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QUERIES: Members may place a query under HELP WANTED free of charge.

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### EDITORIAL

Now that the long winter evenings are with us once more our thoughts turn to the completing of our 'Field Work' within the comfort of our homes. Indexing of Monumental Inscriptions can be completed by the fireside. The more hardy among us continue recording through the winter, see 'Branch News' no. 16, p.11/12, "The Pleasures Of Winter M.I. Copying." by Heather Eaton. Another amusing incident is told by one of our newest members, B.M. Wall, in this issue. This reminded me of one of my own experiences whilst examining gravestones. I was busily recording the inscriptions on ALLSOP gravestones in Hartington churchyard when I found myself being butted (gently I may add) by goats tethered there to graze! Wherever there was a gravestone in which I was interested there was a goat tethered within reaching distance! Afterwards, on settling myself in the car, my husband who had been sitting waiting for me asked "What's that smell?! It was aroma of goat! We travelled home with the car windows wide open!

Don't let these incidences put you off, The pleasures of recording monumental inscriptions outweigh the discomforts. Many pleasant hours can be spent in the peace of a churchyard, especially a country one. We cannot stress too strongly the importance of this work which needs to be done before erosion, progress and vandalism take their toll. Recently, Heanor church, rebuilt except for the 15th century tower, in 1868, has had to be partly demolished owing to death watch beetle and subsidence. The tower, built on the bedrock still remains. A smaller church is being built on the original bedrock which formed the foundation of the medieval church. Four years ago, and before the full extent of the damage to the church was known, I recorded the M.I.s both inside the church and in the churchyard. The memorials from the inside have been carefully stored and will be re-installed in the new building, but, what will happen to the gravestones outside? Practically all these had already been moved from their original positions in the early years of this century owing to road widening. (A new cemetery having been built). How thankful we are that they have already been recorded.

Again I should like to say how pleased members of the committee are to have been able to meet distant members during the summer months, some of whom have been able to join us at meetings. And again, I thank those members and friends who have sent in articles of such interest for inclusion in "Branch News".

With every good wish,  
W.E.W.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS: December 18th (Note change of date.) - Social Evening.  
January 29th 1982. - Mr. Robinson on the Mormons and Genealogy.  
February 26th " - Members' Evening and Question Time.  
March 26th 1982. Mr. R. Storer with the N.C.B. film on Coalmining.  
April 30th " A.G.M. For rules see Constitution sent to you on joining the Society.

SALES: Members' Interests - Supplement No. 2 Sept. 1981 - 80p. (by post £1.00)  
Supplement No. 1 Sept. 1980 - 80p. (by post £1.00)  
Members' Interests March 1979 now out of print.  
Library Contents - 30p. by post 50p      Monumental Inscriptions: Those listed as completed in "Branch News" no. 16 are now printed and for sale. Please contact Heather for details. Address on opposite page. (NOT Ilkeston Cemetery, Errwood Hall or Melbourne)

## A GUIDE TO SERVICES WITHIN THE SOCIETY

The work of the SECRETARY, TREASURER and CHAIRMAN/EDITOR are self explanatory.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARIES and INTERESTS CO-ORDINATORS: Mrs. Dorothy GENT is the person to whom completed application forms and subscriptions should be sent if you live in the U.K. Mr. Fred HALL deals with the same for overseas only. On receiving these, Dorothy and Fred will send your Membership Card, the Society's Constitution, issues of 'Branch News' due to you through the year, and a Pedigree Chart. We hope you will complete this chart as far as possible and return it to us for deposit in our files. These charts are a great source of information. A check is kept on the information given so that when a name and place on one chart recurs on another, these members can be put in touch with each other. Please send in your charts, no matter how sparse the information is, you do not have to fill in all the spaces provided. It could be a great help to you.

SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL FORMS: Included with each DECEMBER magazine, and should be returned to Mrs. GENT and Mr. HALL, by 31st MARCH. Attached to the Application for Renewal is a form for updating your interests. This too should be completed if you have new names to add to your list, or if you have made progress with names which we already have in our files. All names listed on this form, along with those entered on the above mentioned Pedigree Charts are INDEXED and subsequently published in our Members' Interests! Supplement No. 2 has recently been printed and is for sale, along with Members' Interests 1979 and Supplement No. 1 1980. (see elsewhere in this issue). All names submitted by members right from the formation of the Society are listed alphabetically along with dates and place-names. So, send in your charts and lists, buy the Members' Interests, and help us to help you and other members of the Society. Our Members' Interests will in turn be included in the national referral index being compiled by Judy Warren. It is hoped that this will eventually be reproduced in microfiche form by the Federation of Family History Societies. Progress of this project will be reported in future issues of Family News and Digest. (Listed on page 16 of "Branch News" no. 17.)

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MAGAZINE LIBRARY: Mr. Ian MANIFOLD keeps all the magazines in order which we receive from other Family History Societies all over the U.K. and abroad. Lists of these Society Magazines can be found in 'Branch News' nos. 11 and 17. The lists are being continually extended as more Societies are formed. These magazines are received through the exchange system. All these magazines are available at every meeting and can be borrowed by members attending meetings. It is regretted that this service cannot be extended to those members not able to attend meetings. However, your Correspondence Secretary will be able search through a certain Society's magazine for you.

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SALES LIBRARIAN: Mr. George MILNES is in charge of the SALES Table during meetings. Details of booklets for sale will be found on p.1. of this issue. Your Correspondence Secretary will be able to obtain any booklet for you. Please remember it could be almost a month before you can expect to receive anything you may ask for.

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PROGRAMME SECRETARY: Mr. George MILNES also organises the speakers for our meetings.

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REFERENCE LIBRARIAN: Mr. Malcolm MARPLES organises the Reference section of the library, files pedigree charts and the Personal File index slips. The Reference section is also available at Members' Evenings. Malcolm has produced an information booklet which lists all books and leaflets etc. available in our Society Library. (see page 1.) Your Correspondence Secretary will again be pleased to search the records available in the Reference Section for you.

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ABSTRACTS COLLATOR: Malcolm MARPLES also holds this position which involves sending abstracts of interesting articles in our magazine to the Federation of Family History Societies, for inclusion in the Digest section of the Federation's own magazine 'Family History News and Digest' which is published twice a year. These abstracts are then indexed and cross-referenced by Richard Cotton, the Federation Abstracts Co-ordinator, before publication. For details of how to obtain this magazine from the Federation, see 'Branch News' no.17, page 16.

MINUTES SECRETARY: Mrs. Pauline MARPLES records the minutes of the committee meetings and the general meetings. She also helps with general correspondence. Pauline is compiling a SCRAP-BOOK of newspaper cuttings for the Reference Library, where she gives a helping hand to Malcolm. (see her appeal in 'Branch News' no. 16, page 3).

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STRAYS CO-ORDINATORS: Mrs. Maude STUMBLES and Mrs. Ann BURNHAM collect STRAYS both for our own Society and for other Societies. STRAYS are entries found in Baptism, Marriage, and Burial Registers, Census Returns or indeed in any records, of persons who are obviously not natives of the place in which the actual entry or record is found. For example, if the entry in an Essex register states that a person came from somewhere in Derbyshire, be it a burial, baptism or a marriage, then the details of the entry are sent to our STRAYS co-ordinators. Likewise if an entry of someone from another county is found in Derbyshire registers and records, the details are sent to the Society concerned. This is a combined project. You can help by looking out for these STRAYS and sending them to the Society concerned, or if you wish, our STRAYS co-ordinators will pass them on for you. Don't forget to look out for DERBYSHIRE STRAYS when you are searching records of other counties. All Strays which have been sent to our Society have now been INDEXED and we hope to print a booklet shortly. The STRAYS INDEX is available at meetings and your Correspondence Secretary will be able to search it for you. Many STRAYS have been published in Branch News.

MAGAZINE DISTRIBUTOR: Mrs. STUMBLES also organises the distribution of 'Branch News' to members and to all Societies with whom we exchange magazines.

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PROJECTS ORGANISER: Mrs. Joan SMEDLEY keeps a record of all projects undertaken by the Society. Her main job at the moment is the organising of the transcribing and indexing of Census Returns, but all categories of projects come under this section. If you can help at all with any projects, e.g. transcribing parish registers, any other records, census returns, or indexing transcriptions already held by the Society, please contact Joan. This is something which distant members can help with. Some members are buying a census of a village or part of a town in which they are interested, are transcribing and indexing it, and donating a copy to the Society. In 'Branch News' no. 16 there is a full list of Projects completed and in progress at that time. Of course this is being added to all the time. Copies of transcriptions are in our Reference Library and Mrs. Smedley holds the indexes, with the exception of the Monumental Inscription Index and the Derbyshire Marriage Index. (see below). Your Correspondence Secretary will again search the records for you or will put you in touch with those who can.

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M.I. CO-ORDINATOR: Mrs. Heather EATON organises the recording of Monumental Inscriptions in churches and churchyards in Derbyshire. Heather also holds the Master Index to all M.I.s recorded, and will search the index for you. Anyone wishing to help with the recording of M.I.s are asked to contact Heather. We would like more Derbyshire members to help with this project.

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DERBYSHIRE MARRIAGE INDEX: This is being PRIVATELY compiled by Miss Sue BROWN. Please read Sue's article in 'Branch News' no. 18. Her address is:- 25 Home Croft Drive, Packington, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leics.

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CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARIES: Some of the above mentioned are also acting as Correspondence Secretaries along with other members of the Society who are regular attenders at meetings. This section of the Society has been formed to give distant members someone they feel they can write to and so avoid too much correspondence going to one person. If you have any problems your Correspondence Secretary will try to help you or will put you in touch with someone who can. Your Correspondence Secretary will also search the records in the Reference Library for you as mentioned previously. Please do not forget to enclose that S.A.E. or two international reply coupons, in the case of overseas queries. A letter of thanks would also be appreciated when any help has been given. Also, please remember to give your membership number. This can be found in three places i.e. 1. On your Membership Card. 2. By your name in 'Branch News' which announced your membership of the Society. 3. In one of our Members' Interests Booklets, depending in which year you joined us. For list of Correspondence Secretaries see page 1. in 'Branch News' no. 18.

WE WELCOME THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS INTO THE SOCIETY.

402. Miss M.O. BRYAN, 2 College St. Long Eaton. Searching BRYAN of CODNOR 1794; WATSON of HEANOR 1794; ELEY of HEANOR. Miss Bryan's name was entered in the last 'Branch News'.
406. Mr. Kenneth DAVIS, 28 Stafford Cres. Moorgate, Rotherham. S60 3DG. Searching DAVIS of HOLBROOK 1841; BRAMALL of DERBYS. 1870; CRI(T)CH of SHIPLEY, Derbys., 1840; BESTWICK of HOLBROOK 1840; THOMSON of SHIPLEY 1820; BARKER of HACKENTHORPE, Derbys. 1840.
407. Mr. E. SLACK, 30 Chatsworth Court, Devonshire Park Rd. Davenport Park, Stockport, Cheshire, SK2 6J2. Searching SLACK of St. Lawrence, NORTH WINGFIELD 1728.
408. Mr. A.C. MARSHALL, 63 Beechfield Rd. Milnrow, Rochdale, Lancs. Searching REYNOLDS of ILKESTON 1895; COCKAYNE (Joseph) of ILKESTON 1871; ENSHAW/HENSHAW of ILKESTON.
409. Mr. F.J. SWAN, 38 St. Andrew's View, Breadsall, Derby, DE2 4LH. Searching SWAN/N of LOWICK, Northants. 1744; FOSSEY of ANSTEY, Leics. 1865; DELANEY of LEICESTER 1873; LINE of WEST HADDON, Northants. 1840; HART of CRICKLADE, Wilts. 1840; WISE of LOWICK, Northants. 1800.
410. Mr. Brian G. HEATHCOTE, 27 McGowan Rd. Wainuimata, Wellington, New Zealand. Searching HEATHCOTE of EARL STERNDALE ? 1864; HOTCHIN of NORTH KILLINGHOLM, Lincs. 1861; BOWER of MARKET RASON, Lincs. 1831; WINTER of MARKET RASON, 1831; MANNING of Suffolk 1838.
411. Mr. Allan S. HADFIELD, 8324 Candigan Circle, Richmond, Virginia 23235 U.S.A. Searching SLATER (Michael) of DUFFIELD 1775, also William SLATER of DUFFIELD 1778.
412. Mrs. Wendy WISON, 38 Superior Ave. Seven Hills, N.S.W. Australia. 2147. Searching PEET/PEAT (Isaac) Friar Gate Presbyterian, DERBY. (bapt. 1791); BURLEY (Judith) of DUFFIELD (married Isaac) 1826; also James and Mary PEET parents of Isaac?
413. Mrs. Doreen JEANS, 8 Boomerang Rd. St. Lucia 4067, Queensland, Australia. Searching PICKERING of NEWHALL 1841; HARRIS of LBSTOCK 1853; REYNOLDS of RUDDINGTON, Notts. 1854; OGG/HOGG also of RUDDINGTON 1854.
414. Mrs. Ellen Yates WOLF, 215 Lakewood Ave. Bayville, N.J. U.S.A. 08721. Searching KIRK (Ann) of DERBY 1789; YATES (Joseph) c.1750.
415. Mrs. Lorna RIXON, 49 Dent St. Lambton, N.S.W. 2299 Australia. Searching HICKSON or RICKSON (James) of Derby. Arrived Australia 1798 on convict ship "Barwell" Born 1774-1776.
416. Mrs. R. BABCOCK, 16068 Challis St. Fountain Valley, CA, 92708 U.S.A. Searching BATES (Percy Herbert) GLOSSOP 1881; BROOKSHIRE of GLOSSOP and William BATES.
417. Mrs. Kathleen N. STOKES, 673 Kilkenny Drive, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada, R3T 3E2. Searching SADDINGTON of APPLEBY 1807; BRADFORD of OAKTHORPE 1806; CLAMP also of OAKTHORPE 1806; HEAFIELD of APPLEBY 1811; LAWLEY of SOMERSHALL 1825.
420. Mrs. A.M. LAYTHORPE, 85 Brownhill Rd. Chandlers Ford, Hants. SO5 2FJ. Searching TAGG of OLD BRAMPTON (Abraham) 1790; FLETCHER of OLD BRAMPTON 1790; BECKETT of CHESTERFIELD 1839.
421. Mrs. Norma HAMPSON, 2 Church Becks House, Hay Lane, Scalby, Nr. Scarborough YO13 OSA. Searching SWYER-SEXKEY or SEXKEY of STANTON LODGE, nr. BAKEWELL 1839, MIDDLETON by YOULGREAVE 1841 and ROWSLEY 1876.
422. Mrs. Mary G. POOLE, 496 Felixstowe Rd. Ipswich, Suffolk. Searching HOPKINSON (James) of ASHOVER; BURNETT (John Gould) of HARTINGTON.
423. Mr and Mrs. John and Dorothy GRIFFITHS, 148 Allestree Lane, Allestree, Derby DE3 424. 2JY. Searching BARKER of Derby, ST. PETER'S or ST. WERBURGH'S; HUDSON of CONGLETON, ST. PETER'S ?; GRIFFITHS; BOX.
425. Mr. Brian M. WALL, 158 Ashby Rd. Loughborough, Leics. LE11 3AG. Searching WALL of CHRISTCHURCH, Derby 1898; WILLIAMSON of DERBY 1870 (Bakers); PARKER of SAWLEY; COOK of SHARDLOW; WATKIN of DERBY.
426. Mrs. M. SHUTTLEWORTH, 4 Rockbourne Rd. Harestock, Winchester, Hants. SO22 6JS. Searching BRYAN of SANDIACRE 1860.

427. Mrs. M. LYONS, 15 Moorside Rd. Corfe Mullen, Wimborne, Dorset. Searching KINSON and FROST of BURTON on TRENT 1892.
428. Mr. J. SHELDON, Compton Wood, Old Compton Lane, Farnham, Surrey. Searching SHELDON of EYAM 1776.
429. Mrs. Barbara PARRY, 13 Albert Rd. Bunny, Notts. NG11 6QE. Searching BIRKS of Derby.
430. Mr. Gilbert HOULDING, 'The White Bull Inn', 161 Livesey Branch Rd. Blackburn, Lancs. Searching STONE of SPONDON c.1864, also ROSE of the same.
431. Mr. Graham BETTISON, 9 Mansion Court Gardens, Thorne, Doncaster, Sth. Yorks. DN8 5BN. Searching BETTISON of SHIRLAND 1864.
432. Mr. T.H. STOTHARD, 195 Forest Rd. Loughborough, Leics. LE11 3HS. Searching AINSWORTH of BRADFORD 1800.
433. Mr. Walter STAFFORD, 93 Napier St. Nelson, Lancs. Searching STAFFORD of MELLOR 1774; PATES of LILLEY, Herts. 1779; PALMER of SHENLEY, Herts. 1828; HANSLIP of BURNLEY, Lancs. 1884; HUNT of BURNLEY 1856; SIMISTER of LANCS & CHESHIRE 1780; STANSFIELD of NEWTON HYDE, Ches. 1804.
434. Mr. J. ATHERLEY, 1 Bowden Close, Castleton, Rochdale OL11 2XT. Searching ATHERLEY of APPLEBY MAGNA, Leics. 1813.
435. Mr. J.D. EYRE, 3 Hobsic Close, Brinsley, Notts. NG16 5AX. Searching EYRE of CODNOR.
436. Mr. J.A. DALLISON, 31 Vicarage Ave. Derby DE3 6TQ. Searching DALLISON of St. Alkmunds DERBY c.1780; AVERY of St. Oswald's ASHBOURNE c.1855; MAWBEY of St. Werburgh's, DERBY 1873; JONES of St. Oswald's ASHBOURNE c.1850, WALKER of the same c.1855, and WIBBERLEY of the same c.1850.
437. Mr. Eric KIRBY, 'Meadowcroft', 2A Barnfield Ave., Romiley, Stockport, Cheshire. Searching SIMES/SIMS (Alexander) of HOLLOWAY 1829/30.
438. Mrs. Joan M. REES, 2 Hurst Grove, Abernant, Aberdare, Mid-Glam, CF44 0SE. Searching HENSHALL (Lucy) of SHARDLOW 1840; KNIGHT (William); TURNOUR/WINTERTON, SHARDLOW area.
439. Miss Nicola CUNNINGHAM, Kildare, Faygate, Nr. Horsham, West Sussex RH12 4SJ. Searching BROOME (John) of ASHOVER, LEA and HOLLOWAY 1825; HOLMES (Joseph) of ALFRETON c.1810; SEDGWICK (David) of CODNOR PARK 1819 and of NOTTS. 1784. Interested in every reference to the names SEDGWICK and HOLMES.
440. Mr. R.H. SKILTON, 63 Abbot's Rd. Leicester LE5 1DD. Searching REDFERN of CRICH 1803; BARBER of CLAY CROSS 1851 (census).
441. Ms. Marjorie CALOW, 19 George St. Melbourne, Derbys DE7 1FS. Searching CALOW of MELBOURNE 1746; SMITH of KINGS NEWTON 1821.
442. Mr. S. BURLEY, 10 Coppice Drive, Eastwood, Notts. Searching BURLEY (Richard) of DUFFIELD 1729; CAMPION (Thomas) DERBY, St. Alkmund's 1860; SEVERN (William) of HEANOR 1820; BROWN (George) of BURTON LAZARS, Leics. 1851; WARD (John) of BUCHMOOR, Staffs. 1831; LASSMAN (Samuel) LINCHITZ, Poland. (Jewish) 1856.
443. Mr. J.E. TITTERTON, 7 Cecil Aldin Drive, Tilehurst, Reading RG3 6YP. Searching TITTERTON 1678 of the ASHBOURNE area, interested in all references to the name. HENSTOCK, HALES and EDENZOR all of the ASHBOURNE and HARTINGTON area. LOMAS of the ALSTONFIELD area.
444. Mr. Philip RIDEN, 153 The Hawthorns, Cyncoed, Cardiff, CF2 7AS.
445. Mr. N.J. ROWLAND, 138 Thingwall Rd. Wavertree, Liverpool, L15 7LB. Searching - ROWLAND (Francis) of EYAM 1723, and of STONEY MIDDLETON.
446. Mr. and Mrs. S. GRAINGER 31 Azalea Ave. Somercotes, Derbys. DE55 1RN. Searching GRAINGER of HESSLE, STH. HUMBERSIDE 1890.

This completes our membership list up to 31st October.

AMENDMENT.

325. Mrs. B. PLUMMER, 37 Waterloo Rd. Bramhall, Cheshire SK7 2NS is searching - PARKER (John) born c.1784 at STAVELEY/ECKINGTON; PARKER (Robert) marriage to Charlotte ? at STAVELEY/ECKINGTON; PARKER (John Burrows) marriage to Mary WIDDOWSON c. 1820 at ECKINGTON.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

25. Mr. J.N. BEARDSLEY, now, 8 Wingfield Drive, Ilkeston, Derbys.  
297. Mr. D. HANSEN, now, 125, Belsize Rd. London, MW6 4AD.  
329. Mr. J.H. JOHNSON, now, 11 Humber St. Retford, Notts. DN22 6LZ.  
377. Mr. J.G. SKEVINGTON, now, "Spring Cottage", Priory Lane, North Wootton, King's Lynn,  
Norfolk.

Change of Name and Address: All good wishes to Barbra Bailey (memb. no. 280) and her husband. Barbra's name and address is now - Mrs. B. BAILEY BRADLEY, 2212 40th Place N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007. U.S.A.

MEETINGS REPORT.

Friday 25th Sept: This was a well attended open evening with Fred Hall and Joan Smedley looking after the "Beginners' Table", they were both kept busy, as once again it was very pleasing to have new members with us. The magazine and reference librarians were well used and many people took advantage of our "For Sale" table and went home with new purchases.

Question Time was tried out for the first time. It is hoped that we can all benefit from this. Something that is a puzzle to one member may be easily answered by another.

Friday 30th Oct: Unfortunately our speaker, Mr. Sowter was unable to be with us due to family illness. Instead, members made good use of all the library sections. George was kept busy on his "Items For Sale" table (I'm a bit worried that he will soon be asking for commission on sales!!!) On this occasion it was Winifred's turn to be kept busy at the Beginners' Table.

Pauline Marples.

SUBSCRIPTIONS 1982.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 1982 are due on 1st JANUARY 1982. Will all members who wish to renew their membership for the coming year, PLEASE complete the Renewal Form provided with this issue of "Branch News". These Renewal Forms are filed and used as reference. Please also complete the bottom portion of the form if you have any new surnames to submit for the Members' Interests and if you have made progress with any which you have previously sent. We look forward to a quick response which will help considerably with the work of our two Membership Secretaries and our Treasurer. Please fill that form in and get it sent in to us before it is lost or you forget!

HELP WANTED

**VICCARS** The first victim of the Eyam plague in Sept. 1665 was George VICCARS, an unmarried tailor who was a lodger living in the house of a family called COOPER. Does anyone have any information or theories about where GEORGE VICCARS had his family roots? I have some VICCARS ancestors at nearby EDENSOR in the 1760's and would like to know if anyone else has an interest in this name in Derbyshire. Mrs. E. Cresswell, 25 Ellesmere Rd. Eccles, Manchester M30 9FE. Memb. no. 27.

**CLAUGHTON** Does anyone know of a family named CLAUGHTON from CHESTERFIELD in the early 1800's. They were moneyed folk and had a coat of Arms. I am interested as a daughter of the family, ANNE, married a JOHN BEEDHAM of KIMBOLTON, Hunts. Some of my ancestors lived at KIMBOLTON. Mrs. J. Hurst, 13 Woodlands Park, Girton, Cambridge, CB3 0QB. Memb. no. 77.

**WRIGHT** Anne WRIGHT married JOSEPH SIMPSON in TIBSHELF 1881, came to U.S.A. in 1890.  
**SIMPSON** I would like to correspond with any descendant of this family. Her parents were, THOMAS and SARAH WRIGHT. They are buried at WINGERWORTH CHURCH.  
Mrs. Robert KOLK, 2809 Guthrie, Des Moines, Iowa, 50317. U.S.A. Memb. no. 361.

**WOOD** Information is needed on JOHN WOOD, born 17th Aug. 1805 in MELBOURNE, Derbys.  
Mr. R.P. WALKER, 12 Maid Marion Ave. Selston, Notts. Memb. no. 320.

**COCKAYNE**. Can anyone shed any light on the following:- "1905, C no. 2598. In the High Court of Justice, Chancery Division, re. ANN COCKAYNE'S settlement, SNAPE and RICE MOULT. This is the Certificate marked ED13 referred to in the affidavit of EDWARD DILKS, sworn the 23rd October 1908". This is on the back of copy certificates of my RICE family. Mrs. P MARPLES, 15 Elmhurst Rd. Forest Town, Mansfield, Notts. Memb. no. 154.



## THE JOHNSON FAMILY

Contributed by John H. Johnson. No. 329.

Father, Walter Johnson and mother, Edith Ethel TONGE were married just after the first world war had ended in 1918. Father was born 15th May 1890 and died 1st Oct. 1946, aged 56 yrs. Mother was born 1st Feb. 1890 and died in 1958, aged 68 yrs. Father worked as a Saddler and Harness Maker in East Retford, having served his apprenticeship at Brigg with Messrs. G.L. Lyne & Sons. He received a bronze medal and certificate for the tenth National Harness & Saddle Making Competition, apprenticeship section.

During the recession in the 1930's Father lost his job and set up in his own business in opposition in the shop at Grove Lane, Retford, at the end of Nelson St. and near the former Gas Works and canal bridge. He also had an allotment garden in the nearby 'Back Lane', (Black Stope Lane) where he kept pigs and hens.

Mother and Father were in lodgings in Retford at first, probably in Hatfield St. (where we moved in later years) with the Coal Merchant, William Lacey, and his wife. William and my father were good friends. They later moved to 40 Nelson St. where my sister Maisie and I were born. Sister Phyllis was probably born whilst they were in lodgings. The family later moved to 10 Nelson St. and then in 1936 moved to The Bungalow, 12 Hatfield St. Retford.

I remember being told that cousin Ethel SHARPE came over to live with Mother and Father whilst her son Geoffrey was born as she was not wanted at home. This must have been whilst my parents were in lodgings. This cemented a tie with Cousin Ethel, or Auntie Ethel, as we used to call her and I regarded her, in some ways, as next to my mother. In our family, Auntie Ethel was noted for her mirth, and Auntie Elsie, at Gringley on the Hill, for her poppy wine!

I was named after both my grandfathers, John and Henry. Grandfather John Johnson was born at Thoresway, a hamlet in north Lincolnshire. His children, Angelina, Fred, Herbert and my father Walter were all born there. They farmed here and also kept the village shop. My grandparents moved in later years close to, Nettleton near Caistor where they also had the village shop and a smallholding. I never went to Thoresway, but used to visit Nettleton with my family. I remember a line of red currant bushes which belonged to next door, but I had strict instructions not to pick them. They were tempting along the path, uphill to the outside earth closets! I remember Father once told me that he would one day take me to where he played on the Wolds - perhaps he would mean Thoresway. He also told me that he used to smoke a clay pipe with clover! They used to play a game with a kind of large comb which boys used to roll marbles at to try to get them through the vents. Father used to cheat and move it!

Grandfather, John Johnson died at Nettleton aged 76 yrs. but I never knew him. Grandmother died there 20 years later in 1939. They are both buried in Nettleton churchyard. Grandmother was 90 yrs old when she died, she was born in 1849 and Grandfather in 1844. I am not sure of Grandmother's christian, but it may have been Rose Mary, I do not know her maiden name. My sister Phyllis Mary was named after her. I understand that Grandmother was born at Bracebridge, Lincoln and was in service at Brattleby Hall, north of Lincoln. Grandfather may have been in service on the farm there too, as that is where they met.

I know nothing of Grandmother Johnson's relatives. Grandfather may have had a brother Bill, who was referred to as the "black sheep" of the family because he got a girl "in the family way", but I know of nothing more. Uncle Herbert once said, "Bill was the first to go, now Walter". So I don't know whether this Bill was an Uncle or my Grandfather's brother. My father once referred to a relative named Bill who finished up in an asylum - but of course people were sent to such places for all kinds of reasons in those days as there was nowhere else for them to go. I do not know of any other brothers or sisters Grandfather may have had. Grandfather wore a gold ear ring, so the current fashion is nothing new! I remember Grandmother smoking a clay pipe. They had a maid at Nettleton called Flossie, who lived in, but I do not know what happened to her when Grandmother died.

Uncle Herbert, after being demobbed from the first world war and serving in Gibraltar, worked at Bainbridges, Lincoln. He left me his gold watch, marking his 40 years service with the company. His nickname at Bainbridges was Johnny and although he was deaf he seemed to manage very well in the shop. He had an accident in his Austin seven when he broke his

nose, and he was very sensitive about this. He never married, and I think he lived in lodgings. At a bungalow in Dunholme, north of Lincoln to which he retired, he kept free range hens.

Uncle Fred married but had no children, I believe his wife's name was Ethel. They had a poultry smallholding at Moortown, near Nettleton, Caister. I remember going there when very little and being shown, which looked to me, like a wooden sideboard in the kitchen. My uncle pulled open a drawer and there I saw all the little chickens being hatched out of eggs.

As far as I know, I was never taken to see my Auntie Angelina. She married and her children are Frances and Grace (twins) and Kathleen. Apparently my father and his sister Angelina did not see eye to eye. They lived somewhere near Nettleton and either farmed or had some kind of smallholding, probably keeping chickens.

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#### THE BROWETT/BROWITT FAMILY

Contributed by Stuart Browett. Mem. no. 230.

Most of my research work has taken place in the County Records Office at Matlock and in and around Chesterfield. Although the 1851 Census Record shows Elizabeth Calladine being born in Ambermill, and the 1861 census states Wessington, I can find no trace of any baptism in these parishes. Perhaps readers can help.

Having spent some time at St. Catherine's, I managed to find a reference to the marriage of Thomas Browett and E. Calladine. In order to get further details I purchased a Marriage certificate which indicated that they were married at South Normanton Parish Church on 1st Feb. 1842, giving Thomas Browett as a widower, presumably previously married somewhere ..... no details as to place or date etc.

The furthest back I have traced is to 1758. This information was taken from the Parish Church (Spire) at Chesterfield burial records, which stated that John Browett, weaver, died 14. 3. 1824, aged 66 yrs. There was no indication as to where he was born. This is my major problem - to try to discover where John was born.

Having no idea where to look next, I documented all the Browetts/Browitts born from 1837-1860 at St. Catherine's House, and analysed the spread and geography locations of the distributions. This indicated a concentration in Leicestershire in and around places such as Market Harborough, Uppingham, Kings Norton areas. Armed with this information I have once visited the Records Office in Leicester to search through their records. Because the likelihood of finding John Browett's birthplace is remote, I decided to work from another angle.

I found a reference to a Coat of Arms for Browett of Hereford. Having searched through various books in the libraries, I could not find any more details, so I contacted the "College of Arms" in London. They informed me that there were no other sources available to me other than the College of Arms documents, and said that they would carry out a search for £50. I eventually put the work in hand and received an interim report. Eventually, I hope to find out where the Browetts were at the time of the award of the Coat of Arms. This may be fruitless, but may eventually give me a locality to search.

During the past 18 months I have also been corresponding with a Mr. Harold Browett of Ontario, Canada, who has sent me a copy of his family tree, dating back to 1790. I can find no connection yet, but of course every piece of information must be collected and analysed.

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Mr. Browett's Family Tree is on file with our Society, also a copy of the report from the "College of Arms".

One interesting feature of this Family Tree, and which Mr. Browett does not mention in his article, is the succession of twins. Mr. Browett is a twin and there are twins in the family for three generations back!

Does anyone else have such a succession of multiple births in their family?

I can contribute in a small way to this. My father is a twin and so was my great, great grandfather, (born in 1811) on my grandmother's side of the family, the Soult. My grandmother's cousin, again on the Soult line, had triplets who are still living and celebrated their 71st birthday this year. (W. Waterall. Ed.)

## WERE YOUR ANCESTORS COAL MINERS? - THE HOLER.

Before the general adoption of the mechanical coal cutter in the mines of our area, the "Holer" played a very important part in the production of coal. The earliest machines, notably the Jeffrey Diamond and Hopkinson, were used in some of the coalfields in the early years of this century, but the more modern machinery - Anderson Boyes, New Manor and Coulson, Cowlshaw Walker, and British Jeffrey Diamond, did not become almost entirely responsible for the production of the increasing output of coal in our area until the 1930's.

The early machines driven by compressed air were of three types, chain, disc, and bar, each undercutting the coal for up to about 4'. 6ins. The chain consisted of a number of boxes and links with picks set at different angles, the disc was a large wheel, which also had picks on the periphery, whilst the bar, had the picks fixed spirally along its length. The later machines were of the chain type and almost entirely electrically driven, and capable of much deeper undercuts, although 5'. 0ins was the normal depth. These machines called by miners the "Iron Men", meant the end of the work of the Holer. The subject of this item is however not the machine, but the man, the "Stint Holer".

Every seam of coal lies on a bed of what is known as "Sloom", this was the media, soil and subsoil, in which the vegetation which eventually formed the coal, grew. In the course of many millions of years, this media had become highly compressed to form a hard rocklike substance, which varied in thickness from an inch or two, to a foot or more. It was the "Holers" job to remove this material to enable the coal to be worked. His tools consisted of a pick helve, or shaft, with half a dozen blades, one with a hatchet end, a round nosed shovel, a wringer, or punch bar, a hammer, and one or two steel wedges, and sometimes an old woodworkers saw, the last named being used to cut old pit props to length, sprags to support the coal which he had undercut. If he did not have a saw, the hatchet blade was used for this purpose. At a number of pits with which I was acquainted his day's work began at 4 a.m., this was to ensure that coal could be loaded at 7 a.m. when stallmen started work.

His daily task was to undercut two stints (a stint was six feet to a depth of 4'.6", this would produce in a three foot seam, about 6 tons of coal. All material removed from under the coal, had to be thrown into the gob, which was the space left after the coal had been taken away previously.

In an agreement dated Feb. 21st 1908 signed at Chesterfield by the Butterley Co. and other owners and the Miners' Union, one item states that 4<sup>rd</sup> per stint be allowed where holing no more than one foot thick. Another clause says that the minimum days wage for face workers shall be 7 shillings and 3 halfpence per shift.

The Holer's harduous task was operated, on his knees, or by lying on his back, his side of his stomach, often in damp or sometimes wet conditions. A wet coal face made work of the Holer easier as it softened the sloom but shortened the life of the man, who was subject to arthritis, bronchitis, and other respiratory complaints, many of them appearing to be old men when in their forties. This was one of the great benefits of the introduction of the Iron Man, the ending of the body and soul destroying job of the "Stint Holer".

Contributed by Mr. Philip Eggleshaw, Heanor Local History Society.

HELP OFFERED: Mrs Audrey FIRMIN of 34 Vicarage Ave. Derby, has collected many PEGGE entries from the registers of BRAILSFORD, SHIRLEY and OSMASTON, Derbys. and will be pleased to search her records for anyone searching that name.

Calling LOMAS: Concerning the restoration of 1, The Dale, Wirksworth (a 3-storey 18th century property) "The deeds proper only go back to 1885, but they make it plain that it was formerly a coffee house, and a series of previous occupiers is listed, the earliest of whom was Thos. LOMAS. A directory of 1792 lists a Thos. LOMAS as a baker in Wirksworth. From the April Newsletter of the Derbyshire Historic Buildings Trust. If this Thomas is "yours" let me know and I will send details. Mrs. Mary Johnson, address on inside cover.

PENTRICH CHURCH REGISTERS: Anyone wishing to search the Pentrich Registers is asked to contact the incumbent, Rev. Peter Vessey, The Vicarage, Broadway, Swanwick, Derbys. DE55 1DQ. Tel. Leabrooks 602684, who will be pleased allow access to them. The scale of charges will be replaced in January 1982 by a flat rate of £3 for the first hour or part thereof and £2 for each subsequent hour.

JOHN THOMPSON.

Contributed by Mrs. June Penny, Asst. Sec. Heraldry and Genealogy Society, Canberra.

John THOMPSON arrived in Australia 11 June 1813 on board the Fortune (2) following his sentence at Derby 19 March 1812. Native place was given as Derby, occupation, harnessmaker. John Thompson was sentenced to death but was reprieved and given a Life sentence and transportation. On arrival, John Thompson was assigned to Thomas Bates. The Derby Mercury dated 26 March 1812 records the trial and for burglariously entering into, and robbing the dwelling house of Mr. Thomas Theobald, at Wilstrop ..... sentence death/reprieved. On 15 June 1818 John Thompson married Mary Johnston at St. John's Parramatta, N.S.W. by Samuel Marsden. Issue Samuel born 29 Jan. 1818, Mary born 6 Nov. 1823, Elizabeth born 15 April 1826 and Eliza born 6 Feb. 1828.

John Thompson was recorded in various Musters that were taken and the 1821 Muster records him as being Govt. Employ and the following Muster 1823-25 John is listed T/L, (ticket of leave) landholder, Parramatta. There is a record of Ticket of Leave number 2547 but the official copy of this Ticket appears to have not survived. The ticket of leave was renewed in 1836 dated 3 November 1836 for Parramatta area, this was altered to Bathurst by a letter dated 25 November 1837. The 1828 Census records John Thompson, 40, T/L Fortune 1818 (sic) Harnessmaker, Parramatta. John was granted a Conditional Pardon, No.245, 1 February 1845.

The above article was sent by Mrs. Penny in the hope that it may help someone. This contact was made when Pauline Marples sent information regarding a John Thompson, from an old Family Bible (see "Branch News" no. 16). Pauline wrote to Mrs. Penny in response to an entry in the National Genealogical Directory. Mrs. Penny says that her Society is very pleased to be receiving, on a reciprocal arrangement, copies of our magazine, "Branch News" in exchange for their Ancestral Searcher, and hopes that we can be of assistance to each other. Thank you Mrs. Penny. Ed.

CLERGY OF DERBYSHIRE FOUND IN THE NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Contributed by Sandra Smith, Memb. no. 125.

SAMUEL BOLD:- Matrix sizar from Magdalene Easter 1631. BA 1634-5, MA 1638, Rector of SWARKSTONE, Derbys. 1650-67. Rector of BREADSALL 1667-77. Rector of LUTTERWORTH 1667-77. Probably prebend of Lichfield 1669. Died 1677. Buried at LITTLE-PEAKLING, Leics. Father of SAMUEL (1658) and PETER (1671).

SAMUEL BOLD:- Adm. sizar (aged 17) at St. John's 10 May 1658, son of Samuel of SAWLEY, Derbys. Born at SAWLEY. School at Oakham. Matric 1658. BA 1661-2. MA 1665. Perhaps vicar of MICKLEOVER, Derbys. 1662-7. Rector of SWARKSTONE 1667-77. Rector of BREADSALL 1677-1700. Died 1700.

SAMUEL BOLD:- Adm. sizar (aged 18) at St. John's, 30 June 1705. Son of Samuel, clerk, (above). Born at Breadsall. School at Derby. Matric. 1705. Ord. deacon (Lincoln) 4 June 1710. Doubtless curate of Naseby, Northants 1714, vicar 1718-51, buried there 20 Dec. 1751.

From Alumni Cantabrigienses. Pt. 1. to 1751. Vol. 1. (J.& J.A. Venn. 1922.)

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HENRY GREATORIX:- Adm. pens. at Emmanuel, 25 Jan. 1658-9. Matric 1659. BA 1662-3. Rector of WEST HALLAM, Derbys. 1668-1716. Died 1716.

From Alumni Cantabrigienses. Pt. 1. to 1715. Vol. 11. (J.& J.A. Venn. pub.1922)

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JAMES or JACOB EATON or EYTON:- Adm. sizar (aged 18) at Peterhouse, 16 June 1760, of MIDDLESEX. Born 1 Jan. 1742. School - Merchant Taylors, scholar 1760. Matric. - Michls. 1763. BA 1764. MA 1767. Fellow 1767. Vicar of STANTON by DALE, Derbys. until 1815 and P.C. of Tickehall. Chaplain of the General Hospital Nottingham. Married Anne (THACKER, died 13 Sept. 1795). Died 'lately' Oct. 1815.

From Alumni Cantabrigienses. Pt. 1. 1752-1900. Vol. 11. (J.& J.A. Venn. Pub. 1944)

SURNAMES RELATING TO STANTON ROAD CEMETERY, ILKESTON.

ADAMS	DAVIES	HODGKINSON	PHILLIPS	TILSON
ALDRED	DAYKIN	HODGKISS	PHIPPS	TOBIN
ARAM	DENNIS	HOGG	POLLARD	TOMLINSON
BADGER	DONNELL	HOLLIS	POTTER	TRIVETT
BAKER	DONOHUE	HOLMES	POUNER	TRUEMAN
BALL	DOWLMAN	HORRIDGE	PRITCHETT	TRUSSELL
BALMFORTH	EBBERN	HORSLEY	QUINN	TURTON
BAMFORD	EVANS	HOWARD	QUINTON	VICKERSTAFF
BARKER	FABER	HUNT	RAYNES	WALLIS
BARKS	FISHER	IRONMONGER	REDDINGTON	WARD
BARTON	FLEWITT	JACKSON	RICE	WARDLE
BEARD	FLINT	JERVIS	RICHARDS	WARREN
BEARDSLEY	FOX	JOHNSON	ROBERTS	WATERFIELD
BENISTON	FROST	JONES	ROBINSON	WEBSTER
BENNETT	GIBBS	KENNEDY	ROE	WEST
BESTWICK	GODBER	KIRK	ROLLINSON	WHITCHURCH
BINGLEY	GODDARD	KNIGHTON	ROWBOTTOM	WHITE
BLAKE	GORDON	LEBETER	SANDERS	WHITEHEAD
BODEN	GORING	LEE	SCATTERGOOD	WIGLEY
BONSALL	GRAINGER	<u>LENNY</u>	SCULLY	WILKINSON
BONSER	GREEN	LEWIS	SEVERN	WILKES
BOSWELL	GREGORY	LOWE	SHAKESPEARE	WILLIAMS
BRADLEY	GROSE	LYNCH	SHAW	WILMOT
BRAKES	HADRIAN	LYNAM	SHEARN	WINSOM
BREALEY	HALLAM	MADICAN	SIDDONS	WOOD
BRENTNALL	HAMPSON	MANNERS	SISSON	WOOLEY
BREWER	HANCOCK	<u>MANWORTH</u>	SMALL	WOOLLISCROFT
BRIGGS	HARDY	MARSH	SMEDLEY	WRIGHT
BROTHERHOOD	HARPER	MARTIN	SMITH	YORK
BURROWS	HARRIMAN	MASON	SPENCER	YOUNGMAN
BUSTON	HARRISON	McDONOUGH	STACEY	
BUXTON	HART	MEAKIN	STOCKS	
CALLADINE	HARTSHORN	MEER	STRAW	
CARRIER	HASLAM	MELLOR	SUDBURY	
CELINA	HAWLEY	MERRY	SUGG	
CHADWICK	HEATH	MOLONEY	SWANWICK	
CHILDS	HELBERT	MORLEY	SWINDELL	
<u>CLAYWORTH</u>	HENDY	MORRIS	SYKES	
CLEMINSON	HENSON	MYCROFT	TATHAM	
CONNOR	HIGGITT	NOON	TAYLOR	
COOPER	HITHERS	NORMAN	TENNANT	
COPE	HITHERSAY	OAKES	THOMAS	
CORBETT	HOBSON	O'CONNOR	THORLEY	
CRANAGE	HODGES	ORCHARD	THURMAN	

Total number of surnames - 206. Names underlined were not clear.

Heather Eaton.

EXPERIENCES IN A GRAVEYARD

The following experience was told in a letter from B.M. Wall, memb. no.425.  
 ..... a funny thing happened the other day at the Shardlow church graveyard, though it wasn't funny at the time:- I was busily walking through the yard, the wind was blowing and the rain coming down when I came upon my late uncle's grave. As it was in bad shape I decided to tidy it up. I was wet and my anorak deadened the sound around my ears. With rain running off my face I gingerly moved towards the headstone. I put my foot down gently but it sank into the soaked ground and as I slowly sank up to my ankles I heard a strange moan OHAAAAH ? It was a wonder I didn't join my uncle there and then, but turning around I saw there was --- a cow! It was a relief I can tell you!

How about helping Mr. Wall to record some M.I.s. (See page 13.)

MRS. HENRY PERRY, nee FOULKS of SMALLEY and CRICH

Contributed by Mr. C.J. Raven. Mem. no. 348.

Having contacted the few living relatives I have left in Derbyshire, I was very pleased when a distant cousin sent me a copy of thirty-one poems composed by my great grandmother, Mrs. Henry Perry, nee Ann Foulks of Smalley and Crich. I have not as yet discovered all the relevant dates of birth etc. but Ann Foulks was born on 31.10.1834 and she wrote her poems through her life, one of the last being dated 1882. I believe she died around 1900.

Many of these poems are about Crich, such as The Crich Landslip of 1882, one of Crich village itself and a long one about the Lea Mills Hospital where she was a patient in 1874. In all of them there are mentioned many names, being the names of friends and acquaintances of Ann Foulks. One poem called "That Old Chapel Yard" I believe refers to Smalley Church Yard and she goes on to mention her family who are buried there.

Names Mentioned in Mrs. Perry's Poems:-

The Rev. W. CHAWNER, Vicar of Crich 1855-75 (memorial window in Crich Church)  
Crich Band (my grandfather, George HAWKSLEY) was conductor of this band in the 1880's.  
The Jovial Dutchman, a Public House in Crich.  
Culland Farm Crich. (roof of red tiles and a field where the Nunnery was)  
Chase Cliffe Wood. Chase Cliffe Hall (she refers to it as being new.)  
Lea Mills Hospital 1874 (the following names were staff and patients who were there at time she herself was a patient with what she calls an "affliction which has spread far and near in our land". She speaks of her face being "swelled".)  
Nurse DAWES. "so kind and always inclined the sufferers pain to relieve".  
Polly BROWN of Cromford Town (she was under nurse at Lea Mills Hospital)  
Miss MACKLAIR (another patient) Miss HALL (died while she was there)  
Martha COLEMAN (though afflicted herself she was always ready to do a good turn for others.  
Hannah CONQUEST (brought back from the brink of the grave by care and tenderness of the nurses and staff.)  
Miss WOODHOUSE (bore her heavy affliction so bravely and shared anything she had with her suffering sisters.)  
Sarah WILSON (a submissive patient)  
Mrs. COOK (it is said she was of little faith as she never believed she would get better.)  
Fanny RAWSON (of a sweet disposition but declining in health. A great believer of the Lord.  
Miss WALTERS of Lea School (brought her little maid, who was afflicted, to the Hospital.)  
Mrs. HICKTON (brought in so fearfully ill on the night before Mrs. Henry Perry left.)  
Mrs. DAYBANK "scours away all day for her living!" (At this time Mrs. Daybank had three children and a husband who was blind.)  
Miss SPENCER (a hospital visitor who gave readings of the bible.)  
Mrs. SMEDLEY (visited the hospital once a week.)  
Dr. DUNN of Crich (toiled for many years in Crich.)  
Annie PIGGIN of Crich (a person of happy spirit.)  
The Miss's HURTS (did good works in the area.) Miss HURT and someone called "Willie".

Mr. Raven would like it made clear that the people mentioned above and in "Branch News" no.18, p. 6. are not necessarily all Crich residents, as they are attending the hospital.

COVER PICTURE: Wirksworth, an ancient market town surrounded by steep hills was once the centre of English leadmining. There is proof that the lead mines of the area were worked extensively by the Romans and the Saxons. Barmote courts are still held relative to the unique laws that governed the leadmining Wapentake or District. These courts are held at the Moot Hall where the Barmaster gave sanction where lead could be mined. Any man could prospect for lead, but a fixed proportion of the lead was payable as a royalty to the King or the lord of the Manor. The lead had to be brought in a dish at stated times to the court to be measured. The ancient standard Bronze measuring dish used for correcting the dishes of the miners is still kept at the Moot Hall.

The church of St. Mary is a fine large building and was rebuilt in the 13th century, but suffered greatly from restoration in 1876. Here were buried members of the Lowe family of Alderwasley and the Gells of Hopton. The registers dating from 1608 are still at the church. Wirksworth is proud of its connection with the novelist George Eliot and claims that the town was the Snowfield in the book Adam Bede and that George Eliot's aunt Elizabeth Evans, the Methodist preacher, who is buried in the churchyard, was Dinah Morris, wife of Seth Bede in the book. At Whitsuntide the custom of well-dressing is kept. (See Tissington, "Branch News" no. 18.)

DERBYSHIRE STRAYS SENT IN BY OTHER SOCIETIES.

From Florence Chuck, Victoria, Australia.

Daylesford Cemetery: Thomas SUTTON, b. Hartington, Derbys. on 20. 3. 1831, d. Jan. 1881.  
Elizabeth SUTTON, b. Middleton by Youlgreave, Derbys. on 20. 4. 1825, d. 3 May 1887.

John Goodwin HOWE, b. Middleton by Youlgreave, Derbys. on 22 Oct. 1822, d. Daylesford  
(Possibly Elizabeth's brother.) 15. 7. 1882.

From Janet Hurst, Cambridge. Census.

Kimbolton, Hunts: Anne BEEDHAM, wife, mar. aged 61, Solicitor's wife, b. Chesterfield.  
Jane CLOUGHTON, visitor, unmar. aged 60, Landowner, b. Chesterfield, Derbys.  
Anne Sarah GRATTEN, visitor, unmar. aged 58, Landowner, b. Chesterfield, Derbys.  
All in household of John BEEDHAM, Solicitor, b. Kimbolton. Lived at Ashfield House,  
Newtown, Kimbolton.

Carnaby, Kimbolton. Census: Catherine WINGATE, mar. aged 23, Straw bonnet maker, wife of  
Charles WINGATE, bricklayer. Catherine b. Alfreton, Derbys. Charles b. Kimbolton.  
Lived in London Rd. Kimbolton.

Emma HAWE, unmar. aged 25, dressmaker, b. Bradley, Derbys.

Mary Anne, unmar. aged 21, b. Alfreton, Derbys. Daus. of William HAWE and his wife Harriet,  
butcher. Both b. Kimbolton. Other children all born in Kimbolton.

From Alan Gooch, London.

St. Mary's Islington: Francis Rookby APPLEBY of Eckington, Derby married Ann POTT of  
St. Mary's, minor, with consent of John POTT, father, by licence. 1. 11. 1825.  
John and Mary POTT and Jane and Anne APPLEBY. (Witnesses).

Henry EVERY of Egington, Derbys. widr. married Elizabeth SOAR of St. Mary's, by licence,  
19. 1. 1827. Edward and Sarah WALKER. (Witnesses)

From J.W. Donaldson, Yorks.

Knaresborough, Yorks. Census 1851: John Sewel WRIGHT, b. Willoughton, Lincs. master  
brush maker, marr. Market Place, Knaresborough.

Ann WRIGHT, b. Staveley, Derbys. aged 28, wife of the above.

William Henry WRIGHT, b. Hull, Yorks. aged 3, son of the above.

Mary WRIGHT, b. Hull, Yorks. aged 1, dau. of the above.

Norfolk census 1871: Selina CLARK, aged 26, b. Matlock, Derbys. wife of James CLARK  
of Thetford, Norfolk.

Chatham census 1871: Mary E. THOMPSON, unmar. aged 17, b. Derby.

From Morley and Smalley, Derbys:

Oct. 21. 1736. A child of Francis KELLINS, a stranger, buried.

Jan. 8. 1708. John CRAVEN, a vagrant, buried.

Nov. 27 ? Thomas, son of Edward and Mary SAUNDERS, buried. Of Wirksworth.

From St. Gile's Matlock, Derbys: Memorial tablet ----- in memory of Emily P. WOOD,  
beloved wife of Ransom E. WOOD, who d. July 15. 1874 and is interred in this church, also  
in remembrance of their children, Mary, Sophia, Emily, Phoebe, Ellen and Charles Noble,  
interred in Greenwood, cemetery, Brooklyn, N.Y. U.S.A.

South Normanton Settlements. John HILL, his wife Hannah, both aged 45, and their  
children, John, Mary, Wm, Samuel, Stephen, Hannah, Harriett, Joseph, Edmund and  
Ferdinand, ages ranging from 8mths to 20 yrs. Removed from Sth. Normanton to Bulwell in  
1843, but returned in 1850. (son John br, Apr. 14th 1898, aged 75 yrs. son William br. Aug.  
5th 1895, aged 71 yrs.)

(M. Stumbles and A. Burnham, Strays Co-ordinators.)

MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS AT SHARDLOW, ASTON-on-TRENT and WESTON-on-TRENT: Mr. Brian Wall,  
memb. no. 425 is hoping to record the above churchyards, but would very much like some  
help. Anyone interested, please get in touch with Brian at 158 Ashby Rd. Loughborough,  
Leics. LE11 3AG.

NAMES FROM THE BATTLE OF AGINCOURT.

Some of those (Other than Nobility) with Henry V when he sailed to France at 3.0'clock, the Sunday afternoon of 11th August 1415.

Thomas FISH. In charge of Labourers.  
 Robert MITCHELL and Nicholas FROST. Fletchers (Arrows) and Bowyers (Bows).  
 John FLETE. With Six Wheelwrights.  
 William TEMPLE and Thomas MATTHEW. With a staff of 120 Carpenters.  
 John atte. HERST and Robert BERTON. With a staff of Colliers (Tunnelling).  
 John COVYN. Sergeant of King's Tents and Pavilions, with 28 Yeoman.  
 Nicholas Colnet. Physician, with retinue of 3 Archers.  
 John WATERTON, esquire, Master of the King's Horse, and 60 Grooms.  
 Nicholas HAREWODE. Clerk of the Stable.  
 Gerard de la STRADE. Personal Groom of King's Chargers and Ponies.  
 Guy MIDEルトON and John MELTON. King's Guide by night. (Personal Escort in camp).  
 Thomas HARVEY. One of 8 servants to the King.  
 William HERYOT. One of the Messengers of the King's Chamber.  
 John BROMLEY. One of the Grooms of the King's Chamber.  
 Estephin PAYN. Was the Almoner. Thomas BRIDDE. Was the Sub-Almoner.  
 Master Edmund LACY. Dean of Chapel. Jacob MEYNDY. Yeoman of Napery.  
 Thomas ELMHAM. Chronicler of Battle. Walter BURTON. Keys of Spice Chest.  
 Alain HERT and John BROTHERTON. Charge of Friars. George BENET. Cordwainer.  
 Norman SYNFORDE. King's Poultry. John FERIBY and Thomas MORTON. Wardrobe.  
 Nicholas BURCESTER. King's Bakehouse. Nicholas BRAMPTON. Stuffer of Bacynets.  
 William BALNE. Clerk of the Kitchen. Allbright MAILMAKER. Care of Armoury.

A "STANDING ORDER" for his troops stated that:- Any harlot found within 3 miles of the encampment would have her left arm broken!

Book to read:- "Crispin's Day" Battle of Agincourt. 25 Oct. 1415. By. R.H. Jarman. 1979.

This book contains reproductions of photo-copies of Muster Rolls:-

Public Record Office. E. 101/47. 60 names, Retinue of THOMAS, Earl of Dorset.

" " " 101/51. 200 names, Archers supplied by the Duke of Gloucester.

The Yeoman Archers were recruited from Kent, Sussex and the Midlands. Generations of practice at the Butts on Sunday (after church) in villages and towns had taught them the correct way to use their own weight and strength.

The "Notch", the "Stretch" and the "Loose", the leaning of the whole weight into the Horns of the Bow. Ancient statutes compelled them to have their weapons always ready -- The Bow, the Sward, the Dagger and the Poleaxe, with about 50 arrows. They could "Loose" 10-12 arrows (at 65lbs pressure Bow release), to every 2 "Quarrels" (Bolts) from a Cross-Bow which the French favoured. "Chain Mail" could not stop them and they would penetrate 4" of oak!

When the King made his will he mentioned his "Ancient Nurse", Joan WARING.

Contributed by R. Hoad. Mem. no. 106.

DERBYSHIRE MUSTER ROLLS OF 1585.

<u>CHESTERFIELD</u>	<u>NORTON</u>	<u>ALLPHERTON cont.</u>	<u>KILLEMARSHE cont.</u>
Ralph Hollis	Chris. Rose	John Astonall	John Mertoun
John Cleaworth	John Bartyn	Adam Uston	Willm. Sultonn
John Lingarde	Reynold Cowley (Xd. out)	<u>BRACKENTHWATE</u>	James More (Xd.)
John Cocker	Thos. Savage	Henry Lees	James Bromall "
Thos. Hynman	Hughe Sherte	George Hound	<u>BRIMINGTON etc.</u>
John Purslowe	ffrancis Bate	<u>SOWTHNORMAN etc.</u>	Willm. Willey
<u>STAVELEY etc.</u>	<u>SOUTHWINFIELD etc.</u>	James Newton	Geo. Bacon
Willm. Hiberte	Robt. Mather	Chris. Whitworth	Lawrance Aspin
Benitt Phillpote	ffrancis Machon	<u>KILLEMARSHE etc.</u>	<u>BLACKWELL</u>
Ellys Potter	<u>ALLPHERTON (Alfreton)</u>	Thomas Mayden	John ffrithe
Richd. Mycoke	Henry Ripley	Robte. Herwoode	Ric. Reynolds
John Bilbye			Robt. Marryote



DERBYSHIRE MUSTER ROLLS OF 1585. cont.

DRONFIELD

Robt. Hancoke  
Geo. Crokes  
Thos. Swifte  
Humphry Eyre

ASHEOVER

Thos. Marche  
John Mower  
Willm. Rowbotham  
John Crofte

SHURLANDE etc.

Marshall Barker  
Roger Clarke

Moreton etc.

Robte. Allyn  
Thos. Newton  
Robt Cley  
Peter More  
Thos. Medley

BEIGHTON

John Lee  
Willm. Smithe  
John Pickeforke  
Thos. Newbolde(Xd. out)

SKARCLIFFE etc.

Willm. Woodhowse  
Geo. Pease

TIBSHELFE etc.

Will. Marryot  
Rich. Clarke

EKINTON

John Turner  
Thos. Crokes  
Hy. Anteley  
Peter Ellys  
Thos. Kyrkeby

WALTON etc.

Leonarde Royle

STENESBY etc.

John Turner  
Oliver Reynolds  
Ric. Walker

BACKEWELL

Lawrance Maslande  
Osemunde Mee

STRETTON

Humphry Eyre  
Willm. Prowdloye

BARLBROUGHE etc.

Richarde Hays  
Bryan Bullifante  
Peter Hyde

GLAPWELL etc.

Rich. Sansom  
Robt. Cordeley

WINGERWORTHE etc.

Geo. Rogers  
Ralphe Eyre  
Peter Prestwedge

SUTTON etc.

Roger Skorer  
John Stanley

ELLMETON etc.

Richarde ffretwell  
Kryan Barber

BAWDON

John Dewsnope  
Willm. Bramall  
ffrauncis Grenesmithe  
Edwarde Boler  
Humphrie Ollrinshawe  
Nycholas Mellar  
Edmund Robothom  
John Bearde  
Thos. Sowbye  
John More  
Ottiwel Whitwell  
Richarde Platts

WALTON etc.

Willm. Shawe

HOWNESFELDE etc.

Hy. Halterley  
Geo. Haslame  
Thos. Plumtry  
Willm. Woodhouse(Xd.)

DARLEY

Rich. Radforde  
Godffyre Balle  
Hy. Warde  
James Jeffery  
Geo. Becke

PLEASLEY

Ric. Woolley  
Robt. Hutchenson  
Robt. Reyson

BOULSOVER etc.

Willm. Parker  
Willm. fletcher  
Hy. Johnson  
Hy. Spittellhowse(Xd.)

HOPE

Thos. Slake  
Ralphe Glover  
Edwarde Halle  
Thurston Hall  
Renolde Purslowe  
Rich. Needhame  
Robt. Arnefeeld  
Gilbarte Marshall  
Robt. Marshall  
(of Thornell)

GLOSSOPPE

Roger Andrewe  
Willm. Smithe  
Peter Woode  
Geo. Woode  
Rob. Shipley  
John Breye  
Olliver Darniley(Xd.)  
Nycholas Boothe(Xd.)

WORMEHILL

John Wrighte  
Geo. Croslowe  
Anthoni Nalle  
Robt. Hochkinson  
Anthonie Longden  
Ralphe Baggshaw  
John fferne

HATHERSICHE

Robt. Barker  
Nycholas Whittley  
James Bradwall  
Robt. Came

BASLOW

Geo. Hinman  
Willm. Norman  
Robt. Lees  
James Gregory

BASLOWE cont.

James Gregory  
Hy. Peniston  
Simon Sponer

YEOLIGREAVE

Mychaell ffrost  
Anthonie Mylner  
Robt. Stone  
Willm. Wayne  
Ralphe Lane  
Robt. Hampson

ASHEFORDE

Edmunde James  
James Rowoorth  
Ralphe Hall  
Willm. Ball  
Hy. Hurst

EYAM

Thos. Townsende  
Edmunde Willson  
Chris. Merrill  
Nycholas Redfferne

CHELLMARTON

Willm. Dale  
Rich. Smith  
Robte Platts  
Thos. Downes  
Robt. Jackson

TYDSWALL

Martyn Willson  
Willm. Owtram  
John Healde  
Willm. Symson  
Will. Benitte  
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 Indexes known to exist and those in progress, also a list of Street Indexes held by the P  
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 index should give the Street name, Reference number (e.g. HO 107/469) and the book and/or  
 folio nos. In some cases individual large houses will be listed.

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	1851	Wells St.	RG 9/10		123 etc.	* corner of every other

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