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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 (Napier Street entrance) 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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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

Although I am writing this editorial in the height of summer by the time you are reading it the nights will be getting longer. I hope the thoughts of many of you will be turning to our competition and also, of course, to sending in urgently needed copy for the journal. Each edition takes a great deal of material and nothing is so daunting to an editor than to face the realisation that there really isn't going to be enough good copy to fill the pages.

Readers' attention is drawn to the Booklist section of this and indeed most editions. Not only does it give the titles of new books of interest to family historians but, often, as in this issue, there are reviews of books which give a great deal of information about their contents.

Once again, thank you to all contributors to this edition.

NEW MEMBERS

The Society welcomes the following new members

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Change of Address

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NEWS AND NOTES

Help wanted!

A volunteer has come forward to input information into a computer for the 1861 census project but more help is needed - even if you only have a few hours a week to spare. Every little helps! Please contact Mrs Mary Robson or any committee member for further details.

Advice for beginners

Anyone needing help before our monthly meetings will find that the helpers, Gillian Moffatt, Sharon Yeomans and Frank Westwood will, in future, be wearing badges so they will be easily identifiable.

Rotherham Local History Fair 29 October 1994

This will be held in the Brian O'Malley Library, Walker Place, Rotherham from 10 am to 4 pm .The Rotherham Branch of our Society will have a stand there.

Bookstall Officer - Change of Address

Please note that our Bookstall Officer Mrs Margaret Hume now lives at 41, Rushley Road, Dore Sheffield S17 3EH.

Berks., Bucks., Gloucs., Hants. and Oxon. 1830

A facsimile text edition of Pigot and Co's Directory of the above counties is available from Michael Winton, 5, Lynn Road, Castle Rising, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE31 6AB. Price £9.50 plus p&p: UK £1.40, Europe & Surface Mail £.2.20, Airmail £5.10 It is a directory and classification of the merchants, bankers, professional gentlemen, manufacturers and traders in the above counties as well as other details of the area.

1995 Family History Diary

This is published by The Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies and is available from them at Northgate, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1BA. It contains not only all you would wish to find in your diary for reference throughout the year, but a wealth of information for the family historian and genealogist, useful to both beginner and expert alike; a diary of genealogical events throughout the year, useful addresses, important historical notes from 1066, details of Family History Societies and many other items of interest. Price £4.25 plus an SAE stamped 36p for each Diary order. Available from Sept 1994.

Alphabetical Directory of London and its Suburbs 1839

A facsimile text edition of Pigot and Co's Directory of the above area is available from Michael Winton, 5, Lynn Road, Castle Rising, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE31 6AB. Price £16.50 plus p&p: UK £3.20, Europe and Surface Mail £3.30, Airmail £8.00. It contains 70,000 names and addresses.

Pedigree of the Habershon family of Handsworth

The Society thanks Mr Ian Care of 8, Kings Drive, Littleover, Derby DE23 6EU for his donation of Books A,B,C and D of the pedigree of the Habershon family of Handsworth. Mr Care would like to make contact with any member who has, or has seen a copy of, book E of this pedigree.

Seymour Family

Will anyone interested in forming a Seymour One-Name Society for the surname Seymour please contact Mr Alan Seymour, 8, The Approach, West Clacton, Essex CO6 2NE

Tour Guide to the General Cemetery

This leaflet, published by the Friends of the General Cemetery, is available from them at 223, Cemetery Road, Sheffield S11 8FQ price 30p plus postage. It contains details and information to enable the casual visitor to take him/herself on an hour long tour of the major parts of the cemetery.

Courses in Family History

In September Peter Wilkinson will be offering three courses each of twelve weeks on how to trace your family tree. Beginners' courses will be available at Sheffield University on Monday evenings and at Hurst House, Chesterfield in Monday afternoons. A more advanced course will be taught at Sheffield University on Tuesday afternoons. Full details can be obtained from the Division of Adult Continuing Education, 196-198, West Street, Sheffield S1 4ET (Telephone 825400)

Yorkshire Family History Societies

A booklet has been published by the Federation with the above title. It is for sale on the Society bookstall price 75p. It contains details of all the Yorkshire Family History Societies together with information about the area covered by each society, its membership fees, publications etc.

Wortley Inhabitants - 1809

Our thanks to Mr L. Copley for informing us that on a list of the inhabitants sent to him by Sheffield Archives the numbers we believed to be missing were given on his edition. Number 561 was Robert Wigfield and 562 was Alice, sister.

The Search for Queensland History

The 19th century working class Englishman yearned for land, fresh air and wide open spaces. Many set out to find just that in Queensland, Australia. Yet, though the immigrants lived in a new land, "home" was still England and letters attempted to describe their new environment to families back home.

The State Library of Queensland is undertaking a search for letters, diaries, photographs and documents of working men and women who emigrated to Queensland, Australia. They hope these items will assist in piecing together the history of this former British colony particularly from a working man's perspective, and will also help preserve the material which may well be held in private homes across Britain.

The library is particularly keen to locate early photographs which were taken and advertised for sale by travelling photographers in the 1850's. In all probability they were sent home to Britain as a memento.

If you can help in any way you are asked to contact Sara Joynes, Queensland Heritage Retrieval Project, Australian High Commission, Australia House, Strand, London WC2B 4LA (Tel: 071-887 5261)

Books on America

The Society thanks Mr David Brownell, an American member, for Heritage Book News, a publication listing many books of family history interest that could be of use to those tracing ancestors in America. It will be available for consultation in the Society library.

Are you planning to visit a Record Office away from Sheffield?

Members are advised to check up on the address of any Record office they plan to visit. Many have the same telephone number but a new address. Also check on their opening times as many close during the week.

Ed's note: The booklet "Record Offices and where to find them" to be found in our Society library will give you up-to-date information.

Erratum

The dates for the microfiches of the St. Catherine's House indexes held by Sheffield Archives are 1837 to 1983 and not as given in Vol. 15 no. 2. Ed's apologies.

FEDERATION NEWS AND INFORMATION

Getting the Coal

This is published by Mantle Oral History Project, The Springboard Centre, Mantle Lane, Coalville, Leics. LE67 3DW. Price £6.50 plus £1 p & p. It provides valuable background material for those researching family history in coal mining areas.

Quaker Family History Society

Details of this recently formed society may be obtained from Dr Margaret Bennett, 486, Lea Bridge Road, Leyton, London E10 7DU. The subscription is £8 per annum. Correspondence or material for the magazine should go to Michael Gandy, 3, Church Crescent, Whetstone, London N20 0JR

Restoring Old Photographs

Details have been sent of a photographic restoration scheme, involving digital enhancement by a computerised photo-retouching system. A leaflet is available, with examples of the possibilities for old photographs in many different states of disrepair: Colab Ltd., Herald Way, Coventry CV3 1BB

Lichfield Records Research Service

Under a scheme for employing people with disabilities, Lichfield Joint Record Office has launched a research service for researchers unable to visit the record office. Research is undertaken under the supervision of an experienced archivist. A leaflet and standard application form is available from the Archivist-in-Charge, Lichfield Joint Record Office, The Friary, Lichfield, Staffs WS13 6QG

The Longitudinal Study of Residential Histories

This research project was announced in the last edition of "The Flowing Stream". Very few people researching Sheffield names have so far asked for a form to record their information. The project workers are very anxious to have Sheffield well represented in their survey as they feel it is a very important area. There is still time to help them!

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

South Yorkshire Local History Day 1 October 1994

Under the title "South Yorkshire Towns and Boroughs" this meeting covers the following topics of local history interest.

Doncaster and other boroughs in medieval Yorkshire by Maurice Beresford.

Markets, monks and merchandise: the making of Barnsley by Brian Elliott

Sheffield before the Industrial revolution by Prof. David Hey

Towns, boroughs and archives by Prof. Geoffrey Martin CBE

The meeting will be held on Sat. 1st October from 10.00 am to 4.30 pm in the Northern Room, Danum Swallow Hotel, High Street, Doncaster. Cost £4.50.

Full details from Archives and Local Studies Section, Rotherham Central Library, Walker Place, Rotherham S65 1JH. Early booking is essential.

Cornwall Weekend Conference and AGM 11-13 Nov. 1994

This is to be held at the Barrowfield Hotel, Newquay. There will be two talks by Michael Gandy and one by Colin Chapman plus Cornish style hospitality and entertainment. Details from Bill Grose, Trevilder, The Butts, St. Newlyn East, Newquay, Cornwall TR8 5LZ

THROUGH THE LETTERBOX

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Western Australia

Dear Editor,

I wish to express my appreciation to members of the Society for the response I have received to my recent query in "The Flowing Stream" re the Simpson family supposedly of 'Dan' Street. I was overwhelmed with help and suggestions and my problem has been solved. Dan Street is in fact Dun Street.

In particular, I would like to mention Anne Giller, who was most helpful to the extent of searching censuses for 1841, 1851 and 1861 and sending copies of maps for the area, something beyond my wildest dreams. It makes me proud to be a Yorkshire lass myself!

Yours gratefully,

(Mrs) Mary W. Rogers (née Roebuck)

35, Hardwick Street,
Weymouth DT4 7HS

Dear Editor,

Re The Dorcas Society or "The Box"

Do any members / readers have information or knowledge, however slight, about the above charitable society? As an Open University student taking the course "Local and Community History" this year, I urgently require such information for my research project. I am hoping to base this on a notebook written by the wife of the Vicar of Wyke Regis, Dorset, in 1883. It contains the printed rules of the Dorcas Society. This appears to have been supported by the local "well-off" ladies in order to provide "a box" of necessities for needy mothers of new-born infants. The box and its contents were lent out for a month but it was expected to be returned at the end of that time with the baby clothes washed and the contents clean and tidy. There is a whole chapter on "The Box" in Flora Thompson's "Lark Rise to Candleford" but with no reference to the Dorcas Society.

I need to find out if this Society was solely connected with the Church of England and based on the Weymouth area (the rules were printed in Weymouth) or whether it was confined to Dorset or universal over the whole country. It would also be of great interest to know if any elderly people can remember the same sort of box being available in their home area during the early years of this century; or if they can remember their mothers or grandmothers mentioning such an event.

I would be extremely grateful for any information and will reimburse any postal or other expenses. I would also publish the results of my project on completion (if the Editor will take them!)

Yours etc.

Mrs H. Hunt

Ed's note: I look forward to receiving the results of this research and will, of course, publish them.

12, Church Close,
Louth, LN11 9LR

Dear Editor,

I have recently discovered a secondhand book seller who has a large selection of books of all types on Sheffield but also a large collection of original documents and papers. One set of original family documents could be invaluable to anyone researching Kirk. It included a family tree, letters and papers. The person to contact is Ray Heard at 212, City Road, Sheffield S2 5HP.

Yours etc.
Pauline Bell

16135 NE 41st Court,
Redmond,
WA 98052-5246
USA

Dear Editor,

Perhaps you recollect the four Beaumonts from the United States who visited you Sheffield Family History Society meeting last October. My husband and I had come to Sheffield with his parents to research our Beaumont lineage, and we all so appreciated the warmth and interest your society members extended to us during our visit.

Our stay in the Sheffield area was fruitful beyond our expectations, for we were able to view archives and documents not available to us here in the United States, and we were able to tread the same cobbles in Sharrow Vale, Darnall, Thurlstone, Penistone and High Flats as did our Beaumont ancestors.

We had promised to return a copy of our results to your society when completed. Enclosed you will find our contribution to your library, given in gratitude to the Sheffield Family History Society. We hope this small contribution may someday be of use. Thank you once again for your kind hospitality.

Yours etc.

Michael and Diana Beaumont

SOCIETY MEETINGS

Meeting on Monday 21 March 1994

Historic Houses in the Rotherham Area

Mr Vernon Thornes began by reminding us that many of our ancestors worked in large country houses such as Wentworth Woodhouse, the largest house in our area. In order to find out about properties one needs to look at the Listed Buildings Register for buildings of historical significance. It covers about 327,000 properties.

Grade 1 listing covers about 1% and includes Wentworth Woodhouse. For this grade the buildings must have been built before 1700

Grade 2+ listing covers 4% of properties built between 1700 and 1840

Grade 2 listing covers properties built between 1840 and 1914

In Rotherham there are more than 150 listed properties (plus about 30 others that Mr Thornes felt ought to be listed). The talk gave background details of many of these local buildings of interest and was illustrated with numerous photographs.

Mr Thornes has written a book entitled "Historic Houses in the Rotherham Area".

Reported by Denise Marsden

Meeting on Monday 18 April 1994

The Riches of Bullhouse

Professor David Hey gave us a detailed picture of the local gentry of the Penistone area in the 17th and 18th centuries. The Rich family had lived in the Penistone area since the 14th century, firstly at Carlecotes but then in the 15th century the family bought Bullhouse from the Appleyards. It was an earlier building than the present one which dates from 1655 although there may be parts of the earlier house incorporated.

The family of Rich can be traced for seven generations to 1624 when Aymor Rich was the chief man in the Wapentake of Staincross. He was Chief Constable and the representative of an important family. William Rich, his son was a staunch Puritan. He was a Captain in the Parliamentary army. His friend was Adam Eyres of Hazelhead. There was a tradition of puritanism with seven branches of the Rich family in the 1672 Hearth Tax Returns in the Penistone area.

Bullhouse was three miles from the centre of the parish, where the church was. All the leading families in the Penistone area were Puritan. They kept their Puritan minister until his death - long after Charles the Second's return. Ministers were allowed to preach without surplice etc as before because of protection by the local families. The richest family in the area was the Bosville family. They too were Puritans.

The ninth generation of the family was Sylvanus Rich, the son of William. It was he who built Bullhouse Hall (or most of it). He married Mary Wordsworth of Water Hall in 1652. They married in Sheffield, not Penistone. Mary's mother was a Micklethwaite. All the families were therefore connected.

The Wordsworths lived at Swaithe Hall, Worsborough - built by Richard Micklethwaite. It was an isolated farmhouse and one of the places where nonconformist ministers preached.

When Sylvanus Rich died the Hall passed to Elkanor, his son. Elkanor extended the house and re-roofed it in blue Welsh slate. In 1686 Bullhouse Lodge was built for his son. Elkanor had two wives. The first was the daughter of John Shaw of Rotherham. The second was from Mirfield. Sadly, all the children died young apart from a son Aymor and a daughter, Martha. However the male line died out.

William Rich and other leading parishioners were responsible for removing the Church of England minister, Christopher Dickinson, in the 1640's. In 1649 they invited Henry Swift, a Puritan, to be their minister. He accepted and was there until his death in 1689. Probably this was the only parish in England where this happened - the reason being that it was such an obscure place and also because the local families protected him. When Henry died a chance was provided for the authorities to act. The crown appointed a conformist, Edmund Hough. At this point Elkanor decided not to worship at

Penistone church any more and wrote to another Elkanor to say so.

Henry Swift's death coincided with the Glorious Revolution which led to the Toleration Act. People could worship anywhere provided the place was licenced as a non-conformist meeting place. In 1689 Elkanor registered his house as a place of worship. The Chapel was then built and registered in April 1692. The Chapel is still untouched externally, it still flourishes and is *independent*. It has many architectural features of a house of the time. Inside it has the chapel hat pegs! It also has a 17th century pulpit and early 20th century pews. The Minister's cottage at the side is now used as a vestry.

The first minister, Daniel Denton, was the son of an ejected minister. He served there from 1692 until 1721. The congregation came from some distance. By 1715 it consisted of about 200 people, largely due to the efforts of Elkanor Rich but all the well known families in the area died out in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Reported by Denise Marsden

Summer meeting on Monday 16th May 1994

Visit to Beauchief Abbey

It was a dry but bitterly cold evening when about 60 members of the Society met outside the Abbey for a guided walk led by Mr Tony Smith. We were given plans of the Abbey, and its surroundings and also of a typical Premonstratensian abbey with which to compare it. Although very little remains of the buildings surrounding the Abbey Church we were able to learn something of the life lived there before leaving for a walk around the outskirts of Beauchief Hall.

Reported by Denise Marsden

Rotherham Branch Meeting on Thursday 7 April 1994

Hathersage and the Brontes

Marjorie Dunn started her talk by describing the origins of the Brontë family and the struggle that Patrick had to rise from poor beginnings to parish priest. Married and with children he moved to Haworth parsonage. Marjorie described the conditions in the village and the insanitary environment which prevailed owing to the drainage system. In particular she mentioned the parsonage well which was in the centre of the church graveyard - contributing, no doubt, to the early deaths of the Brontë family

The second part of the talk, which included slides, described how the life of Charlotte and the character of her father have been altered to suit the biographer. The in-depth analysis brought strong evidence of the true situation surrounding the Brontë family and made the talk much more interesting to a family historian.

Reported by B.L. Jervis

OTHER PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS

Mr J.B. Pettigrew, 8, Malkiln Lane, Brant Broughton, Lincoln LN5 0SG would like to make contact with anyone researching the family of **Heald** in Sheffield in the 17-19 centuries.

Mrs H.D.Lowe, Box 176, Cranbrook, B.C.Canada (but born in Crookes) would like to contact any descendants of her G.G.Grandparents **George Moseley** born 10 Oct. 1822 at Stephen Hill, Sheffield and **Mary Hallam** born 1831. They were married 25 Dec 1850. Children were **Joseph** b.1851, **Mary Anne** b.1853, **Sarah** b.1857, **Thomas**, b. 1859, **George Henry** b. 1861, **Julia** b. 1863 (her grandmother), **William** b. 1864, **Emma** b. 1865, **John** b. 1868 and **Herbert** b. 1871. George's parents were **Joseph** and **Mary Moseley**. Julia married **Walter Constantine Ellis** and lived in Crookes.

Mrs S. Francis, 14, Bryngwastad Rd., Gorseinon, Swansea, S. Wales SA4 4XG writes "Can any member tell me about the **Gas Works in Sheffield** in about 1851. A relative worked there. His occupation on the census was '**Gas Lighter**'. (Was this the man with the long pole who ignited each street lamp or some other job in the works itself?) At an earlier date he was a timekeeper. Any ideas, please? Yet another ancestor was a **Tinsmith** in 1841 and at various times his occupation was **plumber** and **glazier**. He lived in Duke Street where I believe craftsmen of all descriptions also lived. What work would a plumber have done in the late 1840's? Would he have worked for the gentry or for local employers etc? Can anyone provide details of **Nags Head Yard**? Was it near the public house of the same name?" Postage etc will be refunded.

Mr J.B.Raynor, 23, Carisbooke Ave., Leicester LE2 3PA writes "Could anyone who is researching **Hepworth of Barnsley** tell me if the **William Hepworth** who had a grocer's shop from 1822-1852 at 11, Cheapside, Barnsley (next door to my ancestor **James Saville**) and **Mary Hepworth** (bapt. 26 May 1795, Barnsley) who married **George Saville** in 1817 are related. A close relationship may help me establish the potential link between my **James Saville** and **George Saville**. Have any **Hepworth** wills mentioned a **Saville** as beneficiary?"

E.E.Dorr, 8, Church Street, Bingham, Nottingham NG13 8AL asks "Can anyone tell me about **Charnock Hall** and **Cockayne Hall** both of which are mentioned in old Booth and Rother(h)am wills. I believe one was near Mosbro' and the other in Norton. If anyone comes across the surname of **Rother(h)am** in their searches in Sheffield or Rotherham Town I would be very grateful for any information."

Mr J.T.Mills, 36, Dore Road, Sheffield S17 3NB writes "I am interested in tracing the work and life and family of **Joseph Haslam Hawksworth**, a landscape painter who worked in Sheffield during the second half of the 19th century. He painted in oils and watercolour and was of some repute. He collaborated for a time with a London portrait painter called **Shannon**. Some of his paintings are in the Mappin Gallery, some with Sheffield Museum and some in the Rotherham Gallery. As a boy he lived in Scotland Street but he was living in Crookesmoor Road in 1851 when he married **Maria Jowitt**, the daughter of **Henry Jowitt**, a scissor grinder. They had seven children, **Joseph, Tom, Henry, Charlie, Margaret, Mary and Flora**. Later he lived in Redcar Road, Mona Road and perhaps Bradley Street.

I am also interested in the family of **Mary Teale** who was born in 1837. She married **George Knowles** about 1860. They lived in Matlock Road and had, I believe, eight children. Any information about families or paintings would be much appreciated."

Mrs J. Scott, 12, The Ridings, Beverley HU17 7ER writes "Can anyone help me trace my G.G.Grandfather **Robert Tingle**? He married **Maria Haslam** at Sheffield Parish Church on 27 April 1864. They both lived in Pea Croft. On 8 March 1851 Robert and Maria had a son **William**, whilst living in a court of Pear Street. In the 1851 census the family is listed at the same address and Robert is shown as being born in Birton, Yorkshire. I have consulted the reference books in the Archives and several other sources but have found no record of such a place. Unfortunately I have been unable to trace the family in Sheffield in other census records. I would be most grateful to hear from anyone who feels they can assist.

Mrs L. Howsam, 8, Farview Road, Sheffield S5 7TB writes "Does anyone know where **Lapwater Hall** was? I believe it was somewhere within the parish of Ecclesfield but I first came across it in the baptism register of St. Mary's as follows 'Phebe d. of **Pheby Turner** of Lapwater Hall bpt. 30 Sept 1766.' On the same day Pheby Turner married **Wm. Marsden**. There is no clue given as to whether the Pheby Turner getting married is the same one who was baptised that day. Pheby Marsden was buried 24 Jan. 1812 and her address was given as just Lapwater.

Miss B. Parfitt, Julliberrie, 8, Haven Raod, Corfe Mullen, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 3SY asks "Does anyone know the whereabouts of **Connie (née Elliott)** and **Wilfred Stokes** or their daughter **Marcia**? They were last heard of living at Norton Avenue, Gleadless, Sheffield in the 1940's - 1950's.

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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

1182 Mrs G. Addison, 11, Stainton Drive, Scunthorpe, S. Humberside DN17 2SF

ADDISON	Anywhere LIN	Pre 1890
ASHLEY	Sheffield YKS	1850+
BELL	Workington CUL	1800+
BERRY	Workington CUL	19C
CORRY	Sheffield YKS	1850+
INGLES	Lockerbie DFS	18C
LAZENBY	Sheffield YKS	1850+
MARSH	Workington CUL	18C
POTTS	Workington CUL	1750+
SIMMONITE	Sheffield YKS	1850+
STEWART	Workington CUL	19C

1241 Mr A. Paley, 65, Fountayne Road, Hunmanby, Near Filey, N. Yorks. YO14 0LU

BELL	Dunoon (Sct) ARL	17-19C
BELL	Sheffield YKS	19-20C(present)
CLAYWORTH	Chesterfield DBY	19-20C
DILL	Scotland AYR / ARL	17-M19C
DILL	N. Ireland ANT	17-M19C
DILL	Sheffield YKS	M19C-present
FORREST	England LND / NTT	19-20C
FORREST	England YKS	19-20C
GOODLAD	Chesterfield DBY	18-20C
GOODLAD	Sheffield YKS	Anytime
PALEY	Sheffield YKS	Anytime

1245 Mrs K. Probee, 10, Leander Avenue, Chester-le Street, Co. Durham DH3 4BH

BARNES	Sheffield WRY	1800+
DEARDEN	Sheffield WRY	1800+
FOX	Sheffield WRY	1800+
GREAVES	Sheffield WRY	1770+
GREEN	Sheffield WRY	1800+
GREEN	Rotherham WRY	1800+
HALE	Sheffield WRY	1790+
HUTCHINSON	Sheffield WRY	1790+

1248 Mr D.R. Hayes, 10, Wyatt Way, Qundle, Peterborough PE8 4HE

HAYES	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1900
HOWE	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1900
STOCKS	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1900
STOKES	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1900

R850 Mr J. Wilkinson, 135, Broom Valley Road, Rotherham S, Yorks S60 2QX

AVES	Peldon ESS	Pre 1900
BISHOP	Frome SOM	Pre 1900
CLARK	Limehouse MDX	Pre 1900
FORD	Sydenham KEN	Pre 1850
JONES	Addington SRY	Pre 1750
MARSHELL	Newbury BRK	Pre 1900
NASH	Addington SRY	Pre 1850
PEACHEY	Peldon ESS	Pre 1930
ROWSSELL	Croydon SRY	Pre 1900
SANGER	Anywhere	Anytime
WAYT	Lambourne BRK	Pre 1850
WILKINSON	Addington SRY	Pre 1880

R852 Mrs J. Longden, 20, Wadsworth Road, Bramley, Rotherham S66 0JD

BUTCHER	Rawmarsh SYK	1799+
BUTCHER-LAMBERT	Rawmarsh SYK	1855
CLARKE	Rotherham SYK	1876
ELLIS	Rotherham SYK	1877
LAMBERT	Greasbrough SYK	1847
LONGDEN	Parkgate SYK	c1870
MIONKS	Parkgate SYK	1870
PEPPER	Eastwood SYK	1878
WALTERS	Pentrich DBY	c1860

1207 Susan Bellamy, 32, Ribblesdale Drive, Ridgeway, Sheffield S12 3XF

BEATSON	Eckington DBY	Pre 1700
BEATSON	Sheffield SYK	Pre 1705
BENNETT	Woodhouse, Sheffield SYK	Pre 1900
BELLAMY	Sheffield SYK	Pre 1900
BARBER	Sheffield SYK	Pre 1900

1256 Mrs R. How, 11, Martindale Road, Hemel Hempstead, Herts HP1 2QP

GRATTON	Dronfield DBY	Pre 1800
HULSTON	Stourbridge, Birmingham	Pre 1800
HARWOOD	Rotherham YKS	1800+
MARSHALL	Ecclesall Bierlow DBY	1800+
MOULSON	Rother Valley YKS	1800+
STONEHOUSE	Rotherham YKS	1800+
SCANNEL	Ireland COR	1800+

1239 Mr J.R. Clark, 117, Links Avenue, Churchtown, Southport PR9 9QD

BODDY	Handsworth / Woodhouse SYK	Pre 1896
COULDWELL	Worrall / Oughtibridge SYK	Pre 1898
FOX	Worrall / Oughtibridge SYK	Pre 1890
STACEY	Handsworth / Woodhouse SYK	Pre 1896
CLARK	South Anston SYK	1890+

1246 Mrs B. Horne, 6, Saddler Grove, Waterthorpe, Sheffield S19 6LJ

BIGGINS	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1840
BURGIN	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1815
HALL	Bonsall DBY	Pre 1850
(H)EATON	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1840
MILES	Bridlington ERY	Pre 1800
MILES	Sheffield WRY	L1800
OXLEY	Sheffield WRY	Pre 1875
REDFERN	Bonsall DBY	Pre 1825
USHER	Bridlington ERY	Pre 1835
VICKERS	Whittington DBY	Pre 1725

1242 Dr. T.R. Thomas, Rowan House, Culbo Road, Culbokie by Dingwall,
Ross-shire, Scotland IV7 8JU

BAGNALL	Brightside YKS	Pre 1852
BAGNALL	Kimberworth YKS	Pre 1950
THOMAS	Brightside YKS	Pre 1852
THOMAS	Kimberworth YKS	Pre 1859
THOMAS	Pontypridd GLA	c1828

O/S 142 Mr S. Filewood, 18, Glenreagh St., Coffs Harbour 2450, Australia

DIXON	Leeds YKS	Pre 1821
FILEWOOD	All SRY	E19C
GUEST	Barnsley YKS	c1815
HINCHLIFFE	Bradfield YKS	c1848
HOBSON	Ardsley or Barnsley YKS	Pre 1846
STEELE	All YKS	E19C
WHITTAKER	Penistone YKS	Pre 1844
WHITTAKER	Sheffield YKS	c1875

1253 Mrs G. Sear, 20, Christchurch Road, Northampton NN1 5LN

EDON	Sheffield YKS	1750-1850
FRANCE	Sheffield YKS	1750-1850
FRANCE	Rotherham YKS	1750-1850
GASCOIGNE	Greasborough YKS	c1800
GRAY	Hoyland YKS	1700-1800
IBBOTSON	Sheffield YKS	1750-1850
SNAPE	Sheffield YKS	1750-1850
STENTON	Sheffield YLS	1750-1850
SYKES	Greasborough YKS	1750-1850

1231 C.E.Stringfellow.43. Gosforth Drive.Dronfield Woodhouse. Sheffield S18 5NG

BAGSHAW	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1900
BARDWELL	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1891
BELK	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1900
BOULDING	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1900
BRAYSHAW	Chesterfield DBY	Pre 1860
CORKER	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1900
HUDSON	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1887
IBBOTSON	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1870
SHEPHERD	Doncaster YKS	Pre 1860
SLINN	Eyam DBY	Pre 1780
SLINN	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1891
STRINGFELLOW	Sheffield YKS	Pre1877

R856 Mr J. Mumford. Flat 2. 43. Kents Road. Haywards Heath. W. Sussex RH16 4HQ

BICKERSTAFF	Rotherham SYK	c1880
COOPER	Wombwell WRY	c1850
ELLIS	Sheffield SYK	c1860

1254 Ms K.M. Mills. 1. Dobcroft Close. Sheffield S11 9LL

HASLAM	Sheffield YKS	1830+
HAWKSWORTH	Sheffield YKS	1830+
JOWITT	Sheffield YKS	1830+
KNOWLES	Sheffield YKS	1840+
MILLS	Sheffield YKS	1840+
SIMPSON	Retford NTT	c1840
SKELTON	Sheffield YKS	c1830
TEALE	Sheffield YKS	c1840

O/S 145 Mrs C. Farris. 5971. Dorset Street. Riverside. California 92509. USA

LITTLEWOOD	St. Philip's, Sheffield YKS	c1847
SNAPE	Sheffield YKS	c1851
WOOLHOSE	Sheffield YKS	Pre 1851
WOOLHOUSE	Sheffield YKS	M1800s

1251 Miss B.D.K.Parfitt. 8. Haven Rd. Corfe Mullen. Wimborne. Dorset BH21 3SY

BROOMHEAD	Bakewell DBY	16C
DICKINSON	Sheffield WRY	c1790+
ELLIOTT	Sheffield WRY	c1810+
GILLETT	Coniston CUL (?)	c1830
GILLETT	Coniston YKS (?)	c1830
PARFITT	Bruton SOM	c1600-c1845
PASSLEY	Sheffield WRY	c1820+
SLACK	Sheffield WRY	c1850+
WOOD	Sheffield WRY	c1890+

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Marriage, Census and Other Indexes for Family Historians. 5th edition

Record Offices and how to find them. 6th edition

Probate Jurisdictions - where to look for wills. 4th edition

Poor Law Union Records:

- 1 South East England and East Anglia
- 2 The Midlands and Northern England
- 3 South West England, the Marches and Wales
- 4 Gazetteer of England and Wales

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- 6 Census Returns of England and Wales: Sue Lomas. Edn. 1992

FFHS Miscellaneous Publications

London - Middlesex - A Genealogical Bibliography

Research Services - A Code of Practice for Family Historians

Occupational Sources for Genealogists:

- Norfolk
- Oxfordshire
- Wiltshire
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- Buckinghamshire

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| | Pt. 2 Families |

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 Army (IWM Information Sheet 15A)
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 (PRO Readers' Guide No. 2)
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 about him ? - M.J. and C.T.Watts
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A MESSAGE FROM THE LIBRARIAN

Our Society library has now reached the point where it contains some 700 items and we therefore felt that we needed to adopt a 'mini Dewey system'. The library has been subdivided into subjects and then numbers so that any item can be added in the correct place. This has involved a great deal of work but we hope that it will provide a better service to members. As well as all the paperwork and computer inputting the books in the library had to be physically removed for renumbering and repair etc. We endeavoured to do this in the minimum period of time. We apologise to any member who was inconvenienced by it but I am sure you will find the alterations worthwhile.

I would like to remind members that the Society library is for reference only and nothing may be removed. Please ensure that all items are replaced carefully in their correct place on the shelves. Tidying the shelves each week is a very time-consuming job, undertaken voluntarily.

If you have any suggestions for subjects not covered by our library please write to the Librarian with your ideas and we will endeavour to expand the library to suit the requirements of the membership.

The second edition of the library catalogue will be available in the autumn. **Please note:** the catalogue in the library has been updated with the new reference numbers.

WORTLEY INHABITANTS 1809

(Continued from Vol. 15. No. 2.)

N.B. In a previous section 561 and 562 were given as missing but a *different* copy of the list gives 561 as Robert Wigfield and 562 as Alice, sister.

600 Richard Perry	635 John Turner
601 Sarah do.	636 Ann do.
602 Benjamin - child	637 John - child
603 Mark - child	638 Richard - child
-----	639 Sarah - child
604 William Copley	640 William - child
605 Elizabeth do.	-----
606 John - child	641 William Howden
607 Hetty - child	642 Mary do.
-----	643 Richard - child
608 Joseph Copley (senior?)	644 Mary - child
609 Joseph Copley	645 Thomas - child
610 Sarah do.	646 Joseph - child
611 Hanah - daughter	-----
-----	647 Joseph(h) Dickinson
612 William Chapman	648 Ann Dickinson
613 Elizabeth do.	649 William Dickinson
614 Elizabeth - child	650 Hanah do.
615 Ellis - child	651 James - child
616 Ann - child	652 Edward - child
617 Mary - child	653 Mary - child
618 George - child	-----
619 Thomas - child	654 Thomas Newton
-----	655 Crissy do.
620 Aron Teasdale	-----
621 George do.	656 John Winterbotham
622 Ann do.	657 John do.
-----	658 Debarah Rhobuck - ser.
623 William Parkin	659 George Priestly - ser.
624 Margaret do.	-----
625 George - child	660 Martin Dickinson
626 Joseph - child	661 Mary do.
627 Thomas - child	662 Betty - child
628 John - child	663 John - child
629 William - child	664 Thomas - child
630 Charles - child	665 George - child
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631 John Parkin	666 John Surtees
632 Mary - child	667 Mary do.
633 Hanah - child	668 William - child
634 Sarah - child	669 Elizabeth - child
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670	James Car - ser.	707	John Pashley
671	Mary Shaw - ser.	708	Elizabeth do.
672	Mary Barker - Appren.	709	John Parker - servant
	do.	710	Mary ---- servant
673	George - child	711	Richard Dickinson
674	Jane - child	712	Frances do.
675	Sarah - child		
	<i>? children of John Surtees or siblings of Mary Barker (E.M. Furey).</i>	713	George Wood
676	Kattern Amerton	714	Hannah -
677	Joseph Bramah	715	George - child
678	Betty do.	716	John - child
679	Benjamin - child	717	William - child
680	Crissy - child	718	Ann - child
681	Mary - child	719	Mary - child
682	Sarah - child		
683	Hannah - child	720	James Hoyland
684	Ellin - child	721	Hannah -
685	Ann Hoyland	722	Joseph - child
686	William - child	723	Ann - child
687	Hanah - child	724	William - child
688	John - child	725	Mary - child
689	Thomas Dickinson	726	George - child
690	Sarah do.		
691	Betty - child	727	Wid. Copley
692	Sarah - child	728	James do.
693	Richard - child	729	Elizabeth -
694	Laban - child (<i>could be Jaban</i>)	730	John - child
695	Wm. Taylor	731	Samuell - child
696	Ann do.	732	Thomas - child
697	Mary - child	733	Charles - child
698	Elizabeth - child	734	Betty - child
699	John - child		
700	Sarah - child	735	Abraham Copley
701	Joseph Copley	736	Sarah do.
702	Ann do.	737	Mary - child
703	William - child	738	John - child
704	Benjamin - child	739	Jonathan - child
705	James - child	740	Benjamin - child
706	John - child	741	Abraham - child
707			
708		742	Wm. Allin
709		743	Hannah do.
710		744	Samuell - child
711		745	Isaac - child
712		746	Ann - child
713		747	Sarah - child
714		748	Hannah - child

749	Harriet - child	787	Martha - child
750	Edward Hurst	788	John Hunt
751	Mary do.	789	Hanah do.
752	Edward - child	790	Hannah - child
753	George - child	791	John - child
754	Mark - child	792	Charles - child
755	Mary Lockwood, ser.	793	James - child
756	John Garside	794	William Roger, Apprentice
757	Hanah do.	795	Jo ^s Beardshall, Apprentice
758	Widow Garside	796	John Swift
759	John - child	797	Mary do.
760	Hannah - child	798	John* - child
761	John Bearshall	799	Ann - child
762	Hannah do.	800	John* - child
763	Ann daugh ^r	801	Mary - child
764	John Burley	802	Ellin - child
765	Mary do.	<i>*Both down as John</i>	
766	Ann do.	803	Joseph Varley
767	Jonathan Ward, servant	804	Mary do.
768	William Woodcock, servant	805	Ann - -
769	Joseph White	806	Elizabeth
770	John White	807	Thos. Airstone
771	Ann do.	808	Annis, wife
772	John Swallow, servant	809	Thomas - child
773	Hannah Grason, servant	810	Ann - child
774	William Ward	811	John Wainwright
775	Betty do.	812	Mary, wife
776	William - child	813	William - child
777	John - child	814	Ann - child
778	Ellin - child	815	Wm. Marsden, servant
779	John Wood	816	Mary Beever, servant
780	Marth(a) do.	817	Mary Airstone
781	Amaras - child	818	Ann - -
782	Ann - child	819	Hannah - child
783	Steven Clegg	820	Mary ^r - child
784	Margaret do.	821	Joseph - child
785	Ann - child	<i>Transcribed by E.M. Furey</i>	
786	William - child	(to be continued)	

EDWARD BIRD : ARTIST-ENGRAVER OF MATLOCK

They seek him here. They seek him there. These Bird(ies) seek him everywhere!!!

Edward Bird was born in Wolverhampton about 1803/4 or so the census says, and there the mystery starts. For next we hear, in 1826 he wed the fair Elizabeth Gosling in the Hamlet of Eckington (Derbyshire). Then he is in residence at 3 and 11 Hawkesworth Yard, High Street, in Sheffield. Also residing at 3 Hawkesworth Yard was a Thomas Bird "optician". (1828 Blackwell Directory of Sheffield and 1828 J. Pigot's Yorkshire Directory.)

Whilst residing in Sheffield our mysterious Edward and fair Elizabeth have perchance a daughter, also named Elizabeth, born 1828 and christened in the Old Church (now Sheffield Cathedral). Once more he's on the move for next we find him living in Masson Cottage, Matlock Bath (Derbyshire) where he further sired 12 more siblings no less!!!

In 1837 he had a Museum on Bath Hill. According to the 1837 Matlock Companion Guide Book he had a Repository opposite Old Bath Coach Houses where he sold ornaments in Italian and Black Marble.

Many of his grand and great grandchildren live in Matlock and Matlock Bath but when asked about him say he is a mystery to them also. Proof of his occupation has been found in Western Park Museum (Sheffield) in the form of an engraving on black marble - an epitaph to his wife Elizabeth - which was presented to the museum as a gift by Miss Martha Clark. Further proof was found at a jumble sale in Ipswich, an etching on black marble of the "Peak Cavern by Moonlight" bought for 6d (old money) and a catalogue mentions models in black marble of obelisks and etchings at the Great Exhibition of 1851. So there is definite proof of his work around. His remains - remain at Matlock! But we ask, from whence his beginnings? That is still the mystery.

On the night of the census of 1841 Edward, Elizabeth and family had a visitor to Massons Cottage - a spectacle frame maker named Thomas Bird. Could this be the same Thomas who lived at 3 Hawkesworth Yard we wonder? Thomas was born in Wolverhampton where his father Thomas, senior - also a spectacle frame worker - lived at 12 Charles Street (Trade Directory 1802) and 6 Mitre Fold (Trade Directory for Wolverhampton 1838). Thomas, senior, was the brother of Edward Bird RA (Bristol) and we believe Thomas, senior, is the father of our mysterious Edward (Matlock) Bird.

A long chain of events -- yes -- but alas we are a vital *link* missing. Oh! when, oh! when was our Edward born? Who was his sire? Will the researchers prevail or will he ever remain the mystery artist / engraver of Matlock Bath? Help!!!

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HIDDEN GEMS OF INFORMATION

In a spare moment at a Record Office or Library, it is well worth taking time to browse through the shelves, for often a previously undiscovered source of information will be revealed. On a recent visit to Barnsley Library, my sister, on glancing through the card index spotted three of the names we are researching, namely, Loy(e), Reeve and Strother. Each entry was followed by the initials MPRF / FA plus a number. On enquiry as to the meaning of the letters, the Archivist became excited! They proved to represent a book "West Riding Miners Permanent Relief Fund", while the letters FA refer to Fatal Accidents. It was a fascinating experience to actually see the original records.

The Register began in July 1877 and is a valuable source for anyone whose ancestor was killed in a colliery accident after this date. The names are listed chronologically, and can be found by cross referencing the number listed in the card index. All three of the relatives discovered proved to be listed in the book. The first name listed was the brother of Levi Reeve, my great grandfather.

NO.	34
NAME OF AGENCY	Wombwell Main
NAME	R.R.W. Reeve
AGE	13
FULL OR HALF MEMBER	Half
MARITAL STATUS	Single
DATE OF ACCIDENT	Aug 28 1879
DIED	May 17 1880
CAUSE OF DEATH	Tubs getting on him

R.R.W. stands for Reginald Richard William

The half refers to whether a victim was a half or full member, as those under a certain age paid reduced subscriptions.

The second relative, Henry Strother, was the brother of my great grandmother, Lydia Strother. We already knew he had been killed in a pit accident, through family stories, and a memorial card. The background to the accident had been filled in by the Archivist at British Coal Archives, who helpfully sent information about it. The Relief Fund revealed:

NO.	233
NAME OF AGENCY	Thornccliffe
NAME	Henry Strother
AGE	15
FULL OR HALF MEMBER	Half
MARITAL STATUS	Single
DATE OF ACCIDENT	June 30 1886
DIED	June 30 1886
CAUSE OF DEATH	Run over by corves. Colliery - Tankersley No. 2

Henry died at the time of the accident, while R.R.W. Reeve died the year after from the injuries sustained. The occurrence of accidents was always present.

Henry's own father had been killed in a pit accident in 1873. the sombre tone of his memorial card reflects the ever present presence of death:

"A sudden change I in a moment fell.
I had not time to bid my friends farewell.
Think not this strange, death happens to us all.
This day was mine, to-morrow you may fall.
We cannot tell who next may fall
Beneath the chastening rod;
One must be first then let us all
Prepare to meet our God."

The other relative mentioned was George Loy the brother of my 2 x great grandfather, Henry Loy(e):

NO.	1213
NAME OF AGENCY	Dodworth Silkstone
NAME	Geo. Loy
AGE	57
FULL OR HALF MEMBER	Full
MARITAL STATUS	Married
DATE OF ACCIDENT	Fby 3 1910
DIED	Jan 11 1912
CAUSE OF DEATH	Fall of roof Church Lane

On discovering that George was married, the Archivist was delighted, as for married members of the fund there was a further record, a "Record of Widows & Children Chargeable to the Fund". It provided the following information:

AGENCY	Dodworth Silkstone
NO. OF ACCIDENT	1214
WIDOW	Georgiana LOY
DATE WHEN RELIEF COMMENCED	Jan 11 1912

There was also a page of columns with the dates heading the column, until in 1821 Sep 8, the comment was recorded, 'Transferred to Unattached' (Stopped when remarried). The cause of going off, was 'Married'. George and Georgiana had a family, but they were not listed as they were not dependent at the time of the accident.

The existence of such a book gives a background to the accidents and is worth investigation. The book is to be found in the Archives Department of Barnsley Library.

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Rotherham Parish register - Baptism

Jul 15 1798 Thomas of Rotherham, Found the 6th day of July at Clifton, near Rotherham, supposed to be about a week old. The godfathers are Thomas Barker and Isaac Barker, overseers of the poor.

YES, SAMUEL WAS A YORKSHIREMAN!

In the Winter 1993 edition of "The Flowing stream", I wrote about my Samuel. I had found a Samuel Tyzack born in London at the right time and wondered if he had migrated to Yorkshire. Several people have written to me about the article and I did end with "watch this space" so it may be of interest to have the rest.

There appears to have been only one Tyzack couple producing at the right period in Ecclesall and that is where Samuel told the enumerator he was born. In the end I concluded that he must have been the one baptised in 1790. He was the son of a farmer and scythesmith, John, and his mother was Sarah Tyzack. The only reason for originally doubting it was an apparent four year age discrepancy.

Once past that hurdle, I found I could romp away. Sheffield Central Library, and two separate ladies with whom I correspond, all had copies of a pedigree which included John and Sarah. The most legible version of this pedigree with the most detail is the one most recently received. All copies are ultimately attributable to Charles Drury who drew the original in 1913. Now Drury was a notable authority on Sheffield baptisms. He edited a book called The Parish Register of Sheffield vols I-V. This pedigree got me back to John who was born in 1612 and who married first a Maudlin and later a Miss X from whom I descend.

My luck held because until 1700 my family depended on glass for its living and many persons had researched the history of glass. One expert on the subject with whom I correspond was able to forge the link between John who married Miss X and Paul Tyzack his father who was mentioned in the House of Commons in 1614 as having invented the process of using coal for melting glass (as opposed to wood charcoal). John was born to Paul at Kingswinford in 1612.

Books on the history of glass enable me to trace Paul's movements back to Bishop's Wood in Staffordshire where he was first found making his glass. That is interesting because, nearby, in Eccleshall churchyard a Catherine Sysacke was buried in 1585.

Now we get to a gap in the records. However in 1579 a Frenchman named Christophe Thysac, a glass maker, killed his cousin with a quick thrust of his épée, in Lorraine, and did a quick scarper to escape the rigours of justice and came to England. His wife was called Catherine. Christophe left a Château which his great grandfather had built in 1473, Château Lichecourt near Darney. The family apparently was prone to violence because there was also a record of Charles Thysac from Belrupt, nearby, having murdered the taxman!

This is an attempt to outline a very detailed story in a few words. Elsewhere I have written at length on the subject. I am conscious that other

people's family goings on are not so exciting as one's own so to add some appetiser to this article I have sent a list of all the marriages I have found to date with other families for the Society library.

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BEAR LOOSE AT HIGH GREEN

Mary Askew my G.G.G.G.Grandmother was born in Chapeltown in 1763, the daughter of John Askew. She married widower Francis Rodger of High Green in 1784 when she was 21 and he was 33. Francis's first wife Ann Woodcock had died in Oct 1882 leaving him to bring up 5 young children, Esther 9, Martha 7, Joseph 5, Judith 3 and Sarah 6 months.

Francis and Mary had 4 more children, Pheby born in 1785, Charles from whom I am descended in 1786, Mary who died in 1788 and Lydia in 1790. I first came across reference to Mary's tragic death in 'An Old Ecclesfield Diary' by Thomas Winder which contained the following entry:-

"1790 Mary Wife of Frans Rodgers. She was bitten by Wm Cooper's Bear Boath(?) at High Green in the Parish of Ecclesfield December 11th. She Died of her wounds Munday Following December 13."

The Sheffield Register. Dec 17th 1790

"A circumstance not less dreadful in its consequence, than disgraceful to a civilised nation, happened at High Green, a few miles from hence, on Saturday morning last. A bear kept there by one Cooper, for the amusement of the country people at their wakes, got loose - pinched it is for food - and entered the dwelling of a person named Rogers. The unfortunate wife of the man was sitting with one child on her lap and another beside her, when the creature seized her with all the savage ferocity incident to its nature, and tore her in a manner too shocking to particularize, The cries of the poor unfortunate, and of the children, reached Rogers and the Bearward, who almost at the same moment entered the house, and beheld a sight sufficient to appal the most callous mind - what then must have been the feelings of the husband? - He flew to the animal, but was unable to wrench its jaws from the object of its fury. Cooper then struck it a blow in the head with a hammer, but the haft flying off, the blow was powerless; it however turned the bent of its rage on him, and it pursued him until he was nearly exhausted with fatigue, and he must have fallen a victim had not the neighbours, alarmed at the outcries, come up with him, and, at a second shot, laid it dead. - The woman expired in dreadful agony on Monday. We hope and trust this dreadful and unparalleled accident will finally abolish, in these parts, that unchristian, barbarous species of diversion - bear-baiting."

It was in fact several years before the sport was abolished. Mary was buried at St. Mary's Ecclesfield on Dec 15th aged 27 but unfortunately after such a tragic end, her name is wrongly recorded as Sarah. Francis married for a third time to Elizabeth Kay in 1791 and had three more children, Amelia in 1792, Reuben in 1794 and Niny in 1798, making 12 children in all. Francis died in 1810, 4 weeks before his 59th birthday. Such a tragic story but how marvellous that over 200 years later I can find out not only the cause of Mary's death but the circumstances surrounding it.

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THE ELLIS FAMILY OF MALTBY

Ebenezer Ellis was born about 1830 in Worcester the son of a jeweller. He married Emma Cue born 1830 in Calne in Wiltshire, the daughter of a stationer and coal merchant. They were married in Aberdare, Glamorgan, in 1854 and settled in Maltby about 1873.

Ebenezer and Emma set up a private boarding school at The Grove, Maltby, and in 1881, (census) in addition to the family and maids, there were 19 boarders living there. Their daughters Emma Louise b. 1856, Jennie b. 1863, Annie b. 1867 and Bertha b. 1871 all taught at the school. Their son Charles George was a "surgeon-dentist".

Emma Louise Ellis married James Ross Clarke from Montrose in 1882, (my grandparents). What happened to Jennie is a mystery. Hearsay has it that she married beneath her! The other Ellises were unwilling to discuss her. Charles, Annie and Bertha never married.

Ebenezer wrote a guide to Roche Abbey dated 1912. We still have a copy which was dedicated to "Earl Scarbrough by his kind permission". It contains an account of the Abbey's history together with three photographs and a plan. Perhaps the most interesting part of the guide for us is the first page entitled 'Reflection' by the compiler, where Ebenezer waxes poetical about

"the graceful building. Surely such a noble piece of workmanship, formed of imperishable stone, kin sister of the adamantine boulders, that keep silent watch around her, will live forever, and smile at the everlasting structure with pictorial charms..."

Annie and Bertha were still living at the Grove when we visited them in the late 1940's. Bertha was the last to die in November 1967.

If there are any older inhabitants of Maltby who remember the Ellises we would be pleased to hear from them.

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WANTED - LIVING RELATIVES

My grandparents **Annie Elizabeth Savage** (daughter of **Thomas Savage** and **Annie Marshall Harris**) and **George Brown** (son of **William Joseph Brown** and **Emily Theresa Fores**) were both born on Sheffield in 1885. My grandmother's family lived on Hoyle Street in the St. Philip's area for many years, in close proximity to her maternal grandmother's family, the Marshalls. The Browns lived in Nether Hallam. Annie and George married in Christ Church, Pitsmoor, in 1909 and emigrated to Canada in 1913. Both had siblings who remained in Sheffield. My grandparents were in contact with some branches until the mid-1950's.

My grandmother's brother **Albert Savage** (known as **Tal**), born 1889, married in 1908 a woman called **Edith** who had a daughter who later went by the name of **Harriet Savage**. Grandma's sister, **Polly Savage** (probably really **Mary**) was born after 1891. She married **Peter Sutton** and they had four children: **Peter**, **Latham**, **Mable** and **Kathleen** (born c1928).

Two of my grandfather's older brothers, **Arthur** and **Walter**, came to Canada before him. They all homesteaded in Northern Ontario. The oldest brother, **Joseph Brown**, born c1875, remained in Sheffield. He married a woman called **Annie** and had a son **Joe** who died in a motorcycle accident and, I believe, other children. **Joseph** died of cancer in the early 1930's. Grandad's sister **Lily**, born 1889, married a **Mr Asquith** and had three children: **Doris** (who married **Ray or Roy Webster**), **Jim** and **Joan**. During World War II she was called "**Mrs Theaker**" but later was **Mrs Asquith** again. Two younger sisters, **Annie** and **Ellen Brown** were born around 1892 and 1894. **Ellen** died "young" and I have no knowledge of what happened to **Annie**.

I have enjoyed following previous generations of my family as they moved around the St. Philip's and Nether Hallam areas. Most families were at different addresses in each census. One line, though, was a noteworthy exception. **Richard Marshall**, Saw Maker, and his wife, **Emma Sellars** and their large family lived at 63, Hoyle Street in the 1861, 1871 and 1881 censuses. In 1891 they had moved to 81, Hoyle Street. The occupant at 63, Hoyle Street, though, was their daughter, **Elizabeth**. She had been previously married to **Albert Harris** and was now with a second husband **John Malkin** and his family. **Elizabeth's** two married daughters and their families were at 75, Hoyle Street (where I found my grandmother aged 5).

I am hoping that some Society members will recognise names and put me in touch with Sheffield "cousins".

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Ed's Note: Mrs Reid also hopes to read articles about life in the Hoyle street area of Sheffield in the latter half of the 19th century. How about it?

BOOK LIST

My Ancestors moved in England and Wales: How can I trace where they came from? by Anthony Camp. Published by the Society of Genealogists. Price £4.60.

This booklet is a mine of information for both beginners and more experienced family historians. It is full of ideas and suggestions about sources which might help locate the birthplace of our ancestors. It covers a vast number of records, some well-known, others probably rarely used. There are brief descriptions of organisations and clear explanations of how records came to be made and many books recommended which can help find the records we need.

Greater London Cemeteries and Crematoria. A new revised edition by Clifford Webb. Published by the Society of Genealogists. Price £2.80 plus £1.00 post and packing. Available from The Bookshop Manager, Society of Genealogists, 14, Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Road, London EC1M 7BA

This little booklet will be invaluable for anyone wishing to locate a burial in the Greater London area. While many burials took place in outer London parishes burials, in inner London churchyards were discontinued in the 1850's and no parish burial records were maintained thereafter. The details of the cemeteries include name and address, location of burial records, whether or not a personal search is permitted and the date when registers begin. A map is included for easy location of areas.

My Ancestors were Manorial Tenants by Peter B. Park. 2nd edition. Price £3.60 plus p & p. Available from The Bookshop Manager, Society of Genealogists, address above.

This booklet concentrates on manorial records created between about 1600 and 1926 - the period that most family historians are interested in. Particular attention is paid to the practical aspects of gaining information from the documents, especially in conjunction with other groups, such as deeds and estate papers, parish registers and wills.

The introduction emphasises the importance of this under-used source to the family historian. The opening sections examine the manor as an estate and administrative unit and its relationship with the parish; the function, organisation and development of the various manorial courts; freehold, customary and copyhold tenures (and their relationship to customary, common and legislative law); and the customs of tenure and agriculture.

The records are discussed in depth in the main body of the book, using illustrated examples from the manor of Torver in Lancashire. They include court rolls, call books, verdicts and surrenders and surveys.

The last section looks at the whereabouts of the records and their

accessibility. It includes information on The Manorial Documents Register and some PRO and county record office holdings. There is also an extensive glossary, a bibliography and comprehensive index.

The Third Fleeters -Vol 1 A-K by John T. Coutts

This is a comprehensive work detailing the biographies of over 1,200 individuals, convict, military and free who arrived in New South Wales in 1791 aboard 11 convict ships; Active, Admiral Barrington, Albemarle, Atlantic, Britannia, HMS Gorgon, Mary Ann, Matilda, Queen, Salamander and William and Ann.

Ordnance Survey Maps: a Concise Guide for Historians by Richard Oliver

This has descriptions of all OS map series, listings of all large scale town maps since 1840, county listings and explanations of numerous points of detail etc. It is available from the Charles Close Society, Publications Manager, D.F. Watt, Flat 9, 33, Cotswold Way, Langley Avenue, Worcester Park, Surrey KT4 8IN

Sheffield in the 1930's by Peter Harvey.

This set of photographs show that Sheffield has both changed immeasurably and yet, in places, remains as it was sixty years ago. Price £6.50 from local bookshops

Volunteer Forces in Sheffield 1794-1908 by Stephen Johnson

The book is not intended as an authoritative work but is an attempt to bring together the histories of Sheffield's volunteer forces into one volume. The book covers 1794 to 1908 after which date all the volunteer units of various regiments became part of the new territorial force. The volunteers gave service in the Boer War and both the First and Second World Wars and after many changes of name, formation and the like continue to provide voluntary service in support of Britain's regular armed services today.

Price £4.30 from Hartley Seed, West Street, Sheffield or the author at 53, Heavygate Avenue, Sheffield S10 1QF at £5.00 inc p & p

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