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FUTURE PROGRAMME - 1997

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

- Mon. 20 Jan. **Sheffield Theatres** by Martin Olive
Mon. 17 Feb. **Some Secondary Sources for Family history**
by Roy Bullen
Mon. 17 Mar. **A.G.M. followed by open meeting.**
Details to be announced.
Mon. 21 Apr. **Quarter Sessions Records** by Margaret Turner
Mon. 19 May **Family History in Newspapers and Periodicals**
by Colin Chapman.
Mon. 16 Jun. **Love and Marriage** by Linda Hotchkiss.
Mon. 21 Jul. **Yorkshire Wills: Finding and Using them**
by Gill Briscoe.
Mon. 15 Sep. **History of Atkinsons** by Graham Firth.
Mon. 20 Oct. **Contents of the English House 1500-1750**
by Malcolm Dolby.
Mon. 17 Nov. **The Work of Sheffield Libraries Conservation**
Unit by Teresa Januszonok.

ROTHERHAM BRANCH PROGRAMME

Meet 7 pm at the WEA Rooms, Corporation Street, Rotherham

- Thurs. 9 Jan **A.G.M. and Open Discussion.** *Note change of date*
Thurs. 6 Feb. **Quiz** with Roy Bullen as Quizmaster.
Thurs. 6 Mar. **Open Discussion.**
Thurs. 3 Apr. **A Pilkington Connection** by John Willis.
Thurs. 1 May **Open Discussion.**
Thurs. 5 Jun. **Talk by Norma Neill.** Title to be announced.
Thurs. 3 Jul. **Open Discussion.**
Thurs. 4 Sep. **To be announced.**
Thurs. 2 Oct. **Open Discussion.**
Thurs. 6 Nov. **Wakefield Registry of Deeds** by Sylvia Thomas

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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 (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 £8 (and £10 for joint membership-only one journal); £8 overseas surface mail and £10 overseas airmail.

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EDITORIAL

At last it's finished! In this edition are details of the final parts of the 1861 Census Name Index. We all owe a great deal to those members who have worked so hard and for so long to produce such a valuable reference source.

I am sure any one of that band of willing workers, if asked, would say that they had, personally, reaped some reward for the work they had done. If our Society is to flourish we need more help from even more members. There will be several vacancies on our Committee next year. Every member is asked to consider volunteering to do something for the Society. No vast fund of genealogical expertise is required for committee work - just willing hands and an interest in the future of our Society. If you would like to help us please contact any Committee member NOW!

Four times each year you receive a journal full of interesting and useful articles. If this is to continue I urgently need material that I can use. The copy can be, for instance, an article, or a source you have discovered that others may not know of, or even just a little snippet that amused you. All types of information are acceptable. You don't even have to type your work - so long as it is readable.

Thank you to those members who sent in copy for this edition. Since you will be receiving it just before the festive season may I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

NEW MEMBERS

The Society welcomes the following new members

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Obituary

We regret to announce the death of Mr H. Burdett. Our sympathy is sent to his family.

NEWS AND NOTES

Doncaster Archives

King Edward Road, Balby, Doncaster DN4 0NA Tel: 01302 859811

Opening hours: Mon to Fri. 9.00 am to 12.45 pm and 2.00 pm to 4.45 pm.

From 27 August 1996 Readers' Tickets are being issued. It is advisable to take some proof of identity. Sheffield Archives Readers' Tickets are acceptable.

The Records of the Society

The first Minute Book of the Society covering the years from our formation in 1977 to 1991 has been deposited with Sheffield Archives at Shoreham Street. When accession formalities have been completed it will be available to the public to see. The book contains the original Constitution, Annual Reports and Accounts and a list of the names and addresses of founder members. Minute Book Number 2 is held by the Hon. Secretary and covers the period March 1991 to June 1996. Book Number 3 is in current use. Members may see the Minute Books held by the Hon. Secretary by arrangement (but may not borrow them). When Book 3 is completed Book 2 will go into Sheffield Archives and so on, so that the current and immediately previous Minute Books are always retained by the Hon. Secretary. All the records contain the Minutes of Society Committee Meetings.

Roy Bullen

Hunter Archaeological Society Meetings.

12 Nov. 1996 Laxton and Medieval Rural Settlement in Nottinghamshire

10 Dec. 1996 Medieval Rotherham

14 Jan. 1996 The Medieval Stained Glass in Dronfield Parish Church

Meetings are held at Arts Tower Lecture Theatre 9, Sheffield University

Non-members welcome .

Entertainers Index .

Mrs Marjorie Dunn is compiling an index of Entertainers. She is anxious to expand it and welcomes any information that you can give her about any entertainers found during your research. Please send all the details you have, not just names and dates. She will be pleased to pass on any information that she already has, on receipt of an SAE or an IRC Coupon.

1891 Census Index of the Birmingham Area.

James Wilson, 71, Heath Croft Road, Four Oaks, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands B75 6NQ has now completed his index for the Handsworth (Staffs) area. The index now has three quarters of a million entries and covers the districts of Birmingham, Aston, Handsworth and Rugby. The index includes full name, age, place of birth and full reference. Please send SAE for details of how to access the entries.

Is anyone researching the name Wright?

Mr H. Housely, 84, Silverdale Road, Sheffield S11 9JL has received a letter from someone in New Zealand who is researching the surname Wright and would like to contact others interested in the same name.

A Thank You

The Society would like to thank Elaine Wilde for her gift of a copy of the booklet "A Day To Remember" written to commemorate the centenary of the Mayfield Wesleyan Reform Chapel at Fulwood, Sheffield.

Looking for a Christmas present?

The publication "Ancestral Anomalies" might be the perfect gift for a genealogically minded friend or relative. It is "a miscellany of the witty, the sad, the unusual (and the downright erroneous) from the world of genealogy". It contains snippets, short articles and a few longer pieces from the world of family history and genealogy. It is available for £5.50 (inc p. & p.) from M. Southwick, 21, Meldon Way, Hanover Estate, Winlaton, Tyne and Wear NE21 6HJ (10% of profits are donated to pancreatic cancer research). New material will be gladly accepted for a planned second volume.

York Minster Data-bank

York Minster Library has a database of 200,000 entries, before the year 1500, which is growing at the rate of 15,000 a month. A research service for genealogists is offered with a search fee of £12.50. Cheques, payable to the Dean and Chapter of York, will be returned if the search is unsuccessful.

Ed.'s note: see Vol. 17. No. 2 of "The Flowing Stream" for more information.

1881 Census Indexes

The Local Studies Library, Central Library, Surrey Street, Sheffield now has the 1881 Census Indexes for Yorkshire and Derbyshire.

4th Talbot International Gathering

This will be held at "The Shoulder at Hardstoft" Pilsley, near Chesterfield, Derbys. on Saturday 3 May 1997 with a visit to Hardwick Hall on Sunday 4 May. The theme will be "Talking Talbots Worldwide" and delegates are encouraged to bring details of their Talbot research to display. There will also be a speaker on Hardwick Hall. Anyone with Talbots in their family tree is very welcome to attend. The cost is £12 per person inclusive of morning coffee, afternoon tea and a buffet lunch. Further details from Mary Talbot, 142, Albemarle Avenue, Elson, Gosport, Hants. PO12 4HY

1861 Census Name Index Update

Indexes to Ecclesall Bierlow and Ecclesfield are now available.

Ecclesall Bierlow - RG3467-3475 on 2 microfiche.

Ecclesfield - RG 3457-3459 on 1 microfiche.

Each fiche costs £1.50 inc p. & p. UK. Overseas airmail £2.00 each.

Please make cheques payable to S & D FHS Booksales.

Overseas orders payable in Sterling only.

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

Also available Volumes 1-32 of the 1861 Census Name Index for Sheffield.

Please send SAE or IRC coupons to Mrs King for current price list.

A Big Thank You!

The Society would like to thank most sincerely all those members who have helped in any way with the 1861 Census Name Index. The project was a major undertaking for our Society and has taken almost ten years to complete.

Database on Grenadier of 1st Foot Guards

Several of the Yorkshire Militia Regiments were serving in the south of England during the Napoleonic period and the 1st Foot Guards recruited quite a number from these militia regiments from 1810 to 1814. Many soldiers when discharged did not return to their home parishes but stayed in one of the big cities, including the London area. A database has been made containing details of over 5,000 men who were serving in the Regiment during the period 1803-1823. Similar information to that contained in the book "John Collett and a Company of Foot Guards" (described in the booklist in this edition) is held on these men. There is also information on the men of the 2nd and 3rd Battalions. Most English Counties together with Irish, Scottish and Welsh Counties are represented as well as a few men from other countries. In addition to a search by surname, searches can also be done by county, occupation or year of enlistment among others. Charges: Name search £1 per name. Additional information £2. Further information from Miss Barbara J. Chambers, 29, Leigh Grove, Droitwich Spa, Worcs. WR9 9LD

The Descendants of Henry Moorwood

The Society would like to thank Mrs Helen Moorwood, Zugspitstr. 26, 82054 Sauerlach, Germany for her gift of the newsletters she has written to members of her family recording her researches into Henry Moorwood. The material can be consulted in the Library.

NEWS FROM THE PRO

PRO Exhibitions

1. 'A call to Arms': soldiering in the First World War (11 Nov - 3 Jan 1997)

This exhibition marks the transfer of the first batch of soldiers' service records for the British Army for the period between 1914 and 1920. The exhibition will look at the experience of the men who fought in the trenches, especially at the Somme, and how this is reflected in the records being released.

2. *The Golden Age of Motoring, 1896-1914* (12 Feb - 2 May 1997)

Using material from the public records and the collections of the National Motor Museum, Beaulieu and the Motor Heritage Centre, Gaydon, this exhibition tells the fascinating story of the development of motoring from the first unreliable horseless carriages to the beginning of the mass production industry.

The exhibitions take place at the PRO, Kew. and are free. Open 0900-1700 Mon. to Fri. Full disabled access.

A CALL TO ARMS

Soldiers' documents of the Great War

The first batch of service records for men who served in the British Army during the First World War will be opened to the public at the PRO, Kew on Armistice Day, 11 November. They are for ordinary soldiers and non-commissioned officers. Records for approximately eight to ten per cent of men are being made available on microfilm. Because of the fragility of the originals it will never be possible to use the documents themselves. The records are arranged roughly by surname order, so they are comparatively easy to use.

Some sixty per cent of the Soldiers' documents however were destroyed during the Blitz. The remainder will be coming to the Office over the next few years. The Office has received a Lottery grant for a pilot project to begin microfilming the remaining documents. It is going to be a difficult job as there are 1.5 miles of documents to be filmed. Matters are not helped by the fact that many of the documents were badly damaged by fire and water. If everything goes according to plan microfilming should however be completed by the end of 2001.

In the meantime the Ministry of Defence, who look after the records of the PRO, will continue to do paid searches in the records for people wishing to trace individual soldiers. You do not have to be the next of kin to request a search. The current fee is £20. For further details contact: Ministry of Defence, CS(RM)2B, Bourne Ave., Hayes, Middx, UB3 1RF.

Individual service records vary greatly in what they contain. They often contain medical records and correspondence about the award of pensions. There isn't usually much about a man's military career however. To find out much more you will need to use the battalion war diaries and other records at the PRO.

Although the material is roughly arranged in surname order, considerable work will have to be done to provide a proper index. In the long term the Office hopes to be able to digitise the material so that it could be available on CD-ROM or through the Internet. We are looking for volunteers who might be prepared to help with the indexing. If you are interested you should contact Lesley Wynne-Davies, the Volunteer Co-ordinator of the Friends of the PRO at the PRO.

In addition the Office is publishing a new Reader's Guide, written by Simon Fowler, William Spencer and Stuart Tamplin called *Army Service Records: a guide to sources at the PRO*. Priced at £5.99 it provides a simple introduction to the new records, as well as other records at the PRO which fill out a man's career.

FEDERATION NEWS AND INFORMATION

Other Societies' Publications

In the News and Digest you will find information about the publications of many societies. Many of these publications are indexes to parish records or censuses.

All change in Wales

On 1 April the county and district councils which had existed since 1974 were abolished and replaced by 22 unitary authorities. Each of these new authorities has responsibility for archives, but in the main we understand there will be few changes in the short term relating to the location and availability of those records most often used by family historians. Nevertheless, especially where a long journey may be involved, those intending to visit any of the Record Offices within Wales would be advised to check first that these changes have not affected the particular records in which they are interested.

Transport History for Family Historians

Transport historians want to learn about early transport operators, their vehicles, their people and their companies. Do you have such information? By contrast do you want to know something about the industry? The Roads and Road Transport History Conference meets twice a year to discuss aspects of road transport history and would welcome individuals who share a common interest as Associate Members at its meetings. Details from the Secretary, Gordon Knowles, 7, Squirrels Green, Great Bookham, Leatherhead, Surrey KT23 3LE.

FORTHCOMING CONFERENCES

Sussex by the Sea 4-6 April 1997

The Spring Conference of the Federation will be held at Bishop Otter College, College Lane, Chichester, West Sussex. Further details are available from Mrs Doreen Hayes, 31, Poulter's Lane, Worthing, West Sussex BN14 7SS on receipt of an SAE.

Society of Genealogists Family History Fair 3-4 May 1997

To be held in the Royal Horticultural Society New Hall and Conference Centre, Greycoat Street, Westminster, London SW1 from 10.00am to 5.00 pm.

Seen in Ipswich Record Office recently:

"Genealogists never die....
They just lose their Census"

THROUGH THE LETTERBOX

From J.P. Craddock, 9, Plash Drive, Stevenage SG1 1LW

I was interested to read the article concerning members of the Sheffield Choir who visited Canada in 1908 in the latest edition of "The Flowing Stream". Amongst a relative's papers I found a booklet made up of a press article which describes the tour in some detail. Few names are mentioned but photographs are also included. The account is probably too long for publication in the journal but if anyone is interested I will make a photocopy.

From Miss P. Joynes, 45, Evesham Place, Cranlington, Northumberland NE23 8JF

If by any chance people can trace an ancestor back to Warkworth, Northumberland, a diary has been printed that was written between 1854 and 1889. Robert Howitt was a shoemaker and a very religious teetotaler. In his diary he mentions everyone in the village and the surrounding area. Very few people came up to his high standards and his remarks are not often complimentary. He listed what appear to be all the marriages and deaths of those years, again with his own comments. He also details all the cargo ships going out from Warkworth's small harbour together with their destinations.

Warkworth is a very small sleepy and pretty village, dominated by a castle ruin so lovely that Shakespeare used it in one of his plays. It also has a mysterious hermitage by a beautiful river. The diary tells of the Vicar and policeman getting their windows constantly broken, a lady so drunk she fell and overturned a stall, two men so drunk they fell into the river and drowned when trying to climb into a cart after being offered a lift, and an elderly gentleman dying after falling over a rope tied across a road. There were quite a few suicides and suspicious deaths and a man was jailed for stealing a pocket handkerchief. The village must have been livelier then than it is now!

The book has been edited by a descendant of Robert's sister. It costs £4.50 inc. p & p and is available from Mrs B. Cuthbert, Shrubbery House, The Butts, Warkworth, Northumberland.

From Geoffrey Humble, PO Box 312, Warrnambool, Victoria 3280, Australia

I am a Master of Arts Student at Charles Sturt University at Bathurst, New South Wales in Australia, and am preparing to research a dissertation on genealogy, the Internet and the World Wide Web.

The dissertation will examine how and to what degree (if at all) we have changed our communication and research strategies and techniques now we have the great World Wide Web and Internet. To do this I am using genealogy as the example or vehicle. I will look at how, although we have changed our forms of

communication over the years, the way in which we research genealogy has remained basically the same; that is, we still have to 'prove' each generation by birth certificates or baptismal registers, marriage records, and death and burial records. Few of these are available through the Web, although some records are now becoming available in some countries.

I am compiling a list of volunteers to assist me by completing a simple questionnaire. The only condition is that **they must have a computer, an email address, and access to the Web and/or Internet.** The questions are non-intrusive, and all information will be kept in the strictest confidence. Anyone interested can contact me directly at: ros@deakin.edu.au and I will forward a copy of the questionnaire to them once the required number of volunteers has been met.

SOCIETY MEETINGS

Meeting on Monday 17 June 1996

Sheffield Flood Compensation Claims

Jean Cass gave a fascinating account of some of the compensation claims made after the Sheffield Flood in 1864. In March of that year the comparatively new reservoir at Dale Dyke, Bradfield, burst its bank with the loss of over 400 lives and a great deal of livestock and property. Over 6,000 claims for compensation were made. Written into the Act of Parliament that authorised the building of the dam was a condition that the company had to recompense anyone who suffered as a result of flood. An Act of Parliament allowed an increase in the water rate for a few years but not for ever. The company were allowed to borrow money however to meet the claims.

Commissioners were appointed to assess the claims and no appeals were made against the assessment. Many claimed more than they received. We were shown the claims of various people including a doctor, an innkeeper, a gardener, a herbalist a tanner, a cutler and the Rolling Mill at Kelham Island. The claims gave us a picture of the work and life of many of the people who suffered as a result of the flood.

Meeting on Monday 15 July 1996

The meeting planned was to have been an opportunity for members to have their family history questions answered but as no queries were received Marjorie Dunn stepped into the breach and gave an illustrated talk on the Brontes, Hathersage and Jane Eyre. She described the lives of the Brontes, the conditions of the time and how parts of Hathersage were incorporated in the story of Jane Eyre. The talk gave examples of a variety of sources and demonstrated how they could be used to illustrate a family's history.

Rotherham Branch Meeting on Thursday 6 June 1996

The Local History of Kimberworth

To understand the origins of Kimberworth one has to take a larger view and look at the Blackburn Valley, the river Don and Wincobank Hill. Wincobank Hill is 525 ft. above sea level and 400 ft. above the river Don. It is the ideal place to build a fortification. The Brigantes fort was so well placed it took the Romans years to remove its occupants.

After explaining the past Cyril Wilson showed, with the aid of slides, tangible evidence of Kimberworth's history. The Roman Ridge which extends from Sheffield to Kimberworth is still to be found, although large amounts have been removed. The most obvious buildings in Kimberworth are the Parish Church which was built in 1841 and the Manor House built in 1694. Traces of buildings long since removed are to be found in name only, Kirkstead Abbey Mews, Mead Head or Meadowhall and the Drawbridge Hotel, the site of Kimberworth Castle.

Moving towards the centre of the town Cyril spoke about the Masbro' Independent Chapel associated with Samuel Walker the iron founder famous for HMS Victory's cannons and the Southwark Bridge. Another notable industrialist was Isaac Dodds whose factory was at Holmes where he built the Launch 'Gazelle' which was 57 ft. long and had a steel keel. Several other famous people with Kimberworth connections were Ebenezer Elliott, the Corn Law Rhymer, and Orlando Jowett the finest wood engraver in England.

Reported by B. L. Jervis.

Rotherham Branch Meeting 4 July 1996

This was an open meeting but Mrs Sheila Leeson had kindly agreed to speak about one of her ancestors. Among some old family photographs and documents which were about to be destroyed - a collective gasp of horror from the 29 family historians present - was a photograph of Arthur Wharton. He turned out to be Britain's first black professional footballer and a not inconsiderable athlete. He is believed to be the first athlete to run 100 yards in 10 seconds. Arthur played for Rotherham Town, Sheffield United and Preston North End in the 1880's. He is pictured on a mural at the Preston ground. One of his goalkeeping antics was to swing on the crossbar and catch the ball between his knees, causing consternation to crowds, officials and also, no doubt, his defence and the opposition attack. Arthur came from Ghana and his father Henry was the first black Methodist minister to visit West Africa as a missionary. Arthur Wharton led a colourful life and went on to be a pub landlord, then a miner. Sadly, he is buried in Edlington, in a pauper's grave. Moves are being made to create a more fitting tribute to a great sportsman.

Mrs Leeson is proof that lack of experience is no bar to worthwhile

discoveries about ancestors and also proof of the importance of family documents. This was a most worthwhile and interesting talk by her. We look forward to the book which is to be published on the history of black footballers.

Reported by Ron Bye

OTHER PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS

Mrs A. Kalazich, PO Box 176 Geraldton 6531, Western Australia writes "We have traced our **Elliott and Shaw** families to **Woodhouse, Bradfield** in the 1800's. They were listed as "Farmers of 26 acres, willwright, carpenters and joiners". The O.S. map I have shows Woodhouse as approx one mile south of Bradfield. Have any members any information, please."

I.N. Randle, 10, Ascot Close, Fernhill Heath, Worcester WR3 7UX writes "My grandfather, **Charles Brown**, a tailor, was born in Manchester on 4 July 1848. He was married on 21 Nov. 1870 at Norton, Derbyshire, to **Theresa Hannnah Peacock Stacey** who was born on 9 Oct. 1848 at Ecclesall Bierlow. Charles Brown died in 1812 and Theresa re-married to a **Thomas Bennett**. Theresa Hannnah Peacock Bennett died in Dec. 1930 at Trusthorpe, Lincolnshire. I believe Charles died at Ecclesall Bierlow, Sheffield I would like to hear from anyone researching the family, or anyone with photographs of Charles, Theresa and their children.

Philip Samuel, 12, Park Road, Sudbury CO10 6QB writes: "My father, **Alfred James Samuel**, served in the 2nd Field Coy, West Riding Division of the Royal Engineers from 1915 to 1919. His records are among the many destroyed in WW2. Is there a "Regimental History" or something similar that gives an account of the West Riding Division's wartime activities and where is it to be found? I am also very curious about a football medal that he got. It is bronze, about 1" dia, inscribed 58th Division R.E. inter-section Football 1918-19 runners-up. But where is the tower that features on the obverse? It is castellated, square, and appears to rise out of the water, rather like the Mouse Tower at Bingen-am-Rhein; it is flying what appears to be the Cross of St. George flag. I know that my father was on the Rhine as part of the Army of Occupation until he was demobilised in 1919 and, presumably, football was organised to help occupy the troops. I would be most grateful for any help and will happily refund expenses."

Mr Philip H. Hopper, 16, Brockswood Lane, Welwyn Garden City, Herts. AL5 7BG would like to hear from anyone researching the surname **Marsh**.

Mark Townsend, 3, Fulmere Crescent, Parson Cross, Sheffield S5 9NN writes; "I, along with another member, Sheila Francis have been researching the surname Nevin. I know that Sheila has been stuck at the same point for ten years and myself for the last two. Our mutual ancestors **Henry and Mary Nevin** both died in Duke Street, Sheffield. Henry died in 1848 and Mary died in 1850, unlucky for them and us, before the 1851 census. What we do know is that Henry Nevin was a tinsmith who seems to have travelled from village to village. Using the IGI we found two baptisms at Wraby in North Lincolnshire, one in 1811 and another in 1813. We next find them at Tickhill near Doncaster and quite a few of their children were born there. The family then came to Duke Street Sheffield in the late 1820's where they stayed until they died. We believe that Henry was born around 1773 and Mary about 1778, but we have no idea where they were married or born. We have looked for settlement certificates at Wraby and Tickhill and none appear to have survived for that period. So any help would be very much appreciated by Sheila and myself."

Mr J.R. Martin, 38, Doveshill Crescent, Ensbury Park, Bournemouth BH10 5BT would be pleased to share his research with anyone working on the same line as himself. **William Henry Marsden**, born 1815-17, was later described as Annuitant-Gentleman. His wife, **Mary Marsden**, was born 1815-17. Their daughter, **Emma Sharp Marsden**, was born in 1836. The family moved to Cornwall before 1851 and were at St. Anthony (Roseland) in 1851 and 1861. Later they were at Kenwyn, Truro in 1881 and 1891.

WHO WAS ISABELLA COULSON?

A few years ago I was given a fascinating *manuscript* book of a cook's recipes and illness remedies prepared by an Isabella Coulson in 1777. It was found amongst the effects of an Eliza Josephine Leslie Moor née Foulds who died a lonely old widow in a cottage at Goring-on-Thames in 1956.

Josephine, born in 1874, was educated at Sheffield School of Art whilst living with her parents at Old Hall, Broomhall Park Road, Sheffield. Her father was Astley Cooper Foulds 2nd (1844-1899), a wealthy pharmaceutical chemist whose father Dr. Astley Cooper Foulds 1st was personal physician to the eccentric 5th Duke of Portland of Welbeck Abbey. This doctor's father was surgeon Samuel Foulds, born at Harthill 1780, trained by the King's Surgeon Sir Astley Paston Cooper at St. Thomas's Hospital London. Thereafter he served as surgeon at 4, Change Alley, Sheffield. Samuel died in 1878. His memorial is at Harthill.

I have so far been unable to identify this Isabella Coulson. There are a

few clues:-

1. On some blank pages in the book has been written-
"Cash received of Thomas Flower at Park Barr" (Sheffield Park?)
"To Thomas Grey for Renishaw Toll Barr" (Renishaw Rd. area?)
"To Mary Tyson for the bottom of Barboro' Common" (Barlborough?)
"To Trustees of Mansfield Rd. (Several Foulds ancestors in Anston area)
2. From the quality of ingredients in this cook's recipes it is evident that she was preparing high quality meals e.g. "To pot Lobsters for London"; "To preserve Oranges"; "To preserve Kentish Poppins"; "Pickled Oysters"; "Mulled Mountain or Lisbon Wine"; "Soupe a la Farine".
3. One recipe is headed "Fish Sauce - Dr. Cooper". This may relate to Sir Astley Paston Cooper. It is significant that Surgeon Samuel of Sheffield named his eldest son Astley Cooper Foulds as were his grandson and great grandson.
If any Society member is able to identify Isabella Coulson from Sheffield Records I am prepared to supply a 164 page photocopy of this interesting manuscript book. I am sure that health shop customers would be interested to read of Isabella's ailment remedies!

Stuart Foulds, 90, Southlands Avenue, Orpington, Kent BR6 9ND :

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

- 3/29 Staff and Pupils of Wilberforce School for the Blind, York. 1871 census.
- 9/24 The Oxford Companion to Local and Family History. D. Hey.
- 12/5 Genealogical Research Directory 1996 .
- 28/73 No. 2558 Furnival Lodge. A Centenary History by Roy Millington 1895 - 1995.
- 28/74 A collection of five articles and the edited text of a diary by Gordon A, Nicholls.
- 31/15 My Ancestors were Londoners. (Soc. of Gen.) Cliff Webb (1996).
- 33/1 Post Office Archives.
- 35/42 B.T. Archives.
- 37/17 1851 census of Glamorgan Yorkshire Strays.
- 38/18 The Surnames of Wales. John & Sheila Rowlands (1996).
- 39/68 Mallinder and Swallow.
- 46/27/1 Index of Indexers 2nd edition. Brian Jones.
- 46/27/2 Index of Indexers 3rd edition. Brian Jones.
- 46/30 Information on Adoption.
- Microfiche**
- M47/9 Register of One-Name Studies 1996 (1 fiche).

FFHS Miscellaneous Publications

- 4 English Genealogy - a Bibliography (3rd edn.) Stuart A. Raymond.
5 Basic facts about using marriage records for family historians (1996).
Pauline M. Litton & Colin R. Chapman.
25/4 Lancashire - Registers, Inscriptions and Wills.
25/5 Lancashire - Family Histories and Pedigrees.

Federation / Gibson Guides

- 5 Marriage, Census and other Indexes for Family Historians (6th edn.).
7 The Hearth Tax and other later Stuart tax lists and the Association Oath
Rolls (2nd edn. 1996).
16 Record Offices - How to find them (7th edn. 1996).

FFHS Guides (Introduction Series)

- 4 An Introduction to: Using Newspapers - Periodicals (1996).

NEW MEMBERS' INTERESTS

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

1414 Mrs P.M. Barton, Westholme, Longsight Road, Copster Green, Blackburn

		<u>BB1 9EU</u>
ABROOK	Liverpool LAN	pre 1850
ALLEN	Liverpool LAN	pre 1800
BRADSHAW	Stoney Middleton DBY	1780+
BRADSHAW	Edensor DBY	pre 1840
CURTIS	Amphill BDF	pre 1840
CURTIS	Sheffield WRY	1870+
CURTIS	Farthinghoe NTH	pre 1840
GROSS	Sheffield WRY	1840+
STUBBS	Liverpool LAN	pre 1850
WIGNALL	Liverpool LAN	pre 1825
WILKIN	Sheffield WRY	1800+
WILKIN	Anywhere WRY	1800+

1432 Miss B. Coulson, 8, Grange Walk, Grimsby DN34 4DY

COULSON	Sheffield YKS	1840+
COULSON	Hibbaldstow LIN	All

1386 Mrs S Langford, 25, Landers Reach, Lytchett Matravers Poole, Dorset

BH16 6NB

CHAPMAN	Sheffield YKS	pre 1900
CORBRIDGE	Sheffield YKS	pre 1865
ELLIOTT	Sheffield YKS	pre 1900
HILL	Glanford Brigg LIN	pre 1840
HOLDING	East Retford NTT	pre 1850
LAUGHTON	Gamston, East Retford NTT	pre 1860
NEWTON	Sheffield YKS	pre 1900
SHORE	Sheffield YKS	pre 1880
SMITH	Easington LIN	pre 1850
WING	Sheffield YKS	pre 1865
WOODCOCK	Sheffield YKS	pre 1900
WOODWARD	Sheffield YKS	pre 1865

1420 Mrs B. Smithson, 4, Alton Park, Beeford, Driffield East Yorks YO25 8BZ

COWLISHAW	Sheffield YKS	pre 1781
DYSON	Sheffield YKS	pre 1823
FIELDSEND	Barnsley YKS	E 18C
GARRETT	Sheffield YKS	E 18C
GARRETT	Sheffield YKS	pre 1850

1434 Mrs S. Stones, 7, Burgess Street, Stockton-on-Tees, Borough of Stockton

TS18 1QD

DENNISON	Leeds YKS	Any
DICKINSON	Sheffield YKS	Any
PARKIN	Sheffield YKS	Any
PARKIN	Leeds YKS	Any
THOMPSON	Kirkstall, Leeds YKS	Any
THOMPSON	Sheffield YKS	Any
THOMPSON	Stockton YKS	Any

R884 Mr B.L. Kelly, Ivy Cottage, Lunn Road, Cudworth, Barnsley S72 8DW

BAGNALL	Rotherham WRY	All
BLAKELEY	East Ardsley WRY	pre 1848
BLAKELEY	Rotherham WRY	E20C
BLAKELEY	Wakefield WRY	1848+
DIXON	East Ardsley WRY	1860+
HORNSEY	Sheffield WRY	E20C
JOHNSON	Rotherham WRY	E20C
JOHNSON	South Africa	E20C
KELLY	Rotherham WRY	1852+
KELLY	Salford LAN	1850+
WATSON	Rotherham WRY	All
WOFFENDEN	Wakefield WRY	18/19C

O/S168 Mrs A. Lacey, 1, David Street, Happy Valley, South Australia 5159

FELL	Sheffield WRY	-
HASSALL & var.	Sheffield WRY	1850+
HASSALL & var.	Nantwich CHS	pre 1850
SKELTON	Sheffield WRY	-
TURTON	Sheffield WRY	-
UT(T)LEY	Sheffield WRY	-
WHEEN	Sheffield WRY	-

O/S167 Mrs B.J. Tremblay, 552, Site 5, Camp 81, Prince George, B.C. Canada

		<u>V2N 2K6</u>
DONCASTER	Yorkshire	pre 1800
LOWERISON	Yorkshire	pre 1800
GRAY	Yorkshire	pre 1800
RICHARDSON	Yorkshire	pre 1800

1426 Mr E.W. Blackwell, 16, De Burgh Place, Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 8QL

BLACKWELL	Rotherham YKS	c1750-1842
BRAND	London MDX	c1790-1850
KENDALL	N. London MDX	c1800-1850
McDONALD	Perth PER	c1800-1850
MILFORD	N. London MDX	c1800-1850
PEARSON	N. London, MDX	19C
RICHARDS	Penryn CON	c1800-1876
WOODS	DEV; DOR; SOM	L18C

1439 Miss P.A. Hill, 1, Mill Wood View, Stannington, Sheffield S6 6FG

BAILEY	Stocksbridge WRY	L19C
GRAHAM	Mattersey NTT	c1900
HACKFORD	Tickhill WRY	pre 1900
HILL	Deepcar WRY	pre 1900
PENN(E)Y	Tickhill WRY	pre 1900
WAITE	Fishlake WRY	c1700

O/S163 Mrs J.H. Moorwood, Zugspitzstr. 26, 82054, Sauerlach, Germany

DUXBURY	Darwen LAN	All
HINDLE	Huddlesdon LAN	pre 1700
HOLDEN	Haslingden LAN	pre 1700
MOORWOOD	Norton/Dronfield DBY	c1700
MOREWOOD	Bradfield SYK	pre 1700
WARD	Mellor LAN	pre 1830
WARD	Preston LAN	1890-1914
WHEWELL	Darwen LAN	c1800
WHEWELL	Bolton LAN	pre 1800

O/S171 Mr D.J. Plume, 32, Arizona Crescent, White Rock, Cairns, Queensland

4868, Australia

ASHBY	Bolsterstone WRY	pre 1808
DRABBLE	Bradfield WRY	pre 1800
ELLIOT	Bradfield WRY	pre 1800
ELLISON	Bolsterstone WRY	pre 1830
GRAYSON	Bolsterstone WRY	pre 1750
HALL	Bolsterstone WRY	pre 1786
HATTERSLEY	Bolsterstone WRY	pre 1820
HELLIWELL	Bolsterstone WRY	pre 1885
JACKSON	Bolsterstone WRY	pre 1800
RONKSLEY	Bradfield WRY	pre 1820

1444 Mrs G. Huntingford, South Lea, Mawles Lane, Shipton-u-Wychwood,

Oxfordshire OX7 6DA

DARLEY	Conisborough WRY	c 1850
FARRAH	Hull ERY	c 1790
HARTLEY	Wadworth, Doncaster WRY	E 1800
WILSON	Market Weighton YKS	c 1850

O/S172 Mrs M. Snedden, 13656, Coleraine Dr., Bolton, Ontario, Canada

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BARRATT	Sheffield WRY	1827+
DEACON	Sheffield WRY	1798+
GARNETT	Sheffield WRY	1827+
JACKSON	Sheffield WRY	pre 1827+
GRIFFIN	Leigh STS	pre 1831+
LOWE	Eccleshall STS	pre 1813+
WALKER	Leigh STS	pre 1813+

O/S170, Mrs S.B. Mahar, 43, Weka Street, Christchurch, New Zealand 4

EATON	Ecclesfield WRY	pre 1817
EATON	Sheffield WRY	pre 1920
HEPPENSTALL	Ecclesfield WRY	pre 1752
HEPPENSTALL	Sheffield WRY	pre 1854
MALLAM	Gringley on Hill NTT	pre 1678
MALEHAM	Retford NTT	pre 1720
MALEHAM	Ravenfield WRY	pre 1742
MALEHAM	Thorpe Salvin WRY	pre 1811
MALEHAM	Rotherham WRY	pre 1850
PRESCOTT	Surbiton SRY	pre 1898
YEOMANS	Buxton DBY	pre 1717
YEOMANS	Sheffield WRY	pre 1900

1443 Mr J. Hartley, 12, Coniston Ave., Spondon, Derby DE21 7LE

BOREBANK	West Hallam DBY	1650+
BOREBANK	Toronto, Ontario, Canada	1885+
DERBYSHIRE	West Hallam DBY	1650+
HARTLEY	St. Albans HRT	pre 1873
HARTLEY	West Hallam DBY	1873+
HOLLINGWORTH	West Hallam DBY	1650+
KING	Sheffield YKS	1900+
MARTIN	West Hallam DBY	1700+

1438 Mr N. Froggatt, Woodland Garden, Garras, Helston, Cornwall TR12 6LN

CRESWICK	Bradfield WRY	1700+
CRESWICK	Stocksbridge WRY	1700+
FROGGATT	Rotherham WRY	1700-1800
FROGGATT	Stocksbridge WRY	1800-1900
FROGGATT	Bradford WRY	1870-1930
HEY	Stocksbridge WRY	1750-1900
HEY	Manchester LAN	1920-1950
MOORHOUSE	Stocksbridge WRY	1750-1900
OXLEY	Stocksbridge WRY	c 1750
SOUTHWELL	Rotherham WRY	c 1800
WOODCOCK	Stocksbridge WRY	c 1790

O/S 174 Mr R. Oliver, Arturo Baldasano, 15-3E, 28043 Madrid, Spain

BONSOR	Wadsley Bridge YKS	1700-1750
BROOKES	Sheffield YKS	1800-1850
CARR	Wadsley Bridge YKS	1700-1800
GOLDEN	Rotherham YKS	1750-1800
KENT	Ecclesall Bierlow YKS	1800-1850

1448 Mrs S. Clayton-Drabble, 6, Blenheim Way, Market Harborough, Leicestershire

LE16 7LQ

CLAYTON	Sheffield YKS	E 1900
DRABBLE	Sheffield YKS	E 1900
DRABBLE	Caunton NTT	E-M 1900
DRABBLE	Middleton Youlgrave DBY	c 1907
DRABBLE	Newark NTT	1930on
LEWIS	Sheffield YKS	c 1925
SLACK	Newark NTT	c 1932

1441 Mrs S. Corboy, 36, Coniston Road, Worthing, West Sussex BN12 6JT

CORBOY	All	+1845
FOLLEY	All	+1845
HOGWOOD	All	Any
STODDARD	All	Any

O/S 169 Mr M.A. Robinson, 466, Doncaster Road, Doncaster, Victoria 3108.

		<u>Australia</u>
EASTWOOD	Ault Hucknall DBY	1720-1820
HAWKE	Darnall WRY	1810+
HENSTOCK	Ashover DBY	1800+
HILLER	Sheffield WRY	1820+
ROBINSON	Glossop DBY	1825-1855
WHITAKER	Chesterfield DBY	1866+

1440 Mr O. Simmonite, 34, Caswell St. Llanelli, Carmarthenshire SA15 1BS

SIMMONITE	Sheffield	18 - 20C
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BAPTISM IN THE MAYFIELD VALLEY

The following extract is taken from a small booklet written to commemorate the centenary of the Mayfield Wesleyan Reform Chapel at Fulwood, Sheffield.

There was no church in Mayfield, or for that matter in Fulwood, for many centuries and local children had to be taken out of the area to be baptised. Many children were taken over the moors to Hathersage Church for baptism. (Whiteley Wood chapel and Fulwood Old Chapel were built in the 18th century, Christ Church in 1837 and Mayfield Wesleyan Reform Chapel in 1896). An old Mayfield Chapel member, Joe Twigg, who was born in 1886 recalled that when he was young "every six months or so the children of the valley were all gathered together and taken to Hathersage in a cart and baptised in a bunch." (as related in *More of the Mayfield Valley* by Muriel Hall)

WADSLEY CHURCH BAZAAR 1926

The Society has been given a small book by Mrs J. Hannan, 70, Taikata Road, Te Atatu Peninsular, Waitakere City, Auckland, New Zealand. The book, entitled "Bazaar 1926, Recipes and Quotations" belonged to an old family friend of Mrs Hannan's named Miss Winifred Beattie. Miss Beattie, a resident of Sheffield, went to live in New Zealand in the 1920's.

The book starts with an account of the history of Wadsley Church. The names of church officials are given as well as those of many residents who were involved in the Bazaar as, for example, stall holders or contributors of recipes or quotations. There are also many advertisements for local firms.

The society would like to express its thanks to Mrs Hannan for her gift which can be consulted in the Society library.

CALL TO ARMS (Continued)

LIST OF EMPLOYEES (*continued*).

NAME.	RANK.	REGIMENT.
Felton, A.	Signaller	3rd York and Lancs.
Fletcher, N.	Private	South Staffs. Regt.
Foulds, A. T.	Private	242nd Infnt. Battalion.
Frith, L.	Private	14th D.L.I.
Froggatt, G.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Frost, B. E.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Gill, S.	3rd A/M.	R.A.F.
Gillott, F.	3rd A/M.	R.A.F.
Goodwin, F.	Private	1/5th York and Lancs.
Goodworth, F.	Private	M.G.C.
Green, H.	Gunner	R.G.A.
Green, L.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Greenfield, E.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Guest, H.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Hall, G. F.	Private	3rd Leicesters.
Hall, J. C.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Haley, G.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Hanson, W. H.	Private	4th York and Lancs.
Hampson, P.	Private	R.A.F.
Hargreaves, P.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Harris, J.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Harrison, A.	Private	K.O.Y.L.I.
Hartley, S.	Private	East Lancs.
Hartley, H.	Private	1st N.F.
Hayes, Z.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Hayward, Owen.	Private	3rd Duke of Wellingtons.
Head, P.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Hearne, B.	Private	4th York and Lancs.
Heester, M. V.	Gunner	Belguim Army.
Hick, E.	A. B.	R.N.
Hickling, C. F.	Private	4th York and Lancs.
Hickman, J. W.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Hill, C. W.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Hill, Godfrey.	Private	3rd Duke of Wellingtons.
Himan, A.	Gunner	R.G.A.
Hinchcliffe, W. T.	A.B.	R.N.
Hotchin, G.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Horner, E.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Jennings, C.	Gunner	R.G.A.
Jenkinson, W. J.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Jenkinson, H.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Jepson, L.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Johnson, S.	Private	1/6 West Yorkshire Regt.
Jones, F.	Private	1st K.O.Y.L.I.
Jones, G. F.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Keyworth, H.	Private	M.G.C.
King, C.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.
Lambert, A. G.	Cadet	R A.F.
Lanchashire, G. R.	1st A/M.	R.A.F.
Land, G. W.	Private	3rd York and Lancs.

THE JOURNEY TO WORK IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Following the success of the Residential Histories Project which owed a great deal to the assistance provided by large numbers of family historians, we have recently begun work on a new research project. A summary of the findings from the migration project was sent to your society and should have been published recently. We hope that you found this of interest. The new project has developed out of the migration project and is funded for three years by the Leverhulme Trust. The study focuses on women and men who began work between 1890 and 1990 in seven parts of the country, namely: London; Manchester and Salford; Glasgow; Cardiff; Leicester; Norwich and Aberdeen. Although we are interested in people who began work in these specific areas, we are interested in their details regardless of where they moved for work in later life. We are collecting information on occupational history, residential history and the journey to work for all people included in the study.

Your Family History Society has kindly allowed us to place this request in your magazine as a way of contacting family historians who may be able to provide us with information on individuals who began work in these areas in this period. If you have information (or know of other people who may be able to help) we would like to hear from you. It would be particularly helpful if you could tell us how many people you are able to provide information for. Once you have contacted us, we will send you forms, detailed instructions and a stamped-addressed envelope for their return.

We must emphasize that any information which is provided will be used only for the purposes of academic research and confidentiality will be strictly maintained in future publications. In addition to other publications, we will be happy to write a short piece for your magazine so that you will know the outcome of the research.

IF YOU THINK YOU CAN HELP WITH THE PROJECT IN ANY WAY PLEASE CONTACT JEAN TURNBULL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AT THE ADDRESS GIVEN BELOW. FOLLOWING YOUR LETTER OR TELEPHONE CALL SHE WILL SEND YOU FORMS AND DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS. IF YOU WISH TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US.

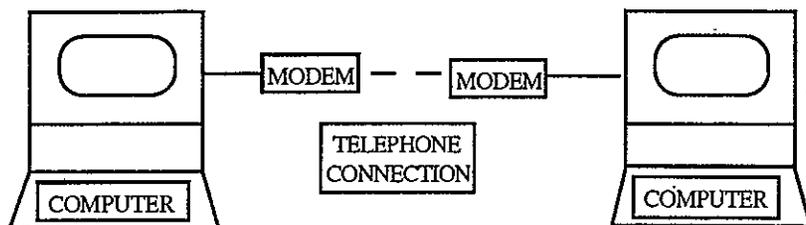
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SHEFFIELD CHORISTERS ON TOUR TO CANADA

(Continued)

A Guide to Part of the Internet

(In the last issue) I mentioned the use of electronic mail, usually abbreviated to e-mail, computers and Compuserve. By way of explanation you need to be aware that two distant computers can be connected by means of a normal telephone link providing each has an intervening gadget called a modem (short for MODulator and DEModulator for which there is a price range from £90-£180).



These connect via a locally bought, two way splitter to the modern telephone junction box in your house although you can't use the modem and the telephone simultaneously. Each computer has a special set of instructions or program bought from the service provider. In my case it is Compuserve at a charge of £6.85 per month plus the LOCAL call charge, for all destinations anywhere in the world, each time I use the arrangement. It is very useful for a near instantaneous exchange of messages if you and your correspondent are typing on your keyboards at the same time - not forgetting that 11.00 pm in the UK is about 6.00 pm in New York on the same day but 11.00 am the next day in Sydney! It is all very much quicker than the normal postal service for Family Historians.

More 1908 Choir members

Miss M.R. Cooper	Single	Mr S.B. Dann	Single
Mr C.E. Coward	Single	Mr F.K. Day	Married
Miss Eleanor Coward	Single	Mrs F.K. Day	Married
Miss Elsie Coward	Single	Miss M. Draper	Single
Miss F.Winifred Coward	Single	Mr T. Eames	Single
Miss A.A.Cowlishaw	Single	Miss F. Edwards	Single
Mr Alfred Craven	Married	Miss F. England	Single
Mrs Alfred Craven	Married	Miss Ida Farrar	Single
Miss Stephaine Craven	Single	Miss H.E. Fentem	Single
Mr Kenneth Curwen	Single	Mr H. Firth	Single

Mr F.W. Flemming	Single	Mrs E. Johnson	Married
Miss K. Frankish	Single	Mr A.W. Jones	Single
Miss R.A. Frost	Single	Miss B. Kaye	Single
Miss M.E. Furniss	Single	Mr F. Kershaw	Single
Mr W.T. Furniss	Single	Mrs A. King	Married
Mr W.H.B. Gale	Single	Miss Isa T.King	Single
Miss E.A. Genders	Single	Mr W. King Jr.	Single
Mr F.H. Genders	Single	Mr H. Lambert	Single
Miss G Gibson	Single	Mr R. Laverick	Single
Mr F Goodison	Single	Mr J.H. Lawson	Married
Mr E.J. Gowers	Single	Mrs J.H. Lawson	Married
Miss M Grant	Single	Miss A. Lawton	Single
Mr T.H. Gray	Married	Mr H.W. Leail?	Single
Miss F.L. Green	Single	Mr H.W. Lenil?	Single
Mr J Greenhalgh	Married	Mrs - Leverton	Married
Mrs J Greenhalgh	Married	Mrs - Levick	Married
Miss E.E. Gregory	Single	Mr R.F.W. Liddle Jr.	Single
Miss H.P. Hall	Single	Miss I.M. Lister	Single
Miss G Harris	Single	Mr Jas. Maclaurin	Single
Miss A.A. Harrison	Single	Miss M.J. Matthouse	Single
Mr - Harrop	Single	Mr J.W. Marriott	Married
Miss Mary Hartley	Single	Miss May Martin	Single
Miss M. Hassall	Single	Mr Thos. Maudsley	Single
Mr James Hastings	Single	Miss E. Meek	Single
Miss F.Haynes	Single	Miss R. Mellor	Single
Mrs H.H.Heeley	Single	Miss M.G. Millar	Single
Mr H.D. Hellewill	Single	Mr W.S. Milligan	Single
Mr G.H. Hemsoll	Married	Mr T. Milnes	Single
Mrs G.H. Hemsoll	Married	Miss A. Morgan	Single
Mr J. Hirst	Married	Miss - Mosley	Single
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Mr O. Howard	Married	Miss E.S. Nadin	Single
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(From R.M. Bunting)

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THE LOXLEYS OF HALLAMSHIRE

No research into the Loxley family would be complete without some background perspective on the history of this area of South Yorkshire. The Saxon Earl, Waltheof, on his marriage in 1070 to the daughter of William the Conqueror's half-sister, Judith, became Lord of the Manor of Hallam. On his death she subinfeudated it to Roger de Busli, a Norman Knight and one of the retinue of the Duke of Normandy. In the Domesday Book of 1086, Hallamshire is noted as the Manor of 'Hallun', ten leuvas long and eight wide - the 'leuva' was probably a little more than a mile. The first mention of Bradfield, as a village in the Manor of Hallam, seems to be in 1188.

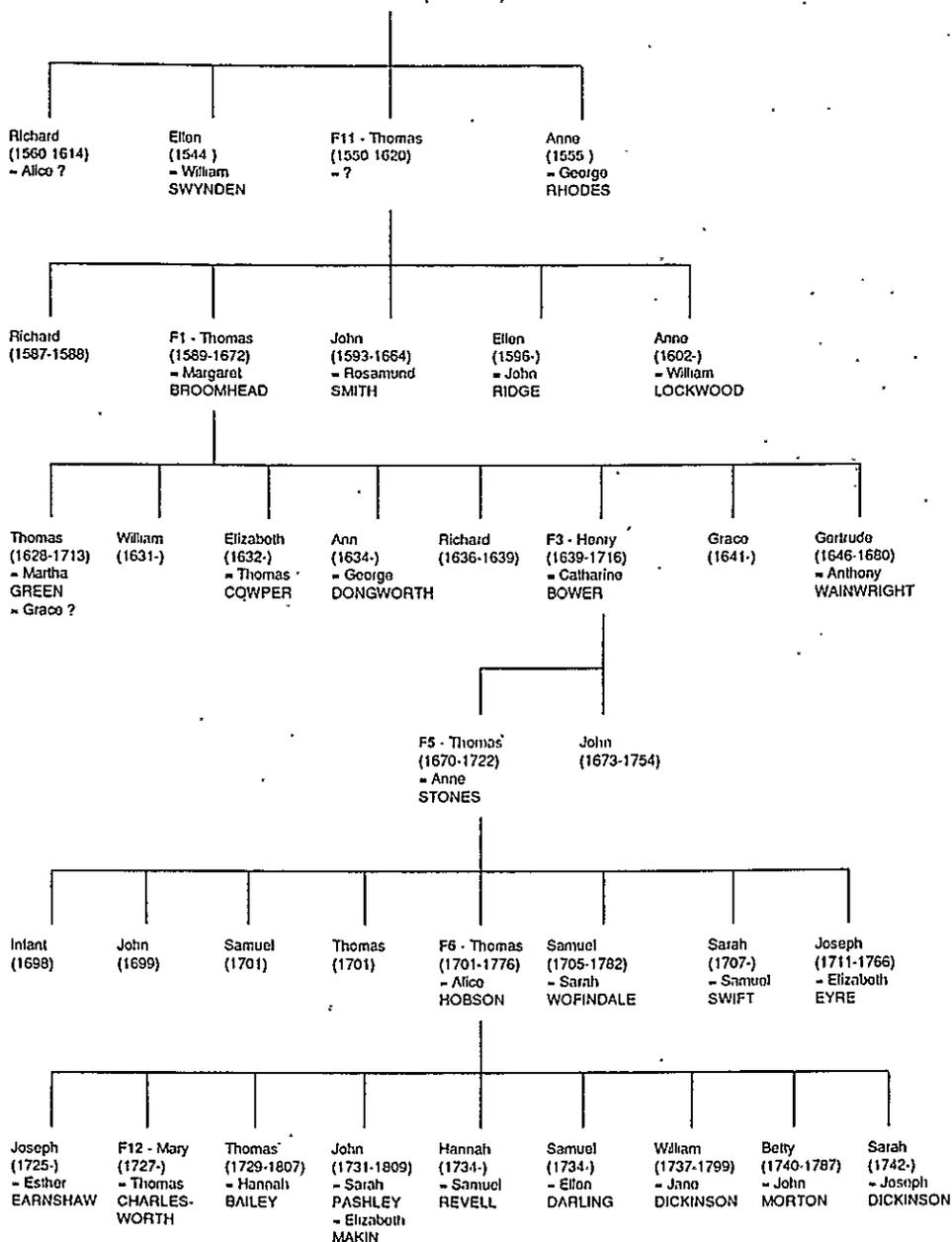
The extensive ancient parishes of Sheffield and Ecclesfield, including the chapelry of Bradfield, formed this Manor of Hallamshire. Situated in Bradfield Parish is Loxley Chase, the Lord of the Manor's hunting grounds, which could be considered then as the North Western extremity of the Nottinghamshire forests. From about 1100, Hallamshire was held by the de Lovetots, who had come from Huntingdonshire where they already had large estates. The Hallamshire de Lovetot family ended with a daughter, who married Gerard de Furnival, whose name came from Fernefal in Normandy.

Thomas de Lokeslay was assessed under Bradfield for the Yorkshire Lay Subsidy of 1378, and afterwards his son, John, who held the same land in Bradfield, was Reeve of Bradfield in 1417 and (or his son) in 1439 and 1443. The published records of Huntingdonshire refer to land held there by Robertus de Lokeslay in 1242, to Thomas de Lockely in 1247, and to Rogerus de Lovetot in 1247. Roger was Sheriff of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire from 1255 to 1248, so as officers of the Lord of the Manor, the Bradfield Loxleys were granted land in Huntingdonshire. This is probably the basis of our family tradition of descendancy from Lord Loxley, Earl of Huntingdon.

The place name of Loxley is not unique to Yorkshire. There are records of them in Staffordshire and Surrey but only one, Loxley in Warwickshire, survives as a village to this day. The name is derived from Locc's Leah, meaning Locc's forest glade, and his name is said to occur on late Saxon coins. It is not a common name and the earliest known use, as a surname, is in Bradfield and Stratford-upon-Avon. These share the same spelling LOXLEY, from the sixteenth century, with the only other common variant LOCKSLEY to be found in Cheshire. There appears to be other connections between the Loxleys, of all these counties, through extending ownership of estates by marriage.

Maud, widow of a later Gerard de Furnival, married as her second husband William Beauchamp, Earl of Warwick, who died in 1298. Thomas Lord Furnival, who died in 1332, married as his second wife Elizabeth, daughter of

F120 - Richard LOXLEY
(1520-1560)



Sir Peter Montford, of Beaudesert Castle, Warwickshire. The village of Loxley, in Warwickshire, is only a few miles from Stratford-upon-Avon. In 1199, Basilia de Lolele granted that the church of Loxley should remain to the Priory of Stone, in Staffordshire, as her father Robert Fitz Odo, Lord of the Manor, had given it, but in 1253 her husband gave it to Kenilworth. There is still a Loxley Hall between Stone and Uttoxeter. Both Bradfield and Loxley parish churches are named after St. Nicholas, and erected in the early twelfth century.

On the 7th May, 1540, Hallamshire was passed to Henry VIII and in 1558, Queen Mary returned it to the Knights Hospitallers of Jerusalem who had initially received it from William de Lovetot in the reign of Henry I. The land became invested in the Earls of Shrewsbury during the reign of Elizabeth I. The earliest surviving parish record that I know of, concerning the Loxley family, is that of the marriage of John Loxley to Agnes Hudson on the 4th February 1559/60, at St. Nicholas Church, Bradfield, at the beginning of her reign.

Rycharde de Loxley is a direct descendant of Thomas de Lokeslay, the bailiff of Bradfield in 1399. His pedigree, with references to all the manuscripts consulted, is included in 'An account of the Loxleys of Hallamshire', by Fredric Loxley Preston in 1967, held by the Local Studies Section of the Sheffield City Library reference 929.2 LOXL SST. It includes an introductory chapter on the connection with Robertus de Lokesaly, the reputed 'Robin Hood' of Sherwood Forest.

My interest in, and connection with, the Loxley family is through my paternal grandmother Grace Beatrice Charlesworth - another Yorkshire name. Her great-great-grandfather was said to have married a Mary Loxley, from Wellgate in Rotherham. It was only through the researches of Fredric Preston, and another distant cousin Kathleen Hatton, that the relationship was proven in the 1980's. Mary, the daughter of Thomas Loxley of Potter Hill Farm, Ecclesfield, had married a Charlesworth according to Thomas's will in 1776. The first children of this marriage had been baptised at Nether Independent Chapel, Sheffield, and subsequent children at Masbrough Independent Chapel, Rotherham. Hence the move from Ecclesfield to Rotherham and the reason why no Loxley connection was found there previously.

Confirmation of the marriage between Mary and Thomas Charlesworth was not found until I had searched all the local registers for the relevant period. This underlines the need to check with the originals as one printed transcript gave the surname Coxley and another had related Thomas Charlesworth to the spouse on the following marriage entry of the register! The marriage had been at Sheffield Cathedral on 25th November, 1753, but as it was before the use of standard forms it did not give any details of witnesses or parents. This however did confirm that it was a Thomas Charlesworth, not Joseph as family records implied, and that the non-conformist baptisms of the children matched this

marriage as no other had been found.

For some reason Fredric Preston had not identified Thomas Loxley's family with any of the entries in the Ecclesfield Parish Register. Perhaps he thought that they were also non-conformist or had been born outside Hallamshire as Thomas had inherited Potter Hill after all his children were born. It seems unlikely to me that Thomas, a churchwarden of Ecclesfield in 1752, did not have his children baptised there. He was probably born in Ecclesfield and practised his trade of carpenter within the area. Fredric Preston's correspondence, with Kathleen Hatton, gave the clue that John Loxley, the previous tenant of Potter Hill farm, could have been his father or an uncle. John's elder brother, also named Thomas, had all his children baptised at Ecclesfield but there was some conflict over the dates recorded by different researchers and not all burials had been noted.

Memorial inscriptions can usually provide more information on family relationships and places of residence so I was fortunate to obtain a copy of the list of Loxley burials, at Ecclesfield Parish Church, from Geoffrey Levesley. This helped me to trace back the occupiers of Potter Hill farm to a son of Thomas Loxley, the elder brother of John, and therefore John's nephew. My task was then to prove descent from Thomas, son of Henry, and not from John, his younger brother. To verify this I needed to closely examine the Ecclesfield Parish Register, and not a transcript, to see if John married and had issue to confirm dates of baptisms, and to check all burial records of these generations. In doing this I decided to transcribe all records associated with the Loxleys and compare my findings with the family tree drawn up by Fredric Preston.

Although I cannot be sure about all my conclusions, I am now reasonably convinced that Thomas Loxley of Doroyd was also the Thomas who became the tenant of Potter Hill farm on the Duke of Norfolk's estate. Specifically:

1. It is unlikely that two brothers, Thomas and John, the sons of Henry Loxley, had the same number of children with the same names in the same sequence, albeit a few estimated years apart.
2. Only one family, of Thomas Loxley, was baptised at that time in Ecclesfield, the other births are not recorded in nearby parishes and neither is John's marriage or any children of John.
3. Only one Thomas, baptised 18th November, 1701, survived infancy in Ecclesfield in that period and he was the son of Thomas, of Doroyd, the elder son of Henry.
4. Thomas, son of Thomas, was Churchwarden of Ecclesfield in 1743, a year after his youngest daughter Sarah was baptised, as well as in 1752. The Parish Register enabled me to compare copies of the actual signatures.
5. Betty, Thomas's daughter baptised in 1740, married John Morton of Rotherham in 1761 and was referred to as Elizabeth in Thomas's will. Both

Betty and William, who was apprenticed as a filemaker, were children of Thomas of Doroyd and therefore also of Thomas of Potter Hill.

6. The eldest son of Thomas, Joseph, took the tenancy of Doroyd and that is why his younger, not older, brother Thomas had Potter Hill from his uncle John who died in 1754, without known issue.

7. Thomas, son of Thomas of Doroyd, married Alice Hobson in 1725. Her burial record states: Alice, wife of Thomas of Potter Hill. She was buried at Ecclesfield on 29th December, 1757.

The Loxley pedigree, in respect of the Charlesworth connection, is therefore:

F3 Henry, son of Thomas, baptised in Bradfield 1639, buried Ecclesfield 1716, married Catherine Bower 1669 in Ecclesfield.

F5 Thomas, son of Henry, born in Ecclesfield c1670, buried Ecclesfield 1722, married Anne Stones 1697/8 in Ecclesfield.

F6 Thomas, son of Thomas, baptised in Ecclesfield 1701, buried Ecclesfield 1776, married Alice Hobson 1725 in Ecclesfield.

F12 Mary, daughter of Thomas, baptised in Ecclesfield 1727, married Thomas Charlesworth 1753 in Sheffield Parish Church (now the Cathedral).

The other interesting record found, in my searches, was that of Thomas Charlesworth, baptised at Ecclesfield on 14th February 1727/8, the 'spurious' son of Susannah Charlesworth. Within the same year and at the same place, Grenoside, as Mary Loxley. What are the chances of them being childhood friends and eventually marrying? This is my next task as I explore the Charlesworth, Morton, Aukland and Needham connections in Rotherham!

I now have about 1,000 linked vital records and related information, of the Loxleys of Hallamshire from the sixteenth century up to the start of civil registration, stored on computer. I would be happy to supply personal pedigrees to those descendants, who can supply me with their family history details, so that eventually a comprehensive family tree and history of the Loxleys of Hallamshire can be deposited at Sheffield Archives.

I wish to acknowledge these sources:

St. Nicholas Church, Bradfield, church booklet and parish register.

St. Mary's Church, Ecclesfield, memorial inscriptions and parish register.

Sheffield, Wortley and Tankersley parish registers at Sheffield Archives.

The Cutlers list of apprentices and Trade Directories at Local Studies.

F.L. Preston correspondence and 'Account of the Loxleys of Hallamshire'.

K.M. Hatton correspondence and 'Charlesworth Family History'

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GRAVESTONE INSCRIPTIONS

Whilst most members will be content with the usual sources of information on our ancestors such as St. Catherine's House and parish registers etc. these are insufficient for earlier ancestors. Gravestone inscriptions offer a fascinating and informative source and should not be dismissed lightly. Sometimes the place or even the actual dwelling is mentioned on the headstone. Also, where the parish marriage register might suggest two or more persons with the same name, the headstone reveals it is the same person who has married more than once. Other linked surnames are also given and this information can be quite useful.

I had occasion to notice the five volume Burngreave Cemetery transcriptions recently completed by John Cooper. Although I have no known connection with this cemetery I immediately recognised this work as of major importance, and members would be advised to consult it just in case they learn of anything previously thought to be unlikely. Mr Cooper well deserves the official thanks he has received from the Society.

He follows in the footsteps of other 'intrepid heroes' such as J.J. Glassby and F.S. Hague. Glassby carried out his survey of Sheffield Parish Churchyard in 1894 at the request of Dr. Jackson. The results of his labours can be found in Volume 1050 of the Jackson Collection in Sheffield Archives. This contains 4479 transcriptions beautifully written up in copper-plate and indexed. The following volume 1051 was written up in 1895 and contains 156 inscriptions for Upper Chapel, Norfolk Street, 107 inscriptions for Lower Chapel, Norfolk Street, 1804 inscriptions for St. Paul's (Peace Gardens) and other inscriptions for Attercliffe Chapel-of-Ease. This latter of course contains the remains of some of Sheffield's early important families such as the Fells, Baileys and Brights as well as Benjamin Huntsman.

Mr F.S. Hague was concerned, like Dr. Jackson, at the rapid disappearance of the valuable information contained on the gravestones so, from 1960 to 1962, carried out his "SURVEY OF A CHURCHYARD". The resulting "ECCLESFIELD CHURCHYARD TRANSCRIPTIONS" are in Sheffield Archives no. MD3583. (Four volumes plus index).

No. MD3584A is a numbered plan of the churchyard, and no. 3585 are articles on the churchyard, from the Ecclesfield Parish Magazine. A copy of the "Transcriptions" can be found in Sheffield Local History Studies Library along with the fascinating account of how Mr Hague carried out his survey.

Some of nearby Bradfield gravestone transcriptions can be found in volumes 159 and 160 of the Ronsley Collection. These were transcribed "*sometime in the last fifteen years of the last century*". They are not identical so both volumes need to be consulted.

I understand that a grave plot is now only guaranteed for forty years and can be reused after that time. Garden of Remembrance plaques are now only guaranteed for 25 years and the first ones erected since the rule change about 1970 have already been taken down. Much work remains, therefore, if we are not to lose this valuable source of information altogether.

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