

Samuel Morris and Hannah/Anna Perring/Perry

Samuel Morris and Hannah (or Anna) Perring, or Perry, were most likely the parents of Margaret Morris who married John Horatio Robert Bayley.

In census records, Margaret Morris, who married John Horatio Robert Bayley in 1835, gives a birth place of Blymhill, Staffordshire, with an age that would put her birth about 1813-14. Her baptism was found in Blymhill in the parish register for 23 Jan 1814, parents: Samuel and Hannah Morris. Tracing back through the baptismal register, she was the fifth child of this couple, Samuel and Hannah Morris of Blymhill. Samuel was a butcher.

Baptisms solemnized in the Parish of Blymhill in the County of Stafford in the year 1814.

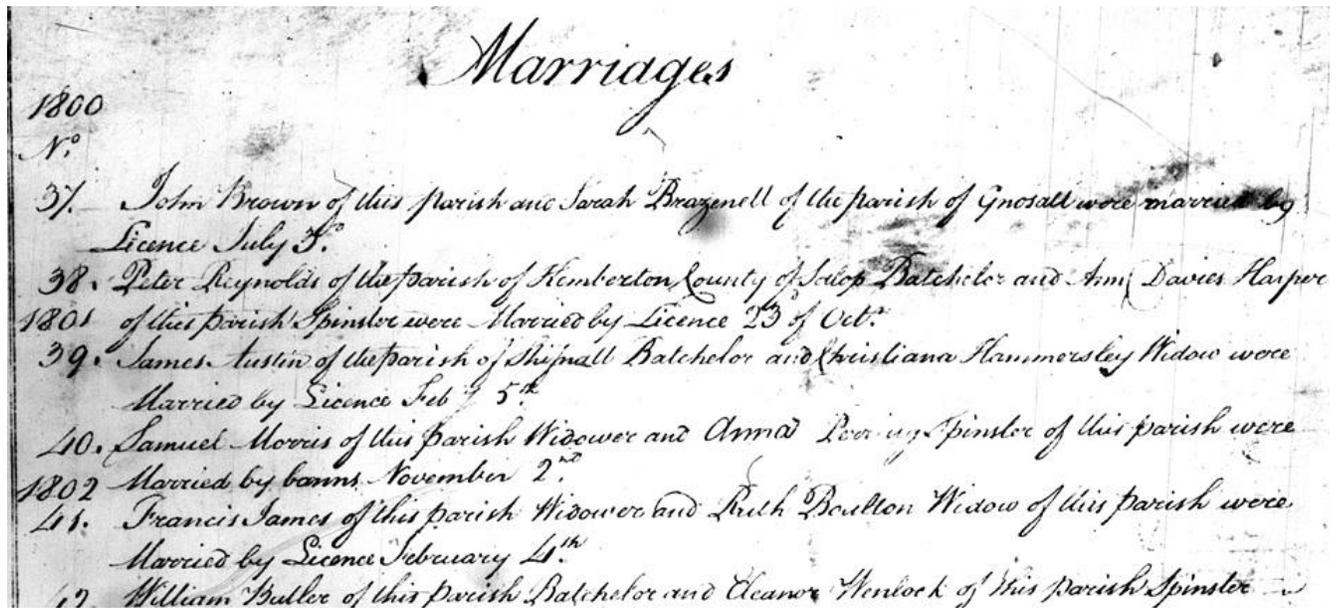
| <i>When</i> | <i>Child</i> | <i>Parents Name</i> | <i>Abode</i> | <i>Quality, Trade or Profession</i> | <i>When the Ceremony was performed</i> |
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| <i>Jan 24</i> | <i>Christian</i> | <i>Christian</i> | <i>Swinscoe</i> | | |
| <i>Jan 24</i> | <i>John</i> | <i>Benjamin Northwood</i> | <i>Blymhill</i> | <i>Laborer</i> | <i>John H. Dickenson Curate</i> |
| <i>Jan 25</i> | <i>Mary</i> | <i>Elizabeth Brotherton</i> | <i>Blymhill</i> | <i>Spinster</i> | <i>John H. Dickenson Curate</i> |
| <i>Jan 25</i> | <i>Margaret</i> | <i>Samuel Morris</i> | <i>Blymhill</i> | <i>Butcher</i> | <i>John H. Dickenson Curate</i> |
| <i>Jan 25</i> | <i>Hannah</i> | <i>Hannah</i> | | | <i>John H. Dickenson</i> |

Looking at the marriage register for this church, a Samuel Morris and a Hannah Perring were married there on 2 Nov 1801. Samuel was a widower and Hannah was a spinster, meaning never married. My assumption is that this Samuel Morris and Hannah, sometimes called Anna in the baptismal records of her children, are the parents of Margaret Morris. Samuel and Hannah's oldest child appeared to be Mary, christened 5 Jan 1802. That would put Mary's birth at just a couple months after her parents' marriage in 1801. There were christenings for more children: William, 1804, Martha, 1807, Susanna, 1811, Samuel, 1816, and Ann, 1819.

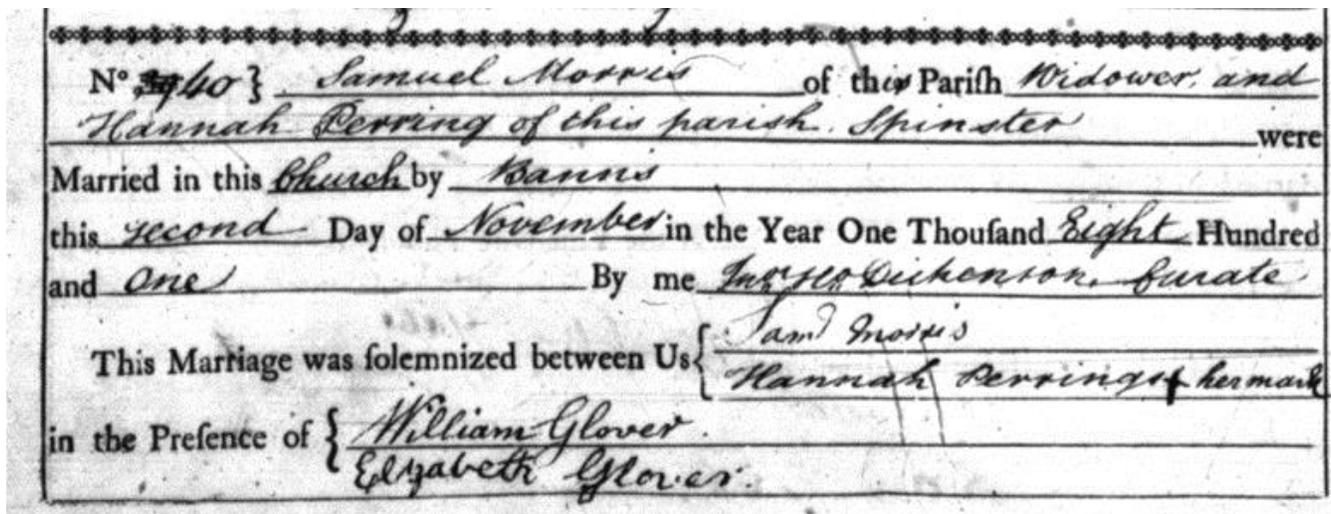
So, with the facts above, it seems very likely that Samuel and Hannah were Margaret Morris' parents.

The baptisms of the Morris children were found in the Bishop's Transcripts; Margaret's baptism was found both in the Bishop's Transcripts and the Parish Registers. Except for the last three children, the occupation of the father is not noted. For the last three he is a butcher in two records and a dealer in cattle in one.

Need to check the parish registers for all the children and see whether the baptisms for the older children give an occupation for the father. Some of the children, mostly the younger ones, have an "abode" listed – Blymhill – and some do not.

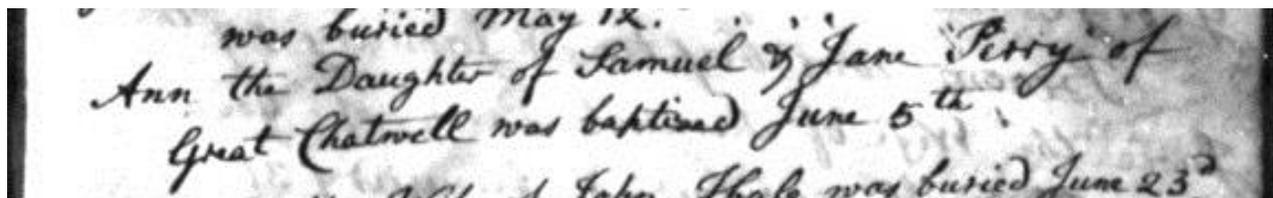


In the Bishop's Transcripts for the parish, above, Samuel married Anna Perring. In the Parish Register, below, Samuel is married to Hannah Perring. She is Anna and/or Hannah in the baptisms of her children. Perring seems to also be spelled Perry and Perringe.



In searching for Samuel Morris in the Blymhill records, I could not find a baptism for him, nor a previous marriage nor a death of a previous wife, but his marriage record to Hannah states that he is "of this parish." In various documents, including the baptismal record for Margaret, he is listed as a butcher until 1819 when he was a "dealer in cattle."

In searching for Hannah or Anna Perring in Blymhill, a baptism was found in the transcribed parish register for Ann, dau of Samuel & Jane Perry of Great Chatwell. Great Chatwell is about two to three miles NW of Blymhill. The spelling of Perry and Perring seem to be used for the same family although more research would help to confirm this.

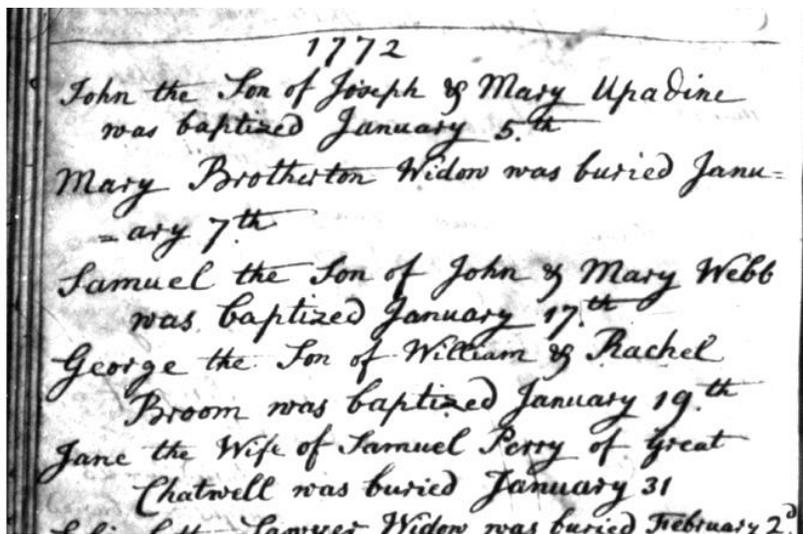


In the Blymhill parish registers, are entries for the death of Jane Perry in 1772 and then Samuel Perry in 1777. April 2013, www.annfield.net

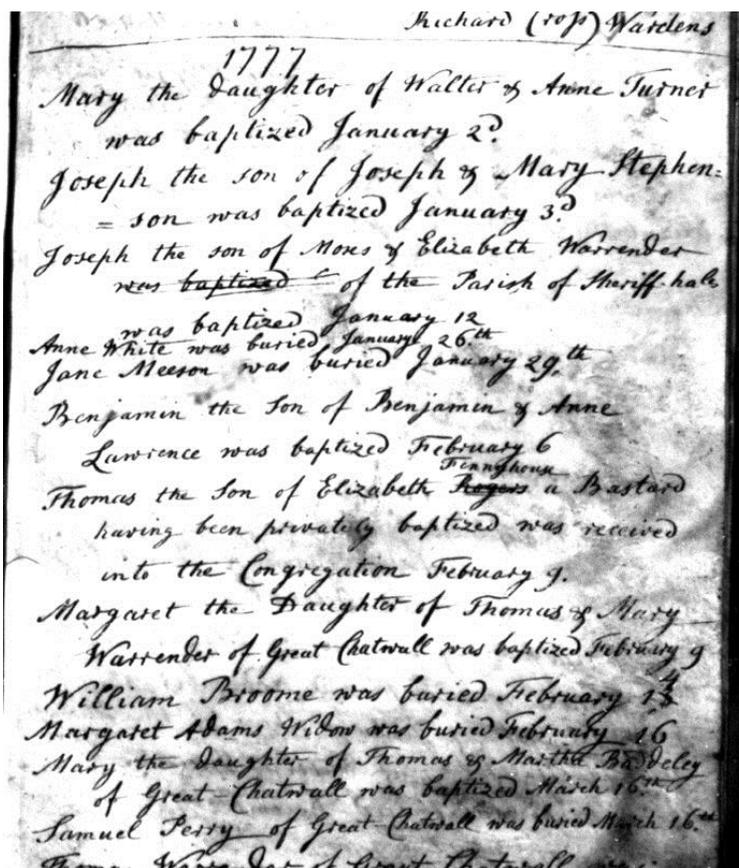
1772: Jane the Wife of Samuel Perry of Great Chatwell was buried January 31

1777: Samuel Perry of Great Chatwell was buried March 16th

This means that Hannah, or Ann, lost her mother when she was less than a year old. Her father died a few years later when she was not quite seven years old. A search of the Blymhill parish registers found no marriage for Samuel and Jane nor christenings of any other children. Ann/Hannah must have gone to live with relatives, or someone, until she married Samuel Morris. She was "of Blymhill" when she married. Great Chatwell is only about two miles from Blymhill.



1772
John the Son of Joseph & Mary Updine
was baptized January 5th
Mary Brotherton Widow was buried Janu-
-ary 7th
Samuel the Son of John & Mary Webb
was baptized January 17th
George the Son of William & Rachel
Broome was baptized January 19th
Jane the Wife of Samuel Perry of Great
Chatwell was buried January 31
Samuel Widow was buried February 2^d



Richard (10p) Wardens
1777
Mary the Daughter of Walter & Anne Turnet
was baptized January 2^d
Joseph the son of Joseph & Mary Stephen-
-son was baptized January 3^d
Joseph the son of Mors & Elizabeth Warrender
was baptized of the Parish of Sheriff-hall
January 12th
Anne White was buried January 26th
Jane Meeson was buried January 29th
Benjamin the Son of Benjamin & Anne
Lawrence was baptized February 6th
Thomas the Son of Elizabeth Rogers a Bastard
having been privately baptized was received
into the Congregation February 9th
Margaret the Daughter of Thomas & Mary
Warrender of Great Chatwell was baptized February 9th
William Broome was buried February 12th
Margaret Adams Widow was buried February 16th
Mary the Daughter of Thomas & Martha Budeley
of Great Chatwell was baptized March 16th
Samuel Perry of Great Chatwell was buried March 16th
Thomas Warrender of Great Chatwell was

There was no other Samuel Perry or Perring in Blymhill during this time period so it is very likely that Samuel and Jane were the parents of Ann/Hannah Perry/Perring Morris.

Samuel Morris and Hannah Perry did name one of their children Samuel, either after Samuel Jr's father or after Hannah's father, or both. Of their five daughters, none was named Jane. Their daughter Margaret did name one of her daughters Ada Jane.

Margaret Morris had several brothers and sisters whose baptisms were recorded in the Blymhill registers: Mary, 5 Jan 1802, William, 17 Aug 1804, Martha, 26 Feb 1807; Susanna, 4 Feb 1811; Samuel, 9 May 1816; and Ann, 14 May 1819. Susannah is listed in the register as a burial, 22 Aug 1814, of Blymhill, age 3.

The youngest child, Ann Morris, married Obadiah Batte in 1838 and they had five children. One of the five children, John Batte, was taken to court on criminal charges along with his uncle, John Horatio Robert Bayley, husband of Ann Morris Batte's sister Margaret Morris Bayley. John was sentenced to two months hard labor.

In the 1841 census there was a Jane Morris, age 15, single, living with the Battes so someone in the family named a daughter Jane. This Jane would have been born about 1826 and might have been the daughter of one of the two Morris sons, William and Samuel.

This covers my research done so far – as of 2013. No deaths have been found for Samuel Morris and Hannah Perry/Perring Morris; Blymhill records were searched from 1820-1876.

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| BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of <i>Blymhill</i> in the County of <i>Stafford</i> in the Year <i>1813</i> and <i>1814</i> | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------|------------|----------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| When Baptized. | Child's Christian Name. | Parents Name. | | Abode. | Quality, Trade, or Profession. | By whom the Ceremony was performed. |
| | | Christian. | Surname. | | | |
| 1813 Decemb. 24 th No. 33. | Joseph Son of | Joseph Mary | Warrender | Blymhill | Labourer | John H Dickson Curate |
| 1814 Jan. 7 th No. 34. | John Son of | Benjamin Sarah | Northwood | Blymhill | Labourer | John H Dickson Curate |
| Jan. 7 th No. 35. | Mary Daughter of | Elizabeth | Brotherton | Blymhill | Spinster | John H Dickson Curate |
| Jan. 23 rd No. 36. | Margaret Daughter of | Samuel Hannah | Morris | Blymhill | Butcher | John H Dickson Curate |

Note that Hannah, child of Samuel and Jane Perry, was christened in 1771 which would have made her about age 30 when she married, rather old for a first marriage. Also, her daughter Margaret would have been born when she was 43 and the last child Ann when she was 48. This is possible, but could be problematic. I went on the assumption that Hannah Morris was from the Blymhill area and looked for a marriage of Samuel Morris to a Hannah or Anna or Ann. This was the only one I found, Samuel Morris and Anna Perring. She is Anna in some of her children's baptisms and Hannah in others. I then searched for a Hannah or Anna Perring's birth and found the one in 1771. There is no definitive proof that these are the parents of Hannah Morris, mother of Margaret. More research is needed on this family.

Sources:

Parish registers: Blymhill, Staffordshire, England, 1561-1876, Baptisms, marriages and burials, 1561-1789, FHL MF 1040829; book 3: 5 June 1771, Ann, the daughter of Samuel and Jane Perry of Great Chatwell was baptized June 5th.

Parish registers: Blymhill, Staffordshire, England, 1561-1876, Baptisms, marriages, burials, 1561-1789, Bk.3. FHL MF 1040829: 1772: Jane Wife of Samuel Perry was buried January 31st.

Burial of Samuel Perry, 16 Mar 1777: Bishop's Transcripts for Blymhill, Staffordshire, 1661-1868, Microfilm of original records in the Gloucester City Library, England, FHL MF 417172 Item 3, Baptisms, marriages and burials, 1661-1809, p.137.

Parish registers: Blymhill, Staffordshire, England, 1561-1876, Baptisms, marriages, burials, 1561-1789, FHL MF 1040029, book 3: 1777: Samuel Perry of Great Chatwell was buried March 16th.

Record of Baptism for Margaret Morris, 1814, Bishop's Transcripts for Blymhill, Staffordshire, Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials, 1809-1868, FHL Br. MF 426494, item 2, Margaret, daughter of Samuel and Hannah Morris, Blymhill, butcher.

Parish registers: Blymhill, Staffordshire, England, 1561-1876, Baptisms, 1813-1876, p.5. no. 36. FHL MF 1040830. 23 Jan 1814: Margaret, daughter of Samuel & Hannah Morris, Blymhill, Butcher.

Record of Marriage for Samuel Morris and Hannah Perring, 1801, Blymhill Parish Register, 1561-1812, Staffordshire Parish Register Society, vol. 76, p.175, 2 November 1801. FHL Br 942.46, B4pr, v.76, This is most likely the marriage of Samuel and Hannah Morris, parents of Margaret Morris. Samuel is a widower, Hannah is a spinster. Both are from Blymhill Parish.

Parish registers: Blymhill, Staffordshire, England, 1561-1876, Banns and marriages, 1754-1814, FHL MF 1040830; p.10, no. 40: Samuel Morris of this parish, widower, and Hannah Perring of this parish, spinster, 2 Nov 1801.