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FROM THE EDITOR



Welcome to 1996 and what will be a very busy year indeed. The move to our new premises should be under way by the time you receive this magazine and, hopefully, will all be shipshape for inspection by the time of the AGM. As you will see (page 7) this will be a full and interesting day with plenty to do and enjoy. Believe me a lot of hard work will have gone on behind the scenes to make the day go smoothly so I hope you all have an enjoyable time.

Also make sure you fill in the enclosed form for the Four Counties Conference which our Society is hosting at the historic Repton School, it should be another day to remember. Derbyshire FHS is also celebrating its 20th birthday this year and I would like to do a special issue of the magazine. If any of you have any memories of earlier days then send them in - not too long please so that I can publish as many as possible.

Finally a request from one of our members, Sandra Stock. She is the editor of one of the Society's newer books, Miscellaneous Lists, which has proved very popular. She is now trying to compile another edition and needs lists of names to help fill it up. If any of you stumble across such a list in your research then send it to Sandra, she will be most grateful. Places to look are, for example, in Court lists or newspapers, even the parish chest might yield something out of the ordinary. Sandra's address is 8 Albert Rd., Breaston, Derbyshire DE72 3DL.

Helen

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NAME	PARISH	CTY	DATES	NO.	NAME	PARISH	CTY	DATES	NO.
ALEXANDER	Hyde	Chs	1900s	3999	CALOW	Bolsover		1727-1786	4053
ALEXANDER	Carrickfergus	Ant	1800-1900s	3999	CALVER	Sutton on the Hill		c.1900	4032
ALLARSON	Preston	Lan	1800-1980	2384	CALVER	Burton on Trent	Sts	c.1900	4032
ALLEN	Derby		Any dates	4028	CARDEN	Matlock		<1677	4008
ALLEN	Edensor		1742-1786	4052	CARDEN	South Wingfield		c.1600	4008
ALLINSON	Preston	Lan	1800-1980	2384	CARDEN	Leake	Lin	c.1708	4008
ALLWOOD	Crich		<1850	4002	CARDEN	Wellingore	Lin	c.1600	4008
ALLWOOD	Holloway		<1850	4002	CARRIER	Kirk Hallam		19c	4009
ALLWOOD	Catley		<1850	4002	CHAMBERS	Chesterfield		19c	4057
ALLWOOD	Low Lees		<1850	4002	CHAPLIN	Duffield		<1790	4026
ALLWOOD	Soddin		<1850	4002	CHAPLIN	Derby		<1790	4026
ASHTON	Any parish		1800-1850	3992	CHAPLIN	Great Houghton	Nth	18c	4057
ATTON	Burton on Trent	Sts	c.1865	4032	CHAPMAN	Bolsover		1900	4012
ATTON	Winhill		c.1865	4032	CHARRETT	No parish given	Ham	c.1850	4007
BACON	Blackwell		1600-1900	4011	CHARRETT	No parish given		c.1850	4007
BAILEY	Horsley		<1840s	4035	CHRICHLOW	Nuneaton	War	1830	4034
BARKLA	No parish given	Con	18c & 19c	4046	CLARK	Chaddesden		1700-1800	3989
BARKLA	Bedminster	Avn	18c & 19c	4046	CLARKE	Chesterfield area		19c	4009
BARLOW	Derby		1873-1917	4003	CLEWS	Nuneaton	War	1800>	4032
BEAL	Brigstock	Nth	<1837	4051	COLLEDGE	Wirksworth		1700-1800	3989
BEAL(E)	Holmevood		1900>	4032	COLLINS	Derby		<1780	3990
BEAL(E)	Heath		1900>	4032	CONEY	No parish given	Cam	All dates	4058
BEBBINGTON	Nantwich	Chs	1900s	3996	CONEY	No parish given	Sry	All dates	4058
BECK	No parish given		No dates given	4037	COOKE	Dale Abbey		<1790	4026
BEDFORD	Ripley		1890-1920	4045	COOKE	Scarcliffe		<1750	4026
BELL	Whitwick	Lei	<1900	3993	COOPER	Langley Mill		1825-1851	4023
BELL	Ashby de la Zouch	Lei	<1900	3993	COPE	No parish given		1923	4041
BELL	Derby		<1900	4047	COPESTAKE	Repton		<1800	4010
BENSON	Huddersfield	Yks	1800	4029	COPESTAKE	Lambeth	Sry	19c-20c	4010
BINGHAM	Melbourne		<1900	3994	COPESTAKE	Shoreditch	Mdx	19c-20c	4010
BLOOD	Duffield		<1800	4057	CORBETT	Derby		18c & 19c	4046
BLOOD	Loughborough	Lei	1800-50	4057	COUPE	No parish given		18c & 19c	4056
BLOOD	Any connections with canals		19c	4057	COUSINS	Spondon		1786-1815	4053
BLYTHER	Alfreton		1810	4023	CUBLEY	Eivaston		1295	4005
BOOKER	Hundall		19c	3991	CUBLEY	Pleasley		14c	4005
BOOKER	Unstone		19c	3991	CUBLEY	Markeaton		16c	4005
BORSLEY	Derby		1900s	3996	CUBLEY	Hazlewood		17c	4005
BORSLEY	Uttoxeter	Sts	1900s	3996	CUBLEY	Honeston		17c	4005
BORSLEY	Dunchurch	War	1900s	3996	CUBLEY	Windley		17c	4005
BOWAN	Duxford	Cam	1815-1865	4023	CUBLEY	Derby		17c>	4005
BOWN	Matlock		c.1800	4021	CUTTS	Bolsover		1815>	4012
BOWN	Darley		c.1800	4021	DAKIN	Castle Donington		17c-19c	2384
BOWN	Ashover		c.1800	4021	DAMMS	Holmesfield		1700-1800	4029
BRADBURY	Ashbourne		19c	4030	DAMMS	Dronfield		1700-1800	4029
BRADLEY	Ilkeston		<1800	4023	DANNAH	No parish given		18c & 19c	4056
BRATBY	Bradley area		1750>	4043	DAWSON	Little Hulton	Lan	1800-1850	3998
BREALEY	Newhall		<1840	3997	DEAN	Derby		<1881	3442
BREALEY	Gresley		<1840	3997	DERWIN	Crich		<1800	4002
BREALEY	Burton on Trent	Sts	<1840	3997	DERWIN	Holloway		<1800	4002
BREERLEY	Newton Solney		<1800	4010	DERWIN	Ripley		<1800	4002
BRICKWOOD	Spondon		<1860s	4035	DERWIN	Fritchley		<1800	4002
BRIERLEY	Repton		<1800	4010	DISNEY	Derby		1750>	4022
BRITTLEBANK	No parish given	Dby	<1840	4013	DISNEY	Nottingham		<1750	4022
BRITTLEBANK	No parish given	Yks	1800-1900	4013	DISNEY	Nottingham		1900>	4022
BROWN	Manchester	Lan	c.1885	3987	DONNAN	Baslow area		1841-1851	4015
BROWN	Southwell	Nth	1800-1840	4004	DOWNES	Old Radnor	Rad	<1820	4046
BROWN	No parish given	Slk	18c & 19c	4056	EASON	Ashington	Som	19c	4016
BUNTING	Alfreton		<1780	3990	EASON	Mudford	Som	19c	4016
BUTLER	Longcote	Brk	All dates	4001	EDWARDS	Aston on Trent		c.1890	4032
CADMAN	No parish given	Sal	<1830	4031	EDWARDS	Sutton on the Hill		c.1890	4032

EDWARDS	Burton on Trent	Sts	c.1890	4032	HAWLEY	Edensor		19c	3985
EDWARDS	Mickleover		c.1890	4032	HEMMINGRAY	Duffield		1800-1811	4053
EDWARDS	Ripley		1880-1920	4045	HENSHAW	Ilkeston		19c	4009
EDWARDS	No parish given	Sal	18c & 19c	4056	HIGINBOTHAM	Glossop		1700-1800s	3999
ELLIOTT	Dursley	Gls	Any dates	4028	HINCHCLIFFE	Mellor		1800s	3999
EMBERY	Derby		Any dates	4028	HOLLAND	Gotham	Ntt	1890s	4055
EMBERY	Codnor		Any dates	4028	HOLMAN	Kennington	Sry	19c	4010
EMBERY	Crich		Any dates	4028	HOLMES	Rocester	Sta	No dates given	4055
EMERY	Heanor		Any dates	4028	HONE	Shoreditch	Mdx	<1811	4010
EYRE	Alport		No dates given	4014	HOOKS	Newry	Ire	1812-1850	4053
EYRE	Shatton		No dates given	4014	HOPKINSON	Staveley		1830>	4012
EYRE	Edale		No dates given	4014	HOPKINSON	Killamarsh		1870>	4012
EYRE	Hope		No dates given	4014	HOWARD	Ealing	Mdx	1820>	4010
EYRE	Hathersage		No dates given	4014	HOWE	Castleton		1800-1900s	4033
EYRE	Castleton		1830	4036	HOWS(H)AM	Any parish	Lin	1700-1800	4029
FARNSWORTH	Derby		Any dates	4028	HUDSON	Mellor		1800s	3999
FARRAR	Halifax	Yks	<1800	4010	HURT	All parishes	Dby	All dates	4018
FIDLER	One Name Study			3995	HURT	All parishes	Sta	All dates	4018
FISHBURN	Woolley	Yks	1700-1820	3998	HUTCHINSON	Chesterfield		<1900s	4020
FISHBURN	Royston	Yks	1700-1820	3998	HYBERSON	Edale		c.1716	3897
FISHER	Sheffield	Yks	<1875	4013	HYBERSON	Castleton		c.1716	3897
FITCHETT	No parish given		All dates	4058	HYDE	Portsea	Ham	1850-1890	4023
FLETCHER	Alfreton		1880>	4045	IBBOTSON	Edale		c.1716	3897
FOGG	Ashbourne		1700>	3988	IBBOTSON	Castleton		c.1716	3897
FOX	Darley Dale		<1853	4051	JOHNSON	Ashbourne		1800-1910	4054
FOXON	Ashbourne		1800-1910	4054	JOHNSON	Mayfield	Sta	1800-1910	4054
FRAKE	Any parish	Ssx	19c	4057	JOHNSTON	Whitehaven	Cma	1800s	4029
FREAK(E)	New Forest	Ham	18c	4057	JOHNSTON	Workington	Cma	1800s	4029
FREAK(E)	Any parish	Ssx	19c	4057	KENNING/KENNY	Melbourne		1700-1800	4029
FROST	Duffield		1750-1830	3998	KENNING/KENNY	Clay Cross		1700-1800	4029
FROST	Shoreditch	Mdx	<1811	4010	KIDDY	Belper		<1800	4002
GARRATT	Yougreave		<1890	3984	KIDDY	Bakewell		<1800	4002
GATES	Burton on Trent	Sts	No dates given	3996	KIDDY	Duffield		<1800	4002
GEE	Glossop		All dates	4038	KIDDY	Wirksworth		<1800	4002
GILBERT	Ticknall		<1750	3990	KIRK	Hucknall	Ntt	<1900	3993
GILBERT	Upper Boddington	Nth	1780-1800	4021	KIRK	Greasley	Ntt	<1900	3993
GILBERT	Newbold on Avon	War	1780-1800	4021	KIRK	Newthorpe	Ntt	<1900	3993
GILBERT	Lemington	War	1780-1800	4021	KNOWLES	Crich		<1865	4051
GIRLING	No parish given	Sfk	18c & 19c	4056	KNOWLES	Tansley		<1865	4051
GLADWIN	Nottingham	Ntt	<1877	4051	KNOWLES	Middleton		<1865	4051
GLOSSOP	Staveley		1820>	4012	LABAN	Chellaston		<1850	4034
GOODWIN	Buxton		1840	4036	LABAN	Shardlow		1800>	4034
GRACE	Derby		1900-1930	4003	LEAVERS	Any parish		<1850	3986
GRANT	Derby		19c	2384	LEWIS	Nottingham		<1700s	4026
GRATTON	Monyash		1642>	4048	LOMAS	Duffield		c1730	4021
GREATOREX	Alveston		1800-1850	3992	LONGBOTTOM	No parish given	Yks	1830-1855	4053
GREGORY	Chapel en le Frith		c1860	3987	LONGLEY	Sheffield	Yks	c1860	3987
GREGORY	Spondon		<1790	4026	LOWE	Edale		1750-1900	4033
GREGORY	Dale Abbey		<1790	4026	LOWREY	Gateshead	Dur	Any dates	4028
GREGORY	Bonsall		1840s	4055	MAGEE	Whitehaven	Cma	1800s	4029
GRUNDY	No parish given	Dby	17c-19c	2384	MARRIOTT	Ashover		<1805	4051
GRUNDY	No parish given	Lei	17c-19c	2384	MARSDEN	Derby		Any dates	4028
HADFIELD	Mellor		1700-1800s	3999	MARSDEN	Chelmorton		1840	4036
HADFIELD	Glossop		All dates	4038	MARSDEN	Flagg		1840	4036
HADFIELD	Mottram	Chs	<1800	4038	MARSH	Ripley		1800-1910	4045
HADLEY	Stonebroom		1900-10	4045	MARSH	Riddings		1800-1910	4045
HALFORD	Southampton		<1881	3442	McHAFFIE	Raloo	Ant	1800s	3999
HALFORD	No parish given	Lei	17c-19c	2384	McHAFFIE	Larne	Ant	1800s	3999
HALLAM	Castleton		1830	4036	McHAFFIE	Glasgow	Lks	1800s	3999
HALLATT	Old Brampton		1700-1800s	4029	MEE	Smalley		1780	3989
HALLATT	Barlow		1700-1800s	4029	MELLING	Derby		<1881	3442
HARFIELD	Sheffield	Yks	c.1890	4013	MELLING	Preston	Lan	18c-19c	2384
HARRISON	Milford		1800	3989	MELLOR	Morton		1890-1920	4045
HARRISON	Sapcote	Lei	<1850	4034	MILLINGTON	Hawarden	Fin	1760-1800	3998
HARRISON	Wednesbury	Sts	18c & 19c	4034	MILLS	Duffield		1800-36	4053
HARRISON	Smelthwick	Sts	18c & 19c	4034	MILLWARD	Ashbourne		18c	4030
HARVEY	No parish given	Ham	All dates	4058	MOORE	Portsea	Ham	1850-1876	4023
HARVEY	No parish given	Cam	All dates	4058	MOREHOUSE	Thurvaston		c.1840	4032
HATTON	Melbourne		<1900	3993	MOREHOUSE	Cropper		c.1840	4032
HATTON	Ilkeston		<1900	3993	MOREHOUSE	Repton		c.1840	4032
HATTON	Awsworth	Ntt	<1900	3993	MORGAN	Dursley	Gl*	Any dates	4028
HATTON	Bulwell	Ntt	<1900	3993	MORGAN	No parish given	Sal	18c & 19c	4056
HATTON	Nuthall	Ntt	<1900	3993	MORLEY	Longford		1564>	4020
HATTON	Melbourne		<1900	3994	MORLEY	Hollington		1638>	4020
HAWLEY	Pilsley		19c	3985	MORLEY	Shirley		1700s	4020

MORLEY	Brailsford		1700s	4020	SELBY	No parish given	Nth	1850-1900	4045
MORLEY	Repton		1880-1890	4020	SERGEANT	Sheen	Sts	1840	4036
MORLEY	Dalbury Lees		1808-1880s	4020	SEVERN	Derby		Any dates	4028
MORLEY	Radbourne		1860s	4020	SHARRATT	Derby		1830s	4055
MORLEY	Kedleston		1860s	4020	SHAW	No parish given		No dates given	4037
MORTON	Balsow		All dates	4007	SHELTON	Chesterfield		1850	3976
MORTON	Froggatt		All dates	4007	SHERIVE	Corscombe	Dor	17c-18c	4016
MORTON	Stony Middleton		All dates	4007	SHIRT	Chinley		1700-1851	4004
MORTON	Bakewell		All dates	4007	SHIRT	Mellor		1700-1851	4004
MORTON	Edensor		All dates	4007	SHIRT	Buxworth		1700-1851	4004
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NALL	Meibourne		1700-1800	4029	SIMPSON	Edale		1800-1900	4033
NEEDHAM	Buxton		1840	4036	SIMS(SYMS)	Derby		<1800	3990
NICHOLSON	Burton on Trent	Sts	No dates given	3996	SIMS(SYMS)	Alfreton		<1750	3990
NIELD	Glossop		1800s	3999	SITDOWN	Kilburn		1700-1850	3989
NOEL	Buxton		1700-1800	4019	SLANEY	Mansfield Woodhous	Nth	1750-1787	4053
NOEL	Buxton		1800-1850	4019	SLATER	Wednesbury	Sts	No dates given	4034
NOEL	Bakewell		1800-1850	4019	SMITH	Derby		<1800	3990
NOEL	Chapel en le Frith		1800-1850	4019	SMITH	Chilton Canelo	Som	19c	4016
NOEL	Derby		1800-1850	4019	SMITH	Derby		Any dates	4028
NORTHAM	Bristol	Avn	19c	4046	SMITH	Sywell	Nth	18c	4057
NORTHAM	Barton Regis	Gls	19c	4046	SMYTH/SMITH	Corscombe	Dor	17c-19c	4016
NOTTAGE	Any parish	Nth	18c	4057	SPENCER	Ault Hucknall		<1775	4026
OLDERSHAW	Derby		<1820	3990	STONE	Chilvers Coton	War	<1760	4051
OLDFIELD	Tideswell		1600-1900	4011	STORER	Crich		1700-1860	3989
OLDFIELD	Hope		1600-1900	4011	STORER	Mickleover		19c	4016
OLDFIELD	Marple		1870-1990	4011	STRETTON	Derby		<1827	3990
OLDFIELD	Mellor		1870-1990	4011	STRETTON	Yoxall	Sts	<1827	3990
ORDISH	Derby		<1851	3990	TATTERSHAW	Derby		c.1800	4025
OTTENWELL	No parish given		18c & 19c	4056	TATTERSHAW	Ashbourne		c.1800	4025
PARKER-SUTTOF	No parish given	Lei	18c-19c	2384	THEOBOLD	No parish given	Lei	18c-19c	2384
PARKER-SUTTOF	No parish given	Dby	18c-19c	2384	THEOBOLD	No parish given	Dby	18c-19c	2384
PAULSON	No parish given		<1826	4051	THOMASIN	Any parish		<1900	3986
PEACH	Newhall		1760	4017	THOMPSON	Thurvaston		c.1840	4032
PEARSON	Crich		1700-1860	3989	THOMPSON	Cropper		c.1840	4032
PEEL	Belper		1850s	4055	THOMPSON	Repton		c.1840	4032
PENDLETON	Clay Cross		<1800	3992	TOMASIN	Any parish		All dates	3986
PENDLETON	North Wingfield		<1800	3992	TOMLINSON	Ashbourne		18c	4030
PLANT	Desford	Lei	<1830	4031	TOWLE	Burton area		1862	4040
PLATT	Glossop		<1900	4038	TOWLE	Swarkestone		<1862	4040
PLATTS	Derby		<1900	4031	TRAVIS	Doncaster	Yks	1700-1800	4029
PLATTS	Burton on Trent	Sts	<1900	4031	TRIGG	No parish given	Lei	1700-19c	2384
POTHECARY	Southampton	Han	<1881	3442	TRIGG	No parish given	Dby	1700-19c	2384
RAINSFORD	Duffield		No dates given	4027	TURPIN	Devonport	Dev	1840-1866	4004
REEVE(S)	Tansley		<1841	4051	TWIGG	Belper		1800-1840	3998
REGAN	Newcastle		1821-1900	4003	TWIGG	Duffield		1800-1840	3998
REGAN	Derby		1878-1883	4003	TYLER	HEATH		1920s	4032
RENSHAW	Buxton		1780	4036	TYLER	Sutton in Ashfield	Nth	1926>	4032
RIDDEL	Gateshead	Dur	Any dates	4028	WAGSTAFF	Atlow		17c	4030
RIDER	Bishop Stortford	Hrt	1835-1885	4023	WAINWRIGHT	Belper		1800-1840	3998
RILEY	Snarstone	Lei	<1850	4034	WAINWRIGHT	Duffield		1800-1840	3998
RILEY	Hugglescote	Lei	1800>	4034	WAINWRIGHT	Wolverhampton	Sts	1850-1867	3998
RILEY	Newton Nethercote	Lei	1800>	4034	WALKER	Derby		1857-1900	4003
RILEY	Edgbaston	Sts	1911>	4034	WALKER	Tideswell		1800s	4012
RILEY	Sheen	Sts	1840	4036	WALL	Darley Dale		<1800	3992
RISDALL	Goulchby	Lin	c1830	4021	WALLBANK	Any parish		1800-1930	4045
ROBE	Chapel en le Frith		c1860	3987	WARD	Apperknowle		19c	3991
ROBE	Sheffield	Yks	c1880	3987	WARD	Unstone		19c	3991
ROBE	Hackney	Lnd	c1865	3987	WARD	Duffield		<1790	4026
ROBINSON	Sheffield	Yks	c1860	3987	WARD	Mansfield Woodhous	Nth	1787-1814	4053
ROBINSON	Bakewell		<1820	4007	WARNER	Mickleover		19c	4016
ROBINSON	Buxton		1790	4036	WAS(S)(SE)	North Wingfield		<1790	3990
ROBINSON	Glossop		All dates	4038	WAS(S)(SE)	Alfreton		<1790	3990
ROOME	Derby		<1900	3983	WATSON	Mickleover		1700-1900	3989
ROOME	Duffield		<1900	3983	WEBSTER	Belper		1700-1900	4042
ROSS	Manchester	Lan	c1885	3987	WEBSTER	Duffield		1700-1900	4042
ROUGHTON	No parish given		1870s	4045	WEBSTER	Radbourne		1700-1900	4042
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RUSTON	Ashton under Lyne	Sts	1800-1830	3998	WEBSTER	Langley Mill		1700-1900	4042
SALT	Peakdale		1800-1900	4033	WHEELDON	Sawley		<1800	4002
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SALT	Harpur Hill		1800-1900	4033	WHEELDON	Mansfield	Nth	<1800	4002
SANDALL	Rippingale	Lin	All dates	4001	WHITHAM	Norton		<1840	4013
SEAL	Derby		c1880	4000	WHITHAM	Sheffield	Yks	1800-1900	4013

WHITTAKER	No parish given		1880>	4045	WOOD	Repton		<1780	4001
WHITTINGHAM	Alvaston		1830-1854	4053	WOOD	Ashbourne		1890>	4001
WIGLEY	Edale		1700-1900	4033	WOOLLEY	Derby		c.1800	4025
WILLCOCK	Hallam	Chs	1800-1830	3998	WOOLLEY	Ashbourne		c.1800	4025
WINDER	Alvaston		1832	4053	WOOLLEY	Spondon		<1860s	4035
WINFIELD	Ilkeston		19c	4009	WORRELL	Derby		1850-1940	4042
WITHINGTON	Dawley	Sal	<1830	4031	WREAKES	Leeds	Yks	1600-1800	4029
WOLSTENHOLME	Clifton	Lan	1750-1912	3998	WREAKES	Sheffield	Yks	1800s	4029
WOOD	Swarkestone		1780>	4001	WRIGHT	Ingestre		1750-1800	3989
WOOD	Hollington		1850-1900	4001	WRIGHT	Bucknall cum Bagnall Sts		1750-1800	3989
WOOD	Rodsley		1850-1900	4001	WRIGHT	Polesworth	War	1800	4032

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WILL FROM CALENDAR AT SOMERSET HOUSE

WILLIAM NEEDHAM, Admin. 24 November 1851, Wakefield, late of 26 Wood-View, Renishaw, Derbyshire, who was last seen alive 20 April 1851 and whose dead body was found 21 April 1851, granted to Frances Annie Needham, widow. Effects £208.18s.6d.

Mrs H. Waddingham, Donary, 45 Fairlawn Drive, East Grinstead, West Sussex RH19 1NR (Mem. No. 1128)

HELP WANTED

SEVERN

I have traced my SEVERN ancestors from Sheffield back to Cotmanhay. Having searched the Cotmanhay parish registers and obtained copies of the Census returns and marriages in Ilkeston plus IGI references, I believe that the families may have been Methodist and I would appreciate hearing from anyone who may be able to point me in the right direction for me to obtain Methodist 'parish' details. I would also be interested in anyone who could help me out with my particular branch (descendants in the Mexborough, Yorks area) and, in fact, for any Severn families as I am considering starting a One Name Study. *Christopher Dixon, 12 Raymond Place, Katherine, NT 0850 Australia (Mem. No. 3849).*

FAMILY BIBLE

I am trying to trace the whereabouts of a family bible which belonged to the STARR family of Ilkeston, Grantham and Newark. It was auctioned, together with other items, when my grandmother sold her house at 35 Drummond Road, Ilkeston, in the late 1940's. Any information would be very much appreciated. *Barbara Winfield, 23 Sherwood Lane, St. Johns, Worcester WR2 4NU (mem. No. 3800)*

VIDEO TAPE

Well Dressing at Youlgreave, Sheep Dipping at Ashford in the Water, the Castleton Garland, the Barlow Hunt and Flagg Races are some of the happy memories of Derbyshire, spanning more than sixty years, for my wife and me. These familiar and much loved events were the subject of a video titled Derbyshire Traditions, shown at the hotel in Bakewell at which we stayed recently. Unfortunately the hotel had only one copy of the tape and Heritage Video of Sheffield (the producers of the tape in 1993) seem to be no longer on the telephone.

Derbyshire is not now as easily accessible to us as it was before we left Sheffield but a copy of the tape would help bridge the miles and the years. So is there anyone 'out there' who knows where we can purchase a copy please? *John Hanstock, 2 Stablers Walk, Old Earswick, York YO3 9UZ (Mem. No. 519)*

WATERHOUSE

I am tracing the family of my grandmother, whose maiden name was WATERHOUSE. I know that her father, James Waterhouse, came from Charlesworth. In Issue 73 a letter told of a visit to the graveyard of the Independent Chapel at Charlesworth where the name of Waterhouse appeared on some of the inscriptions. Is there anyone in that area who would be able to record any of these gravestones for me? *Brian Dolby, Corner Cottage, 49 Polwarth Avenue, Brightons, Falkirk FK2 0HQ (Mem. No. 3898)*

PARKES, WILLOUGHBY, PARKIN, (H)INGLEY

I would welcome any further information on the following from my various lines in Derbyshire: PARKES, Duffield/Heage, 18th Century; WILLOUGHBY, Duffield/Barlborough, 18th Century; PARKIN, Duffield, pre 1830; HINGLEY/INGLEY, Tutbury, Staffs, pre 1800. *Paul Melrose, 3 Middleton Close, The Meadows, Wigston, Leicester LG18 1WF (Mem. No. 2543)*

KENNING/KENNY

One of the surnames I am researching in my family history is that of KENNING or KENNY. I was told when young that our family had some link with the family who had founded the Kenning motor group. No one could say how we were related to them other than my father's brother had married a cousin called Annie Kenning in the 1930's in Sheffield. My research appears to be taking me back to the early 1800's to find that link.

My 3x gt. grandfather RICHARD KENNING or KENNY was born in Melbourne, Dbys., in 1813 and was baptised at Penn Lane Independent, the son of Abraham & Elizabeth Kenny. When he married FANNY NALL at Penn Lane Independent in 1834 he was said to be of the parish of Skegby where the couple lived after their marriage until 1839, when they moved to Clay Cross. By 1851 Richard's wife and family are living in Sheffield, but there is no sign of Richard. Where was he on census night? I have details of his life in Sheffield after this until his death in 1898. His parents Abraham and Elizabeth Kenning had also moved to Clay Cross and were there for the 1851 census.

Frank Kenning, the founder of the Kenning business was born in Clay Cross in 1854. He was the son of George and Lavinia Kenning. George, according to the 1851 census, was also born in Melbourne in 1811 although I have been unable to find his baptism. I believe he and my 3 x gt. grandfather, Richard, were brothers. Any help or information would be greatly appreciated. *Mrs L. Howsam, 8 Far View Rd., Sheffield S5 7TB (Mem. No. 4029)*

SHIRLEY

Can anyone tell me about SHIRLEY, Derbyshire and what it may have in common with KEA and CROWAN in Cornwall and MUSTON, Yorkshire? My 4x gt. grandparents, FRANCIS BENNET LANGTON and ELIZABETH HICKMAN married in Bethnal Green, London in 1789. Their children were baptised/rebaptised as follows:- Maria (1792 Muston), Francis Lancelot (1796, Shirley), Henry (1805, Kea), Edward (born 1794, bapt 1809 Crowan), Francis Lancelot (born 1796, bapt 1809 Crowan), Henry (born 1805, bapt 1809 Crowan) and George Ehasmus (bapt 1809 Crowan). I am trying to find out why this family was moving around so much. I think they were educated but not "gentry". So, does anyone have knowledge of Shirley, e.g. local industries at that time and if there was a local "big house" and who owned it or lived there in 1792? Any other ideas? *Mrs Angela Robinson, P.O. Box 46057, Nairobi, Kenya (mem. No. 2494)*



FEDERATION OF FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETIES 21ST ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION AT THE HOUSE OF LORDS

When I first read in the Derbyshire Family History Society magazine that a reception was to be held at the House of Lords, to celebrate the 21st Anniversary of the Federation of Family History Societies, and that the Derbyshire F.H.S. was to be allotted one ticket which would be allocated by a draw to take place at the AGM, I thought what a wonderful opportunity this was for someone. As requested I sent in my name and address to be entered in the draw. As I have done for the past few years I ventured up to Derbyshire for the AGM at Shirland. The draw for the House of Lords ticket was made at the end of the meeting and no-one could have been more amazed than I when my name was drawn out of the hat.

Little did I know at that stage that I was to be even more amazed a few weeks later. My husband, whose ancestors come from Suffolk, is a member of the Suffolk Family History Society who were having a similar draw for the allocation of their ticket. My husband was unable to attend their AGM but, shortly thereafter, he received a telephone call to say that his name had also been drawn out of their hat. Such a coincidence could never have been envisaged but it was most welcome because it meant that we could look forward to the event together and, indeed, talk about it together long afterwards.

The day began with an exhibition in the Media Room of the Central Hall, Westminster. The exhibition was splendidly put together and must have involved a great amount of hard work. It looked back over the whole of the 21 years of the Federation from its formation to the present day. Its displays included details of the members who had done so much to make the Federation what it is today. It was a most interesting exhibition and one needed 2 or 3 hours to do justice to it.

At 5.30 pm we all left Central Hall and went over to the House of Lords where we were welcomed by Lord Teviot. Guided tours of the House of Lords and the House of Commons had been arranged for us. We were split into groups of about 12 and given very able guides to conduct us. I had previously been through the House of Commons, but not the House of Lords and I was very much looking forward to it. Our particular guide obviously knew her subject extremely well and gave us a very interesting commentary with just the right amount of humour thrown in.

At the end of the conducted tour we were escorted back to the Cholmondeley Room where wine and canapes were awaiting us. It was a lovely evening and we were able to wander out on to the Terrace overlooking the Thames and chat to the other guests. At 7.15 pm the formal ceremony took place. Speeches were made, including one by Lord Teviot in which he expressed his pleasure at seeing so many people there. Thanks were given to the organisers who had done such an excellent job. Then came the cutting of the birthday cake. It was a beautiful cake and it seemed a shame to cut into it. Nevertheless, we all ate our slices with relish. The evening came to a close around 8pm. We were given a commemorative booklet and a silver spoon as a souvenir of the anniversary. I had thoroughly enjoyed myself. It was a wonderful occasion that I was proud to be a part of. I would not have missed it for anything and I thank the Derbyshire Family History Society for making it possible for me.

Pat Richardson (Mem. No. 1571)

MEETING REPORTS



DERBY GROUP

OCTOBER WORKSHOP EVENING

This month saw the second workshop evening of the year at Derby. The format is the mixture as before but these evenings are usually very popular and well attended. Work was provided by GRAHAM WELLS and before long members were busy beavering away on indexing the 1891 CENSUS. A lot was achieved during the evening and members also found time for coffee and a chat. Thanks to all who helped on the night.

NOVEMBER

DERBYSHIRE WELL DRESSINGS - NEVILLE HOSKINS

Not directly connected with Family History, WELL DRESSINGS are a part of DERBYSHIRE'S heritage, tonight NEVILLE HOSKINS took us behind the scenes of this fascinating and different art. The ROMANS and GREEKS decorated their wells to give thanks for the continuing supply of the life giving water. The INCAS celebrated in a slightly different way, they threw their WOMEN into the wells! The CLAY for the base is prepared a few weeks in advance, it is put onto the wooden base and allowed to partially dry. A week to ten days before the event the FLOWER PETALS are pressed into the clay to form a design, it is usually decided upon months previously. The skill of completing this is passed down through generations of the same family, infinite patience is required. Crushed FLUOROSPAR is used as the background and tulips, bluebells and wall flowers are the main ingredients. Most pictures depict PARABLES and events from the BIBLE. Although there are some exceptions. TISSINGTON in Derbyshire is regarded as the Well Dressing Capital with five wells in the village. Strict rules are in force, only natural ingredients are to be used, all faces must be of petals. The boards are very heavy when complete, heavy rain or drought are the natural enemy of well dressers. On ACCENSION DAY the dressings are ready and all wells are blessed in a service. TISSINGTON is usually packed with tourists for the dressings which last about five days. Other places which celebrate the well dressings are: TIDESWELL, where OLIVER SHINWELL illustrates many scenes, BONSALL, LITTON, ETWALL, HOPE, ASHFORD IN THE WATER and YOULGREAVE. A little further afield SOUTHALL, Notts, CHESTER and TEWKSBURY all dress wells. TIBSHELF, Derbyshire, produced OIL in 1919 and they dress their OIL WELL. If you have never seen the various WELL DRESSINGS in Derbyshire I am sure that a visit to one of them in the summer of 1996 would be a rewarding experience.

DECEMBER

SOCIAL EVENING

With the festive season once again upon us, a SOCIAL EVENING was deemed appropriate. HELEN your erstwhile Magazine Editor concocted two quizzes. The first was fiendish, evil and exceedingly difficult. She sat and smiled through it, she could afford to. She had the answers. The quiz comprised of old occupation names and after the answers were checked we had a tie with three members achieving a total of 16 out of 25. Tie break questions were asked and Mary Dyer won the prize. The second quiz was ten questions about Family History. Anyone getting less than ten would have been marched out of the room immediately. One question fooled almost everyone, which goes to prove that the question was not read correctly. How many times have we read incorrectly the documentation on our ancestors and missed the way? Well done and thanks HELEN.

The food which followed and the Raffle prizes were all donated by members present on the night. A big thank you to all who brought things along and made it a very successful and enjoyable evening.

Gill Hiley (Member 1774)

GLOSSOP GROUP

OCTOBER

THE HISTORY OF NEW MILLS - DEREK BRUMHEAD

Mr Brumhead started by taking us back to the 12th century, before NEW MILLS actually existed and when the area was part of the ROYAL FOREST of the Peak. He showed us maps giving the ancient hamlets of BOWDEN MIDDLEDALE which was, in turn, part of the ancient PARISH of GLOSSOP. In the 1620's CHAPELRIES were formed in HAYFIELD and MELLOR and it was only then that PARISH RECORDS, in conjunction with the Mother Church in GLOSSOP, were started.

BURDETTS MAPS of 1662 showed that the area where NEW MILLS was eventually built were cornmills owned by the DUCHY OF LANCASTER and there are many records in the PRO relating to this time.

In 1391 BEARD MILL was burnt down and a new mill built in its place. It was built near the only crossing of the river KINDER - now SETT - and was actually called the NEW MILL. Eventually throughout the centuries more mills were built and in the 18th and early 19th centuries most of these mills were converted into cotton and woollen mills, especially

in the gorge where the river SETT joins the GOYT. Also at the same time the number of workers' houses also increased and so the area was called NEW MILLS.

Later, in 1884, NEWTOWN, which was on the other bank of the river and was part of Cheshire, was attached when in 1884 a bridge was built over the river and the four hamlets and Newtown became NEW MILLS as it is today.

Mr Brumhead also showed us slides of both the old and the new town. The modern NEW MILLS benefits by having its own Town Council and so is able to fund many of the local projects itself, particularly the HERITAGE CENTRE, which has many records of the growth of NEW MILLS over the centuries and is well worth a visit.

Iris Brown

NOVEMBER

THE ELLISON FAMILY - FRANK ELLISON

Our intended speaker having been confined to bed with flu we had to do some quick rearranging, but found an able replacement in Mr Frank Ellison from Hollingworth.

The ELLISON name is well known in the area, having links with the Lords of the Manor for whom they acted as estate managers or land agents. But this talk gave an insight into the more personal stories of the family; about the origin of the engraved SILVER CUTLERY, and the tragic year of 1908 when three of the family died - one in a LIFT ACCIDENT, another whilst out shooting grouse with LORD HOWARD, and the third on BOXING DAY.

It was 1984 when, at an HERITAGE EXHIBITION, Frank came across photographs, notes and a family tree. Later he found more information in the ARUNDEL ARCHIVES at Sheffield. R.C.S. Ellison had collected together details in 'ELLISON PORTRAITS 1365-1936' and the pedigree has been accepted by the COLLEGE OF ARMS. It includes the early CUTHBERT of NEWCASTLE, rising from apprentice to guild leader, a bishop, a cricketer and estate agents, including MATTHEW of GLOSSOP around whose family the talk was centred.

GLOSSOP was just a sleepy village in 1797 when Matthew arrived from STAFFORDSHIRE with his wife and nine surviving children aged from 3 to 15. They took up residence at GLOSSOP HALL, which was sometimes used by travelling priests as a place for mass. After a time FATHER TOLLEY became the resident priest, then the Frenchman FATHER BARBE. In 1810 permission was sought to use a building next to the Hall, but later ALL SAINT'S CHURCH was built.

Two of Matthew's daughters established the CATHOLIC SCHOOL for girls in 1847, while Elizabeth married GEOFFREY GIBSON - a cotton merchant from SALFORD. Mary was married to JOSEPH HADFIELD of LEES HALL and they produced thirteen children, many of which were to become architects and surveyors. Amongst these was MATTHEW ELLISON HADFIELD, who designed ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH, later his son and grandson worked on this church.

Barbara married ROBERT SUMNER, a widower with one son, FRANCIS SUMNER, born 1807. Robert died intestate in 1817 and it was Barbara's brother Michael who had to sort out the estate. Michael had become agent to the DUKE OF NORFOLK, first at WORKSOP, then at SHEFFIELD, and he was succeeded by his son Michael Joseph. The latter's actions in laying out pitches led to the formation of the YORKSHIRE CRICKET CLUB and SHEFFIELD UNITED.

Francis was 'adopted' by the Ellison family and set to work under Barbara's other brother Thomas, at WREN NEST MILL, which he later took over. For some time Francis lived at EASTON HOUSE on High Street East (now Volcrepe) and, while there, acquired PARK HALL and developed that as a residence. He also died intestate, leaving another mix-up for the Ellisons to sort out.

Michael and Hannah married into the DALTON family from ROSE BANK, HOLLINGWORTH, and Frank is descended from both of these marriages. The Daltons had a Calico printing works on the RIVER ETHEROW and introduced the recipe for a special Turkey Red dye from France, before aniline dyes were available. JOHN DALTON was involved with the CONVENT building at ST CHARLES, HADFIELD, where there is a stained glass window to the memory of ESTHER MARY DALTON. He died 1895, leaving a fortune, and a Customs and Excise team was needed to catalogue the wine cellar.

Thomas's son, Thomas Michael, was a solicitor and became the first TOWN CLERK, receiving the seal when the town became a borough in QUEEN VICTORIA'S reign. He lived at RYECROFT on Manor Park Road, where Frank's grandfather was born. The office of TOWN CLERK descended to Thomas's grandson, Theodore Walter, from 1901 to 1919. When he died in 1948 the town showed it's respect by flying the flag at half mast. Later a bank box was found containing the family tree, from Matthew down to Frank's father, which had been compiled in the 1930's.

The family was brought up to date with details of Frank's interesting childhood, schooling and career and was illustrated with old family photographs.

Ann Pass

DECEMBER

SOCIAL EVENING

This special Christmas get-together began with each member present telling some of their experiences when researching their Family History including the ups as well as the downs, some of which were very amusing to say the least. Then we had a Christmas Quiz, which also generated much hilarity. Various eats and glasses of wine ended a very happy evening.

Ann Pass

SHIRLAND GROUP

OCTOBER

LIBRARY HOLDINGS IN ALFRETON AND MATLOCK LOCAL STUDIES LIBRARIES

We had a double treat with Samantha Kellett coming from ALFRETON and Jean Radford from MATLOCK. They both brought a good selection of books and documents which were well browsed through after their talks. The interest was so great that I thought our audience were never going to leave.

Ms. Kellett gave us a rundown on what could be found in ALFRETON library that could be of interest to both family and local historians, and it was a revelation to the audience that so much could be found so close at hand. I am sure the facilities will be receiving further attention.

Jean Radford's enthusiasm for her subject certainly aroused interest. The facilities and contents of the library at Matlock seemed to unfold in front of us and made us realise that we have only scratched the surface of its contents.

Both libraries definitely need visiting. Alfreton and its other local branches for people researching in the area and Matlock for more general research. The facilities at Matlock include CENSUSES, ST. CATHERINE'S HOUSE INDEXES and old NEWSPAPERS on fiche or microfilm. There is a comprehensive MAP COLLECTION as well. For booking facilities and general enquiries ring the Local Studies Library on Matlock 01629 580000, ext. 6579.

NOVEMBER

WORKSHOP EVENING

As always attendance was down on this evening, which is always disappointing as the usual facilities are available. MAUREEN and JOHN NEWTON ran their help plus special interest stall which is always a mine of information. JANET SALT's stall of exchange magazines is always a well ordered collection, which deserves a thorough browse. The bookstall carries a wide range of books, including many invaluable aids for both experts and beginners alike, with new books appearing every month. IRIS SALT produced the refreshments as efficiently as ever and these were all free.

The task set was an interesting one and it is amazing how much can be accomplished in one evening. If attendance was higher we could all be able to enjoy the fruits of the indefatigable index workers all the sooner. There must be many members within travelling distance who never get to any of the meetings in the county and it does seem a pity as so much can be gained from attending. Apart from the specialist talks, you can compare notes with other members and make use of the facilities above.

DECEMBER

TO BE ARRANGED

This was an ominous title - it was to be my last evening as programme secretary, so would I manage it. Well, the well loved and long serving member LEN CARELESS, had agreed to give us a talk sometime on his exploits on television so I managed to persuade him 'to be arranged'. Then the dreaded flu struck and I was up the creek without a paddle, then inspiration struck. Only that dinnertime I had struck up an acquaintance with two researchers in CHESTERFIELD Local Studies Library. My new career in detection commenced via the helpful librarian and by Wednesday I had rung and booked what turned out to be a very entertaining speaker.

Mr Brian Austin gave us a very seasonal talk on CHESTERFIELD BELL RINGERS and BULL RINGS. In his own research into SHOEMAKERS he kept coming across references to CHESTERFIELD TOWN CRIERS and was able to give us names, dates, details of payments and uniforms, pocket histories etc. He also told us about the BULL RING and BULL BAITING. This apparently cruel sport goes back hundreds of years and actually was part of ancient trade standards. The bull that was not baited was not considered fit to eat, being too tough, and butchers were fined if meat was sold from cattle that had not been baited. CHESTERFIELD BULL RING was set in stone outside what is now Littlewoods. Mr Austin's enthusiasms were infectious and his question time lasted nearly as long as his talk.

We had a lovely selection of refreshments provided by members, a successful raffle and a very enjoyable evening was had by all. I am also glad to report that Len is now better.

After nearly three years of being Shirland meeting secretary I am happy to hand you into the capable hands of Sylvia Wright.

Jo Ashley

M.I. RECORDINGS - 1996

The following are all Saturdays - Meet at the Church at 10 a.m.

25 May:	Cathedral Church of All Saints, Derby
22 June:	St Wilfred, West Hallam
24 Aug:	St John the Baptist, Tibshelf
28 Sept:	St John the Baptist, Chelmorton
26 Oct:	St Peter, Stapenhill



KNOW YOUR COMMITTEE

MARION KENNEY

I was born in Sheffield in 1954 and, with the exception of a couple of years at university in Bradford I have lived here all my life. If it sounds unusual that I have stayed here so long it may surprise you to know that every one of my ancestral lines has been settled in Sheffield since before 1870. No wonder they call Sheffield the biggest village in the world!

At eleven I went to Notre Dame High School. When I arrived the sign outside the school said "for young ladies", but before too long this genteel description disappeared. In the early seventies most teenagers saw the world through "make love not war" shaped glasses and I don't suppose I was an exception. This may have been the reason why I accepted a place on a course called "Human Purposes and Communication" - I certainly can't think of any other reason.

The mid seventies found me back in Sheffield but now, instead of spending taxpayers money, I was helping to collect it. I worked for the Inland Revenue in the office of the Collector of Taxes for five years and it was there that I met my husband Trevor. My son John was born in 1981 and for several years I didn't work but enjoyed watching him grow. This was also the time that I developed an interest in family history.

When John started school I began working in Market research on a part time basis. I have stayed in market research mainly for the variety - no two days are the same, and I am now a field supervisor for Research International and cover the Yorkshire area. The job may be interesting and varied, but a little more time to devote to family history would be wonderful. Roll on retirement!



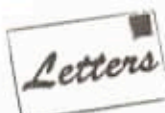
SHIRLAND MEETINGS - SECOND QUARTER

Our April 19th meeting will be on the very interesting subject of Parish Government and Village Officials by Mrs Kathleen Battye. Mrs Battye will illustrate her talk with examples of Churchwardens accounts, Disbursements, Surveyor of the Highway's expenses, etc. These accounts can put "the flesh on the bones" of our ancestors and give us an insight into their lives, especially if they were unfortunate enough to fall on hard times and had to seek parish relief. Was your gt.gt.grandmother allowed one horse load of coal, a shift and a petticoat? Did gt.gt.grandfather Tom have a frock smock bought for him? Were your ancestors allowed 4s 4d for treatment with leeches? All this and much more can be found in these extremely interesting and informative documents.

Alan Bower takes us from the A to Z of postcards at our May meeting and tells us of their origins, the different types and how we can enhance our family history with them. You may be familiar with Alan's books in the local libraries on the subject of old Chesterfield in postcards. Although now living near Wakefield, Alan was a local lad having his origins in Shirland.

In June Mrs Pauline Green will entertain us with that grand old tradition, the British Music Hall. Pauline will accompany her talk with music hall recordings and original phonograph records. All these subjects promise to be informative and most entertaining. Not to be missed! If you haven't been to our meetings before, please do come along, you will be most welcome and remember you can bring your non-member friends along as well.

Sylvia Wright



SECRETARY'S POSTBAG

NEWPORT LIBRARIES - FAMILY HISTORY SERVICE. Newport Libraries have recently introduced a new service for family historians. Using their collections of genealogical material, and, an extensive local history collection for Monmouthshire, their researcher can offer a more in-depth service. Some of the resources available to the researcher include the Monmouthshire Censuses 1841-1891, St. Catherine House Indexes 1839-1983, Ordnance Survey Maps, Tithe Maps and Apportionments, Local Newspapers and the I. G. I. Though a charge is made for the service, no charge is made for those visiting the Library and undertaking their own research. For further details please contact Susan Pugh, Borough Librarian, Newport Libraries, Central Library, John Frost Square, Newport, Gwent, NP9 1PA.

MALLINDER. John Swallow informs me that research would indicate that the MALLINDER name, in a variety of spellings, had its origins at Killamarsh, near Sheffield. John has built up a listing of over a thousand MALLINDER names that he has culled from various sources, which he holds on Microsoft Excel ver 5. The list is held in chronological order, but can be sorted to throw up patterns or family groups. John will on receipt of a empty 3.5" floppy disc, and a S.A.E., provide you with the "fruits of his labour". If you have no access to a computer, I am sure John would provide an appropriate print out in a S.A.E. John would like to hear from anyone researching the MALLINDER name to enable him to add to those 1000 names. John Swallow can be contacted at The Holly Bush, Hollybush Lane, Stoke Bishop, Bristol, BS9 1JB.

BRATBY. Mr. Ronald W. Bratby writes to tell me that after 35 years he has compiled 16 dossiers of his family name BRATBY, including entries from I. G. I., Censuses, 1841- 1891, 19th century Army Records, cemetery and church records. He also has details of a BRATBY transported to Australia, an immigrant family to New Zealand, and of the BRATBY family's connection with the Calais lace trade and of a family still living there. He is trying to trace several BRATBY's in the Ashbourne area, and would be pleased to help anyone with an interest in the BRATBY name. For further details, contact MR. R. W. Bratby, with a S. A. E., at 19 Brough Street, Derby, DE22 3EN.

HOGARTH. One of our members has received a letter from a Diane Hutson of Australia seeking help to trace a Mrs Ada Hutson, nee HOGARTH/HOGORTH. Before her marriage in 1882 to JOHN JAMES HUTSON, Ada lived at Spring Bank, Hull, with her father George, a blacksmith. Our colleague could not help Miss Hutson, but if any member could help, Miss Diane Hutson, 11-9 North Street, West End, 4810 Townsville, Queensland, Australia, would be pleased to hear from you.

THE NEW LOYALIST INDEX, Vol. II. Paul J. Bunnell has compiled this second volume, like his first "New Loyalist Index" published in 1989. This volume is an all new collection of over 2,000 names of colonists who sided with the British during the American War of Independence, many of which were forced to settle in Britain or Canada after the conflict. Mr Bunnell has culled the names from 17 sources throughout the United States, Canada, and Britain, and has been able to include more detail in each entry, but his book is intended as a tool for locating information rather than a primary source of information. The entries are listed alphabetically by surname, and include many women's names from pension records after their husbands died, together with an index of "buried names". Further details regarding this book may be obtained from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite 301, Bowie, MD 20716.

B. T. ARCHIVES. I am informed by the B. T. Archives that they can no longer undertake research work on behalf of members of the public. Researchers continue to be welcome to conduct their own research in person at the B. T. Archives, when members of the Archives team will provide every assistance. However, an appointment is essential to reserve a space in the Searchroom, which may be arranged by ringing (0171) 822 1002. The B. T. Archives and Historical Information Centre, at Room G09, Telephone House, 2-4 Temple Avenue, London, EC4Y 0HL, holds Printed Journals and Periodicals, Historical, scientific and other works dating back to the 18th century, Local Histories, wide selection of B. T. and external publications and reports, and Telephone Directories dating back to 1879.

STOP PRESS. THE VICTORIAN MILITARY SOCIETY. I received notification of the Victorian Military Fair, to be held on Saturday, 9th March 1996, at the New Connaught Rooms, Great Queen Street, London, WC2, just days before the Editor's deadline, and I can only commiserate with you if the magazine arrives after the event. The Victorian Military Society are offering a FREE identification for military photos, medals, badges etc., and whilst their principal interest lies between 1837 and 1914, they may be able to help with items outside that period. Should you be unable to attend the Fair, details of the Society may be obtained from Dan Allen, Hon. Publicity Officer, Victorian Military Society, 20 Priory Road, Newbury, Berkshire, RG14 7QN.

G. G. WELLS,
Hon. Secretary.

What's on the Publications List No2

DERBYSHIRE DIRECTORIES ON MICROFICHE

Published by The Derbyshire Family History Society

The Society are custodians of the masters for many Derbyshire directories which have been produced in fiche format, and from time to time we can offer different ones for sale, and our intention is to cover as large a time period as possible. For the un-initiated, they are copies of Trade and Street directories published in book form throughout the 19th & 20th Centuries, they hold much information about particular towns or villages in Derbyshire, and trades and professions are usually arranged in alphabetical order, thus, you will usually find a brief description of the place, with population, history etc, then an alphabetical trades listing, beginning with the local gentry, clergy etc. and then the tradespeople. For example, the 1821 Pigott's directory begins with Attorneys, Auctioneers, Bakers, Blacksmiths, Boot & Shoe Makers, Blacksmiths etc. and their names are listed. Often, in the later directories, the street & sometimes the number are also given, In these later and usually much more comprehensive directories, such as the 1932 Kelly's, everything from the history of the area to maps are included, and there are many advertisements.

The Directories on fiche offer excellent value for a great deal of information, and for those who do not own a viewer, the local library will usually allow you to use theirs.

Derbyshire General Infirmary, December 15th

In-Patients admitted	8	Out-Patients admitted	5
Ditto discharged	4	Ditto discharged	2
Ditto accidents	0	Ditto accidents	0
Ditto dead	0	On the Books	293
In-the-House	24	Innoculated for Cow Pock	0

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE ENSUING WEEK

HOUSE VISITORS

Mr. Turner and Mr. Tunaley

CHAPLAINS

Rev. James Bligh and Rev. Joseph Bradshaw

PHYSICIAN and SURGEON

Dr. Forester and Mr. Wright

Annual Subscription since our last:

Mr. Wm. Bullock, Shardlow £2 2s 0d

Derby Mercury December 16, 1813

NEWS FROM THE NORTH

The Glossop meeting group is still going strong with an average monthly attendance of twenty eight people. We have an interesting and varied programme again this year so why not join us and meet some of the people who help run our group?

Iris Brown is our programme secretary and writes the precis for the magazine and she also represents the group on the Executive Committee. Dorothy and Trevor Wainwright make signing in a lot quicker than it might otherwise be, while John Rhodes and Kath Tarbatt bring along boxes of books for us to buy or borrow, and Diane Morten makes the refreshments at the end of the evening. Peter Beeley is treasurer and sorts out the money and bills, while John Moulit has recently made it easier for me to fill in the News from the North spot in the magazine. I'd like to thank these people for their help and support, without them the group would not run as smoothly as it does.

Unfortunately this list does not include two people who have relinquished their original roles due to pressure of work - Joanne Binns and Fred Hayward. Thanks to them also!

You may wonder what is left for myself, as organiser, to do? Plenty, believe me! I'm the one who sorts out the problems when things don't go as planned and I fill in when someone cannot be there as usual. I also make the announcements at the start of the meeting, introduce the speaker and give the vote of thanks. I try to keep the group up to date with what is happening, not just in Derbyshire, but in surrounding areas and nationally as well. I'm always on the lookout for speakers, as well as picking up information leaflets which may be of interest. Behind the scenes I deal with letters and telephone calls from people needing information about the group, or help in their research. I also arrange our publicity - in local papers, libraries, shops and wherever else I can think of. Like Topsy the job keeps growing!

I also belong to two Cheshire F.H.S. groups, one Yorkshire and the Manchester and Lancashire. Believe it or not family history is not my main hobby. My first loves are gardening and flower arranging and I enjoy reading and craftwork. Housework and the family also keep me busy.

Ann Pass (Mem. No. 2288)

There is a gravestone in Crompton Cemetery with the following irreverent inscription:-

In

**Loving Memory of
SAMUEL FITTON**

Lancashire Author, Playwright, Cartoonist, Etc.,

Who died June 11th 1923, Aged 54 years.

Has anyone noticed anything similar in a Derbyshire graveyard or cemetery?

FOLLOW ON FROM HELP WANTED:-

In the September 1994 magazine I asked for help with John Smith and his family in the Matlock area. After mentioning the problem at Derbyshire Record Office a member of staff there suggested I try and trace them through wills. How right he was: the names did all belong to the same family despite moving around the area a bit, and the will of John's father proved this. Who was John's father? Why, John Smith, of course!

Ann Pass (Mem. No. 2288)

If you are interested in Local History you must read **TALES FROM THE TOWNSHIPS** written by Neville T. Sharp, a collection of stories from the ten townships that make up Glossopdale.

They are amusing, tragic and full of historical details of the area. So if you wish to know what some of your ancestors were up to in the 1800s the book can be obtained from local bookshops.

WELSH DEATH BED CUSTOM

I found the following unusual custom in a newspaper three or four years ago.

Until only a generation ago, poor and hungry men would roam Wales looking for the recently dead. A banquet would be prepared and spread out on the chest of the corpse. The "sin-eater" would consume it, and with it, the sins of the dead man. He would leave the house heavier by the weight of a meal and another man's sins.

DID THIS APPLY ELSEWHERE?

I have someone in my family named as "The Eater" in the parish burial register.

Dorothy Wainwright (Mem. No. 3575)



GLOSSOPS HERALDIC CREST

(Taken from the Official Handbook of Second Edition 1953)

The official crest of the town was the family crest of the Lords of the Manor of Glossop, who allowed the Corporation to use it until 1919, when steps were taken to have a patent of Armorial Bearings passed to the Corporation by the College of Arms. The red rose in the design represents the connection of Glossop with the Duchy of Lancaster, the cross crosslets are from the Arms of the Dukes of Norfolk, Lords of the Manor, and the Crown is the Mural Crown symbolical of a Borough. The Motto "Virtus, Veritas, Libertas" is the Corporation's own and can be translated as "Courage, Truth and Freedom". In 1925 Glossop's ancient ties with the Howard family were broken and the land divided up and sold. Today Glossop provides its citizens with the amenities expected of a thriving modern municipality.

John Moulton (Mem. No. 3497)

N.W. Sound Archive have set up a special Oral History Recording Programme to preserve memories and reminiscences for posterity. It is a local government organisation associated with the Lancashire Record Office and funded by a consortium.

If you would like more information contact N.W. Sound Archive, Clitheroe Castle, Clitheroe, Lancs BB7 1AZ, Tel/Fax 0200-27897

Ann Pass (Mem. No. 2288)

SOURCES FOR FAMILY HISTORY IN THE LOCAL STUDIES UNIT

Here is a brief guide to the sources available in the Local Studies Unit Manchester Central Library, for tracing the history of families living in the Greater Manchester area. The unit consists of two areas, the 'Archives Section' and the 'Microfilm Unit'.

The indexes are split and colour coded as follows:-

- A) *Census Street Index (Yellow Label)*
- B) *Census Area Index (Green Label)*
- C) *Parish Register Index (Orange Label)*
- D) *M.I.s & Cemetery Records (White Label)*
- E) *Rate Book Index (Pink Label)*
- F) *Trade Directories (Blue Label)*
- G) *Ancestry Interests File (Salmon Label)*

This is only a brief selection of what is available so good hunting.



USING THE INTERNET

Anyone interested in finding out more about what goes on the INTERNET should make a visit to a CYBER CAFE. Here are some to visit.

Peak Art Cybercafe, 30 Market Street, New Mills, Nr. Stockport SK12 4AE. Tel: 01663 74770

Email: peak@artcybercafe.cityscape.co.uk

Brain Cafe Ten Bar, Tariff Street, Manchester. Tel: 0161 228 2938

Email: tml@gmlets.u-net.com

Wet Dry Bar, 28 Oldham Street, Manchester M1 1JN. Tel: 0161236 5920

Email: dry@wet1.u-net.com

Having recently been helping John Rhodes of the Glossop Group, who is checking part of the 1851 Census, I have been made aware of just how much time is spent on these transcripts and the indexes produced from them. In a two hour session we can get through eighteen pages with twenty five names on each. When there are lots of queries, even with local knowledge, we are lucky to manage fifteen pages. Having bought and used several Census Indexes I am now even more appreciative of the time and effort put in by the volunteers who help in this way. Many thanks to you all!

Ann Pass (Mem. No. 2288)

DERBYSHIRE VILLAGES

KIRK HALLAM



Although now regarded as a suburb of the town of Ilkeston, being connected by way of the once hamlet of Little Hallam with a minute patch of 'green belt' land separating the two, Kirk Hallam has always tried to keep its individualism from its large neighbour. Until the early 1950's, when work was started on the extensive council estate to the side of the main street, the village consisted of three large farms, an ancient church, a small school built in the 1870's, a Georgian hall, and a handful of picturesque cottages, joined on two sides by the Nutbrook Canal.

It shared part of its ancient history with nearby Dale Abbey when the affairs of Kirk Hallam were run by the white robed canons of the well-known monastic settlement at Dale. Over the centuries, the manor of Kirk Hallam passed into various aristocratic families, among them the Grey family and, through them, the Leeke family but the Newdigates who took charge in the mid 1700's made the most impression on the church and the village, two Newdigate brothers, Charles and Alfred, being successive vicars. Alfred Newdigate lived in Kirk Hallam Hall for many years where he brought up a large family.

The village even has a connection with George Eliot, the famous Victorian authoress, as her father worked as Land Agent for the Newdigate family and lived in Kirk Hallam for a short number of years, and Mary Ann's (George Eliot) elder sister was born there.

Newspaper reports dating from the 1850's give a picture of a sleepy pretty village nestling round a country lane with the main occasions being church festivals and celebrations in connection with the Newdigate family, although an arson attack on a village haystack by a local servant girl caused much interest and excitement. The neighbouring village of West Hallam, being larger and possessing a public house, was the host for larger and more interesting public holidays, such as flower shows and cricket matches.



During the Second World War, the Kirk Hallam residents, now slightly more in number by the building during the 1920's and 30's of twenty or so houses, joined forces and formed the Welcome Home committee whose main aim was to raise funds to welcome home the local heroes at the end of the war. This aim prompted various fund-raising events and the publishing of a magazine called "The Owl" which contained locally written stories, poems etc. and which culminated in a hardback celebration issue at the end of the war giving short histories of the local men who had bravely fought, with one fatality, a detailed account of the large Fete held to raise money and a short history of the village and surrounding area.

Sadly, the winding country road, the surrounding fields and most of the quaint cottages were to disappear under the bulldozer during the 1950's and 1960's, along with the age of innocence when stories are told of walking home along the dark, lonely road, back from the 'lights' of Ilkeston, and not being frightened of footsteps behind you because you would almost certainly know the person; walking three abreast, arm in arm and singing, down the centre of the road; of a member of the Home Guard unknowingly marching to church parade with a piece of his wife's washing hanging from his rifle slung over his shoulder.

Nowadays, there is the aforesaid council estate and a large private 'Wimpey' estate, the country road is now a busy main route to Derby, widened and straightened, there are two sets of local shops, two junior schools and two senior schools, a petrol station and small supermarket and no less than two pubs! The Georgian Hall, converted into a vicarage in the 1930's was demolished in the 1970's and replaced with a modern building, all three farms have disappeared, only remembered by street names and in older residents' memories. A handful of original buildings stand; the lovely church of All Saints, the scene of many events in villagers' lives over the centuries; the old school, tastefully converted into a private house with the outside of the building little altered; a very old cottage below the school and two cottages built in the 1860's and believed to have belonged to the old Hall estate. The houses built during the 1920's and 30's are still lived in (one by myself) but the majority of Kirk Hallam dates from the 1950's onwards with houses still being built even today.

Although the village has grown and spread, the community spirit is still alive with numerous clubs and societies and the people of Kirk Hallam can be seen walking around the large lake with its attendant wildlife built during the 1970's, and the smaller conservation area and pond on the opposite side of the village, two very popular spots for the inhabitants of Kirk Hallam. As with so many places today, vandalism and graffiti are a problem, but far more noticeable are the friendly atmosphere and pride in a rather larger village struggling to keep its identity in today's changing world.

Esther A Collington, Lea Hurst, 137 Ladywood Road, Kirk Hallam, Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE7 4NJ (Mem. No. 2501)

SHEEP STEALING

In consideration of the notorious height at which the Felonious practice of KILLING SHEEP in the Pastures, and stealing therefrom all, or part of the Carcase, has of late arrived in this Neighbourhood, and from the circumstance of the Skin and Head (the only part there Sheep can be mark'd) being generally left, the consequent difficulty of detection, the Society for prevention or prosecution of Felonies in the Township of Stanton, Swarkston, Foremark, Inglesby, and Barrow, including Sinfyn and Arlaston, hereby offer a Reward of

FIFTY GUINEAS

to any party of Men who will undertake to watch Nightly in the Pastures belonging to any of the Members of the above Society, (in hopes of taking such offender or offenders in the act); the Money to be paid on the first conviction that shall take place in consequence of such watching.

THOMAS BATES, Secretary,
Swarkston, June 29th, 1801

DERBY MERCURY July 2, 1801

A FREEHOLD ESTATE, situate in Sadlergate, Derby, consisting of seven Messuages or Tenements, together with all the Yards, Gardens, Outbuildings, and Appurtenances thereto belonging, and now in the several possessions of Benjamin Tipper, Edward Pritchard, Sarah Bell, John Robottom, Francis Witterance, John Wood, and Zach. Chaddock, as tenants at will.

The Estate is charged with the payment of 5l, per annum to charitable uses.

If agreeable to the purchaser, half the purchase money may remain on security of the premises.

Enquire of RICHARD WOODHEAD, Writing Master, Chesterfield, or of RICHARD FINNEY, Jun. St. Peter's, Derby

DERBY MERCURY March 29, 1798



LIBRARY NEWS

Although the library room at Alfreton is now officially closed work is still being carried out by our volunteers. All the records, books, index slips, microfiche etc. are being carefully packed and labelled in preparation for the move to Bridge Chapel House in Derby. However, new material is still coming in to the library which has to be input on to the computer, given a reference and packed.

Work is still progressing on the indexes for the 1851 and 1891 censuses. The index for the 1851 census for Eckington Vol. 8:4 has just been published and can be obtained from Linda Bull, and 120 of the 299 microfiche covering the 1891 census have been transcribed. We hope to give a full progress report on this project in the June magazine, but in the meantime any member with a microfiche reader who would like to help with this project please contact us.

We have received a number of new acquisitions over the past couple of months, and we list them below:-

REF.

- MF 1881 Census. Cheshire, Norfolk, Staffordshire, Yorkshire.
- R Wirksworth Bishops Transcripts 1662-1701. Donated by Mr. J. Palmer. Memb No. 3934.
- R Marriages. Dronfield 1560-1837. Donated by Mr. A Haslam. Memb No. 2708 & Mrs. G. Crivicich. Memb No. 2851.
- S Monumental Inscriptions. Melbourne Cemetery, Rowsley, St. Katherine's
- S War Memorials. Ashover, Crich, Tideswell. Donated by Mr. F. Brocklehurst. Memb No. 1230.
- KE4-6 Place Names of Derbyshire (3 Vols). By K Cameron
- T3 Office-Holders in the Duchy and County Palatine of Lancaster from 1603. By Robert Somerville. Donated by Maureen and John Newton. Memb No. 1623.
- T3 Pigot's Commercial Directory. Cumberland, Lancashire, Westmoreland.
- T2 Derby School. Annual Presidents 1868-1887.
- T4 Rectors of St Giles, Matlock 1300-1981. Donated by Mr. F. Brocklehurst. Memb No. 1230.
- F3 History of Allestree Chuch.
- C Visit to Smedleyland, Derbyshire. By Donald Grundy.
- T8 Derbyshire Taxidermists. Donated by Maxwell Craven.
- T8 Derbyshire Goldsmiths. Donated by Maxwell Craven.
- T8 Members of Derbyshire Fire Service 1937-1948. Indexed by Jill Kerr.
- U4 Wills and Inventories of New Mills People. Book 1 1540-1571. Book 2 1571-1582.
- T5 Darley Marriage Tax 1696.
- G Nottinghamshire Churches. Record Series No. 100.
- G Nottingham Union Workhouse. Admission Register. 1856-1858. Vol. 101.
- MF Nottinghamshire. St. Leodegarius, Basford. Baptism Surname Index. 1836-1901.
- MF Nottingham. St. Nicholas. Baptism Surname Index. 1813-1901.
- V Official List of Register Offices. Donated by Gill Laycock.
- A Long Eaton Past and Present. Donated by K. A. Reedman.
- N Index of 1851 Census Index for Shipley. Donated by Mr. D. W. Davis. Memb No. 3822.
- SR Ordnance Survey Map Somercotes 1965 Edition. 25" to Mile. Donated by Jill Kerr.
- E3 Members Interests. Cambridge 1994.
- MF Members Interests. West Middlesex 1995
- MF Members Interests. Gwynedd 1995.
- U2 Ridge Way Routes December 1995.

Please note the new arrangements for doing research at Bridge Chapel House. The opening hours are given inside the front cover of the magazine. It will not be necessary to make an appointment, but all postal queries regarding research and information should now be sent direct to Bridge Chapel House. We look forward to seeing some of you at the AGM and official opening of our new Research Centre on Saturday April 13th. 1996.

Iris and Janet Salt.



SO YOU WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

Over the past few months I have had several letters from people who would like to volunteer but are unsure what is involved. The following will, I hope, shed some light on the work of the various co-ordinators.

M.I. CO-ORDINATOR: If you can spare a Saturday then join a working party at one of the churches chosen by Ian Wells (for dates and places see your magazine). Inscriptions are recorded inside and out - with a break at a nearby hostelry for lunch - and then the field notes are sorted and handed to a volunteer for typing out. A computer/word processor is really necessary for this part of the job. Once typed another volunteer takes the field notes and proofreads the typescript making amendments as necessary. Finally an index and cover is added and the whole thing is placed in the library.

CENSUS: This is a mammoth project being co-ordinated by Iris Salt. There are three ways of helping to index the 285 microfiche which make up the 1891 census. Firstly, if you have a microfiche reader, the pages have to be transferred on to a pro-forma sheet. Secondly these have to be entered on to an IBM compatible computer. If you own both machines, of course, the names can be entered directly from the microfiche on to a computer. If interested, please contact either Iris or Janet Salt direct.

STRAYS CO-ORDINATOR: A very simple way of helping other people. When doing your own research keep a lookout for anybody who is living outside of the county where they were born. Make a note and send the details to Jill Kerr. She will retain those relating to Derbyshire and send the rest to the Federation's clearing house.

P.R. CO-ORDINATOR: The Society is trying to build up a collection of Parish Registers and Brian Greaves is transforming the information into usable data. The registers arrive either as a loaned micro film, an already transcribed document from another source or from a member who has transcribed a register. At the moment a volunteer puts each entry onto a slip 10.5 x 7 cm which is checked by another volunteer and finally placed into the library. However this takes up a lot of room and in the future it is hoped to put the information onto a data base and make it available to members by request. So as well as volunteers for 'slipping' Brian would welcome anyone who is prepared to transcribe parishes from paper to either a word processor or into a C.S.V. file or better still DBase IV file. Contact Brian for further details.

WILLS CO-ORDINATOR: As we all know wills are an excellent way of proving relationships and the Society are trying to build up an index. If you have a Derbyshire will then write out a 5 x 3 slip for each person mentioned in it and send them to Hugh Riordan. Again, the more slips sent in the bigger the index and the more help it will be.

LIBRARY: Our new premises are much bigger and, of necessity, will need many more people willing to lend a hand. Volunteers will be needed to help people who come in for research and there will be no sitting idle when on duty. Iris always has a list of jobs that need doing, filing, indexing etc. and even the smallest bit helps.

Finally please remember your Editor when doing your research or, indeed, doing it for somebody else. Anything interesting, from the smallest snippet to a full article, will be most welcome. Also remember that we are all volunteers and even if you can only do a small amount at a time it will be accepted most gratefully.

Helen Betteridge



Computer Corner

It is always a good idea to backup (make copies of) your valuable Family History data at regular intervals. I have always encouraged people that this is very important.

When I came back from holiday last year, I discovered just how important that can be. Not only had my computer, telephones and other valuables been stolen but also many disks and manuals. Confident in my 'system' I bought another computer and tried to find my latest backup. The first task was to ensure that the new computer could read the special size of disks that I used in the old computer. Next I tried to remember all the places that I had hidden copies, some not in our house, and to retrieve them. Having put back the programs that I use I started to work on restoring the information. The latest (non stolen) backup failed! Fortunately the next one was all right, only around 250 family members to add back into the tree from my paper records.

The lessons that I have learnt are many:

1. Don't rely on one backup;
2. Don't keep your backup with your computer, you may lose both together;
3. Test the backup to make sure it works before you need it (I was too lazy to do this);
4. Perform a regular backup, so if one fails you will not have too much work to redo;
5. Label your backups properly to save time later.

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Surfing the Net



How many members have visited the DFHS page on the Internet? Somebody is reading it - around 150 people every week.

How many members are exchanging data via E-mail? If you are, one of our members, G. Tacey, would like to hear from you on: gtacey@perth.DIALix.oz.au

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100 YEARS AGO

Town Talk - Mr Charles Leslie Lee, a gentleman more or less known in Derby, has been taught a valuable lesson. Other gentlemen of amorous tendencies may also profit by Mr Lees experience. Mr Charles Leslie Lee, outside the Empire Theatre, London, saw a comely young woman walking along these primrose paths of dalliance which lead to certain destruction, and he decided to rescue her. He set "Dear Ada" - her name was Ada Cole alias Ada Flavell - up in a snug little house and made arrangements for her maintenance. Then he returned to Derby for a month or two, at the expiration of the time they were to be married. But when Mr Leslie Lee returned to London to claim his bride, behold, she had departed! The bird had flown, and the cage was stripped of its finery. Mr Lee says he was fond of Ada and that being so we can imagine that he mourned her loss. But he may, in time, come to think himself lucky in having got rid of her. He has had her prosecuted for stealing the furniture of the house, and this charge was knocked on the head by the production of a document in which Mrs Charles Leslie Lee presents to his beloved Ada "to whom I am engaged", all the plate, furniture and pictures in the house. So she simply left the house taking with her the things he had given her. What a ridiculous ending to a "love story". But is that the end? "Dear Ada" may retaliate and if the unfortunate Charles Leslie does not become reconciled to her again she may sue him for breech of promise.

From the Advertiser of 1893

RE-AWAKENING ONE'S ROOTS

I began Family History research with grandmother FLEAR, being an uncommon name and - if telephone directories are an indication - almost entirely confined to Lincolnshire and Nottinghamshire, although Great Uncle William's line escaped to Sheffield, Yorks!

My alternative - SMITH - caused gasps at the idea of attempting to trace such a name! However, jumping ahead a few years, when a local exhibition tempted me to grapple with this problem I discovered that it was not so bad. Obviously the further back one goes the fewer there are and - as with most families - related family groups are concentrated in particular areas. In fact one can peruse a whole parish register and not find one Smith! Even in the IGI for Derbyshire I only found a dozen around Chesterfield 1500 to 1700's.

Spurred on by success in finding a glut of cousins from enquiries regarding a couple of postcards, an odd phone call and quite a few forays into Lincolnshire, giving me a quite considerable "tree" of Flears, I decided to at least make a start on the Smiths closer to home.

I soon found Gt. Gt. Grandfather JOHN SMITH, Hatter of Brampton, and was surprised to learn that he married ELLEN WHEATCROFT in November 1828 in the parish church of Dronfield where, 112 years later, I attended the Grammar School (now Henry Fanshaw) and annually paraded through Dronfield, giving the salute at the War Memorial and ending up at that self-same church for Thanksgiving!

Vainly searching for their families in the Dronfield parish register I decided that John most likely did his apprenticeship there with Thos. Mower, a hat manufacturer, finding no sign of him with Joseph Jenkinson (yet to be proved, so I would welcome any information on Thos. Mower and his whereabouts in Dronfield). Joseph Jenkinson refers briefly to a Mr Wheatcroft about to emigrate and I know that there were Smiths connected with Milnes of Dunston Hall and Mower, Lord of the Manor of Unstone.

Finding much more likely evidence of Smith and Wheatcroft families in Ashover, with a probably ELLEN born to JAMES and MARY in 1811 - tying up with her being 30 years old at the 1841 census - I continued my search there, discovering considerable information way back in the 1600's on one LEONARD WHEATCROFT. A man of great versatility, hailed as the Historian of Ashover, he was also Parish Clerk, a tailor and licensee of the "Hand and Shears", although brewing of ale was his wife's idea, instigated as a means of income when Leonard went roaming - as was his habit - days at a time when the Wakes came anywhere near! Also he gained "rewards" for his glowing Epitaphs, Birthday verses etc. from local dignitaries, e.g. the Earl of Rutland at Haddon Hall.

His main claim to fame, though, are his writings for he kept a diary, which he called "The Autobiography of Leonard Wheatcroft", in which he recorded his family and many of the inhabitants of the village and around, as well as some daily happenings and events. This being the time of the Civil War, when Cromwell and his marauding soldiers were devastating churches and had destroyed Ashover's parish registers, we are indebted to him, for his writings filled the gap, providing many names of inhabitants, their occupations and status. Also, to be fair to him, many of his jauntings "up and down the cuntry" were to avoid being enlisted and leaving his family and parish commitments. He did serve "some 9 years" before family commitments and later in the local militia, interfering little with his other duties. In fact he showed a great sense of duty when his father died (1648) at only forty years old, leaving nine children, as he taught four of his brothers the art of tailoring although he was only twenty. Also he tells of building a buttery for his mother, paving the house and later (1657) "buildded the parler and chamber over it".

Among his many talents, including joinery, tuning virginalls, singing and organising the bell ringing etc., we learn that he planted many gardens and orchards for the local gentry, for Mr Hodgkinson's new hall of Clattercoates he planted over 200 trees and shrubs, also for Mr Robert More's orchard at Winster. In fact, a

list of the people he mentions may well help us locate some of our missing ancestors and give a good indication of the constant movement between towns and villages.

Leonard didn't marry until he was turning thirty, but the account of his courting and wedding provides a unique example of such activities among ordinary folk, especially as he and his bride, ELIZABETH HAWLEY of Winster, celebrated for eleven days and Leonard gives the details with pride and gusto! His colourful language and military type metaphors make entertaining reading. He had nine children surviving to adulthood and showed himself to be a very caring father, fixing them up with apprenticeships, visiting their places of employment, especially his daughters, and accompanying them part way after visits home.

Reading the autobiography, I was struck by how much I could identify with him 300 years on! Especially after a time of trouble when he, his wife and three of their children had to give up home and inheritance to go to Bolsover for a period of four years, losing his Parish Clerkship and being in debt, when he comments that "One knows who one's friends are when you're in trouble! Nothing changes all that much! However, one wonders how matters would have ended without 'Mother Hawley' frequently coming to the rescue.

When they returned to Ashover, they were to again find out who their friends were. Fortunately he'd built a good working relationship with many of the more influential residents who went out of their way to find him when Adam Cowlshaw, the parish clerk, died and offered him the job back in which he continued until his death, January 1706, when his youngest son TITUS WHEATCROFT succeeded him.

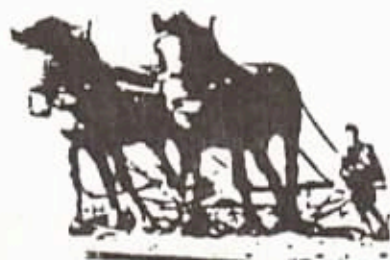
The fact that he wrote much about life about him in verse particularly fascinated me far - long before I knew of him - I was writing about my life and tales my mother mother and grandfather told me in verse, it seemed the most succinct and entertaining way to write, yet making a useful contribution, recording what may continue to be of interest when I'm long gone.

Whether I am directly descended or from a brother's line, I've not yet discovered, but I certainly feel an affinity with Leonard and coincidences struck me long after reading his work. Similar type of verse with the same aims and purpose, jack-of-all-trades disposition, love of variety and many facets of his personality are mine also. Anyway the family intrigues me and unravelling the lines is a challenge, with names interlinking being a constant surprise, seeming to relate the whole community in one way or another.

.....and don't you also find that it isn't always those most closely related that one most resembles. When George, from Great Grandfather's brother's line, and I got together, well you'd have thought we were brother and sister - but more of that another time!

Mrs Bee Wickens, "Two Ways", 72 Vincent Crescent, Brampton, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S40 3NP (Mem. No. 1144).

A DERBYSHIRE FAMILY



Yes, Derbyshire's my county,
Right from the days of yore;
My folk, from generations back,
Hardworking were, though poor.
They worked to till the yielding soil,
And helped to bring the coal;
Round Wirksworth they got lead, no doubt,
When hard labour took it's toll!

Others lived in Ashover,
A very pretty place;
But, as they grew, they had to leave,
More work to find and face.
John Smith, to Dronfield, he did go,
A Hatter for to be;
Apprenticed to one Mower,
Thomas, - I reckon 'twas he.

'Twas there his Ellen wed him,
At the fine old Parish Church;
Tho' she was an "Asher" girl,
She stayed not in the lurch,
But followed him to Dronfield,
Tho' details are not known, -
Until they came to Brampton,
And a baby now did own!

William, born in twenty eight,
And Herbert, thirty three;
When St. Thomas's was built,
Eighteen hundreds, that'd be.
Ellen was a Wheatcroft;
A name of "Asher" fame,
For Leonard, back two hundred years,
There is still acclaim.

Ay, yet, in nineteen ninety four,
Both names you'll find abound;
Smiths and Wheatcrofts intertwined,
Their families are found
In Bakewell and in Matlock,
Owning Nurseries and more;
Many bearing christian names
Of those who've gone before.

But, oh dear me, I do digress
From my great grandad's line,
For John the Hatter's Herbert
Is the one that's truly mine!
For John, himself, quite sadly,
Disappeared without a trace;
E'en before the Census
Could record his age and place!

Herbert wed at Trinity
In eighteen fifty-nine;
And moved again to Brampton
Where he and "Becky" settled fine;
From colliery to chemicals
Was really quite a change.
But ironworks paid better brass
And, of jobs, there was a range.

Then little Ellen soon arrived,
And William followed her;
Then Eliza, two years on,
But no more did occur.
William, born in sixty-four,
Carried on the name
Whilst Ellen I have never found,
But 'Liza, a Marsden, came.

Then William wed Elizabeth,
Which I tell another place.
They had a William and two girls,
A very similar case;
'Cept they had lost two daughters,
From Measles, snatched away!
And only a Mabel and Amy had
Till a son cheered up their day.

Son, William, went to Canada
After the "Great War",
Taking his wife, Rhoda,
And son, Brian, only four.
So, now 'tis left to Amy's girl
To set the record straight,
And put the facts before you
Before it is too late!

Maybe you can follow up
Some of these lines for me?
Maybe there are some of these names
Upon your Family Tree?
Perhaps you know who Ellen was;
To what her name did change?
It would be, oh so marvellous
To news and views exchange!

*Mrs Bee Wickens, "Two Ways", 72 Vincent Crescent, Brampton, Chesterfield, Derbyshire S40 3NP
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TRAP ACCIDENT --- On Saturday night, Chas. WATERFALL, farmer, of Shottle, whilst driving home at a reckless pace in a state of intoxication ran into a rake heavily loaded with football players from Codnor Park. WATERFALL's cart was completely wrecked, his horse much hurt, and WATERFALL was thrown to the ground, where he remained for some time in a state of unconsciousness.

DERBYSHIRE ADVERTISER & JOURNAL - JANUARY 19, 1883

CAN YOU HELP?

In November Mr Neville Hoskins visited Derby to give a talk on well dressings and at the same time showed half a dozen slides of drawings done by Emma Wilmot. Mr Hoskins has done some detective work and would like to enlist the Derbyshire F.H.S. to help him find out more.

It all started in 1994 when there came to the attention of Rosalys Coope a leather bound sketchbook which appeared to have strong Nottinghamshire connections. Subsequently she and Neville Hoskins visited the owner of the book, Mr Robin Fryer of Ashow, Warwickshire, and were able to examine it.

The book contained eighty six leaves of drawings and watercolours, some fifty five of which were of scenes in North Nottinghamshire, including agricultural and rural subjects at Sparkin, near Worksop, together with houses and scenery in the Dukeries, and some of Worksop Priory. Of the others, about fifteen were of subjects in East Derbyshire, eight in Yorkshire, the remainder in Shropshire and Staffordshire. Not all the drawing were titled, none were signed or even initialled but many had dates between 1842 and 1845.

By early March 1995 a combination of detective work, help from various librarians and museum curators, some luck and inspired guesswork enable them to identify the anonymous artist as Emma Elizabeth Wilmot. Emma was the daughter of Sir Francis Sacheverell Darwin of Breadsall Priory and Sydnope Hall, Derbyshire and his wife Jane Ryle, and was born on 27th February 1820. Emma and Charles Darwin the botanist and explorer were both grandchildren of Nottinghamshire born Erasmus Darwin, the philosopher, physician and scientist, although by different wives.

On 13th January 1842 Emma married, at Darley Church, Edward Woollett Wilmot, 6th son of Sir Robert Wilmot, 3rd Baronet, of Chaddesden, Derby. She was then 21, he a 34 year old widower with two sons and a daughter (almost certainly the children shown in two of the drawings) living in some style with four servants and a governess at Sparkin on the outskirts of Worksop, where he was agent to the 4th Duke of Newcastle. A daughter, Emma Maria, was born in October 1842 and christened at Worksop, followed by sons Darwin (1845), Woollett (1847) and Reginald (1852) and a second daughter, Frances (date of birth not known).

Between March 1842 and July 1845 Emma produced about eighty pencil sketches, pen and ink drawings and water colours of subjects as varied as sheep shearing at Sparkin, churches and cathedrals, topical incidents around Sparkin and coastal scenes in Yorkshire. Some of her animal drawings are done with great skill as are those of trees and rural scenes, many are of well-observed architectural subjects, others are quick sketches, and there are also some delicate watercolours. Together they form a valuable local historical resource, quite apart from their artistic merit.

In 1856 Edward moved to Buxton as agent to the Duke of Devonshire and took up a leading role in the town's affairs, both as the Duke's agent and on his own account. He became a magistrate and was President or Chairman of a variety of clubs and societies and played a major part in the development of Buxton from tiny market town to flourishing and fashionable Spa. Emma was his hostess at New Year's Eve Balls and Oyster Suppers and a tireless supporter of the Sunday School.

No evidence of her artistic work has yet come to light later than 1846, nor is it known at present how long the Wilmots stayed in Worksop, nor whether they moved direct to Buxton in 1856; there has been a suggestion that they lived for some time in Cheshire.

After eight busy years in Buxton, Edward Wilmot died on 22nd June 1864 aged only 55, and was buried in a vault in the churchyard of Christ Church, Burbage, then a separate village, now incorporated in Buxton. Emma survived him for another thirty four years, she died on 22nd December 1898 and was buried in the same vault as Edward. A Buxton newspaper reported that her body was brought to Buxton by train and that the undertaker was from Derby, so it is possible that she spent her last years in the Derby area.

According to the newspaper report, the funeral service was conducted by the Rev. F.R.W. Wilmot, vicar of Burbage. Buke records that Edward had a nephew the Rev. F.E.W. Wilmot so this may be the same person. The mourners included three of Edward and Emma's surviving children, the Rev. Darwin Wilmot their eldest son, Emma Maria (by then Mrs Meynell) and Fannie (Frances, their youngest daughter). There is no mention of Reginald, although his name is included among the four children who put up a brass memorial in the church, five years previously he had married a

Miss Daniel of Ontario, Canada, which may explain his absence. The other son, Woollett, had become a lieutenant in the Royal Marines and had died in Malta in 1879. The newspaper account also mentions one William Wilmot as one of the 'old bellringers' who acted as bearers, but his relationship, if any, is not known.

If anyone can shed any light on the above, please send any information to the editor so that it can be passed on to Mr Neville Hoskins.

Helen Betteridge

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**MEMORIAL INSCRIPTION FROM THE METHODIST CHURCH
MELLOR, DERBYSHIRE**

Transcribed by A.M. Berrell, December 1995

The chapel is now redundant and has been converted to a private residence. There was just the one grave with the following inscription.

*Sacred to the memory of Thomas Knowles WALLER
born at Eccleshall Staffordshire 1780 died at Mellor 1864
In early life he went to London where he obtained a knowledge
of salvation through faith in Christ, and joined the Wesleyan
Society. He afterwards removed to Manchester where he laboured
as a local preacher and class leader with great earnestness &
success. In 1817 he settled at Mellor where he established the
first Sunday School and Methodist services. After a long and
useful life he died a peaceful and happy death.
Blessed are the dead which died in the Lord. Rev: 14 Chap. 13 ver*



MISCELLANY

THE ELEVENTH FAMILY HISTORY IN WALES COURSE will be held over the week from Saturday 3 to Saturday 10 August 1996 at the University of Wales, Aberystwyth. A weekend **SECOND STAGES COURSE** on 'People, Places and Pedigrees' will be held from Friday 6 to Tuesday 10 September 1996. These residential courses are accredited by the University and people are welcome to attend them either to gain academic credits (10 credits at Level 1) or for personal satisfaction. Special consideration is given to the needs of overseas participants. Brochures with full details of the programmes, accommodation and costs are available from The Course Directors (FH), The Dept. of Extra-Mural Studies, University of Wales, 10-11 Laura Place, Aberystwyth, SY23 2AU, Wales, UK (Tel. 01970 622677; Fax 01970 622686).

LINCOLNSHIRE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY announce a Family History Day to be held on Saturday 20th March 1996 at Bracebridge Heath Village Hall near Lincoln. The topic will be Rural Occupations and speakers include Anthony Camp. The Society's library and collection of indexes will also be available together with various stalls. If interested reserve your place quickly as the closing date is Tuesday, 26th March. Write to Mrs B. Webster, 25 Fen Road, Heighington, Lincoln LN4 1JL enclosing £4.50 per person, which includes morning and lunchtime coffee, but not lunch. Cheques should be made payable to LFHS conference.

THE YORKSHIRE FAMILY HISTORY FAIR is to be held at York Racecourse on 29th/30th June. Car and coach parking is free on the racecourse and there are plenty of Societies taking a stall, including some from Wales and Scotland. If you are a car boot fanatic there is a massive one being held on the Saturday in one of the main car parks or why not visit one of the many attractions around York itself. All in all an interesting weekend.

THE STORY OF JOSIAH FOULK

Josiah Foulk was born in the vicinity of Wirksworth in Derbyshire. The family lived on the hillslopes to the north of the town. It is an area of great beauty. Craggy limestone stands above the road to Cromford on one side and the gritstone of Black Rocks stand above the woods on the other side of the road. At the beginning of the nineteenth century the whole district was a hive of activity. Arkwright's mills were teeming with business and the lead mines which had their origins in the mists of time honeycombed the limestone. They had been Wirksworth's source of prosperity, while the coming of the Industrial Revolution increased Wirksworth's importance as a market town. This was the environment in which Josiah Foulk grew up. He had left Wirksworth long before the arrival of the railway in 1867 and the huge quarries were yet to dominate the immediate landscape of the town, the development of large scale quarrying being a result of the rail link. Wirksworth is an ancient parish. St Mary's church, with its unusual tower topped with a tiny steeple, is situated in what can only be described as a mini cathedral close. The town contains a fine array of architecture with splendid examples of Jacobean and Georgian buildings. The little cottages of the working people cling to the hillside of Greenhill and the Dale. Similar cottages are to be seen at Bolehill, Bull Hill as it was called at the beginning of the last century.

Bull Hill was given twice on the census as Josiah Foulk's birthplace. On two other returns he says Wirksworth and Middleton respectively. These are the census returns for Leek, Staffordshire, where he appears in the years 1851, 1861, 1871 and 1881. Each time he states his occupation as that of hawker. In 1881 he gives a little more detail, hawker of hardware and soft goods.

Josiah must have been living in Leek by the mid 1840s as his daughter, Hannah, was born there on 25th June 1847. She came into the world in one of the tiny brickbuilt cottages in Morton's yard, a court off Derby Street, Leek. This was the home of the Mellor family who were relatives of her mother, Harriet Mellor. There is no evidence of a marriage between Josiah Foulk and Harriet Mellor on the St Catherine's House marriage indices.

Harriet was born at Rushton Spencer, a little village on the Staffordshire/Cheshire border. In 1841 she was living on Buxton Road, Leek, with her parents Mathew and Mary Mellor and her younger brothers, Mathew and Samuel, and sister Mary. On the census night in 1841 Mary is recorded twice, at home on Buxton Road and at where she must have been staying with her grandmother Mary Pickford, aged 66, farmer of "Ladystone" on the Roaches. So Harriet's origins were among the rocks, heather, bilberries and grouse of the moors, where the men were colliers and farmers and the women were silk buttonmakers.

In 1841 Josiah Foulk is not recorded on the census returns either for the Leek or the Wirksworth areas. He would have been about 19 years old, but might well have appeared in the 15 year old category on the census. His age has been ascertained from the later census returns, which prove consistent, and from the Leek Cemetery records. They record the death of Josiah Foulke, Hardware dealer of Lowe Hill, Leek, who died 10th June 1890 aged 68. He was therefore born about 1922.

In 1848 Josiah Fowkes was a tenant in one of the cottages which made up an area of Leek called Petty France. These were several terraces of brickbuilt cottages on the northside of St Edward's Church. They overlooked a valley containing Cruso's Pond, which is now part of Leek Park. Recent research has concluded that Petty France got its name because it is adjacent to the corner of the churchyard where some of the Napoleonic prisoners of war were buried. In 1851 and 1861 Josiah was living on London Road, Leek. The family then moved out of town. In 1871 and 1881 he was living in Lowe Hill Cottages, where he died in 1890.

Josiah had a second daughter, Mary, born on 23rd June 1859 at Ball Haye Road, Tittesworth, Leek. Mary was always known as 'Polly' and was half sister to Hannah. Mary's mother was a Hannah Hassall and again there is no evidence in the St Catherine's House indices for a marriage between Josiah Foulk and Hannah Hassall. Both Harriet Mellor and Hannah Hassall appear as 'wife' using the name Foulk on the census returns. It is unfortunate that the name of Josiah's father cannot be obtained from a marriage certificate which would have linked him into a Foulk family in Wirksworth.

After searching parish and non-conformist records for the Wirksworth area in the Matlock Record Office, a baptism for a Josiah Foulk could not be found. Around the time of Josiah's birth there were half a dozen families having children in the Wirksworth district.



Left: Hannah Porter (nee Foulk) 1847-1928
Above: Mary Foulk ("Polly") 1859-1935



Lowe Hill Cottages, Leek, Staffordshire

The following appears in the Parish Records for St. Mary's, Wirksworth:-

*March 17th 1822 Baptism of Joseph and Thomas, twins, sons of Joseph and Ellin Foulke, labourer of Wirksworth.
With the entry it states, born April 30th 1816*

So we have a Joseph Foulke baptised 1822 and not a Josiah Foulk born in 1822!

Josiah spent over forty years of his life living in Leek. He must have travelled a fair amount as a hawker. It would be interesting to know what routes his travels took him over the Staffordshire Moors and round the Derbyshire Dales and what tales he could have told.

Both his first 'wife' Harriet and second 'wife' Hannah, worked in the silk industry as silk winders. Silk manufacture dominated the economy of Leek in the nineteenth century as it did in the neighbouring Cheshire towns of Macclesfield and Congleton. Josiah's daughters, Hannah and Polly, both received Dame School educations and they too later worked in the silk mills.

In 1861 Josiah was living in London Road with his second 'wife' Hannah and their baby daughter Polly. Harriet and daughter Hannah were elsewhere. According to family stories Hannah was working in a mill at the age of 8, turning a wheel. That certainly fits in with her being a silk winder. By the time of the 1871 census Hannah was in her 24th year and back at home with her father, step-mother and half sister. The family were living in Lowe Hill cottages. These cottages are very similar to the stone cottages at Bolchill. What had happened to Harriet?

Hannah was married in May 1873 to William Porter, a brickmaker. He was the son of Thomas Porter, brick manufacturer of Lowe Hill. The brickyard was on the London Road close to the Workhouse. On the 1881 census returns William and Hannah Porter were living next door but one to Josiah in Lowe Hill Cottages. They had four children, Emily aged 6, Thomas (my grandfather) aged 4, Mathew Henry 2 and baby William, just two months old. Their last child, Arthur Foulk Porter, was born three years later. All five of Josiah's grandchildren grew up to marry and all had children of their own, except for William who had been crippled with polio. Josiah's four grandsons went into business. Thomas, Mathew Henry and William went into the antique and furniture trade, William being the cabinet maker. Arthur Foulk Porter became a tailor.

Hannah Porter was a woman of strong character. She would go into the "Flying Horse" public house after the men had received their wages at the brickworks and ask Will for her housekeeping money in front of the men, saying "she had five children to feed". Her granddaughter describes her as a kindly person. In old age Hannah lived with her son Thomas and his family in Bath Street, Leek. She would take her granddaughters Kathleen (my mother) and Margaret on walks up Ashbourne Road (London Road) towards Lowchill, returning to town via the Pickwood Recreation Ground and the Southbank Post Office for her little pension. She purchased "School Friend" for Kathleen and "Rainbow" comic for Margaret. Hannah never took up the fashion of short dresses after the First World War and kept to wearing an old fashioned bonnet. A drawer in her chest of drawers was used for storing herbs between layers of paper. Hannah also retained the ability to make good currant bread in her old age.

Josiah's second daughter, Polly, never married. She spent her working life in the silk industry. She was in charge of a department at Brough, Nicholson and Hall's silk manufacturers on Ashbourne Road. This was a vast complex of mills on what was Leek Moor. Polly was described as a "tartar". Her department received work which had been sent out and done at home. Polly had very high standards and ruled the outworkers with a rod of iron.

Josiah Foulk died in 1890 at Lowe Hill Cottages. His widow, Hannah, and daughter Polly, moved into Leek to Grosvenor Street, near to Brough's mill. Hannah Foulk died in 1895 and daughter Polly in 1935. All three are buried in the same grave.

I should very much like to know of the whereabouts of Josiah Foulk at the time of the 1841 census and to solve the mystery of which Foulk family he belonged to at Wirksworth.

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SWINE FEVER AT ALDECAR --- This disease has been present at Aldecar near Langley Mill upon the premises of James WALKER, a collier, who has one pig affected. Another case is reported from Loscoe Grange

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WHAT THE CENSUS RETURNS DIDN'T SAY!

1871 Census, RG10/3637, folio 53, page 1.
Higher Crossings, Chapel-en-le-Frith, Derbyshire.

Miles Walker	Head	M.	30	Boot and shoemaker, employing one man	b. Ches., Hazel Grove
Sarah Walker	Wife	M.	27		
Bertha Walker	Dau.	--	6mo.		
Zachariah Walker	Grand- father	M.	74		
Sarah Walker	Grand- mother	M.	74		
Robert JOWLE	Cousin	Unm.	22	Shoemaker	b. Ches., Cheadle

When I first became interested in family history many years ago it was because my grandmother had so many fascinating snippets of information about her ancestry, and several family stories. However, although she knew a great deal about her own family, she had very little knowledge of her husband's family, who were called JOWLE and came from Chapel-en-le-Frith in Derbyshire. This was because, although she married him in 1910, he had left her before their only daughter - my mother - was born in July 1911 and was then killed in France in 1916. She had never known her parents-in-law, as they had both died before she married. She only had one vague memory of being told that a Jowle had run the stagecoach between Chapel-en-le-Frith and Buxton.

When I picked up family history again after a long gap (bringing up our three children), I decided to try to find out about my Jowle ancestry as I knew so little about it. I wondered whether it would be very interesting as I didn't have any family stories to add flesh to the bones as in my grandmother's family.

My maternal grandfather was James Henry Jowle, who was born in Chapel-en-le-Frith in 1881. He had two brothers, named George William and Robert, and a sister Florence Ann, all three younger than him. I knew that his parents Robert and Sarah Jowle had run the Waggon and Horses Inn, in Townend, Chapel-en-le-Frith, for many years. However, when Robert Jowle married Sarah Shore in 1878 he was given as a cordwainer (i.e. a shoemaker) on the marriage certificate. This was confirmed by the fact that even in the 1891 Census he is listed as Shoemaker and Publican.

I started by going back to the 1871 Census for Chapel-en-le-Frith to see if he had been living there then, as Jowle is a fairly common name in that area. I found the census entry listed at the beginning of this article. This was interesting as he was living with his cousin and was presumably the one man employed by him. It also gave his place of birth as Cheadle, Cheshire. I had no idea how Miles Walker fitted in, and whether he was his cousin on his mother's or father's side, and although I noted down Miles Walker's grandparents I took no notice of them for the moment.

I found that Robert Jowle had been born in 1848, the son of another Robert Jowle and Mary Garner, and his parents had married in Marple, Cheshire. Robert Jowle senior was a grocer on his marriage in 1840 and in the 1841 census of Marple is given as a shopman. However, by 1851 he and his family were living in Cheadle, Cheshire, and Robert senior was running the Red Lion Inn there. Not surprisingly Robert junior eventually followed his father into the same trade. An interesting piece of information on that census was that Robert senior was born in Chapel-en-le-Frith. By 1861 the family were living in Marple again, where Robert senior had become a coach proprietor. When he died in 1863, in the details of the inquest he was given as the driver of the omnibus between Marple and Stockport. (Was this confirmation of my grandmother's vague memory of a stage-coach driver, even though the places were different?)

On Robert Jowle senior's marriage certificate he said that his father was Joseph Jowle, labourer, and as I could find no Robert Jowle, son of Joseph Jowle, baptised in Chapel-en-le-Frith in about 1815, I decided to start on my SHORE ancestry. (I still hadn't discovered just how Robert Jowle was related to Miles Walker.)

I had some difficulty locating Sarah Shore's birth and finding her as a child on a census return. In the 1871 census for Chapel-en-le-Frith she was living with a family called Smith as a General Servant, Domestic, and had been born in High Lane, Cheshire. When I finally got a copy of her birth certificate I noticed that she was the daughter of James Shore and Ann Shore (nee Walker), and when I found the family on the 1851 Census for Stockport I was interested to note that her mother Ann Shore (nee Walker) had been born in Chapel-en-le-Frith. This meant that when both Robert Jowle and Sarah Shore turned up on the 1871 Census living in Chapel-en-le-Frith, they were presumably both going back to familiar family territory. I also noticed that Ann Shore's maiden name was Walker, but thought that this must be a coincidence. After all Walker is a common surname and Miles Walker was Robert Jowle's cousin and not Sarah Shore's, wasn't he?

However, I then applied for the certificate for James Shore's marriage to Ann Walker, and guess whose daughter she was? Yes, you've guessed it, "Zachariah Walker, Shoemaker". (Refer to the census entry at the top of this article). Another interesting thing about the marriage certificate was that Robert Jowle senior was one of the witnesses. This meant that Robert Jowle knew Ann Walker before ever his son and her daughter were born, let alone married to each other, and also that Robert Jowle and Ann Walker were probably related to one another - but how?

I then looked for Ann Walker's baptism and her parent's marriage. I found that she was baptised at Chapel-en-le-Frith in 1818 and her father, Zachariah Walker, married her mother, Sarah JOWLE, also in 1818 at Chapel. Here was the explanation! The Jowles were related to the Shores via the Walkers, so Robert Jowle junior was probably a second cousin to Miles Walker and also to his future wife, Sarah Shore. I guessed that Joseph Jowle, the father listed on Robert Jowle senior's marriage certificate, was probably Sarah Jowle's brother.

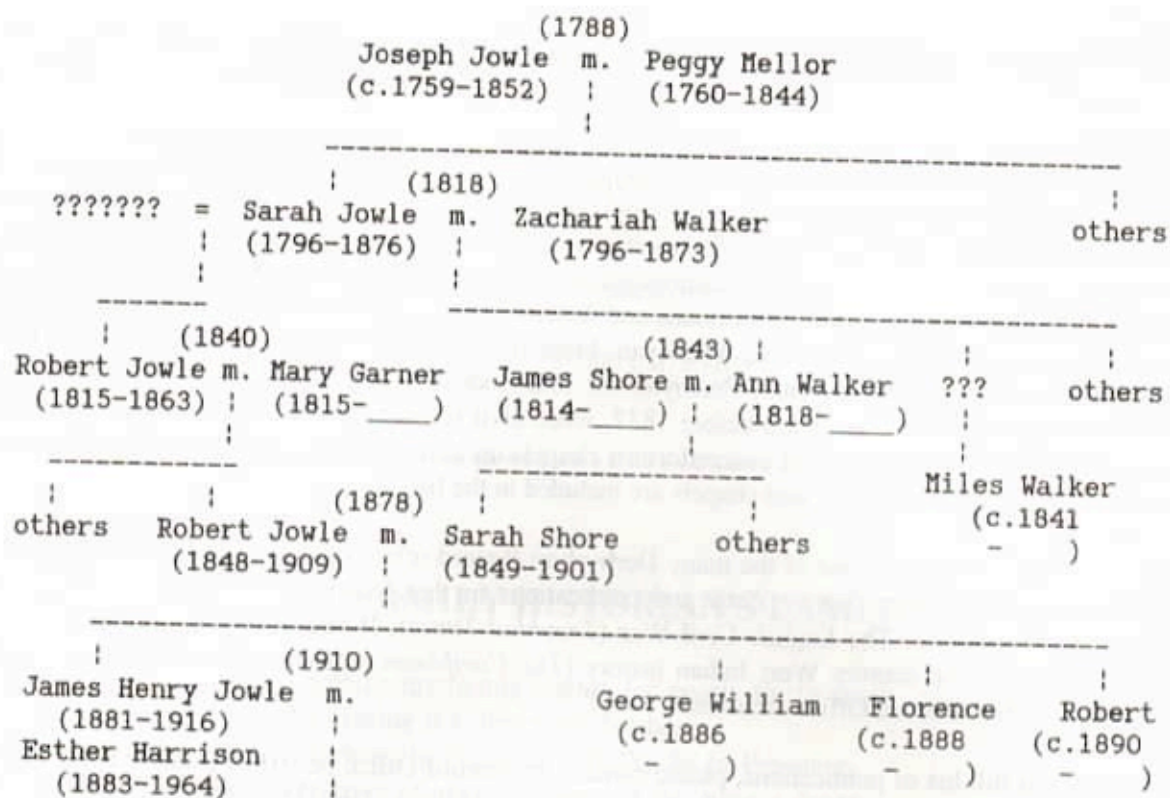
I decided to have a day at the Record Office in Lichfield to see if I could prove this, as I had already had difficulty finding a baptism of a Robert Jowle, son of Joseph Jowle. I found Sarah Jowle's baptism in 1796 and the marriage of her parents, Joseph Jowle and Peggy Mellor, without difficulty, but could not find a brother called Joseph, which had seemed the most likely explanation.

I then started looking again for Robert Jowle senior's baptism in about 1815. The only baptism I found for a Robert Jowle about then was:-

5th November, 1815. Robert Jowle, the illegitimate son of Sarah Jowle, baptised.

I sat in the quiet of the Record Office at Lichfield with people working around me, and nearly burst out laughing as the full implication of this entry hit me. As it was I managed a quiet chuckle to myself. When Robert Jowle senior married Mary Garner he presumably disguised the fact that he was illegitimate by giving the name of his maternal grandfather, instead of his father, and when he witnessed the marriage of James Shore and Ann Walker he was actually Ann Walker's half-brother (being the illegitimate son of her mother, Sarah Jowle, before she married Zachariah Walker).

The entry in the 1871 Census was therefore explained, and I now come to the reason behind the title of this article - "What the Census Return Didn't Say" was that Robert Jowle junior was not only living with his cousin Miles Walker, he was also living with his grandmother, Sarah Walker (nee Jowle) and her husband. These two people were also his own future wife's grandparents, and Miles Walker was not only his half cousin but also a relative of his future wife. Just think how differently the 1871 census entry would have read if Zachariah Walker had been listed as head of the family.



The moral of this story is that it definitely pays to persevere, to not be put off by lack of family information and not always to believe the details given on official documents.

Finally I would be very happy to correspond with any descendants of these Jowles, Walkers or Shores, and give you any information that I have. If anyone reading this article thinks they can help in any way please write to me, and I will happily refund postage. I am interested to find out exactly what happened to this Shore family after 1851, particularly where they were living at the time of the following census, or if James and Ann Shore had already died. I would also like to know what happened to Mary Jowle (nee Garner) and the rest of her children after her husband Robert senior died in 1863. I cannot find them in Marple, or Cheadle, or Chapel-en-le-Frith in 1871, although I do know that her son Robert junior was living in Chapel at this date. I would also dearly like to correspond with someone who has traced Miles Walker. I have not yet tried to get his birth certificate as he is not a direct ancestor of mine and because certificates are expensive. I rather think that he was the illegitimate son of one of Zachariah and Sarah Walker's daughters, as he lived with his grandparents all their lives. The final twist in the story may be that he was Ann Walker's illegitimate son, before she married James Shore, and that he was therefore Sarah Shore's half-brother.

Just in case anyone thinks that they are related to me, Zachariah Walker was baptised in Hayfield, Derbyshire; James Shore came from Norbury, nr Poynton, Cheshire, and Mary Garner was baptised in Cheadle, Cheshire; but I think the Garners may have come from Timperley before that.

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BAKEWELL CHURCHYARD

Know posterity that on the 8th April in the year of grace 1757 the rambling remains of the above said John Dale were in the 86th year of his pilgrimage laid upon his two wives.

This thing in life might raise some jealousy. Here Sarah's chiding John no longer hears. Here all three lye together lovingly. And old John's rambling Sarah no more fears. But from embraces here no pleasure. Hows a period's come to all their toilsome lives. A like are here all human joys and woes the good man's quite, still are both his wives.

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DERBYSHIRE RECORD OFFICE NEWS

NEW PUBLICATIONS

Keeping track of registers of churches other than Anglican ones in Derbyshire Record Office is easier with the publication of the new edition of the Record Office's *NONCONFORMIST REGISTER LIST*. For family historians who have been unable to find entries for their Derbyshire ancestors in Church of England registers, this new publication is an invaluable reference guide. The list covers all denominations for which registers of baptisms, marriages, deaths or burials are held, including Swedenborgians, Moravians and Assemblies of God, as well as the better known groups such as Wesleyan Methodist, Primitive Methodist, Wesleyan Methodist Reform, United Methodist, Lady Huntingdon's Connexion, General Baptist, Congregational, Presbyterian, Independent, Society of Friends (Quakers), and Roman Catholic. Of particular use for the centuries before 1837, when civil registration started, the *Nonconformist Register List* also gives covering dates of registers of nonconformist chapels up to the 1990s, especially for buildings which have now closed. Over 380 separate churches and chapels are included in the list.

The *Nonconformist Register List* is one of the many Derbyshire Record office publications of interest to genealogists: others include the *Family History Starter Pack* and publications in the *Archives First* series of beginners' guides including *Your Family's Roots*. The English Civil War (*Troubled Times*), World War 1 (*Derbyshire in Peace and War: 1*) and sources for 19th century West Indian history (*The Caribbean in History*) are other recently published introductions to Derbyshire Record Office archives.

For further details and full list of publications, please contact the Record Office on 01629 580000 ext. 35202 or write to the County Archivist, Derbyshire Record Office, County Offices, Matlock, DE4 3AG Fax No. 01629 57611. You can fax orders for publications, requests for information, or other enquiries and you can pay by cash, cheque or VISA credit card (cheques payable to Derbyshire County Council).

ARCHIVE WORKSHOPS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

Family history is also the subject of an evening archive workshop to be held at Derbyshire Record Office on 15 May as part of its *Archives Alive* programme. Other events include a talk of new archives made available in the Office in 1995; a special lecture on Derbyshire trials; an archive training day for teachers; a special workshop session on Victorian schooldays; and a lecture on women in Derbyshire's history, as well as another of the Record Office's popular *Open Days* on Saturday 13 July 1996. All are welcome and more details are available from the address above.

DERBYSHIRE LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETIES NETWORK

Because of popular demand, the *Derbyshire Local History Societies Network* special lecture by James Campbell on the history of shire counties, with special reference to Derbyshire, was re-run on 23 March, again to a capacity audience and another meeting for *Network* members to exchange ideas, show displays of their work and promote their publications is to be held on Saturday 20 April 1996.

NEW ACQUISITIONS

1995 was another busy year in terms of acquisitions for Derbyshire Record Office. School archives continue to feature regularly amongst incoming materials, and industrial and business records always form a significant proportion of new accessions. The estate records of the Strutt family of Belper are one example of an important recent acquisition. As well as information about the development of the area by this prominent local family, the archive includes title deeds of properties going back to the medieval period and, perhaps surprisingly in a landlocked county, papers concerning to a pirate ship, *The Fox*, at the time of the Napoleonic Wars. Relating to the same period is the diary of William Forman of Chellaston, with its comments on national as well as local events, which forms part of an excellent group of family papers. Transport history is documented in accessions of bus company archives, especially from the east of the county, and the Record Office has also acquired additional records from textile and agricultural firms in several different areas. There will be a chance to obtain an overview of all this new material if you can come to the special talk to be held at the Record Office on 16 April.

SOME REMINDERS.....

If you are unable to visit Derbyshire Record Office in person to pursue your research, you can use the *Family History Search Service*. Qualified archivists supervise all searches. For a modest fee you will receive a search report, photocopies of entries, where appropriate, and information about all sources checked. You can ask for a search for as

little time as thirty minutes, and orders are processed within a few days. For details of fees and an order form, please contact the Record office at the address above.

If you do not know where Derbyshire Record Office is in Matlock, please ask for our free leaflet *Information for Users* which includes a location map, as well as our opening hours, etc.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Derbyshire Record Office Search Room: for bookings or microform readers, advance orders for documents etc. 01629 580000 ext. 7347.

Derbyshire Record Office general enquiries: 01629 580000 ext. 35202 or 35207.

A FAMILY HISTORIAN'S LAMENT

I've been doing my family history for nearly thirty years,
Diligently tracing my illustrious forebears,
From Peterhead to Peterborough, Pendle to Penzance,
My merry band of ancestors has led me quite a dance.

There's cooks from Kent and guards from Gwent and chimney sweeps from Chester,
There's even one daft fisherman lived all his life in Leicester.
There's no-one rich or famous, no, not even well-to-do,
Though a second cousin twice removed once played in goal for Crewe.

I've haunted record offices from Gillingham to Jarrow,
The little grey cells of my mind would humble Hercule Poirot.
I've deciphered bad handwriting that would shame a three-year-old,
And brought the black sheep of the family back into the fold.

My bride of just three minutes I left standing in the church,
As I nipped into the graveyard for a spot of quick research,
Eventually, I found an uncle, sixty years deceased -
It was far more satisfying than a silly wedding feast.

After three whole weeks of wedded bliss, my wife became despondent.
She named the Public Record Office as the co-respondent.
I didn't even notice when she packed her bags and went -
I was looking for great grandad's will who'd died in Stoke-on-Trent.

But now my thirty-year obsession is lying in the bin.
Last Tuesday week, I heard some news that made me jack it in,
For my darling aged mother, who is not long for this earth,
Casually informed me they'd adopted me at birth!

Lyn Howsam, 8 Far View Rd., Sheffield S5 7TB (Mem. No. 4029) - With apologies to whoever wrote the original poem which is doing the rounds and causing much amusement.

The Bradburn's of Derbyshire

In the reign of King John Gerard alias Godard de Bradburne of the village of Bradeburne, now known as Bradbourne of Derbyshire was granted Lordship of the Manor of Bradeburne by Sir Geoffrey de Cauceis, and was held by this noble family for the next Four hundred years until the end of the reign of Elizabeth the 1st., when it was bought by Sir Humphrey Ferrers, who had married Jane the daughter of Sir Humphrey Bradburne.



At the time of Domesday the old parish of Bradeburne was of considerable size, it embraced the chapelries of Atlow, Ballidon, Brassington, and Tissington, as well as the township of Aldwark, it was Sir Roger, grandson of Godard who bought lands at Hough, now Hulland and built the family Manor. The site of their former house at Hulland is marked by a moat to the South, now a secluded site. They occupied the Manor well before 1296, until 1594 when it was sold to the Ferrers family of Tamworth, records indicate thereafter it was undoubtedly abandoned. The last house to be built on the moated site may have been built of brick which is believed to have been used to build the adjacent old Hulland Hall by the Borowes family in 1692.

Roger de Bradburne was knighted by 1303, in the reign of King Edward I, and was tasked by the King to raise men from Derbyshire in the years 1297 and 1316 to serve against the Scot's. Married to Phillipa, they raised four sons, Henry, Roger, William and Richard, their first born Richard was also knighted, sadly however he died before his father as he was executed in Pontefract, South Yorkshire, in 1322 for collaborating with Thomas, Earl of Lancaster against the King, Edward II, upon which his younger brother William became heir to the Lordship of Hough.

Williams son Roger, married Lucy and records indicate that this Roger stood as an MP to represent the County of Derbyshire in the 20th year of Richard II (1397) and the 6th Parliament of Henry IV, (1405). Roger's grandson, Henry of Hough married Marjory daughter of Sir John Bagot of Blithfield, Staffordshire, Henry and Marjory had issue, a son John and daughter Isabel, whoes second marriage was to Thomas the son of Sir John Babbington of Detheck, son and heir John married the daughter of Sir Richard Vernon, of Harlaston, Haddon Hall.

Later to be knighted, Sir John and Anne made Hough their chief residence, rebuilt the manor house and chapel attached to it in 1463. Though the parish to-day is known as Hulland, the name of Hough persists in the title of a farm at the West end of the village near the site of the old manor house, like the old family manor no remains of the chapel now exist, though the former, escaped destruction at the time of the reformation and was used as a chapel of ease to Ashbourne until the middle of the 18th century.

On completion of the re-building of their main residence, they moved from Lea Hall to Hough in 1480, on, or about the year 1483 John and Anne obtained leave from Edward IV, to found a chantry at the chapel attached to the manor house at Hough, not content with the foundation of a chantry in their private chapel, they founded a second chantry in the mother church of Ashbourne in 1484. This chantry, dedicated to St Oswald occupied a portion of the South West transept of Ashbourne church, the chapel became the burial place of the Bradburne family and in it were erected tombs to their memory.

The chapel until 1840 was used as the vestry of Ashbourne church and on the South wall may still be seen the piscina and aumbry used in connection with this chantry.

Before his death in 1491, John and Anne had issue, a son and heir Humphrey born 1471 and five daughters, the eldest being Benedicta who later married John Fitzherbert of Norbury. The tombs of Sir John and Lady Anne are to be found in the Bradburne chapel in Ashbourne church, Lady Anne is dressed in a gown and mantle, with a wreath of flowers on her head, around her neck she has a necklace of "cockle-shells". Whilst John was fighting for Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain against the Arabs, Lady Anne went on a pilgrimage to St James of Compostella to do penance. Anyone who was employed by the Masters of Santiago in the crusades had the privilege of wearing the badge of Granada (a pomegranate) and we will be seeing this badge on the tomb of Sir Humphrey Bradburne.



Ashbourne Church

Until the year 1840, there were three table tombs and a small mural slab commemorating members of the Bradburne family. At the restoration of the tombs in 1840 they were already somewhat mutilated, being subjected to still further damage in the process of yet another move from the Bradburne quire, first to the North West transept of the church, and afterwards into the Lady chapel. Sadly during this process of rearrangement one of the three table-tombs were, according to the testimony of the Rev Tenison Mosse, who was responsible for the so-called restoration,

partially destroyed and partly used another to patch up the second tomb. this composite tomb now stands in the Lady chapel beside the monument to Penelope Boothby.

These effigies in the Lady chapel are supposed to represent Sir John and Lady Anne, Sir John being seventh in descent from Godard de Bradburne and his wife Lady Anne the daughter of Sir Richard Vernon of Haddon Hall, that this supposition is correct is highly probable, as the tombs occupied a place in the Bradburne chapel from the end of the 15th century to the time of their removal to the North transept; and the armour of the man and the dress of the woman are characteristic of the period in which they lived and died. there is a further tomb in the same chapel dedicated to Sir Humphrey And Lady Elizabeth Bradburne, Sir Humphrey being the great grandson of Sir John. More of this Humphrey later.

There is little known about Sir Johns heir, Humphrey, born in 1471 at Lea Hall, he married Margaret Longford the daughter of Sir Nicholas Longford, in 1509 he became patron of the chantry in Ashbourne church, Humphrey and Margaret had nine children, all born at Hough, six sons and three daughters, he died on the 6th March 1521 and the records state that there was an inquest and post-mortem held. one wonders, could this suggest foul play? He was buried in the church grounds at Bradburne, his coat of arms impaling Longford were once in place of a window of that church, sadly now disappeared.

The new heir to Hough was Humphreys son John, he married Isabel, daughter of Richard Cotton of Ridware, Staffordshire. In or around the year 1510 John was a "sergent-at-law". John and Isabel had eight children, four sons and four daughters, the eldest son was called Humphrey, with brothers Anthony, Raufe and Henry, their sisters, Elizabeth, married Nicholas Mainwaring, Frances who became a Nun, Elenor and Maude who married John Maynell on 31st October 1539. Son and heir Humphrey married Elizabeth the daughter of Sir William Turville of Newhall. More of Humphrey, Elizabeth and their family later.

Like his father, John died in suspicious circumstances on 2nd October 1521, the same year as his father, there was also an inquest and post-mortem, he was aged 30.

to be continued

Michael Bradburn member 3906

STITCHING UP SOME TAYLORS OF DERBYSHIRE

I was careful to say some, because we all know that in common with most surnames, there are so many christian names like William, John, Hannah and Mary etc. before them, and which in the end have nothing to do with our particular ancestors unless perhaps in the really dim and distant past.

Kirk Langley has provided homes for my Taylors since the 18th century. After Kirk Langley came Cromford and before Kirk Langley, who knows? I cannot get the facts about that yet. You will know the feeling!

I don't need to pontificate on the job of stitching together the fabric of ancestry, you all know the many dropped stitches you can make and the chart you thought was perfect suddenly looks shaky because of conflicting information later.

I believe I have mine stitched up from Thomas Taylor, sometime innkeeper of what was the Royal Oak in Kirk Langley. He is the first established ancestor that I have, born circa 1764. Like many ancestors he had a fair number of children, four sons and four daughters. One son named Thomas, born circa 1794, followed his father into the publican profession at the Royal Oak. He had three children - a small number in those days - six grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. I'm still working to find out where the grandchildren went to and who their offspring were. William, another son, born circa 1800, had seven children. More work to do on these, of course, but that surely is the joy of family history. One more discovery leads to more questions.

Now we come to the important son as far as I am concerned. George, born in May 1813 and my great great grandfather. He was married to Mary Starbuck in November 1835. Mary and George liked children for they had a round dozen of them. Sadly five of them died young at various ages, the oldest being only five. George was Postmaster at the Old Post Office in Kirk Langley, holding this post for some twenty two years.

Three sons formed the bulk of the known family after that. Arthur, Joseph and John. Joseph had five, possibly seven, children and offspring still to be investigated. Arthur was the youngest of the three and was already working at age 12 for a Doctor Copestake of Brailsford. After that he was a coachman for Doctor Webb in Wirksworth. Later he took over as Postmaster at the Old Post Office when his father George became infirm. He travelled miles on horseback delivering letters around the local countryside. It is understood that next day delivery was quite reliable even when letters were posted in London the previous evening. Arthur relaxed by his interests in the Meynell Hunt and the local cricket club. In 1935 he was the oldest inhabitant in Kirk Langley at the good old age of eighty four.

A chance phone call some two years ago to Kirk Langley led to the discovery of the Arthur side of the family, through his granddaughter living near Derby. We had a very pleasant visit to this lady and I obtained some pictures and a lot of information about Arthur and his family. One particular find was all the names of Arthur's brothers and sisters in the family bible which Arthur's granddaughter has in her possession. This was a great help in checking my own ancestral chart. This example of an excellent contribution to my general family history has the extra reward of meeting some nice people and is what makes family history such an absorbing hobby. We have, of course, corresponded since this meeting.

Arthur's son, George, a postman at the 'Old Post Office' Kirk Langley, was killed in a very ironic fashion; by an ambulance while riding his bicycle. He died in the Derby Royal Infirmary soon afterwards. Arthur's brother, John, is the most interesting to me, as he was my great grandfather. He was a farmer at what was then 'Moorside', Barnwell Lane, Cromford Hill, looking after 45 acres. George, one of John's three sons took over the farm later.

Milk deliveries were made around the district including the Heights of Abraham in Matlock Bath. This must have been a tough assignment, particularly for the horse, although I do not know how far they went up. George's son, Wilfred, took me in his float on several occasions while he delivered milk, but not to Matlock Bath - perhaps just as well. George's sister, Hannah, and her husband, John Holmes, also had a farm up Cromford Hill, known then as 'Braeside'. I have had many a glass of milk on a visit to Great Aunt Polly as she was known.

John was another son of John the farmer, but he found his way to Portsmouth and worked as an electrician in the Naval Dockyard. My parents and I visited them quite often at their home in Harold Road, Portsmouth, as it was an easy journey on the train from where we lived at the time. The sandwiches provided were always the thinnest and tastiest I have experienced, prepared with loving care by John's wife, Nan.

The other son of John the farmer was William and you may have guessed that he was my grandfather. He was a carpenter and joiner and worked for the Arkwright family of Cromford - of cotton spinning fame - for thirty five years. His days were often spent in the workshop of the water wheel in Cromford, where large timbers were sawn. After leaving the Arkwrights he set up his own business. (Up to a year ago one or two inhabitants of Cromford that I spoke to had heard of 'Joiner Taylor'). I have a cousin in Denby that we visit at least once a year so I also make a nostalgic journey to see the old workshop off Cromford Hill. William lived in Victoria Terrace a little way up the Hill and I remember helping to decorate the front of the house at 'Wakes' time when I was there on holiday. We were all very pleased when we won the second prize for the best decorated house front.

The houses had their loos at the bottom of the garden (the buildings remain, but whether the loos are still there I do not know). By the loos ran a path all the way from the first house to the last and down this path I used to go to get to Grandad's workshop which was by way of a ladder down the wall at the end of the path and then up some stairs to the actual workshop. By the bottom of the workshop stairs was a grassy bank, at least that is what it looked like, and one day feeling quite exuberant I jumped from the top of the wall across to this 'grass', some four or five feet away. This seemed much easier than going down the ladder. Alas the grass was but a thin veneer covering a load of pig manure and I sank some two and a half feet in to this unimaginable mess. I managed to get out with considerable difficulty and my grandmother spent the next two hours outside with a tin bath cleaning me up before my grandfather returned.

My spirits were not dashed however, as cricket in Cromford meadow and exploring Black Rocks were great uplifting activities during my summer holidays. When I think now of the exploits on Black Rocks, my blood does run cold. Such is youth!

Returning to the ancestry itself, a gentleman from Wirksworth sent me, at what must have been a considerable effort to him, several closely written pages of information about 'Taylors', going back to the 16th Century. If only some link could be established, but that must be a very popular saying among family historians. If anyone else is interested in Taylor families I am sure the originator would not object to my copying it on to others.

While it has all been said before, I would like to pay tribute to the library services and record offices personnel, who very patiently help all they can in the search for our ancestry. I would, of course, be interested to hear from anyone who knows about Kirk Langley and Cromford for more background history on these two places as obviously they hold much interest for me. It goes without saying that it would be really exciting if anyone thinks that their ancestors might be linked to mine. A stitch back in time perhaps!

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GRAVESTONE INSCRIPTION IN BOLSOVER CHURCHYARD

(Copied from the 'Ilkeston Pioneer' of 16 October 1856)

Here
lies in a horizontal position
the outside case of
THOMAS HINDS
clock and watch maker
who departed this life
wound up in hope
of being taken in hand
by his Maker
and being thoroughly cleaned
repaired and set agoing
in the world to come
on the 15th of August 1836
in the 19th year of his age.



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THE TRUTH - WHO KNOWS?

While in the main county library, looking for clues where I could search for my family history, I came across names that I recognised in a book called the 'Court of Arches 1660-1913'. On making enquiries I found the document was held in the library of Lambeth Palace, the Archbishop of Canterbury's London residence. Gaining permission to view this document, I discovered that the document was the Excommunication of my 5 x Great Grandfather. What crime did he commit to warrant such an act? His crime was the none attendance of the court when ordered.

To try and find the reason for being excommunicated, various searches were made at Matlock and Lichfield PROs. Finally from Lichfield, 5 documents were found that could be followed through. The four main people concerned in this event are Abel Henstock (who was excommunicated), his mother Esther Henstock, Joseph Alsop and, just to add to the confusion, Abel (again) Henstock, his father.

The following are extracts from the documents, attempting to leave out as much of the legal jargon as possible.

8th April 1785

Esther Henstock made her last will and testament, bequeathing her goods, chattels and personal estate to her sons Thomas, Abell, Benjamin and Samuel, her daughters Martha and Elizabeth and her daughter-in-law Sarah, wife of Thomas. Abel was named the executor and witnesses were James Sheldon and Joseph Alsop.

17 October 1785

The writ of Richard Smallbrooke, Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry, was served on Joseph Alsop of Bonsall, blacksmith, to attend the Consistory Court at Lichfield Cathedral on Tuesday 25th October 1785. He was to bring in and leave in the registry the true and original will of Esther Henstock and answer questions for having withheld and suppressed the will from Abel Henstock (her son).

22nd October 1785

Sworn Statement of John Gratton of Wirksworth, butcher, that on the 21st October 1785 he personally served on Joseph Alsop the writ to attend the Consistory Court. Sworn before A. Bennet, Surrogate.

6th November 1785

Joseph Alsop of Bonsall in the county of Derby was called by the Consistory Court of Lichfield and Coventry to make a statement about the will of Esther Henstock. His statement went as follows:-

In March 1775, a three way agreement was made between Joseph Alsop, Abell Henstock (the elder) and his wife, Esther Henstock. The agreement was that all the property that Abell and Esther owned would be assigned over to Joseph Alsop. This included the house and any property associated with it, lead mines and any property linked with the mine. For this, Abell and Esther would hold the assigned property in trust.

Abell died intestate in 1775. Esther published her last will and testament on the 4th April 1785 and her funeral took place on the 15th April 1785. (In her will there was no indication or mention of the agreement made 10 years earlier). Joseph Alsop was requested by Esther, for security or safe keeping, to take custody of the will.

At a meeting of Esther Henstock's children, which was held at Esther's house, the will was read by Joseph Alsop, of which Joseph indicates that he was deceived in attending. (In the will, Esther's son Abell was designated sole executor). At the meeting Joseph Alsop was requested not to surrender the will, but to retain it.

On the 29th Abell (the son) applied for the will at John Thirklands, victualler for the will, where Joseph Alsop was at that time. Joseph's answer to Abell was that he did not have it on him, but he could call for it any time he wished. The will remained in Joseph Alsop's custody or keeping. Abell did not call or request him to deliver the will unto him or anybody else.

Joseph Alsop made it known that after the death of his mother, Esther, Abell sold the house within 14 to 15 days, or part of it for £10 or £12.

On the 12th October neighbours informed Joseph Alsop that Abell had been to 'Hendalls' with a proctor of Abell's to suggest a complaint before the court that Joseph Alsop was withholding the will from him.

Joseph Alsop, alarmed at such misrepresentation, went early on the 13th October to Abell Henstock in the presence of Joseph Smedley, Thomas Woodiwiss and Richard Walker, and offered to deliver up all papers to Abel Henstock, without consideration for his loss of time. Abel Henstock refused to change his course of action.

On the same day, Thursday 13th October 1785, Joseph Alsop went to Chesterfield to see Mr Hand with all the relevant papers. These were left in Mr Hand's custody. Joseph Alsop was advised by Mr Hand to require payment for his time and that of Mr Hand's, which amounted to 6/8d (34p). Joseph Alsop was also advised not to give up the will by reason of a defect in the will and that Abell Henstock was not entitled to anything from the will.

Joseph Alsop was approached by a William Jackson, whom he did not know, but was informed later that he was the proctor for Abell Henstock. William Jackson asked Joseph Alsop to surrender the documents to him, although William Jackson knew that they were already in the hands of Joseph Alsop's proctor, Mr Hand. William Jackson was asked to pay the fees and expenses for Joseph Alsop's proctor, Mr Hand, which he refused to pay.

On the 2nd October, Joseph Alsop was issued a writ of Abell Henstock, requiring him to bring in and leave at the court, all documents. Also to answer questions for having suppressed and withheld the will from Abell Henstock.

4th February 1786

Writ of Peter Calvert, Doctor of Laws, principal of the Arches Court of Canterbury, to Richard Smallbrook and Charles Buckeridge (surrogate to Richard Smallbrooke) to supply details and documents of the case of Esther Henstock's will being withheld or suppressed by Joseph Alsop, to her legal son and executor, Abell Henstock.

Also at the petition of the rector of Joseph Alsop, alleging that Joseph Alsop was, in the above case, unjustly judged against by having the decree interposed.

8th December 1787

Excommunication of Abell Henstock on the 8th December 1787 for the non attendance of the court, in the case of complaint against Joseph Alsop withholding or suppressing the last will and testament of Abell's mother, Esther Henstock, where Joseph Alsop's affidavit was refused or at least to be accepted or received.

It seems that my 6x great grandfather was excommunicated because he did not answer the courts' demand in Joseph Alsop's case of not being fairly heard in Abell's case of his mother's will.

An intriguing aspect is that Esther Henstock's will did not go through probate.

Since most of these details are from Joseph Alsop's affidavit, it is difficult to know how much the parties have been frugal with the truth or a little bit generous to their benefit.

I'll let you make your own mind up!

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DERBY MERCURY May 3, 1798

CHOLERA

Cholera epidemics swept through the country during the nineteenth century. Bad sanitation and inefficient disposal of sewage polluted water supplies. The sickness rampaged in towns and cities with crowded 'back to back' housing, where water was supplied through a communal tap at the end of a yard, usually next to the privies! In 1849 Dr. John Snow stated that an infectious organism in contaminated water carried the illness and recommended all drinking water be boiled to kill germs, but his advice was generally ignored.

Worried by the threat of *another visitation of the cholera* the incumbent of All Saints, Rev. Edward W. Foley, approached the mayor and magistrates at the Police Office regarding the burial grounds of Derby. With five churchyards in the centre of very populous localities and all overcrowded, and *increasing to an appalling extent*, the threat of this evil was very real. The practical difficulty was how to apply an efficient and speedy remedy. This ought not to be longer permitted and Foley asked the Bench whether anything could be done *by memorialising either the Board of Health or the Government towards facilitating the obtaining some suitable place for the interment of the dead.*

During 1849, with the support of the Municipal authorities, the clergy of Derby had sent a petition to the Central Board in London regarding this urgent problem. This failed as there was no clause in the Act empowering local boards of health to levy a rate for the purchase of cemeteries. It seemed likely that an Act might be passed during the next session to provide a solution.

Aware of its importance the Bench could give no advice or assistance but suggested that if the matter was brought *before the public, the more likely it would be to get remedied.*

DEATH FROM CHOLERA IN DERBY

An inquest was held before Mr. Coroner BALGUY, at the Town Hall, Derby on the body of William Hardbin, aged 76, whose death resulted, according to the evidence of Mr. Harwood, surgeon, and others, from an attack of English cholera. The following evidence was adduced Catharine Gascoyne said "I live in Eagle Street. The deceased resided in the same street. I knew him well. The deceased was in Mrs. Priest's house last Tuesday about half-past ten. I saw him there. He was then taken ill. I went to Mr. Harwood, and he came to my house, and found deceased on the sofa, where I had desired him to be brought, and he continued there until Friday night until he died. Mr. Harwood paid him every attention, and during his illness attended him there three times a day. His complaint was the "bowel complaint". Mr. Harwood, surgeon, said he was called in to the deceased on Tuesday, the 21st ult, by the last witness. She found me at home, and I immediately went with her home, where I found the deceased lying on the sofa and on examination found him in a very prostrate condition. He had profuse discharges of rice water fluid from his bowels. He was occasionally of dark colour at the extremities with violent spasms. His voice almost gone, and all the symptoms of cholera. He had warmth applied to the surface and other means to restore his vital powers, and in this condition he continued until Friday night, when he died. I can form no other opinion than that his death was caused by cholera. The jury returned a verdict to that effect.

Derbyshire Advertiser and Journal September 10, 1852

AND

Appearing on the same page as the black edged report of the death of the Duke of Wellington

FURTHER DEATHS FROM CHOLERA

LONG EATON, MONDAY What is termed English cholera, is making great ravages in this and the surrounding parishes. There have been two deaths in one family during the week, and the mother is not expected to survive many hours. On Saturday, two other persons were attacked with it, one of which it is feared cannot recover. At Sandiacre, four or five deaths from the same cause have occurred during the last few days. At Beeston [Ntt] there are twelve persons now lying dead of it, and many others lie suffering from this malignant disease, with little help of recovery.

Derbyshire Advertiser and Journal September 17, 1852

Sandra Stock, Member 125

THE SEARCH FOR WILLIAM STANSBY OF CALKE (PART TWO)

In July 1990, I sent for a copy of the Death Certificate for a Susannah STANSBY, who died in 1849. This proved to be for Susannah of Cavendish Street, Derby, aged 70, the Widow of William STANSBY, Huntsman, showing that her husband had died before 1849. The G.R.O. Index back to 1837 showed no such death, giving more support to the 1836 memorial inscription at Smisby.

It wasn't until early in April 1991 that I managed to obtain a copy of an 1848 Marriage Certificate for a William STANSBY, registered in Chippenham. This turned out to be for a William of full age who was a Huntsman living in Claines (which is north of Worcester) and almost certainly my newspaper cutting man, and whose father was given as William STANSBY, Farmer, although no mention of him being deceased at that time. (Had his father, perhaps, retired to farm at Smisby in his later years?) I consulted the 1851 Census for Claines and found William junior still living there with his wife, Susan, and giving his age as 46 and place of birth as Watnall, Nottinghamshire. This made it quite possible to put him into the Calke family, which I did, on a tentative basis, between Eliza and Sarah.

Soon after this, in late April 1991, I found 'Nottinghamshire Marriage Bonds 1791-1800' at the Public Record Office in Chancery Lane. This showed -

'June 29 1800 William Stansby of Watnall, Parish of Greasley co NTTM 21 bac servant and Susanna Reppon of Greasley 21 spinster at Greasley (Bond by William Stansby and Edward Reppon of Watnall, wheelwright).'

Taken in conjunction with William junior's birthplace of Watnall, and Susanna's death in 1849 at the age of 70, I was pretty sure that this was the couple I wanted, but it rather knocked my Morley theory on the head, as that William would have been 35 at the time, not 21.

This was a shame because, in July 1991, I had obtained a book entitled 'Over the Hills to Calke', written by Leslie John Cox, at the end of which a document had been reproduced including the words, 'I Sir Vauncey Harpur Crewe of Calke Abbey in the County of Derby Baronet Lord of the Manors of Barrow upon Trent, Alvaston and Boulton, Swarkestone, Stanton by Bridge, Sinfen, Stenson, Arleston, Potlock, Findern, Twyford, Calke, Ticknall, Repton, Smisby and Chellaston, all in the County of Derby.....' and this was the first indication I had that there was a connection between Calke and Smisby.

However, nothing daunted, I asked a Derbyshire friend of mine, Joan Smedley, who regularly visits the Record Office at Matlock to enquire about the Calke papers there. She reported back that they consisted of over 500 boxes, the card index to which would probably take some hours to inspect thoroughly. It seemed that the only possible solution would be to go to Matlock myself should I ever manage to organise such a visit.

In the meantime I wrote to Nottinghamshire Record Office, asking if it was possible for a brief search to be made in the registers for Greasley or Watnall for the marriage of William and Susanna in 1800 and a possible birth of their son a few years later. The Principal Archivist there was kind enough to send back the following details from the Greasley registers -

1 July 1800 marriage of William Stansby and Susanna Reppon, both of Greasley.

30 January 1803 baptism of William, son of William and Susanna Stainsby.

After popping William into his rightful place in the family and adding another putative daughter from the IGI, namely Sarah Rebecca Reppew (?Reppon) baptised in 1821 at Greasley, I set the family aside for the time being. In my heart of hearts I still thought that William from Morley was a possibility in spite of the

age on the Marriage Bond, and not only because of the grey sideburns in the painting. There was also the fact that his parents were Thomas STANSBY and Ann STANLEY, and their last son had been named Richard Stanley STANSBY.

During a visit to my eldest son and his family earlier this year, it was mentioned that they were going near Ashbourne in Derbyshire for a week's break in April. Hearing of my interest in the area, they very kindly invited me to go with them and offered to drop me off at Matlock each day. I was over the moon and, having previously booked a film reader and table space in the search room, went along armed with a long list of documents which I wished to consult for one reason or another, including the Calke Abbey estate papers. I spent a glorious week there in well organised surroundings with very helpful and patient members of staff.

On the Monday, one of the things I discovered was the 1804 birth and baptism in the Wirksworth register of Eliza STANSBY, daughter of William and Susannah of Alder Wasley. In the Calke Abbey index I found a card for 'Servants' and asked for a couple of likely documents from there. These confirmed that, between 1811 and 1814, William Stansby was employed as 'Groom and Huntsman'. His responsibilities must have been quite considerable one way and another as there were fourteen Horses and one Charger for the use of the Baronet, together with eighteen other Horses, some of them Race Horses, fourteen dogs and a pack of Harriers. During the baronetcy of Sir George Crewe from 1819 onwards, his duties may have changed somewhat as Sir George is described in the National Trust booklet as a serious-minded man, who eventually gave up hunting, feeling it to be frivolous and time wasting.

Other likely looking documents listed in the Calke index, including one entitled 'Hunting', which referred to two poems on the subject, failed to reveal any further information about William, and even one concerning the Groom's accounts for 1807-1813 proved only to be suppliers' bills for items obtained by the Groom, Waggoner and Coachman.

I busied myself with other investigations, returning to browse further in the Calke index from time to time, but it wasn't until the Friday that I thought to look in these records under Smisby, where I found reference to rentals for 1830 and 1835. At four o'clock that afternoon, with only three quarters of an hour before closing time, I was handed two books headed 'Rentals paid to Sir George Crewe', in both of which William STANSBY was shown as paying rent for a property in Smisby. Surely, surely, this was William the Groom and Huntsman, who must also have been the Morley gentleman. This had to be the last piece of the jigsaw. With hindsight, perhaps, I should have tried to follow up the 'farmer' reference for William and looked under 'Farms' or even 'Pensions' to see if any further confirmation came to light, but that is water under the bridge.

What about that Marriage Bond? Could William possibly have claimed to be 21 when he was, in fact, 35? Was there an error on the part of the transcriber compiling the Nottinghamshire Marriage Index? Or were the ages in the original document shown as '21+', meaning 'of full age' and had the '+' been omitted in transcription? Whatever the answer I really feel that William STANSBY, baptised in Morley on April 9th 1765, my putative third cousin, four times removed, must have been the Calke Huntsman.

What is reasonably certain is that, had I not written to Mr Wibberley in the first place, setting off the string of correspondence, I would probably not have received the leads that I did to enable me to complete this investigation.

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As many Persons through Ignorance, Absence, or some unavoidable Accident, have omitted or neglected, to make Entries, and obtain Certificates within the time limited by the Statute, and the time being now enlarged by an Act lately passed on the 15th of February next, the following Observations may be acceptable to the Public.
The Duty attaches on several descriptions of Persons who may not be aware of it, viz.

First Class. THE DUTY OF TWO GUINEAS is to be paid by every Person keeping a Coach, or other Carriage, chargeable with the Assessed Taxes, on which *any* Armorial Bearing or Ensign is painted, &c. and the Mantle only being painted on the Carriage is chargeable, as it is considered as a part of the Arms; this duty attaches in like manner on Housekeepers and Inmates.

Second Class. THE DUTY OF ONE GUINEA is to be paid by every Person (not having any Armorial bearings on their Carriages, and consequently not having paid the Duty of Two Guineas) who are Housekeepers, and use or wear *any* Armorial Bearing or Ensign, or who shall be possessed of any Seal, or Plate, or *other* Article, on which the same shall be painted, engraved, &c.

And attaches as follows, viz.

On all incorporated Companies, except the Corporations of Cities, Boroughs, or Towns.

On all trading Companies, Hospitals, Inns of Court, Societies, &c.

On all Persons using any Armorial Bearing affixed in their Books, or on the Buttons of their Servants, or on their Harness, Holsters, or Saddles, or otherwise ornamentally displayed.

Third Class. The Duty of TEN SHILLINGS and SIX-PENCE

is to be paid on all the different Articles described under the Second class, by all lodgers and Inmates (who do not pay the House Tax at *any* place, or keep Carriages with Armorial Bearings.)

A Gentleman's payment for his own Certificate does not exempt his Wife, Son or Daughter, who are notwithstanding chargeable with the lesser Tax of 10s 6d if they use Armorial Bearings.

Foreigners are chargeable with the different Duties.

Penalty on neglect of payment *Twenty Pounds*, one half of which is to be paid to the Informer.

Lists of Persons who have paid the Duty to be affixed on the Church Doors of each Parish.

Lists of each District are opened to the inspection of any person during the hours of business at the different officers, on the payment of Sixpence: and the officers appointed to issue Certificates of using Hair Powder are also open to issue Armorial Certificates.

Derby Mercury January 24, 1799

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

DERBY: POLISH CATHOLIC CENTRE, KEDLESTON RD. Wednesday meetings at 7.30 pm

Mar 13th	Workshop Evening	
Apr 10th	The Babbington Plot - Revisited	Ruth Peckey
APR 13TH	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING/OPEN DAY	BRIDGE CHAPEL HOUSE
May 8th	Looking at Family History Records	Maureen Newton
Jun 12th	Making of a Museum, Pickfords House	Sue Christian
Jul 10th	They were Chapel People	Stephen Orchard
Sep 11th	The Sitwells of Renishaw Hall	Howard Usher
Oct 9th	Workshop Evening	
Nov 13th	Coaldust Cabaret - early entertainment in South Derbyshire	Peter White
Dec 11th	Christmas Social Evening	

GLOSSOP: COMMUNITY HOUSE, BRADBURY ST. Friday meetings at 7.30pm

Mar 1st	A Ha'porth of Tar	Mr J. Dunn
Apr 12th	Medal Collecting in Genealogy	Mr I.G. Rowbotham
May 3rd	Derbyshire Well-Dressings	Mrs A. Gould
Jun 7th	Derbyshire Record Office - Services & Facilities	Dr Margaret O'Sullivan
Jul 5th	Matches & Despatches	Mr Loader
Aug 2nd	Record Keeping for Family Historians	Mr A. Todd
Sep 6th	Computers & Family History - Love them or Hate them	Ian Care
Oct 4th	Problems in Research	Joan Measham
Nov 1st	Gold Panning	Rex Bingham
Dec 6th	Social Evening	

SHIRLAND: COMMUNITY HALL Friday meetings at 7.30 pm

Mar 15th	Grandma's Picture Show	Brian Davis & David Roberts
Apr 19th	Parish Government & Village Officials	Mrs Kathleen Batty
May 17th	A to Z of Postcards and their use in Family History	Mr Alan Bower
Jun 21st	British Music Hall	Mrs Pauline Green
Jul 19th	The Revolution House, Whittington (Visit with guided tour)	Miss Ann-Marie Knowles
Aug 16th	The Transformation of a Valley (story of the Derwent Valley)	Neville & Brian Cooper
Sep 20th	Blackouts and Bloomers	Mrs Elinor Fomison
Oct 18th	Workshop Evening - projects and a social get-together	
Nov 15th	The Mary Rose	Mr F.E. Chettle
Dec 13th	A Christmas Theme Country Quiz	Mr Ron Cousins

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