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FROM THE EDITOR

Firstly I must thank everyone who tried to answer the puzzle of the place found on the IGI - namely XTONANNJARMAICH, somewhere in Norfolk. Most people thought it could be Yarmouth for the end bit of the word, opinion was divided as to the first bit. Most likely theories seem to be Gorleston, St. John or Christchurch. Can anyone help with the Yarmouth registers, there are quite a lot of us who would like to know the answer.

Recently I was talking to a fellow researcher who was reeling from the discovery that his great grandmother had turned out to be his gt. gt. grandmother, while his great aunt was in fact his gt. grandmother (try working that one out and if you give up the answer is at the bottom of page 41). He was wondering just how far the cover up went and whether he would be justified in publishing what he had found out. Certainly it is very difficult and I feel myself that while people are alive who may be hurt by bringing the truth into the open then a bit of discretion is called for. Most of us have a bit of scandal in our family tree, but usually too far back to bother about. I recently found that an ancestor of mine had died in the asylum, this produced a lot of hilarity in my family although my father was seen to look very darkly at my mother and mutter something about 'I always knew there was something funny about her lot'. Before anyone can think that it also explains something about the editor, I will just point out that the asylum was being used as a hospital at the time and my ancestor actually died of consumption. Honestly!!

It only remains now to thank all of you for your support over the last year. Please come and see us soon at the house, a meeting or the AGM next year and meantime all have a wonderful Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

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NAME	PARISH	CTY DATES	NO.	NAME	PARISH	CTY DATES	NO.
ABBOTT	Middleton Cheney	Nth 1820>	4673	BLUNT	Shardlow	1850-1950	4756
ABREY	Mildenhall	Sfk 1720-1900s	4787	BOAM	Matlock	1700s	4543
ALLCOCK	Duffield	Any dates	4673	BOAR	Ashover	1688	1684
ALLEN	Shirebrook	1921	4737	BOOT	Higham	1700s	4743
ALLEN	Derby	<1760	4770	BOOTH	No parish given	1700-1900	4785
ALLEN	Furnance Vale	<1840	4774	BOOTH	No parish given	Lan 1700-1900	4785
ALLEN	Disley	Chs <1840	4774	BOTT	Ashby de la Zouch	Lei <1800	4770
ALLEN	Church Broughton	19c	4776	BOWM	Matlock	1700s	4543
AMATT + variants	Crich	<1837	4780	BRADAH	No parish given	1760	1684
AMATT + variants	Wirksworth	<1837	4780	BRADAH	No parish given	Ntt 1760	1684
AMATT + variants	Alfreton	<1837	4780	BRADLEY	Kilburn	1600>	4746
ANNABLE	Milford	1820>	4673	BRADSHAW	Manchester	Lan 18c & 19c	4741
ANTHONY	Pentrich	1700s	4784	BRADSHAW	Bebington	Chs 1700-1850	4764
ARMSTRONG	Manchester	Lan 18c & 19c	4741	BRADSHAW	No parish given	Lan 1700-1850	4764
ASHWORTH	Manchester	Lan 18c & 19c	4741	BRAILSFORD	No parish given	<1850	4738
AULT	Kirk Ireton	1840	4729	BRAITWAITE	Hunshelf	Yks 19c	4781
AUSTIN	No parish given	Don early 1800s>	4734	BRAMLEY	Ilkeston	1870>	4784
AVISON	Pontefract	Yks 1700s-1800s	4755	BRASSINGTON	Holbrook	1800-1900	4721
BAGLEY	Salford	Lan 1700-1900	4785	BRASSINGTON	Belper	1800-1900	4721
BAKEWELL	No parish given	<early 20c	4736	BRIDDON	Brassington	18c-19c	4776
BALL	Newhall	<1800	4727	BRIGHTMORE	No parish given	Any dates	4789
BAMFORD	Shottlegate	<1900	4769	BRINDLEY	Derby	19c	4775
BAMFORD	Duffield	<1900	4769	BRINDLEY	Alstonfield	Sts 18c-19c	4775
BANKS	Derby	1800-1900	4739	BRINDLEY	Birmingham	War 19c-20c	4775
BARTON	Derby	<1920	4747	BROOKES	Kirkby	Ntt 1855-1919	4737
BASSETT	Dudley	Wor 19c	4723	BROOKES	Melbourne	1850-1950	4756
BATES	Mugginton	<1831	4718	BROOKES	Shardlow	1850-1950	4756
BATES	Mugginton	19c	4723	BROUGHAM	Hayfield	1800s	4743
BAXBY	Longnor	1828	4783	BROUGHAM	Glossop	1800s	4743
BAZELEY	Clapham	Bdf <1851	4718	BROUNT	Any parish	Any dates	4780
BEAVAN	Canon Pyon	Hef 19c	4723	BROWN	Codnor	<1900	4719
BEDFORD	Titchfield	Ham 1700-1900	4733	BROWN	Loscoe	<1900	4719
BEDFORD	Fareham	Ham 1700-1900	4733	BROWN	Matlock	<1897	4735
BEDFORD	Lockerley	Ham 1700-1900	4733	BROWN	Matlock	1800s	4743
BEER	Westminster	Lnd <1877	4665	BROWN	Bolehill	1800s	4743
BELL	Leicester	1800-1850	4778	BROWN	Bonsall	1800s	4743
BELL	Derby	1750-1850	4778	BROWN	Matlock	1826-1847	4745
BENTHAM	Salford	Lan 1700-1900	4785	BROWN	Bolehill	1826-1847	4745
BERESFORD	Melbourne	1850-1950	4756	BROWN	Crumford	1826-1847	4745
BERRISFORD	Any parish	<1745	4761	BROWN	Redbourne	Hrt c1842	4061
BETTISON	Pinxton	<1800	4727	BRUNT	Cubley	<1940s	4740
BIGGIN	Walton	1854>	4758	BRUNT	Boylestone	<1940s	4740
BIRD	Belper	1866-1876	4744	BUCKLEY	Beely	1846	4760
BIRKIN	Derby	1700-1800	4778	BUCKLEY	Manchester	Lan 1806	4760
BLANKLEY	Nottingham	Ntt <1998	4725	BUCKLOW	Duffield	<1831	4718
BLOUNT	Belper	<1900	4769	BULL	Osleston	1800-1900	4721
BLUNT	Melbourne	1850-1950	4756	BULL	Kegworth	Lei 1894-1930	4721

BULL	No parish given		<1940s	4740	FORDHAM	Derby		<1800	4665
BUNTING	Ashover		<1790	4761	FOULDS	Long Whatton	Lei	<1880	4603
BUTCHER	Wentworth	Yks	<1850	4673	FOX	Tansley		1750-1850	4778
CALLADINE	Derby		1600>	4746	FOX	Ashover		1750-1850	4778
CALOW	Any parish		Any dates	4748	FOX	Lea		1750-1850	4778
CARTLIDGE	Long Whatton	Lei	<1880	4603	FRADLEY	Cubley		<1940s	4740
CARTWRIGHT	Melbourne		1850-1950	4756	FRADLEY	Boylestone		<1940s	4740
CARTWRIGHT	Shardlow		1850-1950	4756	GOODACRE	Greater London	Lnd	1700-1900	4767
CATER	Codnor		1800>	4728	GREATOREX	Brassington		1750-1850	4778
CATER	Loscoe		1800>	4728	GREATOREX	Wirksworth		1750-1850	4778
CHAPMAN	Rosliston		1770	4773	GREATOREX	Middleton		1750-1850	4778
CLAMP	Southern parishes		<1848	4759	GREATOREX	Pentrich		1750-1850	4778
CLAMP	North West parishes	Lei	<1848	4759	GREGORY	Hazelwood		<1850	4769
CLARK(E)	Sheffield	Yks	1822>	4758	GREGORY	Duffield		<1850	4769
CLARK(E)	Chesterfield		1822>	4758	GRIME	Glossop		1800-1900	4785
CLAY	Brassington		1750-1850	4778	GRIME	New Mills		1800-1900	4785
CLAY	Wirksworth		1750-1850	4778	HALL	Middleton		17c & 18c	4741
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CLAY	Pentrich		1750-1850	4778	HALL	Chesterfield		1824>	4758
COLUMBELL	Ashover		<1770	4761	HALL	Bradwell		1700-1850	4764
COPE	No parish given		Any dates	4738	HALLAM	Gotham	Ntt	<1890	4718
COPE	No parish given	Sts	Any dates	4738	HAMPSON	Belper		1850>	4673
CORNFORTH	Bilston	Sts	<1850	4673	HANSON	No parish given	Chs	<1846	4788
COUPE	No parish given		1800	1684	HARDY	Longford		<1940s	4740
COX	Coventry	War	1850	4665	HARMAN	No parish given	Ken	1700-1850	4767
COXON	Atlow		17c-18c	4776	HART	Moira	Lei	19c	4773
COXON	Snelston		17c-18c	4776	HASLAM	Middleton		17c & 18c	4741
CRESSWELL	Glossop		1800-1900	4785	HASLAM	Wirksworth		17c & 18c	4741
CRESSWELL	New Mills		1800-1900	4785	HASLAM	Brampton		1800s	4743
CROCKETT	No parish given	Lks	1850	4665	HASLAM	Chesterfield		1800s	4743
CROFTS	Duffield		1775>	4673	HAWKINS	Heage		1700-1900	4733
CROOKES	Shirebrook		1880	4737	HAWKINS	Duffield		1700-1900	4733
CROOKS	West Hallam		1800s	4784	HAWLEY	Winster		<1700	4761
CUNDEY	Ashover		<1841	4760	HAWLEY	Ashover		<1700	4761
CUPIT(T)	Codnor Park		19c	4781	HAYWOOD	Old Swinford	Wor	19c	4723
CUPIT(T)	Selston	Ntt	19c	4781	HAZELWOOD	Boughton		1800-1850	4770
DALE	Any parish		Any dates	4780	HAZELWOOD	Sheffield	Yks	1800-1850	4770
DARLEY	Snailth	Yks	1890s	4755	HEAP(E)	Church Gresley		18c-20c	4773
DARLEY	Temple Hirst	Yks	1890s	4755	HEATT	Chesterfield		No dates given	4758
DARWENT	Any parish		<1800	4788	HEBB(E)S	Redbourne	Hrt	<1870	4061
DAYKIN	Shirland		1750-1850	4749	HEYWOOD	Bakewell		1830	1684
DEARNLEY	Peak Forest		<1850	4774	HIBBERT	Melbourne		Any dates	4727
DEARNLEY	Tideswell		<1850	4774	HIBBERT	Barrow with Twyford		Any dates	4727
DEARNLEY	Litton		<1850	4774	HIBBERT	Stanton by Bridge		<1800	4727
DEIGHTON	Knapton	NYk	<1840	4774	HIBBERT	Weston on Trent		<1800	4727
DEIGHTON	York	Yks	<1840	4774	HIBBERT	North West parishes	Lei	<1900	4727
DENMARK	No parish given	Nfk	1800	4665	HIBBERT	Shepshed		<1860	4727
DERWENT	Any parish		Any dates	4788	HIBBERT	Sheldon		1798>	4787
DETHICK	Any parish		Any dates	4731	HIBBERT	Litton		1798>	4787
DIXON	Salford	Lan	1700-1900	4785	HIBBERT	Tideswell		1798>	4787
DONALDSON	Shirebrook		1900-1939	4737	HIBBERT	Shaw	Lan	1904>	4787
DOVEY	Alvesley	Sal	1800s	4763	HIGSON	Middleton		17c & 18c	4741
DOXEY	No parish given		<1930	4738	HIGSON	Wirksworth		17c & 18c	4741
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DUNNICLIFFE	Melbourne		1850-1950	4756	HIND(E)	Morton		<1800	4761
DUNNICLIFFE	Shardlow		1850-1950	4756	HINDS	Codnor		<1900	4719
EASTWOOD	Chesterfield		1800-1980	4758	HINDS	Diseworth	Lei	<1900	4719
EASTWOOD	likeston		1800-1980	4758	HINDS	Chaddesden		1890-1920	4737
EBB(E)S	Redbourne	Hrt	<1870	4061	HINDS	Chaddesden		1890-1920	4737
EDISHAW	Bramcote	Ntt	c1820	4673	HITCHCOCK	No parish given		1750-1800	4749
EDWARDS	Congleton	Chs	1800s	4770	HOLDGATE	Chapel en le Frith		No dates given	4764
ELEY	No parish given		<1890	4738	HOLEHOUSE	Chesterfield		1800	3183
ELSE	Wirksworth		No dates given	4777	HOLLAND	Gotham	Ntt	<1881	4718
ELSE	Crich		No dates given	4777	HORTON	No parish given	Sts	1800s	4763
ELTON	Lei/Dby border		<1805	4770	HORTON	Worfield	Sal	1800s	4763
ELTON	Oakthorpe	Lei	<1805	4770	HOWARD	Glossop		1800-1900	4785
EYRE	Bradbourne		18c-19c	4776	HOWARD	New Mills		1800-1900	4785
FARNSWORTH	Codnor		1800>	4728	HOWARD	Rhodes	Lan	1700-1900	4785
FINDLAY	Runcorn	Chs	Any dates	4673	HOWARD	Manchester	Lan	1700-1900	4785
FLETCHER	Froggatt		early 1800s>	4734	HOWARTH	Ashbourne		1750-1850	4770
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FLETCHER	Tideswell		<1800	4774	HUBBLE + variants	Derby	Avn	1700-1800	4767
FLETCHER	Litton		<1800	4774	HUGGINS	Bristol		19c	4775
FOGG	Ilkeston		1800	4786	HUMBER	Derby		19c	4775
FOGG	Haigh		1860	4786	HUNT	Arnold	Ntt	1800-1900	4739
					HUNT	No parish given		1800-1915	4752

HURST	Glossop	Any dates	4771	NORTH	Lockington	1800-1830s	4730
HUTCHINSON	Matlock Bath	Any dates	4726	OAK(E)S	Peak Forest	<1850	4774
INGLEFIELD	Bebington	Chs No dates given	4764	OAK(E)S	Tideswell	<1850	4774
INGLEFIELD	No parish given	Lan No dates given	4764	OAK(E)S	Litton	<1850	4774
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JACKSON	Stoney Middleton	mid 1800s>	4734	O'CONNOR	Manchester	Lan 18c & 19c	4741
JACKSON	Furnace Vale	<1840	4774	OLIVER	Chesterfield	1755-1998	4758
JACKSON	Disley	Chs <1840	4774	OLIVER	Eyam	1755-1998	4758
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JACKSON	Oulton	Yks <1860	4774	OSBORNE	Girton	Cam <1851	4718
JANNEY	Shottle	1680-1700	4720	OSBORNE	Duffield	<1850	4673
JANNEY	Belper	1780-1830	4720	PALING	Long Whatton	Lei <1900	4603
JENNEY	Shottle	1680-1700	4720	PALING	Kegworth	Lei <1900	4603
JENNEY	Belper	1780-1830	4720	PALLET	Any parish	Lei <1851	4727
JENNINGS	Shottle	1680-1700	4720	PAMMANT	Elmswell	Sfk 1830	4665
JENNINGS	Belper	1780-1830	4720	PARKER	Newhall	<1860	4727
JENNY	Shottle	1680-1700	4720	PASS	Melbourne	<1830	4739
JENNY	Belper	1780-1830	4720	PEAKE	No parish given	Any dates	4738
JOHNSON	Buxton	1828	4783	PEAL	Wirksworth	<18c	4732
JOLLIFFE	Quarnford	Sts 18c	4723	PEARSON	Nottingham	Ntt <1998	4725
JONES	Derby	<1920	4747	PEGG	Findern	<1881	4730
KEELING	Peak Forest	<1850	4774	PEGG	Lockington	<1881	4730
KEELING	Tideswell	<1850	4774	PENDLE	Great Warley	Ess 1840	4665
KEELING	Litton	<1850	4774	PENMAN	Ashford	1800-1860s	4787
KITCHEN	Any parish	Ntt 1850-1950	4756	PENMAN	Litton	1800-1860s	4787
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KITCHEN	Halifax	WYk <1840	4788	PERFECT	St Giles	Mdx 1877	4665
KNIGHT	Mears Ashby	Nth Any dates	4734	PERKINS	Kegworth	Lei 1600-1871	4721
KNOWLES	Heage	<1888	4735	PERKINS	Aston on Trent	1600-1870	4721
KNOWLES	Blidworth	Ntt c.1850s	4755	PICKLES	Halifax	WYk <1840	4788
LACEY	Cotmanhay	1865>	4698	PORTER	Crich	<1888	4735
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LAMB	Brailesford	1805	4729	PORTER	Spondon	<1835	4739
LAMB	Derby	1895>	4748	POULTER	Any parish	1850-1950	4756
LAMB	Belper & surrounds	1800-1915	4752	PRATT	Duffield	1800>	4673
LAMBERT	No parish given	Nth early 1800s>	4734	RADCLIFF(E)	Cubley	18c-19c	4776
LAMBERT	London	early 1800s>	4734	RAINS	No parish given	<early 20c	4736
LAMBERT	Spondon	<1890	4603	RAINS	Gtr Manchester	Lan <early 20c	4736
LAMBERT	Ockbrook	<1890	4603	RAWORTH	Cromford	18c-19c	4776
LAW	Northampton	Nth early 1800s>	4734	RAWORTH	Wirksworth	18c	4776
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LEE	Arnold	Ntt 1830>	4772	RIDE	Derby	<1900	4769
LEE	No parish given	19c	4773	ROBERTS	Cresswell	1800>	4751
LEE	No parish given	Ntt 19c	4773	ROBERTS	Hounslow	Mdx 1850>	4751
LERRY	Weston on Trent	Any dates	4673	ROBERTS	Darley	<1765	4761
LINCOLN	No parish given	Lan <1868	4788	ROBINSON	Smalley	1900-1930	4737
LOCKER	Whittington	1800-1850	4749	ROBINSON	Glossop	1800s	4771
LOWE	Chaddesden	1875	4737	ROBINSON	Brampton	19c	4776
MACHIN	No Parish given	c1880	4673	ROOM(E)	Derby	Any dates	4727
MACKENZIE	Croydon	Sry early 1800s>	4734	ROWLADN	Chesterfield	1880s	4743
MARRIOTT	Ashover	1750-1850	4749	ROWLAND	Whittington	1880s	4743
MARSHALL	South Anston	SYk 19c	4775	SABIN(E)	Church Gresley	19c-20c	4773
MATHER	Ashover	<1680	4761	SABIN(E)	Swadincote	19c-20c	4773
McGRATH	Cappoquin	Wat 1880s	4779	SALT	Buxton	19c	4723
MEAD(E)	Derby	1750-1850	4770	SALT	Hollinsclough	Sts 18c	4723
MELLOR	Mirfield	Yks 1800s-1900s	4755	SANDERS	Brampton	18c-19c	4775
MIDDLETON	Bradwell	1700-1850	4764	SCOTT	Tolleshunt Knights	Ess 1830	4665
MILLWARD	Ashbourne	19c	4723	SHARDLOW	Any parish	<1750	4727
MOGATRIGHT	Any parish	Any dates	4780	SHARP	Derby	1800s	4754
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MORLEY	North West parishes	Lei <1800	4727	SHAW	No parish given	1750-1800	4749
MORTON	Sheffield	Yks early 1800s>	4734	SHELTON	Heanor	1831>	4728
MORTON	Any parish	Lei <1900	4061	SHEPHERD	Breadsall	1800>	4673
MORTON	Derby	1900>	4061	SIDDALL	Holmesfield	19c	4775
MOSLEY	No parish given	1750-1800	4749	SKIPPER	No parish given	Nfk 1800	4665
MUSGREAVE	Any parish	Ay dates	4755	SLACK	Brassington	1750-1850	4778
NAYLOR	Sheffield	Yks 1800-1850	4770	SLACK	Wirksworth	1750-1850	4778
NEEDHAM	Kniveton	1800-1900	4763	SLACK	Middleton	1750-1850	4778
NEEDHAM	Bradbourne	1800-1900	4763	SLACK	Pentrich	1750-1850	4778
NESTOR	Any parish	Any dates	4755	SMITH	Ashover	<1900	4750
NESTOR	Any parish	Iri Any dates	4755	SMITH	Tansley	<1900	4750
NICHOLS	Manchester	Lan 18c & 19c	4741	SMITH	Derby	19c	4775
NICHOLS	Eccles	Lan 18c & 19c	4741	SMITH	Alstonfield	Sts 19c	4775
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SMITH	Ilkeston		<1930	4698	WALTERS	Carcroft	SYk	1887>	4772
SNELL	Carlton in Lindrick	Ntt	18c-19c	4775	WARD	Buxton		19c	4723
SPENCER	Middleton		17c & 18c	4741	WARD	Salford	Lan	1850-1900	4739
SPENCER	Wirksworth		17c & 18c	4741	WARD	Dronfield		<1815	4767
SPENDLOVE	Shottle		19c	4776	WARD	Glossop		1800-1900	4785
STAFFORD	Carsington		1790	4729	WARD	New Mills		1800-1900	4785
STANDALL	Wirksworth		18c	4776	WARD	Matlock		1700s	4543
STANLEY	Loscoe		1800>	4728	WARD	Holbrook		c1800	4673
STANLEY	Arksey	Yks	1780s-1900s	4755	WARDLE	North West parishes	Lei	<1800	4727
STANLEY	Doncaster	Yks	1780s-1900s	4755	WARHURST	Peak Forest		<1820	4774
STANLEY	South Kirkby	Yks	1600s-1800s	4755	WARHURST	Tideswell		<1820	4774
STANTON	Worksop	Ntt	<1820	4761	WARHURST	Litton		<1820	4774
STEVENSON	Wensley		<1900	4750	WARHURST	Manchester	Lan	1800>	4787
STONE	Heage		1790-1810	4717	WARHURST	Shaw	Lan	1800>	4787
STONE	No parish given		1800-1860	4768	WESSON	Harpenden	Hrt	<1870	4061
STRUTT	Edensor		1840	4665	WESSON	West Bromwich	War	1883/4	4061
SWINDELL	Matlock Bath		Any dates	4726	WEST	Barrow with Twyford		Any dates	4727
SYKES	Oldham	Lan	1821-1850s	4787	WEST	Any parish		Any dates	4727
TATEM	Shipley		1760-1850	4717	WESTON	Harpenden	Hrt	<1870	4061
TATTERSALL	Chesterfield		1800	3183	WESTON	West Bromwich	War	1883/4	4061
TAYLOR	Duffield		1800-1830	4749	WETTON	Crich		<1854	4735
TIPPING	No parish given		No dates given	4543	WETTON	West Hallam		<1854	4735
TIVEY	No parish given		<1870	4738	WHEATLEY	Borrowash		<1900	4603
TOON	Stapenhill	Sts	c1850	4673	WHEBLE	Greater London	Lnd	1780-1900	4767
TRAPP	Cheltenham	Gls	18c-19c	4723	WHEBLE	No parish given	Bdf	1750-1850	4767
TURRALL	Any parish		Any dates	4765	WHITEHALL	Derby		1800-1900	4739
TWIGG	Alstonfield	Sts	1800-1900	4763	WILDGOOSE	Matlock Bath		1843	4745
UDALE	Any parish		Any dates	4780	WILDGOOSE	Ashleyhay		1800	3183
VOWLES	Any parish	Som	1880s	4779	WILLOUGHBY	Biggin	Ntt	1800s-1900s	4755
WAGSTAFF	Alfreton		1700s	4762	WILLOUGHBY	Nottingham	Ntt	Any dates	4755
WAIN	Turnditch		19c	4776	WINFIELD	Derby		<1800	4770
WALDROM	Codnor		<1900	4719	WOODIWISS	Middleton		17c & 18c	4741
WALDROM	Diseworth	Lei	<1900	4719	WOODIWISS	Wirksworth		17c & 18c	4741
WALKER	Osliston		1831	4729	WOODWARD	Dronfield area		1700-1850	4767
WALKER	Heage		1831	4729	WOODWARD	Hillingdon	Mdx	1750-1850	4767
WALKER	Brassington		1750-1850	4778	WOODWARD	Hanwell	Mdx	1750-1850	4767
WALKER	Wirksworth		1750-1850	4778	WOOLLEY	Yoxall	Sts	1850-1900	4763
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WALKER	Shelford	Ntt	<1880	4603	WORRALL	London		early 1800s>	4734
WALLICE	Codnor		1800>	4728	WORRALL	Meibourne		1850-1950	4756
WALLWORK	Oldham	Lan	1780>	4787	WORRALL	Shardlow		1850-1950	4756
WALTERS	Derby		<1800	4770	WRAGG	Ashover		1700s	4743
WALTERS	Duffield		1780>	4772	WRIGHT	Heanor		1829>	4728
WALTERS	Blackwell		1881>	4772	WRIGHT	Oldham	Lan	1828-1850s	4787
WALTERS	Bulwell	Ntt	1885>	4772	YEOMANS	Derby		1850	4754
WALTERS	Thorne	SYk	1887>	4772	YORK	Kegworth	Lei	1880-1950	4721

WHERE NO COUNTY IS STATED IT IS ASSUMED TO BE DERBYSHIRE

CORRECTIONS (Apologies for any inconvenience caused)

- 4555 Mrs M. O'Brien, Fontien House, 7 New Row, Summercourt, Newquay, Cornwall, TR8 5DL is researching TIVNAN not TIUNAN as stated in Issue 84
- 4659 Mr A. W. & Mrs H. P. Grattidge, 186 Broadway, Derby, DE22 1BP are researching BRENNAN - mid 19c and their surname was incorrectly entered in Issue 86
- 4681 Mrs Clarke is researching CLARK(E) not CLARIDGE as stated in Issue 86: her address should read: Tishomingo, R/O 68 St. Giles Avenue, Scartho, Grimsby, N.E. Lincs. DN333 2HD

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BUXTON

My parents were evacuated to Buxton in 1939 with H.M. Customs and Excise, who took over the Palace Hotel. My father was called up in 1940, but my mother stayed until 1946. I have a collection of letters which they wrote to one another plus a few photos which are probably fellow evacuees, but possibly some locals or southerners who married locally and stayed on.

Is there anyone who has any interest or knowledge of this era or any literature published about wartime Buxton? I will gladly pay for copies of books etc. if anyone can help.

*Jennifer Eggleston, 37 Norton Avenue,
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FIELD/GWYNNE

I am seeking information on one of my ancestors who was an opera singer. She was born Olga Mary Field about 1909, although her stage name was Olga Mary Gwyn(n)(e). She was the daughter of Leonard Field and I believe they were from the Alfreton area of Derbyshire. She sang with the tenor Richard Tauber and I believe he wrote a song for her. Various magazines and newspapers have not been of any help so far. Any information or suggestions gratefully received.

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YEARL

Does anyone have any information about German Yearl? All I have so far is that he was buried in Ingleby, Derbyshire on 16 January 1758 and was the father of two daughters, both of whom were born in Foremark, Derbyshire; Mary in December 1741 and Sarah in February 1743. The mother's name was also Sarah. Apart from these two births and the burial I have found no other references to German Yearl. It is an unusual Christian name and my dictionary indicates 'German' is an old English term for a close relative such as brother, sister or even cousin.

Any help would be greatly appreciated and postage costs refunded.

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BUXTON

I am looking for information about the Buxton family who lived at Bagthorpe, Selston in Nottinghamshire between 1870 and 1900. Can anyone help?

*Michael Buxton, 38 Stoke Close, Belper,
Derbyshire DE56 0DN (Mem. No. 4377)*

FURNISS

I am searching for the death of my maternal great grandfather, Joseph Webster Furniss, born 9 September 1855 in Coal Aston, Dronfield. In 1891 he was at Wheeldon Mill Road, Brimington. His wife, Elizabeth (nee Wardell) of 8 St. Helen's Street, Chesterfield, died 4 September 1920 and was described as wife, not widow. I have searched the indexes from 1891 to 1955, but no luck.

The Chesterfield Year Books from 1913 onwards show 8 St. Helen's Street variously in name of Elizabeth or son Oscar so he could have been dead by 1920. Possibly he changed his name as he is described on his daughter's marriage certificates as Joseph Webster and Webster Furniss. Any information much appreciated.

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TIPPING, BOWM, RAWSON, WARD

Peter Tipping married Isabell Bowm in St. Giles, Matlock in November 1756 and German Rawson married Sarah Ward in the same church in August 1761. Their respective offspring, Lawrence Tipping and Ann Rawson, also married in St. Giles in December 1788. It appears that these families had a long association with Matlock. Can anyone help with further information on these families? Also the date and place of death of Peter Tipping and Isabell Bowm (also spelt Boam). Peter Tipping was a miner and I am seeking his parentage. Is Tipping a Derbyshire name? Any assistance would be much appreciated. Email: robindacostaadams@msn.com.au

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CUTTS, CHAPMAN, WALKER, REDFERN

I am looking for the marriage of Matthew Cutts and Florence Chapman. Their first (?) daughter, Mary Elizabeth, was born August 1900 at Brook yard, Brampton, Chesterfield. Her father was a coal miner, whose address was given as Crago Hill, Bolsover. They had at least another 7 children. Matthew Cutts was born about 1878 in Bolsover, the son of Matthew and Fanny Cutts (nee Holmes).

I am also looking for the marriage of Joseph Walker and Sarah Ann Redfern. Their only known child, Samuel, was born in Tideswell in 1848 and married Hannah Baker in 1869 at the Independent Chapel, Bakewell.

Is anyone researching any of these names around Derbyshire? Email: trevor.hopkinson@virgin.net.

*Christina Hopkinson, 322 Grasmere Way, Linslade,
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EMMONS

I am looking for my maternal grandmother, Charlotte Emmons, in the 1871 census. She left Brough, near Newark, Notts, aged 14 in 1869 for domestic service. Has anyone seen her in their researches? She married Thomas Hill of Blackwell in 1879.

*John Clayton, 18a Taunton Rd., Pedwell,
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COX, NESTER

I seeking information about William Cox and Annie Nester. According to the 1881 census William worked as a cattle drover and lived at 3 River Street, Derby, in the parish of St. Alkmund with his three children, John (7), Dennis (5), William (3) and Mary (1). I cannot find any trace of his wife Annie Nester, the only thing I know is that she gave birth to Dennis in the Union Workhouse, Derby. Another son, Augustine, was born some time after.

I have contacted the Local Studies Library in Derby, trying to find the Workhouse registers but the only surviving records are the minutes of the Directors' meetings which have been checked, with no reference to Annie Cox/Nester.

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EASON, HITCHCOCK, TURNER

Emma was my gt. grandmother who was born in 1847 at Dyke, Lincs. Her son, John George Eason, was born illegitimate in 1868 at Dyke. Emma married firstly Robert Hitchcock in 1869 at Deeping St. Nicholas, Lincs; he died in 1895 at Bolsover, Derbys. She then married John Turner in 1896 at Saltergate Methodist Chapel, Chesterfield and died in 1929 at Bolsover.

Can anyone tell me more about her? Any information, photos etc. would be gratefully received and postage refunded. All letters answered.

*Geoff Eason, 14 Cottesmore Drive, Loughborough,
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ROBINSON

I am looking for any information about James Robinson, shoemaker/cordwainer of Swanwick. He appears in Pigots Directory of 1830, but seems to have died by the time of the 1851 census. His sons, James and Joseph, appear to have carried on the family trade but the only address we have is the "Boot and Slipper", Swanwick. Was this a public house? Joseph was listed as cordwainer/beer seller on the 1871 census at New Street, Swanwick. Is there a connection?

Also seeking information about the murder of William Robinson, gamekeeper to the Hurt family at Alderwasley. This took place around October 1818.

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ELLIOTT

I am seeking information about Richard Elliott, born in 1768 in Ashover. He became a Wesleyan preacher in Nottingham in 1790. Between 1801 and 1809 he lived in Huddersfield and worked as a druggist. He gave up his business in 1809 to return to the work of a preacher. He died in 1813 in Newcastle. He had a sister, Mary Elliott, who spent her life in the Ashover area. Any information would be much appreciated.

*Brian Dolby, Corner Cottage, 49 Polwarth Avenue,
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GOODLAD

I am trying to trace the early years of John William Goodlad who was possibly the son of Rebecca Goodlad - no father given - in 1849 at Slack, near Ashover. John William married a Fanny Parr at Worsborough, nr Barnsley, Yorkshire in 1871. On the marriage certificate his father is named William Newton, a wagonmaker. Children of the marriage were Moses, William Henry, Elizabeth and Mary. From information in the 1871-91 census he gives his age as 20, 30 and 40 and his place of birth as Chesterfield, Derbyshire. He is living in Worsborough but I can find no trace of him in the 1851 and 1861 census for Worsborough, Chesterfield, Ashover or Matlock.

Have I found my John William, even though the dates aren't quite right? Although Ashover was in the registration district of Chesterfield would he not have stated his birthplace as Ashover or even Matlock?

Have you come across my John William Goodlad? Any help would be appreciated and I would also be pleased to offer reciprocal help in the Bury St. Edmunds area.

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ASH FARM

Over two years ago my son and daughter in law purchased Ash Farm, 21 High Street, Loscoe, Derbys. Since that date we have been researching the history of the farm and its buildings, which date back to the mid 1700's. We would very much appreciate any information about previous owners, copies of photographs, or other relevant details about the above property or its lands, which members may be able to help with.

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ALENE/ALLEN, EDENSOR

I would appreciate any information about the old village of Edensor, Nr Chatsworth House. I have researched my family through parish records etc., arriving to 1553 when Thomas Alene married Margaratae Bradshaw at Edensor Church, continuing

the line to 1809 at the burial of James Allen, all my forebears being baptised, married and buried at the same church. Richard Alene, son of Thomas, was the occupier of 'Church House' croft and fold (about 2 acres), also according to Wm. Senior's Survey in 1600, had two further cottages in Edensor and farmed about 63 acres of land belonging to the Manor of Chatsworth.

From what little information I have, the village of Edensor at its height had about 85 cottages and spread out nearly to the river. Sadly in the head count of 1788 very few were left standing, although James and Joseph Allen still lived there. In 1784, their father, Robert, paid Chatsworth Estates 6p per year for his cottage and 4p per year for his mother's cottage. My forebears lived in Edensor for about 300 years so any information would be most gratefully appreciated.

*Mr O. Allen, 217 Papplewick Lane, Hucknall,
Notts (Mem. No. 4052)*

RICHARDSON

I am trying to get in touch with John Gray, who wrote an article in the March 1998 magazine about Thomas Richardson, who could possibly be my ancestor. The Quaker H.Q. in London could not help. Could Mr Gray or anyone who knows him get in touch with me please.

*Angela Richardson, 16 Boscombe Drive,
Hazel Grove, Stockport, Cheshire SK7 5JA*

WRAGG

I have now indexed nearly 50% of all appearances of this name in the available censuses, and would be pleased to provide references to, or receive references from, anyone who cares to correspond.

*James Wragg, 30 Manor Hill,
Sutton Coldfield B73 6HB (Mem. No. 245)*

DERBY MARRIAGES

I am looking for the marriages of John Soare and Elizabeth ?? before 1695, Richard Finney and Mary ?? before 1700 and Joseph Walker and ?? before 1700. All of them had children baptised at either St. Werburgh, All Saints or St. Peter's church in Derby. I am also looking for the birth of Sarah Lovell between September and December 1776.

*Mrs E. J. Hemingway, 3 Newcroft,
Selby, YO8 9AA (Mem. No. 4313)*

WILSON, WALKER, METTAM

I am searching for the father of my several times grandfather, John Wilson who was born in Mansfield, Notts approx. 1783. He married Ann Mettam (nee Walker born 1784) in 1816 at Whitwell parish church. He was a gentleman farmer of 80 acres and lived at Dumb Hall Farm, Whitwell. He died at the grand age of 88 on 14 Feb 1830 and is buried in Whitwell with a

fairly impressive headstone. Does anyone know whether Dumb Hall Farm (which still exists today) originally belonged to the Mettams or the Walkers, as Ann lived there during both marriages, and how she met John Wilson. Also in which newspaper would I be likely to find an account of John Wilson's death?

*Christine Harris, Wayside, Ringwood Road, Sopley,
Christchurch, Dorset, England BH23 7BE (Mem. 2688)*

HARRISON

I would very much like to contact Patricia Mary Rose Harrison, who was born 4 April 1938 at Holyhead, Anglesey. Her parents were Stephen James and Mabel Harrison (formerly Arnold) who were married at St. John the Baptist Church, Smalley, Derbyshire on 14 October 1936. Any information would be most welcome.

*Mrs Jane Rodgers, 131 Main Road, Smalley,
Ilkeston, Derbyshire DE67 6DT (Mem. No. 3200)*

HELP OFFERED

I have the following indexes which might prove of interest and can supply further details on receipt of an SAE.

World War I Newspaper Photo Index, N. Midlands. Over 8000 entries increasing weekly. Areas at present covered include Sheffield, Rotherham, Stockport, Macclesfield, N. Staffs and many areas of Derbyshire.

Boer War Letters Index. At present nearly 1000 names published in local newspapers, mainly Stockport, Macclesfield, N. Staffs and Derbyshire.

Leek Post 1898 Surname Index.

*Revd. D. Nadin, The Hermitage, 201 Willowfield,
Harlow, Essex CM18 6RZ*

POUNTAIN, STEVENS, WESTON, ANTILL

My great grandparents, Benjamin Henry and Rachel (nee Stevens) Pountain, married 5 November 1863 at St. Alkmund, Derby. They had moved to Hasland, Chesterfield by 1881 and at the time of that census were living at 4 Locomotive Terrace. I think this must subsequently have been renamed. Rachel's parents were Joseph and Friday (nee Weston) Stevens, who married at Ockbrook on June 7th 1829. The name Friday Weston fascinates me and I've been trying to find out where and when she was born and who her parents were. Her husband, Joseph, could be the son of one of at least six possible couples and I am anxious to trace the correct one. He was born probably between 1809-12. If anyone knows anything about Benjamin Henry's parents, another Benjamin Henry Pountain and Sarah Ann (nee Antill) who married in Spondon on 30th November 1835 I should be grateful to hear from them.

*Joy Hungerford, 20 Brooklands Avenue, Sidcup,
Kent DA15 7PJ (Mem. No. 4658)*



GLOSSOP MEETING GROUP

July 1998

The Civil War - Jill and Graham Hadfield

Jill is a member of Sir Thomas Tyldesley's Regiment of the English Civil War Society, which was formed in 1971. Sir Thomas was a real Royalist soldier (knight, Major General and secret agent) from Lancashire, born on 3rd September 1612, the son of Edward Tyldesley of Morleys in Lancashire (Manor of Myerscoughs).

The Civil War may have started in Lancashire following incidents in Preston and Manchester in 1642. Tyldesley was killed at the Battle of Wigan Lane in 1651 and a very wordy memorial to him can still be found on the bridge on Wigan Lane. Some of the differences in meanings of words between then and now were explained. Society was 90% agricultural but dominated by the aristocracy. Labourers and tenants did as they were told and fought for the side their masters told them to fight for.

In 1642 there was no established army, just the King's Troop and Yeomen with few experienced commanders. Troopers were paid 2/6 per day, the ordinary foot soldier 6s per week (42 in 1644). In 1645 came Cromwell's New Model Army. Cavalrymen had 2s a day and infantryman 8d a day. An army of 15,000 men formed a front line of nearly two miles. They had to hang around waiting for the battle to start. Both armies looked very similar so there was much confusion. The different types of soldier were described with demonstrations of some of the armour and weapons used. Also described were the wet weather and difficult travelling conditions faced by both armies.

The first major battle of the war was Edge Hill on Sunday October 3rd 1642. It was really a draw, but as Charles I refused to retreat he won by default. Following the battle there were tales of ghosts fighting it again. There was very little fighting in the Glossop area but two Glossop men, Thomas Hadfield and William Garlick were Captains in Sir John Gell's Brigade. Gell was a disliked man who used the war to pursue his enemies and serve his own personal wants.

Charles I was executed in 1649 and the war ended in 1651 with the Battle of Worcester, after which Charles II hid in an oak tree before escaping to France. Following Cromwell's death Charles II was restored to the throne. The presentation finished with a demonstration of other articles and 17th century biscuits.

August 1998

Burials and Burial Grounds in the 19th Century - Andrew Todd

The first slides Mr Todd showed us were of a cemetery in Bradford - a typical municipal cemetery of the 19th century. He explained how the system of burials has changed over the years and of some of the unsavoury conditions in and around the graveyards and the impact this had on the people who lived nearby. The proximity of

the graveyards caused serious health problems and the spread of cholera and typhus amongst the population caused by rotting bodies which had not been properly buried. In the inner city graveyards over burial was common and sometimes bodies were dug up to enable more people to be buried. The custom of pit burials, where dozens of coffins were buried, gave substance to some gruesome stories. Other slides told of conditions in other cemeteries in and near towns in the area, some of which were nearly as bad.

Iris Brown

September 1998

Pubs and people in the Peak District - Jenny Ainsworth

Our advertised speaker, Roger Trunkfield, was unable to be with us because of family illness. However I found an able substitute in Jenny Ainsworth, whom it was originally planned to ask for next year - perhaps I can persuade her to come again as she is a great speaker.

How she remembered all the facts I don't know, but she certainly entertained us with her information packed tour of numerous pubs, explaining how they got their names and illustrating it with slides of the various inn signs.

Some we knew, some we didn't, some we may go looking for. I have certainly taken more notice of pub's names since the talk. She even told us of a game for keeping children amused in the car, involving inn signs - I'm sure some of us will be glad of that in the future! A talk with a difference to celebrate our fifth anniversary.

Ann Pass

SHIRLAND MEETING GROUP

July 1998

Pawnbroking, Goodbye Uncle - Pauline Green

2-3 thousand years ago a form of pawnbroking existed in Greece and China, so pledging goods for money is by no means a recent innovation and the familiar three balls symbol hung outside the shop was originally part of the Italian banking family of Medici's coat of arms. The pawnbroker, uncle as he was known, was an honest and upright citizen and an important man in the community. He would have been a member of the Rotary Club, Masonic Lodge or the Board of Guardians of the local hospital. Hospitals were voluntary organisations and Uncle would sign a piece of paper called a 'recommend' for his customers so that they could see a consultant. It was not just the families of drunks and gamblers who needed the services of the pawnbroker. If a man lost his job or became ill and insufficient money was coming into the home to keep his family he would have to pawn goods to survive. Some items were only redeemed on special occasions; for instance Dad's best suit might be brought out for a funeral, along with the best bed linen to lay out the corpse, and afterwards taken back to be pawned again. Mum would often pawn her wedding ring and wear a

sixpenny one from Woolworths. It was not only the poor. Ladies would take their fur coats in for the summer as they knew they would be kept in good condition at the ice factory and gentlemen would bring in their guns until the start of the shooting season. Actors, medical students and 'ladies of the night' were regular customers.

The pawnbrokers was usually a large place with a shop front onto the main street, where new goods such as rugs, lino, clothing, shoes, clocks and jewellery were displayed along with unredeemed pledges marked as second hand. An entrance from the back alley was where pledges were taken. The items taken in were entered into the book, clearly marked and stored securely in the office which had a steel door and barred windows. On Monday mornings queues of people would gather to take in their goods until Friday when they would be redeemed again. Uncles was a meeting place for all the local gossip. He would know all his regular customers and would just ask them if they wanted 'the usual'. He also liaised with the police who issued him with a list of stolen goods.

Boys entering the profession had to undergo a long period of apprenticeship where they would learn how to measure men for suits, bookkeeping and how to value gold, silver and precious stones and have a good knowledge of antiques. Money lenders charged high rates of interest, but the pawnbrokers' charges were much less, which is why both rich and poor preferred to use them.

With the demolition of old housing and modern estates being developed away from the city and town centres, the business began to decline. They were closed for the duration of the Second World War, some re-opened but many went into other business. With the welfare state in 1948, the pledges changed from small bundles to large items such as outboard motors and sporting equipment of the well to do who had a cash crisis. Now there are no pawnbrokers left as our ancestors would have known them and their charges are more than money lenders, but the shame of borrowing has disappeared with the coming of credit cards!

August 1998

Saucy - Graham Hopcroft

Graham is chairman of the Nottingham Post Card Club and amongst his fellow collectors of glamour postcards are the well known Andrew Sachs, Dennis Norden, Ian McGaskill and Ronnie Barker. Postcard collectors generally fall into two groups, those who collect the old pre 1950's cards and the post 1950 collectors, but the golden age of postcards was between 1902 and 1920. Graham collects both! He has been collecting for about 16 years and has 1600 glamour cards and some 800-900 others, including many of Beeston. His interest in them began with a trunk of assorted articles which belonged to his wife's grandmother, amongst which were false teeth and 1st World War postcards. False teeth didn't have the same appeal for a collection!

The quality of the artwork of these postcards was Graham's specific interest and he took us through an A to Z of the artists, his favourite being the Frenchman Albert Penot. The scantily clad ladies on these cards had all essential parts discreetly obscured and most modestly wore hats. Postcards often came in sets, some of which were

numbered and dated, and this makes them highly desirable to collectors. Artists often used their wives as models, but one set entitled 'Ladies of the Night' suggests where these particular models were found. The famous 'Gibson Girl' painted by the American W. Gibson was Irene Langhorn, sister of Lady Astor.

A lively question time and a look at Ronnie Barker's books, such as "Sauce", "Sugar and Spice", "Hot Stuff", etc. ended the evening.

September 1998

Memorial Cards - Philip Jones

Memorial cards, also known as mourning or funeral cards, are a product of the Victorian celebration of death, developing from the funeral invitations known in the late 17th century. The cards were often supplied by the undertaker on behalf of the bereaved. Sent in black edged envelopes, they notified death, an invitation to the funeral or a remembrance of the deceased. The cards were printed in black or silver on white or beige card and were often fretted or embossed and bore symbols of grief, such as lilies, ivy and shrouded urns.

Philip's collection of over 4000 cards began with some he inherited from his paternal grandmother, and while looking through them he realised that they contained information useful to family historians so the index was born and his cards have been purchased from antique and collectors fairs, also photocopies and transcriptions from individuals who want to keep the originals for their own family heirlooms.

The cards show the name of the deceased, the date and place of death, their age and the date and place of burial. This can be useful if the person died in a place different to where they were born, and they can save the family historian the cost of a death certificate. Some cards even state the cause of death, i.e. an accident, also the occupation of the deceased, the grave number if interred in a municipal cemetery, the address of the deceased or relict, name of spouse or parents, family relationship, the school attended in the case of children and the undertaker's name. Some cards include a photograph of the person or the place of burial. Philip's collection contains cards in memory of soldiers killed in the 1st World War, the death of a favourite pet, national disasters such as the sinking of the Titanic and the death of the monarch. His earliest card is dated 1846, but the peak of popularity for memorial cards was between 1870 and 1880 when they could be purchased for only one shilling (5p) per dozen. The sending of memorial cards declined after the 2nd World War, but some families still have them printed in commemoration of their loved ones. The most notable manufacturers of memorial cards in the 19th century were Wood, Woolley, Goodhall, Sharpe and Loder (London).

Philip hopes to eventually publish the index, but in the meantime he offers a search service for specific names. There is a small charge of £1 for up to five names, plus an S.A.E., but anyone sending him unwanted original cards will be entitled to a free search of up to five names. (Please send any cards and requests for searches to: Philip E. Jones, 40 Regina Crescent, Ravenshead, Nottingham NG15 9AE).

Sylvia Wright

DERBY MEETING GROUP

July 1998

Delights & Disasters - Newspaper Headlines - Alan Clayton

While on holiday at the very end of world war two, Alan Clayton purchased a daily newspaper chronicling the events of the dropping of the atom bomb on Japan. This led Alan to follow his love of history and local history through newspapers. Since that date he has amassed a total of 1,000 newspapers and 500 magazines, both national and local. Our talk this evening concentrated on the 1950's and 1960's. In 1998 the year of the World Cup what better way than to kick off (pardon the pun) than the headline from the Sunday Express of July 1966 'How the Lion Roared' read the paper as England defeated Germany 4-2 in the World Cup Final. From there we turned back to 1951 with portraits of the royal family, the News Chronicle told us that Bevan had resigned, the Tories were back in power, a war started in Korea. 1952, the Nottingham Evening News reported the King had died in his sleep, all the nationals and locals had pictures of the funeral. In the same year the Enterprise sank, Lynton & Lynmouth in Devon were hit by floods, a rail crash at Euston killed 116 people, gales swept across Lincolnshire. The News of the World showed Christie the murderer in 1953. Picture Post at this time was 4d. 1953 saw the Coronation and in 1955 it was reported that Princess Margaret would not marry Peter Townsend. 1956 saw the Hungarian uprising, Anthony Eden resigns and is replaced by Harold Macmillan. 1957 saw the last ever Picture Post, Alan has copies of the first and last editions. In the same year there was an earth tremor in Derby, Hardwick Hall was given to the nation and Notts Forest won the FA Cup. In 1959 we saw the birth of the mini, that's the car not the skirt, in Erewash Valley the railways ceased to run. In the 1960's we saw headlines for the assassination of Kennedy, the deaths of Hugh Gaitskell, Winston Churchill, Lord Beaverbrook, Donald Campbell and Mr Verwoerd of South Africa.

Alan's talk was split into two parts, the first part being the slides of the headlines and the second part saw the members browsing through the one hundred or so photo-copies of those newspapers. Alan is in the process of copying his huge collection, these newspapers made fascinating reading. Many long forgotten names came flooding back. The Daily Sketch, The Herald, the local papers made interesting reading especially for the adverts for houses and cars. Many of us make use of newspapers especially in family history and its a good job that people like Alan Clayton are preserving an important piece of history.

August 1998

The three 'R's of Family History - Maureen Newton

Maureen opened tonight's talk with an announcement that her and husband John had recently found a new archive. The National Monuments Record Office, Rodbourne Rd, Swindon Tel 01 793 414600, held records for the heritage of your town or village, she had learned a lot from this archive regarding her own town of Hucknall. We frequently search directories in our quest for our ancestors, what we largely ignore is the valuable information which describes the locality of each town or village. Such information as landowners, local authorities for burial boards etc, charities, their works and patrons, leisure activities (if any) churches,

the numbers and denominations, local industry, schools and education policies and local newspapers. These notes can give an excellent insight into the place where our families lived and worked. Maureen then went on to quickly show us the sort of material that we all look at, certificates, census, parish registers and Bishop's Transcripts. We then turned to some of the lesser known ways of family history search. Poor Law, a notice to the unemployed or the hard working poor, advertising jobs available and the wages to be paid. In 1834 a system of elected parish guardians came into being. Bans of marriages, details in book form amended in 1907. Bills of Mortality, which gave, names, dates, ages and diseases. The Salvation Army founded by William Booth born in 1828 and died in 1912 published the War Cry which holds many names, the S.A. keeps its own records, the Corps History. John Wesley, 1703-1791 founder of the Methodists which broke away from the church in 1784 publishes its own circuit plan of each area, with list of churches, preachers and lay people, Coal mines had their own comprehensive employment records many of which are now held at Provincial House, Solly Street, Sheffield, S1 4BA. Maureens talk took us away from the well trodden paths and into new area's of research.

September 1998

History of the Picture Postcard - Graham Hopcraft

This was Grahams second visit to our Derby group and he continued the theme of postcards and their history. In 1860 in Austria several towns realised that by publishing postcards they could advertise their towns and villages. This soon caught on across Europe and by 1897 330 million postcards were produced each year in Great Britain. The layout of the card was different to those we are familiar with, the writing was either across the top or down one side as most of the card was taken up by the picture of what ever town or event was being publicised. Scenes such as a stormy day or the big wheel on South Parade at Blackpool were common. Comic cards began to appear in the early 1900's, silk cards came in shortly afterwards. By the first world war nuns were producing cards to send to the troops at the front. Graham showed slides of his favourite cards and some were expensive to buy. The cards sent home by the soldiers serving in the Notts & Derby's, the Sherwood Foresters. Cards of Mary Pickford and Gladys Cooper, many cards depicted royalty or members of parliament, little girls, big girls, flowers, Christmas, Easter, Birthday, sport, trains, fashion and many local views such as Beeston Market Place 1908, to which a local lady had recently identified her granny and granddad standing outside their shop. The slides were complimented by a large number of books and album's showing a small part of Graham's vast collection of 1500 cards. Browsing these examples over coffee and a chat rounded off a good evening.

Gill Hiley

CHAIRMANS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

It is often said that you are getting older when policemen start to look younger, it also seems to be true that when you get a little older Christmas and Annual General Meetings come around quicker. Christmas is traditionally a time for children and families and very often the talk will turn to ghosts. We are convinced that at Bridge Chapel House we have a "presence". He or she goes by the name of 'Fred' and appears to be quite friendly, we have not actually seen anything but doors are closed, things move and there are definitely footsteps in the rooms above when we are downstairs. One night in late August the volunteers gathered to pack the September issue of the magazine, after we had finished a bottle or two of wine appeared and we began to relax and chatter, Fred became a little agitated (apparently he does not like noise) bumps and bangs were heard from upstairs. Three volunteers went upstairs to look (brave eh ?) and stood in the dark listening, we heard nothing but there is a feeling you are not alone.

I hope this does not put you off coming to visit us at BCH or has it whet your appetite ? Whatever you do or wherever you may be this Christmas I would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful holiday and hope that 1999 is the year you have a lot of luck in your research, and who knows, you just may meet 'Fred'.

Alan Hiley

MAY THE LORD HAVE MERCY.....

submitted by
Steve Wheeldon (Mem. No. 3514)

Derby Mercury, 8 August 1816

Summer Assizes. Presided on by Sir Robert Dallas

Joseph Wheeldon. Aged 29. Charged by the Coroners Inquest with the murder of Isaac Wheeldon & Mary Ann Wheeldon (his nephew and niece) in the township of Hulland Ward. Found guilty - Death. To be hanged on Friday and his body delivered to the surgeons for dissection.

The Grand Jury consisted of:

Sir Oswald Mosely of Rolleston, Bart. Foreman.
Richard Arkwright of Willersley, Esq.
Richard Forester Forester, of Derby, Esq., M.D.

Ashton Nicholas Moseley, of Egginton, Esq.
John Radford, of Smalley, Esq.
Bache Hearthcote, of Littleover, Esq.
Marmaduke Middleton Middleton, of Leam, Esq.
Richard Bateman, of Mackworth, Esq.
William Webster, of Ashbourne, Esq.
Godfrey Meynell, of Langley, Esq.
Richard Arkwright (the Younger), of Ashbourne Hall, Esq.
Thomas Hallows, of Glapwell, Esq.
John Beaumont, of Barron, Esq.
Edward Soresby Cox, of Brailsford, Esq.
William Milnes, of Ashover, Esq.
John Slater Wilkinson, of Blackwell, Esq.

TO ALL USERS OF POSTAL SERVICES

For those of you living in the UK, could you please help out the organisers of our various postal services. Whilst we are more than willing to accept membership fees, research fees, book orders etc. in one envelope and at one address, it would be of enormous help to have a separate cheque for each service, each one made payable to the D.F.H.S. It would save a lot of juggling as to which amount goes to which fund.

This does not apply to our overseas readers who have exchange rate difficulties and obviously would be doubly penalised by sending more than one cheque.

VOLUNTEER WANTED

After several years of organising the Society trips to London, Mick Cox has now relinquished his post. We would like to thank Mick for all his hard work, but obviously we now need someone to take over his post. Is there anyone out there who would be willing to take on the job? There is no particular need to live in Derbyshire, though it would perhaps make it easier as regards contacting local bus companies etc.

Anyone who would like to have a go, please contact any of the Executive Committee. You will have your expenses paid and I am sure Mick will give you all the help you need.

SECRETARY'S POSTBAG

MILLENNIUM 2000. The B.B.C. are currently working on the biggest oral history project ever undertaken in Europe. The Project plans to recreate the experiences of the past century through the voices of the people who have lived it. Throughout the country up to 8000 in depth biographical interviews will take place. Radio Derby are looking for approximately 200 interviewees from across the county to talk about their lives and how their communities have changed over the years. These people will be drawn from a wide cross section of society and will be chosen for their ability to recall their feelings and perceptions as vividly as possible. The interviews will be made into a series of programmes which will be broadcast on Radio Derby in 1999, and all the interviews and programmes will then be archived in the British Library Sound Archive so future generations will have access to a unique sound map of the 20th Century in Britain.

Each contributor will be interviewed on a variety of themes from "who we are" to "eating and drinking" to "beliefs and fears". They want to hear about how we have become consumers, how our communities have changed, how our working and leisure lives have developed and how personal and moral attitudes have changed, so that the Project will represent a snapshot of Derbyshire on the verge of a new century.

Radio Derby have asked the Society for our help in finding potential interviewees from Derbyshire who would like to be part of this exciting project. If any members would like to take part, or know of anyone who would like to take part, please contact Sarah Julian, at B.B.C. Radio Derby, P.O. Box 269, Derby, DE1 3HL.

THE FEDERATION OF FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETIES, to which we are affiliated, celebrate their 25th Anniversary in 1999, and to mark the occasion a Celebration Rose will be launched at the Hampton Court Flower Show in July 1999. The rose "Ancestry" has a deep carmine colour with a noticeably fragrant scent. It is perfect for planting in pots or containers on the patio, although it will be equally at home in a mixed border or a formal bed. Order forms and further details can be obtained from Mrs. M. Bullows, The Orchard, Penmark, S. Glamorgan, CF62 4YP.

DALESTORTH SCHOOL. I have recently received a letter from a Mr. Gerard J. Knight who is trying to trace the whereabouts of a Dalestorth

School. He believed it existed in the late 19th to the early 20th century. If you know of this school Mr. Knight would be pleased to hear from you at 7 St. Theresa's Drive, Fulwood, Preston, Lancs., PR2 3RJ.

AN EXAMPLE TO THE CLERGY. In a letter from a Mrs. Pat Wood, she points out another little pitfall that can happen to family historians. She was puzzled by entries in the I.G.I. that showed that Thomas Cumberland had married Charlotte Wilkinson more times that was credible. One marriage was shown to have taken place in Brassington, but a search of the original register revealed no such marriage. This remained a puzzle to her until her husband noticed the names shown in the introduction of a 19th century register published by Lowndes, giving the clergy and the parish clerks examples of how to fill in the new statutory registers in various circumstances. There, in these selections of examples was a marriage of a Thomas Cumberland to a Charlotte Wilkinson which had been extracted for the I.G.I. as being a genuine entry for the parish on which they had been working. Looking back to 1750 when the first registers required by law were printed, Mrs Wood discovered that publisher's Fox and Dod also printed registers using differing names for their examples and had been included in the I.G.I. The publishers George Eyre and Andrew Strahan merely used A.B. of ---- parish married C.D. of ---- parish. Mrs. Pat Wood, of 2 Bedwardine House, 56a Henwick Road, Worcester, WR2 5NT, is appealing to members when using parish registers of around 1750 to 1812, to look in the introductory pages for other publishers, and she will be pleased to check them out.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

NORTH WEST KENT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY are to hold a week-end Conference "Time and Tide", reflecting both life in the river parishes and the passage of time from Mediaeval England to World War II. It will be held at The University of Greenwich on the 3rd to the 5th of September 1999. Booking Forms and further details can be obtained from Mrs. L. Searle, 14 Links Road, West Wickham, Kent, BR4 0QW.

SOCIETY OF GENEALOGISTS are holding their 1999 Family History Fair at the Royal Horticultural Society New Hall and Conference Centre, Greycoat Street, Westminster, London, SW1, on May 1st and 2nd. Full details can be obtained from the Society at 14 Charterhouse Buildings, London, EC1M 7BA.

YORKSHIRE FAMILY HISTORY FAIR. The fourth Yorkshire Family History Fair will be held in the Knavesmire Stand at the York Racecourse on Saturday 26th June 1999. Further details can be obtained from Mr. A. Sampson, 1 Oxbang Close, Redcar, Cleveland, TS10 4ND.

Whilst I wish to bring to the attention of members, information I receive through the post,

which I believe could be of interest and assistance to their researches, I must stress that by including an organization or event in my "postbag" does not imply any recommendation, or otherwise, by either myself or the Society. Any remuneration involved is a matter of negotiation between the researcher and the organization or person, and the Society can in no way be involved.

G. G. WELLS, (Hon. Secretary)

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Oakerthorpe

31	Shawwood Farm	William Beastall	Head	M	72		Farmer	Notts, Greasley
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		William Do	Son	S	28		Farmer's Son	Do, Sth Wingfield
		Ellen Do	Daughter	S		25	Farmer's Daughter	Do, Do
		Alice Do	Daughter	S		23	Farmer's Daughter	Do, Do
	Near Derby Highway in Barn	N.K. (Female)	N.K.	N.K. S		35 (about)		

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING / OPEN DAY SATURDAY APRIL 17TH 1999

To be held jointly at Bridge Chapel House / St Mary's Parish Centre

- 10-00 am Bridge Chapel House opens for members & guests to use the ever expanding facilities. The GRO indexes on fiche are proving very popular. Come and talk to our computer experts. Look at the latest titles on sale in the Bookshop. Browse the material available in the archive and the reading room. Meet friends old and new
- 12-45 pm Members transfer to St Mary's Parish Centre. There is ample car parking if you wish to take your car. The Centre is only 1 minute's walk away from BCH. Bridge Chapel House will close at 12.50
- 1.00 pm **DFHS Annual General Meeting**
- 2.00 pm Guest Speaker :- Pauline Marples "Your 20th Century Family"
- 3.15 pm Afternoon tea / snacks. Bridge Chapel House will reopen at 3.30pm until 4.00pm for anyone wishing to go back..
- 4.00 pm Day closes.

**Tea – Coffee – Soft Drinks – Biscuits- Crisps will be on sale throughout the day.
There are a number of establishments nearby where food can be obtained.**

CALL IT INTUITION!

by

Rita Almond (Mem. No. 2635) in collaboration with Stephen Orchard (Mem. No. 460)

In December 1911, the Rev. Dr. William Edwin Orchard preached at Victoria Street Congregational Church in Derby. He was no relation, or so I was continually assured, but intuition, or call it what you will, made me wish to prove otherwise. William Edwin, as he was known, was a very colourful figure and one which I felt could add interest to the family tree if only I could prove the relationship. Born in 1877 he was brought up as a Presbyterian, trained for the ministry at Westminster College, Cambridge, and in 1914, already a famous preacher, he accepted a formal invitation to be minister of the King's Weigh House in London. Newspapers of the time reported how 'the large congregation at the morning service rose to its feet as William Edwin, clad in loose cassock, Roman collar, silk surplice, embroidered stole and sanctuary shoes adorned with John Wesley's silver buckles, entered the chancel, followed by the surpliced choir'. It must have been clear that this was the beginning of no ordinary, conventional Congregational ministry. Following that description it will come as little surprise to learn that by 1935 William Edwin had been received into the Roman Catholic Church. In 1938 he joined a pacifist group and dedicated himself to the cause of peace, spending time in the States preaching and teaching. When he died in 1955 a memorial mass was later offered in Westminster Cathedral and a commemoration service was held at the King's Weigh House Church. At the end of the month another mass was offered at the Paulist Church of Corpus Christi in New York.

This then was the man whom I hoped would embellish our tree but whom I had also been assured belonged to the West Country Orchards and thus was not to be confused with our own Orchard family which can trace its roots in south Derbyshire back to the fifteenth century. I then came across the book *A Study in Christian Exploration*¹ which is an account of the life of William Edwin. I scoured this book for any small detail which might throw a glimmer of light on his family background so you may imagine my disappointment when I read "The origin of the family name, Orchard, is not certain, though it was rumoured and frequently related within the family that this grandfather, or his father, was found in an orchard, the abandoned illegitimate son of a distinguished nobleman".

When I related my findings to Stephen Orchard we agreed that this was nonsense and he promptly joined with me in an endeavour to prove it so.

We now knew that William Edwin was the eldest child of John and Fanny Orchard, he was born at Linslade and his father was a clerk on the railways. From this sort of information it did not take long to find John Orchard's marriage to one Fanny Braggins. Another clue was that 'his paternal grandfather was a soldier who rose to the rank of colour-sergeant and served in the Crimean War. He died before William Edwin was born, leaving his helmet and sword for his grandsons to play with, and handing on stories of his experiences in both the Crimea and in India during the Mutiny'.² We now needed to find the father, a soldier whose regiment had served in both wars. Some more prosaic disciplines of searching the registers for the Orchard family yielded definite results. William Edwin's father John was registered as born in West Street, Warwick on the 13th May 1851. His parents were John Orchard, Private in the 28th Regiment of Foot, and Mary Sisam, sometimes rendered Lisam. His mother notified the birth and made her mark on the 2nd June of that year. A little more research led to the marriage of John Orchard, then a bachelor and ribbon weaver, and Mary Sisam, spinster, at St. Mary's church, Warwick, on the 9th March 1846. John Orchard's father was given as Jonathan Orchard, labourer, and Mary Sisam's father as Joseph Sisam, publican. The address given for both parties was West Street, where Mary's father kept The Unicorn inn, no doubt much patronised by soldiers of the 28th Foot.

The 28th (or North Gloucestershire) Regiment subsequently became the 1st Battalion, the Gloucester Regiment in 1881³. The Regiment had its HQ at Horfield Barracks, Bristol, which was its home until the Regimental Depot was moved to Gloucester in 1939. Their archive provided further information. A first enquiry found only bald details of John Orchard, inserted into a ledger in pencil but further diligent enquiry by a researcher at the Regiments of Gloucester Museum turned up more information in another old ledger. Private John Orchard, number 1394, enlisted on the 28th December 1837 at Hinckley, giving his age as 18 and his place of birth as Iham in Leicestershire. He was a ribbon weaver on enlistment, 5ft seven and a half inches tall, with grey eyes, light hair and a fresh complexion. He was sent out to Paramatta, New South Wales in 1841 on board the *Palmyra*, a member of a party of reinforcements for the 28th, which served in New South Wales from 1835 to 1842. It was after his return from Australia that John married Mary Lisam in 1846.

In January 1848 the 28th was ordered home. In June 1848 they disembarked at Gravesend and marched to Canterbury. The Regiment had sailed from Chatham 13 years before. It was another five years before John, the father of William Edwin, was born at Warwick (1856) after which soldier John took ship for the Crimea. The Regiment was at the siege of Sebastopol in 1855 and remained in the Crimea for a further 8 months. At the end of the Crimean War the 28th went back to Malta and they were still there in 1857, when the Indian Mutiny broke out. By July 1860, when they embarked for home, the Regiment had been overseas for 14 years, 13 of them in India. They had fought in the second Sikh War and in the Mutiny. According to the *Army List 1867* the 28th Foot returned from India on the 18th March 1865. In the meantime John Orchard, having evidently 'signed on' for 22 years, was discharged in May 1859 with a pension. He does not appear to have been a colour sergeant as William Edwin recalled, but his military accoutrements may well have been around for his grandson to see in the 1880s.

So what of soldier John's parents? He had given his place of birth as Iham in Leicestershire, which we promptly interpreted as Higham on the Hill, near Hinkley (where he enlisted) and found a John Orchard baptised on the 12th April 1820, one of the family of Jonathan Orchard and Sarah Arnold, who married there on the 7th May 1815. At his marriage Jonathan was a framework knitter so it is not surprising that his son was a ribbon weaver. Jonathan Orchard was baptised on the 31st December 1786, also at Higham, one of the family of Jonathan Orchard and Hannah Scotton, who were married at Higham on the 12th October 1771. There is no evidence of other Scottons in the Higham registers so Hannah presumably came from one of the nearby villages. At this point we were a little nearer to illegitimacy, noble or otherwise, for Jonathan Orchard senior, baptised on the 2nd February 1740 at Orton on the Hill, was the son of Sarah Orchard, baptised there on the 17th May 1719, daughter of William and Dorothy Orchard. The father of Sarah's child is not evident. Maybe Sarah had left Orton on the Hill after the birth of her baby. All Sarah Orchard's siblings and cousins were baptised at Orton on the Hill.

At this point the ancestral trail of William Edwin had travelled northwards through Leicestershire towards the South Derbyshire origins of our own Orchard family. Between 1680 and 1699 Orchard infants were baptised at Heather, in Leicestershire, the children of John Orchard who married Susannah Newbolt at Rolleston in Derbyshire on the 15th August 1667. Unfortunately the link to Sarah's father William, and

his wife Dorothy, is yet undiscovered, although it looks likely that Sarah will turn out to be a gt-granddaughter of John and Susannah.

Thus at least we had cleared up the 'abandoned in an orchard' legend. Neither did William Edward come from Whitechapel as indicated in one of his obituaries and Leicestershire certainly can in no way be described as 'West Country'. I feel my intuition at last has been partially vindicated although we have not managed to make that last vital connection. And why did the great preacher tell the story of his origins as he did, recounting a story he had been told as a child? Obviously he was not very interested in his family history - unlike some others I might mention!

1. *Elaine Kaye and Ross Mackenzie (Education Services, Oxford 1990)*
2. *From Faith to Faith: W.E. Orchard*
3. *Cap of Honour: Story of the Gloucestershire Regiment (the 28th/61st Foot) 1694-1950 (SOG ref.ARM/RH129)*

1851 CENSUS

by Stephen Orchard

Checking the census transcriptions is not all dull. Occasionally you come across the entries which lighten things up. Bakewell in 1851 had its moments. In Hartington Upper Quarter lived Nancy Booth, who is described as a 'farmer of 4 acers (*sic*) husband absconded'. Nancy was not lonely, for her labourer George Heathcote and his two grown-up children lived with her, which may explain the husband's absence.

In Pilsley, John Holmes, carpenter, lived with his wife and family. It was perhaps not surprising that the transcriber having found Sally Blower, aged 76, at the end of the schedule, concluded that the word to describe her was 'minder'. However, Sally might not have been too good a minder for the Holmes children, since she was blind. Moreover a further scrutiny of the enumerator's writing revealed that her relationship with the head of the household was described as 'Intruder'. So there are visitors you can never get rid of.

.....AND THE 1891

found by Iris Salt (Mem. No. 2475)

Whilst checking the Litchurch 1891 census, I came across the following reason given by the enumerator for the loss of a schedule. "*Gas explosion occurred on April 1st. House partially blown down*".

I wonder what happened to the occupants.

DERBYSHIRE RECORD OFFICE NEWS

FAMILY HISTORY SURGERIES

One to one sessions with qualified archivist staff have proved so popular that the programme has been extended until the Spring of next year. Each month there are opportunities to book to discuss how to go about tracing your ancestors or where to search next if you seem to have come to a dead end. At the end of each individual session you get written advice on the next stage of your research, together with an information pack. The sessions cost £3 per person and further details are available from Derbyshire Record Office, County Hall, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 3AG, Tel: 01629 580000, ext. 35202.

Next Steps is the title for sessions planned for 1999. These will be for researchers who want to take their enquiries further and will help them develop the skills they need to do so.

NEW RECORD OFFICE PUBLICATIONS

Because of the increased number of registers of both Anglican and nonconformist churches now held in the Record Office, new editions have been produced of both the Derbyshire Record Office *Parish Register List* and the *Nonconformist Register List*. As well as updating information about the dates of the registers held and the coverage for each parish, the opportunity has been taken to include notes on why there may be gaps in series. The depredations of the Civil War period are well known and few people who have traced their ancestors back to the 17th century will be unaware of the fact that between 1640 and 1660 register entries for baptisms, marriages and burials may well not exist. However, there are other reasons why registers may not be available. Before the introduction of the Parochial Registers and Records Measure, there was no systematic survey of records in Anglican churches as are now undertaken by Record Office archivists. Consequently fire and flood and rats may have taken the toll of these unique records. No parish in Derbyshire has seen all its registers destroyed but there are several where gaps are substantial. You can save yourself much time and effort by checking these in the new edition of the *Parish Register List*, as well as finding out what new registers are now available to researchers.

The *Nonconformist Register List* is similar in layout and includes information about, for example, new marriage registers transferred by the General Register Office. It also includes full covering dates of the civil registers, including municipal cemetery records, now added to the Record Office's holdings. These are of particular importance both for tracing ancestors in

urban parishes such as Derby and Chesterfield after the closure of church graveyards in 1855 and when looking for people who belonged to churches which had no graveyard of their own. For the whole of the twentieth century the cemetery records are an invaluable source of such information.

If your interests are wider than church and chapel records, you may also like to know that all the original archives received in the Record Office in 1998 are listed in *Archives 99* (£1.20 include postage). This is the latest supplement to the second edition of the Derbyshire Record Office Guide (£10, plus £2.50 postage).

Another new publication which provides an introduction to sources now increasingly used by family historians is *Taxation Records in Derbyshire Record Office*. Down the centuries, taxes have been levied on all sorts of property, goods and services. Some were long lived, other proved so unpopular that they were superseded. But where lists survive they can often be used to trace in which village or town individuals were living at a particular time and sometimes give an indication of status in society. Local sources, ranging from the familiar ones such as land tax assessments to the less common such as hair powder tax are described in this new booklet which costs £1.20 by post.

THE FUTURE

With the coming of the Millennium many groups and societies are planning special projects. Together with the Derbyshire Association of Local Councils, Derbyshire Record Office is organising a special meeting on the theme of *The Millennium and After* at County Hall, Matlock, on Saturday 27 March 1999. All are welcome and speakers will include local historians, including Dr Joan D'Arcy and Mrs Janet Spavold. The purpose of the meeting is to exchange ideas and information, with a view to ensuring that the energy and enthusiasm stimulated by Millennium events is sustained and developed to provide long term benefits to the community.

NEW ARCHIVES

With the start of the new academic year Derbyshire Record Office contacted every Head Teacher in every primary and secondary school in Derby and Derbyshire. We gave advice on the safekeeping of school records and encouraged Heads with archival material to transfer it to the Record Office where it can be safely preserved in conditions which meet national standards and where, as appropriate, it can be

consulted by members of the public. There was an excellent response and many new series of log books and admission registers are now safe for present and future historians. Increasing pressure of space and growing risks of loss through vandalism and theft mean that archives in schools are much more vulnerable than before and the Record Office is delighted to be able to offer its services to save these records which are central to the archive heritage of the city and county.

The scale and diversity of archives coming into the Record Office continues to be very great. From business records such as those of the Stanton company of Stanton by Dale to family papers, including World War II letters and official records to maps, especially a series of several hundred for coal workings in the South of the county to social club records, all share the special characteristic of unique evidential value which distinguishes archives from all other sources of historical information.

A few examples of new acquisitions of particular interest to family historians are:

Derby workhouse accounts, 18th century

Killamarsh Rising Star Football Club records, early 20th century.

Map of Little Hallam manor with landowners' names, late 18th century.

Accounts of the South Wingfield Association for the Prosecution of Felons, 18th century.

Chinley Independent Chapel records 17-10th century.

Records of Chesterfield Home Guard 'C' Company, 1940 onwards.

Biographical details of Paton & Baldwins Ltd., Matlock, on war service 1939-45.

All these records are available for consultation. If you would like details of our location, opening hours etc., please ask for our free leaflet, *Information for Users*.

HOW CAN I HELP?

Derbyshire Record Office is grateful to the many owners of original documents in the city and county who have entrusted archives to us. If you know of archives that perhaps ought to be safely preserved for public use, please let the County Archivist know. The Record Office has its own transport and core duties of the archive service include surveys and fieldwork to identify series of original documents, especially those at risk of loss or destruction. Our free leaflet, *What is a Record Office?* explains the services we offer. By telling us about archives that come to light unexpectedly, for instance when business premises change hands, you can help save the material that future family historians may need.

NEVER BEEN TO THE RECORD OFFICE?

In addition to regular Open Days, the Record Office holds special introductory sessions each month for newcomers to the Record Office and to local archive sources. These are free of charge and there is no need to book - just turn up. One of the archivist staff will explain how to find the records you wish to consult, how to order original documents, how to request photocopies, how to use finding aids such as card indexes and catalogues.

Because of strict security requirements, records offices are different from libraries, for example, and so to save research time it helps if you know your way around before you start your work.

The introductions run from 9am to 9.30am and, if you wish, you can register as a reader and continue your research in the Search Room when the introductory talk is over.

Details of dates are available by telephone on 01629 580000 ext. 35202 or write to the Record Office, County Hall, Matlock DE4 3AG for a copy of our programme of special events.

With best wishes for Christmas and the New Year from all the staff at Derbyshire Record Office.

Margaret O'Sullivan, County & Diocesan Archivist

FORTHCOMING SHIRLAND MEETINGS

We open our 1999 programme on January 15th with a members evening, when we shall be asking people to bring along any newspapers or cuttings they may have. Newspapers are always interesting, but especially so when they tell a tale of our own ancestors. So please bring along anything of interest, be it family related, local history or national news and let's make it another of those interesting and social occasions that our members are so good at.

Peter Naylor will trace "The Development of the English Village" for us at our meeting on 19 February. He will be looking at the main features of any village and also giving us an insight into the daily life of the villager.

John Hughes returns to Shirland on 19 March to complete his trilogy of medieval tales. This time it is "In Search of St. Werburgh", who was a non too saintly saint. A number of churches were dedicated to her, notably the ones at Blackwell and Spondon.

QUAKER RECORDS

The Annual Monitor or Obituary of the Society of Friends was commenced in 1813 by Ann Alexander (1767-1849), daughter of William and Esther Tuke of York. Educated at York and Ackworth, Ann travelled widely throughout Britain, Europe and America, constantly engaged in religious service, before her marriage to William Alexander in 1796. In 1808 she became superintendent of a girls' school in York, but ill health soon forced her to relinquish this post. It was during her recovery from one particular bout of illness that she had the idea of compiling a pocket book and memorandum for the Society, who had not then any periodical publication devoted to their interests. From this idea *The Annual Monitor* was born.

Between 1813 and 1841 *The Annual Monitor* contained obituary notices, a pocket book for diary and cash accounts, a ready reckoner and information on taxes, stamps and wills. It also comprised various instructive anecdotes on moral, philanthropic and doctrinal subjects interspersed with poetry. In the early years, members of the Society evidently looked with suspicion on the obituary notices 'for fear of in any way exalting the creature rather than the Creator'. In 1813 only 22 notices appeared, but as the *Monitor* became more appreciated the number of obituaries recorded steadily rose (281 in 1863 and 303 in 1892).

In 1886 Joseph J. Green of Hampstead, London asked his brother-in-law Herbert Poulter to compile an index to *The Annual Monitor*. In 1889 it was brought up to date by Joseph Green and completed by Herbert Poulter to 1892. In 1894 the index was published in London as *Quaker Records: being a index to The Annual Monitor 1813-1892, containing over twenty thousand obituary notices of members of The Society of Friends, alphabetically arranged, with references to The Annual Monitor* (usually known by its shorter title of *Quaker Records*). Joseph Green saw the index as being of value and use to those possessing sets of *The Annual Monitor* and those who had no space for the eighty volumes from which the information was extracted: 'For unless one knows approximately the year of death of the individual one wishes to refer to, it would probably take as many hours as, with the Index at hand, it would now take minutes to find the required facts.'

The index to the eighty volumes appearing between 1813 and 1892 lists 20,149 obituary notices, 2,350 memoirs and comprises over 2,600 surnames. It is arranged alphabetically by surname, but not by Christian name - these being arranged in chronological order according to year of death. An indication is

given against some names as to whether the person held the office of minister, elder or overseer. The index is useful not only for specific names but for indicating where a particular family lived, since place of residence/death is given. Age at death is given, the average between 1841 and 1891 being 54, although young children and infants are also included in the index, e.g. Donald Erskine of Codnor aged 6 and Walter Bowman Howitt of Heanor aged 13 months. The final piece of information given is the year of the volume of *The Annual Monitor* in which the obituary notice appears together with the page number.

Most of the records contained in the index are from the British Isles, but there are also entries from other parts of the world, including France, America, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, India, Cuba and even one from Shanghai! (Evan Kennard Weston, who died in 1864 aged 25). There are just over one hundred names recorded from Derbyshire. Many of these are from Chesterfield, where the Society of Friends held their monthly meeting on Saltergate. These records complement the registers held on microfilm by the Derbyshire Record Office. Surnames recorded in the index from the Chesterfield area include Bingham, Bower, Brantingham, Dyson, Frith, Gardner, Hobhouse, Sanders, Storrs and Wright. The Society of Friends also had meeting-houses at Bakewell, Derby, Heanor and Matlock Bath, and families from these places are well represented in the index. The names include Allcard, Bloore, Bowman and Gauntley from Bakewell; Binns, Hawley, Longdon, Pearce and Scantlebury from Derby; Erskine and the well-known literary family of Howitt from Heanor; and Bottomley, Brown, Kitching and Woolley from the Matlock area. Other Derbyshire names represented in the index include Bramley (Ripley), Brandreth (Tibshelf), Jowle (Chapel-en-le-Frith), Mellor (Whaley Bridge), Snead (Wirksworth), Sutton (Alfreton) and Yeardley (Hathersage).

The Annual Monitor can be seen at a number of libraries around the country, including the Religious Society of Friends (Euston Road, London), Manchester and Birmingham Public Libraries, the Bodleian Library (Oxford) and the University Libraries at Cambridge, Lancaster and Reading. I will gladly search the index for any specific surname (not just Derbyshire names) on receipt of an SAE. For common surnames it would be helpful if you could supply a Christian name and/or a probable place/county of death.

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Visitors to the library recently will have noticed that we are reorganising material. Thanks to the generosity of our members and, of course, purchase of more fiche and indexes, we are fast outgrowing the research room. This means expanding into another room and adding more shelves and filing cabinets. Unfortunately, owing to family illness, Lorraine has had to take a back seat in the library for the present so we are 'between systems' so to speak. This means that the following list of acquisitions is printed without a reference number. Should you wish to look at a certain item or want to enquire about something via our research service, please just mention the item by name. We will do the rest.

For those of you planning a visit to the library, please note that we are closing at 9pm on Thursday, 17th December for the Christmas break and will reopen in the new year at 10am on Tuesday, 5th January. That

should give us all time to recharge the batteries. This is also the right time to thank everyone who volunteers to help. Those who do work at home are invaluable, but too many to list by name, but I must especially thank John and Hilary Smedley, Sheila Samways, Kathleen Mason, Drew Hall and Pauline Slack who come in every Tuesday to help run the library, while Gerald Archer and Gordon Baker turn out on a Thursday. A special thanks also to Graham Wells who always offers to open up if the librarians are unavailable. Perhaps some of you would consider volunteering an hour or two to help lighten the load a little. Anyway all enjoy your break and we hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Lorraine Allen and Helen Betteridge

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Chesterfield Marriages, 1558-1743

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Chesterfield Burials, 1558-1743

Stanley Burials (Bishops Transcript) 1813-37. Donated by Sandra Stock.

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1851 Census Name Index 2.1, Measham (Appleby), Hartshorne (Stretton-en-le-Fields, Oakerthorpe, Donisthorpe, Willersley, Smisby Boundary, Woodville, Hartshorne, Ticknall), Ashby (Calke) and Whitwick (Packington, Ravenstone)

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1851 Census for Devon, Norfolk and Warwickshire

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 The Genealogists' Library Guide, Vol II, Family Histories and Pedigrees
 Sources for Irish Genealogy in the Library of the Society of Genealogists
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A MYSTERY TALE OF BUGSWORTH STATION

After a 'Bygone Bugsworth' week in 1992, a Mr Leo White of Matlock wrote to me regarding a puzzling incident and its sequel. In April 1921 his father, Mr George White, succeeded a Mr Frederick Hoe as the stationmaster at Bugsworth Station. Mr G. White remained at Bugsworth for the next ten years, he was in fact the last stationmaster at Bugsworth for when he left the jurisdiction for the station was transferred to nearby Chinley.

One cold winters morning in the 1920's a man tapped on the booking ticket window at Bugsworth, seeking information about the train times to Manchester. Prior to the arrival of the next train, which was not due for half an hour, the man was invited into the cosy booking office where, according to Mr Leo White, "it was always nice and cosy, with a coal fire burning". Before leaving the man, who much resembled a commercial traveller, gave Stationmaster White his visiting card, the card gave his name as George Haywood.

A fortnight later, a George Haywood was arrested in connection with the murder of the landlady of the "New Inn", a publichouse situated on the road between Hayfield and Glossop. Mr Leo White said that George Haywood was tried, found guilty and hanged at Nottingham Gaol.

The following summer his father was on holiday in Blackpool and one night attended a performance at a music hall. One of the acts on stage consisted of an artiste who was blindfolded, his assistant was employed to walk down the centre aisle of the auditorium, asking patrons to produce articles from their pockets and handbags. The assistant held up the articles produced for the blindfolded artiste to name.

His father was sitting on an end seat in the centre aisle and the assistant asked him to produce something from his wallet. He handed to the assistant the same visiting card that George Haywood had given to him that cold winters morning. When the artiste on stage was asked "What is the item that I hold in my hand?" the reply from the stage came "I do not like speaking about the dead"!

Recently I was tempted to test the likely veracity of this incident by searching the local newspapers held in Glossop Heritage Centre. The usual custodian was away ill and so I began a random search - 1921, 1922, 1923. Social history on Bugsworth there was a plenty, including my great grandfather's funeral, but not a hint or whiff of murder. On the afternoon shift I explained

my predicament to a new face behind the counter. "Oh perhaps it could be the murder at Little Hayfield in 1927" was the positive response. There it was large as life, which is truly not the right expression, November 1927.

On November 11th 1927 Mrs Amy Collinson, aged 36, the landlady of 'The New Inn', Little Hayfield, now renamed the 'Lantern Pike', had been found murdered. That night, on returning home from work at Glossop, her husband had found the front door locked and the inn in darkness. Together with a neighbour they gained entry, only to find his wife, lying on her back, battered about the head and her throat cut from ear to ear. A carving knife was still embedded in the wound. All the signs were that the landlady had been disturbed whilst cleaning the firegrates. £40 was missing from the publichouse.

Later that same day George Haywood, described as a commercial traveller of the White House (previously the Firbob Inn), Little Hayfield, was detained on suspicion of murder. The police recovered a sum of money and a piece of bloodstained lead piping from his residence. Haywood appeared at a three day committal at New Mills Town Hall, where he pleaded "Not Guilty". He was described as an unemployed commercial traveller most recently working for a soap manufacturer whom he left owing £60. It was observed that he spent most of his time in the dock making sketches of the people in court, at one stage making a Christmas card. He was committed for trial to the following February Assizes at Derby and was found guilty on the 23rd February 1928. His appeal was dismissed by the Lord Chief Justice Hewart in March 1928 and he was hanged by hangman Pierrepoint and his assistant Pollard at Bagthorpe Gaol, Nottingham on the 10th April. There were reported to be over 300 people outside the prison gates.

Though the newspaper reports confirm the murder, I offer no explanation for the stage performance.

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MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

RILEY Marie Annie of Derby, England, married Mr Horace Page of Vernon, BC, Canada, 18th December 1920 in Vernon. Rev. Lennox Fraser officiated at the marriage ceremony.

Vernon News, BC, Canada, 30 December 1920

"Mrs D. Morrell, To be left at the Post Office, Belper"

26th April 1828.

4, Borneo Place, Plymouth, Devon.

At length my dearest Aunts I am enabled to break the long silence. I know not for years when our pleasant intercourse has been so sadly suspended, indeed, we have been most anxious to write, but as we were rather undecided about the spot where we would desire to pitch our tent, we deferred as we hoped day after day to be able to give you the promised information. A sweet, lovely cottage has been offered to us, which I will endeavour to introduce you to in its place in this voluminous epistle - but as I know your kind anxiety will wish to hear of our movements from the time I last wrote I will try to give you a sketch of them.

I believe we had not then begun packing except only part of the business, such as glass, china and some few other things - the remainder of concern went on - I am, thankful to say, as well as could be expected without the constant attention of a Gentleman, the men employed were civil two very active and clever so that they gave me as little trouble as possible.

We began on Monday and on Thursday afternoon they were forwarded by waggon to Portsmouth, we had a most delightful five days weather and they arrived in safety in the back yard on Saturday morning when my Brother saw them carefully deposited in one of the King's capacious warehouses. This was a most comfortable management for us as there were 70 packages and some of them very large - During the time of our removal we had great reason to be obliged for all the affectionate attention of our friends and neighbours whose houses were so kindly opened to us with every possible accommodation.

Of course on Monday our party began to disperse, dear Cath and Anne to the Miss Kaydon's - Mary and I to Captain Norton's, it was near a place I could comfortably leave dear M at alone - Mrs. N. was a kind friend, I could feel at home with. It was most convenient for me as I could run over to the house, to superintend the workmen. The two or three days hustle however soon passed away and after the furniture was gone from the house, I had only to put a guard in to take care of the

premises, as there grates and other things which it would not have been prudent to have left unprotected.

On Friday our dearest G and A. joined us, the latter fetched by Mrs G, west and on Monday she reached our dear friends at Chettle, she remained there ten days, and then proceeded further westward to the great delight of our friends here, and now I thankfully announce her safe arrival at dear Mr. Henry Gandy's where I will leave her for the present and return to the trio at Guildford.

On Monday 3rd. March we finally arranged with Mr. Spencer and gave him possession. We all had these many last things to attend to - as well as to bid our adious to our numerous friends.

We found it painful from some of the poor cottagers, poor Richard and his wife were sadly grieved, I much wish we could have them in this sweet county, I really think I could find employ for Richard if they would desire to journey after us.

On Thursday the 6th we left Guildford of course with various sensations, still with a happy consciousness that we were in the path of duty in removing. We reached Regent Street in safety when Cath and I immediately proceeded to business, in the course of a few days dear Charles joined us, and our little affairs began to be finally adjusted and the property to be equally divided between our four selves, agreeably to the will of our dearly beloved Parent. I have likewise made my will in due form respecting my part of the property, as I think this matter much better settled when we are in health to attend to it.

On a sick bed we are but ill disposed to give heed to a worldly concern and at such a time the mind should be dismembered from earthly cares.

After remaining a whole fortnight in this noisy town we were unavoidably detained upon business much longer than I expected, Charles returned to P. Mrs. C.C. is now tolerably well.

Dear Mary and I left London on 20th with one of the servants, we did not go by way of Chettle, as I first intended, as dear Anne found much difficulty in getting forward.

We, therefore, came to bath, where we

carried for a night at a Hotel opposite the Pump Room, we then proceeded by the Mail on the following morning and had a most merciful journey to Plymouth.

As we did not arrive till the middle of the night, I thought it better to stay at one of the hotels as I had not had the opportunity of appraising our dear A - of any certainty respecting the Coach, or the time of our arrival as we took our places from bath. After the refreshment of a few hours rest we all drove to our mutual friends, I was overjoyed to join our loved Child, we were most warmly greeted - and in a short time we were comfortably accommodated in the way of a suitable lodging as a temporary residence till we saw a place we approved of.

We have a beautiful sitting room where we have a view of the sea and part of the town, 3 good bedrooms and the use of the kitchen.

Having now satisfactorily accounted for the move of our party I return to the poor solitary one in town. We were quite grieved to leave her, but as it was business in which she was individually concerned respecting her part of the property and which required her personal attention, she was positively obliged to remain, we had no idea it would be beyond the 9th of this month. For various reasons, however, she was unable to leave town till the 19th and on the evening of 20th through the tender mercy of our God she was brought in perfect safety to our little circle thus "some on boards and some on broken pieces of ship, and so it came to pass, that they escaped safe to land".

It is indeed a lovely county and tho' dear G. and A. used to descant much upon its various beauties yet I can only say "the half has not been told me". The views of the sea and land are most magnificent, the

soil prominently fertile, a most abundant produce of every kind at a moderate price, the finest meat from 6d to 7d per lb., eggs 22 for 1/-, bread very cheap, broccoli as large as cauliflowers for 2d a head - and many other things proportionately reasonable.

I mention these few as a sort of sample.

Tho' a Town has many advantages, yet you will know that it does not accord with our quiet ideas of comfort, and that a village would be much more suitable to our taste in every respect.

We have, therefore, been on the lookout and in the delightful village of Plymstock about 2 miles and 1/2 distance from Plymouth, a lovely cottage has been offered us, it is detached. On the ground floor there is a drawing room with casement windows, which open upon a pretty lawn, a

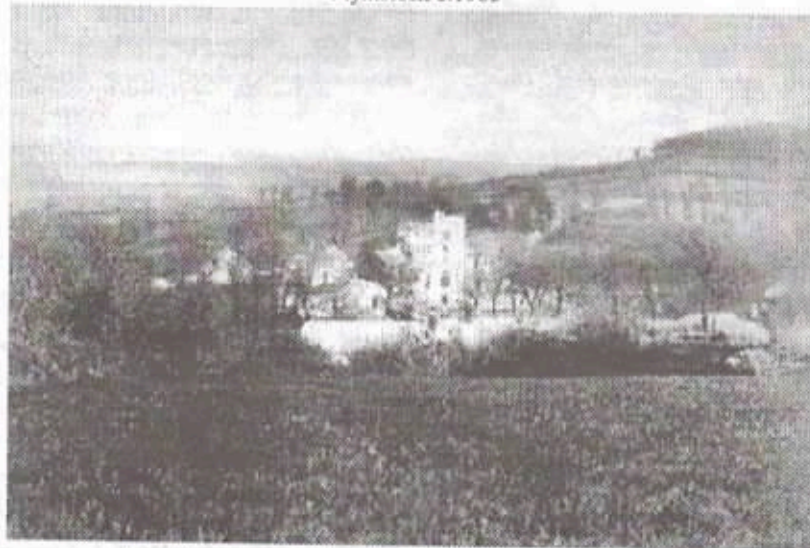
small dining room, a third sitting or breakfast room, 2 kitchens and other suitable offices. Above these are 5 bedrooms and 2 small dressing rooms.

There is a garden at the back of the house and on one side there is a remarkably fine old oak tree, from whence this pretty cottage derives its name and it is called "Oak Cottage".

As we are feeling persuaded that it is the place appointed for us, we have been entering into an agreement to take it for 7 years and if we are spared so long I think we shall have cause to be thankful for having done so.

There is an active resident minister who has lately been appointed to the living, he is the friend of friends. The Church is being greatly enlarged, the school crowded with children, but sadly wanting teachers. The population of the Parish exceeding 2000 - as these Hamlets attached principally inhabited by cottagers, though there are genteel

Plymstock c.1905



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families scattered here and there. The ministers name is Harris, he is connected with a titled family in this neighbourhood, his brother is quite the Squire of Plymstock.

I understand there are not yet either Bible or Missionary Societies formed at the place, it seems quite remarkable providence that we should be permitted to labour in such a field. As we thought of residing at the place we of course were desirous to hear Mr. H. for ourselves, and therefore, went over several times. We feel quite satisfied with his doctrine, "he determines only to preach Jesus Christ and Him crucified".

We read that "not many wise, not many noble are called". This abundance of God's mercy to him seems wonderfully impressed upon his mind, and we are persuaded that "he counts all things but loss, for the excellency of the knowledge Christ Jesus his lord - and counts them but [?], that he may win Christ" he appears to spend himself and he spent for his people. During Passion Week he had a service at the church at 1/2 past 6 in the evening and a little exposition of Scripture, the time was to suit the labouring people. One evening every week he has a lecture at the workhouse, from everything I gather, I think we shall all by the Blessing of God, be permitted to labour on very pleasantly together. We shall rejoice much in any opportunity to assist this good man in his works of Faith and Love.

As proprietor of our cottage intends putting it into complete repair by papering, painting, etc., I am afraid we shall hardly be able to enter for three weeks or it may be a month. The road to the village from Plymouth is very good, the greater part along a turnpike road and the other very accessible at all seasons and in all weathers. There is a very clever Medical man in the place. We are told the walks and rides are most beautifully romantic and we shall be within a mile of the sea, the air is said to be dry and considered healthy. From what I have said respecting our future abode, I think you will exclaim with us that "our lot has fallen in pleasant places". From various circumstances we have reason to believe we are following the leadings of Providence in going to this place - and that "we may walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called" and present our bodies as living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God which is

our reasonable saviour.

You and my dear Aunt S. will be much pleased to hear that our dearest Mary is quite restored she is now (thank God) quite well, if not better than ever we remember her, she is comfortably fat, her appetite good, walks about nicely - and sleeps well - and is delighted with this pleasant county, tho' she talks about the way we are to come and see you both.

It so happens there is a coach direct from here to Birmingham, which will be most convenient for us if we are spared some future year or two of course we know all the conveyances beyond Birmingham. I have not as yet enquired the distance from here to Birmingham but it may perhaps be somewhere about two hundred miles.

We have of late been such travellers that this does not seem anything very formidable. The stages run so quickly that a few hours would bring us to you. As soon as you conveniently can write after receipt of this, we hope you will as we are truly anxious to know how your dear selves are, and what is going on with you - as we shall always feel interested about Keage. For the present you had better address me at 4, Borne Place, Plymouth, - Dear Cath and Anne find the air agrees with them delightfully well - and I am (thank God) feeling better than I have done for many months - I seem now to be getting quite "strong to labour", and I am much pleased at the prospect of going to such a field as Plymstock - May the Lord mercifully assist us in all our undertakings and enable us to live more to his Glory. How undeserving are we of all the kindness we experience from our dear friends here, they even anticipate our wishes, and even request us to consider their things as ours. The language of their hearts is thy Chariot are my Chariots, thy people are my people and thy God, my God.

Besides the dear Gandys - we have received very pleasant attention from Mr. and Mrs. Hatchard. Mr. H. is the vicar of St. Andrew's Church - and there are other friends who kindly receive us - indeed hospitality is quite proverbial in this place. While we were in town we had the pleasure of seeing Mr. Harrison - the family are well - his mansion was going on rapidly it was to cost about thirty thousand £, the gothic staircase was prepared in London. He

invited my Brother to see him this year, if he should be able to go. I hope he will manage to - as we hope in a short time to go to our cottage. We informed my Brother that we should like the furniture forwarded - he has accordingly shipped it on board transport and I trust it will this day arrive in safety and our friend Mr Gandy has given orders for its reception at the Dock yard - where it will comfortably remain till its further removal to its final destination.

I am happy to say Mrs. G. is recovering from her late loss - she is now much as usual. We have not heard from Birmingham for some time, the uncertainty of our address prevented us from writing - dear Anne intends sending shortly - when an opportunity offers of sending to you. I will bear in mind the little books you mentioned the "Joy of Israel" - they are important little publications and likely to be very useful.

Mr. Gandy is sending a packet to London and I have taken the opportunity of forwarding this epistle.

28th - we went over again yesterday to our Parish Church, we find there is a capital seat appropriated to the cottage, we had an excellent sermon. The address of St. Paul to the Roman Governor Felix - it furnished Mr. K. with many important heads - the subject of Christian Ministers preaching - "faith in Christ", - the application to reason in righteousness - temperance and judgement to come, he dwelt particularly on the effect it had on Felix. There are many it is to be feared tremble like him and are convinced of sin and its awful consequences - yet stifle their convictions - and think that "a convenient season may arrive" when they will attend to the warnings of conscience. In the case of Felix we do not read that any further opportunity was vouchsafed for him. How earnestly therefore, it behoves everyone "to seek the Lord while he may be found to call upon him while he is near" - "Behold now is the accepted time, behold now is the day of Salvation". In the evening we had the privilege of hearing a very valuable discourse from one of the Ministers here from the 4th Chapter of the 2nd Timothy 8th and 9th verses - "I have fought the good fight - I have finished

my course, I have kept the faith - Henceforth there is laid up for me a Crown of Righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day, and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing" - the Christian life he compared to a Warfare, and under the banner of the Great Captain of his Salvation - he was enabled to fight a good fight - going forth conquering and to conquer - The Apostle was likewise a good steward "I have kept the faith".

Two of the most striking references were his grateful recollections of having been enabled to finish his delightful anticipations of that crown of Righteousness laid up for Him in Heaven - and not for him only - but for all who love his appearing. The enquiry as to our minds by His "Spirit" I shall, like much to hear how Mr. Wayne goes on whether you have two services on the Sunday and any weekly lectures. Should we be spared to some future year or so - I shall like to visit Derbyshire again - dear Mary loves to talk of it - the distance is the only objection to this lovely County. When we were with you we used to talk of residing in the neighbourhood of Derby, but after various enquiries for a suitable cottage we could not hear of anything likely to suit us. We were therefore, induced to turn our attention another way - and we trust that we have been led the "right way".

As we cannot for the present have the pleasure of personal intercourse, we must entreat you to write us long letters, whenever you can, and we particularly request that you will be so kind to take up your pen as soon as possible after the receipt of this, as we shall be feeling uneasy till we know of the well being of yourself and dear Aunt Smith. I hope you will not be frightened at this large sheet, but when dear Cath. was in town, she brought me some paper, thinking I might find it useful for my despatches.

Having now trespassed long upon your time and patience, I conclude with united kind love of my dear sisters to yourself, my dear Aunt S. and Mr. S. and believe me my dear Aunt your ever affectionate niece.

Elizabeth Cobbe.



NEWS FROM THE NORTH

Contributions from Ann Pass and the Glossop Group

As I write this article I am anticipating a few of our group transcribing memorial inscriptions at Charlesworth Top Chapel (Congregational) in September - hope the weather stays fine. From there, on a hill opposite, is a fine view of Mottram Parish Church which the North Cheshire Group will be transcribing. Only a few miles away, but it is over the county border. I shall still be helping as I am in that group as well.

Whilst checking the Mottram area allocated to us, one in particular caught my attention.

*In Memory of
Lewis, son of James and Mary
Brierly of Valley Mill, who died
Oct 3 1827, in the 15th year of his age*

*Though once beneath the ground his corpse was laid
For use of surgeons it was thence conveyed
Vain was the scheme to hide the impious theft*

*The body taken - shroud and coffin left.
Ye wretches who pursue this barbarous trade
Your carcasses in turn may be conveyed
Like his, to some unfeeling surgeons room
For can they justly meet a better doom.*

*Mary wife of the above mentioned
James Brierly, who died April
9 1828 in the 43rd year of her reign*

Classes in Family History will be starting in Mottram from January 14, run by the WEA, at Chambers Court, Longdale Drive. Tutor will be Alan Morrison (Tel: 0161 972 2827). There will also be similar autumn classes at New Mills and more advanced classes at Hyde and other venues, tutored by Roger Trunkfield (Tel: 0161 485 2556 for more details).

Having sorted out the speakers for next year, I can now continue planning the Millenium Event announced in the last magazine. More details as available.

So what exactly did they die from ...?

(A few good web sites on the Internet)

- If you don't understand the strange 'Cause of Death' you've discovered on your ancestor's death certificate, there is a site, written by a doctor, of Archaic Medical Terminology for Genealogists. So if, for example, someone died from choak (croup) or barrel fever you can find the explanation at.

<http://www.gpiag-asthma.org/drpsmith/amt1.htm>

- To find web-sites sharing your particular surname interests try:

<http://www.surnameweb.org/>

This site is maintained by volunteers and you can add your own page and major name interests to the list.

- Those with ancestors in Wirksworth can add their surname interests and e-mail addresses to John Palmer's Wirksworth Parish Register (1608 -1837) site. The page has moved once again is now at:

<http://www.lds.co.uk/wirksworth>

- The Bodleian Library has some really excellent pages to browse through and genealogists will find scanned images of selected years from

Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine, The Gentleman's Magazine and Notes and Queries at:

<http://www.bodley.ox.ac.uk/ilej/journals/>

Tip: Marriages, Births, Deaths, Promotions etc are in the second half of each index.

Examples from: The Gentleman's Magazine
(Bodleian Library, Oxford)

Vol. 5 Mar 1735 Page 163

DEATHS

6. Sir John Fielder, of Brampton, Derbyshire. His Estate of 2000l. per Ann. Devolves to his Nephew, Mr Stephen Arnold, a Student at Oxford.

Vol. 20 July 1750 Page 333

A LIST of PREFERMENTS for the Year 1750
From other Papers (i.e. not the London Gazette)

...M. Wombwell - Norton, V. Derbyshire

All the above web site addresses were checked at the time of going to press.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I was interested to read Albert Weldon's entry in the June issue of the DFHS magazine. John Stephen Morse the 25th in a hundred years or so will find the search for his ancestor particularly interesting!

I was born at Pease Hill Road, Ripley, Derbyshire in 1949. We then moved to Milward Road, Loscoe, when I was a year old. My brother was born there and we lived next door to my grandparents. At the age of five I left for Staffordshire but only spent a year there before moving to Keresley, nr Coventry. We spent five years there before a colliery accident ended my father's mining career. Then off to Holbrooks, a suburb of Coventry.

While my parents remained there for some 30 years, I continued my travels. In 1968 I joined the Army and spent time in Hampshire, Germany, Norway, Sussex and Hampshire again. I returned to Coventry in 1973 after being disabled out of the army. We have only moved twice since then and have been in the same house for 24 years.

My wife of 27 years was born in Whitefield, nr Manchester, my son in Aldershot (baptised in Coventry) and my daughter in Coventry. We were married in my parish in Coventry and not hers. She was also baptised in Coventry aged 21 years. My parents were married and I was baptised at St. John's Marehay, Ripley, which is no longer an Anglican church. My father was the only son and so our line now resides in Coventry. There are still, though, many Derbyshire relatives. From 1877 when my gt.gt. grandfather Morse arrived in Derbyshire from Berkshire (with his Oxfordshire bride!), until 1974 we certainly moved around a lot.

All I can say to J.S. Morse 25th is GOOD LUCK!

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I saw you mentioned illegitimacy in your last editorial and thought you might be interested in the following quotation from a book I have recently purchased called *The Labourer 1760-1832* by J.L. Hammond and Barbara Hammond. This is a book combining three previously published volumes and in *The Village Labourer* they discuss the Report of the Poor Law Commissioners 1834 that examines the community created by the Speenhamland system:

".....there were labourers who actually saved considerable sums out of the system.

The most obvious and immediate effect was the effect which had been foreseen without misgiving

in Warwickshire and Worcestershire. The married man was employed in preference to the bachelor and his income rose with the birth of each child. But there was one thing better than to marry and have a family, and that was to marry a mother of bastards, for bastards were more profitable than legitimate children, since the parish guaranteed the contribution for which the putative father was legally liable. It was easier to manage with a family than with a single child. As one young woman of twenty-four with four bastard children put it, "*If she had one more she should be very comfortable*"¹ Women with bastard children were thus very eligible wives. The effect of the whole system on village morals was striking and widespread, and a witness from a parish which was overwhelmed with this sudden deluge of population said to the Commission "*the eighteen penny children will eat up this parish in ten years more, unless some relief be afforded to us*"² Before this period, if we are to believe Cobbett, it had been rare for a woman to be with child at the time of her marriage; in these days of demoralization and distress it became the habit".

1. *Report of the Poor Law Commission, 1834 p172*

2. *Report of the Poor Law Commission, 1834 p.66*

It seems to have been not so much a case of 'getting into trouble' or 'being old enough to know better' as making the most of the system - one can perhaps draw parallels with today!

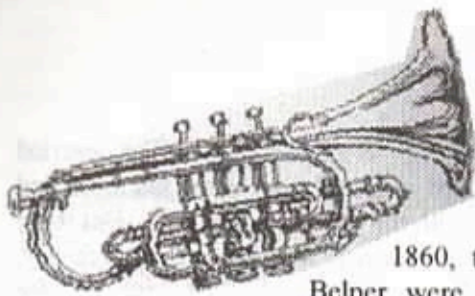
**Ann Andrews, 7 Woodmancourt, Godalming,
Surrey GU7 2BT**

In the article on South Normanton there's a reference to 'B' Winning Pit. In the 1950's, when cycling to work from Chapel-en-le-Frith to Whaley Bridge I was stopped by a lorry driver and asked if I could direct him to B Winning pit. He was fortunate that he had picked on someone who had knowledge of that area, very few others would have known the story of A & B Winning. My uncle was a miner at Blackwell Colliery.

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Bridgwater, Somerset TA7 9BG (Mem. No. 3794)**

I have found a very nice Prayer and Hymn Book inscribed with the name Ethel May Purchase, 22 August 1933, which I will happily give to a member of the family.

**Dorothy Tilley, The Poplars, Hardwick Wood,
Wingerworth, Nr Chesterfield, Derbys S42 6RH**
(Dorothy doesn't mention it, but I am sure that reimbursement of any postage costs would be much appreciated - Ed)



13th Derbyshire(Belper) Rifle Corps

During May 1860, the people of Belper were treated to a spectacle of the 13th Derbyshire (Belper) Rifle Corps' first muster, *in the presence of Captain A. W. Holmes*. Among the local 'big wigs' attending were: G. W. Strutt Esq., Rev. E. H. Abney, Colonel Sands, W. Webster Esq., D. P. Evans Esq. (Honorary Surgeon), Messrs. S. Pratt, G. Pym, W. Moran and E. Gaylor (Secretary).

By 7.30 in the evening the crowd were eagerly awaiting the arrival of the Milford volunteers who soon appeared, *in marching order*, under the command of their drill instructor, Sergeant Cockerton. The sergeant seemed proud of his men, and rightly so, as everyone was *astonished at the soldierly being of the men*, who had *attained an efficiency in drill*. Not all were in uniform although it was hoped that they would be so within a few days.

The Milford men marched down Bridge Street to join those of Belper at the drill-room where regular drill began under the orders of the sergeant, assisted by Ensign Wilkinson and Colour-sergeant Smith. The onlookers were amazed at *their expertise in the various evolutions which elicited repeated expressions of applause*.

Making its debut was a band provided by Captain Holmes. Under the conductorship of Mr. T. Chell it *both pleased and astonished the volunteers* with its playing. The members of the band who, mostly young, had received only two months tuition and were a credit to Mr. Chell and *if we mistake not, give evidence of real musical talent*.

Luckily as the band *created so great an excitement* the newspaper reporter saw fit to give the members' names:

• Conductor	Mr T. Chell
• cornets (primo)	Ben Cooper, Leader
•	John Bates
• secondo	John Hibbert
•	George Allsop
• alto	Charles Cooper
• trumpet	Henry Bond
• E ♭ saxtuba	Peter Johnson
• B ♭ baritone	Thomas Illsley
• B ♭ euphonion	James Walker
• E ♭ bombardon	William Berrisford

Captain Holmes was hoping later to complete the band by the addition of two drums and another cornet.

A programme of Rule Britannia, Quickstep 'Sonnambula' (*which they performed the best*), Polka 'Louissette', and Quickstep 'South Middlesex' made a great impression being *well executed and exhibited none of the wild blowing and hard loud notes which often distinguish players of a much older standing*.

Following the National Anthem the Corps marched, four deep, to the Railway Station from whence the Belper men returned to the barracks and those from Milford went home *thoroughly tired, hungry and thirsty*.

These sights so aroused a *dormant military spirit* in the people that more volunteers came forward. This caused funds to be *in a low condition*. It was hoped that the *coffers at the bank* would be *replenished through the kindness of those neighbouring gentry who have not yet contributed*.

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Sandra Stock - Member 125

ASHBOURNE

ASCENSION DAY - At the parish church, yesterday, being the feast of the Ascension, the holy communion was celebrated at 8 o'clock, followed by a full choral service, with sermon at 11. The music was - Venite, Dupuis in D; Psalms, Cook and Elvey, in D; Te Deum and Jubilate, Kent in D; Kyrie, Sanctus, Nicene Creed, Rogers in D; Anthem, "God is gone up". Croft.

Derbyshire Advertiser May 18, 1860

PIANOFORTES
HARMONIUMS, &c,
BY THE BEST MAKERS
ON SALE OR FOR HIRE,
AT
WM. H. ROWBOTTOM'S
8, WARDWICK,
DERBY

Derby Mercury Decembe r 24, 1862

ACCIDENTS IN THE COALFIELDS

by

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The following is an insight into the kinds of accidents that happened in coalmines. The examples are from Derbyshire, but the same sort of thing happened in mines all over the country. The accidents in which men were burned usually occurred when gas exploded and the fire swept along the tunnels.

1836. July 2. Alfreton. Mr Britain's pit. Saturday. Four killed. pit had not been worked for a week before. Explosion caused by a candle.

1837. October 18. Alfreton. Carnfield Colliery. Wednesday. Two killed, four burned altogether. Caused by a candle.

1839. June 13. Shipley. Bright Soft Pit. Thursday afternoon. Eight killed and twelve others injured. Five or six asses were also killed. Cause undiscovered.

1840. June. Clay Cross Colliery. One severely burned.

1841. March. Clay Cross. Two brothers severely burned.

1841. July 7. Clay Cross. Wednesday. Three burned. They were bricking one of the shafts and one of them, though warned of the danger of such a course, incautiously placed a lighted candle on the side of the shaft, which caused an instantaneous explosion.

1842. May 30. Clay Cross. Monday. One (the overlooker) shockingly burned.

1842. May 30. Messrs. Barber & Walker's Colliery. One killed and one burned. Deceased was employed, with several other men, in opening a new wind-way. They were returning from work and when a short distance from the shaft, met a current of foul air, which deceased's candle caused to explode.

1842. October 18. Staveley. Mr Barrow's Black shale pit. Tuesday. Three men dreadfully burned. They had just descended to their work, when the firedamp exploded.

1843. August 28. Pentrich. Mr Haslam's coal pit. Monday. Five dreadfully burned, two of whom were not expected to survive. The men had scarcely begun their work in the morning, when the explosion took place from one of the candles.

1844. November. Loscoe Colliery. Three killed and several others injured. The men had finished work and,

instead of using safety lamps provided by the employers, used candles because they gave better light. A slight explosion also took place here, from a boy imprudently holding his lighted candle up to make marks in the roof.

1845. December 20. Mr E.M. Munday's pit. Saturday. Several shockingly mutilated.

1846. February. Clay Cross. One killed; more than 12 injured altogether. The noise was so great that the men who were working at another pit at some distance heard it. It was said that the calamity might have been averted, as the miners were apprised of their danger.

1846. June. Pentridge, near Alfreton. One killed.

1846. December. Bolsover, Duckmanton. Newbiggan Pit. One killed, two much burned.

1847. June. Lockford, near Chesterfield. One burned.

1848. May 15. Clay Cross. Wingfield pits. Monday. One killed; one much burned. On the arrival of two brothers at the stall, where they worked with lighted candles, the gas exploded. Part of the roof had fallen in and stopped the current of air, after the men had left work on Saturday.

1848. May. Lockford. One killed, four much burned.

1848. September 19. Mr Samuel Potter's Boswell pits. Tuesday. Several colliers severely burned. It is remarked that "the frequency of accidents of this nature, in this and other pits in the neighbourhood, certainly calls for an enquiry on the subject."

1849. July 31. Eastwood. Messrs. Barber & Walker's colliery. Tuesday. One killed.

1849. November. Clay Cross. One killed. The explosion took place after a fall of coal. A companion was also burned. Deceased was making his way to the pit, but was suffocated by the foul air.

The above is an extract from Annals of the Coal Mining and Coal Trade Vol 2, by Robert Galloway. It was first published in 1904 and reprinted in 1971 by David & Charles Ltd.

A QUESTION OF PATERNITY

by

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For some time I have felt that I should ask readers of the Derbyshire Family History magazine for help or submit an article for publication in the hopes it might ring a bell with somebody.

John Hunt and Mary Hall were married in Denby on 2 September 1766. There seemed to be no baptismal record for either of them in Denby. However there was a will of Thomas Hunt, born 1699 son of William and Sarah Walken (Walker?), who died 10 October 1774 and his will was probated 27 April 1775 as follows:

"I Thomas Hunt of Denby in the Co. of Derby, yeoman, being of sound and disposing mind & Memory do make and order this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form following: First I give and bequeath to my son Benjamin the sum of 15 pounds. (Benjamin is not baptised in Denby). Also I give to my son Joseph the sum of 15 pounds. (Joseph was baptised 11 May 1735). Also I give and bequeath to my daughter Hannah the sum of ten pounds. (Hannah was not baptised in Denby). Also I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah the sum of ten pounds. (Sarah was baptised 25 Feb 1733). Also I give and bequeath to my daughter Ann 10 pounds. (Ann was baptised 26 Mar 1738). Also I give and bequeath to my grandson Thomas, being John's son, when he arrive at 21, interest be used to educated him, son John to have the residue of my goods and chattels and to be the sole executor. (John was not baptised in Denby).

Signed Thomas Hunt, witnessed Patrick Hall and John Holland.

One other child appears in the Denby register. Thomas was baptised 14 October 1730 and buried the same day.

Thomas Hunt, the son of John Hunt and Mary, was baptised in Denby on 2 July 1769. There were also two children buried in Denby, Mary - daughter of John and Mary Hunt on 25 December 1784 - and Daniel - son of John and Mary Hunt five days later. It was discovered that John Hunt and Mary Hall had remained living in Denby, but had their children baptised in a Pentrich non-conformist chapel, namely Joseph, John, Benjamin, George, Mary and Samuel between 1771 and 1782.

Because Patrick Hall had witnessed the will of John's father, it was thought possible he was a relative of

John's wife, Mary Hall. Patrick was settled on land in Denby but no baptism was found for him in the Denby records. In a book called 'Denby', by Mark Friar, is the following statement: *"Mathematics were largely studied in Derbyshire in the later half of the eighteenth century by many men, one of the most famous being Patrick Hall."* No record has been found, but Patrick Hall was settled with a house and land in Denby. He married Ann Jackson 5 April 1779 and had eight children all baptised in Denby between 1784 and 1799, namely Patrick Fletcher (buried 1785), Ann Jackson, John Fletcher, Amelia, Patrick (buried 1795), Joseph (buried 1796), Marianne and Esther. Patrick, the father, was buried on 16 April 1799, the same day as his daughter Esther.

From FHL Film 1041440 entitled *"Misc. Records of Denby"*, comes the following. *"Patrick Hall's will gives all his property to his wife Ann, as long as she remain a widow, but if she marries then to his children (not named). His property is a right of entitlement to a small farm owned by W.D. Lowe and to a house in Openwood Gate (a village in the parish of Denby close to Morley Park) occupied by Anthony Smith. The letter states that within a few months after the death of Patrick Hall, his widow intermarried with William Saint and the executors took possession of the property and had paid the rent to W.D. Lowe since that time (1817). The Denby Council wish to know if they have permitted William Saint to acquire a settlement right by permitting this to go on this long, and if they can evict him from Denby."* (Was he causing problems or were they afraid he was going to be a burden on their poor fund?).

Question. Was Patrick Hall the son of Joseph Hall, son of Joseph Hall and Elizabeth? Joseph married Hannah Fletcher, daughter of Patrick Fletcher and Ann Greatorex and had 9 children baptised at Denby and Duffield between 1730 and 1752. At least Patrick is likely a son of Hannah Fletcher Hall as he named two of his sons Patrick and two of them also Fletcher. Joseph Hall's will was a disappointment as he left all his goods to his wife to distribute among his children, not naming them.

Does anyone have family records for this Hall family or any proof that Patrick was their son and/or who the parents were of Mary Hall who married John Hunt?

SIR RALPH VERNON

(The 'long liver')

by

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Sir Ralph Vernon Senior is the subject of an old chestnut that surfaces from time to time, most recently in the March issue of the Derbyshire FHS (page 3) to the effect that "Sir Ralph Vernon, styled the long liver, [died at] Sudbury in the reign of Edw.II, aged 150". The reference is evidently to Sir Ralph Vernon who in 1325 (19 E 2) entailed half Shipbrook in the male line and is not again heard of.

How the legend originated is not clear, but Ormerod repeats it in his History of Cheshire, citing Vincent. Ormerod also cites record evidence which contradicts it but does not draw any conclusion from this evidence. I drew the obvious conclusions fifty odd years ago, but have not so far published them.

Sir Ralph Vernon Senior - the Elder, not the Old - had two sons relevant to the entail; Sir Ralph Junior and Thomas j.u. of Lostock. Sir Ralph Junior predeceased his father, being alive in 1311 but dead by 1319. He left two sons, another Ralph who succeeded under the entail but was dead without issue by 1355, and a bastard, Richard, son of a concubine contemporary with his father's wife. The purpose of the entail seems to have been to include him as if he had been legitimate. Richard again left two sons, of whom the elder - another Sir Ralph - took Shipbrook in 1365 on the death of the last Ralph's widow. He had been under age in 1351 and died half a century later in 1397 without male issue. Richard's second son, another Richard, accordingly succeeded to Shipbrook, but was beheaded after the battle of Shrewsbury in July 1403, leaving a minor son, a third Richard who came of age in 1416 (4 H 5). This third Richard died without male issue three years later (8 H 5), being the last of the male descendants of Sir Ralph Junior.

His successor was James Vernon, then aged 60 and described in Richard's I.P.M. as son of Richard, son of Richard (dead by 1351), son of Thomas (dead by 1336), Sir Ralph Senior's youngest son. The delay in Shipbrook's return to a legitimate descendant after the interval of the illegitimate branch prescribed by the entail, may account for another myth about Sir Ralph "the Old", that he outlived his son, grandson and great-grandson. In fact the entail outlived descendants in these degrees (and also a great-great-grandson), but the author of the entail did not.

Can the real age of Sir Ralph Senior be reliably estimated? His great-grandson, Ralph, as stated above

was under age in 1351, but of age by 1358, so born about 1335. 30 years to a generation suggests 1245 as Sir Ralph Senior's birth date. Again James, aged 60 in 1419, will have been born about 1360. 30 years each to four generations this time suggests 1240 as Sir Ralph Senior's birth date, give or take ten years. In addition two of his daughters married men apparently born about 1260. A birth date of 1240 would make him 85 at his last recorded appearance in 1325, a very great age at the time (and 95 would be unprecedented) - but not 150.

THE STATIONS OF THE WESLEYAN-METHODIST MINISTERS FOR 1844-45

submitted by Peter Platt (Mem. No. 4190)

NOTTINGHAM & DERBY DISTRICT

William Vevers, Chairman

John Bedford, Financial Secretary

DERBY DISTRICT

- 333 *Castle Donnington* Robert Totherick, Robert H. Hare
- 334 *Derby* William Vevers, Henry Hickman, John Bedford; Richard Wintle, Supernumerary
- 335 *Ashbourne* William Tarr, who will change once in every 3 weeks with the Ministers at Derby
- 336 *Belper* John Shipman, Thomas Eckersley, Richard Serjeant, Benjamin Gregory, sen., Supernumerary (NB. Brother Eckersley shall reside at Ripley, near Alfreton)
- 337 *Ashby de la Zouche* George Birley, James Cheeswright
- 339 *Cromford* Robert Harrison, Thomas J. Walker

'I DO THEE WED'--A DERBY MAN'S ELEVEN WIVES

A man who was described as a native of Derby appeared before the Borough Police Court in Huddersfield in July 1908. The newspaper report of the case reveals a family historian's nightmare for not only did he move around and change his occupation frequently, he was also known to have married at least eleven wives.

The culprit was born circa 1853 the name he used on frequent occasions, was Samuel Charles Joseph WOODWARD. He was also known as James WALKER, William FORD etc etc. The early years of his life are unknown which is possibly just as well when the following is read: -

- 1875 Married as Samuel Charles Joseph WOODWARD on 21 November 1875 at St Peter's Church, Derby to a lady whose maiden name was Lawrence.
- 1886 Commenced business in Derby as an accountant and agent.
- 1887 January 5th he absconded with money he had received as an agent and a warrant was put out for his arrest. This was eventually withdrawn when the money was repaid by someone.
- 1892 He was being sought after in Wantage, for alleged embezzlement. Around this time he married a lady from Newcastle on Tyne whom he drugged and deserted.
- 1895 - 1897 He resided in Sussex employed in a firm of Solicitors. On November 24th 1897 he absconded with £520 belonging to his employers. The police traced him to Sunderland where he had been living as WILLIAM FORD, however he had escaped the clutches of the law and was 'missing'.
- 1898 On the January 15th, calling himself WILLIAM HERBERT Le FORD, he married a lady at Sunderland, he gave his address as Leamington, Ontario, Canada. The 'happy pair'

- went to Edinburgh but he deserted her on January 28th.
- 1898 On the 23rd February he married Maggie Clark at Carlisle.
- 1898 One month later he married again at Lancaster.
- 1899 12th January, married again this time to a lady from Wolverhampton
- 1900 He was employed as a solicitors clerk at Stratford, Essex, he now gave his name as Wilson. In October he left his employers with £80 of their money.
In January calling himself Horatio Lawrence he once again became a solicitors clerk, this time in Cardiff. On May 3rd he borrowed money from one of the partners of the firm, to go (he said) to his fathers funeral. He failed to return. Not surprisingly while he lived in Cardiff he had married again and of course the lady was left behind. [it appears in 1908 he revisited the lady he had married in Cardiff 'and told her an extraordinary and plausible story of his wanderings and loss of memory and asked her to join him again', she declined).
- 1901 On May 7th once again he obtained employment in a firm of solicitors, this time at Colchester and his name was given as Millard. At the end of the month he left still in possession of the cash box keys plus £47 of the office cash.
- 1901 In June it was a firm of solicitors in the Strand, London that were unlucky enough to employ him, for in August he departed with £200 and the safe key
- 1906 He was employed as a solicitors clerk in Penrith, this time he left with some of the deeds. It seems he then travelled about with Maggie Clark (possibly the lady he married in 1898), and they lived in various places including Bradford and Wolverhampton.
- 1907 By August 1907 he was tired of Maggie and left her. In October he

married Fanny Henderson Davis at Huddersfield. He left her in Edinburgh but was traced to Hull and they were obviously reunited, (well just for a short time poor Fanny was deserted at Liverpool in the January 1908).

1908 He changed his name to Thomas Davis and married again at Warwick, a week later after persuading this unsuspecting lady to give up her business while he made arrangements to take her to America, he departed with her jewellery.

On March 3rd a lady from Gloucester was his next victim, after marrying her he stole her money. His next marriage was on April 2nd at Bristol, **however his days were numbered for this is where the police caught up with him.**

At his court appearance in Huddersfield he was referred to as James Walker and 'described as a confectioner and doctor'. It was decided the lady he had married in Derby by which he had two children, was his first wife. The court heard evidence of eleven marriages, plus seven warrants out against him for larceny, embezzlement and forgery. However it was stated that no news had been received from the Police in America as to the prisoners career there, and it can only be said, "**there could be more**"!

A full report can be found in the Mansfield and North Notts Advertiser 17 July 1908 p10 c3

Pauline Marples

Bolsover Colliery Athletic Club

"The team have not done so well as was expected owing to the unfortunate circumstances of having several players off due to injury and illness. The semi-final of the Byron Cup was reached and in this round Matlock Town were defeated at Matlock, which qualified Bolsover for the final. Unfortunately Bolsover's victory was

short lived, a protest was made regarding one of the players signing a wrong form, and the match was ordered to be replayed. In the subsequent replay Bolsover was defeated.

(From 'The Quarterly News' April 1932, Journal of The Bolsover Colliery Company, Ltd)

'ON YOUR BIKE'

Derbyshire Cycling Clubs and Secretaries in 1935.

Ashbourne C. and A.C.

Mr W. Allsop, Station St., Ashbourne.

Clowne Wheelers

Mr E. Briggs, Rotherham Rd., Clowne, Chesterfield.

Derby Ivanhoe C.C.

Mr C. Hassall, 52 Richmond Rd, Derby.

Derby Racing C.C.

Mr L. Stinton, 49 Thorn St. Derby

Derby Rovers C.C.

Mr J Glover, 1 Duke St. Derby.

Derbyshire R.C.

Mr J. Jerrome, 755 London Rd. Derby

Derby Wheelers C.C.

Mr W. Ludlow, 50 Ashbourne Rd. Derby

Ilkeston. and A.C.

Mr H. Gilbourne, 6 Nelson St. Ilkeston

Ilkeston T. C.C.

Mr A. Farmer, 122 Station Rd. Ilkeston.

Lower Somercotes C.C.

Mr E. Bettison, 42 Lower Somercotes, Derbyshire.

Notts and Derby C.C.

Mr A. Barnes 9 Ormande St., Aldecar, Langley Mill, Notts.

(Extracted from 'Cycling Manual & Year Book for 1935 price 1/-) *Pauline Marples*

POST 1858 WILLS

from Ann Andrews (Mem. No. 4097)

Many members will be aware that the venue for finding Somerset House wills has changed. The indexes for 1858 onwards can now be read in the modern building at 1st Avenue House, High Holborn (turn right out of Holborn Underground Station and the building is about 5 minutes walk away on the LHS).

We were told to expect improvements and the venue is much more comfortable with widely spaced tables for research. The ordering system and opening hours remain the same and one plus point is that it isn't new building, new prices. The charge for a copy of a will to be posted is still only 75p, so remains quite good value, considering all that is involved. The big difference, however, between the old and the new is the security system. It is just like the airports with walk through body scanners and X-ray scanners for bags. They must have their reasons for such a high level of security, but compared with the simpler searches and general security at the Family Record Centre, it does seem a trifle heavy!

My first visit was in early July, not all that long after the move. As before, the man behind the counter was having to cope with everything apart from collecting payment and there was one point when quite a long queue formed whilst he sorted our various problems. Is it just me, or do other people agree that a system where the average ordinary researcher has to carry an index (maximum of two) and the will application to the desk to be checked, then go to the cashier with the form and then back to the desk for the envelope if you require your will copy to be posted (i.e. queuing three times) needs a re-think? To be fair, one does not often have to queue, but I am sure people will understand the point I am making. One can only hope that now they have a modern building they will redesign their systems to make it easier all round.

NEWS FROM DERBYSHIRE'S LOCAL STUDIES LIBRARIES

There have been a few interesting new additions to the stock of the County Hall collection. The GRO indexes 1956-65 have arrived but alas the most recent years are in a very tiny, faint typescript which makes them exceedingly difficult to read.

Much more user-friendly are some new books: two excellent comprehensive works of reference are *Ancestral Trails: the Complete Guide to British*

Genealogy and Family History, published by Sutton Publishing and the Society of Genealogists 1998, 674 very clear and comprehensive pages. The second, by James G. Ryan, *Irish Records: Sources for Family and Local Historians*, published by Ancestry Inc. 1997, is crammed with addresses and lists of sources. This book could make all the difference to the success of a research trip. For more recent history, two new volumes of W.R. Chorley's *Royal Airforce Bomber Command Losses of the Second World War*, cover the years 1943 and 1944.

One of the main projects the team have been working on recently is a training package on using the Internet for family and local history research. The need for library staff to know enough to be able to advise researchers is abundantly clear from the number of enquiries we are getting in the eleven libraries that currently have DELTA access to the Internet. Another eight libraries will be connected by early 1999. The plan is for the worksheets and address lists to be available for public use so that anyone new to 'surfing the web' will be able to make use of them as an easy introduction. If you fancy having a go, the libraries at which you can book Internet sessions at £1.50 per half hour are currently: Alfreton, Buxton, Bolsover, Chesterfield, Dronfield, Glossop, Ilkeston, Long Eaton, Matlock, Ripley and Swadlincote, with Bakewell, Clowne, Eckington, Etwell, Melbourne, New Mills, Whitwell and Wirksworth to follow around February 1999.

As we did our research for the training we were completely amazed and fascinated by the range of material we discovered and, thanks to a few very well organised sites, were surprised at how easy it is to find family history material in comparison with many other subjects. A book that has been invaluable to us in our research is Cyndi Howell's *Netting Your Ancestors: a Guide to Genealogical Research on the Internet*, by Genealogical Publishing Co. 1997, so more copies are being ordered for reference and lending use. If you haven't had a go yet - make it your new year's resolution!

Stop Press: our next publication will be a reprint of the 1895 Bulmer's trade directory of Chesterfield and the north eastern corner of the county. We hope to have it on sale before you read this.

DERBY SAVINGS BANK NOTICE - the Bank will be CLOSED for balancing after business on Saturday evening the 6th November and REOPENED on Monday the 22nd. *Geo. Rickard, Actuary.*

DERBY MERCURY, 20th October 1869

Appropriately spotted by Society treasurer Derek Meigh.

Rev. Joseph Jackson, Doctor in Divinity

The minute book of Risley School Trustees records that at a meeting held in the schoolhouse on November 2, 1761 two men, Joseph Jackson and David Harrison, were under consideration for the post of usher or under-schoolmaster to the Free Grammar School. This vacancy had arisen on the death of George Geary. The trustees were equally divided in their votes and Sir Willoughby Aston, Lord of the Manor, was requested to choose between the two candidates and his choice was Joseph Jackson.

A licence appointing Joseph Jackson to the post was issued by the Dean of Lichfield, John Adenbrooke D.D., on June 21, 1762, and required him to teach and instruct children in the rudiments of the grammar, also to read, write and cast accounts and all lawful and honest authors.

In 1718 Elizabeth Grey, daughter of Anchitell, and benefactress of the schools, stipulated that the headmaster should be an Oxford graduate and in Holy Orders and must reside in the schoolhouse. Jackson had been admitted to the diaconate on Sunday, June 14, 1772 by Brownlow, Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry in the parish church of Eccleshall, Staffordshire. Six months later he was ordained priest, by the same bishop, in the Chapel Royal at St. James, Westminster on Sunday, 27th December.

So, eleven years from his first appointment and on the death of the previous headmaster, George Bettison, the trustees, again with Sir Willoughby Aston's approval, raised Jackson to the elevated position of Headmaster in January 1773. Jackson was put in possession of the Headmaster's House and any parents who wished their boys to learn Latin were to acquaint him with their intention. The licence for this appointment was issued on February 1773 and on the same day Jackson was also licensed to the curacy of Risley and Breaston.

Dr. Jackson did not resign his post of undermaster on his appointment as headmaster, which was most unusual. It is likely that a cause brought against him in Chancery by John Thacker, Luke Hucknall and others and heard at Derby on 16th September 1776 concerned this situation. Ten months later, in a letter to the trustees, Jackson thanked them for appointing him as undermaster and Headmaster. He stated that he should have 'long ago' requested permission to resign the under-mastership had not the malevolence of an envi-

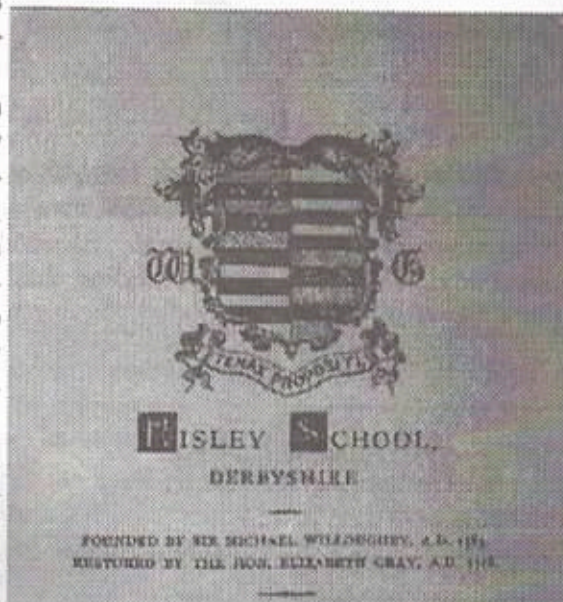
ous man thrown the school affairs into such a situation as rendered my resignation unavoidable and improper. The Lord Chancellor had dismissed his opponents' claim and had confirmed the trustees choice which gave Jackson *inexpressible satisfaction*. As the school affairs were restored to that tranquil state in which every friend of the charity must rejoice and there was no longer any impediment to my resignation, Jackson begged the trustees to accept his resignation.

Honour came to Jackson in May 1775 when he was appointed domestic chaplain to John, Earl of Galloway. With this preferment he was able to enjoy the Benefits, Privileges, Liberties and Advantages which was the due and Right Grant to the Chaplain of the Nobility. Jackson would have travelled with the Earl's household and a marriage entry in the Sawley registers notes that on account of Rev. Jo. Jackson being abroad and myself unable to attend at Wiln the parties were married at Sawley.

According to the statutes laid down by Elizabeth Grey the master was to have but twenty days holiday a year and never to be absent more than ten days at a time. Jackson obviously disregarded this. At a trustees meeting on July 6, 1778, as he had been absent for more than two years, *thereby neglected the said school*, half of his salary was withdrawn and given to Mr. Wright, the undermaster, who had more pupils than he could manage and to provide him with a proper assistant. Samuel Wright was appointed as usher to the undermaster at a stipend of £18 p.a., of which £14 was to be deducted from the salary of Jackson and £4 from the undermaster. By 1780 Jackson was again in residence in Risley so the order to withhold half of his salary was rescinded.

As no children, however, wished to be taught Latin, Jackson requested that the trustees deduct £15 p.a. from his salary until such time as there were any applicants. Commissioners enquiring into the state of charities during the early nineteenth century had been told that Dr. Jackson had never more than one pupil and that the school was used as a greenhouse.

There were numerous occasions when Rev. Thomas Humphries, curate of Sawley, did not appear at Wilne to conduct burial services. At these times Joseph Jackson was asked to officiate. [For Humphries story see Branch News, issue 85, June 1998 pp 42-44]



Upon the death of Wharton Partridge, Jackson was presented, on August 27, 1794 to the living of Keddington in Lincolnshire and instituted vicar by Edward Maltby the commissary, a week later. He was, however, given a non-residency licence and the returns reported him as residing on his perpetual curacy at Risley.

Jackson continued as headmaster at Risley until his death in 1811. Rev. John Hancock Hall, Lord of the Manor, was appointed headmaster of the school by the trustees on 20th September the same year, a most unprecedented act as the lord of the manor had power to hire and fire the headmaster!

Elizabeth Skeavington was Dr. Jackson's *honest and faithful* servant and he had allowed her two nieces, Sarah and Mary to *reside in my house*. When Jackson died he left all his real estate in Risley to his friends John Manley Esquire of Hart Street, Bloomsbury Square, Middlesex and Thomas Pares Esquire of Hopwell Hall to put in trust with the Skeavington's to have use of the house *being tenants in common*.

Likewise, the real estate in Sandiacre was given and devised to Manley and Pares. There was a newly built cottage called Clouds Cottage which, together with the piece of land on which it stood, the gardens, plantations and several closes adjoining called the Upper Clouds, Lockers Clouds and Nether Clouds, were to be conveyed and assured to Dame Caroline Warren, wife of Sir John Borlase Warren, Baronet, if she paid the trustees £350, the sum Jackson originally gave for the land, within six months of his death. On default, trustees were to dispose of it, along with the proceeds and profits from other sources and the money raised to be used to carry his wishes.

Elizabeth, the wife of Sir William Earle Welby, Baronet, was to be the recipient of Jackson's collection of fossils, minerals, shells and *marine productions*.

Each of my worthy and much respected friends were requested to accept a gold ring (paid for out of Jackson's personal estate by his executors) *in remembrance of me*, namely: Sir John Borlase Warren Bart. and his lady Dame Caroline Warren, George Sedley Esquire and Mrs Sedley his wife, Sir Willoughby and Lady Jane Aston, Sir William Earle Welby Bart. and his Lady and their sons: Thomas Earle Welby, Charles Coape Earle Welby, Richard Earle Welby, John Earle Welby Esquires, Reverend Montague Earle Welby, and their daughters: Catherine Elziabeth Leonor and Maria Rebecca Welby, John Manley Esquire and *every of his sons and daughters*, Thomas Pares Esquire, John Pares

Esquire and Mrs John Pares, Mrs Mary Pares, Miss Mary Anne Dod, Reverend John Hancock Hall and Maria Roberta his wife, Hon. Mr Justice Heath, Hon. Mr Justice Lawrence, Hon. Mr Justice Grose, Hon. Mr Baron Thomson, William Earle Welby Esquire and Wilhelmina his wife, Mrs Catherine Spry, George Dowell Thelmerdine Esquire, Edward Hare of Caston Esquire, Mrs Wilmot widow of Reverend Robert Wilmot, George De Ligne Gregory Esquire, Joseph Lawrence Esquire and his wife, Reverend Baptist Noel Turner and his son John Turner Esquire.

Thomas Pares had the pick of Jackson's paintings, John Hancock Hall to have just one of the remainder, whilst John Manley was to select a horse.

At the discretion of the executors Elizabeth Skeavington was to receive, *as they shall think proper* part of the plate, linen, china and other household goods and furniture. That remaining was to go to Jackson's sister, Mary Smith. Elizabeth was also to receive the household provisions and Jackson's wearing apparell *to dispose of as she pleases*. In addition, by a codicil to the will, Elizabeth was left two cows. Jackson took pains to note in his will that all the provision for Elizabeth Skeavington was intended as full satisfaction *for such claims as she may have upon me for wages or otherwise*. She was also to be paid £30 annually, by four equal payments on Lady Day, Midsummer Day, Michaelmas Day, and



Latin House, Risley

Christmas Day, by the trustees.

Also in the codicil Sarah and Mary Skeavington were left £100 each at the age of twenty one. If either died prematurely then Jackson's sister Mary and her children was to benefit.

Rev. John Hancock Hall was to have the three folio volumes of Dr. Thornton's, 'Temple of Flora' and *my much valued friend* Mrs Mary Pares of Ashbourne Green an ebony cabinet inlaid with silver.

Finally, at the end of the codicil, the stocking frame that John Wright worked was to be given to Joseph Fox to take to his father, William Fox of Sandiacre *for use on my decease*.

SCURRILOUS TALES

Shortly after Joseph Jackson died, Thomas Humphries, curate of Sawley and Wilne was cited in the Dean and Chapter's court at Lichfield to answer charges brought against him by certain parishioners. In defence Humphries published a pamphlet entitled 'The Prebendary and the Curate' in which he answered the

articles in the libel, and attacked both Spencer Madan, the prebendary of Sawley, and Rev. John Hancock Hall, Lord of the Manor, Risley.

Dr. Madan was sarcastically congratulated, in the pamphlet, upon his appointment as one of the trustees of Risley School.

Humphries noted that in her will Elizabeth Gray had designated the officiating clergy of Wilne and Stanton to be the same. *In direct opposition*, John Hancock Hall, *by the advice of counsel* had deleted the name of the officiating minister of Wilne and inserted that of Madan.

Humphries stated that the mastership of the Latin School, which had recently become vacant, had a salary of £80 per annum, a very good house and garden and had *long since become a sinecure*. Furthermore it had been necessary for Hancock Hall to dispense with one of the appointed clergy as



Last group of boys to be taught at the Latin School

Left to right (back row)

E. Machin, A. Doncaster, F. Heather, Mr. B. Lawrence (Assistant Master),
B. Plackett, B. Baker and A. Fletcher

Left to right (front row)

Walter Stoppard, E. Heather, Murphy, Rev. G. W. Groves (Headmaster),
F. Jackson, H. Simpson and S. Chrimes

he wished to be elected master himself and *put the salary snugly into his pocket. Thus is this charity, given by the Lady of the Manor, embezzled by the Lord of the Manor, out of whose family it most probably never will again be rescued.*

Questioning if Hancock Hall *read prayers in the church to the children on Wednesday's and Friday's throughout the year, agreeable to the conditions on which he pockets the salary* Humphries stated that if all Founders wishes were thwarted - *away with public charities! Poor*

Lady Gray! little did you think into what hands the inheritance of your Noble Family would fall!

This article first appeared in my 'Risley Residents of the Past'

Sandra Stock - Member No. 125

COUSINS MEET IN BRADWELL

by

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May 25th 1998 came at last. My husband and I were about to meet my 3rd cousin in Bradwell, Derbyshire, the village that held the roots of our family history from 1651 and before. John Unsworth is my third cousin and our day was memorable.

It all came about because of a letter. I am related to the Fox, Jeffery and Palfreyman families of Bradwell and Hope (1850's). I wrote to "Family Tree" magazine, asking if anybody knew about the Fox Charity and received a letter from John Unsworth asking why I was enquiring about the Fox Charity. In the same letter he mentioned his great great grandmother, Ann Jeffery nee Fox, sister of Samuel Fox (of umbrella fame and that's another story). I was

amazed because she is my grandmother too. We eagerly arranged to meet.

On a beautiful day, sunny and warm, we met at the Bowling Green pub in Bradwell for lunch. John then took us for a walk around the village pointing out the 'Fox' house and St Barnabus' Church where a lot of our ancestors are buried, including our great great grand-parents Joshua and Ann Jeffery. We ended our walk at the Bradwell icecream shop before finding a seat by the river where we continued to talk.

We hope to meet again in August to find out more about each other. Meanwhile as the sun was going down and it was getting chilly John went home to Sheffield and we returned to Liverpool.

Answer to the Editor's puzzle: The researcher assumed his grandmother had a sister, but the sister turned out to be her mother, who had had an illegitimate child which was brought up as her sister. Therefore the person whom he assumed to be his great grandmother was in fact his great great grandmother and his great aunt became his great grandmother. What a tangled web.....

FAMILY GATHERINGS

THE GRATTIDGE GATHERING

Rex Grattidge lives in Australia, Paul Grattidge in Sweden, Elwyn Grattidge in Canada and his brother Walter in New York. They met, together with some 50 other Grattidges (or those with Grattidge connections), on 22 August at a venue near Ashbourne. It had been arranged because Rex and his wife, Sally, were coming to England for a holiday and they *'thought it would be nice to meet one or two other Grattidges'*. A trawl of the Grattidges listed in the UK telephone directories and a few other enquiries (including a notice in the DFHS Magazine) soon indicated that there was considerable interest in a get together.

Not all of those attending were able to link to the main Grattidge tree going back to 1590, but all knew that their families came from the Midlands - particularly the Staffordshire and Derbyshire area where, until the middle of the 19th century, they were mostly of yeoman farming stock.

Socialising over lunch, folk shared their ideas of what were the typical Grattidge traits. Short stature, women with prominent noses, reticent men and a mathematical bent were all suggested, but it had to be admitted that not many of those present exhibited all (or even any) of these characteristics.

Some effort was made to graft onto the family tree one or two Grattidges who had achieved more than usual eminence. Harry Grattidge (1890-1979) who came from Stafford, was captain of the Cunard liners Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth but no one there could suggest a family link. At least relatives of the late Fred Grattidge, a former Lord Mayor of Birmingham, were present but again a link with the main tree proved elusive. More success was had identifying the A.W. Grattidge who some years ago produced a school maths book. He is definitely on the tree. It was pointed out that this Grattidge had also written a statistics textbook with a co-author named Goddard. An index of authors shortened the entry to 'Grattidge and God'. It was generally agreed that this connection compensated for not finding a link with the captain of the Queen Elizabeth.

The day was a great success and it was agreed to find a way of keeping in touch and sharing other family history information. Just how to do that is still to be worked out but if any reader is interested in being associated with it they could contact Peter Grattidge (01159781271 or e-mail pgrattidge@compuserve.com)

THE TOWNDROW REUNION

It started with a letter from my brother in Florida. With it he enclosed a copy of an invitation to all North American Towndrows to a family reunion at Raton, New Mexico in August 1998. On enquiry the organisers confirmed that Old World Towndrows would also be welcome so plans to travel were quickly put in hand.

Two brothers, James and John Henry Towndrow, from Old Brampton near Chesterfield, both coal miners, emigrated to America in the late 1800s. They homesteaded on Johnson Mesa near Raton and a mountain peak nearby became known as Towndrow Mountain or Towndrow Peak. Many of their descendants still live in the Raton area.

The Saturday afternoon of the reunion weekend saw upwards of one hundred Towndrows at the Holiday Classic Hotel in Raton, inspecting Robert "Art" Towndrow's sixteen foot long family tree, exchanging information and inspecting photographs and documents. Robert had a family tree programme on his computer and this advised that he and the undernamed were fifth cousins, once removed!

On the Sunday afternoon a grand picnic was held round the little church on Johnson Mesa near Towndrow Mountain, followed by a simple service. The names of the first settler families in the area, including the Towndrows, are recorded in the church and the graves of the two brothers are in the nearby small cemetery.

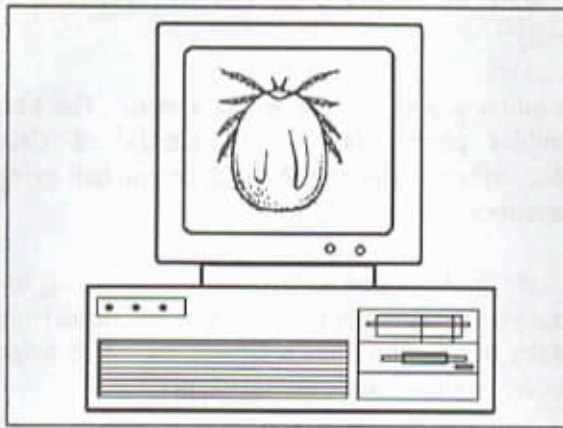
A highlight of the occasion for a lucky, and active, few was climbing Towndrow Mountain (8624 feet), although it has to be admitted that the climb was only of the last hundred feet or so. The climbers were warned to watch out for rattlesnakes but, fortunately, none were seen.

The reunion was so successful that a "return match" is now being planned - to be held in Derbyshire in August 2000. Enquiries in this regard should be made of the undernamed.

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COMPUTER CORNER

THE 'MILLENNIUM' BUG



If you haven't heard of the millennium bug and the supposed dire consequences, then you must have been hiding in a very dark corner away from journalistic misinformation. So, if it is not all bad, what is this millennium bug and what should we as family historians be doing about it?

The good news is that for most of us there is no problem. The millennium 'bug' arises in computer programs that use only the last two digits of the date and assuming which century to use. There is no problem in displaying the two digit year to humans, but when it is used in calculations or sorting (such as the time and date stamp on your computer files that tells you when the files were created). All the family history programmes that I have tested ask the user for four digit years, after all our family trees usually extend for more than one century. It is easy to check by entering a birth date after 2000 and see if the programme stores it correctly (you did back up your files before trying these tests, didn't you?).

You may find that you have a problem with the computer's own internal clock. Some computers such as the Apple Macintosh have been built since 1984 to be able to cope with the change of the century, others will simply need to be told on the first of January 2000 that the century has changed. There are programmes that you can add to your computer that will monitor the computer clock and make that change for you, but they will need to be removed or altered before the 21st century! Very old computers that request the date when you turn them on probably do not have their own internal clock and some will not accept a year 2000 date - here you have a choice whether to use a year that 'works' or to change the BIOS programme within

the computer. To change the BIOS your computer will probably need to be opened and have an (integrated circuit) chip exchanged.

There are a number of simple tests that can be made to check your computer to see if it has a problem with millennium dates, many of these test programmes are free to individuals.

Other programmes such as your word processor, spreadsheet or database that have a facility to insert 'today's date' will also need checking. On your database and spreadsheet choose the option to store (& display) 4 figures for the year. You may have heard that Windows 3.1 and 95 have year 2000 problems, this is only in the display of dates within the file manager - a fix is available for download from the Microsoft bulletin board and web site.

If you have bespoke programmes that use dates, then speak to the programmer to check it over for you.

My advice is not to buy a new computer just because your present one might have a problem with the year 2000.

IAN CARE

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PATENTLY OBVIOUS

by

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If you wish to discover whether an ancestor had an inventive mind then a trip to the Patent Office Library, 25 Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1AY (close to the previous PRO) may prove to be both interesting and informative.

There is an alphabetical index of Patentees from 1617 to 1981. One volume covers 1671-1852 and then there is a separate volume for each year.

Once the name has been found and a note made of the reference number, the patent can be ordered out (about 15 minutes to wait) and a photocopy can then be made - including all drawings and notes - if required.

The staff are very helpful and the system is user friendly.

The building itself is well worth a visit. The library resembles photographs of the interior of Crystal Palace, with galleries round a high central hall rising to a glass roof.

Even if you don't find a relative it is fascinating to see names you recognise (e.g. Arkwright and Strutt) and to read the types of inventions applied for. This helps to make any waiting time pass very quickly.

We thoroughly enjoyed our visit - and "yes", we did find a member of one of "our" families.



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Further details in the next issue of this magazine

REMOVAL NOTICE FOR THOMAS REDFERN'S CHILDREN

Burg Derb *Whereas it appeareth unto us Whose hands and Seals are hereunto set, two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the Borough of Derby aforesaid (Quorum Herus[?]) upon the Complaint of the Church-Wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the parish of All Saints in the Said Borough that Thomas Redfern Now Imprison'd for Debt, in the County Goal of Derby, Did Sometime since agoe, send for his Wife and four Children from the Upper Quarter of Hartington Parish in the County of Derby, to Live in the said Parish of All Saints, and that by Reason of the Death of his said Wife, three*

Tho: *of his children Viz Sarah George & John, are actually become*

Naughton *Chargable to the said Parish of All Saints. And Whereas it appeareth unto us Upon Oath of the said Thos: Redfern, that he was*

[Seal] *Last Legally settled in the said Upper Quarter of Hartington Parish, it Also further appeareth by A Certificate Given to the said Parish of All Saints By the said Upper Quarter of Hartington Parish, for these sd Tho: Redfern His Wife & Children, and Which we Do hereby Adjudge Accordingly, these and therefore in his Majesty's Name Strictly to Charge and Command You & every of you forthwith upon Sight thereof To Remove Convey the said Sarah, George & John the Children of the said Tho: Redfern from the said Parish of All Saints to the said Upper Quarter of Hartington Parish; and Deliver them to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor there Who are hereby required to provide for them According to Law thereof paid[?] Not at your Brils[?] Given under our hands and seals the twentythird Day of Iule, in the Second Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second By the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c.*

John Holmes *Anno Dom 1728*

[Seal]

*To the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor
of the Parish of All Saints aforesaid
And to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor
of the Upper Quarter of Hartington Parish aforesaid
and to all others whom it Doth or May Concerne*

On the reverse:

*Sarah, George and John y' Children of Thos: Redfern were Removed to the Upper Quarter of Hartington Parish and Deliverd with a true Copy of [damaged] Order to an overseer of the poor there, on the 24th day of July 1728
By Me Rich^d Brown an Overseer of y^e poor of the Parish of All Saints in Derby*

Memorandum

Hartington Never Appeald against ye Order so the said Children are Settled there

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS 1998/99

DERBY: ST MARY'S CHURCH HALL, DARLEY LANE. Wednesday meetings at 7.30 pm

Dec 9th	Christmas Social Evening - Some fun, eats and drinks	
Jan 13th	"I didn't know you were here" - an introduction to Derby Local Studies Library	Linda Owen
Feb 10th	World War II Childhood	Margaret Hargreaves
Mar 10th	Inns & Taverns of Derby	Maxwell Craven
Apr 7th	Birds Eye View - Aerial Views of old Derby	Tony Bowler
Apr 17th	AGM/Open Day at BCH and St. Mary's Parish Centre	
May 12th	Murder-Misfortune-Mystery (Coroners Inquests 17-1800s)	Peter Hammond
Jun 9th	Castles of Southern Derbyshire	John Hughes
Jul 14th	Members Evening - Display the triumphs and tragedies in your own Family History research	

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

Dec 4th	Sources in the Family History Centre at Withenshaw	Ruth Percival
Jan 8th	Crime and Punishment in Victorian Times	Mrs Billie Hetherington
Feb 5th	Is there a Derbyshire Identity?	Melanie Tebbutt
Mar 5th	Heraldry in Local History	Dr Trevor Brighton
Apr 9th	Sir John Gell and the Civil War in Derbyshire	John Hughes
May 7th	The High Peak	David Frith
Jun 4th	Poor Law Records	Dudley Fowkes
Jul 2nd	Memorial Inscription Recording	Ian Wells

SHIRLAND: COMMUNITY HALL Friday meetings at 7.30 pm

Dec 11th	Our Ancestors Occupations & Christmas Social Evening	
Jan 15th	Newspapers and Newspaper Cuttings - Members Evening	
Feb 19th	The Development of the English Village	Peter Naylor
Mar 19th	In Search of St. Werburgh	John Hughes
Apr 16th	The Sherwood Foresters on the First Day of the Somme	Brian Stone
May 21st	History of the Police Force	P.C. Andy Eland
Jun 18th	A Penny for your Thoughts	Richard Collins
Jul 16th	Calke Abbey - the Forgotten House	Maureen Rushton

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