

(father an English banker)

James Powell was born in the Barbadoes in 1677 where his family
 had long been resident. Some of his family means he went to
 England in 1694 and after that stay at Cambridge determined to
 study medicine. He entered Surge Hospital where he became one of
 Asst. Cooper's dressers and ~~was~~ enjoyed the friendship of Boyle
 and Addison. ~~Being too young to have~~ ^{his} Surgeon's degree was
 not granted as he was two years under age. Hence he repaired to
 Leamington & studied Jurisprudence under Dr. Crooke, ~~and subsequently had his~~
~~first medical degree in France.~~ While there he came into prominence
 by pointing out to the authorities the cause of "Doct. Jamies' death"
 which from the appearance of the body he was convinced had been caused
 by suppuration & discharge which led to the arrest of Powell and Stone.
 Powell subsequently ^{his first doctor's} ~~had~~ a degree in Surgery and then for several years
 studied in Dublin under Stone and Ferrius who were at the
 height of their fame. While there he had a severe attack of typhus
 fever and on his recovery ^{instead of acting on} ~~despite~~ the advice of Stone who
 predicted a brilliant career for him in Great Britain he returned
 to his office of practice in the Barbadoes.

In 1740 there was

