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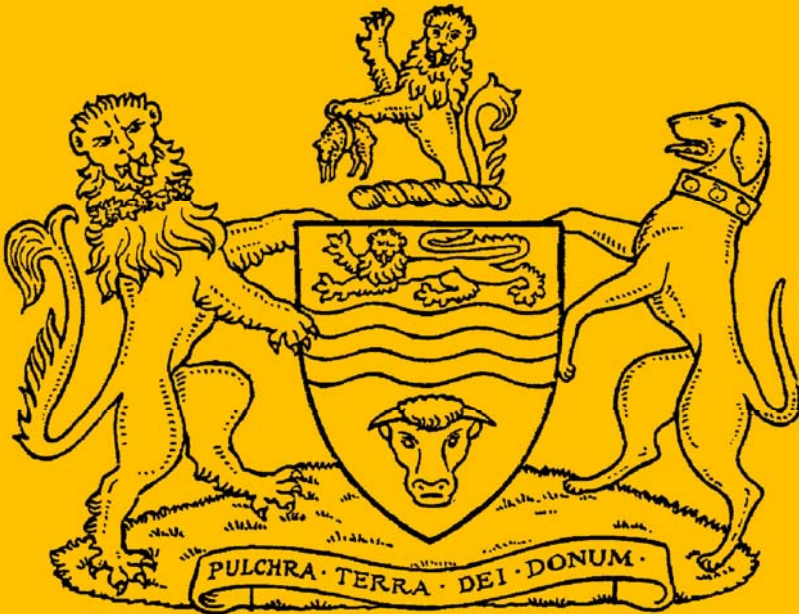
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Editor's Report

A very Happy New Year to all our members and hope you all have a safe and successful 2023. We have added some information about renewing your subscriptions on page 122 towards the end of the journal.

Our Zoom meetings continue unabated on every 3rd Friday of the month, starting at 7-30pm, meeting opens at 7pm so people can have a little chat beforehand.

Another indexing project which we have started this year is of a Newspaper Archive donated to us by the Worcester Civic Society - see the article on page 115.

We also have new Bereavement Services burial indexes available to buy from our webshop. These are the transcription of the registers of the burials held by the Bereavement Services for Hereford, Leominster, Kington and Wigmore Cemeteries.

As ever here come my plea for any new articles for publication.

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Chairman's Report

Belated Christmas wishes and a happier New Year to all our members. Once again there have been no local, monthly meetings and it looks as though the ZOOM option will be with us for the rest of the year.

Attendance at these ZOOM meetings have been very good (usually over 40 people) and the talks have been very varied. It is still a disappointment to the committee that local members have not joined our world-wide audience.

The local members are invited to e-mail any of the committee members for advice on how easy it is to join the monthly meetings. Make it a New Year resolution!

The promise of a new Bereavement dataset has hit a small bump in the road but progress is being made and will be available soon.

Members are reminded that membership runs from April to March and reminder notification will be made at the appropriate time in the journal and the monthly newsletter from Phil.

The other source for society information is our WEB site at:

www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk

Here you can pay membership fees, browse through our free selected items for members or order all sorts of wonderful genealogical goodies.

It is hoped that some new sources of such goodies will become available soon due to the volunteers who give their time and effort in working with many of the records held by the HARC.

May you all stay safe and healthy in the coming year.

Alan Charles
Acting Chairman Herefordshire FHS

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The Whitecross Chronicles No: 3



During the lockdown I've been dipping into Norman OWEN's booklet on *Holy Trinity Hereford* to find stories about the community living in the Whitecross area. He includes a photograph which he states was taken between January 6th 1907 and 1908 which shows a group of people outside the church and he has added their names underneath. There are many unknowns but one person is named as Miss Emily PICHFORT and I would like to tell what I think is her story.

I just couldn't find an Emily 'Pichfort' but I did find Emily Jane PITCHFORD (17) living at 73, Cotterell Street for the 1901 census with her sister Kate (26) who was a dressmaker, and father George a P.O. Sorting Clerk and mother Jane. Still at home she could easily have supported events at Holy Trinity aged 23 and I think she must be the young lady in the photograph standing between Miss SHILVOCK and an older lady who could be her mother Jane (58).

Cotterell Street was built between the 1860s when the Britannia and Cotterell Arms were built and the 1880s when the terrace Nos. 9-15 was built. The street was named after the COTTERELL family of 'Garnons' at Mansell Gamage and in particular John Greers Cotterell who was the Tory MP for Hereford 1804-31.

The Pitchford family had been living there 10 years previously but in 1881 before Emily was born they had been living at 31 Eign Street with George's father Thomas, a widower aged 70. I discovered that Emily had an older sister Mary Ann who had been born in 1874, who I think was working as a cook for Joseph and Florence CARLESS on Aylestone Hill in 1901.

In the 1911 census Emily Jane (27) is also a 'Domestic Cook' working for Stephen and Mary DEALRIN and their four children at 'Weir End House', near Ross, Hereford. She must have been cooking on the evening of the census date, April 2nd, for the family, Annie WHARTON a visitor, and Annie WILLIAMS, a 'domestic parlourmaid', and Grace PRICE, a 'domestic house maid'. In 1947 her sister Kate died back at home in Cotterell Street whose probate was proved in Oxford, where perhaps Emily was living, later moving to Portishead, Somerset where she herself dies in 1960, leaving her effects to Winifred May HAMBLIN, who lived near Bristol but in 1911 had lived at 45 Cotterell Street. So, possibly schoolgirl friends to the end!

Being a domestic cook had its ups and downs but was an acceptable and responsible occupation for women who wanted to be independent.

Mrs BEETON in her *Book of Household Management*, advised that a small household should engage three servants: a cook (doubling as a housekeeper and supervising the other servants), a parlour maid and a housemaid. This seems to be the set up at 'Weir End House' in 1911 where Emily Jane would be expected to be head of the household and where she would keep 'an accurate registry of all sums paid for any and every purpose, all the current expenses of the house, tradesmen's bills, and other extraneous matter'. Then of course she also had to be a good cook and according to the 1825 manual *The Complete Servant* she would need to 'inform herself of the rules and regulations of the house – customs of the kitchen – the peculiarities of her master and mistress – and above all acquire a perfect knowledge of their taste'. Mrs Beeton advised that kitchens should have clocks, as punctuality was 'an indispensable quality in a cook'. She also advised that a cook of a small household should rise at 6am and prepare breakfast and the most important meal of the day was the evening meal which, if there were guests, would involve the planning and execution of up to eight courses!

Perhaps Emily Jane was a cook for the rest of her life as she didn't marry, and indeed if she did marry she would not be allowed to return to work. It looks as if she probably cooked for other families and moved around Britain including Portishead, Somerset. I expect she would have had many 'below stairs' tales to tell by the time she died including the changes to servants' lives between the two world wars as well as a really interesting book of recipes reflecting changes in diet and food availability over her working life.

Jean Thomson

Collecting to Enhance Your Family History

In addition to genealogical sites, for some aspects of my family history, such as imparted oral history, I have been lucky. Equally with what I have been able to discover through resources such as published directories, or the 'British Newspaper Archive.' However, always looking to enhance my family history, I have included collecting related material to illustrate places, people, products, and pastimes. The following are a few of the items that I have acquired for this purpose.

An obvious starting point is postcard collecting. Available from collectors' fairs and especially online auction sites, these not always low priced items can be a great informative resource. However, the hunt can create additional pleasure.



Figure 1. Chandos Street, Hereford, no later than 1907. My POWELL family were associated with three houses in the street, especially number 22, immediately right of the horses and carts. My great-grandfather Dick Powell built the house in 1893, and my grandfather and his siblings were born there. The horses and carts belonged to Thomas W. ROBINSON, grocer and milkman, of number 18.

As previously detailed in 'Herefordiensis', my great-grandfather "Dick" POWELL, **Figure 2a**, was a Hereford pioneering racing cycling champion, primarily between the years of 1887 and 1892. As a family we have photographs that reflect Dick's achievements, but who were his competitors or the people that he may have inspired? **Figure 2b** is a 'cabinet' photograph by J. THIRLWALL, photographer of 18 King Street, Hereford. It is of "H. E. MATTHEWS, Champion of Hereford, 1895 & 1896." As members of the Hereford Cycling Club, the two men must have been aware of each other.



Figures 2a and 2b. Left, Dick Powell having won the Hereford Cycling Club 'Five Mile Scratch Bicycle Race' for the 'Tradesmen's Challenge Cup' in 1888, 1889 and 1891. Right, H. E. Matthews who won the Five Miles race in 1895 for the 'Herefordshire Championship'.

Great-grandfather Dick was a mason and "Foreman Bricklayer" to trade, but I never knew who he worked for. This was, however, confirmed by the 1921 Census that stated that not only he but his son, my great-uncle "Ernie" was employed by E. W. WILKS & Son of White Cross Street. This led to the discovery of Figure 3, an invoice for Wilks, and later to contract details for work Wilks did on the Butter Market. I grew up with a story that Dick had worked there when it was rebuilt after the 1923 fire.

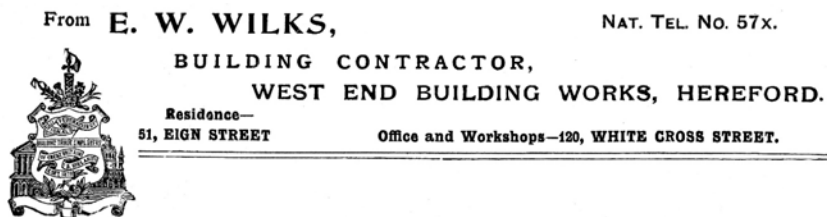


Figure 3. The letterhead from an E. W. Wilks invoice from 1906.



Figure 5. Cutlery items made, possibly by my great-great-uncle 'Charlie', for TOWNSENDS. Left clockwise: cutthroat razor and case, woodman's timber scribe, tea and dinner knives, and a cranked hook for shearing hop vines close to the ground. The carbon steel knives are the last two that we had at home.

Our POWELL family was closely connected to the well-known, established 1833 Hereford TOWNSEND family as landlords, employers, bicycle racing suppliers and supporters, and family by marriage. Before they moved to 24 High Town, Townsend's owned 79, Eign Street, which circa 1882 would become the rented home and refreshment business premises for our family for circa 35 years. Townsend's employed Dick's brothers Charlie and Steve. Charlie primarily as a "cutler" and latterly bicycle maker. Steve, as an optician who went on to become a successful businessman in Cork.

Their sister, my great-great-aunt “Annie” POWELL then married “cutler” Thomas TOWNSEND, Albert’s brother, in 1903. As shown by **Figure 5**, I have extended my family history by adding carbon steel cutlery items made at Townsends.

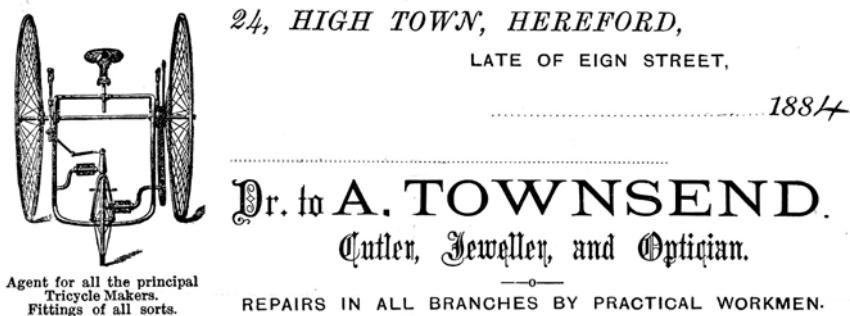


Figure 6. Letterhead for Albert Townsend after he moved his business from 79 Eign Street, circa 1882, to 24 High Town.
(Courtesy, Derek Foxtan)

The former is an insight into how I view adding to my family history. And if you ask, what would I like to find?

The “Holy Grail” would be a headed invoice for my great-great-grandmother, Elizabeth Powell, who, widowed in December 1881, started off with her “Coffee Tavern” at 79 Eign Street circa 1882. From 1901 to be run by her son, my great-great-uncle Charlie, as a tearoom and restaurant until the First World War.

Bob Powell
HFHS Member 3325

Births, Marriages & Deaths March 1921 – June 1921
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10 June 1921. The death of Kate MULLISS of Tower Road, Hereford. Aged 67 years.

11 June 1921. The death of Frederick Harry WALLACE at Bath Street, Hereford. Aged 38 years.

12 June 1921. The death of Phoebe Jane POWELL at Lower Cottage, Moccas. Aged 55 years.

13 June 1921. The death of Margery Lillian BASKERVILLE of Ivy Cottage, Kings Acre. Scalded in bath of boiling water. Aged 3 years. Coroner verdict – Death from shock following scolds. The death of Thomas CLARE of 80 Green Street, Hereford. Aged 83 years.

14 June 1921. The marriage at Kimbolton Parish Church of William Henry GRAVES of Little Britain to Annie Edith OWENS of Churchill, Kimbolton. The marriage at the Priory Church, Brecon of Albert BALLINGER of Fields Place, Dilwyn to Margarite Ellen MORGAN of 91 The Street, Brecon.

15 June 1921. The marriage at Ullingswick Parish Church of John William BAYLISS of Wilden Farm, Ullingswick to Elsie Marion FLETCHER of Lowdy Hall, Ullingswick. The death of Mary Ann RUSSELL of 40 Berrington Street Hereford. Cut her own throat. Aged 55 years. Coroner verdict – Wound was self-inflicted, and she was not in her right mind.

17 June 1921. The death of Mary Lawson JONES of 49 Mill Street, Hereford. Aged 91 years.

18 June 1921. The death of Charles John COLE of Cranes Lane, Leominster. Aged 73 years.

19 June 1921. The death of Harold George WAKEMAN of Oldhill, Boraston. Aged not known

20 June 1921. The death of William Henry EVANS of 22 Burgess Street, Leominster. Aged 59 years.

22 June 1921. The marriage at St Lukes Church, Stoke Prior of Thomas Peregrine ADAMS of Avenbury Court, Bromyard to Frances Lydia COLEBATCH of Kimbolton.

23 June 1921. The death of Rosetta DELVES at 49 Eign Road, Hereford. Aged 65 years. The death of Caroline Doris May HUGHES at 17 Moor Street Hereford. Aged 14 years.

25 June 1921. The marriage at Llanigon Church of Thomas Evan BUFTON of Glandwr, Erwood to Myfanwy PROSSER of Cilcovereth, Llanigon. The marriage at the Wesleyan Church, Knighton of William Pryce POWELL of Penybont to Gladys Jane LEWIS of Penybont. The death of Albert GILBERT of Kingstone. Aged 41 years.

The death of Emma GWYNNE at Longfield Buildings, Hereford. Aged 56 years.

26 June 1921. The death of Jessie Edith EVANS at 37 Park Street, Hereford. Aged 25 years.

27 June 1921. The marriage at St Mary's Church Tenbury of Sidney Cameron NEWWEY of Station Drive, Ludlow to Florence Lillian BLOUNT of Bridge Hotel, Tenbury.

29 June 1921. The marriage at Fownhope Parish Church of Henry Thomas GAMMOND of Littlebury, Sollars Hope to Betsy Faith TAYSOM of Nupend Cottage, Fownhope.

The death of Elizabeth SMITH of Castle Street, Hay. Aged 84 years. The death of Maria EVANS at 18 Clive Street, Hereford. Aged 80 years.

2 July 1921. The death of John GRIFFITHS of Batlow. Aged 56 years. The death of Stanley Parker HEATH, child of P T and H M Heath at Truro.

4 July 1921. The marriage at Kimbolton Church of Edward H HALL of Leominster to Ada Maria GROVES of Stockton, Kimbolton.

5 July 1921. The death of Myrtle May HOLLAND at Mental Hospital, Burghill. Aged 35 years.

7 July 1921. The marriage at Lady Southampton's Chapel Kenchester of Lowton WATKINS of New House, Brinsop to Mabel MEREDITH of the Stores, Credenhill.

8 July 1921. The death of Walter HARDWICKE of Llanrothal. Cut his foot while mowing the hay at Welsh Newton churchyard. Killed by blood poisoning. Aged not known

10 July 1921. The death of Thomas ENGLAND in the River Lugg, near Hereford. Aged 34 years. Coroner verdict – Death due to drowning.

11 July 1921. The death of Elizabeth NASH at 44 Cotterell Street, Hereford. Aged 59 years.

The marriage at Kilpeck Church of William Thomas RODEN of 33 Hampton Street, Hereford to Eleanor Hannah ADDIS of the Stores, Kilpeck.

12 July 1921. The death of Charles JONES of 44 Millbrook Street, Hereford. Aged 20 years.

The death of Simeion Manley Claude DAWES of 62 Millbrook Street, Hereford. Aged 13 years. Both drowned in the River Wye at Bartonsham. Coroner verdict – Death from drowning while bathing.

The death of Amelia Louisa TWYMAN of Green Lane, Leominster. Aged 80 years.

13 July 1921. The death of Rhoda Frances WALLACE in Birmingham. Aged 60 years. The death of Sarah HARRINGTON of the Lighthouse, Leominster. Aged 59 years.

14 July 1921. The death of Frances Millicent OATFIELD of 9 Baggallay Street, Hereford. Aged 59 years.

15 July 1921. The death of Clara May CORNER at 10 Harrison's Gardens, Hereford. Aged 39 years.

16 July 1921. The death of Jeannie FENTON of 50 Moorfield Street, Hereford. Aged 50 years. The death of Mary Jane GORE of Kenchester. Aged 58 years. The death of Thomas Jones of Ross. Gardener. Aged 66 years.

17 July 1921. The death of Annie CANTLE at 11 Blueschool Street, Hereford. Aged 57 years. The death of Arthur MORRIS of Oaklands, Little Hereford. Aged 24 years.

18 July 1921. The marriage at the Wesleyan Church, Hay of Willie TRAVERS of Cardiff to Florrie WATKINS of Hay.

19 July 1921. The funeral of Raymond JAMES of the Wine Vaults, Knighton. Aged 38 years.

20 July 1921. The marriage at Leominster Registry Office of Albert STINTON to Agnes JAINE, daughter of Charles JAINE of Kimbolton. The marriage at the Congregational Church, Leintwardine of Arthur Fitzgerald LATIMER to Audrey Estill CARELESS.

21 July 1921. The death of Arthur John MELLINGS at Rosemary Lane, Leintwardine. Knocked down by a horse and trap. Aged 38 years. Coroner verdict – Accidental death.

23 July 1921. The death of Frances MORGAN of Ewyas Harold at Hay. Aged..old. The death of Mrs W S CLARKE of Marstow. Aged not known.

24 July 1921. The death of John Herbert BERROW of Lugwardine. Aged 65 years. The death of Mary Annie (Nancy) BRUMWELL of 10 Broad Street, Hereford at Lincoln. Aged 41 years.

25 July 1921. The marriage at St Nicholas Church, Hereford of Thomas William EVERALL of 6 Green Street, Hereford to Ethel May (Cissie) BAKER of 8 Stapleton Place, Barton Road, Hereford.

26 July 1921. The death of Esther HILL of Park Cottage, Upper Breinton. Fell and broke a leg. Aged 86 years. Coroner verdict – Death from Bronchial Pneumonia following a fracture of the left leg.

28 July 1921. The marriage at St Paul's Church, Tupsley of Henry Edward BETTINGTON of The Croft, Hereford to Henrietta Dorothy BOWERS of Brockington House, Hereford.

30 July 1921. The death of Ann HOSKINS of Walterstone. Aged 87 years.

31 July 1921. The death of Dr. Edgar Griffiths Freeman MORRIS at The Gaer, Broomy Hill. Aged 64 years. The death of Ethel WILSON at 48 Park Street, Hereford. Aged 31 years. The death of Rev. William BAMFORD at Wigmore church. Aged 76 years.

1 August 1921. The marriage at St James Church, West Malvern of George WHITCOMB of Kenchester to Lilian DAVIES of Chetwynd, West Malvern. The marriage at Barton Hall, Hereford of Percy George JAY of 8 Bridge Street, Hereford to Ellen Agnes PHELPS of 70 Commercial Road, Hereford. The death of Ann Maria HAMPTON at Longfield Buildings, Hereford. Aged 70 years. The death of a male infant, the illegitimate child of Florence Mary BAYNHAM at Holiday Hall Kington. Coroner verdict – Cause of death was lack of skilful attention at birth.

2 August 1921. The death of William JONES of Newtown, Ledbury. Knocked down by a train outside Ledbury. Aged 52 years. Coroners Verdict – not known. The death of Mary SAXBY, late of Leominster at Glencoe, USA. Aged 83 years.

3 August 1921. The marriage at Kingstone Parish Church of William GURNEY of Eggleton, Ledbury to Mabel PRITCHARD of Dulas.

4 August 1921. The death of Mrs S DAVIES of 31 Berrington Road, Tenbury. Aged not known. The marriage at Hereford Wesleyan Church, Bridge Street, Hereford of Herbert William TAYLOR of Hereford to Lilian TAYLOR of Messrs. Greenlands Ltd.

6 August 1921. The death of William AXON, formerly of Leominster, at Cardiff. Aged 80 years.

7 August 1921. The death of James MASON of Bank House, Marston. Death due to heart disease. Aged 72 years.

8 August 1921. The death of Charles Edward Arthur MOORE of Fairlawn, Leominster. Coroner for North Herefordshire. Aged 57 years.

9 August 1921. The marriage at St John's Parish Church, Ivington of Henry FRANCIS of Lower Eggleton, Stretton Grandison to Alice Victoria TURBUTT of Ivington Green. The death of Waldron George BOWEN of Broad Street, KNIGHTON. Aged 64 years. The death of Enid Mary FARR at 2 Brooklyn, Prior Street, Hereford. Aged 14 days. The death of Lucy PREECE of Whitecross Road, Hereford. Aged 2 days. The death of John Edward CORSER of Stoke Bliss. Found dead by the side of the road. Aged 78 years. Coroner verdict – Death due to suffocation and heart failure.

11 August 1921. The death of Archibald Thomas COOMBES at the Grapes Hotel, West Street, Hereford. Aged 18 months. The death of Sarah Van JAMES of 18 Eign Road, Hereford. Aged 71 years.

13 August 1921. The marriage at Lindridge Parish Church of H S STEDMAN of Yarkhill Court to Nancy Elizabeth PARTRIDGE of Lindridge House.

The death of Annie WALLIS of Albion House, Hay. Aged 68 years. The death of James TRANTER of Linton. Aged 71 years. The death of Rev. Gordon Clunes GRIST at Woolhope vicarage. Aged 63 years. The death of Thomas Bangor HILL at 15 Paradise Buildings, Hereford. Aged 77 years. The death of Kate LAYCOCK at Croydon House, Broomy Hill, Hereford. Aged 71 years.

14 August 1921. The death of Robert RAWCLIFFE at 71 Chandos Street, Hereford. Aged 77 years.

15 August 1921. The death of Grace BENNETT at Longfield Buildings, Hereford. Aged 67 years. The death of George Edward TAYSOM at 113 Widemarsh Street, Hereford. Aged infant.

16 August 1921. The marriage at Sellack church of Capt. Alfred BREWER M.C. late of the Worcester Regiment to Florence Eleanor WHITEHOUSE of Sellack. The death of Ellen SLATTER of Hafod Road, Hereford, at Bristol. Aged 77 years.

17 August 1921. The death of Dr. Ralph WARD-JACKSON, late of Street Court, Leominster, in Johannesburg, South Africa. Aged not known. The death of Martha GRUBB at 3 Brewer's Passage, Hereford. Aged 75 years.

18 August 1921. The death of Mary Ann GALLOWAY at 28 Commercial Street, Hereford. Aged 67 years.

19 August 1921. The death of Leonard AMOS at 17 Whitecross Road, Hereford. Aged 25 years.

20 August 1921. The marriage at Kimbolton Parish Church of John LEE of Hinchley to Florence Eleanor WILLIAMS of Stockton Terrace, Kimbolton. The death of Jenny THOMAS of Ardath, Hafod Road, Hereford. Buried at Barton burial ground. Aged 68 years.

22 August 1921. The marriage at Wellington Heath Parish Church of Francis Gilbert THOMPSON of Burton-on-Trent to Ruth Mary PRITCHETT of Woodleigh, Ledbury. The marriage at St Peter Church, Hereford of George Dixon LIGHTFOOT of Leicester to Grace Lilian LERRY.

The marriage at St James Church of Reginald George HAYTER of Hampton Bishop to Victoria Constance Mary TEAGUE of Green Street, Hereford. The death of Ann TOULSON of Longfield Buildings, Hereford. Aged 89 years.

23 August 1921. The death of Florence Annie NICHOLLS of 72 Park Street, Hereford. Aged 10 days.

24 August 1921. The marriage at Ashleworth Church of George William LUSTY of Cabbock Farm, Llangarron to Beatrice ARKELL of Boxbush Farm,

Asleworth. The marriage at the Norton Street Baptist Church, Knighton of George APPERLEY of the George and Dragon, Knighton to Clara Gertrude JONES of Bwlchy Plain, Lloiney. The marriage at Wesleyan Church, Knighton of Walter Potter SAVAGE of the Air Ministry, London to Phyllis Mary WAINWRIGHT of Stapley House, Knighton.

25 August 1921. The marriage at All Saints Church, Hereford of Charles W T SIMPSON of 16 Eign Street, Hereford to Annie Dorothy TURNER of 25 Commercial Street, Hereford. Photograph.

26 August 1921. The death of Ruby Joyce LANE of 3 Cotterell Street, Hereford. Aged 3 days. The death of Frederick SCREATON of Longfield Buildings. Aged 78 years. The death of William NODEN of 35 Grandstand Road, Hereford. Aged 78 years. The death of Lily BROOKS of the Blacksmiths shop, Ivington. Aged 31 years.

27 August 1921. The marriage at Longhope Church of William Ernest BLUNSDON of Gloucester to Ethel Mary TURNER of May Hill, Longhope. The death of Susan HILL of Prior Street, Hereford. Aged 65 years.
28 August 1921. The death of Sarah Elizabeth EDWARDS of Gwerselt, Ryeland Street, Hereford. Baptist. Aged 66 years.

29 August 1921. The marriage at Ledbury Parish Church of William Charles LIPPETT of Park Lodge, Worcester Road, Ledbury to Daphne HOLAINGER of Sheerness. The marriage at St Clement's Church, Rhatader of Charles SMITH to F M JONES.

30 August 1921. The marriage at Dinedor Church of Percy Stuart BRACE of Wormbridge Court to Daisy MATTHEWS of Hollow Farm, Dinedor. Photograph.

The death of Ernest LILWALL of New Cottages, Shobdon. Aged 28 years.

31 August 1921. The burial of John Parry at the Zion Baptist Church, Longhope. Aged 47 years.

The marriage at Ackhill Baptist Church, Presteign of S Lawton MORRIS of Ackhill to Miss F E PRICE of Rhodd Farm, Presteign. The marriage at Ross Parish Church of Frederick James PARSONS to Kathleen Margaret ARBERY. The marriage at St Mary's Church, Bucknell of George JONES of Knighton to Eva HUDSON of Knighton.

Alan Charles
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The Whalebone Inn

The Inns named the Whalebone or Bladebone acquired their names because they had acquired bones from whales brought back by the seamen who went whaling in the 18th and 19th centuries. These bones were either the straight 'tusk' of the Narwhale, or the curved jaw bones from the Greenland Right whale, which could be mounted to make a decorative arch. In the case of the Whalebone Inn in Hereford they were the shoulder blades, hence the Inn was originally named the Bladebone Inn when it was built in the early 1800s. By 1826 the name was the Whalebone Inn, although the name changed back at various times.

The Inn is located where the old coach road to Gloucester turns up Old Eign Hill. Opposite the Inn is a lane, now marked as a Public Footpath which leads down to the River Wye where the Eign Brook joins the river. To the left is the stone wall of Eign Quay, which was mentioned in 1790. The River Wye was used to transport goods and people up and down the river but in times of low water on the long bend between Eign Quay and the Old Bridge it was easier to unload the cargo at the Eign Quay and either transport it by horse and cart, or to sell it outside the Inn. At earlier times weirs existed in the river Wye to aid the water mills. The Eign Brook was canalised up to the Scutt Mill, just beyond Ledbury Road, to facilitate the transport of goods to that Mill.

The Hereford Times on the 17th August 1839 advertised the sale of a desirable Freehold Property in Woolhope and Fownhope to be sold by Auction by William JAMES at the Whalebone Inn, situated at Eign within the liberties of the City of Hereford, on Wednesday the 21st August, instant, precisely at Five o'clock in the afternoon. Similarly, on August 17th 1839, at Eign, W .M. James sold a useful team of Horses, implements, husbandry, Gates, Building Materials, etc. at the Whalebone Inn, on Wednesday 21st August.

The Inn is shown on Geoff GWATKINS map of Bartonsham in 1840. and William Watkins was the Inn keeper at that date.

The 1851 Census records that the innkeeper was William STANTON aged 39 Farming 30 acres and keeping the Whalebone Inn. He was born in Kempsey, Worcestershire. His wife Ann Stanton was 41 years and was born in Eaton Bishop, Herefordshire,

(By 1861 William and Ann Stanton had moved back to Kempsey where William was keeping a 'Public House'.)

In 1852 William STANTON advertised 'a bay pony mare, believed to be in foal, and found on the Mordiford Road. The owner may have her if her keep and other expenses were paid, or the mare would be sold to defray the costs.'

The 1850s saw great changes in Hereford's transport with the building of the railways connecting it to Shrewsbury from Barrs Court Station and Newport and Abergavenny from Barton (Eign) Station. Later the railway from Worcester connected at Barrs Court station and finally the Hereford, Ross and Gloucester broad gauge railway opened there on 1st June 1855. Thus passengers and goods in particular, were transported much more by rail and therefore river transport declined so that the Wye Navigation collapsed in 1855. This would result in a decline in the trade at the Whalebone Inn.

The Directory and Gazette of Hereford shows that John LARGE was the licensee of the Whalebone Inn in 1859, and the death of his wife Jane, aged 50, on 29th October 1860 was recorded in the Hereford Times, which stated that she was the widow of Mr John Large of the Whalebone Inn, Hereford.

The next tenant in 1860 was Mrs Anne WILLIAMS of The Whalebone Inn, Eign, Hampton Park, also recorded in the Gazette. She was succeeded in 1861 at the Bladebone Inn as shown in the 1961 census by Thomas Spenser - Publican aged 51, born in Broadway Worcester and Sarah Spenser wife, aged 30, born in Kings Caple. They had a maid servant also born in Kings Caple, Jane COOPER, who was a widow aged 28.

(Family History Researchers please note that SPENSER was transcribed as PENEER and Jane COOPER was a Visitor. Also Whalebone is written as Walebone.)

In 1863 George W. DOWNING advertised in the Hereford Times on Feb 21st that his business of Anatomical Last and Boot Makers of Leominster, London and Paris had gone into partnership with Mr T. Spenser at the Whalebone Inn at Eign.

Later that same year on 6th June Thomas Spenser announced in the Hereford Times 'that he was not answerable for any debts occurred by Geo. Downing in Mr T. Spenser's Name.'

In 1867 David GRIFFITHS Esq. was the tenant of The Whalebone Inn at Eign and he was still there when the 1871 census was taken

David GRIFFITHS aged 47 Compositor & Innkeeper born St. Mary's, Breconshire. Elizabeth Griffiths aged 58, born Hereford.
There were 2 lodgers, John JONES aged 60 and Samuel SMITH aged 28, both labourers.

In 1876 Mrs Anne WILLIAMS became the innkeeper and was recorded in the 1881 census

Anne Williams, widow, aged 53, innkeeper born in Monmouth
Richard Williams, son aged 19, bricklayer born in Hereford.
Albert Williams, son aged 14, printers apprentice
Emily Williams, daughter aged 12, scholar.
There was also a servant and 3 lodgers.

In 1871 Anne Williams was living at 40 St Owen's Street with her husband Robert, a stonemason, born in Bristol, together with their 3 young children. Robert died on 5th October 1874 and is buried in St Paul's Churchyard, where his gravestone records that him as Robert Williams of the Whalebone Inn, so probably he was the licensee before 1874 and after his death his wife Ann Williams took over as the innkeeper.

The ownership of the Whalebone Inn changed on 22nd August 1874 and passed by inheritance from John Jackson Sudbury to George Oliver Merrick HERRON of Richmond in Surrey.

In 1889 on 18th May the Inn was purchased by Charles WATKINS and Alfred WATKINS of the City of Hereford, Brewers, for £500.00. The Inn was occupied by Mrs Williams as tenant, the rent being £18.00 per year. The Inn was a 'tied house' for the Hereford & Tredegar Breweries, owned by Charles and Alfred WATKINS.

Charles Watkins, an Innkeeper in Eign Street moved to the Imperial Inn which had a brewhouse. In 1858 he bought the Hereford Brewers in Bewell Street and named it the Imperial Brewery. The Imperial Mills had been established by Captain Radford in 1834 in Widemarsh Street. In 1874 they were bought by the Berrington Street brewer Charles Watkins who modernised the mill. The complex stretched from Widemarsh street along Bewell Street.

When Charles WATKINS retired in 1989 he sold the business to the Tredegar Brewery Company which registered its name as the Hereford & Tredegar Brewery Co. Ltd. In 1899. The company went into liquidation in 1942 and was acquired by the Cheltenham Original Brewery in 1945 thus becoming the Cheltenham & Hereford Brewing Co.. Many public houses were sold to the Rhymney Brewery. Brewing ceased in Hereford in 1960. In 1890 on February 5th Ann(e) WILLIAMS died and was buried in St Paul's churchyard in her husbands grave.

At a Special Sessions held in the Guild Hall Hereford on 7th April 1890 the licence of the Bladebone Inn was transferred to George LANE of 78 Eign Road due to the death of Anne Williams. The transfer was for 6 months up till 10th October 1890.

George TRINGHAM became the innkeeper of the Whalebone Inn on 29th September 1890 and as recorded in the 1891 census -
George Tringham, aged 44, painter, born Hereford
Eliza Tringham, wife, aged 38
Emily Tringham, daughter, aged 18, dressmaker
Alfred Tringham, son aged 15, apprentice
Rose Tringham, daughter, aged 9, scholar

On 11th November 1899 the Tredegar & Hereford Breweries Ltd made an indenture with the Hon George Higginson ALLSOPP of Foston Hall, County of Derby, M.P. And the Rt. Hon. Sir Herbert Eustace maxwell of Monteith, Wauphill, Wigtownshire, Scotland Bart. M.P. (present Trustees). The Company acknowledged its indebtedness to the present trustees in the sum of £80,000, paying interest at £4 per centum, paid half yearly on 30th June and 31st December – the first payment due on 31st December 1899.

There is mention in section 12 – 'Whalebone Inn, as in or public house , including outbuildings and garden, in the township of Tupsley in the parish of Hampton Bishop in the City of Hereford and at the corner of Old Eign Road and now in the occupation of George Tringham as a tenant from 29th day of September 1890 at a yearly rent of £18.

In 1901 the census recorded George and Elisa Tringham still at the Whalebone with their two remaining children, Alfred and Rose.

Alfred Tringham died aged 28 on 12th July 1903 and was buried in St Paul's Churchyard, and two years later on 21st January 1905, his sister Rose, the youngest daughter of George and Eliza Ann TRINGHAM died aged 23 and was buried in the same grave.

Thus the 1911 census records only George and Elisa Tringham living at the Whalebone Inn together with Emily Louise Daws, a niece. Elisa Tringham's maiden name was DAWS and her parents kept the Lichfield Vaults in Church Street.

George Tringham died on 20th February 1912, aged 66 and was buried in St Pauls churchyard. Eliza died aged 79 on 17th February 1932.

In 1917 Albert FOOTITT took over the Inn followed by Richard S. MAILES in 1922. In 1927 it was reported in the Western Mail on 12th April that Major E. Amplett CAPEL M.C. had applied for permission, on behalf of others, for certain structural alterations to the Whalebone Inn – necessitating the building of a club room for anglers belonging to the Hereford and District Angling Association to weigh their catch. The article was titled 'The Weigh Inn'. Permission was granted.

In the 1939 Registration Richard Mailes was still the innkeeper of the Whalebone Inn, Eign Hill.

Richard S. Mailes born 9th July 1884 – innkeeper and Master butcher
Emma J. Mailes born 7th Jan 1889 - unpaid domestic
Ellen Price born 22nd June 1870 – widow – domestic.

After the voluntary liquidation of the Hereford & Tredgar Breweries the Whalebone Inn was bought by the Cheltenham and Hereford Breweries in 1948.

Then in on 12th July, 1956 the premises were bought for £1,260.00 by the British Wheel stud Co. Ltd., whose registered office was Barrs Court Works, Rockfield Road . The Director was H. H. JOHNS.

The Cheltenham & Hereford Breweries transferred the license to the private house 'The Steppes' on the other side of Old Eign Hill and named the public house The Salmon Inn.

The Whalebone Inn became the Whalebone Stores, but its trade was restricted by the C&H Breweries as there was a covenant on the Whalebone Stores not to trade as a licensed Victualler or sell beers, wines or spirits, or use as a club, or brew beer. This affected the trade as a corner shop. The anglers had to weigh their catch at The Brewers Arms just beyond the railway bridge.

The building was described as 'a messuage tenement or dwelling house known as the 'Whalebone Inn' with outbuildings and garden area of 1 rood & 20 poles or thereabouts'.

After trading for 13 years, on 3rd February 1969 the Whalebone Stores was sold to Daniel WRIGHT and his wife Angela Wright, of The Lawns, Gorsty Lane for £8,950.00. The Wrights purchased the goodwill for £500.00.

The Wrights then in 1972 built a house for themselves in the garden of the Whalebone Stores and sold the Whalebone Stores building to Mr White who converted the premises into the Brookfield Veterinary Practice.

In 2006 Chris and Victoria DARKE took over from Mr WHITE on his retirement and in 2012 they decided to carry out major structural alterations to the premises. As the parking area on the Old Eign Hill side of the building was dug out the original entrance to the inn was uncovered. At some point, probably in 1956, the pitched roof had been replaced by a flat roof when suitable waterproof roofing materials became available. The area between the entrance and the roads had been filled in so that the building became single storied with a basement which suffered from damp, until Mr White had it damp proofed so that he could make better use of the rooms on the lower floor.

The bladebone, after which the Inn was named, was acquired for safe keeping by Mr. T. Stuart-Black KELLY when the inn was converted in 1956. After an appeal by Ann SANDFORD in her book 'Hereford in Old Photographs', published in 1987, the bladebone was kindly donated to the Hereford City Museum.

The seat outside the inn was rescued by Mr. Jack TRUMPER who lived just up Old Eign Hill, but after the deaths of him and his wife in 2006 their house was sold and the whereabouts of the seat are unknown.

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Membership No: 900

**Newspaper Archive Donated by Worcester Civic Society
Heather Bufton**

In autumn 2022 our Secretary Norman Price was contacted by Chris Wilkinson from the Worcester Civic Society. The group had been offered archive copies, photographs etc. from the Worcester Evening News. The paper was moving to smaller premises and looking for an organisation to take its archives. Unfortunately some of the items were destroyed but luckily a large section was taken by the Civic Society and they were offered storage in the city's Crown Gate Centre.

Volunteers have been steadily working their way through the items and listing the information. They have been removing articles appertaining to other counties and offering them to interested parties. The dates covered are mainly 1970s - 2000 Items relating to Herefordshire news have been gratefully received by the Herefordshire Family History Society.

I, with other volunteers have been extracting names from the articles and the data will be put on the Members Area of the Societies website. In due course once finished the sheets will be photographed and then offered to HARC.

So far topics covered are:

Accidents, Angola, Archaeology, Artic Circle, Arts, Auctions, Bishops Frome, Boats, Bodenham, Bombs, Border Oak, Bredenbury, Dilwyn, Dinmore, Downton Castle, Eardisland, Eardisley, Films, Fire at Seven Stars Ledbury, Fownhope, G.B. Liners, Gipsies, Health Thrombosis, Hereford Tiles Ltd, Herefordshire Quarries, Herefordshire South, Holme Lacy House/College/Village, Immigrants, Inco alloys/Henry Wiggins, Intek Floors, Jubilee Maze, Just Juice, Kilvert Society, King Offa distillery, Kingstone, Moreton on Lugg, Mortimers Cross battle, Motorcycles, Nimbus records, Perton, Presteigne, Rotherwas Industrial Estate, Royal National College for the Blind, School of Farriery, Schools, Stretton Sugwas, Thorn Lighting, Thorne Widgery, Toxical laboratories, Vacuct, Victoria Cross awards, Village of the year, Villages, Vintage machinery, Waterworks Museum, Wyevale garden centre.

The index is available to search in the Members Area of the website

Heather Bufton

Examples of the Newspaper Archive

Hereford Times 23rd April 1992

Beetle survey identifies 700 species

Moccas work wins Jon award for conservation



Jon Cooter with his Voluntary Warden's Award for outstanding work in two Herefordshire nature reserves.

Hereford Times 1st August 1996

Health of men is generally worse

HT
- 1 AUG 1996

THE overall patterns of health and illness in Herefordshire are broadly similar to the rest of the country.

But within the county the health experience of men is said to be generally worse than that of women.

This fact emerges in the latest Health in Herefordshire report issued by the local health authority.

It says there are clear and consistent local variations in health, some expected but others not yet explainable.

The fact that the health of men is generally worse than women was due to a mixture of biological and cultural reasons. But the situation required further attention, said the report.

It also revealed that the incidence of lung cancer in Herefordshire was relatively low compared with national figures. But colorectal and skin cancers were more common.

Within the county too, there are significant differences between geographical localities and between general practices.

The most obvious source of variation was the relationship with social deprivation.

The report says all these broad issues should be taken into account by Herefordshire Health when settling on future strategy for health.

Cancer rate among women is higher

MORE cancers are diagnosed in women in Herefordshire than in men.

This is because women bear the burden of breast cancer. But men have the highest incidence rates for all other cancers.

Compared with the West Midlands, Herefordshire has a lower than average rate for breast cancer and female lung, stomach and rectal cancer.

But it has the highest rate for both male and female cancer of the colon.

The report says certain cancers can be avoided. People should not smoke, moderate the consumption of alcohol, avoid excessive sun, eat fruit and vegetables, avoid being overweight and limit fatty foods.

Youngsters' dental health deteriorating

A Change of Name

Why Change Your Surname?

This started as a postscript to the article “The Infamous Solicitor of Ross” in *Herefordiensis* Vol XV No. 1 (April 2002). After writing the article I found that the only child of John and Elizabeth, William Henry SKYRME (born 1872) had changed his name by 1891 to William Henry POWELL. This was the name of his uncle with whom he had lived since his parents died. The name change was formalised by deed poll in 1893. In 1890 he went up to Cambridge University and was later a librarian in Hampshire. Was the stigma of living with the name Skyrme too much?

I have another example of such a change in my Pembrokeshire ancestors. This was Ernest Scourfield Skyrme (1871-1943). Scourfield was his paternal grandmother’s surname. He joined the Royal Marines in the mid-1890s and adopted his middle name as surname since it was said that his mother and siblings, all teachers, disapproved of his choice of career. So from then onwards he was Ernest SCOURFIELD.

Changing Relationships

However, more common reasons for changes of name are due to illegitimacy, adoption or when a mother marries and changes her name when a child is young. Even today this causes a dilemma on which surname a child should use. In an earlier article in *Herefordiensis*, Vol XIII, No. 7 (October 2017) “The Tailor Who Changed His Name”, I described how Arthur WILLIAMS of Hereford kept flipping between this name and Arthur Skyrme at different censuses. Williams was the surname of his mother. His father may or may not have been a Skyrme, the result of a liaison between Mary and her sister Jane’s husband.

Perhaps the most interesting case is that pertaining to the Skyrmes of Vowchurch in the Golden Valley. From 1775-1850 there were over 75 baptisms in Vowchurch, more than five times the number in any other parish, thus making it the largest cluster of Skyrme families in Herefordshire. Tracing their ancestors backwards, the earliest baptism of a Skyrme in Vowchurch is that of Thomas Skyrme on 4th December 1699.

In the baptism record he is a “base child” (i.e. illegitimate) whose father was Thomas COOK and mother Mary SKYRME. Both are listed as “of Allensmore”. So had not Thomas kept his mother’s name of Skyrme, we might have had a cluster of Cooks rather than Skyrmes in Vowchurch!

Conclusion

I’ve given a few examples from my own research of surname changes. Readers may have other examples they might wish to share.

There is a useful ‘Changes of Name’ guide at the National Archives website - (<https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/help-with-your-research/research-guides/changes-of-name/>).

This guide refers to Philimore and Fry’s ‘Index to Changes of Name 1760-1901’. This is where I discovered William Henry Skyrme’s change of name to Powell.

The index is free to view online at the Deed Poll Office website - https://deedpolloffice.com/pdf/phillimore_and_fry_index.pdf.

David J Skyrme Membership No 3192 www.skyrme.info

NEW PUBLICATIONS

Transcription of the registers of the burials held by the Bereavement Services for Hereford, Leominster, Kington and Wigmore Cemeteries.

Hereford Cemetery - 17,100 entries (up to 2001) - £10

Leominster, Kington and Wigmore combined - £10

Leominster Cemetery - 5,246 entries

Kington Cemetery - 4,822 entries

Wigmore Cemetery - 424 entries

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THE SAWTOOTH SLAYER
by **NATHAN DYLAN GOODWIN**

Review by **Beatrice Wellings**

This is Nathan Dylan Goodwin's second book in the Venator Cold Case Series. His first, the Chester Creek Murders, was reviewed in Herefordiensis Vol. XV No. 3. Although the same investigators are working for Maddie Scott-Barnhart's company, Venator, this is a stand-alone story. The home lives of her team of four, however, continue to play an intrinsic and enriching part in it.

A thread of urgency runs through this crime novel as a small team of genetic genealogists uses the latest technology to trace a serial killer from his DNA. In the US, Vanitor's previous successes had been with cold cases where there was no pressure to stop another young life being lost. But time was of the essence in April 2020.

Four young women who lived alone had been taken from their homes into woodland, shot, and brought back into Twin Falls, Idaho, where they were placed outside different churches; the last two murders were only five weeks apart.

The Criminal Investigation Office in Twin Falls was failing to make any headway in its frantic search for the killer. Detective Maria Gonzales was sent to Utah to persuade Maddie and her team to help identify the criminal using his DNA taken from the first victim, before he struck again.

When Maddie agreed to assist, she knew that this would be harrowing work for her team. In April 2020, the newly introduced Covid Lockdown meant that they were working from home, in isolation, without the benefit of the mutual friendship and support found in their Salt Lake City office. Access to DNA is strictly regulated in the US and the necessary DNA kit number for the case was supplied to Maddie by the police detective. On FamilyTreeDNA website the team found over 2,000 people who were unknowingly related to the killer. Further investigation revealed that his Y-DNA (a male's paternal family line) showed his haplogroup (the genetic population who share a common ancestor) was most commonly found in Eastern Europe and Russia but had no coverage in the US.

Using the Hirisplex tool which predicts eye and hair colour from a DNA sample, they identified a killer with very pale skin, brown hair and blue eyes. As all genealogists can appreciate, their trawl for DNA matches was painstaking and often frustrating. Amounts of DNA are measured in centimorgans (cMs). Everyone shares around 3,700 cMs with each of

their biological parents. When amounts dropped to 23 cMs it can mean going back to seventh generation great grandparents to search for clues. After two weeks spent methodically researching family trees for DNA matches, using every website at their disposal, the names of four brothers were given to the police as potential suspects. An obituary had provided their grandmother's name as Zalewski which accorded with the haplogroup. The presence of vegetation between the toes of one victim enabled the police to focus on one of the brothers who had worked as a technician for the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

The author who is also a genealogist, has demonstrated how, from a single sample of DNA, the apprehension of a murderer can be expedited using online genealogical and genetic technology. Even the sceptical Police Department's Captain PRITCHARD had to express his gratitude to the Venator team and concede that he would always support their methods in future.

Letter to the Editor

Oak stays at Dilwyn

I was interested in Beatrice Wellings's article 'The Davies Family Tree in Dilwyn', where she mentioned on page 89 that Harry 'fitted new seasoned oak stays' in Dilwyn church tower. A stay is a length of wood fitted to and sticking up from a bell's headstock, so that when the bell is upside-down ready for change-ringing, it can be safely parked between spells of ringing, by over-balancing the bell until the stay makes contact with and rests against another piece of wood (the slider). A knowledgeable ringer would never order oak stays, because oak does not bend and does not absorb energy. The traditional material is ash. If the bell were rung very badly so that the stay hit its rest too hard, an oak stay would break (possibly with damage to the bell's bearings) whereas an ash stay would just bend, absorbing the excess energy. Maybe they were ordered by a churchwarden, who sadly are often very ignorant of ringing matters!

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St James' School, Hereford 1953-1954



I have my school picture from 1953-4, and a list of names.

The pupils in the above image have been numbered by me.

Below is a list of the names (graciously written on the back of the photo by my mother) in alphabetical order.

A few that I'm sure of (me, for instance No 15, also Nos 16, 19, 20)

Linda ADAMS, Suzanne ADAMS, Michael BENBOW, Michelle BOLE, Peter BRUNTON, Peter BURNS, Terence CLARKE, Valerie ENTWISTLE, Anne EVANS, Diana FOLLETT, Janet GARLAND, Robin GEORGE, James GODWIN, Elizabeth GRIFFITHS, Lorraine HANMEN, Lynn HEATH, Elizabeth HILL, Susan HILL, Richard HURCOMBE, David JAMES, Jocelyn JENNINGS, Lesley JONES, David LAWLEY, Susan LEWIS, Norman MADON, Russell MORRIS, Kenneth MORTON, David ROBINSON, Julian STAPLEY, Jean VAUGHAN, Valerie WARE, Broderick WHEELER, Pam WOOD, Christopher WOODWARD, Daryl YEMM

I wonder if anyone else can find themselves and/or identify someone else?

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Herefordshire FHS - Renewal of Membership options

January is when we include within the journal a renewal reminder for the Herefordshire Family History Society. We have been aware that the 2017 renewal form was still to be found in the Members Area. This has now been updated with the correct date.

You only need to use this form if you send the remittance back via the post with a cheque attached. (Please do not staple it to the form)

Or you intend to use it to setup your renewal as a Bankers Order.

Although we are still very happy to receive your renewal by this method, we would prefer that you use our own webshop to renew by as below.

<https://www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk/> will take you to our site.





This link will take you direct to the Membership page.

<https://www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk/product-category/membership/>

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Herefordshire FHS Zoom Meetings Programme for 2023

For the time being we are organising the Zoom events in the place of monthly meetings, on the same date and time.

As soon as we are able to re-establish the face-to-face meetings, they will be publicised in the Journal, on the website and also on social media.

Tel: 07836 560511 or 01684 295746 E-Mail: nor-manp.price@live.co.uk

Future Zoom Meeting Dates.

Date	Speaker Details
20th Jan 2023	David Cuffley Discovering the history of your ancestor's house
17th Feb 2023	Jenny Mallin A grandmother's legacy: the early days
17th Mar 2023	Laurie Page Migration - When We Get Stuck!

All of the 2023 Zoom speakers are now publicised on the website and also the link will be sent out as part of the Monthly Newsletter sent out by the website.

To get this notification register on the site here:

<https://www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk/>

Bromyard & District Local History Society

Meetings are held at the Conquest Theatre, Tenbury Road, Bromyard.

Membership Secretary: Mr Alex Hoyle

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Cradley Heritage Group

Formed in 2004, the group is an active, hands-on group of people who undertake projects in co-operation with Malvern FHS.

Fownhope Local History Group

Contact: Christopher Lansberry. Telephone no: 01432 860733.

Kington History Society

c/o Kington Museum, Mill Street, Kington HR5 3AL The Kington library room is manned every Tuesday & Friday from 10am-4pm

Leintwardine History Society

Contact: Mrs. Pam Hatherly, Roman Rise, High Street, Leintwardine, Craven Arms, Shropshire SY7 OLB Telephone 01547 540306

Linton & District Local History Society

Contact: Mrs Lee Hines. Ford House, Ford Lane, Kilcot, Gloucs. GL18 1NW

All meetings at Linton Village Hall

Longtown Historical Society.

Contact: Dr Jeremy Davis. jerrypdavis@outlook.com

Weobley & District Local History Society

Weobley Museum, Back Lane, Weobley, Herefordshire. HR4 8SG.

Contact: Mr B. Holly. Little Orchard, Hereford Road, Weobley HR4 8SW

Open April, May Jun: Mon & Tues 10 - 1;

July, Aug, Sept: Mon, Tues, Weds 10-1; Bank Holidays 10 - 4

Woolhope Club

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Founded in 1851, The Woolhope Naturalists' Field Club, covers the archaeology, history and the natural history of Herefordshire.

Also Archaeological Research Section & Natural History Section Membership £13-00 per year, Joint £15-00, Student £2-00

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Gloucestershire FHS

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www.gfhs.org.uk

Gwent FHS

Sec: Mrs N. Thomas, 11, Rosser Street, Waunfelin, Pontypool. NP4 6EA

www.gwentfhs.info

Montgomeryshire GS

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<http://www.montgomeryshiregs.org.uk/>

Powys FHS

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Meetings held at Brecon BRE, Llanddewi Ystradenny RAD and Abermule MGY

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Shropshire FHS (West Midland Group member)

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Malvern Family History Society (West Midland Group member)

Sec: Mrs Jean Evans

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All meetings are on the 1st Wednesday of each month. Open at 7pm for a 7-30 start at Eden Church, Grovewood Road, Malvern. The meetings are also available by Zoom. We cover the whole of Worcestershire.

www.mfhs.org.uk/

FHF (Formerly called FFHS) is an international organisation, established in the UK as a non-profit making charitable company. It represents, advises and supports over 200 family history societies and other genealogical organizations worldwide, with a combined membership of over 300,000.

www.familyhistoryfederation.com

See www.fhswales.org.uk/ for information on societies in Wales

Correspondence

Any correspondence concerning the Journal should be addressed to the Editor. All other correspondence should be addressed to the Secretary. If you require a reply, please include a S.A.E.

Leominster Home Guard

The Leominster Folk Museum has the original record of the World War II Home Guard membership for Leominster and surrounding villages.

The index can be consulted in the Herefordshire FHS library, available at the general meetings at the Kindle Centre, Hereford.

Herefordshire FHS Burial Index

Society members have been indexing the burials from the registers and Bishop's Transcripts for some years.

The period 1813-1839 is now complete and available on CD.

Requests for look-up of specific surnames, including Pre-1813 burials, with first names and / or parish if the name is very popular to:

NBI Co-ordinator - Linda Lloyd linda_lloyd@btinternet.com

Help Wanted

Researchers may publish enquiries in the "Help Wanted" section within the Journal. This service is free to members of the Society, but non-members are asked to make a donation to the Society with their enquiry.

Herefordshire Strays Index

The Society holds a Strays Index, which is available for look-ups and which we invite additions to.

So what is a Stray ?

A stray is someone found in archives or documents out of their county of birth, in our case Herefordshire. This index is available via e-mail and by post from the Editor, searched by Surname.

The Strays Index is available on the Members Area of the website along with other resources.

www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk

Herefordshire Registrar Indexes

The Herefordshire FHS has now had permission to publish all 3 of the Registrars indexes compiled by members of the society from the registers held by the Herefordshire Registrars of Births, Marriages & Deaths.

Births : 1837 - 1922 £15

Births: Name, Date of Birth, Mother's Maiden Name & Registrar Reference.

Marriages: 1837 - 1957 £25

Marriages: Name of both parties, Place and Date of Marriage, Register, Entry No

Deaths: 1837 - 1972 £10

Deaths: Surname, Forename, Date of Death, Age & Registrar Reference.

The agreement also includes permission for an extra year to be added to the indexes each January.

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