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Letter from James Lister, dated from Shibden Hall, May 6th, to William Radcliffe, of the College of Arms, London

Shibden Hall 6th May 1817

Dear Sir,

I am sorry you should have so much trouble, but agree with you, it will be best to send you the Roll at once. Do not, however, think of such a thing as paying the carriage of it back again. The error is by no means yours. On the contrary, I have every reason to be entirely satisfied with what you have done for me. – It is singular that Mr. Hanson should make such a mistake, as Thomas Lister, the father, was living at the time- - However, the following extracts from the Halifax register will doubtless be sufficient to set the matter right.

Sibill wife of Thomas Lister of Shibden Hall was buried at Halifax Church 1st June 1633.

Thomas Lister of Shibden Hall married to Phebe Wood 16th July, 1634.

Thomas Lister Son of Thomas Lister of Shibden Hall bapt. 22th, May 1635.

Joseph Lister, Son of Thomas Lister of Shibden Hall bapt. 29th Sept. 1637.

Mary Lister Daughter of Thomas Lister of Shibden Hall bapt. 16th April, 1640.

These extracts make Mr. Hanson's blunder too obvious to require comment. I shall be much obliged to you for contributing to Dr. Whitaker's work a Copy of the Record. The Ladies beg their remembrances, and I am, Dear Sir,

Truly Yours,

James Lister