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FUTURE PROGRAMME

Meetings will be held at the Baptist Church on Cemetery Road at 7.30pm,
entrance on Napier Street.

Monday 18 March 1991 Eileen Stage: Was Your Ancestor a Coastguard?
Monday 15 April 1991 Pauline Marples: Putting a Family History on slides.
Monday 20 May 1991 Visit to Stannington (to be confirmed)
Monday 17 June 1991 Sheffield Town Hall: Meet 7pm Surrey Street entrance. Numbers limited: BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL FOR THIS VISIT. Tel. Sue Graves 402727 Mon-Fri after 8pm.
Monday 15 July 1991 Sheffield Archives Office, Shoreham St. (to be confirmed).
Monday 16 September 1991)
Monday 21 October 1991) to be announced
Monday 18 November 1991)

COACH TRIPS

Tuesday 12 February 1991 London St.Catherine's House, Cost £7.
Tuesday 4 June 1991 London Kew PRO, Cost £7.
Tuesday 24 September 1991 London St.Catherine's House, Cost £7

Coach leaves ROTHERHAM (Corporation St Bingo) 7.10am
Coach leaves SHEFFIELD (Paternoster Row) 7.40am
Coach leaves ALDWYCH/KEW PRO 4.30pm
Coach arrives SHEFFIELD (Paternoster Row) about 8.30pm
Coach arrives ROTHERHAM (Corporation St Bingo) about 9.00pm

Cheques payable to 'Sheffield & District FHS (Coach Trips). Send to Sue Graves 57a Fircroft Ave, Sheffield S5 0SB.
To Book: Telephone 402727 (Mon-Fri after 8pm) Sue Graves.

ROTHERHAM BRANCH PROGRAMME

7 Feb 1991 A History of Aughton Village School, Mr.N. Blanche.
4 April 1991 Ravenfield Hall and Park, Mr.P.Broadbent.
6 June 1991 History in Loo, Mr.Eric Houlden. Our ancestor and the lavatory, up to modern times. Not for the squeamish!

BEGINNERS' MEETINGS

Wednesday 13 March 1991)
Wednesday 8 May 1991) At the Foresters, Trippet Lane.

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THE SHEFFIELD AND DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

The Society is open to anyone interested in the study of Genealogy and Family History. Monthly meetings are held at Cemetery Road Baptist Church, Cemetery Road, Sheffield on the 1st Monday of the month at 7.30pm during the winter months and excursions are arranged for the summer. Informal meetings are held at The Ancient Order of Foresters, Trippet Lane, Sheffield every Wednesday 1.30-4pm and on the 2nd Wednesday of the month 7.30pm-9.30pm. The Society caters for the Metropolitan Districts of Sheffield and Rotherham. The annual subscription is £6 and £8 for joint membership (only one Journal).

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ROTHERHAM BRANCH

Meetings are held at the WEA Rooms, Corporation St, Rotherham 7-9pm on the 1st Thursday of each month except August. Speakers are engaged at alternate meetings; the other meetings are given to members' interests and discussion. Members of the Sheffield Society are welcome to attend meetings.

Rotherham Branch Officers:

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EDITORIAL

Members will be pleased to know that the plea for copy for "The Flowing Stream" did not go unheeded. Thank you to all those who have responded to my request. I have received a variety of articles etc. for publication. Please continue to send in your contributions.

Thank you also to those members who write to tell us of their success in solving problems. It is good to know that the problems page really does help our members.

Special thanks are due by all of us to those people, members of our and other societies who spend a great deal of time indexing and transcribing records for our benefit. Our researches now are far easier and more extensive because of the efforts of other people. Why not join this band of workers? There are still countless records unindexed as well as the 1881 Census Project to work on. Volunteers are needed for several society projects.

Thank you to all those whose contributions made this edition possible.

MEMBERSHIP LIST

The Society welcomes the following new members:

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Joan Taylor, Box 4081, Nortampton, W.Australia 6535.

Change of Address

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NEWS AND NOTES

U.K. POSTAGE RATES

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DALTON CHURCHYARD - M.I. RECORDING

Mrs. Marjorie Dunn would be grateful for help in finishing off and checking Dalton (near Rotherham) New Churchyard (opposite the vicarage) on Friday May 3rd 1991 from 5.30pm to 8pm. Further details are available from Mrs. Dunn Tel. 351827. The recording of Dalton Old Churchyard is now completed and copies are available in Rotherham Local Studies Library, Sheffield Archives and The Foresters, Trippet Lane. Mrs. M. Dunn, 359 Baslow Road, Sheffield S17 3BH will check her copy on receipt of an S.A.E.

MASTER CUTLERS

Mrs. Elaine Wilde has kindly sent a complete list of Master Cutlers up to 1985. The list will be deposited at the Foresters.

1780 LAND TAX FOR MANSFIELD

An index by proprietor of the land, by occupiers of the land, by place names.

THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT MICHAEL, PLEASLEY VALE, DERBYS M.I.s

Index of stone masons, places and names plus inscriptions.

Price each: £1 each £1.25 p+p U.K., £1.50 Europe, £2 airmail
anywhere. Dollar bills or sterling money orders preferred to
cheques. Available from Mrs. H. Greaves, 2 Millersdale Ave,
Mansfield, Notts NG18 5HS.

A REMINDER

Members are reminded that a stamped self-addressed envelope (or IRCs for overseas members) should accompany any correspondence which needs a reply. Requests to the Society will only be answered if return postage is provided.

SHEFFIELD F.H.S. CONFERENCE 6-8 SEPT 1991.

Please note that the venue for this conference is Ranmoor HOUSE not Hall as given in Vol.11 No.2. Full details of the conference will soon be available.

SHEFFIELD CATHEDRAL REGISTERS

Sheffield Cathedral Registers have now been transferred to Sheffield Archives Department where they are to be microfiched at a cost estimated to be about £10,000. Members are asked to be patient: the microfiching will be done as soon as possible. However, in the meantime the registers are not available because of the damage which will result from increased wear.

THE FORESTERS HELPLINE

Although the Society periodically runs Beginners' Meetings at the Foresters, members are reminded that two experienced researchers, Mrs. Mary Walker and Mr. Richard Wardale are available at the Foresters every Wednesday afternoon from 1.30pm to 4pm to help with members' genealogical problems.

LOCAL HISTORY FAIR IN ROTHERHAM 18 MAY 1991

A local history fair is being held in the Main Hall of the Arts Centre adjacent to Rotherham Central Library on 18th May 1991. The Society hopes to have a display there.

NORTH CHESHIRE FHS MIs ON MICROFICHE

St. George's, Poynton, Cheshire (3 fiche) £2.50 UK, £2.75 O/S inc ptp. Macclesfield Forest Chapel (1 fiche) £1 UK, £1.10 o/s inc ptp. Payment by sterling cheque to Mr. A. Clarke, 2 Denham Drive, Bramhill, Stockport, Cheshire SK7 2AT.

INDEX TO COASTGUARDS.

Family Roots FHS (Eastbourne & District). Mrs. P. Webb, 22 Abbey Road, Eastbourne, Sussex BN20 8TE. Index to Coastguards taken from Parish Registers in the Eastbourne area. Transcriptions of baptisms, marriages & Banns and burials and MIs for St. John's Church. Bodle Street Green, Nr. Herstmonceux, Sussex. 1821 & 1831 Census Hailsham; 1821 & 1831 Census St. Mary Hastings. 1811 & other lists St. Michael, Lewes. Further details of publications from above address.

YORK MARRIAGE INDEX ON MICROFICHE

City of York & District FHS, Mrs. M. Grantham, The Birches, 26 Moor Lane, Strensall, York YO3 8UQ. York Marriage Index on microfiche. In 3 parts £5 each inc postage. 1). 1801-1837, 2). 1751-1800, 3). 1701-1750. Alphabetically arranged by groom's surname the index also provides date, parish and bride's name for each marriage.

FRONT COVER ILLUSTRATION

New members may be interested to know that the illustration on the front cover of our magazine was drawn by Michael Stone of the Sheffield University Department of Continuing Education. It is a view of the Shepherd Wheel, one of Sheffield's historical sites.

SHEFFIELD ARCHIVES OPENING HOURS

52 Shoreham Street, Sheffield S1 4SP. Tel: 0742-734756.

Opening hours: Mon-Thurs 9.30am - 5.30pm
Fri Closed all day
Sat 9am - 1pm & 2pm - 4.30pm.

Issue of Documents Mon-Thurs.

Documents are collected from the storeroom at 10am, 11am, 12noon, 2pm, 3pm and 4pm. They are made available as soon as possible after these times. On Saturday all documents required must be ordered by 5pm on Thursday. A Reader Ticket is necessary and can be obtained on arrival on production of an acceptable form of identification, showing name and address. Please note it is advisable to book in advance if microfilm machines are needed. Documents can be ordered in advance by post, telephone or in person.

FEDERATION NEWS AND INFORMATION

SOLDIERS' RECORDS

Capt. Erik Gray, 32 Minster Drive, Croyden, Surrey CR0 5UP, who specialises in the records of soldiers who served in the British Army, has drawn attention to the fact that only those details of men whose engagements ended before 1914 may be researched at the PRO. Next-of-kin or descendants seeking information about the services and antecedents of men who served after 1913 should write to the Ministry of Defence (CS(R)2b), Bourne Ave, Hayes, Middlesex UB3 1RF.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE LACEMAKERS' INDEX.

Mme. M. Audin has not always been able to reply to correspondence in recent months because of family illness, but outstanding mail will be dealt with as soon as possible. Please note a change of address (visitors by appointment only): 14 rue Rosenwald, 75015 Paris, France.

PICTURE PAST

Picture Past advertises a service of finding old postcards of the churches where your ancestors were baptised, married and buried; also buildings, street scenes and views, all helping to illustrate your family history and bring it to life. Please send SAE or 2 IRCs for details to Picture Past, 47 Manor House Park, Codsall, Staffs WV8 1ES.

THE FRIENDS OF THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE.

The Friends of the PRO welcome offers of voluntary help with indexing and other work on supplementary finding-aids to documents in the PRO. Work is done (not necessarily at the PRO) to PRO standards in consultation with the editorial staff. If you are interested in this type of work, please write for a questionnaire to The Friends of the PRO, c/o The Public Record Office, Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1LR.

LEICESTERSHIRE RECORD OFFICE

From 1st July 1990 the Leicestershire Record Office has offered a paid genealogical research service. Anyone wishing to do research in Leicestershire but unable to visit the office in person may use the services of the Record Office staff at a charge of £10 per hour (minimum charge £10). The cost includes research and writing up of the results; any photocopies supplied will be charge at the normal rates.

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

Huntingdonshire FHS 18 May 1991.

See Vol.11 No.2 The Flowing Stream for details.

Sheffield & District FHS. 6-8 Sept 1991.

To be held at Ranmoor HOUSE, Sheffield. Details to follow.

Ulster Historical Foundation. 21-25 June 1991. Belfast.

"That Elusive Irish Ancestor" Irish Family & Local History Conference. There will be over 40 lectures on sources of research in the PROs in Belfast and Dublin with reports on indexing projects etc. Further details are available from Ulster Historical Foundation, 68 Balmoral Ave, Belfast BT9 6NY.

THROUGH THE LETTERBOX

48 Higher Blandford Road,
Broadstone,
Dorset BH18 9AQ.

Dear Editor,

Your plea for material has prompted me to enclose this little request.

My grandfather Henry Hawksworth was one of Sheffield's 'little masters' with workshops in Milton Street. He was a hafter but his father and his grandfather were in different branches of the cutlery business.

Here is an idea for future editions of "The Flowing Stream". There should be plenty of material covering occupations specific to Sheffield, such as the cutlers, the silversmiths, the steel makers and even the buffer girls. Your members must surely include folk with family connections with the above. The name of a workplace might be connected with a series of memories for your readers. The article on page 24 of the Autumn 1990 issue ("Edward Oakes of Attercliffe, Scissorsmith") is a fine example of marrying a family to a building, but set a similar article in this century (or last) and more people would relate to the situation.

Yours etc.
Kenneth E.Hawksworth

ED.'s Note: I look forward to receiving articles such as those suggested above.

2 Furniss Avenue,
Totley Rise,
Sheffield S17 3QL.

Dear Editor,

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY

Many times when I have received a copy of a death certificate I have been interested to know of the reasons given for the death, but many of the medical terms have not been clearly understandable. I have frequently wished for someone who could give me a medical translation. However, recently, when clearing out a bookshelf, I came across a small book which had belonged to my grandfather. Before I became interested in tracing my family history, I must have not considered it to be of importance, but now I find it invaluable and I wonder if its contents would be of interest to any of your readers?

The second edition of Hadden's Pocket Vocabulary of Medical Terms (with their pronunciation) by Henry Payne, M.D., M.R.C.S.L.S.A. Resident Medical Officer of the District Infirmary, Ashton-Under-Lyne; Late House Physician to the Royal Infirmary, Manchester, &c. was published in 1892. In the Preface to this edition it says,

'The former edition of this little work having been so well received and now out of print, I have been requested to prepare a new one. In doing so the opportunity has been taken of adding upwards of two hundred more words, with the hope of increasing its usefulness.'

However, the main Preface is interesting in itself and I quote:

'The object of this small vocabulary is to supply a want, long felt by Registrars, Poor-Law officials, and others, who not being members of the Medical Profession, have still other kinds of certificates; these certificates are often unintelligible to them or even if they understand the meanings the terms imply, they are unable to pronounce the words correctly.

In selecting the words, those only have been chosen that are in most frequent use among the Profession; a few others are added for the help of nurses, who often hear words used by the surgeon, that do not indicate diseases, but simply symptoms. The science and art of medicine is not looked upon now so much in the light of a mystery, known only to a few, nor are medical men so anxious to keep their patients, or their friends, in ignorance of the disease, from which they may be suffering, as formerly; the present tendency is rather to express to disease in plain words, and certificates are now much more frequently written in simple words, than they used to be.....'

Then there is a paragraph concerning the pronunciation before continuing:

'...In conclusion, it may be stated that the vocabulary has not in any way been written for the use of medical men, otherwise very extensive alterations and additions would have been necessary; it is written for those already mentioned and to whom it is sincerely hoped, it may be found useful.'

H.P.

Ashton-Under-Lyne,
December 1884.

My grandfather George Richard Turner 1853-1938, after 20 years army service in the Royal Scots Fusiliers mainly in Africa and India took the position of Commissionaire at the Union Offices, Fargate, Sheffield in 1892, and later as resident caretaker when the offices moved to West Bar. He retired after 30 years service with the Sheffield Board of Guardians and I assume that this was the reason for his ownership of Hadden's Pocket Vocabulary.

If members are interested, I am prepared to use the booklet to translate any medical terms on death certificates if readers send me an SAE with their enquiries.

Yours etc.
Miss Judith Hibbard.

SOCIETY MEETINGS

Meeting on 17 Sept 1990.

For our first meeting in our new and very comfortable venue we were treated to a fascinating account by Mrs. Flett of the history of the workhouse at Nether Edge which subsequently became Nether Edge hospital.

There were few people living in the area in early times so the first mention of a workhouse in the area is in the Fairbank field notebooks when the district was being surveyed for enclosure. It is known that there was a workhouse in Cherry Tree Hill in 1761. However in 1763 the Marquis of Rockingham ordered a 'New House' to be laid out on Sharrow Moor that would accommodate 60-80 people.

The first Poor Law Act in 1601 set down that it was the duty of the parish in which a person was born to look after those unable to fend for themselves. Overseers of the Poor were appointed whose function was to look after the workhouse and raise money to maintain it. Petty Cash books that can be consulted in Sheffield Record Office show how this money was obtained.

The Poor Law Amendment Act of 1834 altered the system. Union Workhouses were set up run by a Board of Guardians. It was decided that the existing building at Nether Edge was not large enough for a Union Workhouse so in 1839 the Board of Guardians bought land from the descendants of the Bright family who had been benefactors in the 18th century.

Between 1841 and 1844 a new workhouse was built. William Flockton, a self-taught architect designed a building which was much more attractive than the plans suggested by the government. The new workhouse could accommodate 500 people on a permanent basis while a separate building housed the tramps, as many as 5000 in a year, who went to the workhouse for shelter.

Pictures of the workhouse show an attractive building but it is doubtful if the inmates appreciated it. Families were permanently segregated (so they couldn't breed!) and inmates were virtually imprisoned in their designated area. Dormitories, working and eating quarters were all in the building with a courtyard outside for exercise. Families probably only saw one another across the chapel.

Numbers soon exceeded what was anticipated and the workhouse was extended. In 1896 after an accident in which 2 men were blinded when breaking stone, Dr. Pye Smith was asked to visit the workhouses. He sent a description of what he found to the newspapers.

Gradually conditions improved as the 20th century began. The children were moved out to Moorside at Lodge Moor and lived there in small groups with foster mothers. The workhouse changed its function and by 1927 had become a hospital under Sheffield Corporation's control. Nether Edge became an important part of Sheffield's health facilities and from being a workhouse is now a teaching hospital.

A list of workhouse inmates exists in the Record Office but there is of course a date restriction.

Ed.'s Note. Mrs. Flett has written a book, The History of Nether Edge Workhouse and Hospital which can be bought from her at 64 Kingfield Road, Sheffield, price £2.00 incl. p+p. It is also available at the hospital.

Contributed by Mrs. D. Marsden.

Meeting on 15th Oct 1990. The 1881 Census Project.

Members heard an interesting, informative and often amusing account of the 1881 Census Project in which we are all involved. Mr. Jack Hoare explained the reasons why the project was being undertaken and why it was taking so long and costing so much. It is hoped that his inspiring talk will have encouraged more members to lend a hand with the most worthwhile project. Anyone wishing to volunteer their services or to learn more about what is involved should contact Mrs. Robson, Rock House, 126 Bawtry Road, Bramley, Rotherham.

Meeting on 19 Nov 1990. Burglars 1818.

Stephen Cooper gave members a detailed account of the sources he used to find the full details of a burglary committed in Ecclesfield in 1818. Sarah Booth of Cliffe House, Ecclesfield was burgled by 6 ruffians who were later apprehended and convicted at York Assizes. Of the 6 men, 2 were transported for life. Mr. Cooper traced the history of these two men in New South Wales where they eventually gained their freedom.

The following list of sources used by Mr. Cooper was given to members at the meeting:

PRIMARY SOURCES: BURGLARS 1818

An Old Ecclesfield Diary

Newspapers: The Iris, or Sheffield Advertiser; The Sheffield Mercury; York Courant; The Hampshire Telegraph.

Public Record Office:

Minute Book (North Eastern Circuit): ASSI 41/12

Gaol Calendar: ASSI 44/133 part 1

Depositions: ASSI 45/51

Registers of Persons Charged with Indictable Offences: HO 27/16

Miscellaneous Register of Convict Prisons 1802-1836: HO 9

Returns from the Justices 1816-1840: HO 6/3

Home Office Warrants for Pardons and Reprieves 1782-1849: HO 13/32

Convict Transportation Registers 1818-1820: HO 11

Admiralty Medical Journals 1817-1853: ADM 101/38/1

Censuses of Convict Populations in New South Wales: HO 10

York Reference Library:

Calendar of Felons & Gaol Delivery, York Castle, 1818

West Yorkshire Archive Service, Wakefield:

A Calendar of All the Prisoners in the House of Correction at Wakefield: QS 7/71

Quarter Sessions Indictment Book: QS 4/54

Quarter Sessions Rolls: QS 1/157/7

Archives Office of New South Wales:

Principal Superintendent of Convicts, Bound Indents 1818-19, 4/4006 fiche 642; Bound Indents 1827-1828 4/4013.

Register of Artificers and other Labourers Assigned 1821-25, 4/4520-1 fiches 746-7.

General Musters, 1822 and 1825.

Census Returns

Ticket of Leave Butts 1827-75, 4/4074, 4/4119, 4/4091
Conditional Pardons registered by the Colonial Secretary 1826-70,
4/4440, 4/4439.

Convict Marriage Banns 1826-1841; Registrar General Marriages
108/114

Letter book of Charles Booth: Sheffield City Libraries Archives Department
Microfilm A114.

Memoirs of Dr.Charles Mellor: extract supplied by the late Mr.Peter Booth
of Gloucestershire (the great-great-grandson of Sarah
Booth of Cliffe House.)

Meeting on 10 Dec 1990.

Our first Christmas meeting was a great success. About 50 people met at the Heritage Museum in Endcliffe Road. After an introductory talk about the museum we listened to and joined in local carols sung by a group of singers from Stannington. Afterwards tea, coffee and mince pies were served and members had chance to look around this small but fascinating museum of Sheffield life and skills.

Rotherham Branch Meeting 6 Sept 1990.

Due to the holiday period becoming more extended the attendance was slightly reduced. New members, Mr, & Mrs.Neild was welcomed. The speaker was Mr.Frank Hughes who gave a talk on the history of Handsworth, its church, notable houses and principle families, some of whom, the Jeffcocks, the Fishers and the Sorbys were also well known in Sheffield and Rotherham.

Mr.Hughes was supported by his companion Mr.Horace Clayton whose excellent slides portrayed the people and places which Mr.Hughes had spoken about. The slides showed Handsworth in the Victorian and Edwardian periods, quaint, picturesque and leisurely in contrast to the Handsworth of today, with hustle and bustle and traffic.

Contributed by A.R.Berry.

OTHER PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS

BEAMAN
KNOWLES

Mrs.Ruth Jacobs, 40 Grand Promenade, Bayswater, WA 6053, Australia is seeking information about the Knowles family. Thomas George Beaman married Flora Knowles 3 Nov 1890 at the Parish Church, Sheffield. Flora's address was 14 Water Lane and her father was Joe Knowles, Collier. SAE is available from the Editor.

COOKE
SWIFT

Mrs.B.Binns, "Cherry Trees", 8 Dovedale Ave, Scarborough, N.Yorkshire YO12 6JX is seeking information about a Henry William Cooke who was a Watchmaker/Clockmaker in Rotherham. In 1861 he was living at Eastwood Mount, Eastwood, in 1871 at Wellgate and in 1878 again at Eastwood. Also of any Cooke's or Swifts of Parkgate mid 1800s to early 1900s..

TEMPLE BRENNAN

Mr.E.Dore, 28A Woodsetts Road North Anston, Sheffield S31 7EQ is hopeful that the name Robert Temple Brennan might ring a bell with someone. In 1806 Mary Heald's bastard son Robert was baptised at St.Batholomew's, Maltby. Robert was in Baslow in 1841 after marrying Eliza Watts, a Baslow girl, at Glossop in 1840. On

his marriage certificate Robert gave his father as Robert Temple Brennan, maltster, who was presumably born c.1780 but has left no trace. The descendants of George Robert have christened their children Temple Heald so they put great value on the Temple. The Temple Healds were and are a prolific family; many of whom were painters, decorators, glaziers and even landscape painters.

CADMAN

Mrs.E.M.Wentworth, 2161-B 36th, Los Alamos, New Mexico 87544, USA seeks identification of Timothy Cadman born in England (possibly Mosborough/Sheffield area). Emigrated to America in 1854 at about the same time as William Cadman and his bride, Elizabeth Worrall Cadman. A son of the latter couple stated: "They had no known relatives in this country (sic USA) except mother's two uncles (William and Willis Hodgson).

USEFUL ARTICLES IN OTHER SOCIETIES' JOURNALS

SOLDIERS & THEIR WIVES OF LONG AGO by Capt.Erik Gray.
Lincs FHS Vol.11 No.3 June 1990. A description of the lives of the women connected with the army.

WAS YOUR ANCESTOR A VICTORIAN SCHOOLMASTER? by John Duce.
Midland Ancestor Vol.9 No. 5 Sept 1990.

HOUSE WANTED - NO OFFER REFUSED!

I would like to obtain a photograph of a house in Sheffield, a simple enough request, but there is a snag, I don't know where it is today. A hundred and fifty years ago it was in a pleasant suburb called Club Gardens, bounded by Sharrow Lane, London Road and Washington Road. A map of 1851 shows this to be a collection of large allotment-type areas, some with houses and some without, plenty of trees and open spaces. I suspect that my unknown house is no longer standing, swallowed up in the present built-up area, unless someone reading this knows differently. Census returns for 1851, 1861 and 1871 were of little use, so with this request I am hoping to reach descendants of the people who once lived in this building, long, long ago.

Please come back with me to 1840 or so, when Joseph Hawksworth, cutler, brought his wife Sarah (Webster) and baby son Robert from a Young Street courtyard to Club Gardens and proceeded to increase Sheffield's population as follows: Robert 1840, William 1841, Joseph 1842, James Webster 1845, Henry 1846, Elizabeth 1848, Herbert 1850, Thomas 1854, Charlotte 1855, Clare 1857, Maurice 1859 and Frank 1862.

In recent years I have tried to add interest to my various family trees by getting photographs of the buildings associated with my collection of birth, marriage and death certificates and with records before 1837. For example I have a full set covering my four grandparents with the exception of the birth building of my grandfather Henry (see above) hence my plea for help. I recommend this photographic project to fill in those times when "people-searches" are being difficult, it will keep the interest going and you find such interesting churches and buildings down the centuries.

Being a long-retired exile from Sheffield and one who does not travel well, I would be very grateful for any assistance in solving this puzzle of mine and perhaps in finding a new relative. Thank you.

Contributed by Mr.K.Hawksworth, 48 Higher Blandford Road, Broadstone, Dorset,
BH18 9AQ.

THE SOCIETY LIBRARY

Below are listed in a numerical order, the contents of the Society's library which is housed at the Ancient Order of Foresters in Trippet Lane (see front of Journal for opening times). Members will see that there are a number of gaps for which there is no document/book etc. This is due to a variety of reasons; there are certain documents which have been re-numbered for ease of locating them; some booklets have been combined in subsequent editions and there are a number of items which appear to have gone missing. The gaps will be filled with other books etc in the course of time. Please use the Society Library - we now have quite a comprehensive collection of information etc.

194. Index to B.T.s Diocese of Norwich 1685-91.
195. Cutlery - A Bibliography (Sheffield City Libs.)
196. Bartholomews Gazeteer of Britain
197. Dore Church Monumental Inscriptions.
198. Stannington Church M.I.s
Stannington Methodist M.I.s
Underbank Chapel M.I.s
Presbyterian Chapel (Stannington) Birth & Baptisms 1718-1837.
199. Wadsley M.I.s
200. Wardsend M.I.s Vol.1 & Vol.2.
201. A Short History of Market Place, P.E.Robinson.
202. WALKLEY: A Short History of Walkley, A.Staley.
203. Sheffield City Museums Leaflets :
 1. Crucible Steel Furnaces in Sheffield, (Distribution of)
 2. Crucible Steel Making at Abbeydale.
 3. Scythe Making at Abbeydale.
 4. Distribution of water powered sites.
 5. Social Conditions Mid 19C Sheffield.
 6. Trade Unionism & Sheffield Outrages.
 7. Origins of British Steel Industry.
 8. Crucible Steel Manufacture.
 9. Shepherd, A Cutlery Grinding Wheel.
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- 217. Prisons of Mary Queen of Scots in Yorks & Derbys.
- 218. Beauchief Abbey Past & Present, Sheffield City Libraries.
- 219. William Dronfield 1826-1894.
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- 230. Watermills of Abbeydale, Sheffield City Libraries.
- 231. Book Printing at Sheffield in 18C, Sheffield City Libraries.
- 232. Street names of central Sheffield, Sheffield City Libraries.
- 233. Misc. collection of maps, surveys, sketches of Sheffield, Meersbrook, Heeley & Norton.
- 234. A Latin Glossary. FFHS 1989.
- 235. Qualifications in Genealogy.
- 236. Institute of Heraldic & Genealogical Studies. Guide to Library.
- 237. 1851 Census Leeds (a) A-K.
- 238. Lincolnshire History & Archaeology.
- 239. Ashton of Sheffield 1866-1966.
- 240. Photographs of Sheffield.
- 241. Joseph Craddock, Midland Engineman, by John Peter Craddock.
- 242. SHEFFIELD RECORD OFFICE.
- 243. Tinsley Index of Baptisms, Marriages & Burials, 1711-1851.
- 244. HUMBERSIDE RECORD OFFICE.
- 245. DERBYSHIRE RECORD OFFICE.
- 246. STAFFORDSHIRE RECORD OFFICE.
- 247. Family Bible Extract, Burton & Pollard.
- 248. Inmates Penistone Workhouse, 1871 Census.
- 249. Wadsworths at Whiston & Wickersley.
- 250. International Comparative Dictionary of Surnames. Project description notes.
- 251. Yorkshire Probate Inventories: Barnsley 1680-1780, Darton, Cawthorne, Tankersley, Felkirk 1690-1750.
- 252. Notes on Shortland Index to 1871 Census.
- 253. Surnames associated with Bramley Records.
- 254. Sketch of Beauchief Abbey.
- 255. Abstract of Title 1781, John Lund.
- 256. Greaves entries in Ecclesfield PRs.
- 257. Genealogical Chart of Ibelin family.
- 258. Family Tree Magazine.
- 259. Misc archives: Extract Arksey PRs. Will George Cooper, Thomas Cooper. Papers re: Sir. Francis Chantrey.
- 260. GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY.
- 261. Diary of a Voyage to Queensland.
- 262. Inmates Chesterfield Poor Law Workhouse 1871.
- 263. WINSTER: A Winster Scrapbook. Church of John the Baptist & Winster history.
- 264. Commonwealth War Graves Commission.
- 265. LEICESTERSHIRE CRO.
- 266. DUNFIRMLINE LIBRARY.
- 267. NORTHAMPTON RO.
- 268. GLOUCESTERSHIRE RO

269. Summary of Proceedings at 2nd British F.H.Conference 1982.
 270. GRO SCOTLAND.
 271. Stansfield/Stansfeld pedigree.
 272. Burkinshaw Baptisms at Wortley.
 273. Clark - John & family, William & family of Crookes, Sheffield, 1851
 Census & marriage cert of William Clark & Sarah Didsbury.
 274. Birth certificates.
 275. Marriages certificates.
 276. Death Certificates.
 277. Wesley College Residents 1851 Census.
 278. Doncaster 1851 Census:
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 Vol. 2. Norton & Campsall.
 Vol. 3. Askern, Sutton, Owston, Skellow & Carcroft.
 Vol. 4. Swinton.
 Vol. 5. Wentworth.
 Vol. 6. Thorpe-in-Balne, Barnby Dun, Kirk Sandall, Long Sandall & Wheatley.
 Vol. 7. Bentley-with-Arksey.
 Vol. 8. Bawtry.
 Vol. 9. Armthorpe, Cantley & Loversall.
 Vol.10. Thorne Part I A-I
 Vol.11. Thorne Part II J-Z
 Vol.12. Doncaster A-G
 Vol.13. Doncaster G-P
 Vol.14. Doncaster P-Z
 Vol.15. Burghwallis, Haywood, Skelbrooke, Hampole, Adwick & Brodsworth.
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 304. Historical Background to Parish of Pitsmoor with Ellesmere.
 305. 1903 Map of Sheffield (OS)
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HISTORICAL NOTES ON THE SITE OF THE OFFICES

OF THE "TELEGRAPH" Part III

Monday November 3rd 1913, R.E.Leader.

"From quite an early time the frontage of the Hawksworth property was divided into two shops, Nos. 13 and 15. Of these, when William Pearson became the purchaser, the tenants appear to have been a certain David Wardle and Thomas Andrews. The latter was a clockmaker there in 1774, and his name appears among the occupiers in 1781. The Poor Rate of that year, however, gives Nathan Andrew as assessed for this house, and hence it has been assumed that this was the much debated habitat of the unfortunate watchmaker who was murdered by Frank Fearn on Loxley Chace in 1782. Church Street, the Old Haymarket and Fargate have all claimed the honour, a claim which, though grimly morbid shows what a hold the tragedy had on the public imagination. But the same 1781 Poor Rate gives Nathan Andrew as in Campo Lane also; my interpretation is that he was there, his father Thomas in High Street; that in 1781 the father being dead the son either removed to High Street or was entered by the rate collector as his father's executor. However this may be I have a great respect for Thomas Andrew's craftsmanship and a case clock with his name on the dial stands within hearing as I write, keeping time most accurately, and ticking as untiringly as it did for my great-grandfather, and as it has done for four generations of Leaders.

The shop was afterwards occupied by the owners, William Pearson, and, in turn, by George Hawksley, his son Henry; then Mr.E.P.Hornby, and Hornby and Elliott, all druggists. Later occupants have been Mr.J.A.Bain, bookseller, and sundry others. The adjoining No.15 was continuously from 1828 the tobacco shop of Joseph, then of James, Woolley, and after diverging into other trades it got back to tobacco - first Roby and then Kingdon.

The Trippett Property

To the east of Hawksworth's was the third of the properties under notice - Nos.17, 19, 21. This, bounded on the east side by Aldine Court shows a simpler history than the preceding. For, from the time of Queen Elizabeth, when Richard Skynner conveyed the site to Henry Trippett, up to near the middle of the nineteenth century, when it came into the possession of the Rev. John Knifton Newbold, and from him passed to Messrs. Leng and Company - it had remained in one family of owner-occupiers, carrying on various trades. "John Trippitte, yeoman," Master Cutler 1694, was here in 1675. Succeeding generations, all Johns, were bakers, hardwaremen, ironmongers and grocers. Finally, on the distaff side there was a bookseller. In 1833 Mary Trippett, the last of her name, with a bar sinister, got into trouble with the city fathers by bringing a new frontage "as far over the footpath as the antique bow windows of the old shops had extended." And in the end her encroachment was condoned.

The "Telegraph's" Birthplace.

Trippett's Yard, afterwards Wreaks's Yard, since Aldine Court, meandered towards the Hartshead in so erratic a fashion as to suggest descent from a primeval footpath across the waste. From a deed of Mary Trippett's time we get a good idea of the haphazard fashion in which succeeding generations had placed little structures promiscuously according to the needs of the moment or their own sweet wills. There were (including the front) eleven messuages a ? house (once William Patrick, then Thomas Wreaks), a maltkin, a stable, workshops, swine hulls, and, abutting on the old "Iris" office in Hartshead, a bakehouse, with chamber above, its window in the roof, to

which one William Blake had succeeded when the baker Trippett ceased baking. No two buildings were the same shape, the same height, scarcely of the same alignment; yet decayed and ramshackle, they were thought good enough, some half century ago, and before the days of factory and sanitary inspectors, to be utilised for the noble art of the typographer. Among them the "Sheffield Times" on its foundation in 1876, was printed, and here, too, the "Sheffield Telegraph", with painful labour, accompanied by many humorous incidents, was born.

(Some sketches of the Court, in its old condition, appeared in these columns on December 14th 1901.)

James Woollen, Bookseller - Wilson- Whittles.

The dawn of the nineteenth century found James Woollen, half-brother to the last male Trippett, after being unsuccessful in Market Street, established in one of his relative's shops as "bookseller, stationer, hardwareman, toyman, and keeper of the British Circulating Library." Woollen held the office of Quater-master in the Sheffield Volunteer Infantry, and was an active member of the Royal Brunswick Lodge of Freemasons, occupying the chair thirteen times between 1793 and 1811. A few years ago this Lodge was fortunate enough to secure his portrait, an oil painting which had been in the possession of his grand-daughter, Miss Wade. After Woollen's death in 1814, his daughter, one of whom became Mrs. Wade, set up a stationery business in Fargate, Thomas Cockburn succeeding to their father's High Street bookshop. Relations of Barbara Wreaks who became Mrs. Hofland, the poetess, were also on the Trippett property. Sarah Wreaks having a toy shop here which Thomas Wreaks, the maltster, afterwards carried on along with his malting. From this, Trippett's Yard got its name changed to Wreaks' Yard, and this attached to it from about 1817 until 1855, when it was once more rechristened and became Aldine Court.

Later, about 1833, Mr. George Wilson, of the Sharrow Mills family, opened No. 19 for retailing the celebrated Top Mill snuff. Other tobacconists succeeded him from about 1870. Between him and James Woolley (No. 15), with whom he probably did not compete strenuously in the general wares of the tobacconist, intervened, in No. 17, Henry Whittles, shoemaker.

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STRAYS

Abraham Siddel of Selby WRY & Eliz Stanyan of Souldrop BDF were married
8 Jan 1752 at Sharnbrook BDF.

Contributed by K. Collins.

"In Memory of Thomas Haywood, formerly of Sheffield, who died a bachelor,
May 3rd 1862 aged 66 years."

Tombstone in the Parish Churchyard of St. Giles, West Bridgford, Notts.

Contributed by Paul. H. Bishop.

ADVERTISEMENT BILLS

When looking through an account book in the Arundel Castle MSS (S179) I came across three old advertisement bills which had obviously been used as scrap paper - there were various expenses etc totted up on the back. Since they might be of interest to readers of "The Flowing Stream", here are details of two of them.

Proposed
Alterations
In Division St, Coalpit Lane, South St
Blind Lane End & Balm Green
To be let
the
Cutting
and
Conveying Away
Of about 4,000 cubic yards of Excavation, in
Division St, Balm Green, Coalpit Lane &
South St, the Carriage of it into the lower
Part of South Street, so as to raise that
according to a Plan & Section thereof.

Lot I
The cutting & conveying away, as above, the
Parts to be excavated from Division St,
Coalpit Lane & South St, containing
about 2,443 cubic yards.

Lot II
The cutting & conveying away, as above the
Parts to be excavated from the top of
Coalpit Lane, Blind Lane End, & Balm
Green, containing about 1,454 cubic yds.

Persons desiring of sending in Proposals for
executing the work, are requested to
deliver them in Writing to W. & J. Fairbank
on or before Saturday, the 18th instant.

N.B. The removing of the Boulders will not
be included in the above Proposals

West Hill, June 11th 1825.

Printed by C. & W. Thompson, West Bar & Market Place, Sheffield.

Building Materials
of Four Dwelling Houses
to be sold by
AUCTION
by Mr. T. N. Bardwell
On Monday, the 13th day of June, 1825
upon the premises in Pinstone St,
opposite New Church St. Sheffield
at three o'clock in the afternoon
in lots, to suit bidders;
the
Building
Materials
of four Dwelling Houses

late in the Occupation of Mary Allen.
Robt. Widdowson, Sarah Stacey, & Ann
Titterton; situate in Pinston St, Sheffield
aforesaid.

Albion Office. Printed by C. & W. Thompson, Sheffield.

Contributed by Mary M. Bramhill, 39 Marsh House Road, Sheffield S11 9SP.

WERE YOUR ANCESTORS GERMAN?

The collapse of the western part of the Russian Empire in late 1989 and early 1990, and the willingness to integrate with the European Community has given new hope to thousands of British citizens whose ancestors were born in Eastern Europe, and who are desperate to find their roots.

Emperor George of Hanover became King of England at the time of Napoleon's rise to power, Prussia fought as a separate state against Napoleon and many of the other German states also fought on the side of the Allies, but the Hanoverians were part of the British Army and were known as the King's German Legion. As this sovereign was the head of two nations, Great Britain and Hanover, his subjects, although living in different countries separated by the high seas, were regarded as being subjects of the King irrespective of their place of abode. They therefore did not require passports or visas or any other form of documentation to travel, or reside, in either state.

The German Kingdoms and Principalities were often at war with one another and in the late 1700s and early 1800s war and famines caused vast numbers of German speaking peoples to leave their homelands and head west towards America. This route led via London, because there were no direct shipping links to the United States, and one in England many emigrants, finding work, stayed and became part of the English community. Then, as now, early settlers wrote home and encouraged their workmates and relations to follow. When they did they would often live in the same areas as their adventurous friends and thereby form the basis of a local, often foreign-speaking community. In many cases local German churches were founded, with the pastors often acting as letter writers or scribes for some of their less educated parishoners.

With the unification of the German States under Bismark and the outbreak of the First World War, many thousands of people of German origin, although by this time born and bred in England, often for two or three generations; suffered persecution at the hands of the other English who had British-sounding names. The newspapers of the time list endless acts of violence carried out against property and persons, whose only fault lay in the fact that they had German, or East European sounding names. Almost anyone with an accent or surname from an East European country suffered. Jews, Latvians, Russians and even Greeks were branded as Huns or Boche.

German bands left the streets, German printers, publishers, bakers and shopkeepers often changed their names after their premises were raided, looted and destroyed. Outbreaks of terrorism and personal attacks were prevalent in workshops and factories of many of the larger manufacturing cities in the country and school children were bullied. People moved and changed their jobs, and as they did so, often adopted anglicized versions of their original name or changed it completely, sometimes taking the name of their trade, local town or district and even the name of the distaff side of the family into which they had married.

So great was the shame of many English born people with foreign sounding names that often their children grew up in ignorance of their great grandparents', grandparents and even their parents' backgrounds; and only when making enquiries regarding matters of probate or family history were the original names discovered and the stories revealed. Many people of German origin were interned in both world wars, others had restrictions placed on their movements and place of abode. One man, never having examined his birth certificate was almost thrown in the glasshouse as a spy upon joining up to serve King and Country in World War II. His name was not that with which he had been born and registered. The family had changed their names, from the original German surname by adopting a new English-sounding one, but had not bothered to change the children's names on their birth certificates!

The Second World War was cause enough in many families to hide their origins deeper still and in many cases only recently have the early names been discovered as more people begin to examine their roots. The events which led up to this war caused millions of people to leave their homelands and Jewish, Polish, Czechoslovak, Latvian and other nationals as well as Germans may be able to find a starting point regarding family research with The Anglo German Family History Society.

This Society has for several years been encouraging and helping those interested in their German backgrounds by organising meetings for would be investigators, and through the publication of their magazine, written in English. The AGFHS has also published a variety of booklets on German life in England, including studies on the German hospitals and the trades of baking and sugar refining which employed a high proportion of immigrants; another publication deals with internment in the First World War. They are also producing booklets and leaflets explaining the processes of obtaining information in Germany and provide basic letters, written in German, which can be used when asking for information from the local burgomasters, libraries, churches and record offices.

But of course records held in the eastern part of Germany were impossible to review or research. Now, with the unification having taken place the way should be open for the Anglo German Family History Society to provide more background information on the Germans in England.

For further information please contact Lilliane Tunstill, Cedar House, 110/112 Bath Road, Cheltenham, Glos. Tel. 0242-224502.

Details of the Anglo German FHS can be obtained from The Secretary, AGFHS, Mrs. Jenny Rushden, 162 Marlow Bottom Road, Marlow, Bucks, SL7 3PC.

A WARDROBE EXTRACT

Marriage 1811 Thomas Wardrobe & Elizabeth Atkinson.

Baptism Oct 1 1815 Thomas Wardrobe, illegitimate son of Isabella Try-em-all, single woman.

The above taken from the Lanchester Parish Records.

Contributed by Mr. K. Poulton, Oakhurst, Edgeley, Little Bookham, Leatherhead, Surrey KT23 3BE.

M.P. DUFFIN

DALTON MAGNA - DALTON PARVA - DALTON BROOK

The three hamlets of Dalton lie situated 2-3 miles East North East of Rotherham, on the Doncaster road, and it is hard to believe that one remains unchanged in a time capsule, whilst the other two have changed beyond recognition.

Dalton Magna is still a small cluster of farms set in green fields, yet Dalton Parva across those fields is flanked by housing estates and rows of terraced houses creeping up the hill from Dalton Brook. In spite of the growth of building in Dalton Parva, one can still see where blacksmiths and wheelwrights lived their uncomplicated lives, but in Dalton Brook the houses and shops have swallowed up the old windmill and lanes where gypsies once made camp.

Originally the main occupation was stone quarrying, and the many quarries provided grindstones for Sheffield factories. With the opening of Dalton Main Colliery (now Silverwood Main Colliery) in 1900, employment changed from quarrying and farming to mining and then later to foundry working.

The Parish Church, Holy Trinity, was built in 1848-9 at Dalton Parva by G.S.Foljambe Esquire of Aldwarke Hall, the Lord of the Manor. Prior to this date the inhabitants of Dalton worshipped at Thrybergh or Rotherham. The Church still holds its own Parish Registers and in them it is surprising how many of the marriages took place, last century between Dalton folk and Sheffield folk.

One can see the old coaching road from the Church and it is not hard to imagine the scenes in winter, across the valley, as teams of horses struggled to climb the hill to Thrybergh. The poet Ebenezer Elliott attended school at Dalton and was not averse to playing truant in the then lovely countryside, and later he sang the area's praises in his poems.

DALTON PARVA WAR MEMORIAL PLAQUE

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN GRATEFUL MEMORY OF THOSE
FROM THIS PARISH (DALTON NR. ROTHERHAM) WHO FELL IN THE GREAT
WAR 1914-1919

B. ATKINSON	H. HOLLIN	J. SANDERSON
R. ATKINSON	C. W. HUNT	J. SILKSTONE
W. H. ATKINSON	J. LONGDEN	S. SIMPSON
W. BIRD	S. MIREE	J. SIMS
H. BRADDON	H. MOORE	V. SLACK
J. W. BURGOYNE	P. MORGAN	J. SMITH
J. W. CASENELL	P. MORGAN	W. STOKES
E. CHARNOCK	A. B. F. MORLEY	T. WADDINGHAM
R. CURTIS	H. PARKER	E. WAKEFIELD
H. DUNNING	T. PEARSON	W. H. WARD
S. J. DUNNING	N. PODMORE	J. WEBB
J. T. GULDING	C. F. REDMILLE	W. T. WEBB
B. J. HICKMAN	W. J. REDMOND	W. WOODHOUSE
F. N. MEGGITT	T. RIMMINGTON	

IN HONOUR OF THE MEN OF DALTON
WHO SERVED IN THE 1914-1919 WAR
FOR KING AND COUNTRY.

W. Atherton
A. Atkinson
S. Atkinson
W. H. Banford

10th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
Durham Light Infantry
South African Infantry
K.O.V.L.I.

J.E.Bates.	3-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
J.A.Beaumont	1st Worcestershire Regt.
A.Bennett	2nd Yorks & Lancs Regt.
A.Bird	1-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
H.Blackburn	Royal Field Artillery
W.Blackburn	2-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
A.Bowen	K.O.Y.L.I.
A.Bowers	Motor Transport
W.Bowers	W.R.Royal Horse Artillery
W.Bowler	8th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
W.Bruce	D.C.M. 3rd Yorks & Lancs Regt.
W.E.Bryce	2-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
A.Burden	Royal Horse Artillery
W.H.Burns	2nd Yorks & Lancs Regt.
C.Burrows	Army Cycle Corps.
G.Carr	Royal Engineers
J.Cobb	13th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
J.Connell	4th Lancs Fusiliers
J.Connell	Gordon Highlanders
R.Connell	Yorks & Lancs Regt.
S.Charnock	Royal Field Artillery
L.Cheeswright	2-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
H.J.Colquet	2-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
L.Coward	11th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
D.Dainty	10th North Staffs Regt.
F.Dawson	3-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
C.Deville	Yorks & Lancs Regt.
W.Deville	8th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
J.Downing	1st Loyal N.Lancs Regt.
J.Duxbury	2nd Yorks & Lancs Regt.
L.Duxbury	Coldstream Guards
S.Duxbury	Northumberland Fusiliers
W.Duxbury	Royal Scots
T.Elliott	6th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
H.England	4th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
B.Eyre	Grenadier Guards
W.Eyre	5th Connaught Rangers
J.P.Fairhurst	Yorks & Lancs Regt.
W.Fell	1-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
W.Foster	11th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
P.Garvey	Munster Fusiliers
A.E.Giddins	10th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
C.S.Giddins	2-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
G.Giddins	3rd Durham Light Infantry
G.H.Gilbert	1-5 Yorks & Lancs Regt.
J.Gill	8th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
D.Goodwin	Royal Artillery
T.Goodwin	Yorks & Lancs Regt.
W.Goodwin	Royal Field Artillery
W.E.Gould	Middx Regt.
C.S.Greaves	8th K.O.L.Y.I.
J.H.Grundy	Royal Lancs Regt.
J.Haddrill	Grenadier Guards
G.Haglington	Yorks & Lancs Regt.
J.H.Haigh	Yorks & Lancs Regt.
W.Haigh	K.O.Y.L.I.
B.Hallford	2nd Duke of Cornwall's Regt.
C.Hallford	8th Yorks & Lancs Regt.
S.Hallsworth	9th Yorks & Lancs Regt.

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LEES HALL

My grandfather William Clarke (Snr) lived at Lees Hall and farmed some of the land now part of the Golf Club. Membership lists (some of which have been reproduced in the Journal) show my father William Clarke (Jnr) and four of his sisters, (Mrs) Annie Newsam (widow), Adeline, Nellie and Muriel Clarke were all members of the Club from 1908-09 up to 1912-13; indeed up to 1910-11 I see all five of my father's sisters including also Miss Nancy Clarke were members besides my father. (My father's two younger brothers Harold and Cecil were still school boys).

Shortly before the 1914-18 War my father moved to Park House, East Bank Road, and sold Lees Hall and the land; I am not sure if the land was sold earlier (?1907-8) or not. Mrs Annie Newsam (widow) moved to Fitzwalter Road with her son Samuel Newsam who did his first medical training at Sheffield University and later became a surgeon and F.R.C.S.E., having been born around 1901. My father William Clarke Junior became a Mining Engineer (also at Sheffield University) and was with the Nunnery Colliery before he became Ordained during the 1939-45 War and afterwards became Vicar of Airmyn.

Lees Hall was the remaining wing of a much larger Elizabethan or Jacobean house, the rest of the original house having been destroyed by fire. Before my family, the Butcher family lived there. After the Clarke family left the house slowly languished and decayed amongst the trees for many years. I imagine access from Cat Lane was difficult for motor cars, especially as it followed the Meersbrook for most of the way.

Lees Hall - part of the drawing room. Note the old oak panneling (original) with Miss Nancy, Miss Nellie and Miss Muriel Clarke (daughters of William Clarke).



Lees Hall, Meersbrook, Sheffield, as it was before the sale by my grandfather William Clarke (who lived there with wife Mary and eight children) to Lees Hall Golf Club in 1907 or later.



It is good that it has been given a fresh lease of life and put to good use as Club House to the Golf Club of the same name, especially as there are not many buildings of that age remaining in the Sheffield area.

Without going into too many other details (my grandparents had eight children all of whom married but only produced six children of their own), I do feel I must mention Muriel Clarke the youngest daughter, who remained in Sheffield and married Cecil Everitt. He had, as actor and producer been very active in running the successful Croft House (Operatic?) Society on behalf of funds for the Croft House Settlement, including pretty well all Gilbert & Sullivan, the Desert Song, Oklahoma and Rose Marie which I remember seeing - were others too! Muriel and Cecil worked and acted together in many leading roles and he also produced the annual performances of this kind for Societies in Rotherham, Worksop and elsewhere. They were often invited to turn professional but did not accept. I wonder how many fellow members of my age will remember seeing them between the wars at the Theatre Royal (or ?Lyceum,) when they played there for a week each year.

With reference to the photograph of Lees Hall exterior, the family was still living there up to 1912-13 but the land may have been sold to the Club before that. If so perhaps they only had a 9-hole golf course before their purchase was made. I know my grandfather used to farm the land at one time. The photograph showing the interior of the house, namely the drawing room with its oak panelling painted white and Muriel sitting on the right hand side of the fireplace and two of her sisters Miss Nellie and Miss Nancy Clarke sitting on the sofa.

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THREE RAWMARSH TALES

INTRODUCTION: EDUCATION RECORDS FOR THE GENEALOGIST

I had been researching my family's origins for about a year when I read David Hey's book 'Family History and Local History in England'. This I found an inspiration. Up until then I had worked solely on the standard sources; civil registration, censuses, parish registers; and with useful knowledge supplied by elderly relatives and a little luck I was able to get back to 1740 without much trouble on my Adams line. David Hey's book suddenly opened up greater and altogether more exciting vistas; from then on it has no longer been a matter of merely constructing elaborate pedigrees but of placing my ancestors into definite social, economic and topographical contexts. The scope for further study is enormous, stretching as it does over three continents and spanning five centuries. Of course, much remains as half-formed projects in my mind, but two aspects of local history arising out of family history that are taking more shape than the others are a study of one small part of Rawmarsh and an examination of Rawmarsh schools. The area of Rawmarsh under study is known by local residents as "The City". It is properly called "The Silver City" - an evocative name if ever there was one! - and comprises just four streets by the Rosehill Park. The houses are not yet 100 years old, but to me it is very special. Adams's have lived here since before the First World War and my aunt - a subject of one of this series of three Rawmarsh articles - still lives there, and holidays spent at her house are among some of my fondest childhood memories. It was the decision to widen the scope of the Silver City project, in order to include the Isolation Hospital on the edge of the park, that threw up interesting material which forms the basis of my third article.

Since I am a schoolteacher by profession it is hardly surprising that I should be interested in school records. Many family historians no doubt have discovered schoolteacher ancestors. If they were active from towards the end of the 19th century then it should be possible to find out more about them; earlier it is much harder. The first article owes its genesis to the discovery of an Adams ancestor who became a successful headteacher, and a systematic progression through Rawmarsh school records. And it was a casual look at Managers' Minute Books, with no other intention further than to see what they contained, that brought to light a long forgotten story which concerns by aunt Alice Adams, and which gave rise to the second article.

School Records.

Since two of the three articles have to do with schools it is worthwhile looking more closely at the sort of educational records that are available to the family historian. I shall not deal with the records of independent schools, some of which have been published are thus more readily available. The majority of our ancestors did not attend such schools, but rather received a simple elementary education and left school as soon as they could. The national records at the PRO, Kew, are beyond the scope of this article. There are many records under the class ED, and reports of individual schools exist. Leaflet 78 gives further information on teachers. However, research at the PRO - never easy for those of us living away from London - is a specialised affair and best left to those who wish to pursue their research in depth. Certainly it would be worthwhile to see if any files relating to a particular school exist. But, before then it is much better to start closer to home.

Two addresses which are given in the Family Historian's Enquire Within and which seem to promise much are those of the National Society and the British and Foreign Schools Society. In search of an ancestor I knew to have been a National schoolteacher I have drawn a blank by writing to these two addresses. Perhaps I was unlucky. The British and Foreign Schools Society could possibly supply details of a teacher if it was known he or she was definitely trained by them. The National Society was responsible for a lot more schools; as we shall see later, many of my family were educated at Rawmarsh and Parkgate National Schools. But it will be a long time before the Register of Schoolmasters trained by the National Society is indexed. I received much more satisfaction from the National Union of Teachers. They have a library at their London Headquarters and the librarian has sent me copies from annual reports, allowing me to fix a schoolteacher ancestor at a particular school, and an obituary. Many teachers in elementary schools would have belonged to the NUT, whose history starts with the creation of Board Schools in 1870. Two other unions currently in operation for rank and file teachers are the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers and the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association. The latter used to recruit mainly among teachers in grammar and independent schools.

Not everybody will be researching schoolteacher ancestors, but all family historians have an interest in school records, since from 1880 it has been compulsory for all children to attend school. Two key dates in the history of education are 1870, which brought local school boards into existence, and 1902 which replaced the boards by Local Education Authorities. Both acts and their attendant bureaucracy generated lots of records. However, there are earlier records: for instance, in 1863 it became compulsory for a school to keep a log book, and in 1862 the notorious system of payment by results began: this necessitated schools keeping detailed records of attendance, since grants depended on them. Generally speaking, then, records tend to date

from around 1860-70, but earlier ones are not unknown, especially in Church Schools. And, of course, whole sets of records have simply disappeared. Some are still in schools, but caution must be exercised before a school is contacted. It must be remembered that nowadays schools are very busy places and will not have much time for family historians who want to spend hours going through records.

Amongst those that have survived - and there are good collections in South Yorkshire record offices - family historians will expect to find in the main, admission registers, log books, managers' minute books, school board minute books and LEA minute books. Sometimes punishment books survive, too. Clearly admission registers are the best for the genealogist. They should be searched as a matter of course, providing it is known roughly where an ancestor went to school. They should reveal a date of birth, an address and the father's name. As for the other records, it is often a matter of deciding how to spend what is often the very precious time at one's disposal. It is well known that family historians will try anything in a desperate attempt to track down elusive ancestors, but many records will not usually repay the speculative searcher with much more than paltry genealogical information. However, if family history is to be set in a wider context then all education records can reveal much.

The minutes of board and education committee meetings can often be dry and of more interest to the specialist researcher of the history of education. But occasionally they will yield interesting aspects of social life. Thus, the minutes of the Rawmarsh Education Sub-Committee contain a fascinating account of the provision of free meals in the 1912 miners' strike. Such accounts can also be followed up in the local newspaper, which adds much more colour, but bias as well. Managers' minute books and log books often complement each other and for any family historian wanting to find out what kind of education an ancestor received these books are prime material, and essential, of course, for anybody researching a teacher ancestor. I do not share the experience of Colin Rogers in the Family Tree Detective, who reports finding many personal details of individual ancestors, but these documents do contain names. Thus, there is a chance for everybody - but it must not be forgotten that it was either the virtuous or the wayward who made the most appearances. What they will best reveal is an amazing glimpse into the kind of education received in the past, quite different from much that is delivered in modern schools. They can be monotonous - there is much reporting of absent teachers, routine events, tests etc. - experience soon teaches the researcher to skip these bits. They can and do hold many surprises, and are well worth looking at. As a teacher, I find log books among some of the most fascinating of original source material and can recognise much that has not changed at all. Log books, it must be remembered, were written by human beings with every potential for displaying a range of emotions, teachers full of foibles as well as strengths. It was while reading one particular Rawmarsh log book in order to extract the rather mundane information relating to me teacher ancestor's early career that I discovered that log books can be fun.

to be continued.

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GENEALOGICAL CROSSWORD

Until the day he died in 1944 my paternal grandfather, whose mother was born Elizabeth Walton in 1840, Thurgoland, Yks, kept a small ticket with a printed biblical quotation above which was written the name "Isaac Walton" by the date "July, 1814". This led to wondering about our Waltons and along the way a confusing number of "Isaac Walton" names were encountered with overlapping records creating a degree of uncertainty about the appropriate Isaac to whom a record should be assigned.

One correspondent provided a most interesting article* referring to a James Walton family leasing the dye-house at Thurstone after which a son, also a James, built Thurstone House in about 1750, not far from Thurgoland. The son James had a younger brother-Isaac who lived in Gunthwaite, near Penistone, in June 1793 when a nephew wrote to him about family history. That Isaac Walton had married Sarah Pearson and according to Penistone Parish Records** "Sarah wife of Isaac Walton (formerly PEARSON) was buried October 1796".

However, that is not all. Through becoming aware of the acronymous ways of Isaac and Sarah Walton*, a search of the International Genealogical Index, p.94,111-94,257, County York, England revealed baptisms for "Isaac Walton" children as follow:

Name	Date	Town, Parish	Source/Batch
William	25.02.1748	Penistone	CO42481
Abraham	3.01.1750	Penistone	CO42481
Lydia	30.12.1752	Penistone	CO42481
Thomas*
Obrion	14.04.1758	Rotherham	CO09073
Nicholas	3.07.1760	Rotherham	CO09073
Pearson	24.09.1762	Rotherham	CO09073
Eliz.	26.10.1764	Rotherham	CO09073
Ann	26.12.1765	Rothwell	PO10611

No baptism was found under R that fitted in with the above and although there was a "Samuel, bp. 9.05.1790, Halifax" for an Isaac Walton, to include that would seem too far fetched.

On the basis of other information it is believed my grandfather's "Isaac Walton" is one of a line of Isaac Walton names going back at least to Isaac Walton, bp. Sun. 18.12.1757, Silkstone (Huthwaite)**. The acronymous Isaac and Sarah Walton, not only provided a guide to their inter-parish moves but also have helped confirm that any lineal connection on the Walton side to our line of Isaacs would have to be at least two generations further back.

*"Some Family Statistics", R.H. Milner, Old West Riding, Vol. 2(1), 35, Spring 1982--courtesy of M.J. Walton, Cambridge, Eng.

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