

PHAER (or PHAYER), THOMAS (1510? - 1560), lawyer, physician, and translator

Name: Thomas Phaer Date of birth: 1510? Date of death: 1560 Spouse: Anne Phaer (née Walter) Child: Elisabeth Vaughan (née Phaer) Parent: Thomas Phaer Gender: Male Occupation: lawyer, physician, and translator Area of activity: Law; Literature and Writing; Medicine; Scholarship and Languages Author: John James Jones

He was a Norwich man, being the son of Thomas Phaer of that place, the family being probably of Flemish origin. He was educated at Oxford and Lincoln's Inn. On being appointed solicitor to the Council of the Marches, he settled at Kilgerran, Pembrokeshire, where he spent the rest of his life. He lies buried in Kilgerran church. He married Anne, daughter of Thomas Walter, of Carmarthen. He was the author of legal works, and, turning to the study of medicine, he published an English translation of *Regimen Sanitatis Salerni*. He is best known, however, for his translation of Virgil's 'Aeneid,' of which he completed nine books and part of the tenth.

Author

John James Jones, (1892 - 1957)

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