

Dr. John Swift (1741-1780) of Acton

Harvard 1762; *SHG* 15:328.

Swift was son of Rev. John (1714-1775; Harvard 1733). Shipton writes that "when his son, John, died five years later, their combined libraries made a very respectable sale." *SHG* 9:336, citing the *Independent Chronicle*, Aug. 16, 1782, 3/2.

1778 September 15 (Tuesday). I rode to Ministers Meeting at *Stow* and dined there.... I rode to my Son Williams at Concord, and lodged there....

1778 September 16 (Wednesday). My Son rode with me to Dr. *Swifts* at *Acton*. Spent Some time in the Library. Dined with the old Lady, her son and his Wife. Bought *Buxtorfs* Lexicon and they gave me *Nortoni Responsio ad Apollonium*.