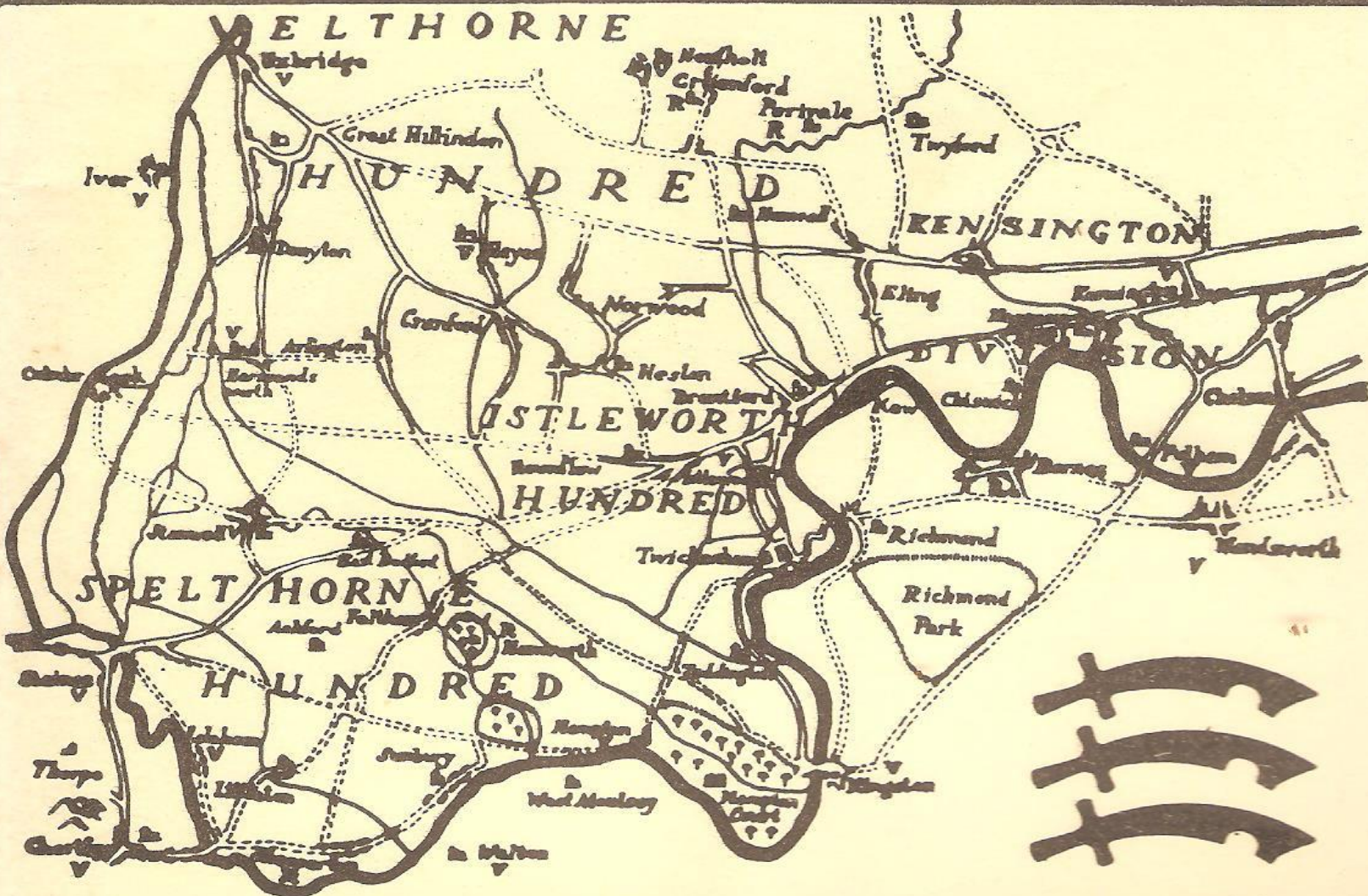


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### **The Society's Area of Interest**

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, Hounslow, Hillingdon with Uxbridge, Isleworth, Kensington, Laleham, Littleton, Perivale, Shepperton, Staines, Stanwell, Sunbury, Teddington and Twickenham.

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## Your Chairman

On another page you will find a report of our joint conference. I enjoyed the day with its opportunities to meet some of our “out of town” members and talk to other societies in the Middlesex area. Any conference needs quite a lot of time in the planning stage, and the germ of an idea for a future conference is beginning to emerge. In July 1978 the four other societies were inaugurated with us in the London Area and all have gone from strength to strength. I think we have the basis for the next, the date chooses itself, the participants are there, all we need is an organiser. Any Offers ??.... or... Suggestions?????

Talking of meeting people, it was pleasant to talk to our member Frank Hankins again on his recent visit to London. Every two years or so, Frank brings a party to Britain from Canada, they spend one week in London and then go their own ways seeking their ancestors in other parts of the country. Mabel and I met with them one evening in their Bloomsbury Hotel and we were able to help with some of their queries. One thing emerged from this talk - the high cost of International Reply Coupons in Canada, I had been stressing the need to enclose return postage in any letter to Britain, and one of the party, said that she had never received a reply to any query she had sent, I could only say that we always replied as soon as possible. One possible solution for our overseas friends is to buy British Postage Stamps instead, it would seem this would be a slightly cheaper method. Any comments - overseas members??

Frank also visited our October meeting and gave a short talk on researching his British Ancestors. I was unable to be present at that meeting, but from all accounts it was much enjoyed.

Our last journal carried a formal notice of the AGM, a report of which will appear in our next. It is an appropriate moment to thank all the committee members who have served through the year. Also, Julia who, having retired last year from the committee, continues to provide the refreshments at our meetings. Not to mention those other members not on the committee who are always willing to give a hand whenever needed.

This time we have only one retirement, that of Eileen Stage our Vice Chairman. Eileen was a founder member of the Society, became a committee member, and apart from a one-year break has served on the committee the whole time. In between whiles she has developed her Coastguards Index and is quite busy in giving talks on this. Thank you, Eileen, for all your help and support these past three years.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

### **MONTHLY MEETINGS**

<b>December 11</b>		The A.G.M. plus a short talk
<b>January 9</b>		Members Evening
<b>February 13</b>	Chris Watts	“Merchant Seaman Records”
<b>March 13</b>	Lt.Col. I.S. Swinnerton	“Heraldry can be FUN”
<b>April 10</b>	Lt. Col. S. Marker	“Emigration to America”
<b>May 8</b>	Ken Horton	“Survivors of the Charge of the Light Brigade”

The meetings are held at Montague Hall, Montague Road, Hounslow (just off Hounslow High Street) commencing at 7.30 on the second Friday of every month.

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### **OTHER DATES:**

#### **THE SPRING 1987 FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE**

will be hosted by the Lancashire Family History and Heraldry Society at the Norbreck Castle Hotel on April 10-12 1987. A full Programme of lectures and visits is planned and the weekend should be both informative and enjoyable. Full details will be available starting September 1986 from:

**The Conference Organiser, 7 Margaret Street, Shaw, Oldham, Lancashire OL2 8RP**

#### **THE FOURTH BRITISH FAMILY HISTORY CONFERENCE**

##### **ABERYSTWYTH - AUGUST 1987**

This will be held at the College of Librarianship Wales, Llanbadran Fawr, Aberystwyth from 21st to 25th August 1987. Although it is a British Conference with a programme of events reflecting that, there will also be elements of interest to those with Welsh ancestry. Full details from The Booking Officer:

**4th British F.H. Conference, 61 Rockes Meadow, KNIGHTON, Powys LD7 1LE**

#### **WHAT'S IN A NAME**

A One Day Conference organised by the Bedfordshire F.H.S. on the origin and study of Christian and Surnames. It will be held at Houghton Conquest, Bedfordshire, on Saturday 9th May 1987. Application forms available after Jan. 1st from:

**Mrs. G. Dolman, 72 Staines Square, Dunstable, Beds. LU6 3JQ**

# Transcribing the Harlington Parish Registers - Philip Sherwood

The Harlington registers begin in 1540 and continue to the present day. Microfilm copies and transcriptions have been made of all the burials up to 1840, baptisms to 1845 and marriages to 1853.

## SCOPE OF THE REGISTERS

- Vol.1      This contains baptisms and burials 1540-1678 and marriages 1540-1665. The first eleven pages are in poor condition and, although they have been expertly repaired, several entries have been destroyed. Entries for the Commonwealth period are haphazard and far from complete.
- Vol.2      This contains baptisms and burials 1678-1745 and marriages 1683-1744. No marriage records exist for the period 1665-1683; this is probably explained by a note at the beginning of the volume to the effect that, "The contents of this book were transcribed out of the former register until September 15th 1681 by me, Robert Cooper, Rector". The volume referred to by Cooper no longer exists and presumably he forgot to transcribe the marriages.
- Vol.3      This relates to baptisms and burials 1745-1812 and marriages 1745-1753.
- Vol.4      This is a bound volume of printed forms covering marriages from 1754-1812.
- Vol.5      This is a bound volume of printed forms for baptisms 1812-1852. It has been transcribed to 1845.
- Vol.6      This is a bound volume of printed forms for burials from 1813-1864. It has been transcribed to 1840.
- Vol.7      This is a bound volume of printed forms for marriages for the period 1812-1836. The forms are different in style to those in vol. 4 and give more information.
- Vol.8      This contains marriages on modern style forms for the period 1837-1907, it has been transcribed to 1853.

## CONDITION OF THE REGISTERS

Apart from the poor condition of the early pages of the first register, to which reference has been made, all volumes are in a reasonably good condition. The entries on the whole are not difficult to read, this is particularly true of those made during the incumbency of Robert Cooper (Rector 1681-1732) and John Williams (1748-

1788). The early entries made by John Williams are boldly printed in a large script which makes them a delight to read.

## **TRANSCRIPTION**

As an aid to transcription each page of the register has been photographed, some on black & white film (BW) and some on colour-slide film. The BW film has been mounted in slides to give negative copies of the register whilst the colour-slide film, of course, gives positive copies. The slides when projected are quite legible and in the first instance have been used to provide the transcription. The advantage of this is that transcription can be done at any time in comfort rather than in an ice-cold church at times convenient to the Rector.

The transcription has been checked against the original registers mainly to ensure that no inaccuracies have occurred. In a minority of cases this checking was essential as the slides (and the original copies of which they were made) were difficult to read. All relevant information in the registers which could be of interest to family or local historians has been transcribed. In typing the transcriptions, it was decided, for ease of reference and indexing, it would be better to separate the birth, deaths and marriages even though these are mixed together in the first three volumes (and slide copies) of the register. The transcriptions are therefore cataloged under three headings.

## **PHOTOGRAPHIC DETAILS**

The registers were copied with an SLR Camera fitted with a macro lens (extension tubes or a close-up lens would have been equally suitable if somewhat less convenient). Two problems arose, firstly the Rector, for obvious reasons, did not wish to have the registers removed from the church, the light inside the church is poor and it was not possible to use artificial light. Secondly there was a large number of pages to photograph (there are 436 slides) and there was a need to minimise the cost of photography.

The first problem was overcome by the use of a copying stand and an extension lead, these were essential as under the poor light conditions inside the church exposure times of up to 2 seconds were sometimes required.

The second problem of what film to use and how to reduce the cost was the subject of experimentation. The cheapest films readily available on the market are of East German origin and sold under the ORWO trade name. The two films used to photograph the registers were ORWO NP22 a black and white film with a speed of 125 ASA and ORWOCHROME a colour-slide film with a speed of 100 ASA.

ORWO NP22 BW film costs (in 1986) £1.00 for a cassette of 36, with home development this worked out at about £1.25 for 36 pages of the register. By using a suitable developer, it proved possible to uprate the speed of the film to 250 ASA - a

useful increase in poor light conditions. The results obtained with this film were good and the negative slides copied were surprisingly easy to read. Furthermore, positive prints of register pages can be produced if desired. The stumbling block was the high cost of slide mounts which increased the cost of 36 slides to about £2.00.

As home development and mounting the slides involves a good deal of work, the use of ORWOCHROME colour-slide film at £3.00 for 36 slides process paid (i.e. developed and mounted) seemed an attractive alternative. However, the resulting slides were markedly inferior to the BW negative slides. This was partly because the speed of 100 ASA claimed for the film is optimistic and the slides tended to be under-exposed. But the main reason was the film enhanced any “foxing” present on the pages of the registers to the extent in some cases of revealing brown stains in the page that were not apparent to the naked eye. This was the reverse to that obtained with the BW film where, by using a yellow filter, it was possible to reduce any effect of “foxing”.

With the benefit of hindsight, it would have been better to standardise on the BW film and to purchase this and the slide mounts in bulk, thus reducing the cost. The results of the photographic exercise which began as an aid to the transcription means that copies of all the pages of the Harlington Parish Registers now exist for future reference if at any time the originals become unavailable or lost.

The work of indexing and typing has now to be completed. When this is done, further mention will be made in the journal.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

Acknowledgement is due to the Rev. D. Jenkins, Rector of Harlington, for making the registers freely available for copying, and for his forbearance during the time taken for the work to be completed.

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### **RECORDS LOST**

In January 1916, a fire at the Hounslow Barracks record department destroyed the records of the Royal Fusiliers dating from the time of James the Second. They had been stored in a wooden hut!

(Arthur Powell)





# Library Update

## Recent additions to the Library

A further collection of Family History Societies Journals has been received. A full list of the societies we exchange journals with was given in the April 1986 journal, those below are additional.

Cleveland F.H.S., Manchester & Lancashire F.H.S., Anglo Scottish F.H.S.,  
Aberdeen & N.E. Scotland F.H.S., English Catholic Ancestor.

## Local History Books & Pamphlets:

The Cole Papers by G.E. Mercer. Twickenham L.H.S.

Brentford & Isleworth Friends Meeting House 1785-1985, ed. by Joan Wilding  
Domesday Book – Middlesex

Southall 830 - 1982, by R.J. Meade

Recollections of Uxbridge, by Giles Hutson

## Local History:

The Teddingtonian - 31 Dec. 1885

Twickenham Parish - Notes for Students & Researchers

Church of St. Mary the Virgin – Bottesford

Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Cobham, Kent

Notes on the Church of St. James, Dorney

Parish Church of St. Mary of Charity, Feversham

Guide to the Church of St. Mary, Maiden Newton, Dorset

St. Mary the Virgin, Hayes, Middlesex

The Cock Lane Ghost by Douglas Grant

## Ancestral Research:

Index to Hayes Parish Registers

How to Trace your Ancestors in Guernsey - by David W. Le Poidevin

SoG - Greater London Cemeteries & Crematoria & their Registers

The Location of British Army Records - by Norman Holding

Newspapers - by John Westmancoat

Genealogical Research Directory - National & International 1986

Exeter Militia List 1803 - by H.G. Hoskins (donated)

Unpublished personal name indexes in Record Offices & Libraries - by J.S.W. Gibson

Essex Record Office - Update No. 8, Winter 1985/6

Leicester Record Office – Leaflet

Guild of One Name Studies – Prospectus

## General:

Guilds & Livery Companies of the City of London

Picture Source Book for Social History - (1) 18th Century, (2) 19th Century - by M.  
Harrison & A.A. Wells

The Queen's Peace - The Origins & Development of the Metropolitan Police 1829-  
1979 - by David Ascoli

Britains Architectural Heritage - HMSO Books

Diary of a Prisoner of War, Cpl. J.W. Pocock 1940-1945

## New Books

### **THE PAROCHIAL POOR LAW RECORDS OF MIDDLESEX as preserved in local libraries and record offices - by Cliff Webb**

Cliff Webb is well known as the industrious Research Director of the West Surrey F.H.S. However, the first work of transcription and indexing (which he did when he lived in Middlesex) related not to Surrey at all, but to the records of the City of London and Middlesex.

During his more recent work with Surrey records he has not forgotten the close relationship that metropolitan Surrey has with Middlesex and London and has often strayed into those areas and linked them into his total indexes and reviews - his "Victorian London" work is well enough known to Middlesex researchers.

What he has done in the present review is to produce a handlist of the various Middlesex Poor Law records (settlement certificates, removal documents, bastardy and parish apprenticeship records, workhouse admissions and discharge lists, etc.) which are to be found in the G.L.R.O. and the Public Libraries and other repositories in the Middlesex area.

The work is arranged by hundreds, excluded the City, and includes the best information he has been able to gather as to indexes which have been made for some of the records. He emphasises that his review makes no claim to being any sort of introduction to the nature of the documents nor any commentary on them.

As members of the Middlesex Family History Societies, we should feel ashamed; I certainly do, for this is the sort of enquiry and publication we should be making and we should be grateful to Cliff Webb for what he has done here. Any of us who are pursuing our ancestry among the masses in Middlesex will need to consult this listing to point the way in our researches. It should be on all of our bookshelves and at the modest price of 80p from our bookstall (£1.05 + p&p and £1.30 for overseas, from the bookstall or direct from the author) we can certainly afford it.

It seems these days to be "de rigueur" for reviewers to find some error or something to carp about. Sorry Cliff, but in the list of Abbreviations the reference (AT) = Arthur Towell (mostly for Isleworth Records) should be Arthur Powell.

(Vic Gale)

**VICTORIAN HARLINGTON - HAYES AND HARLINGTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY** **80p (£1.05 + p&p)**

This booklet consists of three articles, two are reprints of 19th century works, one a history of the parish given as a lecture in 1857, the other a schoolboy's essay on the village written in 1887. Both contain much contemporary material. The third article is by Phillip Sherwood and is a round up of the information available from Public Records for the Victorian village. It also has excerpts from a local newspaper of the time that was little more than a scandal sheet, but sounds a prime source for the family historian. Where else would you find stories like "There is no harm in Mr. Charles Newman junior, frequenting the White Hart of an evening, but he should leave off spouting till he has studied pronunciation".

**TRACING YOUR FAMILY HISTORY Jean Cole - £3.95**

A handbook of sources for family history, it attempts to cover too much ground in limited space. The chapters are too short and only touch the surface of each subject. There are useful lists, including the Regnal years of the Kings and Queens of England, key to the reference numbers used in the indexes at St. Catherine's House and a good bibliography covering Family History and associated subjects. A useful reference work, not though as a beginners guide to researching your family tree.

**Two more McLaughlin Guides:**

**SIMPLE LATIN FOR FAMILY HISTORIANS - FFHS 75p (£1.00+p&p)**

This guide is for those with little or no previous knowledge of Latin but who would like to interpret those phrases or words found in wills, parish registers or other documents. There are lists of the Latin forms of Christian names, trades and dates and examples of commonly used phrases. A useful handbook for carrying to Record Offices.

**PARISH REGISTERS - FFHS £1.00 £1.25+p&p)**

Although described as a guide to parish registers it actually describes the sources for finding births, marriages and deaths prior to 1837. Mainly concentrating on Anglican Parishes there are also details on other types of registers, non-conformist, Scottish, Irish and Roman Catholic. It gives a background to parish registers with a good section on the registers of the Commonwealth period. It gives the background to the source Family Historians use more than any other in the search for ancestors, it is advisable we should know as much as possible about how they were made.

(Vic Rosewarne)

# Projects Update

## 1851 Census Index

It was in April 1983 that the journal carried the first mention of this project. We had then received the films from Salt Lake City and were almost ready to start. It was just about three years later that the first volume came from the printer. In that time, we had “slipped” two-piece numbers and a third was started but it was clear that if the project was to be completed in a reasonable time a certain “speed up” was necessary.

Our first plan was to compile a “Family Index” and the two-piece numbers 1696 and 1699 mentioned above were slipped in that way. While this is of great benefit to the user it is very time-consuming, and we have reluctantly decided to compile a “surname index” only for the rest of the piece numbers. Which is, of course, in line with our oft repeated advice – “having found the clue GO AND CHECK YOURSELF” - only you can be satisfied that the information is relevant to your research. From conversations I had with other societies I know this is the feeling of most.

With our first volume the slips were sorted manually, by Valerie Payne. Picture, if you can, Valerie’s table covered with hundreds of 5 x 3 slips of thin paper, all in bundles and folio order, sorted first into alphabetical groups and then each group into full alphabetical order. There were over 5300 slips – I’ll leave the rest to your imagination. And then it all had to be typed.

For the second piece, we used some volunteers at a recent “Workshop Evening” to do the sorting into alphabetical groups, and at this point Vic Rosewarne put it all into the memory of his computer, which can then print it out for the checking of doubtful names. The computer can then sort alphabetically, very fast and produce the completed typescript with little further effort. When I pressed him, Vic admitted that it took about 18 hours to file the names, but even so that represents a considerable saving of time on our first effort.

To summarise then, we have printed HO107/1696 Staines & Sunbury Districts. HO107/1699 Brentford, Chiswick and Acton Districts will soon be ready for the printer. HO107/1697 is partly slipped - that is Hillingdon, Uxbridge and Hayes, and to complete the other part of the area HO107/1698 Isleworth and Twickenham will follow. We hope to complete the indexing as quickly as possible; publication will depend to some extent upon sales of earlier volumes, we have not the money available to hold too much in unsold stock.

In addition, we have received from Marylebone Library a transcription of surnames for Paddington, compiled under the Youth Opportunities Programme. This is not

strictly in our area, but I have undertaken to publish this and we are looking into ways of doing this without delaying our own programme.

Compiling a surname only index is very much quicker and the names are not slipped. I have a film viewer and a projector available, the work of transcribing can be done at home as and when you have time, if you would like to help, I will gladly explain the process.

Sam Morton

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## Monumental Inscriptions

Since the last report we have made some more progress. St. Mary's Twickenham is nearly finished and it is hoped it will be published soon. We are making headway with St. Mary's, Ealing. Most of the stones have been recorded and one more visit should complete this task. Then it is just a matter of typing them up. Any offers of help with the typing would be appreciated. We can be contacted either at the monthly meetings or telephone 898-6479 (Mrs. Margaret Ridge).

Margaret Ridge & Sarah Minney

M.I.s for the following churches have been fully recorded and a transcript copy of each has been placed with the Society of Genealogists, with the incumbent and one kept by the Society.

Ashford	-	St. Matthew
Cranford	-	St. Dunstan
Hayes	-	St. Mary (with the Hayes & Harlington Local History Soc)
Harlington	-	SS Peter & Paul
Hounslow	-	Congregational 1829 - 1962
Isleworth	-	All Saints
New Brentford	-	St. Lawrence
Norwood Green	-	St. Mary 1749 – 1968
Staines	-	St. Mary
Teddington	-	St. Mary 1606 – 1959

In preparation or final checking:

Chiswick	-	St. Nicholas – Indexed, being typed
Heston	-	St. Leonard – Checking
Stanwell	-	St. Mary – Checking
Twickenham	-	St. Mary – Typing

## Parish Registers

There is an article describing the transcription of the Harlington Registers elsewhere in this journal. Members of the society are also transcribing the parish registers of Hillingdon, a much larger parish than Harlington. The marriages have now all been done and work is proceeding on christenings and burials. When the work is finished and transcripts are made a full report will be made in the journal.



## West Middlesex Settlement Records

This index has been compiled from an abbreviated transcript of various Poor Law records. All relevant information of use to family history research has been included, also all parish names and counties. All names have been indexed; Husband, Wife, Children, Father, Mother, Uncle, Aunt etc. Also, the employers, apprentices and their masters, the person from whom they rented their house, tenement, farm, orchard, land etc.

The amount of documents for each parish varies greatly, for some none are available. For Stanwell there are 18 settlement certificates, whereas for Staines there are 600 and Fulham nearly 700. Chelsea has had a “moving” population for many years and many records are available, a start has been made on these.

The index at present has 12,000 slips.

EALING	~	Examinations for Settlement	1828-1834
		Examinations for Bastardy	1827-1834
		Mixed Removal & Bastardy Orders	1820-1837
FELTHAM	~	Examinations for Settlement	1801-1806
		Examination for Bastardy	1792-1811
		Feltham Militia men	1805 & 1811
FULHAM	~	Examination for Settlement	1778-1826
HAMMERSMITH	~	Examinations for Settlement & Removal Orders	1796-1833
HANWELL	~	7 Settlement Certificates	
HILLINGDON	~	Apprentices	1724-1809
SHEPPERTON	~	Various Settlement, Bastardy, Removal and Apprentice papers	1729-1804
STAINES	~	Settlement Certificates	1699-1804
		Examinations for Settlement	1722-1815
		Removal Orders	1720-1844
STANWELL	~	Various Records as to Settlement	1752-1854
UXBRIDGE	~	Mixed Settlement Certificates,	
		Examinations and Removal Orders	1716-1781
		Removal Orders	1823-1843
CHELSEA	~	(In process of indexing, 600 done)	
NEW BRENTFORD	~	Bonds & Indenture (in Parish Register)	1664-1703
FRIERN BARNET	~	Settlement Examinations	1785-1834

**Connie Zouch**

## The Commonwealth War Graves Commission

There is probably no family in Great Britain that did not lose at least one member during the two World Wars. It is the task of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission to mark and maintain the graves of members of the Armed Forces of the Commonwealth who were killed in these two conflicts, to build memorials to those who have no known grave and to keep records and registers including after the Second World War a list of the civilian war dead.

The Commission was founded in 1917 and it's guiding principle is that each of the dead should be commemorated individually by a headstone or memorial. These should be permanent and there should be no distinction of rank or status. Where there is no known grave, the dead shall be remembered on memorials. This work is funded by the governments of the United Kingdom, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, India and South Africa, with other Commonwealth countries maintaining memorials in their own countries.

1,700,000 men and women of the Commonwealth forces died in the Two World wars. Over 900,000 are remembered by individual headstones. Each headstone is engraved with the national emblem or the service or regimental badge, followed by the name, unit, date of death, age and the appropriate religious emblem. At the foot, in many cases, is an inscription chosen by the relatives.

To the men and women who were buried at sea, cremated or who have no known grave the Commission erects memorials some with a few names to the vast monuments such as the Thiepval Memorial to the 72,078 dead of the Somme in 1916, Menin Gate Memorial to the dead of the Ypres Salient (54,360) of the First World War. The Runnymede Air Forces Memorial (20,438) and the Rangoon Memorial to the 26,875 who died in Burma in 1941-1945, for the Second World War. The Commission has responsibility for war graves in 140 countries around the world.

The Commissions central records can help trace the grave of a particular individual. It is important that as much information on the person as possible is supplied. In particular his Name, Rank, Number, Unit, Date & Place of Death, Age and Home Town. Enquiries by relatives are dealt with free of charge, but others will be liable to a fee for this service. The address to write to is:

The Enquiries Office,  
Commonwealth War Graves Commission,  
2 Marlow Road,  
Maidenhead,  
Berks SL6 7DX

## The Bishopsgate Conference

Sam Morton

Recent issues of the Journal have carried details of a Day Conference organised jointly by the Middlesex Family History Societies. Planning for this event really began some 2 ½ years ago, when representatives of the Societies met to discuss a Conference in 1985, but it was soon realised that there was insufficient time, and the date was put back a year with a new meeting arranged.

At the first planning some months later, we quickly reached agreement on the theme -something about London- the choice of venue was rather more difficult. We wanted a Hall capable of seating about 300 and there are not too many of that size available in London on a Saturday. Finally, the Bishopsgate Institute was suggested and we arranged to hold our next meeting there. There was general satisfaction with the facilities, but because of examination commitments, the date was later than we would have liked, also, an extensive scheme of renovation was in hand and there was some uncertainty about the work to be done in the kitchen area, but we felt we could cope with it all.

We had decided to look at the social development of London over the last two centuries or so, and when it came to speakers, we had quite a list to choose from and our main problem was whom to leave out.

Our first speaker John Phillips, Curator of Maps for the Greater London Record Office, set the scene by describing the many maps and sources and it is quite surprising just how much is available.

In the present day, with the state having us all listed from cradle to grave - and a relatively simple divorce procedure - the “crime” of Bigamy is becoming less frequent. What a different tale 150 years or so back, opportunities there were in plenty, thanks to poor communications, coupled with enforced separation while the man travelled the country looking for work. Our guest speaker Stella Coldwell has made a study of this subject and in her very entertaining talk she gave some examples of cases where plain stupidity led to the discovery of the offence, and other cases where chance played just as big a part.

After lunch Peter Jackson, Chairman of the London Topographical Society, gave us a tour of Dr. Johnson’s London - or more specifically the area around Covent Garden. Were Johnson alive today he would be able to recognise much of the area still.

Finally, Robert Thorne introduced us to the joys of finding a home in Victorian London. It was a time of expansion and much building went on. Some of it was speculative, much of it built on mass production lines - but they built well - look around today and see how much remains.

To sum it all up, we had arranged another view of our great metropolis, we left plenty of time for our visitors to browse amongst the bookstalls and display features, or just mingle and chat, and the lunch time offered a chance to explore the locality. On the minus side, our morning lectures were disturbed somewhat by building work next door, we had not anticipated a giant crane hoisting blocks of concrete into the building, and our slide projection facilities were not as good as we would have wished.

Even so, I felt that we had presented an interesting day, and that our 300 visitors had enjoyed their trip, and already there is talk of a similar activity in the not too distant future.

Interested? Do let us know.

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## 1851 CENSUS

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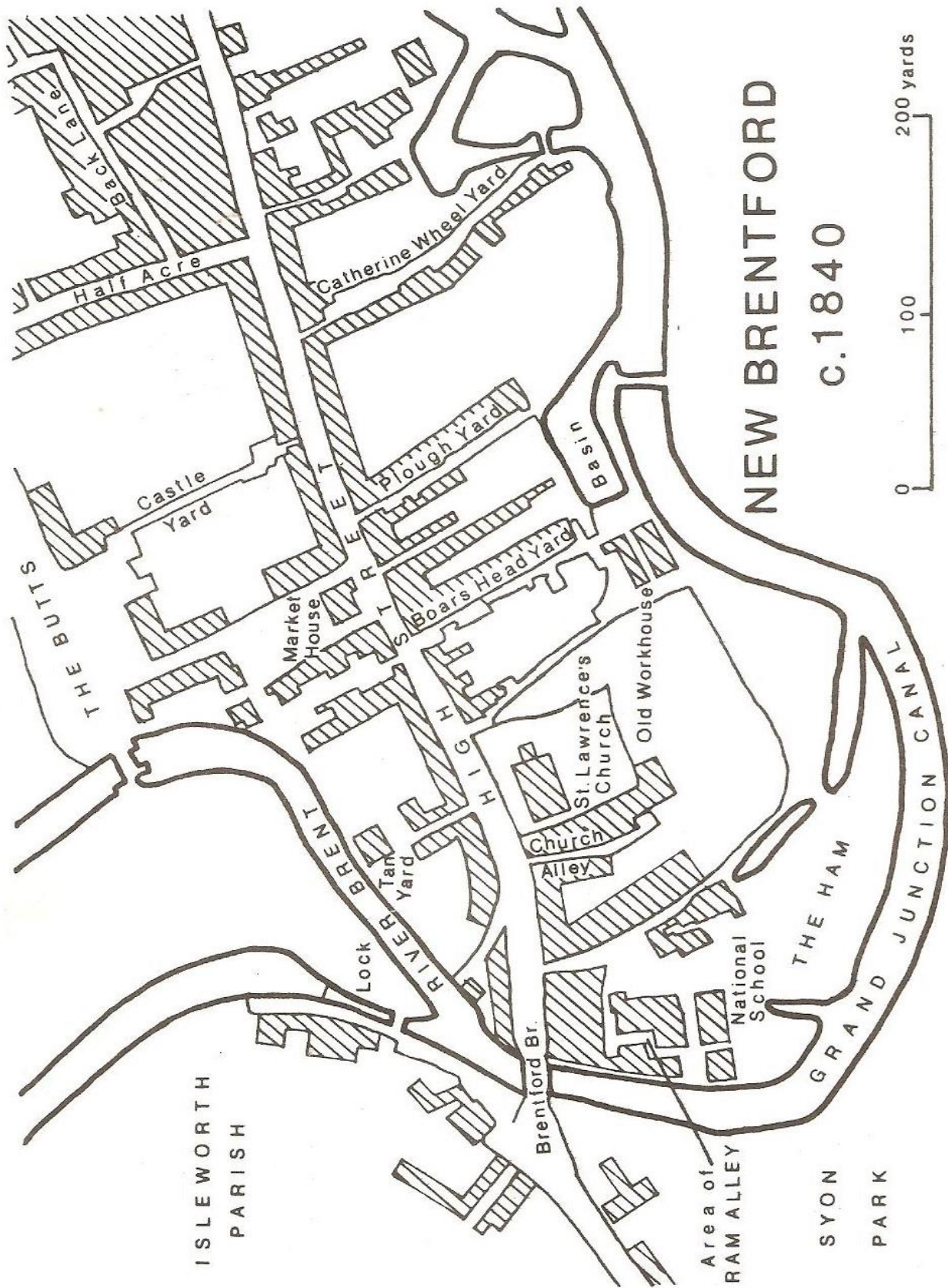
This book is the first in a series of surname indexes the Society plans to publish for our area of interest. This book covers the thirteen parishes in the South West corner of Middlesex. These were:

#### Staines sub-district

Staines  
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# The Taylors of Brentford

Roger Minot

The December 1984 Journal contained an article dealing with the army career of John Taylor of "The Shiners". This article deals with the latter years of John Taylor and continues with his son William, who also served in the British Army.

In 1977 when I started researching my family history, I had only scanty tales of the Taylor family. The first positive results of the past came when I obtained two marriage certificates from the local Superintendent of Registrars. The first was for my paternal grandparents married at Bromley-le-Bow, on 31st May 1903, William MINOT (father John MINOT) married Jane TAYLOR (father William TAYLOR). The couple were married at Bromley-le-Bow because my grandfather lived with his sister in nearby Poplar and he wanted to be married at the same church as his father. Jane at the time was in domestic service at Hamilton Road, Ealing.

The second certificate was for Jane's parents who were William TAYLOR and Emily WOOLGER, they had married at St. Lawrence's Church, New Brentford on 19 February 1871. The certificate gives their fathers as John Taylor and George Woolger, the witnesses were John Taylor and Miriam Frances Taylor. This also gives William's occupation as "domestic servant". In the 1871 census, taken on April 2nd, William was shown as a groom and his age as 33 years. Emily, his wife, was mistakenly shown as 32; it should have read 22 as her birth certificate shows she was born 4 April 1848.

Before their marriage both William and Emily were employed by Mr. Husband - manager of Brentford Gas Works - as horse groom and house servant. They set up home in Boar's Head Yard - the name can still be seen on the alley way opposite the "Magpie and Crown" public house in the High Street, Brentford.

The 1871 census return for my great-grandparents gave not only their birthplaces as Brentford for William and Ockham for Emily but there was also a Hannah Taylor who lived next door. Was she William's mother? Her birthplace was shown as Datchet, Bucks. Hannah was described as a domestic servant, she was aged 69 years

The next step was to look at all the censuses for Brentford between 1841 and 1861 to see if Hannah was William's mother and also to find out who were the rest of the family. The results of this search are given below.

**1841 Census:****The household at Ram Alley in the parish of New Brentford**

Name	Age	Occupation	Whether born in the same County
John Taylor	55	Labourer	N
Hannah Taylor	39		N
Harry Mayo Taylor	11		Y
Thomas Taylor	9		Y
Mary Taylor	8		Y
John Taylor	6		Y
William Taylor	4		Y

**1851 Census:****The household at Ram Alley in New Brentford**

Name	Status	Age	Occupation	Where born
Hannah Taylor	Head widow	49	Laundress	Datchet Bucks
Harry Mayo Taylor	Son Unm.	21	Porter	Old Brentford
William Taylor	Son	13	Errand-boy	New Brentford
Emma Taylor	Dau.	9	Scholar	New Brentford

By 1861 the family had split up and gone their own way. From the 1861 census I found out that Hannah Taylor, now aged 59, was living at Back Lane, employed as a nurse for the Mann's family baby daughter Charlotte. Henry Mayo Taylor was married and living with his wife, Charlotte, and son Henry John. Henry Mayo's birthplace was given as Gloucestershire and not Brentford. (A check on later census returns showed this to be a mistake, Henry Mayo and his wife's birthplaces had been transposed on that return.) I found a Thomas Taylor acting as a mate on the "Alexander" docked in Brentford. Of the others, including my great-grandfather - William Taylor I could find nothing.

By the beginning of 1982 I had therefore found out that William's parents were John and Hannah Taylor who had at least six children. John Taylor died before the 1851 census and so his birthplace is unknown, but according to the 1841 census he was born outside Middlesex about the year 1786. By obtaining a copy of Emma Taylor's birth certificate from the Ealing Registration District at Acton, who hold some of the Brentford records, I learnt that she was born on 15 October 1841, registered by her father, with his signature, and also that her mother's (Hannah Taylor) maiden name was Weston. Buckinghamshire Record Office had the Datchet Parish Registers in their keeping and informed me that Hannah, the daughter of John and Hannah Weston was baptised at Datchet on 25 April 1802. Thus, Hannah's age was correct on all four census returns and as far as I could see she was William's mother and my great-great-grandmother

Although I had learnt quite a lot about Hannah Taylor, nee Weston, I still did not know much about John Taylor, when did he die? John Taylor was believed to have been buried in the churchyard of St. Lawrence's, Brentford. The burial registers for

the period 1840-1843 contain no mention of a John Taylor. The churchyard records end at this date and were taken over by the Burial Ground and later New Brentford Cemetery at Sutton Lane, Hounslow. Responsibility for the records of the new burial ground were the Brentford U.D.C., and then Brentford and Chiswick B.C. and now the London Borough of Hounslow. The records are now held by the Cemetery Superintendent at Chiswick New Cemetery, he supplied the following information from the records of St. Lawrence's:

John TAYLOR of New Brentford, buried 12 Sept. 1849 aged 62

Hannah TAYLOR of the Ham, Brentford, buried 19 Nov. 1884 aged 84

Henry Mayo Taylor of Orchard Road, Brentford, buried 15 March 1887 aged 58

The 1881 census return also confirmed that Hannah Taylor, my great-great-grandmother was living at the Ham, Brentford (in lodgings) where she died on the 14 November 1884 in the presence of her youngest known daughter, Emma, now married to a Mr. Weadon. Emma Weadon was the informant on the death certificate. Hannah's death was caused by senile decay (old age); she was described as the widow of John Taylor and her age was given as 84 years (sic).

At the same time as I received Hannah's death certificate, I obtained one for John. Before describing its contents, I should mention I was in possession of John's discharge papers and had learnt that he had become a Chelsea out-pensioner on 11 October 1826, three months after his discharge. His pension was one shilling and half a pence per day, a half penny for every year of completed service. For those who thought John would be wearing the familiar scarlet uniform they were to be disappointed because it had long been recognised by the hospital that the building at Chelsea could not accommodate all the men on their books. Hence the category of "out-pensioners" arose during the reign of James II when pensions were paid to those old soldiers the hospital could not accommodate.

Sometime between leaving the Army and the 1841 census, John met and married Hannah Weston; unfortunately, at the time of writing I have not been able to find the entry of a marriage. In 1847 some twenty years after he had left the service, John became entitled to the Military General Service Medal. This; if you would believe was authorised for all survivors of some twenty-nine campaigns between 1793 and 1814. Each campaign survivor received a clasp or bar to the medal. This medal, (known as the "dead man's medal" because it bears the head of a sovereign who had not been born when the last campaign had been fought by the survivors), has the "young head" of Queen Victoria on the obverse. The reverse depicts the Queen crowning the kneeling Duke of Wellington with a Laurel wreath. The legend "To the British Army" in Roman capitals surrounds the top half of the reverse. The dates 1793-1814 are at the lower part of the medal. The medal is attached by a straight suspender to a crimson blue bordered ribbon.

John Taylor was awarded the medal with four campaign clasps:

SAHAGUN and BENEVENTE	(1808)
VITTORIA	(1813)
ORTHES	(1814)
TOULOUSE	(1814)

This medal was added to his Waterloo medal.

Sahagun and Benevente were battles in the Peninsular War during the epic retreat of the British Army to Corunna under Sir John Moore. At Sahagun, 500 Hussars charged and routed 700 French Dragoons capturing 13 officers, including 2 Colonels and 144 other ranks. Benevente occurred later on the retreat when Chasseurs of the French Imperial Guard were chased back across the river Esla by the 3rd and 10th Hussars, and their Commanding General captured. Vittoria was the battle that saw the end of French Rule in Spain. Orthes and Toulouse were the last battles of the Peninsular Army under Wellington as they crossed into France to force Napoleon's abdication in 1814.

In 1849 John Taylor died and his pension stopped. The pension return for London 1st West states that John Taylor - private with the 10th Light Dragoons (sic) died on 9th September 1849 aged 62 years. The death was at Brentford. This agreed with the details from John's death certificate that also stated John was a cabinet maker and he died from Asiatic Cholera.

Originally when I saw the cause of death, I did not take much notice; it was only when I saw a television programme on cholera that I became interested in the disease. Apparently, an epidemic of cholera appeared in Great Britain in 1849 and was responsible for over 50,000 deaths in England and Wales alone. This information was found by the Register-General in his study of causes of death.

It is hard for us to imagine the conditions John and Hannah Taylor lived in, at Brentford, in the middle of the nineteenth century. They lived in "The Ham" district of New Brentford, an area between the Grand Junction Canal and the London Road. The Ham because of its position near the junction of the Thames and the canal was often in flood at high tide. This, and the condition of the river Brent which flowed into the canal from the Hendon reservoir, were the reasons why the area was ripe for disease. Brentford was the scene of a cholera outbreak in 1832 and in 1841 the whole district was flooded when the Hendon reservoir burst. Relief for the sufferers of the 1841 disaster were made and £813 collected. Whether John and Hannah were recipients is unknown but they certainly experienced the effects of it, living in the Ham.

By 1845-6 the town was described in a government report as "having learnt nothing" by its experience of cholera outbreaks. In fact, even as late as 1867, because it had no sewerage system, Brentford was associated with everything stagnant and

disgraceful. So, when in August/September 1849 cholera struck Brentford once more, it was not surprising that many died of the disease, including my great-great-grandfather. John died in the presence of Hannah, probably at Ram Alley, 24 hours after the disease had been certified.

John Taylor, born in the village of Bretforton, in the county of Worcester, sometime trooper with the Tenth Royal Hussars, cabinet maker and Chelsea out-pensioner, was laid to rest in the churchyard of St. Lawrence's. No gravestone was to mark his last resting place. To quote from Charles Wolfe's poem on "The Burial of Sir John Moore at Corunna" written in 1817:

"We carved not a line, and we raised not a stone,  
But we left him alone with his glory."

And what of William Taylor, whose whereabouts in 1861 was unknown. The answer to that is still to be found, although it is now known that he enlisted in the Eleventh Hussars (Prince Albert's Own) at Hounslow Barracks on 7 October 1857. It is more than likely that his name is to be found in the census records for the regiment. The regiment was believed to be stationed at either Manchester or Preston before moving on to do a tour of duty in Ireland, but that is another story.

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P.R.O. ref. WO 117-1

Regimental Registers showing rate of pension being paid

P.R.O. ref. WO 120-53

Census returns for New and Old Brentford (1841-1881)

"King Cholera" - The biography of a disease by Norman Longmate

"Records of Officers and Soldiers who have served in the British Army" leaflet published by the Public Record Office

The map illustrating this article was drawn from the 1839 Tithe Redemption Map of New Brentford, and the 1865 and 1896 - 25in. Ordnance Survey maps





## Past Meetings

### **July - Preserving the Past for the Future - Jeffery Packe**

Jeffery Packe is the U.K. representative for the Genealogical Society of Utah, and his talk centred on the work of this organisation in collecting and preserving Genealogical records. The centre piece is a five level Library in Salt Lake City which would be an Alladin's Cave to all Family historians. This is backed up by vaults in a granite mountain in Utah which holds 1 ¼ million reels of microfilm. From these microfilms, and other records, the International Genealogical Index (IGI) is made. The speaker showed with slides, the process of extracting the information from these films etc. and entering on a computer. All this work is done twice, where the two disagree a third person checks the difference. Then if there is 2 percent disagreement between the two overall a fourth person checks the other three. All this so the entries on the IGI are as accurate as possible. The information stored in the vaults contain nine billion names, which at the present rate of extraction will take 134 years to enter on the computer, and the records are still coming in. The size of the IGI was now posing problems, already there are an unwieldy number of fiche, there is a possibility of a super fiche, one which contracts the Bible to 1 ¼ square inch of Microfilm. The other possibility is on compact disc by 1990. The speaker made the point several times that the IGI is "ONLY AN INDEX" and should never be used as the end point of research. Always check the reference it gives, there are errors on the IGI, especially where the entry is not from the extraction programme.

### **August - Workshop Evening**

This evening was more a social event, meeting people and chatting shop occupied most of the time. There was some useful work done. The slips for the 1851 census for Brentford was roughly sorted into alphabetical order, prior to being entered on the computer. Others were extracting names from the 1851 census for part of Heston and Hounslow including, apparently, the Heston Lunatic Asylum. Work also progressed on Hillingdon Parish Registers and the Middlesex Marriage Index. All in all, a useful evening's work. (Vic Rosewarne)

### **September – Teddington 1660 to 1860 - Pamela Ching**

The speaker selected the above dates since after 1860, with the coming of the railway in 1863, the nature of Teddington as a village changed, particularly as the manor was sold for development in 1860, and it started to become a Victorian suburb of London. The earlier date represents the beginning of the Manor Court records with a fair amount of reliable information about the village.

Five sets of Hearth Tax lists have survived covering the period 1664 to 1674, and so much information could be gleaned from these. The speaker had been able to devise her own map giving some idea of where the houses were in those days, together with an idea of their size. Nearly all of them represented a straggle along the High Street which had a drainage ditch alongside it, it being the duty of the inhabitants to clean it out from time to time. There were about 75 houses all told, and the number of inhabitants would have been around 300, and an interesting feature in that one of the buildings housed a common oven for the use of the villagers.

At the time the village was surrounded by open fields, except for the plots around the houses, and a north and south common separated by the High Street. In 1800 an Enclosure award was made, and the maps produced along with other information, showed that the population was still only about 700 with 123 houses. There was a factory there then, dealing with bleaching, principally for the Scotch and Irish linen, but there was some connection also with candle making, as the wax for that needed to be bleached.

By 1851 the area was still very rural, and within the enclosure were 7 farmers occupying farms of about 100 acres each, with a population of still under 2,000, but Teddington was becoming a prestigious place to live, and many famous people moved there including Royalty. Some of these folk were the Rev. Stephen Hale who whilst a clergyman was also a well known scientist of his day. There was Margaret Waffington, the famous actress, Robert Udney a rich West Indian merchant, and R. Blackmore the author of Lorna Doone also lived there for a while.

After 1860 the area changed completely as hoards of new inhabitants moved in, with a demand for a gas supply which was met in 1869, so that by 1890 the population was in excess of 10,000, and the village had become a town of considerable size.

(Glyn Morgan)

## **October –**

At this meeting we had two speakers. Ken Cox spoke in the first half on “How Sure is Sure”. We hope to have an article based on this talk in a later journal. After our coffee break, we then had a short talk from Frank Hankins who was here on a visit from Canada. Many members will remember the articles on “Grandfather Thorpe’s Journal” which appeared in our Dec. 1984 and April 1985 Magazine. Mr. Hankins gave us a talk, illustrated with slides, showing how he had retraced his ancestors journey across Canada, then to Liverpool and London, using the evidence from the Journal. He had visited the places mentioned in the journal and even stayed at the same Hotel in Liverpool, the Adelphi, though the cost of a room had increased from 8 shillings a night with breakfast to £45! It was an interesting and amusing talk and gave a number of us the idea of doing something similar with our own ancestral trails.

## **HELP!!**

**HEMPSTEAD** - Albert and Martha HEMPSTEAD were married at Bury St. Edmunds in 1874. Sometime between 1874 and 1888 they came to Feltham where Albert was employed as a Matmaker instructor at St. Dunstan's Borstal, Feltham. They lived at 2 Railway Place at the time of the 1881 census. There were six children of the marriage; Albert Martin born 1874, Clara, Charlie, Alfred, Alice and William. If anyone can provide information on the latter five, their dates of birth or what became of them (or of any other Hempsteads) please write to:

**Mrs. R.C. Burgess, 7 Glebe, Broadhead Strand, Grahame Park, London NW9 5PS**

**WEBSTER** - Seeking information on, or descendants of, George & Sarah WEBSTER (nee GIBLETT) of Shepherd's Bush. Sarah died 16 Jan. 1881 aged 77. Children thought to be Emma, Elizabeth, Fanny, Henry, Harley, Ebenezer, James & Maria. Suggestions of likely sources appreciated.

**Miss J. Webster, 77 Chalfont St. Salisbury, Queensland 4107, Australia**

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## **One Name Studies**

### **INTERNATIONAL MOLYNEUX FAMILY ASSOCIATION**

Wesley L. Mullenneix of Naches, WA, USA, is to start a Molyneux Family Newsletter, to be offered to researchers in the U.S.A., Canada, New Zealand, Australia, and the U.K. The letter will consist of six pages and be distributed quarterly. Those interested in the U.K. should contact - (Enclosing an SAE):

**Mr. D.L Molyneux, 42 Keswick Road, Great Bookham, Leatherhead, Surrey KT23 4BH**

### **CULVERHOUSE - One Name Society**

Mrs. Valerie Norris has collected all the records of this name from St. Catherine's House to 1960, all entries on the IGI plus copies of many pre and post 1858 wills. She is interested in post 1837 registers not on the IGI and also census entries for Brentford, Chiswick and Kensington. Also, all books with a mention of Culverhouses. Any enquiries on this name, with an SAE, to:

**Mrs. V. A. Norris, 10 Queens Ave., Byfleet, Surrey KT14 7AD**

### **WEBB - ONE NAME REGISTER**

This aims to bring together, index and co-ordinate all Searches, Pedigrees and References to the name WEBB. All information to be placed in a Central Registry for the use of all members of the group. The group publishes a journal "The Weaver" the first two issues of which are in our Library. Any enquiries for membership or about the journal to the Hon. Sec./Editor:

**Mr. A.P. Weston-Webb, 20 Pinnockscroft, Berrow, Burnham-on-Sea, Somerset, TA8 2NF**

## The Postcard

Trevor Gibbons

My ancestors lived in the High Peak of Derbyshire (Rowsley and Darley Dale) certainly from 1538 until about 1850, and then they all seem to have gravitated to the Manchester area: that is all except one. May I explain?

A great Aunt who lived at Thornton Cleveleys, Lancashire, died in 1967, aged 90. Included in the few things she left was a picture postcard of Cleveleys, obviously about 1900; there was no message on it but it had been addressed to Miss Jessie Gibbons, Darley Dale House, 1 Inglis Road, Ealing, London. I had no idea who Miss Jessie was, and a mention of my interest in our journal evoked no response whatsoever. So then, I wrote to the local history librarian at Ealing, who checked Kelly's Directories for me. I was informed that a Henry Gibbons lived at that address from 1880 to 1915 and "the Misses Gibbons" from 1917 to 1940. (I already knew that a Henry Gibbons was born in 1841 in Darley Dale.)

Through a member of our society, I was able to obtain a copy of Henry's will, probate of which was granted in 1917. This gave the names of Henry's wife, his two sons and three daughters, one of whom was Jessie Gibbons. It also mentioned his grave which was in Hanwell cemetery. A visit to the cemetery, located the grave which gave full details of Henry Gibbons, his wife Eleanor and their three daughters.

Henry Gibbons will proved in 1917 states: "I hereby bequeath the exclusive right of burial in the grave in the City of Westminster, Hanwell which belongs to me, to my said three daughters as tenants in common.

The Cemetery Superintendent looked up details of the grave, and was able to name the present owners. They were two daughters of Henry Gibbons two sons. A letter to each of them elicited the information that neither of them knew about the grave, or that they owned it. They were quite astonished, and have since become very interested in their family history, and welcomed the fact that in me, they have found a hitherto unknown member of the family (we are cousins) who can supply them with much information.

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### UNIDENTIFIED GRAVE?

.....from the Daily Telegraph of 21 June 1986:

The Canadian Churchman carries a report that the Rector of the parish of Eye, Suffolk, spent eight years searching the parish registers for the name to match the initials HWP on the stone slab in his church.

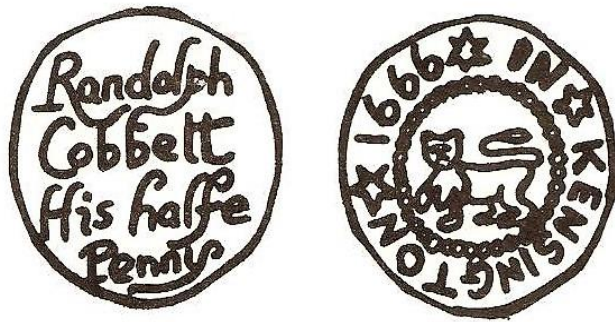
He finally solved the mystery. The initials stood for "hot water pipe". (Tony Humm)

### Trade Tokens of West Middlesex

Unlike us late 20th Century beings, pockets and purses weighed down with coins of all denominations, our forebears in the late 17th Century literally didn't have two halfpennies to rub together.

This was because the Commonwealth did not issue any copper coins during the Interregnum and this state of affairs continued until 1672 when a regal coinage was re-introduced.

This dearth of coin-of-the-realm resulted in a spate of unofficial or "token" coins, usually farthings or halfpennies, being issued by local authorities or tradesmen (and women) to meet the populations need for small change.



The token themselves were usually struck in copper or brass and sometimes lead. What is of interest to the family historian, however, is the fact that trade tokens sometimes include in their design any or all of the following:

- the name of the person issuing the tokens;
- his or her trade or occupation;
- their spouse's initials or name; and
- a pictorial device such as a family or trade guild coat-of-arms, tavern or shop sign, or
- a pun on his or her name.

Such inscriptions as "Robert Fisher of Anytown - His Halfe peny" together with a picture of a kingfisher have quite an appeal.

I have listed some of the trades-people who issued tokens in the towns and villages of West Middlesex during the period 1648-1672. The information was extracted from "Trade Tokens issued in the Seventeenth Century" by W. Boyne, edited by G.C.



Williamson, 1889-1891 (reprinted in 1967). Anyone wanting more detail should consult this book whether for West Middlesex or other parts of the United Kingdom.

It may be that someone will recognise the name of an ancestor and try to obtain one of their tokens as a somewhat unusual example of a forebear's individuality and, perhaps, sense of humour.

William Allen	Cranford	1669	Alice Kirton	Hammersmith	1668
John Bannester	Isleworth	-	Mary Knowles	Staines	-
John Barnitt	Staines	1653	Richard		
Thomas Belinger	Heston	1657	Lansborough	Isleworth	1669
John Begoun	Isleworth	-	(Lansrou)		
William Bond	Chiswick	1666	Richard Larchin	Isleworth	-
Abraham Bonifield	Staines	1669	Gervase Lawson	Acton	1667
Samuel Bratherick	Hampton	1669	James Lewis	Ealing	1666
George Brown	Chiswick	1668	John Moore	Brentford	1651
Thomas Bullmur	Acton	1664	Thomas Munden	Chelsea	1666
Henry Butte	Chelsea	1667	John Munn	Acton	1668
Thomas Cassell	Hammersmith	1667	George &		
John Cippis	Hammersmith	1668	Susan Page	Isleworth	1666
Henry Cleaver	Hounslow	-	John Perkins	Staines	1667
Randolph Cobbett	Kensington	1666	Gyles Pierce	Chiswick	-
John Coke	Chiswick	1670	Thomas Pocock	Isleworth	1666
Thomas Cole	Staines	1670	Richard Rance	Hampton	1666
William Cooke	Staines	-	John Reeve	Uxbridge	1669
Michael Croster	Uxbridge	-	William Renolds	Hammersmith	-
Daniel Dalton	Chelsea	-	John Richarson	Hammersmith	1668
Robert Davenport	Kensington	-	Thomas Roberts	Kensington	1664
William Eborn	Twickenham	1665	Peter Sammon	Kensington	1667
Anne Engelfield	Uxbridge	1664/8	Thomas Sexston	Acton	-
John Ering	Brentford	1669	Abraham Shears	Twickenham	1669
Thomas Evans	Uxbridge	-	Abraham Shewel	Isleworth	1666
Anne Finch	Acton	1667	William Simonds	Hammersmith	1668
John Fox	Fulham	1666	William Smeeth	Chiswick	-
William Freeman	Chelsea	1667	John Stamford	Chelsea	-
Matthew Garnatt	Hounslow	1668	Francis Stutsbury	Fulham	-
Joseph Gasquoyne	Chiswick	1658	Simon Sutton	Isleworth	1669
Zechariah Godwin	Uxbridge	1667	Edward Swift	Brentford	1668
Will Gunn	Uxbridge	-	Frances Tærrey	Hammersmith	-
John Gurney	Uxbridge	1670	John Tayler	Uxbridge	1666
Benet Hamon	Fulham	1650	Thomas Tayler	Uxbridge	-
William Harding	Hammersmith	1667	Richard Terrey	Hammersmith	-
John Harris	Hampton	-	John Triplet	Uxbridge	-
Matthew Harwell	Fulham	-	Richard Wates	Harmondsworth	1669
Elias Hirons	Hammersmith	1667	Francis Watts	Hammersmith	-
John Hobbs	Chiswick	1658	Adrian Westerman	Chelsea	1667
Thomas Hobbs	Brentford	-	John Williams	Twickenham	1669
Luke Ivory	Brentford	-	James Wilson	Acton	1669
Luke James	Uxbridge	-	Adam Wright	Hammersmith	1668



# New Members

We welcome the following new members to our Society

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C34 has been changed to E15 (same family)

E15	Mr. & Mrs EDWARDS	19 Wickham Close, Harefield, Uxbridge UB9 6QA
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## and their Surname Interests

ABLEY	18-19c	Dover	Ken L26	HAYLING	19c	Worcester	Wor H53
AGAR	18-19c	Farndale	Nry W54	HESTER	19c	Brentford	Mdx H50
ALLWRIGHT	18c	Bramley	Ham H51	HEWITT	19-20c	Islington	Mdx G36
AMBRIDGE	19c	Marylebone	Mdx H53	HOLDEN	1830	Lancashire	Lan B56
ANSON	pre 1790	Brentford, Chiswick, & Ealing	Mdx M35	HOWARD	18-19c	Horsell	Sry L26
ANSON	pre 1790	E. London	Lon M35	HUDSON	any	Barton-le- Willows	Nry W54
ASHTON	18-19c	Kirby		HUGILL	c1813	Hull	Yks W54
		Misperton	Nry W54	HULL	19-20c	London	Lon Q1
BAKER	18c	St. Pancras	Mdx R30	HUNT	19c	Chelsea & Hayes	Mdx G36
BALL	18-19c	Uxbridge & Ickenham	Mdx Q1	HURLEY	19c	Westminster	Mdx H52
BARBER	pre 1806	Harton/Bossal	Nry W54	JENNO	any	Bedfont & Feltham	Mdx B58
BARHAM	19c	Kent	Ken H51				
BARNES	19-20c	Trowbridge	Wil R29	KEAT(S)	17c	Stratfield Mortimer	Brk H51
BARNJUM	19c	Kingston	Sry R29				
BENNETT	1731	Lancashire	Lan B56	KELLY	19c	Westneath	Irl B56
BROMLEY	19c	Kent	Ken H51	KING	19-20c	Hayes	Mdx P40
BROWNING	18c	All	Dev B57	LAMSWOOD	18c	Dartmouth	Dev B57
CAMPBELL	any	Is. of Tiree	Arl W54	LANE	19c	Hounslow	Mdx H50
CHANEY	19c	Paddington	Mdx H53	LEPPARD	19c	Brighton	Ssx R29
CHAPMAN	17-19c	Bedfont & Hounslow	Mdx S66	LINES	19c	Holborn	Mdx H51
		London	Lon H51	LLOYD	18-19c	Pembroke	Pem P37
CLIFTON	19c	Suffolk	Sfk G36	LYONS	19c	Galway	Irl F19
COBBOLD	19c	St. Martins		MARSHALL	1870	Lancashire	Lan B56
COOMBS	19c	in the Fields	Mdx R29	MAT(T)HEW(S)	any	Barton-le- Willows	Nry W54
DEEKS	19c	Kedington	Sfk G36	MAY	18c	Trowbridge	Wil R29
DIMMOCK	18c	W. Drayton	Mdx D30	McCALL	pre1800	Is. of Tiree	Arl W54
DOHERNEY	19-20c	Sunbury	Mdx P40	McCOLL	pre1800	Is. of Tiree	Arl W54
ELLIOT	19c	Brighton	Ssx R29	MEADS	18-19c	Brentford	Mdx H50
FAGAN	19c	Dublin	Irl H51	MEEN	19c	Hanwell	Mdx M34
FARMER	1800	Stratfield Mortimer	Brk H51	MILES	18c	Stratfield Mortimer	Brk H51
FENNELL	19-20c	Sunbury & Bedfont	Mdx P40	MILES	18c	Kensington	Mdx R30
FISHER	19-20c	Heston & Hounslow	Mdx F18	MUDGE	c1880 - 1920	Fulham, Ealing & Acton	Mdx M35
	18-19c	Norwood	Mdx F18	MUMFORD	18c	Essex	Ess L26
	19-20c	Richmond	Sry F18	NAYLOR	19c	London	Lon H51
	18-19c	Wantage	Brk F18	NELSON	18-19c	Chelsea	Mdx N7
FLOOD	19c	Acton	Mdx F19	NEWLAND	19c	Poplar	Lon F19
FLUX	any	Hounslow	Mdx B58	NEWMAN	18c	W. Drayton	Mdx D30
FRITH	18c	Brentford	Mdx D30	NOTTINGHAM	19c	Fulham	Mdx H52
GENNO		see Jenno	B58	PEACOCK	any	Farndale	Nry W54
GIBLETT	any	Frome	Som W54		19c	Stockton	Dur W54
GINNO & GINNOW		see Jenno	B58	PENN	c1870	Southwark	Sry P37
GRANTHAM	1870	Kensington	Mdx H51	PILE	19-20c	Westminster	Mdx Q1
	1870	Stratfield Mortimer	Brk H51		19-20c	Willesden	Mdx Q1
GRAY	18c	Chiswick	Mdx D30	PORTER	pre1835	Pall Mall	Lon W54
HANLON	19-20c	Middx.	Mdx G36	PREOU	17-19c	Spitalsfields & Bethnal Green	Mdx B57
HANSON	19c	Marylebone	Mdx H51	PYM	19-20c	Bucks & Middx	G36
HARWOOD	19c	Fulham & Marylebone	Mdx H52	QUINTIN	1860	All	Eng H51
					19c	Ireland	Irl H51
					1840	Belgium	H51



RANDELL	19c	Hillingdon	Mdx G36	TILBURY	18-19c	Hillingdon &	
	18-19c	Brighton	Ssx G36			Uxbridge	Mdx B57
REDWORTH	18c	Hayes	Mdx R30	TILLIER	16c to	Bedfont, Feltham &	
ROOKE	18-19c	Ealing	Mdx S67	or TILLYER	20c	Harmondsworth	Mdx S66
ROSEWELL	19c	St. Pancras	Mdx G36	TUCKEY	19c	Brackley	Bkm H51
ROUTLEDGE	19-20c	London	Lon Q1	VERNON	19c	Whitehaven	Cul B57
RUDMAN	any	Trowbridge	Wil R29	WALTERS	19-20c	Kensington &	
RUSE		Suffolk	Sfk G36			Greenford	Mdx Q1
RUTTER	18-19c	Cowley	Mdx S67			London	Lon Q1
SEELEY	1700	Heston	Mdx L25	WEBB	18-20c	Feltham, Bedfont &	
	1850	Norwood	Mdx L25			Hounslow	Mdx S66
SHERBORN	any	Bedfont, Feltham,		WEBSTER	pre1800	Stockwell &	
		Ashford, Ealing & Acton	Mdx S66			Lambeth	Sry W54
SMITH	19c	St. Pancras	Mdx H52		c1810	Southwark	Sry W54
SPENNEWYN	19c	Middx.	Mdx R29		c1820	Finsbury	Mdx W54
SPITTLE	19c	Middx	Mdx G36		19c	Shepherds Bush	Mdx W54
STEVENS	19c	Chelmsford	Ess F19		c1900	Camberwell	Sry W54
STEVENS	18-19c	Horsell	Sry L26	WESTBURY	18-19c	Trowbridge	Wil R29
STRATTEN	1840's	Fulham	Mdx B56	WHITE	19c	Lambeth	Sry R29
SWIFT	19-20c	Middx	Mdx G36	WILKINSON	19c	Lincolnshire	Lin F19
TAYLOR	1840's	London	Lon B56	WOLGATE	c1800	Staines	Mdx S66
THIRKILL	any	Bradford	Yrk W53	WOODRUFF(E)	19-20c	London	Lon G36
THORPE	19-20c	Uxbridge &			19-20c	Suffolk	Sfk G36
		Kensington	Mdx Q1	YORK	20c	Middx	Mdx G36
THRELKELD	any	Cumbria	Cma W53	YOUNG	19-20c	Middx	Mdx G36

These lists of members surname interests are given in a condensed form so as to give as much information as possible in the minimum of space, and to make the search for names relatively easy. In most cases, the date will indicate a period, the place a general area. All counties are given according to the Chapman County Code, a full listing of which was given in the Members Surname Interests Book, just issued to all members.

## WHATS IN A NAME

### ATKINS

This name is derived from the Christian name Adam though it only retains one letter from its original form. In the 13th and 14th centuries Adam was the second or third favourite boys name and a number of surnames derive from it; Adams and Adamson being the most obvious. Other names derived from pet forms of the name like Ade or Adey. It was common practice at the time to add diminutives to Christian names, between father and son. Adding "kin" to a name was imported from the Flemish in the 12th century and added to pet forms of names, particularly used by the lower classes. The name thus became Adekin or Adkin, which is still a surname today, though far outnumbered by Atkins. In the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> centuries the "d" was sharpened to a 't' in pronunciation and a final "s" was added. Thus, by the 16th century when most names began to be regularly written down, it was done so as ATKINS.

## Notes & News

### **LECTURES AT THE PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE**

The PUBLIC RECORD OFFICE in conjunction with the NORTH MIDDLESEX F.H.S. is to resume its lunch time lectures on PRO sources. The first lecture will be given by Dr. Geoffrey Martin, the Keeper of the Public Records and will be on the History of the Office and its holdings. Lectures are held in the Committee Room at Chancery Lane at 12.00 for 12.30 on the second Thursday of each month, the first being on February 12th 1987. \_

### **HYPHENATED SURNAMES**

The Federation of Family History Societies is collaborating with Professor B.A. Kaplan in her study of Compound surnames. Little of a general nature has been published about the reason for this practice in Britain. If there are any instances in genealogies or otherwise known to anyone; a form is available from the Editor for filling in and returning to the researchers.

### **TICKNALL POTTERY**

In the 16th to 18th centuries Ticknall in South Derbyshire was a thriving pottery town making a coarse domestic ware. The pottery was sold throughout Eastern England but it is not known how widely. The only way of finding out, (there are no surviving business records) is by mention of the product in inventories. We would like any references found by Family Historians in their research to this particular ware - it was variously described as Ticknall, Tickenhall, Tichenhall or Tickney - to be sent to us, detailing the place, date, name, occupation of the person, and the inventory entry with its value. This will go into a filing index which will enable us to estimate the extent of the sale of the pottery.

**Janet Spavold, The South Derbyshire Local History Research Group,  
28 Wilfred Place, Ashby de la Zouch, Leics. LE6 5GW**

### **ONLY A "SCRAP OF PAPER" - NATIONAL ARMY MUSEUM EXHIBITION**

The National Army Museum has acquired a large number of letters, papers, diaries, telegrams, scrapbooks, newspapers, maps and much more, all written by soldiers. This collection covers almost 400 years of British Military History. From this considerable assemblage of paper, a small sample has been selected for display. The main theme that it illustrates is life in the Army, Recruiting, Food, Sport, Recreation and return to civilian life. There are also documents relating to famous soldiers, a letter describes how General Wolfe died in the writer's arms. The variety of items on display reveal much of the people who wrote them and the times in which they lived. The Exhibition opened on the 1 October and continues until 18 January 1987, at the **National Army Museum, Royal Hospital Road, London SW3 4HT**

## The Editor

On the 1 November, I attend a seminar for Editors held by the Federation of Family History Societies in Birmingham. It was a chance to meet the Editors of other Journals, to talk shop, and to learn from their experiences. I hope to incorporate some ideas gained from the meeting in the next journal. It was an informative day dealing with all aspects of producing a Family History Journal, from getting articles, to layout of the magazine, content, including illustrations, producing the best copy for the printer, to problems of copyright. It was this last that was the subject of much debate, especially where contributors send articles to two or more societies. If anyone does consider sending an article that has, or might, appear in another journal could they please indicate when they submit it, as this saves considerable aggravation between Editors of the journals concerned.

This Journal contains notes about three One Name Studies and these studies do seem to be a growing trend in researching family history. I find in doing a one name study you spread out the family tree, going sideways and forward in time to see where each branch leads, or in some cases doesn't. There is always another line to follow. Making a record of every occurrence of a surname shows the pattern of movement in the spread of a name. The decline in local industries, like the closing of many of the Cornish tin mines in the nineteenth century and the mass emigration by miners led to my own name being a rarity in Cornwall, there are now more Rosewarnes in Sheffield than there are in Cornwall.

Another factor in the diversification of surnames was the completion of a nationwide railway network by 1850 - which certainly sped up the spread of my own surname. I have found a one name study very rewarding, but if anyone is thinking of doing it for all the Smiths, I should warn them there were 250,000 in England and Wales at the time of the 1851 census, with 8,000 births being registered that year!

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## COMPUTER CENSUS

The Society of Genealogists is conducting a census of computer equipment and programmes being used by Family historians. A questionnaire is available at our meetings or direct from the Society of Genealogists for all who wish to take part. The survey is to provide a comprehensive index of hardware and software used in genealogy and as a means of putting people in touch with other users.

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