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Year	Date	Surname	Given Names	Abode	Occupation	Description of Invention and Notes
1624	16-Dec	Webb	Benedict	Kingswood	Clothier	Makinge of oyle of rapeseed and other like seeds sowen, or to be sowen within England or Wales, for the use of clothinge, or for anie other use whatsoever; being an art and invention found out by the patentee, which hath byn found to be farre better for the use of clothinge than that which hath byn yearly brought out of the Lowe Countries, and as useful as the Spanish oyle yearly imported into this kingdome