

for powder and shot sent from Oxford to Prince Rupert's men at Wheatley that June. Disaster struck in July 1645, when he was killed in a skirmish near Aylesbury, and shortly afterwards his brother Henry was also killed while on reconnaissance for the royalist forces near Thame.⁸ The two brothers were buried in Christ Church Oxford on 28 August and 11 September respectively, and may well be the reason why their mother came to New College a few weeks or months later.

keeping abreast of war news in a city marginally safer than Westminster and less remote than some of their country estates. But we shall probably never know exactly why they came when they did.

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Entries in the New College Long Books 1643/4 to 1646/7 (NCA 4204, 4205)
1643/4

Term 1 (equivalent to modern Michaelmas term):

Rec' from my Lady Salisbury for beere & bread for 2 weeks	£1
Rec' of my Lady Salisbury for one weeke ending Oct 20	10s 3d
Rec' of my Lady Salisbury for bread & beere untill shee departed	£1 4s 5d
Rec' of my Lady Moryson for 24 days beare	3s 6d