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¹ Exeter & Plymouth Gazette, Saturday 11 February 1837, accessed at www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk on 5th June 2018.

² Exeter & Plymouth Gazette, Saturday 28 August 1830, accessed at <u>www.britishnewspaperarchive.co.uk</u> on 5th June 2018.

³ Devon Baptisms, SW Heritage Trust accessed at www.findmypast.co.uk on 5th June 2018.

⁴ England Select Marriages accessed at <u>www.ancestry.co.uk</u> on 5th June 2018.

⁵ Devon Baptisms, SW Heritage Trust accessed at www.findmypast.co.uk on 18th September 2018.

⁶ 1851 England Census accessed at <u>www.ancestry.co.uk</u> on 21st September 2018.

⁷ https://artuk.org/discover/artworks/view_as/grid/search/keyword:john-wallace-tucker/page/2 Accessed 21st September 2018.