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EDITORIAL

Industrial action was only one more in a series of accidents that have prevented publication of the Journal by the due date, but it is also fair to say that another serious delaying factor has been a lack of copy, so complete that we shall in future editions be "reduced" (depending on one's point of view) to publishing lists and extracts of various kinds rather than articles of the informative or instructive type that we have favoured up to now. Regretfully, there is no "Know Your Parish" feature this time - yet we live in hope that there are many of you who haven't quite had time to complete that article you have been working on for the past months, and that the deficiency will be remedied next time. It is an increasing source of worry, however, that the gap between the rose-tinted hopes for copy voiced in these columns, and the actual arrival through the editorial letter-box of printable material, is continually widening.

Would readers please note the changes in the Committee, whose addresses are given on the Contents page, and also Bill Wallace's new address. It is important always to use the most recent edition of the Journal for names and addresses, as these details are constantly changing.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The A.G.M. was held on May 18th at the Y.M.C.A., Newcastle. Roughly thirty members were present. Bill Wallace started with his first report as Secretary. He had spent much time answering correspondence and emphasised that the Society is still losing money through having to reply to letters written without an accompanying stamped, addressed envelope. The other main point he wished to make was that he felt that enquiries about County Durham were not being dealt with as well as he could wish, as he himself was really an expert on Northumberland. Any member who has the time and the local knowledge to help with Durham enquiries, is invited to write to Mr Wallace; any help of this kind would be greatly appreciated.

This was followed by the Treasurer's report, which is printed in full elsewhere in this Journal.

In his final remarks to the Society as outgoing Chairman, Adam Bunting thanked all the Committee, and all other helpers for another year's hard work in a Society whose growing members made the Committee's operations and commitments ever more onerous and time-consuming. He hoped that more members, not involved in full-time employment, might see their way to proffering help, particularly with secretarial or typing work. Someone is needed to look into the problem of acquiring a micro-viewer for the Society's use, perhaps keeping it at their own home and answering 'reasonable' postal enquiries.

Then followed elections and re-elections to the main posts of the Committee. Mr W. Rounce was elected as Chairman; Bill Wallace and John Scott were re-elected as Secretary and Treasurer. Mr D. Mason was re-elected as Auditor. Several members present volunteered their services for the Committee, and subsequent to the A.G.M., Mr D. Smith was appointed as Librarian in the place of Mr Ray Hewitson, to whom our thanks are due for all he has done, with much patience and good humour, over the past years.

Finally, Mr Allan Readdie, in charge of publications, announced a plan to publish a recently-discovered set of 'Irregular Marriages' from Coldstream, just across the Scottish border and a popular venue for marriages between Northumbrian Presbyterians. Further discussion was invited as to what other publications could be undertaken by the Society, and due note was taken of a number of suggestions.

The meeting ended at about 9.00pm. All members who would like to help either with present operations or with ideas of their own, are invited to write to the Secretary.

JUNE MEETING

The number taking part in the visit to the Prior's Kitchen at Durham had unfortunately to be limited to 20 because of lack of room. Those lucky enough to take part were welcomed by Mr P. Mussett and Dr M. Forster of the Department of Palaeography and Diplomatic, Durham University, and taken first into the Prior's Kitchen itself. Mr Mussett told us something of the history of the building, which was built in the 14th century, and was still in use as a kitchen until quite recent times. The room, with its vaulted stone ceiling, octagonal in plan, is most impressive, and unique in this country. It is now used as a muniment room by the department.

We then proceeded to the search room, where Dr Forster described some of the many mediaeval documents which have been preserved there since the days of the monastery, and explained how they had been catalogued and classified under three main heads, Deeds of Title, Financial and Miscellaneous. She then showed us examples of each type, some of them dating back to the 11th century. Looking at the beautifully illuminated parchments and their great seals it was difficult to believe that they were several centuries old. Among those we were able to handle and examine were a

copy of Magna Carta issued to Bishop Bek by Henry III, a deed signed by Henry VIII, and a document bearing the seal of Elizabeth I.

Mr Mussett then described the records covering the period after 1540. These mostly relate to the administration of property owned by the Dean and Chapter of Durham Cathedral within the county of Durham. The properties, of which there were nearly 2500, were of all types and sizes, varying from small cottages to large farms and estates. They were let to approximately 1500 tenants, normally on a 21 year lease which was renewable after 7 years on payment of a 'fine'. It was thus possible to be a tenant for life, and in many cases the tenancy passed on to another member of the family. Mr Mussett also showed us a typical lease, and the Receivers' Books and Renewals Books in which details of the various transactions were recorded.

Mr Mussett concluded by saying that the staff at the Prior's Kitchen would be pleased to help any member of the NDFHS who wished to make use of the records for research. He and Dr Forster were then thanked for their very interesting talks.

FUTURE PROGRAMME

Wednesday 13th October. 7.15pm at YMCA, Ellison Place. Talk by Miss P.M. Clark of the Northumberland County Record Office on "Sources in the Northumberland Record Office for Genealogists."

Tuesday 16th November. 7.00pm at Blandford House, West Blandford Street, Newcastle. Visit to the Tyne & Wear Archives Department. Numbers are strictly limited, so please let Alan Angus know as soon as possible if you wish to attend.

Wednesday 8th December. 7.15pm at "The Green Dolphin", Neville Street, Newcastle (opposite Central Station). Social Evening - an opportunity to meet other members of the society. Refreshments available.

Wednesday 19th January. 7.15pm at YMCA, Ellison Place. Details to be announced.

Wednesday 16th February. 7.15pm at YMCA, Ellison Place. Details to be announced.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL 1982/83

Subscriptions for 1982/83 are due on or before 1 November 1982; as in previous years for reasons of economy no receipts will be issued but delivery of the January Journal may be taken as confirmation that your subscription has been received.

As has already been announced, we regret the necessity to make a slight increase in the subscription rates for United Kingdom and Overseas (Surface Mail) members. The new rates, which we hope to maintain without further increase for at least four years, are as follows:

United Kingdom (<i>including all BFPO addresses</i>)	£4.00
Overseas (<i>Surface Mail</i>)	£5.00
Overseas (<i>Airmail</i>)	£8.00
Family Membership (<i>each additional family member</i>)	£1.00

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Please remit your payment in sterling if at all possible; if however you are obliged to pay in local currency - such as US dollars - please add £0.75p to the rates shown to cover the cost of currency conversion by our bank. Your own bank will be able to tell you how many dollars to send according to the current exchange rate. If you do pay in dollars, your ordinary cheque is acceptable - there is no need to obtain a special international cheque from your bank. All remittances should be made payable to "NDFHS" and should be sent to the Treasurer at the address on the renewal card.

~~If your husband or wife~~ ~~your interest in family history, please consider~~ ~~scribing the extra~~
£1.00p for family membership. The extra payment helps our funds and, incidentally, helps to buy the extra space to publish your combined interests in the Journal and Directory!

If you, or your husband or wife, pays United Kingdom Income Tax, please consider entering into a Deed of Covenant with the Society, using the enclosed form. Even if you do not pay tax, you may enter into a Covenant if you have an investment with a United Kingdom Building Society yielding interest of £6 or more per year. If you covenant your subscription then at no extra cost to yourself the Society can reclaim the tax which you - or your Building Society! - paid in earning the net amount of your

scription. At current tax rates this means that for every £1 subscribed directly under a Covenant, the Society can reclaim tax of 43 pence — a really worthwhile boost to our funds! To enter into a Deed of Covenant simply fill in your full name and address, date and sign the form in the presence of a witness who should not be a member of your immediate family; we will do the rest. Do not alter the wording of the Covenant in any way; although it mentions a sum of Four Pounds, it will validly cover - for example - the whole of a £5 family subscription. For administrative reasons, please do not sign the

Deed of Covenant unless you intend to pay future subscriptions by Bank Standing Order as described in the paragraph below.

If you have an account with a United Kingdom bank - including National Girobank - then whether or not you live in the United Kingdom you may pay your future subscriptions (but not your 1982/83 subscription) by Standing Order. This means that future renewal subscriptions will be paid automatically without the expense and inconvenience of completing and returning application forms, and quite obviously there is a great benefit to the Society in reduced paperwork. If at some future date you decide not to renew your subscription, simply write to your bank cancelling the Standing Order. If we do not receive payment under the Order we will write to your bank asking why; if you have cancelled the Order, that will conclude the matter, but if, for example, you have transferred your account to another bank we will write to you for your further instructions. Please note however that as it would be impossible to set up all the Standing Orders which we hope to receive in time for this year's renewals, your 1982/83 subscription should be paid by cheque or postal order in the normal way. You may pay future subscriptions by Standing Order whether or not you sign the Deed of Covenant.

To forestall any enquiries, the dates mentioned in the Covenant and Standing Order forms have been carefully chosen to give the maximum benefit to the Society; there is a considerable advantage in collecting Standing Order payments on 29 October rather than 1 November (it means, in effect, that we can reclaim tax on covenanted subscriptions twelve months earlier) and we hope that none of our members will object to paying just three days in advance!

Finally, we appreciate that many of our overseas members will receive the Journal too late to send their renewal subscriptions before the due date. Don't worry - send off your renewal form as soon as you can, and we will send the January 1983 Journal to you as quickly as possible.

THOSE ELUSIVE JOURNALS

Whatever merits Volume 7 of the Journal may have had, punctual delivery was not one of them! Apart from the industrial dispute which seriously delayed the May issue, the October 1981 issue appeared in December, the January issue in February and at the time of writing we can only hope that the present issue will appear as scheduled in September.

By way of explanation, we have an arrangement with our printer under which the Journal is treated as a low-priority job to be typeset in what would otherwise be slack periods; in return, we enjoy a very considerable discount on commercial rates which enables us to produce what is (we hope!) a high quality printed Journal for much the same cost as the typed and duplicated Journals produced by other similar societies.

We think that the arrangement is worth continuing, but to combine the discounted cost of production with reasonably regular publication dates we need a much larger stockpile of material so that drafts can be sent to the printer well before the expected date of publication. If you have an idea for an article -- particularly on a general topic - please put pen to paper right away! Please also send to the Editor any oddities you find in parish registers or other archives, or indeed any items, however brief, which you think may be of interest or amusement to our members.

Naturally, we hope for a flood of contributions, but in the meantime please bear with us if your Journal is a little late arriving in your letterbox!

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Society continues to grow at a rate which may be described as encouraging or alarming depending upon one's degree of involvement with its administration! At the time of writing (17 August) 222 new members have joined us since 1 September last year, giving us a total current membership of 915.

One inevitable consequence of this growth is a rise in the costs of administration; ever larger supplies of an ever increasing number of forms must be printed, and postage costs continue to escalate. The real problem is that the cost of printing the Journal, packing it in an envelope, attaching an address label and posting it to a United Kingdom member four times a year absorbs over 80% of a United Kingdom subscription of £3. The figures for overseas members are proportionately larger. On average, we are left with around 55 pence per member, half of which goes to a publication fund from which the Directory of Members' Interests is produced and distributed free of charge to all members except those who have joined after the year of compilation. The balance must cover the ever rising cost of administering the Society, and in the circumstances it is perhaps hardly surprising that we had a slight deficit on our income and expenditure account for 1980/81.

During the current year we have responded to the considerable demand from our newer members for reprints of the early issues of the Journal; obviously this exercise will ultimately be self-financing but in the short term it converts several hundred pounds of our resources from cash into piles of paper, putting even greater strain on our slender reserves. In the coming months we will be reprinting our earlier publication of the Bishop's Transcripts for Kirknewton, 1762-1788, in a new small-page format with an expanded introduction and an index; we also have two new publications in preparation in a similar format. The first of these, to be published late 1982, is an indexed list of over 600 marriages performed at Coldstream between 1793 and 1797, drawn from an early 20th-century transcript found

among the parish records of Cornhill. The second, to be published early in 1983, is an indexed list drawn from Presbyterian Communion Rolls of Presbyterian migrants into and out of Northumberland. As with the reprints of the Journal, the sale of these publications will eventually cover the cost of their production, but in the meantime we have a classic case of what is described in economic parlance as a liquidity problem!

For all these reasons, we expect an even greater deficiency to arise for the current year, but the new subscription rates mentioned elsewhere in this Journal will enable us to go forward with confidence. As will be appreciated from my comments above, the relatively modest increase in the total subscription conceals an effective fourfold increase in that part of the subscription applied to general running costs and it is our realistic hope that no further increase in subscriptions will be necessary for at least four years.

In the meantime, members who pay United Kingdom Income Tax can greatly increase the value of their subscription by entering into Deeds of Covenant with the Society. Finally, if I may be forgiven for once again stressing the obvious, it would drastically reduce our postage bill if members would remember to include stamped addressed envelopes or International Reply Coupons with their correspondence to the Society - at present stamps or coupons are enclosed with less than half the correspondence which we receive, and whilst the saving to each of the members concerned is measurable in pence the resultant cost to the Society is two or three hundred pounds!

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT AS AT 31 AUGUST 1981

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 1981

INCOME			1980	
Subscriptions and Donations	2736		1628	
Journal and Publication Sales	188		472	
Building Society Interest			19	
Bank Interest	185		128	
Provisions not required			54	
Income Tax Recoverable	43			
	3152		2301	
EXPENDITURE				
Journal Production	1185		911	
Postage	1231		681	
Meeting Expenses	64		80	
Stationery	460		39	
FFHS	8		35	
Publications for Re-sale	7		312	
Library Additions	—		2	
Bank and Conversion Charges	28		6	
Insurance	3			
Publications Reserve	240	3226	180	2247
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	(74)		54	

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 1981

CURRENT ASSETS			1980	
Sundry Debtors	43		68	
Officers' Accounts			48	
Bank Deposit Account No. 1	1800		1500	
Bank Deposit Account No. 2	763		199	
Current Account	148		155	
Cash in Hand		2754	69	2039
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Sundry Creditors			11	
Officers' Accounts	6			
Subscriptions in Advance	1343		1151	
Provision for Directory	900	2249		1162
NET CURRENT ASSETS		505		877
PUBLICATIONS RESERVE				
Balance Brought Forward	511		351	
Provision for Year	240		180	
Sales: Kirknewton Transcripts	12		15	
	763		546	
Publishing Costs	550	213	35	511
ACCUMULATED GENERAL RESERVE				
Balance Brought Forward	366		312	
Surplus/(Deficit) for Year	(74)	292	54	366
		505		877

I have examined the above Balance Sheet and Income and Expenditure Account and consider them to be in accordance with the books and records maintained by the Northumberland and Durham Family History Society.

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D. MASON
Hon. Auditor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Diplomatic Request

Mrs Ruth Appleby, (Mem. No. 1075), of 36 Fordingbridge Road, Southsea, Hampshire PO4 9JW, writes -

"Would any member who is planning to spend time at the Department of Palaeography and Diplomatic, University of Durham, be prepared to undertake a small task for a distant colleague who is researching on a shoestring?

Christopher Porritt MUSGRAVE and Mary Ann WHITE were married at Norton on 29 February 1832, by Licence. I am most keen to obtain a copy of the bonds and allegations for the Licence, and duly wrote to the Department to apply for same. However, they could not be found amongst those for January and February 1832, and the staff of the Department were unable to perform a greater search.

Any member who would be willing to search, say, the latter six months of 1831, would be doing me a great favour. I will, of course, reimburse the expense of any copies obtained, and would be more than willing to undertake limited research, for any member in the Portsmouth/Havant area.

On a completely separate matter, the advice of any member would be most welcome. It is curious that I have managed to trace the Northumberland/ Durham history back for seven generations, and yet I cannot trace the birth of my Grandfather (maternal), Frederick Barnett. I have his marriage certificate, know his place of employment, and when he died and where he was buried. However, taking the course of his life in sequence I have conflicting (or unobtainable!) information to work on:-

My mother believes he was born in or around Manchester. Nothing of his early life is known until his marriage in June 1913, at Holy Trinity Hartlepool, where he is described as 34 years old (b.1879), a Shopman, residing at 38 Winchester Street, South Shields, son of John, an Iron Moulder. He became a Freemason in late 1913, and was employed at Lowe & Moorhouse, Costumiers and Outfitters from c.1913 until 1921 when he died. His death certificate gives his age as 45 (b.1876). The records of the firm were destroyed "some time ago". Freemason Hall, PRO Kew and Companies House have all drawn a blank.

St Catherine's House lists eleven Frederick Barnetts born 1876, and a further seven *for* 1879 - none in Manchester! or Lancashire!

Census checks in South Shields for 1871 were negative!

Does anyone have any suggestions?"

The Wakelin Index

Mr Dennis H. Pearce, of 'Wayside', Roman Road, Twyford, Winchester, Hampshire SO21 1QW, writes-

"George Wakelin, former chairman and a founder member of the Hampshire Genealogical Society started compilation of this index, listing Britons who died overseas. Sadly George died a few months ago and I have been asked to continue the work.

The 2,000-odd names that George collected are, I know, only the tip of the iceberg so any help you can give in the way of lists of names or information as to where such information is stored or may be obtained will be very gratefully received.

This index will of course be available for research by anyone affiliated to the Federation of Family History Societies."

THE DURHAM LIGHT INFANTRY AT TAURANGA, NEW ZEALAND

Joan Willcock

During the wars against the Maoris of New Zealand, the 68th Regiment, Durham Light Infantry was involved in the fighting; as a result of the engagements at Gate Pa and Te Ranga, near Tauranga in the Bay of Plenty, some soldiers of the Regiment lie buried in the old Mission Cemetery at Tauranga known as Otamataha Pa.

The official returns of those killed and wounded in these engagements give ages and years of service for many of those mentioned. I have a copy of these and some of the injuries listed make for painful reading! Soldiers from the following Corps and Regiments are mentioned in these lists - 12th Corps, 14th Corps (these seem to be part of the Colonial Force), 40th Foot, 43rd Foot, 65th Corps, 68th Corps (D.L.I.), and a Naval Brigade comprising sailors and marines from HMS "*Curacoa*", HMS "*Miranda*", HMS "*Esk*", HMS "*Harrier*" and HMS "*Eclipse*".

The following list is taken from the headstones concerning men of the 68th Durham Light Infantry. Those marked (*) have been removed from the cemetery and replaced with lawn plaques. The original headstones are now placed round the Church at the Tauranga District Museum Historic Village. This was done in October 1976 because the old sandstone monuments were not only

attracting the attention of vandals, but also suffering the ravages of time. It was hoped that this move would assist in their preservation.

"The Story of Gate Pa" by Captain Gilbert Mair, N.Z.C., gives accounts of the battles of Gate Pa on 29 April 1864, and Te Ranga on 21st June 1864, as well as some details of the Church Mission Society and Otamataha Pa Cemetery.

Enquiries regarding both the M. L's and the Official List are welcome, and should be sent to Mrs J Willcock, 131 Fourteenth Avenue, TAURANGA, NEW ZEALAND, enclosing 30p in stamps to cover return postage.

INSCRIPTIONS IN TAURANGA MISSION CEMETERY

1. James SIMS, d. 2 March 1881, a. 53 years. H.M. 68th Light Infantry.
2. Pte. Harry KNOWLES, 68th Regt., Durham Light Infantry, d. 25 April 1928, a. 82 years.
- *3. Patrick McDONALD, 68th Durham Light Infantry, died of wounds received at Pukehina 5 May 1864, aged 25 years.
- *4. Sgt. James HARMER, of H.M. 68th Durham Light Infantry, killed at Pukenuhena 29 April 1864, aged 28 years.
Erected by Brother Sgts.
5. Capt. Thomas TUNKS, late Durham Light Infantry, died at Tauranga 28 April 1886, aged 77 years; and Elizabeth Frances TUNKS, infant daughter of above, d. July 1866; also Elizabeth Frances, wife of above, d. 27 Sept 1916, aged 84 years.
- *6. Pte. Laurence MANION, B. Coy, 68th Durham Light Infantry, died of wounds received in action at Te Ranga, 21 June 1864, a. 27 years. Erected by officers, N.C.O.'s & men of Company.
- *7. Pte. J. TIMMS, 68th Durham Light Infantry, killed in action at Te Ranga, 21 June 1864, aged 26 years.
- *8. Pte. P. SHANAHAN, 68th Durham Light Infantry, killed at Te Ranga, 21 June 1864, aged 40 years.
- *9. Pte. James TAYLOR, Capt TRENT'S Coy, 68th Durham Light Infantry, killed in action at Te Ranga, 21 June 1864, aged 34 (?) years.
10. Corp. T.A. BAKER, M. Coy, 68th Durham Light Infantry, d. 15 Nov 1864, aged 25 years.
- *11. Pte. James McANARY. Brevet-Major TRENT'S Coy, 68th Durham Light Infantry, drowned at Judea. 27 July 1865, aged 30 years.
- *12. Charles HALFORD, d. at Te Papa. 17 Oct 1865, aged 26 years. Erected by N.C.O.'s and men of Capt. TUCKER'S Coy, 68th D.L.I.
- *13. H. McCUEN, Major TRENT'S Coy. 68th Durham Light Infantry, d. 13 February 1866, aged 29 years.
- *14. Pte. John PLATT, 68th Durham Light Infantry, died of wounds received at Gate Pa, 20th April 1864, aged 24 years.
15. A memorial to soldiers who died of wounds or were killed in action during the Maori War, 1864-1867 mentions the following from the 68th D. L.I.:-
Gate Pa: April 20th 1864
Sgt. Jas. HARMER; Pte. Thomas McGOUGH; Patrick McDONALD.
Te Ranga: June 21st 1864
Pte. Jas TAYLOR; P. SHANAHAN; Geo. SMITH; John PLATT; Laurence MANION: J. TIMS.
(There is no headstone for Geo. SMITH in the cemetery, but one for Thomas McGOUGH reads as follows.)
- *16. Thomas McGOUGH, accidentally killed at Pukehine, 29 April 1869, aged 30 years.
(There appear to be some discrepancies in the dates - checked twice!!)

THE BRIDE WORE WHITE

Leeds Mercury, Saturday October 27th 1827:

"Strange Marriage Ceremony - At Houghton-le-Spring on Monday last, by licence Thomas Simm to Catherine Hunter, both of Easington Lane. Before the ceremony took place, the intended bride undressed herself in a pew in the church and the bridegroom elect put a chemise (not her own, we suppose) over her head and this was the only article of dress she wore at her marriage. We are surprised that such indecency should be permitted in a civilised country and particularly in a church. The practice, we understand, originates in a vulgar idea, that a husband who marries a wife without property or clothes is exempt from the payment of her previous debts. Nothing however can be more erroneous; and the bridegroom in the present case will probably find his knowledge of the law extremely defective, should the creditors of his better half be induced to try the question."

1851 CENSUS STRAYS FROM LONDON

Name	Age	Relationship/Profession	Birthplace
<i>* George-in-the-East, London, 8 North-East Passage</i>			
James BATY	47 unnm.	Dock Labourer	Alnwick, Northumberland
<i>St. Jude's, Bethnal Green, London. White Lead Works.</i>			
Thomas NICHOLSON	59	Foreman, White Lead Works.	Whickham, Durham
Elizabeth NICHOLSON	55	Wife	Newcastle, Northumberland
Tho. Fenwick NICHOLSON	33 unnm.	Foreman, White Lead Works	Bethnal Green, London
Isabella HAINES		Widow, Sister	Newcastle, Northumberland

THE HARTLEY FAMILIES

Adam and Joan Bunting

On Thursday, 16th January 1862 there took place, in the small community of New Hartley, near Blyth in South-East Northumberland, the greatest mining disaster in the history of Britain's coalfields. On that day, 204 men and boys were lost when the giant beam of the pumping engine snapped and twenty tons of cast iron hurtled down the only shaft, blocking all attempts at rescue for several vital days. Nearly all the fatalities were caused by gas which quickly built up in the workings, and the entire community of New Hartley was overwhelmed by the tragedy. Almost every home in the village lost a breadwinner, and in some the coffins were said to have been stacked from floor to ceiling. The funeral that followed on January 26th was remembered for generations — for despite the fact that a few bodies were taken to Cramlington, Cowpen and Seghill for burial, most were buried together in the churchyard at Earsdon, four miles away, and it is said that the last coffin had not left New Hartley when the first was reaching the churchyard, thronged by 60,000 people who had come to stare or to mourn.

This article is intended to give some account of the families involved in the Hartley tragedy. The information is taken mainly from records at Northumberland County Record Office which holds not only the 1861 Census, taken only nine months before the disaster, but also the surviving records of the Hartley Relief Fund which throws some light on the subsequent history of the bereaved families, long after the crowds had dispersed.

Many of the miners lived in the raw mining village of New Hartley, close by the Hester Pit (opened in 1845), where the disaster occurred. T. Wemyss Reid, in his graphic description of the rescue efforts, for the "Newcastle Daily Journal" described it: "as unpicturesque in appearance as possible. It is comprised in two long rows of houses... in the form of a letter L, with a few small gardens on the other side of the muddy road in front." The long side of the L included the Single (or Long) Row, and the Double Row; the shorter side was the Cross Row. There were two outlying rows — Quarry Row to the North, and Hastings Row to the South. In addition many miners lived scattered around in hamlets such as Silver Hill or Dairy House, or in the village of Old Hartley, some two miles to the East.

No man knew the people of these single-storey rows better than the colliery viewer, Joseph Humble. The viewer's duties were those of a manager who would be responsible for the day-to-day running of the pit, hiring workers, and so on. It was fitting that he had been chosen as census enumerator for much of the area in 1861; he would have known many of the families personally and would have their confidence in recording their details. Incidentally we have been able to find a good number of the miners' families in the 1861 census, but by no means all. Many would have moved into the area at the annual spring hiring in May, and in particular there was a big influx of new families from Scotland up at Quarry Row.

Joseph Humble played a vital role during the anxious days following the closing of the shaft. He it was that kept communications going between the rescuers, led by the renowned 'sinker', William Coulson, and the anxious families at the pit-head. He it was that was asked to go down once the way was open and see for himself the huddled rows of bodies, with sons cradled for protection in their fathers' arms. His words poignantly expressed the grief sensed by all around him: "Oh, my men, my canny men, they would have done ought for me and there they are all lying dead and cold."

Finally, once the funeral was over, it was Joseph Humble who was given the task of taking the first payments of the relief fund round the rows to the bereaved families. The company gathered everyone together either into the five main rows, or into houses in Old Hartley, with the exception of a couple of families in Silver Hill and Dairy House. The fund money poured in from all over the country, and increased rapidly, reaching £50,000 by February 13th and over £75,000 by early April. Apart from special payments for various purposes, it was decided to give 8/6d. weekly to each widow, 12s. to a widow with one child, and 15s. to a widow with two children. Many of the widows remarried, but twenty years after the disaster there were still over seventy recipients.

Readers interested in tracing any family in detail would be rewarded by a careful search of the surviving records of the Relief Fund, to be found in Northumberland County Record Office, reference NRO 488, New Hartley Colliery Accident Relief Fund Papers 1862-1903. The collection includes an index to the names of the 'sufferers' (i.e. surviving next-of-kin), and Joseph Humble's first notebook, a complete schedule of 'sufferers' set out by order of houses and rows, with details of payments given in February and March 1862. This notebook is full of informative notes and comments, and most of the details in the lists given below this article have been drawn from it. We did not have time to look at the subsequent lists in detail, but it was immediately apparent that it would be possible to trace the subsequent life history of any recipient of relief over a considerable period of time, perhaps twenty or more years if one was lucky. We hope that the details below will at least be sufficient to help the reader decide whether any relationship with one of the Hartley families does in fact exist, but there remains much more to be discovered among the surviving documents.

LIST OF VICTIMS

The 204 victims are listed below. Order is roughly alphabetical but known close relatives are placed in family groups, father first, sons in order of age. Spelling of names is as on the Hartley Memorial

Monument in Earsdon churchyard, except in cases where these are clearly wrong. The age at death is given as on the monument, but a number of these were wrong and if so, are given in brackets. We have given more credence to the 1861 Census or the relief fund notebooks, but there seems little doubt that some widows simply did not know their husbands' true ages. Where the address in 1861 is known, this is also given after the victim's age. The exact address of every widow was given in the 1862 relief fund notebooks but many soon moved away after only a week or two, so we have not recorded them here. Under 'next-of-kin' the widow's christian name is given plus, in parentheses, the names and ages of all known children, including babies born after the disaster.

N.B. All places mentioned are believed to be in Northumberland, unless otherwise shown. Abbreviations are generally straightforward; bn = born, a/n = above-named.

NAME OF VICTIM	AGE, OCCUPATION (OTHER THAN MINER) AND 1861 ADDRESS, IF KNOWN	NEXT OF KIN, AND NOTES
1. AINSLEY, John	19	Parents John & Elizabeth, apparently both blind, lived at Morpeth.
2. ALDERTON, William	31	Mary Ann (Sarah 4, James bn. 6 Apt. 1860). By 1881 she lived in Eva Cottages, Magdalen Rd., Norwich, Norfolk.
3. ALLAN, William	36	Margaret who remarried,. (Robert 9, George 7, William 4, John 2, Margaret bn. 22 Dec. 1861.)
4. AMOUR, James	43, back-overman, bn. Long-benton; Hastings Row.	Ann (Ann 12, Mary 10, Sarah 8, James 5, dan bn. 6 Oct. 1862), moved to Seaton Delaval, where living in 1881.
5. AMOUR, Richard	14, son of a/n James.	
6. ANDERSON, William	? 27	Margaret, who remarried. (Eleanor 13, Jane Ann 11, Hannah 8, Thomas 3.)
7. ARMSTRONG, John	36, bn. Heaton.	Dorothy, n. of Earsdon (2 children).
8. ARMSTRONG, Edward	12, bn. Alnwick, son of a/n John.	
9. ARMSTRONG, John	10, bn. Morpeth, son of a/n John.	
10. ATCHISON, Abraham	20	Dorothy, who remarried. (Eleanor 14, William 7, Richard 3, Elizabeth 9m.)
11. BANNAN, William (Bann, Barron)	24	Mother, Mary Ann Wears.
12. BELL, Mark	23, bn. High Green.	Father, Mark Bell, miner and widower, 70, native of Warkworth. Mark senr. had one other son, 14 who had lost a leg and was at Delaval School.
13. BELL, Thomas	23; Quarry Row, bn. Tweedmouth	Grandfather, Thomas Bell, 74.
14. BELL, Thomas	13; Quarry Row. Cousin of a/n Thomas, bn. Bamburgh.	Widowed mother Jane Bell. Deceased father's name was John Bell, n. of Belford. Five siblings (Henry 10, Jane 7, George 5, Andrew 3, John 9m.)
15. BENNETT, John	25	Frances. John Coil (No. 35) and Patrick Sherlock (No. 163) had lodged with the Bennetts.
16. BEWICK, James	34; Silver Hill, bn. Earsdon.	Sarah, 30, n. of Earsdon. (Sarah 9, Ann 5, Mary Jane bn. 3 July, 1862.) Sarah continued in New Hartley at least to 1881.
17. BEWICK, John	32; Silver Hill, bn. Earsdon. Bro. of a/n James.	Ann, 30, n. of Earsdon, and mother Sarah Bewick. (John 11, William 9, Sarah 7, Ann 5, James 2.) Ann (widow) died of consumption 1 March 1862.
18. BEWICK, Robert	30; Hastings Row, bn. Earsdon.	Isabella, n. of Bedlington. (Sarah 7, John 2, James 11m.)
19. BIRTLEY, Samuel	24	Isabella (George 1, Margaret bn. 21 Jan. 1862.)
20. BLACKBURN, Samuel	26	Mary (Luke 2). Mary went to her parents', William Scott of No. 4, Blake Town, Seghill.

21. BROADFOOT, John	19	Mother Janet Reed alias Broadfoot, lived in Glasgow.
22. BROWN, Thomas	25; Hartley Village.	Martha (Ralph 8m).
23. BROWN, Ralph	15; Hartley Village. Bro. of a/n Thomas.	Orphan, left brother Robert 11, who went to live with widowed sister-in-law Martha, above.
24. BROWN, George	31, brakesman on inclined plane; Hartley Village, n. of Hartley.	Jane, n.- of Seaton Sluice. (Ann Burnett 3, Mary Susan 2, George bn. 10 Apr. 1862.) Jane's sister was nursing new baby in early weeks of relief fund.
25. BROWN, William	25; Silver Hill, n. of Earsdon	Mary, 25, who remarried. (Frances 2, Jane Isabella 7m.)
26. BURN, John	49 (52) Single Row, n. of Earsdon.	Elizabeth (Elizabeth 12, Mary 10, John 6.) Lived in Newsham Buildings, Blyth, 1881.
27. BURN, Thomas	14 (17), n. of Earsdon.	(Son of John)
29. CAMPBELL, James	28	Margaret (Alexander 7, Mary 3, Peter 1). Margaret moved to Scotland Gate, Choppington, c/o Peter Young.
29. CARLING, George	27	Ann (Dennis 6, Ross 4, Ann 3, Agnes 10m).
30. CHAMBERS, Thomas	55	Margaret (one daughter described as 'delicate').
31. CHAMBERS, Clark	19	(Son of Thomas)
32. CHEETHAM, Alfred	33; Single Row, bn. Lanarkshire	Jane, n. of Earsdon (Margaret Ann 6, James 4).
33. CLEGHORN, Oswald	24	Ann (William 4, Catherine 2, Mary bn. 29 Dec. 1861).
34. CLOUGH (CLEUGH), Henry	47; rolleyway man, had been his first day at Hartley pit.	Mary (Mary 13, Robert 8, Henry 5), lived at Heaton High Pit, (presumably Henry's previous workplace).
35. COIL, John	28	Irish, no next of kin recorded, lodged with Bennetts.
36. COLE, Thomas	37, deputy overman.	Margaret (Mary Ann 14, Margaret Ann 8, Lizzy ?, Eleanor 5, Francis 1).
37. COULSON, John	33	Alice (Jane Ann 10, John 5, William 3, James 6m). Alice moved to Willington, Co. Durham.
38. COULSON, Robert	26	Elizabeth (James 7, Robert 5, William 4m). Elizabeth returned to her birthplace, Bishop Auckland, Co. Durham.
39. COUSINS, John	16 (18); Double Row, bn. Haltwhistle.	Son of Thomas Cousins, n. of Allendale.
40. COUSINS, Robert	10 (12); Double Row, bn. Allerwash.	(Brother of John)
41. CROSS, Philip	59; Double Row, bn. Newcastle	Frances Allsop, his widowed daughter with 2 children, (Mary Ann 4, Elizabeth 2) and Elizabeth his wife.
42. CROSS, Philip	20; Double Row, bn. South Shields, Co. Durham.	(Son of Philip senr.)
43. DAVIDSON, John	38; rolleyway man, bn. Alnwick.	Susan, bn. Felton (Thomas 8, John 4, Alice 2).
44. DAVIDSON, William George	11; bn. Alnwick	(Son of John)
45. DAWSON, Thomas	49; Hartley Village, n. of Hartley	Mary (3 daughters, 1 son, George, a carter), moved to Cowpen Quay, Blyth.
46. DAWSON, John	12	(Son of Thomas)
47. DIXON, Robert	12; Hartley Village, n. of Hartley.	Mother Elizabeth (John 6, Mary 3). Father in lunatic asylum.

48. DIXON, William	27	Margaret (Mary Ann 9, John 4), died in Hartley Village before 1881.
49. DIXON, William	34	Single, but had a son, William Jackson, living at Corbridge.
50. DOUGLAS, John	25; Quarry Row, bn. Morpeth.	Sarah (one adopted child).
51. DUFFY, Patrick	34; Irish.	Ann (Irish). (Mary 7, Catherine 4, John 2.) Went back to Wakefield May 1862.
52. DUFFY, James	10; bn. Wakefield, Yorks.	
53. ELLIOTT, Allison	29; stoneman, Hastings Row, bn. Seghill.	Elizabeth, bn. Holywell (Mary 7, Henry 6, Ellison 2m). Went to East Holywell.
54. ELLIOTT, Edward	19	Parents kept a public house in Choppington; nephew of (? John) Armstrong.
55. FAIRBAIRN, George	33	(Son of William)
56. FAIRBAIRN, William	70	Margaret, described as a "poor old weak woman", left to live with her son Robert at Cowpen.
57. FORD, Henry	32; Cross Row.	Isabella (son bn. 8 Sep. 1862).
58. FORD, John	27; Cross Row, bn. Lowick, bro. of Henry.	Agnes (Scottish), (Margaret 2, Eleanor bn. 8 Sep. 1862).
59. FORD, Peter	12, nephew of William Oliver (No. 134).	Father Alexander Ford, "an ailing man", 50. (Charlotte 6, Allan or Alexander 3).
60. FORSTER, Joseph	18; Hartley Village, bn. Earsdon.	Orphan, lived with Aunt, Jane Stamp.
61. FORSTER, John	15; Hartley Village.	(Brother of Joseph), 'son-in-law' (i.e. step-son) of quarryman, John Scurfield.
62. FULTON, George	25	Mary (John George bn. 20 March 1862), and 60-year-old mother, no name given.
63. GALLAGHER, John	32; Cross Row, bn. Bicker (sic).	Jane (Mary 4, Charles 1).
64. GALLAGHER, Duncan	28; Cross Row, bn. Bicker	(Brother of John) son of Margaret Gallagher, 77, Irish widow.
GALLAGHER, James - see TIERNEY, James		
65. GIBSON, Henry	18; Hartley Village, bn. Seaton Delaval.	William Gibson, his father, who had lost one eye, was bn_at Hartley and worked at a bottle-works.
66. GLEDSON, William	71; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Frances, bn_at Hartley.
67. GLEDSON, William	43; son of a/n William.	Mary (Isabella 13).
68. GLEDSON, George	41; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley, son of a/n William senr.	Mary, bn. Seaton Sluice (Lydia 8).
69. GLEDSON, Thomas	36; son of a/n William senr.	Ann, died in Old Hartley, 1886.
70. GLEDSON, Thomas	16	(Son of Thomas)
71. GLEN, James	18; Double Row, bn. N'ld, (parish unknown).	Disabled father Thomas Glen, bn. ? Derrington, (Jane 8, Sarah 5, Robert 3, John 1).
72. GLEN, William	14; Double Row, bn. Co. Durham	"
73. GLEN, George	12; Double Row, bn. Co. Durham	"
74. GORMERLY, Patrick	25	No known next-of-kin; lodged with Cross family.
75. GRAHAM, Christopher	27	Margaret (John 4, Ann 1).
76. HALL, George	28; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Isabella (George 2, Oliver bn. 4 Sep. 1861), lived at Seaton Sluice in 1881.
77. HAMILTON, James (HAMELTON)	56; Scottish.	Mary Jane (William 5), who went back to Bathgate, Linlithgoe.
78. HAMILTON, James (HAMELTON)	12; Scottish.	(Son of James)

HAMMEL, Peter - see Humble, Peter. This name is definitely mis-spelt on the monument.

79. HARDING, John	14½ (20)	Son of George (55) and Mary Harding (52).
80. HARRISON, Thomas	16	Son of Thomas Harrison, policeman, of North Seaton.
81. HAUXWELL, Frank	25	Mary (Elizabeth Ann 4m), went to live with her father at Leamside, West Rainton, Co. Durham.
82. HAYS, George	41; Single Row, bn. Gateshead, Co. Durham.	Elizabeth (Hannah 14, Mary Ann 11, Elizabeth 8), by 1881 was at Lydia St. Willington, Co. Durham.
83. HEPPLE, Thomas	27	Son of James Hepple of North Seaton. Lodged with Thomas Burn.
84. HILL, George	31	Eliza (John Henry 9, Joseph 6, George 2). John Henry was in the Blind Asylum. Eliza went to her father, Robert Forrester, of Astley St., Duckinfield, Cheshire, where she remarried in 1885.
85. HILL, Robert	21; stoneman.	Son of Robert Hill of Holytown.
86. HINDMARSH, George	30; his first day at Hartley Pit.	Mary (Mary Ann 7½, William 6, Jane 3, Stephen 1½, George bn. 27 May 1862). Mary went to live at North Seaton.
87. HODGE, John	33; Scottish.	Catherine (Archibald 7, Margaret 4, Alice 9m), moved to Wishaw, Scotland.
88. HOUSTON, Andrew	34; Scottish	Mary (Andrew, 8 days), moved to Bathgate, Linlithgoe.
89. HOWARD, James	20	Son of James Howard, of Bedlington, - a ventriloquist.
90. HUMBLE, Joseph	27; Single Row.	Margaret (two children) and mother, "old Mrs Humble". Nephew of under-viewer, Joseph Humble.
91. HUMBLE, Peter	33; bn. Leics.	Mary Anne (Jane 9, Mary Ann 7, John 3, Margaret 2, Elizabeth bn. 22 Nov. 1861).
92. HUNTER, Henry	13	Son of Thomas Hunter, "an old man" (one brother, and one sister Elizabeth, bn. 22 Nov. 1861).
93. JACQUES (JACK), Winship	24	Elizabeth (Isabella 3, Ann 2, Elizabeth 1).
94. JOHNSON, Joseph	41; Quarry Row, bn. Earsdon.	Hannah (3 children).
95. JOHNSON, Robert	42; brother of Joseph.	Son of William Johnson, 76.
96. KENNEDY, William	30	Elizabeth (James 3, George 1, Sarah Ann bn. 20 Jan. 1862).
97. LAWS, George	20; onsetter; Hastings Row, bn. Hartley.	Mary, his widowed mother.
98. LAWS, Thomas	34; Hastings Row, bn. Hartley.	Mary, his widowed mother (and brother Edward, 9).
99. LIDDLE, John	46	Catherine (Mary 12, Margaret 9, Elizabeth 5, Emma 4).
100. LIDDLE, Thomas	18; son of above John.	
101. LIDDLE, George	16; son of above John.	
102. LIDDLE, John	11; son of above John.	
103. LIDDLE, Thomas	41; brother of above John senr.	Margaret (Mary Ann 12, Elizabeth 7, Margaret 5).
104. LIDDLE, Thomas	11; son of above Thomas.	
105. LIDDLE, William	40	Agnes (Peter 10, Mary 8, Abraham 6, Elizabeth 9m).
106. LIDDLE, James	15, son of above William.	
107. LIDDLE, William	17, son of above William.	

108. LOGAN (LOUGE), William	30; Scottish	Ellen (Catherine 7, Sarah 6, Ellen 4, William 3, Patrick 1, Daniel bn. 9 Aug. 1862). They left for Wishaw, Lanarkshire, but Ellen was living at Annitsford in 1881.
109. LONG, John	15; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Parents James (a blind miner) and Mary Ann, (Margaret 11, Robert 9, William 6), all <u>bn-at</u> Hartley.
110. LONG, Robert	17; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley. Cousin of above John.	Grandparents Robert (shoemaker) and Isabella.
111. MACAULEY, Thomas	38; Single Row.	Elizabeth, who left for Wishaw to live with her uncle, David Graham.
112. McCLUTCHEY (McCLUSKEY), Richard	24	Elizabeth (Isabella 9, John 4, Hamilton 2, Richard James bn. after disaster), went to Bathgate.
113. McCRACKEN, William	24	No known immediate next-of-kin; had lodged with his uncle, James Hamilton (No. 77).
114. McFARLANE, William	15	Father - Walter.
115. McKEE, John	55; Quarry Row, bn. Whitehaven (Cumberland).	Mary Ann (Joseph 10, George 6 - died soon after disaster, Edward 2, Mary Jane bn. 13 July 1862), moved back to Whitehaven, May 1862.
116. McKEE, Adam	24; son of a/n John, bn. Whitehaven.	
117. McMULLEN, Robert	27 (36)	Mary, who died of consumption soon after disaster. One surviving child Mary aged 2, went to live with an aunt who was wife of Joseph McPherson of Merrington Lane, Spennymoor, Co. Durham.
118. MANDERSON, Peter (or Mathew)	50; Hastings Row, bn. Scotland.	Elizabeth his wife, was the sister of Joseph Humble the under-viewer; her mother Elizabeth Humble was living with her. (Matthew 2, Peter bn. 3 March 1862.)
119. MARLEY, Robert	23; Hartley Village, bn. Easington Lane, Co. Durham.	Jane
120. MASON, Hugh	24	No known next-of-kin. Lodged with George Fulton (No. 62).
121. MILLER, Walter	43; stoneman.	Elizabeth, who moved to Wishaw, then to c/o John Paterson, Carfin, nr. Holytown, Scotland. (Janet 12, Thomas 8, James 6, Robert 2, Mary 8m.)
122. MILLER, William	34; stoneman, brother of a/n Walter.	Mary (John 9, Jane 5, James 1). At the time of the first relief payments, one child had 'typhus fever'.
123. MORGAN, Andrew	44	Widower. One daughter, Dorothy, 17, went to her married sister's - John Pratt, New Lambton, Fence Houses, Co. Durham.
124. MULLEN, John	36	Ann (Patrick 8, James 6, Mary Ann 4, Catherine 8m).
125. MURRAY, Michael	26	No next-of-kin known. Lodged with Mullens.
126. NESBITT, Peter	20	Mother, who lived at Scotswood, nr. Newcastle. Nesbitt was a nephew of Peter Manderson (No. 118).
127. NICHOLSON, John	14; Hartley Village, bn. Westwood Cottage, nr. Hexham.	Parents William (colliery labourer) and Mary.
128. NICHOLSON, Joseph	20; brother of a/n John.	"
129. NICHOLSON, Joshua	52; Single Row, bn. Earsdon.	Ann (Elizabeth 12, Catherine 9, Joshua 4), lived in Cowpen Quay, Blyth, 1881.
130. NORTH, Robert	26; Quarry Row, Scottish.	Elizabeth (Jane 2).

131. NORTH, George	15 (10); Double Row, bn. Berwick-on-Tweed.	Parents James (60) and Jane (48) with two children surviving (Mary 7, William 5).
132. NORTH, John	12 (14); Double Row, bn. Berwick-on-Tweed. Brother of a/n George.	Parents James (60) and Jane (48) with two children surviving (Mary 7, William 5).
133. NORTH, Alexander	10 (12);	
134. OLIVER, William	56	Mary (Ellen 10). Uncle of Peter Ford (No. 59).
135. OLIVER, John	27; son of a/n William.	Ann, who went into service in Newcastle.
136. OLIVER, James	21;	Mary (Mary Jane bn. 22 May 1862)
137. OLIVER, William	17;	
138. OLIVER, Peter	15;	
139. ORMISTON, John	32	Elizabeth (William, or Henry 10, Mary Ann 1).
140. PALMER, William	35	Hannah (Caroline 7, Lucy 5, William James 2).
141. PAPE, William	14; nephew of J. Ternent (No. 173).	Father lived in Newcastle.
142. PEARSON, Thomas	28	Parents Martin and Abigail Pearson of Greenhead, Cumberland.
RANDAL - see REYNOLDS		
143. REDPATH, William	24	Jane (Thomas 5, William 3, James Henry 1, Samuel bn. 17 Sep. 1862).
144. REYNOLDS (RANDALL), Robert	33; Scottish	Ellen (John 8, Andrew 6, Robert 4, James 2, Mary Jane 9m), moved to Bathgate, Linlithgoe.
145. RICHARDSON, Alexander	22	Margaret.
146. RILEY, Hugh	30	Isabella (Robert 6, two daughters aged 4 and 1).
147. ROBINSON, Mathew	30	May (28), (Mary 6, William 2).
148. ROBINSON, Thomas	42	Martha (Sarah 13, Martha Ann 9, Thomas 1), lived in Hartley Village 1881.
149. ROBSON, Ralph	36; Cross Row, bn. Backworth.	Ruth (Jane Ann 10, Margaret 8, Ralph 6, Thomas 5, George 2, Carr bn. 22 July 1862).
150. ROBSON, James	12; Single Row, bn. Earsdon.	Father Andrew Robson, disabled miner.
151. ROSS, Thomas	46; Hastings Row, bn. South Shields, Co. Durham.	Widower. Had a daughter Margaret (14) who went to stay with John Graham of Seaton Delaval.
152. ROWLEY, Edward	33	Isabella (Robert 8, James 5, Edward 9m).
153. RUTHERFORD, John	25; Double Row, bn. Bothal.	Father, John Rutherford, unable to work and requiring a continual allowance.
154. RUTHERFORD, William	23; Double Row, bn. Bothal. Brother of a/n John.	The brothers had stayed with their married sister, Mary Caisley, before the disaster.
155. RUTHERFORD, Thomas	32; Hastings Row, hn. Scotland.	Jane, bn. Ulgham (Thomas 9, Robert 3).
156. SCURFIELD, George	51; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Parents John and Elizabeth Scurfield, and Ellen, 50, his sister, who "took fits", and died at 10 Tyne St., Newcastle, aged 69.
157. SEBASTIAN, Thomas	19; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Widowed mother Ann Sebastian, lived in Hartley Village.
158. SHARP, George	49; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Elizabeth (James 10, Barnsley 8, Jane 5), who was in North Shields in 1881.
159. SHARP, George	15; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley. Son of a/n George.	
160. SHARP, George	13; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley. Son of a/n George.	

161. SHARP, Henry	44; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley. Deputy overman Cousin of a/n George senr.	Eleanor.
162. SHARP, Thomas	48, brother of a/n Henry.	Eleanor and her mother, Jane Dexter (75).
163. SHERLOCK, Patrick	28	Edward Sherlock of Chesterfield; Derbyshire.
164. SKINNER, George	14; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Father, Samuel Skinner, merchant seaman, bn. Alderton, Suffolk.
165. SMALL, Robert	19	No known next-of-kin. Had lodged with Mary Ann Wears.
166. SMITH, Francis	33	Jane (Joseph 10, Mary Ann 8, Jane 6, John 3, Sarah 1). Francis had been uncle and adoptive father of William Wilson (No. 196).
167. SMITH, William	19; glassmaker from Seaton Sluice, was visiting pit.	Isabella (William bn. 1 Sep. 1862).
168. SOFTLEY, Edward	17; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Parents Edward and Margaret Softley, with one daughter.
169. STAINSBY, Lionel	23	Father John Stainsby of 8 Chapel Row, nr. Darlington, Co. Durham.
170. STANLEY, William	34	Father, James Stanley, lived at Dudley.
171. TAYLOR, Joseph	36	Margaret (Jane 8, Joseph 2, Ann bn. 12 March 1862), in Old Hartley 1881.
172. TELFORD, William	29 (24); rolleyway man.	Ann, bn. Willington (Eleanor 3, Mary Jane 2, George bn. 11 Feb. 1862).
173. TERNENT, John	44; deputy overman, Hastings Row, bn. Alnwick.	Mary Ann (Margaret 13, Sarah 10, John 8, James 4, Ann 9m, Mary Ann Robinson, adopted dau.).
174. TERNENT, George	15; son of a/n John. bn. Trimdon, Co. Durham.	
175. TERNENT, William	40; onsetter, Double Row, bn. Belsay.	Eleanor (Ann Elizabeth 12, Ellen 9, William 4, Isabella 1). An older son aged 18 was "of weak intellect" and "took fits".
176. THIRLWELL, George	27	Jane (Caleb 7, Elizabeth 7m, died).
177. TIBBS, William	32; Single Row, bn. Stepney, London.	Elizabeth (Caroline and Thomas, twins, 5, William 2, Stephen 1).
178. TIERNEY (alias GALLAGHER), James	14; Cross Row, bn. St John's?, Co. Durham.	Mother, Margaret Gallagher. James lodged with Duncan Gallagher, (No. 64).
179. TRYER, James	36	His mother, Susan Tryer of Bolton-le-Moor (? Co. Durham).
180. VEITCH, John	21	Mary, niece of Elizabeth Macaulay (No. 111). Returned to Wishaw.
181. WADE, George	31	Jane (Margaret 2m).
182. WALKER, Benjamin	21	No known next-of-kin.
183. WALKER, James	16; Hartley Village, bn. Hartley.	Son of Ellen Walker, widow, bn. Hartley.
184. WALKER, William	12; "	"
185. WALPOLE (WALPOOL), Patrick	30	Catherine, who lived at Whitley Row, Earsdon. Payment of relief was withheld--, the only example of this in the entire list. No reason given.
186. WANLESS, Christopher	20	Father, Thomas Wanless
187. WANLESS, Thomas	19; brother of a/n Christopher.	"
188. WANLESS, John	14; brother of a/n Christopher.	"
189. WATSON-James	38; Hastings Row, bn. Old Hartley.	Mary.
190. WATSON, Joseph	16; son of a/n James, bn. South Church, Co. Durham.	
191. WATSON, John	38	Mary (George 10, Jane 8, Sarah 2, John 1 m).

192. WATSON, Thomas	16; son of a/n John.	
193. WATSON, Thomas	34; cousin of a/n John.	Eleanor (Elizabeth 6, William 4, John 1).
194. WEARS, Robert	20; Double Row, bn. Earsdon.	Father, Robert Wears, bn. Ovington.
195. WEARS, Thomas	40	Mary Ann (Ann 13, Thomas 6, James 3).
196. WHITE, William	16; Hartley Village, bn. Byker Hill, Newcastle.	Widowed mother Elizabeth, 40, bn. North Shields.
197. WILKINSON, John B.	23; Single Row, bn. Wallsend.	Frances.
198. WILSON, George	38; rolleyway man.	Elizabeth (Charles 6, William 10, George 4, Thorns bn. 17 July 1862).
199. WILSON, William	16; orphan.	Nephew of Francis Smith (No. 166).
200. WILSON, William	12	Father, Robert Wilson.
201. WYPHER or WYPER, David	24	Marian (Peter 7 `deformed and imbecile', granted relief to age 18, Jane 5, Robert 2, David bn. 15 Apr. 1862), went to Wishaw, still there in 1881.
202. YOULL, John	28	Margaret (Margaret 6, John 4, Jane 2 ¹ / ₂ , Mary 8m), who went to her father, James Quintin, of Town Head St., Hamilton, Lanarkshire.
203. YOUNG, John	25	Jane (Mary Elizabeth 3, Isabella 1), went to live at Rumbley Hill.
204. YOUNGER, Henry	33; Single Row, deputy overman, bn. Earsdon.	Elizabeth (Margaret 3, Jane 1).

A YORKSHIRE STRAY

The following extract from the 1851 Census shows the occupants of Demescue Farm in the township of Maumby in the Parish of Pickhill with Roxby, North Riding of Yorkshire. The Census shows that John Jopling farmed 210 acres, and employed 7 men.

John JOPLING	44	Head	Farmer	Hamsterley, Durham
Jane JOPLING	48	Wife		Masham
Joseph JOPLING	15	Son		Snape
Mark JOPLING	13	Son		Snape
Sarah JOPLING	13	Daughter		Snape
Hannah JOPLING	8	Daughter		Snape
John JOPLING	6	Son		Aldborough
Jane DOUGLAS	19	Cousin	Governess	Hamsterley, Durham

ARRIVAL OF THE ZEALANDIA

Bill Wallace

~~There appears to be a dearth of information here at home regarding emigrants from our shores, yet~~ the country of destination may often tie a more fruitful source. from a New Zealand relative, I recently received a copy of a Passenger List of the "Zealandia" from the "Lyttleton Times"; 16th November, 1859.

"Arrived - November 12, ship 'Zealandia,' 1013 tons, Foster, from London. "

The immigrants are grouped into five sections: Chief Cabin, Second Cabin, Steerage, Government Immigrants, Single Men and Single Women. An analysis of trades is also given, the largest group amongst the males being 16 farm labourers and 11 shepherds; amongst the females were 37 domestic servants. The report tends to belie the popular misconception of unskilled and illiterate masses and the travelling arrangements themselves indicate a diverse and heterogeneous cross-section of society. No doubt many were poor, yet there were a fair proportion of artisans and tradesmen: carpenters, joiners, a millwright, painters, butchers, weavers, wheelwrights, plumbers, cooks, dressmakers, a schoolmaster and a governess.

Places of origin are listed and, with the exception of Wales, all countries in the British Isles are represented. The Irish and Scottish counties listed include: Armagh, Down, Dublin, Waterford, Sutherlandshire, Forfar, Fife, Ross, Lanark, Midlothian. The majority came from England. No clear pattern emerges except for a sizeable number from Middlesex and another from Durham. None came from Northumberland, and of those remaining, the more rural shires were well to the fore. Urban centres, with the exception of Middlesex, were not well represented. Four children were born during the voyage and three died.

I have extracted those from Northumberland and Durham and adjacent counties which I hope will be useful to those members abroad and to those here at home.

NAME	TRADE	FAMILY/ORIGIN
Married Couples		
BLAND, James	Farm Labourer	wife and 3 children, Durham
CALVERT, William	Tinman	wife and 4 children, Durham
DIXON, Robert	Carpenter	wife and 3 children, Durham
DIXON, William	Butcher	wife and 2 children, Durham
HESLOP, George	Carrier	wife and child, Durham
HINDMARSH, Launcelot	Mason	wife and child, Durham
THOMPSON, Thomas	Carpenter	wife and children, Durham
HOWARD, Charles	Farm Labourer	wife and 3 children, York
LANGLEY, Richard	Brickmaker and	wife, Yorkshire
SCOTT, Eli	Brickmaker	wife and children, Yorkshire
SCOTT, William	Shepherd and	wife, Roxborough
Single Men		
CALVERT, William	Tinman	Durham
HESLOP, James	Painter	Durham
HUNTER, John	Butcher	Durham
WALLACE, John	Shepherd	Roxborough
Single Women		
BLAND, Mary	Dairymaid	Durham
BLAND, Elizabeth	Domestic Servant	Durham
CALVERT, Elizabeth	Domestic Servant	Durham
CALVERT, Julia Ann	Domestic Servant	Durham
CALVERT, Mary	Domestic Servant	Durham
GLOVER, Mary	Domestic Servant	Yorkshire
HESLOP, Elizabeth	Dressmaker	Durham
HESLOP, Maria	Dressmaker	Durham
HESLOP, Charlotte	Dressmaker	Durham
HINDMARSH, Elizabeth	Domestic Servant	Durham

BORN IN THE FIELDS

From baptisms in Hartburn (Northumberland) Parish Registers: "28th April 1755. James, son of Phillip Murray and Mary his wife of North Shields. This child was said to be born in the fields near North Middleton in this Parish".

THREE USEFUL PUBLICATIONS

1 - "*Record Offices: How To Find Them*", 2nd. edn. 1982, by Jeremy Gibson and Pamela Peskett, published by Federation of Family History Societies, £1.00 + 20p U.K. postage or 75p airmail.

Every main repository for public records in the country is listed together with, in all cases, a detailed map of how to get there, with 'bus services, full postal addresses and telephone numbers. Although I found the maps rather confusing (and Newcastle is shown without its Metro!) there is no doubt that this publication is unbeatable value for those whose researches take them to Record Offices in unfamiliar cities. Central London is of course included (with Underground!)

2 - "*Quarter Sessions Records for Family Historians. A Select List*", by J.S.W. Gibson, 1982, pub. F.F.H.S., £1.00 + 20p U.K. postage or 75p airmail.

A county-by-county guide to main holdings of Quarter Sessions records at County Record Offices. This *is not* a guide to the nature or content of Quarter Sessions Records, apart from a very general introduction which advises on further reading on these little-used but potentially very useful sources. For each C.R.O., this booklet gives an idea of what indexes or guides are in existence, plus the main holdings and terminal dates. For Northumberland, we are told that there are ale-house keepers' recognizances for 1822-1828, Land Tax returns 1757-1883, an Indictments Book 1580-1630, and so on.

This is, then, a very good quick-reference book **for researchers preparing to go to** County Record Offices anywhere in England and Wales. It is fair to add that most C.R.O.s would provide the same information for the price of a S.A.E., but it is useful to have all the information under one cover. 3- "*Bishops Transcripts and Marriage Licences - Bonds and Allegations - A Guide to their Location and Indexes*", 2nd. edn. 1982 by J.S.W. Gibson, Gulliver Publishing Co., and F.F.H.S., £1.00+20p U.K. postage, 75p airmail.

This further useful publication by the industrious Mr Gibson concentrates on giving information on the finding aids for Bishops' Transcripts and Marriage Licence records. It is of great help to those who wish to know, in general, what ecclesiastical records of this type have survived and where they may be located. It mentions any abstracts that have been made, and whatever work is in progress at present to index these records, that are still in some confusion in a number of repositories. 'raking one county, the ancient county of Cumberland, we are told of the main ecclesiastical divisions that existed, what finding aids exist, (a full calendar of marriage bonds up to 1824), the earliest dates for Bishops's Transcripts, plus details of any 'peculiar' jurisdictions. The full address and telephone number of the Cumbria Record Office is given, plus a brief list of other places where records from overlapping jurisdictions may be found. Researchers wishing to know the exact dates of Bishops' Transcripts for any one parish must, of course, refer directly to the Record Office, but this is a most useful general guide.

All the above three publications can be obtained from: J.S.W. Gibson, Harts Cottage, Church Hanborough, OXFORD OX7 2AB. Our own Library has copies for loan and the Secretary occasionally receives copies for selling at slightly reduced prices, at Society meetings.

A LANDELLS LINE

Daphne Eades

The first of the line was James Landells who married twice; firstly to Evrace Scott, (date of marriage unknown), and then on 14th June 1810 to Jane Burn(s), at Alnwick, Northumberland. James is supposed to have been born about 1790. He had one son, George, by his first marriage, about whom I know nothing except that it is quite likely he is the father of George James Landells who was connected with the famous Burke and Wills, of Australia.

By his second marriage, James had four children: William Burn(s) Landells (b. Apr. 1811), Adam Landells (b. 14 Jan. 1813); Jane Landells (b. 11 Jly. 1814), and Mary Ann Landells (b. 9 Aug. 1819).

William became a minister in Sheffield, Yorkshire, and married a girl from his home town, Sarah Richardson. William and his wife eventually went out to Australia to join his brother Adam who had gone to Australia in 1849. William and Sarah arrived on Christmas Day, 1852. He is well documented in Geelong where he lived and died.

Adam married Margaret Douglas at Gretna Green on the 9th March, 1832, Margaret being a native of Heddon-on-the-Wall, Northumberland, where she had been born and baptised in 1813. They had eight children, all of whom were born in Alnwick: Jane (b. 11 Feb. 1833, d. 31 Aug. 1848 at Alnwick), James Douglas (b. 9 Mch. 1836, d. 11 :Apr. 1913 in Australia), Edward Douglas (b. 6 Jly. 1838, d. 21 Dec. 1916 in New Zealand), Elizabeth Ann (b. 28 Feb. 1840, d. 9 Mch. 1841 at Alnwick), Mary Ann (b. 19 Dec. 1841, d. 29 Dec. 1859 in Australia), Isabella Douglas (b. 3 Oct. 1844), Margaret (b. 11 Feb. 1847, d. 16 May 1849 at Alnwick) and William Burns (b. 15 Nov. 1848, d. 19 Oct. 1849 at sea, out of Tenerife).

The whole family left for Australia on the ship "Douglas". It was a bad trip and many died, so many in fact, that the ship came to be known as the "Black Douglas". Margaret Douglas died only two days after her baby son William Burns, and poor Adam was helped with his four children by one Elizabeth Dibbs, who had also lost her husband some time previously on the same boat. I have tried to obtain death certificates for Margaret and William Burns, but without luck: there does not seem to be any surviving list of passengers for the "Douglas". I did find out, however, that the "Douglas" arrived in South Australia in 1850 and in August of the same year Adam Landells married Elizabeth Dibbs, in Adelaide.

Soon afterwards, they walked overland to Melbourne! Here, Adam bought land in Newlands Road in Coburg, and later in Bolinbroke, not far from Mere Creek; of Adam and Margaret's children, Mary Ann died, and Isabella Douglas married a farmer, Thomas Fowler, in 1860. They had two children, Mary Ann (b. 1861) and Thomas Adam. As far as I know, they stayed in Australia. James Douglas Landells married a Bolinbroke girl called Sarah Singleton; they had eleven children and their descendants are still in the area today. Adam, his son James, and his grandsons have paid rates in Coburg since 1860.

Edward Landells, my great-grandfather, joined the Royal Navy. One day he received two lashes for being late back to ship during a training trip to the Indies, so he went back and told his father (Adam) that he would desert. He came to New Zealand and joined the Armed Militia, having taken his mother's maiden name, Douglas as his surname. He married a Maori girl from the Bay of Plenty, Tekorowkiti Tuataka; his children all grew up as Douglasses, and today his great-grandchildren number many hundreds.

Adam's wife Elizabeth died in 1877, in Bolinbroke. In 1882 Adam came to New Zealand for a visit and died while here in Tauranga on the 31st August 1883. I discovered this only after searching for

fourteen years for his death certificate in Australia! My relative George Landells at last came up with a cousin, Roy, who had the family Bible, which recorded many details including the fact that Adam died in New Zealand at a place called Tauranga. I could not believe it! I had lived at Tauranga for seventeen years! When I got home, I was able to obtain Adam's death certificate and also found his grave. There was no headstone, but it did not matter — it was a wonderful feeling. Here he was, in my home town — the last place I would ever have thought to look.

I hope it doesn't take another fourteen years to get the next step. Where did James Landells come from and who were his parents? And what of Jane Burn(s)? If anyone can help, I would love to hear from you!

Editor's note: Mrs Eades' address is: 9 Gordon Terrace, MATAMATA, New Zealand.

MEMBERS AND THEIR INTERESTS

Items for this and the "Second Time Around" column should be sent to Mrs Y. Armstrong, 2 Grasmere Gardens, SOUTH SHIELDS, Tyne & Wear NE34 0DZ. The deadline for the January Journal is 31st October. It is essential that you include your membership number when writing. Any inaccuracies in the addresses shown in these columns should be notified at once to the Treasurer at the address shown on the Contents page. May we take this opportunity of welcoming all new members to the Society and wishing them success in their researches.

- 0192 Mr M.W. EISE, M.B.E.,** 86 The Esplanade, BRIGHTON, VICTORIA 3186, AUSTRALIA.
Seeking the place of marriage of Robert Manners and Ann Stal; the birthplace of Robert Manners b. 1811 and the birthplace of his son Robert Manners b. 1839. Any help would be appreciated.
- 0570 Mr F.L. JONES,** 25 York Crescent, Newton Hall, DURHAM CITY DH1 5PU.
Currently researching family names Pattinson, Stobbs, Coatesworth of Stanhope and Upper Weardale. Also Jones, Phinn and Milne of South Shields.
- 1024 Mr T. HEWITT,** 36 Sherburn Way, Leam Lane, Felling, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE10 8RZ.
Seeking the following: the marriage of William Short (b. 29.10.1780) to Mary Elliott (b. 20.1.1767; d. 8.5.1832) circa 1800, possibly Embleton or Ellingham. The death of William Short after 1809; similarly the deaths of James and Elizabeth Young. The birth/baptisms of Mary Cuthbertson c. 1689; Isabel Sym c. 1688; Ann Morison c. 1790 (pos. Bamburgh; Belford/Bamburgh; Stamfordham respectively).
- 1055 Mr J.K. WATSON,** "Freshfields", Station Road, Bleasby, NOTTINGHAM NG14 7GD.
Searching for baptism about 1798 of John Watson who married Mary Heickley/Heightley at Heighington on 18th May 1820. On 1851 and 1861 Census, John Watson gave his birthplace as Melsonby, North Yorkshire. Searches in Parish Register and Bishop's Transcripts for Melsonby, and all adjacent parishes in a wide circle of North Yorkshire and South Durham, have failed to reveal any relevant baptisms. Although all his children were baptised and married in Parish Churches, all are buried in Nonconformist ground in Municipal cemeteries in Bolton, Lancashire, to where the family moved in the 1840's. Whilst this could suggest Nonconformist records as a possible source, have been unable to locate any Baptismal Registers covering the Melsonby area in the 1790's. Any suggestions or advice appreciated.
- 1143 Miss L. MILLER,** 44 Lansdowne Terrace, NORTH SHIELDS, Tyne & Wear NE29 0NJ.
1) Searching for the marriage of James McQueen (1822-1897) and Elizabeth Macklam (McLane, MacLaine) (1815-1891), presumably c. 1844 — no trace at St Catherine's.
2) Bengall family: particularly Christopher Bengall, Mariner, and wife Jane — daughter Mary born at North Shields, Northumberland in 1823.
3) Tweedy family of Eglingham, Northumberland pre. 1819. Birth of Jacob Tweedy, 1819 or 1820 at Eglingham.
- 1144 Mrs J. WATSON,** 8 College Gardens, Dulwich, LONDON SE21 7BE.
Interested in the following families: Gibsons of Bishopwearmouth, nursery and seedsmen. Are there any descendants of Atkinson Gibson, Alderman & J.P., died 1931? Whittles and Wisemans (Sunderland). Millers (South Shields). Ismays and Orpeths (Whickham). Wear family (Jarrow). Albinus Pelham, Superintendent of shipping for Howden Dock Co., for 26 years until his death in 1789. Robert Emmerson Young, bap. Bishopwearmouth 1818. Died at sea or abroad. Last heard of as mate of "The Ebenezer", docked at Sunderland on November 10th 1845. Marriage of parents, before 1814, Robert Young to Margaret (Emmerson?) wanted. Foe family of Lincs. & Northants.
- 1174 Mrs C. WHELAN,** 11 Shiral Avenue, KANAHOOKA, NEW SOUTH WALES 2530, AUSTRALIA.
Interested in the family of Nicholas and Elizabeth Dixon who lived in Cashea, Durham 1824, and the Barras(s) family who lived in New Lambton 1820. Edward Barras(s) b. 1822 New Lambton married Elizabeth Dixon in 1843 at Shincliff after which they migrated to the goldmines of Eldorado, Victoria, Australia.
- 1220 Mrs C. THOMAS,** 6013 Cottonwood Place, PRINCE GEORGE, BRITISH COLUMBIA V2K 1X1, CANADA.
Researching Moody and Mather families, particularly Thomas Moody and Barbara Mather whose dau. Barbara was b. 28th Feb. 1855 at Cornhill on Tweed (Harper Ridge), Northumberland. Thomas Moody was a schoolmaster at this time. Also any information on Ann/Agnes Rankin b. c.1825 at Branxton, Northumberland, possibly dau. of Alice? b. 1789 in Branxton and ? Rankin.
- 1234 Mrs E. HARTMAN,** 42 Milton Park, AVIEMORE, Inverness-shire PH22 1RS.
Researching grandfather William Nicholas Vest, known as Bill Morpeth, as he was brought up by his grandparents. He died 1902-3 (aged 36?), married Isabella Potts (d. 1943-4 Leicester), had 3 daughters, and all lived at Oxhill, Kayo before his death possibly caused by a heart attack at the bottom of a coal mine shaft whilst waiting for the cage to come down! Also interested in the families Potts and Stephenson's of Oxhill.

Grandmother, Isabella Potts, had at least one sister, Alice (b. c.1891, d. 1965-6, mar. Sylvester?) and a brother, Jack. Their grandmother was a Mrs Elizabeth Stephenson who was a wife and mother **c.1830-40** in Southmoor, Stanley. Mrs Hartman's mother was Elizabeth Vest (b. 23.10.1892) but known as Cissie Morpeth, sisters Dorothy (Dora) and May, also known as Morpeth!

- 1239** Mrs D. TAIT, 26 Beechwood Avenue, Low Fell, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE9 6PP.
Tracing gt-gt-grandfather, John Carr, a Shipwright, mar. Margaret and had two sons John and James in 1836 in South Shields. Also grandfather Robert Falconer, Master Mariner, who mar. Margaret Reed and lived in South Shields onwards. Forbears possibly go back to Glasgow.
- 1258** Mrs M. BARRITT, 9 Shelford Crescent, Burton Joyce, NOTTINGHAM NG14 5GH.
Researching: Warren and Thompson (Sunderland); Stenger/Stanger and Feyhl (Southwick & Bishopwearmouth). Seeking the birth of William Warren, manager of George Clark's Engineering Works in 1920's. Stengers and Feyhl families originate somewhere on borders of Alsace-Lorraine and Saltzburg, possibly glass blowers? Seeking the marriage of Joseph Stenger and Sophie Frederica (Feyhl). Can anyone help with whereabouts of shipping lists of persons entering the country in early 1800's, or any other documents?
- 1259** Mrs M. GOODER, 25 Birchall Avenue, Culcheth, WARRINGTON, Cheshire WA3 4DB.
Researching names Shafto(e), Barrow, Kidney, Browning (Sunderland); Bainbridge (Wnchester/Stanley); Kennedy (Consett area).
- 1260** Mr D. SOFTLEY, 21 Rolleston Drive, WALLASEY, Merseyside L45 6XE.
- 1261** Miss C.A. DAVIS, 83 Hodgsons Road, BLYTH, Northumberland NE24 INW.
- 1262** Mrs E.M. HUGILL, 3 Harpers Terrace, Middleton St George, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL21JR.
Researching: Knott & Thursby (Co. Durham); Pickering, Wood, Bulmer (Yorks.); Short (Co. **Dur.**).
- 1263** Mr D. FOSTER, 2 The Corner House, Shincliffe, DURHAM CITY DH1 2NH.
- 1264** Miss E. PARKER, 54 Vancouver Street, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL3 6HF.
- 1265** Mrs M. FOGGIN, 142 Carlingford Road, EPPING, NEW SOUTH WALES 2121, AUSTRALIA.
Researching: Foggin (Haltwhistle, Gateshead, Corbridge), Retford and Adams and Cuthbertson (Newcastle).
- 1266** Mrs P. BURKITT, 71 Winchester Avenue, Nunsthorpe, GRIMSBY, South Humberside DN33 1HN.
- 1267** Mr J.E. WALLACE, 52 Railey Road, Northgate, CRAWLEY, West Sussex RH10 2BZ.
Researching: Wallace (Newcastle); Gibson and Elliot (Norham, NI/d.). Mr Wallace also has a good deal of information on Ekron family of Hawick, Roxburgh.
- 1268** Mrs E. BETTS, The Red House, Fairbourne Lane, Harrietsham, MAIDSTONE, Kent ME17 1LG.
Has been researching for some time: Families Smith, Hunter, Golightly of Wrekenton and Wanless and Sanderson of Eighton Banks. Has much information on names of Wanless and Sanderson of Northumberland and Durham Counties. Any interested members please write to Mrs Betts.
- 1269** Mrs D. ROSS, 1 Belmont Avenue, Gosforth, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE3 5QD.
Mrs Ross seeks details of birth (c.1827) and subsequent marriage (1846/7) of John Ross, resident at "The Greenses" Berwick in 1848. He was a joiner and possibly a Presbyterian. His wife's name was Purves Darling Ross born 1824, maiden name unknown. Thought to be linked with Grace Darling family. All information appreciated especially any known pedigree of Grace Darling of Bamburgh.
- 1270** Mr A.O. LEACH, 5 Burns Close, Whickham, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE16 5JJ.
- 1271** Mrs J. LEACH, 5 Burns Close, Whickham, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE16 5JJ.
- 1272** Mr L.P. FEETUM, 86 St Gerard's Road, SOLIHULL, West Midlands B91 IUD.
Has traced Feetum ancestors back to Darlington (after several generations in London) to Christopher Feetum b. 1795/6, son of Mark, in Darlington. Any **assistance** or earlier Feetums would be appreciated. Researching also: Lang of North Shields, earliest member John Edward b. c.1860; Gibbs of South Shields, earliest member Charles Henry [b.c.1870/80](#).
- 1273** Mr R.H. VERNON, 43 Dimond Road, Bitterne Park, SOUTHAMPTON S02 4JQ.
Seeking the birth of John Evitt, b. 1866 (in Canada?). Father also John Evitt. Also interested in Burns/Stewart, Philadelphia, Newbottle and Hornsby/Stuart, Westgate, Newcastle upon Tyne.
- 1274** Mr F. WANLESS, 25 Long Bank, Wrekenton, GATESHEAD, Tyne & Wear NE9 7HH.
Mr Wanless is related to member 1268 and follows the same family histories. In addition, he has a wide knowledge of Methodism in the Eightonbanks, Wrekenton and Springwell areas, and is actively interested in **mining activities although he is only ... 83!**
- 1275** Mr P. PATTERSON, 21 Thornton Street, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL3 6AA.
- 1276** Mr D.B. COLTMAN, 58 Briton Hill Road, Sanderstead, SOUTH CROYDON, Surrey CR2 0JL.
Researching Coltman line at Sowerby, Denton, Nunstanton, Cockfield, Witton Gilbert. Would be pleased to correspond with anyone also researching same.
- 1277** Mr R.E. SALKELD, Keeper's Lodge, Milborne Port, SHERBORNE, Dorset DT9 5DN.
Is very interested in the Salkelds of Northumberland, and in particular, one John Salkeld "of the family of Corby (Castle, Parish of Wetheral, Cumb.)" because he is trying to find out where he fits into the family tree of the Salkelds of Corby and Rosgill.
- 1278** Mrs M.D. SYKES, 43 Aubreys, LETCHWORTH, Hertfordshire SG6 3TU.
Researching: Curry (Coppersmiths) Sunderland, Gateshead, or Newcastle; Brown (Farmer at Garden House Farm) Chester-le-Street c. 1830's.
- 1279** Mrs C. RIDDELL, 37 Millais Road, Itchen, SOUTHAMPTON S02 7FY.
Researching: Riddell (Sunderland); Harrison (Tynemouth, Earsdon); Lundy (Tynemouth, Earsdon) Hunter (Horton, Ponteland); Arkle (Elsdon). Mrs Riddell has indicated that she has a lot of information on Riddell and Harrison's.
- 1280** Dr S. ANGUS, 2 Royle Crescent, Ealing, LONDON W13 OBH.
Researching: Angus and Lamb (Durham, Northumberland); Tripp (West Hartlepool); Anderson (Sunderland).
- 1281** Miss D. ALLISON, 40 Chingford Avenue, Chingford, LONDON E4 6RP.
Can anyone help with the following:
1) Origin of John Allison who mar. Anne, dau. of Henry Westmoreland of Pittington on 22nd October **1677**;
2) Their son, Henry, bap. 30th July 1682. Who did he marry? When? His date of death?

- 3) Any information welcomed on Allison's Brewery at Monkwearmouth.
- 1282** Mrs M. NESBITT, 7 Bedford Road, Roxton, BEDFORD MK44 3DX.
- 1283** Mrs J. BIRD, 103 Leigh Park Road, BRADFORD-ON-AVON, Wiltshire BA15 1TG.
Seeking the baptism of Thomas Bird of Garmansway, Farmer (Gentleman) married Jane Haswell 14th July 1747, died 29th April 1769. Also any information on Garmansway Moor, near Coxhoe; although still on some current road maps I was unable to find any trace of it when in Durham in 19" 1.
- 1284** Mr R. WEATHERBURN, 3 Rural Lane, Frampton, DORCHESTER, Dorset DT2
Mr Weatherburn would be pleased to correspond with anyone interested in Weatherburn/Wedderburn.
- 1285** Mrs J. HORSFIELD, 112 Waidshouse Road, NELSON, Lancashire BB9 ORS.
Researching: Pringle and Crackett (Alnwick). George Pringle was a postilion rider on the journey from Alnwick to Callaly. He was b. in Alnwick in 1843 and died on 7th Nov. 1909. Thompson (Netherton). John Thompson b. 1843 was a farm steward and his father Ralph Thompson was a farmer in Netherton in 1877. Rogerson (Trehitt). John Rogerson was a farm servant or hind at Trehitt in 1877. Gelson (Byker, N/cle). Looking for the nephew of Thomas and Margaret Gelson who lived at Byker 1930-40. The christian name is George, but the surname is unknown.
- 1286** Mrs M. ATKINSON, 69 Paddock Green Crescent, LONDON, ONTARIO N6J 3P6, CANADA.
Can anyone help with the following: Wilson Broomfield and Mary Bennett had banns called in South Shields in 1803 but were not married until 1805. Why? William Brough b. 1805 in Bishopwearmouth was Captain of the "Isabella" before he became Deputy Harbour Master at Hartlepool. Information about the "Isabella" appreciated. James Atkinson and Margaret Ramsay were married in Durham (Easington) 1842, before moving to Scotland. He was a colliery manager. Any information about the Ramsay family would be appreciated. Seeking the birth of Elizabeth Frazer who married William Brough in Monkwearmouth in 1799. Also searching for the Belshaw family of South Shields: Thomas Belshaw b.c.1760 married an Isabella Broomfield, [b.c.1762/3](#).
- 1287** Mrs E.E. BLACKIE, 27 Birun Street, WOODRIDGE, QUEENSLAND 4114, AUSTRALIA.
Researching: Green (Bedlington); Graham (Haltwhistle); Henderson (Sunderland); Hawkins (Sunderland); Myers (Newcastle). Mrs Blackie has quite a lot of the interesting things which help family historifins, such as family bibles, christening cups, etc., but would appreciate any help from anyone researching the above names in establishing certain facts, such as the names of the sisters of Elizabeth Anne Henderson (nee Hawkins) b. 11.3.1837 in Sunderland. She was the dau. of John Hawkins, a Master Mariner who was killed in China c. 1876 and Elizabeth (Carlson?). Her grandfather, George Myers, is shown in a family bible as being b. 1851 and christened at St Andrews, N/cle, yet he states 1855 on his marriage certificate. Can anyone help? Also any help on the ancestors of Oliver Green (b. c.1840, Bedlington, mar. c.1860 and d. c.1935 in Brandling Village). He mar. Margaret Graham (b. 13.1.1844, Haltwhistle, d. 20.1.1885, Newbigen).
- 1288** Dr H.S. STOKER, 765 Ben Lomond Avenue, OGDEN, UTAH 84403, UNITED STATES.
Would be grateful to any member who could supply information about burial place locations in the Chirton-North Shields area that were in use during the period 1845-65. Is trying to locate burial places (and monumental inscriptions) for the following, all of whom died in Chirton: William Elsdon Browell (d.1845), Cuthbert Short Stoker (d.1850), Isabella Stoker (d. 1852), George Elsdon (d. 1856), Nicholas Smiles Browell (d. 1861) and Elizabeth Elsdon (d. 1866). Is also seeking the marriage (c.1805-15) of Cuthbert Short and Margaret Robertson (from North Shields). Also births of their children, b. in North Shields: Mary (c.1813); John (c.1815); Susanna (c.1817) and Margaret (c.1819).
- 1289** Mr M.D. ROBSON, 53 Mariners Lane, Tynemouth, NORTH SHIELDS, Tyne & Wear NE30 2SD.
- 1290** Mrs J.K. SHASSERE, 4491 Washington Boulevard, INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46205, UNITED STATES.
- 1291** Ms E.J. EASTON, 64 Marine Terrace, BLYTH, Northumberland NE24 2LR.
- 1292** Mr K.C.S. THOMPSON, 6 Briar Lane, CARSHALTON, Surrey SM5 4PX.
Researching: Backhouse (Lancaster); Bowmer (Newcastle); Elrington (Bywell); Haswell (Shotton); Hedley (Stockton); Hunter (Shotley); Paxton (Newcastle); Pease (Darlington); Robson (N/land); Severs (Stockton); Smith (N/cle and Hexham).
- 1293** Mrs S.C. LENDERYOU, 3 Westburn Mews, RYTON, Tyne & Wear NE40 4HW.
- 1294** Mr G. PREST, 57 Hillside Road, WHYTELEAFE, Surrey CR3 OBR.
Researching: Prest (Pittington and area); Lodge (Low Moorsley); Wilson (Middle Rainton); Stephenson (Durham City); Carr (Pittington). All County Durham.
- 1295** Mr H.V.T. STOEKEE, 1 Chalkwell Park Avenue, ENFIELD, Middlesex EN1 2AJ.
Researching: Stokoe and Brantingham, County Durham. Mr Stokoe indicates that he has a lot of information on these names.
- 1296** Sgt M.W. ROBSON, Weapons Int. Unit, HQ Northern Ireland, BFPO 825.
- 1297** Mrs M.J. ROBSON, Weapons Int. Unit, HQ Northern Ireland, BFPO 825.
- 1298** Mrs M. HUMPHREY, 30 Aldbrough Walk, DARLINGTON, County Durham DL1 4TT.
- 1299** Mrs J. CUPSON, 3 Treachers Close, CHESHAM, Buckinghamshire HP5 2HD.
Would like to contact anyone researching the following: Thompson's of Lesbury and district; the Cursons of Newcastle; the Drummonds of South Shields and the Trobes of Embleton.
- 1300** Mr L.C. JEFFS, 18 Puckey Avenue, Kaitaia, NORTHLAND, NEW ZEALAND.
Mr Jeffs writes: On 23rd October 1857, at the Parish Church, Bishopwearmouth, my gt. grandfather, William Blanchard, printer, of 37 Brougham Street, son of John Blanchard, mason, was married to Eleanor Dempster of 17 Brougham Street, daughter of John Dempster, shipwright; by D.R. Falconer, curate. Witnesses: John Johnson and John Dempster. My grandfather was born in Victoria, Australia in 1863. I would like to hear from anyone who could throw some light on my kinfolk.
- 1301** Mr R.J. COOPER, 607 East 27th Street, BELTON, TEXAS 76513, UNITED STATES.
Mr Cooper would like to hear from any descendants of the following: William Cooper, son of Christopher Tate Cooper and Sarah Duery, born 12th Nov. 1870 at 128 The Square, Hebburn, died 10th May 1951 at Des Moines, Iowa, USA, married Mary Ann Wilkinson at Bishop Auckland, on 22nd July 1893. She was the daughter of Joseph Wilkinson and Mary Johnson, born on 14th Dec. 1874 at 8 John Street, Kyo, Co.

- Durham, died 24th Apr. 1960 at Des Moines, Iowa. William Cooper's occupation was a coal miner. They went to USA on 29th Aug. 1913 on Cunard Lines from Liverpool to Boston with their 8 children: Christopher (b. c.1894); Olive (b. c.1895); Joseph (b. 3.2.1898); Ernest (b. 27.9.1899); Esther (b. 4.12.1902?); Mary (b. 26.4.1905); Wm. Cooper Jnr. (b. 4.5.1908); Jane (b. 1.4.1911); Kate (b. 1.6.1913).
- 1302 Mr A.J. SWINTON, 47 Ellershe Road, LOGANLEA, QUEENSLAND 4204, AUSTRALIA.
Seeking the birth of James Swinton, believed 8th June 1788 at Alnwick. He married Mary Dale (from Whitby) at St Dunstan's Church, Stepney Rondon in 1816, and is shown as a widower, but nothing is known of his previous marriage. There is a record of a James Swinton's baptism at the Clayfont Meeting House, Alnwick, on 6th June 1788, son of George and Margaret. This George was a shoemaker and Sergeant in the Northumberland Militia.
- 1303 Mr J. THOMPSON, 58 Hexham, Oxclose, WASHINGTON, Tyne & Wear NE38 ONS.
- 1304 Mr G.R. PORTEOUS, 6 Guyzance Avenue, Gosforth, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE3 3HP.
- 1305 Mrs P. PINKNEY, 2 Old Common, Furneux Pelham, BUNTINGFORD, Hertfordshire SG9 OLQ.
Seeking the marriage of Thomas Pinkney and Elizabeth Westgarth (from Bishop Auckland) some time after 1884. Also the marriage of Thomas Shillaw and Isabel c.1902. They had a son Robert, and a daughter Hannah, who was born in the Tunstall Rural District.
- 1306 Miss J. SKIPSEY, 24 Warwick Road, NEWPORT, Gwent NPT 8JJ.
- 1307 Ms N.B. MACK, 2513 Burgandy Lane, COLUMBUS, OHIO 73227, UNITED STATES.
Researching Margaret Swindle (b. January 6th, 1792), married Robert Thirlwell (b. March 14th 1792), moved to USA about 1832, with 7 children. Leonard Brown (christened February 4th, 1704), Chester-le-Street, married Mary Greenwell on May 20th, 1738 at St Giles. Ann Brown (christened December 5th, 1749), married Christopher Thirlwell, February 21st, 1774 in Lanchester.
- 1308 Dr J. THOMAS, 125 Maxwell Street, SOUTH PENRITH, NEW SOUTH WALES 2750, AUSTRALIA.
- 1309 Mrs M. SMITH, 17 Haigh Road, Balby, DONCASTER, South Yorkshire DN4 8EQ.
Researching Distort. Watson Diston (a mason) married Isobella Tindale in Newcastle upon Tyne 25.6.1857. His father Thomas Distort married an Isobella in the early 1830's? Could have connections with the Distorts of Bishopwearmouth. Grandfather James T. Diston married Margaret Dobson, a teacher, in Gateshead up to the late 1930's.
- 1310 Miss M.L. ATKINSON, 7 Hart Road, Byfleet, WEYBRIDGE, Surrey KT14 7NQ.
- 1311 Miss B. GREENHALGH, 39 Plessey Terrace, NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE NE7 7DJ.
- 1312 Mrs D. COWLEY, 27 Shanahan Parade, NEWBOROUGH, VICTORIA 3825, AUSTRALIA.
- 1313 Mrs A. McCOACH, 12 Queensmere, CHESTER-LE-STREET, County Durham DI 43 4DA.
- 1314 Mrs P. GRAVES, Yarrabee, RMB215A, Oxley Highway, Huntingdon, WAUCHOPE, NEW SOUTH WALES 2446, AUSTRALIA.
Researching Langlands, Youngs; Ogilvie and Dodds. Edgar Robert Langlands b. 9.1.1888, d. 13.3.1976 (had 9 sibling), son of George Langlands, b. c.14.2.1855, Bedlington, d. **19.7.1935, son of Henry Langlands**, miner, and Elizabeth Young. George is supposed to have arrived in Australia c.1874 with a brother. Can anyone help with shipping records or brother's name? George married Annie Ogilvie on 6.11.1875, at Newcastle, N.S.W. He became a school teacher. Annie Ogilvie (b. 2.10.1856, reg. Newcastle N.S.W.) was dau. of Charles Ogilvie (miner) b. 6.6.1817 at Murton Village, Lynemouth; married 9.11.1839 in parish church of Kelloe, Co. Durham (religion?), died 7.10.1900 at Sandridge N.S.W.; and Jane Dodds, b. 5.2.1822 at Hetton-le-Hole, Co. Durham, died 20.12.1904. **Charles Ogilvie was son of Francis Ogilvie and Tamer(?) and had 10** other brothers and sisters starting with Edward b. 29.11.1807 at Skinney (sic) Row, nr. Chester-le-Street, Parish of Painshaw, Co. Durham, ending with Mary b. 14.6.1832 at Seghill, Earsdon. Any information would be appreciated.
- 1315 Prof. S.W. CAREY, 24 Richardson Avenue, DYNBYRNE, TASMANIA 7005, AUSTRALIA.
- 1316 Mrs H. MeV. COOPER, 8 Meadow Gardens, SUNDERLAND, Tyne & Wear SR3 1YB.
Searching for the birth of James Coatsworth, who was "Singing Master in Sunderland Church for 25 years" according to M. I. He died in 1821 aged 70, so born c.1751. Said to come from Aycliffe, but last entry and name there was a burial in 1724. No other clue as to birthplace.
- 1317 Mr R.D. WASS, 66 Dukes Mead, Fleet, ALDERSHOT, Hampshire GU13 8HE.
Seeking information to identify parents of Richard Wass, b. 1809, died 28th Dec. 1886 at 11 Nelson St., Stockton, married Elizabeth Moor at Parish Church, Stockton(sic)-on-Tees on 9th July 1837. Only other known address was Commercial St., Stockton in November 1855 where a son, Robert Dent Wass was born.
- 1318 Mr G.N. ARMSTRONG, 30 St George's Crescent, Monkseaton, WHITLEY BAY, Tyne & Wear NE25 8BJ.
- 1319 Mrs D.P. GODDARD, 9 Orwell Avenue, Denton, MANCHESTER M34 2LR.
Researching: Blair (Hull, Gateshead, So. Shields) pilots back to 1766; Andrews (Gateshead); Neville (Durham); Charles and Nicholson (Cumbria).
- 1320 Mrs J. JEWITT, 9 Hylton Road, DURHAM CITY DH1 5LS.
- 1321 Mrs E. GRAINGER, 97a Boundary Road, St John's Wood, LONDON NW8 ORG.
Interests are:
1) Joseph White, horsekeeper and labourer of Penshaw in the mid 19th century, b. 1807, Biddick, Durham, m. Ann Miller (b. 1810, North Shields); children: William (b. 1837), Joseph (1839); Matthew (1841); Thomas (1844); Annie (1845) - all b. in Penshaw.
2) John Pattison married Margaret Reay, Haltwhistle in 1789. Only one child known, Sarah (b. 1791).
3) The birth of any John Grainger c.1777, in the area of Northumberland near the Cumbrian border.
- 1322 Mr K.H. LIDDLE, 7 Maryland Road, TUNBRIDGE WELLS, Kent TN2 5HD.
Researching Liddle family of Sunderland; John Liddle, shipwright, son of George Liddle, shipwright of Monkwearmouth, married Eleanor Goddard, dau. of John Goddard, mariner of Shore, on 4th March 1839 at Monkwearmouth. They lived subsequently at 11 Lombard Street, Sunderland. Known children are Eleanor, b. 24th August 1852 at Sunderland; Alfred, b. 20th April 1854 at Northfleet, Kent; William, b. Northfleet; Kent. Other children believed to be Thomas (? emigrated to Canada) and Rose (? emigrated to USA). Possibly others, such as Annie and Joseph. Any information on antecedents and descendants of John Liddle and Eleanor Goddard would be appreciated. Also researching Chambers family of Harrold, Bedfordshire.

SECOND TIME AROUND

- 0211 Mr R.W. LOCK, P.O. Box 44152, TACOMA, WASHINGTON 98444-0154, UNITED STATES.
Seeking the parents of Jane Bottom, b. circa 1802, Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham. She was married on April 8th (no year given) to Robert Lock at Tanfield. Robert was b. circa 1802 at Tanfield, Co. Durham. Their children were: William, b. 8th May 1823, Tanfield; Esther, b. circa 1827, Tanfield; Robert b. circa 1837, Easington; Jane, b. circa 1839, Hallgarth; Elizabeth, b. circa 1841, Easington; Thomas, b. circa 1847, Easington. (All Co. Durham.) The eldest son, William Lock, (Mr Lock's gt-grandfather) married Mary Boag on 22nd July 1843. She was b. 17th March, 1817, Co. Durham, the daughter of John Boag (b. 15th March 1791) and Margaret Westgarth (b. 17th July 1789). They were married on 10th April 1816 at Chester-le-Street, Co. Durham. Mr Lock would like to correspond with anyone interested in the Lock, Bottom, Boag and Westgarth families.
- 0295 Miss R.H. HORNSEY, 145 Summit Avenue, SUMMIT, NEW JERSEY 07901, UNITED STATES.
Seeking birth/bap. of Mary, dau. of William and Ann Appleby, of Acklington High Park, parish of Warkworth. M.I. "Mary, his daughter, died June 15, 1836, aged 25." Also birth/bap. of dau. Jane Ann. According to Census 1841-1871, she was born 1836 at Warkworth. Any information on this family would be welcome.
- 0345 Mrs V. CORNO, 11 Fleetway, Thorpe, EGHAM, Surrey TW20 8UA.
Interested in the following families and their descendants: Oliver family - Jane b. 1772, mar. George Armstrong in 1796 at Alnham, farmed at High Blakehope. Their children, Alice/Alison b. 1797, James b. 1798, Andrew b. 1802, George b. 1804, John b. 1807, Thomas b. 1806, Mary. Dryden family - Margaret [mar.at](#) Chatton 18.4.1758 James Armstrong 1724-1804, shepherd of High Blakehope, one known son George b. 1761. Young family - Thomas Young, farmer of Broxfield, Embleton, wife Alice/Alison Armstrong, b. 1797. Weir family - James Weir of Bewick Folly, farmer 1905, and wife Ann or Mary Bell. Bell family - Robert Bell of Woodhall, Bolton, d. 1896 and widow Hannah Mary Bell, of 27 St Thomas's Cres., Newcastle in 1896.
- 0525 Mr P.H. JONES, 9 Lynwood Court, Drysgol Road, Radyr, CARDIFF CF4 8BU.
Seeks information on Joseph Edward Brooks of Glasgow and his wife Mary Ann Hardcastle of Stockon-on-Tees, who mar. circa 1880. They had two daughters, Mary Amy and Lucy. Are there any descendants?
- 0571 Mrs J. JONES, 25 York Crescent, Newton Hall, DURHAM CITY DH1 5PU.
Now researching Wilson of Lanchester, descendants of Christopher Wilson (b. 1794) of Stanhope, farmer. Also Holmes family who farmed between Durham and Sacriston. Still continuing to research Hunters of Medomsley and welcomes enquiries from others. Would be pleased for information about birth of a Thomas Hunter (Yeoman) who married and died in Ryton. He was b. 28.1.1741, d. 24.4.1791 at Ryton, m. 4.11.1766 Margaret Robson (b. 1748) of Greenside, Ryton.
- 0762 Miss E.M. WILLMOTT, 26 Trinity Place, BINGLEY, West Yorkshire BD16 2PR.
Seeking the baptism of Catherine Litney, believed born in North Shields 1798-1803, who mar. James Shuttleworth, potter, at Christ Church, Tynemouth in 1830. Possibly the daughter of Andrew Littner, mariner, of Stockholm, Sweden, and his wife Isabella (Pattison) of North Shields, who baptized two children in 1800 and 1803 at Dissenting Chapel, Bankside, North Shields. Their marriage is also sought. Does anyone know anything about intermarriage between the North-East and Scandinavia, and churches where such marriages might have taken place?
- 0767 Mr R. HEWISON, 144 Goulden House, Winders Road, Battersea, LONDON SW II 3HF.
Is interested particularly in the brothers of Thomas Hewison, b. 1813 somewhere in Scotland, who may have come to Durham with him. Are there any descendants?
- 0882 Mr G. BRAMFITT, Maint Dte, HQ BAOR, BFPO 40.
Researching the name of Bramfitt/Branfytt/Branfoot in the parishes of Chester-le-Street, 1795-1870, Lumley and Houghton-le-Spring, 1850-1890; particularly interested in finding the birthplace of Thomas Bramfitt, weaver/tailor, who married Rebecca Suddous in the Parish of St Nicholas, Durham, in 1791.
- 0888 Mr J.G. ADDISON, 12 Suffolk Walk, PETERLEE, Co. Durham SR8 2BP.
Researching Robsons of Washington, Co. Durham, 18th/19th century. Also Davi(d)sons. Still seeking information of Thomas-Alice Addison, b. 1829-36. Last known Oxclose, Washington, Co. Durham.
- 0915 Mr W. MANN, 111 Tenth Avenue, BRANTFORD, ONTARIO N3S 1G5, CANADA.
Seeking the baptism of Andilishier Lightfoot, b. c.1857 possibly North Shields or Durham. Also the birth or baptism of James Coltman, b. c.1857, Newcastle area, possibly Wrekenton, a son of Thomas Coltman, an engineer. Interested in learning where Thomas was employed.
- 0925 Mr I APPLGARTH, 59 Happy Valley Caravan Park, HARTLEPOOL, Cleveland TS24 9RF.
Seeking the baptism of Charles Buck Ellis and Thomas Henry Ellis, children of Henry and Mary (Applegarth); believed Sunderland circa 1835-1840. Also the marriage of Joseph Harbron to Catherine Ann Robinson, c.1845, possibly Sunderland or Hartlepool. John Fisher and Margaret Anderson, children of Alexander and Hannah (Applegarth), who [mar.at](#) Sunderland 1847. Seeking the burial of George Applegarth, master butcher of Stoney Lane, Southwick. Born 1821. Last shown in Kelly's Directory 1879.
- 0934 Mrs L. RYAN, 885 Singing Heights Drive, EL CAJON, CALIFORNIA 92021, UNITED STATES.
Mrs Ryan's great-grandparents John and Jane Ripley, were married at Chester-le-Street parish church on 7th July 1838, and Mrs Ryan would like to contact descendants as John and Jane had a very large family. Jane's maiden name was Batty/Baty. Can anyone help?
- 0978 Mrs L. JOHNSON, 61 Orchard Avenue, Garston, WATFORD, Hertfordshire WD2 7JG.
Searching for information of Joseph Johnson, a collier, married to Bridget and living at 66 Black Rows, Lamesley (1841 Census). Joseph born Gate shead/Lamesley about 1794, Bridget born Lamesley about 1795. Three known children, Ann b. 1832, Joseph b. 1835 and Thomas b. 1839 (not registered). Thomas the son married Hannah Jane Peacock at St Mary's Gateshead 1st December 1861, then moved to Orange Place, South Shields about 1863/4. Hannah Jane Peacock born Lamesley/Gateshead, her family originally came from Swaledale, Yorkshire. They had at least eight children, seven born in Orange Place, South Shields, but Mrs Johnson cannot trace the birth of the eldest, Joseph.

- 0992 Mrs M. BRIERLEY, 77 Edenfield Road, ROCHDALE, Lancashire OL1 15AA.
Researching the name of Blackett anywhere. Particularly interested in the birth of James (or James Stuart) Blackett of Berwick-on-Tweed, Scotland. Born about 1810, also his marriage to Mary Turnbull about 1835/6.
- 1231 Mr D. SUTHREN, 16 Carleton Avenue, Simonstone, BURNLEY, Lancashire BB12 7JA.
Seeking the marriage of Thomas Davidson Suthren to Margaret Statham Dickson, 9th February 1861. Thomas had a brother and sister, Joseph bap. 5th March 1834 and Ann bap. 23rd January 1836, both [bap. at](#) Sion (Bondgate) Presbyterian Meeting House at Alnwick. These details were found in the Mormon Library at Huddersfield, but no mention of Thomas' baptism. His parents were Joseph and Christiana who m. at Whittingham on 9th May 1833 and lived at 26 Canongate, Alnwick. Other details on the C.F.I. were a Suthren family at Whittingham, headed by William; and a Joseph Suthren [mar. to](#) Ann Lilburn on 12th June 1802 and baptisms of three of their children. Can anyone help Mr Suthren as to the whereabouts of the records from Sion Meeting House?
- 1245 Mr C. SMITH, 28 Alumbrook Avenue, Holmes Chapel, CREWE, Cheshire CW4 7BX.
Seeking the marriage and births of William Smith and Sarah Nattrass, parents of Mr Smith's grandfather, William Smith who was b. 13th May 1876 at Hill House, Elwick Hall, Co. Durham. Also seeking information on gt-grandparents James Marsden and Sarah Ashmore who were living in Jarrow with their children William, James, Nelly, Charles and Martha. The only birth traced is that of Martha in 1882 at High Street, Jarrow, the same year as James Marsden senr. was killed. Any information on the two families would be appreciated.

CORRECTION

- 1191 Mrs B. LIVESEY, 38 Lincoln Street, BARROW-IN-FURNESS, Cumbria LA14 5HS.
Researching: John Robert Stoker, not Stocker as printed in Volume 7, Number 3, May 1982 issue of the Journal.

OFFERS OF HELP

- 0260 Mrs S. TEBO, Route 1, ROCA, NEBRASKA 68430, UNITED STATES.
Mrs Tebo writes: I have the CFI listing for DARLING, MIDDLEMASS (MIDDLEMISS) and SHIRLEY for Scotland from Salt Lake City. A new index has been done and I will have the same surnames from it plus the same for Northumberland. I will be happy to check the lists for anyone who wishes. There are a few other names on the copies. They are: Dargey, Dargie (William only); Darisone; Dark; Darkie; Darkers; Darlieth; Doorley; Darley; Darlington; Darlor; Darluig; Darndson (Davidson); Darney; Darnley; Mickle (William); Miclikin; Midcuff; Middleton; Shirley (from Elizabeth). I also have "Brown" index of Middlesex and some Surrey.
- 1144 Mrs J. WATSON, 8 College Gardens, Dulwich, LONDON SE21 7BE.
Mrs Watson offers help in London area record offices.
- 1299 Mrs J. CURSON, 3 Treachers Close, CHESHAM, Buckinghamshire HP5 2HD.
Mrs Curson writes that she lives fairly close to St Catherine's and Alexander House and would be prepared to search the indexes and order certificates for members, in return for expenses incurred.
- 1309 Mrs M. SMITH, 17 Haigh Road, Balby, DONCASTER, South Yorkshire DN4 8EQ.
Mrs Smith indicates that she can be of help to anyone needing records searched in the Doncaster-Sheffield area.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS

- 0015 Mr F. FURNESS, 8 Shadfen Park Road, Cullercoats, NORTH SHIELDS, Tyne & Wear NE30 3JD.
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- 0499 Mr D.G. SWEATMAN, 9 Walton Park, WALTON-ON-THAMES, Surrey KT12 3ET.
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- 0599 Mr J.M. STUDHAM, 29 Princes Street, SHILDON, County Durham DL4 1AX.
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- 0722 Dr R.K. HARLE, Westoe Cottage, Middleton, BARNARD CASTLE, County Durham DL12 0JR.
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- 0912 Mr D. BROWN, 3 Brockenhurst Road, Manor Park, ALDERSHOT, Hampshire GU11 3HH.
- 0983 Mrs M.G. CLARK, 6 Downs Way, SALISBURY, Wiltshire SP1 3QW.
- 1111 Mrs K. LAVILL, 90 Totara Crescent, Lower Hutt, WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND.
- 1112 Mr D.R. LAVILL, 90 Totara Crescent, Lower Hutt, WELLINGTON, NEW ZEALAND.

We congratulate members 0500, Mrs Suzanne Urie (formerly Chambers) and 0880, Mrs Wendy Bennett (formerly Cuthbert-Brown) on their respective marriages, and wish them every happiness in the future.

We are sorry to report the deaths of members 0234 Mr D.C. Cargill, FSG, and 0832 Mr R. York, and extend our sympathy to their relatives.