

# Old Boys

## Saints and Martyrs

ST PHILIP EVANS SJ (1640–79): Put to death at Tyburn.

ST THOMAS GARNET SJ (c.1576–1608): Protomartyr of St Omers College. Put to death at Tyburn.

ST JOHN PLESSINGTON (1637–79): Put to death at Chester.

BL. EDWARD BAMBER (c.1602–79): Put to death at Lancaster.

BL. WILLIAM BARROW SJ (1609–79) (often referred to incorrectly by his alias as Fr Harcourt): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. ARTHUR BELL OSF (1590–1643): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. RALPH CORBIE (1598–1644): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. JOHN FENWICK SJ (1628–79): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. JOHN GAVAN SJ (1640–79): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. THOMAS HOLLAND SJ (1600–42): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. WILLIAM IRELAND SJ (1636–79): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. THOMAS THWING (1635–80): Put to death at York.

BL. THOMAS WHITAKER (1611–46): Put to death at Lancaster.

BL. THOMAS WHITBREAD SJ (1618–79): Put to death at Tyburn.

BL. JOHN WOODCOCK OSF (1603–46): Put to death at Lancaster.

FR THOMAS BLOUNT SJ (1616–47): Died in Shrewsbury gaol while under sentence of death.

FR BRIAN CANSFIELD SJ (1582–1645): Died from the effects of imprisonment at York.

FR THOMAS DOWNES SJ (1617–78): Died in prison.

FR JOHN GOODMAN (? d. 1646): Put to death at Lancaster.

FR THOMAS JENISON (1643–79): Died in Newgate prison.

FR EDMUND MICO SJ (1628–78): Died in a London gaol.

FR FRANCIS NEVILLE SJ (?–1679): Killed by pursuivants.

## The Seven VCs

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## Other OS



GEORGE ARCHER-SHEE (1895–1914): 'The Winslow Boy' in Terence Rattigan's play. Expelled from Osborne Royal Naval College in 1909 on a false charge of stealing a 5s. postal order from a fellow cadet. The prosecution against the Admiralty the following year became a legal *cause célèbre*. Killed in the First World War.

ALFRED AUSTIN (1835–1913): Poet Laureate.

PATRICK BALADI (b. 1971): Actor.

IAIN BALSHAW (b. 1979) English Rugby international.

JOSEPH C BAMFORD (1916–2001): Formerly Chairman and Managing Director of J C Bamford Excavators Ltd. His yellow excavators, labelled JCB, can be found all over the country. The company was founded in 1946, with capital of 50/-.

FR BERNARD BASSET SJ (1909–88): Historian and spiritual writer.

COUNT MICHAEL DE LA BEDOYÈRE (1900–73): Journalist and author. Editor of the *Catholic Herald*.

JOHN BERNAL (1901–71): Physicist.



ALFRED AUSTIN

SIR HUGH BIDWELL (b. 1934): Lord Mayor of London (1989–90).

HRH PRINCE FELIX OF BOURBON PARMA (1893–1970): Prince Consort of the Grand Duchess Charlotte of Luxembourg.

SIR WILLIAM H B BLACKALL (1889–1981): Chief Justice in Trinidad and Tobago 1943–6. Chief Justice in Hong Kong 1946–8. Genealogist.

SIR ROWLAND BLENNERHASSET (1839–1909): Political writer and Irish politician.

WILFRID S BLUNT (1840–1922): Politician, poet and traveller.

KYRAN BRACKEN (b. 1971) English Rugby International.

HON. LORD DAVID BRAND (1923–96): Senator of the College of Justice in Scotland 1972–89.

DR SIMON BROADBENT (1937–45). Pioneer in the statistical analysis of the business and economic effects of advertising.

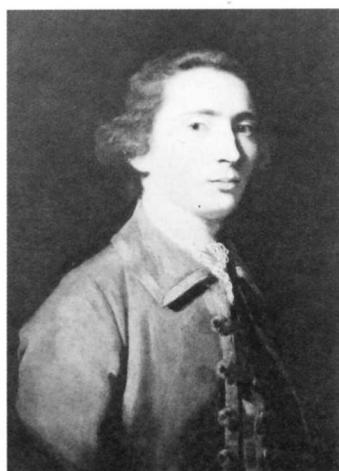
GEOFFREY BURKE (1913–2000): Auxiliary Bishop of Salford (1967).

THOMAS F BURNS (1906–96): Editor of *The Tablet* (1967–82); director of the Tablet Publishing Co. 1955–85; Chairman of Burns & Oates Ltd 1948–67. Publically opposed Pope Paul

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VI's encyclical *Humanae Vitae* in 1968 reaffirming the traditional Catholic Church's position on birth control.

FR PHILIP CARAMAN SJ (1911–1998): Catholic historian. Editor of *The Month*.



CHARLES CARROLL (1737–1832): Signatory, US Declaration of Independence.

DANIEL CARROLL (1730–96): Helped to draft the US Constitution.

JOHN CARROLL (1735/6–1815): First Catholic bishop in the USA. First Archbishop of Baltimore.

WILLIAM N CASH (b. 1940): Conservative shadow Front Bench MP.

SIR CHARLES CHICHESTER (1795–1847): Brigadier-General, British Auxiliary Legion, Spain. Governor of Trinidad 1842–3.

PRATNAP CHIDAMBER CHITNIS, BARON CHITNIS OF RYEDALE YORKSHIRE (b. 1936). Liberal politician.

DENZIL RN CLARKE (1908–85): Chairman of BAT industries 1966–70.

JOSEPH CLARKSON (b. 1957) US Rugby international.

ARTHUR CLIFFORD (1778–1830): Antiquary.

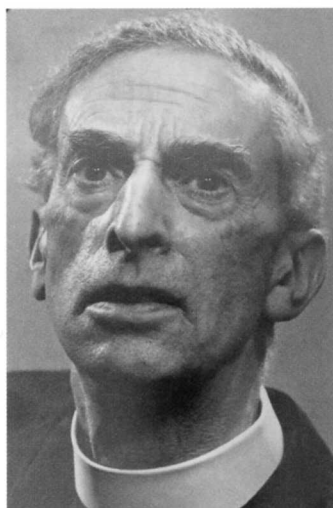
HENRY CLIFFORD (1768–1813): Legal writer.

HUGH CHARLES CLIFFORD 7th Baron Clifford of Chudleigh (1790–1858): Whig politician, leading advocate of Catholic Emancipation, assistant to Cardinal Consalvi at the Congress of Vienna (1814–15) on behalf of the Papal States.

SIR CECIL CLOTHIER (b. 1919): Parliamentary Commissioner (Ombudsman) 1979–84.

FR CHRIS CORBALLY SJ (b. 1946): Astronomer, currently working at the Vatican Observatory in Tucson, Arizona.

FR JOSEPH COVENTRY SJ (1915–98): Provincial of the English Society of Jesus. Master of St Edmunds House, Cambridge. Theologian and Ecumenist



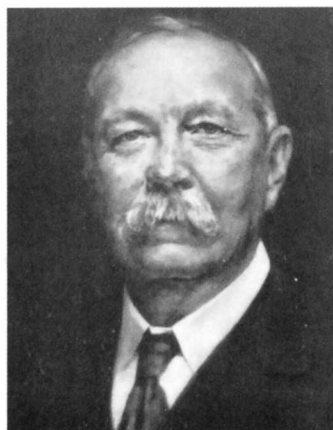
FR MARTIN D'ARCY SJ (1888–1976): Master of Campion Hall, Jesuit Provincial and man of letters.

HERMAN FRANCIS DAVID CBE (1905–73): Chairman of the All-England Club. Davis Cup player in 1932. Non-playing captain of the Davis Cup team between 1953 and 1958.

PATRICK DEVLIN (1905–93): High Court Judge and Lord of Appeal in Ordinary.

WILLIAM DEVLIN (1911–87): Actor.

CAPTAIN SIR HENRY DIGBY-BESTE (1883–1964): Chief Scout Commissioner.



SIR ARTHUR CONAN DOYLE (1850–1930): Historian, fiction writer and creator of Sherlock Holmes. His autobiography,

*Memories and Adventures*, contains a useful account of his days at Stonyhurst.

NICHOLAS J DRAKE-LEE (b. 1942): Rugby International. Played Rugby for England in 1966 with A Horton.

JAMES ETHERIDGE SJ (1809–77): Bishop of Demerara 1857–77.



GEORGE EDWARD THOMAS EYSTON (1897–1979): Racing driver of the 1920s and 1930s and late 1940s. Holder of world land speed record three times at 312, 345.5 and 357.5 mph. When he visited Stonyhurst in 1933 he drove with some boys down the Avenue in his MG K3 Magnette at 80 mph, turned the corner by the stone on two wheels and performed a skid turn by the cemetery before returning with his passengers – shaken but unhurt – to the College.

LT COL WILLIAM FEE (1920–2001): Chairman and director of studies of U3A, which he helped to found. U3A, which has branches all over the country, offers further and higher education to older members of the community.

HENRY FLORY (1910–2002): Pioneer of transoceanic and trans-African aviation navigation during the Second World War.

SIR HENRY GAGE (1597–1645): Royalist Governor of Oxford during the English Civil War. Killed, battle of Culham.

FRANCIS GAVAN-DUFFY (1855–1935): Chief Justice, Australian High Court.

PETER GLENVILLE (1913–98) Actor and TV producer in Britain and the USA.

DR EULAGIO GILLOW Y ZAVALZA (1841–1922): Archbishop of Antequera (Oaxaca) in Mexico.

DR ROBIN GODFREY (b. 1931): Irish Rugby international.

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OLIVER ST JOHN GOGARTY (1878–1957): Surgeon, man of letters, wit, politician in the Irish Free State. Appears in James Joyce's *Ulysses* as 'Buck Mulligan'.

ALBAN GOODIER SJ (1869–1939): Archbishop of Bombay.

MAURICE GORHAM (1902–75): Journalist, Head of BBC Television Service 1946–7, Director of the BBC.

PROFESSOR MICHAEL GOUGH (1916–73): archaeologist.

ALEXANDER HILL GRAY (1837–1927): Traveller and collector. On his death, he left his entire collection – including a Tibetan trumpet made from a human thigh-bone – to the College.

WILLIAM GREENWOOD (b. 1972) English Rugby International.

COLIN CLIVE GREIG (1898–1937): Actor; films included *Journey's End*, *Frankenstein*, and *Clive of India*.

RICHARD LESTER GUILLY SJ (1905–96): Bishop Emeritus of Georgetown, Guyana.

SIR WILLIAM HACKETT (1824–77): Chief Justice in Penang and Ceylon.

DR JAMES HANRATTY (b. 1919): physician and hospice medical director.

SIR JOHN LANE HARRINGTON (1864–1927): soldier and diplomat.

BASIL MACDONALD HASTINGS (1880–1928): Playwright. Father of Douglas Macdonald Hastings.

DOUGLAS MACDONALD HASTINGS (1909–82): Author, broadcaster and journalist. His autobiography, *Jesuit Child*, describes Stonyhurst life during and just after the First World War.

DR ANDRE HELLEGERS (1929–79): Specialist in foetal physiology – mainly at Georgetown University, USA. Founder and first director of the Kennedy Institute for the study of Human Reproduction and Bioethics in 1971. Deputy Secretary-General of the Papal Commission on Population and Birth Control 1964–6. US government consultant for population and birth control. Buried at Stonyhurst.

JOHN HINE (b. 1938) Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark.

SIR MICHAEL P J HOGAN (1908–87): Chief Justice in Hong Kong.

PRINCE LOUIS ALOYS HOHENLOHE (1765–1829): Famous Counter-Revolutionary

general. Appointed Marshall of France in 1827.

CRISPIAN HOLLIS (b. 1936): Bishop of Portsmouth.

ANTHONY L HORTON (b. 1938): England Rugby international with N Drake-Lee, 1966. For his British Lions cap, awarded Stonyhurst First XV colours retrospectively in 1968!

GILES HUSSEY (1710–88): Artist.

VALENTINE IRWIN (b. 1838): Introduced Polo to the British Isles in 1865.



FR BEDE (Cyril was his christian name) JARRETT OP (1881–1934): Dominican Provincial in England. Re-established the Dominican presence in Oxford.

PAUL BEDE JOHNSON (b. 1928): Journalist and historian.

BRUCE KENT (b. 1929): Chairman of CND.

MATTHEW KEOGH (b. 1939): Chief salvage and mooring officer for the Ministry of Defence. Recovered £45 million from HMS Edinburgh, which had been sunk on the Arctic convoys during the Second World War. This was the deepest underwater recovery operation of its kind.

CHARLES LAUGHTON (1899–1962): Stage and film actor and director.

FR FRANCIS LINE SJ (1595–1675): Scientist, maker of sundials and other astronomical instruments, correspondent of Newton.

FR EMMANUEL LOBB SJ (1593–?): Received James II into the Catholic Church.

JAMES LOMAX (d. 1886): Squire of Walton and benefactor. Laid foundation stone of the 1878 buildings.



CHARLES LAUGHTON

SIR JOHN LUCIE-SMITH (1888–1969): Chief Justice in Sierra Leone.

SIR PETER MACADAM (1921–96): Chairman of BAT Industries 1976–82; Chairman of Libra Bank since 1987.

JOHN MAGUIRE (1851–1920): Archbishop of Glasgow.

NOEL MCGRATH (1909–74): Played Rugby for Ireland in the 1930s.

DR NIALL MACGINNIS (1913–77): Actor; films include *49th Parallel*, *Martin Luther* and *Anna Karenina*, in which he played Levin.

ALFONSO MERRY DEL VAL Y ALZOLA (1903–1975): Diplomat. Private secretary to Alfonso XIII of Spain in 1929.

DON CARLOS MARTINEZ DE IRUJO Y DE ALCAZAR, DUKE OF SOTOMAJOR (1846–1909): Politician. High Chamberlain and Keeper of the Seals during the regency of the Dowager Queen Christina of Spain.

PABLO (or Emmanuel) MARTINEZ DEL RIO (1850–1907): Mexican politician. Twice president of the Mexican Congress.

DR PABLO MARTINEZ DEL RIO (1892–1962): Mexican historian.

Henry McGee (1929–2006): Actor and TV comedian. Played opposite Charlie Drake in the TV series *The Worker* in the 1960s and alongside Benny Hill from 1968 onwards.

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THOMAS FRANCIS MEAGHER (1823–66): Irish Revolutionary. Condemned to be hanged, drawn and quartered for his activities in 1848. Sent to Australia instead whence he escaped to the USA. Orator, General in the American Civil War and politician – mainly in the state of Montana, where he became Acting Governor. Credited with designing the Irish flag, inspired by the French Tricolore.

PATRICK G MILLER (1927–91): Secretary to the Cabinet (New Zealand) and Clerk of the Executive Council 1973–87.

FRANCISCO MORENO Y HERRERA, CONDE DE LOS ANDES (1911–1978): Secretary of the Spanish Falange party in the early 1930s, monarchist and writer.

JAMES H F MONAHAN (1912–85): Poet, critic and Director of the Royal School of Ballet.

JOHN FRANCIS MORIARTY. (1854–1915) Attorney General for Ireland. In court he paraded his Catholicism by slamming his rosary on the table and by interrupting proceedings to say the Angelus. With Michael Moriarty, he may have been the original inspiration for Professor Moriarty in the Sherlock Holmes stories.

CHRIS MORRIS (b. 1962): Film director and TV presenter. Described in the *Observer* as 'probably the most ruthlessly intelligent prankster in Britain'.

LEONARD NEALE (1747–1817): Second Archbishop of Baltimore.

AIR-VICE-MARSHAL JOHN C NEELY (1909–90): Ophthalmic surgeon. Hon. surgeon to the Queen.

JOHN JAMES NELSON (1891–1983): Argentinian Polo player. His club, the Hurlingham, some of whose ponies

were bred on his own estates, won the Argentine, Chilean, England and US Open Championships in the 1920s. Winner of the Paris (1924) and Berlin (1936) Olympic Gold Medals for Polo.

BERNARD H NEWDIGATE (1869–1944): one of the most eminent typographers of the early twentieth century. Printed the first edition of the *Complete Works of William Morris*.

TITUS OATES (1649–1705): Perjuror. Concocted the Popish Plot.

ALEJANDRO OBREGON (1921–80): Colombian artist. Dean of Fine Arts at Bogotá University. Exhibited in Paris, Washington and New York during the 1950s.

DR MAURICIO T OBREGON (b. 1930): Director of Colombian Civil Aviation 1947–8, President of Colombian Civil Aviation (1964). Vice-Rector in the University of the Andes, Bogotá, where he was also Dean of Aeronautical Sciences. Geographical and historical writer.

DR JOHN B O'DRISCOLL (b. 1952): Irish Rugby international, British Lions.

DR BARRY J O'DRISCOLL (b. 1941): Irish Rugby international.

RICHARD M O'FERRALL (1797–1880): Secretary to the Admiralty and the Treasury. Governor of Malta 1847–51.

BRENDAN O'FRIEL (b. 1941): Member of Prisons Service. He was Governor of Strangeways Gaol at the time of the 1990 riot. Chairman of the Prison Governors' Association.

DR GEORGE OLIVER (1781–1861): Historian and antiquary.

RAMON PAEZ: Son of the first President of Venezuela. Illustrator and travel writer. At Stonyhurst in 1840–1.

SIR BERNARD PARTRIDGE (1861–1945): *Punch* cartoonist.

AIR-CHIEF-MARSHAL HUBERT LEONARD PATCH (1904–87): Chief of RAF Fighter Command.

FR EDWARD PETRE SJ (1631–1699): Privy Councillor under James II.

FR CHARLES PLATER SJ (1875–1920): Founder of the Catholic Social Guild.

JONATHAN PLOWRIGHT (b. 1961): Concert pianist.

JOSEPH PLUNKETT (1888–1916): Irish rebel/patriot. Shot for his leading part in the Easter Rising.



SIR BERNARD PARTRIDGE

PAUL POTTS (1911–90): Bohemian poet and critic.

COL CHARLES REIDY (b. 1912): Soldier and sportsman, Irish Rugby international.

JOSEPH REIDY (1907–91): Plastic surgeon, specialist in treatments for the nose, palate and cleft lip. Played Rugby for the Barbarians against the All Blacks in 1935.

FR JOSEPH RICKABY, SJ (1845–1932): Philosopher and spiritual writer.

JAMES RODWAY (1914–98): President of the Rotary Club from 1947.

AMBROSE ROOKWOOD (c.1580–1606): Gunpowder plotter.

EDWARD L DE ROMANA at Stonyhurst 1899–1903: President of Peru.

MANUEL ROMERO DE TERREROS Y VINCENT, MARQUES DE SAN FRANCISCO: at Stonyhurst 1891–1900. Mexican author and scholar.

MERVYN F RYAN (1898–1952): Managing Director of the Buenos Aires and Pacific Railway 1945–8. Chairman of the Railway Executive in Buenos Aires on nationalisation in 1948. This meant that he was in charge of the entire Argentine railway network.

FR LOUIS SABRAN SJ (1652–1732): Chaplain to James III (the Old Pretender).

HERBERT SAYERS (1911–43): Irish Rugby international.

RICHARD LALOR SHEIL (1791–1851): Orator, playwright and politician. As Master of the Mint he issued the first florins without the legend 'Defensatrix Fidei, Dei Gloria'.

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FR WALTER SIDGREAVES SJ, FRAS (1837–1919): Astronomer.

REAR-ADMIRAL SIR MATTHEW SLATTERY (1902–90): Chairman of Short Brothers, Bristol Aircraft and BOAC.

CHARLES STURRIDGE (b. 1951): Actor and Producer; best known for his TV production of *Brideshead Revisited*.

FRANCIS L SULLIVAN (1903–56): Actor; films included *Great Expectations*, where he played Mr Jaggers, and *Oliver Twist*, in which he was Mr Bumble.

SQUADRON-LEADER F R D SWAIN (OS 1919): Achieved the world altitude record of 49,967 ft. on 28 Sept 1936.

JOHN TALBOT, 16th Earl of Shrewsbury (1791–1852): Patron of the arts.



MARK THOMPSON (b. 1957): Controller of BBC2 (1996); Director or Regional and National Broadcasting (1999); Chief Executive at Channel 4 (2002); Director General of the BBC (2005).

SIR ROGER TICHBORNE (1829–54?): Central figure in the Tichborne Trial during which a 'claimant' from Wagga Wagga, Australia attempted to prove his right to the Tichborne inheritance.

MICHAEL TRAPPES LOMAX (1900–72) Novelist, historian and biographer. Somerset Herald.

WILLIAM TOBIN (1859–1904). Played Cricket for Australia in 1879 while still a pupil at Stonyhurst.

SIR FRANCIS ARTHUR TURNER (1912–91): First engineer to become a full Admiral in the Royal Navy. Specialist in aeronautical engineering pioneering the introduction of planned maintenance for naval aircraft.

SIR EDGAR UNSWORTH (b. 1906): Chief

Justice of Nyasaland, 1962–64, and of Gibraltar, 1965–76.

FRANCIS URQUHART (1868–1934): Dean of Balliol College, Oxford.

FR BERNARD VAUGHAN SJ (1832–1922): Preacher.

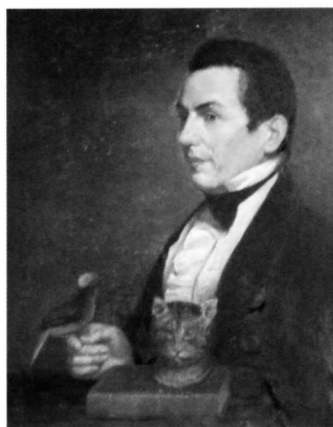
HERBERT CARDINAL VAUGHAN (1832–1903): Archbishop of Westminster.

HERBERT WALKER. Attended Stonyhurst in 1880–2: Golfer (the Walker Cup was established after him), grandfather of President George Bush.

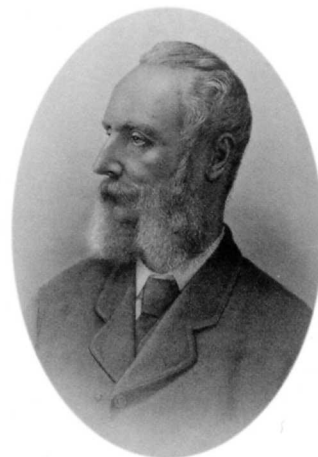


SIR JOSEPH WALTON (1845–1910): Judge. Chairman of the General Council of the Bar.

GENERAL (retired) VERNON ANTHONY WALTERS (1917–2002): US Presidential advisor and diplomat. Held numerous positions including those of Deputy Director of the CIA (1972–6). Special Presidential Envoy and Ambassador-at-Large (1981–5). UN Ambassador for the USA (1985–9) and US Ambassador in Bonn (1989–91). His autobiography, *Silent Missions*, describes much of his fascinating career.



CHARLES WATERTON (1782–1865): Naturalist, eccentric and traveller.



SIR FREDERICK WELD (1823–1891): Prime Minister of New Zealand in 1864. Played a major part in calming the Maori disturbances there. Governor of Western Australia 1869–75 and Governor of Tasmania 1875.

GEORGE WELD SJ (1883–1959): Bishop, Vicar-Apostolic of British Guiana and Barbados 1932–54.

HERBERT WELD (1852–1935): Yachtsman.

SIR JOSEPH WELD (1909–1992): Public servant in the West Country. In his lifetime the head of the family which gave the Stonyhurst property to the College.

SIR JOHN WHYATT (1905–78): Chief Justice of Singapore.

PAUL WOODROFFE (1875–1954): book illustrator, stained glass artist and typographer. He designed the stained glass for the Lady Chapel at St Patrick's Cathedral in New York; at Stonyhurst his work can be seen in the Sodality Chapel.

STEPHEN WOULFE (1787–1840): Chief Baron of the Irish Court of Exchequer. He was the first Catholic raised to the Bench after the grant of emancipation.

JOHN G WYNNE-WILLIAMS (1912–77): Businessman. Managing Director of Pepsodent at the age of 24; manager of Mappins, a major department store in Sao Paulo, Brazil 1946–52; Chairman, Managing Director and majority shareholder of Masius Wynne-Williams advertising agency.

SIR THOMAS WYSE (1792–1862): Politician. Closely involved in the Don Pacifico affair and other aspects of Greek politics. Privy Councillor.