

Dear Robert,

I hope that all is well with you and Cora. I will see at the SAR meeting in February.

I have enclosed some material that I have accumulated during my research on the Rhodes family in Shropshire. None of this adds much to what we already know. Some of it is a bit confusing. The Nathaniel Rhodes who married Mary Blythe at Astley Abbots in 1705 is very likely to be our Nathaniel. I have attached my comments to several of these documents.

I have a printout that lists births, deaths, christenings, marriages of Rhodes in Shropshire associated with various churches and parishes in the period of our interest. The births of Nathaniel's sons Nathaniel and Thomas nor the births of his daughters are listed. The birth of George Rhodes, Henrietta Rhodes and John Rhodes are not listed. The deaths of neither of the Nathaniels or George Rhodes are recorded on these extensive records. Yet we know from our records and from these wills that they were there. The material I have does list a Thomas Rhodes born to Nathaniel and Susanna Rhodes in 1749 at Quatford. - *Shropshire*
Also listed is a John Rhodes born to Nathaniel and Mary Rhodes at Bridgnorth, St. Mary Magdalene in September 1706. This is probably a brother to Nathaniel's sons Nathaniel and Thomas who was not mentioned in the will because he had died or for some other reason.

The other material that I am sending has notes attached so I will not repeat here. I hope that you will find the material of some interest.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. Rhodes', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.