The reason was some objection on his late husband's part. As Graham had mentioned the circumstance to a brother clergyman the Rev. Mr. Nicholas Hadley, & yesterday I myself stood sponsor for the three, naming them, as they were generally presented at the Font. Sarah, John, Selina. They had been called by other names, I being so designated, yet, as Christians, I felt that the dear children should indeed receive a Name in Holy Baptism that would mark the period of their admittance into the Ark of Christ's Church, wherein they were made Members of Christ. The Chaplain officiating, baptized them, so they are formally registered in the Church of St. Nicholas July 9th 1846 as Sarah Hadley - John Hadley - Selina Hadley. The Mother can tell you particulars.

She stood as one of the Godmothers. She had some difficulty in finding two Godfathers. My kind friend Mrs. Nash kindly gave me two Prayer Books for Sarah & John & a small Testament for Selina. I hope the poor Mother will put both when my thing away thing for the children in a convenient portion of space. In truth, I suppose, at once, that it is entirely beyond my power. The loss of a beloved Brother who has left a Widow & entirely destitute children tends on me only capable of feeling for & Unitarian Christian sympathy for those poor Gardners. With kind regards to the helpless family, believe me - & - My own Christian names are Sarah & Selina.

Having three poor children baptized was indeed a rich blessing for them - so also can attentively read this solemn, beautiful Baptismal Service & not feel thankful for the privileges it means then bestowed on God's children - but the names usurps the names being through thinking it may cause mistakes & confusion. - Thanking Mrs. Nash will kindly correct this second