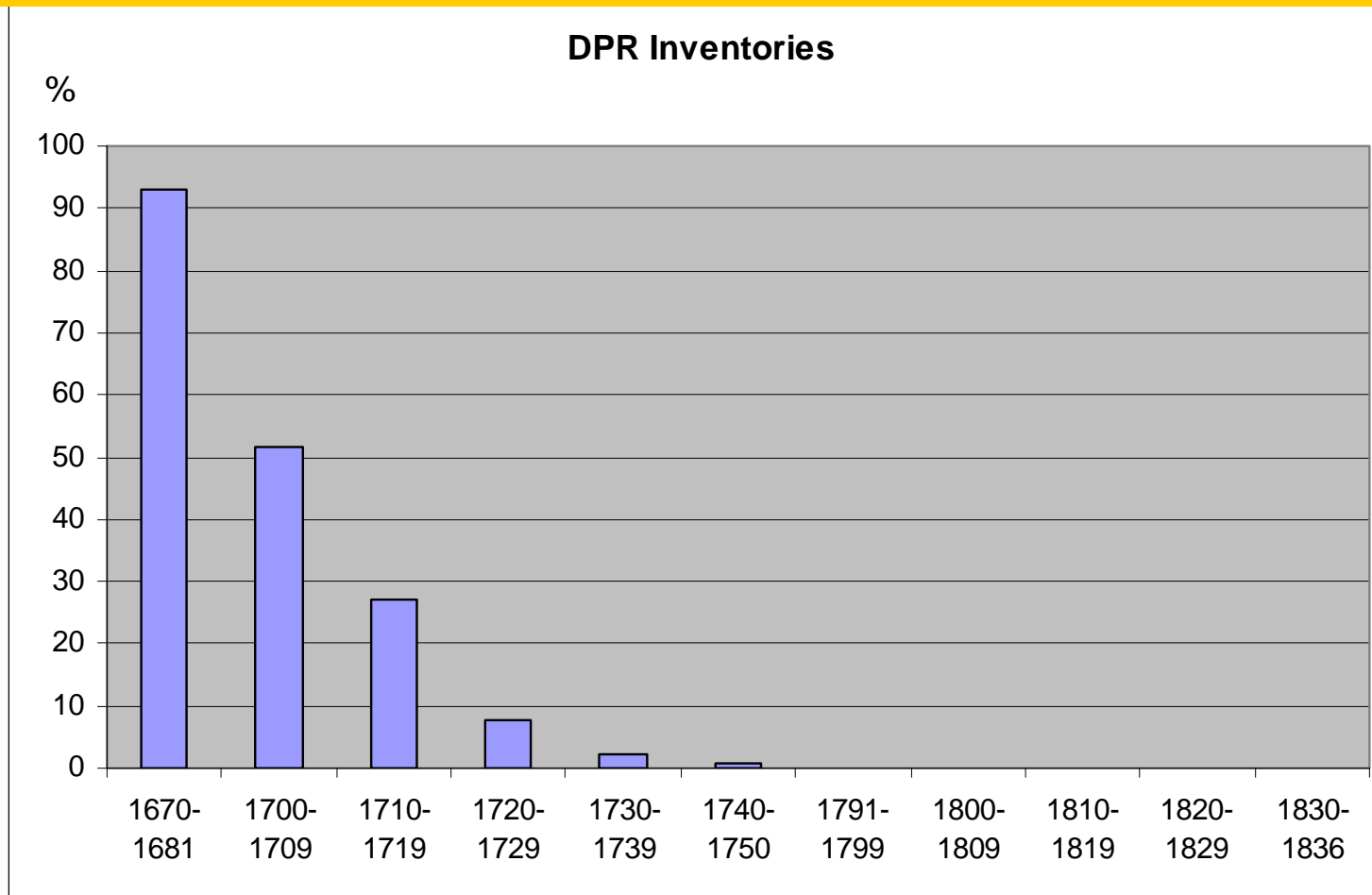
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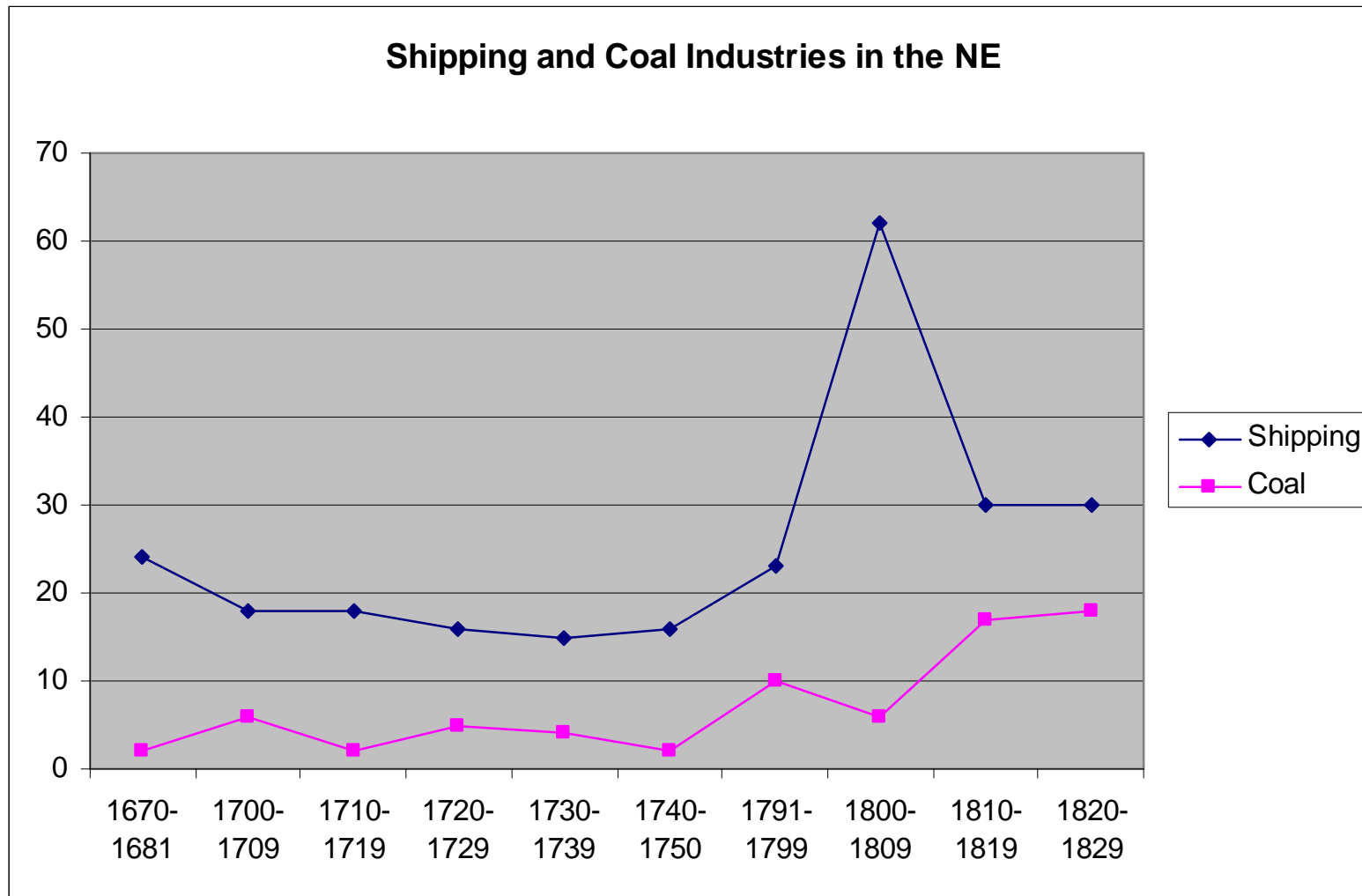
(mock-up from Documents Online)

The completed catalogue will immediately enable statistical analyses such as these, accomplishing in minutes what used to take months, and with no additional wear and tear to the original documents.



This is a bar chart indicating the declining number of inventories filed as a percentage of the number of wills filed in the DPRI probate collection at Durham University Library; the trend is much the same in diocesan probate collections throughout England and Wales.

...and this, a graph illustrating the comparative numbers of persons giving as their occupation jobs in the shipping and coal industries.





Rich and Poor in Tudor Times

What can inventories tell us?

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What can inventories tell us?

Introduction

Take a look at the people in the street or people appearing on the television or in the newspapers and magazines. Would you be able to say whether they were rich or poor or somewhere inbetween? The answer is probably yes. How can you tell? Well, you could make a guess by looking at their clothes, the type of car that they drive, the kind of house that they live in, the job that they do, even what kind of mobile phone they use. You might not be able to say exactly how much money they have but you would, for example, be able to tell that the Beckhams are richer than the members of McFly.

So how can you tell who was rich and poor in Tudor times? It's more difficult but you can look at the same kind of things. You can find out about people's clothes by looking at paintings from the period. Some paintings can also tell you about people's work, the houses that they lived in and how they entertained themselves. And there are still some Tudor houses such as [Bolling Hall, Bradford](#) and [Palmer's Farm, Stratford-upon-Avon](#) (formerly known as Mary Arden's house) which you can visit. Another thing you can use are historical records such as inventories.



A Key Stage 2 module on Tudor period inventories (part of the Durham diocesan probate records series), created as part of the **4schools** Durham University Library's education zone.

www.dur.ac.uk/4schools/



Cataloguing Progress

- 90,000 persons, or 150,000 documents in 3 years (2006-2008)
- 3-pronged effort: pre-1750 wills series (archivist 1); post-1750 wills series (archivist 2); all bonds series (volunteers)

Conservation Progress

- bonds completed
- 1620-1649 wills currently being conserved

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Planned completion date: summer 2009.

Key

in progress

completed

Project milestones (Jan 2008)

Some examples of probate documents and the stories they can tell...



An artistic clerk,

and its opportunistic wrapper made of cut-down parchment.

1742/R9/2

To our most serene Prince and Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Britain
Defender of the Faith, and so forth, We Richard Chandler Master of Arts Vicar General and Official Principal lawfully constituted
Father in God Edward by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham with all Duty Subjection and Obedience due to so Illustrious
and Wish Prosperity here and hereafter in him by whom Kings Reign and Princes bear Rule We Do with all humble Obed
Father being out of his Diocese) hereby signify and make known to your Royal Majesty that the Worshipful William Pyc
to the said Richard Chandler Vicar General and Official Principal aforesaid of our Consistorial and Episcopal Court of Dur
in a certain pretended Cause of Defamation or Slander lately instituted before him rightly and duly proceeding Did at
of Ann Rogerson (Wife of Robert Rogerson) of Waptham within the Parish of Houghton le Spring in the Diocese of Durham
of Joseph Carr) of the Parish and Diocese aforesaid (for her manifest Contempt and Contumacy in not paying or causing to be
Rogerson the Sum of Five pounds of good and lawfull Money of Great Britain for the Costs of Suits of the said Ann Rogerson
with the Sum of Four Shillings and Four pence of like lawfull Money for the Fee of a Monition duly executed upon her for the
Continuacion and upon pain of such her Contumacy hath Decreed her to be Excommunicated and that she hath by our Auth
episcopal been publickly and openly Denounced Excommunicate in the Face of the Church by a Presbyter lawfully Authorized
the greater part of the Congregation were present to hear Divine Service and under this Sentence of Excommunication Fe
since the publishing thereof through an Obstinate and incorrigible Disposition stood and doth stand in Contempt of your

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Hen. Bainbridge

And likewise it is my will & mind that none of my three children shall marry into any mean low family, but into such creditable substantial families whose ^{circumstances} are such as to be able to give their children equal or better fortunes than their own; otherwise if any of my said children disobeying this my order that their share of Portion shall be divided amongst those my children that do perform my said will

also when my Heir arrives to the Age of Twenty one years my will & mind is that my Dear wife may have the Parloour Chamber & so Dissolve in during her Natural life if shee chuses so to do,

Children were expected to make suitable marriages.

From the end of the will of Henry Bainbridge of Witton Gilbert, County Durham, gentleman, dated 10 July 1772

Controlling your son's marriage from beyond the grave...

such Recognizance as aforesaid - And I declare and direct that if my said Son William Grieverson shall at any time intermarry with the said Mary Lumley the whole of such remaining part of his Share of the Money to arise by the means aforesaid shall from the time of such Marriage cease and become forfeited and the whole of such principal and Interest then due shall immediately on such forfeiture be paid or transferred to my said Son Henry Grieverson his Executors Administrators and Assigns - But my mind and will is that if the said William Grieverson shall at any time intermarry with any Creditable Woman to the approbation of my Executors then that the whole of his said Share or so much of it as shall then be remaining unpaid shall be paid to him or be applied as he shall direct Except nevertheless as to the said Sum of Twenty pounds before mentioned to be retained as an

From the will of John Grieverson of Silver Street in Durham, cooper,
made 19 February 1811

1735/F4/1

Remembering a military adventure.

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Fenwick of the
 Town and County of New Castle upon Tyne Mariner being Weak in Body
 but of Sound and disposing mind and memory thanks be to God for it
 Estate Real and Personall with all my Pension Money that is now
 due and belonging to me from the Chest at Chatham for the loss of
 my right Hand on board his Majesties Ship Newark in an Engagement
 against the French Captain Richard Clark being at that time Commander
 in the Year One Thousand Seven hundred and four, together with all
 the Sum or Sums of Money as is due owing or belonging to me from

HMS Newark led the 4th division at Gibraltar that year, and was an 80-gun 500 man ship of the line. The action was probably the Battle of Malaga, fought just after the capture of Gibraltar on 13-15 August. Indecisive, it nevertheless prevented the French and Spanish recapturing the Rock.

Will of Thomas Fenwick of Newcastle upon Tyne, mariner, dated 28 July 1735

16th December 1735.
 The above named Robert Sabourin sole Executor
 was sworn with of faithfully to see into and
 John Patton a subscribing witness was
 sworn to the execution before me
 Jⁿ. Cowling Surrogate

Probate process note, recording the swearing of the executor and a witness by the Official Principal's surrogate, John Cowling, 16 Dec 1735

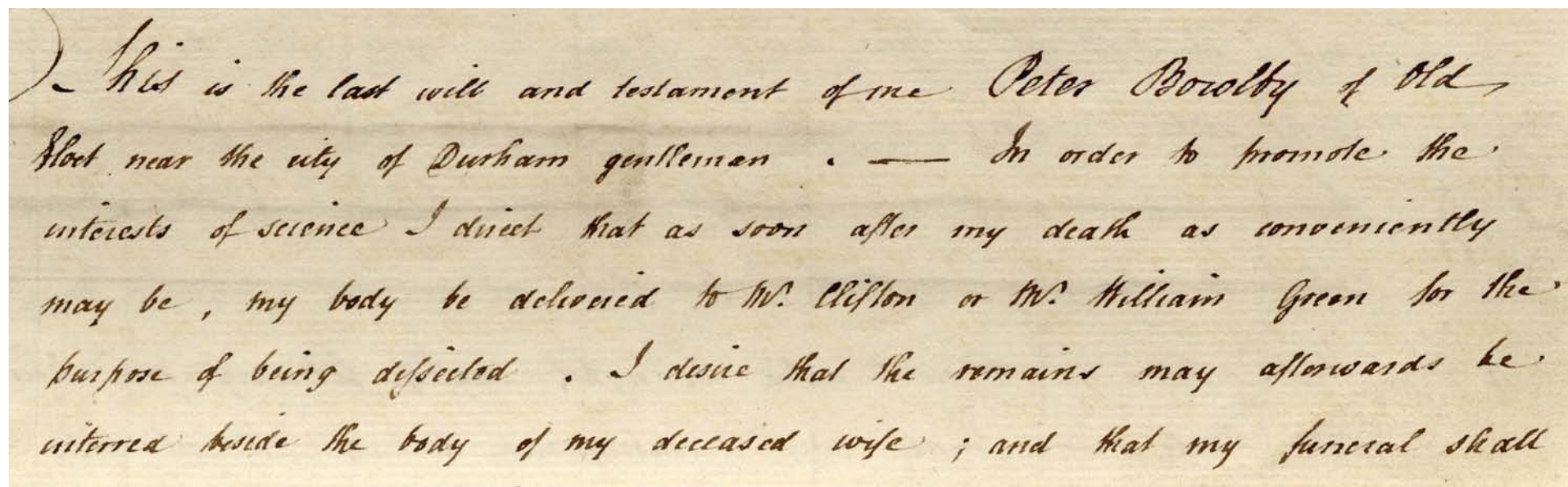
Item This Exhibitant doth declare that at the
time of the death of the sd John Taylor & part of
a ship of the value of 15 or thereabouts belonged
to the sd John Taylor w^{ch} said ship was then at
Vienna & had made a very unfortunate voyage to
the great loss of her Owners & in her return home
was taken by the French & ransomed by the Count
& Taylor's share paid by Mr. Gibson this Exhibitant
p^{out of} her husband's own money so that the share of
the loss & the ransom being deducted & the party
^{going} ~~alleges~~ nothing remaining in the hands of this
Exhibitant as she is advised to be administered
to the sd ship.

Captured by
the French

The War of
Spanish
Succession
(1701-1714)
was fought by
Britain,
Austria, the
Dutch
Republic and
their allies
against the
French and
Spanish.

Affidavit written alongside inventory of the goods of John Taylor of Newcastle upon Tyne, cooper, 1707

To promote the interests of science...



This is the last will and testament of me Peter Bowlby of Old Elvet near the city of Durham gentleman. — In order to promote the interests of science I direct that as soon after my death as conveniently may be, my body be delivered to Mr. Clifton or Mr. William Green for the purpose of being dissected. I desire that the remains may afterwards be interred beside the body of my deceased wife; and that my funeral shall

Will of Peter Bowlby of Old Elvet, Durham, gentleman,
dated 7 July 1825

1739/5411



Seenta y ocho maravedis.

DELLO TERGERO, SESENTA Y OCHO MARAVEDIS, ANODE MIL SETECIENTOS Y TREINTA Y OCHO.

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tate Domini millesimo septingentesimo trigesimo octavo; die

Northeasterners got around....

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tanei Generalis praesentis Cathalonia Principatus, ubi dictus
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latere suo Joannes Barclay Britannus adracone residenty
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condendi testamentum, tamquam peritus in lingua His-
panica, et Angla, ut ego dictus, et infrascriptus Notarius
intelligere possem. Qua re ferebat dictus testator in lingua
sua Angla circa suum testamentum, quod dixit, et decha-

Will of Gerard Selby of Holy Island, dated 20 November 1738. Selby died at Barcelona, instructing his ship's crew to continue the voyage's commercial purpose, and then return home.

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et Joanne Bruquexa, et Rosell sc

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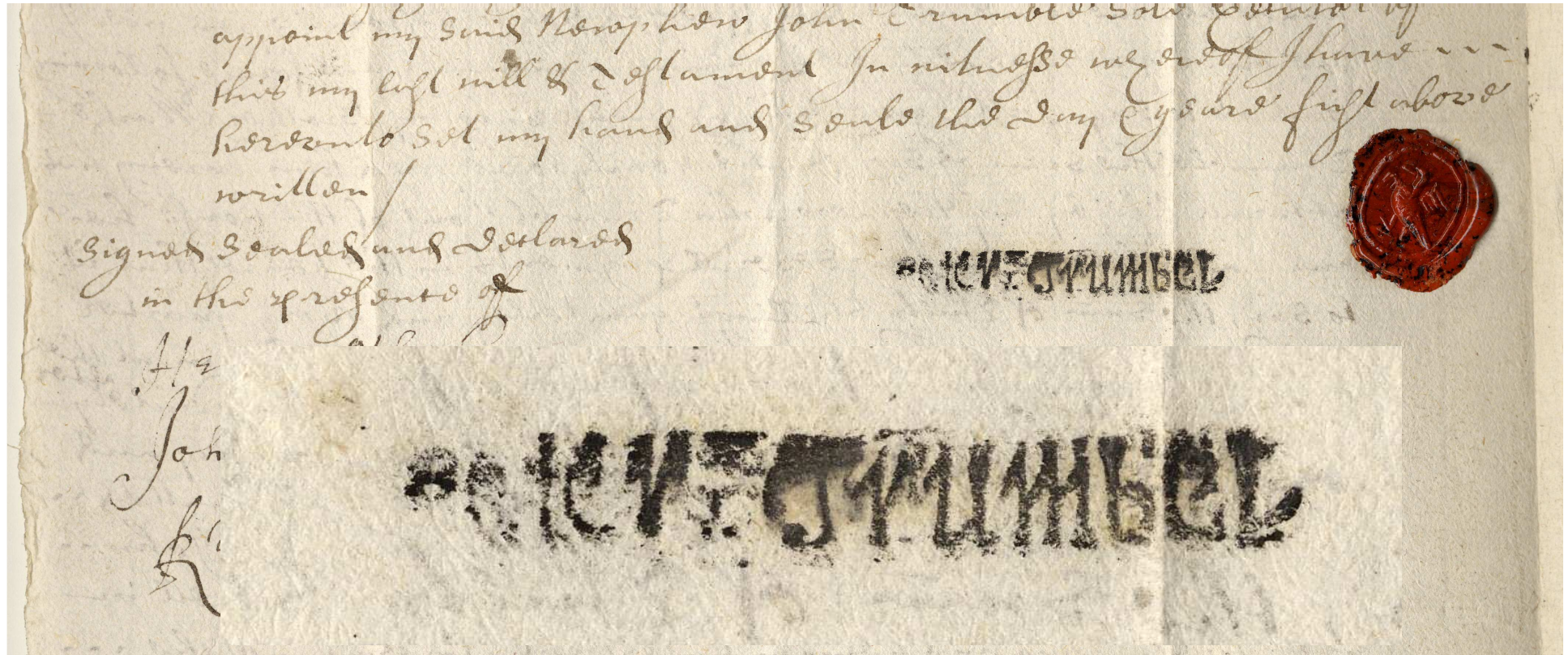
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adhuc transmissis, et hodie adhiberi plenam et indubitatam fidem
erobis. In cuius rei testimonium infra subscribimus et subria-

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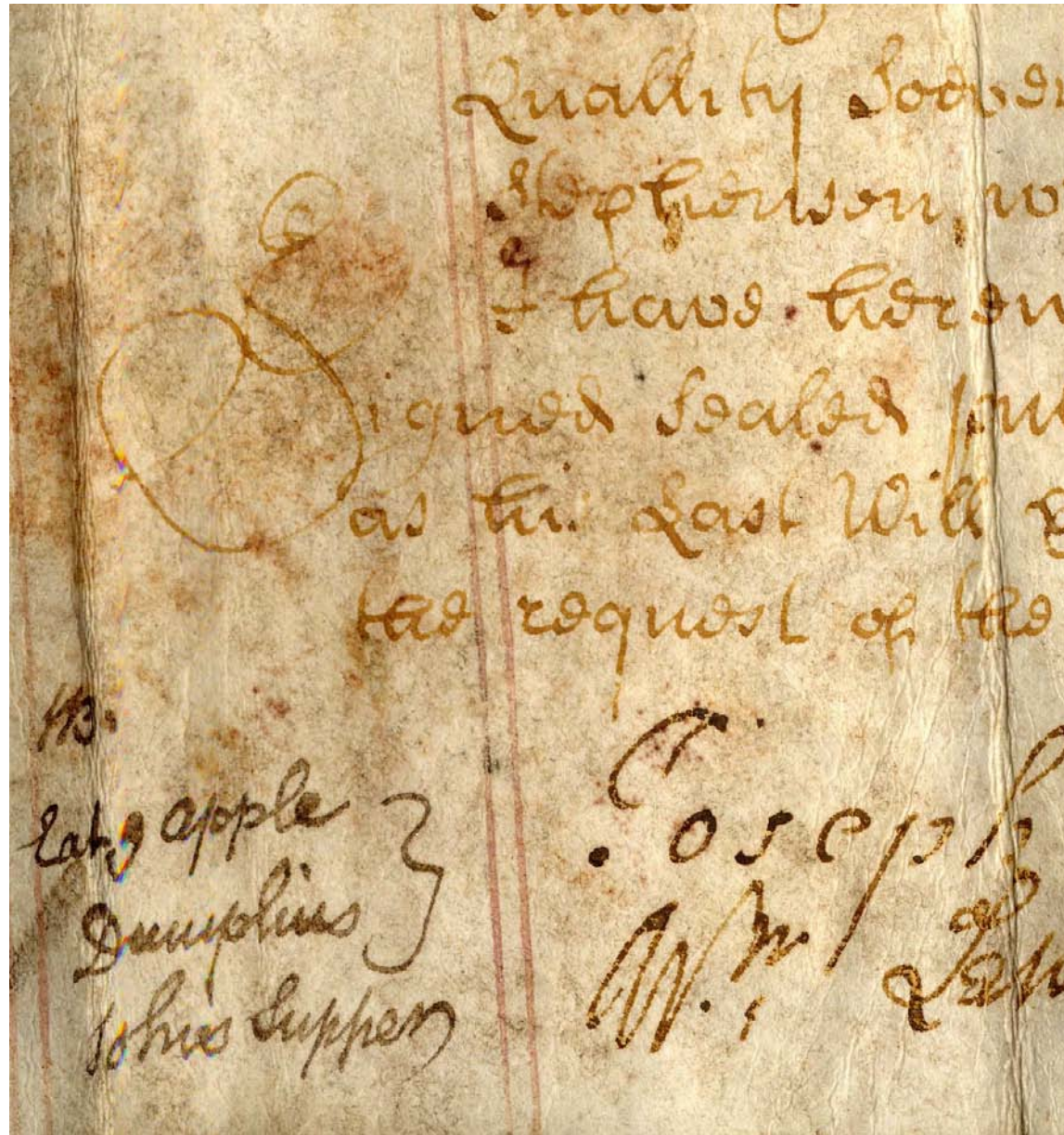
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The morning after
the night before?

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