

CHERLETON or CHARLTON, family

JOHN CHERLETON (1268 - 1353)

Son of Robert, lord of Cherleton in Wrockwardine, Salop. In 1309 he married **Hawise Gadarn** ('the Hardy'), sister and heir of Gruffydd ab Owain (died 1309 - see under **Gruffydd ap Gwenwynwyn**), lord of Powys; thus the Cherletons were lords of this part of Wales in the 14th and early 15th century. The occupation of Powys by John Cherleton was opposed by Gruffydd ap Gruffydd, uncle of **Hawise**, who was aided by the **Lestrangle** lords of Knockin, Salop, but the two men served together against the Scots and the lord of Powys was ordered to supply men from his Welsh lands for service against the Scots and the French. John was governor of Builth castle, 1314, opposed Welsh rebels, 1316, incorporated Llanidloes, 1344, and was a patron of Strata Marcella abbey. He was buried at Grey Friars, Shrewsbury, next to his wife, who died between 1345 and 1353?, being the second founder of the house.

JOHN CHERLETON (1362 - 1401)

Great-grandson of the above-mentioned John, was Justice of North Wales, 1387, and defeated **Glyn Dwr**, 1401. EDWARD CHERLETON (1371 - 1421), brother and heir of John, was commissioner for the defence of the Marches, 1403, defeated the earl of Northumberland and lord Bardolf, rebels and allies of **Glyn Dwr**, 1406, and was the friend of **Adam Usk**. In November 1417 Sir John Oldcastle was captured at Broniarth, near Welshpool, by **Sir Gruffydd Vaughan** and his brother Ieuan ap Gruffydd, aided by Hywel ap Gruffudd ap Dafydd ap Madog and Deio ap Ieuan ap Iorwerth ab Adda, two yeomen. These men surrendered Oldcastle to their overlord Edward Cherleton, whose death in 1421 marks the end of the male line of the family.

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