

Thomas Sherlock (1677–1761)

Thomas Sherlock began his association with St. Catharine's College in 1695 when he matriculated as a pensioner at the College. Gaining his BA in 1698, he went on to be elected a fellow of St Catharine's in 1698. On the 15th April 1714 he was elected to the office of Master of St. Catharine's. The record of his election can be seen in the image below.

Apr. 15th 1714

Memorandum, y^t then Thomas Sherlock
Doctor of Divinity was by y^e Unanimous
consent of y^e Fellows then present in y^e
University, chosen into y^e Mastership of
this College or Hall then vacant by the
resignation of the most reverend Father
in God William Lord Archbishop of York,
bearing date y^e tenth of this Instant April.

Tho: Crosse President
Edm: Halthyde
Jos: Sparrow.

Reference: XL/33

He was Master until 1719. After leaving the College, he retained connections and left money and his collection of books to the College in his will. A bookplate from one of those books can be seen to the right.

Further information about Thomas Sherlock can be found in his entry in the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography or contact the College archivist: archivist@caths.cam.ac.uk.

