



In Memory of
Sarah, wife of
William Henry Waters
of this Parish died July 10th 1833
Aged 36 years
He saw me Ruin'd in the fall
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His loving kindness O how great

(We came across this in the Staines Churchyard and all wondered what prompted this sad little verse)

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The Society's Area of Interest

Parishes which are the particular concern of the Society:

Acton, Ashford, East Bedfont, Chelsea, Chiswick, Cowley, Cranford, West Drayton, Ealing, Feltham, Fulham, Greenford, Hampton, Hanwell with Brentford, Hanworth, Harlington, Harmondsworth, Hayes with Norwood, Hammersmith, Heston with Hounslow, Hillingdon with Uxbridge, Isleworth, Kensington, Laleham, Littleton, Perivale, Shepperton, Staines, Stanwell, Sunbury, Teddington and Twickenham.

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From your Chairman

In the last edition of the Journal, I said I thought the first duty of our Society was to welcome and help the beginner. I had in mind particularly those members who are able to attend our meetings, and I hope my remarks will encourage beginners to identify themselves, and ask questions, when they come.

In this edition I would like to say a word especially to those who are unable to attend our meetings. Many of you live at a distance and joined West Middlesex FHS because your ancestors came from this area. Your main contact with us is through the Journal and through correspondence. What you most want from your Society, I guess, is local genealogical information and advice. We try to meet this need with articles on different parts of our region, and by our many local research activities. We are gradually building a collection of indexes: local parish registers; monumental inscriptions in local churchyards; and the 1851 census for our area - though this is still in an early stage. In our April 1984 edition we published a list of indexes held by the Society collectively and by individual members. We hope these will help you to find those West Middlesex ancestors for whom you are searching.

To continue providing these services, we need volunteers - and here I address myself to all of you who have ever benefitted yourself from a genealogical "finding aid." One way in which you can pay the debt you owe to earlier researchers is to leave an index of your own to posterity. Or, if that sounds too ambitious you can work with others in the Society to that end. If you like to be outdoors, contact Wendy Mott about copying tombstones. If you can write clearly, and would enjoy copying a few simple facts onto slips of paper, watching the slips grow to a pile, to be sorted alphabetically, contact Vic Gale or Sam Morton. If you can type, again contact Vic or Sam. You will be helping our more distant members and you will have the satisfaction of knowing, when the list or index is published, that you contributed to a work of lasting value.

Finally: we are arranging a Day Conference for Saturday, 13th October which we hope will attract members and friends from near and far. (For details see page 97). If you are planning to come, please note that we have arranged the Conference for the day after our regular monthly meeting on Friday, 12th October. Perhaps I shall have the pleasure of meeting you on both of these days?



For your Diary

Monthly Meetings:

September 14	The Society of Genealogists and their new home, L. W. Lawson Edwards
October 12	Workshop Evening
November 9	Annual General Meeting, with Cheese & Wine to follow
December 14	To be arranged

Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the
WEST MIDDLESEX FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY
will be held at
MONTAGUE HALL,
Montague Road, Hounslow,
at 7.30 pm on Friday November 9th 1984

Reports will be presented by the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, you will be asked to approve the accounts, appoint the Auditors and elect a Committee for the ensuing year. Members who wish to bring any matters forward or propose nominations for the Committee should write to the Secretary before October 25th.

At this AGM, five of our members must retire according to our rules: Pat Kelvin, Wendy Mott, Mavis Sibley, David Hawkings and John Elkins, all have given valuable service to the Society and we must find others to take their place.

Committee work is not too demanding, we meet 7 or 8 times each year, there is much useful work to be done and newcomers will receive a warm welcome.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Members are respectfully reminded that the financial year of the Society ends on September 30th, and that all Subscriptions (except in the case of recent new members) become due on October 1st. The current rates are shown on the back cover of this Journal. Please send all subscriptions to Connie Zouch, our Membership Secretary - her address is given on the back page.

Tracing Ancestors???

Three members of our Society are offering courses at local Adult Education Centres this coming winter. Details:

Eileen Stage

Spring Grove Centre, Thornbury Road, Isleworth –

Commencing: Thursday, September 27th 7.15 - 9.15 pm

King Athelstan Adult Education Centre, Villiers Road, Kingston-on-Thames

Commencing: Tuesday, September 25th 2.15 - 4.15 pm

Hollyfield School, Surbiton Hill Road, Surbiton, Surrey

Commencing: Tuesday, September 25th 7.15 - 9.15 pm

Sandra Featherstone

Spelthorne Adult Education Centre, The Oast House, Staines

Commencing: Tuesday September 25th 1.00 - 3.00 pm

Chris Watts - “Getting Started”

These first courses are intended for the beginner and will concentrate on the basic sources and techniques for tracing a humble English or Welsh family. Topics to be covered include Civil Registration, Census, Post 1858 Wills, M.I.’s, Cemetery Records and Parish Registers. The course will be repeated at two locations:

Nursery Road Centre, Sunbury-on-Thames for five weeks

Commencing: Monday, 24th September 7.30 – 9.30 pm

Spelthorne College Centre, Church Road, Ashford for five weeks

Commencing: Monday, November 5th 7.15 - 9.15 pm

Chris Watts - “Exploring Further”

This more advanced course is intended for those who attended one of the “Getting Started” courses, or have done some basic research on their own. Topics to be covered include Occupational Records, pre1858 Wills, Marriage Licences, Parish Chest, Local Administration and Land Records.

Spelthorne College Centre, Church Road, Ashford for eight weeks

Commencing: Monday January 14th 7.15 - 9.15 pm

For further details talk to the members named at any of our meetings, enrolment is at the centre concerned. Members who have just started on this fascinating hobby are recommended to attend one of these courses. Visits to one or other of our National Repositories are usually arranged for the afternoon classes.

THE PALLOT INDEX

Achievements have asked us to remind our members of the charges for searching this Index: £7.50 for a single search

£12.00 for extractions up to 25 of a single surname

£25.00 for extractions up to 50 of a single surname

(The Pallot Index is basically a London research tool - it covers virtually all 150 or so London parishes for the period 1800-1837 and many from 1770-1780 and is constantly updated. - Editor)

DONT FORGET

Our

DAY CONFERENCE

From Ag—Lab to Commuter

Saturday October 13 1984

at the

ADULT EDUCATION CENTRE

THORNBURY ROAD

ISLEWORTH

9.30 – 5.30

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Miss G.L. Beech	Assistant Keeper of Maps P.R.O.
Anthony Camp	Director, Society of Genealogists
T.H.R. Cashmore	Former Chairman, Twickenham Local History Society

In Addition, three of our members will speak on their researches in the area, and there will be display material relevant to this part of West Middlesex. Phillimore Bookshops will be in attendance, and all Federation publications will be available.

The COST?

- ❖ A mere \$2 (lunch is not provided) but tea & coffee will be “on tap”
- ❖ No problem in parking your car, or public transport facilities are close at hand.
- ❖ A Booking Form is enclosed with this Journal or you can write to:

Sam Morton, 92 Avondale Avenue, Staines, Middlesex. TW18 2NF ph: Staines 50639

Research Report

We have now finished St. Dunstan's, Cranford, and the United Reformed Church Hanworth Road, Hounslow. As these are relatively small, a list of the inscribed names is printed below. We are putting the finishing touches to Heston, Chiswick, Hillingdon and St. Mary's, Acton, and we hope to have all of these ready for publication by the end of the year.

This year our major project is St. Mary's at Staines - the churchyard was cleared by a team under the auspices of the Manpower services commission, and it seemed to be a good opportunity to move in on this one immediately. In addition, Justine Latter is taking on St. George's at Hanworth, and Mabel & Sam Morton are hoping to make a start at Laleham. By the time you read this, we will probably be nearing the end of the "graveyard season" but if you want to join in, please phone Wendy (570 3465) or Yvonne (570 7930) for information. You will be surprised at the fun we have with also some very unexpected moments. Many of us have fond memories of a lunchtime picnic on a tombstone in Heston Churchyard, when a passing Indian gentleman took pity on this band of "down & outs" and insisted on giving us a lovely Marks & Spencer cake from his shopping bag! At least one of our number was told off by her daughter for accepting gifts from a stranger. At first, we thought we might have to cut the cake with a trowel, which didn't appeal very much, but just in time Mavis Sibley produced a knife from her handbag.

Some of the churchyards are like jungles and we feel like explorers hacking our way through the undergrowth, often we are covered in scratches as well as several pounds of mud. But with wellies, long sleeved shirts and gloves we can overcome these obstacles.

Some might think that all this is irreverent, but in the old days when the church was the centre of village life, markets and ale wakes were held in the churchyard. The latter were eventually banned as they often became drunken orgies. The villager's livestock grazed among the stones. Nowadays churchyards have become the hunting grounds of the developers and vandals and the memorials are fast disappearing. So as family historians we must record them as soon as possible.

St. Dunstan Cranford:

Ayers, [Barlow], Barnfield, Benn, Berkeley, Blunt, Bracken, H.C.(1863), Clark, Clements, Clifford, Climpson, Cook, Cox, Cozens, Crisfield, I.D. (1713), Day, Dunn, [Ellis], Evans, Everett, Fitzhardinge, Fletcher, Flocton, Foley, Francis, Fruin, Garradd, Gibbs, Goddard, Godden, Greenbank, Gregory, I.H., Hallward, Hawkins, Hind, Hughes, Inegoldsby, Johnson, Laverick, Lawrence, Le-Breton, T.M.(1837), Matthews, Moreton, Morland, Nelson, Newman, Parker, Pinnick, C.R. (1780) I.R.(1747), Reynolds, Robinson, M.S.(1840), Sadler, Satchwell, Savage, Scarlett, Shepherd, Shorte, Sidwell, Simpson, Smith, Spencer, Sutton, T.W.T.(1831), Taverner, Thompson, Turden, M.A.W., Wells, West, White, Whittell, Wicks, Wilson, Wyatt.

United Reformed Church, Hounslow:

Ades, Andrews, Bourne, Burchett, Crisp, Dew, Ellis, Else, Faulkner, Furnell, Geary, Goodson, Groube, Hall, Harris, Hoddinott, Jones, Leach, Lewis, Long, Major, Mills, Penton, Pentelow, Pickard, Pickering, Pitz, E.P.(1850), Reddish, Savage, Strange, Strudwick, Worsley, Zissell.

Submitted by: Wendy Mott & Yvonne Woodbridge

Eric Whittleton writes:

The upsurge in family history research in the last decade might not have proved so favourable without the prior enthusiasm of local historians and we have often felt indebted to them. Many local records that they rescued have helped our family histories. Just as we have needed a Federation to strengthen our activities, so too have the many local history societies and in 1982 the British Association for Local History came into being.

An early action was to appoint a field officer – Mr. David Hayns, instructed to visit local societies and ascertain the scope of their activities. He was soon aware of the growing influence of local family historians and his printed report on the subject makes interesting reading.

“As a growth subject, amateur research into family history outstrips by far the research currently involved with local history, archeology, house history and oral history.”

Mr. Hayns develops this statement by estimating that, on a national basis, 60% - 70% of the use of record offices and local history collections in libraries is by family historians. He realises the tremendous pressures this puts on the services available.

“One can understand the occasional muttered comments from beleaguered county archivists, directed towards “Roots” and Gordon Honeycombe” he writes.

He realises however, that in terms of motivation it is natural that people should first be interested in their own families, next, in the houses they live in and then in the locality in which they live. While repeating the criticism that family historians are sometimes ill-prepared for the task they attempt, he acknowledges that their motivation is impressive and likewise “the organisations and systems that have evolved to back up and co-ordinate their interests”

The various indexes being compiled by family history societies are commended and their use in offering information at county level is approved. This should encourage the three societies in Middlesex to cooperate in making the best use of our county records and at the same time maintain contact with the many local history societies in our area.

They have their own “umbrella organisation”, London and Middlesex Archeological Society (LAMAS), and perhaps we should consider closer cooperation. Every year LAMAS hold a one-day conference at the London Museum and those participating have the opportunity of seeing the comprehensive displays exhibited by the affiliated societies. Their publications and material cover all aspects of their work; much of it valuable to the family historian with interests in the locality.

Surely, we can only benefit from encouraging such association.

(Eric is Editor of “Greentrees” the Journal of Central Middlesex FHS.)

Are you Free?

Joan Chamberlain

On April 4th 1906 my father, Frank Chamberlain, was made Free by Service in the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths and on the same day became a Freeman of the City of London. Seven years earlier he had been apprenticed to learn the art of engraver from a Master who was himself a Freeman of the Company and of the city, and his Indenture bearing the youthful signature of a 14-year-old, shows that during his first year as an apprentice he was to receive the princely wage of six shillings (30p) per week. This was to rise by 2 shillings a year to reach 18 shillings when he was twenty-one. What is more, during these seven years he bound himself:

“Not to commit Fornication, Contract Matrimony, play at cards, dice tables, or any other unlawful games, haunt Taverns nor Playhouses but in all things to behave himself towards his said Master”

His widowed mother meantime was required to “find and provide Heat, Drink, Apparel, Lodging and all other necessaries and keep the said Master indemnified from all claims and demands, costs and expenses.” Frank was following in the footsteps of his elder brother Alfred who had been similarly apprenticed and had received his Freedoms on November 5th 1902.

The Goldsmiths’ Company, the fifth in order of precedence of the twelve Great Livery Companies, traces its history back to the 12th century and received its first Royal Charter in 1327.

Like the other mediaeval Guilds, the Goldsmiths was formed for the mutual help, protection, and good fellowship of its members and to control the craft by maintaining high standards of workmanship and integrity. Unlike the great majority of the present day 100 and more Livery Companies of the City of London, the Goldsmiths’ Company still exercises considerable influence in various ways within the craft. Perhaps its chief contribution to the maintenance of high standards lies in the “Hallmarking” of gold, silver and platinum articles in the Assay Office at Goldsmiths Hall.

In 1982 alone, over 9 million such items were hallmarked. The Company also tests samples of the gold, silver and cupro-nickel coinage of the Realm in the ancient examination known as the “Trial of the Pyx.” Under the Coinage Acts, the officers of the Royal Mint are obliged to place in the Pyx (or Mint Box) samples of coins manufactured during the year, for production on an agreed day each year for testing by a Jury of Goldsmiths. The Company, which founded Goldsmiths College, now a school of the University of London, makes grants for research and education to schools and universities and provides funds from time to time for libraries, museums, art galleries and hospitals.

Freedom of the Goldsmiths Company may be obtained:

- a) by service - that is by being apprenticed (now for 5 but formerly 7 years) to a Freeman who is himself engaged in the craft
- (b) by patrimony - for any son or unmarried or widowed daughter born after the date of the father's freedom or
- (c) by redemption - that is in certain cases by purchase after election by the Court of Assistants of the Company.

Freeman of Livery Companies must also become Freemen of the City of London. Here too, the qualifications of service, patrimony and redemption apply, though in the last of these, approval is given by the Court of Common Council of the City.

It was partly as a result of interest aroused through family history research and partly following an organised visit to Goldsmiths Hall that I decided to apply for Freedom by Patrimony and wrote initially to the Goldsmiths Company. Producing my birth certificate, my parents' marriage certificate and my father's City of London Freedom certificate created no problems, but I was also asked to name two sponsors who had known my parents from their marriage and me from my birth. As one grows older that becomes increasingly difficult! However, a group photograph showed my cousin to have been present as a little lad of nearly four at their wedding, and he and his wife, who had known me from my early teens were accepted after they had given evidence by Statutory Declaration.

With my sponsors, I attended a Freedom Ceremony held at Goldsmiths Hall on February 15th this year. About a score of candidates were present and after gathering in the elegant Exhibition Room for briefing we moved into the oak-panelled Wardens Court for the ceremony. When all was ready, the red-robed Wardens entered and one of our number was asked to read, on behalf of all the candidates, the following Declaration:

"I do solemnly and sincerely declare that I will faithfully observe and keep all the Laws of this Realm which relate to the Manufacture and Sale of Gold and Silver Plate, and that I will warn the Wardens of every Deceit in anything that belongeth to the Craft of Goldsmiths which shall come to my knowledge, and all the Ordinances of the same craft I will keep; and as a true honest man I will behave myself to the Wardens, and all the Fellowship; and I will come and be obedient to the Wardens whenever I shall be summoned, without I have reasonable excuse."

The first to be called forward in turn were the three apprentices who were being made free by service. Each had to produce his "Master piece" for examination by the Prime Warden and be spoken for by his Master before signing the Roll and being presented with his Freedom Certificate. Those being made Free by redemption followed and the rest of us were called upon in turn to sign the Roll and to receive our certificates, a few words and a handshake from the Warden.

After coffee and cake in the Drawing Room (beautifully restored after bomb damage in 1941) and a chance to chat to the other newly appointed Freeman, we had a short talk from Miss Susan Hare, the Librarian, on the history and present-day functions of Goldsmiths Hall and the Company.

Then it was time for us to be conducted across to the Guildhall to take up our Freedom of the City of London. The Chamberlain of London is the official custodian of the Roll of Freeman, admissions to the Freedom are made by the Clerk to the Chamberlains Court following approval in the case of the City Livery Companies, by the Court of Aldermen. At Guildhall each applicant, with his or her sponsors, was conducted individually to the Chamberlain's Court by a red and blue uniformed, top-hatted official. Nice to have been provided with my own Court - in which the red-robed clerk awaited me and asked me to read the Declaration:

"I do solemnly declare that I will be good and true to our Sovereign Lady, Queen Elizabeth II; that I will be obedient to the Mayor of this City; that I will maintain the franchises and Customs thereof, and will keep this City harmless in that which in me is; that I will also keep the Queen's Peace in my own person; that I will know no Gatherings nor Conspiracies made against the Queen's Peace, but I will warn the Mayor thereof, or hinder it to my power; and that all these points and articles I will well and truly keep, according to the Laws and Customs of this City, to my Power."

To what extent it will be within my power to defend the city and the Queen's Peace in these increasingly lawless times remains to be seen - but I will do my best!

After I had signed the Roll, the Clerk presented me with my Freedom certificate and in conversation, suggested that I might have taken this particular step years ago. That may be true - and finding suitably qualified sponsors might then have been easier - but not until this year would my certificate have achieved the unique distinction of bearing the name of the first Lady Lord Mayor of London, Dame Mary Donaldson GBE.

"What benefits do you get?" is the first somewhat mercenary question everyone asks. Before the Municipal Corporation Act of 1835, freemen were men of great power since in many cases, not only did they possess privileges in trading within the City, immunity from county jurisdiction, exemption from tolls and local taxes and the right to a share in revenue from corporate property, but usually they were also the exclusive electorate and consequently had vast influence in local government and parliamentary elections.

Today few if any of these privileges still apply. Orphans of Freemen are still eligible for admission to the City of London Freemen's School at Ashted, Surrey as Foundation Scholars. In suitable cases pensions are awarded to Freemen by the Goldsmiths' Company, grants are made to their widows, or unmarried or widowed daughters in need, and almshouses or flats are available for elderly members. I suppose one could say I am now on the second rung of the ladder leading to the position of Lord Mayor of London. And someone once said that as a Freeman I am now entitled to drive my flock of sheep over London Bridge!

But for my part, and in the tradition of family history, it is good to be following in the footsteps of my father - and I think he would have been pleased for me.

The KEADELLS in Brentford

Jeff Adams

I was adopted, and had always wondered what type of people I came from, but it was not until I saw how much information my sister-in-law had gained from her family history research, that I decided to start upon my own.

I had to start from scratch by obtaining my own original birth certificate. I knew already my real surname - Keadell. Next came my parents' marriage certificate - Joseph Patrick KEADELL to Olive Margaret WHITE, at Ealing Registry Office in 1950. His father was also Joseph Patrick Keadell, who married Nellie Maud CLINCH at St. George's, Old Brentford in 1920. Because of the rarity of the name, I was finding it very easy going; also, the name seemed to be centred around the Brentford area. Joseph's father was Frederick Charles Keadell who married Isabella FARMBOBOUH at Brentford Registry Office in 1896. My great-great-grandfather was George Keadell who married Elizabeth FRANCIS at St. Mary's, Ealing in 1863. George was born in 1841 and for the first time I came across a different spelling of the name: KADELL; later this was to change to CADEL, CADLE, and CRADLE. I had now completed my direct line as far as I could at St. Catherine's House.

The next step was Boyd's indexes. Here I found Charles Frederick CADEL married to Elizabeth BOLTON at St. Mary's, Ealing in 1829, the names were right for George's parents. There was also John Cadel married to Martha WIDMORE, at Ealing in 1803, and Charles Cadel married to Elizabeth WITCOMBE at Hanwell in 1798. I considered that either of these could be Charles' father and with the name still centred in the same area, I felt sure that they both had to be related.

I then turned to the GLRO and there amongst the baptisms at St. Mary's, Ealing, I found Charles's baptism in 1804, with his parents given as Charles and Elizabeth, whose marriage I had found. I now had three generations, all marrying an Elizabeth: it must have been very confusing! I felt sure that John must be his brother. Boyd's had also given me a Michael CADELL married to Jane NIGHT at Hanwell in 1762. This would be the right time for them to be Charles's parents but first I needed to find his baptism.

My research had all been so simple and straight-forward I was not expecting any difficulty. Charles was not baptised at Ealing, nor at Hanwell. Where should I look next? I tried the surrounding parishes held at the GLRO without success. At Alexandra House I found that he had died in 1852 in the Brentford area. So, I tried the 1851 census for Brentford but failed to find him.

Meanwhile I had written to Connie Zouch asking her to search her records for me. She had no names there, but while browsing through an old account book for New Brentford she had found the name in the disbursements for February 1807.

Disbursements for the Township of NEW BRENTFORD (a brief extract)
(signed by Thomas Merrill)

1807		£	s	d
Jan	24		2	0
	26		9	0
	27			
		1	5	6
	27		10	6
	30			
			2	6
Feb	1			
			8	6
			16	0
			3	6
		1	5	0
			11	0
			10	6
		2	0	0
	4		4	0
	21		8	0
	23		2	0
		11	5	0

Now as I thought that John must be related, I was much intrigued by all this and I started to delve further. This was exciting news, all I had, had up to now were labourers, and however hard they may have worked, they do not make for interesting reading.

I looked up the Quarter Sessions Rolls for Middlesex for February 1807 at Greater London Record Office. The sessions were held at the Old Bailey- infamy indeed!! There were brief details of the trial. John was being tried for Bigamy. He had married Martha in 1803 while his first wife was still alive. He had married Jane Townes in Staines in 1798. He was found Guilty, he had no goods, was fined one shilling and sentenced to three months in Newgate Prison. I was told that further details were to be found in the Guildhall Library under "Accounts of Trials at the Old Bailey." That was my next stop, and I obtained a photocopy of the entry:

205. John CRADLE alias CADLE was indicted for feloniously marrying Martha Widmore, his former wife being then alive.

William Richards: I am the Parish Clerk of Staines Church.

Q. In the year 1798, was the Prisoner at the Bar married at that church?

A. Yes, I know him. I have got a copy of the register of his marriage; I have compared it with the original, it is a true copy - Read in Court: "John Cradle of this parish, a bachelor, and Jane Townes, were married by banns, 2nd. of April 1798, by me, George Puddington, curate. This marriage was

solemnised between us, John Cradle, Jane Townes, Her Mark. In the presence of John Jackson and William Richards.

Q. You are the William Richards that witnessed that?

A. Yes.

Q. Do you know the first wife?

A. Yes. She is alive now. I knew Jane Townes when he married her. I saw her at Hampstead, and drank tea with her last Monday.

Martha Widmore:

Q. How long have you been acquainted with the prisoner?

A. Five years. He was an apprentice in Brentford, we were both children together.

Q. When he was in Brentford, did he pass as a single man?

A. Yes. I have been married to him four years last May, at Ealing church; he left me a twelve month ago, at that time I was with child.

Court: At the time you was married to him, you did not know he was married before?

A. I did not, another woman came and claimed him, then he left me.

Prisoner:

She knew I was married before, I lived in the same parish where she was.

Court: Did this man and his former wife live in the same parish where you lived?

A. He lived in the parish with this woman, but he told me he was not married to her.

Q. Was that Jane Townes?

A. Yes

Q. Was he living with that woman at the time he married you?

A. No.

Prisoner:

She absconded from me, and I did not know but what she was dead.

Q. What situation were you in when he married you?

A. I went out washing and charring.

GUILTY; aged 30.

Confined three months in Newgate, and fined one shilling.

Second Middlesex jury, before Mr. Justice Le Blanc.

All this confused me slightly because in her evidence Martha says that she knew John from childhood, and she knew he had lived with Jane. Reading between the lines I wonder if she also knew that John had married and whether the Judge took this view also because John's sentence of three months seems very light compared with other sentences handed out that day. As yet I have been unable to find out what happened to John after his release.

Now back to Charles; I decided to look for his burial to see what details that might give. And, there at St. George's, Old Brentford I found the entry, and it gave his abode as the Union Workhouse, Isleworth. Back to the 1851 census and I found him, aged 77, a fisherman, born in Isleworth. From one of our Journals I knew that Arthur Powell could search certain Isleworth record and settlement papers, and he found details of a marriage of a Mary Cadel in 1786, and settlement

examinations for Mary and her father Michael Cadel also in 1786. The Isleworth records, which are in Hounslow Library, are in poor condition. The church was destroyed by fire, and although the registers were saved, they were badly affected by fire and water, especially for the years that I wanted to search, but I was in luck!

I found in 1772, John, son of Michael and Jane Cadel, and in 1775 Charles Frederick, also son of Michael and Jane (the only legible entry on the page!) So, the infamous John was Charles's brother.

According to the settlement examination, Mary's birth was at New Brentford. Was Mary their sister? Yes, at St. Lawrence's in 1763, along with other brothers and sister, daughter of Michael and Jane. One brother was born three years before Michael's marriage at Hanwell. I had also found at Hanwell, Michael Cradle marrying Sophia Parry, both widowed, of New Brentford in 1787, which was after Jane's burial at St. Lawrence's in 1785. So, Michael was in direct line, and his settlement papers of great interest.

Dated 3/1/1786, it stated that Michael, now 56, was born in Monmouth, Wales. He moved to Gloucestershire at about the age of ten where he stayed with a Mr. George Faucett for six years. He then enlisted with D'Albermerle's Regiment of Dragoons, and was discharged about twenty-three years ago (1763). He then rented a house from Mr. Gaylor Boulterer in New Brentford where he paid Land Tax (I have seen the entry for 1767) and fourteen years ago (1774) he moved to a rented house of Mr. Jay, Breech-maker, at Brentford End, Isleworth. Having paid no taxes in Isleworth his settlement was not there. Mary's examination said that she lived mostly with her father, but at one time worked at the Red Cow, Richmond. She was married two days later to Joseph Johnson.

D'Albermerle's Regiment of Dragoons was the Third, The King's Own. Army records are at Kew, so my next trek was to there. They only have records from 1760 onwards, so I have not been able to discover when Michael actually enlisted. The earliest record they have of him is a Muster Roll dated 25/12/1759 to 24/6/1760, in July when the Regiment was stationed in Brentford. He was in Captain Harcourt's troop. His name appeared on the muster rolls until 1763 when the troop drastically reduced, but the names of those dismissed was not recorded.

This date coincides with the baptism of Mary at St. Lawrence's, so I think it reasonable to assume that Michael was discharged then. I had hoped to find more details from the description books, but those for soldiers who were discharged without pension were destroyed by fire at some time. As he was not listed as a pensioner his records must have been lost.

Working out his date of birth as approximately 1729, meant that he probably enlisted about 1745. I then read up the Regiment's history. There are conflicting reports of the whereabouts of the regiment in 1746, but they were definitely in Scotland at a skirmish at Clifton Moor in November 1745. They were under the command of the Duke of Cumberland and one report says they were fighting at

Culloden, while another says they were not actually involved. It also says that a number of new recruits were taken on just before this time. So, I like to think that Michael, in his red uniform, was there, riding his horse on Culloden Moor! You do need some imagination in this game to bring your ancestors to life. The rest of his time in the army was fairly uneventful. He never went abroad, much of the time was spent on coast duty looking for smugglers, or just moving around the country guarding prisoners. The regiment spent a fair amount of time quartered in Brentford and Hounslow.

I found Michael's burial at St. Lawrence, New Brentford, which says that he came from the Workhouse. His baptism was the next problem, Wales being too far away for a day trip! I had searches made for me in Monmouth, and only one family was found. Thomas and Mary Cadle had several children baptised from 1717-1724 and again in 1733. Obviously, they moved away for a while and typically it was then that Michael was born. A search of the surrounding parishes has been fruitless and being a border town, it is very difficult. I feel sure that I have found his parents, but it will be some time before I can be certain. I am now spending my time in attempting to fill in all the brothers and sisters along the line.

One Name Societies

One Name Societies are - as you might have guessed - Family History Societies who concentrate all their efforts into research of one specific name. They have their own Guild, which is a member of the Federation of Family History Societies, and if you want further details of these societies, the address is given on the back cover of the Federation's "News & Digest".

We have had a note from the Metcalfe Society asking for a mention in our Journal. The society has a wealth of useful material but is eager to build up their records of the families over the years, while welcoming new members, they are also pleased to answer short enquiries from non-members. The Secretary is:
Mrs. Nina E. Benson, 5 Coxwold View South, Wetherby, West Yorkshire, LS22 4PU.

One of our members, has made a One Name Study of Chandlers, and is willing to search this on receipt of an S.A.E.
Mr. R. Chandler, 56 Sweetcroft Lane, Hillingdon, Middlesex, UB10 9LF

On the same topic, your Editor is trying to make a study of the MINDENHALL name - without too much success. It is possible that a One Name Society for that name might be formed in a year or so (not by me -Ed) and in the meantime should anyone with an interest in that name write to him we might find something to our mutual advantage.

Not all Ag-Labs

John H Collins

When, some years ago, I first began to research my late wife's ancestors on her mother's side, I got no further than her great-grandfather, Francis BEDFORD, a Stepney shoemaker. There was a rumour of Swedish blood and since he named his eldest son, John Selmer, and "Selmer" is a Swedish surname I have always assumed that Francis's wife Jane, was Swedish. The 1851 census indicated that he was born in Bodmin and that he had living with him an elderly woman, Susan Bedford, born at St. Kew, whom I presumed to be his widowed mother - the record was illegible on this point. I could find no record of any birth in Bodmin.

Just over a year ago I resumed my attack, having acquired in the meantime some new methods which I have found useful with my own ancestry. This time I extracted all the Bedford entries for Cornwall in the IGI - fortunately there were not too many, and I arranged them in chronological order. This is a tedious chore but well worthwhile. It immediately became apparent that there were two baptisms at Bodmin, parents John and Susanna Bedford, which looked hopeful and that John Bedford had married Susanna Brown in 1797. Very little further effort was needed to establish that Susanna Brown was baptised at St. Kew in 1776, a date which agreed exactly with the stated age in the 1851 census.

Returning to the Bedford data I set about locating each parish. When complete I realised that the move to Bodmin was merely a late 18th century aberration; for nearly two centuries the Bedford clan had remained in the vicinity of Falmouth. But was the record complete? To get some reassurance on this point I made an analysis (printed overleaf) which I trust, is self-explanatory! The proportion of Bedford births in the total population was estimated at 1.4 per 10,000 from a name count in the Plymouth telephone directory. When counting the recorded births, it is necessary to estimate the birth dates of brides, bridegrooms and fathers of baptised children not otherwise accounted for.

The analysis is somewhat crude (and no doubt, open to criticism) but it does I think, indicate that there were no serious omissions. On this assumption I was able to establish reasonable lines of descent going back to the progenitor of the clan, Henry Bedford of St. Just-in-Roseland, who must have been born about 1570 or possibly a little earlier.

By this time, I was aware that the names John and Francis ran right through the family for two centuries and that, according to the Oxford Dictionary of English Christian Names, "Francis" was rare.

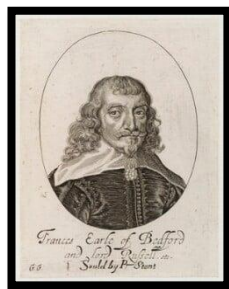
I was also aware that the same names run through the Russell family, deriving from John Russell, 1st. Earl of Bedford and his son Francis, the 2nd. Earl. I added the family history of the Russell's to my other reading interests. A careful look at the early generations of the Bedfords showed that their names included seven out of the eight Christian names used by Francis Russell and his wives and children

and that these names in fact constituted about two-thirds of the Bedford names; which considering that there must have been some intake of new names with the Bedford spouses, was to say the least, remarkable. It seemed a possibility that Henry Bedford was an illegitimate son of Francis Russell. The bare facts are that the latter's first wife Margaret, mother of his seven children, died in 1562 and he did not marry his second wife, a rather unpleasant type by whom he had no issue, until several years later. I merely noted the possibility as an interesting speculation and was prepared to leave it at that.

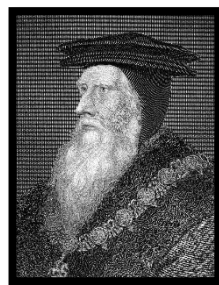
Earlier this year, a niece of my wife asked me for a copy of the family tree. Subsequently she told me that ten years ago, she had had from her cousin in New Zealand (daughter of one of the older members of my wife's family) an account of a family legend, according to which a Duke of Bedford (unspecified) had an affair with a "gypsy" on the estate; a child was born and with the Duke's blessing was given the name Bedford.

Ah well! It was a long way from the shoemaker of Stepney. I still do not know what brought him to Stepney or how he came to marry the "Swedish blonde" and was it just coincidence that he lived near Bedford Square, Stepney? It makes a change from "Ag-labs"!

Period	Population		National birth rate per year/per 1000	Total Cornish births during period	Bedford births	
	England & Wales (million)	Cornwall estimated			estimated	recorded
(1931)	(39.6)	318,000				
1590-1619	4.1	32,000	32?	30,700	4.3	6
1620-1639	4.5	36,000	32?	23,000	3.2	1
1600-1659	4.9	39,000	32?	25,000	3.5	10
1660-1679	5.2	42,000	32?	26,900	3.8	8
1680-1699	5.5	44,000	32?	28,200	3.9	7
1700-1719	5.9	47,000	32.3	30,600	4.3	11
1720-1739	6.0	48,200	35.4	34,100	4.8	5
1740-1759	6.4	51,400	37.5	38,600	5.4	2
1760-1779	7.1	57,000	38.4	43,800	6.1	17
1780-1799	8.2	65,800	38.4	50,500	7.1	1
1800-1819	11.0	88,300	37.3	65,900	9.2	2
Totals:					55.6	65



Francis Russell



John Russell

Copyhold Tenants of Isleworth Syon – V. A Rosewarne

One of the problems with researching family history is not the lack of records, but finding your ancestors amongst the mass of records that do survive. Thus, any lists which exist that give easy access to records is of prime importance. One such list for the Hundred of Isleworth is the Book of Copyhold tenants of the Manor of Isleworth Syon. The list of tenants and their relatives, trustees and assignees consists of over seven hundred names and runs from a Marchioness to a Labourer, and from celebrities like Horace Walpole to a John Smith of Twickenham. Most of the tenants lived locally, or in London, but some are to be found in more distant counties like Somerset and Norfolk. In the case of the people living in London, I have found some inheriting land, so this may show that they had roots in the area.

The Manor of Isleworth Syon covers the old ecclesiastical parishes of Isleworth, Twickenham and Heston, and has been held from the time of James I by the Percy family, now Dukes of Northumberland. The records of the Manor survive in very good condition, and are deposited in the Greater London Record Office. The book of Copyhold Tenants is a good starting point for anyone who has ancestry in the area, the book gives some genealogical information, for certain families three or four generations are mentioned. But its importance lies in references to the Manor Court books where it may be possible, through the inheritance of land, to trace a family back a number of generations.

The printed list consists of all the names mentioned in the heading of each landholding. Some entries are those that have been inserted at a later date in the nearest place available alphabetically, these entries usually refer to another more detailed entry. Each entry in the book consists of the name of the tenant, in large Gothic type lettering, and usually his place of residence and his job or status, ie:

JOHN FARNELL of Isleworth, Carpenter
Sir JAMES DASHWOOD of Killington Park, Oxfordshire, Bart.

A large number of entries include the marriage partner of the tenant and in some cases details of whom the tenant had inherited from. One such entry for the ANSELL family is as follows:

“John Ansell infant son of John Ansell the younger (dec.) and grandson of John Ansell the elder, late of Brentford Apothecary, now deceased”

Other entries for the Ansell family give the wives of the two John Ansell's and the names of other relatives. The date of Admission of the tenant is given in the margin by the name, with the reference to the Manor Court Book in which this admission is found. After the name is detail of the land held, usually described by its position relative to other landholders and local landmarks. There may also be marginal notes, some made at a later date, detailing the sale or inheritance of the land, with references to the appropriate Manor Court book where the transfer took place.

Also, in the margin may be notes like that which occurs by the entry for RACHAEL NEPUEU:

“Mary Nepueu, Elizabeth Nepueu, and Sarah Nepueu, three infant daughters of Peter Nepueu the younger (dec.) by William Mason of Rotherhithe Surrey, Watchmaker, as coheirs at law of the said Rachael Nepueu. Viz as the daughters of the said Peter Nepueu the younger, who was the son and heir of Peter Nepueu the elder who was the son and heir of David Nepueu youngest and only surviving brother of William Nepueu, father of the said Rachael. To all the said premises to hold the same to them & their heirs for ever in coparcenary.”

This entry is of course exceptional, but there are many other less detailed ones that give genealogical information.

To follow up a name in the printed list, see the entry in the original book of Copyholders, then look up the reference given there in the Manor Court Book. These books are listed in the details of Accession 1379 on the open access shelves at the GLRO. When the Manor Court Book is obtained refer to the name index at the back, this will give the folio or page on which the entry appears and may also give other entries for that person.

An analysis of the entries gives the following information, there are 707 men and 207 women in the list. The men consist of 3 Earls, 1 Lord, 2 Baronets, 8 Knights and 93 others described as Gent. or Esq., The armed forces are represented by a Vice Admiral, a Major General and a Colonel. The Church by a Canon and 4 Vicars. There are 139 listed by profession or trade, while most of those given are well known - glazier, butcher, carpenter. Some like Higler - a raiser of poultry for market, and Mealman - a dealer in grain, are not so obvious. Agriculture is represented by 24 Farmers, 12 Gardeners, and 7 as Labourers. 218 of the male entries give no details. The women are mainly described by their marital status, there are 75 married women, 39 widows and 13 spinsters, for 80 entries, no status is given.

The place of residence of the copyholder, where stated is mainly local, 202 lived within the Hundred of Isleworth, 23 in surrounding parishes, 89 in Middlesex or London with another 24 living in more distant counties. In the case of those listed as residents of London, some probably have a house locally, like George Gostling of Whitton Park. Others may be local men who have moved to London, at least one inherited from his father, who lived within the hundred.

There is additional information from an index to a list of copyholders, circa 1770 (GLRO ref. Acc. 1379/281). This list includes some names not in the book of Copyholders, and from other evidence I believe these to be tenants who may have died or sold their holdings before the main book was written. These tenants are distinguished by the suffix (add.) after their name and they may be found in the Manor Court records of the time.

“A list of the Copyhold Tenants of the Manor of Isleworth Syon c.1770-1780”

We are grateful to Mr. Rosewarne for a copy of this list, which will be placed in our Library (Ed.)

Branches from the Family Tree

Why do folks have hobbies? The reason's quite a mystery
A niece of mine has recently shown interest in History
She wants to make a Family Tree but, unlike Mother Hubbard
She may find lots of skeletons hidden in the cupboard

One forebear as a sheep-stealer was really quite a failure
A convicted felon he was soon transported to Australia
Great, great, great, Aunt Caroline and her young daughter, Hilly
Had their own establishment not far from Piccadilly
They worked at night and did alright - they both made hefty packets
Until they started blackmailing and other little rackets
When they were caught and sent to jail the judge showed no compassion!
He said it only served them right for living in such fashion
The ancestor named Timothy made lots and lots of money
But printing his own five pound notes the police did not think funny
They picked him up in Norfolk – there's a nice big jail in Norwich
and that is where our Timothy stayed to do his "porridge"
A great Aunt in Victorian days must have been a charmer
She ran a sort of children's home but was just a baby farmer
One Uncle was a safe breaker (in jail slang that's a "peter")
And a cousin did a stretch inside for robbing his gas meter
The family boasts of inmates in what it calls its clubs,
Dartmoor, Parkhurst, Pentonville, Wandsworth and the "Scrubbs"
Our tribe has featured in them all, and Holloway has had its share
At Walton, Lewes and Albany, our name's on record there
So, before the Tree is published for the whole world to admire
It might be well to prune a bit - or chuck it in the fire!

Written by Albert Kenny
Tunisia 1983



Books

LIFE AND WORK IN A MIDDLESEX VILLAGE: HAREFIELD 1880-1914, Geoffrey Tyack

This is the latest in the Hillingdon Libraries series on local history. Host of the information is taken directly from the memories of old inhabitants, which are quoted verbatim and provide a lively and fascinating glimpse into the life of a rural and industrial village at the turn of the century.

The memories are grouped under headings: Domestic Life and Childhood & Work and the Community. Within these, most aspects of life are covered in a way that only old people's memories can do it. At the same time the memories are backed up with facts and put into a context which gives them a much wider meaning than just memories of old Harefield. The book is very well illustrated with contemporary photographs, many of which have not previously been seen before.

This book is an excellent example of Oral History. It will appeal not only to all those who remember old Harefield, but also to those who do not know the village but are interested in a vanished way of life as seen by those who lived it. As Professor John Burnett says in his foreword: "The value of "Local" history is not just parochial, for only through such detailed case studies of real places and people, can we put flesh on the skeleton of our national history.

This book is available at all **Hillingdon Libraries, or by post from Uxbridge Library, High Street, Uxbridge, Middlesex at £2.50 plus 30p for post & packing.**

BIOGRAPHICS - PUBLISH FAMILY HISTORY

Ian Templeton

We are all exhorted from time to time, to publish the results of our researches into our family history - for posterity - we are told, but no one has so far, gone into detail as to just what all that entailed. Easy enough to write of your experiences, at school we were all expected to do just that at the drop of a hat, none of my deathless prose ever saw the light of day – fortunately! Ian Templeton has now produced a text book which tells you all about the art of writing a biography and how to publish it! The book is divided into two sections, the first deals with the writing technicalities - starting out, where to look, organising the search, sources, family life, editing, writing up, evaluation, etc. The second section deals with the problems of publishing a limited-edition work. The cost of publishing the average novel today must be enormous, and there are few of us capable of writing a history of our family which could persuade a publisher to take the risk. The alternative? Do it yourself, and Ian does just that, costing, methods, presentation, typefaces, materials, bindings, anything you might need is to be found here. I found it to be an interesting book, and would recommend to any budding author. Copies may be obtained from the author at:

The Pikers Pad, PO Box 97, Storrington, West Sussex, for £2.50 plus 50p post & packing

Sam Morton

WHERE TO FIND THE INTERNATIONAL GENEALOGICAL INDEX

Jeremy Gibson & Michael Walcot

Federation of Family History Societies

Another very useful booklet from the Federation publishing empire. The title is, I fancy, somewhat misleading - only about a third of the book is devoted to that end. But this is not to be taken as a criticism, the rest is taken up with some very clear writings on the construction of the IGI, some of the snags and pitfalls, and an article on the Welsh section, which is arranged in a different fashion to the rest of the British Isles. Priced at £1, you cannot do without it.

Sam Morton

Recent Speakers

THE INTERNATIONAL GENEALOGICAL INDEX (IGI)

It was a pleasure to welcome Sam Morton, Editor of our Journal, to speak at the March meeting on the International Genealogical Index. Sam wisely avoided discussion of the theological issues behind the Mormons reasons for expending so much time and money on compiling this index - it is enough for genealogists that it is there. He took us through the columns of the IGI, explaining each in turn, and struggled manfully with the complexities of batch numbering. He was particularly helpful in pointing out that additional information can sometimes be obtained, when the source of the IGI data is an individual, by writing to Salt Lake City to be put in touch with the informant. Sam emphasised that, like any Index, the IGI was only as good as its compilers. Inevitably it suffered from human error. Also like any Index it must be checked against its sources. He might perhaps have drawn more attention to its uneven county coverage in England. Lance Jacob, in the Genealogists Magazine (June and Sept. 1983) reveals that for very few counties does the IGI exceed 50% of baptisms and marriages, while for several it falls below 10%. Nevertheless, for all its limitations the IGI remains an invaluable tool for genealogists, and Sam provided a useful introduction to it. Everyone who heard this talk, should now know where to locate the IGI, how to use it and what its limits are.

Pat Kelvin

THE HUNDRED OF SPELTHORNE

At the April meeting Mr. Vernon Goslin gave a talk on Spelthorne Hundred at the western side of our region. It is some months since we have had a speaker on a locality, and Mr. Goslin's talk aroused considerable interest and provoked informed questions, especially from members living in that area. He used slides to illustrate his lecture, surprising some of us from the "east end", the urban part, with the rural aspect of Spelthorne, even today.

Mr. Goslin gave us the origins on the names of settlements in the Hundred - Staines, Shepperton, Laleham, Ashford and so on, and told us of the old families, the Lucans, Knyvetts, Ashbys among them - who had lived there. It was a pleasure to hear a speaker so "at home" in his subject. My only regret was that members who live at a distance, who would have been particularly interested to hear about the area, were unable to hear the talk. We hope to remedy this by persuading Mr. Goslin to write an article on Spelthorne for our Journal.

Pat Kelvin

FAMILY AT WAR

Our May meeting was intended as an "open" meeting in connection with the Hounslow Arts Festival, and no doubt we had a few "strangers" present. Members were asked to bring along personal mementoes of wartime activities of their ancestors. I never cease to be amazed at the wealth of material so lovingly treasured by the family historian. I seem to have seen a souvenir of every war since Napoleon and well documented too! Andrea Cameron showed us a film which is almost an archive in itself! - a series of short pieces shot during the last war of various events in Hounslow - it was most interesting and a salutary reminder of how quickly we can forget the day-to-day routine of our lives.

Sam Morton

CRIMINAL ANCESTORS

(JUNE)

It is a particular pleasure when members of our own Society talk at our monthly meetings. Apart from the interest of the talks, members have a chance to see our “leading lights” in action, and will, we hope, be encouraged by this to seek them out if they need advice.

David Hawkings is one of the most experienced of our members, a founder of our society and its first Chairman. His talk was particularly strong in examples. Indeed, with so many “criminals” in his family, David might have been considered bold in his willingness to display them.

But by using “familial” examples he made a number of important points: that every family has members who have been in trouble with the law; that many of the offences for which our ancestors were indicted were trivial, not criminal at all by modern standards - being without visible means of support, for example; and, most important for genealogists, that the records of courts, prisons, magistrates and the like are a rich and varied source of information about people in the past.

Talks like this underline the point that family history is so much richer than a mere record of “hatch, match and dispatch”. By using the records which David illustrated so vividly, we can gain real insight into the life of society, an essential background for understanding the lives of our ancestors. Pat Kelvin

Odd Items

From “The Liverpool & Manchester Railway”
R.H.G. Thomas (B.T. Batsford Ltd., 1980)

p.193 In 1841 the Company were required to take a count of the number of persons of each sex who were travelling on the railway between 10pm. on the 6th of June and 5am. on the 7th of June for the Census of that year.

p.199 A large number of paupers were sent back to Ireland from Manchester every year, Pickford’s estimate was 17 to 25 per day and they asked the railway company for their terms for conveying them to Liverpool. In December 1833 it was arranged to carry them in a separate specially marked 2nd class carriage at 50 shillings a trip. In April 1837 the Manchester Churchwardens asked if repatriates could be transported at a cheaper rate by baggage train, but the Board refused to consider treating any class of passenger as Livestock!!! Lee Zouch

From “The Illustrated London News” – November 5th 1859

p. 437 At Hammersmith Police Court, on Monday, the wife of George Frederick ROYAL, who was acquitted on Friday week on the charge of poisoning Zipporah WRIGHT, obtained an order to protect her earnings from her husband. He deserted her four years ago. Connie Zouch

New Members

We welcome the following new members to our Society:

- A17 Mrs Valerie Alliston 62 Broad Lane, Hampton, Middlesex.
 A18 Mrs Joan Allport 218 Lenah Valley Road, Lenah Valley, Hobart 7008
 Tasmania, Australia.
 D22 Maurice A.J. Davis 47 Derwent Avenue, Kingston, SW15 3RA.
 F13 A.F.E. Field 27 Loring Road, Isleworth, Middlesex.
 F14 Mrs Ida Freeman 67 Handsine Lane, Welwyn Garden City, Herts, AL8 6SH.
 H42 Mr. Peter Hardy 17 St. Andrews Close, Shepperton, Mddx. TW17 8QJ.
 H43 Mrs G.R. Hanney Stag Head House, Clyffe Pypard, Wilts, SN4 7PY.
 H44 Mike Hester 4 Park Mews, Moxham Avenue, Hataitai,
 Wellington 3 New Zealand.
 L17 Irene R. Lovelock 69 Fairlie House, Pantile Walk, Uxbridge, Mddx.
 M24 Mrs Anita J. Morley 71 Beatty Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN23 6BU.
 P30 Mr C.M. & Mrs J.E. Pearson 27 Primrose Mansions, Prince of Wales Drive,
 Battersea, London, SW11 4HE.
 P31 John Walter Perrin 11 The Spinney, West Park, Hartlepool, Cleveland, TS26 OAW.
 R18 Dr. Peter Rigby Huntsmoor Weir, Old Mill Lane, Cowley, Mddx UB8 2JH.
 S50 Mrs Elva Sanghera 4269 Grant Street, Burnaby, B.C. Canada, V5C 3PI.
 T11 Peter J. Towey 312 Kew Road, Kew Gardens, Surrey, TW9 3DU.
 W33 Christine Weaver Chatford, Old Farm Road, Hampton, Mddx, TW12 3QU.
 W34 Mrs Wendy Morley 13 Furlong Road, Bourne End, Bucks, SL8 5AE.
 W35 Mr & Mrs C.F. Wiggins 7 Eggerton Court, Paradise Road, Richmond Surrey.
 W36 Mrs H. Wingfield 4 Beechen Lane, Lower Kingswood, Tadworth, Sry. TT20 6RY
 W37 Geoffrey T. Westaway 31 Vicarage Close, Northolt, Middlesex, UB5 5AD.

H.J. Jordan. We are sorry to record the death of our member, and offer our sympathy to his family. His brother wishes to continue the research, the reference will now read:

J10 Mr. Malcom Jordan Higher Studlehurst, Osbaldeston, Blackburn, BB2 7LZ

New Address: Ealing Central Lending and Reference Library Services, will now be housed at: Central Library, 103 Ealing Broadway Centre, The Broadway, Ealing, W5.

Correction!

C41 Mrs. T.S. Caudell 95 King Charles Road, Surbiton Surrey, in our last Journal Mrs Caudell's name was incorrectly spelt - our apologies.

-and their surname interests

Archer	1800s	any	N3	Jennings	19c	Hammersmith Mdx	H44
Bailes	any	Northumberland	W35	Jones	1850s	Hammersmith Mdx	A18
Bain	1800s	Kilmarnock Ayr	W34	Keene	1850s	Hammersmith Mdx	A18
Ball	1840	Fulham/Lambeth	W36	Kerrison	1800s	any	N3
Baker	19c	Acton	Mdx M24	Kirby	any	Leek	Sts W35
Barr	19c	Acton	Mdx M24	Litten	18c	Exmouth	Dev T11
Biles	1800s	Bridport	Dor W34	Mark(w)ell	1800s	Enfield	Mdx T11
Birch	any	any	N3	Metcalfe	any	Richmond	Yks W35
Boon(e)	18-19c	Brixham	Dev T11	Moore	1800s	Enfield	Mdx T11
Bowcock	any	Leek	Sts W35	Morton	1870	Bath	Som M5
Bristow	1850s	Farnham	Bkm H44	Mumford	1870	Fulham	Mdx W36
Burfoot	1850s	Farnham	Bkm H44	Ne(i)lder	16-18c	S.E. Cornwall	T11
Burrows	1850	Brentford	Mdx S50	Parish	18c	Loughton	Ess A18
Chivers	any	any	N3	Payne	1870	Bath	Som M5
Clewley	19c	Chiswick	Mdx S50	Pearson	18c	Manchester	Lan P30
Collins	19c	Bermondsey	Sry T11	Perrin	any	Mdx.Sry.Brk	Bkm P31
Collins	19c	Clerkenwell	Mdx T11	Planton	1800	Ipswich	Sfk A18
Coomber	19c	Brentford	Mdx H44	Ransom	19c	Acton	Mdx M24
Cox	1800s	Kew/Brentford	F14	Reardon	19c	Acton	Mdx M24
Darley	16c	Beccles	Sfk T11	Rigby	1730s	Madely	Sal R18
Darley	17-19c	Cornwall	T11	Rosamund	18-19c	Shoreditch	Mdx T11
Davies	19-20c	Fulham	Mdx P31	Saltfleet	1800s	Southwark	Sry T11
Davis	1770s	London	D22	Sa(u)nter	18-19c	Rye	Sax T11
Denton	19c	Hammersmith	H44	Sly	1870s	Shepherds Bush	N3
Edwards	18c	London	A18	Spencer	any	Stoke-on-Trent	W35
Elliott	1870s	W/Mdx	Sry P31	Statham	1800s	Kensington	Mdx W34
Franklin	1900s	Fulham	Mdx P31	Street	18c	London	A18
Fre(a)thy	any	any	T11	Strutton	1800s	Kensington	Mdx W34
Gay	1870s	any	N3	Tandy	1870s	W/Mdx E/Sry	P31
Gibson	1800s	Kilmarnock Ayr	W34	Thomas	1800s	Hampstead	Mdx T11
Gillham	1800s	Bridport	Dor W34	Thorne	any	S.Molton	Dev A17
Goldsworthy	1800s	Honiton	Dev W34	Towey	1880s	Holborn	Mdx T11
Grafton	any	London	W35	Vann	any	any	N3
Green	1800	Ipswich	Sfk A18	Vigu(r)s	18-19c	Cornwall	T11
Groves	18-19c	any	N3	Walsh	1850s	Chs Lan	S50
Hales	any	Stoke-on-Trent	W35	Wareing	17c	Blackburn	Lan P30
Hall	1800s	Kensington	Mdx W34	Welsh/Welch	1850s	Chs Lan	S50
Hanney and var.	18-19c	W/Mdx & Cam	H43	Wells	19c	Mdx Brk	M24
Hardys	19-20c	Uxbridge	Mdx H42	Weyman	19c	Whitechapel	Mdx T11
Harris	1820	Holborn	Mdx S50	Wiggins	any	London	W35
Hester	19c	W/Mdx	H44	Wildblood	19c	Stoke	Sts R18
Hill	1800	Brentford	Mdx F14	Williams	1800s	Shadwell	Ess T11
Hill	1800s	Gainsboro	Lin W34	Willingale	18c	Loughton	Ess A18
Hunt	1850s	Adlington	Chs S50	Windon	any	E. London	W33
Hunt	1870s	Pembroke	Wls S50	Wingfield	1840	Fulham	Mdx W36
				Yeoman	1800s	Salcombe	Dev W34

All the above information is given in a highly condensed form, surnames should be assumed to include all variations, dates and places are intended as guides. For further information you should contact the member listed.

Middlesex Strays

ABBOTT Elizabeth.	London	dcd.	1798	JONES Mary.	London	bap.	1646
ARCHER Thomas.	St. Luke	mar.	1764	JOHNSON George.	Ashford	bur.	1768
ARMSTRONG William H.	Fulham	mar.	1826	JOSSELL Joane.	London	bur.	1656
BATCHELOR William.	London	bap.	1808	KEEN Martha.	Hampton	mar.	1708
BERT Elizabeth-Anne.	London	dcd.	1776	KEENE William.	Staines	Mar.	1822
BOLTON John.	Middlesex	mar.	1770	KEMPSTON John C.	Westminster	mar.	1836
BRIGHT John.	London	dcd.	1727	KENLSTON James.	London	mar.	1893
BROWN Mary.	London	dcd.	1764	KING James	London	mar.	1722
BRYAN Thomas.	London	bap.	1644	LEE Rachel.	London	bur.	1774
CAIN Ann.	Chelsea	mar.	1833	LEGGATT William.	Westminster	bur.	1733
CAMPBELL John.	Ealing	ban.	1824	LEIGH Edward.	St.Giles/field	mar.	1701
CARTER John.	Fulham	mar.	1808	LEIGH John.	London	bur.	1673
CHARLTON John Alfred	HanoverSq.	bap.	1813	LEIGHTON Mary.	London	bur.	1698
CHASE Elizabeth.	London	bap.	1625	McLACHLAIN Katherine.	London	bur.	1764
COOPER Thomas W.	St.Luke	mar.	1816	MARTIN John.	London	bur.	1733
DABY Israel.	Ludgate	mar.	1771	MARTIN Thomas.	London	bur.	1770
DALE Elizabeth.	Holborn	mar.	1739	MASON Henry Lott.	Uxbridge	bur.	1823
DAVIS Mary.	London	bur.	1634	MASON Thomas.	Isleworth	mar.	1682
DEVON William.	London	bur.	1819	MASON Katherine.	Uxbridge	bur.	1628
DORSET Elizabeth.	London	dcd.	1778	MAWLE Anne.	London	mar.	1707
ELLIOT Robert.	Harrow	bur.	1773	MOTLEY Charlotte.	St.Marylebon	bur.	1810
EMBLEM James.	Hanover Sq.	mar.	1758	NAPPER John.	London	mar.	1843
EVANS Hannah.	Pimlico	mar.	1858	NEAL Ann.	London	bur.	1709
EVERS Thomas.	London	bur.	1673	NEEDHAM George.	London	mar.	1692
FEAR William.	St.Marylebone	mar.	1773	NEGUS William.	London	bur.	1658
FELLOWS John.	London	dcd.	1807	NEVILLE Henry(Hon)	Hanover Sq.	mar.	1787
FENN John.	Hillingdon	mar	1774	NEWBERRY Richard	Holborn	mar.	1771
FLY Thomas.	Stanwell	mar.	1725	OAKLEY William.	London	bur.	1786
FORD John.	Queenhithe	mar.	1688	OVERS Elizabeth.	Laleham	mar.	1705
FOTHERGILL Thomas.	Middlesex	mar.	1722	OXFORD Edward.	London	bap.	1822
GATES James.	Hammersmith	mar.	1886	PACKER Thomas.	Twickenham	mar.	1600
GATTON Edward.	Whitechapel	mar.	1740/1	PAINE Charles.	Hanworth	bur.	1815
GILES Elizabeth.	Islington	bap.	1849	PAINE John.	Twickenham	mar.	1731
GODWIN Joseph.	Middlesex	mar.	1757	POOL Sarah.	London	bur.	1760
GRAHAM William.	London	bur.	1764	RAE Thomas.	London	bur.	1768
GRANT William.	Chiswick	mar.	1736	RANDALL John.	Stanwell	mar.	1748/9
HABGOOD William.	London	dcd.	1803	ROBINSON James.	Teddington	bur.	1783
HABGOOD Thomas.	London	dcd.	1810	SALMON Thomas.	Clerkenwell	mar.	1777
HABGOOD Mary	London	dcd.	1798	SAUNDERS S.E.	London	bur.	1820
HALL John.	Shoreditch	wil.	1835	SMITH Harriott.	London	bur.	1786
HALL Marie.	Drayton	mar.	1682	TAYLOR Lewis.	London	bur.	1770
HALL Richard.	Middlesex	mar.	1712	TAYLOR Jasper.	Holborn	mar.	1770
HAMAN Henry.	Westminster	bur.	1628	TERREY Mary.	London	bur.	1658
HAMES Marie.	Horton Mdx.	mar.	1682/3	TURNER Elizabeth.	Chelsea	bur.	1828
HILL Mary.	London	bur.	1720	UTLEY Ellen Ruby.	London	bap.	1883
HOUSTON Mary.	London	bur.	1764	WALKER Daniel.	Stanwell	mar.	1743/4
JACKSON Elizabeth Sarah.	London	dcd.	1795	WALKER William.	Ludgate	mar.	1770
JACKSON Elizabeth.	London	dcd.	1770	WALKER William.	Kensington	mar.	1812
				WEST James Joseph.	Kensington	mar.	1830

All the folk listed above were away from home when the event as detailed took place. Space prevents more than the briefest details being given. Sandra Featherstone our Strays Co-ordinator will supply the rest on receipt of a SAE plus 25p, - her address is given elsewhere. Much of this information is found by members of other societies and passed on to us through a central co-ordinator. You can help in this work by making a note of any strays you come across when making searches for your forbears.

HELP!!!

BENSTEAD Frederick, born in Battersea c1865, married Sarah Ann WILSON, born Norwood Green, Southall also in 1865. It seems likely that the marriage took place in West Middlesex area or Battersea about 1896 or later, but the essential registration appears to have gone astray. Two children were born of that union, Archibald Frederick Benstead, born 1898 in Hounslow (at the house occupied by Sarah Ann's father according to the Hounslow Rate Book for 1890) and Reginald Thomas, born at Shepherd's Bush in 1900. Our Frederick is believed to have married Annie Louise SMITH at Battersea in August 1888, but information as to her subsequent whereabouts is also scanty. Our enquirer is seeking details of these events and information relating to the above and of any other Benstead's would be most welcome. Please contact:

Mr. R.T. Benstead, 34 Friars Way, Acton, Middlesex

HANNEY One of our recently joined members is seeking details of a marriage between Joseph HANNEY and Sarah ??? which would have taken place around 1785-92. A child was born in 1792 at Lyncombe, Bath and he was baptised Naish. There are reasons to believe that Joseph and Sarah met in the Kensington area. Edward Hannay/ey, who died in Kensington Workhouse in 1866, such records as do exist, do not give a previous address. Henry Hanney, was a shoemaker with a shop at 26 Johnson Street, Notting Hill from 1875. He was grandson to Joseph aforementioned and possibly nephew to Edward. Our member is anxious to trace these folk, and would be grateful for any news of them and others of that name.

Mrs. G.R. Hanney, Stag Head House, Clyffe Pypard, Wilts, SN4 7PY

SMITH Anthony John, born Woolwich 1823, was later to be found in Chelsea working as a tailor. He married Caroline BIGGS at Holy Trinity, Chelsea on August 21 1847, he died 30 years later and was buried in Brompton Cemetery on 18/8/1877. His father John SMITH was a Coachmaker. We are hoping that one of our members may have come across these folk, and would be grateful for any information.

Mr. A.F. Aprile Smith, 56 Seymour Road, Hadleigh, Benfleet, Essex, SS7 2HL

VINCENT Edward, born Ashford, Middlesex, between 1880 and 1887, parents were Mary Ann BAKER and Edward John VINCENT or possibly Nathan VINCENT! Our Edward arrived in Australia sometime before 1919 and reputedly died there about 1930 although no record can be found of this death. It would seem that he was an ex-service man, losing a leg in the Boer or possibly the Great War. Our enquirer - a member of the Queensland FHS, is interested in his early life, and would be grateful for any news of the name. Information please to the Editor, who will forward it.

We are always pleased to publicise details of member's queries on this page, and would be equally pleased to learn of any successes. There is no charge for member's queries, non-members must pay £1 for each insertion.

-and finally

My plaintive words in the last Journal about the barren state of the Editor's file resulted in some extra copy - for which I am grateful, but do please keep it flooding in. I mentioned also that the Editors of the three Middlesex Societies were writing short pieces for the other journals - but this is not intended to supplant your efforts - we are trying to stimulate greater awareness of other parts of the county. Eric Whittleton of Central Middlesex writes again for us and later, I hope to introduce the Editor of North Middlesex to you as well, (I must write pieces for their journals too) and if these small beginnings lead to more co-operation between the three Societies, so much the better for us all.

Have you noticed the weather lately? Some of us have been enjoying the sunshine in Staines Churchyard on recent Saturdays, and when this journal reaches you, I fancy that we will have nearly finished the task of recording the inscriptions. (You will find a sample inside the front cover). We were fortunate in having the churchyard cleared by the Manpower Services Commission, and it was pleasant to work there without being attacked by brambles and other nasties. On a slightly serious note, I have observed that the number of volunteers on this work is not so high as previously - but we have introduced some newcomers. We must keep up the momentum of this project and there is still much to do. Saturday might be a bad choice of day, would the occasional Sunday appeal? If you live near a small churchyard, could you tackle this on a few weekday evenings? Any of our "experts" will gladly show you the way.

We have now had two meetings in our new hall and everyone I have spoken to likes the change, the hall seats 150 and as the numbers attending our monthly meetings hasn't reached that figure - yet - we can relax awhile.

Elsewhere in the Journal you will find a note about our next AGM in November, with a reminder that we must replace five committee members. Our rules will only allow you to serve for three years without a break, the work is rewarding and not too arduous, the committee meets about seven times a year, and if you feel you would like to try this work, do please let us know.

Lastly, the back cover of this Journal gives the address and location of the new home of the Society of Genealogists. The map has been "lifted" from Jeremy Gibson's excellent book "Record Offices and How to Find Them". It shows the location of the Society in relation to the Guildhall Library and the Greater London Record Office. This move to the outskirts of the city places three of our most important repositories within easy walking distance of each other.



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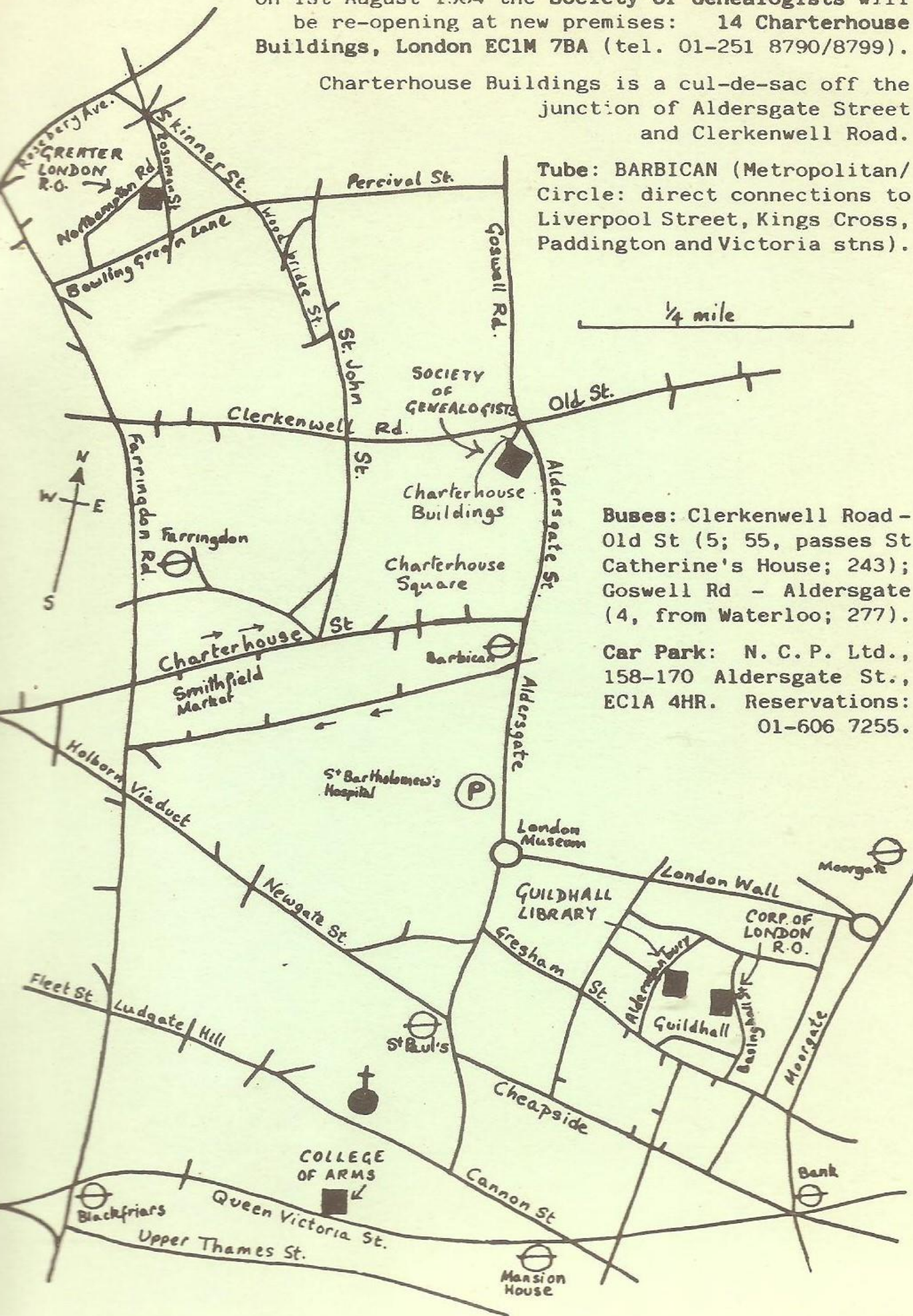
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