

Godfrey Copley (1706-1761), had inherited Sprotbrough Hall and estate after his father Lionel Copley passed away in 1719; who himself have inherited the estate in 1709 after the demise the 2nd Baronet Godfrey Copley (1653-1709), whom had built Sprotbrough Hall, in the late seventeenth century. The 2nd Baronet name would be immortalised by the Copley Medal. Instituted in 1731 by the Royal Society – after a bequest of £100 in Copley’s will – the medal is award annually for “outstanding achievements in research in any branch of science”. It would appear that the surveyor of the map, Joseph Colbeck was in the employ of Godfrey Copley – as he was named in two documents housed within the National Archives at Kew: Steward to Godfrey Copley, in 1749, and 1759.

Scale: (approx.) 13 inches to statute mile.

Bibliography

National Archives: DD/CROM/6/7; DD/CROM/6/8.

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