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**Price List for Commodities sold by Bartholomew Churchill, at Clifton, circa 1780**

Bartholomew Churchill the elder (1709-1780) was a grocer, tallow-chandler, dealer in brandy and hop-dealer in Clifton and Deddington. Close to the end of his life he built a new house in New Street in Deddington, which was to become Deddington House. He died in 1780, a widower, without issue.

Bartholomew Churchill junior (1736-1806), the eldest son of Bartholomew senior's younger brother Benjamin (1713-1783), joined his uncle's business and in due course succeeded him as proprietor upon his death in 1780.

The balance of probabilities suggests that the price list was drawn-up by Bartholomew junior upon assuming his uncle's business in 1780.

The price list includes 126 products, with prices per unit (also listed) for 122 of the products. The items on the list include tea, coffee, spices, sugar, dried fruit, spirits, and tobacco, as well as household goods such as candles, soap, brooms, and hair powder.

The very wide range of goods, often imported, many high value, illustrates why grocery was a high status occupation in earlier times. For instance, amongst the Great Twelve City of London Livery Companies, the grocers were second only to the mercers in order of precedence, while the drapers ranked third.

# Sold By

Bartholomew Churchill, at Clifton & Oxford Stree,

Candle	6	1	Doz?	Car. White	3	Barrel	Am. Anglin	3	-	Cash	
Sea Mould Lute	7	6	Doz?	Jordan. Mould	1	Barrel	Four Corners	2	-	Cash	
Best R. Soap	33	-	Barrel?	D. Flour	1	Barrel	Ditto	1	1/2	Cash	
Common Ditto	32	-	Barrel?	Ditto	10	-	West Ditto	1	-	Barrel	
Best Soft Lute	18	-	Barrel	Bay Ditto	3	Barrel	Buttell Powder	1	10	Barrel	
Barrel Lute	-	1	Barrel	Salt Lute	-	11	Barrel	W. Gun Powder	1	2	Barrel
Common Ditto	-	5	Barrel	Rice	24	-	Barrel	F. Lute	1	-	Barrel
Best Mould	-	5	Barrel	Jamaica Flour	10	-	gallon	Shells	21	-	Barrel
Agass Lute	1	8	Barrel	Caracas Powder	10	-	gallon	Black Powder	-	8	Barrel
Ditto	1	-	Barrel	Raw Powder	6	-	gallon	Lawrence's	4	-	Barrel
Ditto	1	-	Barrel	Ditto	4	-	gallon	Tray Oil	2	6	gallon
Best Mould Lute	1	8	Barrel	Common Ditto	3	6	gallon	Wagon Ditto	2	8	gallon
Ditto	1	2	Barrel	Genova	3	6	gallon	Wagon Ditto	4	-	gallon
Agass Lute	12	-	Barrel	Caracas	3	6	gallon	Red Nitrate	3	6	gallon
Large Ditto	8	-	Barrel	Caracas	3	6	gallon	Barbar Oil	7	-	gallon
Common Soap	6	-	Barrel	R. Soap	8	-	gallon	Wagon Black	1	6	gallon
Caracas Soap	5	-	Barrel	Caracas Soap	4	-	gallon	Red Nitrate	-	3	Barrel
Best Coffee	5	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	3	6	gallon	Sulfur	-	8	Barrel
Caracas Soap	1	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	7	-	gallon	Wagon	-	3	Barrel
S. Soap	3	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	3	6	gallon	Wagon	-	3	Barrel
Large Ditto	-	8	Barrel	Wagon Soap	3	-	gallon	Wagon	16	-	Barrel
Ditto	-	7	Barrel	Wagon Soap	2	6	gallon	Wagon	6	0	Barrel
Large Sugar	-	7	Barrel	Wagon Soap	-	6	Barrel	Wagon	32	-	Barrel
Ditto	-	5	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	6	Barrel	Wagon	-	3	Barrel
Large	-	4	Barrel	Wagon Soap	2	-	gallon	Wagon	12	-	Barrel
Wagon Soap	-	10	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	6	gallon	Wagon	11	-	Barrel
Wagon Soap	21	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	2	-	gallon	Wagon	1	6	Cash
Wagon Soap	1	6	Barrel	Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	4	Cash
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	2	Cash
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	6	Barrel	Wagon	1	-	Cash
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	2	Barrel	Wagon	1	4	Cash
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	2	Cash
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	-	Cash
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	-	Barrel	Wagon	-	10	Cash
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	-	Barrel	Wagon	5	-	Barrel
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	3	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	4	Barrel
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	8	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	-	Barrel
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	-	Barrel
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	3	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	-	Barrel
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	2	-	Barrel	Wagon	1	-	Barrel
Wagon Soap	10	-	Barrel	Wagon Soap	1	6	Barrel	Wagon	1	-	Barrel

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Bartholomew Churchill at Clifton # Oxford Shire

[First column]

	<i>s</i>	<i>d</i>	
Candles	6	6	Doz. <sup>n</sup>
Fine Mould Ditto	7	6	Doz. <sup>n</sup>
Best H. <sup>d</sup> Soap	58	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Common Ditto	52	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Best Soft Ditto	28	-	Ferkin
Poland Starch	-	6	Pound
Common Ditto	-	5	Pound
Hair Powder	-	5	Pound
Sequese Blue	1	8	Pound
Drop Ditto	1	6	Pound
Ditto	1	-	Pound
Ditto	-	6	Pound
Best Powd. <sup>r</sup> Ditto	1	8	Pound
Ditto	1	2	Pound
Hyson Tea	12	-	Pound
Singlo Ditto	8	-	Pound
Common Green D. <sup>o</sup>	6	-	Pound
Finest Bohea D. <sup>o</sup>	5	-	Pound
Best Coffee	5	-	Pound
F. Refind Sug. <sup>r</sup> Loves	1	-	Pound
S. Refind Ditto	-	8½	Pound
Lump Ditto	-	8	Pound
Ditto	-	7½	Pound
Powder Sugar	-	7	Pound
Ditto	-	5½	Pound
Ditto	42	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Brown Candy	-	10	Pound
Melofses	21	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Spanish Juce	1	6	Pound
N. Raifins	40	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
N. Belva Dares	28	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
N. Lepra's	28	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Malagas	28	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Smirna's	28	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Currants	52	-	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Nutts	9	-	Pound
Cloves	14	-	Pound
Mace	16	-	Pound
Cinnamon	13	-	Pound
Black Pepper	1	6	Pound
Jamaica Ditto	1	-	Pound
Ginger	-	8	Pound

[Second column]

Car: <sup>y</sup> Seeds	s d - 3	Pound
Jordan almonds	1 6	Pound
<b>D</b> Flower Mustard	1 6	Pound
Salt	10 -	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Bay Ditto	- 3	Pound
Salt petre	- 11	Pound
Rice	24 -	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Jamaica Rum	10 -	Gallon
Coniac Brandy	10 -	Gallon
Wine Brandy	6 -	Gallon
Ditto	4 -	Gallon
Common Ditto	3 6	Gallon
Cherry Ditto	4 -	Gallon
Geneva	3 6	Gallon
Aniseed	3 6	Gallon
Wormwood	3 6	Gallon
R. Shrub	8 -	Gallon
Cinnamon Water	4 -	Gallon
Malt Spirits	3 6	Gallon
Spirits Wine	7 -	Gallon
Raifin Wine	3 6	Gallon
Mead	3 -	Gallon
Metheglin	2 6	Gallon
Honey	- 6	Pound
Beeswax	1 6	Pound
Best Vinigar	2 -	Gallon
Ditto	1 6	Gallon
Difstilld Ditto	2 -	Gallon
Best Hopps	74 -	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Ditto	56 -	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Best Virginia Tobo	1 6	Pound
Ditto	1 2	Pound
Ditto	1 -	Pound
Ditto	- 10	Pound
Shag Tobacco	1 -	Pound
Leaf Tobacco	1 -	Pound
Rold Ditto	3 -	Pound
Tobacco Dust	- 8	Pound
Ditto	- 6	Pound
Spanish Snuff	3 -	Pound
Scotch Ditto	2 -	Pound
Ditto	1 6	Pound

[Third column]

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Fine Long Corks	3 -	Grofs
Fine Short Ditto	2 -	Grofs
Ditto	1 4	Grofs
Sheet Ditto	1 -	Pound
Battell Powder	1 10	Pound
<b>IF</b> Gun powder	1 2	Pound
<b>F</b> Ditto	1 -	Pound
Shott	21 -	Hund. <sup>d</sup>
Packthread	- 8	Pound
Scouering Sand	4 -	Hund: <sup>d</sup>
Frayn Oil	2 6	Gallon
Rape Ditto	2 8	Gallon
Scivile Ditto	4 -	Gallon
Linceed Ditto	5 4	Gallon
Oil of Turpetine	3 6	Gallon
Barbers Oil	7 -	Gallon
Lam Black	1 6	Doz. <sup>n</sup>
Role Brimstone	- 3	Pound
Sulphur	- 6	Pound
Rosin	- 3	Pound
Allam	- 3	Pound
Pitch	16 -	Hund: <sup>d</sup>
Tarr	6 6	Ferkin
Cheese	30 -	Hund: <sup>d</sup>
Beacon	- 5½	Pound
Mapps	12 -	Dozen
Ditto	11 -	Dozen
Best Hair Brooms	1 6	Each
Ditto	1 4	Each
Ditto	1 2	Each
Ditto	1 -	Each
Best Broomheads	1 4	Each
Ditto	1 2	Each
Ditto	1 -	Each
Ditto	- 10	Each
Flag Brooms	5 -	Dozen
Birch Ditto	1 4	Dozen
Stable Ditto	2 -	Dozen
Brushes of all Sorts		
Pins of all Sorts		
Paper of all Sorts		
Threads of all Sorts		