Weird Suffolk: The Brandeston Witch

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At the height of the Civil War, 80-year-old Brandeston vicar John Lowes, who had preached at All Saints Church in the village for almost 50 years, was accused of witchcraft by Witchfinder General Matthew Hopkins, who came from nearby Great Wenham.



The graduate of St John's College in Cambridge also confessed to bewitching Mary Cooke to death, attempting to poison a son of the local gentry, being the accomplished to a female witch who committed murder, raising storms, frequenting with familiars and imps and preaching 60 sermons after his covenant with the Devil. Lowes was sentenced to death at the assizes in Bury St Edmunds and was brought to the gallows on August 27 1645, protesting his innocence.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bury St Edmunds witch trials

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hBG8mOZ1MyQ

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