



THOMAS PARR

Better known as 'Old Parr', was born, it is said, in 1483 at Winnington, Shropshire, and died in 1635, he then being in his 152nd year. A metrical account of his career was published in 1635 by John Taylor the 'water poet', and he was buried in Westminster Abbey, where a monument records his longevity. His age, however, has been disputed, and doubtless he was not nearly so old as represented.