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WORRALL, Ottiwell

fl. Liverpool 1774–84

Also Otwell, Ottewell etc. Worrall is mentioned in several sources suggesting that he was a leading citizen in Liverpool; in fact he was a schoolmaster. He exhibited five chalk drawings at the Liverpool exhibition of 1774, from 16 Basnett Street, including a copy after Frye (q.v.); in 1784 he sent a crayon portrait of a child. He may have been the son of Ottiwell Worrall, Sr and his wife Mary Taylor christened at St Michael, Ashton under Lyne, 25.V.1740; and is possibly the Ottiwell Worrall who married Esther Ogden on 1.V.1765 at Ashton under Lyne. The register at St Peter's, Liverpool records the baptism of a daughter Phebe to Ottiwell Worall, schoolmaster, of Basnett Street, 3.II.1777. A Mrs Esther Worrall, of 10 Basnett Street, appears in Gore's Directory of 1790 (presumably by then a widow), while a William Worrall appears in 1800 as a schoolmaster at 18 Basnett Street, the school being in Church Lane. Renumbering of Liverpool streets was common at this time.

Bibliography

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