

A Record of Birmingham Gunmakers including those from its Environs

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NAME	DATE	NA Ref
Peter Oulton of Uttoxeter, gunsmith /church warden of Leigh; Bond to repair and maintain the little bell belonging to Leigh Parish Church.	1642	Lichfield Record Office D896/2
John Perry of Bilston, gunsmith - baptism of his son John	1 Apr 1662	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
John Perry of Bilston, gunsmith - baptism of his daughter Sarah	3 Sep 1663	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875

John Perry of Bilston, gunsmith - baptism of his daughter Joane	27 Apr 1665	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Abstract of grant of letters of administration of the estate of William Aston of Comets End in the parish of Berkswell, co. War., gunsmith , to Anne Aston of Cometts End, Comets End, his widow.	6 September 1672	Birmingham City Archives MS 3615/Acc 1937-039/468853
John Clempson , gunsmith - baptism of his daughter Ann	21 Jul 1699	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Counterpart of mortgage from John Grice of Handsworth [Birmingham], gunsmith , to Morris Piddocke of Winson Green, Birmingham, yeoman, of land in Oldbury.	7 September 1699	Worcester Record Office 705:233/4406/1
Joseph Parker of Bilston, gunsmith - burial of his daughter Ann	19 Sep 1699	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Indenture between John Greene of Solihull, co. War., gunsmith , and Thomas Greene, the younger of Coleshill, co. War., yeoman, and Richard Bates of Solihull, yeoman, concerning land in Yardley.	30 September (11 Will. III) 1699	Birmingham City Archives MS 3197/ACC 1919-025/280367
Indenture between 1 Mary Cooke of Sheldon, widow and executrix of John Cooke late of Sheldon, yeoman, deceased, and Ralph Cooke of Sheldon, yeoman, their son, 2 John Cooke of Moseley, yeoman, and Margaret Eachell of Birmingham, spinster, and 3 William Eachell of Birmingham, gunsmith , and Robert Whatcock of Marston Culey Marston Green in the parish of Church Bickenhill Bickenhill, co. War., gent., being a settlement previous to the marriage of the said John and Margaret, of a messuage and land with appurtenances in Sheldon. Consideration: £140.	26 December 1699	Birmingham City Archives MS 3888/A 1717

Edward Bowden, gunsmith - baptism of his daughter Mary	4 May 1700	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
William Parker, gunsmith - baptism of his son Benjamin	31 Jul 1701	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Peter Pinckston, gunsmith - burial of his wife Ann	15 Jan 1702	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Settlement of house & land at Maney - Settlement: lease & release, fine (c) & counterpart release (d). John Veysey of Maney, Sutton Coldfield, yeoman, brother of Thomas Veysey, decd, who was son & heir of Thomas Veysey, yeoman, decd (1); Isaac Welch, whitesmith & Richard Weston, gunsmith , of Birmingham. Conveys messuage in Maney where John Veysey lives; High Croft, Little Croft, other fields; cottage occupied by William Jefferies, to use of his sister, Mary Snell, wife of Thomas Snell of Arley.	9-10 June 1703	Warwickshire Record Office D15/13/1a-d
Counterpart of mortgage from John Grice of Handsworth [Birmingham], gunsmith , to Sampson Lloyd of Birmingham, ironmonger, of a messuage, land and appurtenances in Oldbury.	17 March 1707[/08]	Worcester Record Office 705:233/4406/1
Will of Jacob Austin, Gunsmith of Aston juxta Birmingham, Warwickshire	18 February 1710	PROB 11/514
Will of Richard Weston, Gunsmith of Birmingham, Warwickshire	19 June 1710	PROB 11/515
Leases of Pinfold Leasow, the Upper and Lower Hinckleys, Clempson's Croft and Bettridge's Croft, adjoining Edgbaston Street, Birmingham; (Samuel Smalbroke of Birmingham, gent.; Robert Mansell of Birmingham, cutler; Samuel Vaughton of Birmingham, gunsmith). Old Style year: 1676/77-1709/10	1710	Birmingham Record Office MS 1098/2/1/12

Deeds relating to West Riddings farm in Warley - 1710 lease and release, Richard Mucklow of Halesowen, Salop, yeoman and John Mucklow the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith to John Mucklow the elder of Halesowen, Worcestershire, blacksmith.	1710	Birmingham Record Office MS 3101/A/B/7/6
Settlement: lease & release & counterpart release (c) with indentures of fine attached to each release. Thomas Snell, late of Arley, now of London, yeoman & Mary his wife; William Hall of Wishaw & Susanna his wife; Mary Snell & Rebecca Snell of Maney, spinsters (Susanna, Mary & Rebecca are daughters o Thomas & Mary); Isaac Welch of Birmingham , whitesmith (1); Benjamin Cash of Birmingham, shoemaker & Edward Weston of Birmingham, gunsmith (2). Recites settlement of 9-10 Jun 1703. Now (2) are trustees for further uses	14-15 January 1711 [1712]	Warwickshire Record Office D15/13/2a-c
John & Margaret Perry, Gunsmith - baptism of their son Aaron	6 Nov 1715	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Anthony Creswell, Gun lock maker - baptism of son Thomas	30 Jan 1717	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Robert Mosse, gunlock maker - baptism of his daughter Sarah	25 Apr 1717	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Thomas Whitehouse, gunlock forger - baptism of son Thomas	28 May 1717	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Mosse, gunlock maker - baptism of son Joseph	10 Nov 1717	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Abstract of the will of William Boorne of Birmingham, gunsmith . Will dated 1 June, 1715. Probate granted 3 April, 1718.	3 April 1718	Birmingham City Archives MS 3615/Acc 1937-039/468550

Roger Jones, gunlock maker -baptism of daughter Hannah	7 Sep 1718	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Lease for six months from John Groves of Bosall Balsall Heath, blacksmith, Eleanor, his wife, and Benjamin Dolphin of Deretend Deritend, to Sarah Dolphin of Deretend, spinster, and Jacob Pemberton of Deretend, gunsmith , of messuages with appurtenances in Deretend. Consideration: 5s.	13 October 1718	Birmingham City Archives MS 3449/Acc 1947-025/5
Release from John Groves of Bosall Balsall Heath, blacksmith, Eleanor, his wife, and Benjamin Dolphin, son of the said Eleanor, to Sarah Dolphin, of Deretend Deritend, spinster, and Jacob Pemberton of Deretend, gunsmith , of messuages with appurtenances in Deretend. Consideration: £25.	14 October 1718	Birmingham City Archives MS 3449/Acc 1947-025/6
Joseph Baggley jnr, gunlock maker - baptism of son Richard	8 Nov 1718	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Anthony Creswell, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Ann	10 Dec 1718	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Mosse, gunlock maker , dead since ye 12th - baptism of daughter Mary	13 Jul 1719	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Davies, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Eleanor	14 Aug 1719	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Joseph Mason, gunlock maker - baptism of son Robert	21 Sep 1719	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837

Anthony Creswell, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Elizabeth	11 Jan 1721	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Thomas Stokes, gunlock maker - baptism of son Thomas	19 Mar 1721	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Daniel Wigen of Wednesbury, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Hannah	9 Oct 1721	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Davies (Wok), gunlockmaker - baptism of son Thomas	24 Dec 1721	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Settlement of house & land at Maney - Marriage settlement by lease & release. Mary Snell of Maney (1); Edward Weston of Birmingham, gunsmith (2); Richard Clay of Aston, Birmingham, forgeman (3). Mary is to marry Richard & settles her 1/3 of the Maney property to their use.	13-14 February 1722 [1723]	Warwickshire Record Office D15/13/3a-b
Marriage settlement by lease & release. Rebecca Snell, late of Maney, now of Wishaw (1); Edward Weston of Birmingham, gunsmith & William Hall of Wishaw, yeoman (2); John Orton of Wishaw, yeoman (3). Rebecca is to marry John & settles her 1/3 of the Maney property to their use.	13-14 February 1722 [1723]	Warwickshire Record Office D15/13/4a-b
William Moore , senior, and William Moore , junior, gunsmiths : took apprentice Richard Fiddian, Son of Thomas, deceased: for 7 years	26 March 1722	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
posthumous dau.of John Mosse, late gunlock maker & Rebekah - baptism of daughter Mary	26 Mar 1722	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837

Edward Homer, gunlock maker - baptism of son Richard	14 Apr 1722	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Anthony Cresswell, gunlock maker - baptism of son Richard	28 Oct 1722	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Lane of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Hilsbey, Thomas, Son of John, of Coventry: for 7 years	24 April 1723	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Thomas Stokes, gunlockmaker (he at Dublin) - baptism of daughter Elizabeth	8 Feb 1723	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Perry, gunsmith Yeoman - baptism of son Moses	8 Nov 1723	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Robert Tayler, gunlock maker - baptism of son Thomas	14 Jan 1724	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Davies, gunlockmaker Wok. - baptism of son Peter	8 Mar 1724	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Anthony Creswell, Gunlock maker - baptism of son Edward	11 Sep 1725	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837

John Davies, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Mary	2 Jul 1726	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Robert Moss, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Elizabeth	26 Jul 1726	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Edward Wooley, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Catherine	30 Dec 1726	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Richard Perkins, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Elizabeth	28 Jan 1727	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Roger Jones, gunlock maker - baptism of son John	27 Feb 1727	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Booth, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Elizabeth	13 Mar 1727	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Thomas Stokes, gunlock maker - baptism of son Thomas	12 May 1727	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Fox, gunlock maker - baptism of daughter Ann	13 Nov 1727	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Thomas Taylor, gunlock maker - baptism of son John	1 Dec 1728	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837

Burial of Sarah wife of Roger Jones, gunlock filer , poor	10 Feb 1728	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
John Spittle of Birmingham, gunsmith : Robert Madew, Son of Robert, barber, of Birmingham: for 8 years	11 October 1728	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Will of Samuel Vaughton, Gunsmith of Birmingham, Warwickshire	28 January 1729	PROB 11/627
Burial of Rachel infant daughter of William Butler, gunlock filer	15 Apr 1730	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Burial of John Fox, gunlock maker	15 Apr 1730	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Burial of Jane wife of Thomas Stokes, gunlock maker	25 Apr 1730	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
George Cook of Birmingham, gun-lock maker : took apprentice Richard Whightas, S. of Ann: for 7 years	13 August 1730	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Addams of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Edward Owen, Son of Elizabeth: for 7 years	10 October 1730	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

Will of Weston Tyler, Gunsmith of Birmingham, Warwickshire	11 May 1731	PROB 11/644
Feoffment - William Moor the younger of Handsworth, gunsmith	28 September 1733	Birmingham Record Office MS 5/5
Indenture between 1; John Whately the elder of Birmingham, gunsmith , 2; Joseph Porter of Birmingham, toymaker, and Edmund Scotton of Shustock Shustoke co. War., gent., and 3; John Whately the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith , Henry Croxall the younger of Shustock, gent., and Mary Croxall, his daughter, being a settlement previous to the marriage of the said John Whately the younger and the said Mary Croxall of messuages with appurtenances in Smalbroke Street Smallbrook Street Birmingham.	1 January 1735/6	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/434
Will of Robert Farmer, Gunsmith of Birmingham, Warwickshire	18 April 1739	PROB 11/695
William Adams of Birmingham, gunlock-maker : took apprentice William Pitt, Son of William: for 7 years	2 February 1740	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Bond from John Henn of Birmingham, ironmonger, to Thomas Oughton of the same, gunsmith .	3 June 1740	Birmingham City Archives MS 3069/Acc1926-021/329428
Thomas Powers of Birmingham, gunlock-filer : took apprentice James Spurrier, Son of John: for 7 years	6 November 1740	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

William Perkins of Birmingham, gunlock-maker : took apprentice Samuel Mobberly, Son of Samuel: : 7 years	30 April 1741	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Johnson of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Benjamin Broomhall, for 4 years	19 October 1741	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
John Steward of Henley in Arden, gunsmith and clockmaker: took apprentice Cirus Harland, Son of Charles: for 7 years	14 November 1741	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Michael Byrne of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Robert Atterbury, son of John: 9 Jan. 1742: for 7 years	9 January 1742	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Thomas Hadley of Birmingham, gunmaker : took apprentice Joseph Barrow, Son of Joseph:for 7 years	1 March 1742	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Joseph Cash of Birmingham, gun-lock smith : took apprentice Joseph Whitehouse, Son of Daniel: : 7 years	1 April 1742	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Owen Robin of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Christopher Fuller, for 7 years	24 July 1742	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

Robert Willoughby of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Thomas Rowley, Son of William: for 7 years	29 September 1742	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
John Tedd of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Wright, Son of Sarah: for 7 years	3 December 1742	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Lease from Judd Harding of Birmingham, gent., to John Whateley the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith , of garden land with appurtenances lying behind houses in Smallbrooke Street, Birmingham, to hold from 25 December [1743] for a term of sixty three years and then from 25 March [1807] for a further term of nineteen years. Rent: £1.	25 January 1743[/4]	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/242
Robert Willoby of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Chance, Son of Elizabeth: for 7 years	5 April 1743	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Testamentary/ Inventory - Principal people: Baddiley, Richard, gunsmith ; Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire; Further details: Baddiley described as toymaker in B/C/5/1774/164; laths and other tools grouped; Perrcy Mill and Rushall Furnace	2 July 1744	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1744/166
Feoffment - William Moor the younger of Handsworth, gunsmith	4 June 1745	Birmingham Record Office MS 5/5
Will of John Grice, Gunmaker and Gun Barrell Forger of Handsworth , Staffordshire	1 November 1746	PROB 11/750/351
Counterpart of lease for one hundred and twenty years from Ann Colmore of Colney Hatch, co. Middx., widow, to Thomas Welch of Birmingham, gun lock maker , of land and premises in Colmore Row.	1 August 1747	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/409135

Lease by Thomas Gisborne of Birmingham, dyer, to Thomas Vyger of Birmingham, gunsmith , of a message or tenement at the Hincklys, Birmingham.	25 December 1747	Lichfield Record Office D6107/5/43
Counterpart of lease for one hundred and nineteen years from Ann Colmore of Colney Hatch, co. Middx., to Thomas Welch of Birmingham, gun lock maker , of land in Little Charles Street afterwards Edmund Street.	2 April 1748	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/409313
Defamation/ Deposition - Mr. Farmer Quaker gunsmith , moved from B'ham to London; John Banner; Doctor Higgs, physician; Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire; St. John's Street, Birmingham, Warwickshire; Principal people: Hegg, Ann, wife of Joseph; Hegg, John, carpenter and joiner; Lane, Sarah; Collitt, Mary; Farmer, Mr.	27 November 1750	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1750/25
Joseph Harris of Birmingham, gunmaker : took apprentice John Pardoe, Son of John: for 7 years	26 November 1750	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Arden of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Jones, for 2 years	30 May 1751	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Joshua Horton of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Rathbone, Son of James: for 7 years	19 June 1751	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Depositions and related warrant - Examination and confession of Richard Baker of Sedgley, gunsmith : he and Thomas Evans of Ettensal [Ettingshall], brickmaker, stole polyanthus plants and carnation layers from the garden of William Perry of Wednesbury, and they were shared out between Thomas Evans, Hugh Evans of Ettingshall and William Evans of Goldthorn Hill; also Baker and William Evans had stolen from the garden of Thomas Law of Penn 100 polyanthus plants and a few auricula plants and set them in the ground in Hugh Evans' garden in Ettingshall.	9 November 1751	Lichfield Record Office Q/SBe/19/1-9

Indenture of mortgage from Samuel Whitehouse of Birmingham, gun stocker , and John Clay Hallen of the same place, gent., trustee for the said Samuel Whitehouse, to David Hallen of the same place, frying pann maker, of lands and appurtenances in Yardley.	17 April 1752	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/571813
Wilham Rickards (William Richards?) of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Brook: for 7 years	19 December 1752	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Robert Willoughby of Birmingham, gunmaker : took apprentice John Beach, for 7 years	11 January 1753	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Joseph Palmer of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Robert Nash, for 7 years	23 April 1753	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Thomas Lane of Birmingham, gunmaker : took apprentice Henry Cobb, for 7 years	5 November 1753	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Adams of Birmingham, gunlock-maker : took apprentice James Best, for 7 years	2 December 1753	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Richards of Birmingham, pistol maker : took apprentice Mary Addyes: till 18 years old (probably domestic servant)	4 December 1753	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

Leases, assignments and mortgages of two houses in Hill Street, Birmingham; Rich. Heely of Birmingham, gunsmith	1754	Birmingham Record Office MS 28/1007
William Johnson of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Thomas Mallpas : for 6 years	2 February 1754	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
John Meaves of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Brown, for 7 years	2 July 1754	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Joseph Moore of Birmingham, sword cutler : took apprentice John Moore, for 7 years	27 May 1754	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Thomas Bowley of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Stephens, for 7 years	22 Nov. 1754	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Joshua Storton of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice William Walsingham, for 7 years	24 June 1755	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

<p>Lease for a term of 112 years - 1. Ann Colmore of Colney Hatch, Midds., widow 2. Richard Healey of Birmingham, Warws., gunmaker Reciting Act of Parliament of 1746 20 George II Empowering 1 and assignees to make building leases of lands in Birmingham during the life of Thomas Colmore, merchant Property in Holloway Head Lane, Birmingham described Consideration: Annual Rent of £3 6s. 2 covenants to spend at least £400 on improvement of property Signature of 1. Endorsed: Note of sealing and delivery</p>	<p>13 August 1755</p>	<p>Birmingham Record Office MS 28/439</p>
<p>Joseph Palmer of Birmingham, gunmaker: took apprentice Richard Hawkes, for 6 years</p>	<p>15 September 1755</p>	<p>Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975</p>
<p>Defamation/ Deposition - Probin, Mary, wife of Owen; Probin, Owen, gunsmith; Turbit, Mary; Turbit, John; Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire.</p>	<p>16 September 1755</p>	<p>Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1755/16</p>
<p>Thomas Lane of Birmingham, gunmaker: took apprentice Benjamin Williams, for 7 years</p>	<p>10 October 1755</p>	<p>Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975</p>
<p>John Southerne of Birmingham, gunsmith: William Churchyard, for 7 years</p>	<p>4 November 1755</p>	<p>Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975</p>
<p>Thomas Vizer of Birmingham, gun-barrel maker: took apprentice Robert Wicks, for 7 years</p>	<p>7 February 1756</p>	<p>Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975</p>

Thomas Brueton of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice William Spittle, for 7 years	29 March 1756	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Robert Willoughby of Birmingham, gunmaker : took apprentice William Ward, for 7 years	17 April 1756	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Agreement between Thomas Davis of Duddeston, forgerman, and Richard Heeley of Birmingham, gunsmith , concerning weekly wages, etc.	17 June 1756	Birmingham City Archives MS 3069/Acc1926-021/329446
Thomas Lane of Birmingham, gunmaker : took apprentice William Tompson, for 7 years	24 June 1756	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Robbins of Birmingham, gun-lock maker : took apprentice Daniel Constable, for 6 years	1 July 1756	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Tongue of Birmingham, gunlock-maker : took apprentice Joshua Denham, for 7 years	28 July 1756	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Thomas Lane of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Richard Broomall, for 7 years	II Apr. 1757	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

Will of Thomas Pocock, Gunmaker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	16 May 1757	PROB 11/830
Joshua Horton of Birmingham, gunmaker : took apprentice Isaac Rolf, for 7 years	24 May 1757	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
William Tongue of Birmingham, gunlock-filer : took apprentice John Floyd, for 7 years	18 June 1757	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Robert Willowby of Warwick, gunmaker : took apprentice Edward Moody, for 7 years	5 July 1757	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
John Dawkes of Birmingham, gun-finisher : took apprentice John Prince, for 7 years	25 December 1757	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
John Hidson of Birmingham, gunlock-filer : took apprentice Richard Aioore: for 7 years	I April 1758	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Thomas Lane of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice John Silvester, for 7 years	13 July 1758	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

John Perkin of West Bromwich, Staffordshire, gunlock-filer : took apprentice Isaac Baker: for 7 years	15 July 1758	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Joseph Bunney of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice William Walch, for 7 years	13 December 1758	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
James Gardner of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Richard Birch: for 7 years	25 December 1758	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Joseph Harris of Birmingham, gun-finisher : took apprentice Edward Jee, for 7 years	17 April 1759	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Lease and counterpart lease for 11 years - 2. William Bache of Birmingham, master of the workhouse and gunmaker ; Property: Two pieces of land in Birmingham in Walmer Lane otherwise Lancaster Street.	5 May 1759	Birmingham Record Office MS 464/1-2
Will of Richard Caldwell, Gun Barrel Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	21 July 1759	PROB 11/847/427
William Richards of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Philip Bartlam, for 7 years	31 July 1759	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975

Francis Ford of Birmingham, gunsmith : took apprentice Samuel Morris, for 7 years	2 October 1759	Warwickshire Apprentices and their Masters 1710 — 1760, Oxford 1975
Will of Robert Willoughby, Gunsmith of Birmingham , Warwickshire	28 April 1760	PROB 11/855
Lease, from John Hunter of Birmingham whitesmith, Richard Perry of the same, gunsmith , John Constantine of Bonsall County Derby, woolcomber, to Spencer Perry of Birmingham victualler, of premises in Bull Street, Birmingham.	20 October 1761	Birmingham Record Office MS 85/1/3
Will of Thomas Jordan, Gunsmith of Birmingham , Warwickshire	17 April 1762	PROB 11/875
Testamentary/ Deposition - Principal people: Henshall, John, gunlock maker; Russell, Henry, gunsmith deceased; Russell, Sarah; Russell, James; Principal places: Wednesbury, Staffordshire; Further details: bellows and anvil in shop property of deceased or his master.	23 September 1762	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1762/91
Testamentary/ Deposition - Principal people: Tibbitts, William, gunsmith; Russell, Henry, gun barrel mkr deceased; Russell, Sarah; Russell, James; Principal places: Wednesbury, Staffordshire; Further details: William worked for Henry in gunsmith shop; Henry previously worked for other masters.	23 September 1762	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1762/89
Testamentary/ Interrogatories - Principal people: Russell, Henry, gunsmith deceased; Russell, Sarah, widow executrix; Principal places: Wednesbury, Staffordshire; Further details: questions relate to items omitted from inventory - silver tankard, hops, guns, horses, linen, money	23 September 1762	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1762/92
Grant from John Whately , son of John Whately the younger, of Birmingham, gunsmith , to John Whatley the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith, and Mary, his wife, of an annuity of twenty pounds issuing from a leasehold messuage with appurtenances in Smallbrooke Street, Birmingham.	26 April 1763	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/251

Indenture between 1 Joseph Oughton of Birmingham, gunsmith ; 2 Joseph Oughton the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith , his son; 3 John Whateley of Birmingham, gunsmith , and Dorothy Whateley of Birmingham, spinster his daughter; and 4 William Walsingham the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith , and John Whateley the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith , being a settlement previous to the marriage of the said Joseph Oughton the younger and Dorothy Whateley, of land called the Stone Bed meadow with appurtenances, and a mill, messuage and land, all in Sutton Coldfield, co. War.	20 July 1763	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/438
Bond by J.Wright and J.Turner, brass-founders, F.Miles, victualler, and W.Bates, gunsmith , all of Birmingham, to appear at Warwickshire Quarter Sessions.	13 August 1763	Birmingham City Archives MS 3008/Acc 1883-006/63186
Will of Joshua Horton, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	18 July 1764	PROB 11/900
Will of George Markbee, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	21 April 1766	PROB 11/918
Lease for twenty one years from Judd Harding of Solihull, co. War., esq., to John Whately the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith , of a messuage with appurtenances in Smallbrooke Street, Birmingham, to hold from 25 March, last 1766. Rent: £6; and, lease from the said Judd Harding and Richard Jervace of Birmingham, toymaker, to the said John Whately, of a parcel of garden ground lying behind the said messuage. Rent: 3s. 4d. to the said Richard Jervace during his term of years and then to the said Judd Harding for the residue of the term.	1 May 1766	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/254
Indenture between John Whately the elder of Birmingham, gun barrell maker and John Whately the younger of Birmingham, gun barrell maker , his son, being a settlement previous to the marriage of the said John Whately the younger, and Mary Piddock, daughter of Joseph Piddock, of the parish of Handsworth, gent., of the share of the said John Whately the elder in the stock and profits in the gun trade carried on by him and John Whately the younger in partnership and of twelve hundred pounds to be paid to John Whately the younger on the death of John Whately the elder.	8 May 1766	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/257

Testamentary/ Acts of court - Principal people: Eades, Mary, wife John daughter John; Whateley, John, gunsmith deceased; Eades, John; Whateley, Thomas; Principal places: Birmingham, Warwickshire; Further details: Will in possession of Thomas Whateley, secreted and suppressed.	10 June 1766	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1766/145
Assignment of lease of property at Whitehalls Lane/Steelhouse Lane - Property comprises dwelling house with shop, courts, yards, gardens and outbuildings. Parties: Samuel Galton of Birmingham, merchant and William John Banner of Birmingham, merchant. This property was leased by William Tittensor of Birmingham, blacksmith to Thomas Juman of Birmingham, gunsmith by indenture dated 20 Jan1735/6. Thomas Juman assigned the property to James Farmer by indenture dated 2 Feb 1744/5. By commission of bankruptcy issued against James Farmer, his estate and effects were transferred to Alexander Champion, George Hayley, Joseph Penham, James Johnson and Charles Pumbleton. These assignees transferred the property to Samuel Galton by assignment 31 Dec 1755.	1767	Birmingham Record Office MS 3101/A/A/1/2
These consist of the formal articles of agreement made between James Farmer and Samuel Galton of Birmingham, merchants and co-partners and William Bird of Birmingham, gunmaker by which Bird is to enter the employment of Farmer & Galton as clerk and assistant; two draft copies of this agreement; bond for the performance of the articles of agreement between William Bird and James Farmer and Samuel Galton.	1767	Birmingham Record Office MS 3101/D/2/1
Probate copy of the will of John Whately the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith . Will dated 22 July, 1763. Codicil dated 25 November, 1766. Probate granted 4 July, 1768. Note: 408 Another copy, Paper. Attested 31 May, 1768.	31 May 1768	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/262
Will of John Whately, Gunsmith of Birmingham , Warwickshire	04 July 1768	PROB 11/941
Lease for a year from Joseph Piddock of the parish of Handsworth, gent., John Whately of Birmingham, gun barrel maker , and Mary, his wife, daughter of the said Joseph Piddock, to Josiah Smallwood of the parish of Birmingham, gent., and Thomas Moore of the parish of Handsworth, stamper, of messuages, lands and appurtenances in the parish of Handsworth.	24 August 1768	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/263

Bond from Thomas Wood Hawkes, malster, Richard Hawkes, gunsmith , Sarah Warr, widow, all of Deritend, and James Hadley of Bordsley Bordesley, malt mill maker, to John Ruston of the parish of Northfield, gent., to secure the sum of £200.	9 August 1769	Birmingham City Archives MS 3449/Acc 1947-025/24
Assignment of mortgage from Edward Audley of Birmingham, surgeon, and John Nuttall, of Fradley in the parish of Alrewas, co. Staff., gent., by the direction of Sarah Hawkes of Deritend, widow of John Hawkes the younger, late of Bordsley Bordesley near Deritend, brickmaker, deceased, Thomas Wood Hawkes, malster, Richard Hawkes, gunsmith , John Hawkes, toymaker, Sarah Warr, widow, all of Deritend, and James Hadley of Bordsley, maltmillmaker, and Mary his wife, to John Ruston of Northfield, gent., of messuages with appurtenances in Deritend.	9 August 1769	Birmingham City Archives MS 3449/Acc 1947-025/23
Bond from Thomas Walker of Birmingham, gun barrel filer , to Richard Heeley of Birmingham, gunsmith .	2 December 1769	Birmingham City Archives MS 3069/Acc1926-021/329462
Pocket notebook of Francis Field of Birmingham, gunsmith ; Contains lists of gunmakers' requisites purchased and includes references to the Highhams Hill Estate and Camp Haws Estate.	1770s	Birmingham Record Office MS 195/2
Defamation - Principal people: Thomas Hopkins, gunsmith ; Sarah Hopkins, spinster; Principal place: Wednesbury, Staffordshire	1770	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1770/80
Lease for twenty one years from Joseph Piddock of Handsworth, gent., Hannah, his wife, John Whateley of Birmingham, gunsmith , and Mary, his wife, daughter of the said Joseph Piddock, to John Lee of Birmingham, merchant, of a messuage and land in Handsworth, to hold from 25 March next. Rent: £30 and £5 for every additional acre tilled	3 February 1770	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/325
Testamentary/affidavit - Principal people: John Heely, gunsmith executor; Thomas Oughton Heely , gunsmith executor; Robert Wilson; Further details: Robert Wilson gunsmith also executor Richard Heely gunsmith .	14 March 1770	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1770/200

Will of Richard Heely, Gunsmith of Birmingham , Warwickshire	22 March 1770	PROB 11/956
Will of Joseph Harris, Gun Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	06 April 1770	PROB 11/956
Testamentary/citation with intimation - Principal people: Joseph Pendrill, gunsmith deceased; Anne Fox, widow; William Boden; Michael Broome; Principal place: Birmingham St Philip, Warwickshire; Further details: Anne Fox creditor Joseph; citation read by Henry Parson Bromwich.	6 Jun 1770	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1770/180
Will of William Staples, Gun Smith of Birmingham , Warwickshire	24 January 1771	PROB 11/963
Lease for a year from Richard Hawkes of Birmingham, gunsmith and victualler, to James Hadley of Bordesley, maltmillmaker, of an undivided third part of messuages with appurtenances in Deretend Deritend and Bordesley.	30 April 1771	Birmingham City Archives MS 3449/Acc 1947-025/25
Release from Richard Hawkes of Birmingham, gunsmith and victualler, and Mary his wife, to James Hadley of Bordesley, malt mill maker, of an undivided third part of messuages with appurtenances in Deretend Deritend and Bordesley, subject to various mortgages and encumbrances. Consideration: £70.	1 May 1771	Birmingham City Archives MS 3449/Acc 1947-025/26
Testamentary/ Assigning guardianship - Principal people: Jefferies, Richard, minor son John; Jefferies, John, gunsmith ; Jefferies, Mary alias Dronfield; Principal places: Chesterfield, Derbyshire.	7 May 1772	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1772/39
Mortgage. Parties: Joseph Horton, carpenter, and Joseph Oughton, gunsmith , both of Birmingham. Property: Land in Church St. Birmingham.	17 July 1772	Birmingham City Archives
Assignment. Parties: Joseph Horton, carpenter, and Joseph Oughton, gunsmith , both of Birmingham. Property: Land in Church St.	17 Oct 1772	Birmingham City Archives MS 3882/1/5

Quitclaim from John Wyrley of Hamstead Hall in the parish of Handsworth, esq., Lord of the Manor of Handsworth, to Hannah Piddock of the parish of Handsworth, widow of Joseph Piddock of the same place gent., deceased, John Whateley of Birmingham, gunsmith , and Mary, his wife, daughter and heir at law of the said Joseph Piddock, of all manner of reliefs and heriots payable on messuages, lands and appurtenances in the parish and Manor of Handsworth. Consideration: £60	7 June 1774	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/327
Will of Joseph Adams, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	05 December 1774	PROB 11/1003
Copy of acknowledgement from Joseph Oughton the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith to John Whately the younger of Birmingham, gunsmith for five hundred pounds due upon the death of John Whately the elder of Birmingham, gunsmith under an indenture of 20 July, 1763.	7 March 1775	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/439
Bond from William Boswell of Birmingham, button maker, to Samuel Colmore of Birmingham, plater, and Thomas Lane of Birmingham, gun maker , to secure the sum of £150.	10 May, 1775	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/409475
Assignment. Parties: Joseph Oughton of Birmingham, gunsmith , and William Wood of the Close, Lichfield, co. Staff., gent. Property: Land in Church St.	6 July 1776	Birmingham City Archives MS 3882/1/8
Counterpart of lease for one hundred and sixteen years from Charles Colmore of Birmingham, esq., to William Newey of Birmingham, gunsmith , of land in Great Charles Street.	4 September 1776	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/410151
Papers relating to the employment of James Forshaw - Articles of agreement drawn up between Samuel Galton of Birmingham, gunmaker and his son Samuel Galton jnr and James Forshaw of Liverpool, gunmaker by which Forshaw is employed by the Galtons as clerk and warehouseman in Liverpool.	1776	Birmingham Record Office MS 3101/D/2/2
Counterpart of lease for one hundred and fifteen years from Charles Colmore of Birmingham esq., to William Court of Birmingham, gunsmith , of land in Livery Street.	7 April 1777	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/410635

Will of Thomas Palmer, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	21 May 1777	PROB 11/1031
Defamation - Principal people: Joseph Motteram, broker; Owen Probin, gunsmith ; Principal place: Birmingham, Warwickshire.	1778	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1778/291
Release from John Hawkesford of Birmingham, gunfinisher , Mary Hawkesford of Birmingham, spinster, and Catherine Hawkesford of Birmingham, spinster, to John Whately of Birmingham, gun maker , of a messuage and lands called Witton Fields in Handsworth.	26 March 1779	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/447014
Lease for one hundred and thirteen years from Charles Colmore of Birmingham, esq., to John Welch of Birmingham, gun maker , of land in Lionel Street. Endorsed with surrender, dated 28 November, 1891, from Joseph Cooper of Birmingham, edge tool manufacturer, to Charles Augustus North, and Henry Charles Benyon Barton, both of London esqs., of the said land, together with premises afterwards erected thereon.	6 April 1779	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/410172
Will of John Hidson, Gunsmith and Candlestick of Birmingham , Warwickshire	13 January 1780	PROB 11/1060
Indictment against Benjamin Williams of Handsworth, gunmaker , and others for riotously assembling, disturbing the peace and assaulting John Tibbetts, [Jul 1780]	July 1780	Staffordshire Record Office Q/SB 1780 T/141
Agreement between Joseph Amphlett, ironmonger, and Richard Bolton, grocer, both of Dudley, and Thomas Carless of Birmingham, assigness of the estate of Thomas Hadley of Birmingham, gunsmith , and Robert Minors of Birmingham, surgeon, for the sale of premises in Snow Hill, Birmingham.	15 January 1782	Birmingham City Archives MS 3069/Acc1926-021/329472
Copy will of Jas. Spittle of Wednesbury, gunsmith , 1787;(D1376/A/49/3)	1787	Staffordshire Record Office D1376/A/49/1-10

Lease for one hundred and four years from Charles Colmore of Birmingham, esq., to Samuel Grigg of Birmingham, yeoman, of land in Hospital Street. Endorsed with surrender dated 8 August, 1890, from Arthur Heaton, metal roller and wire drawer, Henry Arthur Ward, gun maker and William Albert Upton, printer, all of Birmingham, to Charles Augustus North, esq., and Henry Charles Benyon Barton, esq., both of London, of the said land, together with premises afterwards erected thereon.	1 April 1788	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/407690
Will of William Grice, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	9 September 1790	PROB 11/1196
Defamation - Principal people: Martha Doody, spinster; Ann wife of Joseph Banskin or Benskin, gunsmith ; Principal place: Birmingham, Warwickshire	1790	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1778/291
Testamentary - Principal people: John Heely, Thomas Oughton, Robert Wilson, executors named in the will and thus creditors, Richard Heely gunsmith , creditor; William Wayman, only son of the deceased, now in the East Indies.	1791	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1791/78
Will of William Mewis, Gunmaker and Factor of Birmingham , Warwickshire	24 October 1793	PROB 11/1238
Depositions - Information of William Brighton the younger of Wednesbury, gunsmith , and others, about the theft of wet clothes from gooseberry bushes in garden, suspecting Thomas Rotham of the theft.	28 March 1793	Lichfield Record Office Q/SB 1793 E/62 - 97
Indenture between Sarah Pass of Bridgnorth, Salop, widow of Thomas Pass, late of Bridgnorth, cheese factor, John Rawley of Stourbridge, co. Worc., butcher, executor of the will of Thomas Ellis late of Birmingham, peruke maker, deceased, William Robbins of Birmingham, button maker, Ann, his wife, daughter of the said Thomas Ellis, Francis Field of Birmingham, gunsmith , and George Calley of Birmingham, toy-maker, being an assignment of messuages and appurt enances in Weaman Street and Slaney Street in trust to attend the inheritance.	18 June 1794	Birmingham City Archives MS 28/Acc1944-029/575338
Bond in the penal sum of £300; Francis Field of Birmingham, gunsmith	29 September 1796	Birmingham Record Office MS 195/3

Rt. Hon. Edward, Earl of Digby, William Penn of Haselwell mill in Kings Norton, gun barrell borer , and Joseph Grice of Birmingham, gunsmith . A message called the mill house, lands and appurtenances in Coleshill, co. War.	9 August 1797	Birmingham Record Office MS 917/11/14/19/1
Bond of indemnity. Edward, Earl of Digby, William Penn of Haselwell Mill in Kings Norton, gun barrell borer and Joseph Grice of Birmingham, gunsmith . Lands in Coleshill.	10 August 1797	Birmingham City Archives MS 917/1832
Will of Thomas Oughton Heely, Gunsmith of Birmingham , Warwickshire	15 May 1798	PROB 11/1306
Defamation - John Probin, gunmaker ; Principal place: Birmingham, Warwickshire.	1799	Lichfield Record Office B/C/5/1799/74
Release - William Penn of Hazelwell Mill in King's Norton, gun-barrell-borer, Joseph Grice of Birmingham, gunmaker , and John Dale of Coleshill, co. War., mercer. A message called the Mill house with land and appurtenances in Coleshill. (With plan.). MS 917/1831 10 August 1797 Release. Rt. Hon. Edward, Earl of Digby, William Penn of Haselwell Mill in Kings Norton, gun barrel borer, and Joseph Grice of Birmingham, gunsmith . A message called the mill house, lands and appurtenances in Coleshill, co. War.	4 July 1800	Birmingham Record Office MS 917/11/14/19/6
Will of John Probin, Gun Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	2 August 1800	PROB 11/1346
Will of Thomas Cranmer, Gunmaker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	July 07 1802	IR 26/354

Indenture between Thomas Russell, merchant, Henry Morris, gun maker , James Alston, button maker, all of Birmingham, trustees for the sale of the estates of William Turner late of Shenstone Moss in the parish of Shenstone, co. Staff., esq., the said William Turner, William Green, a Captain in His Majesty's Royal Navy, Sarah, his wife, and William Smith of Birmingham, banker, being an assignment to the said William Smith of leasehold tenements, premises and lands at Birmingham Townsend adjoining Coleshill Street, Drury Lane, and Leek Street, to hold for trusts recited.	2 September 1805	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/455576
Copy of the will of William Ketland of Small Heath, gun and pistol maker . 3 September, 1804. Codicil dated 15 October, 1804.	3 September, 1804	Birmingham City Archives MS 3069/Acc1930-022/373956
Will of John Portlock, Gun barrel maker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	20 August 1806	IR 26/356/343
Abstract of Administration of William Blakemore, Gun Finisher of Birmingham, Warwickshire	12 January 1807	IR 26/357/500
Jeremiah Chaplin of Birmingham, gunmaker , and John Highfield of Standon, famer, for keeping and using dogs (setting dogs, a lurcher) for the destruction of game.	August - September 1807	Staffordshire Record OfficeQ/SB 1807 M/365-271
James Mayland of Darlaston, gunlocksmith , for getting drunk [on a Sunday].	6 October 1807	Staffordshire Record OfficeQ/SB 1807 M/365-271
Affadavit - Of Netlam Giles of New Inn, Midds., Civil engineer Alexander Comrie of the same place, assistant to Giles Richard Priory Bolton of Birmingham, gunmaker Concerning survey made August 1807 of River Rea between Lawley Road, Ashtead & Duddeston Boring and Grinding mills and Saltley Bridge and Feeder to Duddeston mills in employment of Samuel Galton, recommending construction of weir.	12 December 1807	Birmingham Record Office MS 28/50
Abstract of Administration of James Gill, Gun barrel maker of Aston near Birmingham, Warwickshire	18 May 1808	IR 26/307/397

Will of Samuel Heeley, Gun barrel maker of Birmingham, Warwickshire.	18 June 1808	IR 26/358/178
Deed of co-partnership - Contents: 1. John Dunderdale of Birmingham, gun maker and factor 2. John Mabson of Birmingham, gun maker and factor 3. James Augustus Labron of Birmingham, gun maker and factor Business: gun makers and factors Period: 21 years Terms: John Dunderdale and John Mabson each agree to pay £7,500 for stock by 3 Dec. 1808. All profits are divided by six, James Augustus Labron taking 1/6 and John Dunderdale and John Mabson dividing the other 5/6 between them. If by 3 Dec. 1813 James Augustus Labron pays £5,000 he will become a full partner and profits will be divided equally John Dunderdale and John Mabson may withdraw £500 per annum from the profits. James Augustus Labron may withdraw £200 per annum until he becomes a full partner, then he may withdraw £500. Trading name: Dunderdale, Mabson and Labron.	23 June 1808	MS 3375/306/8
John Davis & Sigunda, gunsmith - baptism of daughter Mary	31 Mar 1810	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
John Davis & Sigunda, gunsmith - burial of son James	31 Mar 1810	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684 1837
Will of Thomas Portlock, Gun Barrel Maker of Aston , Warwickshire	10 May 1810	PROB 11/1511/181
Will of Henry Morris, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	28 May 1810	PROB 11/1511

Will of Thomas Shelding, Gunmaker of Birmingham, Warwickshire. Proved in the Court of Lichfield.	8 November 1810	IR 26/360
Abstract of Will of Thomas Osborn, Gun maker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	31 May 1811	IR 26/361
Will of William Deakin, Gun barrel maker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	28 August 1811	IR 26/361/288
Will of Edward Hines, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	14 October 1811	PROB 11/1526
Will of Joseph Bunney, Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	26 November 1812	PROB 11/1538
Edward Charles Homer & Mary, Gunlock filer , Catchems Corner, Sedgley - baptism of son Benjamin	2 Jan 1814	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
John Shale & Mary, Gunlocksmith , Bilston - baptism of son Joseph	4 Apr 1813	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
John Huges & Mary, par Gunlock filer , Catchems Corner, Sedgley - baptism of son Isaiah	31 May 1813	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
John & Hannah, Gunlock filer , Bilston - baptism of daughter Phebe	20 Jun 1813	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837

Isaac Parker & Mary, Gunlock filer , Bilston - baptism of son William	4 Jul 1813	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Joseph Badger & Mary, Gunlocksmith , Bilston - baptism of son James	20 Oct 1813	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
James Parker & Mary, Gunlock filer , Bilston - baptism of daughter Sarah	5 Apr 1814	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Counterpart of lease for ninety nine years from Richard Spooner, banker, William Bullock, factor, William Price, gent., Thomas Archer , the younger, gun maker , Edward Piercy, bookseller, trustees of the New Union Flour and Bread Company, by the direction of Isaac Spooner and Matthias Attwood of Birmingham, bankers and from the said Isaac Spooner and Matthias Attwood, to John Green of Birmingham, joiner and cabinet maker, of land near Nelson Street afterwards Sheepcote Street and Essington Street.	10 December 1814	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/411081
James Parker & Mary, Gunlock filer , Bilston - baptism of his daughter Sarah	5 Apr 1814	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
James Badger & Charlotte, Gunlocksmith , Bilston - baptism of son James	11 Apr 1814	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Will of Thomas Aston , Gun Lock Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	21 July 1814	PROB 11/1558/340
Will of David Blair , Gunmaker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	22 March 1815	PROB 11/1566

Lease for 196 years. Parties: John Lorton of Aston, gun finisher , and Stephen Hill of Birmingham, bayonet maker . Property: Land in Pritchett St. Aston.	20 June 1815	Birmingham City Archives MS 831/152
Joseph Badger & Mary, Gunlock filer , Bilston - baptism of son Henry	16 Oct 1815	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Indenture between 1: Edward Moore Noble of Chelsea London, gent.; 2: Mary Whately of the parish of Handsworth, widow of John Whately of the same parish gun barrel maker , deceased; 3: Henry Piddock Whately late of the parish of Handsworth, but now of Alphington, Devon, esq., her son; 4: Edward Croxall the younger of Sutton Coldfield, co. War., gent.; 5: Thomas Attwood of Birmingham, banker; 6: John Wilkes Unett of Birmingham, gent.; and 7: William Tooke of Grays Inn London gent., being a deed to create a tenant for a recovery of messuages, lands and appurtenances in the parish of Handsworth, and lands with appurtenances in the Manor of Handsworth, except those appointed to the use of Henry Piddock Whately in a deed of 22 May, 1794.	26 January 1816	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/302
Lease for a year from Edward Moore Noble of Chelsea London, gent., and Mary Whately of the parish of Handsworth, widow of John Whately of the same parish, gun barrel maker , deceased, to William Tooke of Grays Inn London, gent., of messuages, lands and appurtenances in the parish of Handsworth, and lands with appurtenances in the Manor of Handsworth.	25 January 1816	Birmingham City Archives MS 3602/301
Will of Clement Tibbatts, Gunmaker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	13 August 1816	PROB 11/1583
Will of Joseph Priest of Birmingham, gun-barrel-maker . With Instructions for drafting appended.	31 December 1816	Birmingham City Archives MS 3069/Acc1930-022/374151

Counterpart of lease for ninety nine years from William Bullock, merchant, William Price, gent., Thomas Archer, gun maker , Thomas Atkins, brassfounder and Richard Harborne, ironmonger, all of Birmingham, trustees of the New Union Mill Flour and Bread Company to Joseph Twist of Birmingham, victualler, of mortgaged land in Mill Street afterwards Grosvenor Street West.	22 January 1817	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/411083
John Hughes & Mary, Gunlock smith , Ettingshall, Sedgley - baptism of daughter Amelia	16 Mar 1817	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Will of Thomas Ketland, Gun Maker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	6 June 1817	PROB 11/1593
Will of Joseph Priest, Gun Barrel Maker of Aston near Birmingham, Warwickshire	29 October 1817	PROB 11/1597/384
Assignment. Parties: John Lorton of Aston, gun finisher , and Stephen Hill of Aston bayonet maker . Property: Land in Pritchett St. Aston.	14 July 1817	Birmingham City Archives MS 831/154
Release from Joseph Turton of Aston, gun barrel maker , and Benjamin Parsons of Birmingham, gun barrel maker, to John Jones of Birmingham, gun maker , of all right and title to certain messuages and lands at or near Stourport, co. Worcs.	17 July 1817	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/452144
Grant from Arthur Male, esq., George Barker and John Arnold, gent., commissioners appointed under a commission of bankruptcy awarded against Henry Van Wart of Birmingham, to Thomas Izon, gunmaker , Joseph Shore, merchant, and John Oughton, gunbarrel maker , all of Birmingham, of all the property of the said Henry Van Wart.	14 February 1818	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/452018
Miscellaneous papers of William Mackenzie - Includes notice from John Turner of Birmingham, gunmaker , that he intends to apply for discharge from Warwick gaol as an insolvent debtor, 1818.	1818	Birmingham Record Office MS 2/1/10

Draft copy of the will of Samuel Parsons of Birmingham, gun-barrel-maker .	1819	Birmingham City Archives MS 3069/Acc1930-022/374123
William Betteridge & Mary, Gun furniture forger , Birmingham - baptism of son Charles	2 May 1819	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Will of John Heely, Gun Barrel Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	8 July 1819	PROB 11/1618/111
William Dawes & Sarah, Gunlocksmith , Bilston - baptism of daughter Mary	15 Aug 1819	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Benjamin Hughes & Hannah, Gun locksmith , Catchems Corner, Sedgley - baptism of daughter Matilda	2 Jan 1820	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
John Huges & Mary, Gunlock filer , Ettingshall Lane, Sedgley - baptism of son Wright Whitehouse	2 Apr 1820	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Benjamin Hughes & Hannah, Gunlock filer , Catchems Corner, Sedgley - baptism of daughter Louisa	2 Aug 1821	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837

Indenture between Roger Williams Gem and John Meredith, both of Birmingham, gent., Thomas Izon, gun maker , Joseph Shore, merchant, and John Oughton, gun barrel maker , all of Birmingham Henry Van Wart of Birmingham, merchant, a bankrupt, John Morris of Lawton, co. Chester, gent., and John Henzey Pidcock of the Platts in the parish of Amblecote, co. Staff., gent., concerning a capital message called Springfield, and land near the Sand Pits adjoining Monument Road.	31 October 1821	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/450589
Charles Gandy & Elizabeth, Gunlock smith , Bilston Mill, Bilston - baptism of son Edward	28 Apr 1822	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Will of Gad Parsons, Gun Barrel Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	22 September 1823	PROB 11/1675/338
Probate copy of the will of Charles Foster of Birmingham, gun maker and victualler. Will dated 26 September, 1821. Probate granted 3 May, 1824.	3 May 1824	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/459323
Will of William Allport, Gunmaker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	28 February 1824	PROB 11/1681
Joseph Guest & Hannah, Gunlock smith , Bilston - baptism of son Thomas	18 May 1824	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Will of Benjamin Williams, Gunmaker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	6 September 1824	PROB 11/1690

<p>Assignment from Richard Peyton of Birmingham, chemist, to Thomas Lowe, gent., John Angear, ironfounder, John Butler, brassfounder, William Brunton, engineer, Isaac Carter, plumber, Thomas Fiddian, merchant, William Gammon, watchmaker, George Goodwin, gun maker, Rice Harris, glass manufacturer, Edward Jones, brassfounder, John Lilley, plater, William Leonard, the younger, Assignment from Richard Peyton of Birmingham, chemist, etc. cont'd. Sword cutler, Samuel Munslow, gilder, and William Robbins, grocer, all of Birmingham, of land in Steelhouse Lane and the meeting house, called the Ebenezer Chapel, erected on part of the said land, for the residue of a term of one thousand years.</p>	2 October 1824	Birmingham City Archives MS 1094/ACC 1935-023/435569
<p>Charles Gandy & Elizabeth, Gun locksmith, Bilston - baptism of their daughter Elizabeth</p>	23 Jan 1825	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
<p>John Hughes & Mary, Gun locksmith, Catchems Corner, Sedgley - baptism of son Thomas</p>	23 Jan 1825	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
<p>Will of Thomas Hampton, Gun Maker of Aston near Birmingham , Warwickshire</p>	19 March 1825	PROB 11/1696
<p>Assignment of Leases for £2,000 Contents: 1. Thomas Ketland and John Adams, both merchants and gun-makers of Birmingham surviving trustees and executors of the Will of Thomas Ketland, decd. 2. John Arnold, gent., Benjamin Sutton, gun manufacturer and Francis Deakin, timber merchant, all of Birmingham assignees in bankruptcy of Thomas Ketland and John Adams 3. John Rotton, David Lloyd, Alfred Lloyd and Michael Goodall, bankers. Property: in Weamans Row and Whitall Street as in 48 above.</p>	29 September 1825	Birmingham City Archives MS 58/49

SLATER Gabriel William & Sarah 8 Apr 1827 Wednesbury Gunlock maker		
Will of William Jones, Gun Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	19 November 1828	PROB 11/1748
Richard & Mary Homer, gunsmith of Wolverhampton - baptism of their son James	6 Dec 1829	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Assignment from Samuel Peter Marindin of Chesterton, co. Salop, gent., and Richard Jukes of Stourport, co. Worc., surgeon, and from James Woolley of Birmingham, esq., to William Chance, Elizabeth Sargant and Charles Fairfax , all of Birmingham, sword and gun makers , of leasehold land and premises in Edmund Street.	1 January 1830	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/409327
Thomas & Elizabeth Westwood, gunsmith of Wolverhampton - baptism of their daughter Ann	24 Apr 1830	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Joseph & Alice Bowers, gunsmith of Wolverhampton - baptism of their son John	22 May 1830	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Indenture of mortgage from Thomas Baker of Birmingham, gent., by the direction of John Britten of Birmingham, button burnisher, to Richard Hollis of Birmingham, gun maker , of leasehold land and premises in Church Street.	22 June 1830	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/408469

Fire insurance policy of John Jones of Birmingham, gun maker , upon a cottage near Stourport, co. Worc.	5 July 1830	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/452147
Indenture between John Jones of Birmingham, gun maker , Richard Jones of the same place, gent., Thomas Jones of the same place, gun maker , and John Freer Proud of Wolverhampton, co. Staff., surgeon, being a mortgage of messuages, lands and premises at Stourport, co. Worc., and an assignment of a policy of insurance upon the life of the said John Jones.	12 August 1830	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/452148
William & Ann Hand, gunsmith of Wolverhampton - baptism of their daughter Ellen	23 Nov 1830	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Lease for a year from William Howell of Aston, gun maker , to Richard Sadler of Sutton Coldfield, co. War., gent., of the reversion expectant upon the death of Mary Howell, widow of Joseph Howell, late of Great Barr, co. Staff., gent., in messuages and lands in Great Barr.	18 August 1831	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/445654
Bond from William Howell of Aston, gun maker , to Dorothea Wilson and Emma Wilson of Sutton Coldfield, co. War., spinster, to secure the sum of £600.	19 August 1831	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/445656
Indenture between William Howell of Aston, gun maker , Dorothea Wilson and Emma Wilson of Sutton Coldfield, co. War., spinster, and Richard Sadler of Sutton Coldfield, co. War., gent., a trustee on behalf of the said Dorothea Wilson and Emma Wilson, being a release to the said Richard Sadler of the reversion expectant upon the death of Mary Howell, widow of Joseph Howell, late of Great Barr, co. Staff., gent., in messuages and lands in Great Barr in trust for sale, for securing the repayment of the sum of £600 to the said Dorothea Wilson and Emma Wilson.	19 August 1831	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/445656
John Hughes & Anne, Gun-locksmith , Bilston - baptism of their daughter Elizabeth	23 Dec 1832	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837

Benjamin Harnett & Sarah , gunsmith of Wolverhampton - baptism of their daughter Mary	25 Jun 1833	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Benjamin Hughes & Hannah, Gun locksmith , Catchems Corner, Sedgley - baptism of son Isaiah	19 May 1826	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
John Hughes & Anne, Gun lockmaker , Bilston - baptism of son Thomas	18 May 1834	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837
Will of John Clive, Gun Barrel Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	27 May 1834	PROB 11/1831/134
Probate copy of the will of William Howell of Aston, gun maker . Will dated 23 July, 1833. Probate granted 9 July, 1834. MS 3375/445658	9 July 1834	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/445658
Lease for a year from Joseph Howell of Aston, gent., son of William Howell , late of Aston, gun maker , deceased, to Elizabeth Howell, widow of the said William Howell, and Richard Sadler of Sutton Coldfield, co. War., gent., of messuages and lands in Great Barr, co. Staff.	9 July 1834	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/445659
Release from Joseph Howell of Aston, gent., son of William Howell , late of Aston, gun maker , deceased, to Elizabeth Howell, widow of the said William Howell, and Richard Sadler of Sutton Coldfield, co. War., gent., of messuages and lands in Great Barr, co. Staff., being the real estate of the said William Howell, to hold for the trusts of his will.	10 July 1834	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/445659
Joseph Bate & Eliza, Gunborer , Bilston - baptism of son Joseph	14 Dec 1834	Bilston St. Leonard's Parish Registers 1684-1837

Minute by William Berry of Tayfield, co. Fife, one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, on the death of John Jones of Birmingham, gun maker , at an inn in Newport, co. Fife; with incidental papers annexed.	30 January 1835	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/452150
Deed pool whereby Thomas White, brassfounder, Thomas Palmer, silversmith, Sarah, his wife, Abraham Clive, gun barrel borer , and Hannah his wife, all of Birmingham, William White of Aston, brassfounder, Samuel Johnson of Birmingham, brush maker, Elizabeth, his wife, John Adams of Aston, gun maker , Ann, his wife, and James White of Dudley, co. Worc., brassfounder, release to Thomas Higginbotham of Birmingham, button stamper, and the said William White, all manner of actions in respect of legacies under the will of Hannah Tovey, late of Birmingham, widow, deceased.	16 September 1835	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/452294
Smythe Etches and Co, later Lee Crowder and Co, solicitors of Birmingham Assignment from Thomas Dowler of Birmingham, brass candlestick maker, John Henney of Portsmouth, co. Hants., banker's clerk and Thomas Bowyer Fiddian of Birmingham, merchant, executors of the will of Charles Fairfax , late of Birmingham, sword and gun maker , deceased, to Elizabeth Sargant and William Lucas Sargant , both of Birmingham, sword and gun makers , of a share in leasehold land and premises in Edmund Street.	23 January 1836	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/409328
Assginment. Contents: Parties: Stephen Hill of Aston, gun bayonet maker , and others, and Edwin Foster of Birmingham, artist. Property: Land in Pritchett St. Aston	8 March 1836	Birmingham City Archives MS 831/156
Deed poll whereby Thomas White, brassfounder, Thomas Palmer, silversmith, Sarah, his wife, Abraham Clive, gun barrel borer, Hannah, his wife, Samuel Johnson, brushmaker, Elizabeth, his wife, John Adams, gun maker , and Ann, his wife, all of Birmingham, and James White of Dudley, co. Worc., brassfounder, acknowledge the receipt from William White of Aston, brassfounder, of their respective shares of the personal estate of Ann White, late of Birmingham, widow, deceased.	15 April 1836	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/452298
Will of Robert Wheeler, Gun Maker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	20 May 1837	PROB 11/1879
Will of Thomas Moxham, Gunmaker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	30 November 1837	PROB 11/1886

<p>Order to execute mortgage - 1. John Wheeler of Birmingham, Warws., gunmaker, Charles Ashford of Shadwell Street, Birmingham, pack case maker, William Pratt of Pershore Road near Birmingham, farmer, William James Millward of Pritchett Street, Birmingham, japanner, Edward Rudge of Wheeler Street, Birmingham, portrait painter and Felix Luckcock of Cambridge Street, Birmingham, lime merchant committee of The Wheeler Street Building Club; 2. John Wheeler and Richard Southall the younger of Birmingham, gun maker and Edward Evans of Birmingham, gentleman Trustees of Estates and property of The Wheeler Street Building Club.</p>	<p>25 October 1837</p>	<p>Birmingham Record Office MS 28/256</p>
<p>Thomas & Mary Brazer [sic], gunsmith of Wolverhampton - baptism of their daughter Emma</p>	<p>13 Jan 1838</p>	<p>Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875</p>
<p>Indenture between Isaac Lea, gent., Matthew Dixon, plater, William Richards Marston, plumber, all of Birmingham, trustees of the will of Joseph Richards, late of Birmingham, gun maker, deceased, Mary Maria Richards of Birmingham, widow of the said Joseph Richards, Edward Wright of Edgbaston, gent., and Thomas Wright of London, tallow chandler, being a release of a messuage, land and premises in Whitehall, alias Whittal Whittall Street. With lease for a year, dated 26 March, 1838, from the said Isaac Lea, Matthew Dixon, William Richards Marston, and Mary Maria Richards to the said Edward Wright, of the said property, annexed.</p>	<p>27 March 1838</p>	<p>Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/453359</p>
<p>Marriage of Joseph Turner, Gun lock filer, St.Georges district - son of Joseph Turner, Gun lock filer</p>	<p>8 Oct 1838</p>	<p>Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903</p>
<p>Appointment by Ottiwell Wood of Edg Hill, co.Lancs., esq., John Wood of Liverpool, co.Lancs., gent., Samuel Duckworth of Lincoln's Inn, London, gent., and William Duckworth of Manchester, co.Lancs., gent., trustees of William Hawkes, late of Charleton Row, co.Lancs., clerk, deceased, of George Unett of Birmingham, gent., as attorney to surrender to the lord of the Manor of Yardley lands and premises within the Manor to the use of John Standley of Birmingham, gun maker.</p>	<p>10 January 1839</p>	<p>Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/427821</p>

Marriage of William Horton, Forgerman, St.Georges district - son of Joseph Horton, Gunsmith	20 May 1839	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Marriage of Joseph Steatham, Gun lock maker , Wolverhampton - son of Robert Steatham, Gun lock maker	29 Jul 1839	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Marriage of Jonathan Woodward, Gun lock filer , Darlaston - son of Joseph Woodward, Gun lock filer	25 Aug 1839	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Indenture between Samuel Chandler Ottley of the parish of Handsworth, victualler, Edward Hale of the same place, gun-maker ; John Passand Litchfield of Birmingham, clothier and Thomas Colmore of Birmingham, gent., being a release from the said Edward Hale by the direction of the said Samuel Chandler Ottley and the said John Passand Litchfield, to the said Thomas Colmore of two messuages. lands and appurtenances in Handsworth to hold to the use of the said John Passand Litchfield. With lease for year dated 29 January, 1840. annexed.	30 January 1840	Birmingham City Archives MS 1587/Acc 1943-027/589184
John Lloyd, gunsmith , Wolverhampton - marriage of his daughter Teresa	10 Feb 1840	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Will of William Smith Murcott, Gun Maker of Moor Street Birmingham, Warwickshire	12 September 1840	PROB 11/1934
Marriage of Isaac Riley, Puddler Wolverhampton - son of Josiah Riley, Gun locksmith	1 Mar 1841	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903

Joseph Standley, gun locksmith , Bilston Street, Wolverhampton - marriage of his daughter Harriett	21 Nov 1842	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Will of John Smith, Gun Maker of Birmingham, Warwickshire	28 January 1843	PROB 11/1974
Marriage of Charles Sutton, Gun lock finisher , Willenhall - son of J.Sutton, smith	9 Apr 1843	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Thomas & Caroline Ward , Brickiln Street, Wolverhampton, lock gunsmith - baptism of their daughter Emma	11 Feb 1844	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Marriage of John Stokes, Gun lock fitter , Wolverhampton - son of S.Stokes, Gun lock fitter	6 May 1844	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Will of Thomas Oram, Gun Barrel Maker of Erdington , Warwickshire	25 July 1844	PROB 11/2002/168
Marriage of Samuel Sanders, Gun lock filer , Willenhall - son of W.Sanders, Harness maker	7 Oct 1844	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
J.Foster, Gun locksmith , Wolverhampton - marriage of his daughter Elizabeth	24 Mar 1845	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903

John & Sarah Wilson, gun locksmith , Graisle Street, Woverhampton - baptism of their son George	11 May 1845	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Indenture between Charles Adams of Darlaston, co. Staff., gent., Joseph Barrows of Birmingham, wine and spirit merchant. Obadiah Howe, formerly of Darlaston, patten-ring maker, then of Wednesbury, co. Staff., victualler, John Griffiths of Lea Brook in Wednesbury, huckster, William Bourn of Wednesbury, screw maker, John Bruerton of Darlaston, bridle bit maker, and James Griffiths of Darlaston, gun lock forger , concerning land, mines and appurtenances in Darlaston. Plan.	3 June 1845	Birmingham City Archives MS 3449/Acc 1939-023/565267
J.Whitehouse, Gun Lockmaker , Bilston - marriage of his daughter Mary	3 Nov 1845	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
M.Hadley, Gunsmith , Wolverhampton - marriage of his daughter Esther	23 Feb 1846	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Marriage of Henry DAKIN, Gunsmith , Wolverhampton - son of J.Dakin, Jeweller	8 Mar 1846	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Marriage of William Wilkes, Gun lock filer , Wolverhampton - son of T.Wilkes, Screwmaker	12 Apr 1846	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
John & Anne Morris , Merridale Fields, Wolverhampton gunsmith - baptism of their son John	9 May 1846	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875

John & Sarah Wilson, gun locksmith , Graisle Street, Woverhampton - baptism of their daughter Sarah WILSON Sarah	18 May 1846	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
G.Ashmore, Gun lock filer , Wolverhampton - marriage of his daughter Sarah	30 Jul 1846	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Marriage of Ezekiel Riley, Gunsmith , Wolverhampton - son of B.Riley Gunsmith	7 Dec 1846	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Will of William Brown, Gun Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	05 May 1847	PROB 11/2055
Indenture of apprenticeship of John Johnson, son of William Johnson of Nottingham, lace maker, to William Thompson of Birmingham, burden gun stocker .	7 August 1848	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/460985
Copy of the Will of John Standley of Yardley, gun and pistol maker , 17 June, 1843. With renunciation by John Clive of Birmingham, gun barrel maker, of the trusteeship and executorship of the said Will, dated 1848	28 October 1848	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/428225
Richard & Harriet Mills , Graisle Street, Wolverhampton, gunsmith - baptism of their daughter Mary	11 Jun 1848	Wolverhampton St. Peter's Parish Registers 1538-1875
Marriage of Samuel Wilkes, Gun lock filer , Walsall Street - son of John Wilkes, Gun lock filer	11 Sep 1848	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903

Will of William Ellis, Gun Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	11 November 1848	PROB 11/2083
Marriage of Joseph Wiles, Gun lock maker , Portobello - son of Thomas Wiles, Deceased	25 Dec 1848	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
William Winsper, Gun lock maker , Darlaston - marriage of his daughter Ellen	8 Jan 1849	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Marriage of James BOULTON, Gun lock filer , Horsley Fields - son of Samuel Boulton, Gun lock filer	1 Apr 1849	Wolverhampton & District Churches: Baptisms 1751-1903
Conveyance Re Avenants Charity Contents: 1. William Deakin of Kings Heath, Worcs., gun barrel maker , Samuel Rawlins of Moseley, Worcs., merchant, James Baldwin of Cotteridge Farm, Worcs., farmer, Charles Richards of Tessall, Worcs., farmer, John Foster of Tanners Green, Worcs., farmer and Henry Chinn of Kings Heath, farmer, Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Kings Norton 2. The Guardians of the Poor of the Kings Norton Union, Worcs., Warws. and Staffs Reciting Agreement of 20 January 1837, Agreement of 24 March 1846 Property 3012 sq. yds. of land at the upper end of the village of Kings Norton with the workhouse and other buildings Consideration: £1500 Signatures of 1. Note of registration 29 August 1850 Note "In the matter of Avenants Charity" of approval of conveyance. Signed by W.H. Finney. Endorsed: notes of receipt of consideration of sealing and delivery.	21 March 1850	Birmingham City Archives MS 28/296
Will of Joseph March, Gun Barrel Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	18 September 1850	PROB 11/2119/324

Will of Thomas Slater, Gun Lock Maker of Handsworth , Staffordshire	03 April 1851	PROB 11/2131/209
Will of Benjamin Beasley, Gun barrel Maker and Iron Manufacturer of Smethwick , Staffordshire.	28 May 1851	PROB 11/2132/49
Indenture of apprenticeship of Thomas Spencer, the younger, of Washwood Heath, son of Thomas Spencer the elder, of Washwood Heath, farmer, to Samuel Breedon of Washwood Heath, gun furniture and revolving pistol maker.	19 April 1853	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/460986
Will of John Clive, Gun Barrell Maker of Birmingham , Warwickshire	06 April 1853	PROB 11/2170/66
Abstract of indenture between James Arthur Taylor of Strensham Court, co. Worc., esq., Harry Hunt of Edgbaston, gent., John Wilkes Unett of Birmingham, gent., William Westley Richards of Birmingham, gun maker , Avarilla Willoughby of Leamington, co. War., widow, the Rev. Thomas Burnet of London, D.D., John Yate Lee of Fulwood Park, co. Lancs., esq., barrister at law, Ann Jemima Lee of Alvechurch, co. Worc., spinster, Bedell Stanford of Cheltenham, co. Glouc., esq., Henry Eyres Landor of Tachbrook, co. War., esq., Walter Henry Bracebridge of Moreville House near Warwick esq., Mary Holte Bracebridge, his wife, John Unett of Birmingham, gent., and George Page of Birmingham, gent., being a grant to the said John Wilkes Unett and John Unett of the Royal Hotel, in Temple Row, Birmingham, in trust for sale.	1 December 1855	Birmingham City Archives MS 3375/429193
Will of William Bott, Gun Finisher of Weaman Street Birmingham, Warwickshire	13 March 1856	PROB 11/2228/285
Will of Richard Cutler, Gunmaker of Weaman Street Birmingham , Warwickshire	13 May 1857	PROB 11/2251

Notes

Feoffment, (or **Enfeoffment**) in English law was a transfer of land or property that gave the new holder the right to sell it as well as the right to pass it on to his heirs as an inheritance.

Defamation—also called **calumny**, **vilification**, **traducement**, **slander** (for transitory statements), and **libel** (for written, broadcast, or otherwise published words)—is the communication of a statement that makes a claim, expressly stated or implied to be factual, that may give an individual, business, product, group, government, religion, or nation a negative or inferior image. This can be also any disparaging statement made by one person about another, which is communicated or published, whether true or false, depending on legal state. In common law it is usually a requirement that this claim be false and that the publication is communicated to someone other than the person defamed (the claimant).^[1]

Deposition is the out-of-court oral testimony of a witness that is reduced to writing for later use in court

Birmingham "**toy-makers**" of the 18th century produced buttons, buckles, patchboxes, snuff boxes, chatelaines, watches, watch seals and other jewellery

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