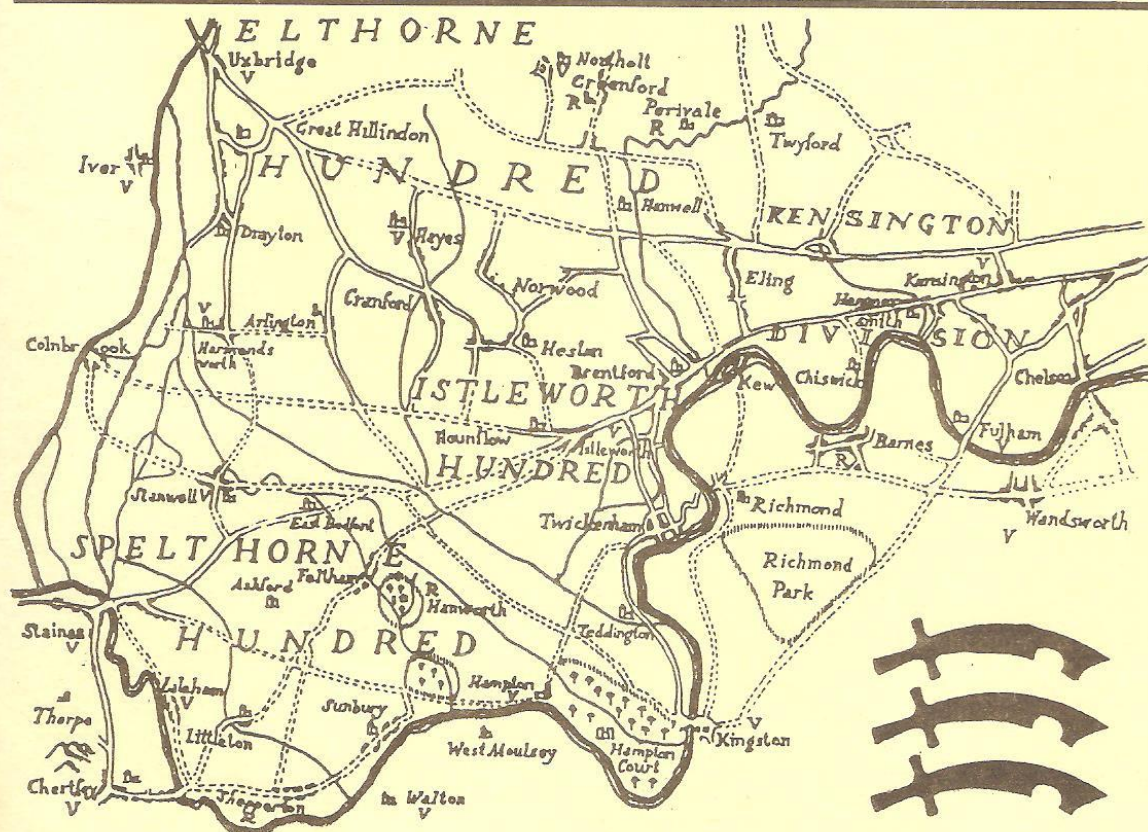


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## MESSAGE FROM YOUR CHAIRMAN

*Janet Huckle*

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Much was said at the AGM, and there is no doubt that (as was said at that meeting) 'the Society has continued to flourish due to the dedication and enthusiasm of a growing band of enthusiastic amateurs'. Our constitution states that we should be furthering the interests of historical work by research and conservation. This depends on the good offices of our members, who are looking to find something in the system. But think. Some- one, somewhere put that information into the system in the first place. Are you putting something back into it? It is not enough to say 'Oh, I have no research interests in West Middlesex ...' Well, neither do I, and neither do a lot of other members. But there have been, and there are now, people beavering away in your area of interest. As many members know, my hobby horse is to get many people helping. Yes, we do have a quite a few, but more are always needed. Some tasks are lengthy, like the 1881 Census Transcription, while some are easier, such as writing a meeting report or recording a war memorial. We have numerous projects on hand at the moment, so do offer your services in some way.

Mavis and Ken Sibley hold much reference material which can be consulted by members;

Wendy Mott has agreed to take on the role of Chairman of the Computer Group; Janet Haggar is distribution coordinator for the Marriage Index Computer Project;

Juliana Powney and Margaret Cornben keep our bookstall well stocked; Mary Mason has audio tapes of speakers, which can be borrowed by UK members;

Pam Morgan runs an efficient courier service;

Jill and Les Munson co-ordinate the 1881 census transcription project;

Robert Chandler is our postal contact for our 1851 census indexes;

Jim Devine runs our postal book service;

Mrs Harris sends out copies of the 1981 IGI in response to postal enquiries;

Ted Dunstall is coordinating the recording of war memorials in our area;

Mary Brown and Mary Bickle are at our welcome table at every meeting;

Freda Bingley gives everyone their name badge.

It is said that if you try to thank people by name you are bound to leave someone out. Well there's Mary and Julia, who have done the refreshments for years. Wendy and both Eileens who fill in at meetings where needed. Margaret and William who beaver away with the books and the Computer group. We have to thank husbands, wives and friends who tolerate what we do and by so doing support the work of the Society. God Bless you every one.

LAMAS 27th Local History Conference, held at the London Museum on 21st November, was over subscribed, and many disappointed people who had hoped to buy tickets at the door were turned away. Does this mean more people are interested in local history, or did the topic 'Feeding London' intrigue people? We heard that the diet of the poor in Medieval London was better because they were forced to eat vegetables and nuts, whilst the rich ate mostly meat. We learnt about the distribution of food in the 16th-18th centuries, and how the market gardens in south west London helped to feed the growing capital. A 1920s film showed the amount of labour used to unload food at the docks. The last lecture was on the rise of the Sainsbury family from one small shop to the supermarket chain of today. Did you know that Waitrose began trading in Acton? The enterprising Acton Local History Society were giving away a short history of the firm's connection with the area.

Brian Hardyman has written to say he is compiling a UK Glassmakers and Allied Trade Index. It has about 40,000 entries and he is prepared to extract any references in return for a SAE. He would appreciate any additions to the index, and his address is 26 St Anne's Drive, Coalpit Heath, Bristol BS17 2TH.

I did organise a Saturday trip to the Census Rooms at Chancery Lane in September, but only 2 members came. I am prepared to organise visits to the Census Rooms or St Catherine's House with beginners if anyone is interested.

I visited Hammersmith Local Archives recently, after I had found my way through their security system, the staff very pleasant and helpful (*see also page 21*). They hold the registers of St Paul's church, which have not been fully indexed. The first registers up to 1812 are in their comprehensive name card index. They are willing to let us undertake the task of indexing the later ones, which also means the information can be added to our marriage index. Is there anyone ready to help with this project; preferably someone retired as the office is only open in the morning on the first Saturday in the month'?

Did you see the letter in January issue of the Family Tree, complaining about indexes held by family history societies. The correspondent thought that they should be deposited in the appropriate record office and the Society of Genealogists, and that it was selfish of societies to charge for extracting information from them. Some of us felt very incensed by this, but instead of sending a sharp reply, I thought I should explain to you what we do. Like most societies, we have members who transcribe parish registers and others

who grub around ehureyards to record the tomb- stones. This information is checked and passed to the organiser. It is typed, indexed and checked, and then copies are sent to the appropriate record office, the vicar of the church, the local library for the local studies section, and the SoG. Go and look at our transcriptions and indexes in one of these places: the binder, maps and illustrations are provided by the organiser. The Society Treasurer is never asked to reimburse the members concerned. After this, as a service to members and other readers of our journal they are advertised, and a SAE and a small fee is requested. The money received does not cover the cost of the materials used; the indexer puts it aside for the next index. So why do they do it? Because they believe they should put something back into the hobby they enjoy and also they hope someone, somewhere, is indexing the information that they want.

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## **NEWS ROUNDUP**

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### **Isle of Wight FHS**

The Isle of Wight FHS is holding a one day conference on Saturday 15th May 1993 at the Melville Hotel, Sandown. The talks planned include 'Hatch and Match', 'Occupational Costume' and 'Victorian Crime'. Tickets cost £10, which includes a buffet lunch. For further details, please write to Mrs Hilary Lloyd, Rose Cottage, Burnt House Lane, Newport, IOW PO30 2PW, enclosing a SAE.

### **Society for Lincolnshire History and Archaeology**

They have a shop open to the public from Tuesday to Saturday (10am-4pm) at their headquarters at Jew's Court, Steep Hill, Lincoln. There is a wide range of books and articles on sale, some of them published by the Society, many of them dealing with Lincolshire history, including family history. Information can be found on enclosure and land ownership, notable houses and other buildings, village histories, etc. As well as welcoming personal callers, the volunteers are able to mail material and answer queries on information held. 'Write to the above address, care of Mrs and Mrs Dowson, enclosing a SAE. Please do not send them queries on the usual family history material (census, parish registers, etc).

### **Suffolk FHS**

A weekend conference is to be held at the University of Essex, Wivenhoe on the 3rd-5th September 1993. The subject is to be 'Conservation and the Family Historian'. For further details, write to Hon. Secretary, Dr Monica Barnett, 6 St Raphael Court, 28 Highfield Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP1 6DA, enclosing a large SAE.

### **West London Local History Conference**

'West London and the Wider World' is the title of this conference, to be held at Montague Hall, Hounslow on 20th March 1993 from 10am to 5pm.

We are the only *family* history society to participate, and this year we have been invited to give a presentation, called 'Australia here we come!' To my knowledge this is the first talk given by the society at a conference - come along and show your support! Tickets are £4.50 if obtained in advance (£5.00 on the door). Please contact R.I. Easing, 103 Engadine Street, London SW18 SDU.

### **Norfolk and Norwich Genealogical Society**

Coinciding with the Silver Jubilee Conference of the Norfolk and Norwich Genealogical Society, the Annual General Meeting of the Federation of Family History Societies will be held at the University of East Anglia, Norwich, from Friday 2nd April to Sunday 4th April. The theme for the conference will be 'Life in Stuart England'. Details may be obtained from the Conference Secretary, NNGS, Kirby House, 38B St Giles Street, Norwich NR2 1LL.

### **Hillingdon FHS**

Log books for the following schools have been transcribed: Ickenham Church of England School 1873-1929; Dawley Infants School, Harlington 1897-1910; Hayes Council School, Clayton Road 1906-1931; West Drayton Church of England School 1909-1946. For details, please contact Joyce Higgs, 16 Hyacinth Drive, Uxbridge UB10 9QW.

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## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

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The following meetings have been planned for 1993:

March 18th	<i>Coastguards</i> - a talk by Eileen Stage
April 15th	<i>Index Evening</i> - indexes held by the Society and its members
May 20th	<i>Railway Records at the PRO</i> - a talk by Cliff Edwards

The meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, at Montague Hall, Montague Road, Hounslow (just off the High Street), and start at 7.30 pm.

In addition, the computer group will be meeting on the first Thursday of alternate months during 1993. Forthcoming meetings, which will be held at Montague Hall, at 7.30 pm, are:

April 1st	<i>Members' Evening</i>
June 3rd	<i>Running Family History Programs Under Windows</i> - a talk by Dr Douglas Jopling

All are welcome.

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**POSTAL BOOK SERVICE***Jim Devine*

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The following are additional titles to the list published in the December 1992 Journal. Remember that this service is intended for members living outside the West Middlesex area. Members living locally are asked to make their own arrangements to obtain the books, and sources of supply can be obtained from the address below, if required.

Orders, with a cheque in Sterling please, to include postage and packing, and made out to West Middlesex FHS, should be sent to: *Jim Devine, 35 Ravendale Road, Sunbury-on-Thames, Middlesex TW16 6PJ (Tel. 0932-784397)*. Unfortunately, due to the high cost of postage, will overseas members please double all postal charges shown.

	Price	P/P	Total
The Battle of Brentford	5.00	1.00	6.00
Feltham and its Library (Past and Present)	1.00	0.35	1.35
A Stitch in Time (Clothes in West London)	2.50	0.50	3.00
History of Spring Grove	1.40	0.45	1.85
Staines in the Records Vol. I	5.00	1.00	6.00
Staines in the Records Vol. II	5.00	1.00	6.00
The charities of St Mary's Acton	1.25	0.30	1.55
Acton 1664-1674 Hearth Tax Assessment	2.00	0.55	2.55
Directory of Acton Laundries	3.50	0.75	4.25
Kensal New Town	2.00	0.50	2.50
The Fire Service of Staines and Ashford (Middx)	2.00	0.50	2.50
Ravenscourt	3.50	0.50	4.00
The West Drayton Enclosure	2.00	0.50	2.50
Medicine in the Parish of Fulham from the 14th Century. Fulham Hospital 1884-1959	5.00	1.00	6.00
Hammersmith Bridge	3.95	0.75	4.70
Fulham Bridge	5.00	1.00	6.00
The Place which is called Fulanham (Fulham from Roman times to 1939)	4.50	0.75	5.25
Popes Corner - Roman Catholic Institutions in Hammersmith and Fulham	2.25	0.50	2.75
Chiswick (by Warwick Droper)	12.00	2.00	14.00
Isleworth	0.50	0.40	0.90
Hammersmith Riverside (Personalities and Places)	4.00	0.65	4.65
The Story of Kew	4.95	0.50	5.45
On Q - The Q Theatre (by Kenneth Barrow)	10.00	2.00	12.00
Thornycroft (Shipbuilding and Motor Works in Chiswick)	2.00	0.40	2.40
Chiswick Library (100 years of service to the community)	2.50	0.75	3.25
Life and Work in Old Chiswick	4.00	0.75	4.75



Glimpses of Chiswick Place in History (by William P. Roe)	9.00	2.00	11.00
Stamford Brook (an affectionate portrait)	4.99	0.75	5.74
An Edwardian childhood in Bedford Park	3.50	0.50	4.00

Please note the following changes to the prices and availability of the books in the December Journal.

The Rectors of Acton	2.50	0.50	3.00
Soapsud Island	2.50	0.50	3.00
Acton 1484-1984	<i>Out of Print</i>		
Acton Schools 1817-1965	<i>Out of Print</i>		
The Middlesex Village Book	<i>Out of Print</i>		
Hounslow As It Was	3.60	0.55	4.15
Looking Back on Hounslow High St and District	3.60	0.55	4.15
Brentford As It Was	3.60	0.55	4.15
Isleworth As It Was	3.60	0.55	4.15
The Story of Ealing Common	3.00	0.50	3.50

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## **NETWORK 11 TAPE LIBRARY**

*Mary Mason*

The recording of our meetings continues to go well and most speakers for the coming year have agreed to be recorded. In November we recorded:

*So You think your Ancestor was a Publican* - Judith Hunter

I have a set of five tapes which were recorded at a conference in London on October 8th 1988. The 'Lure of London' Conference tapes can be hired in the same way from the tape library. They each have a London theme, as follows:

*A Metropolis in Transition* - John Landers

*The Came to London* - Anthony Camp

*Compelled to Weep* - Jim Golland

*Docklands* - John Neal

*Where to Find London Records* - Geoffrey Swinsfield

These tapes may be hired, at the cost of £1.25 including postage and "packing, for 14 days. Please make cheques payable to WMFHS. Please give name address and telephone number, and your FHS and membership number (UK members only) to *West Middlesex FHS Tape Library, 18A Gordon Road, Ashford, Middlesex TW153EU* .

This project for the West Middlesex area to which the Society is committed is a large one. All public memorials and those in various institutions, churches (all denominations), libraries, hospitals, public utilities, private companies, schools and clubs etc. are part of the inventory, and it is the latter that we need to seek out, being tucked away from general view, as well as the former. It would be very useful if members willing to help living in the areas covered by the WMFHS could investigate and report back even if they are unable to take it further.

There is an official record form which asks a great number of "questions about every aspect; basically location, type and aesthetic character (ornaments, lettering, style, sculpture), inscriptions and dedications, history (when and by whom). For our purposes the collection of data could be divided into three areas: names, dedications and inscriptions, photography, archives research history etc. and possibly helpers may prefer to do one or the other. All the data collated could eventually be subject to discussion. Good photographs would go a long way to help the visual descriptions required.

The areas in the interest of the society and the project are substantial (*see inside back cover for details*). So there is a great deal to do . . . volunteers please!

Will any member willing to help on the project, or obtain any information on war memorials, please contact the coordinator Ted Dunstall on 081-567-6156, anytime.

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**Public Record Office**

The PRO have extended the Saturday opening arrangements, introduced on an experimental basis last summer. Since September 1992, the number of readers visiting on a Saturday has been over 300, matching the weekday average, and there has been no apparent reduction in the number of weekday readers.

The renovation of the air conditioning system at Kew will lead to the closure of the Map and Large Document Reading Room on the second floor for a period during Spring 1993. During this period, large documents will be produced in the Group Visits Room on the first floor, but maps and plans will not be available. Readers are therefore advised to check in advance if they wish to consult maps and plans at Kew. Telephone 081-876- 3444 extn. 2486 to hear a recorded message of the latest information.

When you read this report we shall have begun our third year of transcribing for the 1881 Census. The National Project actually commenced with a meeting in Birmingham in March 1988. The West Middlesex Society's involvement started in earnest at our monthly meeting in February 1991.

Jill and I originally offered, at the previous October's meeting, along with several other members, to do some transcribing, and we think it was because of something we said, that we found ourselves at the February meeting as coordinators. Not surprisingly, since this was a new type of project, we underestimated the rush of volunteers we would have on that first evening, and found we had brought with us insufficient work and papers to issue. We were happy enough to list names, and spend the next few days packing and posting parcels of work.

Once the start of transcribing was announced in our Journal, we received a good number of volunteers who were willing to receive and return work by post. This gave members who were unable to attend our meetings an opportunity to take an active role in an important part of our activities.

From time to time, we have published in this Journal a brief progress report on the project. Since it is several months since our last report and we are two years into the project, it would seem an appropriate time to report, in some detail, on the amount of work we have undertaken, the amount completed and the work which remains.

For the benefit of members who have joined since we started, and others who will not readily recall our earlier reports, we must begin by explaining that the enumerator normally entered 25 names on each page of his book and was allocated a district that required him to complete about 35 pages, i.e. between 300 and 900 entries. This number is used to make up a 'batch' of work.

We have to date received 440 batches, each of which requires to be transcribed twice, by different transcribers, and then checked by a third person. A final verification is then made by resolving against a film any queries or discrepancies remaining, before despatching to the Management Centre for computer inputting. We have so far completed and returned 166 batches. Of the remaining batches only 95 have not yet been started, 177 have been or are in the process of being transcribed once, 134 are being or have been transcribed a second time, and 75 are in the checking stage.

Although many of our members have taken part, or are still taking part in this work, we still need to maintain the present level of effort to complete

our fair share of the total project, and new members particularly are invited to take part. We are aiming at completion by this time next year. It appears possible that other Middlesex societies, who have not completed before, will also complete at about the same time, thus projecting next year as the date of the publication of the Middlesex index. I must add that this is very much a personal 'guesstimate', and a goal for us to aim at rather than a prediction.

The hard facts upon which members can rely are that transcribing for over 25 counties has now been completed. The extensive work which still has to follow the transcribing and checking, part of and not least of which is evaluating and entering this information on computer, is keeping pace with the transcribing. The computer indexing, and eventually microfiche production takes place in Salt Lake City, USA. In the last few months new technology has become available to the project enabling laser printing to be employed on microfiche production, which gives clearer and sharper results easier to read on microfiche readers, as well as giving better photocopies from the microfiche. This new process will operate retroactively, and indexes already issued will be replaced.

The most requested items of information are which county indexes are already available? and which indexes are imminent? By the time this note is published, the following information will need updating, but the state of play at the end of last year was that county indexes have already been produced for Cambridgeshire, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Isle of Man, Rutland, Royal Navy and Cornwall. The next being prepared are The Channel Islands, Radnorshire and Somerset. Following these will come Anglesey, Carmarthenshire, Devonshire, Gloucestershire, Herefordshire, I-luntingdonshire, Leicestershire, Merionethshire and Oxfordshire.

At the March meeting we shall start issuing the most recently received batches of work. These cover the registration districts of Whitechapel, Hackney and Aldgate, some of the oldest and most interesting parts of Middlesex. Members who have not yet tried their hand at transcribing might like to transcribe one of these batches. We shall be happy to show you how easy it is - we are willing to issue on a sale or return basis!

### **West Middlesex Marriage Index Computer Project**

The transcription of the West Middlesex marriage index onto computer is continuing well. At the February meeting, batches were being distributed for inputting for surnames beginning with F, (we are working through batches which are partly sorted by bride's surname) so that we have a good indication of how we are progressing. We would welcome more helpers, so if you have access to a computer, and are willing to do some transcription, please contact the project co-ordinator, Janet Hagger, 9 Mandeville Road, Shepperton, Middlesex TW17 0AL.

*Richard Chapman*

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## AUNTIE BELLA'S PHOTO

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*Mary Horner*

From a young age, my interest in my mother's family history was aroused by hearing quite frequent stories recalling the discovery and ultimate identification of "Auntie Bella's photo".

Isabella was my greavgrandmother Kate's eldest sister. She had lived for most of her life in a cottage on the bridge at Wilton, a village near Ross, Herefordshire, surrounded in neighbouring villages by our large extended family. Following her death in 1947, the cottage was cleared, and discovered amongst her possessions was a faded old glass plate negative (one of the earliest forms of photography). For many years it lay forgotten, until Granny Kate reached her 80s.

By good fortune, just a couple of years before Gran died, a photographer in Hereford successfully produced from the plate a charming black and white photograph of two Victorian ladies. Although Granny Kate had often said that she had only vague memories of her mother, who had died when she was nine, to our delight she identified them as her mother and great-grandmother - and the resemblance was incredible! No more details, however, were recorded and only basic facts remembered. I often wished I knew how to find out about them, but I had no idea where to start.

An invitation to the retirement party of a colleague at work was the unexpected lucky chance I needed. During her farewell speech she mentioned that she was delighted to have more time to devote to genealogy. Later we spoke in more detail and her kindness and knowledge put me on the right road. My first step was to join family history societies in Hillingdon, Middlesex and Hereford, areas where I knew my ancestors had lived, and acting upon their advice, I started to seek help from relatives.

My Mum, who had wonderful memory with vivid recall, proved an invaluable source of accurate knowledge and I soon began to amass information. As I broadened my horizons, I became interested in my Dad's family, a subject which proved to be extremely colourful and interesting and something I found I knew relatively little about.

After a couple of years, with a box-room bursting with papers and books, I again took advice from family history committee members and invested in a second-hand computer, and began to compile and store many files full of information.

In December 1991 I read about an exhibition at Gunnersbury Park Museum of Victorian Clothing and went along armed with one of my folders, to see if anyone there could approximately date Auntie Bella's photo. The Curator,

Sarah Levitt, a friendly and easy to talk to lady, dated it within two years - 1854-56, which fitted exactly with my findings. She was immediately interested in the contents of the folder, particularly some studio photographs taken of my mother in the 1930s and 40s, as she grew from girlhood into a beautiful, and fashionable young woman with a stylish taste in clothes.

When Sarah learned I had so much other information at home, she suggested we have further meetings and asked me to consider compiling an exhibition for the museum. I could hardly believe my ears and as I left her, my momentary elation turned to panic - whatever could I include in an exhibition that would interest people in an ordinary working-class family?

My Dad's family (HEARN), had arrived in Chiswick from Ruislip at the turn of the century and my Mum's (HIGGINSON), from Hereford in the 1920s, but Sarah suggested we focus the exhibition on the years spanning 1920-1960, to include some of my own observations. Over the next nine months I worked closely with my parents, most especially my Mum, concentrating on more recent family history in an attempt to portray an outline of our family's life in Chiswick during that period.

We have always been an exceptionally close family and I thought I knew most there was to know, but what started as a trickle developed into a flow and I became more and more fascinated by their reminiscences. They remembered growing up in Chiswick, how they met at school, fell in love at 14 and married at 19; of various jobs they had had and the wages they had received; how their lives changed when War came; of being 'bombed out', of rationing and having to 'make do and mend'. Working from Brentford and Chiswick and then Hounslow Councils as he did for over 43 years, my Dad had many tales to tell. He also told interesting stories of Army days in the Bomb Disposal Unit he was posted to in Kent when he was 'called up', and of India, Singapore and Malaya.

Through the many photographs we have, my parents recalled fashions of the time, the clothes they wore, how much they cost and where they were bought. They remembered shops along Chiswick High Road (many of which my Mum had worked in) and landmarks such as the famous Chiswick Empire - now long gone. My Mum had a loft full of memorabilia and this, together with many articles which the museum was able to supply, helped to illustrate and recapture a feeling of the period and many of the incidents my parents had described. Sarah and I met regularly to discuss our mutual progress. At each meeting I would arrive with more stories and yet more bags of mementos that she would examine with interest, and which prompted more suggestions and projects for me to explore. I think I eventually supplied her with enough material for ten exhibitions, until in September 1992 the task of selecting items for inclusion and formulating the exhibition became necessary.

Tragically on 30th September, following an operation, my lovely Mum unexpectedly died and we were devastated. Initially my Dad and I, and indeed my whole family, were overwhelmed by our enormous sense of loss and pain and felt we could not continue with the exhibition. Sarah however, kindly offered to complete it for us. It was a difficult decision which took all our strength and courage but eventually we agreed as Mum had worked so hard towards its success, and I am now so glad we did.

The Grand Opening Preview was held on 3rd December 1992, when over 300 invited guests attended. The exhibition was opened by the Mayor and Mayoress of Hounslow, and will run from December 1992 until April 1994. It has been widely reported in the local press, we have received an enquiry from Womazfs Hour and there are now plans to publish a book, which as delighted me as the exhibition is really only the tip of the iceberg. So maybe it isn't quite the end of the story?

Sarah tells me that so far the exhibition has been very well attended and is proving a popular one that people can relate to. She anticipated that between 35-50,000 people will have visited the museum when it finishes. At times I have to pinch myself to be 'sure I am not dreaming!

I find family history fascinating and challenging. In the beginning it was often time consuming and hard work, with little to show for my efforts, but nothing could have prepared me for this. Never in my wildest dreams did I imagine that "Auntie Bella's photo" would someday provide me with unique opportunity to share with so many such a beautiful tribute to my beloved Mum.

*A Chiswick Family 1920-1960; A Tribute to a loving Mother may be seen at Gunnersbury Park Museum, London W3 8LQ. The museum is open daily, from 1 pm, admission free. For further details, contact the Curator, Sarah Levitt on 081-992-1612.*

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## **HELP!**

In a recent item in the Middlesex Chronicle, Mr William GATFIELD of Rayleigh, Essex, appealed for help from local historians concerning his gt-gt-grandfather, Daniel GATFIELD, who was born in Hanworth in 1771, and died there in 1842. A curious circumstance was revealed by Daniel's death certificate, which showed that although he died on October 20th, 1842, his death was not registered until 16 months later on February 13th, 1844. It was apparently necessary for the local coroner to carry out an inquest, which led to a verdict of death from natural causes. I have been researching the name GATFIELD in Hanworth, and this enquiry was passed on to me. I have contacted William GATFIELD and we are related through Daniel GATFIELD. We are wondering whether any members can help us with this family; also with the death mystery.

*Janet Hagger, 9 Maude ville Close, Sbepperton Middlesex TW1 7 0AL*

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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

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The following are the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of West Middlesex Family History Society, held at Montague Hall, Montague Road, Uxbridge, on 17th December 1992.

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

There were no apologies for absence.

### **2. Approval of Minutes of the AGM of 19th December 1991**

The minutes of Annual General Meeting of 19th December 1991 were read out by the Secretary. There were no matters arising, and the minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

### **3. Approval of Audited Accounts**

The Treasurer hoped the meeting had seen a copy of the accounts, which were largely self-explanatory. Unfortunately interest revenue was down this year, and would continue to go down. Membership at 30th September was 511, 8 down on last year. She asked for members to continue to take out covenants. Subscriptions had already been paid by 434 members for 1992-93. Bookstall sales were excellent and the advertisement inserted into the Family Tree Magazine had helped to sell more fiche. The £155.10 from Pamela Morgan, acting as St Catherine's House Courier, included £40 from the previous financial year. The Society was grateful for her services to members. Expenditure on the Hall had increased, because of bookings for the committee meetings and the computer group. The rates were favourable, thanks to Wendy Mott who booked the Hall. Postage for the 1881 transcription is for sending to transcribers: some occasionally claim postage for returning material. The cost of the Journal was up, postage had increased, and will go up again next year. There was a refund from the Post Office, which would appear in next year's accounts. There had been a big purchase this year of a computer and software. Vic Gale's marriage index was being put on the computer. The Treasurer thanked the Auditors, Malcolm Hailwood and Roger Minot and the Committee for their help during the year. The Chairman thanked her for all her work during the year. Acceptance of the accounts was proposed by Wendy Mott and seconded by Ted Dunstall. The accounts were approved unanimously and signed by the Chairman.

### **4. Appointment of Auditors**

Pamela Morgan proposed and Eileen Startin seconded that Malcolm Hailwood and Roger Minot be re-elected as Auditors, for the following year. This was agreed unanimously.



## **5. Chairman's Report**

The Chairman said the Society continued to flourish due to the dedication of a growing band of 'enthusiastic amateurs'. Despite many new members, we were still a small society and could not 'compete' with the number of projects undertaken by larger societies. This year, with the help of Lani Hern, we were able to set up a computer group. Lani has decided not to continue and the Society thanked her for helping the Society into the computer age. Wendy Mott had agreed to be Chairman of the group. It is open to all members with or without a computer. There were visiting speakers and there was a list available of the dates of the meetings. The first project was massive: the computerisation of the West Middlesex Marriage Index, including 50,000 events. Janet Hagger had agreed to be distribution coordinator, and is looking for volunteers to help with the task. William and Margaret Comben had worked hard and produced the programme and guidance material, and help with enquiries. Jill and Les Manson continue to coordinate the 1881 census transcription. As Middlesex is divided between 3 societies, the fiche will not be produced until the whole county has been transcribed. There was now a book postal service, thanks to Jim Devine. Edward (Ted) Dunstall had offered to coordinate the recording of the war memorials in the area. There is a hard working committee full of ideas. They are delighted to have had the support of Mary Beamson who had helped with the refreshments for many years, and Julia Zouch who has been the 'queen of catering' for a long time, and who wants to retire. Volunteers are wanted for these jobs. It is good that there are so many willing helpers. This was emphasised as some people believe we are paid. If you are not involved then you should be. The ethos and survival of any family history society depends on the work of many people Your Society needs you.

## **6. Election of Officers and Members of Committee**

Julia Zouch and Chris Hern were standing down from the Committee.

The following existing members of the Committee, having served for three years or more, offered themselves for re-election: Diana Bradley, Mary Brown, Janet Huckle, Juliana Powney, Mavis Sibley and Valerie Walker. They were proposed by Malcolm Haiiwood and seconded by Chris Watts, and were all elected unanimously.

The following members will continue to serve, but do not need to be re-elected as they have served less than three years in one continuous spell: Richard Chapman, Toni Davis, Carol Sweetland and Yvonne Woodbridge.

The following nominations for the committee had been received: Janet Hugger (prop. Janet Huckie, sec. Margaret Comben), Richard Knight (prop. Valerie Walker, sec. Yvonne Woodbridge). They were voted for en-bloc and elected unanimously.

**WEST MIDDLESEX FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY**

<b>Income</b>	<b>1991/92</b>	<b>1990/91</b>
1990/91 Subscriptions	17.00	1877.00
1991/92 Subscriptions	2021.30	1028.00
1992/93 Subscriptions	1571.00	18.00
Interest on COIF Charities Deposit Account	206.08	227.99
Interest on Barclays Higher Rate Deposit Account	215.35	324.66
Refund of tax on covenanted subscriptions	216.92	213.24
Bookstall sales	1678.27	1518.76
1851 Census Index Book Sales	104.75	105.55
1851 Census Index Microfiche Sales	615.95	833.53
Donations, research income	63.21	92.90
St Catherine's House Courier Service	155.10	-
Journal Advertising	9.00	5.00
Profit on refreshments	41.60	103.19
Profit on December raffle	40.00	50.00
Sale of old Journals	36.65	49.00
Hire of tapes of speakers at meetings	1.25	-
Miscellaneous other income	25.55	10.25

<u>£7018.98</u>	<u>£6457.07</u>
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**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 1992**

<b>Assets</b>		
Bank Balance	2376.24	3007.63
Charity Deposit Account (COIF) balance	2163.80	1957.72
Petty Cash	18.48	71.48
Bookstall Float	20.00	20.00
Bookstall Stock @ 25% discount	782.78	278.87
Census Index Volumes 1 and 2 at cost	177.00	269.00
Census Index Microfiche at cost	242.54	151.00
Film and Fiche viewers at cost (less 25%)	67.40	89.86
Projector Stand written down	1.00	1.00
Polylope stock for Journal mailing (4300)	141.90	44.65
1988 IGI Microfiche (less 25%)	99.56	132.75
Times Divorce Index (less 25%)	14.06	18.75
Boxes and display shelves for Library/Bookstall (-25%)	40.79	54.39
Refreshment Stock	10.00	30.00
Computer and relevant software - cost £1494.85 less depreciation £149.49	1345.36	-
	<u>£7500.91</u>	<u>£6127.10</u>

We have compared the above Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet with the Books and Vouchers of the Society and Certify that they are in accordance thereof.

M J F Hailwood and R Minot (Hon Auditors)

**STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1992**

<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>1991/92</b>	<b>1990/91</b>
Hire of Montague Hall for meetings, computer and committee	356.74	317.19
FFHS Subscriptions and insurance	171.31	144.30
Society of Genealogists Fair 1993 - Deposit	8.75	-
Membership of Cumbria and Hampshire Societies	11.50	4.50
Bookstall Purchases	1574.56	942.83
Bookstall Expenses	-	2.00
1851 Census Index Microfiche costs	242.88	180.95
Research Expenditure: (1881 Census 275.03; Other 32.49)	307.52	171.38
Journal Production costs	1934.35	1757.75
Journal Postal and labels costs incl. 5000 Polylopes	773.24	547.15
Library Purchases	126.51	62.51
Guest Speaker expenses	178.00	130.00
Committee Postage expenses	94.21	116.11
Stationery and Sundry expenses	160.17	244.11
County of Middlesex trust membership	5.00	-
Subscription to Hounslow Council for the Arts	5.00	15.00
Advertisement re. fiche in Family Tree Magazine	38.07	-
Members Interest Printing	-	450.00
Open Day - Rent of Hall and miscellaneous expenses	-	163.79
Tapes and other expenses in setting up recording of speakers	17.38	-
Depreciation: Film and fiche viewers	22.46	29.95
Boxes for Library/Bookstall, etc.	13.60	18.13
Times Divorce Index	4.69	6.25
1988 IGI Microfiche	33.19	44.25
Computer and Software (6 mths @ 20%)	149.49	-
Excess of Income over Expenditure	790.36	1108.92
	<u>£7018.98</u>	<u>£6457.07</u>

<b>Liabilities</b>		
Subscriptions paid in advance	1571.00	1046.00
Deposits	26.96	21.61

<b>Excess of Assets over Liabilities</b>	<u>5902.95</u>	<u>5059.49</u>
	<u>£7500.91</u>	<u>£6127.10</u>

V J Walker  
(Hon Treasurer)

In a similar manner, the following were proposed by Roger Minot and seconded by Wendy Mott as Officers of the Society:-

Chairman: Janet Huckle;  
Vice-Chairman: Juliana Powney;  
Secretary: Yvonne Woodbridge;  
Treasurer: Valerie Walker.

They were elected unanimously.

### **7. Any Other Business**

Vic Gale said that it was embarrassing to refer to the West Middlesex Marriage Index as his, since 50-60 members of the Society had contributed to it, without whom it would not be what it is today. He wanted someone to take it over, as he was not doing anything with it.

Chris Watts spoke on behalf of Society of Genealogists to thank the Society for the number of transcripts, etc. which had been donated during the past year. It was appreciated and made the work available to all. He thanked the Committee and volunteers for all their hard work during the year.

*Minutes communicated by the Secretary, Yvonne Woodbridge*

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### **Proposed Smallpox Hospital**

A panic has been caused at Isteworth through the guardians of the Brentford Union having resolved to build a smallpox and fever hospital, with accommodation for 20 patients in the garden of the Union Workhouse, upon a site approved by Mr Henley, the Inspector of the Local Government Board, for the use of pauper cases of the Union. Meetings have been held to protest against it, and a memorial signed by the inhabitants for presentation to the Local Government Board. On Thursday, at the usual weekly meeting of the Guardians, a deputation of seven gentlemen, headed by the Rev. Thomas Slade Jones of Holme-court came before the Board to induce the Guardians to reconsider the matter. Mr Ellis Jones said there were some 20,000 acres of land within the Union. Doubtless there were many eligible sites for building a hospital for the use of all the parishes, and he considered one should be adopted, instead of erecting a pest house in the parish of Isleworth, and within 80 or 100 feet of a workhouse, containing some 500 helpless paupers. Mr Moore, representative of the Duke of Northumberland, said he was of opinion that the adoption of the Guardians' suggestion would drive many persons from Isleworth. In the end the Guardians resolved to postpone the further consideration of the Committee's report till the next meeting of the Board.

(Extract from The Times, 31st March 1877)

*Wendy Mott*

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## DIRECTORY OF MEMBER' INTERESTS 1993

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Included in the centre of this issue is a form for entries in the fourth edition of the West Middlesex Family History Society's Directory of Members' Interests. As in previous years, the aim of this directory is to enable members to make contact with others sharing a common family interest. The format of the directory will be a simple *surname-period-area* layout, as is used regularly in the Journal for the interests of new members. However, in contrast to earlier editions, the directory will be produced on microfiche, rather than as a booklet. This will represent a considerable saving, both in terms of production and distribution, and fiche readers are now available in many libraries and record offices.

This year, the directory will include a full listing of all the current members and their addresses, not only those who have submitted interests. If you do not wish to register any surname interests, but do not object to your name and address being listed, you need not return the form. *If, however, you do not wish to have your name and address listed, you must indicate this in the appropriate space on the form, and return it.*

It is important to realise that the surname interests to be recorded in the 1993 directory will be based exclusively on the information returned on the forms provided with this issue of the Journal. Interests submitted by members when they join the Society are published on a once-only basis; they are not, at present, recorded in a permanent database of members' interests. Hence, if you wish your interests to be included in the 1993 Directory, you must complete the enclosed form and return it.

Completed forms should be sent to:

Richard Chapman,  
148, Vicarage Road,  
Sunbury-on-Thames,  
Middlesex TW16 7UB

with the envelope marked 'WMFHS'.

**TO BE CERTAIN OF INCLUSION IN THE DIRECTORY, FORMS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THIS ADDRESS BY 31ST MAY 1993 AT THE LATEST.**

Before attempting to fill out the form, please read the instructions below very carefully, and follow them as closely as possible. If there should remain any points about which you are uncertain, or which require further explanation, please use the space provided on the reverse of the form.

## **FILLING IN THE FORM**

These instructions have been compiled to make help you to fill in the form in such a way as to assist in the efficient and accurate compilation of the Directory. Please read them carefully.

### **General**

- Complete ALL parts of the form in **BLOCK CAPITALS**.
- Include your membership number where indicated; if you receive your Journal by post, you will be able to find it on the address label.
- The form contains space for a maximum of fifteen surname interests to be entered. Do not attempt to enter any more; any additional ones will be disregarded.
- For each surname interest that you wish to register, complete all four sections (Surname-Period-Area-County). Each line should be complete and self contained; do not use ditto marks on the form. Incomplete entries will not be included in the directory.
- If you are interested in all occurrences of a surname, you may enter 'ALL' in any of the second, third, or fourth columns of the form.
- You may wish to keep a copy of the completed form, for your own reference.

### **Surname**

- Surname interests should normally be a single name; it is assumed that a member checking the directory for a given surname will check for likely spelling variants himself; if necessary, however, a single spelling variant may be included in the "surname column. In this event, please spell out the variant explicitly, rather than using parentheses or obliques; these can sometimes be ambiguous.
- Enter only a surname in the first column; do not include details on particular individuals. If you have a problem in respect of an individual ancestor, you are advised to consider using the **HELP!** section of the Journal.

### **Period**

- Indicate the period for which you are interested in the surname in the specified area. This should be in one of the following formats: 1820-1890; circa 1740; before 1800; after 1812; 19th cent; 17-18th cent. Do not abbreviate the words further, or use any alternatives.

### **Area**

- Enter one town or parish only. If you are interested in a wider area around the specified parish, you may indicate this explicitly by, for example, 'Kensington area'.

### **County**

- Enter one English, Welsh, Scottish or Irish county. Overseas interests should be noted with an explanatory comment in the space on the reverse of the form. Please take care when indicating the county corresponding to the place you have entered. In particular, use 'London' for the City of London only, 'Middlesex.' for parishes in the - ancient county of Middlesex.

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## THE ARCHIVES OF HAMMERSMITH AND FULHAM

*Jerome Farrell*

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*In the following article, Jerome Farrell, Borough Archivist and Records Manager at Hammersmith and Fulham Archives and Local History Centre, gives an outline of the resources available at the new centre, which opened last summer.*

Like other local authorities, Hammersmith and Fulham is responsible for looking after a large collection of archives. These are mostly unique, handwritten records, dealing in some way with the administration of local government, which the Council has inherited from the past. Until recently our records were stored in unsatisfactory premises at Shepherds Bush Library, where there was a desperate space shortage, plus problems with a leaky roof and mould growing on some of our historical documents. In addition the two local collections (containing printed, rather than manuscript, material on the Borough's history, local newspapers, photographs, maps, etc.) were sited in two other parts of the Borough in premises with their own storage and space problems.

All this historical material is now under one roof in the centre of the Borough. A brand new Archives and Local History Centre opened last summer in 'The Lilla Huset' building in Talgarth Road, Hammersmith, close to the flyover - next door to the London Ark office development which has become a local landmark due to its unusual ship-like design. Despite the letters we get addressed 'Dear Ms Huset', the building's name comes not from a woman but from the Swedish for 'The Little House' (the architect is a naturalised Swede).

It is difficult to summarise our diverse archival holdings in a few words. Our oldest original document, a lease of land in Fulham written in Latin, dates from 1484, when Richard III was on the throne. At that date both Fulham and Hammersmith would have been tiny settlements surrounded by fields - hard to imagine today!) Vestry minutes (the precursors of the modern Council minutes) and accounts deal with all sorts of aspects of local life; fairly complete series survive from the 16203 onwards. Early ones refer to such matters as outbreaks of plague in Fulham and the arrival of soldiers in the neighbourhood during the Civil War. Pauper and workhouse records (pre-1834; later records are at the Greater London Record Office) tell the stories of the less fortunate members of local society, while letters can help bring individual people vividly to life - like our collection of correspondence between various members of the Bult family of Brook Green from the early 1800s, including some letters written by schoolchildren in beautiful copperplate handwriting. The rate books from the early 17th century on can

be useful for tracing the movements of named individuals and the approximate dates particular houses were built. Although most local parish records have been transferred from the churches to the Greater London Record Office, we do hold some records for St Paul's, Hamrnernsmith; an entry in the burial register for 1781 reminds us that traffic accidents were happening in Hamrnernsmith over 200 years ago - John Pagett, aged 32, was buried having been 'killed by a broad wheeled Waggon, going over him near the Hampshire Hog'.

Our collection of manuscript and printed material, all of which has some local connection, fills over a mile and a half of shelving in our new building's strongroom. This has been designed with long-term document preservation in mind and includes controlled environment conditions, with temperature and humidity remaining constant and at the levels needed to avoid deterioration to paper and parchment. The new building also incorporates a fully-equipped conservation laboratory where fragile items can be expertly repaired and any further deterioration prevented. Our holdings also include maps, photographs, local newspapers from the 1850s onwards, census returns for the area (those for 1851 indexed by personal name) on microfilm and microfiche, and collections of paintings and pottery items produced locally.

Around half the visitors to our public searchroom, which can seat twelve including four microfilm/fiche users, are family historians. Often they have come from far afield in pursuit of Hammersmith and Fulham ancestors, making use of our names indexes, street directories, electoral registers, census returns, rate books, vestry records, church registers and so on. Other visitors are interested in the history of their house or are conducting some kind of local history research, sometimes for a thesis or book, or they may be schoolchildren doing project work. Unlike our previous premises, the new centre is 'user-friendly' for people with disabilities, and we share a gallery area in the building which can be used for exhibitions and events.

Anyone is welcome to visit us. We are usually open on Mondays 9.30 - 8.00 pm, and on Tuesdays and Thursdays. (and the first Saturday in the month), 9.30 - 1.00 pm. Please note however that a prior appointment is essential - this can be made on 081-741-5159.

Finally, we are always keen to enlarge our collection. If you have any documents or photographs relating to this area and would be willing to donate or loan them to us, we would love to hear from you. Old photographs can be copied and the originals returned to you - you will then have ensured that something of yours is preserved for posterity.



Among a small collection of archive material held at Brentford Library, is a manuscript list of the inhabitants of New Brentford, dated 1810. The manuscript (MS 17782) contains the details of 297 houses, the information recorded in each case being as follows: tenants' names, by how many families occupied, number of males, number of females, whether uninhabited, number of families employed in agriculture, number of families employed in trade, manufacture or handicraft, number of families not included in the previous two classes. An index to this document appeared in an early issue of this Journal (Vol. 2, Number 2, 1981), but it is Worth drawing attention to it for those with Brentford ancestors, especially as its existence is not widely known. The survey begins with James Clitherow, Lord of Boston Manor. A number of place names are also mentioned, and it is clear that the recorder covered the north side of the High Street, sweeping west towards the Grand Junction Canal, before crossing to the south side, and working east along the High Street again. The full details are too extensive to include here but a list of the surnames that appear, obtained from a recent transcription of this document, is printed below. If anyone would like more detailed information, please write to the Editor, enclosing a SAE.

ALLAWAY, ALLEN, ANDREWS, ARUNDELL, ASHLEY, ATKINS, AVERY, BANKS, BARNES, BEEZLEY, BISHOP, BLACKMAN, BOLTON, BOSWELL, BOURNE, BOXALL, BRICE, BRIGHT, BROWN, BURROWS, CALDWALL, CAREY, CARRINGTON, CARTER, CAUDWELL, CHANDLER, CHAPMAN, CHILD, CLARK, CLARKE, CLITHEROW, COBLEY, COLE, COLEMAN, COLLETT, COLLINS, COLSHELL, COOK, COOKE, COOMBS, COPE, CORNISH, CORSON, COX, COZENS, CRIGHTON, CRUMP, DALE, DAVIS, DENNIS, DENYER, DOWBRITZ, DOWDEN, DREW, DRINKWATER, DYER, EAST, EASTWOOD, EDGINTON, ELDERFIELD, ELLIS, EYLES, FARRAR, FISHLOCK, FLOWER, FRANCIS, FRANKLIN, FRIEND, FROST, FULKER, GAYLOR, GINGER, GLOVER, GRAY, GREEN, GREENLAW, GREGORY, GRIFFITHS, GRUBB, GUNTRIPT, HALL, HAMMELBURG, HAMPTON, HARDING, HARRIS, HARTOP, HAYNES, HEARN, HEATHER, HERRINSHAW, HIDEMAN, HIERONS, HINDMAN, HINGE, HOBBS, HOBDAY, HOLLAND, HOLLIS, HOLMES, HONEY, HOWARD, HOWELL, HUGHES, HUNT, JAMES, JEFFRIES, JENNINGS, JONES, KIMBER, KING, KISSELL, KNIGHT, LAMBERT, LAND, LASSAM, LEADER, LEE, LEWIS, LINDLEY, LOUCH, MABLEY, MAGSON, MAINWOOD, MAITLAND, MARSDEN, MARSHALL, MATTHEWS, MERRILL, MONTGOMERY, MORRIS, MORTEMORE, NAIRN, NAPPER, NEW, NIBBS, NORBURY, NUNN, OAKSHOT, PAGE, PALMER, PARKER, PARSLEY, PARSONS, PARTRIDGE, PAYNE, PAYS, PEARCE, PEAT, PELTON, PEPPER, PETERS, PICKERING, PIERCY, PIPER, PITT, PLANK, PLATT, POVEY, POWELL, PRICE, PURKIS, QUINION, RADBURN, RADCLIFFE, RAPKINS, RAWLINS, READING, REYNOLDS, RICHARDSON, RIPPINGTON, ROBINSON, RONALDS, ROOKE, ROWLEY, RUGGILS,

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## THE AGNES RING

Janet Huckle

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My mother (Phoebe Jane Eugenie) gave me a pretty little ring which she says had belonged to my aunt (Amy Harriet). As the sketch opposite shows, the name Agnes is engraved on the back of the ring and looking back on my family names, I found that nobody in our family had that name, so it must have belonged to one of Anly's many friends. It is a mourning ring, containing some hair in the centre and surrounded by small seed pearls in a gold clasp setting. I like the ring, it is frequently admired, so I wear it often.

I manage to keep myself busy and so a visit to a record source is always a treat and I do a lot of preparation before I go. My aim is to trace my ancestors through the male line as far back as I can go. Information on siblings, marriages and offspring I note as they are revealed but are actually only searched for to aid my quest for my ancestry. It is always good to travel with a friend, and Wendy Mott and I visited the Census Rooms together - my first visit to the new premises. One of my self imposed tasks was to try to locate Charles Francis Black and Jessie Berry in the 1891 Census. I felt fairly confident as I had their marriage certificate for December 1891. I found Jessie at home in Islington.

Ellen Clark Head Wid (?)3 Monthly Nurse[Sick] Surrey, Bermondsey

Jessie Berry Daur S 18 Carpet Sewer[Cabt] Do. Do.

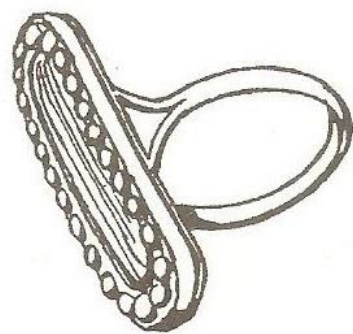
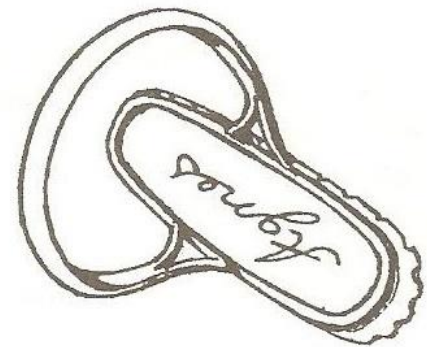
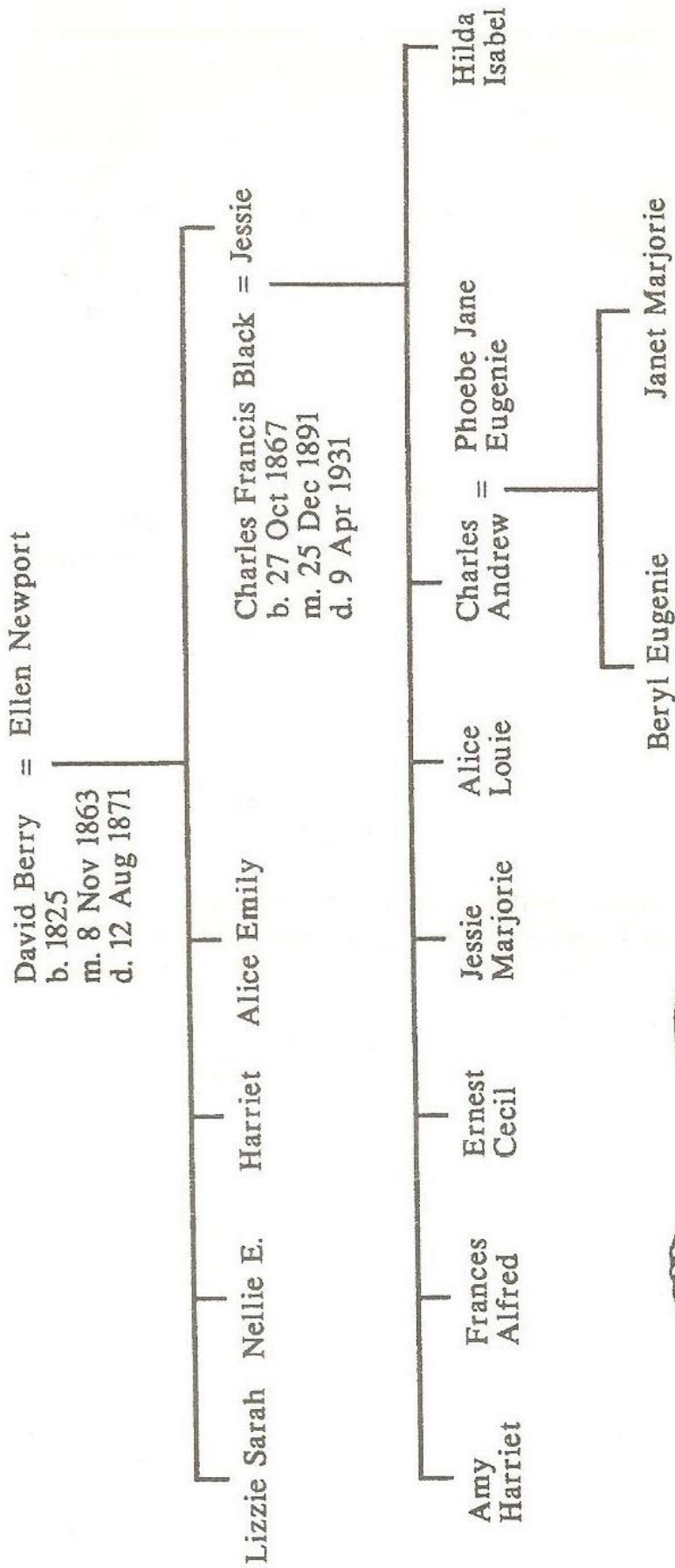
Agnes Jane Clark Daur 11 Scholar Lond, Islington

The significance of this find did not register until I was sitting in the Underground, on my way home. I had to shout across the carriage to Wendy who shared my excitement. Jessie's father had died of smallpox before she was born, There are some contradictions over Ellen's actual age but obviously she married and was widowed for a second time. I have yet to find out if she and Mr Clark had any other children, but it would appear that Agnes died fairly young hence the mourning ring. I said that I try to trace the male line but this yet one more fascinating little tale that I must follow. I suppose the moral is to find out all that you can ...

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SANDERS, SAUNDERS, SAXTON, SCOTT, SEXTON, SHACKLER, SHIELDS, SHUTTER, SIMMONDS, SIMS, SMITH, SNAP, SNOWDON, SQUIRES, STENSON, STEPHENSON, STEPTOE, STEVENS, STIMPSON, STOKES, STREET, STUMP, TAYLOR, THOMPSON, THORNTON THOROGOOD, TOMLIN, TOMSON, TOONE, TOWNSEND, TRIMMER, TUCKFIELD, TUNSTALL, TURNER, UPJOHN, VALLENS, WALE, WALKER, WALKLING, WARD, WARREN, WATERS, WATTS, WEBB, WELCH, WENMAN, WESTBROOK, WESTON, WHEELER, WHITE, WILKINS, WILKINSON, WILLIAMS, WINBUSH, WING, WINKWORTH, WISE, WOOD, WOODBRIDGE, WOODS, WRIGHT, ZINZAN .



The earliest mention I can find of the general area of Kenway Road, Earls Court, suggests that in the 16th century it was part of the holding known as Courtfield. By 1694, a part on the south-west side of the holding had become known as Fouracre Courtfield, and part of this later became known as Home Field. The tenants of the Manor of Earls Court in the 17th century were the Arnold family. In 1793 part of the area was bought by John Hunter, the Surgeon, only months before his death. The land then seems to have been bought from Hunter's estate, and part, including Pound Field, sold on in 1805 to Thomas Smith, who built a great deal in Chelsea. Pound Field is roughly the area now called the 'Earls Court Village'.

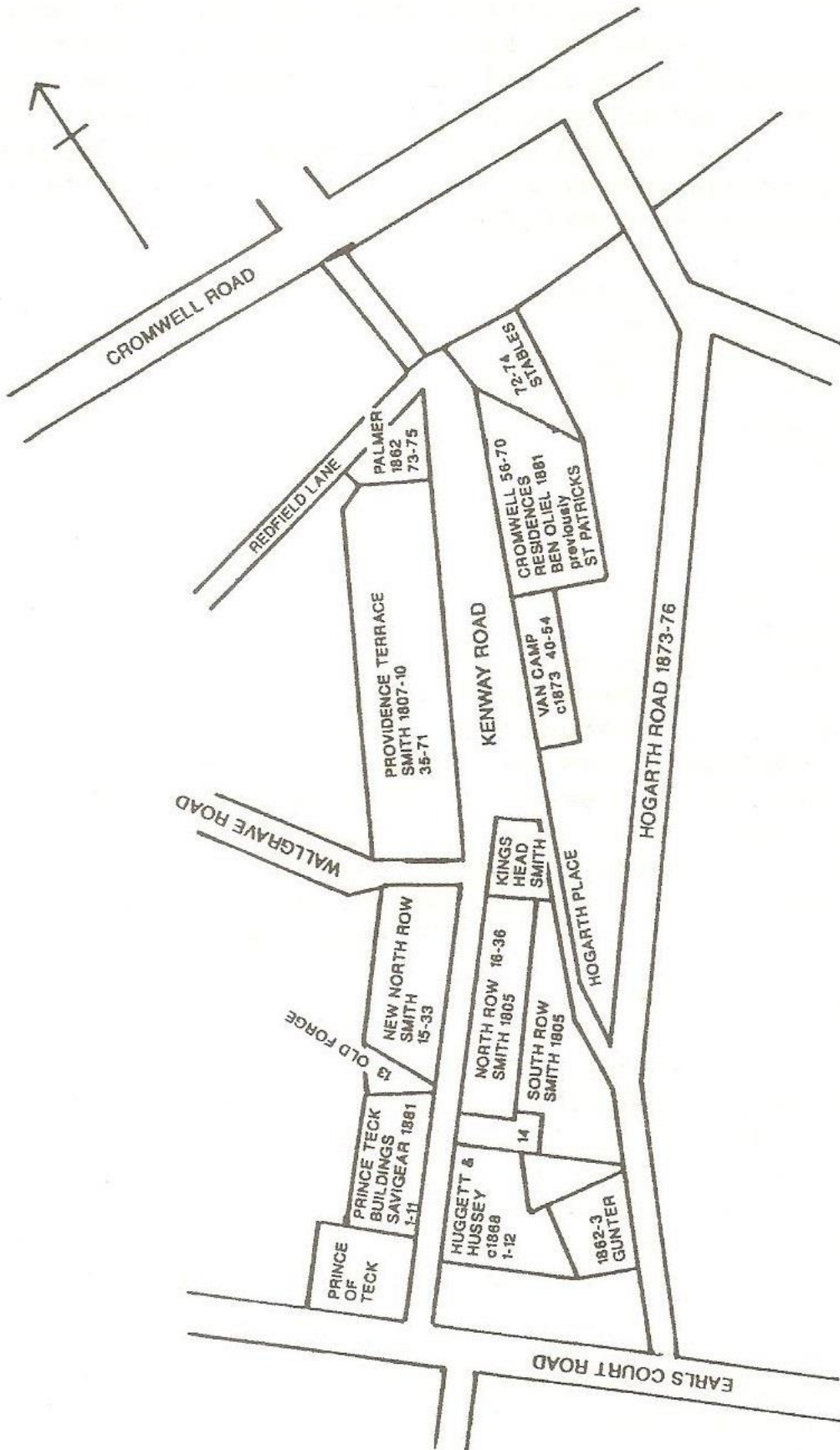
Kenway Road was formed in 1908 from a number of 'Buildings' of various names, and renumbered to run approximately south-west to north-east from the Earls Court Road to Cromwell Road, with pedestrian-only access to Cromwell Road, this section being the last remaining part of 'Barrows Walk'. In 1872 Lord Kensington's surveyors resisted any widening or roadway through as 'It would throw open a low neighbourhood to the detriment of adjoining property'.

The first houses in the present Kenway Road were what are now numbers 16-36, which were built for Thomas Smith about 1805, and called North Row. He also had the public house, The King's Head, built.

In about 1807, Smith had numbers 35-71 built, and these were first known as Manor Terrace, then Earls Court Terrace and last and longest as Providence Terrace. Numbers 37, 39, 69 and 71 (current numbers) were refaced around 1871, and 71 was raised and refaced in 1885, all by Joseph Richmond. Later in the 1820s, Smith had New North Row built, but died before the properties were completed, this being done by his widow about 1825. These houses are now numbers 15-33.

In 1862 John Palmer built 73-77 Kenway Road, which were known as 1a and 1b, Providence Terrace. Probably about 1868, when they certainly built 147-159 Earls Court Road for Lord Kensington, and the Prince of Teck public house for themselves, Thomas Huggett and Thomas Hussey built what is now 2-12 Kenway Road on land bought from James and Robert Gunter.

On 21st April 1868 there was an auction sale by Messrs Metcalfe and Mercer, of Mincing Lane, at Tokenhouse Yard, of 1-19 Providence Terrace, 1-2 and 4-9 South Row, and 1-10 North Row, and the Kings Head, for CW. Wallgrave. The Particulars of Sale show that the Providence Terrace .



houses ('Four Bedrooms, Two Sitting Rooms, Kitchen, Coal Cellar and other conveniences with Back Garden and Fore Court') were let at yearly rentals varying between £20-£28, while the Kings Head ('Seven Bedrooms, Bar, Three Parlours, Excellent & Commodious Cellarage, Wash-house, Yard etc.') was let on a 31 year lease, expiring at Christmas 1869, to Messrs Hoare, Brewers. Numbers 1,2 and 3 North Row were let on monthly rents of £1.10.0, 4 at £1.20, 5,6 and 7 at £1.4.0, 8 at £1.4.0, and 9 and 10 at £1.2.0 per month. Numbers 1-2 and 4-9 South Row were also included in the sale. South Row is now Hogarth Place.

Hogarth Place was developed from scratch between about 1873-76 by J.L. Tomlin, solicitor to the Gunter family, and numbers 9-35 were built by J.F. Van Camp, who also built for himself what are now 40-54 Kenway Road, but which were originally known as 1-4 Kenway Road, on land he bought from Tomlin in 1875. Number 38 must have been made from the rear of the Hogarth Road, as have the shops on the east side of Hogarth Place.

In 1872 the builder, Matthew Scott, proposed the erection of a 'handsome but small church' on land then belonging to the Metropolitan District Railway Company. In February 1872, the Rev. S.C. Haines, Vicar of St Matthias in Warwick Road, which was then nearing completion in stone, decided to re-erect the temporary 'iron' church which had stood on the site of St Matthias on what is now 56-70 Kenway Road. In 1873 a foundation stone was laid on 17th March, St Patrick's Day (the patronal saint) by Lord Eliot. In 1874 the land was sold to the Rev. S.C. Haines by the Metropolitan and District Railway Company. In 1876 it was leased by the Rev. A.G.H. Harding for £3,500 from the Rev. S.C. Haines 'for the exclusive purpose of establishing a permanent church for the services of the Church of England'. The north east boundary of the site is shown as 'Raspberry Lane'. In January 1878, the Rev. M.M. Ben Oriel took over the lease for 'the iron church sometimes called as St Patrick's and afterwards St Margaret's'. The services were extremely 'high'. However in September 1879 the iron church was burnt down. At least seven fire engines (both steam and manual) from as far afield as Paddington and Westminster were called, and the fire lasted over four hours. The church was totally destroyed, as were three houses in the adjoining Hogarth Road. The cause of the fire appears to have remained a mystery. A design for the church had been drawn up by Henry Conybeare, a local architect, who used the design he had made for Holy Trinity, Dorchester, Dorset, which was also never built. The Bishop of London indicated that there was no future in trying to rebuild on the site, as he would not consecrate or licence any church on that site, as there were so many others nearby (St Jude's, St Phillip's, St Matthias' and St Luke's). In 1881 the Rev. M.M. Ben Oriel persuaded the Rev. S.C. Haines, by then retired and living in France, to lift the building restriction and permit a secular use. A building of eight shops, with flats above and known as Cromwell

Residences, was designed by Hugh Roumieu Gough, a well known church architect, and built by S. Belham and Co. However, Mr Ben Oriel appeared to have been no business man, and in 1887 the Gresham Life Assurance Company foreclosed on him for the sum of £12,474.15.6.

In 1881 Savigear, landlord of the Prince of Teck, built adjoining Prince Teck Buildings, number 113 Kenway Road. What is now number 13, the old forge, was known as Robinsons Yard, and was a livery stable.

I have not been able to trace the developer or date of what is now 14 Kenway Road, down its own little passage. It was the St Matthias Mission rooms, and was used 'for the care of infants by day' (1881 census). In the 1885 Overseers Notes the stables of 5 Knaresborough Place are shown as opening into Kenway Road, on the old Raspberry Lane ground, and in the 1895 book, number 13 Cromwell Residences is shown as stables for Lord Frederick Chelmsford who lived at 5 Knaresborough Place. Number 14 is also listed that year but no details are given.

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### Trades in West Middlesax 1846: Omnibus Proprietors

Hannon, William & Co	King St, Hammersmith - To London every 1/4 hour
Hardwick, John	South St, Hammersmith
Hartley, Richard	Walham Green
Haynes, Stephen	King St, Twickenham - King's Head, hourly
Ives, Thomas	6 times a day from the "Castle" and "New" inns (Ealing)
King, John	High Street, Fulham
Powell, Thomas	Turnham Green
Till, Pearson	"Eight Bells", Bridge St, every 10 min, 8 am - 9.30 pm (Fulham)
Watson, Thomas	Shepherds Bush
Webb, George	Fulham

Extracted from Post Office Directory of Middlesex, 1846 (Kelly and Co.) by Robert Hyatt. Mr Hyatt has also indicated that he is willing to check surnames (not extractions of common surnames) in his copy of the above directory for any member. Please contact him at *13 Albert Road, Hcndon, London NW4 2SH.*

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### 1981 IGI Postal Service

Members are reminded that a set of fiches of the 1981 IGI is available for them to borrow. Requests, giving name and county, and accompanied by a SAE, not less than 4.5" x 6.5", should be sent to *Mrs M. Harris*, 'Straddles' Ramsey Road, West Wellow, Ramsey, Hampshire S051 6EB. All requests shoals show membership number, and should not exceed three names at any one time. The loan period is three weeks.

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## WHO WAS JILLY ?

*Lesley Bairstow*

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I was loathe to replace the photograph albums into the dark cupboard under the stairs, although there was nowhere else to put them. 'It's awful,' I thought, 'there must be someone who would be overjoyed to have these.'

These albums were special. Between the thick paper leaves were many beautiful pictures of a little girl who had grown up in the twenties. Whoever had taken them had a professional eye, because apart from the more usual snaps, there were artistic studies of the child Jilly and her mother. 'They were tastefully dressed in the style of the time. The girl, distinctively elegant with her hair in pudding-basin style, was portrayed pushing a pram, with a horse, playing in the spacious garden - all natural, delightful and poignant.

My son found the collection in 1979 when they had been thrown into a skip in a local street in Chelsea. He was then 10 years old and often raked about in skips when he suspected that a 'clear out' was going on. It's amazing the treasure he found.

Among the albums were various papers, which included a document connected to an Oxford college, a bank book, personal letters from a wife, and some material with Kodak on it. I suspected that this person had worked for that company and had his photographs specially processed there. Captain John Martin Hanchard Goodwin was the owner.

So that July 1991, I wrote to Family Tree magazine with all these clues and was happy to receive a reply. It came from a man in Sussex whose aunts were cousins of the captain. However, a few days later I was standing outside my front door, casually saying goodbye to my daughter, when a distinguished looking man strode purposefully up and thrust an old photo into my hand. 'Do you recognise these people ?' he asked. They looked totally unfamiliar to me, and it turned out that he was the halfbrother of Captain Hanchard Goodwin. He had quite naturally assumed that I was related.

Ernest Goodwin, 1871-1944, had married twice, and the first marriage which produced John, ended in 1915. The second marriage dated from 1920 and there were eight children. My visitor, Mr L. Goodwin, was one of these. Ernest Goodwin adopted the additional name of Hanchard from his maternal grandmother. The family is an old one, descended from Huguenots who came to England to escape persecution in 1685.

Mr Goodwin was highly delighted with the collection, and by February 1992 he had located the little girl. She was living in Canada, so he planned



to give the papers to her sister in England, who he had found after many false starts. I felt well satisfied with this, but I was surprised and delighted to receive a letter from the 'little girl' in Ontario, thanking me for rescuing the photographs. She hopes to be in this country soon.

I miss those photographs, I grew to feel they belonged to me, but I am so happy to think of the look on Gillian's face when she sees her childhood laid out, her handsome father in his smart army uniform, and her mother's innermost thoughts expressed in the letters. They are truly liberated from the dark cupboard.

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### **The Teddington Index**

In addition to researching his own family, and building up an index for a one-name study of the name NELLER, David Neller is also a keen social and labour historian. At present, David is researching in Teddington, where he has lived for the past sixteen years. Inevitably this has resulted in him returning to the same sources time and again.

David has therefore embarked on a project to Index all local sources by name, family and address, in both database and text formats. By recording and incorporating information from a variety of sources into biographical files, a relational index will be produced that will show the progress of the lives of Teddington people from birth to burial.

Concentrating first on 19th century records, David has already built up an index of 9,200 names. Whilst this represents a mere fraction of all those recorded in Teddington, it has already helped with local history projects and in time should be of considerable benefit to all those engaged in local history and family history in the area.

Teddington has a very old parish church which at one time was popular as a wedding venue for couples with no local connections. During one period the number of marriages each year far exceeded the total number of Teddington people of marriageable age. This, plus David's index of places of birth, suggests that the index could be of help to a wider area of research.

David is expanding the index by around 300 records a week, and would like to hear from any members with suggestions of alternative sources; unwanted certificates or slips concerning Teddington. He would particularly like to hear from anyone with information concerning 19th century Teddington families such as ABBETT, CHILDS, KEMP, KIPPS, LEMON, MESSENGER, MOSCROP, PAIN and TOZER.

In return, David is willing to search his fast expanding Teddington Index for no charge to WMFHS members who include a SAE. Please contact *David Neller, Teddington Index, 8 Elleray Road, Teddington, Middlesex TW11 0HG.*

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## PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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### Errors I have made – Glyn Morgan

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The talk on 17th September 1992 was given at short notice by our former secretary Glyn Morgan, when he presented a few lighthearted anecdotes about his own and other people's mistakes when researching their family histories.

For instance, when trying to latch on to someone as recent as his maternal grandparents, Glyn came across a blank wall, owing to trusting his own memory too much, and hence tending to ignore findings that contradicted it. Thus he continued searching in the Wrong areas, getting nowhere. There were no elderly relatives alive with whom to discuss the problem, but a breakthrough was achieved at last by a chance remark from a very old person who had known one of his aunts well.

Other stories dealt with folk who had built up spurious genealogies, by using the IGI only as their research, and hence were in total ignorance of the very many others of the same surname listed in the actual parish registers and other documents. Regrettably such people became so attached to the 'family tree' they had built up, that they found themselves unable to relinquish their former searches and start again.

The lessons to be learnt therefore, are to use people's recollections by all means, but to allow for imagination and forgetfulness as the years go by. The textbooks advise about interviewing elderly relatives, but often the recollections of other elderly people who have lived long in the right vicinity can provide clues. Be honest with yourself always, in your researching, and don't just pluck names out of the IGI, directories, or anything else that contains lists. Follow those names through, the people concerned may have died young, or may not have been the ones to come together to be your ancestor.

The people on your mistaken family tree are now underground; they will not be offended if you scratch their names from your charts. So be ruthless with false information, if there is anyone in your genealogy, without a positive link between the preceding and following generations, leave them out, and certainly never publish or submit to an archives, anything with unproved information in it, without saying so.

*Glyn Morgan*

*If you regularly attend our meetings at Hounsiow, and would be prepared occasionally to Write a report on one of the talks, your help would be greatly appreciated Please contact Richard Chapman.*

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## **Family history is fun – Jim Golland**

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In October we welcomed Jim Golland to our meeting once again, to speak on the subject 'Family History is Fun'. He began by pointing out that we were probably the last people likely to need to be convinced of this, but continued to say that a review of basic research methods and a checking of bad habits is always worthwhile, whatever the level of our researches.

In the course of his talk, Mr Golland touched upon many of the familiar sources of information for family history, pointing out numerous tips and suggestions for good research practice. Among these was the value and interest to be gained from talking to elderly relatives, which can provide a great deal beyond also advised caution with respect to believing ages given in the census returns. Other record types included in his talk were wills, and their great value in clarifying relationships, apprenticeship records, directories, letters and diaries, newspapers, and several more. With regard to newspapers, their usefulness in such matters as funeral reports, crime, petitions, anniversaries etc. was highlighted, as was the strong likelihood of becoming distracted into reading other items when searching them!

In the second part of his talk, Mr Golland discussed means of organising and presenting the results of family history research, illustrating his points by means of 'The Boggle Tree'. The need for clarity in presenting relationships, for referencing source material, and for recording unsuccessful searches, were among the items mentioned. Finally, he explained his 'SILPH' code for success in family history research: Strength (St Catherine's House!) - Intuition - Luck - Patience - Humility.

*Richard Chapman*

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## **So you think your ancestor was a publican – Judith Hunter**

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At our November meeting, Judith Hunter gave a talk on the many sources and possible avenues for research that appear if one finds an ancestor who was a publican. As she indicated in her introduction, whether he worked in a large town public house, or a small country alehouse, there are many sources of information which can be used to place him in the context of his community, and give real insight into his life.

She began where many of us are likely to learn first of the trade of an ancestor - the census. Even this can raise a number of possibilities, which the simple factual material about the subjects of our research. On the subject of photographs, he made a plea that we all take time to label those that we have, to identify people and places in them. On census records, he advised us to take note of the elderly 'Visitor', who is often revealed to be the mother-in-law, even if not explicitly described as such. He

can be further examined using contemporary trade directories. The distinction was made between inns and hotels, taverns and public houses,

beer retailers. These last came into existence after 1830, when an act was passed ‘for the better supply of beer’, in an attempt by the government to lead the public away from the drinking of spirits. Any ratepayer could become a beer retailer for the payment of 2 gn., even if their business might only amount to a barrel in a kitchen! As a result, directories typically do not record names of beer retailers establishments, as they do for alehouses and inns.

Useful sources described by Miss Hunter in connection with her own village of Eton Wick are the tithe map (1839 here) and the 1841 census. In these times there were four beer shops and an alehouse, for a population of around 300. Tithe records also give information on the patterns of settlement, the landholdings, and hence status, of the inhabitants, and so help to build a picture of the community. The value of maps was stressed by further examples: the growth of Windsor shown in the first edition of the 25” Ordnance Survey in 1867, and the inns along and around the Bath Road in Slough on an 18th century map.

Particularly important sources before 1828 are the victualler’s registers, following an act of 1753, ordering the Clerk of the Quarter Sessions to keep a register of licensees of inns and alehouses. Typically listed by parish with the hundreds for a given county, the registers list the licensee and the name of the inn, and in some cases, those who stood surety.

Inns have long been connected with travellers, as well as their local trade, with the wealthier establishments having post-horses and chaises for hire, with a post-boy to take the travellers to the next inn, and then return to his own. Details of such services, and where they changed, can be accessed from local newspapers and directories.

One among the many different uses to which inns and alehouses have been put, which include manor court sessions, vestry meetings, public meetings, inquests and examinations, is the use of their premises for billeting soldiers. Before the end of the eighteenth century there were few barracks for the military, and occasional surveys were taken of the facilities for billeting the men. A good one for Berkshire survives from 1686, and provides details of the number of guest beds and extent of stabling for each town and village. The arrival of the soldiers frequently put great pressure the innkeepers, and was, on occasion, the cause of unrest when funding for their services was not forthcoming.

In her talk, Miss Hunter referred to many other sources, including deeds, property valuations of 1910, inventories, borough records, and royal war» rants. Licences, perhaps the most obvious possible source, are not often found, due to their being granted via the petty sessions, whose records do not generally survive, rather than the quarter sessions.

*Richard Chapman*

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## NEW MEMBERS

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We welcome the following new members to our Society:-

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The surname interests listed in the following pages also include those recently received from:-

- C87 J CHILDS, 37 Dale St, Chiswick, London W4 2BJ

## SURNAME INTERESTS

The following 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 a specific name relatively easy. In most case the date will indicate a period, the piece a general area. All the abbreviations for the counties are given according to the Chapman County Codes. In writing to contact another researcher please remember to include a SAE if a reply is expected.

Surname	Dates	Place	County	Member
ADLAM	18-20c	Devizes	WIL	C87
ARTHURS	1600-1900	Any	GLS	S107
BALDOCK	1870	Woolwich	KEN	B133
BARBER	18-19c	Any	ESS	H105
BARRETT	19c	Acton/Ealing	MDX	M85
BARRETT	19c	St Pancras	MDX	M85
BARRETT	pre 1840	Any	IRL	B134
BARROW	19c	Brompton/Kensington	MDX	E24
BATES	1880	Kettering	NTH	H105
BATES	19c	Fulham	MDX	W95
BATTEN	19c	Hampton	MDX	G69
BAXTER	1830+	Kensington	MDX	B134
BEAVES/BEAVIS				
/BEEVIS	Any	Any	Any	B131
BELL	1874	South Shields	DUR	B133
BIGGS	1820	Birmingham	WAR	B133
BRANTON	19c	Gravesend	KEN	H105
BRIDGES	19c	Camberwell	MDX	C103
BRIDGES	19c	Twickenham	MDX	C103
BUCKLEY	1850	E London	MDX	H105
BURTON	1870	South Shields	DUR	B133
CHARLESWORTH	1870s	Kensington	MDX	C102
CHIDDY	Any	Any	IOW	B131
CHILD	1600-1850	Bristol	GLS	S107
CHILDS	17-20c	Fulham/Chiswick	MDX	C87
CLOSE	pre 20c	Fulham	MDX	B131
CONNOLLY	19c	Chelsea	MDX	H105
COX	18-19c	Deptford	KEN	F45
COX	18-19c	Lambeth	SRY	F45
COX	18-19c	E London	MDX	F45
COX	18-19c	St Pancras	MDX	F45
CRONK	pre 1810	Brasted	KEN	B134
CROSS	19c	Ealing/Acton	MDX	M85
DAVIES	1850	Southwark	SRY	B133
DAWE	1870s	Kensington/Paddington	MDX	C102
DERGES	1850	Plympton	DEV	H105

Surname	Dates	Place	County	Member
DICKER	1840+	Sundridge	KEN	B134
DICKER	pre 1840	Fletching	SSX	B134
DODDERELL	c 1916	Wandsworth	SRY	C103
DODDS	1860	Gateshead	DUR	B133
EAST	19c	Hammersmith	MDX	F43
ENGLEFIELD	pre 1830	Bramley	HAM	B134
ENGLISH	18-20c	Limerick	LIM	C87
ETHERINGTON	19c	Islington	MDX	E24
FASNACHT	19c	Chelsea	MDX	F44
FAULKNER	19c	Hammersmith	MDX	F43
FAULKNER	19c	Stepney	MDX	F43
FERRY	1800	E London	ESS	H105
FIFIELD	1860	Battersea	SRY	B133
FLADGATE	16-18c	Staines/Laleham/Littleton		
/FLAGGETT		/Shepperton/Sunbury		
/FLOODGATE		/Hampton	MDX	F44
FUNNEL(L)	pre 1700	Horsted Keynes	SSX	B134
GANDERTON	Any	Southall/Hayes	MDX	C105
GAVEY	1850	Southwark	SRY	B133
GOODGER	1800-1947	Acton/Hammersmith	MDX	P64
GOSNEY	pre 1780	Fordingbridge	HAM	B134
GOUGE	1840-1924	Fulham	MDX	P64
GREEN	1850	Bermondsey	SRY	B133
HAGGERTY	19-20c	Feltham/Hanworth	MDX	T28
HAILES	18-20c	Fimbrough	SFK	C87
HAINES	19c	Hammersmith	MDX	W95
HAM	Any	Paddington/Kensington		
		/Chelsea	MDX	C104
HAMBLETON	17-20c	Chiswick	MDX	C87
HAMILTON-GORDON	19c	Twickenham	MDX	C103
HAMILTON-GORDON	19c	Shepherds Bush	MDX	C103
HAMILTON-GORDON	19c	Liverpool	LAN	C103
HEAD	18-20c	Hammersmith	MDX	C87
HEARD	1850	South Shields	DUR	B133
HERBERT	1840	Ruislip	MDX	B133
HICKS	18c	Navestock	ESS	H105
HIND	1860	Whepstead	SFK	B133
HOLIDAY	18-19c	Chelsea	MDX	H105
HOLLOWAY	1900-1970	Acton	MDX	S107
HORNER	19c	Fulham	MDX	F43
HOWELL	pre 1860	Kingston	SRY	B134
HUGHES	19c	Ashford	MDX	G69
JARRETT	pre 1840	Brasted	KEN	B134
JOHNSON	1870	Woolwich	KEN	B133
KNAPP	Any	Any	GLS	S107
LAKE	1850	Bermondsey	SRY	B133

Surname	Dates	Place	County	Member
LANGRIDGE	18-19c	Kingston/Richmond	SRY	C104
LORDERIEL	Any	Paddington/Kensington /Chelsea	MDX	C104
LUCAS	18c	Finsbury/Shoreditch	MDX	M85
MARTIN	1840	Bermondsey	SRY	B133
MATHIESON	1870	South Shields	DUR	B133
MATTS	18-19c	E and S London	MDX	F45
MAYERS	19c	Brompton	MDX	H105
MAYNARD	1820-1900	London	LND	S107
MILES	1850	South Shields	DUR	B133
MIST	pre 1850	Fordingbridge	HAM	B134
MUMFORD	1875+	St Pancras	MDX	B134
MUSGRAVE	18-19c	Belgravia/Chelsea	MDX	H105
MUSTO	19c	E London	MDX	H105
NEWELL	Any	Southall/Hayes	MDX	C105
NOAKES	18-19c	Kensington/Chelsea	MDX	F45
NOAKES	18-19c	Eastbourne	SSX	F45
PARFITT	Any	Bristol	GLS	S107
PARKER	1800-1920	Blackfriars	LND	P64
PARTRIDGE	1820	Bermondsey	SRY	B133
PEABODY	Any	Southall/Hayes	MDX	C105
PEET	Any	Any	Any	P65
PINK	19c	Chelsea	MDX	R48
PLUMRIDGE	18-20c	Fulham/Brentford/Acton		
/PLUMBRIDGE		Hammersmith/Southall	MDX	P64
POPE	18-19c	Any	NFK	F45
POPE	18-19c	Any	ESS	F45
POPE	18-19c	E London	MDX	F45
PORTER	1800	Ilford	ESS	H105
RANCE	1830-1940	Fulham	MDX	P64
RANDALL				
/RANDLE	1700-1970	Wing	BKM	P64
READ	19c	Fulham	MDX	R48
REYNOLDS	1860	Whepstead	SFK	B133
ROBB	1840+	City of London	LND	B134
ROBB	pre 1840	Any	IRL	B134
RUMSEY	Any	Any	Any	S107
RUSSELL	pre 1900	Brasted	KEN	B134
SAYERS	18-20c	Wandsworth	SRY	C87
SCAIFE	1886	Gateshead	DUR	B133
SHEASBY	Any	Any	Any	S107
SHEAT	18-19c	Chelsea	MDX	P63
SHEAT	18-19c	Wantage	OXF	P63
SIDELEY	19c	Any	Any	F43
SKINNER	1840	Bermondsey	SRY	B133
SMITH	19c	Fulham/Hammersmith	MDX	F43
SMITH	1800-30	Woolwich	KEN	S107
SMITH	1830-60	Manchester	LAN	S107



Surname	Dates	Place	County	Member
SMITH	1770-1920	Castleblayney	MOG	S107
STEVENS	1820	Bermondsey	SRY	B133
STUBBS	18-19c	Mountnessing	ESS	H105
STUPPLE(S)	Any	Any	Any	B131
SUTTON	18-20c	Old Brentford	MDX	C87
TABOR	18-20c	Stapleford	CAM	C87
THODEY	19c	Birmingham	WAR	E24
THOMSON	19-20c	Feltham/Hanworth	MDX	T28
THORPE	1880	Any	RUT	H105
TOOMB(E)S	Any	Any	Any	P65
TOPP	18-20c	Ely	CAM	C87
TURNER	19-20c	Camberwell	MDX	C103
VANN	19c	Finsbury/Shoreditch	MDX	M85
VEAL	19c	Plympton	DEV	H105
VINN	18c	Finsbury	MDX	M85
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## EDITOR'S NOTES

*Richard Chapman*

Little space left for me this time! As ever, my thanks go to all contributors who have submitted material for this, and future, Journals. Please continue to send me your articles, news items, snippets, and so on; without your contributions, there can be no Journal. I look forward to hearing from you.

And finally, if you have not already done so, please read the item on page 19 concerning the Directory of Members' Interests 1993. If you do intend to submit your interests, please send me the form as soon as possible, so that inputting can get under way quickly.

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## **THE SOCIETY'S AREA OF INTEREST**

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Parishes which are the particular concern of the Society: Acton, Ashford, East Bedfont, Chelsea, Chiswick, Cowley, Cranford, West Drayton, Ealing with Old Brentford, Feltham, Fulham, Greenford, Hampton, Hartwell with New Brentford, Hanworth, Harlington, Harmondsworth, Hayes with Norwood, Hammersmith, Heston, Hillingdon, Hounslow, Isleworth, Kensington, Laleham, Littleton, Perivale, Shepperton, Staines, Stanwell, Sunbury, Teddington, Twickenham, Uxbridge.

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The West Middlesex Family History Society has produced a series of indexes to the 1851 Census for its area of interest. The format of each index, and the PRO piece numbers covered, is indicated below. All are surname indexes, except for Uxbridge, as noted. Prices quoted all include postage charges.

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