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FUTURE PROGRAMME

1994 Programme

Meet 7.30 pm Baptist Church, Cemetery Road,
(entrance Napier Street) unless otherwise stated.

Mon. 17 Jan.	Old Sheffield Pubs by Martin Olive
Mon. 21 Feb	AGM & Military Research by Frank Westwood
Mon. 21 Mar	Historic Houses in the Rotherham Area by Vernon Thornes
Mon. 18 April	To be announced
Mon. 16 May	Visit to be announced
Mon. 20 June	Visit to be announced
Mon. 18 July	Visit to be announced
Mon. 19 Sept.	Speaker to be announced
Mon. 17 Oct.	Speaker to be announced
Mon. 21 Nov.	Speaker to be announced

ROTHERHAM BRANCH MEETINGS

Thurs 6 Jan	AGM and Open Meeting
Thurs. 3 Feb.	Views of Old Conisborough Part 2 by Tony Greathead
Thurs. 3 Mar	Open meeting
Thurs. 7 April	Hathersage and the Brontes by Marjorie Dunn

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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 3rd Monday of the month at 7.30 p.m. during the winter months and excursions are arranged for the summer. The Society's library is held at Sheffield Archives, 52, Shoreham Street, Sheffield S1 4SP and is available during their normal opening hours. The Society caters for the Metropolitan Districts of Sheffield and Rotherham. The annual subscription is £6 (and £8 for joint membership-only one journal); £6 overseas surface mail and £8 overseas airmail.

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ROTHERHAM BRANCH

Meetings are held at the W.E.A. Rooms, Corporation St Rotherham 7-9 p.m. 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.

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EDITORIAL

Many members will already know of the death of Rex Berry, the Secretary of the Rotherham Branch of our Society. Rex was one of those people who actually put pen to paper and wrote down a great deal of his vast knowledge of local history. In general family historians are always anxious to find out a little more before writing up the findings. Putting pen to paper often enables us to see where the gaps are in our knowledge more clearly. It may also provide interesting material for this journal. So, what about it! Remember the example set by Rex and share your knowledge.

This edition includes information about the Data Protection Act and its effect on the running of our Society. It is hoped that everyone will read the article carefully and be reassured about the way your Society is run.

Thank you to all who contributed to this edition. Please keep sending in contributions, both long and short. Material is used up very quickly to produce each edition.

NEW MEMBERS

The society welcomes the following new members.

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Obituary

It is with great regret that we announce the death on 23rd Oct. 1993 of Mr Rex Berry, Secretary of the Rotherham Branch. Rex was one of its founder members and has been the Secretary for a number of years. Well known for his knowledge of Kimberworth and Kimberworth families Rex was always a very good help to anyone researching their family history. He will be greatly missed by us all.

At this sad time we send our deepest sympathy to Mrs Berry and all the family.

NEWS AND NOTES

Subscriptions for 1994

Once again it is time for the renewal of subscriptions. Please send in your cheque early. Ordering journals is very difficult when we are not sure how many members we have for the year. The task of the Treasurer is also made much easier by a prompt renewal. Please make sure you send back the enclosed renewal form with your cheque otherwise we shall be unable to process your subscription. Your membership number can be found at the top left hand side of the address label that is used to send your journal and to personalise your membership card.

Annual General Meeting

This will be held on Monday 21 Feb. 1994 before the Society meeting.

The Genealogy Centre, Derry

The Genealogy Centre, Heritage Library, 14, Bishop Street, Derry, N. Ireland, BT48 6PW can now provide detailed and accurate histories of some 250,000 family names on a parchment scroll. They also offer a full genealogical research service.

Essex, Herts, Middlesex 1839

A facsimile text edition of 1,500 copies of Pigot and Co's Directory has been published and is available from M.J. Winton, 5, Lynn Road, Castle Rising, King's Lynn, Norfolk, PE31 6AB price £7.50 plus £1.20 post & packing. It contains major entries for Colchester, Hertford, Uxbridge and 113 towns and villages. Over 35,000 surnames are listed.

The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders

Anyone with ancestors serving in the above regiment will be pleased to know that Arms and Armour Press have just published a book by Patrick Mileham to celebrate the bi-centenary in 1994, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders under the title "Fighting Highlanders! The History of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders"

Marriage and Obituary Notices 1848 from the Lynn Advertiser - Norfolk.

Vol. 5 was published in June 1992. It is a collection of ALL Marriage and Death notices from the Lynn Advertiser and West Norfolk Herald.

Price inc.p&p £5 UK: £6.01 (Canada, USA etc); £6.18 (Australia, N.Zealand etc)

Available from Janice Simons, 17, Kingcup, Pandora Meadows, King's Lynn PE30 3HF

Fores / Foers Family Bible

L. Woodward, 21, Beechcroft Road, Beacon Park, Plymouth has found a small Bible. It originated from St. Steven's Sunday School, Sheffield in 1892. Mr Woodward would be happy to pass it on to a member in return for about £2 donation to the Society. The following information has been written inside the Bible.

St. Steven's Sheffield / Sunday School / Presented to Harry Fores / Dec 27th 1892
Edward Hicks DCL Vicar / R.F.Pattinson Superintendent / HYB---? / Springfield /
Boys / H. Foers / St. Marks Collegē / Chelsea / London / I was confirmed on the
9th day of March 1893 at St Stephens / Church Sheffield Yorkshire / by the
Bishop of Hull

Have you, or any of your family, ever lived in Broomhill?

If so, and if you have any reminiscences, photographs or family history that will add to the material already collected then Broomhill Local History Group would like to hear from you.

They have tried to re-inhabit each house from the time it was built up to the last war. This has been done from directories, census returns, electoral rolls and other miscellaneous sources and therefore is not a complete record. There is a list of some 10,000 names of householders, with addresses and dates that may be of help to you in tracing ancestors. They have transcriptions of the 1841, 1851, 1861, 1871, 1881 and 1891 census returns and also of the St. Mark's baptismal and marriage registers up to 1939.

Please get in touch with Mrs. Eva Wilkinson, 13, Beech Hill Road, Sheffield, S10 2SA. Tel: 662640 if you require any information, or better still if you have any information for the Group, or photographs that you would be willing to lend for them to copy

1861 & 1881 Shipping Indexes to the Census

The 1861 Shipping Index to Seaman, containing over 120,000 entries, covers Royal Naval ships at sea and in port, British-registered Merchant ships at sea and in ports abroad, and British ships in home ports. The index lists all seamen aboard such ships on census night, arranged by surname. The index provides a transcript of the census entry itself, including the PRO reference to the folio that the entry will be found on. The entry, therefore shows the age, place of birth, marital status, name of ship and occupation or rank of each individual.

The 1881 Shipping Index to Seamen covers all Royal Naval Ships and RN Institutions and can be accessed either by the name of the ship or by the surname of the seaman.

Certificates & Searches Ltd, 32, Welham Road, London SW16 6QJ will search these indexes for a fee of £6.00. The fee includes looking up the index and following it up with the corresponding census copy, if identified. If the entry cannot be identified from several possibles or if no entry can be located, a copy of the relevant page from the index will be produced (up to 2 pages).

The above information was given to us by Certificates & Searches Ltd.

£250 Prize Competition

The Tool and Trades History Society was formed in 1983 to further the knowledge and understanding of hand tools and the trades and people that used them. It has a worldwide membership which is still growing.

So far the main bulk of the society's work has been in the twin fields of Agricultural and Woodland Crafts and in the Woodworking tools of the joiner/carpenter/cabinet maker. Yet before the early to mid-19th century virtually all trades were hand tool users. Even the apparently mechanised industries of weaving, heavy engineering and steel making relied on hand tool users to maintain and repair the machines. A few tools have been introduced in this century but even some of these are now no longer used.

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of its founding the TATHS are organising a competition to encourage the study of local trades and tradesmen. They are looking for good sensible articles on any one of three basic subjects:- Localised tools; Localised trades & The LOCAL aspect of national trades. Prizes of £75, £50 (2) and £25 (3) will be awarded. Any period can be covered.

Entry forms giving full details are available from Brain Read, TATHS Competition Organiser, 22, Windley Crescent, Darley Abbey, Derby, DE22 1BZ. The closing date for entries will be 30 June 1994

Omission

The extracts from the Report of the Commission on Children's Employment were made by Mrs Francis Badger. Further extracts are to be found on page 43 of this edition.

West Yorkshire Archive Service - increased charges.

As from Aug. 1993 an A4 sheet of photocopying will cost 40p and an A3 sheet will cost 60p. West Yorkshire Archive Service regrets these necessary increases.

News from the Society of Genealogists

The Society of Genealogists has given to our library a copy of their Family History Beginner's Pack. This includes "First Steps in Family History" a new introductory guide by Anthony J. Camp (available separately at 90p or £1.25 inc. postage) and "Using the library of the Society of Genealogists" the basic guide that should be read by all those intending to visit the library (available separately at 40p or 75p inc. postage)

The rates for non-member searches in the library are now £3 an hour, £7.50 for four hours and £10 for the day or day and evening.

Searching for a Soldier

Frank Westwood has recently completed the WO 97 Attestation and Discharge project for the following regiment for the period 1760 to 1854.

The Prince of Wales's Own Regiment of Yorkshire (14th and 15th Foot) Copies of the index are deposited at the Sheffield Archives and the Society library. Mr Westwood also holds a copy. Enquiries are welcome on receipt of an SAE sent to Mr F.S. Westwood, 11, Hail Mary Drive, Woodhouse Mill, Sheffield, S13 9XW. N.B. See Vol. 13. No. 2 & 4 for details of other regiments covered.

Hunter Archaeological Society Lectures.

On 8 February a lecture will be given on Penknife Cutlers of Sheffield by Joan Unwin. Non-members are welcome to attend. The meeting will be held in the Arts Tower, University of Sheffield (Lecture Theatre 9) at 7.30pm.

Weekend Courses (Resident or Day Attendance)

Discovering Your Family History

Westham House Adult College, Barford, Warwick. 25-27 March 1994.

Family History Stage 2. Two focuses 1. Poor Law, Manorial and other Local records. 2. Reading 16th / 17th century handwriting.

Dillington House, Ilminster, Somerset. 18 - 20 Feb 1994

Hawkwood College, Stroud, Glos. 18 - 20 Mar 1994.

One Week Courses

Beginners Nottingham University 22 - 26 August 1994

Stage 2 University College, London 11 - 15 August 1994

Westham Adult College, Barham nr. Warwick 22 - 26 August 1994

For further details about both Weekend and One Week Courses contact Don Steel, Brooking, Jarvis Lane, East Brent, Highbridge, Somerset TA9 4HS.

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

7th British Family History Conference 31 Mar - 4 April 1994

This, The Cherry Stones Conference, will be held on the Isle of Wight. It will be hosted by the Isle of Wight Family History Society and the Federation of Family History Societies. Details are available, after Nov. 1993, from Mrs Janet Few, 12, Ranelagh Road, Lake, Sandown, Isle of Wight, PO36 8NX on receipt of an SAE.

Weekend Conference and FFHS Council Meeting. 8 -10 April 1994

The London and North Middlesex Family History Society are hosting the conference *Paved with Gold. Migrants to London. Why they came and why they left.* at City University, Northampton Square, London, EC1V 0HB. A full programme of lectures on a wide variety of topics has been arranged together with a choice of various visits on Saturday afternoon. Full details are available from The Conference Registrar, C.A.Gibbens, 1d, Upland Park Road, Enfield, Middlesex, EN2 7PS. Closing date for registration is 25 Jan 1994. Please send an SAE.

Society of Genealogists Family History Fair 7-8 May 1994

This will be held at the New Hall of the Royal Horticultural Society in Greycoat Street, Westminster from 10.30am to 5.30pm. Advance tickets are available from 1st February 1994, for £3.50 to include admission and programme, by post or in person from Society of Genealogists, 14, Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Road, London EC1M 7BA or £4.00 on the door.

SOCIETY MEETINGS

Meeting on 21st June

Visit to the General Cemetery

The evening was a pleasant one and about 45 to 50 people turned up. They enjoyed a very interesting visit with two guides from The Friends of the General Cemetery, Janet Hartley and Jules Duggleby who were both lively and informative. About 87,000 people are buried in the cemetery although no new burials have taken place in the last twenty years. Once the cemetery ceased to be used for new internments there was no further income for maintenance. In May 1977 it was taken over by the Council. During recent years vandals have done a great deal of damage to the area. The Friends of the General Cemetery is a society formed to protect and improve this historic site. They publish two news sheets per year and cost of membership is £2 per annum. The records of the General Cemetery are on microfilm in Sheffield Archives as are M.I.'s recorded at the Cemetery.

Reported by Marjorie Dunn.

Meeting on 19th July

Visit to Wentworth Village

Despite the rather damp weather about 35 members made their way to Wentworth where we were met by Mr Roy Young. He led the convoy of cars to Hooper Stand and the Needle's Eye, two follies built on high points of the estate. Next came the 'Big House' home of the Earls Fitzwilliam until 1979. The group were 'observed' by the Security people employed by the new owner, Mr Haden-Bailey. Our tour ended at the Wentworth Chapel which contains tombs of the Earls of Stafford and the burial vault of the Earls Fitzwilliam.

Reported by Sue Graves

Rotherham Branch Meeting 3 June 1993

Palaeography

Tony Mumford, Archivist of the Rotherham Library Archives and Local Studies Department, began his talk by looking at the longhand which was so familiar to those who used pen and ink at school. This was at its peak in the 19th century when "Copperplate" was practised and some good examples of legal, business and scholar's hand were shown.

Moving backwards through the 18th century the individual hand began to show and traces of mediaeval lettering which had survived. A letter from the Shrewsbury Collection defied all the members attempts at reading it but Mr Mumford assured them that it had been done. Further back in time Latin was used, not English, but members were guided through the script with some familiar letters and the unfamiliar squiggles which denoted word beginnings and endings. .

Reported by A.R.Berry

OTHER PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS

Mrs M. T. Cavin, 4955 Peterson Dr., Richmond, B.C. Canada, V7E 4x7 is researching the family name of Bramall. She writes, "My great-grandparents were **James Bramall** born 29 Mar 1825 died 27 Oct 1910 and **Sarah (Glossop) Bramall** born 8 Feb 1825 died 27 July 1915. I have information that his father was Albert John , but his death certificate states his father was James Bramall. **Albert John Bramall's** mother was **Mary Bramall**. They lived all their lives in Sheffield and were in the cutlery business.

James and Sarah Bramall appear on the 1850 U.S.Federal census in the township of Kensington, Philadelphia, Pa. both aged 24. The 1860 U.S.Federal Census shows them listed in the township of Cinnaminson, County of Burlington, New Jersey, both aged 35. He is listed as a carpenter. The 1900 U.S.Federal Census shows them listed in the township of Delran, County of Burlington, New Jersey

both aged 75. They lived in a small town, Bridgeboro, N.J. and their 8 children were all born there".

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

(omitted from Vol. 13. No. 4)

- 77 Index of Soldiers at Sheffield Barracks Mar - May 1812 (previously listed under No. 207)

1861 CENSUS NAME INDEX - MICROFICHE

The 1861 Census name Index of Sheffield from Volume 12 onwards will be available on **microfiche only**. Volumes 12, 13 and 14, covering SHEFFIELD SOUTH are now available. The 3 volumes are incorporated on 3 microfiche R.G.No's: 3487 - 3489.

Price £2.55 for the set of 3 microfiche (including p. & p. U.K.)

Overseas airmail (America, Australia, New Zealand) price £3.30 for each set of 3 microfiche.

Please make cheques payable to Sheffield and District F H S. (Book Sales)

Overseas orders payable in **Sterling only**.

The above are available from Mrs J. King, 8, Elwood Road, Sheffield, S17 4RH.

For multiple orders please send an SAE or IRC coupon for a quotation. Details of later microfiche will be published in "The Flowing Stream"

1861 Census Name Index Volumes 4 - 11 and Bradfield Parts 1 & 2 are still available from the above address. Please see "The Flowing Stream" Autumn 1993 Volume 14 No. 1 for prices.

REMOVAL ORDER FROM WHISTON TO SHEFFIELD

8 May 1843

George Woolhouse (illegitimate s/o William Howson and Mary Woolhouse)

Elizabeth Woolhouse

John Woolhouse 1 year 11 months

Mary Ann Woolhouse 14 days

Examination

George was born in Sheffield Old Workhouse in December 1813

From Margaret Furev

THE SOCIETY AND THE DATA PROTECTION ACT 1984

The Sheffield and District Family History Society holds certain information about its members on computer and must therefore comply with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1984. In general all data held on a computer database about living persons is covered by the act and users of such data must register. This is both costly and complicated. However, as an "unincorporated club" we are exempt from registration provided certain conditions are complied with viz.

1 Only data about members may be held on computer. If a member leaves, his/her name and details must be removed from the computer.

2 Each member must agree to have his/her data on computer and must know what that data is.

In order to comply with these regulations the following explanations of our Society's working is given:-

Upon joining your name, address, type of membership (single, family, overseas) and date of membership are entered into a computer, together with the Society membership number assigned to you. This information is then used to print the address labels for sending out your copies of "The Flowing Stream" and for use on your membership card. This is the only database used by our Society that involves the use of members' names and other details.

Please note: This information is **NOT** passed on to any other organisation and is solely for the purposes of running the society.

The lists of New Members' Interests sent out with our journal and lists of new members are made up on a computer word processing programme, not a database, and therefore are not covered by the Act.

If you object to your details being held on a database please write to tell us so, and we will remove all such details. However, since the handwriting of address labels is a very time consuming task you will be then be asked to provide the Editor with four self-adhesive self-addressed labels each year for the sending out of your journals.

One provision of the Data Protection Act is that we have to remove details of any of our members who leave the Society. The membership of our Society runs from 1 Jan. to 31 Dec. each year. Since many members do not renew their subscriptions until after 1 Jan. they will be deemed to be members until the end of March of that year, after which their names and personal details will be removed from the computer. However, they will not be sent journals until their subscription for the year has been paid.

The subscription renewal form included with your journal has, included in it, an agreement that you are asked to accept which will enable us to make use of our computer. Please do not forget to delete as appropriate. Please, also, make sure that you send us the renewal form when you renew your subscription to avoid unnecessary correspondence and work for our Treasurer.

TWO CHARITABLE MEN

Whilst on holiday in the West Country I visited the Dorset County Museum in Dorchester. As usual, I had a browse amongst the books for sale and picked up one about a school called "Thorner's Litton. A Dissenting School in Dorset" by C.J.Bailey, who has been researching this subject for some time and wrote the booklet to mark the 300th anniversary of the school in Litton Cheney.

In 1690 Robert Thorner made a will bequeathing all his real estate in the city of London to his executors. Part of the rents of the property was to be employed towards the maintenance of a free school in Litton, to teach the male children of the parish to read, write, cast accounts and grammar, from the age of six to fifteen. Amongst the four executors appointed to administer this will was a certain Thos. Hollis Jun. of London. Thomas Hollis was the founder of the London family of prominent nonconforming laymen who, in turn, administered and greatly furthered the charities set up by the will.

Whilst Mr Bailey was discovering all this information about the school, he was visited by Malcolm Mercer of Sheffield who was studying the history of education in South Yorkshire in the eighteenth century and was preparing a paper on the Hollis Educational Trust which had founded and maintained an educational charity in Sheffield and Rotherham. During his search he noted that the founder of the trust had married Anne, a sister of Robert Thorner, in 1658. His visit to Litton Cheney was prompted by finding a reference to a Dorset school among the Hollis papers. He hardly expected to find the school never mind someone interested in his story.

Mr Mercer notes that Thomas Hollis, the executor of the will was born in 1634, the son of a Rotherham whitesmith and Ellen Ramskar, served his apprenticeship with his mother's brother, a Sheffield cutler and as usual he lived with the family. The Ramskars worshipped at the Sheffield Parish Church where they were influenced by the vicar James Fisher, later to be ejected for nonconformity. As a result Thomas was 'affected and converted'. In 1654 he was sent to the Ramskar London office where he settled, eventually setting up in business of his own, and married Anne Thorner, sister of Robert of Litton, in 1658.

The two brothers-in-law realised the value of education, both setting up charity schools in their own home areas, and also set up trusts for almshouses and pensions for poor widows. Two kindly, charitable men.

Obviously, this is only a brief resume of the booklet but if any member is interested in this Hollis family I would be happy to loan my copy of the booklet which contains a pedigree, and it would be worthwhile finding a copy of "V.M.MERCER The Hollis Trust - a Nonconformist Contribution to Elementary Education". Proc. Hunter Arch. Soc. Sheffield"

Maureen Newton, 64, Bestwood Road, Hucknall, Nottingham, NG15 7PQ.

Uncle Lewis's August visit to Yorkshire hinged on his not only going to Green Moor Chapel on Sunday afternoon with Mr Batty and Louisa Smith, but also visiting Uncle Oliver and Uncle Joseph. Apart from the chapel visit Uncle Lewis now apparently had added Aunt Bella, Uncle William, Uncle Oliver and Uncle Joseph to those already named during his previous visit.

Insights gained from various enquiries make it apparent that Uncle Lewis wrote in his diary from the viewpoint of the younger generation, such as Mrs Wm Smith's children. Consequently, one realizes Aunt Bella, Aunt Batty and so on as referred to on 9 August were not his aunts but Louisa's and her siblings. Furthermore, in the context of Uncle Lewis's youth, Mrs Wm Smith and Aunt Bella would have been Mary and Isabella* Wordsworth, sisters, from New Mill alongside the River Don in the valley just below old Green Moor Chapel, and living relatively nearby was John Smith's family. His baker's dozen of children as identified in "John Smith Family of Thurgoland, ..." (loc cit) included an Oliver and a Joseph. Reasonably, Uncle Lewis's second visit to Yorkshire furthered his previous reunion with those he grew up knowing well from around Thurgoland and Green Moor.

A logical and significant part of that reunion was the Sunday visit to "Green Moor Chapel" where Wm Batty was Church Secretary. He is shown in Figure 3 beside the communion table donated by Uncle Lewis along with two chairs for this church, opened in 1906. It supplanted "the old Green Moor Chapel and Sunday School that I used to attend in my youth" (13 July diary note). The Walton's association with the old Green Moor Chapel of 1812 goes back to its genesis, as discussed in an article under review entitled, "Walton Family and Other Early Associates of Green Moor Chapel, Hunsheif."

It is conceivable that Fred (Chapel) Walton, who was chairman of the new Green Moor church's building committee for the 1906 opening, was the "distant relation" Uncle Lewis enquired about on 13 July at the stone quarry at the bottom of Well Hill. Fred was a nephew of Thomas Walton who came to Auckland in 1865 and whose widow was the writer's step-great-grandmother.

Early in October Uncle Lewis made a third and final visit to Yorkshire sandwiched between short stops in Nottingham and Birmingham, as indicated in the following:

Saturday 3 October: Took tram to Trent Bridge, walked along Victoria Parade, came back via Rye Hills Cottages* where I used to live 53 years ago. Afternoon and night went to Goose Fare. There was an immense crowd of people - the crush was somewhat awful.

Sunday 4 October: Left Nottingham for Penistone. Spent afternoon at Bullace Grange. Put up at the Crystal Palace Hotel, Thurstone.*** Spent evening at Mr J T Smith's.

Monday 5 October: Got conveyance from Mr Bailey of Penistone to take Charlie and me around Thurgoland, my native village, and to Green Moor Chapel. Looked through the old and the new buildings; went over the hill to Stocksbridge, another town I lived in for some years. This is the village we left 50 years ago for NZ. Went around by Langsett back to Thurstone; spent evening at Mr J T Smith's.

* Identified as wife of Robert Hugh Biltcliffe by S Hobson, (loc cit).

** Birthplace, 3 Aug 1862, of Lillian Nicholls, Uncle Lewis's niece.

*** Near "Old weaver's building" in The Penistone Scene, loc cit.



Figure 3. Green Moor Methodist Chapel choir, possibly around 1916, with G Wilfred Walton at organ, his brother W Sidney Walton conductor seated back right, and their father Fred (Chapel) Walton, seated front right. Chair on which he is seated is part of gift of communion table and chairs from Uncle Lewis. Wm Batty, is seated front left. Identifications & photograph: Courtesy, D Walton, Sidney's son, Deepcar, 1991.

Tuesday 6 October: Spent the morning at Smiths, Bullace Grange. Left Penistone about 4pm for Manchester, arrived under the hour, and put up at Brunswick Hotel. Had dinner than went to the Theatre (Empire) Marey Loyd; had long walk round the streets of Manchester. Miss G Smith accompanied us to the Penistone station in the cab.

Wednesday 7 October: Left Manchester for Birmingham about noon; put up at the [blank] Hotel; had a good walk about Birmingham and went to the Empire theatre at night.

Thursday 8 October: Left Birmingham for Cheslyn Hay, got off at Wyrley [Wyrley & Cheslyn Hay] station, saw my two nieces, Mrs Abert and Mrs Hawkings, staying with them for a few hours - had not seen them for 50 years. They made us very welcome and pressed us to stay one night, but Charlie and I both had a severe cold and thought it wisest to get along home. So, we left Cheslyn Hay by 3pm train for Birmingham, caught the 5pm express and arrived at Euston station by 7pm, doing the 112 miles in two hours without a stop. Then we went by tube to Waterloo [and] by train to Malden arriving about 8 pm.

The telegram we sent at Birmingham at 4.30 had not arrived and we took Maggie quite by surprise. But, she was quite equal to the occasion and soon had a hot dinner ready.

Charles Cleveland Walton (Charlie), Uncle Lewis's second son, who was about 9 years younger than Loo, first arrived in Malden on 25 August and left for New York on 30 October, then returned again for Christmas. The

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The following abbreviations have been used in compiling this list.

c	=	about the following date
C	=	century
+	=	any time after the date given
pre	=	any time before the date given
E	=	Early
M	=	Mid
L	=	Late

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Lincs. PE9 4SX

CHARLESWORTH	Kimberworth/Rotherham	1830-1900
DAVIS	Kimberworth, Rotherham	pre 1950
FINCH	Rotherham	1900-1950
FOSTER	Rotherham	pre 1950
RODGERS	Kimberworth/Rotherham	pre 1900
SUDSBURY	Rotherham	1800-1900

1181 Dr J.P.Craddock, 9, Plash Drive, Stevenage, Herts, SG1 1LW

BURTON	Sheffield	c1880
GASCOYNE	Sheffield	1880-1920
GRANT	Sheffield	c1890
HODGKINSON	Sheffield	c1870
KEMBLE	Sheffield	c1920
MASON	Sheffield	c1880
NELSON	Sheffield	c1880
NOBLE	Sheffield	c1870
SHARPE	Sheffield	c1880
STONE	Sheffield	1880-1920
TRICKETT	Sheffield	c1910
WOODMAN	Sheffield	c1890

1172 Mr C.W. Dunstan, 19, Calder Close, Kirkham, Lancashire, PR4 2ZE

BRAMAH	Rochdale LAN	1750-1850
CRAKE	Houghton le Spring DUR	1750-1850
DUNSTAN	Barnsley YKS	pre 1800
DUNSTAN	Thorpe Salvin YKS	pre 1800
GREENWOOD	Barnsley YKS	pre 1830
HADDICK	Houghton le Spring DUR	1750-1850
TAYLOR	Rochdale LAN	1750-1850
WHEATLEY	Pittington DUR	1750-1850
WILSON	Barnsley YKS	1700-1800

R840 Mrs J.A.Murton, 9, Gloucester Close, Great Lumley, Co.Durham, DH3 4LH

MASTERMAN	Rotherham YKS	1700+
MASTERMAN	Thorne YKS	pre 1700

OS/128 Mr J. Bocking, PO Box 246, Lugoff, SC 29078 USA

ASHTON	Hallam WRY	1790
BACKING	Sheffield WRY	1815
BOCKING	Anywhere	Anytime
BUCKING	Sheffield WRY	1815
CHILD	Darlington DUR	1800
COCKE	Sheffield WRY	1600
HIGGINBOTTOM	Sheffield WRY	1825
HOWSON	Sheffield WRY	1765
MOKSON	Silkstone WRY	1660
RYDER	Middlesbro	1890
STRINGER	Sheffield WRY	1790

1187 Mr D. Tyzack, 14, Meadowcroft, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire, SL9 9DH

TYZACK	YKS	pre 1810
TYZAC	YKS	pre 1810
TIZACK	YKS	pre 1810

1198 Mrs M. Bradley, 25, Comberton Avenue, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 3EG

ARCHDALE	Sheffield YKS	19C
MALLINSON	Sheffield YKS	19C
McMAHON	Sheffield YKS	19C
MORTON	Sheffield YKS	19C
RICHARDSON	Sheffield YKS	19C

1196 Mr J.A.Curtis, 9, Edmonton Road, Clipstone, Mansfield, Notts. NG21 9AH

CURTIS	Sheffield YKS	pre 1894
FENTON	Sheffield YKS	pre 1890
LEAKE	Barlborough DBY	pre 1898
BUNCE	Clay Cross DBY	pre 1914

1185 Mr J. Marsh, 28, Leys Road, Blackpool, FY2 0SG

ARDRON	Sheffield YKS	pre 1851
BINGHAM	Sheffield YKS	pre 1851
CHAPMAN	Stannington YKS	pre 1848
FAWCETT	Sheffield YKS	pre 1849
GARNER	Betley STS	pre 1846
HIGGINS	Stannington YKS	pre 1848
JENKIN(S)	Sheffield YKS	pre 1838
LEWIN	Barrow on Soar LEI	pre 1747
MARSH	Sheffield YKS	pre 1849
SMEDLEY	Melbourne DBY	pre 1831
WARD	Sheffield YKS	pre 1849
WOOD	Sheffield YKS	pre 1849

1197 Mr R. Brookes, 22, The Warren, Abingdon, Oxon. OX14 3XD

BROOKES	Sheffield YKS	E19C
FRANCE	Sheffield YKS	E20C

O/S 114 Mrs J.M. Lynch, 86, Union Street, Pennsville, New Jersey, 08070 USA

BOOTH	YKS	1700+
JUDSON	YKS	1700+
KING	Bradford YKS	1870+
KING	LIN	1700+
LAW	YKS	1700+
MITCHELL	YKS	1700+
RYCROFT	LIN	1800+
RYCROFT	NTH	1800+
SCOTNEY	LIN	1700+
SANDAL	LIN	1700+
SLACK	YKS	1700+
WILKINSON	YKS	1700+

O/S 127 Mrs M.T.Cavin, 4955, Peterson Dr., Richmond, B.C. Canada V7E 4X7

BRAMALL	Sheffield YKS	c pre 1825
GLOSSOP	Sheffield YKS	c pre 1825
GLOSSIP	Sheffield YKS	c pre 1825

230 Mr D.G. Turner, Fern Bank, Stoney Lane, Foulridge, Colne, Lancs, BB8 7QB

ADSHIAD	Hazelgrove CHS	pre 1850
ADSHIAD	Sheffield YKS	19C
BURGIN	Sheffield area YKS	E 19C
CLARKSON	Rotherham YKS	pre 1700
FENTIM	Dronfield DBY	pre 1830
GREGORY	Dronfield DBY	pre 1830
HANSON	Sandal Magna YKS	17 & 18C
JACKSON	Rotherham YKS	18 & 19C
LEADBEATHER	Sandal Magna YKS	18C
OXLEY	Rotherham YKS	17 & 18C
TURNER	? DEV	E 19C
TURNER	Sheffield YKS	M 19C

O/S 118 Mrs L. Brunner, 330 N. 9th Street, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA 89101

BINGHAM	Rotherham YKS	1800s
CROSS	Ecclesfield YKS	1700-1900
CROSS	Chapeltown YKS	pre 1850
DYSON	Bradfield YKS	1700-1900
DYSON	Ecclesfield YKS	1700-1900
DYSON	Sharrow Moor, Ecclesall, Sheffield	YKS 1700-1900
DYSON	Sheffield YKS	1700-1900
ELLISON	Barnsley YKS	1700s
SMITH	Barnsley YKS	1700s
WATSON	Barnsley YKS	1700s
WATSON	Bolton upon Dearne YKS	1700-1900
WATSON	Rotherham YKS	1700-1900

1205 Mr S.Moverley, 3, St. Erth Road, Manadon, Plymouth, Devon, PL2 3SW

MOVERLEY	Sheffield SYK	M19C
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1189 Mrs N. Hayward, 22, St. Osmond Close, Yetminster, Sherborne, Dorset, DT9 6LJ.

FOULDS	Sheffield YKS	c1850
GEORGE	Lambeth SRY	pre 1830
GREENHAM	Elvetham HAM	pre 1656
HAYWARD	Totnes DEV	c1803
HAYWARD	Victoria AUSTRALIA	1854+
HEARN	Denham BKM	1820+
MARLOW	Finchampton BRK	c1630
NASH	Anywhere SRY	pre 1790
SELLON	Evercsley HAM	pre 1597
SEX	AnywhereSRY	pre 1790
TOOTH	Lambert SRY	pre 1830

1191 Mr P. Whitaker, 113, Winterbourne Rd., Thornton Heath, Surrey, CR7 7QY

BRAMHALL	Sheffield YKS	M19C
CHALLIS	Williton SOM	L19C
DIBBLE	Williton SOM	L19C
GREEN	Sheffield YKS	L19C
MORRIS	Sheffield YKS	M19C
SKAIN	Sheffield YKS	M19C
SWAIN	Sheffield YKS	E19C
WHITAKER	Sheffield YKS	E19C

1184 Mrs J. McAssey, 9, Redfern Grove, Waterthorpe, Sheffield, S19 6LQ

VOIS	St. Pancras MDX	L1800
CURPHEY	I.O.M.	L1800
RAWSON	St. Pancras MDX	L1800

1201 Mrs K. Coughlan, 67, Reddicliff Road, Plymouth, Devon. PL9 9NF

BANKS	Sheffield YKS	pre 1875
CLAYTON	Sheffield YKS	pre 1855
CROSSLEY	Sheffield YKS	pre 1880
GRAY	Hull ERY	pre 1870
GRAY	Sheffield YKS	1869+
GRAY	Pickering NRY	pre 1869
HALL	Hull ERY	pre 1850
HOTHAM	Anywhere YKS	c1800
OSWIN	Sheffield YKS	pre 1871
PICKARD	Leeds YKS	pre 1840
WATSON	Sheffield YKS	1830+
WATSON	Leeds YKS	pre 1840

O-S130 Mr G.D.Powell Sr., 5400 Friedrich Ln. #39, Austin, Texas, 78744, USA

MARTIN	Sheffield YKS	E19C-M20C
MARTIN	Rotherham YKS	pre 19C-E19C
MARTIN	York YKS	pre 19C-M19C
RHODES	Sheffield YKS	E19C-M19C
RHODES	Rotherham YKS	pre 19C-E19C
RIODES	Birmingham WAR	pre 19C-M19C

time Charlie spent with his father during this period makes it apparent that their being together was a significant aspect of Uncle Lewis's visit to England. At the stage of going to Nottingham on Saturday 3 October then on to Penistone and Birmingham before returning to London the following Thursday there was only casual mention of Charlie in the diary notes. Nevertheless, it is reasonably clear that the purpose of Uncle Lewis's third visit to Yorkshire was a mini show-and-tell version of the earlier occasions, for educating Charlie.

Their side trip from Birmingham on 8 October to Cheslyn Hay to visit Uncle Lewis's two nieces whom he had not seen since sailing south in 1865 unfortunately was noted without regard to family history. Apparently Mrs Abert and Mrs Hawkins were the daughters of his sister Mary Ann (Polly) who married Rev Daniel Brearley, Wesleyan New Connexion Minister, on 18 July 1862 in Wadsley Parish Church 2 to 3 weeks before their niece Lillian Nicholls, the writer's great-aunt, was born at Rye Hills Cottages, Nottingham (also see footnote on next page).

Although Uncle Lewis's diary doesn't reveal specifics on what Charlie was doing in 1914, essentially, he went from the University of Pennsylvania to British Guiana for his working life to death. A highlight of that whole period, which Uncle Lewis was not to know about, occurred in 1934 when Charlie was appointed a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Military Division, as illustrated further in Figure 4. Some years prior to that, reportedly about 1920, Charlie had become of local renown when he did a nose restoration as recorded pictorially in Figure 5.



Extract from The "Official Gazette," of Saturday 13th January, 1934.

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Militia Orders.

By Colonel W. E. H. BRADBURN,
Commandant, British Guiana Militia,
Headquarters, Georgetown,
12th January, 1934.

HONOURS.

1. His Majesty the King has been most graciously pleased to approve of the appointment of Major Charles Cleveland Walton (D.S.), British Guiana Militia, to be a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Military Division.

N.C.O.s. TRAINING PERIOD.

2. It is notified for information that the Training Period for N.C.O.s. of the Artillery, and No. 1 Infantry Companies, will be every Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, from 23rd January, 1934, to February 2nd, 1934.
Details next week.

DEATH.

3. No. 4370 Gunner Small, E. N., Artillery Company, British Guiana Militia, died on the 7th January, 1934. He is struck off the strength of the Force from that date accordingly.

LOCAL FORCES PARADE GROUND.

4. The grounds will be allotted on application to the Staff Officer, Local Forces.

D. R. C. BOILEAU, Captain,
Staff Officer, Local Forces.

No. 7,556.

Figure 4. Major Charles Cleveland Walton (DDS), b 27 05 1885 Thames, of the British Guiana Militia, as a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Military Division, 1934. Courtesy: Mary F Lysnar.



Figure 5. Indian in British Guiana with nose cut off as a punishment by Indians (left) and after restoration (right) about 1920 by Charles C Walton. Courtesy: Mary F Lyðnar.

Without any preamble Uncle Lewis made the first entry in his diary on Thursday 9 April 1914 when sailing from Sydney. Retracing that sea voyage on the same ship began at Tilbury on 15 January 1915, some months after World War I had begun. Consequently, between arriving in Port Said on 27 January and going down the Gulf of Suez on 30 January there are various references to naval vessels and fighting troops, as well as reference to Australian and New Zealand troopships "coming from the Suez end of the Canal--15 steamers all told". Presumably they were a significant part of the ANZAC troops who landed at Gallipoli.

A complete record of the "Text of Joseph Lewis Walton's Diary on 1914-15 Visit to United Kingdom," ca. 30pp, has been made available to the Auckland Institute and Museum Library, and to the Local Studies Librarian, Central Library, Surrey St, Sheffield. The last entry in the diary is: "Friday 26 February: Arrived at Sydney about 10 am. Had rather a miserable day looking for one of my boxes which seems to be missing--so far, I can't find it." Whatever happened after that is left to a reader's imagination.

Footnote: For 1841 census data on Mary Ann (Polly) Walton and more on Lillian Nicholls see "Mainly about Walton and Nicholls Strays from around Sheffield and District," J of Sheffield and District FHS, 41, 12(2), 1991.

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THE PICTURE

This Family Tree hobby can lead one to interesting places and people - as the following personal experience illustrates.

Whilst visiting a ninety-five year old, childless, widowed aunt in Hastings, I noticed in her living room a watercolour painting of a country mansion. All the old lady could tell me about it was that her aunt Amy used to live there but the location could not be remembered due to ongoing senility. Soon afterwards, my wife was glancing at an old copy of Country Life magazine when she spotted a full-page estate agent's photograph of this building, described as Pett Place, Charing, Kent.

A visit to Bromley Local Studies department to view their comprehensive collection of Kent County Directories furnished the history of this 13th century building and of its owners.

From this source Amy's married name was disclosed and from then by the usual genealogical sources and elderly relation interrogation Amy's history - which could well be the basis of a Mills and Boon novel - was revealed.

Amy was the daughter of a very mobile hawker of hardware. She trained as a nurse and served in a London hospital. In about 1890, wearing a nurse's uniform, she was walking in the City when she was approached by a well-dressed gentleman who explained that he urgently needed a private nurse to care for his extremely sick wife. There were five growing children in the family. After investigation and approval by Matron, Amy accepted this position with what turned out to be a very rich city merchant who had establishments in the City, Kensington, Charing and Paris.

In 1894 this gentleman's American wife died and her husband, who was the son of a Berlin doctor, asked Amy whether she would continue service as a Housekeeper. With some trepidation she accepted. In 1900 they married. In 1908 her husband died. During the 1914-18 war she was not allowed to nurse British soldiers because she had married a German, so she went to France and nursed French and Belgian army officers. In gratitude they gave her a gold engraved and chiming watch which has been given to me, together with a photograph of Amy in her nurse's uniform which bears several medals.

Amy died in 1931 at her Kensington flat. In her will she made bequests to 14 relations - is this a record?!

The gardens of Pett Place with its ruined private chapel and its swimming pool are open to the public once a year for charity purposes. I called there on a sunny summer's day and, as I peered through the Drawing Room windows, I wondered what had been the thoughts of Amy - sister of a Brixton prison warder - when first she entered into this mansion.

There is an exciting sequel to this research item. Whilst reading one of the national 'heavy' newspapers I noticed an article written by a staff reporter who bore the same rare surname as that of Amy's married name. When I wrote to him

he confirmed the relationship and said that his cousin would like to meet me as Amy had been her godmother. After contact by letter and telephone, I was invited to have tea with her in her London flat. On arrival I was surprised to discover that she had been a well-known film and stage actress and was even more surprised to discover that she was the widow of the first British film star to be awarded an Oscar. She told me that all the grandchildren had loved Amy, who had organised their charades at Pett Place. She was delighted to receive my gift of the watercolour painting which was amongst the items I received following the death of my aunt at the ripe age of 98.

Stuart Foulds

THE GENEALOGICAL BORE.

The genealogical bore,
Is the one who takes the floor,
And speaks about his ancestors with reverential awe.

He tells you with such glee,
Of his great discovery,
When he found his great-great-grandmama in 1853!

Oblivious to all ills,
He always gets his thrills
From census returns and records and registers and wills.

I wish he wouldn't drone
He really makes me groan.
If only he'd remember we have forebears of our own.

His ancestors may be fine -
I don't want to malign.
But please will someone tell him I'm more interested in mine!

So please don't take the floor
As a genealogical bore.
Just shut up, that's quite enough - we've heard it all before!

Jeannie Allergist - alias Eileen Allen

British Parliamentary Papers Industrial Revolution.

Children's Employment, sessions 1865-67.

Volume 15 4th, 5th and 6th reports of the commission on the employment of children and young persons in trades and manufacturing with appendices.

Messrs Cook & Co's Needle, Hackle pin and Umbrella Iron manufacturers, Hathersage.

- 71. George Burrows
- 72. Maria Lansley, 9
- 73. Thomas Schofield, 11

Messrs Cocker & Son's Hackle pin manufacturers, Hathersage.

- 74. Mr Joseph Robert Cocker

Messrs Child & Co's, Hackle pin manufacturers, Hathersage

- 75. Mr Marsden, one of the firm

STEEL AND OTHER MANUFACTURERS

Messrs Firth and Son's, Steel manufacturers, Saville St. East

- 78. Mr Charles Henry Firth
- 79. George William Ross, 12. "A remarkably Intelligent boy and of pleasing manners; one who, could he have had the schooling which he wishes for, would probably have turned it to best account and advanced himself in life. His appeals to me to be allowed to go to school, which he repeated in different ways, could not but be very painful."
- 80. William Ross [father of above]
- 81. William Henry Ray, 10
- 82. Henry Stow, 14
- 83. James Oxtley, 11

Messrs Naylor, Vickers and Co's Steel manufacturers, Millsands & Wadsey Bridge Forges

- 85. John Holmes, 13
- 86. William Amos Blithe, 13
- 87. Henry Gregory, 13

Messrs John Brown & Cos, Steel & Iron Works, Saville Street East

- 91. Mr J Ellis, one of the firm
- 92. William Crampton, 10
- 93. William Stafford, 13
- 94. Allan Bunce, 16
- 95. Thomas Cook, 13
- 96. John Morris, 14 "Pale and ragged. Shivers constantly though on a mild day".
- 97. William Smith, 15

Messrs Stuart & Sons, Stove Grate Manufacturers, Roscoe Place

- 101. Edward Taylor, 15
- 102. John Coleridge, 17

Messrs T. Turton & Sons, Steel Manufacturers, Sheaf Works

- 106. John Willey, working manager of the working mill
- 107. ---- Rogers, 12 "Don't know my christian name"

Messrs Joseph Pearce & Co's, Steel & Saw manufacturers, Neepsend

" The building in which the boys were rolling cold steel is gloomy and cramped. I had barely room to reach one of the boys to speak to him at his work".

- 109. Mr Joseph Pearce
- 110. John Cawthorpe, 14
- 111. Patrick Manger, 13
- 112. Henry Ray, 10

Messrs Ward & Payne's, Edge Tool & Sheepshear manufacturers, West Street

- 114. Mr Ward
- 115. George Allinsworth, 9
- 116. John Allinsworth, father of above
- 117. Ellen Depledge, 12
- 118. George Albert Parker, 12

Messrs Sanderson Bros & Co's, Steel Rolling Mills & Forges, Attercliffe

- 120. Mr E F Sanderson "The boys are all employed by the men, who are generally their own fathers or friends"
- 121. John Smith, 15

Messrs Wm Jessop & Sons', Steel Manufacturers, Blast Lane, Forge Lane and Brightside.

- 125. Robert Newbert, 14

Messrs Ibbotson Bros & Co's, manufacturers of Steel, Files, Saws, Tools, Russell Street

- 126. Mr Alfred B Ibbotson
- 127. George Batty, working manager of a steel melting department.
- 128. George Bagnall, under manager of the file department.
- 129. Thomas Bagley, 12

130. George Stork, file cutter in a yard leading from Watery Lane,

132. George Greaves, file cutter, Ecclesfield.

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- 134. George Ibbotson, file cutter
- 135. Thomas Blackburn, file cutter "Most people in this village are file cutters. Some of the largest shops have a dozen people in them. Boys and girls begin from 9 or 10 years old. People usually work 12 or 13 hours a day"

Messrs G Gray & Co's, Crinoline Steel and Skirt Manufacturers, Pond Street

- 142. Mr H Howard, manager
- 143. Jeremiah Haynes, 12
- 144. Alfred Bishop, 11

Messrs Cocker Bros', Wire manufacturers, Nursery Street

- 148. Mr T F Cocker
- 149. Martin Hefrin, 11
- 150. James Dunagan, 12

Messrs Worrall and Hallam's, Crinoline Steel & Flax Pin Manufacturers, Attercliffe Road

- 151. William Shorter, 10
- 152. George Birkenshaw, 13
- 153. Josh Lambert, 13

Messrs Beardshaw & Son's, Steel & saw Manufacturers, Effingham Road

- 154. Mr F H B Beardshaw, son of the proprietor
- 155. James Baker, 10
- 156. Thomas Darnall, 15

Messrs. Wilson, Hawksworth, Ellisons & Co's, Steel Manufacturers, Carlisle Street.

- 158. Mr T B Hawksworth

Messrs W & S Butcher's, Steel Manufacturers, Philadelphia works

- 159. John Edwin Saville, 14
- 160. Joseph Chaworth, 10

"The proprietor expressed surpris that there were boys in the works so poorly taught, and said that if he had known the boy [159] was kept from Sunday school by want of clothes they should have found him clothes to go in".

Messrs Peace, Ward & co's Steel, File Manufacturers, Saville St East

- 161. Mr Alfred Peace, in the warehouse
- 162. John Walter Dakin, 11 "Ill clothed and pale. Works in a small forge like shop alone with his father"

The Park Gate Co's Iron Works, near Rotherham

- 164. Mr J Taylor, assistant manager
- 165. George Gardom, 12
- 166. John Greaves, 12

Messrs G & J Brown's, Rotherham iron Works, Rotherham

- 167. Charles Kay, 15

The Staveley Iron Co's Works, Staveley

- 168. Mr Daniel Parker, in the office
- 169. Samuel Thompson, 12
- 170. Samuel Fletcher, 13
- 171. Thomas West, 13

Messrs W & G Daves' iron Works, Milton and Elsecar

- 172. Mr Rochard Jukes, general manager
- 173. George Shepherd, 12,)
- 174. Walter Shepherd, 10) brothers
- 175. Markham Morris, 12
- 176. William Reed, 12
- 177. Frederick Brook, 14

Mr J Askham's, Table Knife manufacturer, Broad Lane Works

- 181. Thomas Phillips, adult
- 182. Richard Mittam, 14
- 183. Emma Cheetham, 7
- 184. Albert Spinks, 11
- 185. Joseph Sellar, 13

Mr J Shirtcliffe's, Ivory, Pearl & Tortoise-shell Cutler, West Street

- 187. Mr Robert Shirtcliffe, son of proprietor
- 188. Sophia Cockin, adult
- 189. Margaret Jane Sanderson, 13
- 190. John Lovatt, 9
- 191. Henry Slater, adult
- 192. Ellen Watson, 11
- 193. William Watson, father of above
- 194. William Turner, 12
- 195. John Leedham, 14

196. Edward Jannett, 16, apprentice at Rodger's wheel

Messrs Unwin & Rodgers, Cutlery Manufacturers, Penistone Road

- 198. Mr John Unwin
- 199. Samuel Hawley, cutler
- 200. Frederick Hawley, 12
- 201. James Harrison & Walter Deakin, table knife hafters
- 203. Mr Francis Bowmes, secretary to the spring knife cutlers
- 203. Charles Allen, Wells wheel; describes an accident to Henry Bolland, 11

Messrs Jos. Rodgers & Sons, Cutlery Manufacturers, Norfolk St

- " This is well known as a cutlery manufactory of high standing..."
- 206. Mr Newbould, one of the firm.
 - 207. Henry Matthewman, 17
 - 208. Henry Barkwell, 12
 - 209. James Roberts, 14
 - 210. John Mason, 16
 - 211. William Richards, 12
 - 212. Mark Rutter
 - 213. William Dickinson, 15

Messrs G Wolstenholme & Son's, cutlery manufacturers, Wellington St.

- 214. Mr George Beeley, manager

Messrs Harrison Bros. & Howson's, cutlery manufacturers, Norfolk St

- 215. Mr William Harrison

Messrs J Wilkinson & son's, cutlery manufacturers, Church St.

- 216. Mr Wilkinson

Messrs Wm Hutton & Son's, Electro-plate manufacturers, High St

- 219. Mr Hutton
- 220. Robert Furness, 10
- 221. Herbert Shaw, 13

Contributed by Frances Badger. (To be continued)

WOMBWELL WASHINGTONS

It always seems surprising that two families with the same fairly uncommon name can live in the same village or small town at the same time, and yet apparently be unrelated. An example of this situation is provided by my mother's family, the Washingtons.

Her particular branch moved from Halifax to South Yorkshire in 1756 when my great-grandfather Michael Washington, a schoolmaster, married Sarah Crawshaw from Wentworth and the two of them took charge of the church school, at Elsecar. Later they lived and taught at Broomhill and Wombwell, where Michael died in 1920.

Michael and Sarah had several children who grew to maturity and lived in or near Wombwell. Their eldest son Thomas, another teacher - my grandfather - was born at Elsecar but spent most of his working life at Bolton-on-Deerne, where he died in 1931. (Incidentally, Thomas's wife Emmeline was a Hawksworth unrelated to my father's family; but that is another story!)

Michael Washington and his family were, no doubt, well known in Wombwell during the early part of this century. Even now, a few of the oldest inhabitants might remember their daughter Patty, a fine singer much in demand for local operatic performances.

However, a much more famous Washington was living there at the same time. This was Irving Washington (1879-1927), an outstanding Yorkshire cricketer whose sporting career was sadly shortened by a breakdown in health.

Irving's funeral at Wombwell in October 1927 must have been an impressive affair. As the Mexborough & Swinton Times reported, all sections of the community joined in doing honour to his memory. The large gathering of mourners included cricketers George Hirst, Wilfred Rhodes, Abe Waddington and Norman Kilner (Irving's nephew). Roy Kilner had sailed to India on the day before Irving's death.

One attender at the funeral was my grandfather Thomas Washington, as his diary records. This was not surprising because he was himself a cricketing enthusiast and lived only a few miles away. But I had hopes of proving a family connection as well.

This, however, was not to be. Irving Washington was the son of William Washington, a colliery manager, who was born at Saddleworth about 1846 and died in 1916.

A final thought. Like all bearers of their name, both families would, no doubt, be proud to claim a connection with the most famous Washington of all - George (1732-1799), first President of the United States. But here again, no luck! George's ancestry is well documented and any such link would have to be extremely remote.

John Hawksworth

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262 James Eyre	296 Jane Taylor
263 Sarah, wife	-----
264 Milly - child	297 Jonathan Broadbent
265 Jabez - child	298 Thomas Broadbent
-----	299 Ann, wife
266 Joseph Windle	300 George - child
267 Sarah Poe	301 Mary - child
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268 <i>In the Workhouse</i>	302 Edward Windle
269 Thomas Parkin	303 Sarah, wife
270 Pheby Parkin	304 Thomas - child
272 Wm. Windle	305 Sarah - child
272 Mary Brigs	306 Mary - child
273 Hannah Taylor	307 John - child
274 Ann Taylor	308 Edward - child
275 William Windle	309 Abraham - child
276 William Brommah	-----
277 Mary Ford	310 James Kilner
278 Samuel Bromah	311 Mary, wife
279 Hannah Parkin	312 Mary - child
280 Char ^s Bearshall	323 James - child
281 George Brigs	314 William - child
282 Joseph Barker	-----
283 Mary Presly (or Priesly)	315 John Windle
-----	316 Mary, wife
284 Joseph Tyas	317 Abraham, son
285 Mary Badger - servant	318 Luke - Parish Apprentice
286 Han: Badger - servant	319 John - Inmate
287 William Airstone - Appr.	320 Hannah - servant
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288 George Burkinshaw	321 George Broadbent
289 <i>Missing</i>	-----
290 Sarah Burkinshaw	322 Joseph Harper
291 Joseph Burkinshaw	323 John Harper
292 Jane Lamb - ser.	324 Ann, wife
-----	325 Elizabeth - child
293 William Hirst	326 Joseph - child
294 Sarah, wife	327 Hannah - child
-----	328 John child
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295 John Whithworth	

329	Benjamin Windle	364	John Crookes
330	Susanah, wife	365	Sarah, wife
331	Thomas - child	366	Thomas - child
332	Mary - child	367	George - child
333	Susanah - child	368	Joseph - child
334	Charlotte - child	369	Andrew - child
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335	Susan Broadbent	370	John - child
336	Benjamin Booth - servant	371	Ann - child
337	Martha Beard - servant	372	Peter - child
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338	Timothy Ibbotson	373	John Hough - Apprentice
339	Sarah, wife	374	George Coa - Apprentice
340	John - child	<hr/>	
341	Henry - child	375	Jessiah Charlesworth
342	Ruben - child	376	Martha, wife
343	George - child	377	Joseph - child
344	Ann - child	378	Sarah - child
345	Sarah - child	379	Thomas - child
346	Timothy - child	380	Robert - child
347	Elizabeth - child (crossed out)	381	William - child
348	William - child	<hr/>	
349	Martha - child	382	John Mitchell
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350	John Booth	383	Benjamin Mitchell
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351	Titus Ibbotson	384	Mary, do
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352	John Burkinshaw	385	Benjamin Copley
353	Sarah, wife	<hr/>	
354	George, son	386	Thomas Parkin, Senior
355	Jessiah Corbutt, lodger	387	Judeth, wife
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356	John Walker senior	388	Ann
357	Thomas Walker	389	James
358	Grace, wife	390	Judeth
359	Mary - child	391	Elizabeth
360	Hannah - child	392	Ann Ramsden, ser.
361	Susan - child	<hr/>	
362	Jonathan - child	393	William Middleton
363	Sarah - child	394	Mary, wife
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		395	Hannah - child
		396	Sarah - child
		397	George - child
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WAS SAMUEL A REAL YORKSHIREMAN (BORN AND BRED)?

Great great great grandad Samuel Tyzack was proving very difficult to record. He had apparently told the enumerator that he was born in Ecclesall in 1785. Yet a full day at the Sheffield Archives yielded no trace. Nor did his birth appear to be in the Yorkshire IGI. There was Samuel the silversmith born in 1778 in Norton, just over the border in Derbyshire. There was Samuel the farmer's son born in Sheffield in 1790. Could my Samuel have been really either 73 when he said he was a mere lad of 66 or even could he have been a mere lad of 61 when he claimed his 66 years?

Then also he did not seem to have produced a will. Neither did 103 Edmund Street, where he lived in 1851, boast a deed at the Wakefield Registry. The young lady at the registry told me that there are a lot of Tyzacks around here, making a complete search difficult.

There was no record of his marriage to Harriet, although he appears to have wasted no time afterwards as Henry, William, Joseph, Samuel, Mary, Peggy, Harriot, Christiana, Sarah and Barbara proved.

I was also puzzling about what was going on on the Census night at 103 Edmund Street in 1851. What were all the married sons, who were at the time living, for example, in London, doing in Ecclesall without their wives and why was one year old grandson Frederick there without his mother?

I have only just started this Family History business but it seems to me every answer you find is a question in disguise!

To find at least Samuel's birth I thought I would collect all the Tyzacks and like sounding names in the UK IGI. After all, maybe he didn't know himself where he was born! It did not take long as there are only about 650 of them. The big difficulty came with the 'see also Toshack and Tossick'. They took longer. Then I read somewhere that the Capital F's in old handwriting could be confused with capital T's so I was off to look for the Fyzacks (there was one) but also the inevitable 'see also Foshack and Fossick'!

Finally it was done and I decided to put them all on a spreadsheet on my computer. I was going to search for couples who were childbearing at about the right time.

Once on the spreadsheet in a flash I sorted out all the christenings from the marriages and made a separate list of all the christenings. Then I sorted all the fathers in alphabetical order and all the groups of fathers with the same name I sorted according to their wives' names alphabetically. It takes a while to describe but the computer does it in a fraction of a second.

I then had several possible contemporary Tyzack family groups amongst which were the family groups including the 1778 Samuel and the one including the 1790 one and at least one contemporary family group without anyone christened Samuel in it (could there be a missing entry?)

Perhaps the most interesting was this group:

CHILD	FATHER	MOTHER	PLACE	DATE
Ann	Samuel	Deborah	South Shields	1773/02
William	Samuel	Deborah	South Shields	1774/02
Deborah	Samuel	Deborah	South Shields	1776/01
Joseph	Samuel	Deborah	South Shields	1780/01
Samuel	Samuel	Deborah	Stepney	1781/01

Using the computer and disregarding the place of baptism had brought together this group. Could the family have moved in 1780 from South Shields to Stepney? If so, how? By boat perhaps.

Many of the Tyzacks of South Shields were glassworkers from Lorraine in France and the entry for Samuel Tyzick in the St. Mary Whitechapel register for baptisms records. "7 Jan 1781 Samuel Tyzick Son of Saml & Deborah New Martan St." Now the very kind local archivist told me that there had been a New Martan Street near Glasshouse Street, Whitechapel and I thought the 'a' in Martan had been corrupted in the same way as the 'a' in Tyzack by the same handwriting. Also I was told that Glasshouse Street had also been renamed so that I would not find it on a modern map.

But the interesting possibility is that Samuel and Deborah came to London to ply Samuel's trade of glassworking in Glasshouse Street. My friendly archivist is still investigating for me whether there was a glassworks in Glasshouse Street at the right time.

So, by sorting all these records, I have thrown up this possibility that great great great grandfather Samuel, the Yorksheman, was really born in Stepney and then made his way to Ecclesall to first become a fendermaker and later a sawmaker. The sawmaking by the way stuck because great great great grandfather Henry set up his saw factory in Shoreditch and it remained in the family up to my father's time.

But the search goes on: can I establish a link with Stepney? Watch this space.

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USEFUL ARTICLES IN OTHER SOCIETIES' JOURNALS

The Window tax: A survey of holdings in Britain by Mervyn Medlycott.
Genealogists Magazine Vol. 24, No.5, March 1993

BOOK LIST

Books and Leaflets of Local Interest

Sheffield Flood Trail - Dale Dyke to Malin Bridge

Price 25p from Hillsborough Community Development Trust, 1-13 Holme Lane, Sheffield S6 4JP

This descriptive leaflet describes the route of a walk from Dale Dyke reservoir to Malin Bridge. It gives additional information on bus services etc. for those wishing to follow the trail on foot and full descriptions of the more interesting places and buildings which figured in the flood of 1864.

Stannington in 1851 by N.E.Reaney. Price £2 from the author Tel: 0742 341099 or Stannington Library.

This booklet aims to give a fairly accurate picture of life in Stannington in 1851 and does not dwell on the history of the village. The story is based mainly on the census returns for 1851, to see how much information could be gleaned from them and to provide the "bare bones". The "flesh" has been supplied by other documents such as wills, land tax and educational records.

Firshill School 1893-1993 Price approx. £1.50. Available from Firshill School, Orphanage Road, Sheffield S3 9AN or Burngreave Library.

A team from the school has produced this source book to celebrate the centenary of the school. Using source materials such as school log books, Local Studies Library holdings and personal reminiscences the work is organised in a topic format. Contents include both World Wars, May Days, punishment, teachers and the various alterations to the fabric of the buildings over the years.

The above information is from the Sheffield History Reporter.

The Light Railway King of the North by A.L.Barnett.

This is a study of Sebastian Meyer, an entrepreneur, who was involved in the creation and operation of a network of minor and secondary lines in the north-east of England during and after the 1880's. Lines promoted by him included the Dearne Valley, the Isle of Axholme, the North Lindsay and the North Sunderland.

Brinsworth: Times Past by B. Chambers.

Brinsworth lies between Rotherham and Sheffield. It is mentioned in Domesday and by 1845 was a small town of 1050 inhabitants. Its prosperity, for much of its history, was based on farming, but there had always been mining in the area. In the nineteenth century coal mining became increasingly important and greatly influenced the local economy. This is the first history of the village and traces its development from the pre-Roman period to the present day. There are chapters on the manor, the local gentry, the economy of the area, various aspects of nineteenth century development, local government and education, and the present day.

The above information is from the West Yorkshire History Newsletter.

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