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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 Endcliffe Methodist Church Hall, off Ecclesall Road, Sheffield (near Hunter's Bar) on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7.30pm, during the winter months and excursions are held in the summer. Fortnightly informal meetings are held at the Order of Foresters on Trippet Lane, Sheffield on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 1.30-4pm and 7.30-9.30pm. The Society caters for those parts of South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire which are within convenient travelling distance of Sheffield. The annual subscription is £4 and £5 for joint membership (only 1 Journal).

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31 August
30 November

OUR TENTH ANNIVERSARY

We are officially ten years old this year: ten years that have seen our membership grow tenfold. We can proudly claim to be one of the most active societies in Sheffield. Actually, we all know that we are the most active, but we don't want to boast, do we?

Being family historians we know that official records do not always tell the whole truth. We can trace the ancestry of the society further back than that! It really started in April 1974 when I taught a University extramural course on "How to trace your family tree". In those innocent days I thought five sessions would be enough. Fifty people turned up (including several present members of the Society) and we met again after the summer to see how we were all getting on. The Society grew from that group of people, and like Topsy it just grew and grew.

Family history has no doubt always been a natural human concern. When Thomas Bewick, England's finest wood-engraver, wrote about his early life in the countryside on the south bank of the Tyne in the 1750s and 1760s, he spoke warmly of the old labourer who lived in the cottages round the edge of the common:

"After I left the country, I always felt much pleasure in revisiting them, and over a tankard of ale to listen to their discourse. It was chiefly upon local biography, in which they sometimes traced the pedigree of their neighbours a long way back."

An interest in family history has always been there, but now everyone has a chance to pursue it. Today we are more mobile and have more leisure time, and most important of all we now have numerous record offices with well-qualified staff and microfilm readers to make archives readily available. It is no coincidence that the expansion of such facilities has coincided with the enormous growth of family history societies throughout the land.

As Chairman, I am in a better position than most members to realise just how much hard work individual members of the Society (particularly those on the committee) have put in through the years. Our success is a tribute to their labours. We are in a healthy state and I see no reason why we should not continue to grow steadily. But expanding membership figures do not tell the whole story. We are above all a friendly Society. We look back over the last ten years of the Society's history with real affection.

David Hey
Chairman.

EDITORIAL

As a Society we have just celebrated our Tenth Anniversary. I should like to thank all those members who, over the years, have sent in so much copy for The Flowing Stream. On only one occasion have I had to plead for articles and then I was inundated! Thank you too to all those who have written to say how much they have enjoyed reading the Journal. Your compliments are greatly appreciated. I should like to express a personal thank-you to our retiring Secretary for all the help she has given to me over the years. Although she will be no longer at the helm she will, I hope, continue to give us the benefit of her knowledge and expertise.

In order to ensure that all we print is accurate, may I make a few comments. Firstly, a plea for all names of people and places to be in capital letters in handwritten articles. It can be difficult to decipher handwriting when the names are not known to me. It is also important, because of copyright laws, not to submit the same material to more than one society. If sources of information are not specified in an articles, can they please be listed at the end. They may be of enormous value to other readers. Finally, so far as possible please can members wishing to insert a paragraph in our "Other People's Problems" page write their material in the usual format. If it has to be modified there is always a risk that it will be less accurate.

May I express my thanks to all those who have contributed to this edition of our Journal. Please keep sending your articles, letters, lists and queries.

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Mr.B.H.Knight.

Obituaries

We regret to announce the deaths of Mrs.S.Fleetwood of Grenoside and of Mr.W.J.Westerman of Fleet in Hampshire. Our deepest sympathy is sent to the families of both members.

NEWS AND NOTES

RETIREMENT OF MARGARET FUREY

After ten years as Society Secretary, Margaret has decided to hand over her secretarial duties although she will remain an active and valued member of our committee. As not only a founder member but our founder Secretary we owe her a great debt of gratitude for the work she has put in on our behalf over the years. We hope she will now have time to pursue her own family researches.

RETIREMENT OF ROGER STEVENSON

The Society wishes to express its thanks to Roger for all the hard work he has put into society matters over the years. He became a member of the committee in 1979 and took over as Treasurer in 1981. For four years he worked hard to put the Society on a sound financial footing before handing over to our present treasurer. Although he has resigned from the committee he remains an enthusiastic member of our Society. It is hoped that he will now find more time for his own researches.

BOER WAR RECORDS

Many thanks are given to Mrs.E.Youle of South Australia for her index to the book "Sheffield Men at the Front". The book which can be found in Sheffield Record Office gives the rank and regiment of local men who fought in the Boer War. It also contains photographs of the men and brief biographies of them. The index can be consulted at our Society Library at the Foresters.

CATHEDRAL CHARGES

Sheffield Cathedral's search charges have been increased. The scale of charges is very complex but, simplified, the costs are £4 for the first hour and £3 for each subsequent consecutive hour. Certificates or photocopies of entries can be bought. A nominal fee of £1 is charged for consulting the indexes to the registers at the Cathedral.

THE FOURTH BRITISH FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE

The Fourth British Family History Conference is to be held at the College of Librarianship Wales, Llanbadarn Fawr, Aberystwyth from 21st to 25th August 1987. The programme of lectures will be broadly based but it will contain elements of particular interest and value to those with Welsh ancestry. In addition, the programme of visits will offer an opportunity to see something of the scenery and cultural life of this beautiful part of Wales. The cost of the full conference (including banquet) will be £98. To obtain details of the conference please send S.A.E. or 2 IRCs to The Booking Officer, 4th British FH Conference, 61 Rockes Meadow, Knighton, Powys LD7 1LE.

COLOUR PHOTOCOPYING

The Local Studies Library now has a colour photocopying machine. It will copy pictures under glass, 3D objects, paintings etc. The cost is £2.50 per copy. Details from the kiosk on the ground floor.

NEWS FROM THE FORESTERS

A letter can be seen from the Thames Publishing & Library. Services giving details of their services to those wishing to publish their researches.

Several new microfiches are available:

1. Essex F.H.Society's members' interests and addresses.
2. 1841-1851 census references for Great Britain to enable ordering at the Mormon Library at Greposide.
3. Index of parish registers that have been filmed with film number to enable ordering at the Mormon Library at Grenoside.
4. Family Registry Index 1986 (worldwide) - the Mormon version of our members' interests.

1851 CENSUS OF CHESHIRE

The North Cheshire Family History Society announce their new publication - the 1851 Census of Cheshire, Surname and Street Index, Volume 2: Stockport Registration District covering Central Stockport, Bramhall, Brinnington, Cheadle Bulkeley, Cheadle Moseley, Handforth cum Bosden, Hazel Grove, Norbury, Stockport Etchells and Torkington. Price per copy: £2, (£2.25 posted U.K., £2.50 posted overseas surface, £3.25 overseas airmail. Available from North Cheshire F.H.S., 91 Stretford House, Chapel Lane, Stretford, Manchester M32 9AY.

COCHRANE FAMILY TREE

Will the lady interested in the Cochrane Family Tree please contact the Editor, Mrs.D.Marsden.

1841 CENSUS INDEX - URGENT!

Will the lady who came to the Society stand at the Local History Fair and who had papers connected with the 1841 Census index please contact Mrs.Furey as soon as possible.

A SELECTION FROM VOLUME ONE

To celebrate our 10th Anniversary we have published a selection from Volume One of The Flowing Stream. It is very good value at £1.50 or £1.75 incl. postage and packing, Overseas surface £2, Overseas airmail £2.75. Available from the Society bookstall or by post from Mrs.E.Perkins, 24 Withens Ave, Sheffield S6 1WE. No more than 150 copies were produced of the first editions of The Flowing Stream (indeed only 50 of Vol.1 No.1) so this selection enables more recently joined members to enjoy these early editions.

Y.A.S. FAMILY HISTORY SECTION - ONE DAY CONFERENCE

This is to be held on Saturday 3rd October 1987 at Headingley Pavilion, Yorkshire County Cricket Club, Leeds. The cost is £7.50 including morning coffee, buffet lunch, afternoon tea and biscuits. The programme includes, "So your ancestor was a criminal" by Colin Chapman, "A legend in Lumb Lane" (Non-conformity in 19th Century Bradford) by Dr.Clyde Binfield, "Birth, Marriage and Death in Victorian England" by Miss A.Morrish and "Victorian Ephemera" by Ian Dewhirst. Full details available from Mrs.C.Thackray, F.H.S. Conference, Greenwoods, Reaphirst Road, Birkby, Huddersfield, HD2 2DD.

MRS MARGARET FUREY

Our guest speaker at the March Dinner of the Society said that we "had reached the end of the beginning". In our case that beginning has lasted over ten years and the structure and shape has been established. Our firm foundations will permit expansion and experiment to take place in the future. That the Society is in a position to develop and grow is to a large extent due to the work of our principal officers and especially to Margaret Furey, who resigned as Honorary Secretary at the last Annual General Meeting.

Margaret has been Secretary throughout our history, indeed she was looking after our affairs before we officially came into existence as the Sheffield and District Family History Society. We just cannot allow her to relinquish the post without expressing appreciation of her expertise, thankfulness for the time she has willingly devoted to Society affairs, her encouragement to new members and her unbounded enthusiasm for the pursuit of family history.

We all know any Secretary of a successful voluntary organisation does far more work than the ordinary membership ever sees, or even realises. That part of Margaret's contribution was quite enormous because she did not limit herself to the mere administrative and committee duties of all Secretaries. She was (and thankfully still is!) active and interested in many other aspects of family and local history in general, and our Society's particular contribution to those areas of history in Sheffield and Hallamshire.

Many overseas and out-of-town members have received helpful replies to their enquiries from Margaret, and we should remember that in some family history societies this is a separate job. At times Margaret has wished it were a separate job, when she has received astonishing queries from those who imagined pedigrees of local families for the past four centuries could be despatched by return of post! But in most cases she has 'kept her cool'

though conceding that FHS Secretaries should not be the sort of people who suffer fools gladly.

Committee meetings have been held at Stumperlowe Crescent Road (and thankfully will continue to be held there). This has not only been a congenial place to meet but has saved the Society money, for which we are grateful. And it is good to know Margaret will continue as a committee member; but perhaps now we ordinary members will allow her some free time to pursue her own researches - work which has been limited in recent years by the pressure of Society duties.

Marjorie Dunn has agreed to accept the very demanding secretarial role and we must show her understanding and support as she takes on this at times difficult pivotal position.

It is thanks to Margaret Furey that Marjorie has taken over not a ramshackle outfit but a going concern which will certainly "go places" in its second ten years.

The presentation which has been made to our out-going Secretary is but a small recognition of our appreciation of all she has done for us, and expresses every good wish to her for the future.

Well played Margaret - and Thank You!

THROUGH THE LETTERBOX

68 Norton Lees Road,
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S8 9BZ.

Dear Editor,

I have no doubt that you will receive many letters about the retirement of Mrs. Margaret Furey from the position of Secretary but I would like to write as one of the many who are infrequent attenders at meetings but who have been, from time to time, very glad of advice and help from Mrs. Furey.

Anyone who has been involved in any work of a voluntary nature will appreciate the effort which must have been put into this job and to have built up a membership of 500 is quite remarkable.

All members will join with me in giving sincere thanks to Mrs. Furey and wishing her renewed pleasure in her own researches now that other people's problems have been lifted from her shoulders.

Yours sincerely,
John Unsworth

Stannington Local History Group,
25 Greaves Lane,
Stannington,
Sheffield,
S6 6BB.

Dear Editor,

Do your ancestors come from Stannington?

The Stannington Local History Group has a number of documents and photographs relating to the area and its inhabitants, and being an ardent family historian I would like to build up a collection of family trees (branches and twigs), in fact anything relating to its former inhabitants. Any information we receive would not be for publication. Our archives are not available to members of the public, but I would be prepared to search them for members to see if we have anything relating to their family.

Yours sincerely,

Norma E.Reaney (Mrs)
Archivist

58 Stumperlowe Crescent Road,
Sheffield,
S10 3PR.

Dear Editor,

On Thursday 22nd January I received a letter which made me very cross. As you know we have issued several warnings to members about using some firms of searchers. One in particular has been the cause of complaint by members for its huge charges and the 'padding' used to persuade clients that they are getting an informative letter full of value. Now I know how they go about things. The letter I received, or rather the printed form, ran as follows:

Searcher: Mrs.E.M.Furey (and my address)
Case: Hawksley
Date Sent: 13.1.87
Remarks & queries: Please could you check your index for any Hawksley marriages.

There was no reply paid envelope, and no suggestion that our Society might care to charge a handsome fee for my time and effort. There are 13 volumes in the marriage index and although I will search for a specific name over a period of about 10 years, on receipt of an S.A.E., I think it quite shameless that the firm in question imagines that I shall give my services free for its handsome profit.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Furey

SOCIETY MEETINGS

The January meeting was cancelled because of adverse weather conditions.

A.G.M.on Thursday 19th February 1987

The Annual General Meeting was held at 7.30pm. Mrs.Margaret Furey gave her last Secretary's report before retiring after 10 years as Society Secretary. Mrs.Marjorie Dunn has taken over the position of Secretary. The committee was re-elected and Mr.Richard Wardale was elected to fill the vacancy left by the retirement of Mr.Roger Stevenson. The Treasurer indicated that we are in a healthy financial position and Miss Sue Graves has taken over as Programme Secretary. Anyone not at the meeting who would like to see a copy of our financial report should contact Mrs.E.M.Allen. After the A.G.M. members were treated to a talk by Mr.Colin Chapman.

"Your ancestor was a Criminal" by Colin Chapman.

Mr.Colin Chapman gave a clear and detailed account of precisely what constituted a criminal, i.e. one who commits a crime. A crime was an act committed or omitted in violation of a public law. He was not concerned with wrongs of a private nature only those of a public type. Crimes come under various headings each of which he listed in detail:

- a) injury to God and religion
- b) transgressing the law of nations
- c) affecting the power of the state
- d) infringing the rights of the public
- e) derogating from the rights and duties of individuals

The book "Complete English Lawyer" published in 1823 lists many of the crimes for which ancestors were punished. There is much detail about criminals amongst Quarter Session records. Generally Quarter Session records are in County Record Offices. West Riding criminal records are kept at Wakefield and Derbyshire Quarter Session records are at Matlock Record Office. Assize records are in the PRO according to the circuit. At parish level, constables' records are in the form of account books where small offences are mentioned.

10th Anniversary Dinner 28th March 1987

60 members, family and friends gathered at the Hallam Tower Post House Hotel to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of our Society. After a sherry reception we enjoyed an excellent dinner followed by a short speech by Dr.David Hey, our Chairman. A plant arrangement was presented to Mrs.Margaret Furey, our retiring Secretary. Our guest speaker, Mrs. Penny Pattinson gave us an entertaining speech after which she was given an arrangement of orchids. Guests then retired to the private bar and were able to see a magic lantern show provided by Bob Dunn, or to chat to friends. It was a memorable evening enjoyed by all.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Saturday 13th June 1987

A coach trip has been arranged to Styal Country Park, Quarry Mill and Little Moreton Hall. The cost of the coach is £5 each. For further details see Sue Graves or complete a booking form available at The Foresters.

Thursday 16th July 1987

Visit to The Manor House, Manor Lane, Sheffield. Meet there at 6.50pm prompt for 7.00pm. Pauline Beswick will show us round.

Tuesday 27th October 1987

A coach trip has been arranged for London, to visit St.Catherine's House, Somerset House (wills) and the PRO on Portugal Street (Census Returns). The cost is £5. For further details please see Sue Graves or complete booking form available at meetings or at The Foresters.

OTHER PEOPLE'S PROBLEMS

Mr.K.Shireby, "Hatchways", Castle Hill, Brenchley, nr. Tonbridge, Kent is seeking information on his BURKINSHAW ancestors. There is a family forname SPURLEY (SPURLIN) of SPURLEY (SPURLIN) that is repeated through the years:

BURKINSHAW
SPURLEY (SPURLIN)

MOUR

SWALLOW

HOUGHLAND

1. A Spurlin Burkinshaw (1637-1729 Wortley) was married at Silkstone in 1659 to Mary MOUR. Their children were Abigail 1661, Thomas 1663 and Richard 1665. All were baptised at Tankersley.
2. A Richard Burkinshaw was married in Sheffield in 1725 to Mary SWALLOW. Their children were George 1726, Richard 1728, Spurley 10 March 1736 and Easther 1737. All were baptised in Sheffield.
3. A George Burkinshaw (son of Joseph) was baptised in Wortley in 1809. In 1834 George married Betty HOUGHLAND at Silkstone. Their son Spurley Burkinshaw was born in 1837. He died in 1882 and is buried in Wadsley Churchyard.

Mr.Shireby would like to find a connection between the three groups. He would also like to find the birth of Betty Houghland. She was born in Thurgoland about 1812 and buried there in 1856.

SIMPSON
ROWLEY

Miss P.Joynes, 6 Oaklands, Stakeford, Choppington, Northumberland NE62 5LG is seeking information on the SIMPSON family. Peter Simpson was born in Dublin and his wife Mary ROWLEY was born in Retford in the early years of the 19th century. A daughter Lowry (Laurie) was born in Spain and a son Joseph was said to be born on a ship coming from Spain in 1854. The records state that he was born in Sheffield. Five brothers died and were buried in a small churchyard in Attercliffe of which no records remain.

FELL

Mr.Rodney Bradshaw, 35 The Drive, Leeds LS16 6BQ is seeking the second marriage of Edwin FELL born 1838 in Sheffield and died 5th Dec 1909 at Ecclesall Bierlow Workhouse Infirmary. In 1883 he was Manager and Secretary with Mappin and Webb and living at 225, Victoria Road, Heeley according to Kelly's and White's.

FROST

Edwin's first marriage was to Sarah Ann Frost (born 1839) in 1860 and they had 4 children, George E.(1862), Gertrude (1864), Clara Maud (1866) and Thomas (1869)

DAVIES

His second marriage was to Ellen Davies. Their son Arnold Edwin Davies Fell was born on 29th Dec 1891 at 15 Ratcliffe Road, Ecclesall Bierlow. Alas this house was empty at the time of the 1891 Census. Arnold is believed to have been in Cottage Homes when aged 12. Ellen is believed to have died a few years later.

Mr.Bradshaw is unable to locate the marriage at St.Catherine's or at Sheffield Register Office for 1887 to 1891 covering Sheffield Cathedral and Register Offices at Sheffield, Wortley and Ecclesall. Bierlow. Also there is no record at Sheffield of a death for Ellen Fell from 1892 to 1896.

Edwin is believed to have been organist and choir-master at St.Paul's Norton Lees Church when younger. Ellen's father was possibly a Bishop. Any information on this family would be very much appreciated.

FLETCHER
MILLIARD
BROWN

Mrs.B.Payne, Unit 7 "Phoenix Rise", 40 King St, Buderim, 4556 Queensland, Australia is now able to add further detail to her entry in Vol.6 No.4 "Other People's Problems". Samuel FLETCHER married Ann MILLIARD (b.1823). Charles BROWN was born at Tickhill, Yorks (1871 Census). Sarah Brown was born at Filishelf/Wirksworth, Derbyshire (1871

GUEST
FLETCHER
BIELBY
BROWN

Census). Their granddaughters Blanche (b1864) and Thirza (b1866) GUEST married respectively Thomas FLETCHER and Robert BIELBY. The parents of Blanche and Thirza Guest were John (b1839) and Eliza (b1841) Guest nee BROWN. Blanche and Thirza had an older sister Florence Guest (b1861).

WALTON

Mr.M.J.Walton, 113 Grampion Road, Aberdeen, AB1 3EH is seeking information on Benjamin WALTON bpt 17 Dec 1822 place unknown son of Joseph Walton. Benjamin was married on 24 Mar 1845 at Silkstone to Sarah GAUNT. They were resident at Thurgoland. They moved to Sheffield c1870 and lived variously at 16 Brunswick Road, 24 Danville Street and 35 Buckenham Road.

MURFIN
HIBBART/HIBBERT

Mrs.Betty Landrock, 1 Hindover Crescent, Seaford, Sussex, BN25 3NP is looking for any information regarding the families of Elizabeth MURFIN and Samuel HIBBART/HIBBERT who were married at All Saints, Derby on 11th Oct 1805. She is also looking for the forbears of Hannah HEARNshaw who married George MARPLES at Baslow, Derbyshire on 6th Sept 1804: all four are her great great grandparents.

HEARNshaw
MARPLES

P.M.Hopper, 16 Brockswood Lane, Welwyn Garden City, Herts AL8 7BG is seeking information on the following people:

FOWLER
MARSH
SIMPSON
MARSH
WARRINGTON
MARSH

Ann FOWLER who married John MARSH at the Parish Church 1st April 1793
Sarah SIMPSON who married James MARSH at the Parish Church on 25th March 1816.
Elizabeth WARRINGTON who married John MARSH at the Parish Church 20th Jan 1839. She was the daughter of William Warrington then resident in Orchard St. The only baptism found in Sheffield and nearby parishes is of Eliza Warrington, daughter of Sarah Warrington spinster on 2 July 1815 at the Parish Church. All the census returns show her as born in Sheffield.
John Marsh, shoemaker who married the above Ann Fowler on 1st April 1793. There is no suitable entry on the 1851 or 1871 Census. There are two baptisms in the parish register about 1772/3.

settlement
certificates
COLLEY

Caroline Hayes, 3 College Road, Brighton BN2 1JA would like to know if anyone researching settlement certificates in Sheffield finds one relating to William COLLEY, papermaker, moving to Bolton or anywhere else in the early 19th century.

Union Workhouse,
Sheffield.
Springfield Sch.
Dr.Barnardo's.

Mrs.S.M.Francis, 14 Bryngwastad Road, Gorseinon, Swansea SA4 2XG, W.Glamorgan would like to know if anyone knows of any records of past inmates for 1896 in the Union Workhouse, Sheffield. Also are there any records of pupils of Springfield School and was there a Dr.Barnardo's House in Sheffield in 1908. Mrs.Francis would like to contact any member currently researching any of the above items.

OFFERS OF HELP

GOARD/GOURD Mrs.V.Terry, 12 Mount Ave, Harold Park, Romford, Essex RM3 ODE has an overall chart from 1666 onwards for the name GOARD (variant GOURD), origins in Cornwall and Devon. She also has an index from the General Register of all male and female Goard births, marriages and deaths 1837-1958. Please enclose S.A.E. with any enquiry.

BLENCOWE Mrs.J.Dud.bridge,16 Darwin Court, Gloucester Ave,
BLINCOWE London NW1 7BG collects Blencowe and variants
BLENCO references worldwide and has many references, wills
BLINCO etc and other manuscripts pertaining to the name. She is very willing to assist anyone interested in the name if given pertinent details. She would also like to receive any information to augment her files. Please enclose S.A.E. with any enquiry.

Census for Mrs.R.Clark, 19 Arden St, New Mills, Stockport,
New Mills SK12 4NS offers to help any member with an interest in a family who lived in New Mills at any time. Her local Society is obtaining the full census for the town 1841-81 so the information will be easily available without travelling.

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY

Recent Journals from other Family History Societies.
English Genealogical Congress selected papers 1978-1984.
Local History Magazine.
Domesday Exhibition Guide.
Birmingham & Midland Members' Interests July-Dec 1986.
Devon Members' Interests 1986.
Gloucestershire Index to Vols 13-24.

1841 CENSUS RETURN INDEX FOR SHEFFIELD

Now that we have completed the 1841 Census Return Index, I think it is time for a few comments and reminders.

According to White's Directory for that year, the population of the town was about 110,200 souls. Of these 67,902 were in Sheffield Township, 20,882 in Ecclesall Bierlow, 6259 in Nether Hallam, 9,973 in Brightside Bierlow, 4,161 in Attercliffe-cum-Darnall and about 1,100 in Upper Hallam.

Allowing for the occasional duplication of names, as for instance when young Arthur was staying over census night at sister Mary's and so gets mentioned there as well as at his house, and for the awkward and anonymous individuals listed as N.K., W-M age 45 or simply Mrs. we seem to have captured most of them. I shan't bother to count them.

The index only gives names and ages, the volume, enumeration district and folio numbers. Officially ages were rounded down to the nearest five for anyone over 15, but often a precise age is given, for example 27 or 6½. Occupation, exact address and whether a person was born out of Yorkshire, are not included in the index. However, I can sometimes work out an address. Vol.1338, e.d.folio 11 onwards is East Parade, because there, are listed the inmates of the Charity School,"affording board, lodging, clothing and education to 90 poor boys".

Some surnames were already used in Sheffield in 1379 which have become very common indeed by 1841. Others have vanished or are represented only once, such as CALACK and DYAN..

The various census enumerators had equally varied writing and their spelling, particularly as they coped with the floods of Irish immigrants speaking in unintelligible accents, leaves much to be desired. I am including a short list of names which seem to have suffered and which might be overlooked if you are searching for a particular spelling.

We all know that there is a great gulf fixed in the index between names such as BAILEY and BAYLEY, HASLEHURST and HAZELHURST and WHITAKER and WHITTAKER. Others which can be muddled are BEATTIE and BEEDY. Someone either had a cold or an Ulster accent as these appear in adjoining houses. Remember that 'AL' was often pronounced as 'OL' to that TALBOT can become TOLBOT and ALROYD, HOLROYD. Bad writing confuses EADON with FADON, BOSTON with ROSTON and BAKEWELL with BAZEWELL, and who was Dominic ABLAMOWICZ? Your ancestor? You can think of many more examples, so do be careful to check them all when you search, personally or by proxy. My offer to search for three specific names, on receipt of an S.A.E. still stands, or you can telephone me 302567 and arrange a time to do your own research. Please use your membership number when applying.

The index would have been impossible without the expert help and advice given by Mrs.Short and Mr.Munford of the South Yorkshire Record Office, now alas, closed. Also I should like to thank the 15 people who have helped with the transcription, card filling and filing.

The 1841 Census return index is for the use of members of the Sheffield and District F.H.S. only.Apart from the work of the above mentioned members, the cost of index cards etc. to the Society has been about £100. Also, as the index is being kept privately, it cannot be made available to members of the public.

All these names and many others can be confused.

ALLUM - HALLAM	HERBERT - HERRETT
FELLOUS - FELLOWS	OSGATHORPE - OSQUATHORPE
RONLEY - ROULEY - ROWLEY	OVEREND - OVERUNT
NALL - NELL - NAIL	ARGREVE - HARGREAVE
ULRICK - WOOLRICK	BULLASS - BULLERESS - BULLOSS
CECILY - SESSILY	HAILLE - HALE - HALLEY
HOLLELY - HOLLY - HOLY	ARKLEY - ARCULAY

Margaret Furey

1880 CENSUS, MILLBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

List of Toolgrinders or related occupations, males approximately 30-40 years of age, from England, chiefly Sheffield, it is thought.

Thomas Wilkinson	30	
Paul Johnathun	59	
Charles Buck	57	Edge tool manufacturer
Edward Thompson	25	
John Holmes	48	
Edward Priestley	37	
William Tranter	38	
William Wright	36	
William Thompson	36	
Richard Pickering	32	
Joseph Booth	16	
Joseph Mirfin	49	
Edmond Hutchinson	43	
Luke Dunn	29	
Joseph R.Buck	42	Tool grinder
John Bridden	29	
George Eldred	30	
Richard T.Buck	48	Edge tool manufacturer
James F.Lord	38	
Wm WhitSmith	37	
Thomas Crabtree	37	
Robert Ashton	36	

Contributed by Mr.G.H.Waller,
Burnaby B.C.

WHATEVER HAPPENED TO CAROLINE?

I think I have "floated" this problem before but maybe someone can throw some light on it for me!

I have known for many years that my great grandfather Edward Cadman, wood-turner of Sheffield, married Catherine Emma Healiss at Kirk Bradden, Isle of Man on 22nd August 1855. Edward was 35 years old whereas Catherine was only 26. Presumably Edward was on holiday when he met her and they returned to Sheffield to live. On the marriage certificate they were declared as bachelor and spinster. So far so good.

But, on 31st August 1843 twelve years earlier, Edward Cadman, woodturner married Caroline Thornhill, daughter of John, a joiner's tool maker, at Sheffield Parish Church. John Thornhill had died in 1842. Caroline was a "straw-hat maker of Grindlegate".

I found this out some years ago, but I am no nearer solving the mystery. Does any member have Thornhills in their ancestry?

I have not found any children of this marriage, nor have I found Caroline's death or burial, but I did find papers in the family archives which - dated 5th May 1842 - gave Caroline Thornhill, spinster of Sheffield, the Administration of the property of "John Thornhill, your father" - and lists her siblings - Sarah Newbould the wife of George Newbould; Mary Ann Thornhill; Emma Thornhill (spinsters); William Eastwood Thornhill and John Thornhill - "sons and daughters and only remaining next of kin, being minors". There is also a copy of a Will of Thomas Mason of Sheffield, whitesmith, proved on 31st October 1832 - to John Dyson the surviving executor, and made on 24th June 1831, in which Thomas Mason, the testator, mentions his wife Sarah and his children John Mason, James Mason, Ann Thornhill, Elizabeth Charlesworth and Sarah Mason. The trustees were the above John Dyson, farmer of Clay House, Bradfield and Edward Barrott, farmer of Broom Vale, Bradfield (who had presumably died first). Property mentioned included houses in Brown Street and Arundel Lane, Sheffield. Presumably Ann Mason married John Thornhill pre-1831 and had the children listed in the above Administration, the first being Caroline, Ann had died by 1842 when John died. The children were born in the 1820s.

Caroline became Edward Cadman's wife in 1843 and then disappears!

Can anyone solve my problem? Or even link in to any part of this mystery?

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1871 CENSUS BAKEWELL WORKHOUSE INMATES

Reel N737 Volume 3625 Folios 10-13

Surname	Forenames	Age	Where born	Folio
Cunningham	Edward	56	Scotland	10b
"	Hannah	64	Chapel en le Frith	"
Bunting	Sarah	33	Stoney Middleton	"
Webber	Sidney	24	Exeter	"
Andrews	Emily	23	Stockport	11f
Sellers	Abraham	23	Wardlow	"
Sheldon	William	37	Ashford	"
Ellis	Edward	40	Bakewell	"
Wyatt	William	39	Putney	"
Fritchley	George	88	Wirksworth	"
Holmes	Peter	79	Stanton	"
Kinder	Herbert	25	Darley Dale	"
Young	James	34	Leanside Notts	"
Johnson	Richard	28	Foolow	"
Barton	Stephen	77	Hathersage	"
Jones	Hugh	76	Over Haddon	"
Dicken	John	75	Matlock	"
Harrison	William	56	Belper	"
Smith	James	50	England (not known)	"
Fernandez	John B.	74	Quebec	"
Young	Edward	48	Holloway	"
Alsop	Edward	48	Matlock	"
Somersset	John	79	Grindleford	"
Morton	James	35	Attercliffe	"
Widowson	Benj	64	Chesterfield	"
Hancock	John	73	Stoney Middleton	"
Noton	Joseph	42	Taddington	"
Rowland	William	25	Youlgreave	"
Howe	Jonathan	60	Edensor	"
Phillips	John	77	Ireland	11b
Henstock	Mary	29	Ashford	"
Keeling	Sarah	71	Poplar	"
Sheldon	Mary	73	Wirksworth	"
Smith	Elizabeth	27	Beeley	"
Marples	Ann	48	Baslow	"
Jennings	Harriet	24	Bradwell	"
Hartle	Ann	72	Hathersage	"
Bennett	Mary	19	Calver	"
Hadfield	Sarah	52	Longstone	"
Tomlinson	Ann	63	Liverpool	"
Walker	Ellen	33	Calver	"
Blackwell	Ann	37	Hucklow	"
Howard	Mary	33	Youlgreave	"
Taylor	Elizabeth	60	"	"
Coleman	Mary	49	Paddington	"

Surname	Forenames	Age	Where born	Folio
Henshaw	Matilda	49	Matlock	11b
Knowles	Mary Ann	31	"	"
Bunting	Beatrice	71	"	"
Barker	Ann	43	Derby	"
Brunt	Ellen	25	Matlock	"
Ward	Mary	81	"	"
Bacon	Martha	22	Cromford	"
Hallam	Mary	61	Altrincham	"
Baggeley	Ellen	19	Stoney Middleton	"
Sparling	Mary	41	Banham Norfolk	12f
Slater	Matilda	30	Tideswell	"
Rathbone	Martha	52	Liverpool	"
Carson	Elizabeth	64	Alport	"
Bateman	Sarah	35	"	"
Slack	Ann E.	19	Tideswell	"
Grant	William	11	Bakewell	"
Gregory	Herbert	6	"	"
"	Walter	4	"	"
Carman	William	11	"	"
Buckland	Walter	11	Sheffield	"
Dronfield	John	6	Grindleford	"
Walker	Alfred	3	Bakewell	"
Botham	Charles H.	12	Harthill	"
Oates	William	16	Sheffield	"
Brooks	Joseph	15	Matlock	"
Cheetham	George	9	Cromford	"
Brookes	Eli	12	Matlock	"
Brant	James	4	Bakewell	"
Wildgoose	John	11	Matlock	"
Widdiwiss	Henry	12	"	"
"	William	4	"	"
Goodwin	John	13	Birchover	"
Sparling	James	6	Bakewell	"
Bates	Henry	14	Tansley	"
Sharratt	Thomas	7	Taddington	12b
Watson	John W.	16	Winster	"
Buckley	Alfred	13	Bakewell	"
Howard	Albert	2	"	"
"	Frederick	7m	"	"
Brunt	George	6m	"	"
Baggaley	John W.	infant	"	"
Gregory	Harriet	8	"	"
Hearnshaw	Annie	7	Baslow	"
"	Elizabeth	6	"	"
Smith	Louisa	1	Bakewell	"
Stacey	Selina	12	Cromford	"
Butcher	Martha	12	Carver	"
Fox	Olive	10	Baslow	"
Dronfield	Charlotte	12	Grindleford	"

Surname	Forenames	Age	Where born	Folio
Walker	Annie	5	Froggatt	12b
Blackwell	Mary	12	Bakewell	"
"	Martha	6	"	"
"	Elizabeth	2	"	"
Botham	Emma	9	Harthill	"
Smith	Susannah	12	England (not known)	"
Brooks	Lucy	12	Cromford	"
"	Sarah A.	11	Matlock	"
Growcott	Fanny	2	"	"
Wildgoose	Emma	12	"	"
Wilson	Eliza A.	14	Ouseats	13f
Goodwin	Ellen	11	Birchover	"
Oliver	Annie	6	Tideswell	"
"	Alice	4	Bakewell	"
Sparling	Emma	7	Tideswell	"
"	Mary A.	2	Bakewell	"
Sherrett	Harriet	5	Taddington	"
"	Mary A	9	"	"
Thornhil	John	71	Tideswell	"
"	Hannah	45	"	"
"	Charles	17	"	"
"	Alice	13	"	"
"	Hannah M.	10	"	"
Wallis	John	30	Derby	"

Contributed by Ted Shortland

EXTRACT FROM THE PARISH REGISTER OF
ALMONDBURY, NEAR HUDDERSFIELD

There is a strong smell of sex discrimination in the following entry found in the parish register of Almondbury year Huddersfield:

Dated February 12 1762
Burials.

An unbaptised child of Rebecca Goddard
of Honley, Oldfield, strumpet. John
Swallow jun, of Honley Oldfield,
aforesaid being reputed father.

Alas, poor Rebecca. If she were indeed a member of the oldest profession, as the worthy parson implies, she was obviously a very careless one! And if, as is more than likely, the wretched lass had just been led astray, a little sympathy could well have been forthcoming. But in either case we can't help but feel that John Swallow senior's lusty lad got away lightly. There are no prizes for suggesting words the cleric, following the matter to its logical conclusion, might have used to castigate him, whatever the circumstances. Or was HE just "sowing his wild oats?"

Frank Littlewood

THE SILVERSMITH HUTTONS OF SHEFFIELD

These Huttons commence with William (1774-1842) descending from Henry Hutton farmer of Swinton whose son Richard (1666-1735) began the scythe and sickle manufacturing, which still flourishes today, 300 years later, as the Phoenix Works, Ridgeway, Derbyshire.

Cutlers' Records at Sheffield record "William Hutton son of Charles Hutton of Mosborough apprenticed to George Hutton (his uncle) of Mosborough January 7th 1792 gaining Freedom in 1803 and registering his mark, which was W.H & S. and  on November 19th 1807 at Sheffield. This mark W.H & S. was  used for over 100 years of trading.

William was trading in Birmingham in 1807 whilst keeping close ties with Sheffield and worked going back and forth between the cities. It is thought he found his bride in Birmingham in the marriage of William Hutton to Catherine Riddings on February 4th 1799 at Aston Birmingham. There were 5 sons and 3 daughters of the union. In 1809 he was close plating steel articles at Cannon St and in 1812 is listed as "Ryland and Hutton platers of Paradise St", with several other addresses in Fleet St, 29/42 New St, and lastly in 1823 at 130 Gt. Charles St, Birmingham.

In 1842 William died, a Unitarian he was buried at the Old Meeting House and removed later to Witton Cemetery. In 1836 his eldest son John Greenwood Hutton died aged only 34 so leaving William Carr Hutton, second son, to carry on the business. Another son, James went to Canada. Joseph became an electrplater at 198 Portland St, Sheffield and Henry died a young man. The Huttons returned to Sheffield but at the end of the century again opened a branch in Birmingham for manufacturing silver articles. William had been a pioneer in making spoons, forks etc. from the then new alloy, nickle silver, sometimes called "German Silver", "Argentine Plate" and in China "Packfong".

This Chinese alloy was analysed by Fyfe, a Chemist and several factories in Vienna and elsewhere produced it and offered it for sale. William, however, had bought his from Johnson & Co.

It was William Carr Hutton who spent 4 weeks in London on a mission on behalf of the platers to the Goldsmiths Company asking for modifications in the Hallmarking Bill, which, after nearly 15 years of wrangling was passed in 1844. He had a most frustrating visit and was baulked at every turn as copies of correspondence show and was referred on day after day for 4 weeks with little satisfaction.

Subscribers to this mission were:

E. Thompson	1.0.0	John Wright	10.0
Jno. Ryland	1.0.0	Thos. Child	15.0
Jno. Parker	10.0	Thos. White	10.0
Thos. Harwood	1.0.0	Sam ^l Honton & Son	1.0.0
John Gilbert	1.10.0	Spooner, Clowes & Co.	10.0
Tho. T. Jordan	1.0.0	Matt. Dixon & Co.	1.0.0
John Davis	1.0.0	Mr. Bower	-
Thos. Bayliss	1.0.0	John Mills	10.0
Thos. Paine	1.0.0	Wm. Page	5.0
Pinches Laughton	10.0	Samuel Edwards	10.0
Joseph Swain	10.0		
		Total	£17.0.0

William Carr's brother James had gone to Canada, which moved members of the family to join him and commence business there. His son William Henry married Miss Corrie an American lady and went to Canada. Herbert the youngest son (1843-1904) also went and flourished, becoming the 1st Chairman of the Silversmiths Association there.

James Edward second son of William Carr Hutton remarried and became a member of the firm in England. His wife was from Somerset and their son Edward became a much travelled, on foot, man of the world and author of many books. He also laid the mosaic pavement in Buckfast Abby in Devon. Edward (1875-1967) had a famous metallurgist brother Professor Robert Salmon Hutton whose works and research into metals must be known to all in the trade. He was born in 1876 and lived to be 92. Another brother of this generation was Henry who lived to be 90, living at Bath and it was to be his daughter who began a silversmith business in Sheffield and was very pleasantly surprised to find prestige of the old firm still remaining after so many years.

William Carr Hutton had had many early struggles on the return to Sheffield to start the branch business, where most of their close plating work came from. He settled at 35½ Pinstone St. In 1832 he wrote to his father in some despair, "I have been in low spirit this last day or two in consequence of being out of pocket and am, at present, without a shilling, but am determined to try my luck - sink or swim." Later his workman, John Shaw wrote an account of their early days and of how he built up a big business. At his death in 1865 William Carr Hutton left £16,000...

Unfortunately disputes began amongst members of the family over management and in the end the firm was sold to one of their main competitors. The large silver statue of Herbert presented to him by his workpeople was sold in the West Country a few years ago.

Members of the family exhibit and flourish in other directories and countries. A pedigree is available and some libraries have a history of the family and firm of Hutton in detail.

W. Wheatcroft, North Lodge,
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(also a descendant of Henry Hutton, farmer of Swinton)

HEAR ALL, SEE ALL.....

Hear all, see all, believe nowt. That's what our motto should be.

There are times when I have been thoroughly misled and completely confused in my search for the truth. My first problems began with an elderly relative, my only verbal link with the past. This sprightly seventy-eight year old lady was very happy to talk about the old days, regaling us with humorous tales and information as to who was who, and who did what. To begin with, this was extremely helpful in pointing me in the right direction. It was only later, after many a fruitless search for an elusive marriage, that she admitted that if I discovered the secrets of relatives that she knew, that was one thing, but SHE certainly wasn't going to tell tales. (A most commendable sentiment, really).

Now we come to the written word. One relative seems to have had a habit of inventing a father to suit the occasion, and not always the same father! I still haven't got to the bottom of it after two years' investigations, but it is pretty obvious at this stage that she was "born out of wedlock" and probably invented fathers to save herself embarrassment. In fact, as yet, there is no trace of her birth having been registered at all.

Another ancestor suddenly became a widow, without ever having been married. She had five (yes, five) illegitimate children whilst living at home with her parents. I have traced this family living at the same address from the 1841 census through to the 1881 census, and whilst her parents were alive, the situation was covered by the fact that the children were simply shown as grandchildren of the householder, but of course, when her parents died, the offspring had to be shown as HER children, so she apparently decided to become a widow to regularise the situation, and who can blame her.

I also have another misleading case, where the maiden name of the mother entered on a birth certificate eventually turned out to be the surname of a previous husband. This was only discovered after hours of investigation. I did finally establish her true maiden name by a devious route, far too complicated to relate here.

On another occasion, I was looking for a marriage after the 1871 census which showed the lady in question as a single woman, living with her parents. This search was unsuccessful, but having learnt a few lessons by this time, I continued on backwards and eventually found the marriage in question in 1866! (I find it fascinating wondering what was the true human story behind these events.)

Now, I know that you seasoned family historians have grown wise to this sort of thing over the years, but there must be even less experienced researchers than I, who would do well to heed my advice to "hear all, see all, but believe nowt" - at least until you have checked and cross-checked and finally proved without doubt that you have found the truth.

Regina Brownhill.

THE AFTERMATH OF SHEFFIELD FLOOD 1864 (cont)

<u>No.</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount Assessed</u>
6562	MALLINSON, George, Razor Grinder, Stannington	£6.0.0
2800	MALLINSON, James, Grinder, Stannington	£8.8.0
6566	MALLINSON, Joshua, Razor Blade Grinder, Storrs.	£6.0.0
3033	MALLINSON, Samuel, Razor Grinder, Storrs.	£12.0.0
2815	MALLINSON, Samuel the younger, Razor Grinder, Storrs nr Dam Flask.	£6.0.0
2975	MALLINSON, William, Razor Grinder, Stannington.	£6.0.0
5938	MARSDEN, William, Roller late Roebuck's Cottage, Dam Flask.	£12.0.0
3811	NICHOLLS, Thomas, Schoolmaster, Low Bradfield.	£105.0.0
6457	NORTH, Charles, Razor Grinder, Myers Lane, nr Mousehole Forge, Loxley.	£12.0.0
6388	OATES, Luke, Spring Knife Manufacturer, Alpha Works, Stannington.	£14.5.0
6399	OATES, Luke, Spring Knife Manufacturer, Alpha Works, Stannington.	£550.7.0
2968	ORMROD, Edmund, Razor Grinder, Stannington.	£6.0.0
664	PARKIN, Joah, Filter, Little Matlock, Loxley.	£4.8.0
4679	PEACE, Thomas, Saw Grinder, Loxley, nr Dam Flask.	£93.0.0
5310	RACE, Dennis, Razor Grinder, Stannington.	£5.0.0
5200	RACE, William, Razor Blade Grinder, Knowle Top, Stannington.	£9.11.0
4931	REVITT, Joseph, Razor Grinder, Stannington.	£9.12.0
2402	REVITT, William, Razor Grinder, Stannington.	£4.10.0
450	RIMINGTON, William (Rev'd), Clerk, & John Wilson Esq. of Broomhead Hall, nr Sheffield. (and James Wilson Rimington Wilson Esq.)	£96.8.6
5227	ROBERTS, Elizabeth, wife of Joseph Roberts, engineer, Administ. brother Walter Booth, late of Broadhead Tilt, Loxley Vale, nr Owlerton, Harrison's House, Loxley.	£5.0.0
4768	ROBINSON, John Farm labourer, Wood Lane, Stannington Wood.	£14.1.4
4673	ROSE, Isaac, Publican & Farmer, Brightholmlee.	£45.0.0
4080	ROSE, Thomas, Farmer, Brightholmlee.	£185.0.0
6549	RUSHBY, William, Table Blade Grinder, Jackson's Row, Loxley.	£10.16.0
1729	SANDERSON, Charles, Rape Cutter, Brightholmlee.	£2.0.0
6162	SANDERSON, Joseph & Zaccariah, Farmers, Low Bradfield.	£227.10.9
4951	SANDERSON, Joshua, Farmer, Fare House, Low Bradfield.	£139.12.6
6103	SANDERSON, Thomas, Farmer, Holdsworth.	£8.6.0
6070	SHAW, Edwin, Scissor Grinder, Siddons House, Loxley.	£6.0.0
5369	SIDDONS, Henry, Planter, Deepcar	£1.4.0
1849	SIMPSON, William, Stonemason, Pond Row, Stannington	£7.10.0
5398	SKELTON, John, (& 2 others out of the chapelry), Merchant(s) & manufacturers, Middlewood Hall.	£1050.14.0

<u>No.</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Amount Assessed</u>
5445	SKELTON, John Kenyon, (with others incl. Thos. Rawson BARKER of The Edge) Middlewood. Merchant.	£233.3.0
5399	SKELTON, J.R. (& 3 others out of the chapelry) Merchant(s) and manufacturer(s), Middlewood Hall.	£1400.0.0
5795	SMITH, Elizabeth, widow, Loxley	£38.15.0
3013	SMITH, Thomas, Table Blade Grinder, Loxley	£9.10.0
1964	SMITH, William, Table Blade Grinder, Loxley.	£11.0.0
6206	SORBY, Joseph, Pocket Blade Grinder, Worrall	£5.14.0
5783	SPOONER, John, Cutler, & Joseph, Miner, Stannington	£18.11.0
5784	(& Sarah WRAGG, wife of Joseph Wragg, Cutler with 3 others out of the chapelry).	£38.11.0
1669	STANLEY, John, Razor Grinder, Back of the Queen, Stannington.	£12.0.0
3016	STANLEY, Joseph, Razor Grinder, Stannington.	£6.0.0
3191	STANNINGTON Highways, Surveyors of, Francis Sutton of Revill Grange, John Dyson of Griffs, Stannington, (shared with 2 others from Wadsley)	£670.0.0
3192	STANNINGTON, Highways Surveyors of, Francis Sutton of Revill Grange & John Dyson, Griffs, Stannington & HOLDSWORTH Highways, Surveyors of, Joseph Hobson of Dam Flask & Thomas Denton, Old Wheel.	£186.0.0
4665	STORRS & HOLDSWORTH Highways, Surveyors of, Thomas Wragg, Farmer, Storrs Hall; William Crapper, Farmer, Storrs; Joseph Hobson, Miller Dam Flask; Thomas Rock Denton, Tilter & Forger, Old Wheel.	£246.7.6
5324	TATTERSALL, Thomas, Razor Grinder, Nether Gate, Stannington.	£5.5.0
2271	TAYLOR, Abraham, Isaac & William, Tilters, Glass Tilt, Loxley.	£168.7.1
5436	THORPE, George, Farmer, Mothley Farm nr Bradfield.	£40.9.3
5123	TRICKETT, William, Clay Merchant & Farmer, Load Brook, Stannington.	£255.5.0
3325	WAIN, Abel, Table Blade Striker, Woodland View, nr Stannington.	£5.0.0
4264	WARHURST, Henry, Farmer, Storrs.	£33.10.0
6379	WATERS, John, Miller & Publican, Rowell Bridge Mill & Bridge Inn Stannington.	£110.0.0
5365	WESTEDGE, Henry, Carter, Old Wheel Loxley.	8.0.0
2406	WILSON, Aaron, Razor Blade Grinder, Loxley.	£4.0.0
3694	WILSON, George, Quarryman, Low Bradfield.	£30.0.0
4807	WILSON, Robert, Wheelwright, Damflask.	£21.0.0
1375	WILSON, Samuel, Razor Grinder, Clot Hole, Stannington,	£7.16.0
2405	WILSON, Thomas, Razor Grinder, Storrs.	£2.7.6
4672	WILSON, William, Wheelwright, Lower Bradfield.	£127.10.0
450	WILSON, James Wilson Rimington Esq. Broomhead Hall, (with John Wilson Rimington & the Revd. William Rimington)	£96.8.6

<u>No.</u>	<u>Details.</u>	<u>Amount Assessed</u>
2407	WOMAK, Daniel, Razor Grinder, Storrs.	£9.0.0
3061	WOMAK, Richard, Razor Grinder, Stannington.	£7.11.6.
656	WOOD, Charles, Anvil maker, Mousehole Forge.	£1.10.0
1600	WOOD, Revd. Edmund, Incumbent, The Parsonage Bradfield.	£14.17.3
4940	WOODHEAD, George, Innkeeper & Farmer, Low Bradfield.	£5.0.0
4071	WOODHEAD, Joseph, Razor Blade Grinder, Loxley	£11.1.0
5417	WOODWARD, Joshua, Paper Manufacturer, Olive Paper Mills, Loxley.	£4641.12.0
5418	WOODWARD, Joshua (with Samuel BARK, George Shaw GOODISON & Thomas GOODISON), Paper Manufacturer Olive Paper Mills, Loxley.	£1300.0.0
6581	WRAGG, John, Cutlery manufacturer, Stannington..	£1.15.0
5783	WRAGG, Sarah, wife of Joseph Wragg, Cutler, Stannington.	£18.11.0
5784	WRAGG, Sarah etc. (with John SPOONER, Joseph SPOONER & 3 others out of the chapelry)	£38.11.0
1478	WRAGG, Thomas, Farmer, & Fire Brick manufacturer Storrs Hall.	£560.0.0

Claims for Loss of Life (Bradfield Chapelry) C.A. 7/9

A92	BRADBURY, Esther, widow, Administr ^x of William Bradbury, Clott Hall, Stannington.	£500.0.0
A82	CHAPMAN, Samuel, Shear Steel Forgerman, Administr ^x of Rosena Chapman, Storrs Bridge.	£10.0.0
A60	CRAPPER, Sarah. By Joseph Crapper. Administr ^x of Joseph Crapper at Henry Crapper's, Liberty Hill, Stannington.	£53.3.0
A76	DENTON, Thomas Roxborough; Tilter, Father of Joseph Denton, Old Wheel Loxley.	£153.3.0
A6	WATSON, William, Forge Anvil Smith Administr ^x of Sarah Ann Watson, near Mousehole.	£100.0.0

Claims for Damages in Respect of Bodily Injury (Bradfield Chapelry.)

B7	DAWSON, Joseph, Tailor, Lower Bradfield.	£9.10.0
B138	HOBSON, Benjamin, Labourer, Bradfield.-	£8.3.0
B346	HOBSON, George, Milkman, Low Bradfield.	£18.7.0
B5	WATSON, William, Anvil Smith at John Turner Anvil Inn, Mousehole Forge.	£40.0.0

N.B.

The Chapelry of Bradfield to the Parish of Ecclesfield was in the Wapentake of Strafforth and Tickhill and Deanery of Doncaster. Townships: Waldershelf, Westnail or Westmonhalgh, Bradfield, Dungworth and Stannington.

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BOOK REVIEW

"Tracing your Family History" by Jean A.Cole. Published 1986 (2nd Edition) by Framily Tree Publications at £3.95.

There are now a great number of introductions to genealogy and family history and which you chose is a matter of style. While it is possible to say of a book "this is a bad book and has numerous mistakes", it is not possible, on the other hand, to say "this is the best book available", since so much depends on our own preference for manner of approach and treatment - and long may it remain so. Now what about the subject of this brief review.

Mrs.Cole is a very popular contributor to the Family Tree Magazine in which she writes a regular "Questions and Answers" page. She has produced a 72 page indexed A4 booklet with information and advice on tracing a family tree. Apart from the usual chapters on civil records (registration and census returns), parish and non-conformist registers, there is also one on "Scotland: Ireland: Wales: Emigrants" and one on the Public Record Office. There is a bibliography, a list of useful dates and a glossary. There is a list of registration district numbers, one of regnal years and even a reproduction of an alphabet from Wright's "Court Hand Restored" to assist in interpreting calligraphy.

It is obvious that this booklet is packed with good things and loads of helpful tips and advice, well-grounded in the questions that Jean Cole has had to answer in her columns. However, it must also be clear that to pack so much into 72 small pages, must have entailed some loss and, in this case, it is cohesion. Someone who has already made a start on his/her family tree and is now familiar with basic principles and is looking for new roads and ideas will probably find this fairly good value. I can also recommend it for reading by older hands who feel the need for a refresher course and to fill out the gaps in their knowledge. I feel less confident in recommending it as an introduction to complete beginners, for whom a booklet like Pelling's still takes a lot of beating.

Peter Wilkinson

BOOK LIST

"A History of Cutthorpe Village" by Judith Stubbs Part 3 £2.95.
Local History Books by Don Cole and available from him at 23 Smithy Lane, Leeds LS16 7LX. Profits go to ARMS (Action and Research into Multiple Sclerosis).

IGI SEARCHES

Searches of the International Genealogical Index (IGI) for the whole of the British Isles except Scotland - free to members! Write giving details and S.A.E. to Mr.N.Nicholson, Flat 1, 198 Chippinghouse Road, Sheffield S7 1DR.

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Back copies of "The Flowing Stream" as available 75p plus postage. "Sheffield Strays 1984" £1 and "Sheffield Strays 1985" 65p (incl. postage). "A Selection from Volume One" see page 83.

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