

# APPENDIX 4

**SHIPBUILDERS**

The names of shipbuilders between 1757 and 1825 appear in L/MAR/C/529. There is some useful data in the various editions of Hardy7 s Register, and see also Shipbuilders of the Thames and Medway, Philip Banbury (Newton Abbot, 1971). There is little information readily available for the earlier period and the lists of ships which follow under the name of each shipbuilder are not exhaustive.

**ADAMS**

Henry Adams (d.1805, aged 92) built for the Royal Navy at Buckler’s Hard, Hampshire, 1749-1802. Went into partnership with Barnard & Dudman of Deptford 1762, liquidated 1792.

General Barker 1778 repaired Mars 1786

**BARNARD**

John Barnard (d.1784) was building at Downham in Suffolk in the 1730s and moved to Harwich in the 1740s. 1763 Barnard & Dudman had the Nova Scotia Yard at Harwich. 1783 William Barnard was building at Deptford, early 1800s his sons Francis and Robert at Deptford, 1826 Edward Barnard at Deptford.

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| Airly Castle 1787 | Metcalfe 1804 |
| Alfred 1772 | Middlesex (2) 1783 |
| Antelope (4) | Mountstuart 1777 |
| Amiston 1794 | Neptune (4) 1780 |
| Asia (6) 1811 | Phoenix (5) 1804 |
| Baring 1801 | Ponsbome (2) 1780 |
| Boddam 1787 | Preston 1798 |
| Bridgewater (3) 1785 | Princess Amelia (3) 1786 |
| Brilliant | Princess Amelia (4) 1808 |
| Caledonian 1797 | Prince William Henry 1787 |
| Dorsetshire 1799 | Rockingham (1) 1785 |
| Dutton (2) 1781 | Royal Admiral (1) 1777 |
| Earl Fitzwilliam 1786 | Royal Bishop 1777 |
| Earl St Vincent (1) 1790s | repaired Sir William Pulteney 1805 |
| Fairford 1781 | Sulivan 1782 |
| General Coote 1781 | Taunton Castle 1790 |
| Hindostan (1) 1789 | Thames (5) 1819 |
| Hindostan (2) 1796 | Thomas Courts 1817 |
| Hythe 1820 | repaired Tigris (1) 1803 |
| Lord Castlereagh (1) 1802 | Walmer Castle 1796 |
| Lord Lowther 1825 | Warren Hastings (1) 1781 |
| Lord Nelson 1799 | Warren Hastings (2) 1802 |
| Marquis of Wellington (1) 1812 | William Pitt (2) 1805 |
| Melville Castle 1786 | Windsor (2) 1818 |

BATSON

John (d. 1778) and Robert (d. 1806) Batson inherited a yard at Limehouse in 1751 from their uncle Robert Carter of Poplar.

Contractor 1779 Marquis of Rockingham (2) 1772

Duke of Gloucester (2) 1763 repaired Orpheus 1798

Earl Howe 1794 repaired Tartar (1) 1780

BAYLEY

John Bayley (d.1785) of Rotherhithe was building at Ipswich cl765 as a sub-tenant of Barnard. His widow and son George (d. 1807) continued the business, which was extended by grandson Jabez (d.1835).

Orwell 1817 Sir Donald Scott 1821 Sir William Bensley 1802 William Fairlie 1821

BOWATER

York (4) 1773

BRENT see RANDALL & BRENT

BRINDLEY

Josiah and Thomas Brindley had a yard at Rochester active 1790s-1820s. MacQueen 1821

CROOKENDEN

Yard at Itchenor in Sussex. Belvedere 1786 Hartwell 1787

DUDMAN

Dudman & Co operated a large yard at Deptford (two double docks and five slips) and also built at Whitby. The firm collapsed after the end of the Napoleonic Wars. The Deptford yard was taken over by Gordon & Co.

Bridgewater (2) 1769 Lord Melville (1) 1803

Chapman Ponsbome (1) 1803

Coldstream 1810 Princess Charlotte of Wales 1812

Cullands Grove Resolution (3) 1769

Cumberland 1802 Royal Charlotte (2) 1771

Devaynes 1802 Royal Henry 1771

General Stuart Speaker 1763

Granby 1767 Streatham (4) 1805

Jane Duchess of Gordon 1804 Surrey (1) 1804

FLETCHER

Fletcher & Feamall of Hog Yard, Limehouse, founded 1795, survived as builders/repairers until 1881 and marine engineers until 1925. repaired Ocean (3) 1798 repaired Pursuit 1797

GORDON

Building at Deptford in the 1820s. Took over Dudman’s yard cl835. Berwickshire 1821

BUTLER

Admiral Barrington 1786

CALVERT

Anthony Calvert, building in 1780s. repaired Surprise (1) 1789

CLEVERLY

William Cleverly of Gravesend, active from 1780s, business continued by grandson Henry, who subsequently changed to lime-buming and provision of chalk ballast.

Hugh Inglis 1799 Lady Jane Dundas 1800 Nottingham (4) 1786

GRAHAM

Joseph Graham (d. 1814) took over the Barnard yard at Harwich. Earl of Abergavenny (1) 1789

GREAVES

John Greaves of Limehouse, building in 1740s-1780s, succeeded by (Edward) Greaves & (John) Nicholson of Frindsbury, Rochester.

Essex (3) 1757 Godfrey (2) 1771 Havannah 1762 Lady Penrhyn 1786 Northumberland (2) 1763

COX

Yard at Limehouse successively called Cox & Co, Cox & Curling, Curling & Young, Young & Co and Young & Magnay. Building steamships in 1830s.

Alligator Auspicious 1797 repaired Thames (4)

HDLHOUSE

James Martin Hilhouse, building at Bristol 1770-1803, succeeded by Hilhouse Sons & Co 1803-24, George Hilhouse & Co 1824-39. Firm survived until 1970s.

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HILL

Building as Hill & Mellish and Hill & Co at a yard in Limehouse, close to the entrance to the West India Docks.

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| Admiral Gardner 1797 | Lord Thurlow 1789 |
| Boyd | Lord Walsingham 1786 |
| Latona | Marquis of Lansdown 1786 |
| HUMBLE |  |
| Michael Humble of Liverpool, building in the 1790s in partnership with Thomas Hurry. | |
| Asia (4) 1798 |  |
| Charlton 1799 |  |
| MERITON |  |
| Menetone & Son of Limehouse. |  |
| Francis (2) 1781 |  |
| MESTAER |  |
| Peter Everitt Mestaer of Rotherhithe. |  |
| Astell 1809 | Princess Charlotte |
| Lady Lushington | repaired Princess Mary (2) 1799 |
| Lord Keith 1804 | Queen (5) |
| Martha (2) | repaired Sir Godfrey Webster 1811 |
| Monarch | repaired Thames Q) 1798 |
| repaired Northampton (2) 1801 | repaired William Pitt (3) 1805 |
| Prince of Wales (8) 1803 |  |
| PERRY |  |
| Philip Perry (d.1776), manager of the Blackwall Yard in 1708, took over its lease in 1732 with his son | |
| John (d. 1810). The firm built the Brunswick (East India) Dock 1789-91. John and William Wells | |
| became partners with Peny at Blackwall cl797 and in | 1810 the Perry share was bought out by Robert |
| Wigram. |  |
| Ajax 1759 | Earl of Chatham 1766 |
| Albion (2) 1787 | Earl of Chesterfield 1781 |
| Alnwick Castle 1801 | Earl of Elgin 1760 |
| Anson (3) 1763 | Earl of Hertford 1781 |
| Asia (2) 1763 | Earl of Middlesex 1763 |
| Asia (3) 1780 | Earl of Oxford 1778 |
| Atlas 1778 | Earl Talbot (1) 1778 |
| Brunswick 1792 | Earl Talbot (2) 1796 |
| Busbridge 1781 | Essex (4) 1780 |
| Bute 1762 | Essex (5) 1802 |
| Carnatic 1808 | Europa(l) 1766 |
| Ceres (1) 1773 | Europa (2) 1781 |
| Ceres (2) 1787 | Fame (3) at Bristol |
| Ceres (4) 1796 | Foulis 1783 |
| Clive 1762 | General Eliott 1782 |
| Colebrooke 1770 | Hampshire (2) 1765 |
| Devonshire (2) 1763 | Harcourt (2) 1765 |
| Duke of Cumberland (3) 1765 | Harriet (3) 1802 |
| Duke of Kingston (1) 1765 | Hawke (4) 1777 |
| Duke of Kingston (2) 1772 | Hawke (5) 1786 |
| Duke of Portland 1770 | Hector (3) 1776 |
| Duke of Richmond 1760 | Hemy Dundas 1786 |

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| Hillsborough (1) 1777 | Rochford 1770 |
| Hillsborough (2) 1782 | Royal Charlotte (1) 1760 |
| Isabella (1) | Royal George (4) 1802 |
| King George (4) 1784 | Salisbury (2) 1764 |
| Lady Burges 1799 | Shrewsbury (3) 1767 |
| Lady Carrington 1809 at Bristol | Southampton 1777 |
| Latham (2) 1769 | Stormont (2) 1772 |
| London (12) 1771 | Talbot 1763 |
| London (13) 1779 | Thames (1) 1764 |
| Lord Duncan 1798 | Thames (2) 1796 |
| Lord Macartney 1782 | Tilbury 1757 |
| repaired Malabar | repaired Tottenham 1802 |
| Marquis Cornwallis (1) | Valentine (1) 1758 |
| Marquis of Ely 1801 | Valentine (2) 1767 |
| Minerva (1) 1786 | Verelst 1767 |
| repaired Minerva (5) 1802 | Walpole (5) 1798 |
| Neptune (3) 1760 | Warley (1) 1788 |
| Norfolk (2) 1760 | Warley (2) 1796 |
| Norfolk (3) 1771 | Warren Hastings (3) 1808 |
| Osterley (1) 1758 | William Pitt (1) 1785 |
| Pacific 1760 | Windham (2) 1800 |
| Pigot(2) 1780 | Winterton 1781 |
| Prince of Wales (4) 1765 | Woodford (1) 1790 |
| Raymond 1782 | Worcester (3) 1769 |
| Retreat 1805 | Worcester (4) 1785 |

A trio of yards in Rotherhithe known successively as J.Randall, Randall & Co, Randall Brent & Sons, Randall Grey & Brent, S & D.Brent, and Daniel Brent. Active from 1750s until 1820s, becoming one of the earliest steamship builders in the world.

General Goddard 1782 General Harris 1812 Huntingdon 1770

PITCHER

Thomas Pitcher began building at Northfleet 1788. survived until 1860.

Alfred (2) 1790

Broxbomebury 1812

Cambridge

Castle Eden 1799

Ceylon 1803

David Scott (2) 1801

Devonshire (3) 1804

Earl Camden 1802

Earl of Abergavenny (2) 1796

George the Fourth 1825

RANDALL & BRENT

Ann

Bellmont 1780 Berrington 1783 Bessborough 1772 Blandford

Bombay Castle (2) 1792 Bridgewater (5) 1812 Britannia (3) 1761

Carmarthen 1802 Carnatic 1787 Cirencester 1795

yard taken over by his sons William and Henry,

Hope (2) 1797 Kellie Castle 1818 Kent (6) 1799 London (14) 1817 Lowther Castle 1811 Marquis Camden 1812 Ocean (4) 1800 Perseverance (2) 1801 Royal Charlotte (3) 1789 Royal Charlotte (5) 1796

City of London 1799 Coutts 1796 Cuffnells 1796 Duke of Buccleugh (1) 1788 Duke of Montrose 1784 Elizabeth (4) 1761 Elphinstone 1802 Fox (2) 1771

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Lady Castlereagh 1802 Lord Clive 1762 Lord Hawkesbuiy 1786 Lord Holland (1) 1762 Lord Holland (2)

Major 1781

Marquis of Huntly 1811 Marquis Wellesley 1799 Northumberland (5) 1805 repaired Ocean (6) 1804 Queen (3) 1767 Queen (4) 1785 Rodney (2) 1781

Royal Captain (1) 1760 Royal Captain (2) 1772 Royal George (3) 1777 Sarah Christiana Sir Stephen Lushington Sovereign (2)

Thetis (1) 1786 Triton (3) 1787 Tyne 1807 Union (4) 1802 repaired Union (5) 1805 Valentine (3) 1780 Walthamstow 1799

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WELLS

The family managed the Howland wet dock at Rotherhithe for the Dukes of Bedford. 1763 John and William (1729-1805) Wells bought the dock from the 4th Duke. 1798 the Rotherhithe yard closed, John Wells (1761-1848) and William Wells (1768-1847) became partners in the Blackwall Yard, which was known for a short period as Peny, Wells & Green.

Admiral Pocock 1762 Ankerwyke 1764 Ann & Amelia

SMITH

Culling Smith of Limehouse. Wexford 1802

STANTON

In partnership with Wells at Rotherhithe 1747-61. Royal George (2) 1758

STEEMSON

Thomas Steemson, building at Pauli nr Hull

Apollo (2) 1812 Hebe

Atlas (4) 1812 Midas

Bark worth 1811

TEBBUTT

Building at Limehouse, in 1817 known as Tebbutt & Hitchcock repaired Lord Forbes 1810

TEMPLE

Simon Temple jun, building at South Shields from 1790s up to 1806. Admiral Aplin Herculean Indus 1804 Lord Eldon

THAMES SHIPBUILDING CO

Occupied Gordon’s Yard at Deptford.  
Duke of Sussex 1826

TURNER

John Turner jun, building at Harwich. His partnership with Barnard was dissolved in 1776. Prime 1769

Harwell 1782 Bengal (2) 1799 Bengal (3) 1811 Britannia (9) 1806 British King 1763 Cabalva 1811 Calcutta (1) 1758 Calcutta (2) 1770 Calcutta (4) 1798 Canton 1790 Comet (2) 1801 Cruttenden 1762 Deptford (1) 1762 Deptford (2) 1781 Doddington 1748 Dover Castle 1798 Dublin 1784 Duke of Albany 1762 Duke of Athol 1781 Duke of Grafton 1768 Dutton (1) 1763 Eagle (6) 1773 Earl Cornwallis 1783 Earl of Ashbumham 1761 Earl of Dartmouth 1779 Earl of Lincoln 1763 Earl of Mansfield 1777 Earl of Sandwich 1771 Egmont (2) 1766 Exeter (2) 1792 Experiment (4) 1802 Fortitude (1) 1780 Fort William (2) 1785 Friendship (2)

Ganges (1) 1778 Ganges (3) 1797 Gatton 1777 Georgiana (1)

Glatton (1) 1763 Glatton (2) 1777 Glatton (3) 1792 Glatton (4) 1796 Greenwich (2) 1767 Grenville 1764 Grosvenor (1) 1762 Grosvenor(2) 1777 Halsewell 1778 Hemy Addington (1) 1796 Hemy Addington (2) 1800

Horsenden 1762 Houghton (4) 1766 Houghton (5) 1782 Huddart 1802

Indian Trader

Kent (4) 1764

Kent (5) 1781

Lady Melville 1813

Lascelles 1779

London (11) 1763

Lord Camden (1) 1765

Lord Camden (2) 1783

Lord Mansfield (1) 1760

Lord Mansfield (2) 1772

Lord North 1771

Manship (1) 1785

Marchioness of Ely 1812

Montagu (4) 1781

Morse 1769

Neptune (5) 1796

Northington 1766

Northumberland (3) 1780

Nottingham (2) 1765

repazreJ Nottingham (3) 1781

Ocean (1) 1788

Osterley (2) 1771

Osterley (3) 1780

Phoenix (3) 1785

Pigot(l) 1763

Plassey 1760

Pocock 1758

Prince Regent 1811

Princess Royal (2) 1769

Princess Royal (3) 1786

Rose (2) 1786

Rose (4) 1810

Skelton Castle

Speke 1769

Stafford 1769

repaired Surat Castle (2) 1806 Travers 1800 repaired Trial (2) 1785 True Briton (2) 1760 True Briton (3) 1773 True Briton (4) 1790 Vansittart (2) 1763 Vansittart (3) 1780 Walpole (4) 1779 Winchelsea (3) 1803 Woodcot 1786 York (3) 1760

WEST

Thomas West Deptford. Albion 1762 Lioness (2) 1765 Sea Horse 1767 Triton (2) 1766

WIGRAM

Sir Robert Wigram, a leading managing-owner, bought the Perry share in the Blackwall Yard 1810. At his death in 1819 he left half of his estate to George Green and a quarter each to his sons Money and Hemy Loftus, the firm then becoming Wigram, Green & Wigram.

Abercrombie Robinson Canning 1817 Duchess of Athol 1821 Duke of York (2) 1817 Dunira 1817 Edinburgh 1825

1825

Kent (7) 1820 Reliance 1827 Repulse 1820 Royal George (5) St Helena 1814 Waterloo (1) 1816

1820

Larkins (1) 1807 Lord Lyndoch Lowjee Family 1791 Mangles 1803 Margaret

Marquis Cornwallis (2) Matilda 1803 Milford 1786 Minerva (7) 1813 Moffat 1807 Nonsuch 1781 Providence (1) 1807

Regent 1811 Ruby (4) 1803 Scaleby Castle 1798 Shah Brygamore 1801 Sir Edward Hughes 1788 Stirling Castle 1801 Surat Castle Thetis (2) 1794 Thomas Grenville 1808 Union (5)

Vansittart (4) 1813 Vanina 1795

WOOLCOMBE

Builders at Rotherhithe.

Admiral Watson 1758 Bellona

YOUNG

Builders at Rotherhithe, in partnership with Woolcombe 1780s-1790s.

Comet repaired Orpheus

Dart Tellicherry 1796

repaired Mercury (2)

SHIPS BUILT IN INDIA

Admiral Rainier Althea Anna (2)

Cumbrian Cuvera 1796 David Scott (1) 1801 Earl of Balcarras 1811 Eliza Ann 1795 Fairlie 1810 Fort William (3) 1806 General Hewett 1811 General Kyd 1813 General Wellesley 1813 Gilwell Hannah 1811 Hastings (2) 1817 Herefordshire 1813 Hindostan (3) 1812 Hope (3)

Indian Chief Inglis 1811 James Sibbald 1810 John Palmer 1810 Julian 1793 Lady Campbell 1801

Anna (3) 1790 Arran

Aurora 1789 Bangalore 1792 Baring (2) 1805 Barrosa(l) 1811 Belle

Bombay (3) 1809 Boyne (1) 1807 Britannia (4) 1775 Buckinghamshire 1816 Cartier

Castle Huntley 1812 Cecilia

Charles Grant 1810 Clyde (1)

Cornwall 1811 Cornwallis 1790 Countess of Sutherland