

## QUARRELL, JAMES (fl. 1650-1672), Puritan preacher, Independent

**Name:** James Quarrell  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** Puritan preacher, Independent  
**Area of activity:** Religion  
**Author:** Thomas Richards

He appears first as one of the itinerant preachers who followed **Vavasor Powell** in the days of the Propagation Act (1650-3), as one of **Powell**'s chief apologists in the *Examen et Purgamen Vavasoris*, and supporting **Powell** in his opposition to Cromwell's Protectorate by signing the *Word for God*. Under the 'Triers' he was a settled minister at Forden, Montgomeryshire. With the Restoration he was cast into prison at Welshpool; under the Five Mile Act he had to find a new home, and chose Shrewsbury. There, in 1671, he gave somewhat unheroic advice to **Henry Maurice** in his days of crisis, and there, on 22 May 1672, he received a licence to preach under the new Indulgence in one of the rooms of the King's Head.

### Author

**Thomas Richards**, (1878 - 1962)

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