

Simon Barrow, a portrait in the collection of Peregrine Barrow

**Simon Barrow** (II) was born on 3rd March 1787, the son of Jacob Barrow and Gael Nunes, both from Sephardic Jewish families. Jacob's father Simon Barrow I had estates in Barbados.

In 1808 Simon married Tryphina Esther de Symons, from an Ashkenazi family. They had eight sons and five daughters.

Simon became the governor of Beth Holim, the hospital and old peoples' home for the Spanish and Portuguese Jewish community, in Mile End Road in the East End of London. He lived in Devonshire Square, Bishopsgate.

He moved to Bath, where at least some of the children were born, and in 1828,

after the death of his wife, converted to Christianity and had his children baptized at Walcot Parish Church. He became an Alderman of Bath in 1836 and was elected Mayor in 1837.

The family lived at Lansdown Grove, Bath. His enormous house is now a hotel. Simon retired to Ryde, where three of his sons, Major-General Lousada Barrow, Dr Benjamin Barrow and Rev John Simeon Barrow lived.

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The Lansdown Grove Hotel, Bath