

Littleton, Middlesex: Marriage Registers

Though Littleton is just north of the Thames, it is in the present administrative county of Surrey. A copy of almost all its earliest registers is at the Society of Genealogists and I have a copy of this. For some reason, however, the transcriber did not copy the post-1812 marriages. Since the registers were undeposited, marriages 1813-37 have not until recently been readily available. The registers have just been deposited at London Metropolitan Archives, and I have transcribed the register. A copy of the transcript will be placed in our Reference Library. Further copies will go to the Society of Genealogists and West Middlesex Family History Society. However, I thought a list of those married at Littleton after 1812 but before the introduction of Civil Registration might be of use and interest to members, and it is printed here.

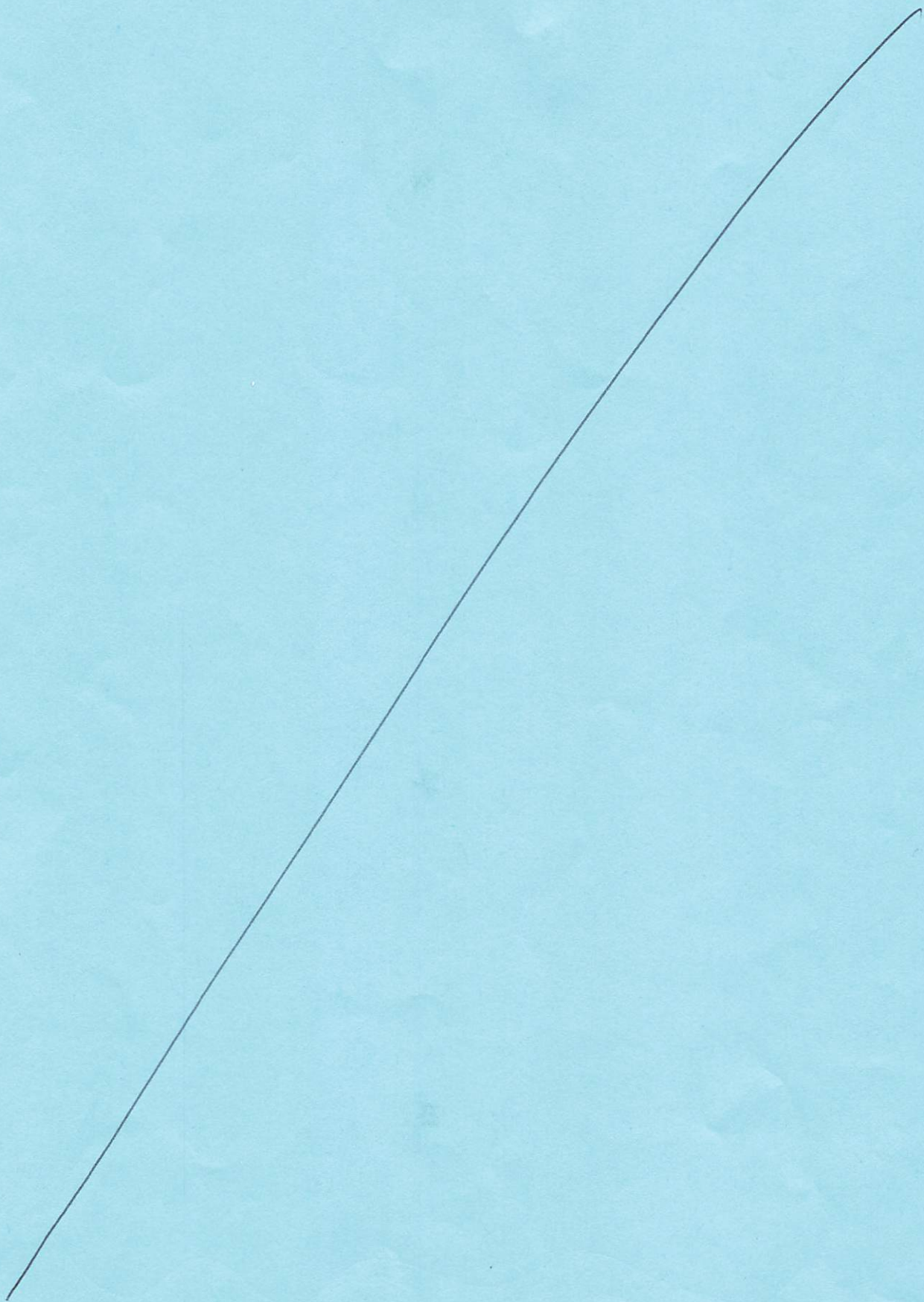
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 ASHMAN Elizabeth 1835
 ATTWATTERS William 1833
 AYLING Sarah 1831
 BAKER Jemima 1832
 Phoebe 1834
 BALDWIN Elizabeth 1833
 BARNES Hannah 1832
 William 1832
 BAVEN Richard 1832
 BEAUCHAMP Amelia 1833
 George 1833
 BITMEAD Mary Ann 1834
 BLANCHARD John 1832
 BLOCK Thomas 1835
 BOOTHER Ann 1832
 BOURNE Harriet 1835
 BROWN Mark 1834
 BUCKINGHAM Benjamin 1832
 BUTLER William 1832
 CALLASS William 1832
 CARTER Martha 1835
 CASSON Rebecca 1835
 CHEER Caroline 1830
 CHICK Mary Silver 1833
 Robert 1835
 CLARK Harriet 1835
 COLLYER Jane 1831
 CONDON Michael 1835
 CONSTABLE Eleanor Elizabeth 1833

COODREE Jane Mary De 1835
 COOPER Finetta 1817
 COSSON James 1833
 COX Thomas 1830
 CRICK Rebecca 1820
 CUTLER James 1835
 DARBON John 1832
 De COODREE Jane Mary 1835
 DUDLEY Harriet 1831
 EAGLE (EAGLES) Ann 1835
 John 1835
 EAST Joseph 1835
 EDWARDS Elizabeth 1835
 ELLIOTT Martha 1834
 ELLIS Edward 1835
 ESSAM John 1834
 EVANS Sarah 1830
 William 1835
 FIELD John 1835
 FISHER Elizabeth 1830
 FITZWATER John Chandler 1830
 FOAKES William 1833
 FOLLOWS Joseph 1834
 FOSTER Nicholas 1819
 FREELAND James 1835
 FREEMAN Hannah 1833
 Mary 1835
 FRIEND Jane 1835
 FRITH William 1832
 GALE George 1831
 GARROD Martha Ann 1832
 GATES Mary Ann 1830
 GODDARD James 1834



GOSDEN James 1832
GUNNER Mary Ann 1835
HARPHORD John 1820
HARRIS William 1835
HARVEY Charles 1834
HAWKES Mary Ann 1833
HAYNES John 1830
HIND Ann 1834
 John 1835
HOOK James 1835
HOUSE Ann 1832
HOWARD Jane 1830
HUGHES Edward 1834
HUMPHRIES John 1832
HYDE Ann 1832
 Sarah 1834
 Thomas Cooper 1833
IFOULD Judith 1830
JEFFERIES Lucy 1833
KEEN Robert 1835
KERSHAW John 1835
KING Martha 1832
KINGSTON Elizabeth 1835
KIPPIN Sarah 1835
LEE John 1830
 Thomas 1820
LIPSCOMB Elizabeth 1833
LOCK Caroline 1834
 Henry 1831
 Susanna 1832
MACE William 1834
MANVELL James 1835
MARTIN Ann 1833
MASON Thomas 1813
MELLING Robert 1835
MIDDLETON John 1832
MILLARD Henry 1834
MORAN Stephen 1834
MORGAN Mary Ann 1834
NASH Richard Robert 1833
NEEDLE Louisa 1835
NICHOLLS Mary 1832
NORTH Elizabeth 1820
PAGE Sarah 1835
PAIN Joseph 1832
PASSINGHAM Clim 1832
PATFIELD Mary 1834
PAULL Samuel 1833
PEARCE Joseph 1830
POPE William 1835
PORT Charles 1835

POULTER Henry 1835
PRYOR Alice 1830
PULLEN (PULLING) Eliza 1835
 Martha 1834
QUARTERMAN Abigail 1833
RANCE Amelia 1830
READ Sarah 1820
REASON Robert 1834
REMNANT Eliza Jane 1831
RENN John 1833
RICHARDSON Robert 1831
ROBINSON Sophia Ann 1819
RUTTER Elizabeth Catherine 1813
SARGENT Elizabeth 1832
SCOTLAND Sarah 1820
SELWOOD Charles 1832
SHARP Elizabeth 1835
SHARROD Ann 1835
SHERWOOD Elizabeth 1834
 Luke 1834
SHIRLEY Harriet 1831
SILLS Priscilla 1835
SMITH John Henry 1834
SMITHERS Richard 1833
SOUTHBY Elizabeth 1833
STACEY Harriet 1834
STEPHENS John 1817
STOCKER James 1833
 William 1830
TAGG William 1831
TATHAM Jane 1832
TAYLOR Charles 1833
 Elizabeth 1832
 Martha 1834
THORN William 1830
TOUGH George 1831
TRIST George Gustavus 1835
TUCKER Henry 1832
WATSON Elizabeth 1835
WATTS James 1830
 John 1834
WELLS George 1820
WESTON Jane 1834
WHATTINGHAM Ann 1832
WHITTAL Elizabeth 1835
WILLMER Mary Ann 1834
WINDIATE John 1834
WINDOWS Sophia 1832
WOOD Dorothy 1835
YATES (YEATES) Eliza 1832



Surrey Soldiers Died in the Great War 1914-1919

ENGLAND
SURREY

Robert Mesley

We recently published under the above title (as MS27) details of over 14,000 men whose records showed them to have been born or resident in Surrey. The list is not complete, as some regiments did not provide this information. Readers may be interested to see an example, showing the sort of information normally provided, which includes regimental number and rank (and any decorations); places of birth, enlistment and residence, cause, place and date of death. The lists are classified under regiment and battalion, the example below being an abstract from the 1st Battalion of the Royal West Surrey Regiment. The publication also includes a full alphabetical index of names.

Cause of death is shown as K in A (killed in action), D of W (died of wounds) or D (death from any other cause). Place of death is shown as F&F (France and Flanders) for the Western Front, while Home means the UK.

Part 7. The Queen's (Royal West Surrey Regiment)

1st Battalion

ABBOTT, Frederick, G/1 5026, Pte. Born Wonersh, enlisted Dorking, living Shamley Green.
D of W, F&F, 1/7/17.

ABREHART, Harry, G/3539, Pte. Born Peaslake, enlisted Guildford, living Peaslake.
D of W, F&F, 6/1/16.

ACOCK, Sidney Walter, G/3913, Pte. Born Horsell, enlisted Guildford, living Horsell.
K in A, F&F, 6/2/16.

ADAMS, John Henry, S/4857, Cpl. Born St John's, Croydon, enlisted Croydon, living Abergavenny, Mon. Kin A, F&F, 13/10/15.

AGATE, Victor, G/445, Pte. Born Nutfield, enlisted Redhill, living Bletchingley.
D of W, F&F, 8/8/16.

AGNEW, William Samuel, L/8266, Pte. Born Battersea, enlisted Hounslow, living Merton.
K in A, F&F, 17/9/14.

AINSLIE, George Henry, L/7834, Pte. Born Deptford, enlisted Guildford, living Croydon.
K in A, F&F, 31/10/14.

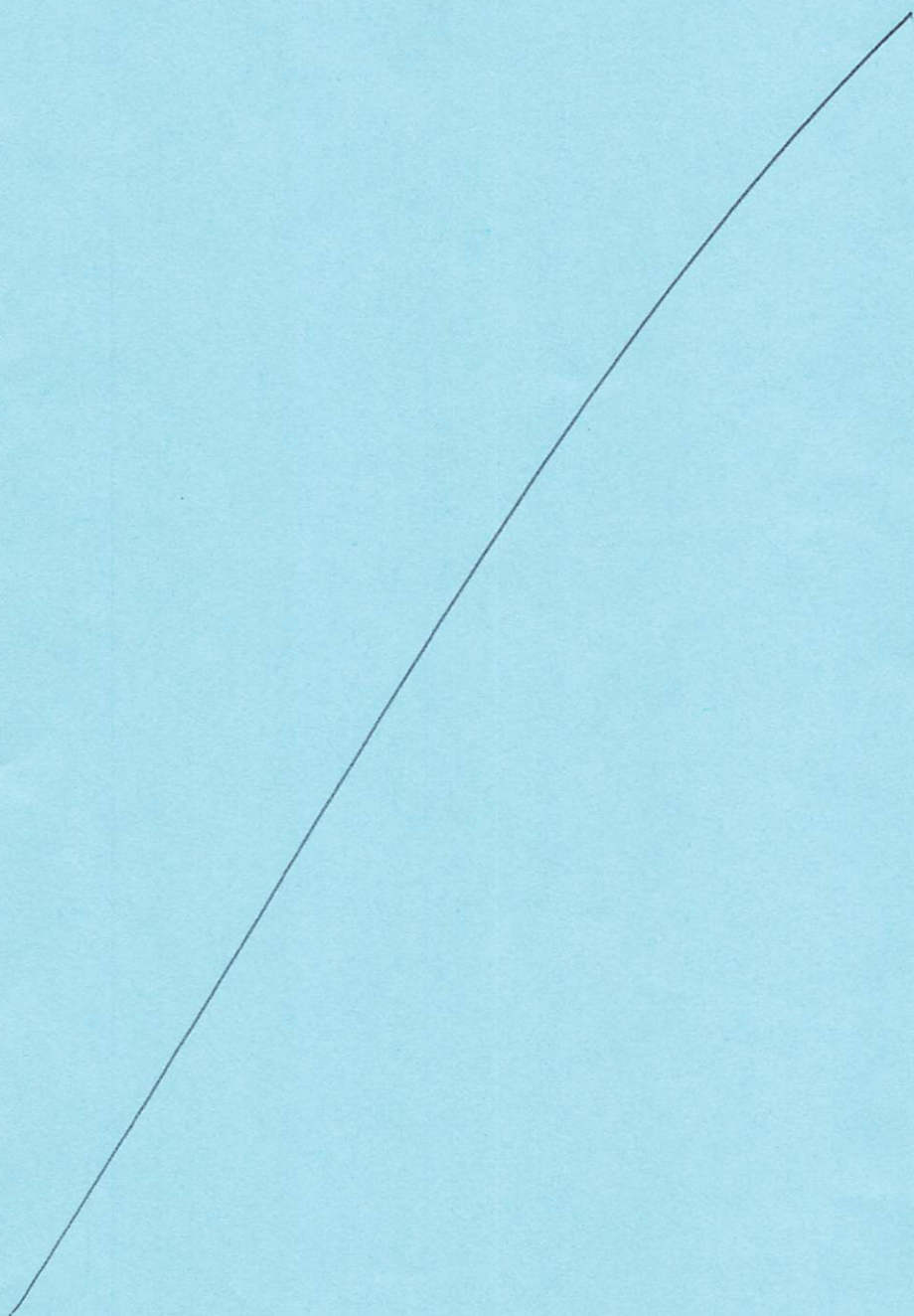
AINSWORTH, Charles, G/4111, Pte. Born Redhill, enlisted Croydon, living Norwood.
K in A, F&F, 23/4/17.

ALDER, Cyril Charles, G/982, Pte. Born Frensham, enlisted Guildford, living Farnham.
K in A, F&F, 19/8/15.

ALLEN, Albert, T/201693, L/Sgt. Born North Gate, Chichester, enlisted Croydon, living Wallington. K in A, F&F, 13/4/18.

ALLEN, Victor Percy, G/947, Pte. Born Norbury, enlisted Croydon, living Thornton Heath.
K in A, F&F, 19/8/15.

ALLEN, William Francis, L/10370, Pte. Born Christchurch, Croydon, enlisted Guildford, living W Croydon. K in A, F&F, 30/10/14. ■



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ENGLISH PROBATE JURISDICTIONS

The probate records of England are among the best genealogical sources for direct evidence of relationships. They are also among the most neglected sources because of the many variations in the ecclesiastical jurisdictions which governed the probate of wills prior to 1858. To complete a thorough examination of the probate records of a certain area, it is necessary to have a guide to the various probate jurisdictions and the lines of authority followed by the Established Church of England. This is important to insure that probate searches will cover the probate records most likely to contain information concerning ancestors.

Almost all pre-1858 wills were proved and letters of administration were granted in ecclesiastical courts, of which there were over 300. The jurisdictions of these courts did not conform with civil boundaries, thus for convenience this series has been arranged by county with appropriate cross references. Using it as a guide, you will receive assistance in locating the exact probate courts to search for any given area with the least amount of time and effort.

To search a probate jurisdiction:

1. Locate on the map the parish or locality where your ancestor lived.
2. Match the color in which the parish is situated with the color key in the jurisdiction table on the page opposite the map. This is the appropriate jurisdiction you should search.
3. Search the probate records in the order indicated in the column directly below the appropriate jurisdiction table.

EXAMPLE: If your research problem is in the parish of Ewell, Surrey, follow these steps and search the courts in this order:

- a. Find Ewell in a gazetteer and then using this information locate it on the map. It is in the green area.
- b. Match the green on the map with the green on the color key in the jurisdiction table on the opposite page.
- c. It will be found that Ewell is represented in the column of the Archdeaconry of Surrey.
- d. Search the probate records in the order indicated in this column:
 1. Court of the Archdeacon of Surrey.
 2. Court of the Commissary of the Bishop of Winchester (Winton) in the Archdeaconry of Surrey.
 3. Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury (Prerogative Court of Canterbury, also known as P.C.C.)

Since civil and ecclesiastical boundaries were not necessarily one and the same, it is important in pre-1858 probate searches to consider nearby courts including those situated across county boundaries. Also, ecclesiastical boundaries and rights were not always observed or may have been changed over the years.

Many peculiar courts closed before 1858. When this occurred jurisdiction reverted to the local archdeaconry and/or diocesan courts.

Most of the records of all pre-1858 probate courts are available on film in the Library of The Genealogical Society of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints or in its branch libraries.

On 11 January 1858, all of the ecclesiastical courts were closed and England was divided into civil probate districts, thus making probate searches comparatively simple after that date. Beginning in 1858, district probate registrars forwarded copies of all wills and administrations each year to the Principal Probate Registry, Somerset House, London, W.C.2., where an annual index is maintained. A copy of the master index 1858 to 1957 is on film in the Library of the Genealogical Society.

For additional information concerning the value and use of probate records, refer to *Genealogical Research in England and Wales*, Volume 2, by Gardner and Smith.

-- SURREY --

Most of Surrey was under the jurisdiction of the Court of the Archdeacon of Surrey and the Commissary Court of the Bishop of Winchester in the Archdeaconry of Surrey; hence, the majority of genealogical searches will be in the records of these courts. Gazetteers printed prior to 1889 will designate all places geographically situated in Surrey as within that county. Since 1889, twenty-nine towns and cities in counties Kent, Middlesex, and Surrey were organized into the County of London. Since 1965, considerable changes have been made in the boundaries, and gazetteers published since 1967 will incorporate parts of County Surrey close to London as being within the new and present Greater London County.

The following deals with Surrey as it was before the creation of the County of London in 1889.

Pre-1858 probate courts having some jurisdiction in Surrey were:

Canterbury, Court of the Peculiar of the Archbishop of (deanery of Croydon)

Canterbury, Court of the Archbishop of (Prerogative Court of Canterbury, also known as P.C.C.; see London probate jurisdictions for full details)

Surrey, Court of the Archdeacon of (in the diocese of Winchester)

Winchester, Court of the Commissary of the Bishop of (Commissary Court of the Bishop of Winchester in the Archdeaconry of Surrey)

Winchester, Court of the Bishop of (Episcopal Consistory of Winchester; see Hampshire probate jurisdictions for full details)

The Court of the Archdeacon of Surrey was inhibited six weeks annually and three months at primary visitations by the Court of the Commissary of the Bishop of Winchester. The Court of the Archdeacon of Surrey did not have power to grant letters of administration for intestates.

There are a few Surrey wills among the Episcopal Consistory Court of Winchester records at Hampshire Record Office. There are some Surrey administrations included in the Bishop of Winchester's administrative records formerly kept at the Diocesan registry but now at the Hampshire Record Office.

In 1837, the parishes of Addington and Lambeth were transferred to the Court of the Episcopal Consistory of Canterbury (see Kent probate jurisdictions for full details).

In 1846 the parishes of Southwark, Battersea, Bermondsey, Camberwell, Clapham, Lambeth, Merton, Rotherhithe, Streatham, Tooting, and Wandsworth were transferred to the Court of the Bishop of London (see London probate jurisdictions for full details). The jurisdiction change of 1846 seems to show that some probate records of residents in the Surrey parishes involved were granted in the London Court, but an extensive survey needs to be made to provide conclusive evidence.

Parts of Surrey on the south bank of the River Thames and across from the City of London have had considerable association with London and Middlesex. It is well to refer to *Pre-1858 English Probate Jurisdictions* of the City of London (Series A No. 9), and the counties of Essex (Series A No. 40), Kent (Series A No. 19), and Middlesex (Series A No. 38). When the precise "London" parish of residence is unknown, recourse has to be made to the records of the jurisdictions closest to London within each of these counties.

Southwark: Bridge Ward Without (Southwark) was a nominal ward of the City of London but not part of the City. That part which was subject to the City was called "Borough Liberty" or "The Borough." The other division was called the Liberty of the Clink and was under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Winchester. However, the houses on the southern half of London Bridge and a small number on the Southwark side of the river by the Bridge were considered "*within the City*."

The original records of the Court of the Archdeacon of Surrey and the Court of the Commissary of the Bishop of Winchester in the Archdeaconry of Surrey are at the Greater London Records Office, County Hall, London, S.E.1.

The peculiar jurisdiction of the Archbishop of Canterbury in the deanery of Shoreham, County Kent, and the deanery of Croydon, County Surrey, was over thirty-five parishes and chapelries in Kent, eleven parishes in Surrey and four parishes and chapelries in Middlesex. This peculiar jurisdiction was closely linked from the eighteenth century with the Deanery of Arches (covering thirteen parishes within the City of London), under a single dean. All original wills, etc., for the deaneries of Shoreham and Croydon, with the surviving volumes for the period prior to the union with the Deanery of Arches, are at the Kent Archives Office, Maidstone, Kent. The records of the Deanery of Arches are at the Lambeth Palace Library, London, S.E.1, among which are registers of wills from Croydon and Shoreham, 1664-1685; Croydon, Shoreham, and Arches, 1685-1841; and probate and administration act books for Croydon and Shoreham, 1684-1709, Arches, 1664-1709, and Croydon, Shoreham and Arches, 1710-1841.

The Prerogative Court (of the Archbishop) of Canterbury (P.C.C.) claimed sole jurisdiction where the deceased had *bona notabilia* (an estate valued at more than five pounds sterling) in two dioceses or in two peculiars in the province of Canterbury. On some occasions the P.C.C. appears to have made grants even when there was no foundation for exercising jurisdiction. The P.C.C. also granted probate of wills and letters of administration for those with property in England, Wales, Isle of Man and the Channel Islands who died at sea or overseas. Such persons are distinguished in the calendars (indexes) by the entry "pts," abbreviation for "parts overseas" instead of the name of the place. Apparently there are grants for persons having *bona notabilia* in both provinces or grants for persons dying overseas proved in the courts of both Canterbury and York. Probate was granted in York (P.C.Y.) for that part of the estate within the northern province, and in Canterbury (P.C.C.) for that part of the estate in the southern province. Because of the possibility that the P.C.C. might infringe upon the jurisdiction of York, the records of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury should always be searched when grants relating to estates within the province of York cannot be found therein. This also applies to estates anywhere in England, Wales, Isle of Man and the Channel Islands.

During the Commonwealth Interregnum from 1653 to 1660, the court of the Archbishop of Canterbury in the form of a civil court had sole testamentary jurisdiction over all of England and Wales. Since the Reformation, it has been usual for the estates of men of wealth and position to receive grants of probate and letters of administration in this court. During vacancies in this court between 997 and 1590, some wills were proved in the Court of the Prior and Chapter of Christ Church, Canterbury, Kent.

Some wills from around 1313-1644, proved either during vacancies or for other reasons from various dioceses within the Province of Canterbury, are recorded in the archiepiscopal registers kept at Lambeth Palace.

The Court of the Arches of Canterbury was a court of appeal for the Province of Canterbury. However, the royal peculiars and the peculiars of the Archbishop were exempt.

The Court of Delegates was also a court of appeal for the provinces of Canterbury and York, including their peculiars, royal peculiars, and the Irish probate courts.

SURREY PROBATE JURISDICTION TABLE

If your ancestor lived
in one of these
jurisdictions . . . →

Search the probate
records in the
order shown . . . ↓

	Peculiar of the Archbishop of Canterbury	Archdeaconry of Surrey before 1846	Anywhere in the County after 1846	Anywhere in the County 1653- 1660
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Court of the Peculiar of the Archbishop of Canterbury (Deanery of Croydon)	1			
Court of the Archdeacon of Surrey	3*	1	3	
Court of the Commissary of the Bishop of Winchester (Winton)	4*	2	4	
Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury (P.C.C.)	2	3	2	1
All Courts of the Bishop of London			1**	

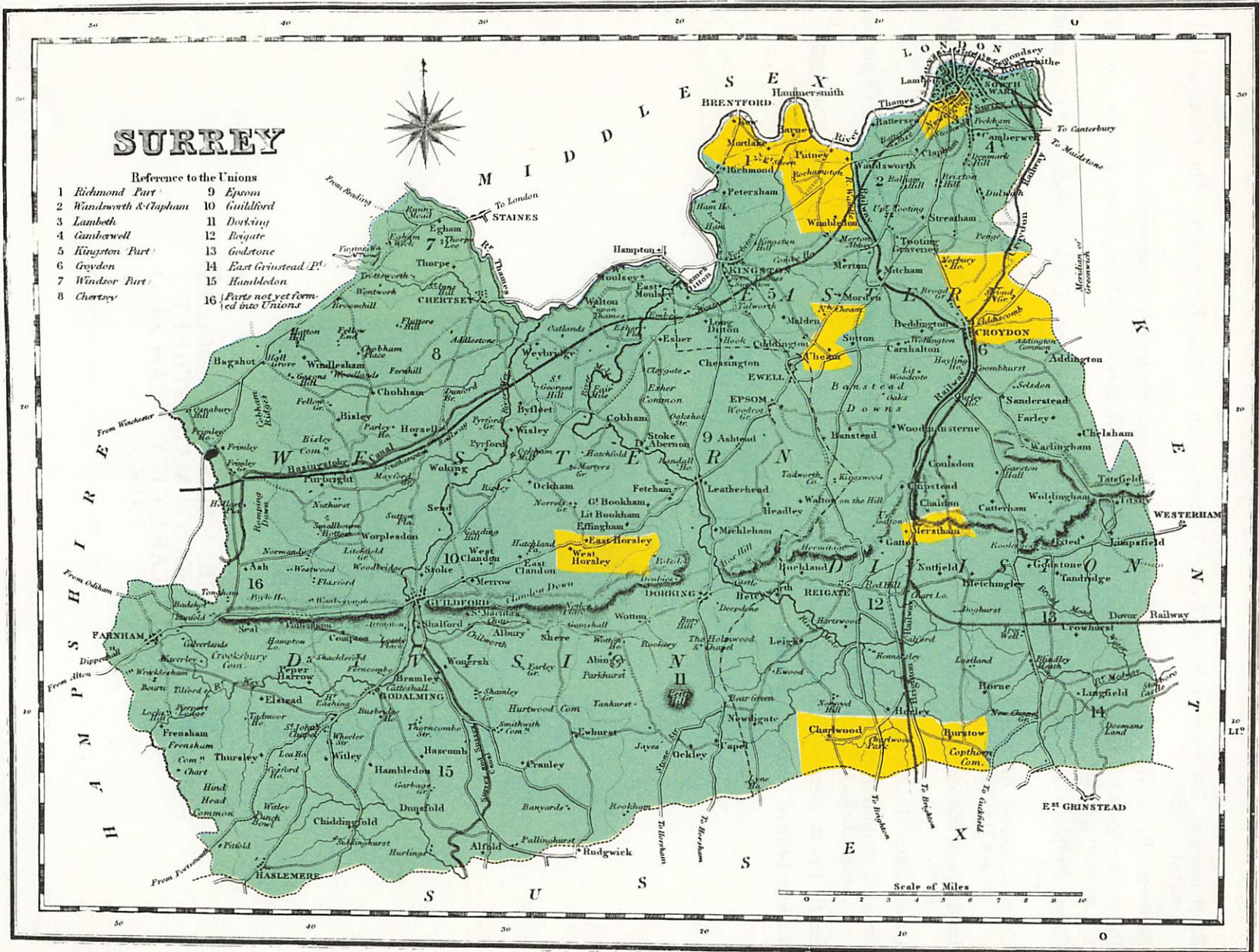
*These courts are not technically superior jurisdictions of this court, but as the largest courts of original jurisdiction in the county they will often contain probate records of persons who resided in the other jurisdictions.

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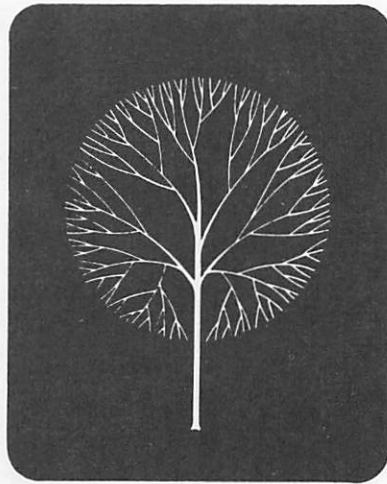
Reference to the Unions

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|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 Richmond Part | 9 Epsom |
| 2 Wandsworth & Clapham | 10 Guildford |
| 3 Lambeth | 11 Dorking |
| 4 Camberwell | 12 Reigate |
| 5 Kingston Part | 13 Godstone |
| 6 Croydon | 14 East Grinstead P ^l |
| 7 Windsor Part | 15 Hambleton |
| 8 Chertsey | 16 Parts not yet formed into Unions |



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