

daughters of John, who is famous for the part he played in the first civil war ; he was brother to Thomas of Pershore. There are many documents in the British Museum and Record Office which give an account of the siege of Evesham, the trial, defence, and imprisonment of John. Lieutenant Twining appears in the list of 548 prisoners taken by Colonel Massey, at the storming of Evesham, on May 26th, 1645.

There is also the following notice, 1651 : " Trial of John Twining before Cromwell's Commissioners for taking part in the defence of Evesham against the Parliamentary forces, in the first war." He was twice imprisoned, and his property confiscated. The following is from a paper in the Record Office : " By the Commissioners for compounding. Warrant signed by Sam. Moyer, 14th January, 1651, against John Twyninge, of Fladbury." Again, " Fourteen days after notice to John Twyninge of Fladbury, he should go lawfully to prison."

The petition of John to the Commons, December 9th, 1651, is a very able argument for his defence. He was charged for assisting