

THE  
MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS  
IN THE  
CHURCHES AND CHURCHYARDS  
OF THE  
ISLAND OF BARBADOS,  
BRITISH WEST INDIES.

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1470. Da bem aventurada Evirtuoza | Ribcah Mulher de Jacob Baruh | LOUZADA que foy Deos servida | Recolher a Milhor Mundo | flor de sua Ydade em 24 | Menahem Anno 5457 que | Corresponde a primeiro de | Agosto 1697.

To the south of this are six stones to VALVERDE, and several to MASSIAH, touching the house.

1471. Do B. A. De AARON BARUH | LOUZADA que foy D<sup>o</sup> Servido | Recolher p<sup>o</sup> sy em 5<sup>o</sup>: f<sup>o</sup>: 6 de | Nifan 5528 que Corresponde | 24 Marco 1768 de Idade de | 64 Annos 11 Mezes and 20 Dias.

1472. *Da Bemaventurada y | Virtuosa Pia y Devota | Ester Sarah Mulher que | Foy de Aharon Baruh | Louzada F<sup>o</sup> em 26 Hes. | -van A<sup>o</sup> 5505, Coresponde | a 20 de Outubro 1744 da | Ydade de 36 Anos y 1 | Mezes.*

Around the sides and top runs :—

HERE LYETH INTERED Y<sup>e</sup> BODY OF Y<sup>e</sup> CHARITABLE | ESTER SARAH LATE WIFE OF AARON BARUH LOUZADA | WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE THE 20 OF OCT<sup>r</sup> 1744 AGED 36 Y. & 7 MON<sup>r</sup>.

Aaron and Ester Baruh-Louzada. They are the progenitors of the Lousada family now settled in England. Francis Clifford Duke de Losada y Lousada, Comm. R.N., represents the senior branch. Ester Baruh Lousada was the daughter of Aaron Lamego (died 1747) of Jamaica, who late in life came to England, and lies buried in the old Portuguese Jewish Cemetery at Mile End behind the Beth Holim.

The Lousadas married into the principal families of the Sephardi community such as the Lopes, Ximenes, Francois, Aguilars, Lopes Pereiras, Barrows, Mocattas, Mendes da Costas, etc., and played a prominent part in communal affairs, but now there are very few of the family left in the community.

I cannot recall Barbados being mentioned on the stones at Mile End (I have only worked at the more modern burial-ground the Beth Haim, a short distance from the ancient ground at the Beth Holim), excepting one to Judith Montefiore, wife of Eleazar Montefiore. She is described as a "Native of Barbadoes," and died 13 May 1835. She was a dau. of Jacob Joseph Levi, he an uncle of Sir Moses Montefiore. She was a connection of the Barrows, another Barbados family. [T. C.-F.]