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# **EDITORIAL**

Owing to circumstances beyond our control we have had to change the venue for our main meetings, previously held at the Swallow Hotel, Gateshead. The September and October meetings will be held at the Durant Hall, Ellison Place, Newcastle. This is next to MEA House, and is within easy walking distance from Monument Metro Station. It is hoped that those members north of the Tyne who found travelling to the Swallow Hotel difficult will find this venue more convenient, and that those from the south side will not find it too inaccessible.

The Durant Hall has only been booked for two meetings as a temporary measure while a sub-committee considers other possibilities. Finding a venue that will suit everyone is unfortunately not possible - Northumberland and Durham comprises a large area, and members who live on one side of the Tyne tend to regard the other side as foreign territory; besides which there are different ideas about what constitutes a good meeting place. On balance Newcastle appears to be the most appropriate location, being reasonably well served by transport from all directions, but finding a suitable room at a reasonable cost is proving difficult. A decision should be announced in the next Journal.

There will be no meeting in November, as the Annual Conference takes place at Otterburn from 28 to 30 October and the Society will also be participating in a Family and Local History Day-"It's Your Past", to be held at the Civic Centre, Newcastle, on 12 November 1988. This is being arranged by the Durham County Records Office and the Tyne and Wear Archives Services.

# **NEWS IN BRIEF**

## Sunderland Parish Registers

The Local Studies Department at Sunderland Central Library now has on microfilm the parish registers of Sunderland's three main parish churches - St. Michael's, Bishopwearmouth; St Peter's, Monkwearmouth; and Holy Trinity, Sunderland. The registers of St. Michael's are the oldest, dating from 1567. Although those of St. Peter's go back to the 17th century most of the early records were unfortunately destroyed in a fire in the 1790s. The Holy Trinity registers run from 1719 when the church was founded.

Anyone wishing to use these microfilms should first book a microfilm reader by telephoning the Local Studies Department (Wearside 514 1235, extension 132).

#### Family History Conference

Cleveland Family History Society and the Federation of Family History Societies invite you to the Spring 1989 Family History Conference to be held at Collingwood College, Durham City, from Friday 31st March to Sunday 2nd April 1989.

Collingwood College is Durham's newest residential college and was opened in 1972. The College is situated only one mile from the centre of the city, in pleasant surroundings, and is easily accessible.

Full details will be available in September 1988. To receive them please write to Mrs C. McLee, 3 The Green, Kirklevington, YARM, Cleveland TS15 9NW. Enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope preferably  $9" \times 4"$ , or  $2 \times IRCs$ .

# York Marriage Index

Family historians trying to find an ancestor's marriage within the City of York are faced with records of 23 ancient parishes, and those of York Minster to search through. To help overcome this problem The City of York Family History Society has been compiling an index of all York marriages.

Part 1(1801-1837) and Part II (1751-1800) are now available on microfiche. They are alphabetically arranged by groom's surname, and give the date, parish, and bride's name for each marriage (approximately 18,000 in all).

Parts I and 11 are priced £5.00 each, and are obtainable from The City of York & District F.H.S., Mrs M. Grantham, The Birches, 26 Moor Lane, Strensall, YORK Y03 80Q. Cheques should be made payable to York F.H.S.

#### Baker Family History

The Baker Family History Association, run by Ms Jane Baker, will register any Baker surname interest being researched in a card index with details of county, parish and timespan, together with the sender's name and address. If you wish to receive a copy of the newsletter in which all interests are listed send a 20p coin and a stamped addressed envelope to Ms Jane Baker, 17 Gorse Hill, Fishponds, BRISTOL BS16 4EG.

#### Durham Wills

Copies of the following Durham wills and probates were included in a job lot purchased by Mrs Michelle Merrick:-

Jane Elizabeth Brough, widow of Seaham Harbour. Will made in 1881.

Thomas Matthews of West Hartlepool. Probate 1881.

Peter Brown the younger of Bishop Middleton. Will made in 1803.

Emma Chrystal Matthews, wife of Henry Matthews of Eaglescliffe. Will and draft made in 1904.

William Clayton of Stockton-on-Tees. Will made 1904.

Jane Buck, widow of Stockton-on-Tees. Will made 1897.

Mr Tiplady Brown of West Hartlepool. Probate and codicil 1879.

Thomas Rowland Liverseed of West Hartlepool. Will made 1873.

Anyone interested should contact Mrs Merrick at 91 Pine Road, BOURNEMOUTH, Dorset BH9 LU (Tel. 0202 519851)

### 14th Century Pilgrims

Mrs Ph. Coebergh-Traber, of P.B. 154, CH-8703-Erlenbach, SWITZERLAND, is researching the late 14th century movement of pilgrims from Newcastle and along the East coast in general. In particular she is interested in the following entry in the Calendar of Patent Rolls (PRO ref. C66/341) 1395:-

"John de Maxey, Master of `La Maria' of Newcastle-on-Tyne to embark 80 pilgrims."

# **BOOK REVIEW**

The Two Worlds of Joseph Race

By Steve Race

The book is an expanded version of an article which appeared in the October 1977 issue of the Journal (Vo1.3, No. 1). In it Steve Race, the well-known broadcaster, describes how his grandfather, born at St John's Chapel in Weardale in 1848, left school at the age of 10 to work in the local lead mines, and how, inspired by a visiting evangelist, he resolved to become a missionary. Intensive study in his limited spare time eventually earned him a place at the Wesleyan College at Richmond, Surrey, where he was ordained in 1873. He returned to Weardale only long enough to say goodbye to his family and to propose to his sweetheart Hannah Dawson before sailing for China.

The main part of the book is devoted to Joseph's life in China - the second of his two worlds. It is based upon the diaries which he kept throughout his short life - he died of typhoid in 1880 aged 32. It is a fascinating story of a young man's seemingly hopeless struggle to convert a `heathen' race. The earlier part of the book, however, with its description of **life in Weardale in the first half** of the 19th century, may be of even greater interest to family historians.

"The Two Worlds of Joseph Race" is published by Souvenir Press, 43 Great Russell Street, LONDON WC1 3PA, price £12.50.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Subscriptions for 1988/89 are due for payment on or before 1 November 1988; as in previous years, for reasons of economy, no receipts will be issued but delivery of the Spring 1989 issue of the Journal may be taken as confirmation that your subscription has been received. The rates, which are the same as for 1987/88, are as follows:

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Family Membership (Each additional family member)	£ 1.00

Please read the following directions carefully, decide which category applies to you, and act accordingly. Remember that our Officers are not paid for the work they do; please keep that work to a minimum by doing exactly as instructed, and avoid enclosing other correspondence with your renewal payment.

#### PAYMENTS BY BANKER'S ORDER

Members already subscribing by this method at 31 October 1987 were given the bonus of an extra year at the old rates of subscription. It will now be necessary to complete a new order to provide for payment at the current rates. A letter incorporating a new order is enclosed with this Journal, together with a reply-paid envelope (2 IRC's for overseas members). Please read the letter and return the form even if you do not intend to continue your membership.

If you joined the Society on or after 1 November 1987 and completed a banker's order, the order will already for payment at the new rates. No renewal forms are enclosed with this Journal and you need take no action now. The same is true in a small number of instances where existing members have changed their orders for one reason or another since November 1987 and have taken the opportunity of updating the amount payable.

In summary, if you pay by banker's order and no renewal letter is enclosed, you need do nothing; if a letter is enclosed, please return it as quickly as possible.

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#### PAYMENTS IN STERLING

All cheques should me made payable to `NDFHS', and should be sent with your completed renewal card to our Membership Secretary, whose address is shown on the card. As a result of the continuing growth of the Society it is becoming increasingly difficult to handle the volume of cheque renewals, especially when receipts continue for most of the year; please help by paying early, and consider whether you could pay future renewals by banker's order. If you are a United Kingdom taxpayer - and that includes anyone receiving more than £10 per year of bank or building society interest taxed at source, even if you pay no other tax - you can pay your subscription under Deed of Covenant, thus increasing its value to the Society by one-third at no cost whatsoever to yourself. The necessary forms are enclosed - please give the matter serious consideration!

In conclusion, may we again ask all our members to help us by renewing promptly, and if at all possible by making future renewals by banker's order.

# DEATHS IN DUNSTON LUNATIC ASYLUM

**AGE** 

The following people died in Dunston Lunatic Asylum and were buried at Whickham:

2 September 1845	John Wright of Carlisle	45 years
23 October 1845	Isabella Irwin of Cockermouth	45 years
10 December 1845	David Side of Sunderland	No age given
15 December 1945	Robert Ivison Caldbeck	No age given
11 April 1846	Thomas Stable of Booth, Cumberland	18 years

DATE OF BURIAL

# THE SPRING MEETINGS

#### March

There was no formal speaker at the March meeting, but there was an interesting discussion about members problems, and a useful exchange of information about sources available to the family historian.

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Those who attended the April meeting were treated to a marvellous talk by Mr Middleton who told us how he had traced his own ancestors.

One branch of his family were easy to trace, having lived in the same Durham village and been regular Church of England attenders for a couple of hundred years. Another branch was much more difficult, originating in Ireland and coming to England as a result of the potato famine. Mr Middleton pointed out that although the census records were destroyed by fire in Dublin in 1922 there are still plenty of records available. Most of the parish records are still held by the parish priest: many are not sorted, and may be hidden away in cupboards and take some finding, but they are there. Presbyterian, Methodist and Church of Ireland records can be found in the Public Record Office in Belfast.

In 1890 a survey of every birth in Ireland in that year was made and correlated to county by surname. Some names such as Kelly occur in nearly every county, but if one is lucky a name may be concentrated in only one area. In Ireland, areas were divided into small units called Townlands: these were often only three or four acres and so give a very accurate family location. If you cannot locate a name that you thought was a village it may be a Townland. Townland names can sometimes be obtained from the Tithe Allotment Surveys of 1820 and 1822, indexes to which are in the Mormon Library at Sunderland, or from Griffith's Valuation.

Many Irishmen fought in the 1745 rebellion, and the Muster Rolls of the rebellion have been printed and are in the Reference Section of Newcastle Central Library (a thin green volume full of thousands of names). There is also an extensive list in Dublin Record Office of emigrants to America. Mr Middleton had found Irish librarians very helpful in his search. Finally if the Irish name is an unusual one the Irish Telephone Directory (available in Newcastle Central Library) may indicate where it is most prominent.

Mr Middleton, who has traced his own Irish ancestry back to Norman times, gave a splendid example of what can be done be an enthusiastic amateur.

# May

The Annual General Meeting was held in May, the main business being the election of officers for the coming year. Bill Rounce felt that we should look for a new Chairman, for although he was prepared to carry on, he might not be able to attend every meeting in future. After some discussion it was decided that he should continue as Chairman, but that a Vice-Chairman should also be appointed. Geoff Nicholson, who resigned as Programme Organiser, was elected to this position. No-one volunteered to take on the job of Programme Organiser, but our Secretary Ken Brown undertook to fill the gap on a temporary basis, and will arrange speakers for meetings up to the end of the year. In the meantime he would be glad to hear from anyone who is prepared to help out. Earlier this year Mrs Greta Varty had to give up the important position of Membership Secretary which she had held since 1981: the Society is deeply indebted to her for the cheerful and efficient way in which she has performed this task for so long. We were fortunate to find a worthy successor in Mrs K. Davison.

Unfortunately John Scott, our Treasurer for many years, has been unwell and was not able to attend the meeting. Although it was announced some time ago that he was resigning as Treasurer and that Miss Cindy Winter was taking over, the handover of responsibilities had not yet been completed, and in John's absence no Treasurer's Report was available. It was expected that the report would be presented at the June meeting.

# SOUTH TYNESIDE GROUP

At the April meeting Mr L. Hinkley gave a talk on "The Origin of Surnames". It was much more interesting than the usual talk on this subject because he dealt with the surname of each member present.

There was another large attendance in May for the return visit of Mr Boswell Whittaker who gave his second talk on "Lifeboats and Shipwrecks on the Tyne". This was followed by a discussion on future projects.

The June meeting marked the fifth anniversary of our first meeting - held in the corner of a busy public lounge on the outskirts of South Shields. It might be appropriate to record what has been achieved in this period:-

All the Anglican marriages in South Tyneside up to 1900 have been recorded, as have all the churchyard MIs in South Shields and Jarrow.

The 1851 Census of South Tyneside has been indexed and is being published in two volumes. The first volume is already available, and the second will be published in the near future.

Other activities have ranged through talks on a variety of subjects, pie and peas suppers, informal sessions to help new members, and our latest venture - a boat trip up the Tyne. Any new ideas are always welcome.

# SUNDERLAND GROUP

The return visit of Vic Branfoot for our April meeting cheered us all with an amusing and informative talk about myths and legends in relation to names and their derivation. At our May meeting Mr Hinkley's subject was "Surnames", and this promoted a number of interesting question by our members.

We decided to have a "Members' Interests" night for June, and it turned out to be one of our most enjoyable meetings. For information - some of our members are working on the 1851 census of Sunderland.

# SOUTH-EAST NORTHUMBERLAND GROUP

At our March meeting Mr Jack Tait gave a very interesting talk about **the Border Rievers**, **describing** with the aid of maps their way of life and their raiding and feuding.

The April meeting, which was informal, brought along quite a few new members. The evening was largely spent in helping them to understand the Census Returns, in chatting with more experienced members about their problems, and in generally getting to know one another.

The meeting in May saw the return of Bill Rounce, who kept us enthralled with his talk about "The Workhouse", why our ancestors ended up there, and the conditions they had to live in. The meeting ended with "any questions" about the Society.

# **DURHAM GROUP**

Mr Bill Rounce, our Society Chairman, came to our April meeting and gave a talk on the way in which he records his own family history. Examples of other methods of recording information taken from the collection of pedigrees in the Society's library were also shown.

At our May meeting Miss Gill of Durham Record Office gave an intereting talk on "Palaeography" illustrated with various examples from 16-18th century documents held in the Record Office archives.

# LONDON GROUP

The next meeting will be held in the Conference Room of the Society of Genealogists on Saturday 12 November at 10.30 a.m. when Dr Christopher T. Watts will speak on "Tracing a Merchant Seaman".

# **FUTURE PROGRAMME**

Wednesday, 7 September 1988

South Shields, 8.00 p.m.

South Tyneside Group Meeting. Talk by Mr Lloyd J. Edwards on "Early Tobacconist Families and Pipe Making in Newcastle and Gateshead."

Thursday, 8 September 1988

Sunderland, 7.15 p.m.

Sunderland and District Group Meeting. Talk by Bill Rounce.

Tuesday, 13 September 1988

Newcastle, 7.15 p.m.

Northumberland and Durham Family History Society Meeting. Talk by Mr R.W. Branfoot entitled "Up or Down", a talk on genealogy, mainly for beginners.

Monday, 19 September 1988

Durham, 7.30 p.m.

Durham Group Meeting. Talk by Mr Boswell Whittaker on "The Tyne Lifeboat Service and Preservation of Life from Shipwreck - Part I."

Tuesday, 20 September 1988

Blyth, 7.30 p.m.

South-East Northumberland Group Meeting. Mr Fenwick Davison will give a talk on "The Resources available at Sunderland Genealogy Library."

Wednesday, 5 October 1988

South Shields, 8.00 p.m.

South Tyneside Group Meeting. Mr Peter Gallander will present two short films: "Catherine Cookson Country" and "The Tall Ships Race"

Tuesday, 11 October 1988

Newcastle, 7.15 p.m.

Northumberland and Durham Family History Society Meeting. Mrs Joan Bussey will give a talk on "The Neville Family of Raby."

Thursday, 13 October 1988

Sunderland, 7.15 p.m.

Sunderland and District Group Meeting.

Monday, 17 October 1988.

Durham, 7.30 p.m.

Durham Group Meeting. Talk by Mr Hinkley on "Surnames."

Tuesday, 18 October 1988

Blyth, 7.30 p.m.

South-East Northumberland Group Meeting. Talk by Dr Tom Manners on "Manners Family History."

Wednesday, 2 November 1988.

South Shields, 8.00 p.m.

South Tyneside Group Meeting. Mr W. Form will present films on "The Dead Sea Scrolls."

Thursday, 10 November 1988

Sunderland, 7.15 p.m.

Sunderland and District Group Meeting.

Monday, 21 November 1988

Durham, 7.30 p.m.

Durham Group Meeting. Talk by Mr Boswell Whittaker on "The Tyne Lifeboat Service and the Preservation of Life from Shipwreck - Part II."

Tuesday, 29 November 1988

Blyth, 7.30 p.m.

South-East Northumberland Group Meeting. Talk by Mr Gordon Parker on "The Hartley Pit Disaster" and "The Involvement of Local Miners in the General Strike of 1926."

Members of the Society are welcome to attend any of the above meetings; the venues are as below:

Newcastle: Durham: South Shields: Blyth: Sunderland: Durant Hall, Ellison Place, Newcastle. Salutation Inn, Framwellgate Moor.

Black Prince Hotel, The Nook, Prince Edward Road. Blyth Cricket Club, Plessey Road, Blyth

RAFA Headquarters, Murton Street

Please note the change of venue for the main meetings of the Society - see Editorial.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Collingwood Family

Mr F.S. Porritt, of 29 Stooperdale Avenue, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL3 0UH, writes:

"In the article 'Know Your Parish: XXII - Whittingham' in the Spring 1988 issue of the Journal the name Collingwood cropped up and set bells ringing. So I looked through my files covering my mother's family. Her name was Long, but her sister married a Charles Moore, and their daughter, my cousin Louise, sent a letter to her younger sister Laura Primrose Kemp (nee Moore) describing what she knew of her family. I should state here that they both lived in the United States of America.

Extracts from the letter from Louise Ulmer (nee Moore) to her sister read as follows:-

"...... The Moores were owners of Weaving Mills ..... I spent my young days being stolen first by my father then by my mother as they did not live together until I was eight years old, that was when you came along, but I was sure hidden away with many members of the family. Grandpa Hart was a Quarry Man .... and built stone buildings. He was very rich, and their home 'Crackenedge' was the showpiece of Dewsbury ....... Grandma Moore Hart was a Collingwood, she came from Hull, her father was Admiral Collingwood who took command ..... in the battle of Trafalgar. ..... I lived with Grandma Hart in Halifax and Dewsbury - she had large houses, lots of servants and was rich ..... but the whisky was the real inheritor of a fine family fortune."

The reference to Admiral Collingwood made me wonder whether anyone had already done research on his family and included him in their own tree. I shall be glad to receive any information as this could be a branch of my own tree."

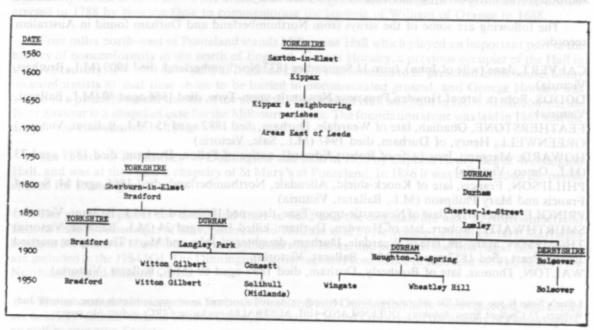
Editor's Note: There is an account of Admiral Lord Collingwood's life in Welford's Men of Mark 'Twixt Tyne and Tweed. He had two daughters: Sarah, the elder, married George Newnham, who took the name Collingwood. They had two children who died without issue. The younger daughter Mary Patience married Anthony Denny. Their descendants were still living when Welford was writing in 1895, but he gives no details.

# Surname Distribution

Mr Guy Bramfitt, of Maintenance Directorate, HQ BAOR, BFPO 140, writes:

"I read with interest Dave Whinham's article in the Spring edition of the Journal on the geographical distribution of his surname, and the use of maps when compiling family histories.

In addition to the use of maps I have found the following method of showing family migration particularly effective. The chart below shows the migration of the Bramfitt family over the period 1580 to 1950."



# Genealogy Package

Mr D. Scrafton, of 2 Estuary Way, Riverside View, South Hylton, SUNDERLAND, Tyne & Wear SR4 ORS, writes:

"With reference to Mr de Rusett's letter in the Spring issue *of* the Journal regarding the above package by the Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, I too bought this package but for the Amstrad 1640, and discovered it could be bought direct from the Church at considerably less than the £59 Mr de Rusett paid, viz. £27.50.

The address for anyone interested is: The Distribution Centre, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 399 Garretts Green Lane, Sheldon, BIRMINGHAM B33 OUA.

Like Mr de Rusett I can highly recommend this package."

### An Apprenticeship Indenture

Miss C. Peacock, of Flag Villa, Eighton Banks, GATESHEAD, Tyne and Wear NE9 7XS, writes:

"At a recent car boot sale I bought an Apprentice Indenture for William John Bell, aged 15 years, son of James Bell of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. William John was apprenticed as a Smith and Fitter to Henry Walker and Thomas Embley of Newcastle from 1868 to 1874.

If this Indenture is of interest to any member I would be happy to pass it on."

# **AUSTRALIAN STRAYS**

#### Judy Webster

1851 saw the beginning of the goldrush era in Australia, with important discoveries in both New South Wales and Victoria. Thousands flocked to the diggings - not only miners, but also storekeepers, publicans and the like. Even a brief inspection of some of the headstones in the cemetery at Ballarat in Victoria (one of the major strikes) reveals places of origin that include 16 English counties, the Isle of Man, and many places in Scotland and Wales.

It is worth bearing in mind if someone in your family tree apparently "disappears" in the latter half of the 19th century. you may find them in Australia! The first source you should check is the Strays Index. If overseas origins are given in Australian records the reference may have been sent to the Strays exchange programme, either via the Federation of Family History Societies, or direct to the Family History Society in the county concerned. This is an on-going project, so you need to check each new addition to the microfiche publications of the FFHS Strays.

The following are some of the strays from Northumberland and Durham found in Australian records:-

CALVERT, Jane (wife of John), born 11 September 1833 Northumberland, died 1909 (M.I., Bruthen, Victoria)

DODDS, Robert, late of Howden Pans near Newcastle-upon-Tyne, died 1866 aged 40 (M.I., Ballarat, Victoria)

FEATHERSTONE, Obadiah, late *of* Weardale, Durham, died 1882 aged 35 (M.I., Ballarat, Victoria) GREENWELL, Henry, of Durham, died 1947 (M.I., Sale, Victoria)

HOWARD, Margaret Jane (wife of Robert Edward), native of Fellon, Durham, died 1889 aged 23 (M.I., Omeo, Victoria)

PHILIPSON, Francis, late of Knock-shield, Allendale, Northumberland, died 1866 aged 54. Son of Francis and Mary Philipson (M.I., Ballarat, Victoria)

PRINGLE, James W. R., late of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, drowned 1862 aged 34 (M.I., Ballarat, Victoria) SMURTHWAITE, Robert, late of Howden, Durham, killed 1868 aged 24 (M.I., Ballarat, Victoria) THOMPSON, Margaret, late *of* Weardale, Durham, daughter of John and Maria Thomspon; married Joseph Peart, died 1857 aged 26 (M.I., Ballarat, Victoria)

WALTON, Thomas, late of Brotherly, Durham, died 1897 aged 69 (M.I., Ballarat, Victoria)

Editor's Note: If you would like information about research in Australia, or need assistance in records there, write of Judy Webster, 77 Chalfont Street, Salisbury, QUI?ENSLAND 4107, AUSTRALIA, enclosing 3 IRCs or four 34p stamps.

# KNOW YOUR PARISH: XXIII PONTELAND

P.R.G. Thirkell

Anyone driving to Scotland by the A696 road passes through the parish of Ponteland shortly after leaving the north-west suburbs of Newcastle. The ancient parish of Ponteland covers an area of about 25 square miles and comprises of fifteen townships, namely Berwick Hill, Brenkley, High and Little Callerton, Coldcoats, Darras Hall, Dinnington, Higham Dykes, Horton Grange, Kirkley, Mason, Milbourne, Milbourne Grange, Ponteland and Prestwick.

The village of Ponteland stands on the River Pont which meanders through the parish before joining the River Blyth. To the east of the Pont lay Prestwick Carr, an area of marshland subject to periodic flooding and noted for its variety of flora and fauna before a drainage scheme was instigated in 1860. The monks of Tynemouth had an historic right to cut peat from the Carr, and it was they who were responsible for the first exploitation of coal from this area, the eastern part of the parish lying on the edge of the Northumberland coalfield. These coal measures, in common with most in Northumberland, are now worked out. The north and west of the parish are mainly agricultural, although Darras Hall to the west of Ponteland village provides mainly executive housing, many of the residents working in Newcastle 8 miles away.

The River Pont has been draining the area since the last Ice Age 10,000 years ago, and man has fished and hunted the area since that time as evidenced by Neolithic axe heads found at Darras Hall and Bronze Age beakers from Prestwick Carr. Later came the Romans, and the discovery in 1979 of a Roman bridge pile on the banks of the Pont suggest the possibility of a direct route from Newcastle to the Devils Causeway at Weldon Bridge.

Little is known of the history of the area after the withdrawal of the Romans in the 5th century, but with the Scots invading and marauding from the north and successions of Angles, Saxons and Jutes from the continent life must have been very turbulent. By the 7th century Christianity, in the north of England in particular, was having a civilising effect, and it was probably at this time that the first church was built at Ponteland. Dowsing has revealed evidence of a two-celled Anglo-Saxon church with the subsequent addition of an apse on the site of the present church. The earliest surviving parts of the present church of St Mary the Virgin are Norman, although a Saxon grave marker in the tower may date from the earlier church. The north transept and part of the chancel were rebuilt in the 13th century and further alterations were made in the 15th and 19th centuries. The chancel still retains some of the original stained glass.

Across the road from the church is the Blackbird Inn. Once the manor house of the Errington family, it was built in the early 17th century by Mark Errington whose monogram may still be seen on the outside wall. At the northern edge of the parish stands Kirkley Hall, once the home of the Eure family but later the Ogles. Here was born Sir Chaloner Ogle, Admiral and Commander-in-Chief of the Fleet, who in 1722 captured the squadron of Roberts the famous pirate off the coast of Africa. The Hall was mostly rebuilt in 1928 after a fire and it is now and agricultural college. In the grounds is an obelisk erected in 1788 by Newton Ogle to commemorate the landing of William of Orange in 1688.

Four miles north-west of Ponteland stands Milbourne Hall which played an important part in the history of nonconformity in the north of England. George Horsley, a previous occupier of the Hall in the 17th century, is said to have paid as much as £30 for two sermons to be preached in his house. Many nonconformists at that time chose to be buried in unconsecrated ground, and George Horsley was buried in a plantation near the site of the old Hall. The present Hall was built in 1807. At Milbourne, the Holy Saviour is a chapel of ease for the Milbourne estate. The foundation stone was laid in 1867 and the chapel was consecrated in 1871.

The church of St Matthew at Dinnington was built in 1835 by Captain Henry Bell of Wolsington Hall, and was at that time a chapelry of St Mary's at Ponteland. In 1886 it was dedicated as the parish church for Dinnington.

The parish registers for Ponteland start in 1602 and the originals are held at Northumberland Record Office. Transcripts of the registers up to 1812 are held by Newcastle Central Library. Marriages between 1695 and 1812 are included in Boyds Marriage Index, and baptisms and marriages 1653 to 1812 are included in the 1984 IGI. The Dinnington parish registers commence in 1835 and are also held by the Northumberland Record Office.

The monumental inscriptions for both Ponteland and Dinnington have been recorded, and copies are held by Northumberland Record Office, Newcastle Central Library and the Society of Genealogists, as well as our own Society.

Many of the leading families of Northumberland have been nonconformist in the past. The Horsleys and the Ogles were Presbyterians, and Kirkley Hall was licenced at one time as a meeting place. Between 1730 and 1853 the meeting house was at Thorneyford near Kirkley as still recorded by a plaque on the wall of the present cottages. Some baptismal records for 1804 to 1832 are held by Northumberland Record Office. Later Presbyterian services were maintained by Stamfordham Presbyterian Church.

A Wesleyan Methodist chapel was built at Ponteland in 1841, at Milbourne Grange in 1913, and at Dinnington in 1866. Ponteland is included in the Newcastle West Circuit. A United Methodist chapel was built at Dinnington Colliery in 1877 and a Primitive Methodist chapel in 1874. A Roman Catholic chapel at Ponteland was served by Cheeseburn Grange, Stamfordham.

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# THE ORCADIAN TRANSPORTED TO AUSTRALIA

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Over the last year or two many Canadians, Australians, New Zealanders and visitors from mainland Britain have called along Dundas Street in Stromness trying to find help in tracing their Orkney roots. None more so than the Australians who this year celebrate the bi-centenary of the founding of the British Colony and recently welcomed the Prince and Princess of Wales to start the Celebration Year.

Much interest is being generated in convicts and their origins, and whereas previously few Australians wanted to admit relationship to such infamous ancestors, it would appear now that to be descended from a murderer, sheep-stealer or even an embezzler is an honour and a prestige symbol. Unfortunately for the Australian contingent of visitors there is no possibility of any Orkney connection unless there is a direct link with a certain William Sinclair, postmaster of Stromness in 1851 - the only Orcadian to suffer the fate of transportation. By today's standards the punishment could hardly be said to fit the crime.

In March 1852 Mr Sinclair was tried before the Lords Colonsay and Cowan at the High Court of Justiciary charged with seven counts of embezzling and secreting letters with the purpose of stealing the postage money. The alleged offences took place in the June and July of the previous year. The prosecution submitted that a letter dated 20th June 1851 and addressed to a Mr James Lanskaill, c/o Mr Thomas Brown, Horsfield Street in St John's, New Brunswick, was posted at Stromness Post Office, where a postage rate of 1/2d was paid. On the same day a letter addressed to John F. Louttit, sailor c/o S. Hume N.Y.E.C. Erie County, Buffalo, America, at the rate of 1/- had also been posted at the same office. Other letters to Oregon Territory, Port Philip, Australia (William Croy, mason - to be called for), Thomas Stanger, shoemaker, Port Adelaide Immigration Office, South Australia, and John Rendall, seaman on board the American ship Hudson, Gibraltar (to be called for) also never arrived.

The checking procedure on missing letters would appear to have been more efficient then than today, bearing in mind the time the letters would have taken to reach their destinations anyway, as the accused was trapped by the end of the year. The Authorities posted fake letters which never reached their destinations. Having pled guilty, and despite a reference of good character from the local minister presented in mitigation, as well as an honest record during the ten years service he had given in the Stromness Post Office, he was sentenced to seven years transportation to Australia. The total amount stolen appears to have been between one and two pounds. There is no record of his return from his sentence.

With no possibility of such skeletons in the convict cupboard for Canadians and New Zealanders, their great hope of connections of note lies with the Vikings and the Royal House of Stewart. Several interesting claims to fame have come my way, ranging from a Harvey who claimed that he was the Laird of Pomona when he reached Canada, to a James De Croix (Croy) who had high hopes of descent from the House of Stewart when he reached New Zealand.

Most expatriates, however, are simply interested in tracing back to their basic Orkney origins be they high or low, and in that we at Orkney Roots Research find it a pleasure to be of some assistance.

# NEWCASTLE KEELMEN IN THE EIGHTEENTH CENTURY: THE SCOTTISH CONNECTION

Harry D. Watson

Back in 1957-58, the *Durham University Journal* published a series of three articles under the general heading "The Keelmen of Tyneside in the Eighteenth Century". The author, J.M. Fewster, held a fellowship in the Department of Modern History at Newcastle University. At the beginning of the first article Dr Fewster gave a detailed description of the keelman's job, and of his position in contemporary Newcastle society.

"In the eighteenth century the coal exported from the Tyne was conveyed down-river to the ships in small barge-like craft known as keels. The keel was oval in shape (40 ft. long, 15 iizft. wide) and had a capacity of over 21 tons; it was equipped with a square sail and two large oars, one of which also served as a rudder. The crew consisted of three or four men, though a boy was often included instead of a fourth men. Their task was to assist in loading the keel at the colliery staiths and to conduct it to the ship into which they had then to cast the coal.

"The keelmen were employed by fitters who were members of the Hostmen's Company of Newcastle. This Company had been incorporated by Elizabeth in 1600 and claimed an exclusive right to vend the coal shipped from the Tyne, a monopoly which although often challenged was not seriously infringed until the latter part of the eighteenth century. By the beginning of that century, however, the ordinary Hostmen-fitters did not own the collieries themselves but were employed by the colliery-proprietors to sell the coal to the shipmasters and to provide keels and keelmen to convey it to the ships. As a result of this system the colliery-owners derived considerable power over the keelmen, who were thus affected by the decisions of those who were not their immediate master.

".... The keelmen and their families formed a distinct community in Newcastle. Most of them lived in Sandgate, their own quarter of the town, which was described in 1723 as `something like the Wapping of London'.' Their dress was distinctive: they could be easily identified by the blue bonnet which most of them wore, and on holidays the men's outfit consisted of a short bluejacket, slate-coloured trousers, a yellow waistcoat and white shirt."

As the "blue bonnet" suggests, many of the Newcastle keelman were immigrants from north of the, border:

"From the first half of the seventeenth century onwards, there is evidence of a very high proportion of Scotsmen among the keelmen. According to a report drawn up in 1637 or thereabouts, `most' of the keelmen, watermen and labourers then in Newcastle (`above eighteen hundred able men' in all) were Scottish men and Borderers which came out of the Tynedale and Riddesdale." In 1710, the Mayor of Newcastle mentioned the `many Scotch young fellows who came hither to work at the keels for the summer only" and in 1712, the keelmen themselves declared that out of their total number (1600 men) 400 were at the time in Scotland `wither they always go in the winter to their families'.' Thirty years later, a seasonal migration of keelmen still continued,' though there is no evidence to show whether it proceeded on such an extensive scale, but by this time many Scotch keelmen appear to have settled in Newcastle. "6

In 1740 the magistrates of Newcastle took a census of the city's keelmen after a serious hunger riot in which the latter had played a leading part:

"Every fitter was asked to return as soon as possible an exact list of his men `with an Account of the Time they have respectively been in Town, and the place they respectively came from and were born or settled in' before they came to Newcastle."

Several such lists have been preserved in the Tyne and Wear archives in Newcastle, providing information about 341 keelmen - a fairly representative sample of the workforce - and they show that in 1740 approximately 55% of those specified were Scotsmen. As might be expected, many were natives of the borders, the Lothians of the Forth basin, but others had come from as far afield as Perthshire, Angus or Aberdeenshire. The present writer has obtained photocopies of some of these lists, which are given below in their original form, with the English-born keelmen deleted. As will be immediately obvious, there is little consistency of layout or indeed of spelling in these lists, although in most cases it is not too difficult to guess which surname or place-name is intended. To aid comprehension a list of modern equivalents is appended to the end of this article. Hopefully some at least of this Journal's

readers will find the odd missing forebear or perhaps a collateral ancestor or two among the following names!

# Bond dated Xmass 1739. Mr Charles Atkinson:

	T	
Skippers' & Men's Names	How Long they have been in Newcastle	Where Born or Came from before they came to Newcastle.
David Simpson,	Sixteen Years	Ridderney, Shire of Fife
Skipper Thomas Turnbull John Robertson	Sixteen Years Fourteen Years	Dundee, Shire of Angus Dalekeith (sic), Shire of Bamph
David Dogg, Skipper Henry Rutherford	Forty Years Eighteen Months	Arbroth, in Scotland Couris, in the Shire of Perth
George Beveridge, Skipper	Thirty two Years	Born in Dunfarmlin in Scotland
John Fotheringall	Seven Years	Born at Saton, East from Edinburgh
Archibald Good Ale, Skipper	Seventeen Years	Liberton, Near Edinburgh
Samll Hay	Ten Years	Crail, in the Shire of Fife
Thomas Bruce Edward Steel Skipper	Twenty Years Twenty One Years	Dunfarmlin, Shire Fife Newton, Near Edinburgh
Andrew Ruddie Robert Portis	Twenty two Years Nineteen Years	Kirkaldy, Shire of Fife St. Andrews, in Fife parish (sic)
Wm. Sheil David Waddell,	Ten Years Nineteen Years	Dunce, Shire of Mars Gladsmoore, East
Skipper Robert Primrose	Eleven Years	Lowdene Couris, in the Shire of
	Nineteen Years	Perth Preston Panns, Scotland
Robert Clark, Skipper John Cohound	Three Years	Kirkaldy, Shire of Fife
Andrew English, Skipper	Eighteen Years	Kirkaldey, Shire of Fife
George Bell Andrew Coventry	Twenty five Years Eighteen Years	Crail, Shire of Fife Kirkaldy, Shire of Fife
John Howey	Twenty Years	Seaton, East Lowden
John Cowey	Four Years	Falkirk, Shire of Sterling
James Haston	Sixteen Years	Easterheals, from Edenburo last
John Wilson	Seven Years	Weelsburn, parish Dunfarmin
John Jameson	Nineteen Years	Burnt Island, parish of Fife (sic)
Robert Gray,	Three Years	Glasgow
John Gilphillan	Ten Years	Elphiston, Shire of Sterling
Andrew Knockles Skipper	Eighteen Years	Torrie panns, Shire of Fife
John Knockles	Thirteen Years	ditto
Wm Lock, Skipper	Seventeen Years	Kirkgunnock, Shire of Sterling
Andrew Ker John Liddell	Seventeen Years Three Years	Dunniepace, ditto BothKenner, ditto
John Cram, Skipper	Nineteen Years	Dumblain, Shire of Perth
James Gardner	Sixteen Years	Torry, Shire of Fife
Alexander Wilson	Twelve Years	Cowris, Shire of Fife
Bartho. Morrison	Twelve Years	Fawkirk, Shire of Sterling
James Bewkann	Forty Three Years	Kingcarn, in Shire of Perth
Robert Youer	Eighteen Years	parish Fawkirk - Sterling
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Skippers' & Men's Names	While in Town	ther Place of Nativity
George Lowden John Renny John Gallbreath Jn. Mannoughton Sen. James Greenfield David Wood William Dure Thos. Crookshanks Andrew Crookshanks John Barkley Robert Cooentree Archbd. Willson James Drysdele James Forresst Thos. Moorhead Donkin Mackfarland	Thirty Six years Twenty one years four years Fifty years Twenty four years Twenty Eight years four years one year & Half two years Nineteen years Seventeen years Seventeen years Eighteen Years Eighteen years Fighteen years Fighteen years Four years	The Shire of Aire The Shire of Sterling The Shire of Berwick In Dunkell In Dalkeith In Thurlestone In Kingcairne In Curry In Curry In Johns Haven In KirkeCadey In Sterling Shire In Coal Ross In Samuel Stone in Fawkirke In Kingcairne

A List of the Skippers and their bound Men that Executed the Bond for 1740 in the Service of John Vanholte

Men's Names	When came to Town	Where came from	Where born or Settled
John Simpson	1734	Erbroth	Erbroth
Wm. Wadle Skipr.	1717	Middle Lowden	Middle Lowden
Archbd. Gillchriste	1728	East Lowden	Mack Mirra
George Simson	1720	Cooris	Cooris
John Chrystie	1729	Kinghorne	Kinghorne
George Rebeccah	1680	Cranstone	Aberdeen
James Feargrief	1730	East Lowden	Tranant
Wm. Chrystie	1723	Aberdeen	Aberdeen, Crowden parish
Andrew Morrow	1733	Aberdeen	Elton parish
John Reedy	1721	Enstrother in Fife (sic)	Kingsbarnis
Andrew Mochreu	1738	Moor Evenside Stirling	Moor Evenside
George Hay	1735	St. Andrews, Fife (sic)	St. Andrews
Archbd. Ron'lson	1737	Chrighton	Chrighton
Andrew Criech	1735	Toory in Fife	Toory

#### A List of the Keelmen bound in Mrs Jane Watsons Work 1740

Archbd. Cunningham born At Haddington in ye Shire of East Lowden in North Briton & has lived in & about Newcastle nineteen years.

Thos. Peacock born Kingharne in ye shire of Pearth North Briton & has lived in & about Newcastle Eighteen years.

Wm. Robinson born at kittel Naked in ye Parish of West Kirk & Shire of Midell Lowden North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle four years.

Jno. Morrison born in king gorn Fife Shire in North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle eight years.

Jams. Smart born At garbit hill in ye Shire of Dumbarton North Britton & has lived in & About Newcastle nine years.

Jno. Purvis born At Haddington in ye shire of East Lowden & has lived in & about Newcastle ten years.

Jno. Johnson Coours in ye Shire of Pearth North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle nine years.

Jams. Gillon born at Trophen in ye Shire of Linlisko & has lived in & about Newcastle six years.

Francis Blakey born At Longnewton in Twedale in North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle Nineten years.

Robt. Colvill born in ye parish of Torey in Shire of Fife in North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle twenty four years.

David Potter at Cooper in ye Shire of Fife North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle twenty four years.

Andr. Shearer born at Couruss in ye Shire of Pearth North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle ten years.

Jams. Blakey born at Clarkinton in ye Shire of East Lowden & has lived in & about Newcastle nineteen years.

Jno. Hudson born Peath head in ye Shire of Fife & has lived in & about Newcastle twelf years.

 ${\rm Geo.}\$  Davison born in Kingkarne in ye Shire of Pearth North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle twenty years.

Danl. Thomson born At ye Ille of Arron in ye Shire of Bought has lived in & about Newcastle Eighten years.

Jno. Hudson born at ye Ile of Arron in ye Shire of Bought in North Britton & has lived in & about Newcastle twelf years.

Alexdr. Mason born in Gillibrans(?) in ye Parish Federass & Shire of Aberdeen & has lived in & about Newcastle twenty two years.

	Men That were Pro	Men That were Protected and not Bound		
John Donkin	Aged 34 Years	Born at Duddingstone nigh Edinburgh. 18 Years at this place.		
Geo. Young	Aged 47	Seton nigh Edinburgh. 16 year at this place.		
Geo. Marshal	Aged 48	In Fife. 2 years at this place.		
Robt. Lyon	Aged 48	Creyton nigh Edinburgh. 27 Years gone 13 of July with A. Anderson.		

A List of Mr Joseph Ords Keelmen			
Mens Names Place of Nativity			
Patrick Smith Matthew Lowrey William Brass John Richey Andrew Richey James Richey William Loggen Alexander Buckannan	Parish of Torry in Fieff Scotland Ditto of Leveston Scotland of Fawkirk Scotland of Ditto of Burestoness Ditto of Trenent Ditto of Weems Ditto		

Men's Names that Were Bound	Messrs.	Simpson's Keelmen	
Archibald	Aged 24	Born in Preston Pans in East Lowden And has been 3 Years at this place.	
Wm. Black	40	Moram nigh Edinburgh	15 Years.
Wm. Simpson	52	Edinburgh	30 Years.
Alexn. Callender	35	Sterlin	5 Years.
James Mills	39	Stonehive In Kennif parish	16 Years.
James Thomson	22	Salton nigh Edinburgh	2 Years.
John Knocks	30	Edinburgh	10 Years.
Jn. Anderson	26	Brogsburn in the parish of Carin	6 Years.
Alex. Lapsley	35	Leath nigh Edinburgh	10 Years.
Alexr. Willson	30	In Fife	14 Years.
Robr. Damsten	39	In the shire of Mairns nigh Montross	16 Years.
Wm. Morris	62	In Fife	39 Years.
James Broomfield	33	In Hume in the Shire Berwick	2 Years.
John Williamson	50	In Plain in the Shire of Sterlin	16 Years.
Robt. Williamson		ditto	14 Years.
James Shields	50	Kelsoe upon Tweed	17 Years.
John Ross	46	Bervey nigh Montross	30 Years.
Jas. Cochran	32	? nigh Edinburgh	12 Years.
Thomas Adams	46	Abercorn	28 Years.
Thomas Knockles	28	Allaway	7 Years.
Jn. Blain	22	ditto	3 Years.
Robt. Mitchel	46	Morton nigh Edinburgh	23 Years.
Thos. Thomson	40	Buckhaven	16 Years.
Thomas Archibald	37	Clackmannin In the Shire of Sterlin	19 Years.
David Henderson	32	Torwood In Do.	10 Years.
Wm. Fairly	22	North b- in Fife	8 Years.
Matt. Goodwilly		Bruntisland in Fife. 18 years at this place.	
A. Anderson	80	Largye in Arberdeen And has l Year at this place.	been here 45
Jhno. White	50	Kircaldy. 20 Year.	
Francis Marshal	44	Arvon in ye Shire of Sterlin. 20 place.	Years at this

# Francis Armorer's Men &c.

And. Bruss	Bondman	Born in ye Orkenys been hear 29 year agd. 42.
Wm. Melvin	Skipper	Born in Fife been hear 30 year aged 48.
Andr. Ramsay	Bondman	Born in Fiffe been hear 20 years aged 40.
Jno. Thompson	Skiper	Born in bonhard been hear 45 year aged 62.
Hen. Wilson	Bondmand	Born in Fakirk been hear 15 year aged 40.
Jno. Aukey	Skiper	Born in Fakirk been hear 26 year aged 51.
Andrew Batty	Skiper	Born in Fiffe been hear 21 year aged 25.
David Dingweel	Bondmand	Born in Ternent been hear 6 year aged 28.

Mobility of the labour force is a phenomenon usually associated with the later Industrial Revolution, so it is interesting to note the wide geographical area from which Newcastle's keelmen were recruited. It comes as no surprise to find large contingents from Falkirk, Culross and Torryburn -areas with a long history of coal-mining - but the Orcadian Andrew Bruce is an unexpected' discovery, as are the five natives of Kingcairney, a rural backwater of Perthshire.

In conclusion, we might spare a thought for an unfortunate native of Musselburgh named Dickson who was working as a keelman in 1727-27, and who is alluded to briefly in James Patterson's "History of the Regality of Musselburgh". One can only hope that not too many of his fellow exiles left a wife at home like Maggie Dickinson! -

"No person has been convicted of a capital felony (in Musselburgh) since the year 1728, when the famous Maggie Dickinson was condemned and executed for child-murder, in the Grassmarket of Edinburgh, and was restored to life in a cart, on her way to Musselburgh to be buried. Her husband had been absent for a year, working in the keels at Newcastle, when Maggy (sic) fell with child, and to conceal her shame, was tempted to put it to death. She kept an ale-house in a neighbouring parish for many years after she came to life again, which was resorted to from curiosity. But Margaret, in spite of her narrow escape, was not reformed, according to the account given by her contemporaries, but lived, and died again, in profligacy."

#### **APPENDIX**

A. Surnames		B. Place Names	
Aukey	-?Auchie (1 example, from	Aire	- Ayr
	Sterling, in Black's The	Allaway Arbroth	- Alloway - Arbroath
D1.1.	Surnames of Scotland).	Arron	- Arran
Barkley	- Barclay	Arron	-?
(Bewkann, (Buchnnan	- Buchanan	Bervey	- Bervie
Blakey	-?Blackie, ?Blaikie	Bonhard	- In Carriden parish, W. Lothian
Cohound	- Colquhoun	Both Kenner	- Bothkennar (near) Falkirk
Cooentree	- Coventry	Bought	- Bute
Cowey Crookshanks	<ul><li>Cowie</li><li>Cruickshanks</li></ul>	Brogsburn	- Broxburn (in Uphall parish, not Carron)
Damsten	-?Danskin	Bruntisland	- Burntisland
Davison Dingweel	- Davidson - Dingwall	Burestoness	- Burrowstouness, i.e. Bo'ness
Dogg	- Doig	Carrin	- Carron (but see Brogsburn
Donkin	- Duncan	(61 : 1 :	above)
Dure	- Dewar	(Chrighton, (Creyton	- Crichton (Midlothian)
Feargrief	<ul><li>- Fairgrieve</li><li>- Galbraith</li></ul>	Clarkinton	- Clerkington (near Hadding-
Gallbreath Gillchriste	- Gaibraidi - Gilchrist	(Coal Ross,	ton) - Culross (formerly in
Gilphillan	- Gilfillan	Cooris	Perthshire, now in Fife)
Good Ale	- Goodall	Couri	S
Goodwilly	- Goodwillie (once a common	(Couuss, Cowi	
**	name in Fife)	Cooper Crowden	- Cupar - Cuden
Howey	- Howie	Curry	- Currie
Knockles Knocks	-? Nicol or Nicolson - Knox	Dalekeith	- Keith (in Banffshire)
Loggen	- Logan - Lothian	Dumblain	- Dunblane
Lowden Lowrey	- Lowrie	(Dumfarmlin,	- Dunfermline
Mackfarland	- McFarlane	(Dunfarmlin,	
Mannoughton Melvin	<ul><li>McNaughton</li><li>Melville</li></ul>	(Dunfarmin	
Mochreu	- Mervine - Mochrie	Dunkell	- Dunkeld
Moorhead	- Muirhead	Dunce	- Duns
Nockles	- see Knockles above	Dunnipace	- Dunipace
Portis	- Porteous	F	Easter Heiles In Colinton
Reedy	<ul><li>Reddie or Readdie</li><li>Rennie</li></ul>	Easterheals	- Easter Hailes, In Colinton parish, Edinburgh
Renny Richey	- Refine - Ritchie	East Lowden	- East Lowthian
Ron'lson	- Ronaldson	Elphinston	- Elphinstone in Airth parish,
Simson	- Simpson	Enstrother	Stirlingshire - Anstruther
Wadle	- Waddell	Erbroth	- Arbroath
Youer	- Ewer or Ure	Fakirk, Fawki	rk- Falkirk
		Federass	-?Federate in New Deer
			parish, Aberdeenshire; or

Fetteresso, in Kincardine

shire

Fieff, Fifie Garbit hill	- Fife -?Garabel, in Arrochar	Moram Morton	<ul><li>Morham</li><li>Mortonhall in Liberton</li></ul>
Garbit iiii	parish, Dunbartonshire		parish, Edinburgh
Gillbrans Gladsmoore	- Gladsmuir	Newton	- a parish in Midlothian, between Dalkeith and Edinburgh
Kennif (Kingcarn, (Kingcairne, (Kincadrne King gorn	<ul> <li>Kinneff (in Kincardineshire)</li> <li>Kincairney in Caputh parish, Perthshire</li> <li>Kinghorn</li> </ul>	Pearth Peath head Plain	<ul> <li>Perth</li> <li>Pathhead in Dysart parish, Fife</li> <li>Plean</li> </ul>
(Kircaldy, (Kirkaldy, (Kirkaldey,	- Kirkcaldy	Ridderney	-Radernie in Cameron parish, Fife
(KirkeCadey	- Gargunnock	Salton, Saton	-East or West Saltoun, East Lothian
Kirkgunnock Kittel Naked	-? (there is a wood of this name in Carnbee parish,	Samuel Stone	- Samuelston in Gladsmuir parish, East Lothian
	Fife)	Seaton Sterlin	-Port Seton - Stirling
Largye	- Largie in Insch parish, NW Aberdeenshire	Stonehive	- Stonehaven
Leath Leveston	- Leith -? Livingston	(Tranent, (Tranent, Trenent	- Tranent
Linliske Longnewton	<ul> <li>Linlithgow</li> <li>? in Ancrum parish,</li> <li>Roxburghshire; or Yester parish, East Lothian</li> </ul>	Thurlestone (Torie, (Torrie panns (Toory	-? Thirlestane - Torryburn
Mack Mirra Mairns	- Macmerry -the Mearns, i.e. Kincardine-	Trophen Twedale	<ul><li>Torphichen</li><li>Tweedale</li></ul>
Mars Moor Evenside	shire - the Merse, i.e. Berwickshire - Muiranvonside (near Falkirk)	Weelsburn Weems West Kirk	<ul><li>Wemyss</li><li>-? erroneous for Westerkirk, Dumfriesshire.</li></ul>

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# AT SCHOOL IN 1871

The census returns show that the following scholars (and the kitchen maid) at Glossop Convent, Chruch Street, Glossop, Cheshire in 1871 were from County Durham.

HIND, Mary	12 Scholar	Croxdale, Durham
HUTCHINSON, Elizabeth	16 Scholar	Hartlepool, Durham
HUTCHINSON, Elizabeth	8 Scholar	West Hartlepool, Durham
LINSLY, Mary	12 Scholar	Croxdale, Durham
McFARLINER, Catherine	14 Kitchen Maid	Crook, Durham
MAGORIS, Mary B.	9 Scholar	West Hartlepool
MEUD, Kate	15 Scholar	Hartlepool, Durham
WILLIAMS, Katie	14 Scholar	Sunderland, Durham
WILLIS, Emma	13 Scholar	South Shields, Durham

# THE LIDDLES OF ALLENHEADS

John A. Richardson

The decision to go to America was most likely urged on by the first hints of the end of the local industry - the lead mines. They must have prayed about it. Family records show that the Liddles, hotel keepers in Allendale, were a devout family who had heeded the call of John Wesley, in concert with many poor families throughout the mining towns of Northumberland.

Word had come to them from across the sea about the lead mines in the Indian Territory of America - mines that offered work and opportunity, should they take the risk.

George Liddle, aged 32, second son of John and Mary Sparke Liddle, was the first to go. His parting with the family was certainly sorrowful as he set off on foot for Liverpool. There he stayed in cheap lodgings until he boarded a sailing ship. The year was 1830 and the slave trade to America was in full swing. After what must have seemed an eternity to his mother, more probably about a year, the family received his letter. After a long, hard sea voyage he had arrived in America where he took a Pennsylvania Railroad train to the end of the line, Pittsburgh. From there he covered 600 miles on foot to Galena, Illinois, the centre of the lead mining district. It was a wild, beautiful, rolling country of timberland just east of the Mississippi River. Lead miners are in demand, George wrote. He had settled at a place called Fairplay and had started work at a mine near New Diggings, Wisconsin, north of Galena. His wages were monumental compared to those paid at Allenheads.

Three brothers and a sister followed George to America in 1832. They were Joseph, my great-great grandfather, Andrew, Emerson and Ruth. All were born at Shield Bank, a farm in Middlehope near Allenheads. Again there was a sad farewell from parents and siblings Nancy, John, William and Mary. Joseph was accompanied by his wife, Elizabeth Bell of Dotland, whom he had married at Whitley Chapel, Hexhamshire, in 1828, and their sons George, aged 4, born at Dalton, and John, aged 1, born at Slag Hill, Allenheads. Elizabeth was only 22 and Emerson 16.

Liverpool was a bustling city. Lodging houses had sprung up all over the city to shelter the emigres awaiting passage to Australia, Canada and America. Since it was necessary for passengers to provide their own food aboard ship, stores selling provisions for the journey also did a thriving business. Elizabeth became homesick and begged her husband to return home, but he and the others wanted to go on. They took a sailing ship and were six weeks at sea. Following George's route, the party arrived in Pittsburgh by train and were forced to stay there for several days because of an Indian uprising farther west. They passed through Rock Island, Illinois, at the close of the Black Hawk Indian War. There they saw the Indian chief, a prisoner of the United States troops. They finally arrived in Galena on 10 June 1832.

Joseph, Andrew and Emerson worked with brother George for a year or two at the smelt mill at Vinegar Hill (later Grant Hill) near Galena. One day an accident occurred while smelting lead which illustrated the hardships they endured. The large iron bar needed in their work broke, and since there was no alternative they packed it on their backs twelve miles to get it mended, and another twelve to get it back. Soon there was enough money saved to leave the mines and turn to farming the fertile soil full-time.

In 1835 Joseph and Elizabeth built a house and started a farm on a claim which they later purchased. `Feverana' was a stretch of wilderness along the Fever River six miles north of Galena. Their son John died during the winter of 1837 at the age of six. Elizabeth died at the age of 38 shortly after the birth of her sixth son. According to her obituary she asked those gathered around her death-bed to sing the hymn "I'll praise my Maker while I've breath."

In 1857 Elizabeth Ann Liddle, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth, married my great grandfather George Richardson in Galena, Illinois. He was a native of Brough-under-Stainmore in Westmorland. Joseph Liddle, farmer, never remarried, but raised the seven remaining children alone. When he died in 1877 he was 77 years old, the oldest Methodist leader in Illinois and the last of the original family. He is buried next to his beloved Elizabeth in Grant Hill Cemetery.

As a footnote, William Liddle or Liddell married Mary Philipson in 1835. Their grandson, Louis Liddell, aged 89, lives in Carlisle.

Editor's Note: Major Richardson's address is 13 Howard Street, KENDAL, Cumbria LA9 5QF.

# **MYSTERIOUS MIDDLE NAMES**

Mrs M. Jay

I wonder whether any reader can throw light on the unusual middle names of my two grandfathers? Names do not normally "come out of the blue" - they are usually chosen by parents; but this is not always the case, as I have discovered.

My paternal grandfather was born at Low Fell, Gateshead, on 25 December 1848. His birth was not registered, and the information comes from a page torn from a Family Bible. His name is given there as James Linsdal Coates. He was baptized at St Andrew's Church, Lamesley, County Durham, on 21 June 1849 as James Linsdall (note the spelling) Coates, son of James Coates, butler, of Chowdene, and Ann Coates. In the 1851 Census of Low Fell the family appears as:-

Ann Coates, head, domestic only, aged 38, born Ponteland, Northumberland. Mary Ann Coates, daughter, domestic servant, aged 16, born Ponteland. Catherine Coates, daughter, scholar, aged 8, born Ponteland. Elizabeth Coates, daughter, scholar, aged 6, born Bedlington. James L. Coates, son, aged 2, born at Gateshead Fell, County Durham.

There is no entry for the father, so he was presumably at his place of work. James and Ann Coates were not married at Ponteland, and I have not been able to trace the marriage. My guess is that Ann met her husband while she was away "in service", and returned to her family at Ponteland to have her first child. The baptismal registers for Ponteland record the baptisms of Mary Ann and Catherine, so it is likely that their mother had been baptized there too, around the year 1813. Sure enough, there were several girls called Ann baptized there in the relevant period, but not one with the surname Linsdal. So this does not appear to be one of those cases where a first son is given his mother's maiden name as a middle name. Indeed I have searched dictionaries of names and failed to find Linsdal anywhere. Thinking it might be a place name I have also consulted a gazetteer, with the same negative result.

I have tried to find where and for whom my great-grandfather worked as a butler, hoping that this would provide a clue. So far I am still searching. He died on 6 June 1882 at Espley Hall, Highlaws, Morpeth, Northumberland, aged 67. His occupation is given on the death certificate as "formerly a butler", and the informant was Charles Bulmer, Occupier, Espley Hall. Unfortunately, that house had not been long built at that date, and I have not been able to trace the Bulmer family, nor James Coates the butler, in any census records.

My grandfather, James Linsdal Coates, died on 7 March 1888 at the early age of 39, leaving a widow with six children and expecting a seventh. My father was the middle one of the family, aged 7 when his father died. Unfortunately, by the time I became interested in family history, no surviving relative could tell me the origin of the name Linsdal.

My maternal grandfather's middle name is quite a different kind of mystery. He did not receive it as a child, but assumed it after he grew up. He was born in Newcastle-upon-Tyne on 20 December 1837, and the birth was registered. His name was Matthew, son of Matthew Gibson, a labourer, and Mary Gibson, formerly Hall. The young Matthew married Ann Matthews in July 1869, and the certificate gives his name as plain Matthew Gibson. But at some time after this he assumed the middle name of Sibbald, or so my mother told me. Certainly he bestowed this name on at least three of his five children. My mother was Henrietta Sibbald Gibson before she married William Hird Coates. She told me that her father was a cruel tyrant, possibly slightly mad. For some reason he believed that he should have been the owner of Hopetoun House, a mansion with 365 windows! I have recently identified Hopetoun House as the seat of the Earls of Linlithgow.

When the five children of Matthew S. Gibson grew up, the family split up. The two elder remained with their father and the three younger ones, two young lady teachers and a schoolboy, took their ailing mother to a rented flat where they could live in peace. My mother was the eldest of these three. Mrs Ann Gibson died in October 1911, about ten years after the separation, yet strangely enough the informant of her death was M.S. Gibson, widower of deceased. She is described on the certificate as "Wife of Matthew Sibbald Gibson", so he got his own way on that occasion.

Although I was nearly eight years old when my eccentric grandfather died, I never met him. He was accidently killed in May 1921, at the age of 82, while mending a roof in Joan Street, Benwell, Newcastle. (He was a jobbing master builder). The cause of his death is quaintly expressed on the certificate: "Killed by having accidentally fallen from the roof of a house which he was repairing in consequence of the ladder upon which he was having broken." The information was supplied by the Coroner. Alas for his hopes of wealth and greatness, in death he was plain Matthew Gibson.

My mother's younger brother Samuel Sibbald Gibson became a headmaster in Darlington. We were not in touch with him, but knew that he married and had a son and a daughter, George and Mary. My mother outlived her brothers and sisters, and after she died in 1968, aged 89, I began to trace my family tree. Quite by chance I saw an obituary notice in a Birmingham newspaper in 1980, announcing the death of George Owen Sibbald Gibson, and giving an address near Manchester. Eventually I wrote to the address and received a heart-warming reply from my cousin Mary (nee Gibson) telling me about her own family and that of her late brother, In answer to my query about the origin of the name Sibbald, she wrote: "The family tale goes thus. Matthew our grandfather firmly believed he had a claim to one of the big estates in Scotland .... called Hopetoun. It seems the daughter of our ancestor ran away with one of the coachmen .... Grandfather spent a lot of money trying to trace one missing document .... Somewhere in the archives in London, there lives our family history ...."

Was the mysterious coachmen called Sibbald, I wonder? How can I find out?

Editor's Note: I have been able to tell Mrs Jay that the name Linsdal did in fact come from the maiden name of her great grandmother. The marriage registers for All Saints Church, Newcastle, record the marriage of James Coates and Ann Linsdale in 1832. The name Sibbald however remains a mystery. Mrs Jay's address is 5 Queen Mother Court, 151 Sellywood Road, Bournville, BIRMINGHAM B30 1XA.

# MEMBERS AND THEIR INTERESTS

Items for this and the "Second Time Around" column should be sent to Mrs Irene Blackburn, 11 Blackdene, ASHINGTON, Northumberland NE63 8TL.

May we remind members that the pedigree charts used for indexing Members's Interests for the next Directory are quite separate from the Interests for these columns. If you wish your interests to be published, please send a paragraph outlining your areas of research, problems etc. 10 Mrs Blackburn at the above address for publication in the next available Journal. Please check that you include your membership number when writing, and we suggest that names for publication are PRINTED to avoid errors

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Welcome to all our new members.

- Mrs V. CORNO, 11 Fleetway, Thorpe, EGHAM, Surrey TW20 8UA
  Would like to contact descendants of any of the following: Mary Ann Bell born 26 September 1858 at
  Hebron/Hebburn, daughter of Esther Bell of Causey Park Bridge. Mary Jane Bell born 14 August 1853 at
  Callaly High House, Edlingham, daughter of John Bell (Police Officer) and Mary Armstrong, also sister
  Sarah Esther Bell born 21 August 1862 at Newcastle. William Armstrong born 22 June 1846 at Trewitt
  Steads, Rothbury, son of Mary Armstrong, later of Rothbury Tumbleton where he worked as a shepherd.
  Robert Bell Thorburn born 11 October 1862 and his sisters Elizabeth (born 1859) and Georgina (1864)
  children of Mark Rainton and his brother Richard Haddick who married Ann (surname unknown).
- 1598 Mrs N. McKINNA, P.O. Box 336, COOKTOWN, QUEENSLAND 4871, AUSTRALIA.

  Tracing Myers/Myres/Miers family of Newcastle. Seeking marriage of William Myers and Jane Wardle.
  Jane was believed to be connected to Gypsy families and took her children to Gypsy Gatherings at Yetholm.
  1851 Census shows family living at Green Court, Gallowgate, Newcastle: William Myers, shoemaker, aged
  36, born in Yorkshire, wife Jane, aged 36, born Houghton-le-Spring, and children Mary Jane (7), William (5)
  and George aged 3 months. George's birth certificate gives his mother's name as Jane formerly Wardle, and
  Mary Jane's birth certificate was registered under the name Wardle with no father's name shown.
- 2561 Mrs P.M. LANGSTON, 3713 24th Street, ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS 61201, UNITED STATES.
  Seeking any information on William Lonsdale who married Ann Hope about 1830, and their son James Lonsdale, born October 1832. Also interested in John Haddick, born 1835 at West Rainton and his brother Richard Haddick who married Ann (surname unknown).
- 2650 Mr P.A. MARK, 63 Kentish Road, BELVEDERE, Kent DA17 5BS.
  A one-name society is being formed for the name Mark/Marke and anyone who would be interested is asked to make contact.
- 2947 Mrs M. TURNBULL, 83 Trevelyan Drive, Westerhope, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE5 4BU.
  Seeking ancestors and descendants of John Tait and Elizabeth Amos who were married 6 May 1832 at St
  Mary's Church, Gateshead. Their children were Thomas, Margaret, John, Elizabeth and Robert Amos (born 1843 Monkseaton). Also interested in Edmund Hopson Turnbull who married Jane Guthrie in 1898.
  Could he be a descendant of Edmund Hopson Turnbull who lived at Shadwell Street, South Shields, according to Wards Directory 1857?

- 2986 Mrs E.B. CARSS, 34 West Road, Ponteland, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE NE20 9SX.
  Would like information about the Carss family. Particularly descendants of Robert Carss, blacksmith of Low Buston, Warkworth, Northumberland. He was born in Alnwick in 1773 and died at Low Buston in 1842. He had four sons, Thomas, Robert, Job and Matthew.
- 2999 Mrs C.D. MAXWELL, 102 Bay Road, BOLTON POINT, N.S.W. 2283, AUSTRALIA.
  Researching Henry Richardson who married Mary Margaret Nesbitt 4 June 1854 at Woodhorn, Northumberland. They emigrated to Australia in 1859.
- 3006 Mrs P.A. COURT, 38 Danes Way, LEIGHTON BUZZARD, Bedfordshire LU7 8LS.
  (Tel. 0525 376883) Researching family of Robert White, boat builder, born 1866 who married Henrietta Horsburgh on 28 April 1889 at St Michael's, South Westoe, South Shields. Children were Lily (1889), Robert, Thomas (1891), Henrietta (1895), Adelaide (1903), William Henry and Alfred Edward (1908). He later remarried Mary Jane? Would welcome any information about his father Thomas, a driller, possibly of Sunderland.
- 3015 Mrs C.E. ATKINSON, Auckland House, 15 Low Flatts Road, CHESTER-LE-STREET, County Durham DH3 4AW.
  - Help needed with non-conformist records for Newcastle 1820 s and Mitford 1850 to 1870. Robert Atkinson married Mary Browell at Hartburn 1785, family included John, Robert, Margaret and Mary. Robert was born in 1792 at Hartburn. In 1841 he was living at Elswick, Newcastle, with his wife Jane and children Robert, William, Mark, George and Mary. Mark was born in 1827 at Newcastle; he married Elizabeth Moat in 1850 at Newcastle St John's Parish, and they had at least two sons: Robert (born 1850, died 1923 at Gateshead) and Henry (born 1855). In 1881 Robert was living in Elswick with his wife and sons Mark and David. Any further information would be welcome.
- 3024 Mrs M. GARFORTH, 23 Orchard Way, Offord D'Arcy, HUNTINGDON, Cambridegshire PE18 9RE. Researching William Graham, born in Belford area around 1800. He married Mary Longford in South Shields in 1828. Their children baptised at St Hilda's South Shields were Ellen, John, William, Alexander, Mark, Mary Anne, Catherine, Thomas, Stephen and Anthony. Also interested in Michael Hume(s) who married Elizabeth Chatterley in 1803 at Chester-le-Street. Their children were Margaret, Robert, Richard (all baptised in Washington) and Michael and Thomasine (baptised in Chester-le-Street). Michael Hume(s) married Ann Blackett in 1829 at Bishopwearmouth. All North East Hume(s) in St Catherine's House are being indexed with a view to a One Name Study.
- 3026 Mrs J.A. SMITH, Hillside, Lowes Barn Bank, DURHAM DH1 3QJ.
  - Researching the following Weardale families. Seeking parents of Thomas Emerson (mining agent of Welhope) who married Esther Peart in 1810. Also parents of Ralph Emerson who married Ann Rutherford in 1837 and lived at West Black Dene. Trying to find a connection between Thomas Kidd who married Sarah Brown in 1845 and the other Weardale Kidd families. Also interested in Natham Price who married Jane Dent about 1855 and lived at Westgate. What happened to their son Anthony? Their daughter Ann was my great-grandmother.
- 3030 Ms H. MELDRUM, 6 Summerhill Terrace, NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE NE4 6EB.

  Researching Punshon and Neil of Sunderland and Monkwearmouth and Meldrum of Bishopwearmouth and Sunderland. Also Anderson of Sunderland from 1860, previously of Edinburgh, and Crathorne of London and later of Sunderland. Other interests include Cuthbertson, McDermid and Nugent of Scotland and Spooner of Norfolk.
- 3038 Miss J. BORROWSCALE, 14 Eaglehurst Road, Gateacre, LIVERPOOL, Merseyside L25 3QH. Seeking marriage of Francis Borrowscale and Hannah around 1826. Francis was born at Cockermouth, Cumberland, in 1802, and Hannah was born in Bamburgh, Northumberland, about 1797. They had twin sons Joseph and John Hardy baptised at Lucker in October 1828.
- 3040 Mr C.W. PARKINSON, 5 Nutsey Lane, Testwood, Totton, SOUTHAMPTON S04 3NB.

  Researching Arthur James Boor born at Bootle/ Liverpool about 1885. He was the son of Matthew Boor (born about 1846, died 1897 at Salford, Lanes) and Mary Ann Alice Parkinson.
- 3052 Mrs K.S. MAINELLI, 90 Causeway Head Road, Dore, SHEFFIELD, South Yorkshire S17 3DW.
- 3053 Mr J. SANDHAM, 14 Crossfield Road, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL3 OTR.
- 3054 Mrs P. SANDHAM, 14 Crossfield Road, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL3 OTR.
  Researching the Bowes family. Francis Bowes, born at Forcett, Yorkshire, circa 1805, married Elizabeth Potts in 1826 at Denton, County Durham. All their children were baptised at Staindrop, County Durham. Their sixth child, Hugh, was married twice and children from the second marriage, all born at Bishop Auckland, were Robert (1869), Margaret (1870), Jane Anne (1872), Lydia (1876), Francis James (1878), Amos (1880), John (1882), Robert (1884) and Hugh (1887). Any information will be gratefully received.
- 3056 Mrs M. McNAMEE, 325 Norton Road, STOCKTON-ON-TEES, Cleveland TS20 2PT
- 3057 Mrs N.M. EMERSON, 74 Cavendish Avenue, CAMBRIDGE, CB1 4UT.
- 3059 Mr 1. WALKER, 3 Downswood, REIGATE, Surrey RH2 OJQ.
- 3060 Mr L. RIDLEY, 1322 10th Street South West, JAMESTOWN, NORTH DAKOTA 58401, UNITED STATES.
- 3061 Mr C. WINDER, 11 Bedford Avenue, WALLSEND, Tyne & Wear NE28 8EF.
- 3062 Mrs J.M. WINDER, 11 Bedford Avenue, WALLSEND, Tyne & Wear NE28 8EF.

- 3063 Mr M. TREMAYNE, 19 Bomont, Ellington, MORPETH, Northumberland NE61 5LT.
- 3064 Mrs C. TREMAYNE, 19 Bomont, Ellington, MORPETH, Northumberland NE61 5LT.
- 3065 Mr D.G. BRODIE, 3 High Park, MORPETH, Northumberland NE61 2SS.
- 3066 Mrs O.M. BRODIE, 3 High Park, MORPETH, Northumberland NE61 2SS.
- 3068 Mr J.H. UMFREVILLE, 2B Woodside Road, BEACONSFIELD, Buckinghamshire HP9 1JG.
- 3069 Mr A. DAVIES, 6 Conyers Terrace, Broom, FERRYHILL, County Durham DL17 8AT.
- 3071 Mr G.E. HERBERT, 16 Cricklewood Road, SUNDERLAND, Tyne & Wear SR5 3SP.
- 3074 Dr. R. BLACKBURN, 5 Millgate, Egerton, BOLTON, Lancashire BL7 9UD. Interested in the Blackburn family in Choppington area of Northumberland.
- 3075 Mrs C. BLACKBURN, 5 Millgate, Egerton, BOLTON, Lancashire BL7 9UD.
- 3076 Mr W.F. PEARSON, 5 Beverley Road, WHITLEY BAY, Tyne & Wear NE25 8JH.
- 3078 Mr G.T. GIBSON, 5832 Rustic Knolls, BOULDER, COLORADO 80301, UNITED STATES.
- 3080 Mrs J.M. BUNDRED, The Bungalow, Batenbush Farm, Longtown, CARLISLE, Cumbria CA6 5NW.
- 3081 Miss J.R. RAMSAY, 5 Katterns Close, CHRISTCHURCH, Dorset BH23 2NS.
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- 3083 Mr L.A. LEWIS, 11 Marker Way, HONITON, Devon EX14 8EL.
- 3084 Miss J. PARSONS, 23 Northwood Way, Central Hill, LONDON SE19 IET.
- 3085 Mrs I. PARSONS, 23 Northwood Way, Central Hill, LONDON SE19 IET.
- 3086 Mrs L. BOYLE, 41 Craigview, Sauchie, ALLOA, Clackmannanshire FK10 6DL.

  Researching Brownbridge. William Brownbridge (born 1792), a grocer and flour dealer of West Mill, married Jane Simpson (born 1794), of Cockfield, County Durham. Also interested in the Ismay family of Camerton, Cumberland. John Ismay married Ann Quail, both were born in 1845 and both had fathers called John.
- 3087 Mr P. DICKINSON, 64 Saint Andrews Road, COLWYN BAY, Clwyd LL29 6DL.
- 3089 Revd J.W. SHEWAN, Longhoughton Vicarage, ALNWICK, Northumberland NE66 3AW.
- 3090 Mrs A. JACKSON, 140 Raby Road, Newton Hall, DURHAM DH1 5NQ.
- Mrs E.L.M. JACKSON, Hollybush House, Shuckburgh Road, Priors Marston, RUGBY, Warwickshire CV23 8RS.
- 3092 Mrs B. SANDERS, Town Yeat, High Nibthwaite, ULVERSTON, Cumbria LA12 8DF.
- 3093 Mrs E. WHITE, 75 Witton Road, Woodlane, FERRYHILL, County Durham DL17 8QE.
- 3095 Mr T.S. FAIRHURST, 4 Hawthorn Villas, The Green, WALLSEND, Tyne & Wear NE28 7NT.
- 3096 Mrs C.A. FAIRHURST, 4 Hawthorn Villas, The Green, WALLSEND, Tyne & Wear NE28 7NT.
- 3098 Mrs V. WANN, 49 Medina Road, Holloway, LONDON N7 7LA.
- 3099 Mrs I.J. THOMPSON, 65 Mount Crescent, BRENTWOOD, Essex CM14 5DD.
- 3100 Mrs L. MADSEN, 7 Cedar Close, Gilesgate Moor, DURHAM DH1 IEF.

  Researching Richardson of Framwellgate Moor, Durham and Medomsley. Would like to hear from anyone with an ancestor called Blackett Richardson. So far five people with this name have been discovered born 1801, 1826, 1836, 1867 and 1868. Also interested in the family of Elizabeth Barrass, born 1873 possibly at Framwellgate Moor. She married Blackett Richardson in 1891/2. One of her sisters may have married a Milburn from Ashington, Northumberland, at the end of the last century.
- 3101 Mrs H. REAH, 46 Hummersknott Avenue, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL3 8LG.
- 3102 Mr D. SANDERSON, 9 Duverlin Close, NORWICH, Norfolk NR4 6HS.
- 3103 Mrs N. PATTERSON, 38 Calder Drive, Rainhill, PRESCOT, Merseyside L35 ONW.
- 3104 Miss J.D. PRICE, 8 Dalston Drive, Didsbury Park, MANCHESTER M20 OLG.

  Interested in Zachariah Tyzack from North Shields 1755 or earlier. He may have been born 1730/31. He was a mariner who settled in Wells-next-to-the-Sea, Norfolk, in the 1750's. Also interested in the family of Ann Tulip from Whickham and Monkwearmouth, Sunderland. Ann married William Tyzack in the late 1700s, and their son William (born 19 August 1797) emigrated to Australia in 1840. The name Tyzack has many variations and is believed to have been du Thisac, supposedly a Huguenot name.
- 3105 Mr R. BIRT, 19 Ouston Close, Wardley, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE10 8DZ.
- 3106 Mrs M. BIRT, 19 Ouston Close, Wardley, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE10 8DZ.
- 3107 Mr G. DUFFEY, 29 Ulverston Gardens, Beacon Lough, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE9 6NA.
- Mr W.D. REED, 23 Godfrey Road, Artarmon, SYDNEY, N.S.W. 2064, AUSTRALIA.

  Interested in the Reed family of East Rainton, County Durham, circa 1820 to 1860. Joseph, born 1803 Washington, a pitman, and his wife Ann (born East Rainton 1805) had eleven children all born in the Rainton area. Margaret (0825), Thomas (1827), William (1829), Ann (1831), Barbara (1833), Mary (1835), Joseph (1837), Sarah (1838), John (1840), Thomas (1845) and Elizabeth (1847). Most of them were baptised at St Michael's R.C. church in Houghton-le-Spring. William Reed was also a pitman and he married Eliza Walker, a widow (nee Ayre, daughter of George and Charlotte), at the parish church of West Rainton on 9 August 1852. Eliza was on Poor Relief at the time and already had two children: Robert (0845) and Jane

- (1850 at Quarrington Hills). Children from her second marriage were George (1852), Joseph (1857), Ann (1858), all born at West Rainton, and Barbara (born 1864 at North Seaton Colliery). By 1871 the family were living at West Sleekburn. George Reed married Jane Ann Douglas of Netherton, Bedlington, at Morpeth on 27 February 1873 and they emigrated to Australia in 1879 with their three children William (1874), Joseph (1875) and Elizabeth (1878).
- 3109 Mrs J.M. McKENNA, Home Farm Cottage, Woodend, TOWCESTER, Northamptonshire NN12 8RF. Researching Birtle of Towlaw, Bitchburn and Westmoreland; Fleming of Towlaw and Ireland; Bird and Moore of St Andrew's, Durham; Nevin of Low Fell; Railton and Liddle of Newcastle; Bagnall of Byker, Sampson of Staffordshire and Harrison of Byker and Scotland. Would like to hear from anyone with similar interests.
- 3110 Miss E.M. REAVLEY, 17 Malvins Road, BLYTH, Northumberland NE24 5HW.
- 3111 Mrs J.L. COX, 6 Staplehurst, Woodenhill, BRACKNELL, Berkshire RG12 45DB.

  Seeking information on the Kirkley family in Durham and Northumberland before 1766. Particularly the birthplace of Joseph Kirkley (born circa 1743, married Masham, Yorkshire 1766, died Middlesmoor, Yorkshire, 1825) and Robert Kirkley, possibly Joseph's brother or cousin (born circa 1749, married Middlesmoor, Yorkshire, 1779, died Burnsall, Yorkshire, 1827).
- 3112 Mr K.E. HAWKSWORTH, 48 Higher Blandford, BROADSTONE, Dorset BH18 9AQ. Would like information on the parents of the following: Elizabeth Beal, born in Bedlington about 1838; Robert Cowens, born Acklington about 1836; Mabel Hunter, born Whittingham about 1825, and John Thompson, born Lesbury about 1822.
- 3113 Miss S.E. WILES, 169 Broad Oak Way, Up Hatherley, CHELTENHAM, Gloucetershire GL51 5LN.
- 3114 Mrs C.M. RIBBON, 9 Foreland Avenue, FOLKESTONE, Kent CT19 6DS.

  Researching Dunn, Pattison and Nicholson of Monkwearmouth area, County Durham, Branders family anywhere in County Durham and Allen family of Reading, Berkshire. Also Briant/Bryant and Lovelock from around Marlborough, Wiltshire and Head, Elford and Pyke families pre 1750 from Easton Royal area of Wiltshire. Would also like to hear from anyone tracing Ribbon or any variations, particularly in South Wales.
- 3115 Mrs A.M. LIBEAU, 24 Rutherford Street, TAURANGA, NEW ZEALAND
- 3116 Miss J.M. HOULT, 70 Sixth Avenue, BLYTH, Northumberland NE24 2SU.

  Researching the Hoult family of Willington, Shieldfield and Byker districts of Newcastle upon Tyne.

  Especially interested in finding birth/marriage of William Hoult born 1834, railway passenger guard and his wife Mary Ann Hoult. Their children were William (born 1868), Edward (1871), Elizabeth (1875), Henry (1872), Tom (1878), Fred (1880) and Charles. William Hoult's gravestone is in Jesmond Parish Cemetery. Any information would be welcome. 1871 Census shows address 2 Albert Street, Shieldfield, and family included two stepchildren Robert Graham and Mary Ann Graham, aged I I and 9 respectively, both known as Hoult. In 1881 their address was 13 Camden Street, Shieldfield.
- 3117 Mrs N. TARKENTER, 31 Waterbury Road, Brunton Park, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE3 5AJ
- 3118 Mr F.W. ROBINSON, 50 Meaford Road, Barlaston, STOKE-ON-TRENT, Staffordshire ST12 9EB.
  Searching for the link between the Reay and Mowbray families. Robert Reay (born 1814) married Isabella Mowbray (born 1816) at Hetton-le-Hole in 1835. Would like to know if this was Isabel Mowbray, daughter of John Mowbray and Isabella Creighton baptised 1816 at Spring Garden Lane Presbyterian, Sunderland. Any information welcome.
- 3119 Miss P. LEAFE, 50 Meaford Road, Barlaston, STOKE-ON-TRENT, Staffordshire ST12 9EB.
- 3120 NEWCASTLE FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY, P.O. Box 189, ADAMSTOWN, N.S.W. 2289, AUSTRALIA.
- 3121 Mr J.R. PURVIS, Gilmerton House, Dunino, ST ANDREWS, Fife KY16 8NB.
- 3122 Mr G. JOHNSTON, Flosh House, WIGTON, Cumbria CA7 8PZ.
  - Seeking information on Magnay (or MacNay prior to 1745). William Magnay (1716-1788) of Housesteads and his wife Mary (nee Smith of Thorngrafton) had sons John (1738-1799) of Willimontswick Tower, Thomas (born 1743) of Settlingstones, William of Housesteads and Matthew (1748-1813) of Sewingshields. John's son Christopher (1767-1826) was Lord Mayor of London 1821-22 and his son Sir William (1795-1871) was Lord Mayor of London 1843-44. The family is well documented but information about gravestones, early tenancy or ownership of Housesteads and female lines would be greatly appreciated. Also interested in Ralph Lisle (born 1791 Choston) a publican of Pann Lane, Sunderland, and his daughter-in-law Margaret Brooks (born 1825 Biddington). Her parents were William Brooks and Mary Ann (surname sought).
- 3123 Mr T.D. GILLEN, 29 Grosvenor Place, Jesmond, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE2 2RD.
- 3124 Miss B. HUNTLEY, 26 Danbury Close, Chadwell Heath, ROMFORD, Essex RM6 5HU.

  Researching grandfather John James Huntley of Sunderland, a Master Mariner. Born about 1872 possibly at
  West Hartlepool. He married Mary Ann Todd Brown in Sunderland 1901. Also interested in Brown and
  Barkes families of Sunderland. Any information would be welcome.

Jane Graham, born Doddington, Northumberland, died March 1855, buried at St Cuthbert's, Gateshead.

3125 Mrs B.L. COX, 1614 South Lennox, CASPER, WYOMING 82601, UNITED STATES.

Researching Carr, Graham, Robson and Rodham. Who are the parents of Matthew Carr, born 1769 at Bothal, Northumberland, died 1839 at Ouse Burn, buried St Ann's, Newcastle. He married Ann Rodham, born 1773 at Hunstanworth, died 6 January 1855 Carrs Villa, buried St Ann's, Newcastle. Also seeking parents of Richard Robson born Wooler, Northumberland, died 1 July 1841, buried St Ann's Newcastle. He married

- 3126 Mrs E.M. NOBLE, 63 Northstead Manor Drive, SCARBOROUGH, North Yorkshire Y012 6AF.
- 3127 Mr B.E. NOBLE, 63 Northstead Manor Drive, SCARBOROUGH, North Yorkshire Y012 6AF.
- 3128 Mr S. COOK, 42 Atkinson Road, CHESTER-LE-STREET, County Durham DH3 3RU.
- 3129 Miss B. DOWNIE, 13 Whinlatter Gardens, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE9 6TJ. Interested in Miller of Ogle, Northumberland, Downie of Kirkcaldy, Scotland, and Worley of Morpeth and Gateshead.
- 3130 Miss E.A. FLETCHER, 36 Blenheim Road, North Harrow, HARROW, Middlesex HA2 7AH.
- 3131 Mrs A. MILBURN, Great Garth, Hall Walk, Easington, PETERLEE, County Durham SR8 3BP.
- 3132 Miss K.L. MILBURN, Great Garth, Hall Walk, Easington, PETERLEE, County Durham SR8 3BP.
- 3133 Miss E.H. MILBURN, Great Garth, Hall Walk, Easington, PETERLEE, County Durham SRS 3BP.
- 3134 Mr K. ROBERTSON, First Floor Flat, 32 Chandos Road, Redland, BRISTOL BS6 6PF.
- 3135 Mr T. HUTCHINSON, 10567 Shillington Crescent South West, CALGARY, ALBERTA T2W ON8, CANADA.

Researching Hutchinson family of Middleton-in-Teesdale, Durham. Also McDonald, Beadle, Close, Gibson, Forster in Middleton-in-Teesdale, Bowes, Marrick and Barnard Castle. Especially interested in parents of William Hutchinson (possibly John and Nanny) who was baptised 26 April 1794 in Middleton-in-Teesdale, and married Jane Gibson on 15 July 1824.

- 3136 Mrs M. HEDLEY, 57 Birkdale Gardens, Belmont, DURHAM DH 1 2UL.
- 3137 Mrs R.S.H. CROWTHER, 4 Agar Meadows, Carnon Downs, TRURO, Cornwall TR3 6HS.
- 3138 Mr T.J. HUDSON, 30 Knights Drive, GLEN WAVERLEY, VICTORIA 3150, AUSTRALIA.
- 3139 Mrs A. FAIRLAMB, 22 Bewick Lane, Ovingham, PRUDHOE, Northumberland NE42 6BT.
- 3140 Miss S.D. LISTER, Balmaha, Irton, SCARBOROUGH, North Yorkshire Y012 4RH. (Tel. 0723 863218) Researching Lister (Hett and Gateshead), Stephenson (Wolsingham and Lanchester), Storey (Hett and Lanchester), Dixon and Hall of North Sunderland, Northumberland. Also the following Glasgow families: Wallace, Miller, Douglas and Bell.
- 3141 Mr H. HEDLEY, 6 Musgrave Road, Low Fell, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE9 5TA.
- 3142 Mr C.D.C. NIXON, 134 Hillary Place, FORT McMURRAY, ALBERTA T9H 3T6, CANADA.
- 3143 Ms L. FROST, 8 Cliff Street, ESSENDON, VICTORIA 3040, AUSTRALIA.

  Researching Richard Fiddes, born 1831 Alnham, Northumberland, son of Gabriel Fiddes and Dorothy Turnbull. On arrival in Melbourne, Australia, he is recorded as John Richard Fiddles but on later records he is known as Richard. He was a blacksmith. His wife Ann Watson was born in Sunderland 1831, daughter of James and Margaret Watson. Her father was supposed to be `something big in shipping' and Richard's employer. The couple are said to have eloped in 1850 to Dalton-le-Dale in Durham but no record has been found. Their daughter Dorothy Ann Fiddes married Robert Brown in Chiltern, Victoria in 1873. He was a miner, born 1846 in Sherbourne Hill, son of Robert Brown and Isabella Dobson.
- 3144 Mrs C.M. KERBY, 197 Sandringham Road, WATFORD, Hertfordshire WD2 4BH.
- 3145 Mr D.R. HILL, Pool Cottage, Wormsley, HEREFORD HR4 8LU.
- 3146 Miss J. OLIVER, 21 Johnstone Road, East Ham, LONDON E6 4JB.

  Seeking information about John Defty born 20.7.1838, a Marine Engineer who came from Durham, son of John Defty, a miner, and Margaret Gray. He married Mary Jane Douglas on 29.8.1861 in Sunderland; she was the daughter of Coulson Douglas, a master mariner, and Mary Potts.
- 3147 Mrs C.L. GRADY, 147 Elmsfield Avenue, Norden, ROCHDALE, Lancashire OL11 5KA.

  Would like to hear from anyone with a knowledge of glass, glassmaking and in particular stained glass with special reference to several generations of Joseph Millers and the Mustard family. Also interested in Captain Martin Brydon of Montrose, Scotland, (born circa 1756) who married there in 1794. He may be the same Martin Brydon, mariner, who had a son in 1786 in All Saints Newcastle, possibly by an earlier marriage.
- 3148 Mrs J.M. SCOTT, 15 Valley View Gardens, KENLEY, Surrey CR2 5BR.

  Researching the Knox family. Mark Knox married Catherine Wright on 28 February 1872 at Guisborough Church, Yorkshire. Mark was born at Tow-law, County Durham, and Catherine at Osmotherly. They had nine children, five born in Yorkshire and four more after they moved to Shepherds Bush, London. Mark's father, William, was born in Washington, County Durham about 1812.
- 3149 Mr R. MUIR, 15 Reading Road, Woodley, READING, Berkshire RG5 3DA.

  Interested in John Simpson, born at Grinton in Swaledale in 1826, coal miner, who married Elizabeth Garthwaite at Auckland St Andrew on 19 May 1850. In 1861 and 1871 his address was Gurney Row, Coundon Grange. Can anyone confirm whether Rachel Simpson, born 26 July 1861, was my grandmother who married Wm T. Brown in Dundee 26 February 1884.
- 3150 Mr J.B. SCOTT, 6 Tinkler Terrace, Castle Dene, CHESTER-LE-STREET, County Durham DH3 4HB.
- 3151 Mrs M.B. HUNTER, Pinewood, CHATHILL, Northumberland NE67 5JP.
- 3152 Mr P. HENZELL-THOMAS, 4 Henbury House, Claverton Down Road, BATH, Avon BA2 6DN.

- 3153 Mrs C. RIDGE, 118 South Avenue, ABINGDON, Oxfordshire OX14 1QS.
- 3154 Mr J.K. RIDGE, 118 South Avenue, ABINGDON, Oxfordshire OX14 1QS.
- 3155 Mrs A. DAVISON, 19 Lawrence Hill Court, Thorne Avenue, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NEW 8TG. Interested in the family of Wilkinson Ridley, born Chirton, North Shields in 1863. He married Jennie and they had two children born in Bill Quay: John Batchelor Ridley, born 26 September 1888 and Margaret, born 19 February 1893. The family emigrated to Saskatchewan, Canada, about 1900. Also searching for the birth of Jane Elizabeth Soones, born Norwich 1860, and the marriage of Thomas Soones and Jane in Norwich about 1859. Thomas was born in New Zealand about 1840.
- 3156 Mr A. VICKERS, 7 Cumbrian Avenue, Seaburn Dene, SUNDERLAND, Tyne & Wear SR6 8JZ.
- 3157 Mrs G. WHITE, 44 Glenluce Drive, CRAMLINGTON, Northumberland NE23 6PT.

  Would welcome any information about the Fulthorpe family of St Mary's, Whickham, County Durham.

  Also David Denham, born 1788/9 in Durham, married Elizabeth, and any of their children born Durham 1820-30.
- 3158 Miss B. SCHUMER, Flat 1, Manor Gate, 12 St Johns Avenue, LONDON SW15 2AD.
- 3159 Mrs D. OUGHTON, 62 Ridge Road, SUTTON, Surrey SM3 9LJ.

  Interested in Martin Gleghorn, a coke burner who lived at Quarry Fields, Gateshead, in 1852. He married Dorothy Allison and had four sons: George Brown, Martin Luther, John Allison and Thomas; and a daughter Annie. Any information about this family before 1850 would be appreciated.
- 3160 Mr J.W. HORSLEY, 7 Northlands Gardens, SOUTHAMPTON, Hampshire SO1 2NL.

  Seeking information on ancestors of John Callcott Horsley RA who was descended from a family which flourished in Longhorsley, Rothbury, until taking the Cavalier side in the Civil War when their possessions were forfeited. Later members of the family include William Horsley (1774-1868), descended from a medical man in Carlisle in the early 18th century.
- 3163 Mrs J. OXFORD, 11 Stephenson Terrace, WYLAM, Northumberland NE41 8DZ.

  Researching the Smurthwaite family of Bishop Auckland and Stanhope, County Durham. James Smurthwaite married Sarah Jane Smurthwaite who died 13 December 1907 aged 60. Also any information about John Featherstone, born 2 September 1844 at Foxholes, near Lanchester, County Durham. Also interested in the Kind family and Oxford family of Sunderland and Portsmouth.
- 3165 Mrs S. WEST, 21 Shaw Drive, Sandford, WAREHAM, Dorset BH20 7BS.

  Researching Fleming of County Durham (Brancepeth, Willington, Wingate and Oakenshaw). They were coal miners. The earliest known is John Fleming born about 1835 in Newcastle. There are connections with Harrison. Mole and Adamson.
- 3172 Mrs C.A. POLCI, 18 Southwood Crescent, LONDON, ONTARIO N6J 1S9, CANADA.

  Researching Anderson and Emerson families. John Anderson was born 8 December 1798 in Lumley,
  Durham. He was the son of John Anderson (c 1750-1831) of Lumley (born in Lesbury, Northumberland) and
  his wife Sythe Emerson (1765-1802) of Tanfield, Durham. John Anderson junior and his wife Elizabeth
  Robinson of Yorkshire came to Canada in 1832, settling in Nassagaweya Township, Halton County, Ontario.
- 3174 Mr J. ROBINSON, 4 Newmarsh Road, Walmley, SUTTON COLDFIELD, West Midlands B76 8XW. Seeking ancestors and descendants of George Bowman Robinson, a cordwainer of Houghton le Spring, born 23 June 1802, baptised at St Giles, Durham, 9 January 1803, son of George Robinson and Eleanor Hepplewhite who were married 22 November 1794. George Bowman Robinson married Mary Hepplewhite.
- 3183 Mrs J.E. AITCHISON, 5 The Cliff, Iburndale, WHITBY, North Yorkshire Y022 5DS.

  Interests are Bewick family who lived in the Corbridge area circa 1700, but later moved to South Shields and California USA. Also the Brimmer family of South Shields in the 19th century.
- 3190 Mr W.M. HOPE, 8 Shand Crescent, TURRAMURRA, N.S.W. 2074, AUSTRALIA.

  Would like to contact any descendants of William Hope of Hamsterley (dead by 1815) who married Elizabeth Stanton of Kelloe in 1766. They had a son Ralph (born 1767 Hamsterley) who married Jane Brownbridge on 30 March 1788. They had three sons Christopher, Ralph and Joseph (born 26 October 1788 Hamsterley, married Hannah Moses).
- 3192 Mrs L.J. DENT, 9 Fiona Close, WYMONDHAM, Norfolk NR18 OHB.

  Seeking ancestors of James Moyes, born July 1808, Innkeeper of the Lass of Gowrie Inn, 75 High Street, Sunderland, who died at South Bishopwearmouth in May 1873. His wife was Ann Scott, and their children were Scott Moyes (born 1838, married Catherine Thompson 22 December 1858). Andrew (born 1841), Jane Ann (1843), Edmund (1846) and Agnes (1849). Would also welcome information about the family of James Thompson (born 1808). They were shipbuilders on the Wear 1797-1956.
- 3193 Mr P. URQUHART, 30 Campbell Street, ROCKHAMPTON, QUEENSLAND 4700, AUSTRALIA. Interested in Sammuel Anderson who married Joyce Crawford 1759. They lived in Sunderland and Ryhope and he may have died in 1806. Also John Neville (mariner) who married Joyce Anderson 1784 North Shields. George Sweatman (mariner, died 1849 Sunderland) married Jane Neville and had children George, Robert (married Ann Lorentgen) and Elizabeth Shepherd (married name Sanderson). Thomas Morrison arrived in Sunderland in 1850s from Ireland; his daughter Ann married David Lorentgen, a mariner, in Sunderland 1862. Also Philip Owen married Anna Bugden of Norfolk; their daughter Mary married George Sweatman in 1908.

# SECOND TIME AROUND

- Mr P.R.D. DAVISON, 27 Fryup Crescent, Kemplah Park, GUISBOROUGH, Cleveland TS 14 8LG. Seeking information and photographs of Annie Brown who had a private day school at Waterhouses, Esh Winning, in the 1890s. Also interested in Henry Noble (born 1836 Bressingham, Norfolk, died 1916 Aycliffe). He worked in a limestone quarry at Crawleyside, Stanhope, in the 1860s and 70s and later became a time-keeper at a quarry in Hulands, Bowes. He then became Manager of Ord & Maddisons Aycliffe ouarry until 1916. Also interested in Patterson (first name unknown), supposed to have built Newcastle Railway Station. His wife is buried at Pittington Church.
- 0281 Mr K.C. RICHMOND, 1 Mitre Place, CASTLE CARY, Somerset BA7 7EP.
  (Tel. 0963 50563) Researching Richmond, particularly in South Durham (Darlington/Heighington area) and North Yorkshire (Richmond/The Cowtons) with a view to supplementing his book `Richmonds People and Places' (1984) a copy of which is lodged with the Society.
- 0377 Mr E. KIRBY, 710 South Prairie Street, CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS 61820, UNITED STATES.

  John Dixon Jr., said to be born at Newcastle on Tyne on 7 January 1828. Want information on which parish and names of his parents. Baptism records presently unknown. He enlisted at Leith Fort 1850 and served in Royal Artillery 21 years. He died at Williamstown, South Wales, 12 November 1895 and is buried at St John's Churchyard, Tonyrefail.
- 0831 Mrs C.J. POLAK, 9508 139th Avenue, EDMONTON, ALBERTA, T5E 5Z8, CANADA.

  Seeking information about John Paiten (1757-1826), his wife Mary Gray (1763-1804) and known children George, James, William, John and Thomas. Family originated at Netherton (Burnfoot) and later moved to Lemmington Banks Cottages near Alnwick. A John Paiten worked at Park Farm for the Duke of Northumberland. He and his family are thought to be buried at Bolton or Bilton Banks. Can anyone help?
- 0925 Mr I. APPLEGARTH, 59 Happy Valley Caravan Park, HARTLEPOOL, Cleveland TS24 9RF.
  Seeking marriage of Henry Applegarth and Harriet Bulmer between 1870 and 1890, possibly in the Lanchester Consett Leadgate area.
- 1088 Mr J. PRESTON, 38 Coniston Avenue, Jesmond, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE2 3HA.
  Interests include Preston of Newcastle, particularly the family of William Preston (1727-1793) a flaxdresser on Quayside/Dog Bank who may have come from Otley, West Yorkshire. Also Anderson of Newburn 1700-1785 and Ryton 1785-1870 and Brumwell of Stanhope (from 17th Century) and Newcastle. Also James Slaughter, reputedly died at sea about 1833-35. The Slaughter family arrived in South Shields in the early 19th century from Appledram, West Sussex. Interested in any mention of Massiot, a Huguenot family from La Rochelle.
- 1176 Mrs C.M. JEMMESON, 43 Parkdale, Danbury, CHELMSFORD, Essex CM3 4EH.

  Interested in Staley of Upper Teesdale and Coundon, originally from Derbyshire in 1758. Would welcome full details of marriage of John Soulsby and Margaret Thompson which took place at Houghton-le-Spring in 1831 as only a transcript has been seen. Did they have any children before Margaret Jane who was born in 1844 at Easington Lane? Other interests include Kirkbride/Kirkbright, Pattinson (Weardale), Race of Barnard Castle and Smailes of Lumley.
- 1605 Mr G.A.W. HEPPELL, 10 Riseborough House, CLIFTON, YORK Y03 6NQ.
  (Tel. 0904 624995) Interested in William Heppell, carpenter of Fawns, Kirkwhelpington. Seeking his birth 1730-40 and marriage. He was the father of John Heppell, shoemaker born in 1760. Also seeking birth of James Hedinburgh (about 1845) in Sunderland and his marriage to Margaret.
- 1693 Mrs P. BINNS, 22 Denbigh Place, Benton, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE12 8DE.
  Interested in Andrew Bell and his sons William and Francis, presumed born in Morpeth/Wooler area between 1795 and 1871. Also Robert Lowes and his children Thomas, Edward and Anne of North Shields and Walker (1813-1872). Would like to know maiden names of Margaret Lowes (circa 1882), Bridget Lowes (1880) and Esther Spence (circa 1850).
- 1884 Mrs V. ROBSON, Harlow Keep, Old Town, Catton, HEXHAM, Northumberland NE47 9LN.

  Seeking information on John Main (Marine Engineer) born c1845 at North Shields. 1851 Census records a John living with grandparents Alexr and Martha in North Shields. John married Isabella Clouston at North Shields Presbyterian Church in February 1879. Their children were Barbara (1880), Robert Turner (1882), sons born 1884 and 1885 and Tom Clouston (1887). The family emigrated to Canada where Robert Turner died 1894 at Flatworth Ranch, Pinco Creek, Alberta. Are the references to the same John Main and how is he related to Alexander (1856) and Robert Turner (1859) sons of John and Elizabeth and grandsons of Alexander and Martha. `Turner' appears as a second name in all the families.
- 2159 Mr R.G. BURN, 36 Birling Road, TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Kent TN2 5LY.
  Interested in George Harrison (born 1785), twin child of Richard Harrison and Mary Applegarth of Whickham. George was said to be owner of early steam-boat trading out of the Tyne and he married Margaret Salkeld of Kibblesworth. Her father Michael (born 1759 Washington) married Margaret Grundy of Lamesley; he was a tailor and son of Michael Salkeld, parish clerk at Washington. Also Thomas Robson (born 1806) of All Saints, Newcastle, married Esther March (born 1813) and William King, shoemaker of Newcastle (son of Thomas King) who married Margaret Walton (daughter of Thomas Walton) at St John's in 1848.
- Mrs A. ELDER, 1 Esk Road, Lowry Hill, CARLISLE, Cumbria CA3 OHN.
   (Tel. 0228 2949 1) Seeking birth of William Elder about 1804. Also unable to find any record of his death at St Catherine's House. His wife died in 1877 and was described as wife (not widow) of William Elder. His

occupation varies between labourer, husbandman and builder and contractor. He married Margaret **Dodds** at Carham, 7 November 1826. Their children were Margaret (c1827), Isabella (c1831), Thomas (c1833), Mary (c1836) Ann (born Sunderland 1839) Alexander (Sunderland 1841) and William (Newcastle 1845). His family appears in the census returns of 1851 to 1881 but he was never living with them. In 1841 he was in Durham Gaol.

- 2328 Mrs M.I. HAYNES, 1 Holywell Close, ABINGDON, Oxfordshire OX14 2PE. Trying to locate an oil painting by Henry Emmerson entitled "The Village Doctor". It was last seen in 1895 in an exhibition held at Newcastle to mark the artist's death. A family tradition says that a portrait of great-grandfather Robert Vardy 'on a white horse' exists somewhere. He was the doctor in Rothbury 1865-76. David Dippie Dixon the Cragside Librarian witnessed his will. Since Lord Armstrong was Emmerson's patron it is probable that they knew each other and Vardy may have been used as a model. The Laing Art Gallery do not know the present whereabouts of the painting. Can anyone help?
- 2391 Mrs H. SKIPSEY, 137 Broadway, TYNEMOUTH, Tyne & Wear NE30 3TA.
  (Tel. 091 257 0736) Seeking marriage of James Renton (born 1841 Westmorland) and Mary Reid (born c1849 Newcastle). Their first child James was born 1866. Also interested in Thomas Mowbray (born 1854) who married his second wife Adelaide Victoria Evans in Whitby in November 1882. She was the daughter of Charles Evans an officer in the Coastguard and her brother is said to have gone to the South Pole with Captain Scott. Two men named Evans accompanied Scott on that expedition Edgar (born 1874) and Edward Ratcliffe Garth Russell (born 1882) any information on either of them would be welcome.
- 2396 Mrs D. WILDISH, 14 Ropemakers Court, CHATHAM, Kent ME4 5SD.
  Seeking marriage of James Broadwood of Hexham to Elizabeth Wilson. It may have taken place in 1800 as this date was inserted in a family bible with the names of their children (Frederick, James, William, George, John, Joseph, Jobe, Charlotte, Sarah, Mary Ann, Susan and Henry Thomas) but no exact dates or places. James and Elizabeth were living in Epsom, Surrey, when Henry Thomas was born in 1833 but I have been unable to find any record of them.
  Would someone be willing to check Hexham burial registers from July to December 1842 for details of Mary and Elizabeth Broadwood and from January to March 1849 for James Broadwood as these names are listed in the GRO indexes.
- 2446 Mr S.B. SINCLAIR, 1 Remuera Road, AUCKLAND 5, NEW ZEALAND.
  Researching Gibson, particularly William Gibson who married Sarah Hindmarsh on 14 December 1793 at St John's Church, Newcastle upon Tyne. He was a merchant. Sarah was born in 1770, the daughter of John and Margaret Hindmarsh of the Parish of St John. Could someone assist with furnishing details of the marriage bond and researching directories of the time. Expenses will be refunded.
- 2627 Mrs D.M. BURNS, 17 Winton Drive, GLASGOW G12 0PZ.
  Seeking information about great-grandmother Elizabeth Green. Born around 1860 and orphaned young she was brought up by her uncle and aunt, Louis and Sarah Barker, at Bedlington Station. She married Thomas Taylor at Morpeth in 1880 and gave her address as Barrington Colliery. She had four children William, Margaret, Thomas and Henry who were brought up at Fore Street, Bedlington Station. Elizabeth died around 1940.
- 2631 Mr J.B. WEATHERILL, 6 Wetherby Road, Grangetown, SUNDERLAND SR2 9SW.
  Seeking information about the families of the following three sisters: Margaret Annie Lepine married Edward Walshaw at Sunderland in 1896, he was Portmaster at Castletown until his death in 1914. They had at least four children. Amelia Lepine married Richard Harvey at Bethany Chapel, Hedworth Terrace, Sunderland, in January 1896. He was a miner at Seaham aged 21 at the time of his marriage. Bertha Lepine married William Veitch (aged 31) at Holy Trinity Church, Southwick, Sunderland, in October 1901. At this time of his marriage he was a sawyer.
- 2841 Mrs P. HAYWARD, 17 Sturton Way, Long Sutton, SPALDING, Lincolnshire PE12 9BZ.
  (Tel. 0406 362907) Researching William Brammer, born 17 March 1829 at Carrs Hill, Gateshead, a potter, who married Margaret Graham 4 April 1845 in Newcastle. Son Thomas born 1863. Also John Brammer married Margaret Maxfield 14 June 1779 at Barnard Castle.
- 2890 Mrs A. BROOKES, 2178 Gibson Street, PORT ALBERNI, BRITISH COLUMBIA V9Y 1A7, CANADA. Researching Laidler, Elliott, Nicholson and Boad prior to 1886. Would anyone be willing to check census returns for Boad family?
- 2925 Mr A. WILSON, 6 Rainton Street, SUNDERLAND, Tyne & Wear SR4 7DE.
  Interested in Robinson of East Rainton 19th century and Nicholson of Durham and New Herrington in the 19th century.
- 2946 Mrs A. BELL, 66 Gypsey Lane, Nunthorpe, MIDDLESBROUGH, Cleveland TS7 0DU. Interested in William Mowbray of Thorp (Darlington), Farmer/Landed Inspector, born 6 October 1832 (place unknown but thought to be Durham or Northumberland), son of John Mowbray and Ellen/Helen Bell whose marriage is also sought. William married Jane Munroe of Invergordon at Inverness on 6 May 1861 but he was living in Darlington prior to this.
  Mrs Bell is trying to trace Stephen Gosling, last known address London, former co-editor of the 'Mowbray Journal'.
- 2997 Mrs V. ROSE, 12 Wells Street, Adamstown, NEWCASTLE, N.S.W. 2289, AUSTRALIA.
  Seeking information about Isabella Linsley/Lindsley, baptised at St Oswalds R.C. Chapel on 6 November 1825, the daughter of Joannis (John) Lindsley and Maria (or Mary) Crow. She married Peter Cleary on 4 September 1845 in the same chapel. Their son Nicholas Joseph Linsley Cleary was born at Hill Top, Esk, in

- December 1854 but his baptism has not been found. Peter Cleary was born in Kilmor, County Clare, Ireland, in 1821. His father James was a land steward, but his mother's name in unknown. Can anyone offer any suggestions about how to trace her?
- Miss L.R. PICKERING, 9380 Ryan Crescent, RICHMOND, BRITISH COLUMBIA V7A 2H2, CANADA. Researching the family of William Veitch, Druggist and Grocer of Coundon, County Durham. Born 1812 or 1813 in Northumberland, name of place is illegible but it begins with Kirk. He married Mary Dennison (born Yorkshire 1808-1810), daughter of George Dennison, farmer (born Eldon, County Durham, c1760. The family lived at Coundon with four children, one of whom Margaret Ann Veitch married Thomas Robson Pickering (born c1849).

#### CORRECTION

2613 Mrs G. ROWLEY. In the Spring 1988 issue of the Journal (Vol. 13, No. 1). Mrs Rowley's name was given as Rawley. We apologise for this error.

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We regret to report the death of member 0961, Miss M.W. Graham of Sunderland. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family.