## The Lloyd family in Manchester

Manchester Origins: The Lloyd family left Denbighshire, North Wales, in about 1620. By 1660 they had established themselves as wool merchants in Manchester, with land and premises in what is now the city centre, where they slowly rose to prominence. By 1751 they occupied the prestigious Hulme Hall on the banks of the River Irwell, where George Lloyd FRS (1708-1783), the composer's great-great-great grandfather, was a Doctor of Medicine and Fellow of the Royal Society, being 'well-skilled in mathematical knowledge and natural philosophy'. As a Trustee he owned the freehold of Chetham's Hospital, (now Chetham's School of Music) and was a Founder Trustee of Manchester Infirmary. His portrait aged 26, at the time of his wedding, now hangs in the Manchester City Art Gallery.

The family of George Lloyd FRS were radicals. One son was Mayor of Leeds and a Parliamentary reformer. Another son, a radical barrister, was a supporter of the French Revolution, a founder of the Manchester Anti-Slavery Committee and Constitutional Society and first Vice-President of the Manchester Literary and Philosophical Society. A third son, a merchant, was the Colonel-in-Chief of the Leeds Volunteers, a regiment he raised to defend the city against Napoleon.


1708 Baptised
1726 Queens College, Cambridge
1731 Graduated M.D
1734 Married. Portrait by Seeman.
1737 Elected F.R.S.
1741 Feoffee of Chetham's Hospital
1751 Purchased Hulme Hall, Manchester,
1752 Board of Manchester Infirmary
1753 Trustee of Manchester Infirmary
1772 Retired to Barrowby, Leeds.
1779 DL of West Yorkshire
1781 Observations on rainfall published.
1781 Moved to Swillington, 1783 Died. Buried in Manchester Cathedral with his father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

George Lloyd FRS in 1834, age 26
by Isaac Seeman


Hulme Hall, Manchester
Chetham's Hospital

