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Magistrates and officers of the university.

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**Magistrates and Officers**

OF THE

**UNIVERSITY.**

**CHANCELLOR.**

His Grace Augustus Henry, Duke of Grafton,  
1768.

**HIGH-STEWARD.**

The Right Honourable William Pitt, F. R. S.  
1790.

**VICE-CHANCELLOR.**

Humphry Sumner, D. D. 1800.

**COMMISSARY.**

John Fisher, LL. D. 1790.

HEADS

## HEADS OF COLLEGES.

Founded.

- 1257 St. Peter's—Francis Barnes, D. D. Master,  
1788.
- 1326 Clare-Hall—John Torkington, D. D. 1781.
- 1343 Pembroke Hall—Joseph Turner, D. D.  
1784.
- 1351 Corpus Christi, or Bene't—Philip Douglas,  
D. D. 1795.
- 1350 Trinity Hall.
- 1348 Gonville and Caius—Martin Davy, M. D.  
F. R. S. 1803.
- 1441 King's—Humphry Sumner, Provost, 1797.
- 1448 Queen's—Isaac Milner, D. D. F. R. S. Pre-  
sident, 1788.
- 1475 Catherine Hall, Joseph Proctor, D. D. 1799.
- 1496 Jesus—William Pearce, D. D. 1789.
- 1505 Christ's—John Barker, D. D. 1780.
- 1509 St. John's—William Craven, D. D. 1789.
- 1519 Magdalen—William Gretton, D. D. 1797.
- 1546 Trinity — William Lort Mansel, D. D.  
1798.
- 1584 Emanuel—R. Towerfon Cory, D. D. 1797.
- 1598 Sidney—William Ellifston, D. D. 1760.
- 1800 Downing—Francis Annesley, LL. D. 1800.

CAPUT:

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*Every University Grace must pass the Caput, before it can be introduced into the Senate.*

Humphry Sumner, D.D. Vice-Chancellor.

William Gretton, D.D. Magdalene College,  
Divinity.

Joseph Jowett, LL. D. Trinity Hall, Law.

Thomas Ingle, M.D. Peter House, Physic.

C. W. Burrell, A.M. Catherine Hall, Senior  
Non. Reg.

John Broderip, A.M. King's College, Sen.  
Reg.

*Professors*—Thomas Sumpter, A.M. King's Col-  
lege; John Warter, A.M. Magdalen College.

*Moderators*—Robert Woodhouse, A.M. Caius  
College; T. Waldron Hornbuckle, A.M. St.  
John's.

*Scrutators*—Thomas Veafy, B.D. Peter House;  
James Wood, B.D. St. John's College.

*Taxors*—Clement Chevalier, A.M. Pembroke  
Hall; John Doncaster, A.M. Christ's College.

PROFESSORS.

Founded.

1502 *Lady Margaret's Professor of Divinity*—

Founded by Lady Margaret, with a stipend  
of twenty marks; and augmented by James

1502 the

Founded.

- 1502 the First with the Rectory of Terrington.—  
John Mainwaring, B. D. 1788.  
*Preacher*—James Fawcett, B. D.; salary 10*l.*  
*per ann.* 1786.
- 1540 *Regius Professor of Divinity*—Founded by  
Henry VIII. with a stipend of 40*l. per ann.*  
augmented by James the First, with the  
Rectory of Somersham; confirmed by Act  
of Parliament in the 10th of Queen Anne,  
—Richard Watson, D. D. F. R. S. Bishop  
of Landaff, and Archdeacon of Ely, 1771.  
*Deputy*—J. B. Seal, D. D. 1802.
- 1540 *Regius Professor of Civil Law*—Joseph  
Jowet, LL. D. 1781.
- 1540 *Regius Professor of Physic*—Sir Isaac Penning-  
ton, Knt. M. D. 1793.
- 1540 *Hebrew Professor*—Henry Lloyd, A. M.  
1795.
- 1540 *Greek Professor*—This, and the three preced-  
ing Professorships, were founded by Henry  
the Eighth, with a stipend of 40*l. per ann.*  
John Crane, M. A. Apothecary, of Cam-  
bridge, gave his dwelling-house to the Pro-  
fessor of Physic, and upwards of 60*l.* every  
fifth year, to sick and poor Scholars.—  
Richard Porson, A. M. 1793.
- 1540 *Casuistical Professor*—Founded by John  
Knightbridge, D. D. with a stipend of 50*l.*  
*per ann.* and augmented by Thomas Smoult,  
who

Founded.

1540 who gave 300*l.* to purchase land.—George Borlace, D. D. 1788.

1663 *Mathematical Professor*—Founded by Henry Lucas, Esq. M. P. for the University, and endowed with the rent of an estate of 100*l.* per ann. An estate in Bedfordshire was purchased with Mr. Lucas's bequest, at that time worth 102*l.* per ann. but now much augmented.—Isaac Milner, D. D. F. R. S. 1798.

1632 *Arabic Professor*—Founded by Thomas Adams, Alderman of London, with a salary of 40*l.* per ann.—Joseph Dacre Carlyle, B. D. 1795.

1704 *Plumian Professor of Experimental Philosophy*—Founded by Dr. Thomas Plume, Archdeacon of Rochester, who gave 1800*l.* for the purpose; and augmented by Dr. Thomas Smith, Master of Trinity College, with half the interest of 3000*l.* in the funds.—S. Vince, A. M. F. R. S. 1796.

1749 *Astronomical (Lowndes's) Professor*—Founded by Thomas Lowndes, Esq. who gave an estate of about 150*l.* per ann. for the endowment.—William Lax, A. M. F. R. S. 1795.

1707 *Anatomy Professor*—B. Harwood, M. D. F. R. and S. A. 1785.

Founded.

1724 *Professor of Modern History and Languages*—  
Founded by George the First, with a stipend of 400*l. per ann.*—John Symonds, LL. D. 1771.

1705 *Chemistry Professor*—William Farish, A. M. 1793.

*Botany Professor*—T. Martyn, B. D. F. R. and L. S. 1761.

*Woodwardian Professor*—Founded by John Woodward, M. D. with a salary of about 150*l. per ann.*—John Hailstone, A. M. F. L. S. 1788.

1768 *Norrisian Professor of Divinity*—James Fawcett, B. D. 1795.

1783 *Jacksonian Professor of Natural and Experimental Philosophy*—Founded by the Rev. Richard Jackson, with a stipend of 80*l. per ann.*—F. I. H. Wollaston, A. M. F. R. S. 1792.

1684 *Music Professor*—Charles Hague, Mus. D. 1799.

*Professor of Common Law*—Edward Christian, A. M. 1800.

*Downing Professor of Medicine*—Bufick Harwood, M. D. 1800.

PUBLIC ORATOR.

1571 Edmund Outram, B. D. 1798.

PRINCIPAL LIBRARIAN.

Thomas Kenrick, A. M. 1797.

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John Davies, A. M. 1783.

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ESQUIRE BEDELS.

John Beverley, A. M.

Henry Gunning, A. M.

Charles Ifola, A. M.

INSPECTORS OF FOSSILS.

John Davies, B. D.

Richard Sill, A. M.

BOTANIC GARDEN.

James Donn, A. L. S. Curator.

ORGANIST.

John Pratt, Esq.

COUNSEL.

The Right Honourable Spencer Percival, A. M.  
1800.

Hugh Leycester, Esq. LL. D.

SOLICITOR.

Thomas Ingle, Esq.

YEOMAN-BEDEL.

John Laughton.

PRINTER.

John Archdeacon.

SCHOOL-KEEPER.

John Marshall.

MARSHALL.

John Taylor.

APPRAISER.

Thomas Yorke.

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT FOR THE UNI-  
VERSITY.

The Right Honourable WILLIAM PITT.

The Right Honourable LORD EUSTON, son of  
the Duke of Grafton.

SCARLET

SCARLET DAYS FOR ALL DOCTORS.

Easter Sunday, Ascension Day, Whit Sunday, Trinity Sunday, King Charles's Restoration, King's Inauguration, the Proclamation of Midsummer and Stourbridge Fairs, Commencement Sunday and Tuesday, St. Michael the Archangel, All Saints, Gunpowder Treason, Christmas Day, General Thanksgiving.

LITANY DAYS.

January 30th. May 29th. King's Inauguration, Gunpowder Treason, Ash Wednesday, if not a clerum, there is a supplication, and the bell rings a quarter before ten. All Litany Days the Doctors wear robes. The Proctors are to attend all Litany Days in their congregation ruffs.

If October the 9th, January the 12th, or May the 8th, fall on a Sunday, there is a clerum, and the Sermon is usually omitted in the morning.

Easter Tuesday the Sermon is preached at St. Benedict's Church, and not at St. Mary's.

The Sermon on Lady Day is preached in the morning, at King's Chapel.

January the 30th, and on Good Friday, there is no organ played, nor psalms sung.

*Anthem Days at St. Mary's Church.*

Easter Sunday, Whit Sunday, King Charles's Ref-  
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toration, King's Inauguration, Commencement Sunday, Nov. 5th, Christmas Day, and days of general thanksgiving.

The commemoration of Benefactors is read twice in the year; on the Commencement Sunday, and the Sunday next before the 3d of November.

*The following is an invariable Rule for the Beginning and Ending of the Cambridge Terms, without any Exception of Sundays or Holidays.*

*Michaelmas Term* begins on the 10th of October, and ends on the 16th of December.

*Lent Term* begins on the 13th of January, and ends on the Friday before Palm Sunday.

*Trinity Term*, or (as it is more commonly called), *May Term*, begins on the Wednesday after Easter week, and ends on the Friday after the commencement.

#### ANNUAL PRIZES.

In the year 1751, his Grace the DUKE OF NEWCASTLE, Chancellor of the University, established a premium of two gold medals, value ten guineas each, to be given to two persons, who, after having the academical honours of Senior Optime conferred on them, shall be found, after a second examination before certain persons appointed by his Grace, to excel in classical learning.

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This premium is still continued by his Grace the Duke of Grafton, the present Chancellor of the University.

The Honourable Mr. FINCH, and the Honourable Mr. TOWNSHEND, after the example of his Grace the Chancellor, gave yearly two prizes of fifteen guineas each, to two senior Bachelors of Arts, and the like to two middle Bachelors, who shall compose the best exercises in Latin prose; which are to be read publicly by them, on a day to be appointed near the commencement by the Vice-Chancellor.

Each candidate sends his exercise privately, and without his name, and not in his own hand, but revised and pointed by himself, to the Vice-Chancellor, with some Latin verse upon it; and he, at the same time, sends a paper sealed up with the same Latin verse on the outside, which paper encloses another paper folded up, with the candidate's name written within.

The papers, containing the names of those candidates who do not succeed, are destroyed unopened; by which secrecy, the modesty of those who might otherwise fear a repulse, is effectually consulted.

These prizes have also been continued by the late and present Members of Parliament for the University.

Mr. SEATON, by a clause in his will, dated October 8, 1738, gave his Kissingbury estate to the

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University of Cambridge for ever: the rents of which should be disposed of yearly by the Vice-Chancellor, for the time being, as he, the Vice-Chancellor, the Master of Clare-Hall, and the Greek Professor for the time being, or any two of them should agree. Which three persons aforesaid should give out a subject, which subject, for the first year, should be one or other of the Perfections or Attributes of the Supreme Being, and so the succeeding years, till the subject was exhausted; and afterwards the subject should be either Death, Judgment, Heaven, Hell, Purity of Heart, &c. or whatever else might be judged by the Vice-Chancellor, Master of Clare Hall, and the Greek Professor, to be most conducive to the honour of the Supreme Being, and recommendation of virtue. And that they should yearly dispose of the rent of the above estate to that Master of Arts, whose poem on the subject given should be best approved by them. Which poem was always ordained to be in English, and to be printed; the expence of which should be deducted out of the product of the estate, and the residue given as a reward for the composer of the poem, ode, or copy of verses.—The estate now produces about 16*l. per ann.*

The late reverend and learned Dr. ROBERT SMITH, F. R. S. Master of Trinity College in this University, bequeathed, by will, two annual premiums, of 25*l.* each, to those junior Bachelor of Arts, who

who shall appear, on examination, to be the best proficient in Mathematics and Natural Philosophy.

The late Sir WILLIAM BROWNE, Knt. M. D. by a clause in his will, directed his executors to send to the Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge annually, two gold medals, each of five guineas value, to be given by him at the commencement to two Undergraduates, one of whom shall deliver the best Greek ode in imitation of Sappho, the other the best Latin ode in imitation of Horace. And by a clause in the codicil to his will, Sir William Browne bequeathed a third gold medal, of equal value, to be given to the Undergraduate who shall produce the best Greek epigram after the model of Anthologia, and the best Latin epigram after the model of Martial. Sir William Browne also gave a rent charge of 20*l.* *per ann.* for founding a classical scholarship: the scholar elected to remove to Peterhouse. And, in case of failure of issue from his next heir, he devised his whole real estate to the University, for founding two Physic Fellowships, and further encouraging classical learning.

The late JOHN NORRIS, Esq. of Witton, in Norfolk, by will, dated Sept. 22, 1768, founded a new Divinity Professorship, with a salary of 105*l.* *per ann.*; and the Rev. John Hey, D. D. of Sidney College, was elected the first Norrisian Professor, May 1, 1780. He also bequeathed a premium of 12*l.* for the encouragement of Students in this University,

verity, to the author of the best prose English essay, on a sacred subject: 7*l.* 4*s.* of the aforesaid 12*l.* shall be expended upon a gold medal; one side shall represent the New Testament and the Cross, with this inscription round it, *the wisdom of God unto salvation*; the reverse shall represent the Resurrection, with the inscription round it, *death is swallowed up in victory*: upon the edge, where the milling in our current coin is expressed, shall be these words, *the Norrissian prize*; and, if there be room, the name of the successful candidate, and the date of the year. The residue of the 12*l.* viz. 4*l.* 16*s.* is to be disposed of in books; which are to be the Bible, Bishop Sherlock's Discourses, 4 vols. Leland against the Deistical Writers, and Pearson on the Creed: upon the left-hand cover of each book shall be pasted a copper-plate impression of one of the sides of the medal: and directed the sum of 18*s.* to be laid out in books, viz. the New Testament, and the great Importance of a Religious Life, to be annually given to prisoners who can read.

JOHN LORD CRAVEN gave 50*l.* *per ann.* to two Scholars, the best proficient in classical learning, &c. The electors are the Vice-Chancellor, the five Regius Professors, and the Orator.

WILLIAM BATTIE, M. D. left an estate of upwards of 20*l.* *per ann.* to one Scholar, on a similar plan.

WILLIAM WORTS, Esq. formerly Esquire-Bede  
of

of the University, gave two pensions of 100*l.* *per ann.* each, to two travelling Bachelors of Arts.

The Rev. JOHN HULSE, by his will, dated 21<sup>st</sup> of July, 1777, after the lapse of a great number of annuities, and the payment of several legacies and donations, bequeathed to the University of Cambridge a yearly revenue of about 150*l.* for preaching and publishing twenty sermons yearly, in vindication of the general authority, and particular evidences of Christianity: and an annuity of equal value to the former, for the establishment of a writer, who is to publish a book every year, tending to the confirmation of the doctrines, or the removal of some difficulties in Christianity. The writer is to be called, *The Christian Advocate*. The remaining produce of the estate, out of which these stipends are to be paid, is to be appropriated to founding two Scholarships in St. John's, each of which will be 40*l.* *per ann.* The Vice-Chancellor, for the time being, and the Heads of Trinity and St. John's, are to have the nomination in all these appointments.

*The Order of the Colleges, out of which the Proctors are chosen annually to the End of the present Century.*

- 1785 Trinity and Emanuel.
- 1786 St. John's and Christ's.
- 1787 Clare Hall and Pembroke.
- 1788 Caius and Christ's.

- 1789 King's and Queen's.  
1790 Trinity and Jesus.  
1791 St. John's and St. Peter's.  
1792 Christ's and Magdalen.  
1793 King's and Catharine Hall.  
1794 Trinity and Pembroke.  
1795 St. John's and Sidney.  
1796 Clare Hall and Emanuel.  
1797 Queen's and Caius.  
1798 King's and Trinity Hall\*.  
1799 Trinity and Bene't.  
1800 St. John's and St. Peter's.

\* Trinity Hall having only two Fellowships in Holy Orders, the Proctorship comes to it but once in fifty years; but if any Proctor of the other Colleges die, the rest of the year is served from this Hall.