

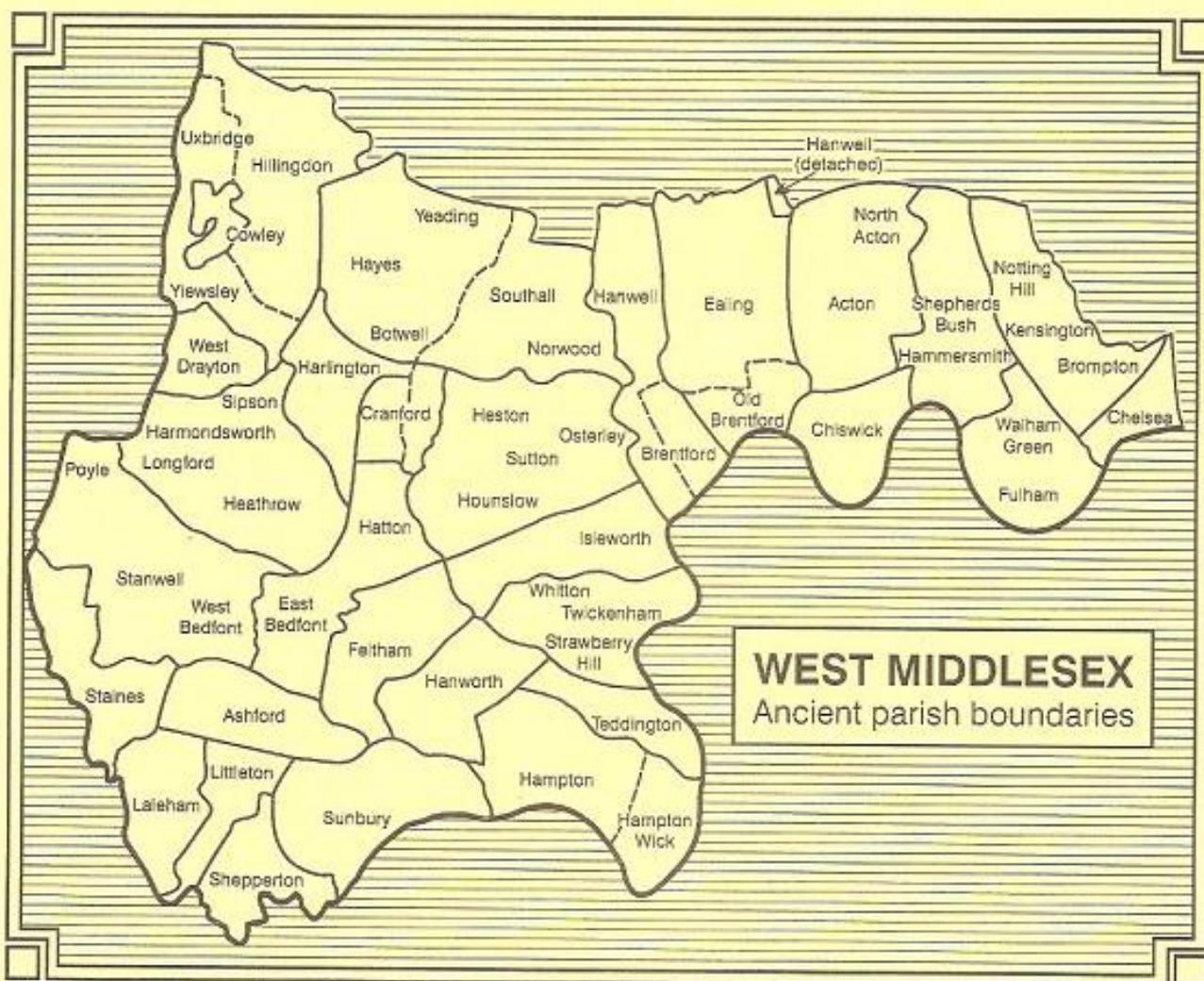
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## OPEN DAY

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As most of you will know, Open Day is almost upon us and, as mentioned in our last journal, there should be something there to interest everyone. Many of our Middlesex records are now available on computer as well as paper copy. These include the augmented Marriage Index; 1891 Census Index and 1851 Census Index etc.

There will be many books to buy and browse, suitable for beginners in family history as well as more experienced researchers; many research aids on microfiche and a "help desk" to hopefully solve any particular Family History problems. Guest organisations will be displaying binders and storage for your records; second-hand books and new publications; postcards and ephemera; computer software and maps, charts and recording aids. And of course there will be other Family and Local History Societies too.

Our Grand Raffle will include the excellent Readers Digest book on Genealogy and a copy of "The Real Counties of Britain", kindly donated by local celebrity and author Russell Grant, a fervent supporter of the County of Middlesex, who may, if schedules allow, be able to join us on the 14th.

To look after the inner man, Peter Roe and his band of willing helpers will be providing a range of drinks and light refreshments in the dining room throughout the day, and if the Weather is kind, you could even picnic on the lawns which run down to the Thames Towpath.

Do join us if you can. We look forward to welcoming you.

A word from Wendy Mott:

Whilst retyping the Margravine Road Cemetery War Memorial in Hammersmith I Came across Sergeant Andrew George Smith of the King's Royal Rifle Corps died, of wounds, aged 16 on 1 August 1915.

I checked on the Commonwealth War Graves Commission internet site and he really was 16. He was born in Notting Hill, the son of Andrew and Jane Smith of Stronsa Road, Shepherds Bush. Does anyone know anything about him? Could he really have been a Sergeant at such a young age?

*Mrs Wendy Mott, 24 Addison Avenue, Hounslow TW3 4AP*



# WEST MIDDLESEX FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY OPEN DAY

**SATURDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2002**

10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

**St. Peter's Church Hall  
Laleham Road, Staines, Middlesex**

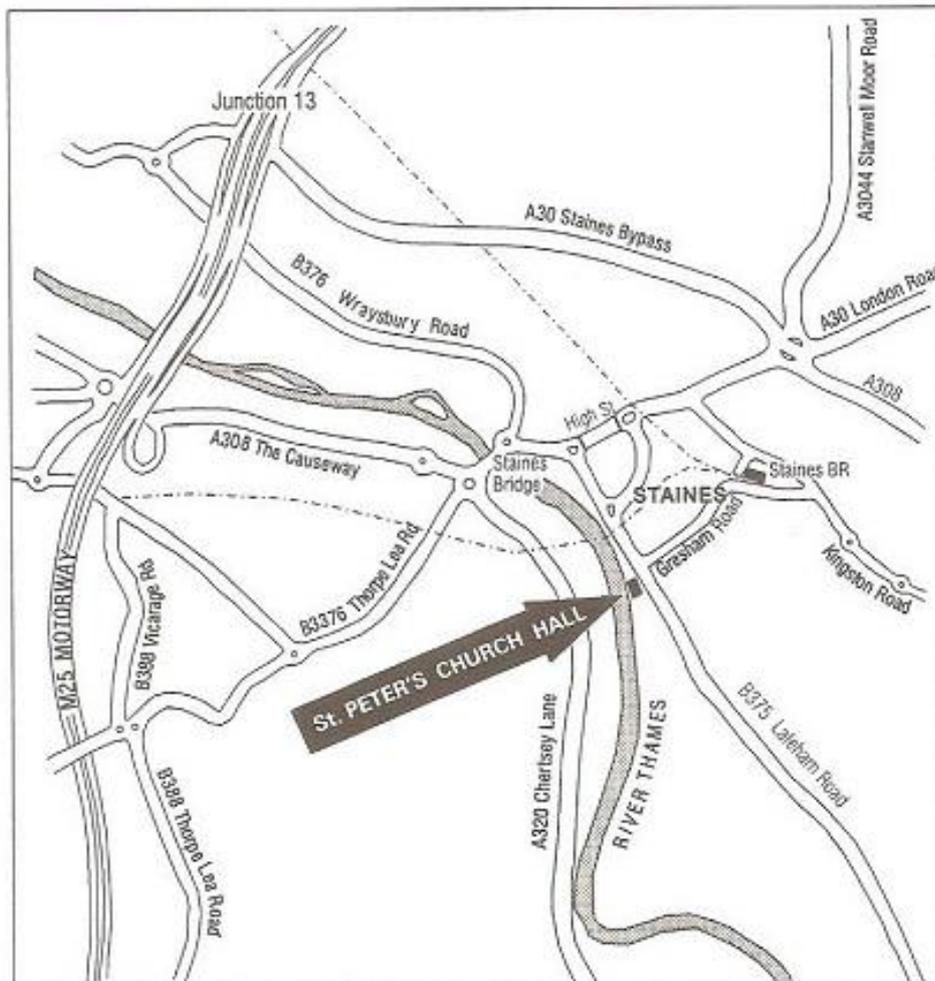
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## FUTURE MEETINGS

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The following talks have been arranged:

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| 15 August    | Members' Evening<br><i>WMFHS Research material available</i>                         |
| 19 September | The Jews of Notting Hill: History of a Forgotten Community<br><i>Shaaron Whetlor</i> |
| 17 October   | The Story of Pears Transparent Soap<br><i>Andrea Cameron</i>                         |
| 21 Nov       | The Late Victorian Sailor<br><i>Michael Fountain</i>                                 |
| 19 Dec       | Christmas Party  |

Our meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at Montague Hall, Montague Road, Hounslow, and doors open at 7.15pm. Parking is available adjacent to the Hall. Research material such as indexes and reference books, exchange journals from other societies and a bookstall, all of which can be browsed between 7.30pm and 10pm; (talks take place between 8 and 9pm), tea/coffee, cold drinks, biscuits are also available at meetings.

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## NEWS ROUNDUP

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### Bishopsgate Institute

At the Bishopsgate Institute, an Adult Education institute which has been in existence since 1894, members of the East of London Family History Society and Bishopsgate Reference Library staff offer a free drop-in advice service for family history researchers in the Library on the last Friday of each month. At 6pm on these same dates the EoLFHS holds meetings with speakers on topics of local and family history interest: 27 September '*Problems in London Ancestry*' by Michael Gandy; 25 October '*Our grandmothers, our mothers, ourselves: a London U3A project*' by Mirieille Hill; 29 November '*AGM and East London Social History on Postcards*' by Philip Merrick. The Institute also runs one-day courses at very low cost, e. g.: '*From Chippendale to Curtain Road. Furniture Making in East London*' Tuesday 1 October 5.30-7pm, £5. The Institute is housed in a Grade II\* listed, early art nouveau building in the City of London (opposite Liverpool Street Station). Its newly restored Reference Library's London collection includes rare books, long runs of directories, maps, street guides,

photographs, prints and watercolours covering the history of the Inner London area and the Howell collection on the Labour movement with much information on trade unions, friendly societies, the Oddfellows, the archives of the London Cooperative Society, etc. No fee or membership requirement. 230 Bishopsgate, London EC2M 4QH, tel. 020-7247-6198, email: [library@bishopsgate.org.uk](mailto:library@bishopsgate.org.uk)  
Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9.30-5.30; Wednesday 9.30-7; Thursday 11-5.30.

### **Newsplan 2000 Project**

Collections of about 250 local newspaper titles from London and the South East are to be saved from deterioration by being placed on microfilm. This has been made possible by a grant of £5 million from the Heritage Lottery Fund to the Newsplan 2000 Project, a partnership between the Fund, the newspaper industry and libraries to save the text of the UK's most fragile and rare local newspapers. The microfilms, together with microfilm readers and reader~ printers, will be made available to local libraries in the areas served by each newspaper. Areas at present being covered are London, Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, Essex, Hertfordshire, Kent, Surrey and Sussex.

### **Public Record Office/ Historical Manuscripts Commission**

On 12 July 2002 Arts Minister Tessa Blackstone announced that the Government intends to establish a new National Archives body to embrace both public and private archive networks. It will ensure ready access to archives in the most useful and convenient way. On 1 April 2003 the Public Record Office and the Historical Manuscripts Commission (presently housed at Quality House, Quality Court, Chancery Lane) will combine to form the National Archives. It is believed the bringing together of the functions of the PRO and HMC will provide a more effective and efficient archive service. One advantage envisaged is that "users will have improved access, via the Internet, to information about both public and private records, consolidating the ground-breaking work of the National Register of Archives and recent initiatives such as the PRO's on-line catalogue, PROCAT". The resources of both PRO and HMC will be combined and HMC staff will in due course be joining that of the PRO at Kew.

### **Twickenham Museum**

A new museum has opened in the area covered by our Society: Twickenham Museum opened its doors for the first time in December 2001. It is housed at 25 The Embankment, a meticulously restored Grade II listed building, part of the old Twickenham riverside village, and very close to Twickenham Parish Church. Run by volunteers, it is open on Tuesdays and Saturdays 11am to 3pm and Sundays 2pm to 4pm. The intention of the museum is to

recreate the life of all the villages forming the old Borough of Twickenham, and at present is concentrating on mounting exhibitions of photographs, maps and other visual material showing the history of these areas.

## **Diary Dates 2002**

**Saturday 17 August, 10am-4pm:** The Marlow Society will be holding a Local and Family History Fair at the Shelley Theatre, Court Gardens Leisure Centre, Marlow, Bucks; includes representatives from the County Records and Local Studies Department, and Archaeology Society, plus Local History groups and Buckinghamshire FHS. Theatre is close to the river and picturesque town of Marlow. Entrance 50p. Further details from *LOFAMA, Peter Bailey, 'Woodwinds', Henley Road, Marlow SL7 2BZ, tel. 01628 476610*

**Saturday 17 August, 2pm:** PRO: The Life of a Tudor Peddler. Admission free, no booking necessary.

**Saturday 14 September:** WMFHS Open Day, 10am-4pm St Peter's Church Hall, Laleham Road, Staines, Middlesex. See advertisement in this issue.

**Saturday 21 September:** PRO Open Day on the theme Revisiting the 1950s: early days of pop culture with music, toys and cinema plus jiving and jukebox music. Visitors are invited to come along in 1950s costume. Admission free

**Sunday 22 September:** Hampshire Genealogical Society Open Day, Horndean School, Barton Cross, Horndean, Hants.

**Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 September:** *Family History Experience*, the Society of Genealogists Family History Fair in the Midlands features a range of exhibitors and programme of lectures and computer demonstrations. National Agricultural Centre, Stoneleigh Park, Coventry, £6 on the door or E4 before 19 September from SOG, *14 Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Road, London EC1M 7BA, tel. 020 7553 3290*, more information on website *www.sog.org.uk*

**Saturday 12 October:** Annual Reunion of the East Family History Society (East, Este and variants) at Bailey Hall, Christ Church, Redford Way, Uxbridge, 10.30-4pm. Large database available for consultation. Visitors welcome.

Enquiries: *June Lines, 020 8567 1364, web page:*

*<http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~eastfhs>*

Thursday 31 October: At the PRO, the Necropolis of the Metropolis, a talk by Dr Julian Litten recounting the history of the creation of London's oldest graveyards. 7pm, tickets £5, £4 conc.

**Saturday 2 November:** West Surrey FHS Open Day, 10am to 4.30pm, Woking Leisure Centre, Kingfield Road, Woking, Surrey. Many stalls, refreshments, free parking, admission free. Further details tel. 01 483-825523, *www.wsfhs.org*

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## CERTIFICATE COURIER SERVICE

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The charge for the courier service is £8 per certificate. FULL reference must be supplied: please quote all the details given in the index, i.e. name, year, quarter, district, volume and page. I do check the reference you have supplied and appreciate that sometimes the page numbers are difficult to read if using a fiche. Unwanted certificates or copies of certificates which are still wanted are always welcome for our certificate database. When applying please quote your membership number and make your cheque payable to me (*not* WMFHS); all payments must be in *sterling*. S.A.E.s appreciated.

Valerie J. Walker (Miss), 32 Cunningham Street, Chiswick, London W4 5EN

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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I was intrigued to read Geraldine MacGrath's article "A Sad Tale of Edwardian Fulham" (June 2002 issue). It makes me wonder whether there was something about old Fulham that induced death wishes, as my family also had a similar experience.

In September 1887 a sensation was created when **Henry CHASEMORE**, aged 46 years, committed suicide by hanging himself in the organ loft at Fulham Parish Church. Apparently he was a cripple and in distressed circumstances. He had been lodging with a Mrs Ann Holder at 23 High Street, Fulham and, at the inquest, she testified that Henry had been very depressed for a long time. It seems that his sole income was from being an organ blower at the church. A full account of the inquest was given in the *West London Observer* of 10 September 1887.

His parents, grandparents, and all his siblings but one, **Philip Nathaniel CHASEMORE**, predeceased him, but the strange thing is that, at the time, there were numerous other members of the Chasemore Family in Fulham, most of whom seem to have been fairly comfortably off. One would have thought that help from someone in the family would have been forthcoming.

Worse still, his only surviving brother was actually married in Battersea just a week or so after Henry's death. The kindest thing that can be said for Philip is that he might have been unaware at the time of the suicide. He certainly cannot have been very close to poor Henry.

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## ELIZABETH JOHNSTON AND THE HIBERNIAN SEDUCER

Colleen Newton

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*During a visit to England three years ago I was able to visit St Mary Abbots churchyard in Kensington where I placed a bouquet upon the tomb, designed by no less an architect than Sir John Soane, of my ancestress Elizabeth Johnston. The eldest daughter of Robert Johnston, a merchant, she had lived in Brompton, Middlesex, until her death in May 1784. My research into her life had revealed a fascinating and sometimes tragi-comic story, bound up as it was with that of a notorious 18th century rake, Charles Coote, otherwise the first Earl Bellamont. The following account from Town and Country magazine of 1786 tells something of what befell her:*

### **MEMOIRS OF THE HIBERNIAN SEDUCER AND THE MAID OF SENSIBILITY**

*Though the incidents which spring from the story before you are neither new nor surprising, they are sufficiently interesting to engage every sensible heart and draw forth a sigh of pity in tender sympathy for the failings of a female of whom it may be said she erred rather than sinned. (The rigid prude, it is true, will tell us there is no medium ground between vice and virtue; but this is more a position supported by terms than improved by conviction.)*

*The hero of our present tale is an Earl of the sister Kingdom, and has raised himself to that dignity by private merit and elegant address. He has never filled any office in the State, has never distinguished himself in any military service by sea or land, has never done the dirty work of any administration, has always supported a noble, independent spirit; and yet, which is an extraordinary circumstance in these days, he has been distinguished by his King, and his private virtues have been rewarded.*

*Early in life, the ruling passion of this noble lord was vanity. Before he attained the age of 21 he made the Tour of France and Italy and returned to his native country a complete 'Macaroni'; but though in person and equipage every appearance was gaudy and in the extreme of fashion, yet in conversation he delighted by the soundness of his judgement, acuteness in observation, and brilliancy of wit.*

*Dorimont, for so we shall call this noble lord, was son to a gentleman of extensive property in the North of Ireland, whose family had an old claim to a dormant title, and inherited their lands in right of the forfeitures of the Roman Catholic estates. Some time after his return from his travels a very*

*Alarming insurrection broke out in the province of Ulster, owing to the rigid conduct of the clergy in collecting their tythes, and arising at length to a dangerous height, approaching to rebellion. Dorimont headed a party of the army and acted with such vigour against the insurgents that His Majesty most graciously rewarded him with the ensigns of the Bath, attended with the particular mark of respect that he was invested at the Castle in Dublin in a Chapter specially held for that purpose. This honour was soon after followed by a creation of peerage, and Dorimont is now an Earl.*

*Few men possess a higher sense of honour than Dorimont, or a more noble spirit, which in a quarrel with a noble lord, once Viceroy of Ireland, he exerted in every respect like a man of true honour and spirit, justly tenacious of his privileges. The cause of this quarrel was a refusal on the part of the Viceroy to grant Dorimont a private audience, which as a nobleman he had a constitutional right to demand, and the refusal, which was delivered by an aide-de-camp, was delivered in terms so uncouth that Dorimont, considering it inconsistent with his honour to hold any employment liable to the Viceroy's control, threw up his military employments, and on the recall of the Viceroy to England, followed him and called him to the field. This duel however nearly cost him his life. His antagonist had the first fire, and Dorimont received a ball near the groin, under which he languished for a considerable time, but at last recovered.*

*Now, this nobleman is eminently endowed with those qualities and attributes of person and mind which tend to attach the admiration and seduce the virtue of women, and it is well known he has exerted them to the utmost advantage," one amour, if report is to be credited, does not redound much to his honour. It is confidently said that he has denied a private marriage, and the probability is the charge is false, as every other circumstance of his life evinces a mind superior to such baseness; and indeed this accusation was not made until a matrimonial negotiation had commenced between him and the sister of a noble Duke, who certainly would never had assented to the match if such an impediment could have been honestly raised against it.*

*From the story of his present Tête-a-tête, it may be presumed that Dorimont's marriage was rather founded on motives of domestic policy, to strengthen family interest, than of love, for his attachment to the lady of whom we are now going to speak was of so tender a nature, it is scarcely possible to suppose his heart accompanied the gift of his hand.*

*Isabella was the daughter of a private gentleman, and entitled to a small fortune, or rather a pittance. She resided with her mother, a widow of*

*unimpeachable character. Her face could not be called beautiful, but was delicate and strongly expressive of sensibility, and her form displayed an elegance that engaged admiration and commanded respect. Her conversation was congenial to her appearance, and chaste wit and innocent ideas embellished her understanding, which was extensive and highly polished. Unhappily these accomplishments caused her seduction. She found in Dorimont a mind similar to her own. Who can withstand the influence of sympathy, the most tender offspring of nature? It united the hearts of Dorimont and Isabella, and the consequence of their intercourse was two fine children.*

*Isabella felt severely for her situation, and her feelings preyed upon her health. She never complained but let 'Concealment like a worm in the bud feed on her damask cheek' and at the expiration of five years from her seduction, died from a consumption. The grief of Dorimont was beyond description. He has erected an elegant monument to her memory, and never mentions her name, but with a heavy sigh or bursting tear.*

The above somewhat ironic? article appeared in the magazine *Town and Country*, a high society gossip journal.

'Dorimont and Isabella' alias **Charles COOTE** and **Elizabeth JOHNSTON**, were my 4x great grandparents - see the family tree accompanying this article. I have yet to discover the second child mentioned in the article. Further clues to some of the incidents referred to above are supplied by research carried out by Sir Christopher Coote. Bellamont Forest is the name of the Coote family seat at Cootehill, Co. Cavan. Charles Coote, alias 'Dorimont', was born 1738. He succeeded to the title of Lord Coloony in 1766 and duly took his seat in the Irish House of Lords, where he delivered his inaugural speech in French. He referred openly to his neighbours in Co. Cavan as 'Hottentots'. He certainly was honoured by the King for his part in putting down the insurrection, and in 1767 he was created Earl of Bellamont. The duel he fought was against Lord Townshend in 1772, and the position of his wound caused much ribald comment. His (legitimate) marriage to **Emily FITZGERALD**, the daughter of the 1st Duke of Leinster, "was an empty one, and his in-laws hated him (they referred to him as 'the Devil'); his wife was said to lead a very unhappy life".

Earl Bellamont was a notorious womaniser, and printed abstracts of his will (the original was lost in the Four Courts fire in Dublin in 1922) mention a host of illegitimate children by at least four mothers. Reynolds painted a full-length portrait of him, now in the National Gallery of Ireland, in the robes

and ostrich plumes of the Order of the Bath. In 1774, fearing that he would have no legitimate heirs, he obtained a Baronetcy with a special remainder to his eldest illegitimate son, Charles, born 1765 to 'Rebecca PALMER, otherwise SHELDON', as specified in his Will. The mothers of the other children seem not to have been recorded. His 1774 marriage to the daughter of the Duke of Leinster produced one son who died young in 1786.

The two portraits shown with this article, by the fashionable portrait painter John Russell, are still owned by descendants of the Earl. They were

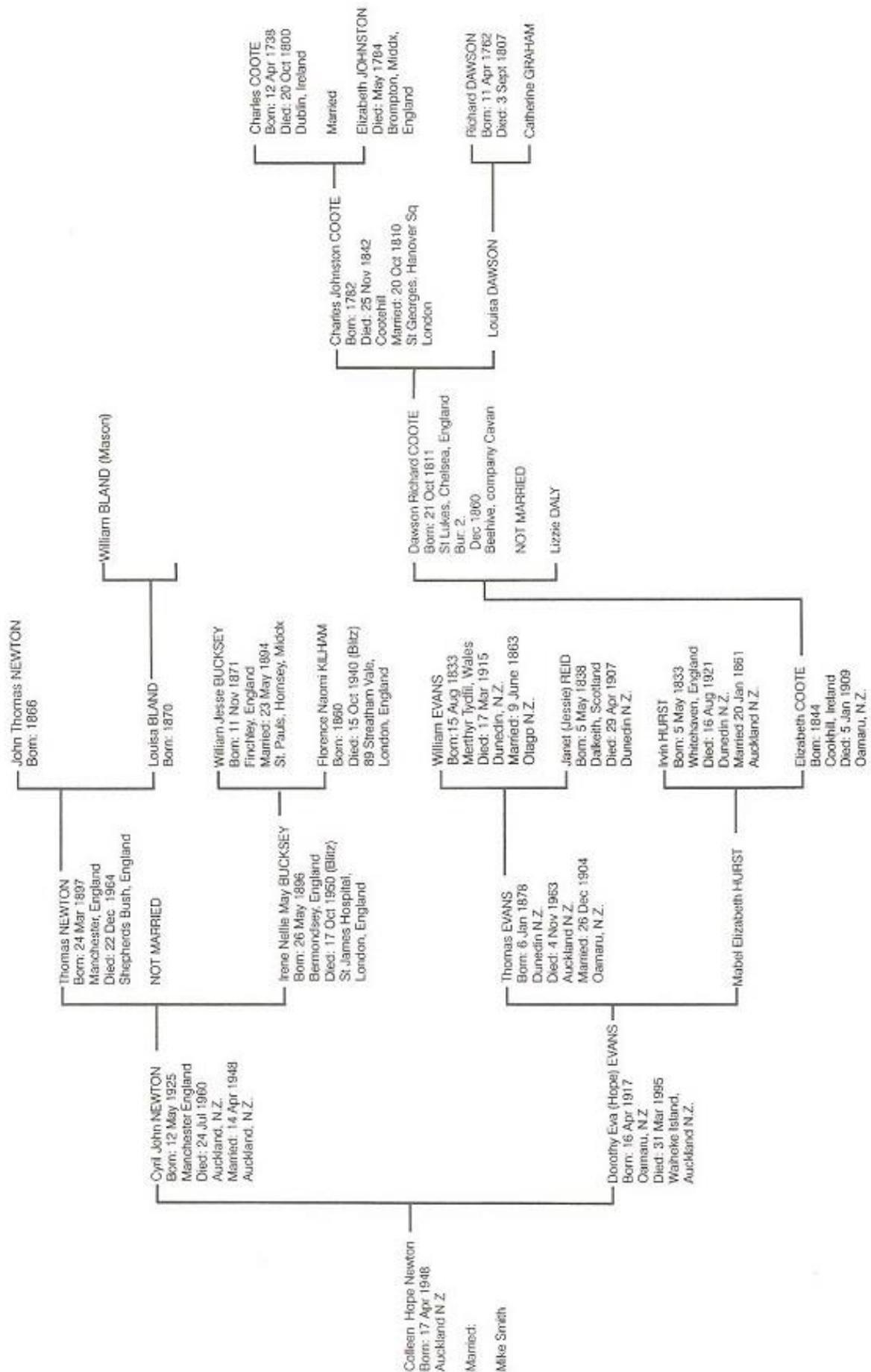


*Charles Coote, Earl of Bellamont*



*Charles Johnston Coote with his mother*

known to depict Earl Bellamont, and his second illegitimate son, also called Charles, with his mother. The boy is clutching a miniature copy of his father's portrait. It is probable that the mother is Elizabeth Johnston, as the boy was born in 1781 or 1782 and so would have been about three when she died, which is a plausible age for the child in the picture. Elizabeth's father Robert JOHNSTON may have (lied just before the portrait was painted as she is wearing a mourning band on her wrist. There is a long family tradition amongst the Earl's descendants, borne out by contemporary gossip, that he contracted a bigamous



marriage in England with the daughter of a respectable tradesman and even the eminently discreet history of the Coote family by A. de Vlieger, published 1900, records that the Earl's second illegitimate son was the offspring of a "private marriage".

Did Elizabeth Johnston realise she had been deceived? She must have been happy with him as I know they spent some time together in Italy, England and possibly Ireland. The Earl, however, was an excellent lather who took care of all his offspring. The eldest son inherited the Baronetcy created for him, and the boy in the portrait, **Charles Johnston COOTE**, was bequeathed Bellamont Forest, where he died in 1842. The house was subsequently sold by the family, but in 1988 came back into Coote hands as it was bought by a **John COOTE** of Australia, probably also a descendent of one of the illegitimate children. I am descended from Charles Johnston Coote's granddaughter **Elizabeth COOTE**, who was born at Cotehill in 1844 but emigrated to New Zealand, perhaps to escape the unhappy times in Ireland during the famine.

The Earl's male line is now extinct but his descendents retain these two intriguing portraits of the couple whose relationship prompted the handsome monument by Sir John Soane in St Mary Abbot's churchyard.

If any WMFHS members have a connection with any of the above, I will gladly swap information from the considerable amount I have on the Anglo-Irish Coote and Dawson families.

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## **HELP!**

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*This service is free to members of WMFHS (please quote your membership number when writing). In order to ensure that your appeal is published correctly and is clear to other readers, please make entries clear and concise, give all personal and place names in **BLOCK CAPITALS**, and all dates in full. Entries from non-members can be accepted, at a rate of £3.00 for up to ten lines. Payments must be in Sterling only, with cheques made payable to WMFHS.*

## **HAWKINS/HOLDER**

Looking for HENRY HAWKINS/CHARLOTTE formerly HOLDER, of ISLEWORTH, (no dates of birth known), the parents of my great

grandfather HENRY THOMAS HAWKINS born Z3 June 1843, Isleworth - this information from his birth certificate. I can find no couples of that name marrying, other than six years *later* in READING, BERKSHIRE (both of full age); *that* Charlotte was a Wesleyan Methodist, born 23 August 1823 or 4, and came from CHELMSFORD, ESSEX. Her father was JAMES HOLDER, mother MARY ANN, who lived at Bear or Biar Church, Chelmsford, Essex and had another daughter MARY ANN born 24.6.1822. HENRY HAWKINS' father was FRANCIS. If there is another couple named Henry and Charlotte I cannot find them. HENRY THOMAS married HARRIET ROSAM; they had children FLORENCE ELIZABETH 13.3.1863; MARY JANE December 1864; HENRY THOMAS 1866; EMILY 1868; FRANK 22.3.1871; then a ten-year gap to my grandfather CHARLES ALBERT 9.7.1881. Were there any children during that ten years? All except Charles Albert were from THAMES DITTON. In 1881 the family were living Clarence Villas, Binns Road, CHISWICK. In 1901 Henry Thomas and Harriet were living with son Henry Thomas in Gilstead Road, FULHAM. Frank married ELIZABETH and lived Novello Road, FULHAM - they were there early 19005. Did they have children? Where did they go? So far I can find no death for Charlotte or Old Henry. Do any of these names, other than Rosam, appear in your family researches? Any help would be greatly appreciated. Alternatively, if you think I can help you, please contact me.

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### **HORRY/RAE/TULLOCH(K)**

Great grandfather George HORRY married Matilda DIG BY at SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE 29 May 1879. Grandfather Herbert HORRY was born Spalding 18 April 1886. When did Herbert move from Lincolnshire to MIDDLESEX? He married Maryon RAE 3 September 1908 at TEDDINGTON Parish Church. Maryon was born at Cranmer Road Teddington on 19 June 1882, the daughter of James RAE and Margaret TULLOCK - my thanks to David Neller and the "Teddington Index" for his considerable help in developing more family details. The marriage certificate states Herbert is a Grocer residing 13 Dacre House, Beaufort Street, CHELSEA, one of the blocks in the Sir Thomas Moore Buildings, but he does not show up as a resident. Is there a directory which might provide information about grocers in the area? My mother Gwendoline HORRY was born at 26 Drayton Avenue, WEST EALING 29 April 1912. Herbert died 10 November 1918 and is commemorated at the Alexandria (Hadra) War

Memorial Cemetery, Egypt. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission record shows that at that time Maryon Horry was residing at 2 Drayton Court Chambers, Argyle Road, WEST EALING. The local librarian states that Drayton Court Chambers was actually in The Avenue, West Ealing. Any information to help fill in further details would be appreciated.

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### **PEARCE/WEEDON**

Great grandmother ELIZABETH PEARCE gave birth to the youngest of her five children February 1897 in ISLEWORTH WORKHOUSE, although on the birth certificate she gives her own address as 11 Pier Place, Strand, CHISWICK. In the 1901 census all five children were in Percy House. What happened to my great grandparents ALBERT EDWARD and ELIZABETH PEARCE? When did they both die? Had Albert died and that's why the youngest was born in the Workhouse? Does anyone know when Elizabeth's parents died? They were RICHARD and ELIZABETH WEEDON, last known address 410 High Street, BRENTFORD (a greengrocer's shop) on the 1881 census. I am stuck. Any help would be much appreciated.

*Mrs Mary Bethell, White Lodge, Newton, Leominster, Hereford HR6 0PF*

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

That when Queen Elizabeth II celebrated her Golden Jubilee this year, She joined a very select band of monarchs who have survived the rigours of ruling this country for over fifty years.

George III reigned from Saturday 25th October 1760 until Tuesday 29th January 1820, a total of 59 years and 96 days.

Edward III reigned from Sunday 25th January 1326/7 until Sunday 21st June 1377, reigning for 50 years and 147 days.

Henry III acceded to the throne on Friday 28th October 1216 and died on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 1272, having reigned for 56 years and 19 days.

Queen Victoria reigned from Tuesday 20th June 1837 until Tuesday 22nd January 1901, a total of 63 years and 216 days.

Queen Elizabeth's date of accession was Wednesday 6th February 1952. She will need to reign until 21st May 2011 to join George III in second place, but till 10th September 2015 in order to emulate her great-great-grandmother.

My grandfather, **Thomas Herbert WATERS**, was born at Battersea, the first of 22 children born to his father, who married twice and had eleven children by each wife. Grandfather married my grandmother **Emily Florence PEARSON**, who came from Peckham, in December 1914. My father, another Thomas, was born in November 1915 and ten years later his brother arrived.

Grandfather joined the Essex Regiment and 2/22nd London Regiment (Queens) in October 1916 and the following March was drafted to the Western Front. He took part in the severe fighting there and was wounded - he was gassed - in action near St Quentin during the Advance of 1918. I remember asking him questions about the war and he told me about the



*Thomas Herbert Waters*

trenches. At the time he made light of it, but I can see now what a dreadful experience it must have been. He told me about the German and British troops calling to each other across No Man's Land at Christmas. He was also sent to Egypt and I have a number of old photographs of that period which include Cairo Station, the Sphinx and a number of Egyptian women, their faces covered by their yashmaks. His experiences of war were to change him as they did many men. My grandmother said he was a very different man when he came out of the army from the kind and gentle, caring

man who went in. It must have been very hard for her, as no doubt it was for many women at that period. When grandfather came home he had to find work, which was very difficult at the time, so he started a greengrocery business with a pony and cart going from door to door. At this time the family were living in a flat in Eastbury Grove, Chiswick. Grandfather was a very hardworking man who made sure my father also worked - he had to go with him in any spare time he had. My father wanted to be a motor engineer when he grew up but his father said he had to be a greengrocer, and that was that. My father had to look after the pony and make sure she was fed and watered for the night. Grandad was a hard character, often knocking my father about, to my grandmothers distress, and yet he would give fruit and vegetables away to anyone with a hard luck story, and of course the inevitable happened - he went broke.

He then went to work as a market porter in Brentford Market, and the family moved to the London Road in Isleworth next to Pears Soap Factory - I think this was about 1939. My father also worked as a market porter for a number of years. It was at this time that my grandfather had one or two affairs with the women in the market and he would come home and tell my grandmother. She tolerated this, although I wonder if she felt she had no choice at the time; it must have hurt her as she was a gentle, loving soul. The years went by and my grandmother developed cancer, and died in 1962. I think he really missed her when she died as he would sit with tears in his eyes, but I couldn't help wondering if maybe it was his conscience that pricked him for the way he had treated her, as I am sure he couldn't have had a better wife. He survived until December 1964 when he died in his sleep. His funeral was Christmas Eve; what a dreadful Christmas that was.

To sum him up now I would say he was an arrogant man, hard and intolerant of many things. It is sad what damage war does to people- I wish I had known him better and maybe understood him better. However, I do have in my possession his General Service and Victory Medals.

*Mrs Jill Bennett, Hilcot, Poundfield Lane, Stratton, Bude, Cornwall EX23 9BS*

The Chapel Royal in the Palace of Hampton Court is indeed a Royal Chapel and is part of the Queen's ecclesiastical household. It has its own Chaplain, Verger and Choir, splendidly robed in scarlet, who sing for the two Sunday Services throughout the year except for three weeks in the summer.

The Chapel was built for Cardinal Wolsey, probably in 1514, and was enlarged for Henry VIII and again for William and Mary and Queen Anne. These Monarchs would have sat in the Royal Pew, which is above the Chapel at the rear and is reached by its own staircase. Its present design is by Sir Christopher Wren, who made alterations to the Palace for King William and Queen Mary. The pews in the main body face inwards so that worshippers would not have to turn their backs on their Sovereign, or on the altar.

There are many different periods represented in the Chapel and also some famous names. The magnificent, deep blue fan-vaulted ceiling dates from the 1530s, although the gold stars were not added until the 1840s. On the south side is a trompe l'oeil painting of circa 1690 showing Fountain Court, one of the courtyards of the Palace designed by Sir Christopher Wren. Grinling Gibbons was responsible for the beautiful reredos which was installed in 1708. The present windows only date from 1894, although they are of Tudor design. The Altar Cross was designed by Sir Edward Lutyens and presented in 1894. The font, which dates from the 17th Century, was placed in the Chapel in 1976. Public baptisms took place here from 1890 and the Baptismal Register remains in the hands of the Chaplain.

When I first visited Hampton Court Palace many years ago it was only possible to view the Chapel Royal from the Royal Pew. However it is now possible to enter the Chapel itself, and on a recent visit I first saw the War Memorials which are mounted on the south wall. Knowing that we did not have the details of these in the large collection of War Memorials held by the Society, I contacted the Chaplain to request permission to copy down the details, which he readily gave.

The names are of those who lost their lives in the two World Wars, who either worshipped in the Chapel, guarded the Palace or worked or lived in it, or whose relatives had done so. They are inscribed on two wooden panels. As well as the names, the panels show the Regiment or other branch of the Services and the date of death.

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN THANKFUL REMEMBRANCE OF

C.A. KEITH Midshipman RN 15 October 1914  
G.C. BROOKE Major 1st Border Regt. 28 April 1915  
J.L.G. IRVINE Captain Argyll Sutherland High<sup>land</sup> 8 July 1915  
B.E. BARTON Sergeant Royal Field Artillery 22 Sep. 1915  
E. SELF Private East Kent Regt. 26 Sep. 1915  
E.H. PELLOWE Trooper Surrey Yeomanry 28 Oct. 1915  
R.H. ABNETT Sergeant 8th Middlesex Regt. 16 Sep. 1916  
T.E.B. OAKLEY Private 21st Middlesex Regt. 6 March 1917  
A. WOOD Major 3rd Royal Sussex 12 April 1917  
S.T. ABNETT Private 4th Middlesex Regt. 24 April 1917  
W.J. COLE Sgt. Major 8th Middlesex Regt. 29 April 1917  
P.M. MAXWELL MC Major Royal Field Artillery 1 Oct. 1917  
L. McC. SLADE THOMSON RN Sub-Lieut. 23 December 1917  
O. CREIGHTON C.F. 17 April 1918  
E.F. GOODALL Private 51st Royal West Surreys 22 Aug. 1918  
N.H. KING-SALTER Captain 1/6th Gurkha Rifles June 1919

WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE WAR 1914-1919

He that loseth his life for My sake shall find it

TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND THE ETERNAL MEMORY OF THOSE

WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE 1939-1945 WAR

THIS PANEL IS GRATEFULLY AND HUMBLY DEDICATED

DEREK COX Lieutenant Fleet Air Arm RN Killed 2 December 1942  
CHARLES WILLIAM FISHER Captain Royal Horse Artillery Killed 11 July 1944  
EDWARD COVERLEY KENNEDY Captain Royal Navy Killed 23 November 1939  
HORACE PARSLOW Chief Petty Officer Royal Navy Killed 8 November 1942  
JOHN GEOFFREY C. SALMOND Pilot Officer Royal Air Force Killed 17 April 1940  
HUGH WILFRED N. SEYMOUR Lieutenant Rifle Brigade Killed 13 June 1942  
HUMPHREY A. BARNES C.I.E. Major The Guides F.F. & Indian Political Service  
Killed October 1940  
AUBERTIN W.S. MALLABY C.I.E., O.B.E. Major General 2<sup>nd</sup> Punjab Regiment  
Killed October 1945  

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KINGSLEY O.N. FOSTER D.S.O., O.B.E. Colonel Royal Northumberland Fusiliers  
Killed (Korea) April 1951

A member of the Chapel Royal's staff has researched these names and has collected together some biographical notes, information from the Imperial War Graves Commission and any obituaries which were published in the Surrey Comet. Details of these can be obtained from the Chaplain.

Normally it is only possible to view these War Memorials by attending one of the Sunday Services or by paying the entrance fee to Hampton Court Palace. However the Chaplain, Rev. Denis Mulliner, has very kindly offered to make special arrangements for any members of the Society who are relatives of the above and wish to see the Memorials. He has suggested that this should be done through the Society. Should you therefore wish to take advantage of this offer would you please first contact me.

*Mrs Bridget Purr; 9 Plevna Road, Hampton, Middlesex TW12 2BS*

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## **BOOKSHELF**

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### **Little Ealing: A Walk Through History**

This little book was compiled and published by members of the Ealing Fields Residents' Association and apparently grew out of a popular local history walk led by two committee members for the past few years. Not only does it include a history, with maps and illustrations, of the Little Ealing area, as well as reminiscences by local people, but some surprising and probably little-known facts emerge from its pages: for instance, a future American president (John Quincy Adams) resided in Little Ealing for two years, and Blondin, the famous and daring tightrope walker, not only resided but also died there - he renamed his house Niagara House after his daring exploits crossing Niagara falls on a rope, and Niagara and Blondin Avenues as well as Blondin Park commemorate his residence. There is a lot of valuable first-hand reminiscence material on how the two World Wars affected the people of the area, especially local schools, and the reminiscences continue up to the present day to take in recent incomers from overseas. A lot of names and places are mentioned. Altogether a very nice read, with some excellent illustrations.

*56 pages. £5. Available by post from the EFRA Treasurer, Duncan Cameron, 8 Bramley Road, Ealing, London W5 4SS, email: dcameron@bcs.org.uk*

The following is a selection of books available from the Imperial War Museum's Publications Catalogue, available from Imperial War Museum, Mail Order, Duxford, Cambridge CB2 4QR, tel. +44(0)1223 499345 (on-line ordering not yet available). For postage & packing add 20% UK, 30% EC, 40% other.

**Tommy goes to War** by *Malcolm Brown*

First-hand accounts from uncensored letters and diaries tell the story of the British soldier in the First World War, conveying the horror of the trenches, what it was like to go into battle, to be wounded, or witness the death of friends.

*Hard back, mail order no. BK5244 £18.99*

*Paperback, mail order no. BK9071 £14.99*

**The Imperial War Museum Book of the Somme** by *Malcolm Brown*

Offers a fresh perspective on the 1916 campaign, and describes the later battles of the Somme in 1918.

*Paperback, mail order no. B3447 £8.99*

**Boy in the Blitz**, by *Colin Perry*

The diary of Colin Perry, written when he was an 18-year-old boy in London. It gives a unique account of the bombing of London during the summer and autumn of 1940.

*Paperback, mail order no. BK5982 £6.99*

**Go to it! Working for Victory on the Home Front 1939-1945** by *Asa Briggs*

The story of the civilian war effort in Britain during the Second World War, lavishly illustrated with photographs and posters from the archives.

*Hardback, mail order no. BK5370 £16.99*

**The 1940s House** by *Juliet Gardiner*

On 15 April 2000 the Hymers family moved into a 'wartime' house to discover what it was like to cope with rationing, blackouts and air raids. Juliet Gardiner draws on the letters and diaries of home front veterans and interweaves the history of wartime Britain with the Hymers' story.

*Hardback, mail order no. BK6020 £20.00*

**The Women's Land Army** by *Vita Sackville-West*

Reprinted by popular demand. Expanded edition.

*Hardback, mail order no. MB0079 £17.00*

**The Schools in Wartime** (Ministry of Information contemporary publication)

Short sketches depicting different aspects of school life under the stress and strain of war, including the migration of children from the towns to the country. First published 1941. *Mail order no. MB0131 £4.50*

**Eve in overalls** by *Arthur Wauters*

Although not attributed to a government department, this pamphlet uses official photographs. Richly illustrated, it describes the various jobs

undertaken by women as 'substitution' labour.

*Mail order no.* MB0132 £3.50

### **Make do and mend**

A delightful reminder of the techniques of household economies extolled by the wartime government.

*Mail order no.* MB0159 £3. 50

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## **THE QUEEN'S BENCH PRISON**

*Valerie Walker*

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Whilst most of the country has been indexed by various family history societies for the 1851 census, I wonder whether members think to check Debtors' Prisons.

In the 1840s the King's Bench Prison (mainly a debtors' prison) was amalgamated with the Fleet and Marshalsea Prisons and renamed Queen's (Bench) Prison, and by 1850 an historian complained that it had lost much of what had made it picturesque! It was on the east side of Southwark Bridge Road between Borough Road and Great Suffolk Street next to the Winchester Music Hall and the Post Office Receiving House- Its census records for 1861 are lost and it was perhaps about this time that arrest for debt was abolished. By 1871 the building had become Southwark Convict Prison and was demolished in 1880.

Queen's Prison in 1851 is on HO 107/1564 starting on folio 232, page 34. I have just looked at the 60 inmates listed on pages 37, 38 and 39. Of the 52 men aged between 21 and 72, two were widowers, thirty-four were married and sixteen were unmarried. Of the eight women, who were aged between 35 and 71, three were unmarried, four were widows and one was married.

Many occupations are given. 'Gentleman' is listed for sixteen of the inmates, but there were also victuallers, merchants (5), surgeons (2), bakers (3), navy (3) and one each of the following: professor of music, upholsterer, farmer, milkman, woollen draper, accountant, staymaker, needlemaker, cheese-monger, shoemaker, brewer, solicitor and several "none". My favourite is: Baron von Ruthen Anythony Bernheard, unmarried, aged 62 who is an Engineer, Inventor and Painter, born in Austria. Fallen on hard times indeed!

Twelve of the prisoners were born in London, five each in Yorkshire and Ireland and many other counties are represented, plus two from France.

I have copied one page from the prison's census return as an example.

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Parish or Township of <i>Southwark</i>		Electoral District of <i>Southwark</i>		Town of		Village of	
Name of Street, Lane, or Road, and Name or No. of House	Name and Surname of each Person who abode in the house, in the Night of the 30th March, 1881	Religion ... to Head of Family	Condition	Age of Males Females	Rank, Profession, or Occupation	Where Born	Whether Blind or Deaf and Dumb
40 Queen's Place	William Barber	M	Mar	39	1 Baker	Buck's Hat	
Canal	William Robert Jgn		do	68	stay at home	Wid's 14 St	
	Samuel King		do	46	Woolen Draper	Hammond Millham	
	John Archer		M	56	Engineer	Windsor Green	
	John Duffin		M	15	Cloth Merchant	Wid's 14 St	
	Charles Watts		Mar	27	Millman	Northampton's 14 St	
	John Jones		M	57	Farmer	Shury 19 St	
	Mary Ann Lottell		M	37	None	Not known	
	William Lobbitt		M	60	None	do	
41 Queen's Place	Mary Bryce		M	70	None	Montgomery 14 St	
	Catherine Lucas		do	52	Spinstress	Wid's 14 St	
	Elizabeth Wiley		M	71	None	Colop's New York	
	Emma Davidson		M	56	(Inmate)	Edin'gton	
	Mary Welton		M	60	None	Wid's 14 St	
	Charlotte M. Johnson		M	62	Military Pensioner	Edin'gton	
	Elizabeth Ann Johnson		M	55	(Inmate)	Edin'gton	
	Melen Johnson		M	44	do	do	
42 Queen's Place	Frederick Hamwell		Mar	64	Spinstress	Leicester	
	John Bryce		M	44	do	do	
	William Richardson		Mar	15	Wine & Merchants	Leicester	
Total of Persons...		Total of Persons...		119			

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## THE CHARLES BOOTH ONLINE ARCHIVE

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The Charles Booth Online Archive provides free access to a new, detailed online catalogue of materials relating to Booth's survey into life and labour in London (1886-1903). The organisation of trade and industry, the lives and employment of women, the effects of national and international migration, leisure activities, and the religious life of the capital are all described in fascinating detail in 450 survey notebooks, which are held in the London School of Economics' Library Archive. Digitised images of 31 of these notebooks can be accessed on the website. It is also possible to view and search the digitised image of 12 colour-coded maps of London poverty, produced from Booth's survey.

### **Charles Booth and the survey into life and labour in London**

Charles Booth (1840-1916) was a successful ship owner - a wealthy businessman. He also had a profound social conscience, but distrusted mere philanthropy without scientific facts. Over a period of 17 years (from 1886 to the early 1900s) his survey team - independent of any government body - set about investigating the social, economic and religious influences on Victorian Londoners. Gathering information street by street, the survey notebooks record statistical data and interviews with thousands of individuals in all trades and at all levels - workers, trade unionists, employers, school board visitors, police, workhouses inmates and clergy. They document everything from wage rates to dress codes, from training to regularity of work. Booth's occupational classification system attempts to embrace every trade in London, from chorus girl to cabinet maker.

The 31 survey notebooks that are digitised on the website describe 327 walks around London by social investigators between 1897 and 1900. Here the investigators accompanied policemen on their beat who offered not only protection but local knowledge of the area and inhabitants. These 'police notebooks' offer a word-picture of London street life over a century ago, and also describe the policemen themselves - their working hours and duties.

Booth used the survey information to produce maps, with streets and areas colour-coded according to the social status of the people living there: yellow for the richest to black for the 'lowest class - vicious and semi-criminal'. The maps (held in the LSE library archives) span Hammersmith in the West to Greenwich in the East, and from Highgate in the North to Clapham in the South. The 12 original maps have been digitally mosaiced together to

produce one digital image searchable by street, parish, area, postcode and other landmark features. The maps are cross-referenced with a detailed catalogue of the Booth collection and digital images of the 31 survey notebooks.

*www.lse.ac.uk/booth*

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## COURSES/LECTURES

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### Some Family History Lectures/ Courses at SOG, 2002

The two prices refers to SOG members and non-members respectively

September		
Wed 4	2pm	Using Generations Software for Advanced Users: Tutorial <i>Tim Powys-Libbe</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Thur 5	6-8pm	Family History Skills Course 2nd Stage – Intermediate Level. 18-week course with various lecturers (for students who want to progress further with their research) . . . . . £140/£112
Sat 7	10.30am	Beginning Palaeography. Full day introductory course <i>Hilary Marshall</i> . . . . . £20/£16
Wed 11	2pm	Using the SOG Library <i>Sog Librarian, Sue Gibbons</i> . . . . . Free
Thur 12	2pm	Visit: Hyde Park Family History Centre (Church of Latter-day Saints), Exhibition Road, Kensington . . . . . £9/£7.20
Sat 14	2pm	I'm Stuck! Sources and techniques for locating that missing ancestor <i>Geoff Swinfield</i> . . . . . £4/£3.20
Wed 18	2pm	Mobile Computing: Tutorial <i>Jeanne Bunting and John Hanson</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Sat 21	2pm	Reprinting old books on CD-ROM – the Archived Books Project: Tutorial <i>Barney Tyrwhitt-Drake</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Wed 25	2pm	Working lives: The evolution of the Apothecary from Community pharmacist to general practitioner <i>Dee Cook</i> . . . . . £4/£3.20

## October

Fri	4	1-3pm	What's in it for me? Ten-week course looking in depth at the contents of the SOG Library and its collections <i>Members of staff and volunteers</i> . . . . . £50/£40
Sat	5	2pm	Scanning and Enhancing Photographs: Tutorial <i>Jeanne Bunting</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Sun	13	11am-4pm	SOG OPEN DAY . . . . . Free
Wed	16	2pm	Legacy Family Tree: Tutorial <i>Alec Tritton</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Sat	19	2pm	Ancestors in the King's Service: half-day course <i>Michael Gandy</i> . . . . . £10/£8
Wed	23	2pm	Using English Original Databases: Tutorial <i>SOG Genealogy Officer</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Sat	26	10.30am	Internet for Genealogy: Study Day <i>Various lecturers</i> £20/£16

## November

Sat	2	10.30am	Extracting, converting and using computer data: Tutorial <i>John Hanson</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Sat	9	10.30am	Advanced Palaeography: full day course <i>Hilary Marshall</i> . . . . . £20/£16
Wed	13	2pm	Get the best from the 1881 census index on CD-ROM: Tutorial <i>John Hanson</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60
Wed	20	2pm	Working Lives: 19th and early 20th Century domestic servants <i>Pamela Horn</i> . . . £4/£3.20
Thur	21	2pm	Visit: British Library, Oriental and India Office Collections. . . . . £9/£7.20
Sat	30	2pm	PCC Wills online from PRO: Tutorial <i>Barney Tyrwhitt-Drake</i> . . . . . £7/£5.60

Further details about the above SOG lectures can be obtained from SOG at: Society of Genealogists, 14 Charterhouse Buildings, Goswell Road, London EC1M 7BA

Tel: 020 7553 3290, e-mail [info@sog.org.uk](mailto:info@sog.org.uk) or visit their Website at [www.sog.org.uk](http://www.sog.org.uk)

The **Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies** at Canterbury also hold

courses. Their 35-week evening course, Family History, will be held at the London School of Economics commencing Wednesday 4th September, 7-9pm. Also starting in September is Practical Family History, the follow-on course to Family History. This course is designed to provide a wide range of practical experience through a series of set assignments, allowing advanced students to build on their factual knowledge. The six assignments and occasional group meetings will take place over a six-month period from Tuesday 10th September 2002 to Tuesday 15th April 2003. By the end of the course students will be in a position to sit the Institutes Higher Certificate in Genealogy. Further details of these IHGS courses on their website: <http://www.ihgs.ac.uk/courses/index.php>, booking forms from the Registrar: [registrar@ihgs.ac.uk](mailto:registrar@ihgs.ac.uk) or tel. 01227 768664, address Institute of Heraldic and Genealogical Studies, Northgate, Canterbury, Kent CT1 1BA

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## NETWORK 11 TAPE LIBRARY

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*The following tapes of talks which have been given to participating Societies may be hired for 14 days at a cost of £1.60 including postage and packing (sorry, UK Members only). Please make all cheques payable to WEST MIDDLESEX FHS, and give name, address and telephone number, and your FHS membership number*

*Send your requests to: WEST MIDDLESEX FHS TAPE LIBRARY, c/o Muriel Sprott, 1 Camellia Place, Whitton, Twickenham, Middlesex TW2 7HZ.*

*Copies of the updated Network 11 Tape Library List are available for 30p plus A5 SAE from: Mrs Stella Nicholls, Tape Library, 1 Beacon Drive, Bean, Dartford, Kent DA2 8BE.*

92/1	One Name Study (Waddel)	Freda Bingley
92/2	In Search of Golden Thompson	Norman Holding
92/3	Curious Last Requests	Julian Litten
92/4	Family History Can Be Fun	Jim Golland
92/5	Was Your Ancestor a Publican?	Judith Hunter
93/1	Coastguard Ancestors	Eileen Stage
93/2	Railway Records at the PRO	Cliff Edwards
93/3	The British and Foreign Schools Society	Brian Seagrove
93/4	The Name Game	Mrs M Catty
93/5	Local Military Records	Dr Ian Beckett
93/6	The Villages of Harmondsworth	Philip Sherwood
94/1	Teddington	David Neller

94/2	300 Years of Mud and Crime	Ron Cox
94/3	The Victorian Sailor	Mike Fountain
94/4	Wandsworth and Fulham in Postcards	Pat Looby
95/1	Boats and Boaters	Avril Landsell
95/2	Australian Records	Heather Garnsey
96/1	Military Ancestors	Peter Boyden
96/2	The Times Divorce Index	Annie Weare
97/1	Seeing It Through Their Eyes	Michael Gandy
97/2	The Days of Horse Traffic	Robert Barltrop
97/3	Fire Insurance Records	David Hawkins
97/4	The Poor Law and the Parish	Peter Park
97/5	Chelsea	John Neal
97/6	Irish Records	Bill Davis
98/1	Sources at the Public Record Office	Simon Fowler
98/2	Lloyd George's 1910 Domesday Census	Peter Park
98/3	Feltham	Peter Watson
98/4	Letter Boxes	John Smith
98/5	Chiswick and Brentford	Christine Diwell
98/6	Hammersmith and Fulham Archives	Jane Kimber
99/2	Mills of Heathland	Eddie Menday
99/3	Irish Ancestors in England	Michael Gandy
99/4	Portobello – its Past and People	Shaaron Whetlor
99/5	Roundhead or Cavalier	Col. I Swinnerton
99/6	Railwaymen and their Records	David Hawkins
00/1	Hillingdon Heritage Library	Carolynne Cotton
01/1	Where There's A Will There's A Row	Jean Debney
01/2	Sex, Lies and Civil Registration	Audrey Collins

### MIDDLESEX CHURCHES

A series of pen and ink drawings were done some time ago of several of the parish churches in our area of interest. There are eleven in the series and they have been produced as postcards, size 105 mm x 148 mm (A6). They are:

Ashford, St Matthews	Littleton Church	Sunbury Church
Hampton Church	Shepperton, St. Nicholas	Teddington Church
Heston, St Leonards	Staines St Mary's	Twickenham, St Mary's
Laleham Church	Stanwell Church	

Two new church drawings have recently been produced. They are: Greenford, the old church of the Holy Cross and Northolt, St Mary's.

They cost 55p each including postage and can be obtained from:

*J. Scrivener, 88 Wheatlands, Heston, Middlesex TW5 0SB* or from the bookstall at our monthly meetings at a cost of 30p. All proceeds to WMFHS funds.

## Monumental Inscriptions

The following transcriptions of monumental inscriptions for churchyards in the West Middlesex area are available.

	U.K.	Overseas
St Nicholas, Shepperton . . . . .	£2.35	£3.00
St Mary Magdalene, Littleton . . . . .	£1.35	£1.75
St Mary the Virgin, Bedfont . . . . .	£1.35	£1.75
St Mary the Virgin, Harmondsworth . . . . .	£2.35	£3.00
All Saints, Isleworth . . . . .	£2.35	£3.00
All Saints, Laleham . . . . .	£2.35	£3.00
All six sets of fiche . . . . .	£9.50	£11.00

## Surname Indexes to the 1851 Census

Paddington (HO 107 / 1466-1467). . . . . <i>Set of two microfiche.</i>	£2.35	£3.00
Kensington, Brompton, Hammersmith & Fulham (HO 107/1468-1471) . . . . . <i>Four microfiche. These, together with the two for Paddington (above) cover the whole of the Kensington RD</i>	£4.35	£5.20
Chelsea (HO 107 / 1472-1474). . . . . <i>Three fiche. Covers the parish of St Luke, Chelsea</i>	£3.35	£4.00
Brentford Registration District (HO 107/1698-1699) with Hampton Sub-District (HO 107 1604 (part)) . . . . . <i>Three fiche. Includes the parishes of Heston, Isleworth, Twickenham, Hampton, Teddington, Acton, Brentford, Ealing, Hanwell, Greenford, Perivale and Chiswick</i>	£2.85	£3.50
Uxbridge (HO 107/1697) . . . . . <i>Two fiche. A complete index to the surnames, Christian names and ages for the Uxbridge RD which covered the parishes of Cowley, Hayes, Harefield, Hillingdon, Ickenham, Northolt, Norwood, Ruislip and Uxbridge</i>	£2.35	£3.00
Staines (HO 107/1696). . . . . <i>Two fiche. A complete index to the surnames, Christian names and ages for the Staines RD which covered the parishes of Ashford, Cranford, East Bedfont, Feltham, Hanworth, Harlington, Harmondsworth, Laleham, Littleton, Shepperton, Stanwell, Staines and Sunbury</i>	£2.35	£3.00

## Indexes to the 1891 Census

Hampton (RG 12/616-618) . . . . . <i>Two fiche. Index of surnames, Christian names and ages for Hampton, Hampton Wick and Teddington, which comprise the Hampton sub-district of the Kingston RD</i>	£2.35	£3.00
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All prices above include postage. Please indicate the number of each that you require, and send your order with your name, address and payment (sterling only, cheques payable to West Middlesex Family History Society) to: Mrs. M.M. Harris, "Stone Lea", Mellors Lane, Holbrook, Derbyshire DE56 0SY

*It is suggested that UK members order from Mrs. Harris, not GENFAIR as you will then not be charged VAT.*

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## PAST MEETINGS

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In May Colin Chapman asked “Was Your Ancestor a Criminal?” and went on to speak of crimes or mere misdemeanors in which they might have participated, and where we might find records relating to them. Drawing on the contents of an invaluable tome “The Complete English Lawyer” by John Gifford, which was at one time a popular reference book for self-help in matters of law, Colin listed a whole galaxy of crimes, some of which have now passed out of the Statute Book, some which obscurely still remain, and some which are still very much considered to be crimes.

There are many different categories of crime, for instance against persons (murder, manslaughter), against the State (high treason, e.g. violating Royal persons or making war against the Sovereign within his or her realm), against property (burglary, theft, arson), against fair trade (e.g. forestalling, i.e. buying goods on the way to market, or engrossing - buying in large quantities in order to offer lower prices - these were to protect the small trader), or against the public peace (rioting, unlawful assembly). The original meaning of ‘Mayhem’ was to deprive someone of a body part so they can no longer defend themselves - if a right-handed person has a right hand broken by someone, that is mayhem, but if it is their left hand, then it’s not mayhem. There are quaint-sounding offences which are now obscure, such as owling - transporting wool or sheep out of the county without a licence.

With regard to records of crime, besides the more obvious lists of criminals and court cases to be found in record offices such as the PRO, City of London Record Office and London Metropolitan Archives and local Quarter Sessions records, Colin had more suggestions for places to search. Some archives keep separate records of crime. Colin suggested local County Record Offices for such items as broadsheets and handbills. Broadsheets were often distributed before and after executions: one from 1825 announced proudly the installation of “the new drop” which could execute four or five prisoners at once! Some groups were formed which paid in money to offer rewards for the apprehension of criminals, or to advertise stolen property, which were publicised by the distribution of handbills. These might also turn up in Poor Law records, or could be in an album or personal collection.

Quarter Sessions have records of criminal cases and applications for licences, such as to hold public meetings. ‘The Hangman’s Record’ is a

booklet of executions which took place at Newgate over a period of 400 years but is not complete, containing cases which were interesting to the compiler. And there are the death certificates of murdered persons, which sometimes name the murderer, and the death certificate, upon execution, of the murderer, both of which give a lot of detail. Local newspapers also cover such events in detail, including inquests.

In June, in his talk 'On the Parish' Peter Park dealt in his usual well-researched and thorough way with the various poor laws and systems which were instituted over the centuries since the Middle Ages to bring relief to the poor. Under the feudal system moral responsibility for the poor centred upon the Manor, local monasteries usually administering endowments and alms. But the feudal system declined and in the mid-sixteenth century the monasteries were dissolved, when at the same time the numbers of poor were increasing. So various Acts of Parliament were passed for poor relief, which in turn were repealed at the end of the sixteenth century and replaced by the Act for the Relief of the Poor. Each parish was responsible for its poor, requiring the appointment of an Overseer who submitted annual accounts to two justices. The Act was expanded in 1601 to empower parishes to bind poor children as apprentices, and provide work for the unemployed.

This Act continued for 233 years, with some amendments - such as the introduction of Settlement Certificates and Removal Orders from 1662 - until the New Poor Law of 1834. Few records exist from before 1601, and the majority are from the 18th Century. Of course the records mention not only the poor, but those who paid rates - assessed by the Churchwardens and the Overseer - which went towards poor relief, as well as those people who administered the system. Probably the majority of the population were at some time in their lives affected by the poor laws. Most documents relating to the poor can be found among parish records (Vestry Minutes, churchwardens' or overseers' papers) or Quarter Sessions records. The latter sometimes contain appeals not only by paupers who considered they were not receiving enough, but also against poor rate assessments; failure to pay could lead to distraint and sale of one's goods. Poor rate assessments were based on land - its rentable value - rather than income. Some tax assessments, such as the land tax or hearth tax, identify people in the parish who were too poor to pay.

From 1697 strangers could be asked for their Settlement Certificates guaranteeing their place of settlement would accept responsibility for them -

these certificates were kept in the Parish Chest. Peter dealt with the somewhat complicated rules governing people's right of settlement, or otherwise, in a parish. From 1696 came the setting up of workhouses by combined parishes - paupers could have relief withheld for refusing to enter. Pauper apprentices were granted settlement in their master's parish - many were sent to London or to the new textile mills in the North - their indentures may survive, perhaps in company records. This talk presented more evidence that the poor certainly do appear in the records.

Our July speaker, Sarah Paterson of London's Imperial War Museum, gave a very comprehensive overview of the sort of archive material the museum holds, and pointed out that this sort of military historical material is part of everyone's family history.

The idea for the museum began with a letter to the *Times* in 1917 from the Curator of the Tower Armouries. With all three Services cooperating, collecting for the new museum began immediately, thousands of items being sent from both Britain and abroad. "Imperial" rather than "National" was used in the museum's title at the request of the then British Dominion governments. It opened on 9th June 1920, moving to Lambeth in 1936 to a building previously occupied by the unfortunate inmates of 'Bedlam' - the Bethlehem Hospital, whose chapel became the museum's Reading Room. There is now also an IWM North in Manchester and further premises at Duxford, Cambridgeshire. Admission is free.

The museum covers only the period from WW1 onwards. Topics covered include not only military personnel but just about anybody involved in war - evacuees, conscientious objectors, POWs, etc, plus some German and American material and information about women's services both military and civilian. There is a permanent Holocaust exhibition and currently special exhibitions based on the TV programmes "The Trench" and "The 1940s House".

There are several departments to deal with the different kinds of archive material, e.g. the Department of Art has paintings and sculpture and there is a film archive and sound archive, the latter consisting of recorded material including interviews and contemporary accounts. Manuscript material includes diaries and letters, and printed material includes books such as published regimental histories and autobiographies, which can provide a graphic background for an ancestor's war service, maps, wartime recipes,

knitting patterns, poetry, magazines like the popular *Blighty* and regimental journals - including the Middlesex Regiment - which sometimes include birth, marriage and death columns and activities like sport which mention individuals. Sarah gave us some idea of the structure of regiments and battalions, which was very complex, so it is certainly an advantage to know what unit a person served with.

From its earliest days the museum has received enquiries - the vast majority relating to the Army - from members of the public about servicemen's activities and experiences; they are always deluged with enquiries around Remembrance Sunday and other anniversaries. Those wishing to make use of the Reading Room are asked to make an appointment. The museum has produced several family history leaflets, and there are brochures at £5.50 each about tracing relatives in each of the different services. A new brochure on women in the armed services will be ready early next year. Also for sale are videos, CD-ROMs and audio tapes, and facsimile wartime documents such as ration books, posters, newspapers, Churchill's speeches, etc. The museum holds the National Inventory of War Memorials, now numbering 45,000, although this does not at present include the individual names from the memorials. There are however some lists of individuals, for example all the Commonwealth War Graves Commission registers are held in the Reading Room, and computer databases such as "Soldiers Died in the Great War", and the incomplete "National Roll of the Great War 1914-18", plus other Rolls of Honour, such as for Harrow School and some railway companies.

Sarah emphasised that the IWM holds no actual service records, which are held either at the PRO or by the Ministry of Defence at Glasgow, which now handles enquiries which used to be dealt with at Hayes - Glasgow has a waiting list for enquiries. However the museum can provide much information about what it was like to serve in a particular service, or War. The story of an ancestor who served in the military or was involved in War was not isolated, but was part of its overall history.

*Imperial War Museum, Lambeth Road, London SE1 6HZ, tel. 020 7416 5000; website [www.iwm.org.uk](http://www.iwm.org.uk)*

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## *A very special calendar for 2003*

The West Middlesex Family History Society is proud and very happy to be able to offer a unique calendar for 2003 which features some of the beautiful drawings of West Middlesex churches (one for each month) drawn variously by Ken Huckle and Ted Dunstall, which have hitherto only been available as postcards.

The calendar is A4 landscape (11¾" wide x 8¼" high), spiral wire-bound with a month to each page. The illustrations are black line on a cream background. It would make an ideal Christmas present.

We are offering it at £4.00 plus 50p postage and packing, available from:

Mrs Mavis Burton, 10 West Way, Heston, Middlesex TW5 0JF.





Whilst transcribing Chelsea marriages at the London Metropolitan Archives for the Society's Marriage Index member June Lines came across the following entry:

Charles John Huffam DICKENS, or Furnivals Inn, Middlesex, and Catherine Thomson HOGARTH, a minor, on 2nd April 1836. Marriage by licence, consent given by the bride's father, George HOGARTH.

I would like to add to the above the following extract from *The Life and Characters of Charles Dickens*:

'On the 2nd April, at St Luke's Church, Chelsea, Charles Dickens was married, quietly, to Catherine Hogarth. The marriage was by licence, and the ceremony was performed by the Curate- (The Rector of the parish, incidentally, was the Rev. Charles Kingsley, father of the author of *Westward Ho!*, *The Water Babies* and other stories.) The bride, who was not yet twenty- one, "was dressed in the simplest and neatest manner". To the wedding breakfast sat down only the two families and Mr Beard of the *Morning Chronicle*, who was Best Man. "A few common pleasant things were said, healths drunk . . . all things passed off very pleasantly, and all seemed happy, not the least so Dickens and his young girlish wife." The honeymoon was spent near Gravesend, at Chalk, a quiet little village five miles from Rochester, and not quite so far from Gads Hill.'

**STOP PRESS**

The 1901 Census is now available on-line at the Family Records Centre.

**Deadline for December 2002 issue:**

**15th October 2002**

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## NEW MEMBERS

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*The Society welcomes all new members. The list below comprises those from whom surname interest forms had been received at the time this issue of the Journal was prepared. The interests themselves are listed on the following pages.*

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**Errata:** please note the following were incorrect in our last issue:

H198 The email address of Ms Mardi Harrison should read:  
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S209 The email address of Mrs S. Sommerlad should read:  
*sommm@tinyworld.co.uk* (note: 3 'm's)

**Change of Email address:**

G66 Mrs Teresa Garland, 13 Peregrine Court, Longridge Park, Colchester, Essex Change of email address: *tessgarland@amsolve.com*

R100 Mrs Rosemary Reynolds, 71 Pinewood Drive, Scarborough, North Yorkshire YO12 5JP Change of email address: *rr.reynz@virgin.net*

**Change of name:**

P19 Mrs Pauline Preen to:

B264 Mrs Pauline Berry, 5 Fulmar Court, Bicester, Oxon OX26 4FG

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## **SURNAME INTERESTS**

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*The table below gives surname interests for the new members listed on the previous page. The format should be self-explanatory. Note that the Chapman County Codes are used in the 'Counties' column. 'ANY' or 'ALL' indicates that, for instance, any date or any place is of interest. When writing to members about entries in this section, please remember to include an SAE.*

Surname	Dates	Place	County	Member
ALLEN	1800-1860	Kingston upon Thames	SRV	P120
ALLEN	1750-1810	Isleworth	MDX	P120
BAKER	19C	St Luke Chelsea	MDX	H216
BALDWIN	1850-1920	Paddington	MDX	W193
BARNETT	1800-1900	Fulham	MDX	B263
BIGGS	Before 1850	ALL	MDX	B263
BIGGS	19C	Hayes Area	MDX	H216
BOSHELL	ALL	City of London	LND	R105
BRION	ALL	ANY	ANY	B262
BRYANT	ALL	ANY	ANY	B262
BUNN	ALL	Bethnal Green Area	MDX	R105
BURGESS	After 1812	Heston	MDX	H215
COCKERELL	ALL	Hackney Area	MDX	R105
COLE	Before 1880	Bungay	SFK	B263

Surname	Dates	Place	County	Member
CONGHTREY	1920s	North London	MDX	R104
DALE	1815-40	Twickenham Area	MDX	F102
DENNISON	1850-1900	Darlington	DUR	W193
ELAN	1870s	Newington	SRY	R104
ELWES	1750-1820	Isleworth	MDX	P120
EVANS	Before 1870	Belgrave	MDX	B263
FARROW	1850-1920	Southowram	YKS	W193
FLOODGATE	Before 1600	Staines Area	MDX	F102
FRAMPTON	1770-1850	Staines	MDX	P120
FROST	1890s	Isleworth	MDX	R104
GENNER	19C	West Drayton Area	MDX	H216
GEORGE	19C	Brentford Area	MDX	G116
GEORGE	19C	Cranford Area	MDX	G116
GREEN	1844	Stepney	MDX	R104
HALL	Before 1850	ALL	ALL	B263
HALSOP	ALL	ALL	ALL	B263
HAMMOND	Before 1880	Fressingfield	SFK	B263
HAMMOND	After 1880	Fulham	MDX	B263
HANNAFORD	ALL	Islington Area	MDX	R105
HARBOUR	ALL	Harmondsworth	MDX	R105
HATCHMAN	ALL	Hayes Area	MDX	R105
HAWES	19C	Acton Area	MDX	H216
HERBERT	19C	Hayes Area	MDX	H216
HOLDSWORTH	ALL	Kensington Area	MDX	R105
HOPKINS	1920s	Southall	MDX	R104
HORRY	19C	ANY	LIN	H213
HORRY	19-20C	Chelsea	MDX	H213
HULL	ANY	ANY	ANY	H164
HUNTER	1850-1900	Wishaw	LKS/SCT	W193
HUSCROFT	1700-1890	ALL	ALL	G116
HYSON	ALL	ALL	ALL	B263
ING	From 1800	Windsor	BRK	P120
IRWELL	19C	ANY	MDX	H216
JAMES	ANY	Glamorgan	WLS	H164
JERRAM	ALL	Harmondsworth Area	MDX	R105
JOHNSON	ANY	ANY	ALL	A86
JONES	ANY	Fulham/Paddington	MDX	H164
JONES	1850-1920	Paddington	MDX	W193
KATES	19C	Hounslow Area	MDX	H216
LANGSHAW	1760-1840	Sunbury/Hampton	MDX	P120
LEES	1800-1900	Oldham Area	LAN	G116
LEICESTER	19C	Marlborough	WIL	H216
LITTLEBOY	ANY	ANY	ALL	A86

Surname	Dates	Place	County	Member
MING	1915	Ealing	MDX	R104
MORGAN	ANY	Glamorgan/Powys	WLS	H164
NASH	19C	Kensington	MDX	N41
NASH	19C	Chelsea	MDX	N41
NASH	19C	Fulham	MDX	N41
NEIGHBOUR	After 1812	Heston	MDX	H215
PASSINGHAM	ANY	ANY	ANY	J62
PAVEY	1750-1800	Hampton	MDX	P120
RAE	19-20C	Teddington	MDX	H213
REDGMENT	ALL	ALL	ALL	G116
REDINGTON	Before 1850	ALL	ESS	B263
RENYARD	1700-1800	ALL	ALL	G116
RESEIGH	ANY	ANY	ANY	R104
RICHARDSON	1850-1920	Southowram	YKS	W193
RIVINELL	After 1850	Fulham	MDX	B263
SAUNDERS	ALL	Milford	HAM	G116
SAUNDERS	19C	Marlborough	WIL	H216
SHEPPARD	ANY	Glamorgan	WLS	H164
SHERWOOD	19C	ALL	MDX	G116
SMITH	Before 1870	Belgrave	MDX	B263
STEWART	1844	Stepney	MDX	R104
SWEET	ANY	ANY	ALL	A86
TAYLOR	1750-1820	Thorpe	SRY	P120
TIMBERLAKE	19C	Hayes Area	MDX	H216
TIMBERLAKE	19C	ANY	MDX	H216
TULLOCK(H)	19-20C	ANY	MDX	H213
WALLACE	ALL	ALL	HAM	G116
WALLIS	ALL	ALL	HAM	G116
WATSON	19C	Hayes Area	MDX	H216
WHEELER	ANY	ANY	OXF	J62
WHEELER	ANY	ANY	CAM	J62
WHITE	19C	Hayes Area	MDX	H216
WHITE	19C	West Drayton Area	MDX	H216
WILLCOX	19C	Brentford Area	MDX	H216
WILLIAMS	ANY	Glamorgan/Powys	WLS	H164
WILLMOT	1920s	North London	MDX	R104
WILSON	19C	Louth	LIN	W193
WORT	ALL	ALL	ALL	G116
YOUNG	Before 1850	ALL	KEN	B263

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These indexes are intended as aids to research in the West Middlesex area. For members of the Society fees are as stated (please quote membership number); for non-members they are twice what is indicated below, except where specified.

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