

Marriages at Werrington,

1654 to 1812.

NOTE.—The earliest register of this parish is a small neatly bound Volume, of which the first page had evidently become much stained and worn before the present binding was added. The first entry records the publication in 1654, Commonwealth fashion, of Banns between William Morice, Esq., afterwards created a Baronet by Charles II., and Gertrude, daughter of Sir John Bampfylde, Bart. Unless this a copy of some previously existing record, the entry must have been made subsequent to 1660, for it was not until the Restoration that William Morice, the father, was made a Knight. From 1654 until 1682 there is only one entry and this is illegible.

At the head of the first page occurs the following declaration signed by Sir William Morice, Knt., Secretary of State for Charles II. :—" Nov. 14, 1653. Thomas Pearce was approved and sworn the Parish Register in Werrington. Will. Morice."

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The 21st day of July in the yeare aforesaid,
Mr. William Morice, sonne of Sir
William Morice, Knight, of this psh,
desired publication of a contract of
marriage between him and Gartreide,
daughter of Sir John Bampfeilde,
Baronet, wh. said contract was duly
published three several Lord's days
then next following after the morning
exercise

Christopher Wareinge & Honor Braddon	...	1 Jan. 1654
Richard [—] & Elizabeth [—]	...	5 May 1663
John Facy & Modestie Benoy	...	3 May 1682
Josias Bray, of Bridgetowne, & Hannah Kingdon	...	2 June "
Henry Biship & Susannah Fellow	...	17 July "
Roger Littlejohn & Grace Courtis	...	18 July "
William Crocker & Grace Pearse	...	20 July "