Collection of Books owned by the Charles Wesley Family in The John Rylands University Library

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One of the significant collections in the Methodist Archives at The John Rylands University Library, The University of Manchester (hereafter MARC), is a group of books identified with the Charles Wesley family. This collection includes over 400 volumes, containing nearly 300 distinct titles, of which fewer than half were publications by John and Charles Wesley themselves. As such, it provides important evidence of which other authors were influential on Charles Wesley and his family.

The personal library of John Wesley was split up during his lifetime between the Kingswood school in Bristol and his house in London, and suffered notable depletion over the years at the hands of memorabilia collectors.1 By contrast, the core of Charles Wesley’s personal library has remained largely intact. This can be demonstrated from a notebook (also present in MARC) that contains Charles Wesley’s manuscript catalogue of his personal library in lists dated 1757–64.2 About two-thirds of the books in these lists remain in the present Rylands collection. The most frequent items not remaining are music books, dictionaries, and road maps. There are, however, some theological, historical, and literary works on these lists that are not present in this collection—a topic to which I will return.

The integrity of the Rylands collection can be explained by its pedigree. It was purchased in 1831 from Charles Wesley junior, along with a large collection of family manuscripts, by the Wesleyan Methodist Conference through the efforts of Thomas Jackson.3

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2 The notebook is catalogued as MARC, DDCW 8/7. The lists appear on pp 33–53 counting from the front.

3 The deed of conveyance, dated 4 August 1831, is part of the collection in the Methodist Archives (MARC, MAW Ra (Box 6)).
Charles junior was anxious to sell the collection because his sister Sarah Wesley, who had long helped manage his resources, had recently died, leaving him both anxious about the future of the materials and in need of money. Jackson held the materials — in trust for the Conference — and added to them a few volumes from other family members. Then, in 1859, his entire personal library of some 7,500 volumes was purchased by James Heald, a wealthy Methodist businessman, and donated as the core for library collections at the recently founded Richmond and Didsbury colleges. The materials related to Charles Wesley were all located at Richmond, where Jackson was tutor.

While the details are less clear, Jackson also arranged for that part of John Wesley’s personal library held at the house at City Road Chapel in London to be part of the collection gathered at Richmond. At some point thereafter the two collections of books owned by the Wesleys were shelved together at Richmond. While we can assume that there was care to keep the collections distinct, we must also note the exigencies of the times. Consider in particular Oliver Beckerlegge’s recent comments on his initial days as a student at Richmond College in 1946. The college had been closed during World War II, and damaged by a bomb near the end of the war. Beckerlegge was entering just after it reopened and discovered the bookcases containing the Wesley materials in some disarray. He reports being given permission to clean, dust, and ‘rearrange’ them.

This incident suggests the possibility that there was some mixing of the two collections. A broad intermixing was unlikely, because most books in each set have clear autographs (or initials) to indicate owners. But several books are unsigned and in a few the autographs are indistinct. The ambiguity this raises is clear in a manuscript catalog of the combined collection of ‘Wesley Family books’ at Richmond College that was prepared in January 1951 by two students, John H. Crouch and John P. Horner. The compilers group the books in sections by ownership, starting with books belonging to Charles Wesley senior, then Sarah Gwynne Wesley, then the children of Charles and Sarah, then some broader family members, and finally those belonging to John Wesley. They note that in some cases the decisions are unclear, and there is evidence of the

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4See particularly item 191 below, a gift from the grandson of Charles Wesley Sr. to Thomas Jackson.


8This catalog now sits (uncatalogued) beside volume 430 of the Charles Wesley family collection in the MARC.
correcting of earlier entries as the work progressed. There is also evidence of a later hand altering some of the suggested classifications.

The later altering was likely related to the fate of the collection after Richmond College closed in 1972. The collection was initially moved to the Methodist Archives in the basement of the Epworth Press building in London. Then, after four years of considering options, it was decided to return to City Road Chapel in London those books originally taken from there — the ones that would have belonged to John Wesley. The rest were sent, along with much of the Methodist Archives, to The John Rylands University Library, as the Charles Wesley family collection. The division between the two collections was guided by John Bowmer and may be considered broadly reliable.9 It should be noted, however, that there are now two books at City Road that bear Charles Wesley’s inscription.10 Likewise, there is one volume now in the Rylands collection that has John Wesley’s autograph, and a few with inscriptions in John’s hand.11 There are also a couple of volumes in the Rylands collection, without autographs, that other considerations would suggest were originally part of John’s library.12

This brings us back to the books on Charles Wesley’s manuscript lists that were not present in the original family collection donated to the Rylands. Where might they be? In addition to one of the volumes at City Road, two have been present for some time in other parts of the Methodist collection at the Rylands, one in the Wesley Historical Society Library now at Oxford Brookes University, and another in the library archives of Kingswood School.13 There is also a reported copy of the Book of Common Prayer in Greek with Charles’s inscription that was given to his preparatory school (St. Peter’s College, Westminster) in the 1940s.14 Perhaps most interesting is the recent identification and purchase of two volumes

9 John Bowmer was the Methodist Church Archivist at the time.
10 They are listed below, following the list of the Rylands collection, along with details of the inscription.
11 See below, items 342–46.
12 The two volumes (337, 340) donated by John Howard were surely to John, who met Howard at about the time of the publication of the second volume. Likewise, John showed an active interest in the medical writings of Friedrich Hoffmann (330–332), which do not appear on Charles’s manuscript lists.
13 I group these in an appendix below. I am indebted to Peter Forsaith for drawing to my attention the volume in the Wesley Historical Society Library.
14 See John D. Carleton, Westminster School, a History, revised edition (London: Rupert Hart-Davis, 1965), 91. He reports that Charles inscribed this volume by putting one letter in the upper right-hand corner of successive pages to spell E LIBRIS CAROLI WESLEY HUIJSCE ECCLESIAE SANCTI PETRI COLLEGIATAE ANNO DOMINI ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND TWENTY ONE CHARLES WESLEY HIS BOOK WHO IS OF SAINT PETERS COLLEGE WESTMONSTER (sic) AMEN. Unfortunately, this volume does not appear to remain in the archives collection at Westminster.
The Spenser volume was added to the Charles Wesley family collection in the Rylands (no. 430 on the list that follows). Details on the SMU volume are given in the appendix at the end of this article. Whatever volumes might come to light in the future, the Rylands collection will remain the most extensive indicator of books owned and read by Charles and Sarah Wesley and their children. The main caveat to this claim concerns their son Samuel. The collection includes only one book bearing his autograph (item 43). This reflects the strained relationship between Samuel and his father during the latter years of his father’s life.

The list of the Charles Wesley family collection which follows is in the order the books are now shelved in the Rylands, which follows generally the order of the 1951 manuscript list. This means that books belonging to Charles senior come first. However, given the ambiguities of the original listing, some volumes belonging to Charles senior appear later in the listing. I list any autographs or inscriptions in the books immediately below the title. Charles senior’s autograph has been verified with other examples of his writing. Autographs of other family members have been monitored for consistency, which helps to clarify a few cases of ambiguity between Charles senior and junior, and between Mrs. Sarah Wesley and Miss Sarah Wesley. In replicating the autographs below, I add clarifying indicators in square brackets to any ambiguous examples when the autograph style is that of the child rather than the parent.

While these four persons account for the majority of the autographs, there are some others of interest. Ten volumes belonged to Samuel Wesley junior, the older brother of John and Charles. These volumes do not appear in Charles’s manuscript catalogues of 1757–64, and so they likely came into his possession on the death of Samuel junior’s last surviving grandchild in 1774. Similarly, there is a volume (item 310) given to Charles’s sister Martha by their uncle Matthew Wesley (brother of Samuel senior). Another volume appears to come from the family line of Charles’s mother, Susannah [Annesley] Wesley. There are also a few

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16One need simply add “MAW CW” to the number of each entry to have the Rylands shelf number for the book. For example, the first listed would be MAW CW1. A few of the volumes are bound collections of pamphlets originally published separately. In these cases the items are catalogued by the individual pamphlet names and each has its own shelf-number. I indicate this by putting the number of the bound volume in [brackets]. There will be no catalogue entry for the bound volume itself, only the individual items.


19See item 315. It is unclear which Annesley this might be.
volumes with signatures from Mrs. Sarah Wesley’s extended family, the Gwynnes. And there is one volume (item 425) signed by Mary Wesley, John Wesley’s wife.

A few explanations may be helpful in reading the inscriptions. At times, particularly during their school years, the Wesley brothers inscribed their names in Latin — thus Charles becomes ‘Caroli’, for example. They also frequently added abbreviated connection to their preparatory schools (‘S. Petri Westmon.’ for Charles) and to Christ Church, Oxford University (‘Xt. Ch. Oxon’), etc. Perhaps more puzzling to readers will be the initials that all three Wesley brothers added to their signature at times: ‘E.A.P.J.’. As Frank Baker has suggested, this likely stood for ‘Ecclesiae Anglicanae Presbyter Juratus’, or ‘lawful presbyter of the Church of England’.

Finally, I would note two manuscript volumes in the collection. Item 341 is a notebook containing a list of Adam Clarke’s library and some letters of Samuel Wesley senior. Item 78 is Charles’s copy of a book of letters by Mrs. Lefevre that John Wesley published after her death, but in the front of the book, in Charles’s hand, is his poem eulogizing Mrs. Lefevre, dated 6 July 1756.

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THE COLLECTION IN SHELF-NUMBER ORDER

   ‘CWesley, Æd. Xti Alum., June 22. 1733’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

2 *The Psalms of David, and other portions of the sacred Scriptures, selected from various authors, adapted to the service of the Church of England*, third edition (London: Printed and sold by Watts and Bridgewaters, 1800).

   ‘CWesley June 1758’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’; ‘John Fletcher’
   Note: This book was apparently a gift of John Fletcher, a native French speaker and close compatriot of John and Charles Wesley, who was teaching Charles the French language.

   ‘C. Wesley’

5 Bacon, Francis (1561–1626): *Francisci Baconi de Verulamio Scripta in naturali et universali philosophia* (Amsterdam: Ludwig Elzevir, 1653).
   ‘CWesley 1758’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   Note: The donor is almost certainly Theophilus Lindsey (1723–1808), who was chaplain to Lord Francis Huntingdon and interacted with the Wesleys in the 1750s.
8 Stillingfleet, Edward (1635–99): *Irenicum. A weapon-salve for the Churches wounds, or the
divine right of particular forms of church-government*, second edition (London: Printed
by R.I. for Henry Mortlock, 1662).
‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

9 Shaw, Samuel (1635–96): *Immanuel. Or, A discovery of true religion. As it imports a living
principle in the minds of men ... being the latter clause of The voice crying in a
wilderness; or a continuation of the Angelical life* (London: [s.n.], 1667).
‘CWesley’

10 Simpson, Christopher (c.1605–69): *A compendium of practical musick in five parts* (London:
Printed by William Godbid for Henry Brome, 1667).
‘C. Wesley. The Gift of Mr Didsbury 1781’

11 Wotton, Henry, Sir (1568–1639): *Reliquiae Wottonianae: or, A collection of lives, letters,
poems; with characters of sundry personages*, third edition (London: Printed by T.
Roycroft for R. Marriott, F. Tyton, et al., 1672).
‘CWesley 1777’

12 Simpson, Christopher (c.1605–69): *A compendium of practical musick in five parts*, third

13 Stillingfleet, Edward (1635–99): *The unreasonableness of separation: or, An impartial account
of the history, nature, and pleas of the present separation from the communion of the
‘CWesley Jan. 7. 1759’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

14 Hale, Matthew, Sir (1609–76): *Contemplations moral and divine: in two parts*, 2 vols in 1
‘CWesley 1764’

15 Virgil: *P. Virgili Maronis Opera*, with notes by Thomas Farnaby (Amsterdam: Jansson-
Waesberg, 1685).
‘CWesley Aug. 12. 1754’

16 Bouhours, Dominique (1628–1702): *The life of St. Ignatius, founder of the Society of Jesus
(London: Printed by Henry Hills, 1686).
‘CWesley 1750’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

[17] Collection of books and tracts bound together:
‘CWesley 1753’ (on title page of first item); ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’ (on
inside cover of the binding)

17.1 Ponet, John (1516?–56): *Diallacticon viri boni et literati, de veritate, natura, atque
substantia corporis et sanguinis Christi in Eucharistia* (London: B. Griffin &
Sam. Keble, 1688).

17.3 Gother, John (d. 1704): *Reflections upon the answer to the papist mis-represented* ([London: s.n., 1686]).

17.4 Freke, William (1662–1744): *A dialogue by way of question and answer, concerning the Deity* ([London: s.n., 1693]).


17.6 *Reflections on Dr. Sacheverell’s answer to the articles of impeachment* (London: Sold by B. Bragge, 1710).

17.7 Seller, Abednego (1646?–1705): *The history of passive obedience since the Reformation* ([Amsterdam: Printed for Theodore Johnson, 1689]).


‘CWesley Dec. 18. 1734’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

‘CWesley Nov. 22. 1760’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

‘CWesley Dec. 18. 1734’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

‘C:W. [Jr.] purchas’d, Feby. 26th. 1801’
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<td>Tillotson, John (1630–94)</td>
<td><em>Of sincerity and constancy in the faith and profession of the true religion, in several sermons</em> (London: Printed for Ri. Chiswell, 1695).</td>
<td>‘CWesley’</td>
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<td>South, Robert (1634–1716)</td>
<td><em>Twelve sermons preached at several times, and upon several occasions, Vol. 4</em> (London: Printed by G. James for Jonah Bowyer, 1715).</td>
<td>‘Charles Wesley’</td>
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Wesley, Samuel, Sr. (1662–1735): _The pious communicant rightly prepar’d; or, A discourse concerning the blessed sacrament: wherein the nature of it is described, our obligation to frequent communion enforced, and directions given for due preparation for it, behaviour at, and after it, and profiting by it. With prayers and hymns, suited to the several parts of that holy office. To which is added, a short discourse of baptism_ (London: Printed for Charles Harper, 1700).

‘CWesley Aug. 12. 1754’


‘CWesley Aug. 12. 1754’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


‘CWesley 1758’; ‘CWesley junr 1776’


Fuller, Francis (1670–1706): _Medicina gymnastica: or, A treatise concerning the power of exercise, with respect to the animal oeconomy; and the great necessity of it in the cure of several distempers_ (London: Printed by John Matthews for Robert Knaplock, 1705).

‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


‘CWesley 1764’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


‘CWesley Aug. 12. 1754’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’
    ‘C: Wesley’

41.2 Hale, Matthew, Sir (1609–76): *The analysis of the law: being a scheme, or, abstract, of the several titles and partitions of the law of England, digested into method*, second edition ([London]: Printed by E. Nutt), 1716 (original binding with preceding item).

    ‘Car[oli] Wesley, olim ex Ædi Christi Alumnus, E.A.P.J., 1785’

    ‘CWesley Oct. 27. 1766’; ‘Samuel Wesley Oct. 1. 1782’
    Note: This would be Samuel Wesley (1766–1837), Charles’s son.

    ‘CWesley 1765’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

45 Epictetus: *Epictetus his morals, with Simplicius his comment*, translated by George Stanhope, fourth edition (London: Printed by W.B. [i.e. William Bowyer] for Richard Sare, 1721).
    ‘CWesley 1756’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


47.1 Homer: *[Homērou Ilias]* [Greek], Vol. 2 (London: Jacob Tonson & John Watts, 1722).
    ‘CWesley 1759’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘CWesley 1725, Col. S. Petri Westmon.’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘CWesley 1747’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘CWesley’

   ‘CWesley Feb. 24. 1762’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘Revd. Mr Charles Wesley [illegible] 1762’ (not in Charles’s hand); ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘E Libris Car[ol]i Wesley, Æd. Xti Oxon. Alumni, ex dono Fratris Aug. 3. 1732’

   ‘CWesley Mar. 10. 1750’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘Reb[eeea]. Gwynne May 1754’; ‘CWesley [Jr.]. (left by his good Aunt.)’

Note: Rebecca Gwynne (1724–99) was the unmarried sister of Sarah Wesley, and lived for several years with Charles and Sarah.
Wesley, John (1703–91) and Wesley, Charles (1707–88): *Tracts publish’d by the Rev. Mr. John and Charles Wesley, Vol. 11:*
‘Charles Wesley [Jr.] March 1788’


‘C Wesley Nov. 25. 1755. The Gift of the Revd. Mr Castle’

Wesley, John (1703–91): *A collection of moral and sacred poems from the most celebrated English authors*, 3 vols (Bristol: Printed and sold by Felix Farley, 1744).
‘C & S Wesley’

Wesley, John (1703–91) and Wesley, Charles (1707–88): *Tracts publish’d by the Rev. Mr. John and Charles Wesley, Vol. 8, and part of Vol. 9 (bound together):*
‘C. Wesley’


62.6 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Advice to the people called Methodists* ([Newcastle]: Printed [by John Gooding], 1745).


62.8 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Swear not at all, saith the Lord God of heaven and earth* ([London: Printed by W. Strahan, 1744?]).
62.8 Wesley, John (1703–91): *A word to a drunkard* ([Bristol: s.n.], 1748).
62.8 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy* ([London: Printed by W. Strahan, 1750?]).
62.8 Wesley, John (1703–91): *A word to a freeholder, &c.* ([Bristol]: Printed [by Felix Farley], 1748).
62.8 Wesley, John (1703–91): *A word to a street-walker* ([Bristol]: Printed [by Felix Farley], 1748).
62.8 Wesley, John (1703–91): *A word in season: or, Advice to a soldier* ([Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1748]).


63.7 Sykes, Arthur Ashley (1683 or 4–1756): *An enquiry how far papists ought to be treated here as good subjects* (London: Printed for J. and P. Knapton, 1746) (bound with preceding item).

64 Leighton, Robert (1611–84): *Select works of Archbishop Leighton, some of which were never before printed* (Edinburgh: Printed for David Wilson, 1746).

‘Duke Gwynne’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

Note: This would be Marmaduke Gwynne (1722–82), a brother of Sarah Gwynne Wesley.


‘CWesley 1756’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


‘CWesley 1753’; ‘To the Revd. Mr. Charles Wesley from the Author. June 26. 1753’


‘CWesley 1750’ (Vol. 1); ‘CWesley 1750. The Gift of the Friendly Author’; ‘Sarah Wesley 1776’ (Vol. 2)


‘CWesley Febr. 1769’


‘CWesley 1754’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


‘CWesley April. 8. 1754. The Gift of the Friendly Author’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’
   ‘CWesley Jan. 29. 1756. The Gift of Miss Molly Hotham’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

Note: Melusina (‘Molly’) Hotham, d. 1765, was a supporter of both the Wesley brothers and George Whitefield.

   ‘CWesley 1756’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


78 [Lefevre, Mrs (d. 1756)]: _Letters upon sacred subjects, by a person lately deceased_ (London: [s.n.], 1757).
   ‘CWesley 1757’

Note: This volume includes four pages of a manuscript poem on the death of Mrs Lefevre in Charles Wesley’s hand, dated ‘July 6 1756’.

   ‘CWesley 1758’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘CWesley 1758’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘CWesley July 26. 1763’ (all vols); ‘Sally Wesley Nov: 1788’ (Vol. 1); ‘Sally Wesley, the Gift of her Father, 1788’ (Vols 2, 4–10); ‘SWesley. left By her Father to her’ (Vol. 3)
   
   ‘CWesley 1750. The Gift of my much respected and beloved Friend James Erskine Esqr.’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

Note: James Erskine, Lord Grange (1679–1754), was a Scottish judge who had been much affected by the Wesleys’ preaching during a visit to London.


   ‘CWesley 1763’ (all vols); ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’ (Vol. 1 only)


   ‘CWesley Sept. 24, 1765’


   ‘CWesley Sept. 24, 1765’


   ‘Duke Gwynne’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’ (both in all vols); ‘The Gift of the Revnd. Charles Wesley to C.W. junior’ (all except Vol. 2)

Note: See note for item 64 above.


   ‘CWesley junr 1776’ (Vol. 1); ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’ (Vol. 2)


   ‘CWesley 1761’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


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<td>Hartley, Thomas (1708–84): <em>Paradise restored: or a testimony to the doctrine of the blessed millennium: with some considerations on its approaching advent ... To which is added, a short defence of the mystical writers, against a late work, intitled, The doctrine of grace, or the office and operations of the Holy Spirit vindicated, &amp;c.</em> (London: Printed for M. Richardson, 1764).</td>
<td>‘Rebecca: Gwynne’; ‘Ch: Wesley [Jr.] (The Gift of his worthy Aunt.)’</td>
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<td>Pope, Alexander (1688–1744): <em>The works of Alexander Pope, Esq; in four volumes, complete</em> (Edinburgh: [s.n.], 1764).</td>
<td>‘CWesley 1764’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’</td>
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143.5 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Hymns of petition and thanksgiving for the promise of the Father* (London: Printed by R. Hawes, 1775).


143.7 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Graces. Before meat* ([London: Printed by R. Hawes, c.1776]).

143.8 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Hymns for those that seek and those that have redemption in the blood of Jesus Christ*, ninth edition (London: Printed by R. Hawes, 1776).


143.11 Wesley, John (1703–91): *A collection of prayers for families* [imperfect copy, c.1776].


‘The Gift of my Dear Reverend Father, to CWesley [Jr.]’ (Vol. 1); ‘CWesley’ (Vol. 2)


‘Charles and Sarah Wesley’ (in a third-party hand, in Vol. 2)

[183] Book of Common Prayer, bound with Greek NT and Book of Psalms:

‘CWesley’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

183.1 *The Book of Common Prayer* [Charles II] ([s.l.: s.n., c.1658]).


   ‘C. Wesley’

   ‘Cwesley’

   ‘CWesley Æd. Xti Alum, Mar 1. 1733’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

   ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

188 Nottingham, Heneage Finch, Earl of (1621–82): *An exact and most impartial accompt of the ... trial, and judgment ... of twenty nine regicides, the murtherers of his late sacred Majesty* (London: Printed for Andrew Crook and Edward Powel, 1660).
   ‘CWesley 1755’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

189 *The Royal kalendar: or, Complete and correct annual register, for England, Scotland, Ireland, and America, for the year 1806* (London: Printed for J. Stockdale, [1806]).
   ‘Charles Wesley [Jr.]’

190.1 *The London kalendar: or, Court and city register, for England, Scotland, Ireland, and the colonies, for the year 1814* (London: Printed for John Stockdale, [1814]).
   ‘Ch. Wesley [Jr.]’

190.2 *Rider’s British Merlin: for the year of Our Lord 1814 ... compiled for his country’s benefit by Cardanus Rider* (London: Printed for the Company of Stationers by Nichols, Son and Bentley, [1814]) (bound between pages viii and ix of preceding item).

190.3 *New companion to the London and Royal calendars; or court and city register, for the year 1814* (London: Printed for John Stockdale, [1814]) (bound with preceding item).

   ‘To his Brother, from the Author’; ‘[Thomas] Jackson, junr., the gift of his obliged Friend John Wesley. Jany 7. 1835’
   Note: This Charles and John are grandchildren of Charles Wesley senior, through Samuel.

‘C: Wesley’; ‘SWesley’

Note: A letter ‘S’ is written over the letter ‘C’, indicating that Charles gave the book to his daughter Sally.


‘Sa: Wesley’

Note: Sarah Gwynne Wesley often abbreviated her first name as Sa.


‘SWesley. Gift of Revd. Mr. Dickenson. 1787’ (Vols 1 and 4)

Note: Peard Dickenson (1759–1802) was an Anglican clergyman who supported the Wesley brothers.


‘S. Wesley, the Gift of Her ever Honor’d deceas’d Friend Mrs Vigor. 1775’ (Vols 2 and 3)

Arndt, Johann (1555–1621): *The Garden of Paradise: or, Holy prayers and exercises; whereby the Christian graces and virtues may be planted and improved in man ... Pursuing the design of the famous treatise of True Christianity*, translated by Anton Wilhelm Böhm (London: Printed and sold by J. Downing, 1716).

‘Sarah Wesley’s Book, Apl. 4th. 17[ ]’ [rest of date cut off]


‘Sarah Gwynne’; ‘Sarah Wesley’


‘Sarah Gwynne’s Book. given by my Bror. H:G.’

Note: This would be Howell Gwynne (1718–80), a brother of Sarah Gwynne Wesley.
206  *A companion for the grand festival of the Christian Church or the Lord’s-Day* (London: Printed for T. Bickerton and J. Wilford, and C. Rivington, 1721).
   ‘Sa: Wesley’

207.1  Synge, Edward (1659–1741): *Some short and plain directions for the spending of one day well; by which ... a man may be much enabled, (through God’s grace) to spend his whole life well*, fifth edition (London: Printed for R. Sare, 1722).
   ‘Sarah Gwynne 1741’; ‘Sa. Gwynne her Book 1742’

207.2  Synge, Edward (1659–1741): *An answer to all the excuses and pretences which men ordinarily make for their not coming to the Holy Communion*, twelfth edition (London: Printed for the executors of R. Sare, 1726) (bound with preceding item).

   ‘CWesley’; ‘[Miss] Sarah Wesley’

   ‘Sarah Gwynne 1744’

   ‘Mrs Wesley. The Gift of Dr Turner. Dec. 5. 1782’; ‘From the Library of the Rev. John Fletcher’
   Note: Dr Turner was a London physician whom Charles Wesley met in 1763 and was soon consulting regularly on health care.

   ‘Sa: Wesley’

211.2  Church of England: *The order for the administration of the Lords Supper, or Holy Communion* ([Cambridge: Printed by W. Fenner, 1734]) (bound with preceding item).

   ‘Miss Wesley’ (not in Sarah’s hand)


213.6 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Thoughts on marriage and a single life*, second edition (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1743).


Whitefield, George (1714–70): *Nine sermons upon the following subjects; viz. I. The Lord our righteousness ... IX. The conversion of Zaccheus* (London: Printed and sold by Sam. Mason and Gab. Harris, Jun., 1742).

‘Sarah Gwynne’s Book 1742’

Wesley, John (1703–91) and Wesley, Charles (1707–88): *Tracts publish’d by the Rev. Mr. John and Charles Wesley*, Vol. 10:

‘Sarah Wesley Oct. 12. 1749’


Wesley, John (1703–91) and Wesley, Charles (1707–88): *Tracts publish’d by the Rev. Mr. John and Charles Wesley*, Vol. 11:

‘Sarah Wesley Oct. 12. 1749’


‘Sarah Wesley Oct. 12. 1749’


‘Sarah Wesley Oct. 12. 1749’


‘Sarah Wesley April 1. 1769’


‘S[arah]:G[wynne]’


‘Sarah Wesley’s Book Apl. 4th. 1751’


‘S[arah]:G[wynne]’; ‘Sarah Wesley’


‘I borrow’d this book of Mrs. James of Earl’s-Mead. 1757’ (appears to be in Mrs Sarah Wesley’s hand); ‘Sarah Wesley. 1769’

Note: Sally James of Earl’s Mead, Bristol, was a long-time friend of the Wesleys.


Wesley, John (1703–91) and Wesley, Charles (1707–88): Collected hymns and tracts: ‘Sa: Wesley 1750’

Note: The last two items are now bound separately because they came loose.

230.1 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Hymns for the nativity of Our Lord* ([London: Printed by W. Strahan, 1744]).


230.5 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Hymns for those that seek and those that have redemption in the blood of Jesus Christ*, third edition (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1751).

230.6 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Funeral hymns*, second edition ([London: Printed by W. Strahan, 1746]).

230.7 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Graces, before meat* ([London: Printed by R. Hawes, 1777?]).


230.11 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Hymns for the public thanksgiving-day, October 9, 1746* ([Bristol]: Printed [by Felix Farley], 1746).


‘Sarah Wesley Dec. 18. 1754’


‘CWesley 1753’

232.2 Rimius, Henry (d. c.1757): *A solemn call on Count Zinzendorf, the author, and advocate of the sect of Herrnhuters ... to answer all and every charge brought against them in the Candid narrative &c* (London: Printed for A. Linde, 1754) (bound with preceding item).

232.3 Rimius, Henry (d. c.1757): *A supplement to the Candid narrative of the rise and progress of the Herrnhuters* (London: Printed for A. Linde, 1755) (bound with preceding item).

233–35 Hervey, James (1714–58): *Theron and Aspasio: or, A series of dialogues and letters, upon the most important and interesting subjects*, 3 vols (London: Printed for John and James Rivington, 1755).

‘Sarah Wesley’ (all vols); ‘Sarah Wesley 1756. Jan. 29. The Gift of Miss Molly Hotham’ (Vols 2 and 3)

Note: See note for item 74 above.


‘Sa: Wesley’

237 Romaine, William (1714–95): *Twelve discourses upon some practical parts of Solomon’s Song* (London: Printed for J. Worrall and E. Withers, 1758).

‘Sa: Wesley July 8th 1758’


‘Sarah Wesley, the Gift of Miss Gidson, Aug. 6. 1763’

239 Church of England: *The Book of Common Prayer, and administration of the sacraments ... together with the Psalter, or Psalms of David* (London: Printed by Mark Baskett, 1763).

‘[Miss] Sarah Wesley Novr. 2d 1795’
    ‘S: Wesley Bo[ugh]t. in Bristol Sepr. 1787’

    ‘Sa: Wesley’

    ‘S: Wesley. Bo[ugh]t. in Bristol 7br. [September] 1787’ (Vol. 1)

    ‘[Miss] Sarah Wesley 10 Vols.’; ‘(The Gift of her Father.) Confirm’d by CW. Junr’ (latter written in by a third party) (Vol. 1)
    Note: Various autographs in Vols 11–24 inclusive indicate that these were a gift from Mr James Kenton, from 1788 to 1802.

    ‘Sarah Wesley’

    ‘SWesley. The Gift of the Revd. Mr John Wesley. 1786. Nov:’


    ‘SWesley. The Gift of her invaluable Friend Mr Cowie Jan: 14. 1805’

    ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’; ‘[Miss] Sally Wesley. The Gift of Charles Wesley junr’
‘Miss Wesley. 1780’

Note: Elisabeth Gwynne (b. 1730) and Margaret Gwynne (1733–52) were younger sisters of Sarah Gwynne Wesley.

278 *An introduction to the Latin tongue, for the use of youth*, new edition, revised (Eton: Printed by J. Pote, 1771).
‘Charles Wesley to [Miss] SWesley June 17th. 1774’

279 Terence: *Publius Terentius Afer* [his comedies] (Saumur: René Pean, 1671).
‘Samuel Wesley [Jr.]’; ‘Revnd. C: Wesley, Xt. Ch. Oxon.’; ‘CWesley 1757’;
‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’; ‘[Miss] Sarah Wesley. The Gift of her Brother Charles’


‘Miss Wesley when at Bath’; ‘From the Author W.M. of the Society of Friends’

‘Miss Wesley. The Gift of the worthy Rev: J. Fountains’
Note: This is almost certainly the gift of John Fountain (1706–87), who was a fellow student with Charles Wesley at Christ Church, Oxford.

283 Lowell, Samuel (1759–1823): *Sermons, on evangelical and practical subjects, designed chiefly for the use of families* (Bristol: Printed by Biggs & Cottle for the author, 1801).
‘Miss Wesley. The Gift of J. Cowie Esqu. of Highbury Grove’

‘SWesley. Bath June 1806’
   ‘SWesley, the Gift of its respected Author Mr Myles, March 3. 1814’
   Note: William Myles was an Irish Methodist who was converted by John Wesley in 1773.

   ‘Mr. Charles [Jr.] and Mrs. Sarah Wesley’ (in a third-party hand)

   ‘Thomas Saunders. His Book June 10th 1795’


   ‘E Libris Samuelis Wesley. S.R.W.A. 1711’
   Note: This inscription is dated the year that Samuel Wesley junior graduated from Westminster and headed to Christ Church. The initials at the end likely express this alumnus status.


293  Jurieu, Pierre (1637–1713): *A critical history of the doctrines and worships (both good and evil) of the Church from Adam to our saviour Jesus Christ. Giving an account of the origin of all the idolatries of the ancient pagans, as far as they relate to the Jewish worship*, Vol. 2 (London: Printed for J. Taylor and G. Sawbridge, 1705).


300.2 Burnet, Gilbert (1634–1715), et al.: *The Bishop of Salisbury’s, and the Bishop of Oxford’s speeches in the House of Lords, on the ... impeachment of Dr. Henry Sacheverell; also the Bishop of Lincoln’s and Bishop of Norwich’s speeches* (London: Printed and sold by John Morphew, 1710) (bound with preceding item).

301 King, Peter (1669–1734): *An enquiry into the constitution, discipline, unity & worship, of the primitive church* ([London?: s.n.], 1712).


Note: Roderick Gwynne (1735–70) was Sarah Gwynne Wesley’s youngest brother.

Note: Matthew Wesley (1661–1737) is Samuel Wesley senior’s brother; ‘Patty’ was the family name for Martha Wesley (1706–91), sister of John and Charles.

‘Sarah Gwynne Her Book. Bought in ye. [the] year 1741’


Wesley, John (1703–91) and Wesley, Charles (1707–88): Assorted publications:

314.1 Wesley, John (1703–91): *An extract of the Revd. Mr. John Wesley’s journal from August 12, 1738, to Nov. 1, 1739* (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1742).


314.5 Wesley, John (1703–91): *The almost Christian: a sermon preach’d at St. Mary’s, Oxford, before the University, on July 25, MDCCXLI*, seventh edition (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1748).


314.8 Janeway, James (1636?–74): *An extract of the life and death of Mr. John Janeway, Fellow of King’s-College in Cambridge* (London: [s.n.], 1749).

314.10 Wesley, John (1703–91): *A narrative of the late work of God ... in New-England. Extracted from Mr. Edwards's letter to Dr. Coleman* (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, [1744?]).


314.16 Wesley, John (1703–91): *An extract of the Rev. Mr. John Wesley’s journal from his embarking for Georgia. To his return to London*, second edition (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1743).

314.17 Wesley, John (1703–91): *An extract of the Rev. Mr. John Wesley’s journal from February 1, 1737–8. To his return from Germany*, second edition (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1743).

[315] Collection of sermon pamphlets:
‘M: Annesley’

315.1 Comber, Thomas (1645–99): *The nature and usefulness of solemn judicial swearing ... in a sermon preached July 14th, 1681 ... in York* (London: Printed by Samuel Roycroft for Robert Clavell, 1682).

315.2 Dove, Henry (1640–95): *A sermon preached before the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor of the City of London ... on the feast of S. Michael, 1682* (London: Printed for Benj. Tooke, 1682).


315.5 Staynoe, Thomas (d. 1708): *A sermon preached before the Queen at White-Hall* (London: Printed for Joseph Hindmarsh, 1690).
Moore, John (1646–1714): *Of the wisdom and goodness of Providence. Two sermons preached before the Queen, at White-Hall, on August 17, 24 MDCXC* (London: Printed for W. Rogers, 1690).


Lloyd, William (1627–1717): *A sermon preached before her Majesty, on May 29, being the anniversary of the restauration of the King and Royal family* (London: Printed for Thomas Jones, 1692).


Young, Edward (1641?–1705): *A sermon concerning the wisdom of fearing God; preach’d at Salisbury, on Sunday, July xxx. 1693* (London: Printed by T.W. for Walter Kettilby, 1693).

Warly, Jonas (d. 1722): *A sermon preach’d before the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor of the City of London ... on Sunday, Aug. 20. 1693* (London: Printed by T.W. for Walter Kettilby, 1693).


Stratford, Nicholas (1633–1707): *Of the reverence due to God in his publick worship. A sermon preach’d before the King & Queen, at White-Hall, March 25, 1694* (London: Printed by Tho. Warren for Thomas Bennet, 1694).


315.20 Tillotson, John (1630–94): A sermon preached before the King and Queen, at Whitehall, on Good-Friday, April 6. 1694 ([London]: Printed by Edward Jones and published by Randal Taylor, 1694).

315.21 Young, Edward (1641?–1705): The great advertisement, that a religious life is the best way to present happiness: in two sermons preach’d at White-Hall, ... Sunday, April the 15th. ... Sunday, Apr. 22. 1694 (London: Printed by Tho. Warren for Walter Kettilby, 1694).


315.23 Tenison, Thomas (1636–1715): A sermon preached at the funeral of her late Majesty Queen Mary ... upon March 5. 1694/5 (London: Printed for Ri. Chiswell, 1695).


315.25 Gilbert, John (d. 1722): A sermon preached at St. Andrew’s Plymouth, January 30th, 1698/9 ... with a preface defending King Charles the Martyr (London: Printed by Sam. Darker for Tho. Bennet, 1699).

315.26 Bradford, Samuel (1652–1731): The qualifications requisite, towards the receiving a divine revelation. A sermon preach’d ... January the 2d. 1698/9. Being the first, for this year, of the lecture, founded by the Honourable Robert Boyle, Esq; (London: Printed for Tho. Parkhurst, 1699).


315.28 Bradford, Samuel (1652–1731): The nature of that salvation, which the Gospel offereth; and the method of obtaining it, by a mediator. A sermon preach’d ... March the 6th, 1698/9. Being the third, for this year, of the lecture, founded by the Honourable Robert Boyle, Esq; (London: Printed for Tho. Parkhurst, 1699).
315.29 Bradford, Samuel (1652–1731): *The excellency of the Christian revelation, as it removes the guilty fears of sinners, and their ignorance of God. A sermon preach’d ... April the 3d. 1699. Being the fourth, for this year, of the lecture, founded by the Honourable Robert Boyle, Esq*; (London: Printed for Tho. Parkhurst, 1699).

315.30 Bradford, Samuel (1652–1731): *The excellency of the Christian revelation, as it proposeth to us a perfect example. A sermon preach’d ... September the 4th. 1699. Being the sixth, for this year, of the lecture, founded by the Honourable Robert Boyle, Esq*; (London: Printed for Tho. Parkhurst, 1699).


‘E Libris Samuelis Wesley, E.A.P.J., 1725’
Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ1 and Q2.


‘CWesley 1740’

318 Hooker, Richard (1553?–1600): *The works of Mr. Richard Hooker ... in eight books of ecclesiastical polity* (London: Printed by Thomas Newcomb for Andrew Crook, 1666).

‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’
Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ3.


‘CWesley Aug. 8. 1750’

320–21 Chamberlain, Henry (fl. 1770): *A new and compleat history and survey of the cities of London and Westminster, the Borough of Southwark, and parts adjacent* (London: Printed for J. Cooke, [1770, 1777]).

‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’
Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ4 and Q6.


‘SARAH WESLEY JUNE: YE. [THE] 24 1756’
Note: This is a gold embossed inscription, as would appear in a presentation volume.

Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ5.
324 Claude, Jean (1619–87): The Catholick doctrine of the Eucharist in all ages: in answer to what M. Arnaud ... alledges touching the belief of the Greek, Moscovite, Armenian, Jacobite, Nestorian, Coptic, Maronite, and other Eastern Churches (London: Printed for R. Royston, 1684).
Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ7.

‘C. Wesley [Jr.] The Gift of his Revd. Father’

Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ9.

327 Keiser, Reinhard (1674–1739): Songs in the opera of Croesus (London: Printed for J. Walsh, [1714]).
‘The Gift of that worthy Genm. to Charles Wesley [Jr.]’
Note: This has been written on the bottom of a bookplate bearing the name ‘Isaac Heaton’. Heaton is apparently the donor to Charles. Now reshelved at MAW CWQ10.


330–32 Hoffmann, Friedrich (1660–1742): Friderici Hoffmanni consiliarii regis Borussiae intimi, et archiatri ... Opera omnia physico-medica, 6 parts in 3 (Geneva: De Tournes, 1748).
Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ11–13.

Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ14.


‘To the Revd Mr [John] Westley with Mr. Howard respects’
Note: John Howard was a prominent philanthropist and prison reformer.


Howard, John (1726–90): *An account of the principal lazarettos in Europe; with various papers relative to the plague* (Warrington: Printed by William Eyres, 1789).

‘Mr Howard requests Mr: [John] Westley, will be kind enough to accept this book from him, as a small testimony of his esteem’

Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ15.

A manuscript volume, containing the list of Adam Clarke’s library (published in 1833 for the sale of the library) and some letters of Samuel Wesley senior.

Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ16.


‘Jwesley’


‘E Libris Josephi [illegible] Novi Castiliensis, donum Domini Johannis Wesley. 1772’ (in John Wesley’s hand)


Note: Volume contains corrections to tunes for new edition, in John Wesley’s hand.


‘The Author’s Gift to Debonair’ (in John Wesley’s hand)

Wesley, John (1703–91): *A collection of moral and sacred poems from the most celebrated English authors*, Vol. 1 (Bristol: Printed and sold by Felix Farley, 1744).

‘January 10. 1757. Sarah Ryan’ (in John Wesley’s hand)

Note: John Wesley appointed Sarah Ryan as housekeeper at the school at Kingswood in 1757.

Whately, William (1583–1639): *A care-cloth: or a treatise of the cumbers and troubles of marriage: intended to advise them that may, to shun them* (London: Imprinted by Felix Kyngston for Thomas Man, 1624).

‘C Wesley Aug. 12. 1754’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’
347.2 Whately, William (1583–1639): *Charitable teares: or a sermon showing how needfull a thing it is for every godly man to lament the common sinnes of our countrie* (London: Imprinted by Felix Kyngston for Thomas Man, 1623) (bound with preceding item).


‘CWesley 1742’

Note: Now reshelved at MAW CWQ8.


‘[C. Wesley] 1743 [part of text cut off]’; ‘Sarah Wesley, her Book 1750’


‘Sarah Wesley’s Book April 4th. 1751’


352 Wesley, John (1703–91): Textbooks:

‘WHall 1755’; ‘Westley Hall’; ‘Ex dono Domini Johanni Wesley’

Note: Westley Hall (1742–57) was John Wesley’s nephew, son of his sister Martha.


353 Wesley, John (1703–91): *A Christian library: consisting of extracts from and abridgments of the choicest pieces of practical divinity, which have been publish’d in the English tongue*, Vol. 10 (Bristol: Printed by Felix Farley, 1751).

Law, William (1686–1761): *Extracts from the first and second parts of The spirit of prayer, and some other writers* (Dublin: Printed by William Watson, 1761) (bound with preceding item).

Guyon, Jeanne Marie Bouvier de La Motte (1648–1717): *Instructions from a mother to her daughter*, translated from the French (Dublin: Printed for W. Watson, 1758) (bound with preceding item).

Fénelon, François de Salignac de La Mothe- (1651–1715): *An extract from a discourse on humility* (Dublin: Printed for W. Watson, 1758) (bound with preceding item).


Fénelon, François de Salignac de La Mothe- (1651–1715): *An extract from a discourse on prayer* (Dublin: Printed for William Watson, 1759) (bound with preceding item).


*The difference between a philosopher and a Christian* (an appendix to 354.8, separately paginated).


Wesley, John (1703–91): Collection of *Journal* extracts:

407.3  Wesley, John (1703–91): *An extract from the Reverend Mr. John Wesley’s journal, from July 20, 1749, to October 30, 1751* (London: [s.n.], 1756).

407.4  Wesley, John (1703–91): *An extract of the Reverend Mr. John Wesley’s journal, from July xx, 1750, to October xxviii, 1754* (London: Printed and sold by J. Robinson and T. James, 1759) [extract actually begins at 2 November 1751].


409.1  Wesley, John (1703–91): *A sermon preached at St. Matthew’s, Bethnal-Green, on Sunday, Nov. 12, 1775* (London: Printed by R. Hawes, [1775]).

‘Ch: Wesley [Jr.]’

409.2  Scott, Thomas (1747–1821): *The doctrines of election, and final perseverance stated from Scripture ... A sermon preached at the Lock Chapel, November 26th, 1786*, third edition (London: Printed by Jaques and Thomas, 1798) (bound with preceding item).


‘Vin: Perronet’

Note: Vincent Perronet (1693–1785) was an Anglican priest of French-Swiss descent, vicar of Shoreham and close confidant of Charles Wesley.


420.1 Wesleyan Methodist Church: *The Sunday service of the Methodists; with other occasional services*, fourth edition (London: [s.n.], 1792).


421 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Sacred harmony, or a choice collection of Psalms and hymns, set to music* ([London: s.n., 1780]).


‘by Sam. Wesley, Father to the present John Wesley’


‘[Miss] Sarah Wesley [Jr.] 1776’

[424] Wesley, John (1703–91) and Wesley, Charles (1707–88): Collection of hymn pamphlets:

‘Sarah Wesley January 25 1786’


424.6 Wesley, John (1703–91): *Hymns for those that seek and those that have redemption in the blood of Jesus Christ*, ninth edition (London: Printed by R. Hawes, 1776).


‘Mary Wesley 1763’

Note: Mary Goldhawke Vazeille (1710–81) married John Wesley in February 1751.


‘C. Wesley, ex Æde Xti, 1734’; ‘Sally Wesley 1776’
APPENDIX

A. Other Known Extant Volumes of Charles Wesley’s Personal Library


‘John Craven, ex aede Christi’; ‘E lib. C. Wesley, aed. xti alum, ex dono amici Craven, Aug. 18. 1732’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’ (crossed out); ‘[Miss] Sally Wesley 1776’

Note: The original donor is almost certainly John Craven (b. 1708), who entered Christ Church, Oxford, the same year as Charles Wesley.

Daubuz, Charles (1673–1717): *A perpetual commentary on the Revelation of St. John; with a preliminary discourse concerning the principles upon which the said Revelation is to be understood. New modell’d, abridg’d, and render’d plain to the meanest capacity, by Peter Lancaster*, second edition (London: Printed for the author and sold by W. Innys, 1730) (Archives of Kingswood School Library, Bath).

‘C. Wesley’ (on title page); ‘E.A.P.J. Nov. 14, 1733’ (on flyleaf)


‘C. Wesley Mar. 1759’; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’

Molinos, Miguel de (1628–96): *The spiritual guide, which dis-intangles the soul; and brings it by the inward way, to the getting of perfect contemplation, and the rich treasure of internal peace* ([London: s.n.], 1699) (Wesley Historical Society Library, Oxford Brookes University).

‘C. Wesley 1755’


‘C. Wesley 17[ ] [very faint]; ‘Charles Wesley junr 1776’


‘C[Wesley] [part of text cut off] 1741’
B. Other Known Volumes with Charles Wesley’s Inscription


‘Charles Wesley to Charles Wesley Junior’


‘To Sally Barr, the gift of the author. May 4, 1767’ (in Charles Wesley’s hand)

Young, Edward (1683–1765): *The complaint: or, Night-thoughts on life, death, and immortality* (London: [s.n.], 1743) (MARC, MA 1977/582, Charles Wesley Notebooks, Box 3).

‘Sally Hardwick’s. The Gift of her Father’ (in Charles Wesley’s hand)

Note: Thomas Hardwick was a lay Methodist preacher from 1747 to 1748, who travelled at times with Charles Wesley. Charles performed the wedding of Hardwick to Sally Witham on 31 December 1748. It is unclear when and why he inscribed this volume.