

PISTOR FAMILY SUMMARY

Pistor, in its original meaning as the Latin version of "Baker," was in common use in the 13th and 14th centuries. However, even though most English surnames were adopted by the 13th century, Pistor has become a rare name. There were Pistor in London and other parts of England from an early date, but never very many of them. The more Pistor data I have uncovered, the higher the percentage of persons with that name that appear to be related. It is possible that most of the English Pistor are related in some way.

This paper started from the premise that John and Edward Pistor, both of whom died in 1776, were related in some way, particularly in light of John having left mourning rings of a value of a guinea to "Mr. Edward Pistor and Mrs. Pistor of Leadenhall Street."

The bequest by John Pistor in his will of 9 February 1776 to "my cousin Robert Wilby of Boston in Lincolnshire Merchant the sum of twenty Guineas for Mourning" provides a clue to the earlier ancestry of the family. This seemed particularly promising in that the International Genealogical Index lists a marriage on 3 May 1702 at Boston, Lincolnshire, between a Robert Wilby and "Sarah Mrs. Pistor."

The Pistor had a long history in Lincolnshire, having settled at Metheringham by the 1500s. That family bore arms: Argent [i.e., silver or white], on a baker's peel in pale sable [black] three manchetts of the first, two and one. A baker's peel is a long wooden shovel used to put bread in and out of the oven and thus a reference to the origin of Pistor as "baker." A manchet is a small loaf or cake. A pedigree of this family is found in A.R. Maddison's, *Lincolnshire Pedigrees* (London, 1904; Harleian Society, vol. 52), at vol. III, pp. 786-87 (see Appendix 1).



Similar arms were used by Pistor families in Suffolk, as well as a Pister family¹:

Argent, on a baker's peel in pale sable three manchetts of the first, two and one--PISTOR, Linc. and Suff.
Argent, on a baker's peel sable a crescent or between three plates--PISTER

¹ <http://www.heraldsnet.org/saitou/parker/Jpglossp.htm>

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1. **THOMAS PISTOR** of Wragby, Lincolnshire (d. 1658), made his will on 20 January 1656, in perfect health.² He was buried at Wragby on Easter day (11 April) 1658,³ and his will was proven on 31 July 1658. Thomas's ancestry is uncertain. Maddison's *Lincolnshire Pedigrees* tentatively treats Thomas as a son of William Pistor of the Close of Lincoln, although it also considers him as possibly the son Thomas baptized at Grantham on 21 October 1607 by Edward and Hester (Manby) Pistor of Metheringham. His children appear to have been by a wife Elizabeth _____, possibly nee Keyworth, who made her will on 21 October 1669, proven on 11 January 1669/70, ⁴ the same day she was buried at Wragby.⁵ Wragby lies 8 miles northeast of Lincoln. Metheringham is 6 miles south of Lincoln and Grantham is 20 miles south of Lincoln.

Thomas's will describes himself as a gentleman. He bequeathed £50 to his daughter Elisabeth Pistor to be paid within one year after his decease, or security given for it. He also bequeathed £50 each to his daughter Anne Pistor and his son Edward Pistor when they reached the age of 18 years, or security given for it. Thomas left £100 to his son William, to be paid to him within one year after Thomas's decease, and named him joint executor "with his mother." If William "shall in the future by gods blessing pay backe that hundred pounds towards his sisters portions that then he shall enjoy the house and Lands at Wragby whereine I now dwell with the wine licence and all thereto appertayning to him and his heires forever." Thomas also gave 40 shillings to his sister Caterine Sulley and 20 shillings to his brother in law William Keyworth. He gave 20 shillings to "my [Cosin] William ffaw[les of Wragby]" and this cousin and Keyworth were named overseers of the will. Thomas indicated that if his wife should marry again his overseers were to take good security for the true payment of the bequests. Thomas gave the residue of his goods and chattels to his wife Elisabeth Pistor.

The will of Elizabeth Pistor of Wragby, widow, asked that she be "buried in the Parish Church of Wragby as neere my husband as conveniently may be." Elizabeth left to her daughter Elizabeth Douse all her wearing clothes, linen and woolen, and £5 in money, plus 20 shillings to her husband. Twenty pounds were also left to be divided among the three children of Elizabeth Douse, who are not named, when they reached the age of 21. Elizabeth gave £10 to her son William, 10 shillings to his wife, and 20 shillings to his daughter Elizabeth, to be paid within one year after her death. Elizabeth also stated that if her son William or daughter Elizabeth in any way should trouble or molest for or concerning any part of the portion left to her daughter Ann by her father in his will, then the legacies to them under Elizabeth's will were to cease and they were to receive only one shilling. Elizabeth's son Edward was named sole executor. Robert Keyworth was a witness.

Children: 1

- i. ELIZABETH PISTOR, b. by 1639; m. WILLIAM DOWSE, 17 Jul 1661, Langwith, Lincolnshire⁶;

² The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/281, Wootton Quire Numbers: 470 - 523; Image reference 617 / 514.

³ A.R. Maddison's, *Lincolnshire Pedigrees* (London, 1904; Harleian Society, vol. 52), at vol. III, p. 786 (hereafter, *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*).

⁴ Consistory Court of Lincoln, Registered Wills, vol. 162, 1669, part 1, page 107 [FHL Film No. 198921].

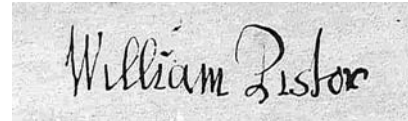
⁵ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*.

⁶ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 786.

3 children by 21 Oct 1669

- 2 ii. WILLIAM PISTOR, b. by 1636; a dau Elizabeth by 21 Oct 1669
- iii. ANNE PISTOR, an Anne Pistor was buried at Wragby 14 Dec 1664⁷, but she was presumably not the dau of Thomas and Elizabeth, as that dau appears to have been living on 21 Oct 1669
- 3 iv. EDWARD PISTOR, b. 1643, bp at Wragby 12 Aug 1644; m. MARY _____

2. **WILLIAM PISTOR** of Boston, Lincolnshire (d. 1691) was presumably the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Pistor of Wragby, Lincolnshire, mentioned in their wills, although the identification is not certain. Boston was a port town about 20 miles southeast of Wragby. William Pistor of Boston had an eldest son Thomas and mentions a brother Edward Pistor in his will, both of which are consistent with his being the son of Thomas and Elizabeth. The children of William named in his will appear to be by wives Jane and Lydia and include no daughter Elizabeth, as mentioned in the 1669 will of Elizabeth Pistor. However, it is very likely that he is also the William Pistor of Boston who married Mary Cave in 1664 and had a daughter Elizabeth born in 1665. There is no evidence in the Boston parish records summarized in the IGI, the National Burial Index or either Lincolnshire or Prerogative Court of Canterbury wills that there were other Pistor families in Boston, and evidence of very few such families in Lincolnshire as a whole. Accordingly, the assumption that the William Pistor of Wragby is the same as the William Pistor of Boston seems justified.

A rectangular inset showing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Pistor". The ink is dark and the background is a light, textured paper.

William Pistor was presumably of age, or close to it, on 20 January 1656 (probably 1657, NS), when he was named as a joint executor by Thomas Pistor in his will. Accordingly, he was probably born before 20 January 1635/6. William seems to have married, first, **MARY/MARIE CAVE** at Boston on 21 August 1664.⁸ Mary died sometime after the 23 December 1669 birth of their daughter Isbel. William married, second, **LYDIA BURTON**, by 20 December 1676, when the baptism of their son Thomas was recorded at Boston. She was buried on 20 February 1681 at Boston. William married, third, **JANE WHITINGE**, a daughter of Benjamin Whiting, whose wife was Rebecca. The license for William and Jane's marriage was obtained in 1684 and indicated that they intended to be married at Skirbeck or Fishtoft, parishes near Boston.⁹ They were married on 3 May 1684 in Boston.¹⁰ Jane was buried at Boston on 3 April 1685.¹¹

⁷ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 786.

⁸ Date and location from IGI (Mary); also year (Marie) from Parish Records Collection 1538-2005, findmypast.com (citing Lincolnshire Family History Society, Lincolnshire Marriage License Bonds and Allegations, MB 1664/15).

⁹ Parish Records Collection 1538-2005, findmypast.com (citing Lincolnshire Family History Society, Lincolnshire Marriage License Bonds and Allegations, MB 1684/9 (bond damaged)).

¹⁰ William Whiting, *Memoir of Rev. Samuel Whiting, D.D., and of His Wife, Elizabeth St. John, with References to Some of Their English Ancestors and American Descendants* (1873), p. 271.

¹¹ Parish Records Collection 1538-2005, findmypast.com (citing Lincolnshire Family History Society, National Burial Index).



Boston was a significant port and market town in the flat and marshy Fens area of eastern England in the medieval period. It is a few miles upstream from the Wash, part of the North Sea, and connected to it by the Haven, a tidal estuary. Its most prominent landmark is the Boston Stump, the tower of St. Botolph's church, construction of which began in the 1420s and lasted almost a century. It has the tallest roof of a parish church in England.

The area was a hotbed of Puritanism in the early 17th Century. William Brewster and William Bradford led the Scrooby Pilgrims in an unsuccessful, and illegal, attempt to emigrate to Holland from Boston in 1607. In 1612, John Cotton became the Vicar. His preaching attracted a large following, and he encouraged the migration to Massachusetts, being instrumental in the 1630 naming of Boston in New England, and departing himself in 1633.

By William Pistor's time, the port of Boston was not as prominent as it had been in the heyday of the wool trade, partly due to silt in the Haven, but it still participated in commerce and he must have also, as his occupation of "mercier" (given in his will) meant a merchant who dealt in cloth, typically fine cloth not produced locally. However, some mercers were shopkeepers who also dealt in other dry goods. The area would still have been marshy in his day. Substantial drainage of the Fens did not begin for another century.



It appears likely that William Pistor's daughters by Marie Cave, Elizabeth and Isbell, were named for their two grandmothers. The edge of Isabell Cave's will bearing the date has been destroyed, but it appears that she made the will on 25 ___ 1687 (only "se" of the year is clearly legible). It was proven on 21 December 1688 (?).¹² She called William Pistor her "sonne": "Item I give unto my sonne William Pistor the like summe of twenty shillings whome I doe hereby make supervisor of this my last will and Testament." Isabell also specified that the rents of four acres of pasture land lying in Boston at a place called Wormgate are to be received by Mr. William Pistor of Boston for her grandson Thomas Cave until he should be 21. Isabell makes no mention of any daughter named Pistor or any grandchildren named Pistor, even though she mentions five daughters (Martha Corbett, Elizabeth Hooton, Anne Palmer, Alice Northern and Grace Wilson) and seven grandchildren by name. This strongly suggests that both Marie and her children were dead by that time.

William Pistor was mayor of Boston in 1689.¹³

In 1690, the will of Andrew Burton, merchant of Boston, was proven. The date it was made is not recited in the version that was registered,¹⁴ although presumably he was the Andrew Burton buried at Boston on 5 August 1690.¹⁵ He mentioned owning 11 acres of pasture ground in Skirbeck and 14½ acres of pasture ground in Frieston & Butterwick. He also bequeathed "to my nephewes Thomas & William, & my neece Sarah Pistor, the children of my sister Lydia deceased, the sum of one hundred pounds of currant money to be paid for their use & best improvement into their fathers hand my brother in Law Mr. William Pistor within one year next after my decease to be equally devided between them & if any of them happen to dye then the Survivers to have that part equally devided between them by my Executor hereafter named." Andrew also left bequests to the Whitings, whose daughter Jane married William Pistor after the death of Andrew's sister Lydia: "I give and bequeath unto Mrs Rebeccah Whiting the wife of Mr Benjamin Whiting one double Ginney peise of Gold being in value [ffour] three shillings; & also I give her my silver watch." "I give and bequeath unto my old ffriend Mr Benjamin Whitinge two eleven shillings peices of Gold of K Edw^d 6^{lc}."

William's own will was made on 19 June 1691, and proven on 16 October 1691. William asked to be buried by his wife Lydia and that a gravestone be laid over their graves. William made his eldest son Thomas Pistor his sole executor and also made the following bequests:

- To his *son William*: (1) 8 acres and 3 roods of pasture ground in Bennington, Lincolnshire, in the tenure of Gabriel Laughton, a clerk; (2) a mortgage of £180 by John Johnson, butcher, and his wife to Andrew Burton "my Brother" and since set over to William the father by his "Brother" John Burton, executor of Andrew; and (3) £220. William indicated that such bequests were to be in full discharge of the legacies given William the son in the will of Andrew Burton .

¹² Consistory Court of Lincoln, Registered Wills, vol. 195, pp. 65 & 77 (FHL Film No. 198949).

¹³ Pishey Thompson's *The History and Antiquities of Boston* (1856), p. 456.

¹⁴ Consistory Court of Lincoln, Registered Wills, vol. 198, p. 223 (FHL Film No. 198951).

¹⁵ Parish Records Collection 1538-2005, findmypast.com (citing Lincolnshire Family History Society, National Burial Index).

- To his *daughter Sarah* a £300 mortgage by George Minssen and a further £50 when she attained the age of 18. She was also left "All the Linen which I had with my late wf Jane which is in a Little Chest by it selfe, alsoe one Diamond ring which my said Late wife Jane gave her, & three other stone rings w^{ch} was my said daughter mothers, & alsoe one Broad twenty shillings peece of Gold."
- To his *son Benoni* "one silver plate which was his mothers" and a gold 20 shilling piece.
- In the event Benoni died without lawful issue, then William left his lands in Kirton fram[] and Skirbeck quarter in the parish of Skirbeck (both parishes near Boston) "which are in his mothers Joynture" to his son Thomas Pistor. Likewise, if "all my children Thomas, William & Sarah shall depart this life without Issue of their Bodies Lawfully begotten," then the legacies made to them were bequeathed to Benoni Pistor.
- William named his *Brothers John Burton of Boston Esq^r John Whiting of London Hosier & my cosen John Burton son of John Burton Esq^r* to be guardians and trustees for his children until they came to the age of 21.
- To his *father and mother Benjamin and Rebecca Whiting* each a guinea.
- To his *brother Edward Pistor* a guinea piece of gold.
- To his *servant maid Tabitha Hoglamb* 40 shillings.
- To "the poore of Boston five pounds And my Will is that the poor widowes shall have three pence a week out of it & the rest to be given away in Bread."

William's reference to John and Andrew Burton, as well as John Whiting, as his brothers, presumably means that they were brothers of his wives Lydia and Jane, respectively. Similarly, the term cousin, applied to John Burton, son of John, could mean nephew. That some land was in jointure suggests that William Pistor entered into a marriage settlement, in lieu of dower, with his wife Jane, whereby either land contributed by her family to the marriage, or some of William's own land, was made subject to her support. Given that Jane was dead at the time of the will, the jointure presumably also provided that any children of the marriage were to have first right to the property, a provision that would protect such children from any demands made by William's older children.

It appears that the Burtons lived northeast of Boston, at Burton Corner. Pishey Thompson's *The History and Antiquities of Boston* (1856), pp. 202-203, states:

The angle where the Spilsby and Wainfleet roads separate is called *Burton Corner*. In 1611, the heirs of Richard Wyles held a mansion called Barnham House, which is said to have been situated at a place called Broken Cross, at Boston-Long-Fenne-end; they paid a quit-rent to the lords of the manor of Poynton Hall, Freiston, of 10½*d.*, and a half a pound of pepper. In 1650, this estate was held by Bridget Wyles; in 1661, by Andrew Burton; in 1676, by John Burton, who died in 1691, and was succeeded by his son of



the same name, who paid the quit-rent in 1692. It is probable that the house now standing near Burton Corner is the Barnham House above alluded to.

Children by Mary:

- i. ELIZABETH PISTOR, bp 4 Jun 1665, Boston, Lincolnshire (IGI); living 21 Oct 1669 when named in the will of her grandmother; not mentioned in her father's will.
- ii. ISBEL PISTOR, bp 23 Dec 1669, Boston, Lincolnshire (IGI); no further record.

Children by Lydia:

- iii. THOMAS PISTOR, bp 12 Dec 1676, Boston, Lincolnshire (IGI); living 19 Jun 1691.
- 4 iv. WILLIAM PISTOR, b. ≤ 18 May 1679; m. HANNAH HAWKINS
- v. SARAH PISTOR, b. abt 1679/80; probably the Sarah Pistor of Boston, age 22, unmarried, who m. ROBERT WILBY on 3 May 1702 at Boston¹⁶

Child by Jane:

- 5 vi. BENONI PISTOR, b. abt 1685; m1 MARGARET PRICE; m2 ELIZABETH HAYNES

3. **EDWARD PISTOR** (1643-1702), son of Thomas and Elizabeth Pistor, was born in 1643 and baptized at Wragby on 12 August 1644.¹⁷ He died on 16 July 1702 and was buried at Greetwell, age 59.¹⁸ Edward married **MARY** _____. She was born about 1644, died on 18 August 1705, age 61, and was buried at Greetwell.¹⁹ Greetwell was a village two miles east of Lincoln and about seven miles southwest of Wragby.

Edward was left £50 in his father's 1659 will and was named executor of his mother's will in 1669, by which time his brother William had moved to Boston.

Mary Pister, widow of Greetwell, made her will on 9 April 1705, being infirm as to her bodily health. She bequeathed £50 to her daughter Elizabeth Pistor, to be paid her within half a year after Mary's decease, and also all Mary's linens and apparel. Mary left her son Thomas Pistor £30 and forgave him all sums of money he might owe her at the time of her death. The remainder of her goods and chattels, Mary bequeathed to her son Edward Pistor, who was named executor. The will was proven on 30 November 1705.²⁰

¹⁶ The IGI gives the date of marriage and describes Sarah as "Sarah Mrs. Pistor." This is ambiguous, as both "Miss" and "Mrs." are abbreviations for "Mistress." Jacobus indicates, with respect to a 1700 marriage in New Haven, that "Mrs." "was a title of respect often applied to maidens of good family, and did not signify that she was a widow." TAG 9:76. In any event, the marriage license specifies that she was single and age 22. Parish Records Collection 1538-2005, findmypast.com (citing Lincolnshire Family History Society, Lincolnshire Marriage License Bonds and Allegations, MB 1202/12).

¹⁷ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 786.

¹⁸ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 786.

¹⁹ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 786.

²⁰ Consistory Court of Lincoln, Registered Wills, vol. 220, 1705-1708, page 123 [FHL Film No. 198973].

Children:

- i. ELIZABETH PISTOR, bp 20 Oct 1674, Wragby; named in mother's will 9 Apr 1705
- 6 ii. EDWARD PISTOR, b. abt 1680; m. KATHERINE PICKLES
- iii. MARY PISTOR, bp 5 Jan 1682, Greetwell (IGI); no further record
- 7 iv. THOMAS PISTOR, bp 11 Oct 1684, Greetwell (IGI); m. ELIZABETH PICKLES

4. **WILLIAM PISTOR** of St. Mildred Poultry parish, London (<1679-1732), aged above 21 years and a "Norrwich Factor," on 18 May 1700, when he obtained a license to marry **HANNAH HAWKINS**, a spinster aged above 21 years, with the consent of her father (who is not named), designating St. Andrew Holborn as the parish in which they were to marry.²¹ Probably the William Pistor who was buried at St. Giles Cripplegate, London on 20 June 1732.²² Another William Pistor was buried at St. Giles Cripplegate, London in 1740,²³ but what appears to be an apprenticeship record for one of his sons describes him as deceased by 1 December 1736.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "William Pistor", written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Hannah Hawkins' father, William Hawkins the elder, of Abington in County Berks, owned substantial property and described himself as a Gentleman when he made his will on 21 February 1727. William Hawkins, after providing for his wife Hannah, left nearly all his property to his son William Hawkins, and William's sons William and Clement. Among such property was the elder William's lands in Baulking, Co. Berks, which were left to his son William Hawkins and his heirs on the trust that his son pay to the elder William's daughter Hannah Pistor the sum of 50 pounds each year during her life, in quarterly payments, "and shall pay the same into the proper hands of my said daughter Hannah Pistor exclusive of her husband and so as he may not interme[]le or have anything to do therewith." The grant of the lands in Baulking were subjected to the further trust that William Hawkins and his heirs raise from those lands, through lease or mortgage, a total of £1,500, "to be disposed among my three Grand Children, Benjamin Pistor Thomas Pistor and John Pistor" no later than upon their attainment of the age of 24.²⁴

It is not clear what is meant by "Norrwich Factor," as mentioned in William's marriage license, but a "factor" was a person paid a commission for acting as an agent for others in the purchase and sale of goods. Accordingly, William may have had that occupation either in or on behalf of businessmen from Norwich, in Norfolk, northeast of London.

From 1702 to 1705, a William and Hannah Pistor had children Hannah, William and Benjamin Pistor baptized at St. Mary Aldermary, London. In connection with Benjamin's 1705

²¹ Vicar General Marriage Allegations 1700 (FHL Film No. 363,976).

²² London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

²³ Boyd's London Burials, 1538-1853 (Origins Network).

²⁴ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/627, B Abbott Quire Numbers: 1 - 46; Image reference 399-400/423.

christening, they were described as "William Pistor and Hannah his wife, lodging at Mr. Butler's, an hot-presser in Basing lane."²⁵ In 1708 and 1717, their further children John and William (again) were baptized at St. Botolph Without Aldersgate. It appears likely that these children belong to the William and Hannah Pistor that married in 1700.

William may also be the citizen and weaver who had several sons apprenticed in London guilds between 1720 and 1736:

- Ben Pistor, Wm cit & weaver, to Jn Smith cit & cooper, 1720 (8/69) £50²⁶
- Thos Pistor, Wm cit & weaver, to David Ramsey cit & girdler, 1723 (9/72) £50²⁷
- Thomas Pistor, son of William, citizen and weaver, to Thomas Witham, 17 April 1724, Innholders' Company [9/212; £50]²⁸
- Thos Pister, Wm cit & weaver, to Nath Carter cit & gldsm, 1725 (10/203) £49²⁹
- John Pistor, son of William, citizen and weaver, to Thomas Witham, 5 October 1724, Innholders' Company [10/89; £42]³⁰
- Rob Pistor, Wm decd, to Wm Clay cit & gldsm, 1735 (14/119) £50³¹
- Robert Pistor, son of William, citizen and weaver (deceased), to Samuel Whiting, 1 December 1736, Upholders' Company³² [15/2; £30]

Two wills also seem to be relevant. Thomas Pistor of Sutton in the County of Berks, Gentleman, made his will on 19 November 1731, indicating that whereas he was entitled to a legacy of £500 under the will of his grandfather, William Hawkins the elder of Abington in the County of Berks, deceased, Thomas bequeathed that sum to his wife Mary Pistor.³³ Benjamin Pistor, citizen and cooper of Saint Faith under St. Paul's, London, made his will on 4 October 1733, mentioning his mother Hannah Pistor, brother John Pistor, Sister in Law Katherine Pistor, brother Robert Pistor and Sister in Law Dorothea Mitchell, as well as his wife Anna Pistor.³⁴

As reflected in the following chart, while the above baptismal records, apprenticeship records and wills each omit some persons mentioned in the other records, taken all together, they appear to relate to the same family:

baptisms	apprenticeship	wills
		Wm Hawkins will (1727) mentions grandsons Benjamin, Thomas & John Pistor, all under 24

²⁵ See OCR version of a printed version of part of the Parish Registers at

http://www.archive.org/stream/parishregisterso00stma/parishregisterso00stma_djvu.txt

²⁶ Apprentices of Great Britain, typescript abstracts available in TIFF form from Origins Network.

²⁷ Apprentices of Great Britain, typescript abstracts available in TIFF form from Origins Network.

²⁸ London Apprenticeship Abstracts 1442-1850, accessed in database form at Origins Network (www.origins.net).

²⁹ Apprentices of Great Britain, typescript abstracts available in TIFF form from Origins Network.

³⁰ London Apprenticeship Abstracts 1442-1850, accessed in database form at Origins Network (www.origins.net).

³¹ Apprentices of Great Britain, typescript abstracts available in TIFF form from Origins Network.

³² London Apprenticeship Abstracts 1442-1850, accessed in database form at Origins Network (www.origins.net).

³³ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/648, Isham Quire Numbers: 282 - 320; Image reference 24 / 26.

³⁴ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/689, Brodrepp Quire Numbers: 95 - 140; Image reference 310 / 300.

Hannah 1702		
William 1703		
Benjamin 1705	Ben app. as cooper 1720	Benjamin (cooper) 1733: to mother Hannah to brother John & sister in law Katherine to brother Robert to wife Anna & sister in law Dorothea Mitchell
	Thomas app. 1723-25	Thomas 1731 will mentions: £500 from gf Wm Hawkins; to wf Mary
John 1708	John app. 1724	
William 1717		
	Robert app. 1735-36	

While Robert is not mentioned in his grandfather's will, that may have been because he was the youngest child. Perhaps William Hawkins felt that he could be adequately provided for by his parents, particularly given that he was the farthest from adulthood and might not survive until then.

Children:

- i. HANNAH PISTOR, b. 1 Oct 1702, ch 2 Oct 1702, St. Mary Aldermary, London (IGI)³⁵; no further record
- ii. WILLIAM PISTOR, b. 14 Oct 1703, ch 19 Oct 1703, St. Mary Aldermary, London (IGI)³⁶; presumably d. before Sep 1717, when another son William was born
- iii. BENJAMIN PISTOR, b. 22 Feb 1705, ch 1 Mar 1705, St. Mary Aldermary, London (IGI)³⁷; above age 27 and a wine cooper of All Hallows Barking, on 9 Sep 1732, when he obtained license to m. ANN/ANNA MICHEL/MITCHELL of St. Mary Aldermary, London, above 21 and a spinster³⁸; they m. 14 Sep 1732, St. Lawrence Jewry & St. Mary Magdalene, London (IGI); a citizen and cooper of Saint Faith Under St. Paul's London on 4 Oct 1733, when he made his will, which was proven 6 May 1738,³⁹ she was probably the Anna Pistor, widow, of St. Dionis Backchurch, London, named in a marriage license obtained by William Martin of St. Paul, Shadwell, Co. Middlesex, a widower, on 23 Apr 1740⁴⁰
- iv. THOMAS PISTOR; m. MARY GEADEN on 13 Mar 1728 at Besselsleigh, Berks., he was then of Botolph Aldersgate, an Ironmonger, she was of Sutton Courtney, Berks.⁴¹; apprenticed 1723

³⁵ See also what appears to be an OCR version of a printed version of part of the Parish Registers at http://www.archive.org/stream/parishregisterso00stma/parishregisterso00stma_djvu.txt

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³⁸ Faculty Office Marriage Allegations, 1732 (FHL Film No. 355,485).

³⁹ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/689, Brodrepp Quire Numbers: 95 – 140; Image reference 310 / 300.

⁴⁰ Vicar General Marriage Allegations, Jan. – June 1740 (FHL Film No. 375,146); London, England Parish & Probate records, Ancestry.com.

⁴¹ Sarum Marriage License Bonds, Parish Records Collection 1538-2005 marriage, findmypast.com. Andrew Symes of St. Clement Danes, Middlesex was bondsman.

to David Ramsey, girdler; 17 Apr 1724 to Thomas Witham, Innholders' Company & 1725 to Nathaniel Carter, goldsmith; made his will on 19 Nov 1731, at which time he was a Gentleman of Sutton, Co. Berks; will proved Nov 1731⁴²

- 8 v. JOHN PISTOR, ch 1 Aug 1708, St. Botolph Without Aldersgate, London (IGI); m1 KATHERINE JOHNSON; m2 SUSANNAH BRYAN
- vi. WILLIAM PISTOR, ch 19 Sep 1717, St. Botolph Without Aldersgate, London (IGI); not mentioned in 1727 will of his grandfather or 1733 will of his brother Benjamin, presumably deceased by the latter date
- vii. ROBERT PISTOR, mentioned in the 1733 will of his brother Benjamin; apprenticed 1735 to William Clay, goldsmith, & 1 Dec 1736 to Samuel Whiting, Upholder's Company

5. **BENONI PISTOR** of St. Sepulchre Parish, London (c1685-1761), was born about 1685, the year his mother died. He married, first, **MARGARET PRICE** on 12 September 1708 at St. James Dukes Palace parish, in London.⁴³ They had children baptized at St.



Sepulchre, London in 1711 and 1712. Ten years later (on 18 August 1722), Benoni Pistor, a widower of St. Sepulchre parish, obtained a license to marry **ELIZABETH HAYNES** of St. Sepulchre parish, age 25, a spinster.⁴⁴ While the license indicates that they intended to marry either at St. Sepulchre or St. Mary Magdalene Old Fish Street, London, the marriage apparently took place the same day at St. Gregory's by St. Paul's, London.⁴⁵ Benoni was buried on 12 November 1761 at St. Sepulchre Holborn, London.⁴⁶

Benoni is a Biblical name, meaning "son of my sorrow." It was given by Rachel to her newborn son when she knew she was dying. However, Jacob, the father, changed the son's name to Benjamin. The given name Benoni suggests that the mother may have died in childbirth. See "Study of New England Boys Named Benoni," *Nexus*, vol. 7, issue 1 (Feb. 1990).

On 8 December 1701, Benoni's grandfather, Benjamin Whiting, made his will, leaving £25 to Benjamin's son John Whiting, in trust for Benoni, to be paid to him within three months after the death of Benjamin's wife Rebecca and when he shall attain to the age of 21 years.⁴⁷ Benoni's son Benjamin Whiteman Pistor seems likely to have been named for Benoni's grandfather, Benjamin Whiting.

On 27 April 1710, Benoni was admitted a freeman of the City of London in the Company of Clothworkers, by redemption, paying 46s. 8d. He had been "bound an apprentice to a Free

⁴² The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/648, Isham Quire Numbers: 282 – 320; Image reference 24 / 26.

⁴³ Boyd's Marriage Index, 1538-1840; IGI.

⁴⁴ Faculty Office Marriage Allegations, 1722 (FHL Film No. 355,474).

⁴⁵ Boyd's Marriage Index, 1538-1840 (Hains). Accessed in database form at Origins Network (www.origins.net). Date given as 19 Aug 1722 in London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

⁴⁶ London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

⁴⁷ Will of Benjamin Whiting of Boston, Consistory Court of Lincoln, Registered Wills, vol. 214, 1701 (FHL #198,967), No. 281.

Clothworker and served his whole apprenticeship of seven years but contracted matrimony about eleven months before his time expired."⁴⁸

Benoni Pistor served as a juror at the Old Bailey in October 1722 and January 1724.⁴⁹

Children (first two by Margaret Price, remainder by Elizabeth Haynes):

- i. MARGARET PISTOR, b. Apr 1711, ch 29 Apr 1711, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI); on 11 Jan 1734/35, Jonas Shaw of Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, a bachelor aged 25, obtained a license to marry Margaret Pistor of the same parish, spinster age 23; they intended to marry either in St. Martin in the Fields parish church or the Duke Street Chapel⁵⁰
- ii. SARAH PISTOR, b. 4 Jan 1712, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI); a Sarah Pistor m. Joshua Brogden, 22 Jul 1748, St. Benet Pauls Wharf, London (IGI), although this was likely not the same Sarah
- iii. ELIZABETH PISTOR, b. 16 Nov 1723, ch 29 Nov 1723, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI)
- iv. WILLIAM PISTOR, b. 12 Sep, ch 21 Sep 1724, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI)
- 9 v. EDWARD PISTOR, b. 5 Sep, ch 9 Oct 1727, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI); m. ANN GROVE
- vi. BENJAMIN PISTOR, b. 19 Feb, ch 3 Mar 1729; d. 8 Aug 1730, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI)
- vii. JOHN PISTOR, ch 3 Jul 1731, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI)
- viii. BENJAMIN WHITEMAN PISTOR, b. 15 Apr 1734, St. Sepulchre, London (IGI)

6. **EDWARD PISTOR** of Greetwell, Lincolnshire (c1680-1752), was born about 1680, a son of Edward and Mary Pistor of Greetwell. Edward died on 22 March 1752, age 72, and was buried at Reepham on 25 March 1752. Edward married **CATHERINE PICKLES** on 3 August 1710 at Muckton, Lincolnshire (IGI). Muckton is a small parish about 20 miles east of Lincoln and 13 miles east of Wragby. She was a daughter of Richard Pickles, vicar of Muckton from 1685 to 1695 and rector there from 1695 to his death in November 1729.⁵¹ Katherine remarried to Joseph Barnet of Cherry Willingham, Lincolnshire on 16 January 1756. The first eight children listed below were recorded as children of Edward and Katherine, except Mary, whose mother was not mentioned.

On 23 November 1730, Edward Pistor Sen^r of Greetwell, Gentleman (5 guineas), and Catherine his wife (10 guineas), Thomas Pistor of Washingborough in the County of Lincoln, and Elizabeth his wife, Thomas Pennington of Marshley in said County and Catharine his wife (left 5 guineas each for mourning), Elizabeth Pistor, spinster (£100, plus money to her first three

⁴⁸ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0266-0272.

⁴⁹ Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913; searchable database at <http://www.oldbaileyonline.org/index.jsp>.

⁵⁰ Faculty Office Marriage Allegations, Jan. – June 1735 (FHL Film No. 355,488).

⁵¹ Clergy of the Church of England database, <http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/index.html> (viewed 6 Jun 2009). Date of death from Answer of Andrew Pickles in *Pistor v. Pickles*, Chancery Proceeding No. C11/293/27.

children), Mary Pistor, spinster (£100), Catharine Pistor, spinster (£50), Ann Pistor, spinster (£50, plus £10 from Mrs. Ann Pell), and Edward Pistor Jun^r (5 guineas), children of the said Edward Pistor Senr and Catharine his wife, Richard Pell and John Pell, sons of William Pell, late of Great Coates in said County, deceased, all brought suit against in chancery against Andrew Pickles of Reepham, son and executor of Richard Pickles. Chancery Proceeding No. C 11/293/27. They indicated that Catherine and Elizabeth Pistor were daughters of Richard Pickles, as was Ann Pell, apparently Mrs. Ann Pell, deceased, who was aunt and godmother to Ann Pistor. All the orators and oratrixes had been left bequests (as set forth above) in the will of Richard Pickles, dated 6 November 1729, and they recited that Richard had been possessed and entitled to the manor and lordship of Little Steeping in the County of Lincoln, together with 19 acres of pasture ground lying in Little Steeping and other property in the value of £1200, that Andrew Pickles had acquired the property, which he had applied to his own use and "imbezzled or otherwise wasted great part thereof without making any apprensmnt or exhibiting any Inventory thereof" and that Andrew Pickles had refused to pay them their legacies. The answer of Andrew Pickles claimed that debts had consumed the estate.

A.R. Maddison indicates, in his "Extracts from the Register of Reepham" in Lincolnshire Notes and Queries, vol. 9, p. 171: "Edward Pistor, the elder, has been 'of Greetwell,' and probably held a farm there under the Dean and Chapter of Lincoln. His widow Katherine re-mar. at Cherry Willingham, in 1756, Joseph Burnett. His daughter Anne, bapt. at Greetwell 31 Oct., 1725, married Rev. Samuel Drake, Rector of Bratoft."

Children:

- i. ELIZABETH PISTOR, bp 15 Nov 1711, Greetwell (IGI); living 23 Nov 1730; possibly the Elizabeth Pistor who m. Robert Gainsborough at Little Ponton, Lincolnshire on 3 Jan 1731⁵²
- ii. WILLIAM PISTOR, bp 28 Aug 1712, Greetwell (IGI)
- iii. MARY PISTOR, bp 14 Jul 1713, Greetwell (IGI); living 23 Nov 1730
- iv. THOMAS PISTOR, bp 16 Jan 1714, Greetwell (IGI)
- v. KATHERINE PISTOR, bp 18 Mar 1715, Greetwell (IGI)
- vi. CATHERINE PISTOR, bp 5 Mar 1722, Greetwell (IGI); living 23 Nov 1730
- vii. RICHARD PISTOR, bp 19 Sep 1724, Greetwell (IGI); bu 21 Sep 1724⁵³
- viii. ANNE PISTOR, bp 31 Oct 1725, Greetwell (IGI); living 23 Nov 1730; m. Rev. SAMUEL DRAKE, Rector of Bratoft, Lincolnshire, abt 1752⁵⁴

⁵² *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 787.

⁵³ *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 787.

⁵⁴ IGI; *Lincolnshire Pedigrees*, p. 787. Winteringham, Lincs. churchyard inscriptions include the following: "Sacred/ to the memory of/ **Elizabeth**/ daughter {of} the Revd. **Samuel Drake**/ Rector of Gunby and Bratoft in this county/ and wife of Mr. **Wharfe Preston** late of Louth/ who died on the 29th day of May 1826/ aged 68 years." Chris Knowles, *Winteringham Churchyard Monumental Inscriptions*, Section D.

- ix. EDWARD PISTOR; living 23 Nov 1730; "Mr. Edward Pistor, the younger, buried against MR. Pistor's pew in the church, 29 May, 1745."⁵⁵

7. **THOMAS PISTOR** of Greetwell, Lincolnshire (1684), was a son of Edward and Mary Pistor of Greetwell, probably the Thomas, son of Edward, baptized on 11 October 1684 at Greetwell. Thomas married **ELIZABETH PICKLES** on 8 June 1712, St. James Dukes Palace, London (IGI). She was a daughter of Richard Pickles, vicar of Muckton from 1685 to 1695 and rector there from 1695 to his death in November 1729.⁵⁶ A Mrs. Elizabeth Pistor, widow, was buried at Cherry Willingham on 3 September 1775, although it seems unlikely she could have been Thomas's wife.

On 19 January 1713, Thomas Pistor of Greetwell, gentleman, and Elizabeth his wife brought a chancery suit against her father, Richard Pickles of Muckton. Chancery Proceeding No. C 10/443/42. The complaint recites that about the beginning of the previous May a treaty of marriage had been set on foot between Thomas and Elizabeth and her father Richard. After some little time spent in said treaty, an agreement was reached and reduced to writing bearing the date of 21 May 1712, which provided that for every £200 Thomas made appear he was worth in clear estate, Richard would settle upon Thomas and Elizabeth, and the issue of their bodies, land with a value of £6 per annum in rent, to accrue from the date of the marriage. The conveyance of such land was to be by way of Jointure on the next 25th of December, provided they lived so long or left issue. On his part, Thomas agreed to settle £100 toward the payment of £20 per annum on Elizabeth and their issue. Thomas and Elizabeth then married on 8 June and a short time afterwards Thomas laid before Richard a written account of what he was worth, at the time of the marriage, which he said was £683, 13 shillings in the form of a debt of £500 owed him by his brother Edward, bearing date of 4 April 1712 and due on 4 September following, the remainder in stock and other effects, as reflected in an attached schedule. Thomas and Elizabeth indicated her father had refused to settle on them lands of near the value insisted, contending that the debt owed by Edward was not a real debt, or if it was, that Thomas owed Edward other monies that would very much reduce and lessen Edward's debt. Thomas also complained that Richard had given him a horse, worth £9, at about the time of the marriage and had afterwards taken it away from the grounds on which Thomas was keeping it, without his consent.

Thomas Pistor and Elizabeth his wife were of Washingborough in the County of Lincoln on 23 November 1730, when they joined in a chancery suit against her brother Andrew Pickles over the will of their father Richard Pickles. Chancery Proceeding No. C 11/293/27. Elizabeth had been given a power to appoint the payment of £50 under her father's will and Thomas had been left £10. They had no children who were left bequests in Richard Pickles' will, in contrast to the children of Edward Pistor, Sen^r and his wife Catherine (Pickles), which may suggest that Thomas and Elizabeth had no children living when Richard made his will in November 1729.

Children:

http://www.winteringham.info/Genealogy/The_Churchyard/Monumental_Inscriptions/Section_D/section_d.html

⁵⁵ A.R. Maddison, "Extracts from the Register of Reepham," Lincolnshire Notes and Queries, vol. 9, p. 170 (1907).

⁵⁶ Clergy of the Church of England database, <http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/index.html> (viewed 6 Jun 2009). Date of death from Answer of Andrew Pickles in *Pistor v. Pickles*, Chancery Proceeding No. C11/293/27.

- i. ROBERT PISTOR, bp 25 Jul 1715, Greetwell
- ii. THOMAS PISTOR, bp 7 Jun 1718, Greetwell

8. **JOHN PISTOR**, of St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (1708-1776), the son of William and Hannah (Hawkins) Pistor, was christened on 1 August 1708 in St. Botolph Without Aldersgate parish, London. On 30 August 1732, John, who was then a bachelor of St. Dunstan in the East parish, London, and aged 21 years and upwards, obtained a license to marry **KATHERINE JOHNSON**, a spinster aged 20 years and upwards, of St. Bartholomew the Great parish, London, with the consent of her father Thomas Johnson.⁵⁷ They intended to marry in either Friern Barnet or Finchley parishes in Middlesex. They married on 31 August 1732 at Friern Barnet.⁵⁸ Katherine was buried on 30 October 1737 at St. Bartholomew the Great, three days after the christening of her children "Cathe" and "Chal" at St. Botolph Aldersgate parish.⁵⁹ John was a widower of St. Botolph Aldgate parish, London, on 3 February 1738, when he obtained a license to marry, second, **SUSANNAH BRYAN** of All Hallows Barking London, a spinster aged above 22 years. They intended to be married at All Hallows Barking, or St. John's parish in Clerkenwell, Middlesex, or at Carshalton in Surrey.⁶⁰ Susannah presumably died after 1744 and before 1776, as she is not named in John's will. John was of Walthamstow, Essex on 9 February 1776, when he made his will. He died in September 1776⁶¹ and his will was proven on 12 September 1776.⁶²

John Pistor, son of William, citizen and weaver, was apprenticed for seven years to Thomas Witham of the Innholders' Company on 5 October 1724.⁶³ On 30 August 1745, John Burlace, son of Henry Burlace, late of Warpleston in Surrey, deceased, was apprenticed to John Pistor, citizen and inholder of London, to learn the art of a woolen draper.⁶⁴ On 11 September 1753, a Hitchcock Burket, son of Thomas, citizen and merchant tailor (deceased), was apprenticed to John Pistor of the Innholders' Company.⁶⁵

The will of Thomas Johnson, woolen draper, of Saint Bartholomew the Great Parish, London, made on 19 September 1751, names John Pistor as his son in law. John's 1776 will makes clear that his wife, who is not named and presumably was deceased, was a Johnson, as he refers to his sister in law, a spinster, as Ann Johnson (as well as her sister Frances Chapman), his son is named Johnson and he leaves mourning rings to all the children of Thomas and Sarah Johnson.



⁵⁷ Faculty Office Marriage Allegations, 1732 (FHL Film No. 355,485).

⁵⁸ London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

⁵⁹ London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

⁶⁰ Vicar General Marriage Allegations, Jan. – June 1739 (FHL Film No. 375,145).

⁶¹ Chancery Proceeding No. C 12/227/39, Answer of Johnson Pistor.

⁶² The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1023, Bellas Quire Number: 366 – 409; Image reference 270 / 269.

⁶³ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0535-0540.

⁶⁴ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0770-0777.

⁶⁵ London Apprenticeship Abstracts 1442-1850, accessed in database form at Origins Network (www.origins.net).

Thomas and his wife Sarah had the remarkable total of 18 children baptized at Saint Bartholomew the Great parish (IGI):

Mary	ch 12 Jan 1696
<i>Mary</i>	ch 21 Jul 1698
<i>Sarah</i>	ch 11 Feb 1702
<i>Ann</i>	ch 20 Sep 1705
John	ch 14 Feb 1706
<i>Richard</i>	ch 22 Apr 1708
Francis	ch 20 Jun 1709
William	ch 20 Jun 1709
<i>Debora</i>	ch 29 Aug 1710
William	ch 28 Aug 1711
<u>Katharine</u>	ch 18 Sep 1712
William	ch 8 Oct 1713
<u>Elizabeth</u>	ch 18 May 1714
<i>Frances</i>	ch 19 Apr 1716
Hester	ch 13 May 1717
Lydia	ch 8 Jul 1718
Thomas	ch 28 Jan 1719
William	ch 10 May 1723

Thomas's will named his son Richard and his daughters Mary, Sarah, Anne, Deborah and Frances, the wife of John Preston Chapman, who are indicated in italics in the above list, as well as a son in law John James.⁶⁶

In light of the licenses for John's two marriages, it seems clear that he is the father of all the children born to a John Pistor at St. Dunstan in the East and St. Botolph Aldgate, with wives Catherine and Susannah, respectively, even though none of those children are named in his will and the two named in his will—Johnson and Margaret—are not listed in the IGI. His having been of St. Dunstan in the East in 1732 and a widower of St. Botolph Aldgate in 1738 tie him to the baptisms in those parishes, and the signatures on both licenses appear to be by the same man.



There clearly were multiple John Pistors in London during the 1700s. Additional John Pistor records include:

- On 22 September 1701, John Pistor, of All Hallows, Lombard Street, London, Bachelor, 27, married Mary Prichard, of Little Minories, Spinster, 24, her parents dead, by license, at St. Mary Somerset, London.⁶⁷

⁶⁶ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/811, Pinfold Quire Numbers: 254 – 304; Image reference 225 / 231.

- In 1705, a John Pistor was buried at Holy Trinity Minories, in London, and another John Pistor was buried the same year at St. Stephen Walbrook, London.⁶⁸
- On 1 Nov 1740, a John Pistor of St. Paul, Shadwell, was buried at St. Dionis Backchurch, London in the Great Vault, north aisle.⁶⁹

By 1752, John Pistor was listed as a merchant at Aldgate, London. In 1753, he was listed in Kent's Directory as a mercer of textiles, located at the corner of Houndsditch, Aldgate, London. By 1755, his occupation was listed as woollen draper, and it continued to be listed that way. Beginning about 1763, the business was listed as "John Pistor & Son."⁷⁰ In 1767, Kent's Directory gives the address as No. 5, Aldgate without, while, in 1779, the address was listed in Johnson & Payne's Complete Pocket Book London as 1, Aldgate without.

There are several plans at the Corporation of London Records Offices of plans dating to 1774 and 1776 for a new building in the block between Houndsditch, Aldgate High St., Shoemaker Row and the passage from Houndsditch to Hanover Court. The building was proposed to be let to John Pistor, Mr. Wise, Mr. Ritherden, and Mrs. Baynel or Pritchard.⁷¹

John Pistor was appointed to a vestry committee at Walthamstow on 20 February 1774, and, on 16 May, loaned the parish £100, at 4% interest, to be used to repair the church.⁷²

John's will of 9 February 1776 asks that his body be privately buried at Walthamstow, Essex "with as little pomp as may be." John ratified the covenants made "in and by a certain Indenture of settlement made in view of an intended marriage between my Daughter Margaret Pistor and Mr Richard Clark of new Broad Street bearing Date the eighth Day of the present month of February I have Covenanted amongst other things that in case the said Marriage should take Effect that I my Executors administrators or assigns before the expiration of six months after my decease would as a further portion with my said Daughter assign pay or transfer the sum of one thousand pounds twenty shares in the London Bridge water works, and two thousand pounds Bank Stock for the Benefit of the said Richard Clark and my said Daughter Margaret his intended wife in manner and for the uses therein particularly mentioned." He further gave to his sister-in-law, Mrs. Ann Johnson of Aldersgate Street, London, spinster, an annual annuity of £10, payable in semiannual payments on January 5 and July 5 of each year, with the same annuity to be paid to "her sister Frances Chapman" after the decease of Ann. John further bequeathed an annual annuity of £10 for life to his "late servant John Bridge in case he shall be living with my Son at the time of my Decease," as well as a further £10 for mourning.

⁶⁷ IGI; Boyd's Marriage Index, 1538-1840; Lemuel Joseph Chester & Geo. J. Armytage, *Allegations for Marriage Licenses Issued From the Faculty Office of the Archbishop of Canterbury at London 1543 to 1869*, p. 240 (London, 1886: Harleian Society, vol. 24).

⁶⁸ Boyd's London Burials, 1538-1853.

⁶⁹ London, England Parish & Probate records, Ancestry.com; Boyd's London Burials, 1538-1853.

⁷⁰ U.K. and U.S. Directories, 1680-1830, Ancestry.com. Listings in Kent Directory for 1753, 1755, 1759, 1761, 1763, 1765, 1767-72, 1774-76. Also listed in Osborn's and Baldwin's Guides.

⁷¹ Corporation of London Records Office, COL/CCS/PL/02/158, COL/CCS/PL/02/157, COL/CCS/PL/02/174.

⁷² *Walthamstow Vestry Minutes Churchwardens' and Overseers' Accounts, 1772-1794* (Walthamstow Antiquarian Society Official Publication No. 16, 1927), p. 59

www.archive.org/stream/officialpublicat16waltuoft/officialpublicat16waltuoft_djvu.txt

John further bequeathed £1000 each, at the age of 21, to all the children of his son Johnson Pistor "that shall be living at the time of my decease." John also gave 20 guineas for mourning to his cousin Robert Wilby of Boston in Lincolnshire Merchant. He gave 40 guineas to his servant Sarah [Sk]ill if she was living with him at his decease, as well as a further 40 guineas to Robert Rennell, if he was living with John at the time of his decease. John bequeathed mourning rings,⁷³ of a value of one guinea each, to: "to my said Daughter Margaret Pistor my Daughter in Law Mary Pistor the wife of my said Son Johnson M^r and M^{rs} Henderson M^r Robert Smith and M^{rs} Smith of Croydon my said Daughter in Law's Mother the said M^r Richard Clark M^r Richard Clarke the elder and M^{rs} Clark his wife M^r Edward Pistor and M^{rs} Pistor of Leadenhall Street my said cousins Robert Wilby and M^{rs} Wilby his wife John Rigge Esquire M^r Jens Prendereson Daniel Kenys of the Tower of London Esquire Edward Short of the same place Esquire M^r William Pronting my apothecary all the children of the late M^r Thomas Johnson by Sarah his wife both deceased which shall be living at the time of my decease M^{rs} Ann [Too]me M^r John Webb of Cliffords Inn London and to M^{rs} Bromfield and to M^r Jeremiah Parker." In addition, all such servants as were living with John at his death were to have such mourning as his Executors thought proper.

The residue of John's real and personal estate was left to his son Johnson Pistor, although the bequest of John's dwelling house in Cornhill in the city of London, "now or late in the occupation of [Stuntz] Gentleman his undertenants or assigns," together with John's £140 a year in long annuities standing in his name in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England and his remaining 20 of his 40 shares in the London Bridge water works, were made chargeable with the legacies previously made. Johnson Pistor and Richard Clark the younger were made executors, but in case of the death of Johnson Pistor, Mary, the wife of Johnson, was made co-executrix. The witnesses were James Rice Williams, clerk to Mr. Clark new Broad Street, Francis Browning, clerk to Mr. Clark and Thomas Richards, servant to Mr. Clark. In an added codicil, the treasurer and committee of the London Bridge water works were each left mourning rings.

The will was proven on 12 September 1776 by the oath of Johnson Pistor, one of the executors, to whom administration was granted, subject to the grant to Richard Clark the younger, should he apply therefor. Richard Clark did not apply for administration until 23 January 1798, when it was granted also to him.⁷⁴

Children (by Catherine to 1737; Susannah thereafter):

- i. JOHN PISTOR, b. & ch 29 May 1733 St. Dunstan in the East, London (IGI, no mother listed); d. 3 Jun 1733⁷⁵
- ii. BARBARA PISTOR, ch 11 Jul 1734, St. Dunstan in the East, London (IGI); d. 27 Jul 1734⁷⁶

⁷³ Mourning rings were given as a memento of the deceased and were popular in England, particularly from the 17th to 19th centuries. They were often engraved with the name and dates of the deceased. See, e.g., www.britishmuseum.org/explore/highlights/highlight_objects/pe_mla/g/gold_and_enamelled_mourning_ri.aspx

⁷⁴ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1023, Bellas Quire Number: 366 - 409; Image reference 334/294.

⁷⁵ Burial from the parish record database at Ancestry.com.

⁷⁶ Burial from the parish record database at Ancestry.com.

- iii. JOHN PISTOR, ch 21 Nov 1735, St. Dunstan in the East, London (IGI); possibly the same as Johnson Pistor below
- iv. CATHARINE PISTOR, ch 27 Oct 1737, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London⁷⁷
- 10 v. JOHNSON PISTOR, m. MARY POND, 11 Feb 1768, St. John the Baptist, Croydon, Surrey
- vi. SUSANNAH PISTOR, ch 18 Sep 1741, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI); bu 15 Oct 1741, St. Botolph Aldgate⁷⁸
- vii. SIMON PISTOR, ch 24 Aug 1742, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI); d. 28 Aug 1742
- viii. MARTHA PISTOR, ch 13 Aug 1744, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI)
- 11 ix. MARGARET PISTOR, b. 22 Aug 1744; m. RICHARD CLARK

9. **EDWARD PISTOR** of Leadenhall Street, London (1727-1776), the son of Benoni Pistor and Elizabeth Haynes, born on 5 September 1727 and baptized on 9 October 1727 at St. Sepulchre, London (IGI). He married **ANN GROVE** on 5 September 1750 at St. Nicholas parish, Ipswich in Suffolk, at which time he was described of St. Bride, London.⁷⁹ Ann was age 25 and a spinster of St. Nicholas parish. Edward made his will on 3 August 1776, naming a wife Ann, and was buried at St. Andrew Undershaft on 3 October 1776.⁸⁰ Ann was probably the Ann Pistor who was buried at St. Andrew Undershaft on 18 June 1790.⁸¹

Edward Pistor, son of Benoni, was apprenticed in 1742 to Daye Barker of St Brides, London, cordwainer (16/__; £15).⁸² A cordwainer was a shoemaker, the term deriving from "cordovan," the soft leather from Cordoba in Spain. However, Daye Barker, while nominally part of the cordwainer's guild, was actually a clockmaker.⁸³ Edward Pistor, son of Benoni Pistor, citizen and clothier of London, was admitted into the freedom of the city, as a legitimate son of his father, born after the admission of his father, dated 2 May 1710. The actual date of Edward's admission is not recorded.⁸⁴

⁷⁷ The register of Wandsworth, Surrey records the 24 November 1737 baptism of "Catherine Pistor, a nurse child." Ancestry.com.

⁷⁸ London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

⁷⁹ C. Partridge, Marriage Transcripts, Ipswich, Suffolk, p. 183 (St. Nicholas parish) (1930) (FHL Film No. 991,948, item 10); Boyd's Marriage Index, 1538-1840. The original parish records do not appear to be available through the Family History Library.

⁸⁰ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms & Burials 1771-1812 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 2).

⁸¹ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, FHL Film No. 374409, Item 2.

⁸² Apprentices of Great Britain, typescript abstracts available in TIFP form from Origins Network.

⁸³ *UK, Register of Duties Paid for Apprentices' Indentures, 1710-1812*, p. 175, 11 Sep 1742 (Ancestry.com); original record National Archives, *Board of Stamps: Apprenticeship Books, Series IR 1*, piece 16; Daye Barker marriage bond (24 Oct 1740), listing him as a watchmaker, *London and Surrey, England, Marriage Bonds and Allegations, 1597-1921* (Ancestry.com), original record: London Metropolitan Archives, MS 9772/18.

⁸⁴ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0746-0753.



On 3 December 1755, William Bull, son of William Bull of Chatham, Kent, shipwright, was apprenticed to Edward Pistor, citizen and clothmaker of London, for seven years, in consideration of a fee of £21.⁸⁵ In 1761, Edward Pistor, then a watch and clock maker, subscribed to the *American Negotiator*, a publication listing conversion rates for American currencies into English money.⁸⁶ On 4 August 1762, Hilton Wray, son of John Wray, late of Hoxton, Middlesex, gardener, deceased, was apprenticed to Edward Pistor, citizen and clothmaker of London, for seven years. However, while Edward belonged to the clothworker's guild, his occupation of "clockmaker," was mentioned at the top of the indenture.⁸⁷ Beginning about 1767, he began being listed in Kent's Directory as a watch, clock and organ maker, located at 116 Leadenhall Street, London. In 1772 and 1774, he was listed both at 116 Leadenhall and No. 105, Strand. In 1775, the Strand location was No. 45.⁸⁸

In his will, Edward indicated that "I now carry on the business of Clockmaking Watchmaking and the making of Organs." Some of his clocks and organs still exist and one reference work dates his entry into the business as being by 1763.⁸⁹ These antique clocks and organs are now quite valuable. The example shown, which is 19 inches wide, with a mahogany case, was recently offered for sale for £12,500 (about \$25,000).⁹⁰ A Pistor clock is in the church of St. Andrew Undershaft, which was Edward Pistor's parish, and Madge Pistor came across one at Warwick Castle.

Much of Edward's will was devoted to arranging "equal provision for my two sons Edward Pistor and John Pistor who are respectively brought up in the trade or business" and who were aged 24 and 20 when Edward made his will on 3 August 1776. Edward was left the watchmaking business, with the provision that he was to pay the Executors £14 for the use of John. The executors were to carry on the clock and organ-making business, with Edward's assistance, until the work that was in hand at the time of the father's decease had been completed. For this assistance, Edward was to receive only his board. From the completion of that work until 2 August 1777, when John would reach the age of 21, Edward was to carry on the business for his sole benefit, except that he was to pay one guinea per month to the father's executors to provide John with clothes and other necessaries during his minority. At that point, Edward and John were to enter into a copartnership, for such period of time as they might agree, and they were left the rest of the business:

I do give and dispose not only of the said trade of clock and organ making as aforesaid together with all my stock of clocks tools and materials belong thereunto except the two

⁸⁵ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0907-0-916; *UK, Register of Duties Paid for Apprentices' Indentures, 1710-1811*, p. 175, 11 Sep 1742 (Ancestry.com); original record National Archives, *Board of Stamps: Apprenticeship Books*, Series IR 1, piece 20.

⁸⁶ Ancestry.com.

⁸⁷ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0963-0971.

⁸⁸ U.K. and U.S. Directories, 1680-1830, Ancestry.com. Listings in Kent Directory for 1767-72, 1774-79.

⁸⁹ James Boeringer & Andrew Freeman, *Organa Britannica: Organs in Great Britain 1660-1860*, p. 83 (Lewisburg : Bucknell University Press ; London : Associated University Presses, 1983-1989; 5 editions); *see also Clocks Magazine*, vol. 4, p. 39 (2002).

⁹⁰ Another example, 14 inches wide, was sold in 2007 for £950.
<http://www.gardinerhoulgate.co.uk/sales/ghresults-19-10-2007.htm>

chests of cabinet makers tools which I hereby give and bequeath unto my said son John Pistor for his sole use and benefit absolutely forever, but also all the stock of mahogany [d]eals timber and materials used or belonging to the trade or business of an Organ maker and which shall be found either in my dwelling house in Leadenhall Street my workshop in Great Saint Helens or in the Yard of My Mills situate in Gravel Lane Houndsditch together with all and singular the household furniture plate and implements of furniture that shall be found in my house in Leaden hall Street at the time of my death to be divided equally between them my two sons the said Edward Pistor and John Pistor share and share alike.

In the event Edward refused to enter into copartnership articles with his brother, then all interests given him under the will were to be revoked and all property and effects given him were to instead be given to his brother John and "as soon as conveniently after the work in hand in the business of Clock and Organ making shall be finished and compleated my Executors herein after named to cause the same to be removed to my house in the Strand and there expose the whole of my Organs together with the Lease of the said house and premises to publick sale or auction and the monies arising therefrom I do direct shall compose a part of the Residue of my Estate."

As to the rest of Edward's family, his wife Ann was to have £100 and his "silver waiter having the initials E. P A. in a Cypher for and during the term of her natural life"; the silver waiter then going to his son Henry Pistor. Edward Pistor was left £60 within one month of his father's decease and John was to have the same amount upon attaining age 21, as well as £8 for mourning. Edward's daughter Elizabeth was also left £8 for mourning, as well as £100 on her attaining age 22; "and all furniture and implements of furniture in the room in my house situate in the Strand that she calls her room" (after the decease or marriage of Edward's wife Ann or on the day of Elizabeth's marriage or going into business provided she shall marry or enter into business with the consent and approbation of one or both Executors). Edward's daughter Margaret Pistor was left £110 on her attaining age 22. Edward's son Henry Pistor was left £100 "and the silver watch I usually carry in my pocket when he attains the age of 18 years; also £30 as apprenticeship fee with some suitable watch finisher, provided Henry shall approve of that profession or if not to another reputable trade of which he may approve; also all my wearing apparel." The bequests to Elizabeth, Margaret and Henry were to be invested until they reached age 22 and the interest was to be given to Edward's wife Ann for her own separate use. Ann was also to have use of all the household furniture, plate, linen and China not given to Elizabeth situate in dwelling house in the Strand; after her death that house was to be sold and the proceeds given to the five children: Edward, John, Elizabeth, Margaret and Henry

Edward's friend Nathaniel Dunbar of Ship Alley Well Close Square in County of Middlesex Cordwainer, was to have £20 for his trouble as Executor. The rest of Edward's personal estate was bequeathed to his wife Ann and executor Dunbar in trust to be invested in public stocks or funds. From that sum, Ann was to have, during her life or widowhood, £10 per year. After the death of Ann, the daughter Elizabeth was to have £150, daughter Margaret £150, and son Henry £150 when they reach 22. All the rest of the personal estate was to be divided among the five children, share and share alike.⁹¹

⁹¹ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1368, Kenyon Quire Numbers: 1 - 57; Image reference 337/384.

Henry, the youngest child, did not reach age 22 until 1789 and the mother Ann was buried on 18 June 1790. Various personal effects of Edward Pistor were sold at public auction on 23 July 1790. A chancery proceeding was later brought by John Pistor against Nathaniel Dunbar, Ann Pistor, deceased, Edward Pistor, Henry Pistor, Joseph Wenman deceased and Elizabeth his wife and Richard Baker and Margaret his wife, challenging the distribution of the estate. Benjamin Bond, an auctioneer, deposed on 24 May 1791, that he had paid the proceeds of the sale to Nathaniel Dunbar, totaling, after expenses and rent for the lodgings of Ann Pistor, £23, 16 sh, 7½ d. Harry Wallis of Pater Noster Row, gentleman, testified that he had offered John Pistor 4 guineas as his fifth share of the proceeds of the sale, but that it was refused. William Horne of Pater Noster Row, gentleman, testified that he and his brother Basil Horne had been retained by Ann Pistor and Nathaniel Dunbar had been retained to bring an action against Edward Pistor (the son) and that John Pistor had requested that the action against his brother be stayed and referred to arbitration. In the course of that arbitration, John Pistor testified that, five or six months after the death of his father, he had received from his mother and Mr. Dunbar £60, which he had given to his brother Edward to put into business and that he considered himself a partner in business with his brother but did not know how big a share his brother meant him to have.⁹² The issues related to the estate must have continued for many years, in that from 1793 to 1799 papers were generated in the suit of *Dunbar v. Pistor*, described as "related to the discharge of Edward Pistor, defendant,"⁹³ and, on 5 April 1799, Nathaniel Dunbar, cordwainer, was bound over to prosecute Edward Pistor for conspiracy.⁹⁴

Children:

- 12 i. EDWARD PISTOR, bp 22 Dec 1751, St. John the Baptist Walbrook, London (IGI); m. MARY WENMAN
- 13 ii. ELIZABETH PISTOR, bp 19 Feb 1754, St. Mary Whitechapel, Stepney, London (IGI); possibly not the Elizabeth named in Edward's 3 Aug 1776 will, as he described her as being less than 22 years old; m1 JOSEPH WENMAN; m2 BENJAMIN HODGSON
- 14 iii. JOHN PISTOR, b. 2 Aug 1756, bp 27 Aug, St. Mary Whitechapel, Stepney, London; m. ANN
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- iv. MARY PISTOR, b. 3 Nov 1758, ch 19 Nov, St. Mary Whitechapel, Stepney, London (IGI); bu 10 Aug 1759, St. Andrew Undershaft, London⁹⁵
- v. ANN PISTOR, b. 3 Nov 1758, ch 19 Nov, St. Mary Whitechapel, Stepney, London (IGI); bu 16 Aug 1759, St. Andrew Undershaft, London⁹⁶
- vi. BENJAMIN PISTOR, bp 25 Nov 1760, St. Andrew Undershaft, London⁹⁷; bu 21 Jan 1761, St.

⁹² National Archive, Chancery Proceeding No. e 133/99/15.

⁹³ London Metropolitan Archives, COL/CCS/SO/09/01/007. Edward Pistor was imprisoned for debt in 1794.

⁹⁴ London Metropolitan Archives, MJ/SP/1799/04/016.

⁹⁵ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms 1742-1763, Marriages 1743-1753 & Burials 1742-1774 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1).

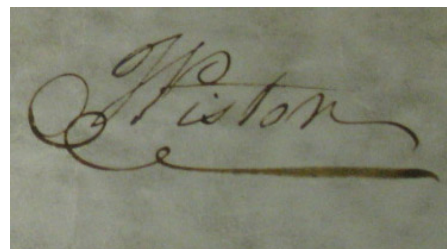
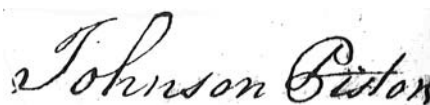
⁹⁶ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, see above, (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1).

⁹⁷ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, see above, (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1).

Andrew Undershaft, London⁹⁸

- vii. JOSEPH PISTOR, bp 25 Nov 1760, St. Andrew Undershaft, London⁹⁹; bu 21 Jan 1761, St. Andrew Undershaft, London¹⁰⁰
- viii. MARGARET PISTOR, bp 7 Mar 1763, St. Andrew Undershaft, London¹⁰¹; mentioned in father's 3 Aug 1776 will; bu 22 Jul 1792, St. Andrew Undershaft; m. RICHARD EDMUND BAKER, 2 Feb 1786, St. Mary Lambeth, Surrey, witnesses John Gale and James Singleton¹⁰²; Margaret was then of St. Andrew Undershaft parish, while Richard was of St. Mary Lambeth in Surrey; Richard was a haberdasher of Leadenhall St, London in Mar 1790, when he was named an executor in the will of Joseph Wenman; ch, all bp St. Andrew Undershaft, London: *Caroline Beckwith Baker*, bp 25 Dec 1786, bu 21 Aug 1787; *Richard Edmund Baker*, b. 24 Oct 1787, bp 25 Dec 1787, bu 21 Apr 1789 (a child); *Richard George Baker*, b. 29 Jun 1789, ch 20 Jul 1789; *Joseph Horton Baker*, b. 4 Nov 1790, ch 1 Dec 1790; *Edward Baker*, b. 24 Jun 1792, ch 22 Jul 1792, bu 26 Jan 1794 (a child)¹⁰³
- 15 ix. HENRY PISTOR, bp 15 Jul 1767, St. Andrew Undershaft, London

10. **JOHNSON PISTOR** of St. Botolph Without Aldgate, Walthamstow, Essex and Bath (<1747-<1817), was a son of John Pistor and Katherine Johnson. He obtained a license to marry **MARY POND** on 8 February 1768, at which time he was above 21 years and a bachelor of St. Botolph Aldgate in London, while she was a spinster of Croydon, County Surrey, also aged above 21 years.¹⁰⁴ The marriage was on 11 February 1768 at St. John the Baptist church, Croydon, Surrey (IGI). She was baptized on 1 August 1740 at St. Catherine Coleman, London, a daughter of William and Paulina Pond.¹⁰⁵ Johnson Pistor made his will on 29 December 1797, but it was not proven until 13 February 1817. He was deceased by 28 December 1816, when his wife Mary called herself his widow. Mary made a codicil to her will on 15 February 1817 and the will was proven on 27 November 1824.



Mary's mother Paulina Pond married Robert Smith on 25 October 1757 at St. John the Baptist church, Croydon, Surrey (IGI) and they were mentioned in the 1776 will of John Pistor.

⁹⁸ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, see above, (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1); given as 21 Dec 1761 in London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

⁹⁹ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, see above, (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1).

¹⁰⁰ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, see above, (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1).

¹⁰¹ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, see above, (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1).

¹⁰² Marriage: London, England, Marriages and Banns, 1754-1921 (Ancestry.com), scan of original record, p. 38, cited: *London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Mary At Lambeth, Register of marriages, P85/MRY1, Item 391*; License: Vicar General Marriage Allegations, 1786 (FHL Film No. 408,004); Richard's full name given in Chancery e133/99/15.

¹⁰³ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, 1771-1812 (Ancestry.com), scan of original record, source cited as London Metropolitan Archives, St Andrew Undershaft, Register of baptisms and burials, 1771 - 1812, P69/AND4/A/002/MS04108.

¹⁰⁴ Vicar General Marriage Allegations, 1768 (FHL Film No. 368,959).

¹⁰⁵ Stevens Family tree, Ancestry.com, by Hugh Stevens, Burgess Hill, Sussex, England (viewed 25 Sep 2008).

On 26 July 1750, Johnson Pistor, son of John Pistor of the parish of St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London, woolen draper, was apprenticed for seven years to Robert Hartley, citizen and draper of London, no payment being made for such apprenticeship.¹⁰⁶ On 16 November 1765, William Salt, son of Ralph Salt of the Parish of St. Mary Le Bone in the county of Middlesex, mason, was apprenticed to Johnson Pistor, citizen and draper of London, based on the payment of £5 paid by the treasurer of Christ's Hospital, London.¹⁰⁷

Based upon the births of his children, Johnson apparently resided in St. Botolph Without Aldgate parish until about the time of his father's death in 1776. He then moved to Walthamstow, Essex, where he lived until 1790, when he removed to Bath. The London *Times* for 2 November 1790 (p. 4) contains an advertisement of sale of the household furniture and other property of Johnson Pistor, Esq., in connection with his removal to Bath. The property was to be sold at the premises "near the Church, Walthamstow" and included "bedsteads with cotton and morine furniture, goose feather beds and bedding, mahogany wardrobe, bookcase, drawes, dining, card and tea tables, pier and dressing glasses, &c. a stack of excellent hay, a quantity of dung, a cart and harness, ploughs, and sundry farming and dairy utensils, a cow, several dozen of remarkable fine gold fish, an iron roller and other effects."

On 18 October 1779, Johnson Pistor was one of four men appointed as trustees to hold the freehold estate of the Walthamstow Church.¹⁰⁸ On 30 March 1780, Johnson Pistor gave notice that he would be obliged to the parishioners for the payment of the £100 owed under the bond to his late father. On 26 June, the vestry agreed to raise the interest from 4% to 5%.¹⁰⁹

On 26 January 1797, Paulina Pistor of Golden Square in the County of Middlesex, spinster, brought suit in Chancery against her father, Johnson Pistor and Richard Clark the younger of London. Chancery Proceeding No. C 12/227/39. She indicated that John Pistor, late of Walthamstow in Essex had made his will on 9 February 1776, leaving each of the children of his son Johnson Pistor of Sidmouth in the County of Devon,¹¹⁰ £1000 and that she was one of those children. Johnson Pistor and Richard Clark were named the executors. Paulina said she had asked the executors by herself and by agents many times to pay the legacy, but they refused. Johnson Pistor made his answer on 31 August 1797 at the house of Richard Richards in Weymouth in the County of Dorset. He said that his father died in September 1776, leaving a will as alleged, but that Paulina was not entitled to the money because he had maintained her and provided her with meat, drink, lodging and other necessaries and also advanced to her divers sums of money from 1 December 1789, when she reached the age of 21, until October 1796.

¹⁰⁶ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0826-0834.

¹⁰⁷ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/0996-1003.

¹⁰⁸ *Walthamstow Vestry Minutes Churchwardens' and Overseers' Accounts, 1772-1794* (Walthamstow Antiquarian Society Official Publication No. 16, 1927), p. 74

www.archive.org/stream/officialpublicat16waltuoft/officialpublicat16waltuoft_djvu.txt

¹⁰⁹ *Id.* at p. 76.

¹¹⁰ It is unclear whether this was Johnson's residence in 1776 (no residence is given for him in his father's will) or in 1797 when the suit was brought

Richard Clark responded that he had never had any of the property of John Pistor, other than the bequest he had been left under the will.

Johnson Pistor was of Bath in December 1797 when he made his will. He left his wife Mary all the household goods & furniture, including the plate, linen and china, as well as all her wearing apparel and "ornaments of her person." Johnson left his aunt Elizabeth James an annuity of £20 and his aunt Frances Chapman an annuity of £10. Johnson's brother-in-law Richard Clark, one of the Aldermen of the City of London and Margaret his wife, were left £50 to buy mourning. Samuel [Weddell] of Aldgate, woolen draper, was left twenty guineas for a ring. Johnson also left all the servants living with him at his decease five guineas for mourning. A ring of one guinea value was left to each of: M^{rs} Mary Pond M^{rs} Frances Roberts M^r Felix Smith & Deborah his wife M^r Robert Smith & M^r Charles Smith of Croydon D^r Edward Roberts M^{iss} Frances Roberts M^r John Roberts M^{rs} Clark the Elder M^r & M^{rs} Richard Till & M^r John Till.

Johnson then left his real and personal estate, including in Walthamstow, Essex, the City of Bath, the City of London Bow in the County of Middlesex or in the public funds, monies or securities, to his wife Mary Pistor and his sons John Pistor and William James Pistor in trust, to be disposed of by his wife in writing or by her will and, in the meantime, for her during her lifetime and after her decease to be sold by his sons. They were also named his executors. Johnson directed his Executors to pay £1000 to each of his daughters Maria & Mary Pistor "to put them on a footing with my other Children to whom similar Legacies were left by my late father," "the residue of the said Monies upon trust for them, the said John Pistor & William James Pistor & my Daur Elizabeth Pistor Catharine the wife of John Gwalter Palairet Esq^r & the said Maria Pistor & Mary Pistor" or such of them as shall be living at the decease of my wife share and share alike, after deduction of the sum of £2525 already advanced to Catharine Palairet, the sum of £525 already advanced to John Pistor, and the sum of £315 already advanced to William James Pistor, as well as any future advances (except the £1000 each to Maria & Mary). The will was witnessed by Jn^o Roberts, Elizabeth Friday and Elizabeth Hamblen. The will was proven in 1817 by the oaths of John Pistor and William James Pistor.¹¹¹

Mary Pistor, Johnson's widow, was likewise of the City of Bath when she made her will on 28 December 1816. Pursuant to the wedding settlement made previous to her marriage, bearing the date of 8 February 1768, she was entitled to all the household goods and furniture and one-third part of the personal estate of Johnson Pistor, as well as any of the lands in which any of his personal estate had been laid out or invested since their marriage and that her children were entitled to another third, and that no division had yet been made and that she was further entitled to appoint the property of her husband pursuant to the power granted in his will, based on which she bequeathed all such property, including the land situate at Walthamstow in Essex, the City of London, Bow in Middlesex and the premises in Bennet Street in Bath, which was purchased by her husband since their marriage, to her sons John Pistor and William James Pistor and her son in law the Reverend Thomas Coker Adams in trust to sell the land and, out of the residue and proceeds, to pay £1500 to Mary's daughter Maria Pistor and to distribute one-sixth part of the rest to each of John Pistor, William James Pistor, Elizabeth Pistor, Maria Pistor and Mary the wife of Thomas Coker Adams. The remaining one-sixth part was to be invested and

¹¹¹ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1589, Effingham Quire Numbers: 58 - 105; Image reference 344/741.

the proceeds paid from time to time to those persons as Mary's daughter Catherine, the wife of John Gwalter Palairret Esquire should appoint or into her hands, but not to be subject to the debts, contracts or engagements of her husband and to be paid to her as if she were sole and unmarried. After the death of Catharine Palairret, such stocks or investments were to be divided among the remaining children, share and share alike. However, credit was to be given for 500 guineas advanced to John Pistor, 300 guineas advanced to William James Pistor, £2525 advanced to Catherine Palairret and "the like sum" advanced to Mary Adams, with 5% interest. Mary left to her two daughters Elizabeth Pistor and Maria Pistor "in case they shall be unmarried and reside with me at my decease" £200 each. She gave to John Pistor her diamond mourning ring for Mrs. Susanna Smyth. Mary gave to her son in law Thomas Adams [Kenbrakens heads] in two volumes folio. Mary left to her daughter Mary Adams during her life Mary's diamond hoop ring and after her death to Mary's goddaughter, Mary Adams. She also left six guineas for mourning to each of the servants living with her at the time of her decease. She further directed that she be buried in the same grave with her late dear husband at the burying ground at Clifton. John Pistor, William James Pistor and Thomas Coker Adams were appointed executors. Witnesses were Mary Briley, Frances Lewis and Grace Alexander.

By a codicil dated 15 February 1817, Mary left to her daughter Elizabeth Pistor, "in case she shall be unmarried & reside with me at the time of my decease my grand pianoforte my gold watch and silver [ring]." She further gave to Rev Thomas Coker Adams 13 "large silver table forks & my silver sallad fork." Mary also gave to her daughter Maria Pistor "in case she shall be unmarried and reside with me at the time of my decease all my wearing apparel & household linen my silver tea pot & stand one dozen of plain silver tea spoons the best silver tongs the silver [reel] for wax all my blue and white [tea] china all the decanters wine glafses &c &c two pair of plates candlesticks and the best sniffer pomand I give her my large common prayer book the gift of my dear mother and five volumes of Blairs sermons the spectators four volumes of Elegant orchards Gil Blas Shakespeare's plays the best of the large Bibles & one dozen of large silver table forks white Ivory knives & forks eight large silver table spoons & eight desert spoons." The will was proven in 1824 by the oaths of the three executors.¹¹²

Children:

- i. PAULINA PISTOR, b. 1 Dec 1768¹¹³; ch 9 Dec 1768, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI); apparently lived at home until Oct 1796; a spinster of Golden Square, Middlesex, on 29 Jan 1797, when she brought a chancery action against her father; not mentioned by name in father's 29 Dec 1797 will or mother's 28 Dec 1816 will; possibly the Paulina Pistor who m. Charles Watkins, 2 Jun 1821, St. James, Westminster, London (IGI)
- ii. CATHERINE PISTOR, ch 9 Mar 1770, St. Botolph Aldgate, London¹¹⁴; presumably d. prior to March 1774 baptism of her sister Catherine
- iii. ELIZABETH PISTOR, ch 14 Mar 1771, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI); d. 20 Aug

¹¹² The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1692, Erskine Quire Numbers: 601 - 650; Image reference 196/180.

¹¹³ Chancery Proceeding No. C 12/227/39.

¹¹⁴ London, England Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812 (Ancestry.com).

1855, 16 Bennett St, Bath, age 87, gentlewoman; of old age¹¹⁵; will 20 May 1846 in same terms as Maria, below, except £100 for bro William James Pistor; pv 31 Oct 1855¹¹⁶

16 iv. JOHN PISTOR, ch 12 Jun 1772, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London

v. CATHERINE PISTOR, ch 16 Mar 1774, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI); poss the Catharine Palairt who d. Jan-Mch 1854, Clifton, Gloucestershire (Free BMD); m. JOHN GWALTER PALAIRET; J.G. Palairt made his holographic will in Nov 1817, mentioning his wf & ch, of whom only John Gwalter Palairt is named, & his freehold house in Bath; "this will is made with the approbation of my dear mother to whose great goodness under Divine Providence I owe all that I possess except my wife's fortune"; it appears they lived with his mother; his wife's brothers John Pistor & William Pistor were named executors & son J.G. added later; a codicil was made 28 Feb 1824; will pv 2 Apr 1824; J.G. of Reading, Berks at death.¹¹⁷ J.G. was buried on 9 Mar 1824, St. Lawrence, Reading, age 58. Ellen Palairt, age 85, perhaps mother, buried same day.¹¹⁸ Children:

1. *John Gwalter Palairt*, b. 1 Sep, ch 6 Oct 1797, Epsom, Surrey (IGI); d. 2 Jan 1878, Avonside, Canterbury¹¹⁹; prob m. Jane Bateman, 9 Aug 1836, St. Andrew, Clifton, Gloucestershire (IGI); she d. 9 Aug 1895, Woodham, Avonside, in her 84th yr¹²⁰; he of Sherborne, Dorset 1861 when he was admin of William James Pistor
2. *Mary Ellen Palairt*; b. abt 1808, Bath (1871 cen; age 63); d. 26 Jul 1898 (NPC), age 95 (Free BMD); res Walcot parish, Bath, 1871, unm, an annuitant and lodger; spinster, of 2 St. James Square, Bath at d., probate to Henry Hamilton Palairt, esq., estate £26,637¹²¹
3. *Charles Palairt*, b. 1805, Bath, Somerset (1881 cen; or Cornwall, 1841 cen); d. 3 Aug 1890, Norton St. Philip, Somerset (NPC), age 87 (Free BMD); mat Wadham, Oxford 26 Jun 1821, age 17; Mihel exhibitioner Queens 1822-24, BA 1825, scholar 1824-27, fellow 1827-39; MA 1828; ordained a deacon 1 Jun 1828 & priest 4 Oct 1829, both Christchurch Cath, Oxford; curate at Stowey, 26 Jul 1830, w/ stipend of £80 and the house, gardens & offices, req to reside therein¹²²; of Newton (Wargrove Mass), Winwick, Lancashire, 1841; of Norton St. Philip, Somerset 1851 (age 47) "clergyman not having care of souls"; his will was proven on 18 Oct 1890 by William Roberts of Norton St. Philip, carpenter and farmer, sole executor; estate £2,303.¹²³

¹¹⁵ Death certificate; Bath Regis. Dist., Index ref.: 5c:392.

¹¹⁶ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/2221, 18 Quire Numbers: 851 - 900; Image reference 139/488.

¹¹⁷ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1684, Erskine Quire Numbers: 201 - 250; Image reference 325 / 302.

¹¹⁸ National Burial Index (Federation of Family History Societies & Associates 2001).

¹¹⁹ Richard L.N. Greenway, *Avonside Anglican Parish Cemetery Tour*, p. 38 (2007),

<http://christchurchcitylibraries.com/Heritage/Cemeteries/Avonside/AvonsideParishCemetery.pdf>

¹²⁰ <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~nzbound/avonside.htm>;

<http://christchurchcitylibraries.com/Heritage/Cemeteries/Avonside/AvonsideParishCemetery.pdf>

¹²¹ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹²² Clergy of the Church of England database, <http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/index.html> (viewed 19 Sep 2008).

¹²³ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

4. *Richard Thomas Palairet*, b. abt 1806, Bath, Somerset (1881 cen; age 75); d. 7 Feb 1890, 16 Bennett Street, Bath (NPC), age 81 (Free BMD); m. 2 Oct 1845 at Shanklin to Emily, eldest dau. of John Campbell Cameron esq. of Shanklin¹²⁴; she b. abt 1816, London, d. 19 May 1882 at "Inns of Court" Hotel, Holborn, Middlesex (NPC), probate to hus., estate £194¹²⁵; Richard BA from Worcester College, Oxford; ordained deacon 8 Dec 1832 & priest 18 Jan 1834, both at Wells; licensed a curate at Stowey, 10 Dec 1832, w/ stipend of £80 and the house, gardens & offices, req to reside therein¹²⁶; apptd vicar of Norton St. Philips 1837¹²⁷, where he res 1841, 20 May 1846, 1851 & 1861; of Walcot parish, Bath, Somerset 1881; apparently no ch; in 1861, two visitors: Cha^s Palairet, age 14, & Edith Palairet, age 11, both b. Bradford, Wilts; of Norton St. Philip & 16 Bennett Street, Bath at d., will pv 15 May 1890 by Charles Harvey Palairet, Westhill Ledbury, Hereford, nephew and one of executors; estate £24,448.¹²⁸
5. *Septimus Henry Palairet*, b. 1807; d. Edinburgh, 1854¹²⁹; m1 Mary Ann Hamilton, dau of Andrew Hamilton,¹³⁰ Apr-Jun 1843, Dorchester, Dorset (Free BMD); she b. London 1822; d. Philadelphia; m2 Lydia Mary Charlotte Keane Bradney, Jul-Sep 1853, Bradford, Wilts (Free BMD); she b. abt 1834, d. 22 Apr 1885, 21 Upper Berkeley St., Portman Sq., Middlesex (NPC), age 51 (Free BMD); in Glasgow 1841; Capt., 29th Regt of Foot, appears to have left the Army by 22 Dec 1843, when his wf called him formerly of that Regt & they were living at Mount Clements, near Stanmore, Middlesex; of Woolley, Wilts, 20 May 1846; appears in 1848 directory for Bradford on Avon, res. Woolley Grange¹³¹; helped to start a rubber industry there w/ Stephen Moulton 1848¹³²; window at St. Philip Norton dedicated to Septimus Henry & Mary Ann Palairet¹³³; Septimus made his will at Edinburgh, 11 Jun 1854, at which time he was of the Grange, Bradford, Wiltshire, leaving all his property to his wife Mrs. Lydia Mary Charlotte Keane or Palairet, excluding the property settled on the children of his former marriage; wife named guardian of those ch; bro Rev. Richard Thomas Palairet, vicar of Philips Norton, Somersetshire, named Exec; will pv 15 Jul 1854¹³⁴; Mary Ann made her will on 22 Dec 1843, referring to 2 indentures of 15 Apr 1843 in contemplation of her marriage, between her, Septimus and George Gregory Gardiner, John Gwalter Palairet and John Campbell Cameron, trustees, the second of which included £3,500 and £4,000 in Consolidated Bank annuities, trust terms are not fully described, but appear to contemplate the corpus being held for children of the marriage, in default of which she holds a power of appointment, wch she exercised by

¹²⁴ *The Gentleman's Magazine*, vol. 24, p. 635 (1845) (Google Books).

¹²⁵ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹²⁶ Clergy of the Church of England database, <http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/index.html> (viewed 19 Sep 2008).

¹²⁷ *The Gentleman's Magazine*, vol. 8, p. 301 (Jul-Dec 1837) (Google Books).

¹²⁸ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹²⁹ The Versturme-Bunbury Family, http://www.turtlebunbury.com/family/bunburyfamily_bunburys/bunbury_family_bunburys_versturme.html (viewed 20 Sep 2008).

¹³⁰ Camilla von Massenbach, <http://www.links.org/links-cgi/readged?/home/ben/camilla-genealogy/current+c-palairret2280+2-2-0-1>. Andrew Hamilton was from a prominent Pennsylvania family.

¹³¹ http://www.freshford.com/1848%20_bradford_directory.htm

¹³² <http://homepages.tesco.net/~tim.twyford/BradfordonAvon.htm>

¹³³ http://www.hardingtonvale.org.uk/Hist_Norton.html (viewed 20 Sep 2008).

¹³⁴ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/2195, 12 Quire Numbers: 551 - 600; Image reference 523/391.

her will in favor of Septimus, due to her love & affection for him, naming him executor; the proof of the will indicates that Mary Ann predeceased Septimus, while resident in Philadelphia, but that he never proved her will in his lifetime; pv 6 Mar 1853 by Richard as Septimus's executor¹³⁵; Lydia MCK will pv 5 Jun 1885 by John Bradney of Bayford Lodge Wincanton, Somerset, brother & sole exec., she late of South Hall Preston Candover Basingstoke, Southampton, estate £18,511¹³⁶

7 ch, inc: (1) Mary Ann Palairt, b. Jan-Mar 1844, Hendon, Middlesex (Free BMD), m. Col. Adolphus Halkett Versturme, Apr-Jun 1863¹³⁷; (2) Henry Hamilton Palairt,¹³⁸ b. Jan-Mar 1845, Bradford, Wilts (Free BMD), d. 20 Mar 1923 (NPC); m1 Elizabeth Anne Bigg, Apr-Jun 1869, Clifton, Gloucester (Free BMD), m2 Charlotte Ellen ____; (3) Laura Katherine Palairt, b. Jan-Mar 1846, Bradford, Wilts (Free BMD), d. 30 Mar 1933, Bath, spinster (NPC); (4) Capt. Charles Harvey Palairt, b. 1847, Bradford, Wilts; d. 27 Feb 1905, London (NPC); at Eton 1858-65; Capt. 9th Lancers of West Hill, Ledbury; Maj., Gloucester Yeomanry (his son was Sir (Charles) Michael Palairt, whose dau Anne Mary Celestine Palairt m. Julian Asquith, 2nd Earl of Oxford & Asquith)¹³⁹; (5) Eleanor, b. Oct-Dec, 1848, Bradford, Wilts (Free BMD); d. 5 Jul 1913, m1 Henry Hodges, summer 1867 "at Harpsden, Oxon, Henry, eldest son of J. F. Hodges, esq., of Bolney Court, Henley-on-Thames, to Eleanor, third dau. of the late Capt. Palairt, 29th Regt."¹⁴⁰; m2 28 Feb 1911, Capt. Hon. James Terence FitzMaurice, son of 5th Earl of Orkney¹⁴¹ (6) Edith, b. Jan-Mar 1850, Bradford, Wilts (Free BMD); d. 1929, m. 20 Apr 1871, Westminster, Sanford George Treweeke Scobell, & an ancestor of Dame Barbara Cartland, a writer of romance novels¹⁴²;

6. probably *Catharine Elizabeth*, m. William Girardot; a Catherine Elizabeth Girardot, widow, late of Ryde, Isle of Wight, Southampton, d. 12 Dec 1883, Weymouth, Dorset (NPC), age 73 (Free BMD); will pv 13 Feb 1884 by Rev. Lewes William Girardot, of Sunninghill, Berks., son, one of execs., estate £6,465¹⁴³

vi. WILLIAM JAMES PISTOR, ch 15 May 1775, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI); d. 30 Apr 1861, age 85, a "Gentleman," at 35 Norfolk St, St. Clement Danes, Strand, Middlesex, of old age and exhaustion¹⁴⁴; he was buried at St. Peter, Chertsey, Surrey, age 86.¹⁴⁵ In about 1797, William James Pistor, son of Johnson Pistor, citizen and draper of London, was

¹³⁵ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/2229, 5 Quire Numbers: 201 - 250; Image reference 263/224.

¹³⁶ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹³⁷ The Versturme-Bunbury Family, supra.

¹³⁸ http://www.americanjewisharchives.org/pdfs/stern_p079.pdf

¹³⁹ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mark_Julian_Asquith#cite_note-4

¹⁴⁰ *The Gentleman's Magazine*, vol. 4, p. 527 (Jul-Dec 1867) (Google Books). See also <http://www.e-familytree.net/F12/F12827.htm>

¹⁴¹ thePeerage.com, p. 3858, <http://thepeerage.com/p3858.htm#i38574>; <http://www.e-familytree.net/F12/F12827.htm>

¹⁴² Camilla von Massenbach, supra; <http://ftp.cac.psu.edu/~saw/royal/r19.html#I806>

¹⁴³ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁴⁴ Death Certificate, Strand Regis. District; Index ref.: 1b:286. Mary Ann Hayward, present at d., was the informant. See also *The London Gazette*, issue 22520, p. 2514 (14 Jun 1861).

¹⁴⁵ National Burial Index, Parish Records Collection 1538-2004 – Burial, findmypast.com.

admitted to the freedom of London by patrimony.¹⁴⁶ William James was a drug broker at Walbrook, in business with his brother John, in 1804. William James Pistor obtained a tenancy of certain parcels of the manor as trustee for the poor of Walthamstow on 9 Jan 1822; he leased that property in 1845 in the name James Pistor¹⁴⁷; the Rev. George Ogle, by a will dated 18 Nov 1823, named William James Pistor one of his executors¹⁴⁸; mentioned in the 20 May 1846 wills of his sisters Maria & Elizabeth; in 1861, was unmarried lodger in hshld of Elizabeth Dixon, widow & tailoress, 35 Norfolk St, St. Clement Danes; see brother John Pistor above; letters of admin. of William James Pistor, late of Tanfield Court, Temple, London, granted 10 Jun 1861 to John Gwalter Palairret of Sherborne, Dorset, nephew; estate under £60,000¹⁴⁹

- vii. JOHNSON PISTOR, ch May 1776, St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI); not mentioned in father's 1797 will
- viii. MARIA PISTOR, ch 3 Aug 1777, St. Marys, Walthamstow, Essex (IGI); d. Jan-Mar 1853, Bath (Free BMD); made her will 20 May 1846, when she was a spinster of No. 16 Bennett St, Bath; pv 18 Apr 1853; her interest in house and remainder of estate to two nephews Rev^d Richard Thomas Palairret of Norton St. Philips, Somerset, clerk, and Septimus Henry Palairret of Woolley, Wilts, Esq. (also executors), in trust, to permit sister Elizabeth Pistor to live in the house, of which one moiety belongs to her, and all the income from Maria's personal estate; after her death, Maria's share of house & effects in it to Septimus Henry Palairret; £200 to bro William James Pistor; £2000 to sister Mary Coker Adams, wife of Rev^d Coker Adams, for her own use; £1000 for niece Mary Ellen Palairret; £500 for nephew John Gwalter Palairret Esq.; £500 for nephew Rev^d Charles Palairret; £500 for nephew Richard Thomas Palairret; £500 for nephew Septimus Henry Palairret; £500 for niece Catharine Elizabeth, wife of Rev^d William Girardot, remainder for Richard Thomas Palairret; wts: John C. Clerk, Chertsey, Surrey, clerk & Drusilla Tovey, 16 Bennett St., Bath servant¹⁵⁰
- ix. MARY PISTOR, ch 11 Jun 1780, St. Marys, Walthamstow, Essex (IGI); she was living 12 Dec 1851, when she pv husband's will; d. 15 Dec 1869, Anstey, Warwickshire (NPC), age 89, Foleshill, Warwickshire (FreeBMD); m. THOMAS COKER ADAMS, 23 Sep 1806, Clifton, Gloucestershire¹⁵¹; Thomas ch 14 Dec 1782, St. Mary, Warwick, son of Simon Adams & Sarah Coker¹⁵²; he matriculated at Merton, 5 Feb 1801, aged 18; he d. 26 Oct 1851, Anstey, Warwick¹⁵³; obtained BA 1804, MA 1809; he was ordained a deacon at Radway 20 Dec 1807 (received a stipend of £50 as curate), ordained a priest at Chapel Royal, St. James, Westminster, 12 Jun 1808; appointed Rector at Saxelby, Leicestershire 1809 by the Earl of Aylesford; also licensed Perpetual Curate at Shelton and appointed Vicar at Anstey (5 m. NE of Coventry center) 1809 by the Lord Chancellor; named Vicar at Foleshill in Feb 1822 by

¹⁴⁶ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/1203-1212.

¹⁴⁷ *Doe v. Foster*, 54 English Common Law Cases (3 Manning, Granger & Scott) 215, 218 (1846) (Google Books).

¹⁴⁸ *Reports of Cases Decided in the High Court of Chancery* [1829-1830], pp. 404-405 (1831) (Google Books).

¹⁴⁹ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁵⁰ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/2171, 7 Quire Numbers: 301 - 350; Image reference 32/1423.

¹⁵¹ *The Northampton Mercury*, 4 Oct 1806,

freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~dutilleul/ZOtherPapers/NMOct41806.html; Pedigree Resource File, CD6, Pin #47368; FamilySearch.org (Submitter: Landed Gentry, Medieval Fam. Unit).

¹⁵² Pedigree Resource File, CD6, Pin #47368; FamilySearch.org (Submitter: Landed Gentry, Medieval Fam. Unit).

¹⁵³ Pedigree Resource File, CD6, Pin #47368; FamilySearch.org (Submitter: Landed Gentry, Medieval Fam. Unit).

the Lord Chancellor; named Rector at Saxulby in Apr 1822, but seems to have vacated the same month¹⁵⁴; Thomas's will made 7 Nov 1846: confirms m settlement w/ present wf Mary; names sons: Simon Thomas Adams of Great Horwood, clerk, Cadwallader Coker Adams of Ansty, clerk & Stephen John Adams of 21 Connaught Square, Hyde Park, Barrister at Law; ch Sarah Coker Adams, Daniel Charles Octavius Adams, Clerk, Fanny Maria Adams; grandch: Henry Coker Adams, Cadwallader Frank Adams & John Adams, sons of TCA son Henry Adams, deceased & Mary Anne his wf; ch Mary Philadelphia, the wf of Falwar Skipwith Esq.; Catharine, the wf of Lt. Colonel Adams C.B.¹⁵⁵ Thomas's obituary indicates: "He was indefatigable in the discharge of his clerical duties, and particularly kind and affectionate to his parishioners. He had for many years been an active Magistrate of the county, and Deputy-Chairman of the Quarter Sessions, and had also been actively engaged as President of the Divisional Petty Sessions at Anstey for more than forty years, where his decisions gave almost universal satisfaction. He was the founder of the Asylum for Juvenile Offenders at Stretton-upon-Dunsmore, which has been productive of much good. He also promoted the formation of the first National schools at Coventry, which have now been the means of educating thousands of poor children."¹⁵⁶; Mary's will was pv 27 Jan 1870 by Rev. Simon Thomas Adams, Great Horwood Rectory Winslow, Buckingham, & Rev. Cadwallader Coker Adams, Anstey, executors; estate under £40,000¹⁵⁷

Children:

1. *Simon Thomas Adams*, ch 1812, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); d. 24 Apr 1889, Great Horwood, Buckinghamshire¹⁵⁸; mat New College, Oxford 7 Aug 1827, age 20; BA 1831; MA 1835, Rector Great Horwood 1839; ordained deacon 17 Jun 1832, priest 2 Jun 1833, both Christchurch Cath, Oxford¹⁵⁹; admin w/ will 31 May 1889 to Francis Cadwallader Adams of 61 Lincoln's Inn Fields, Middlesex, solicitor & atty of Rev. Daniel Charles Octavius Adams, of France, brother; estate £14,043¹⁶⁰
2. *Henry Adams*, ch 5 May 1811, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); d. Jul-Sep 1846, Foleshill RegD, Warwick¹⁶¹; m. Mary Anne Rainier, Jul-Sep 1841, Thanet RegD, Kent¹⁶²; sons: Henry Coker Adams, Francis Cadwallader Adams & John Adams
3. *James Adams*, ch 1812, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); described as Royal Navy in father's obituary, but not mentioned in father's will
4. *Mary Philadelphia Adams*, ch 21 Jun 1812, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); d. 23 Jun 1895, of

¹⁵⁴ Clergy of the Church of England database, <http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/index.html> (viewed 18 Sep 2008).

¹⁵⁵ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/2143, 19 Quire numbers: 901-950; Image reference 20/16; see also: Bernard Burke, *Burke's Genealogical and Heraldic History of the Landed Gentry of Great Britain & Ireland*, pp. 3-4 (5th ed., London: 1875) (Google Books).

¹⁵⁶ *The Gentleman's Magazine*, December 1851, p. 665 (Google Books).

¹⁵⁷ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁵⁸ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com; Stevens Family tree, Ancestry.com, by Hugh Stevens, Burgess Hill, Sussex, England (viewed 7 Nov 2008).

¹⁵⁹ Clergy of the Church of England database, <http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/index.html> (viewed 19 Sep 2008); Joseph Foster, *Alumni Oxonienses* (London: 1887), p. 7 (Google Books).

¹⁶⁰ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁶¹ Stevens Family tree, Ancestry.com, by Hugh Stevens, Burgess Hill, Sussex, England (viewed 7 Nov 2008).

¹⁶² Stevens Family tree, Ancestry.com, by Hugh Stevens, Burgess Hill, Sussex, England (viewed 7 Nov 2008).

Avon house, Tonbridge, Kent, widow¹⁶³; m. Fulwar Skipwith, 2 Jul 1835, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); he d. 22 Jun 1883 at Avon house (NPC); his pb 6 Sep 1883 to widow & Gray Townsend Skipwith of Thryberg Park Rotherham, York, Major in Royal Engineers, son, estate £9,807¹⁶⁴; Mary's pb 21 Nov 1895 to Gray Townsend Skipwith, Col. in Royal Regt. of Engineers, Frances Annabella Skipwith spinster & Francis Cadwallader Adams, solicitor; estate £12,688¹⁶⁵

5. *Catharine Adams*; ch 28 Nov 1813, Ansty, Warwick, age 1 (IGI); d. 21 Oct 1905 as Dame Katherine Adams of the Lodge, Ansty, Coventry, widow¹⁶⁶; m. Henry William Adams, 28 Nov 1843, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); he d. 1854, Maj. General¹⁶⁷; pb 8 Dec 1905 to Francis Cadwallader Adams, solicitor; estate £26,949¹⁶⁸
6. *John Coker Adams*, ch 24 Nov 1815, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); d. 1 Nov 1815
7. *Cadwallader Coker Adams*, b. 13 Aug 1817, ch 26 Oct 1817, Shilton, Warwick (IGI); Merton Coll., Oxford, mat 28 Nov 1838, age 22; BA 1843, MA 1846, vicar of Ansty & Shilton, Warwick, 1852 until his d. 8 Nov 1886 at Leicester, Leicester¹⁶⁹; pb 8 Feb 1887 to Rev. Daniel Charles Octavius Adams of Anstey, brother, & Francis Cadwallader Adams of 61 Lincoln's Inn Fields, Middlesex, solicitor, & Rev. John Adams of Offchurch, sd county, nephews; estate £14,226¹⁷⁰
8. *Stephen John Adams*, mentioned in father's 1846 will as barrister at law, 21 Connaught Sq., Hyde Park
9. *Septimus Adams*, b. 5 Jul 1819, ch 22 Aug 1819, Ansty, Warwick (IGI)
10. *Sarah Coker Adams*, b. 20 Jan 1821, ch 11 Mar 1821, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); d. 8 Nov 1915, of Haven Monk's Risborough, Buckinghamshire, widow¹⁷¹; m. Rev. Cadwallader Coker Beck, 13 Sep 1860¹⁷²; he d. 23 Apr 1893, of Crowell Rectory, Oxfordshire (NPC); he pb 21 Jul 1893 to Ralph Coker Adams Beck & Frances Cadwallader Adams, esquires¹⁷³; his estate £5,478; she contributed records of fungi to a work on the flora of Oxfordshire; pb 22 Feb 1916 to Septimus Francis Beck, land

¹⁶³ NPC; Stevens Family tree, Ancestry.com, by Hugh Stevens, Burgess Hill, Sussex, England (viewed 7 Nov 2008).

¹⁶⁴ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁶⁵ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁶⁶ NPC; Stevens Family tree, Ancestry.com, by Hugh Stevens, Burgess Hill, Sussex, England (viewed 7 Nov 2008).

¹⁶⁷ Interments, St. James Parish Churchyard, Ansty, Warwickshire

(http://www.interment.net/data/eng/warwickshire/stjames_ansty/index.htm).

¹⁶⁸ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁶⁹ Joseph Foster, *Alumni Oxonienses* (London: 1887), p. 6 (Google Books) (gs: d. 2 Nov 1886, St. James Parish ch); NPC.

¹⁷⁰ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁷¹ NPC; Marilyn Bailey Ogilvie & Joy Dorothy Harvey, *The Biographical Dictionary of Women in Science*, p. 100 (2000).

¹⁷² Bernard Burke, *Burke's Genealogical and Heraldic History of the Landed Gentry of Great Britain & Ireland*, pp. 3-4 (5th ed., London: 1875) (Google Books).

¹⁷³ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, Ancestry.com.

agent, & Francis Cadwallader Adams, solicitor; estate £6,770¹⁷⁴

11. *Daniel Charles Octavius Adams*; b. 25 Nov 1822¹⁷⁵; ch 12 Jan 1823, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); d. 17 Jan 1915, Haven Monks Risborough, Buckingham¹⁷⁶; John's Coll., Oxford, mat 28 Jun 1841, age 18, BA 1845, MA 1852¹⁷⁷; a botanist & author of *The Saints and Missionaries of the Anglo-Saxon Era* (A.R. Mowbray & Co., 1901); pb 5 Mar 1915 to Francis Cadwallader Adams, esq. & Rev. John Adams; estate £25,216¹⁷⁸

12. *Fanny Maria Adams*, ch 4 Sep 1824, Ansty, Warwick (IGI); living at home 1841; poss m. Apr-Jun 1846, Bethnal Green, London (Free BMD)

11. **MARGARET (PISTOR) CLARK** of London (1744-1828), was a daughter of John Pistor and Susannah Bryan, born on 22 August 1744 and died on 10 May 1828.¹⁷⁹ **RICHARD CLARK**, a bachelor of 30 years and upwards of St. Botolph Bishopsgate, obtained a license to marry Margaret, of Walthamstow in Essex, aged 30 years and upwards, on 13 January 1776.¹⁸⁰ They were married on 15 February 1776 at St. Botolph Bishopsgate, London (IGI). As mentioned below, Richard was born there in March 1739, a son of Richard Clark the elder, of London, and died 16 January 1831.¹⁸¹ A memorial in their honor is above a door in the parish church at Chertsey, Surrey.



Margaret was probably the Peggy Pistor of Aldgate who, in 1751, subscribed to "Puerilia or Amusements for the Young."¹⁸²

On 8 February 1776, an indenture was made between Margaret's father, John Pistor of Walthamstow, Essex, Margaret, Richard Clark, Johnson Pistor, woolen draper, John Pond, Benjamin Hopkins and John Parker, banker, in anticipation of the marriage of Margaret and Richard. In a later chancery proceeding relating to that agreement, she is called the only surviving child of said John Pistor by Susannah his late wife deceased. The agreement conveyed a moiety of certain lands in county Surrey to Johnson Pistor and John Pond in trust, assuming that the marriage occurred, for Richard Clark for life, then to Margaret for her life, with the remainder to their issue. In addition, John Pistor promised to convey to Johnson Pistor and John Pond in trust as before, £2000 in stock in the Bank of England. After John Pistor died later that year, leaving Johnson Pistor and Richard Clark his executors, Johnson Pistor acquired his

¹⁷⁴ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, Ancestry.com.

¹⁷⁵ Interments, St. James Parish Churchyard, Ansty, Warwickshire (http://www.interment.net/data/eng/warwickshire/stjames_ansty/index.htm).

¹⁷⁶ NPC; Interments, St. James Parish Churchyard, Ansty, Warwickshire (http://www.interment.net/data/eng/warwickshire/stjames_ansty/index.htm).

¹⁷⁷ Joseph Foster, *Alumni Oxonienses* (London: 1887), p. 6 (Google Books).

¹⁷⁸ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁷⁹ Cemetery Grave Monument Details, St. Peter's with All Saints Parish Church, Chertsey, Surrey, <http://www.gravestonephotos.com/public/cemetery.php?cemetery=310&limit=1>; photograph of monument in interior of church, forwarded courtesy of Charles Sale.

¹⁸⁰ Vicar General Marriage Allegations, 1776 (FHL Film No. 368,967).

¹⁸¹ See also grave monument, Chertsey, Surrey. His date of birth is difficult to read in the photograph I have, but may be 21 March.

¹⁸² U.K. and U.S. Directories, 1680-1830, Ancestry.com.

property. Richard Clark asked that the stock be conveyed to him. In the meantime, £600 had been sold and invested in 10 shares in the river works of London Bridge. Johnson Pistor and John Pond indicated that they were willing to convey the securities to him, but as it was encumbered by the obligation to use it for Margaret Pistor's benefit, a chancery action had to be brought to indemnify them against any responsibility. Chancery Proceeding Nos. C 12/1349/31 & C 12/239/39.

Richard Clark, Esquire, Chamberlain of the City of London, made his will on 30 December 1830. He mentions: "it is my desire that my remains may be placed where those of my honored parents and my late dear wife Margaret Clark are deposited." He left his lands in or near Chertsey in the County of Surrey and his pew in the parish church of Chertsey to his son Richard Henderson Clark. Richard also received "the Estates in Settlement on my Marriage with my said late Wife and I likewise give and bequeath to him . . . the books furniture and other Contents in the House and Offices in which I reside at Chertsey aforesaid and also the ffarming stock both live and dead and Crops both in and out of the Ground being on the ffarm and lands occupied by me being at and near Chertsey. Richard also left to his son the Reverend John Crosby Clark AM his freehold estate situate in Moor Mead in the Liberty of Norton ffdalgate in the parish of Saint Leonard Shoreditch, Middlesex "which was formerly the property of my late uncle James Trinder deceased and is now covered with several Messuages or Tenements." John Crosby Clark was also left the books furniture and other contents in the house in which Richard Clark then resided in New Bridge Street, London. The plate in both houses was to be equally divided between the sons. John Crosby Clark was directed to give a release to Richard Henderson Clark of his rights under the marriage settlement, as the younger child of the marriage. The remainder of the estate was to be equally divided between them and both sons were appointed Executors.

A codicil of 5 January 1831 left an annuity of £100 to Ann [Swerden] wife of ____ [Swerden] apothecary. Charles Williams was left an annuity of £50, as well as a legacy of £100. A legacy of £300 was left to William J. Pistor, nephew of Richard's deceased wife. Another £300 was left to Mr. Scott "my excellent Clerk and Assistant in my Inner office at Guildhall." Each of the clerks in the Inner Office at Guildhall were left £19, 19 shillings. Mr. Sewell, clerk in Richard's Outer Office in Guildhall was likewise left £19, 19 shillings. Sir John Arundell was left £100. Richard's "esteemed friends" Sir Charles fflower Baronet, Adam Oldham Esquire and Mr. Charles William Hicks of London were left £10 for rings. Mr. Hookey, Deputy Comptroller of the City of London was left £100. Richard bequeathed £19, 19 shillings to Mrs. Pembroke, widow of the late Rev^d Mr. Charles Pembroke. The same amount was left to Durley Grazebooke Gent. and Richard Smith Surgeon of Chertsey. Thomas Hudson Esquire and John prinder Esq^r were each left £10. Mrs. fforbes, the Matron of Bethlehem Hospital was left £19, 19 shillings. The steward of Bethlehem Hospital was left £10, as was the Rev^d Bubb, chaplain of Bridewell. Richard also left £10 to his servant George. The honorable Mrs. ffox was left £5 for a ring as a mark of Richard's respect. Thomas Wood of Littleton Esquire was left £10 for a ring. ffrancis Lightwick of Sandgate and the two Misses Lightwick his sisters were each left five guineas for rings, as was Edsell Wyatt Edsell Esq^r. The Honorable Henry Hotham and Lady ffrances his wife were each left five guineas for rings. Richard also left £100 to Mrs. Creaze of Portsmouth. He also left £10 to Mrs. Smith widow of Chertsey and £5 to her daughter Sarah Smith.

A second codicil mentioned that whereas Richard's two sons would become entitled after his decease to a very considerable some of money from the Office of Equitable Assurance in New Bridge Street, they were bequeathed that sum share and share alike. In addition, Richard's friend Letitia Matilda Hawkins spinster was left £100 and her two brothers John Sidney Hawkins and Henry Hawkins Esquires were left £5, 5 shillings for a ring.

Durley Grazebrook, Richard's Solicitor, later swore that the second codicil was added orally by the testator on 11 January 1831, the Tuesday previous to his death on 16 January, at which former time he was in perfect health. Grazebrook had it prepared and went back on Thursday, but the testator had become very ill in the night and was unable to see anyone on Business, which continued until his death on Sunday, with the result that the second codicil was not signed.

An obituary for Richard Clark appeared in *The Gentleman's Magazine*, for February 1831, pp. 184-85 & 652 (Google Books):

RICHARD CLARK, ESQ. F.S.A.

At Chertsey, in his 92d year, Richard Clark, Esq. Chamberlain of London, Treasurer of the Royal Hospitals of Bridewell and Bethlehem; Vice-President of the Hospitall for Small Pox and Vaccination; of the London Dispensary, Spitalfields; the City Dispensary, Grocers' Hall-court; the Rupture Society; the City of London School, Aldgate, &c.

Mr. Clark was born and baptised in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate, in March 1739; and among his earliest recollections was that of having been present at the execution of Hon. Mr. Ratcliffe in 1746. He was brought up to the profession of a solicitor, in which he attained to a very considerable practice. He was elected Alderman of the Ward of Broad-street in 1776, (on the resignation of Benj. Hopkins, Esq., who had been elected Chamberlain); and served the office of Sheriff in 1777. In 1781 he was a candidate for a seat in Parliament for the City, then vacant by the death of Alderman Kirkman; he was opposed by Sir Watkin Lewes, then Lord Mayor, who was successful by a majority of 2685 to 2387. In 1783 Mr. Alderman Clark was elected Treasurer of the Royal Hospitals of Bridewell and Bethlehem, which office he retained until his death. In 1784 he was elected Lord Mayor; and on the 19th of May 1785, during his Mayoralty, he was elected President of Christ's Hospital, on the resignation of Alderman Alsop. This post was resigned on his becoming Chamberlain, and was subsequently filled by the late Sir William Curtis. At the close of his mayoralty, he received the unanimous thanks of his brethren, "for his constant attention to the duties of his office, and to the rights of his fellow-citizens; for supporting the honour and dignity of the corporation; and for the wise, steady, and firm administration of public justice, during the whole course of his mayoralty."

On the death of Mr. Wilkes, Mr. Clark was, by the almost unanimous suffrages of his fellow-citizens, elected Chamberlain of London, in January 1798, and in consequence resigned his scarlet gown. On every Midsummerday since that period he has had the satisfaction of receiving the unanimous suffrages of the livery of London; and his unwearied attention to the duties of the office, his general complacency of manners, and the judgment and good taste with which he addressed either the juvenile freemen on their admission, or the distinguished characters to

whom the City from time to time presented their public thanks, have ever elicited the admiration, and conciliated the affection, of all the numerous individuals who witnessed his faithful and protracted services.

Mr. Clark was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries in 1785. He had a taste for literary company and literary anecdotes; of which we have proof in the following interesting passage, which we have been allowed to copy from his own manuscript in the invaluable album belonging to Mr. Upcott, of the London Institution: —

"It was Mr. Clark's good fortune, at about the age of fifteen, to have been introduced by Sir John Hawkins to the acquaintance of Dr. Samuel Johnson, whose friendship he enjoyed to the last year of his life. By the Doctor's invitation he attended his evening parties at the Mitre Tavern in Fleet-street, where, among other literary characters, were Dr. Percy afterwards Bishop of Dromore, Dr. Goldsmith, Dr. Hawkesworth, &c.; a substantial supper was served up at eight o'clock, and the party seldom separated till a late hour; and Mr. Clark recollects that at an early period of the morning he with one of the party accompanied the Doctor to his house, where he found Mrs. Williams, then blind, who was prepared to give them tea — which she made and poured out with a degree of elegance. Frequently has Mr. Clark visited this great and good man at his house, and met him often at dinner parties; and the last time he enjoyed the company of this great and good man was at the Essex Head Club, of which, by the Doctor's invitation, he became a member.

"Mr. Clark's occasional retirement, when his public duties will permit, is the Porch House at Chertsey, Surrey, the last residence of that excellent poet and good man Abraham Cowley.

"R. C. 12 Feb. 1824."

Of Mr. Clark's residence we find the following description in Manning and Bray's History of Surrey:— "In Guildford-street (Chertsey) is the house which Cowley the poet made his residence, and where he died. It is now the property and residence of Richard Clark, Esq. Chamberlain of London, who has built some additional rooms, but has religiously preserved all the old ones and the staircase, the banisters of which are of solid oak, rather rudely ornamented. One of the bedchambers is wainscoted with oak in pannels. His study was a small closet. It obtained the name of the Porch House from a porch which projected considerably into the street, to the inconvenience of the passengers; Mr. Clark has removed this porch, and on the outside of the room in which Cowley died has placed the following inscription : — "The porch of this house, which projected ten feet into the highway, was taken down in the year 1786, for the safety and accommodation of the public. — 'Here the last accents flowed from Cowley's tongue.'" A folio plate of this house, in its original state, was published by Barrow. A plate containing both back and front views was contributed by Mr. Clark to Manning and Bray's History of Surrey, as was a folio engraving, by Basire, of a portrait of Cowley at the age of twenty, from the original in his possession, considered curious as an early specimen of crayon painting.

"At the end of the town, going to the bridge, (it is mentioned in another page,) were two small almshouses; some few years back Mr. Clark removed them, with consent of the parish, to the end of Guildford-street, where he built two neat, substantial brick tenements. The parish has

since added four more, two on each side of the building, and which being one story high, form two wings."

In the same work, under the parish of St. Thomas in Southwark, it is remarked that "the history of the two famous hospitals will comprise that of the parish, the whole of which, except what belongs to Richard Clark, Esq. Chamberlain of London, is the property of the two foundations."

The first volume of " Anecdotes," by Miss Laetitia Matilda Hawkins, is dedicated to Mr. Clark, " because," she tells him, "you are the oldest friend of my family, and because you will be found largely a contributor to the amusement of the reader. I flatter myself that I shall deserve the reader's thanks for rescuing part of the stores of your retentive memory from waste, since I find it impossible to prevail on you to commit them to writing."

We have not been able immediately to turn to any other anecdote in which Mr. Clark is personally concerned, except one (p. 235) of his going to a musical party, in order to meet the Duke of Leeds, the very night he was to take possession of the Mansion-house, on entering his Mayoralty. His Grace endeavoured to detain "his Civic Lordship" over the bottle; but, Mr. Clark's habitual temperance remaining firm, he "at length rose, and good-humouredly said — ' Well, I see it will not do; you are too much on your guard for me. Do you recollect we are sitting on the identical spot where stood the house of Sir Robert Viner, when he filled your present situation, and Charles the Second dined with him? I confess I had some ambition to reduce you to the state in which Sir Robert was, when he 10 reluctantly parted from his royal guest, and to have sent you to take possession of the Mansion-house as merry, but I see you have out-manoeuvred me — so I am at your service."

Mr. Clark married in 1776, Margaret, daughter of John Pistor, esq., by whom he has left two sons, Richard Henderson Clark, Esq. and the Rev. John Crosby Clark. His personal property has been sworn under 45,000*l.* but it is understood that much of his property is vested in trust.

There are several portraits of Mr. Clark; one in the European Magazine for May 1806, from a picture by Mather Brown, Esq.; one in the New European Magazine for May 1823, painted by Lady Bell; and, lastly, a picture by Sir Thomas Lawrence, for which the Corporation paid 400 guineas, and which is now suspended in the Court of Common Council. A fine engraving of it has also been published at the expense of the City. A bust of Mr. Clark, by Sievier, was likewise placed in Guildhall by subscription raised by the City officers.

Children:

- i. RICHARD HENDERSON CLARK; b. 24 May 1780; d. 16 Feb 1839, Chertsey, Surrey¹⁸³
- ii. JOHN CROSBY CLARK, b. 13 Jul 1783, ch 5 Aug, Bridewell Hospital Chapel, London (IGI); d. 31 Jul 1869, Chertsey, Surrey (Free BMD; NPC); matriculated St. John's, Oxford, 29 Jun

¹⁸³ Cemetery Grave Monument Details, St. Peter's with All Saints Parish Church, Chertsey, Surrey, <http://www.gravestonephotos.com/public/cemetery.php?cemetery=310&limit=1>; photographs of monument in interior of church and gravestone outside, forwarded courtesy of Charles Sale.

1801, age 17; BA 1805; MA 1809; BD 1814; ordained a deacon 21 Dec 1806 at Christchurch cathedral, Oxford; on 19 Apr 1834, he was appointed Rector of St. Michaels, Winterbourne, Gloucester,¹⁸⁴ although he soon resigned his living, according to one record on 13 Nov 1834, according to another on 10 Jan 1835; he was a fellow of St. Johns 1839¹⁸⁵; of Chertsey, Surrey 20 May 1846, when he witnessed the wills of Maria & Elizabeth Pistor; his will was proven on 2 Sep 1869 by the oaths of Rev. Richard Thomas Palairet of Chatley, near Bath, Somerset and Charles John Worthington of Clifton, Gloucester, executors; estate under £80,000¹⁸⁶

12. **EDWARD PISTOR** of Leadenhall Street, London (1751-1802), was baptized on 22 December 1751 at St. John the Baptist, London (IGI), a son of Edward Pistor and Ann Grove. Edward obtained a license from the Faculty Office on 8 May 1778 to marry **MARY WENMAN**,¹⁸⁷ which he did on 9 May at Amersham, Buckinghamshire (IGI). She was probably the Mary Pistor who was buried on 31 May 1785 at St. Andrew Undershaft, London.¹⁸⁸ Edward Pistor was buried at St. Andrew Undershaft on 5 January 1802.¹⁸⁹

On 3 December 1766, Edward Pistor, son of Edward Pistor, citizen and clothworker of London, was apprenticed to the said Edward Pistor for seven years. The indenture also mentions "clockmaker."¹⁹⁰ In 1776, Edward Pistor and his brother John were bequeathed interests in their father's clock and organ making business. Edward Pistor was listed as a clock and organ maker at 116 Leadenhall Street in a 1777 directory.¹⁹¹ In 1782, Edward and John Pistor appear as watchmakers at the same address.¹⁹² They appear to have continued the business for many years, as they were mentioned as "Pistor E. & J., Clock & Organ-makers, 116 Leadenhall-str." in *Kent's Directory for the Year 1794*. Ord-Hume cites Langwill as indicating that they were in business until 1798.¹⁹³ One reference (identity uncertain) located at the Victoria & Albert Museum indicates that Pistor & Co. operated from before 1764 to 1802 (i.e., until the death of the younger Edward and his son). One of Edward and John's chamber organs, dating to 1781, is in Fishley, Norfolk.¹⁹⁴

Edward Pistor served on a jury at the Old Bailey, London on 16 September 1778.¹⁹⁵ On 19 October 1785, Thomas Band was tried for feloniously stealing, on 18 October, ten pounds weight of old brass, of a value of 5 shillings, the property of Edward Pistor and John Pistor.

¹⁸⁴ *The Statutes of the United Kingdom of Great Britain & Ireland*, 4 & 5 Victoria and 5 Victoria, p. 220 (1841) (available through Google books).

¹⁸⁵ Clergy of the Church of England database, <http://eagle.cch.kcl.ac.uk:8080/cce/index.html> (viewed 16 Sep 2008).

¹⁸⁶ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

¹⁸⁷ Marriage License Allegations – Faculty Office, 1701-1850 (accessed through Origins Network)

¹⁸⁸ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms & Burials 1771-1812 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 2).

¹⁸⁹ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms & Burials 1771-1812 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 2).

¹⁹⁰ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/1050-1056.

¹⁹¹ Arthur W.J.G. Ord-Hume, *Barrel Organ: the story of the mechanical organ and its repair*, p. 474 (A.S. Barnes, 1978) (Google Books).

¹⁹² *Id.*

¹⁹³ Arthur W.J.G. Ord-Hume, *Barrel Organ: the story of the mechanical organ and its repair*, p. 474 (A.S. Barnes, 1978) (Google Books).

¹⁹⁴ David Drinkell, *Gazeteer of Organs in Norfolk*, <http://www.norfolkchurches.co.uk/norfolkorgans2.htm>.

¹⁹⁵ Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913; searchable database at <http://www.oldbaileyonline.org/index.jsp>.

Edward Pistor testified: "I am in partnership with John Pistor in an organ manufactory, I cannot ascertain the time when we lost this brass, it was found in the house of Mrs. Hobson last week; I know it to be our property; the prisoner was a workman of ours; we employed him frequently." Margaret Hobson then testified: "I live in Petticoat-lane, I keep a smith and brokers shop, I bought the brass of the prisoner at the bar at different times, I do not remember the weight." John Perrot produced some brass he bought of the prisoner. Thomas Band testified that he knew nothing of it and called three witnesses to his character. The Court asked Mrs. Hobson. "Did he ever deal with you before?" and she replied: "Yes, about half a year before; I told Mr. Pistor what sort of a man he was." Thomas Band was found guilty and sentenced to be transported for seven years.¹⁹⁶

On 16 January 1786, Edward Pistor, organ builder of Leadenhall Street, stood bail for William Pool, Castle Street, Oxford Street, who was bound over to keep the peace.¹⁹⁷ On 17 June 1794, Edward Pistor, "late of Leadenhall-street, Clock-maker," was a prisoner for debt in Ludgate prison, City of London. He published a notice that he intended to apply to take advantage of the law permitting debtors owing less than £1,000 to be released from prison upon depositing for the benefit of creditors a true schedule of their property.¹⁹⁸ Eveleigh & Co., 21 Swan Street, Minories, London, "Real Manufacturer of Church Organs, Pianos and Barrel Organs," described itself as "Successors to Mr Pistor."¹⁹⁹

Children:

- i. EDWARD PISTOR, ch 26 May 1779, St. Andrew Undershaft, London²⁰⁰; bu 29 Oct 1779, St. Andrew Undershaft, London²⁰¹
- ii. EDWARD PISTOR, ch 7 Jul 1780, St. Andrew Undershaft, London²⁰²; bu 21 Jan 1802, St. Andrew Undershaft, London, the same month as his father and called "his son"²⁰³; Edward Pistor of Leadenhall St, Organ builder, made will 14 Jan, pv 26 Jan 1802, asking to be buried "as near unto my late ffather as may be convenient and at as little expence as decency will permit"; to Susannah Eslam, my current housekeeper, 30 guineas, plus household furniture and wearing apparel; to Mrs. Mary Skingle wife of John Skingle of Walthamstow, Essex, Taylor, 10 guineas; mourning rings to William Bull of Stratford, Essex; Mr & Mrs Hodgson of Wallbrook; Thomas Danvers and Benjamin Thorpe, both of St. Mary Axe; also uncles John & Henry Pistor, together with a legacy of one shilling each; residue to John Taylor of Saint Mary Axe Surveyor and Joseph Hooper of Bury Street Warehouseman in trust for the benefit of Susannah Eslam and after her death to cousin Richard Wenman, son of Joseph Wenman of City of London stationer and wf Eliz²⁰⁴

¹⁹⁶ Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913; ref. no. t17851019-39.

¹⁹⁷ London Metropolitan Archives, MJ/SP/1786/01/045.

¹⁹⁸ *The London Gazette*, issue 13674, p. 592 (17 Jun 1794). See also *id.*, issue 13677, p. 637 (24 Jun 1794). Issues of *The London Gazette* are available at: <http://www.london-gazette.co.uk/>

¹⁹⁹ Arthur W.J.G. Ord-Hume, *Barrel Organ: the story of the mechanical organ and its repair*, p. 446 (A.S. Barnes, 1978) (Google Books).

²⁰⁰ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms & Burials 1771-1812 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 2).

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²⁰³ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms & Burials 1771-1812 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 2).

²⁰⁴ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1368, Kenyon Quire Numbers: 1 – 57, Image reference 384.

13. **ELIZABETH (PISTOR) WENMAN HODGSON** of Fleet Street (1754->1802), was probably baptized on 19 February 1754 at St. Mary Whitechapel, Stepney, London (IGI), a daughter of Edward Pistor and Ann Grove, although her father's will of 3 August 1776 describes her as less than 22 years old. She and **JOSEPH WENMAN** obtained a license to marry on 2 January 1779; he was then a bachelor of St. Bridget (Bride) parish, age 26, while Elizabeth was upwards of 21 and of St. Giles Camberwell parish in Surrey.²⁰⁵ They married at St. Giles Camberwell on 7 January 1779, with John Harvey and Margaret Pistor as witnesses.²⁰⁶ Wenman died on 5 March 1790, of fever, and was buried on 10 March 1790 at St. Bride's Fleet Street.²⁰⁷ Elizabeth remarried to **BENJAMIN HODGSON** of Fenchurch-street on 6 August 1791 at St. Mary Abchurch, London.²⁰⁸

Joseph Wenman was apprenticed in 1768 to George Kearsley of London, stationer.²⁰⁹ The imprint of Joseph Wenman as a book publisher appears as early as 1777. His address is generally given as 144 Fleet Street. Joseph Wenman's career is described in Thomas F. Bonnell's *The Most Disreputable Trade: Publishing the Classics of English Poetry 1765-1810* (Oxford, 2008), pp. 180-85. Wenman published 67 plays from 1777 to 1778 and another 91 titles by 1781 with James Harrison. Afterwards, Wenman began publishing economical volumes of poetry, as well as fiction and essays. The last volumes were apparently published in 1794. *See also* Ian Maxted, *The London Book Trades 1775-1800* (Folkestone, 1977) pp. 112, 242; *Exeter Working Papers in British Book Trade History: The London book trades 1775-1800: a preliminary checklist of members. Names W-Z* (<http://bookhistory.blogspot.com/2007/01/london-1775-1800-w-z.html>).

Joseph Wenman a bookseller and stationer of Fleet Street, London, made his will on 2 March 1790, being "weak of body."²¹⁰ The will was proven on 13 March 1790. He left Henry Ball Senior and George Kearsley Senior 5 guineas each for a ring. He left his freehold property at 12 and 13 Crown Court Fleet Street to his wife Elizabeth Wenman. He also left her his leasehold property known as the Sign of the Crown in Crown Court, then in the tenure of one Davis.

He left to his wife Elizabeth, Richard Baker of Leadenhall Street, London, haberdasher, and George Bowen of Ludgate Hill, London, perfumer, all his stock in trade, book debts, lease of

²⁰⁵ Vicar General Marriage Allegations, 1779 (FHL Film No. 407,997); Joseph's full name and deceased status given in Chancery e133/99/15.

²⁰⁶ London, England, Marriages and Banns, 1754-1921 (Ancestry.com), scan of original record, p. 95, cited: *London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Giles, Camberwell, Register of marriages, P73/GIS, Item 012*.

²⁰⁷ Ian Maxted, *Exeter Working Papers in British Book Trade History: The London book trades 1775-1800: a preliminary checklist of members. Names W-Z* (<http://bookhistory.blogspot.com/2007/01/london-1775-1800-w-z.html>); St. Bride Fleet Street, Burials 1736-1812 (FHL Film No. 394834, Item 3).

²⁰⁸ London, England, Marriages and Banns, 1754-1921 (Ancestry.com), scan of original record, p. 89, cited: Guildhall, St Mary Abchurch, Composite register, 1737 - 1812, P69/MRY1/A/01/Ms 7667; *The London book trades of the later eighteenth century: newspaper extracts by Victor Berch. (EWP 10)*, <http://bookhistory.blogspot.com/2007/01/berch-w-z.html>, citing *Gentleman's Magazine*.

²⁰⁹ Ian Maxted, *Exeter Working Papers in British Book Trade History: The British book trades 1710-1777: an index of masters and apprentices. Apprentices: W-Z*. <http://bookhistory.blogspot.com/2007/01/apprentices-w-z.html>

²¹⁰ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1190, Bishop Quire Number: 144 – 191; Image reference 131 / 152.

the house he then dwelt in, and securities to carry on his trade, with such assistance as they may think proper, and to lay out from the profits thereof in the six years following Joseph's death £800 in new 4% bank annuities. For the more easy accomplishment of that provision, Joseph directed that at least £100 per annum be so laid out and added to the £800 of 4% bank annuities then standing in his name on the books of the Bank of England. Another £40 of such profits were to go for an apprentice fee for each of his two sons, Joseph Wenman and Richard Henry Wenman. The business was otherwise to be carried on for the benefit of Elizabeth, but when the son Joseph reached the age of 14 years, she was to take him on as an apprentice for seven years and when he reached the age of 25 years, she was to admit him as a joint partner, Joseph paying to his brother one moiety of the stock in trade. At that point, the trustees were to release the whole benefit to the testator's wife and son.

The £800 of 4% bank annuities were bequeathed to Baker and Bowen, in trust, with his wife to receive the interest during the minority of Joseph's four children: Elizabeth Wenman, Joseph Wenman, Richard Henry Wenman and Charlotte Wenman for their education, maintenance and support, together with the interest of the £800 to be laid out and joined to it. The capital was to be paid to the four children, equally, as they attained the age of 21. If all the children should die, then the capital was to be paid to Joseph's wife. Elizabeth was also to receive "all my household furniture, plate, linen, china, wearing apparel, and pictures." Joseph left his executors £20 each for their pains and trouble they will have in the execution of his will. Elizabeth, Baker and Bowen were named executors. Baker was a brother-in-law, having married Elizabeth's sister Margaret.

Joseph's business appears to have been carried on under the name of his wife, Elizabeth Wenman, in 1791 and then, after her remarriage, under the name Wenman and Hodgson from 1792 to 1797. Edward Pistor, nephew of Elizabeth, made his will on 26 January 1802, leaving mourning rings to "Mr & Mrs Hodgson of Wallbrook."

Children:²¹¹

- i. ELIZABETH WENMAN, b. 8 Nov 1779, bp 30 Nov 1779, St. Bride's Fleet Street; living 1790
- ii. JOSEPH WENMAN, b. 23 Apr 1781, bp 21 May 1781, St. Bride's Fleet Street; possibly the Joseph Wenman, age 70 and born in St. Bride's Fleet Street parish, who resided in 1851 at 29 Enfield St, Enfield, Middlesex, a widower and retired builder; there were Joseph Wenmans who d. Jan-Mar 1840 and Oct-Dec 1850 in the Newington, Surrey district; another d. Oct-Dec 1856 in the W. London district (Free BMD)
- iii. CHARLES WENMAN, b. 17 Aug 1782, bp 15 Sep 1782, St. Bride's Fleet Street; d. of convulsions, age 10 weeks, bu 2 Nov 1782, St. Bride's Fleet Street
- iv. MARIA WENMAN, b. 29 Dec 1784, bp 28 Jan 1785, St. Bride's Fleet Street; d. of whooping cough, age 11 months, bu 16 Dec 1785, St. Bride's Fleet Street

²¹¹ All baptisms and burials: St. Bride Fleet Street, Baptisms & Burials 1736-1812 (FHL Film No. 394834, Items 1 & 3). There was also a burial of Emma Wenman on 21 Dec 1788, age 1 month, d. of convulsions. I could not find a baptism record for her and if her age is accurately reported, she could not have been a daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth, as her birth would have been only six weeks prior to that of Charlotte.

- v. RICHARD HENRY WENMAN, b. [8] Jul 1786, bp 7 Aug 1786, St. Bride's Fleet Street (as Richard); left the remainder of his cousin Edward Pistor's estate in 1802; named ("my friend ... Richard Wenman of the Strand Hatter") as an executor and trustee in his cousin Henry Pistor's will of 14 Aug 1832; by a codicil dated 26 Feb 1835, Henry struck Richard Wenman's name from the will and stated that he wished him to have no control or management of his estate; a Richard Wenman d. Jul-Sep 1841 in the Newington, Surrey district; others d. Apr-Jun 1842 Camberwell, London, Apr-Jun 1857, St. Giles, London and Apr-Jun 1860, Hackney, London (Free BMD); the Richard who d. in 1857 left a will naming his wife and children
- vi. CHARLOTTE WENMAN, 8 Jan 1789, bp 3 Feb 1789, St. Bride's Fleet Street; d. of [tooth?], age 2, bu 3 Nov 1790, St. Bride's Fleet Street
- vii. ROBERT BENJAMIN HODGSON, b. 20 Jul 1793, bp 19 Sep 1793, St. Bride's Fleet Street; bu 19 Feb 1797, age 3½, Fleet Street, St. Bride's Fleet Street
- viii. LOUISA HODGSON, b. 29 Jul 1796, bp 14 Jul 1809, St. Bride's Fleet Street, 65 Paternoster Row, late of Fleet Street

14. **JOHN PISTOR** of London and North Molton, Devon (1756-1830), was born on 2 August 1756 and baptized on 27 August at St. Mary Whitechapel, Stepney, London (IGI), a son of Edward Pistor and Ann Grove. He died on 3 August 1830, age 74, at North Molton, County Devon and was buried in the churchyard ("M.I.").²¹² John married ANN _____, prior to 1793. She died in April 1839.²¹³

John was in partnership with his brother Edward in the clock and organ-making business and was mentioned in the 26 January 1802 will of his nephew Edward Pistor.

On 11 January 1786, John Darby (a negro), was indicted for burglariously breaking and entering the dwelling-house of William Gosling about the hour of ten in the night, on the 28th day of December last, and burglariously stealing therein, one wooden stock with twelve iron bits, value 20 s., an iron screw driver, value 6 d., twelve brass handles for hand organs, value 15 s., one large ditto, value 1 l. 11 s. 6 d., and divers other articles of brass work, belonging to organs and other things, the property of John Pistor and Edward Pistor, and three iron saws, value 14 s. one screw driver and sundry other tools the property of Valentine Fryer, in the said dwelling-house.²¹⁴

Valentine Fryer first testified: "I work in the house of William Gosling, he is a carpenter, I work for Messrs. Pistors, organ builders, who rent part of his house for a work shop, I remember his house being broke open the 28th of December, at night, I left my tools there at eight, I lost the things mentioned in the indictment, and one particular screw-driver which I have in my hand now, which was made out of a sword, and other things; the next day when I came in the morning, I missed them, and found this screw-driver that was made out of the sword in the ceiling belonging to the man where

²¹² Great Card Index, Society of Genealogists, evidently from the gravestone. The record mentions the date of his birth in London.

²¹³ *The London Gazette*, issue 20622, p. 2599 (14 Jul 1846).

²¹⁴ Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913; ref. no. t17860111-33.

the prisoner carried the things to; when I came out at eight I secured the door, and at seven in the morning when I came it was open."

John Pistor then testified: "I am an organ-builder, I have apartments at this house, none of my family sleep in the premises, not in that part of it, but Mr. Gosling's family, none of whom are here; I was not there an hour the whole day; the things I lost are produced by Mr. Edgar, I know nothing of the prisoner's taking these things but by his own confession before Mr. Staples."

The Court asked: Is the confession here? - There is none returned; William Wallis that is admitted an evidence is here. Court. But I must first have some evidence that this man has done something.

John Giles then testified: "I am servant to Mr. Walker, at the Sugar-loaf public-house, in Great St. Helens, between ten and eleven I was standing at our door talking to our watchman and the prisoner came along, now watchman, says the black, are you fastened up here, and he said let me through the wicket of the great gates; I saw the prisoner was a black man, I saw he had something upon his shoulder, that was his way from the shop, and the next morning I heard the shop was robbed."

One Thompson testified: "I am a watchman, I saw the prisoner go through the gate this night with two bags thrown upon his shoulders."

Court. Do not you think this was a great neglect of duty? - I think it was one of the carpenter's men.

Prisoner. Are you sure it was me that came through at that time of night? - Yes, I will take my oath of it.

Court. Did you know him before? - I took notice of the colour of his dress, his hat, and trowsers, and every thing.

Not from the features of his face, did you see any body in company with him? - Nobody at all.

Court to Giles. Did you know the prisoner before? - Yes, I know it is the same man, I gave a description of him immediately.

William Wallis then testified: "I know the prisoner, he laid by my fire side that very night that he robbed the shop, he brought the tools to my lodgings."

Prisoner. Who gave me the bags that held these things? - I gave them to him, he asked me to lend them to him.

Prisoner. He was the man that advised me to it, he was in the shop with me before he met me, and asked me where I was going.

Court. That will not make your case better, to say he was a bad man and tempted you.

John Edgar testified: "I am a constable, I produce these things which I had from an old iron shop in Vincent-street, Piccadilly, the man's name is Heath, he is not here."

Court to Wallis. Do you know any thing about these things? - Yes, they were such things as we have, but I cannot say they are the same.

Court. It is impossible to prove that these are the things that were stolen, having put no mark upon them.

Fryer. My Lord, his confession was taken in writing.

Court. But it is not here, you cannot give evidence of that.

Fryer. I can swear to this screw-driver which was made out of a hanger, which I took out of Wallis's lodging by the confession of the prisoner.

Wallis. I know this screw-driver, I saw the prisoner put it in the ceiling, the next morning he said he would get it sharpened and go on the highway.

Prisoner. How could I get out of the gate when the watchman was there, I have not a friend in the world.

Darby was found guilty of stealing to the value of 6 d. but not of the burglary. He was transported for seven years to Africa.

On 14 January 1786, John Pistor, organ builder of Leadenhall Street, Edward Pistor and Valentine Fryer accused John Randall, Henry Abrahams and Fanny his wife, and Philip Davis and Phebe his wife of receiving stolen goods from John Darby.²¹⁵

On 11 January 1793, the premises of John Pistor, 116 Leadenhall Street, organ builder, were insured. Property at 21 Swan Street Minories (where Eveleigh & Co., "successors to Mr. Pistor," operated) was also mentioned.²¹⁶ John was a chandler on 18 September 1793, when his daughter was christened at St. Giles Cripplegate. The John who was a chandler was clearly the one who died in Devon in 1830. Despite the difference in occupation in the 1793 records, it seems likely that they were the same man, at least if the indication that he was age 74 at death is correct, as that is exactly the right age for the son of Edward.

Papers at the Hertfordshire Record Office apparently pertain to: "Sale particulars of a freehold estate in Leadenhall Street, London, 1805; account of goods sold and held by Messrs. Pistors, apothecaries, of Leadenhall Street, London, 1805."²¹⁷ John's brother Edward died in 1802, but this could possibly relate to their business, which was in Leadenhall Street. It may also relate to that of John and William James Pistor, who dealt in drugs, but had their business in Wallbrook. On 14 December 1809 and 7 February 1810, John Pistor, gentleman, was insured on premises at 19 Buckingham Street, Strand.²¹⁸ It is not clear who this John was, although it seems likely that he was not the drug broker, who was at that time operating from other premises.

²¹⁵ London Metropolitan Archives, MJ/SP/1786/01/058.

²¹⁶ London Metropolitan Archives, CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11936/392/610345.

²¹⁷ Hertfordshire Record Office, AD30/125 (loose papers in the accounts of Thomas Stallard Penoyre of London). TNA index.

²¹⁸ London Metropolitan Archives, CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11936/444/836968 & 449/841002

John was a gentleman of Marsh House, North Molton, Devon on 10 April 1826 when he made his will. He bequeathed to his wife Ann Pistor his premises in Diapason Row, in the parish of Hornsey, County of Middlesex, also his premises at the Bourn Southgate in Middlesex and his leasehold estate in Swan Street and Goodman Yard Minories²¹⁹ in the City of London, also his leasehold premises at Stogumber in the County of Somerset and his leasehold house and premises at Marsh in the parish of North Molton, Devon, all for her natural life and after her decease to William Mathews Senr of Kingsland in the County of Middlesex in trust for Thomas John Pistor Greenslade, John's grandson, in case he shall live to the age of 21 years. Ann was to have the power to dispose of the property by her will in case Thomas John Pistor Greenslade should predecease her without reaching the age of 21 years, but if he were to die after her before reaching that age, then the leasehold at Stogumber to Mary Ann Greenslade, the mother of Thomas John Pistor Greenslade for her natural life. John also bequeathed the sum of £10 per annum to his daughter Rose Ann Roberson, the wife of Edward Robinson of Enfield in the County of Middlesex, during her natural life by the persons who become entitled to the rents and profits of the real property aforesaid. All the remainder of his property, John left to his wife, who was named Executrix. On 16 April 1831, Ann Pistor of North Molton, widow, made oath that John Pistor had died on the previous 3 August and that he had given her the above will in about 1829 and she could not find any other will.²²⁰

Ann Pistor of North Molton apparently gave a bond or promissory note to Christopher Huxtable of Barnstaple in 1832.²²¹

The Chancery case of *Paramore v. Greenslade*, 1 Sm. & G. 541 (1853), involved who should incur cost in the delay of conveyances sold at auction under the will of Anne Pistor, due to the death of the William Paramore, the elder, trustee appointed under her will. The property was ten dwelling houses in Diapason Row, Stoke Newington, each house being partly copyhold and partly leasehold. William Paramore became tenant in 1843 and, in 1846, instituted a suit for administration of her estate. The defendants in the reported case were purchasers of the copyholds.²²²

Children:

- i. MARY ANN PISTOR; m. _____ GREENSLADE, and had son: Thomas John Pistor Greenslade; they were both living in April 1826, but Thomas John Pistor Greenslade may have predeceased his grandmother, as she disposed of property by her will that was to have been held in trust for him by the will of John Pistor; Greenslade is a surname primarily associated with South Molton and Tiverton in Devon

²¹⁹ John was apparently occupying the property at Goodman Yard Minories for a warehouse by 9 Jun 1803, when insurance issued to Mair C. Macnin, 3 Haydon Square Minories, mentioned Pistor as another occupier. Guildhall Library, MS 11936/426/747806. TNA index.

²²⁰ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1784, Tebbs Quire Numbers: 201 – 250, Image reference 334/294.

²²¹ North Devon Record Office, Ref. 2309 B/Z4/6. TNA index.

²²² Frederick Pollock, Revised Reports, vol. XCVI, 1852-1854 (London & Boston 1908) (Google Books).

- ii. ROSE ANN PISTOR, b. 23 May 1793, ch 18 Sep 1793, St. Giles Cripplegate, London²²³; m. EDWARD ROBINSON or ROBERSON by April 1826

15. **HENRY PISTOR** of London and Surrey (1767-1844), was baptized on 15 July 1767 at St. Andrew Undershaft, London, a son of Edward Pistor and Ann Grove.²²⁴ Henry was presumably the Henry Pister who died on 29 January 1844 of "Decay of Nature" at the Union House, West Street, West London, age 76, a Merchant.²²⁵ He was buried in February 1844 at St. Sepulchre, London, age 77.²²⁶ Henry Pistor of Cursitor Street, Chancery Lane, London married **AMELIA WILMOTT** of Tottenham Freehold, London on 18 December 1787 at St. Bride's Church, Fleet Street, London, both of them being of that parish.²²⁷ Henry and Amelia married with the consent of his mother Ann Pistor, widow, and her father Henry Willmott, as both were minors.²²⁸ Joseph Wenman and Henry Willmott were witnesses. Amelia was age 20 at the time of her marriage and must have been a daughter of Henry and Albertina (Haslewood) Wilmott, probably the "Amelia," no last name given, whose baptismal record seems to have been commenced, but not completed, between 8 February and 8 March 1767 at St. Mary, Hornsey, Middlesex.²²⁹ Amelia was living on 14 August 1832.

Henry's father Edward, in his 1776 will, left Henry £100 "and the silver watch I usually carry in my pocket when he attains the age of 18 years; also £30 as apprenticeship fee with some suitable watch finisher, provided Henry shall approve of that profession or if not to another reputable trade of which he may approve; also all my wearing apparel." The family business of clock and organ building, as well as watch-making, was left to his older brothers, Edward and John.

Henry and Amelia were of Charles' Square, St. Leonard's Shoreditch in November 1789, when their sons Charles and Matthias were baptized. Henry was of the "Thavies Buildings," St. Andrew, Holborn in February 1791, when his son Henry was christened.

²²³ St. Giles Without Cripplegate Parish Register, Baptisms & Burials 1793-1807, p. 32; FHL Film No. 380209 ("Rose Ann D of John Pistor, Chandler & Ann").

²²⁴ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms 1742-1763, Marriages 1743-1753 & Burials 1742-1774 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 1).

²²⁵ Certificate of Death Entry, No. 243, 1844 Deaths, West London (informant: Alex^r Lamb, Master, Union House); Index Ref.: 2:202.

²²⁶ City of London Burials, Parish Records Collection 1538-2005 – Burial, findmypast.com.

²²⁷ Great Card Index at Society of Genealogists, citing *The New London Magazine*, vol. IV, p. 55 (1788); date from IGI.

²²⁸ London, England, Marriages and Banns, 1754-1921 (Ancestry.com), scan of original record, p. 445, cited: *Guildhall, St Bride Fleet Street, Register of marriages, 1775 - 1794, P69/BRI/A/01/Ms 6542/2*. Marriage allegation, 17 Dec 1787 (scan of original), *London and Surrey, England, Marriage Bonds and Allegations 1597-1921* (Ancestry.com), original cited as London Metropolitan Archives, Ms 10091/158. Marriage bond, 17 Dec 1787, (scan of original), *London and Surrey, England, Marriage Bonds and Allegations 1597-1921* (Ancestry.com), original cited as London Metropolitan Archives DL/A/D/24/MS10091E/100/2.

²²⁹ Scan of parish record, *London, England, Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, 1538-1812* (Ancestry.com), cited as: London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Mary, Hornsey, Composite register: baptisms 1684 - 1812, marriages 1736 - 1754, banns 1754, burials 1683 - 1694, DRO/020/A/01, Item 003. Henry and Albertina's first child, Albertina, was baptized at St. Mary, Hornsey, in 1765. Their subsequent children, beginning in 1769, were baptized at Tottenham.

Henry Pistor was listed as a watchmaker and pocket book maker of 117 Fleet Street in 1799, an area of many shops relating to the book trade.²³⁰ Another reference (identity uncertain) found at the Victoria & Albert Museum indicates that he was in business from 1792 to 1799 at 117 Fleet Street.

In 1793, Henry's financial problems began, which seem to have dominated the remainder of his life. In the *London Gazette* for 12 March 1793, an announcement appeared indicating that Henry had been adjudicated a bankrupt and ordering him to appear for examination:

Whereas a Commission of Bankrupt is awarded and issued forth against Henry Pistor, of Thavies-Inn in the City London, Watchmaker, Dealer and Chapman, and he being declared a Bankrupt²³¹

While the initial proceedings seem to have been concluded later in 1793, a fresh proceeding was brought by 28 April 1795. Those proceedings apparently concluded on 29 August 1795, Henry having fulfilled the requirements of law.²³²

In 1801, Henry's financial troubles resumed. On 7 March 1801, it was published that a Commission of Bankruptcy was awarded and issued forth against Henry Pistor of Abchurch Lane in the City of London, "Merchant, Dealer and Chapman."²³³ These proceedings were more extensive. On 7 July 1801, Henry, being imprisoned for debt in the King's Bench prison, Surrey, gave the first of three notices that, his debts being less than £1,500, he intended to apply to be released from prison under an act for the benefit of insolvent debtors, at the first general session of court occurring at least 21 days after his first notice. This notice gave more particulars about his residences:²³⁴

Henry Pistor, formerly of Elliot's Row, Prospect Place, St. George's Fields, in the County of Surrey, and of Abchurch Lane, in the City of London, Merchant. Dealer and Chapman, and late of No. 8, Lambeth Road, in the County of Surrey, Gentleman.

On 29 June 1802, creditors were given notice to appear to address what should be done about the claims of the estate against John Fraser and the late landlord of the bankrupt.²³⁵ On 21 February 1804, a further creditors meeting was called to decide what to do with the goods and effects of the bankrupt now at Charleston in America.²³⁶ As late as 10 May 1817, creditors were notified to appear to receive a dividend from the estate.²³⁷ Henry having been a bankrupt multiple times,

²³⁰ Exeter Working Papers in British Book Trade History; The London book trades 1775-1800: a preliminary checklist of members. Names P-Q; <http://bookhistory.blogspot.com/2007/01/london-1775-1800-p-q.html>; <http://bookhistory.blogspot.com/2007/01/streets-f.html>

²³¹ *The London Gazette*, issue 13510, p. 219 (12 Mar 1793). Blackstone uses "chapman" as a general term for someone who buys or sells anything. <http://www.lonang.com/exlibris/blackstone/bla-231.htm>

²³² *The London Gazette*, issue 13302, p. 826 (4 Aug 1795). *See also id.*, issues 13530, p. 428 (21 May 1793), 13540, p. 535 (22 Jun 1793), 13774, p. 406 (28 Apr 1795).

²³³ *The London Gazette*, issue 15343, p. 270 (7 Mar 1801).

²³⁴ *The London Gazette*, issue 15383, p. 801 (7 Jul 1801). *See also id.*, issue 15384 (11 Jul 1801), issue 15386 (14 Jul 1801).

²³⁵ *The London Gazette*, issue 15493, p. 698 (29 Jun 1802).

²³⁶ *The London Gazette*, issue 15677, p. 246 (21 Feb 1804).

²³⁷ *The London Gazette*, issue 17249, p. 1122 (10 May 1817).

he would not have been able to obtain a discharge of his debts, and his creditors could have sought to recover any assets he accumulated. This would have hindered his ability to resume his profession after 1801.

Both Henry and Amelia were apparently living on 14 August 1832, when their son Henry made his will, bequeathing £20 to his father and mother equally, "or to such one of them as shall be alive at the time of my decease." No probate has been located for either of them, they have not been identified in the 1841 census and no death record has been identified for Amelia.

Children (Charles and John uncertain, but probable):

- i. CHARLES FREDERIC EDWARD PISTOR b. 26 Sep 1788, ch 4 Nov 1789, St. Leonards, Shoreditch²³⁸; buried 27 Apr 1792, St. Andrew Undershaft, London ("a child")²³⁹
- ii. MATTHIAS HENRY PISTOR, b. 15 Sep 1789, ch 4 Nov 1789, St. Leonards, Shoreditch²⁴⁰; no further record; possibly the "____ Pistor, a child, from Hoxton, Middlesex," who was buried on 18 March 1790 at St. Bride's Fleet Street (8 days after Joseph Wenman, who d. of a fever, was buried there)²⁴¹
- 17 iii. HENRY JOSEPH BENJAMIN PISTOR, ch 2 Feb 1791, St. Andrew, Holborn, London; m. ELIZABETH GRAVENOR
- 18 iv. CHARLES FREDERICK PISTOR, b. abt 1792; m. ANN COLES
- 19 v. JOHN PISTOR, b. 1790s, m. LYDIA HUSON
- vi. EMMA PISTOR, b. Jul 1798, d. of convulsions, age 6 weeks, bu 5 Sep 1798, St. Bride's Fleet Street, address given as 117 Fleet Street²⁴²

166. **JOHN PISTOR**, of Wallbrook, Hoxton and maybe Bath (1772), son of Johnson Pistor and Mary Pond, was baptized on 12 June 1772, at St. Botolph Without Aldgate, London (IGI).

On 19 November 1788, John Pistor, son of Johnson Pistor of Bath, Somerset, put himself apprentice to Mainwaring Davies, citizen and draper of London, for seven years.²⁴³ On 21 May 1796, Mainwaring Davies wound up his partnership as a drug broker with Edward Rodwell, who intended in future to carry on the business with John Pistor:²⁴⁴

THE Copartnership between Mainwaring Davies and Edward Rodwell, of Martin's-Lane, Cannon-Street, London, Drug-Brokers, being dissolved by mutual Consent, all Persons indebted to the said Copartnership are desired to pay the same to the laid Mainwaring

²³⁸ St. Leonard Shoreditch Parish Register, vol. 10, Baptisms 1785-1791 (FHL Film No. 396,231, Item 1).

²³⁹ St. Andrew Undershaft Parish Register, Baptisms & Burials 1771-1812 (FHL Film No. 374409, Item 2).

²⁴⁰ St. Leonard Shoreditch Parish Register, vol. 10, Baptisms 1785-1791 (FHL Film No. 396,231, Item 1).

²⁴¹ St. Bride Fleet Street, Burials 1736-1812 (FHL Film No. 394834, Item 3).

²⁴² St. Bride Fleet Street, Burials 1736-1812 (FHL Film No. 394834, Item 3).

²⁴³ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/1190-1196.

²⁴⁴ *The London Gazette*, issue 13894, p. 500 (21 May 1796).

Davies, at Rodwell and Pistor's, No. 16, Martin's-Lane aforesaid, (by whom the Business will in future be carried on); and all Persons having any Demands on the said Copartnership are desired to send there an immediate Account thereof, in order to the same being discharged. Dated this 11th Day of May, 1796.

Mainw. Davies.

Ed. Rodwell.

John Pistor

The premises of Edward Rodwell and John Pistor, 26 Martin's Lane, Cannon Street, merchants and brokers, were insured on 16 May 1797.²⁴⁵ Edward Rodwell and John Pistor dissolved their partnership on 31 December 1799.²⁴⁶

On 26 May 1802, John and William James Pistor, merchants, of 31 Walbrook, were insured. They also had property at Old Swan Lane, Upper Thames Street.²⁴⁷ On 12 September 1804, Isaac Ghrimes was charged with grand larceny for having stolen 22 ounces of red Peruvian bark (a cure for drunkenness), value 10 shillings, the property of John Pistor and William James Pistor. John Pistor testified he was a drug-broker, living in Walbrook.²⁴⁸ Papers at the Hertfordshire Record Office apparently pertain to: "Sale particulars of a freehold estate in Leadenhall Street, London, 1805; account of goods sold and held by Messrs. Pistors, apothecaries, of Leadenhall Street, London, 1805."²⁴⁹ On 30 December 1808, the partnership of John and William James Pistor of 31 Walbrook, brokers, was dissolved by mutual consent.²⁵⁰

On 6 February 1806, Charles Price Percival, son of Richard Percival of Lombard Street, London, banker, was apprenticed to John Pistor, citizen and draper of London, for seven years.²⁵¹ On 30 November 1809, Robert Wilks was insured on property at 31 Walbrook; one of the other occupiers of the property was Pistor.²⁵² On 28 March 1810, John Pistor and Robert Wilkes were insured on that property and also property in Old Swan Lane.²⁵³ From 1813-16, John Pistor, Robert Wilkes and Charles Rice Percival, 31 Wallbrook, merchants, were insured on both properties.²⁵⁴ On 31 December 1818, John Pistor, Robert Wilkes and Charles Rice Percival gave notice that they had dissolved their partnership of No. 12, Sise-lane, Brokers.²⁵⁵

²⁴⁵ London Metropolitan Archives, CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11936/409/665771.

²⁴⁶ *The London Gazette*, issue 15219, p. 19 (4 Jan 1800).

²⁴⁷ London Metropolitan Archives, CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11936/424/732134; Guildhall Library, MS 11936/424/732134. TNA index.

²⁴⁸ Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913; ref. no. t18040912-14. Additional details are added by a petition for clemency on behalf of Isaac Grimes. See National Archives, Home Office, Criminal Department, HO 47/34/13.

²⁴⁹ Hertfordshire Record Office, AD30/125 (loose papers in the accounts of Thomas Stallard Penoyre of London). TNA index.

²⁵⁰ *The London Gazette*, issue 16213, p. 1763 (27 Dec 1808).

²⁵¹ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/1380-1386.

²⁵² Guildhall Library, MS 11936/443/836750. TNA index.

²⁵³ London Metropolitan Archives, CLC/B/192/F/001/MS11936/449/841709; Guildhall Library, MS 11936/449/841709. TNA index.

²⁵⁴ Guildhall Library, MS 11936/464/881476, MS 11936/463/885200, MS 11936/463/889531, MS 11936/462/895209, MS 11936/462/901295, MS 11936/461/901046, MS 11936/469/908030, MS 11936/468/917840, MS 11936/466/921828, MS 11936/468/922134, MS 11936/468/915690. TNA index.

²⁵⁵ *The London Gazette*, issue 17436, p. 13 (2 Jan 1819).

John Pistor swore to his mother's will on 27 November 1824. On 5 April 1832, Alfred Holt was tried for stealing a knife-case belonging to John Pistor, value 18d. John Pistor testified that he was a broker, living in Walbrook-place, Hoxton.²⁵⁶

ALFRED HOLT was indicted for stealing, on the 24th of February, 1 knife-case, value 18d., the goods of John Pistor, and that he had before been convicted of felony.

JOHN PISTOR. I am a broker, and live in Walbrook-place, Hoxton. On the 4th of February this knife-case was in the front part of the shop - I was absent about two hours, and did not miss it till the Policeman stopped the prisoner with it.

JOHN COLLINS. I am a Policeman. On the 24th of February, about half-past six o'clock, I stopped the prisoner with the knife-case under his arm, about two hundred yards from Pistor's shop; he said he had brought it from his sister's, at Islington.

GEORGE KEMP. I am a constable. I have a certificate of the prisoner's former conviction in this Court -(read); I know he is the man.

Prisoner. I get my living by selling things in the street - the Police have disturbed me several times, which forced me to commit this crime.

GUILTY. Aged 19. - Transported for Seven Years.

But for the above record dating to 1832, this John Pistor would seem highly likely to be the one who married Elizabeth Worthington in 1826.²⁵⁷

Whitehall, May 23, 1826.

THE King has been pleased to give and grant unto John Pistor, of the city of Bath, in the county of Somerset, Esq. and unto Elizabeth Worthington, of Lansdowne-crescent, in the same city, spinster, one of the daughters and coheirresses of Charles Worthington, late of Lansdowne-crescent aforesaid, Esq. deceased, His royal licence and authority, that from and immediately after the solemnization of their intended marriage, they may, out of affectionate respect and regard to the memory of the said Charles Worthington, and in compliance with a wish often expressed by him during his lifetime, assume, and from thenceforth use the surname of Worthington only, instead of that of Pistor; that the said John Pistor may likewise take and bear the arms of Worthington; and that the said surname and arms may also be borne and used by the issue, of their said intended marriage; such arms being first duly exemplified according to the laws of arms, and recorded in the Heralds' Office, otherwise His Majesty's said royal licence and permission to be void and of none effect:

And also to order, that the said royal concession and declaration be registered in His Majesty's College of Arms.

²⁵⁶ Proceedings of the Old Bailey, 1674-1913; ref. no. t18320405-282.

²⁵⁷ *The London Gazette*, issue 18250, p. 1221 (23 May 1826).

John and Elizabeth Worthington appear in both the 1841 and 1851 censuses, resident in Walcot, Bath. In 1841, they lived on Lansdowne Crescent, and in 1851 at 26 Royal Circus:

Name	age	occ	born in co
John Worthington	60	Ind	n
Elizabeth do	40		y
Catherine do	12		y
Amelia do	11		n
Adelaide do	9		y
Henry do	7		y
Cordelia do	5		y
Arthur do	3		y
6 servants			

Name		age	occ	birth
John Worthington	Head	70	Fundholder	Walthamstow
Elizabeth Worthington	Wife	50		Somersetshire Bath
Catherine Maud Worthington	Dau	22		Do Do
Amelia Coker Worthington	Do	20		Clifton
Adelaide Eliz th Worthington	Do	19		Somersetshire Bath
Cordelia Charlotte Worthington	Do	15		Do Do
4 servants				

In 1871, Elizabeth was a widow, living at 5 Marlboro B[ay], on "income from dividends," in Lansdown, Walcot, Bath. Living with her was her daughter Cordelia Woolmer and granddaughter Beatrice M. Woolmer.²⁵⁸

Aside from the 1832 record, John Pistor's last record indicating his location was in 1818, when he dissolved his last partnership. Thus, he could well have resided in Bath, where members of his family lived, in 1826. Moreover, his father Johnson Pistor is the only Pistor known to have lived at Walthamstow, Essex, the location given for John Pistor/Worthington's birthplace. While John was apparently born in London about 1772, his father lived in Walthamstow from 1776 to 1790, so that John would have grown up there and perhaps the census taker was told he was born there. His age given in the census would suggest a birth about 1780 or 1781, but he was substantially older than his wife and may have minimized his age. The name Coker, given to one of his daughters, presumably comes from Thomas Coker Adams, a husband of one of John's sisters. Most importantly, there don't seem to be any other John Pistors with a connection to Bath and Walthamstow that could have been the one who married Elizabeth Worthington. It would be very odd, however, to find him in 1832, six years after his marriage, still practicing his occupation of broker, in the same place (Walbrook, Hoxton) and using the name Pistor. John does seem to have been away from Bath in the timeframe 1830-1831 and perhaps into 1832, in that his daughter Amelia was born in Clifton during that period. There are several Cliftons in England, but the one closest to Bath was near Bristol. Until more definitive evidence is developed, the identity of John Pistor/Worthington seems unclear. As he was clearly a Pistor, however, his children are listed here.

Children:

²⁵⁸ 1871 Census, Walcot, Bath, Somerset, p. 36.

- i. CATHERINE MAUD WORTHINGTON, b. abt 1829, Bath
- ii. AMELIA COKER WORTHINGTON, b. abt 1830-31, Clifton; d. 31 Oct 1907, of 32 Windsor Road, Rathmines county, Dublin, Ireland²⁵⁹; m. ROBERT GRAHAM BROWNRIGG, Apr-Jun 1855, Portsea Island, Hampshire; executor Gerald Worthington Brownrigg, estate £311, 13s, 2d in England
- iii. ADELAIDE ELIZABETH WORTHINGTON, b. abt 1832, Bath; d. Jan-Mar 1866, Bath
- iv. HENRY CLARK WORTHINGTON, b. abt 1834, Bath; d. Jan-Mar 1891, Bath, Somerset (BMD Index); m. FRANCES ____, by 1859; she b. abt 1837, Newcastle, Carmarthenshire, Wales, d. Apr-Jun 1914, Bath; in 1851, Henry a pupil at Cold Harbour Royal Academy in Gosport, Alverstoke, Hampshire²⁶⁰; in 1871, of 13 Green Park Bldgs, Walcot, Bath, Somerset, an Adjutant, 2d Somerset Militia²⁶¹; in 1881, of same place, "Captain Gloster Militia, late 67th Regt"²⁶². Children: May/Elizabeth (b. abt 1859, Ireland), Edith (b. abt 1861, Bath), Ernest (b. abt 1863, Leamington, Warwicksh.), Constance (b. abt 1864, Bath), Florence (b. abt 1865, Bath), Laura (b. abt 1868, Bath), Rose (b. abt 1869, Bath).
- v. CORDELIA CHARLOTTE WORTHINGTON, b. abt 1836, Bath; d. Oct-Dec 1893, Bromley, Kent (BMD Index); m. CHARLES EDWARD SHIRLEY WOOLMER, Jan-Mar 1860, Bath, Somerset; he b. abt 1828, Exeter, Devon, d. 18 Oct 1902, Sidcup, Kent²⁶³; in 1861, he curate of Ramsgate, Kent²⁶⁴; in 1871, Cordelia was with her mother in Bath; in 1871, Charles was rector of St. Andrew's, Deal, Kent²⁶⁵; in 1881, vicar of St. Georges, Ramsgate, Kent.²⁶⁶ Children: Margaret Beatrice (b. abt 1861, Ramsgate), Edward (b. Jul-Sep 1862, Maidstone; in 1881, Lt. R London Militia), Katherine M.A. (b. abt 1865, Maidstone); Arthur L. (b. abt 1866, Maidstone), Shirley Worthington (son, b. abt 1868, Deal, solicitor), Mabel C. (b. abt 1870, Deal), Herbert C. (b. abt 1872, Deal), Emily C. (b. abt 1874, Deal), Dorothy H.S. (b. abt 1876, Deal).
- vi. ARTHUR PISTOR WORTHINGTON, b. abt 1838, Bath; d. 22 Nov 1898, St. George Hanover Square²⁶⁷; m. EDITH MARY PATTON, Oct-Dec 1872, Bath (BMD Index); she b. abt 1849, London; in 1851, Arthur a pupil at Marlborough School, Preshute, Wiltshire²⁶⁸; in 1871, unmarried, living at 29 Half Moon St., St. Geo. Hanover Sq., London, a Capt. in South Devon Militia²⁶⁹; in 1881, res. 80 St. George Road, St. Geo. Hanover Sq., "late Captain 3rd Regiment"²⁷⁰; in 1891, res. 28 St. George Road, St. Geo. Hanover Sq., a retired major²⁷¹; at death, a major in the 3rd Battalion, Essex Regiment, of 28 St. George's Road, Eccleston Square, London. Children: Claude (b. abt 1875, London); Percy (b. abt 1878, London).

²⁵⁹ England & Wales National Probate Calendar, 1908, p. 262.

²⁶⁰ 1851 census, Alverstoke, Gosport Hampshire, p. 32 (272).

²⁶¹ 1871 census, Walcot Trinity, Bath, Somerset, pp. 29-30 (45).

²⁶² 1881 census, Lansdown, Walcot Holy Trinity, Bath Somerset, p. 4.

²⁶³ England & Wales National Probate Calendar, 1903, p. 247.

²⁶⁴ 1861 census, Ramsgate, Kent, p. 21 (147).

²⁶⁵ 1871 census, District 7, Deal, Kent, p. 1 (28).

²⁶⁶ 1881 census, St. Georges, Ramsgate, Kent, p. 14.

²⁶⁷ *The London Gazette*, issue 27066, p. 2119 (28 Mar 1899).

²⁶⁸ 1851 census, Preshute parish, Wiltshire, p. 17.

²⁶⁹ 1871 census, St. George Hanover Square, Westminster, London, p. 52.

²⁷⁰ 1881 census, St. George Hanover Square, Westminster, London, p. 13 (55).

²⁷¹ 1891 census, St. George Hanover Square, London, p. 45 (83).

177. **HENRY PISTOR** of London (1791-1835), was christened as Henry Joseph Benjamin Pistor on 2 February 1791 at St. Andrew Holborn, London, a son of Henry Pistor and Amelia Willmott.²⁷² I have found no indication that Henry ever used the middle names Joseph and Benjamin, which were the names of twin brothers of his father who died in infancy. Henry, as Henry Pistor "the Younger" (signing as "Jr."), of Saint Bridget/St. Bride, London, obtained a license to marry **ELIZABETH GRAVENOR** of Christ Church, Surrey, on 30 March 1815 and married her in that parish on 4 April 1815. The marriage witnesses were John Pistor and Mary Green.²⁷³ Henry died between 26 February 1835, when he added a codicil to his will, and 31 March 1835, when it was proven. While he was of London when he made his will, he may have afterwards lived at Stanmore, Middlesex, as he was called late of that place in 1841, when his son Henry Edward applied to become a freeman of London.

Elizabeth Gravenor died on 29 October 1853 at Market Place, Kingston Upon Hull of chronic disease of the liver and valvular disease of the heart. She was described as the "widow of ___ Pistor Commercial Traveller."²⁷⁴ Her age was given as 64 and, in the 1851 census, her age was given as 60, suggesting a birth between 1789 and 1791. However, she was probably the Elizabeth Gravenor baptized on 8 May 1781, at Saint Michael, Coventry, Warwick, a daughter of Edward and Ann Gravenor (IGI). The 1781 baptism fits well with her clear identity as the fifth of six daughters of Edward⁴ (Edward³⁻¹) and Ann Gravenor of Coventry, even though this would have made her about ten years older than her husband. She was of Dublin, Ireland on 12 November 1814 and unmarried (her younger sister Lydia had married Richard George Grange of Dublin), although she had formerly lived in London. From the ages of 5 to 15, Elizabeth raised her niece Rose Bennett, daughter of her sister Mary and Ouille Bennett, a Frenchman deported under the Aliens Act of 1803. Rose later married Thomas Mancell.²⁷⁵

At Henry Edward's birth in 1817, the family lived on Breadstreet Hill in St. Nicholas Olave Parish, and the father Henry's occupation was given as: Stationer.²⁷⁶ At Henry Edward's marriage in 1849, his father's name was given as Henry Pistor and the father's occupation was given as "Importer."

Henry made his will on 14 August 1832, when he was a Wholesale Toy and Fancy Warehouseman of No. 98 Cheapside, London. He left £20 to his father and mother, and his interest in a messuage at No. 105 in the Strand (then in the possession of Messrs. []omball and Winning) to his wife Elizabeth Pistor. Henry's business was carried on at No. 98 Cheapside, which lease he also left to his wife, together with "all my household goods and furniture books plate Linen china Effects wines liquors stock in Trade book debts securities for money ready money and chattels of every description and all other my personal estate and effects of which I shall be pofsefsed or entitled." He also left her his premises in Holborn, near Great Turnstile,

²⁷² St. Andrew Holborn Parish Register, vol. 13, Baptisms 1781-1792 (FHL Film No. 374,355, Item 1)

²⁷³ Christ Church parish rec. (Bishops Transcript). Christ Church, Southwark, Surrey, Parish Register [Bishop's Transcript], Baptisms, Marriages, Burials 1809-1819, p. 89; FHL Film No. 307685.

²⁷⁴ Death Certificate, Kingston Upon Hull Registration District, Index ref.: 9d:112. Informant: Ann Waddy, present at the death, 6 Smiths place, Beyton Gate, Hull.

²⁷⁵ Catalogue Entry, Records of Thomas Bushill and Sons, Ltd, Boxmakers, Coventry Archive, PA 1535 (<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=144-pa1535&cid=-1&Gsm=2008-06-18>)

²⁷⁶ St. Nicholas Olave Parish Register, Baptisms 1813-1938, p. 4, No. 27 (FHL Film No. 374515, Item 3).

Middlesex (in the occupation of Messrs. Farrer, Penrose Collins and others), although that property was to be held in trust, with the rents being applied toward the maintenance and education of Henry's son, Henry Edward Pistor until he should attain the age of 21 years, when he was to have the lease and any accumulated proceeds. She was also named executrix. Henry named his friends the Reverend William Stern Palmer of Red Cross Street Cripplegate and Richard Wenman of the Strand Hatter secondary trustees and executors, in the event of his wife's decease during his son's minority. By a codicil dated 26 February 1835, Henry struck Richard Wenman's name from the will and stated that he wished him to have no control over his property or estate.²⁷⁷

Richard Wenman was a cousin, son of Joseph Wenman (a book seller, publisher and stationer) and Elizabeth Pistor, Henry's aunt. This connection helps to confirm that Henry was the son of Henry Pistor and Amelia Willmott.

There are several letters by or referencing Henry and Elizabeth (Gravenor) Pistor relating to the Gravenor family in the Coventry Archives, including:

Letter from Henry Pistor at London to Mr W M Seymour, solicitor, at Coventry, re death of Miss Ann Gravenor at Kenilworth and burial at Holy Trinity, Coventry, and death of Miss Frances [Gravenor] about 24 years ago at St James Picadilly, London [see 1535/15/28-29 above], 5 May 1834 PA1535/15/33 [n.d.]

Letter: Elizabeth Pistor at 108 Arlington Place, St John Street, London to Mrs "Mansfield" [should be Mancell], Dawley, near the Iron Bridge, Shropshire - informs her of the death of her mother in Manchester in July 1837, "as you and your Mother seemed to have car'd so little for each other you will not off course be much shock'd to hear of her death"; that her mother left a little property but that proof needed by Mr Pearman, lawyer, of Coventry of her right to inherit 23 May 1838 PA 1535/15/38 [n.d.]

Letter: Elizabeth Pistor, as in 1535/15/38 above, to Mrs Mancell but addressed to Mrs Isaac Thornton, Iron Bridge, Cole Brook Dale, Shropshire - virtually identical wording to 1535/15/38 above 15 Jul 1838 PA 1535/15/39 [n.d.]

Letter: E Pistor "your affectionate Aunt", as in 1535/15/38 above, to "My dear Rose", Mrs Rose Mancell at Dawley, Shropshire, thanking her for her letter and the ham sent with it, looking forward to seeing her in London in October, she left a widow with a son turned 21, last remaining sister died last December etc., 17 Aug 1838 PA 1535/15/40 [n.d.]²⁷⁸

Declaration by Rose Mancell that from the age of 5 to 15 she was brought up by her Aunt Elizabeth Pistor nee Gravenor and that she was always designated by Elizabeth as her niece, the only daughter of Mary Bennett nee Gravenor and Ouillet Bennett 16 Oct 1840 PA 1535/15/42 [n.d.]

In 1841, Elizabeth lived with her son Henry Edward Pistor in Bishopsgate parish, London. In 1851, she lived with him and his wife Mary Ann at 10 Market Place, Holy Trinity parish, Kingston-upon-Hull.

²⁷⁷ The National Archives, Documents Online, Records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, Prob 11/1846, Gloster Quire Numbers: 251 – 300, Image reference 6/5.

²⁷⁸ Letter of Elizabeth Pistor to Mrs. Rose Mancell, 15 Aug 1838, Records of Thomas Bushill and Sons, Ltd, Boxmakers, Coventry Archive, PA 1534 /15/40.

Child:

- 20 i. HENRY EDWARD PISTOR, b. 4 Jan 1817, St. Nicholas Olave, London; m. MARY ANN BLUNDEN

18. **CHARLES FREDERICK PISTOR** of London (c1792-1880), was born about 1792,²⁷⁹ in St. Bride's Fleet Street parish,²⁸⁰ a son of Henry Pistor and Amelia Willmott, and seems to have been named for his older brother, who died in April 1792. He died between January and March 1880 at Islington.²⁸¹ He married **ANN COLES**²⁸² prior to 1820 when their oldest known daughter was born. Ann was born about 1800 at Woolwich, Kent, and died between January and March 1869 at Shoreditch.²⁸³

Charles Frederick appears in some records as Charles (1841 census, 1855 m. cert., 1861 census) and in some records as Frederick (1869 workhouse admission, 1871 census, 1880 d.). The full name of Charles Frederick is used in the 1863 baptisms of his daughters and in an 1839 directory. While no direct proof of his parentage has yet been discovered, evidence that he is a son of Henry and Amelia includes: (1) he has the same name as their eldest son, who died in 1792, shortly before his birth, (2) he named his eldest daughter Amelia, (3) he gave his parish of birth as St. Bride's Fleet Street, which is the parish in which his parents were married and in which Henry Pistor later lived, and (4) William Chappell, father-in-law of Charles' daughter Amelia, was a pocket book maker, an unusual occupation also pursued by Henry Pistor in 1799.²⁸⁴

Charles may have been the man, age 39, charged at the Central Criminal Court, London assizes on 15 August 1836, with conspiracy to defraud. He was acquitted.²⁸⁵ Fred Pistor was listed in an 1837 London Directory as a furniture broker, living at 2 Cross Street, City Road, Middlesex.²⁸⁶ In April 1839, Charles Frederick and Ann lived at 2 London Passage, St. Luke, Middlesex. He was then a furniture broker.

In 1841, Charles and his family were living in Featherstone Street, St. Luke, Finsbury, when his occupation was given as "printer":²⁸⁷

			b. in county?
Charles Pistor	40	Printer	n
Ann "	35		n
Amelia Pistor	20		n
Ann "	15		n

²⁷⁹ Age 69, 1861 census; age 80, 1871 census; age 91, 1880 d.

²⁸⁰ 1861 Census, District West London Union Workhouse, West London North, St. Sepulchre parish, Middlesex, p. 12.

²⁸¹ Free BMD (age 91).

²⁸² Ann's surname given in daughter Caroline's birth certificate.

²⁸³ Free BMD (age 68).

²⁸⁴ Thanks to Rita Lloyd, Chris Ward and Sue Stuart for information incorporated in this sketch.

²⁸⁵ Ancestry.com, *England & Wales, Criminal Registers, 1791-1892* (source: Home Office, Class: HO 26, Piece: 42, Page: 192).

²⁸⁶ Information supplied by Rita Lloyd.

²⁸⁷ 1841 Census, St. Luke Parish, Finsbury Borough, pp. 14-15 (11-12), courtesy of Rita Lloyd.

Mary "	11		y
Betsey "	9		n
Sarah "	5		y
Caroline "	2		y

In 1851, Ann Pestor was listed as a widow at 94 Vauxhall Walk, St. Mary Lambeth, Surrey:²⁸⁸

Ann Pestor	Head	W	48	Needle Woman	Kent Woolwich
Sarah "	Daur	U	16	Charwoman	Kent Woolwich
Caroline "	Daur	U	12	At home	Middlesex St. Luke's

In connection with the 1855 marriage of his daughter Amelia, Charles' occupation is given as "Fancy Artist." In 1861, Charles is listed as an inmate of the West London Union Workhouse, St. Sepulchre, age 69, a painter, born at St. Bride's Fleet Street.²⁸⁹ While he is described as a widower, Ann and other family members were listed that year at 116 Britannia Street, St. Leonard Shoreditch:

				occ	where born
Ann Pistor	Head	W	55		Kent Woolwich
Elizabeth "	Dau	Un	28	Dressing Case Liner	Middlesex St. Luke's
Caroline "	Dau	Un	21	" " "	Middlesex St. Luke's
Ann Eliza Walker	Gr Dau	Un	13	Scholar	Middlesex Westminster

In April 1863, when their last four daughters were baptized, the family address was given as 116 Britannia Street, St. Barnabas St. Lukes, Finsbury, except for Sarah, whose address was given as 92 Britannia Street. Charles' occupation was given as Artist.

Frederick Pistor, age 79 and an artist, was admitted to a City of London Union Workhouse on 28 September 1869, after his wife died.²⁹⁰ In 1871, Fred^k Pester was listed in the City of London Union Workhouse in St. John's parish, Islington, located in Cornwallis Road, a widower, age 80, occupation artist and born in the City of London.²⁹¹

Three of the daughters of Charles and Ann were living together in 1891 at 8 Heme Road in Holdenhorst, Bournemouth, Hampshire:

				occ	where born
Sarah Bishop	Head	M	55		St. Luke's London
Florence Charlotte Bishop	Dau		9		St. John's Hackney
Elizabeth Pistor	Sis	S	59	Plain Needlework	St. Luke's London
Caroline Pistor	Sis	S	50	" "	" "

Elizabeth and Caroline were living with Mary Ann in 1901 in Bournemouth:

				occ		where born

²⁸⁸ 1851 Census, St. Mary Lambeth, Surrey, pp. 4-5 (132), courtesy Rita Lloyd.

²⁸⁹ 1861 Census, District West London Union Workhouse, West London North, St. Sepulchre parish, Middlesex, p. 12.

²⁹⁰ London Metropolitan Archives, City of London Board of Guardians, microfilm ref x107/019 (copy obtained by Ruth Bloom).

²⁹¹ 1871 Census, District City of London Union Workhouse, Islington, London, p. 13.

Elizabeth Preston [sic]	Head	S	64	Needlewoman	own account	at home	St. Luke's Middlesex
Mary A.	Sis	S	66	"	"	"	St. Luke's Middlesex
Caroline	Sis	S	58	"	"	"	London

Children:

- i. AMELIA EMMA PISTOR, b. abt 1820, Blackfriar's Road, Surrey²⁹²; d. 5 Feb. 1859, at home at 78 Shaftesbury St., Hoxton New Town, Shoreditch, of epilepsy²⁹³; m. 8 May 1855, Shoreditch, GEORGE HENRY CHAPPELL, a cabinet maker, son of William Chappell and Jane Palfreyman.²⁹⁴ She then lived at 30 Beviden St. He was born on 25 Aug. 1816 in Finsbury, Middlesex, and died in 1906 in Dunstable, Bedfordshire. In 1851, Amelia was a cabinet liner living at 4 Powell's Place, St. Luke, Finsbury. Children: Amelia Emma (1854-1903), George Henry (1856-1936), William Charles (1857-1917)
- ii. ANN PISTOR, b. 1824, Blackfriars Road²⁹⁵; d. 1859²⁹⁶; m. (as Anne Pixtor) THOMAS WILKES, 4 Jan. 1847, Westminster, St. Margaret, London²⁹⁷; Children: Ann Eliza ("Walker" in 1861), b. abt 1848, Westminster; Amelia Charlotte, b. Oct-Dec 1849, Shoreditch,²⁹⁸ bu 17 Jul 1853, St. Mary, Lambeth, Surrey (res. Union St.).²⁹⁹
- iii. MARY ANN PISTOR, b. 11 Jul 1829; bp 5 Apr 1863, St. Luke's Finsbury³⁰⁰; d. 30 Sep 1901, 19 Steward Rd., Bournemouth, Hampshire of haematuria cystitis and exhaustion; she was a retired housekeeper (domestic)³⁰¹
- iv. ELIZABETH PISTOR, b. 12 Feb 1832; bp 5 Apr 1863, St. Luke's Finsbury³⁰²; d. 24 Jul. 1918, of 35 Osborne-road, Winton, Bournemouth, probate granted to Caroline Pistor, spinster (estate of £334, 11s, 9d).³⁰³ In 1851, Elizabeth was a cabinet liner living at 4 Powell's Place, St. Luke, Finsbury.
- v. SARAH ELIZABETH PISTOR, b. 18 May 1835, Shoreditch, Middlesex; bp 5 Apr 1863, St. Luke's Finsbury³⁰⁴; d. 13 Jun 1926, of 60 Evelyn Rd, Winton, Bournemouth, Hampshire³⁰⁵; m. JOHN RUSSELL BISHOP, 23 Mar. 1856, St. Luke³⁰⁶; he b. abt 1832, Harwich, Essex; in 1861, a solicitor's clerk at 92 Britannia Ter., Hoxton Old Town, Shoreditch St. Leonard; in

²⁹² 1851 Census, St. Luke Old Street, Finsbury, Middlesex, England, p. 3 (age given as 20). Age given as 38 at death in early 1859.

²⁹³ Copy of civil registration death entry, courtesy of Rita Lloyd.

²⁹⁴ Marriage Certificate, courtesy of Rita Lloyd (witnesses: Joseph Aberdue & Elizabeth Pistor).

²⁹⁵ 1851 Census, St. Mary's, Lambeth, Surrey, p. 15.

²⁹⁶ Email from Rita Lloyd, 9 Apr. 2012.

²⁹⁷ Free BMD; Email from Rita Lloyd, 8 Apr. 2012

²⁹⁸ Free BMD.

²⁹⁹ Ancestry.com, *London, England, Deaths and Burials, 1813-1980* (database; orig. Burials Register, p. 109).

³⁰⁰ Ancestry.com, *London, England, Births and Baptisms, 1813-1906* (database; orig: London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Barnabas (St. Luke's), Finsbury, Register of baptisms, P76/BAN, item 001, p. 208).

³⁰¹ Death Certificate, Christchurch Regis. District (J. R. Bishop, brother in law, informant).

³⁰² Ancestry.com, *London, England, Births and Baptisms, 1813-1906* (database; orig: London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Barnabas (St. Luke's), Finsbury, Register of baptisms, P76/BAN, item 001, p. 208).

³⁰³ Ancestry.com, *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar, 1861-1941*, 1918 at p. 524.

³⁰⁴ Ancestry.com, *London, England, Births and Baptisms, 1813-1906* (database; orig: London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Barnabas (St. Luke's), Finsbury, Register of baptisms, P76/BAN, item 001, p. 209).

³⁰⁵ Ancestry.com, *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar, 1861-1941*, 1926 at p. 282 .

³⁰⁶ Free BMD.

1871 & 1881, in South Hackney. Sarah left an estate of £2769, 6s, 4d; probate to William Herbert Bishop, solicitor. Children: Sarah Elizabeth (c1860), Alice Mary (c1862), John Russell (c1864), Caroline Emily (c1865), Ada Harriet (c1867), Eleanor Ann (c1869), William Herbert (c1875), Florence Charlotte (c1882).

- vi. CAROLINE PISTOR, b. 19 Apr 1839, St. Luke³⁰⁷; bp 5 Apr 1863, St. Luke's Finsbury³⁰⁸; d. 18 Dec. 1919, of 35 Osborne-road, Winton, Bournemouth, probate granted to Sarah Elizabeth Bishop, spinster [*sic*] (estate of £740, 15s, 1d).³⁰⁹

19. **JOHN PISTOR** of London (c1790s-1854), was born in the 1790s in the City of London,³¹⁰ and was probably the John who was buried on 10 January 1854 at Trinity Church, St. Andrew Holborn, age 64, a resident of Gray's Inn Lane Workhouse.³¹¹ He married **LYDIA HUSON** on 25 March 1817 at St. Leonard Foster Lane, London, England.³¹² She was born on 9 March 1793 in Croydon, Surrey, a daughter of Ralph Huson and Deborah Stagg,³¹³ and died in Gray's Inn Lane Workhouse, Holborn, London. She was buried on 28 April 1854 at Trinity Church, St. Andrew Holborn, London, age 62, a resident of Gray's Inn Lane Workhouse.³¹⁴

John seems likely to have been a son of Henry and Amelia Pistor in that: (1) his oldest daughter, Deborah Amelia, seems to have been named for her grandmothers, (2) his only son had the middle name Henry, (3) a John Pister was a witness at the 1815 marriage of Henry Pistor, Jr., (4) an E.? Pistor, possibly Elizabeth Pistor, wife of Henry, Jr., was a witness of the wedding or John and Lydia and (5) John lived in Lambeth, Surrey, where Henry, Sr. was living in 1801. However, this identification is uncertain and needs better confirmation.

In 1841, John was a baker living in White Horse Street, St. Mary parish, Lambeth, Surrey.³¹⁵ In the 1849 record of marriage of John's daughter Mary Ann his occupation was also given as baker. In 1851, John and Lydia lived at 13 Surrey Row in Christ Church parish, Southwark, Surrey. John was then a dealer in artificial flowers and Lydia was a milliner.³¹⁶

Children:

³⁰⁷ Birth certificate, White Cross Street, St. Luke, Middlesex (courtesy Rita Lloyd).

³⁰⁸ Ancestry.com, *London, England, Births and Baptisms, 1813-1906* (database; orig: London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Barnabas (St. Luke's), Finsbury, Register of baptisms, P76/BAN, item 001, p. 209).

³⁰⁹ Ancestry.com, *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar, 1861-1941*, 1920 at p. 540.

³¹⁰ Age given as 45 in 1841 census, 60 and birthplace in 1851 census.

³¹¹ Ancestry.com, *London, England, Deaths and Burials, 1813-1980* (database); orig. Gray's Inn Road Holy Trinity, Camden, Burial Register, p. 183.

³¹² *London, England, Marriages and Banns, 1754-1921* (Ancestry.com database); original record: London Metropolitan Archives, Christchurch Newgate Street, Bishops' transcripts of baptisms, marriages and burials, 1817, DL/A/E/057/MS10115, Item 012, p. 247.

³¹³ *England & Wales Christening Records, 1530-1906* (Ancestry.com database), citing St. John the Baptist, Croydon, Surrey, film number 994331 (baptism date 6 Apr 1793). Parent's marriage: 11 Nov 1775, St. George the Martyr, Southwark, *London, England, Marriages and Banns, 1754-1921* (Ancestry.com database); original record: London Metropolitan Archives, Saint George The Martyr, Register of marriages, P92/GEO, Item 172.

³¹⁴ Ancestry.com, *London, England, Deaths and Burials, 1813-1980* (database); orig. Gray's Inn Road Holy Trinity, Camden, Burial Register, p. 207.

³¹⁵ 1841 Census, St. Mary parish, Lambeth, Surrey, p. 25 (36).

³¹⁶ 1851 Census, District 10, Christ Church parish, Southwark, Surrey, p. 6.

- i. DEBORAH AMELIA PISTOR, bp 12 Apr 1818, St. Clement Danes, Westminster, London; m. GODFREY HARRIS
- ii. LOUISA LYDIA PISTOR, bp 21 Oct 1821, St. Clement Danes, Westminster, London; m. JOHN SEAGE GITSHAM, 13 Dec 1837, St. Thomas' Church, Bristol, Gloucester
- iii. MARY ANN PISTOR, bp 19 May 1822, St. Clement Danes, Westminster, London; m. JOSEPH BENT, 30 May 1849, St. Luke's parish, Middlesex; she resident in Goswell St; he was a military ornament mfr, resident St. Philip Birmingham.³¹⁷ In 1851, they resided at 128 Spring St, Edgbaston, Warwickshire, a suburb of Birmingham (Mary Ann listed as b. Holborn, Middlesex). Joseph's company seems to have been Bent & Parker, whistle mfrs, founded in 1835. In 1849, he was listed as: "Bent Joseph, plater, and german silver electro plated ware, and military ornament manufacturer, 59 Newhall Street."³¹⁸
- iv. MATILDA PISTOR, bp 26 Sep 1824, St. Clement Danes, Westminster, London; living with parents 1841 (age 15); m. CHARLES WICKS, 15 Oct 1843, St. Mary's, Lambeth, Surrey; **poss bu: 15 Aug 1849, St. George the Martyr, Southwark**
- v. JOHN HENRY PISTOR, bp 26 Aug 1826, St. Mary Whitechapel, Stepney, London; bu 19 Feb 1830, St. John the Evangelist, Lambeth, age 3 yrs, res: Lower Marsh³¹⁹
- vi. FANNY PISTOR, b. 3 Jul 1828, bp 17 May 1829, Old Church, St. Pancras, London; living with parents 1841 (age 12); m. STEPHEN WALLER

20. **HENRY EDWARD PISTOR** of Kingston-Upon-Hull, Birmingham and London (1817-1877), was born on 4 January 1817 and christened on 16 February 1817 at St. Nicholas Olave, London, a son of Henry Pistor and Elizabeth Gravenor.³²⁰ He died on 12 April 1877 at the Leipzig Fair in Germany.³²¹ Henry Edward married **MARY ANN BLUNDEN** on 2 September 1849 at St. John Southwark, Surrey (witnesses: William Blunden & Marie Blunden).³²² Mary Ann was born on 1 August 1830 at Burnham-on-Crouch, Essex, a daughter of Thomas Blunden and Elizabeth Rouse.³²³

On 19 January 1841, Henry Edward Pistor, "(Son of Henry Pistor, late of Stanmore, Mid^x, Dec^d) occupying premises in 19 Bishopsgate Street in the Parish of St. Botolph to Without, Ward of Bishops^e and carrying on the Business of Fancy Toy Warehouser," sought admission to



³¹⁷ London, England, Marriages and Banns, 1754-1921 (Ancestry.com), original: London Metropolitan Archives, Saint Luke, Old Street, Register of marriages, P76/LUK, Item 050.

³¹⁸ *History & General Directory of the Borough of Birmingham* (1849), courtesy of Chris Ward

³¹⁹ Ancestry.com, *London, England, Deaths and Burials, 1813-1980* (database), reg. St. John the Evangelist, Lambeth, burial register, p. 231.

³²⁰ St. Nicholas Olave Parish Register, Baptisms 1813-1938, p. 4 (FHL Film No. 374,515, Item 3).

³²¹ Somerset House, Principal Registry of the Family Division, Wills & Admins. 1877, vol. O-Q, p. 269. Location given as Leipzig [sic]. T.A. Pistor's obituary indicates it was at the Leipzig Fair.

³²² Marriage Certificate (hand copied), St. Olave Reg. Dist., Index Ref. 4:538.

³²³ Kenneth V. Elphinstone, *Burnham Parish Register transcripts* (1930, at Society of Genealogists), vol. XIII, p. 196; marriage certificate gives her father as Thomas Blunden, Farmer.

the Freedom of the City of London, by redemption, paying £13, 12s., 6d.³²⁴

1841 census, London, Bishopsgate parish:

Henry Pistor	20	Merchant	b. in county
Elizabeth "	45	Independent	not b. in county
Eliza Bell	25	Servant	not b. in county

A Henry Pistor, fancy toy dealer, is listed at 79 Bishopsgate without in the 1842 London directory. A directory for 1845 lists Henry Edward Pistor, toy dealer and importer, at the same address.

At the time of their marriage, both Henry Edward and Mary Ann were both listed as residents of St. John Southwark parish, Surrey. Henry Edward's occupation is given as importer.

1851 census, Kingston upon Hull, Holy Trinity parish:

10 Market Place

Henry Edw ^d Pistor	Head	Mar	34	Shopkeeper	London
Mary Ann "	Wife	Mar	20		Essex
Mary Ann Elizabeth "	Dau ^r		1		Yorks Hull
Elizabeth "	Mother	Widow	60		Warwicks Coventry
Sarah Harris	Servant		17		Yorks Hull

The death of a Henry Edward Pistor was recorded between January and March 1852 at Hull. In an 1855 directory, Henry Edward Pistor is listed as a glass and china dealer at 10 Market Place in Hull.³²⁵

The family is listed at 138 Selly Grove, Northfield, Worcestershire, a southern suburb of Birmingham, in the 1861 census (E.D. #5, p. 27). The microfilm copy is not very good, particularly on the right hand side of the places of birth:

Henry [] Pistor	44	Merchant in Foreign Fancy Goods	b. London St Nicholas
Mary A.	Do wf 31		b. Essex Burn[]
Frederick	Do son 7		b. Yorkshire Hull
Robert	Do son 5		b. Yorkshire "
William	Do son 3		b. Warwicksh, Edgbaston
Thomas	Do son 8 mos		b. Worcesters, Northfield
Maria Dunn	Serv 50		" St[]bridge
Elizabeth Jeffs	" 21		" Northfield
John Mountford	" 25		" Cleu[]

An 1862 directory listed Henry Edward Pistor as a commission agent of 50 Ann Street, Birmingham, with a residence at Selly Oak.³²⁶ On 17 February 1863, Henry Edward Pistor dissolved the partnership between him and Richard Matthews "as Manufacturing Perfumers and

³²⁴ *London, England, Freedom of the City Admission Papers, 1681-1925*, Ancestry.com database: London Metropolitan Archive; Reference Number: COL/CHD/FR/02/1699-1705.

³²⁵ *Slaters Royal National Commercial Directory of the Northern Counties*, vol. 1, p. 221.

³²⁶ *Corporation Directory for Birmingham and Environs*, p. 294 (William Cornish: Birmingham, 1862).

Fancy Soap Makers, trading under the style or firm of Richard Matthews and Co., at No. 50, Ann-street, Birmingham."³²⁷ The *London Gazette* for January 15, 1864, carried the following notice.³²⁸

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between the undersigned, Henry Edward Pistor and Francis Sinclair, as Custom House and General Forwarding Agents, carried on formerly under the firm of Henry Edward Pistor and Co., at White Horseyard, and latterly, by mutual consent, under the firm of Sinclair and Pistor, at No. 13, Bumber Dock-street, both in Kingston-upon-Hull, was this day dissolved by mutual consent; and that the said business will in future be carried on by the said Henry Edward Pistor alone.—Dated this 31st day of December, 1863.

Hy. Ed. Pistor.

Fras. Sinclair.

On 1 May 1866, Henry Edward Pistor of Birmingham, merchant, was named a trustee in an assignment for the benefit of creditors made by Thomas Smith of Liverpool, china, earthenware and glass dealer.³²⁹ On 14 August 1866, Henry Edward Pistor of Birmingham, merchant, made a deed of composition under the Bankruptcy Act in favor of his creditors, in which he covenanted to pay 5 shillings in the pound, in two installments of 2s. 6d. each, payable on the next October 20 and January 20, in exchange for a release.³³⁰ Henry was of Ann Street in Birmingham on 28 February 1868 when he made his will, which calls him a Merchants Agent.

By 1871, apparently after a period in Sutton Coldfield, a northern suburb of Birmingham, the family was living at Hill House in Fillongley in Warwickshire (p. 10 (37 2); #61):

Mary Ann Pistor	41 Merchants Wife	b. Maldon
Benjamin John	son 18 Engaged in Fathers Office	b. York Hull
Frederic Edw ^d	son 16 Do	" "
Robt Walter	son 14 at School	" "
William	son 12 "	b. Selly Oak
Thomas	son 10 "	Do Do
Margaret	dau 8	Warwick, Sutton Coldfield
Elizabeth Farmer	serv 34	Do Do

Madge Pistor states that her father lived for a time as a boy in Bohemia or Germany. He also resided at a house known as the Uplands, Wood End, Arley Lane in Fillongley and a picture of that house remained among the family possessions. By report of Mr. R.H. Adkins, a local historian of the area, White's Directory for 1874 indicates that the Uplands was then occupied by H.E. Pistor, Conservative Agent, and Henry Herbert Pistor, farmer. The *Return of Owners of Land--1873* lists an Edward Henry Pistor at Fillongley, the owner of 21 acres, 3 rods and 10 perches of land with a gross estimated rental of £45, 2 sh.

³²⁷ *The London Gazette*, issue 22721, p. 1781 (24 Mar 1863).

³²⁸ *The London Gazette*, issue 22808, 1864, p. 234 (www.london-gazette.co.uk).

³²⁹ *The London Gazette*, issue 23121, p. 3229 (29 May 1866).

³³⁰ *The London Gazette*, issue 23156, p. 4762 (28 Aug 1866).

Henry's will was proved on 28 May 1877 and Mary Ann Pistor, the widow, was appointed to administer it. She was then of 33 Finsbury Square in London. The will gave all Henry's personal and household effects to his wife and divided the remainder, leaving half to his wife and half for his children in trust until they reached 21, Mary Ann and Henry's friend Vaughton William Houghton to serve as trustees.³³¹

Madge: "My father's mother seemed to have lived latterly in Bohemia -- used to visit us sometimes but I never knew her -- both she & father's father must have been buried over there -- in Bohemia."

Children:

- i. MARY ANN ELIZABETH PISTOR, b. abt 1850, Kingston-upon-Hull, Yorkshire; d. Oct-Dec 1852, Hull (FreeBMD)
- ii. HENRY EDWARD PISTOR, probably a son b. after the 1851 census & d. Jan-Mar 1852, Hull (FreeBMD)
- iii. BENJAMIN JOHN (JACK) PISTOR, b. Oct-Dec 1853, Hull, Yorkshire; d. as a young man, after 1871, prob the John Benjamin Pistor who d. Jul-Sep 1877, Chorlton RegD (FreeBMD)
- iv. FREDERICK EDWARD PISTOR, b. Oct 1855, Hull (Sculcoates RegD), Yorkshire; ch 8 Oct 1855, Holy Trinity, Kingston-upon-Hull; m. TONI _____, a Bohemian girl, and had daughter Nelly (b. 1900)
- v. ROBERT WALTER PISTOR, b. Jan-Feb 1857, Hull (as Walter Robert; Sculcoates RegD), Yorkshire; ch 16 Feb 1857, Holy Trinity, Kingston-upon-Hull; d. 11 Jul 1897, of 170 Oxford Terrace, Leabridge Road, Leyton, Essex (NPC); m. ELIZABETH (Lizzie) _____, a Scotch girl, and had two children, Douglas Robert A. (b. Jul-Sep 1892, West Ham [FreeBMD]) & Marie Elizabeth Pistor of Glasgow who m. Arthur Leopold White, at Ealing 21 Mar 1914³³²; admin 27 Aug 1897 to Elizabeth Pistor, widow; effects £695³³³
- vi. WILLIAM FRANCIS PISTOR, b. Apr-Jun 1858, Edgbaston (Kings Norton RegD), Warwick (FreeBMD); m. ELLA _____, a German girl, and had daughter, Carmen, who m. a Hentzen; dissolved partnership w/ Thomas Alfred Pistor on 1 Nov 1899.
- 21 vii. THOMAS ALFRED PISTOR, b. 18 Aug 1860, Northfield (Kings Norton RegD), Worcestersh; m. EMILIE NINEA GREGG
- viii. MARGARET ELLEN PISTOR, b. Oct-Dec 1862, Aston RegD (FreeBMD); bp 4 Jan 1863, Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire³³⁴; m. an Austrian professor named _____ KRAINER & lived at Graz, had one son, Harry killed in WWI, Russia; d. abt 1938, Graz, Austria

³³¹ Somerset House, Principal Registry of the Family Division, Will Book 9 (1877).

³³² Great Card Index at Society of Genealogist's, citing *The Times*, 27 Mar 1914, col. 1.

³³³ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

³³⁴ Baptisms of Sutton Coldfield, Warwickshire, p. 338, No. 2708, included in Ancestry.com database: *Warwickshire, England, Baptisms, 1813-1910* (original source given as: Warwickshire County Record Office; Warwick, England; *Warwickshire Anglican Registers*; Roll: PG 2973; Document Reference: DR(B) 2/14).

21. **THOMAS ALFRED PISTOR** of London (1860-1927), was born on 18 August 1860 at Northfield, Worcestershire, a son of Henry Edward and Mary Ann (Blunden) Pistor.³³⁵ He died on 5 November 1927 at Paddington, London, of colon cancer, in a private nursing home, three days after a severe operation.³³⁶ Thomas married **EMILIE NINEA GREGG** on 9 January 1890 at the parish church, Islington, Middlesex.³³⁷ Emilie Gregg was born on 1 June 1866 in Hackney, Middlesex [1901 census], a daughter of Edward Gregg and Rachel Tuck. She died on 15 June 1953 at Hendon, Middlesex.³³⁸



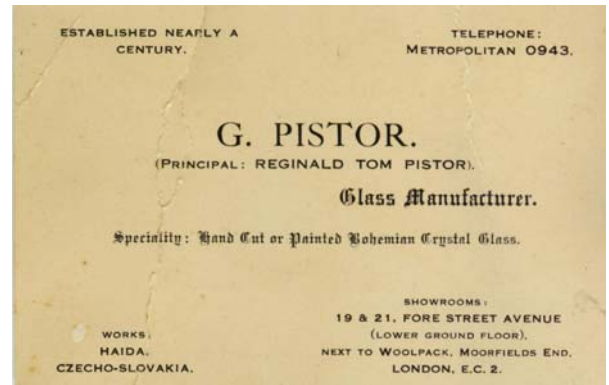
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Thomas's obituary, which appeared in *THE POTTERY GAZETTE AND GLASS TRADE REVIEW* of 1 December 1927, mentions that he was the proprietor of the well-known glass and china trading firm trading as G. Pistor, at 19 and 21, at Fore-st.-ave., London, E.C.2: "Mr. Pistor's connection with the glass trade was a long one, having been in the business since he was 21. When he had just reached manhood's estate his father died suddenly at the Leipzig Fair, and Mr. T. A. Pistor assumed control. He had been a trader in the City of London for many years, first at Houndsditch and then at 15 and 17, Fore-st.-av., where he remained for twenty years. In 1911, he removed to numbers 19 and 21 in Fore-st.-ave.

Before the war he paid many visits to Bohemia, where he had a glass factory and cutting shop at Haida, but since the war, partly owing to indifferent health, he had not visited that country. In Leeds, Manchester, Birmingham, and other Midland and Northern towns he was well-known, and his many friends will mourn his death.

The business now passes to the third generation, the reins being in the hands of the late Mr. T. A. Pistor's son, Mr. Reginald Tom Pistor."

On 11 November 1899, the partnership between William Francis Pistor and Thomas Alfred Pistor, "carrying on business as Glass and China Manufacturers, at Nos. 15 and 17, Fore-street-avenue, Fore-street, in the city of London, and at Haida and Falkenau, in Bohemia, in the Empire of Austria, under the style or firm of G. Pistor, has been dissolved by mutual consent as and from the first day of November, 1899." The partnership debts were paid by Thomas Alfred Pistor.³³⁹



In 1908, Thomas was of 34, Osbaldiston-road, Stamford Hill, London.³⁴⁰ The family later lived at 25 Gresham Gardens, Golder's Green, a London suburb. Probate of Thomas's will

³³⁵ Birth Certificate, Edgbaston Reg. D.; also Madge Pistor data.

³³⁶ Death Certificate, Paddington Reg. D.; also Madge Pistor data.

³³⁷ Marriage Certificate, Islington Reg. D.; also Madge Pistor data.

³³⁸ Death Certificate, Hendon Reg. D.

³³⁹ *The London Gazette*, issue 27136, p. 6971 (17 Nov 1899).

was granted on 16 December 1927 to Emilie Ninea Pistor, widow; the estate value was £20,481, 7 sh., 1 d.³⁴¹

Children:

- i. REGINALD TOM PISTOR, b. 10 Aug 1892, Hackney RegD; d. 12 Apr 1970; m1 FELICITE J.M.J. BEROISIN, Apr-Jun 1926 (Free BMD); m2 MARTA JENSEN, 4 Aug 1945; relinquished his commission on 27 Feb 1916 as temporary 2d Lt. in Royal Sussex Regt.³⁴²
- ii. DOROTHY NINEA PISTOR, b. 31 Aug 1895, Hackney RegD; d. 9 May 1955, Washington, D.C.; m. GEORGE HENRY LYNCH, 20 Jan 1923, New York, New York
- iii. MADGE KATHLEEN PISTOR, b. 12 Apr 1904, Hackney RegD; d. 5 Oct 1988 (as Madge Kathleen Pistor Cockerton), of Ramley House, Ramley Road, Pennington, Lymington, Hants.³⁴³

³⁴⁰ *The London Gazette*, issue 28144, p. 4276 (9 Jun 1908).

³⁴¹ *England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1861-1941*, on-line database, Ancestry.com.

³⁴² *The London Gazette*, issue 29490, p. 2188 (25 Feb 1916).

³⁴³ *The London Gazette*, issue 51509, p. 11902 (24 Oct 1988).