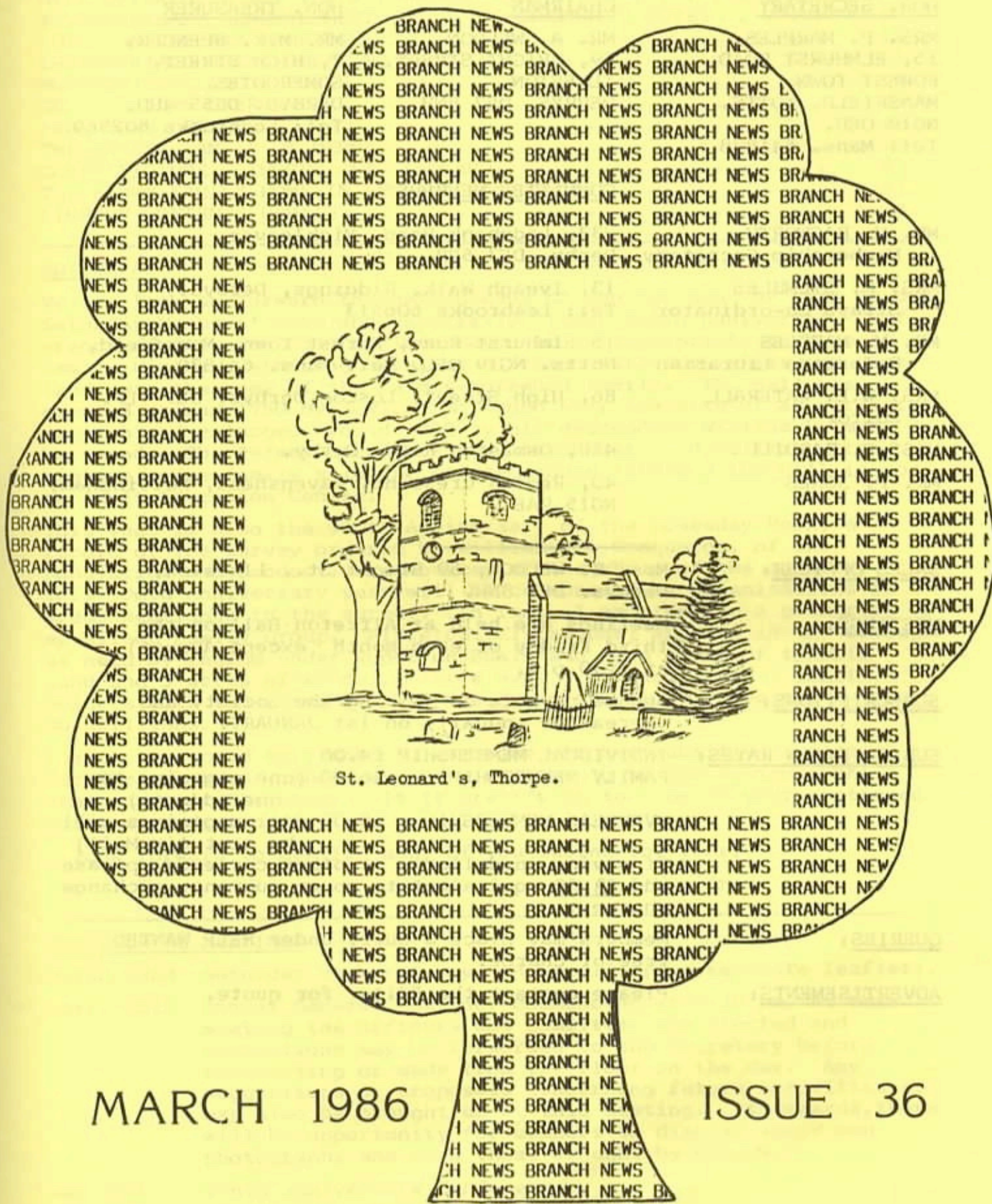


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EDITORIAL

We are looking forward to meeting many of you through the year at our Saturday Members' Days and especially at our Tenth Anniversary Conference at Alfreton Hall on 10th May. It is appropriate to have a Family History Gathering here, as Alfreton Hall set in its own parkland, was the home of the Palmer-Morewood family. The Hall was erected around 1750 by Rowland Morewood near the site of an earlier mansion and enlarged around 1850 by his descendant William Palmer-Morewood. The Palmer-Morewoods were landowners and colliery proprietors. The family sold the estate around 1960 and the Hall is now an Adult Education Centre.

This year is also the 900th Anniversary of the Domesday Book, a record of the survey ordered by William the Conqueror, of the population and productive resources of the whole of the country. This 900th Anniversary year will be celebrated by organisations in areas mentioned in the survey. In fact, I am planning a gathering of my Allsop Family Group. Alfreton (Elstretune) appears in the survey as held by Ingram under Roger de Busli and of 4 acres of taxable land and 5 acres of meadow. There were 9 villagers and 3 smallholders with two ploughs. The value, at the time of the survey was 30 shillings.

I wish to record my thanks to everyone who has submitted articles for "Branch News", those who have written to me and to those who sent cards at Christmas. It is gratifying to know of your continued interest and support.

I look forward to meeting many of you during the year,

Winifred.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

- March 22nd Saturday Members' Day - Bakewell. (See separate leaflet).
- April 25th Annual General Meeting, commencing at 7.30 pm. At this meeting the officers and Committee are elected and nominations may be forwarded to the Secretary before the meeting or made from the floor on the day. Any suggestions or proposals concerning future activities etc. may also be brought up at this meeting. Afterwards, there will be opportunity for members to display their own photographs and view those brought by others.
- May 10th Tenth Anniversary Conference.
- May 23rd Members' Evening - Heirlooms.
- June 27th Comedy of Errors - Richard Ratcliffe.

We welcome the following members who have joined the Society by 31st December, 1985.

1296. Mr. Simon J. ARCHER, 343 Anson St., Victoria, B.C. Canada V9A 5W4. Searching - ARCHER of Scropton 1686.
1297. Mrs. Audrey CHADWICK, 120 Samuel White Rd., Hanham, Bristol. Searching - LIMB/LYMB of Ashover, 1800.
1298. Mr. & Mrs. Eric A. & Doreen M. TILLEY, 432 Uttoxeter New Rd. Derby DE3 3NA. Searching - TILLEY of Burton, Staffs. 1902; JOHNSON of Willington 1902; SMITH of Melbourne 1902; TOLLEY of Darlaston, Staffs. 1902.
1299. Mrs. Marian Fearn MASON, 61 Dawstone Rd., Heswall, Wirral, L60 8ND. Searching - WHITWORTH of Rochdale, Lancs. 1820; RUSHTON of Church, Lancs. 1790; SHREEVE of Burton-on-Trent, Staffs. 1867; FEARN of Derby 1833; BRAYNE of St. Martins, Salop. 1856; SHAW of Burton-on-Trent, Staffs. 1867; HORROCKS of Church, Lancs. 1839; WROUGHTON of Repton, 1839; HARROP of Mottram-in-Longendale, Chesh. 1813.
1300. Mrs. Laura L. POWELL, 29 Somersey Rd. Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 3EA. Searching - PARKIN of Codnor 1909; Kerry of Heanor 1909; DRAPER of Heanor 1909; HAYES of Codnor 1909; JAMES of Long Eaton 1870; POWELL of Long Eaton 1870; JOHNSON of Heanor 1895; WATHY of Cotmanhay 1874.
1301. Mr. & Mrs. Ewan & Patricia STEED, 10 Almond Grove, Swanwick, Derbys. DE55 1RN. Searching - PARSON of Lichfield, Staffs. pre.1870; RILEY of Ripley and Denby pre.1845; COPE of Ripley and Denby pre. 1860; BRETNALL of Ripley and Denby pre.1841; McFADLEAN of Stevenston, Ayrshire pre.1870; LENNON and McCARTNEY of Stevenston, Ayrshire and Co. Armagh pre.1870; ATHERLEY and O'NEILL of Renton, Dunbartonshire pre.1880.
1302. Mr. John G. PASS, The Rowans, 39 Brewden Ave. Somercotes, Derbys. DE55 4JD. Searching - PASS of Riddings and Swanwick; DAWES of Swanwick 1908; LAMMAS of Swanwick and Bedfordshire.
1303. Mr. & Mrs. Eric & Margaret PRESSLEY, 6 Gorse Drive, Killamarsh, Sheffield S31 8FG. Searching - ALLEN of Eckington 1810; BUTT of Somercotes 1809.
1304. Miss Denise PRIDDEY, 21 Reading Drive, Sale, Grt. Manchester, M33 8DJ. Searching - BAGLEY of Aston, Warks. 1767; BENNINGTON of Marylebone, Middx. 1857; CHAPMAN of Chesterfield 1894; EGLIN of Bedale, N. Yorks. 1797; FLETCHER of Rowley, Staffs. 1820 and of Aston, Warks. 1767; FURNEY of Birmingham, Warks. 1799; GILTHORPE of Chesterfield 1872; GODRIDGE of Barnsley, S. Yorks. 1892; HINTON of Market Overton, Rutland 1827; PRIDD(E)Y of Droitwich, Worcs. 1740; RICKUS of Aston, Warks. 1791; RILEY of Wolverhampton, Staffs. 1829; ROCHESTER of Darlington, Durham 1887; SEARY of Kensington, Middx. 1880; SHAW of Dudley, Worcs. 1813; SIDDALL of Chesterfield 1872; SMITH of Marylebone, Middx. 1857 and of Barnsley, S. Yorks. 1892; TEMPLE of Darlington, Durham 1887.
1305. Mr. Donald G. LYNALL, Dormer House, 6 Ryland Rd. Barford, Warwick CV35 8BY. Searching - LYNALL with variants from anywhere; SHEPHARD of Ecclesfield, Yorks. and of Beighton 1813; HIRST of Leeds, Yorks. 1844; CASTLE of Sheffield, Yorks, 1851; BIRTLES of Ecclesfield, Yorks. 1813; ATKIN of Sheffield, Yorks. 1851; STANIFORTH of Sheffield, Yorks. 1817.
1306. Mrs. Elva C. IRWIN, 2 Mahogany Drive, New Lambton, N.S.W. 2305, Australia. - Searching PARSONS of Ripley c.1830 and of Alfretton c. 1776.

1307. Dr. Stephen FLETCHER, CSIRO Division of Mineral Chemistry, P.O.Box 124, Port Melbourne, Victoria 3207, Australia.
1308. Mr. Bob DUNHAM, 11 Koribah Ave. Lake Cathie, N.S.W. 2446, Australia. Searching - VALERIO and PAGGOTTO/PAGGETTO of Derby 1896.
1309. Mr. Philip T. BEETON, 5 Beaconsfield Ave. Colchester, Essex, CO3 3DH. Searching - PRENTICE of Whittington and Newbold 1883; BEETON of Whittington and Brimington 1883.
1310. Mrs. Pam McDONALD, 43 Win drush Way, Hythe, Southampton SO4 6JF.
1311. Mr. Martyn BURGESS, 108, Handsworth Cresc. Sheffield, S.,Yorks. S9 4BR. Searching - BURGESS 1880, MOUNTNEY 1891 and BROWN 1913 all of Brampton/Chesterfield; PERCIVAL of Nocton, Lincs, 1834; STORER of Nuneaton, Warks. 1855.
1312. Mr. Christopher C. BUCKLEY, 96 Oakley Flat Rd. Narangba, Queensland, Australia 4504. Searching - BUCKLEY of Elvaston c.1800.
1313. Mrs. Margaret ROBINSON, 20 Colinayre Cresc. Agincourt, Ontario, Canada M1T 3A9. Searching - HOWARD c.1790, POLLARD c.1855 both of Hayfield; POLLARD of Wiswell/Whalley, Lancs. c.1750; MORRIS of New Mills C.1870 and of Winkhill/Leek, Staffs. c.1800; MEASHAM with variants of Brailsford and Hollington c.1798; HILL of Ednaston c.1809; BOWDEN of New Mills c.1807; and of Hayfield c.1807; NUTTALL and HARTLEY both of Whalley, Lancs; ROUNTREE and COLEMAN both of C. Cavan, Ireland.
1314. Mrs. May WEIR, 7 Kipling Ave. Balby, Doncaster, Yorks. Searching - Weston of Ilkeston 1800's (Salvation Army family); WEIR of Glasgow; FRETWELL of Denaby, Yorks.
1315. Mr. & Mrs. Michael P. & Bernice G. FARMER, 1 Charnwood St., Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts. NG17 1HR. Searching - ANNABELL of Mansfield, Notts; BROOKS of Lea Bridge; DOCKERILL of Trumpington, Cambs.; GREATOREX of Holloway; FARMER of Kirkby-in-Ashfield; HARDWICK of Normanton; HICKMAN of Foleshill, Warks; KENNEDY of Sunderland; KIRK of Little Bolton, Lancs; SANDERS of Foleshill, Warks.; WOOD of Little Bolton, Lancs.
1316. Mrs. Mabel SEFTON, 17 Linden St. Mansfield, Notts. NG19 7EG. Searching - TURNER 1790 and TAYLOR 1800 both of Ripley and South Wingfield; BOND of Ripley and Belper 1795; FROGGATT of South Wingfield 1820; FOULDS of Wolley Moor/Ashover 1750; WALKER of Ashover and Pleasley 1811; ALLAN of North Wingfield and Pleasley 1827; HICKTON of Worksworth 1827; WALTERS of Pentrich and Ripley 1773; PEAT of Duffield 1783.
1317. Mrs. Dinah READ, 43 Burtleigh Park, Sandy Lane, Cobham, Surrey. Searching - HARPER/HARPUR of Crich, Duffield, Turnditch and Derby; DRONFIELD and HOLMES of Clay Cross; TYE and BARTHOLOMEW both of Sheffield, Yorks. and Whiston; SCURRAM of anywhere.
1318. Mr. & Mrs. Cyril R., and Edna P. CHOLERTON, 35 Linden Close, Dunstable, Beds. LU5 4PE. Searching - CHOLERTON 1893 and Gibson 1904 both of Derby.
1319. Mrs. Joan BOWN, 11 Fore St., St. Just. Nr. Penzance, Cornwall TR19 7LL.
1320. Mr. Wornell J. GREENALGH, 127 Smith Prde. Mt. Isa, Queensland 4825 Australia. Searching - HIDES of Chesterfield; GREENHALGH of Manchester; LUSH of anywhere esp. Wilts.

1321. Dr. Alan ROSEVEAR, 7 Trinder Rd. Wantage, Oxon. OX12 8EE. Searching - STREET of Newhall/Stapenhill poss. 1703; ROSEVEAR of Gresley 1880 also of Cornwall 1610; GOTHERIDGE of Hartshorne 1764; WYATT of Appleby/Woodville, 1840.
1322. Mrs. Norah CROSS, 1 Leaside Ave. Chadderton, Oldham, Lancs. OL1 2QZ. Searching - STAFFORD of Dunkinfield, Chesh.1860, also of New Mills 1850; LEES of Oldham, Lancs. 1890 and of Saddleworth, Yorks. 1860.
1323. Mr. Norman V. BRINDLEY, 49 Heron Way, Hatfield, Herts. AL10 8QT. Searching - BRINDLEY of Shottle 1828; CARNALL of Cullompton, Broad Clyst, Dunsford, Devon, 1779; SPANSWICK of Northampton 1877; ROCHFORD of Buckinghamshire; EARL of St. Marylebone, London; SEARLE of Berkhamstead, Herts.1825; WHITEHEAD of Failsworth, Lancs. c.1795; LAWRENSON of Prescott, Lancs. c.1786; McINTOSH of Plumstead, Kent 1828; GRIGGS of Holborne, London 1777.
1324. Mr. Roy D.F. RITCHIE, 5 Debdale Rd. Barrowby, Grantham, Lincs. NG32 1BD. Searching - BETTERIDGE of Measham 1702; HILL of Sudbury 1848; DOUGHAM/DUGAN of Measham 1861; RILEY of Ilkeston 1803.
1325. Mr. Richard A. SOWTER, 2 Hill House Rd. Downend, Bristol, BS16 5RR. Searching - CLARK of Castle Donington, Leics.1775; CLARKSON of Breedon, Leics. 1750; COULSON of Blackfordby, Leics. 1680; CURZON of Breedon, Leics. 1750; DALEY of Castle Donington, Leics. 1650; GASSAWAY of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leics. 1715; JOYCE of Blackfordby, Leics. 1546; SOWTER of Diseworth Leics. 1600; STEVENSON of Bunny, Notts. 1660; SOWTER world wide 1100.
1326. Mr. Claude O. RIXON, 41 Queen Victoria St. Ballarat, Victoria, Australia 3350. Searching - HICKSON of Derbyshire 1792.
1327. Mr. Eric HOPKINSON, 1014, 16 St. North, Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada T1H 3C1. Searching - HOPKINSON of Heath 1746.
1328. Mrs. Vernell WALKER, 107 Grove St. Henderson, Nevada, USA. 89015. Searching - BRADSHAW of Derby 1829 and of Cossall, Notts. 1796; BAGSHAW of Kniveton 1803; REDSHAW of Dalbury Lees 1804; ORME of Longford 1786.
1329. Mrs. Elizabeth ANDERSON, 820 Lacy Lane, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89102, USA. Searching - LIMB of Bolsover 1818 and of Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Notts. 1776; CUTTS of Bolsover 1661; CHARLES-WORTH of Bolsover 1680; CHAPMAN of Elmton 1711; NEWTON of Brackenfield & Morton 1675; MARSH of Langwith 1688; GREAVES of Wingerworth 1696.
1330. Mrs. Elizabeth A. DEAN, P.O.Box 131, Mackay, Queensland, Australia 4740. Searching - FURNESS of Eyam 1757 and of Manchester, Lancs. 1802; DEAN of Thulston 1889 and of Alvaston 1824, also of South Collingham, Notts. 1853.
1331. Mr. L.C. MILLER, 7680 Summerhill Court, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84121 USA. Searching - CLARKE of Somercotes 1823 and of Selston, Notts. 1677; SAVAGE of Somercotes 1837; HOYLAND of Alfretton and Ironville 1795; ENGLAND of Heanor and Somercotes 1798; HUNT particularly interested in finding details of "The Old English Gentleman", Somercotes Hill.

ADDITIONAL INTERESTS

953. Mrs. C. BEADLE, 5 Marshall Hill Drive, Mapperley, Notts. NG3 6FY. Searching - COULTER of Whittington/Chesterfield 1850's; SWIFT of Staveley 1850's; WHITE of Staveley 1850's; PALFREYMAN of Chesterfield area 1880; BUCK of Derby and Bedfordshire 1880; DIXON of Redmile, Leics. 1830's; MORLEY of Nottingham 1830's; RAYNOR of Lambley, Notts. 1780's.
1086. Mr. H.J. Simpson, 870 Gale Drive, Delta, B.S. Canada, V4M 2P5. Searching - HAWKES of Birmingham; HOUSTON, DUNN of Kilmarnock, Ayrshire; ALLAN, O'NEIL and DOUGLAS of County Armagh, Ireland (pre.1845); ALLEN, BURGESS, COOK, HOLMDEN, STAPLEY of Kent; DUNN of County Kildare, Ireland (pre.1820); QUANTZ, RITTER of Germany (pre.1792); BRADBURY, BOOTH of Derbyshire and Cheshire.
1284. Mrs. I.M. BLACKBURN, 11 Blackdene, Ashington, Northumberland NE63 8TL. Searching - BOULTON of Rocester, Staffs. 1780; HILL of Rocester and Checkley, Staffs. 1802; WIBBERLEY/WEBLEY of Cheadle and Checkley, Staffs. 1820; WHITE of Doveridge 1849; WOOD of Doveridge and of Ellastone, Staffs. 1820; WALWYN of Ellastone, Staffs. 1820; WHITE of Barton under Needwood, Staffs. 1820.

When no county is given it can be presumed to be Derbyshire.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

- 3/4. Mr. & Mrs. K. DAVIS, 56 Thanet St. Clay Cross, Chesterfield, Derbys. S45 9JT.
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1171. Mr. & Mrs. O. PEAT, 1 Oaktree Court, West St. Godmanchester, Huntingdon, Cambs.

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488. Mrs. B. BARKER, 29 Brookway, Cupernham, Romsey, Hants.SO51 7JR.

Correction to zipper code -

1138. Mrs. M. OSTERGAARD, 1003 Tulip Lane, Ellisville, Missouri, USA. 63021 (not 63011).

Help Wanted

GORFETT

Census for Plymouth 1851 states WILLIAM GORFETT aged 32 bn. Plymouth. Wife MARY ANN bn. Derbyshire, also aged 32. Has anyone seen this marriage? Mrs. B. CLIFTON, 83 Pledwick Lane, Wakefield, WF2 6EB. (Memb. no. 1096)

BOWLER
SMALL

My gt.gt.grandfather, THOMAS BOWLER was bn. 15 March 1781 and his parents were WILLIAM and ELIZABETH BOWLER. Thomas was schoolmaster at Warsop, Notts. in 1806. I have known this for 12 years, but in spite of help from several people I have not found his place of birth or his parents marriage. Thomas married AMELIA SMALL at Carlton in Lindrick in 1808. Amelia was bn. there, but I am still searching for the marriage of her parents, ROBERT and SARAH SMALL. Any sightings of these surnames at the relevant dates would be very welcome. Mrs. J. Kingston, 179 Henley Rd. Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 4NU. (Memb. no. 623).

MASKREY
ALSOP

Interested to hear from ALSOPs who have a connection by marriage to a MASKREY. BERTHA MASKREY married JOHN (JACK) ALSOP, late 1880's. He was a postman. They had children, EDNA, ISAAC and HARRY who was also a postman. They lived in Wirksworth. After John died, Bertha married..... GOODHEAD and they are buried at the Baptist Cemetery in North End, Wirksworth. Mrs. S. Sylke, 1416 A. Oak, R.A.F. Alconbury, Huntingdon, Cambs. PE17 5DA. (Memb. no, 1199).

ROWLAND

Seeking bapt. record of JOHN DAVID ROWLAND bn. 1796 in Derbyshire. Parish of birth on Marines enrolment ALL SAINTS (no town given), but Parish of birth in 1851 Census given as Ashbourne, Derbys. Ran away from home and joined Marines at Nottingham 1813, giving occupation as Frameknitter. Later records all at St. Mary's, Portsea, Hants. Mrs. H.D. VANDER HAVE, 174 High St. North Rockhampton, Queensland, Australia 4701. (Memb. no., 1291).

GILTHORPE

Any info. on GILTHORPE family, parents JOSEPH and MARIA of PILSLEY par. North Wingfield. ANDREW GILTHORPE was bn. at Pilsley in 1842, marr. at St. Werburgh's, Derby in 1869 to ANN SIDDALL of APPERKNOWLE, whose father was MARK SIDDALL, haydealer. Later lived at NEWBOLD, Chesterfield. Mrs. M. BOS, 18 Kensington Drive, Spalding, Lincs. PE11 2UU. (Memb. no. 1235).

BLOOD

Info. needed on any BLOOD in Derbyshire for in-depth One-Name study. Also any BLOOD in other English counties. Mr. P.E. JONES, 40 Regina Cresc. Ravenshead, Nottingham NG15 9AE. (Memb. no. 616).

MURFIN/
SHAW
UPTON

JOHN SHAW who marr. SARAH UPTON at Norton parish church on 9 Dec. 1779, appears to have moved into Norton about that time. There was a son Thomas, buried at Norton 5 March 1790, and a son Francis, my gt.gt.grandfather, bap. 3 Jan. 1788 at Norton Presbyterian church. On 26 Sept. 1811 Francis marr. PENELOPE GILLATT of Sheffield. Any info. on John and Sarah will be most thankfully received. Mr. F. SHAW, 69 Park Rd. Bingley, W.Yorks. BD16 4BP. (Memb. no. 1248). Mr. Shaw also makes a correction to his 'Help Wanted' in the last issue of Branch News under MURFIN/SHAW. The church of St. Chad's, Norton, should read St. James' as St. Chad's was not built until 1912.

WEBSTER

Searching for bapt./parents of THOMAS WEBSTER, bn. Radbourne c.1789, and his marr. to SARAH -----? pre. 1816. Mrs. S. MURFIN, 114 Derby Rd., Melbourne, Derbys. DE7 1FL. (Memb. no. 870).

PARSONS

Any info. on the family of Staff Sergeant HENRY PARSONS, Royal Horse Artillery. He was born at Alfretton in 1776. Joined the Royal Horse Artillery, served at Waterloo. Was honourably discharged after 32 years' service and moved with his family to Sheffield c.1824. I have in my possession his medal, worn at Waterloo, which has been handed down to the eldest son of each generation. (My grandfather had no grandsons and I am the eldest granddaughter). Joseph Thomas Parsons bn. c.1830 (son of the above) lived in Ripley and marr. EMMA PARSONS (cousin?) also of Ripley, in 1858. Their son Henry Thomas Parsons was bn. at Butterley Hill in 1859, and emigrated to Sydney. Joseph and Emma had 3 other sons, John George, Frederick and Walter and a daughter Lizzie (Elizabeth?). Mrs. E. IRWIN, 2 Mahogany Drive, New Lambton, NSW. Australia 2305. (Memb. no. 1306).

PIMM

Info. needed on JOHN PIMM, bp. 1 July 1793, son of WILLIAM and MARY (HILL?) PIMM, in Elford, Staffs. In 1851 census of Derby, he and wife, Ann bn. c.1790 are shown with children, Richard, Mary and Henry (M. Mary Ann Ford, 28 March 1853, at General Baptist Chapel, Derby). Mr. S.C. SIGSTON, 3800 30th Street, Sacramento, CA. 95820. (Memb. no. 1185).

BOWER

Info. needed on the bapt. and marr. of THOMAS BOWER 1670-1700. Also bapt. etc. of BUCKLEY BOWER and THOMAS BOWER 1710-1760. Poss. areas Whittle, Disley, Mellor and Glossop. Mrs. A. JOHNSON, 80 Currier Lane, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancs. OL6 6TB. (Memb. no. 1225).

MASKERY

Searching names of parents of my gt.grandparents with place names, names of siblings etc. THOMAS MASKERY bn. c.1840, died 1 Feb. 1927, marr. Elizabeth Ann HAYWOOD c.1869. She was bn.1846 and died 9 July 1921. Lived at Butler's Hole Farm, Mappleton. They had 3 sons, William Thomas Haywood Maskery bn. 1870, Samuel Maskery bn. 1874 and Frederick Maskery bn. Aug.25 1872. They may have lived earlier at The Grove Farm and at Thorntree Hall Farm nearby. Mrs. W.M. Marmaud, 810 Sylvia Drive, Deltona, Florida, USA. 32725. (Memb. no. 1069).

WEBSTER
ROTHERHAM
LITTLEWOOD

Can anyone help me learn more of the parents of my gt. grandfather, WILLIAM WEBSTER, bn.Eckington ? c.1828? His father was WILLIAM ROTHERHAM, a butcher in 1852, his mother is not known. He marr. JANE LITTLEWOOD bn. Eckington 1831, dau. of THOMAS and JANE LITTLEWOOD at Ridgway Parish church 21 June 1852. In 1851 they were general servants on the farm of Frederick Barber, 43 Southgate, Renishaw. They had at least nine children, George (bn.1852), Agnes (1854), Joseph (1858), m. Sarah Hannah Taylor (1881), Mark Ellis (1860) m. Emily Goodman (1885), Sarah Jane (1862), Mary Ellen (1865), Elizabeth Ann (1868), Clara (1871), Albert (1874), all bapt. at Eckington. Also, anything more of his children? Mr. J. WEBSTER, Oakgates, 53 Copperkins Lane, Amersham, Bucks. HP6 5RA. (Memb.no.1292).

BALL

Searching for the parents of JOHN BALL who, when he marr. CATHERINE WHITE at Ashover on 26 Feb. 1759, was said to be of North Wingfield. Their children, Mary (1759), Elizabeth (1761), Sarah (1764), William (1775) and Joseph (1777) were born at Holmegate. All were bapt. at North Wingfield. John snr. died aged 89 at Clay Cross and was buried 3 March 1820 at North Wingfield. Postage refunded. Mr. H. BALL, 30 Cheltenham Ave., Ipswich, Suffolk IP1 4LN. (Memb. no. 534).

FREEMAN

Info. needed on HENRY FREEMAN bn. Thoresby, Notts. mar. ANN MEE of Norton nr. Warksop, Notts. (bn.17 July 1832) at Cuckney, Notts. He died at Whitwell, Derbys. on 8 Sept. 1865. Mrs. M.J. FREEMAN, 8 Pumicestone Rd. Toorbul, Queensland, Australia 4510. (Memb. no. 776).

PAGGETTO/
PAGOTTO
VALERIO

Searching for info. on the family of ELIZABETH MARY VALERIO bn. 29 Feb. 1896 at 54 Goodwin St. Derby. Her parents were GEORGE VALERIO and ANNIE PAGGETTO/PAGOTTO. She had a sister MARY JOSEPHINE VALERIO bn. 1879, marr. Thomas Jones FLIXON of Wales on 27 Aug. 1898. Her brothers ORLANDO, served 60th Rifles KRR 1914-18 in India, and GUITANE (George) served in the Grenadier Guards. There was also a brother JOE. Mr. Bob DUNHAM, 11 Korihah Ave. Lake Cathie, NSW 2446 Australia. (Memb.no. 1308).

WHITE
CANTRILL
GASKELL/
GASKIL

Info. on any descendants of THOMAS WHITE, Bookseller, Printer, Stationer, of Chesterfield (1780's). Thought to have marr. SARAH CANTRILL of Repton (1789). Also info. on GASKELL/GASKIL of Spondon (Spondon) 1800 who were friends of the White family, may be related. Mrs. P. KING, 69 Hillcrest, Monkseaton, Whitley Bay, Tyne & Wear, NE25 9AF. (Memb.no. 1252).

LANGLEY
OSBISTON

Birth date and place needed of ABRAHAM LANGLEY who marr. MARY OSBISTON in 1832. (Mary bn.1810). Also need details of his parents. Cannot find marr. or deaths of his children - John bn.1835, Mary bn.1836, both at Belper and William bn.1837 at Duffield; also George, German, Jane, Joseph and Sarah, bn.1841-1949. Did they leave Derbyshire after the children were born? Also need the birth dates, parents of WILLIAM OSBISTON, who marr. SARAH SLATER in May 1796 at St. Michael's, Derby. What happened to the children - Samuel, Thirsa and William bn.1807-1815? Any info. on Sarah Slater too please. MR. K. LANGLEY, Garrison Officers' Mess, BFPO 29, W.Germany. (Memb. no. 1074).

ANNABLE
MUSSON
CARTER

Info. requested on descendants of WILLIAM ANNABLE (1826-1878), tailor of Milford, and/or his two daughters Elizabeth (Mrs. Aaron MUSSON) and Sarah (Mrs. John CARTER). Mr. K. ANNABLE, Winchester, Ontario, Canada KOC 2K0. (Memb. no. 1125).

DODDS

Has anyone come across references to the following family in the 1841 and 1851 Census Returns for Sheffield: - WILLIAM DODDS (of Green Lane, Sheffield, Cutler in 1838) and HANNAH his wife, and their son WILLIAM DODDS bn. at Green Lane aforesaid on 16 March 1838. John M. ELLIS, 10 Pexhill Drive, Broken Cross, Macclesfield, Cheshire SK10 3LP. (Memb.no. 1240).

SIMPSON

Searching for the baptism and parents of my gt.grandfather HARVEY SIMPSON c.1825. 1841 Census, Harvey was 15 years and living at Gnat Hole Farm nr. Glossop, Derbys. with Robinson family. 1851 Census gives birthplace as Chesterfield. Any info. greatly appreciated and postage gladly refunded. Harvey J. Simpson, 870 Gale Drive, Delta, B.C. Canada V4M 2P5. (Memb. no. 1086).

PAGE
WATCHORN

JOHN PAGE son of WILLIAM and CHARLOTTE (nee WATCHORN) bn. Willington St. Derby, 26 Sept. 1854. William Page worked as a Railway porter. Wm. and Charlotte were mar. 26 Sept. 1853 at Harby, Leics. Fathers were JOHN PAGE & James Watchorn, both farmers. Please can anyone help with further info. Miss C. BEAUFOY 202 Kahutia St. Gisborne, New Zealand. (Memb.no,960).

DENTON
WILSON

Interested in learning where the following DENTON family came from. Parish records for Hotham, Yorks. show JOHN DENTON d. there 30 Oct. 1815 (b.c.1727). His wife Jane also d. there 13 Feb.1806 (b. c.1733).

Francis Denton, poss. his first wife, was bur. there 10 April 1758. John and Jane had 4 children - Mary bp. 1 Feb.1762; William bp. 5 Nov. 1763; Hanah bp. 27 Dec.1765 and bu. 26 Mar. 1766; and John bp. 17 May 1767. Also searching ancestors of Margaret Jane WILSON b.12 Oct. 1860 DRUMCON ?, IRELAND (pos.nr. RANDALSTOWN, ANTRIM, Co.). Her parents were John WILSON (b. England?) and Elizabeth KIERY (b.Scotland?). Any info. will be appreciated. Postage refunded. Mr. H.W.HOWELLS, 1909 Highwood, Pekin, IL. 61554 USA. (Memb.no. 332).

WRAGG

Bonsall registers record several marriages made in other places. One such is between WILLIAM (W)RAGG and MARY ASHTON, who marr. sometime in the early 1730's. Does anyone know where? Mr. J.WRAGG, Town End, Longnor, Buxton, Derbys. SK17 OPA. (Tel: Longnor 237).

DERBYSHIRE
TIMES

Wanted - to see or to borrow - copies of the DERBYSHIRE TIMES - ALFRETON edition, for the months of Dec. 1944 and Jan. 1945. Mr. A. WELDON, 59 Bright St. Ilkeston, Derbys. DE7 8NH. (Memb. no. 646).

Help Offered

CHOICE/
CHOYCE

I am a One-Namer for the surnames CHOICE and CHOYCE. I would be pleased to share any information which I have collected, world wide, with anyone researching the names. S.A.E. not required. Mrs. Betty CHOYCE SHEEHAN, P.O.B. 2123, Largo, Florida, 34294 USA. (Memb. no. 813).

ADCOCK

I have photocopies of the I.G.I. (1981 version) containing all ADCOCK entries for Derbys. Lancs. Leics. Notts. Rutland, Shrops. Staffs. Warks. and Yorks. I will search for members in return for S.A.E. (and below)

MELBOURNE

I also have transcript copies of all the parish registers of Melbourne, Derbys. held at Matlock Record Office and have access to the more recent registers still at the parish church. I am willing to help members with any specific enquiries in return for S.A.E. (Copies of these transcripts have also been deposited at Matlock and in the DFHS Ref. Library). Mrs. S.MURFIN, 114 Derby Rd. Melbourne, Derbys. DE7 1FL. (Memb.no.870).

RECIPROCAL RESEARCH

GRATTON

Mr. B.G. SAUNDERS, 96 Felstead St. Everton Park 4053, Queensland, Australia (Memb.no. 773 o/s) has details of approx. 50 Gratton families originating at Wirksworth and surrounding villages, and covering the period c.1725-1900. Will supply help in return for reciprocal information (if any) to anyone researching the name GRATTON or any of the following families connected through marriage, and particularly those underlined which are his main-stream ancestors:

(see next page)

ALLEN	BUXTON	HADIKIN	KIRK	SIMPSON	TITTERTON
AL(L)SOP	CANDIN	HALL	LUDLAM	SLATER	WALDRON
ANDREW	CLOXTON	<u>HAMPSON</u>	MARSH	SMITH	WATERHOUSE
BAMFORD	COOPER	HANSON	MASKREY	SPENCER	<u>WIGLEY</u>
BATEMAN	DOXEY	HODGKINSON	MATHER	STEEPLES	WILD
BREWSTER	FLINT	HOUGHTON	OLIVER	<u>STORER</u>	WILLIAMS
BROOK(E)S	FRITH	JOHNSON	POTTER	<u>STREET</u>	<u>WILLIS</u>
BROUGH	GODBEHERE	KELLAM	POYSER	TAYLOR	WOODWARD
<u>BUNTING</u>	(GODBERE)	KINDER	RICHARD	THOMPSON	WRAGG

BROCKLEHURST

Anyone interested in "One Name Study" of Brocklehurst and or variants please contact Frank Brocklehurst, 1 Park Ave. Markfield, Leicester, LE6 OWA. Tel: 0530-243370.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING 6 December 1985.

The meeting was convened to seek members' approval for the Society's new Constitution as required by the Charity Commissioners in order that the Society can gain charitable status. More than 40 members heard the Chairman outline the essential differences between the new and the old Constitution and heard also the advantages of charitable status.

After questions and discussions the meeting voted unanimously to accept the new constitution without amendment. Copies may be obtained from the Secretary (address inside front cover) with the usual S.A.E. please.

Albert Weldon

FROM THE SECRETARY

Hello everyone. As I write this we are only five days into 1986 and already enquiries about membership are coming in. I predict that this, our 10th Anniversary Year, will be a bumper one. Our two Branches are now getting established and creating interest from people in those areas. Kath is receiving bookings for our 10th Anniversary Conference and Albert has already received competition entries.

We shall be taking part in the East Midlands Local History Fair in May and the One-day Conference at Grantham in June. Leicestershire F.H.S. will host the Spring 1986 Conference and some of us have already booked to attend - will we meet you there?

We have a full year's programme arranged at our new venue, Alfreton Hall, plus two Saturday Members' Days, so there is plenty of opportunity for you to enjoy, and use, our facilities.

I have already heard that some overseas members are planning to visit our county this year and I hope that they will be able to meet other Derbyshire F.H.S. members during their stay.

Visitors to Derbyshire. I am often asked, especially by overseas members, for advice on where to stay. Do you know of a good hotel/guest house in your area or can you offer accommodation to visiting members? Please let me know, it would be nice to have a list of good economical accommodation.

Pauline

Societies/Groups intending to visit the U.K. are advised to contact the FFHS Overseas Tours Co-ordinator, Alex Sampson, 1 Oxbang Close, Redcar, Cleveland, TS10 4ND, England. Sound advice can be given to try to ensure that your trip comes up to your expectations. You do need to prepare in advance for your work here so that you can make the best use of the time spent in the U.K.

COUNTY RECORD OFFICE, MATLOCK: The original contractor working on the new premises has gone bankrupt. Restart with another is imminent and no firm dates can be given for the re-opening but it will probably not be until after Easter. The work being undertaken is concerned initially with providing storage space for records and not with the public Search Room. There will, however, be minor improvements here which will result in a more efficient service. A reader/printer is hoped for and also a better photocopying service.

SALES OFFICER: We were sorry to receive the resignation of Martyn Pratt from this position. Martyn built up this section considerably during his term of office and it is regretted that he felt it necessary to relinquish the position. We are very grateful to Barbara Weldon who has now taken on the responsibility of SALES OFFICER. (Address on inside front cover).

DERBY DAY CONFERENCE OF PHYSICALLY AND SENSORY DISABLED PEOPLE

On Saturday 23rd November 1985, Winifred and I attended the Conference for physically and sensory disabled people - Leisure Provision. The aim of the day was not only to tell of leisure activities available, but to discover the needs of disabled people.

We had given thought prior to the day; to how people with various disabilities could research family history, i.e. the blind who could do oral family history with the use of a tape recorder, the deaf who could do most things other than oral family history, but then, many can lip read. Speech defects - this could cause communication problems, but good use could be made of paper and pencil. The wheelchair bound can take part in most activities, but access is often the major problem. We did learn most from talking to others and viewing the displays. Two answers to the problems would be the Talking Newspaper and C.B. Radio to help the blind. It seems there are ways and means, whatever the disability, but sometimes special equipment is necessary.

We can start by making sure access to events/conferences etc. is suitable for everyone and encourage our Libraries and Record Offices to do the same.

Pauline

TENTH ANNIVERSARY PROFILES - THE FIRST COMMITTEE

I was very privileged, on the above day, to meet the First Chairman of our Society, Mr. Ken Davis, who is himself wheelchair bound and knows the problems of research and disability. This did not stop him enjoying the hobby. He helped to sow the seeds of our Society and encouraged its early growth from around 12 members in 1976 to nearly 900 in 1986 (although over the years we have inevitably lost a few). It was good to chat with Ken and to know how interested he still is in the Society and how he is itching to get down to his research again when time permits. Ken and his wife Maggie, also disabled, are still members of the Society. Ken is researching the families of DAVIS and JEAVON-FELLOWS of Pilsley. Ken gave up the chairmanship of the Society when more pressing work began with D.I.A.L. (Disabled Information Advice Line) and now with the Derby Coalition of Disabled People.

Another founder committee member is our Editor, Winifred. She also attended the classes at Cressy Fields and Alfreton Hall from which the Derbyshire Society was formed. Winifred took over as chairman from Ken, a post she kept for six years and she has edited our magazine 'Branch News' from the start. Winifred, who is researching the names ALLSOP, SALT/SOULT, RADFORD and MASKREY has been lucky in not only gaining information on her ancestors, but has also discovered cousins who are members of our Society.

The first Secretary was Mary Johnson, who in fact, was the first person to begin to sow the seeds from which the Society has grown and it was through her enthusiasm and hard work that the Society 'got off the ground'. Mary held the position of Secretary for six years and at the time she relinquished the position she was well over her 'three score years and ten!' Mary's interests are in the BELCHER and BELFITT families and is still an active member of the Society.

The Treasurer at this time was Peter Middlehurst, a position he held for three years until work commitments forced him to resign from the committee. He and his wife Gill are still interested in their research into the ENGLAND family of the Riddings area.

Maude Stumbles attended the classes from which the Society was formed and she soon took on the position of 'Strays Co-ordinator' which she still holds. Maude is also a Correspondence Secretary. Her interests lie mainly with the PURSGLOVE and STUMBLES families and her 'roots' are in Sussex.

George Milnes, who also attended the classes at Cressy Fields, was our first Sales Officer and held the position until ill health forced him to resign. He still attends meetings and is interested in the MILNES family of which he has a substantial Pedigree.

After the first year, the committee was joined by Joan Smedley and Fred Hall, both enthusiastic members. Joan took on the position of Minutes Secretary to help Mary and later became Projects Co-ordinator until she retired from the committee due to ill health. Joan is still working for the Society and her interests include the names BRETNALL and CLAY of the Heanor area. Fred Hall has, over the years, held the position of Treasurer, Membership Secretary and Correspondence Secretary; this position he still holds. When he resigned from the committee he, like Mary, was well over the 'three score years and ten!' but this does not deter him from working as hard as ever for the Society. Fred is interested in the names HALL, HUNT, THACKER and SPENCER of the Belper and Duffield area.

Our present Treasurer, Malcolm Spencer, has held this position for six years and we are very grateful for the careful way in which he has looked after our finances over this time. Malcolm is interested in the SPENCER family of Tansley and Matlock.

Mention must be made here of Frank Payton, who was at the time of our formation, the Secretary of the Notts. F.H.S. He was the lecturer at the classes which sparked off the enthusiasm to form the Derbyshire Society. Frank attended our inaugural meeting and set us off on the correct 'foot' so we have much to thank him for.

Over the past ten years there have been several changes on the committee, but there are still two of the original six still serving and they are Maud Stumbles and Winifred Waterall.

OBITUARY: We were very sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. N. Speed of Shelton Lock in November 1985. Mrs. Speed had been ill for some years but died suddenly. She was keenly interested in her family history, the Thorpes and Outrams of the Codnor area. Through the Society she had found a cousin, Mr. Walter Robinson, who is carrying on with the research. We extend our sympathy to her husband who we hope will keep in touch through Mr. Robinson.

CHESTERFIELD BRANCH MEETING REPORT

Following the inaugural meeting on 27th Sept. 1985, we had our first two meetings in a member's house. At these meetings general discussions took place on the format of future events. We feel it is important to exchange both ideas and information and this will be an important part of our meetings.

One aspect we were very pleased to see was the pleasant atmosphere created by members and non-members who had never met before, talking to each other. Admittedly we all have the same interest, but so often you see people isolated in a crowd. In fact some non-members said how much they felt at ease, not knowing what to expect.

We have obtained a meeting room in St. Thomas' Church Hall, Chatsworth Road, Chesterfield. Meetings are 7.30 to 9.30 pm. on the second Tuesday monthly. There will be occasions when we may have to move the meeting dates, but this will be advertised.

Come along and join us, you will be most welcome. Enquiries to either Mike Sims, 16 Edinburgh Road, Wingerworth, Chesterfield S42 6SQ. (Tel. Chesterfield 76803) or to Mrs. M. Pearce, 10 Burgess Close, Hasland, Chesterfield S41 ONP (Tel. Chesterfield 76845).

We had our first 'formal' meeting with an excellent 'out of hours' visit to the Chesterfield Local Studies Library - hosted by Mr. John Lilley.

Programme for March to June 1986

- 11th March - Recording Memorial Inscriptions - Mrs. W.E. Waterall
- 8th April - Visit to Robinsons of Chesterfield
- 13th May - Clay Cross Pre-Industrial Revolution - Mr. C. Williams
- 10th June - Members' Meeting - Any Questions?

Malcolm Pearce.

MICKLEOVER HOUSE GROUP

Monthly meetings are held at the home of Marilyn and Mike Bagworth, 233, Ladybank Road, Mickleover, Derby. Do contact Marilyn and Mike for future dates if you would like to attend.

ON THE ANCESTOR TRAIL

Member Virginia Bronson of USA and her daughter Toni were over here in November. They zipped everywhere, Wales, England and Scotland, visiting the haunts of their ancestors. I know they had a super few days with a cousin discovered through family history, our own Fred Hall and his family. I'm sure in 3 days, with the help of Fred's son John, they visited more places than we do in a year! The children of Milford school were thrilled to have their photographs taken by an American lady who visited their school. Virginia was also able to visit the cottage at Belper where her gt. gt. grand-father had lived. It was good to meet her one evening at Fred's home, to chat about the hard work she does for the Societies in her own area and to help her discover new ancestors on the Derbyshire I.G.I.

Pauline

ACCOMMODATION: Chevin Green Farm, Chevin Rd. Belper, Derbys, DE5 2UN. (Tel: 700 382 2328). Bed & Breakfast or Self-catering cottages. Proprietors - Carl & Joan Postles.

NOVEMBER MEETING REPORT

DOMESTIC AND FARMING LIFE IN DERBYSHIRE

was the general heading of Janet Spavold's talk, but as she is running a WEA/ Nottingham University Adult Research Group in South Derbyshire she based her talk on the material the group is researching for the Church Gresley area. In this way we gained a detailed and absorbing picture of life there in the 16th to 18th centuries. Of particular fascination was to see how national events were reflected locally. For instance - At the time of the Dissolution of the monasteries the contents of Gresley Priory were sold for nearly £800 and the Priory land was shown to earn an annual rental of £30.. Both these figures proving that the Priory was much wealthier than the Prior ever admitted to.

. When Spain was threatening to invade England, the Muster Books were opened. Church Gresley and its surrounding villages had to send men (they were named) to Derby for six months military training. They were then stood down to await the invasion, which, as we know, didn't happen.

. Local Catholics through Lists of Attainder, are shown to have had involvement in various plots to claim Mary Queen of Scots' right to the English Throne.

. During the Civil War it was customary for armies in the field to finance themselves by collecting levies in cash and in kind from the local population. The records show that Sir George Gresley, a Parliamentary supporter living in a Royalist area, had at different times to provide support for armies from both sides, as well as providing material for the rebuilding of Tutbury Castle for the Royalists.

Given enough of them, wills and inventories are collectively a powerful tool for historical studies. Janet's group have analysed all of them for Church Gresley parish spanning the period 1525 to 1700. By analysing the valuation of farm animals they are able to show that although values tended to be more stable than today, there were nevertheless several periods of very steep inflation. As compared with other areas, the general impression is that South Derbyshire was impoverished, with little improvement until about 1625, when the standard of living started to improve steadily. This was shown not only by the appearance of non-essential goods in wills and inventories, but the increasing mention of farm implements showed that farming itself was being raised above the subsistence level.

The group also examined the standing of all those other people who get a mention in these these documents, that is, witnesses and assessors (appraisers). About half of the men could sign their name, and less than half of the women. Most witnesses were servants. All of the assessors were men and of some local standing as shown by the contents of their own wills and inventories.

The group has published two books on earlier research; both of them have personal name indexes. they are

PITS, POTS AND PEOPLE: SOUTH DERBYSHIRE IN 1851 £2.50 (£3.40 incl. p & p.)

AT THE SIGN OF THE BULL'S HEAD: A HISTORY OF HARTSHORNE & ITS ENCLOSURE £4.95 (£6.07 incl. p & p.) From Mrs. J Spavold, 28 Wilfred Place, Ashby de la Zouch Leics. LE6 5GW.

Albert Weldon.

TRACING MISSING PERSONS THROUGH THE DHSS. - CORRECTION

Several members who are also connected with the DHSS have written to me to point out an error in my article on page 24 of the December 1985 issue of Branch News. I wrongly described the form of the National Insurance No. It should be "takes the form AB123456C." The description given in the article was of the National Health Service No.

My thanks to the members who spotted the mistake, and my apologies to anyone who may have been inconvenienced by it.

Albert Weldon.

RG4 4664 Vol. G. Births registered 1820 - 1824

Alsop 2354	Percival 1659, 3265, 4900
Baker 1238, 3097, 5081	Proudman 3892
Barnes 587, 4621	Richardson 2411
Beet 4910	Saxton 4015
Bennett 1025, 1026, 1293	Smith 4339, 5011, 5012
Broughton 4908	Taylor 3891
Clark 587, 4910	Thacker 3081 to 4
Clay 587, 4621, 5013	Tomlinson 3086
Dennies 4440	Topley 3839
Dobson 3891	Twells 122 to 7
Gadsby 3839	Walker 3079, 3080, 4851
Healey 4440	Wathey 3079, 3080, 4851
Hutchinson 3892	West 122 to 7
Ireland 4015	Winson 4339
Jones 3081 to 4	Wright 1025, 1026, 1238, 1293, 3097, 5081
May 3086	Woodhouse 5011, 5012
Mee 2411	Woolley 5013
Morley 4908	Yates 4561
Peet 1659, 3265, 4561, 4900	

Match the numbers to get surname of father and mother's maiden name (unless Alsop married Alsop!)

RG4 4665 Vol. H. Births registered 1824-1837

Alsop 4080 to 4083	Percival 794
Bacon 2464, 2465	Pike 4451
Baker 1235	Pollard 4364
Biggin 4150	Proudman 4553
Birch 3389	Robinson 3400 to 3403
Buxton 2464, 2465	Sanders 4451
Carnen 4150 or Camin	Saxton 762, 1841, 3721
Cartwright 2155, 2156	Smithee 4307
Camin 4150 or Carnen	Stevenson 1414, 1405, 2981, 2982
Collier 4553	Strutt 1665
Frearson 676 to 678	Twells 103, 104
Hull 4364	Walker 1319, 1665, 2466, 3558
Ireland 762, 1841	Waterall 3721
Johnson 3636 -	Wathey 1319, 2466, 3558
Lucas 3400, to 3403	West 103, 104
Malin 3636	White 2155, 2156
Marsh 3389	Wilson 2981, 2982
Parkinson 676 to 678	Winfield 1404, 1405
Peggs 4307	Wright 1235
Peet 12, 794, 1037, 2667	Yates 12, 1037, 2667

Match the numbers to get surname of father and mother's maiden name (unless Alsop married Alsop or it's impossible to decide between CARNEN and CAMIN).

With this information (plus a reader's ticket and courage enough to tackle the computer) searchers can go the Public Record Office in Chancery Lane and know that their journey will be rewarded with information about the birth of a child in Derbyshire to parents of these names. However, it should be remembered that births were seldom registered immediately; sometimes there was a gap of up to 40 years! Do also order up the series in RG5 of the copies of the original certificates given to parents, using the dates and reference numbers quoted above; these provide a personal touch missing from registers.

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A quick look at the relevant index books (for RG4/4664 it is RG4/4672 and for RG4/4665 it is RG4/4673) for these names, may reveal relations lurking in other counties e.g. RG4/4664 entry no. 4593 Solomon Smithee Also born 1 April 1824 at Quorndon, Leics. registered 28th May 1824 son of John Allsop to Mary daughter of Solomon and Frances Smithee.

For anyone who just can't wait, I am willing to copy and send the details I have extracted on receipt of a S.A.E. plus two second-class stamps per surname quoted. I intend to continue compiling these indexes which I hope will be found useful.

Miss Ruth Killon, Two Adingtons, Halling Hill, Harlow, Essex.
CM20 3JY. (Memb. no. 200).

FROM YOUR LETTERS:

Cressbrook and Litton Mills. The notes on Cressbrook and Litton Mills published in the last issue of "Branch News" has prompted Mrs. Maureen Newton of Hucknall, who came as a visitor to our Dec. meeting to write: "The article on Cressbrook and Litton Mills by Patricia Rix interested me for several reasons. My grandmother's maiden name was BLINCO, but whether we have any family connection with Robert Blinco is yet undiscovered.

I read Robert's book years ago because the name interested me and I was also interested in the Social history of my own area, the Leen Valley. The Robinson family who had mills along the river Leen were supposedly enlightened employers, but rumours about mass graves of pauper children in local churchyards are persistent.

My husband JOHN WILLIAM NEWTON swears that his NEWTON ancestors are from Leicestershire. I think I'll believe him."

Maureen Newton.

A Typical Mining Family?

Mrs. Marjorie Bos writes regarding the article in the June issue, no. 33, which dealt with the migration of coal miners. "My grandfather, George Gilthorpe moved from Newbold in Derbyshire and to my knowledge, moved to work in about 15 places and pits, also on farms in Yorkshire in the radius of 50 miles from Doncaster to Goole. Last week I asked my 81 year old father, Joseph Gilthorpe a Yorkshire miner, about this as we had also moved around, and he said that if they heard of pits with better working conditions and money, they moved there. My Welsh coal mining ancestors did the same."

Marjorie Bos.

They little know what they have missed!

After reading Pauline's 'Moans Section' a member writes of the disappointment felt when no acknowledgment is received after answering an enquiry. However, on an initial enquiry, only information on the immediate family is sent and so if no thank you is received, then the enquirer can miss out on a lot of valuable information which could take their family tree back to the 1700's.

EAST MIDLANDS HISTORY FAIR: Museum of Technology, Corporation Rd. (off Abbey Lane), Leicester, LE4 5PX. 17-18 May 1986 (10 am - 5 pm each day). The fair will bring together groups of Local, Family and Industrial historians so that the range of activities and interests can be demonstrated. It is being sponsored by the British Association for Local History and several counties will be represented. Our own Society will be taking part and we hope to see some of our members there.

HEADS OF FAMILIES. LEA & HOLLOWAY - 1841

WILLIAM KNOWLES 50 Hatter	JOHN PEACH 55 Stone Cutter
GEORGE SLACK 25 Tailor	SAMUEL SIMS 30 Stone Merchant
JOSEPH BODEN 40 Stone Cutter	SAMUEL HOLMES 44 Lead Smelter
THOMAS BUXTON 25 Cordwainer	WILLIAM LEE 50 Lead Smelter
WILLIAM LITTLEWOOD 30 Hatter	SAMUEL WORTHY 40 Hatter
SAMUEL OLDHAM 30 Wool Sorter	SAMUEL FROST 30 Hosiery Goods
GEORGE MARTIN 35 Frame Smith	GEORGE SMITH 30 Grocer
ABELL HENSTOCK 40 Miner	WILLIAM MARCHANT 20 Hosiery Warehouse
JOHN DAWES 50 Hosiery Ware- houseman	WILLIAM ROGERS 55 Farmer
WILLIAM HOLMES 40 Miner	JOHN SHARDLOW 40 Labourer
GEORGE WRIGHT 30 Labourer	JOSEPH FOX 25 Labourer
JOHN WRAGG 40 Miner	THOMAS FROST 37 Labourer
SAMUEL BARNES 36 Labourer	THOMAS HODKINSON 28 Cordwainer
JOSEPH STOPPARD 30 Tailor	JOHN STRANGE 40 Labourer
HENRY BUXTON 25 Painter	GEORGE BUXTON 30 Blacksmith
GEORGE WRAGG 50 Smelter	JOSEPH MARTIN 42 Ag. Labourer
SAMUEL HOLMES 35 Lead Smelter	JOSHUA STORER 50 sic. Wood Steward
ELIZABETH RAWSON 15 -	WILLIAM LUDLAM 60 Wool Washer
JOHN WRIGHT 60 Shoe maker	JOHN WOOLLEY 25 Labourer
GEORGE BARKER 55 Hatter	JOSEPH WORTHY 67 Hatter
JOHN MARSH 40 Labourer	WILLIAM WALKER 50 Hat Manufacturer
GEORGE SHARDLOW 35 Labourer	HANNAH ALSOP 55 -
WILLIAM POYSER 56	FRANCIS CROFTS 35 Wheelwright
PHILIP SPENCER 46 Lead Miner	JOSEPH RADFORD 25 Grocer
ALICE HASLAM 65 Ind.	JACOB GREGORY 45 Lead Miner
JOSEPH CLAYTON 50 Wheelwright	JOHN TOMLINSON 35 Miner
HANNAH FLINT 50 Widow	MARTHA MARCHANT 55 Widow
SAMUEL WRAGG 25 Stone Mason	WILLIAM PEACH 44 Lead Dresser
HANNAH ALLEN 50 Widow	JOSEPH GREGORY 40 Hatter
SAMUEL CHEETHAM 39 Tailor	THOMAS OLDHAM 65 Shoemaker
THOMAS BROWNSON 30 Cordwainer	SAMUEL CROOKS 60 Wood Cutter
JOHN MASKERY 30 Stone Mason	GRACE SALES 45 Widow
JOHN RADFORD 55 Blacksmith	HENRY EATON 25 Stone getter
	JOHN SMEDLEY 35 Hosiery Manufacturer

All but William Rodgers, William Walker, Thomas Oldham and William Holmes were born in Derbyshire. William Holmes giving his birth-place as Ireland.

Contributed by Miss N. Cunningham, 24 Burford Rd. Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 5SP (Memb.no. 439) who will supply further details to members in return for S.A.E.

The Society of Genealogists is holding a Congress at the University of Oxford, Monday 8th - Sunday 14th September 1986, celebrating its 75th Anniversary. This will also incorporate the half-yearly meeting of the Federation of Family History Societies. More information from Miss S. Colwell, Hon. Organiser, 75th Anniversary Congress, Society of Genealogists, 14 Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Rd., London EC1M 7BA. (please enclose a foolscap S.A.E.)

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IN ANSWER TO "YOUR COMMENTS" - ANOTHER IDEA ON PRESENTATION OF A FAMILY HISTORY.

Some time ago I also wrote to ask advice on the best way to present and store a family tree, or rather a written history with documents and illustrations etc. After rejecting many as unsuitable I came up with something similar to the gentleman who wrote in the Sept. issue of the magazine, except that I use a plastic wallet with holes punched to fit a ring folder. I insert into each a sheet of plain white paper and onto each side of this paper I attach my photographs, documents etc. by means of transparent photograph corners. This way I get a double sided page all kept clean and tidy. I find that the ring binder holds at least 50 such wallets depending on the thickness of the enclosed documents etc. As new data comes to hand it can be inserted anywhere within the folder. As a temporary backing I used a 10p copy of an old Derbyshire map, then covered it with transparent stuck-backed plastic. The map thus makes it easy to find amongst other such binders in the house which contain a variety of other items. When, if ever, it is completed, or as complete as I feel I can make it, a more permanent arrangement could be found. If I happen to expire before the task is finished it is certainly large enough and sturdy enough to withstand any treatment it may receive at others' hands.

To the collection of documents and certificates I have added pages which picture the fashions of the age for each generation and items which cover world events at these dates are added as I find them. Information gleaned from books is photocopied and included for I find that it is very tedious to extract such information from a long list of reference books as on the back page of most publications. Every generation has its section and I add a part of the tree in chart form which covers the one in each chapter. The most difficult task I found was to write down what I knew of each family so that a complete novice could understand and not leave out any item which could be of use to a possible future searcher who may wish to complete my task several years hence. At the same time making it an interesting story rather than a lot of compiled facts and figures. So often I have read of other families and the writer has assumed that the reader had some knowledge of the family written about, and had in fact left out the most important details which would have served this purpose. It may take several attempts to get it just right but I hope that as I grow older, I may also grow wiser. As it is in its present state I can always change it whereas if it were bound I should feel that I had to begin a new book every year for I would certainly have found a better way to do something. And who knows, some bright spark may even begin to make our task easier by producing custom made folders etc. Surely that cannot be too far away. The market for these items would be enormous as the hobby continues to grow at speed. One only has to see the number of people waiting to use micro readers etc. at the public record offices.

Rowena Clarke. Memb.no. 821.

Where was he baptised? (entry from Swarkeston 1851 census)

JOHN BROWN of Canal Side Lock, aged 48, Porter and Check Clerk,
born at sea.

SHEFFIELD OBITUARIES INDEX: Covers all the notable and notorious of the city of Sheffield who merited editorial obituaries in the local papers between 1850 and 1975. Available, if asked for, at Chesterfield County Library.

THE EAGERS FAMILY OF DERBY

When the firm of Joseph Eagers Ltd. (Cutlers & Ironmongers) closed its doors for the last time in August 1972, it was the end of one hundred and nine years spent in association with the public of Derby.

The Eagers were of Irish origin. The first one of our branch of the family was one Joshua, the son of William Eagers, weaver, of Meath in what is now Eire. Joshua eventually settled in Oakham, Rutland, as a cordwainer (or a maker of shoes; the name derives from the soft Spanish Cordoba leather much in demand for fine shoes). Here he married Ann Young, the daughter of William Young and Ann Brown who had been married at Oakham in 1781.

Joshua and Ann moved to Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, where their eight children were born. The third son, John (bp. in 1814) must have been apprenticed to a plumber, as by the time he married Sarah Watson at Chesterfield in 1838, he had his own business as a plumber and gas fitter.

At the time of the 1851 census, they were living in Knifsmithgate, Chesterfield and had six children. Joseph was the third son and his birthplace is given as Netherthorpe, Chesterfield, although I can find no record of his baptism at the parish church. As his mother was born at Mexborough, Yorks. it is possible he was baptised there. It is interesting to note that whoever filled in the census form spelt the name as 'Egars'.

Joseph left home at the age of twelve and became an apprentice to a cutler in Sheffield. At the age of twenty-one, he had finished his apprenticeship and moved to Derby. He set up as a 'jobbing cutler' on the corner of St. James's Lane and Victoria Street, somewhere in the vicinity of where the General Post Office now stands. We have an old photograph taken of him standing outside his cottage; close by is the beginning of the culvert through which the Markeaton Brook passed under Victoria Street. This was in the days before The Strand was built although Victoria Street was covered over. I should imagine that when Joseph Eagers arrived in Victoria Street, the new Congregational Church was in the process of being built on the opposite side of the road.

The old Independent Brookside Chapel had been pulled down in 1860. When Joseph married Sarah Page in 1864, the ceremony took place at the Osmaston Road Baptist Chapel. The Pages were members of the Brookside Chapel (later Victoria St. Congregational Church) and one would have thought the marriage would have taken place there, under the circumstances; perhaps the new church had not yet been consecrated.

In the old deeds of Victoria Street Church, there is a share certificate appertaining to George Sirrocold's Water Company. The interest accrued from this money was divided between the needy members of the church. The parents of Sarah Page at some time fell on hard times and were helped by the church, one assumes from the interest received from George Sirrocold's company.

Joseph and Sarah had nine children, the first two being born in St. James's Lane. The second son, Rowland, was baptised at the new Congregational Church across the way and it is probable that many of the others were also baptised there as a number of the children had connections with the church in later life.

After Rowland's birth in 1867, the family moved to 25 Sadler Gate, and the next five children were born there. Although the family lived over the whole shop, half the ground-floor premises was let to a barber and Joseph Eagers had many a joke when youths wandered by mistake into his establishment for a hair-cut; such as sitting them on a stool and producing a large pair of sheep-shears. In those days, hair could be bought quite cheaply and some was always kept in the workshop for the testing of hair-cutting scissors. Joseph liked to spread plenty of this around when he was playing his pranks on his victims.

By the time the last two children were born, the family was much more affluent and had moved to a house in Warner Street, the Sadler Gate premises being used entirely for the business and eventually extended to take up the whole shop area.

The workshop was at the back of the retail premises. Even up until 1972, there was no back-way, although permission had been sought on many occasions for access to one or other of the yards on either side of the workshop. Consequently everything had to be carried in and out of the shop entrance, including the garbage. Judging from the small bricks, the property was quite old when Joseph Eagers moved into the building. In 1745 a sword-sharpener and cutler had been killed by a grinding-stone which had flown off a broken shaft; (Davison's History of Derby). One wonders if it had been on the same premises.

The old saddle-system of grinding was still being used up until after the Second World War; one wonders if this was installed by Joseph Eagers or someone who was there before him. The old mid-Victorian 'stand-up' desk was still in use and also the old pedestal table at which Joseph sat to hone his razors (cut-throat type), but fortunately this was rescued some years back and restored.

Three sons followed their father into the business, and later one grandson. Two great-grandsons gave it a trial then sought pastures new; working on Saturdays while others played had little appeal.

Of the daughters, one married a Congregational parson and the other the owner of Porters Seed Stores of Derby; she later became mayor-ess of Derby, her husband, Fred, being one of our Liberal Mayors... And that seems a long time ago!

It is only in recent years (since researching the family history) that we have found out anything about Joseph's brothers and sisters. Many of their descendants reside in Sheffield; a great-nephew of Joseph became a Lt. Colonel and a great-niece (another Kathleen Eagers) has a footballer for a grandson; his name is Steve Moran!

Contributed by Kate Eagers. Memb. no. 950).

Where was he baptised? (entry from Sandiacre 1851 census)

WILLIAM LOT, lodger, unm. aged 24 Ironstone miner, born on the sea.

JOHN MORLEY, marr. aged 35, labourer, born on the sea.

From "The Penny Magazine" Aug. 18th 1832: A sanguine Frenchman had so high an opinion of the pleasure to be enjoyed in the study of heraldry that he used to lament the hard case of our forefather Adam, who could not possibly amuse himself by investigating that science, nor that of genealogy.

(Contributed by Mary Johnson)

COVER PICTURE - THORPE ST. LEONARD.

The tiny village of Thorpe lies 3 miles north of Ashbourne at the entrance to picturesque Dovedale and almost on the slopes of Thorpe Cloud, the well-known grassy hill with its craggy summit. Thorpe Cloud dominates the area, rising almost 1,000 ft. above sea level. The river Dove, which gives its name to the dale through which it flows, forms the border between Derbyshire and Staffordshire.

The narrow village road along which are scattered a few delightful cottages climbs towards the parish church with its squat Norman tower, once a chapelry of Ashbourne. The registers dating from 1538 are deposited at the County Record Office, Matlock. Recorded in the year 1605/6 are details of 29 burials in 3 months indicating that the village was visited by the plague at this time. There is also a memorandum stating that for 12 years (1643-1656) the registers were not kept, although a few names were inserted later. This would be during the time of Oliver Cromwell.

In the churchyard stands a sundial by Whitehurst of Derby, a famous clockmaker who lived from 1713 to 1788. The clock in the church tower is by John Smith & Sons of Derby, successors to the Whitehurst family business. (See article on Mr. George Smith, Branch News no.34).

At the time of the Domesday Survey, Thorpe was in the possession of the Crown. It then passed through the hands of the Wythen, Cockaine, Milward and Adderley families until it was purchased by William Fitherbert of Tissington in the mid 19th century. To the east of the village lies Broadlow Ash, once owned by the Milwards, mentioned in the Domesday Book as a Berewick or hamlet of Ashbourne of which only one farm remains. To the north of Thorpe is Hanson Grange which has passed through the hands of the Paget, Flacket and Boothby families until it became the property of William Gould in the early 19th century and is still owned by members of that family.

SURNAMES from the Memorial Inscriptions of St. Leonard's, Thorpe.

ADAMS	FINNEY	JAMES	SELLERS
BADNALL	FISHER	JOHNSON	SHIPLEY
BANKS	FLETCHER	JORDON	SKEVINGTON
BARBER	FOSTER	KENT	SMITH
BARKS	FROGGATT	KEWLEY	STODDART
BARNES	FURBER	KNOWLES	STONE
BARNETT	GAINS	LEES	STUBBS
BARRATT	GARLICK	LUCAS	SUMMERS
BARRETT	GARRATT	MADGE	THORNTON
BASSETT	GOLDSTRAW	MANSFIELD	TOMKINSON
BEARDSL(E)Y	GOULD	MELLOR	TOMLINSON
BERISFORD	GRATION	MILLER	TOMSON
BLACKDEN	GREATOREX	MILLS	TOWNSEND
BLOUNT	GREENSMITH	MILLWARD	TWIGGE
BODEN	GRINDEY	MINTON	WALDRON
BOOTH	GROVES	MITCHELL	WARDLE
BOWLD	HALL	MOTTRAM	WATERFALL
BOWLER	HARDING	MYNORS	WEBSTER
BRIDGWATER	HARDY	NADIN	WESTHORPE
BROWN	HARRISON	NEWCOME	WHEELDON
BURKILL	HAYWARD	PIDCOCK	WHEEN
BUXTON	HEALD	POYSER	WHITE
CHADWICK	HEYS	PRINCE	WIGLEY
DEAN	HICHMOTT	REDFERN	WILLIAMS
EDMONDS	HIGHAM	ROBERTS	WILLIAMSON
EDWARDS	HODGKINSON	ROE	WINDER
ELLIS	HOWELL	ROWLAND	WOODROFFE
ETCHES	HUDSON	SARGISSON	WRIGHT

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<u>Stonemasons:-</u>	ANDERSON	FORD	LAMB
	BIRLEY	HARDY	OLDHAM
	COLLIN & CO.	HULME	SELLERS
	DOXEY		

For full inscriptions contact Winifred Waterall (M.I. Co-ordinator).

RECORDING M.I's IN HOSPITAL

When Mike Bagworth was in hospital recently, he recorded the memorial plaques which were over the beds in the ward where he was a patient. The plaques refer to donations and endowments made to the hospital earlier this century.

Memorial Plaques on wall of Ward 5, Derbyshire Royal Infirmary

The "LADY SMITH and MISS LOCKE" bed endowed by a legacy under the will of the late MISS SARAH ELIZABETH LOCKE 1937.

The ADA HILL bed endowed by a legacy under the will of MISS EMILY ADA HILL.

The JAMES and ELIZA HILL bed endowed by MISS EMILY ADA HILL in memory of her beloved parents.

The "BETSY BRASSINGTON" bed endowed by WILLIAM H. BRASSINGTON in memory of his wife BETSY 27th October 1925.

The MARY MASON bed endowed by her brother-in-law S.T. BUNNING in Loving Memory 1927.

Endowed by SAMUEL THEODORE BUNNING In Loving Memory of his wife SARAH BUNNING. At rest 22nd February 1918.

In memory of C. MARY AYRE and CHARLES AYRE, wife and son of HENRY E. AYRE, Mickleover, died 1915.

The JACOB HOULT bed given by ANNIE SUTTON In Loving Memory of her father JACOB HOULT, Uttoxeter New Road, Derby 1914.

The MARGARET HOULT bed given by ANNIE SUTTON In Loving Memory of her mother MARGARET HOULT, Uttoxeter New Road, Derby 1914.

The ANNIE SUTTON bed endowed by ANNIE SUTTON of Ravenscourt, Burton Road, Derby 1914.

Endowed by THE BRITISH CELANESE (Spondon Factory) EMPLOYEES HOSPITAL Fund 1927.

MELBOURNE BED. This bed was endowed by the people of MELBOURNE and District, through efforts organised by the MELBOURNE MARKET GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION.

The ROBERT BAKER CHAMBERS and SARAH ELIZABETH CHAMBERS" bed endowed by a legacy under the will of the late MISS SARAH ELIZABETH CHAMBERS.

The "ROBERT SAMUEL TAYLOR and CLARA TAYLOR" bed endowed by a bequest from ROBERT SAMUEL TAYLOR of Littleover 1942.

DEDICATED TO THE BELOVED MEMORY OF DOROTHEA PEVERIL TURNBULL. As fair as Violets in the Spring, as sweet as any Rose in summer time. But frail are Roses in their Prime and Violets in their Blossoming.

HERMITAGE FARM: Will the member with Hermitage Farm interests please write to:-
Mary E. Johnson, 147 Lowes Hill, Ripley, Derbys. DE5 3DW.

Reverend Hubbersty's family in Wirksworth visited Aunt's family at Wood End. They had a daughter my age, and two sons older, Phillip and Nathan. When I was a little girl I liked Nathan; he became preacher in the English Church, and Phillip a lawyer. Years afterwards I saw Phillip at Hollins and Fritchley on business, but I did not tell him I was Mrs. Swettenham's little niece. Richard was in a shop in Paris for only a short time, I think he did not have a high opinion of the business methods there.

The Bank's business house was Charles andBanks, cousin Charles was with them, and cousin Sarah's son (the last time we heard of him) was their agent in France, somewhere in the southern part, and living in good batchelor style.

Miss Ann Banks married Mr. Wright of Wirksworth, she visited in Aunt Marshall's house in Fritchley the last year we were in England.

The Wright's had a shop for wine, spirits, and I think groceries. Mrs. Anne Wright would be sure to know about cousin Sarah now, and if she is not living, her children or her brother's children would certainly know.

The family of Mrs. Wright would know about Aunt Swettenham being buried in Wirksworth, my name Mary, was her name, and I was her pet. Charles and Sarah Walker were the only cousins we ever had and I wish very much to obtain trace of Alfred Nuttall.

We have heard that a railroad runs through the grounds of Cromford Bridge House.

Miss Hall once took Aunt Marshall riding over the grounds of Willersley Castle, we saw gardens and had a view of scenery higher up the Derwent River. The public are allowed on certain days, I hope you will go. Matlock Bath almost joins Cromford, and there is a museum containing specimensof all sizes and ornaments made from minerals. Spar of various colours is to be found in the rocks where the waters produced these curious results. You will need a good purse for little things for your children and sisters.

There is a view of a high rock called "High Tor", beyond that is the "Peak" where Sir Walter Scott's story of "Peveral of the Peak" was said to be.

Father up in Buxton, with bathrooms which show the crutches left there by patients, in gratitude for cures of mineral waters.

Near by is Chatsworth,house of the Duke of Devonshire, often visited by tourists from all parts of Europe, I wish you could see it. Your father with a party of young Belper people once went for a pleasure trip and saw the beautiful gardens.

When Alice was in Miss Lomas' school in Belper, there was Mr. James Swettenham practicing law I think, he was my Aunt Swettenham's stepson, Mrs. Ann when in your house at Chester Hill, told me thathe has two nice little girls, I would like to know anything you hear about them in Belper.

I remember him when I was a little girl at his father's and my Aunt's home at Woodend, his sister Miss Mary Swettenham became the wife of Dr. Overend of Sheffield before we left England, and afterwards, Miss Fanny Swettenham also married a doctor.

When Richard's seven years with Mr. Harrison ended, he was in Manchester a short time, then in London, in a great house where the firm of Stone and Bryer made silks and sold them. Clerks must live in the house and all be in doors before ten o'clock. Aunt Bessie visited London, and wished to see the streets where hebrews did their business, after looking at them a while, she said 'Richard take me away'. Aunt Bessie's pleasing manners made her a favourite everywhere. She spent about a year with us at Greenbank, and after she passed away in New York City about November 1845, a year after coming here to be with your father, our Canfield minister spoke highly of her from his pulpit.

Dr. Evans was chief doctor in Belper, and came to Fritchley and Crich, once for Aunt Bessie who had a heart attack and Aunt Margaret sent me out for Phillip, he almost ran to Belper, and Dr. Evans made him lie down and drink some wine.

When you were all at Chester Hill, you had a visitor, Mrs. Anne.... She was daughter to Mr. William Harrison, with whom your father served seven years. Mrs. Annes grown up daughters were with her. Her son was here on business. Mother and daughter returned to Belper. You also saw a young manLeam, who was one of these at Fritchley. His business was something like your father's. He went to St. Louis.

Mr. William Harrison's shop was in the market-place, Belper. It is possible that his son David may be living and could talk about your father's busy days there. There were several families named Harrison. I think Mr. Abraham Harrison was most wealthy. Aunt Bessie was acquainted, and a while after we came away, some young people in his house sang that song (author Mrs. Homans) "The Breaking Waves Dashed High". Aunt was so affected that when the song ended she had to leave the room.

Mr. Strutt's cotton mills give work to many people, and his house and grounds are objects of interest, and very pretty.

When going through Crich, walk down the street to an open space called The Cross, then move rather to the right and you will soon see a drug and grocer's shop, and post-office on the left hand side. Opposite is the gate for carriage entrance to the home of Mr. Travis, who had charge of Aunt Margaret's and Aunt Bessie's money, being sent to America while our mother lived. Your father had letters from him, and my sister Alice wrote my mother's letters to him. Mr. Samuel Travis had two little daughters. One may be living now and would remember Miss Elizabeth Hunt. Mr. Travis had modernised the grounds. When I was a very little girl, his aunt, Mrs. Woodhouse resided there, and my aunt, Miss Alice Brown, was well acquainted. I attended school at Miss Saxton's and after being "out" I wated in Mrs. Woodhouse's parlor till Billy Plant, from Mr. Walker's school, called to take me safe to Hollins.

A little father on the street, and on the same side, is a house fronting on the street, with walks and shrubs on two sides. That was Mr. Saxton's house and a building in the rear had been fixed with outside steps for a schoolroom, and an elder Miss Saxton taught for many years. That house had been the house of Mr. Bakewell's family (our Mrs. Audeben's parents). Miss Lucy Bakewell was about six years older than my mother, but she and her sisters were intimate with the family. Mr. Bakewell's removal to America was a cause of grief to my mother and her sister, and Miss Lucy wrote letters to my mother for some years afterwards. When I was in my teens, living at Hollins, I often read these letters, written in New Jersey thirty years before. They seemed a sort of romantic story, and now I think Mrs. Lucy Audeben's whole life was a romantic story.

Pity these letters were lost when we left England. I wish you could take a picture of that home of Miss Lucy Bakewell. I think Miss Audeben would appreciate it now. Perhaps both front and side in two views would be best.

Walk along the open space or Fair Ground, and see on your left hand a good house close to the side-walk. Mr. Thomas Lea lived there, and a shop (best one in Crich) is across the street. Mrs. Lea had a little girl who was, I think, a pet of Aunt Bessie's when she left England, in perhaps 1843. She may be living now. I heard that James Lea, who went to Mr. Walker's school with Richard, had a shop in later years.

I have most of Sister Alice's papers, and I find that Mr. Travis' letters from July 23rd 1847 to February 9th 1854. Your father had some of his letters too, and perhaps later ones. Mr. Travis and Edward Leam had care of Aunt Margaret's money. Edward Leam held some part of it, and when called in he could not produce it. So Mr. Travis had great deal of care and trouble, and some good money was wasted in attending to the lost funds. I want to send a note to Mr. Travis' daughter, expressing my thanks for all the care her father took for us who were so far away. After we left England, Mr. Travis was in Belper, and had charge of a bank there. In February 1854, he moved to Derby, our county town. His house was number 34 London Road.

Mr. Witham had the drug and grocery shop, and post-office opposite Mr. Travis' house in Crich. His little daughter was in my Sunday School class the last year we were in England. The family may be in that shop still, and perhaps could tell you where Mr. Travis' daughter is now.*

I wish you could learn how many acres the Hollins farm includes, and also how many acres in Aunt's small farm in Fritchley. Perhaps you may learn the amount of that wee little rent paid to those old estates.

Walk on still father and see Mr. Walker's house on the right, farther back from the street. Near by is the schoolhouse, where boys in my days, and in my mother's days, girls too, were taught to become good writers and good accountants. Boys were whipped too, O dear!

Little below Mr. Walker's school on the same side of the street is the house which Aunt and Uncle Marshall built after we left England. They had been obliged to leave the house in Fritchley which they had rented when they left Hollins. We were in that house one year, making ready to come to America. When we left England, good Uncle Marshall's eyes could not see to snuff a candle, and in his new house once he fell down the cellar stairs. He liked Richard very much. Richard walked from Belper (five miles) to spend Sundays with Aunt and Uncle, and reading to Uncle. We all liked Uncle Marshall.

Soon after passing Uncle's house, a road to the left will show the beginning of Fritchley. A short distance down that road, on the left hand side, will be seen a small chapel on a rock. I remember how the working people rejoiced about having a chapel of their own. Aunt Bessie Hunt had engaged Reverend.....Pike, from Wirksworth, to preach the first sermon. The expected crowd came; but Alice and I were surprised to see a man with a collection plate standing on the pulpit stairs. When Mr. Pike was resting in Aunt's parlor, she had to apologise for his primitive behaviour.

When Richard came to America he told us how the people had built a chapel on the open space in Fritchley, and he helped Aunt Bessie and others with a "tea-drinking celebration".

Grandfather Hunt's house stands with its end close to the street. A grey stone wall on the garden side, and a light coloured stone wall with iron gates on the back. I remember that wall being made, and Aunt Bessie's disappointment when the gates did not prevent outside inspection. Aunt Bessie made the grey wall beautiful with a covering of ivy. The sloping ground was formed into terraces with walls. A high wall made from corner of a house and grape-vines trained on it. Aunt coaxed the bunches to ripen by covering each with black crepe. Laurel, juniper, and other pretty shrubs, flower borders round, and a grass plot looking like velvet. Aunt taught John how to mow grass properly, and when we were at Green Bank I found none could keep our door-yard grass nice except brother John.

On each side of the front door, laurel bushes formed a porch. At one corner of the garden, a large laburnum tree, covered with yellow flowers in season. Sister Alice sat under it studying her lessons. A small gate at the corner of the house, and a few steps down was the front entrance. I hope that you will stand there and look.

Aunt Bessie was a busy worker for somebody always. She was volunteer treasurer and secretary of the British and Foreign Bible Society for her district, a few miles in extent. Her kitchen chamber had a chest almost as large as a piano - dark polished wood, blue lining. Bibles and testaments were kept there to supply those who subscribed for them by slow degrees. The Bible Society in that way tried to send scriptures to everyone. Aunt often sent me round a mile or more to call for small sums, sometimes a penny a week.

I do not know if you could obtain a good picture of Aunt's house and grounds. I wonder if that Laburnum tree has had any shoots, that you might bring one for your own garden. A slip from the Lauristinus bushes at Hollins front steps would be a treasure.

Aunt's kitchen had old furniture, carved and showing very old style. In some drawers were Richard's playthings. Sundays were strictly kept, so when Aunt saw Richard at his drawers, she advised "no play on Sundays", Richard answered, "no, Aunt, I am only making ready!"

The mantelpiece in the best chamber had one ear of Indian corn, yellow and hard. Aunt kept only three cows, and no other livestock. A little railroad ran through the land. I think it took coal to Whatstandwell.

The homes of the Leam family joined Aunt's land. Grandmother Hunt was Mercy Leam. When we left, there were three brothers: Samuel, a carpenter, Joseph, a farmer, and Edward, who had the only shop in Fritchley. Aunt Bessie sold her house and land to Joseph Leam, and after his death in 1853 or 1854, it was sold I believe to Bowmer of Barn Close. Probably the youngest son. He with his sister Sarah, who attended Miss Saxton's school with me, called to say "good-bye" to me the last one or two evenings we were in Fritchley.

I wish you could find the house in Fritchley we lived in the last year we were in England. It is on low ground, with the back of it towards the mill where Mr. Wightman manufactured bobbins. The house had a rather large gate, kitchen garden to the left, where some high cherry trees tempted Henry to climb up and eat too many one day.

Miss Elizabeth Roome from Sutton, called to see her father's pupils and say good-bye. I remember she expressed surprise that I was willing to leave that pretty looking house and go away to America.

When father was a very old man, we saw in an English newspaper, "died in Alfretton, Nancy Wragg, much respected." I asked father, and he said, "Oh yes. Nancy Wragg and her husband William Wragg were his servants for many years." On Sunday noon hour I told your grandfather. He enjoyed the story.

On the hill back of Barn Close is a large windmill. I walked up there to call in a small house near by. A man who worked like others at making stockings. They were called "Frame-work knitters". I had become familiar with the "jar-att" sound of the machines, seen in various small homes in Crich and Fritchley. Often that man could not give me one penny towards his hoped for purchase of a testament. The immense sails of that windmill had a strange fascination for me. I think - no wonder "Don Quixote" book talked about the wonderful windmill sails. When leaving Hollins we took our great watch dog Trooper to Fritchley, and sometimes brother John amused himself with playing a violin-cello in a parlor with a low window. The music brought Trooper to the garden and he would sit near the window and add his voice to the sound of the instrument. When about to leave, we gave him to Sarah and Thomas Bowmer, who promised very good care, to please me. Afterwards, we heard that he often came to Aunt Marshall's house, appearing very despondent. Good Trooper! He missed the familiar voices and faces, and would not be consoled by others. Probably you will find some of the "Barn Close" family in that house now. It was their property.

These pages are the best account I can give of our family, and I hope you will care to keep it for a family history, though it does look rather disjointed. You can read it on shipboard.

Good wishes from Aunt Mary Brown.

ENTRY IN THE CHESTERFIELD BAPTISMS REGISTER:

1812. August 21. Susanna, daughter of Hugh and Susanna Brown of Cheadle in the County of Stafford, born 5th September 1811 and baptised the same day at that place.

It would thus appear that Susanna was baptised twice.

P.E. Jones. (Memb.no. 616)

Inscription on a stone in the burial ground at Forest Chapel, Macclesfield:

"O ponder well her fudden fall, ye thoughtless bloomin virgins all, Ye little think who read this stone how soon the cafe may be your own".

NOTE: I left out the name to protect the innocent, for no matter what we think her sudden fall was, we may well be wrong.

Rowena Clarke. (Memb.no. 821).

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