

FITTON OBITS.

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THE following obits are taken from a MS. volume in the library of the Duke of Westminster at Eaton Hall, numbered 28 (old shelf number XXI, 5). This volume contains extracts of various kinds, copied early in the 17th century from the original notes taken by the heralds Flower and Glover when on their Visitation of Cheshire in 1580 (College of Arms MS. 1. D. 14). The earlier portion of the descent inserted among the obits was evidently made in the time of Edward Fitton of Gawsworth, who died in 1511. The last entries in the obits were made by Edward Fitton in 1573, of the death and burial of his mother, and before the death, in 1579, of his father, Sir Edward Fitton, the Treasurer of Ireland.

Mr. J. P. Earwaker used many of these entries, apparently from the original Mass Book, in his Fitton pedigree (*East Cheshire*, II, 564), but otherwise the entries do not seem to have been printed.

THESE OBITES
taken out of the Calender of
an old Masse Booke att
GOWSEWORTHE.

- 3 Nonas Januarii obiit Agnes domina de Goseworth Anno Domini 1442.
- 5 Id. Januarii obiit Domina Anna Fyton filia Domini Petri Warburton uxor Edwardi Fyton militis tunc Thesaurarii Hiberniæ Anno Domini 1573.
- 18 Cal. Februarii obiit Robertus Fyton frater Thomæ Fyton militis Anno 1501.
- 16 Cal. Februarii sepulta fuit Domina Anna Fyton mater mei E. Fitton 1573.
- 16 Cal. Marci obiit Dominus Laurencius Fyton miles Anno Domini 1456.

- 14 Cal. Marcii obiit Edwardus Fytton armiger Anno Domini 1510.
- 13 Cal. Marcii obiit diem Edwardus Fittonus Eques auratus Dominus Gausworthiæ Anno Domini 1547.
- 11 Cal. Marcii obiit Johannes Fyton armiger Dominus de Gowseworth Anno Domini 1524.
- 9 Cal. Marcii obiit Johanna Norres filia Edwardi Fiton Anno 1495.
- 7 Cal. Marcii obiit Ranulphus Fyton rector ecclesiæ de Gawseworth Anno Domini 1535.
- 5 Cal. Marcii obiit Helena Fyton uxor Thomæ Fyton armigeri Anno 1481.
- 2 Non. Aprilis obiit Domina Matilda Pole Anno Domini 1501.
- 8 Cal. Maij obiit Agnes Creswall Anno Domini 1542.
- 5 Cal. Maij obiit Thomas Fyton miles Anno Domini 1494.
- Herbertus Orbi dominus de Gawswoth procreavit de Lucia uxore sua Ricardum Orbi.
- Ricardus Orbi procreavit Thomam Orbi haeredem eius.
- Thomas Orbi procreavit Isabellam filiam eius et haeredem, et ipsa maritata fuit Thomæ Fiton.
- Thomas Fiton procreavit de predicta Isabella Thomam Fiton.
- Thomas Fiton haeres predicti Thomæ Fyton et Isabellæ procreavit Laurencium Fyton militem.
- Laurencius Fiton miles procreavit Thomam Fyton.
- Thomas Fiton procreavit Thomam Fiton militem et Edwardum fratrem eius nunc¹ Dominum de Gowseworth. In whose Time hitherto this descent was wrytten in ye Callender of the foresaid Masse booke. And that w^{ch} followeth thereof is wrytten wth an other hande more latelyer.
- Edwardus Fyton procreavit Johannem Fiton.
- Johannes Fyton procreavit Edwardum Fiton militem.
- Et idem Edwardus maritatus fuit Mariæ Harebotell uni filiarum et haeredum Gwichardi Harebotell de Northumberland et ex ea procreavit Edwardum Fyton militem.
- Edwardus Fyton miles duxit uxorem Annam, unam filiarum domini Petri Werburton et ex ea procreavit Edwardum Fyton armiger.
- Edwardus Fyton maritatus fuit Aliciæ filia et haeredi domini Johannis Holcrofte militis et ex ea procreavit Edwardum Fyton.
- 14 Cal. Junii obiit Robertus Fyton filius Edwardi Fyton armigeri Anno 1495.

¹ Edward died in 1511.

- 11 Cal. Junii obiit Domina Anna Brereton uxor Andreae Brereton militis Anno Domini 1511.
- 8 Cal. Junii Matrimonium inter Thomam Davenport et Elizabeth Fyton erat in Festo Sancti Aldelini 25^o die Maij Anno r.r. H. 8. octavo et ipsa Elizabeth tunc erat ætatis 9 annorum.
- 13 Cal. Julij obiit Emota Fyton nuper uxor Edwardi Fyton armigeri Anno Domini 1500.
- 17 Cal. Augusti obiit Thomas Fyton de Gawsworth filius Laurenci Fytton militis Anno Domini 1449.
- Nonas Augusti obiit Emmota Cotton Anno Domini 1497.
- 10 Cal. Octobris obiit Helena Fytton uxor Johannis Fytton domini de Govesworth Anno Domini 1541.
- 6 Cal. Octobris obiit Elizabetha Fyton Anno Domini 1496.
- Cal. Octobris natus fuit Edwardus Fyton filius et haeres apparens Edwardi Fyton Anno Domini 1546, hee dyed beinge but five weekes old.
- 4 Cal. Novembris obiit Domina Elizabeth Wever Anno Domini 1485.
- 8 Cal. Decembris obiit Ranulphus Fyton filius Thomæ Fyton Anno Domini 1453.
- 3 Cal. Decembris natus fuit Edwardus Fyton filius Edwardi Anno 1572, qui Edwardus pater Edwardi filius et haeres apparens est Domini Edwardi Fyton militis qui Edwardus miles nunc¹ vivit.
- 2 Id. Decembris obiit Domina Maria Fitton relicta Edwardi Fytton militis Anno 1556.
- 2 Id. Decembris obiit Margareta Domina de Gawseworth et filia Petri Legh Anno Domini 1379.
- 15 Cal. Januarij obiit Helena Fyton filia Johannis Fyton Anno 1541.

(Eaton MS. 28, folios 137-9).

¹ He died in 1579.