

Brentor 1851 Part 2 M-Z v1 March 2023 Contact Irene Cradick

All properties listed in the Description of the Enumeration District for Lamerton are included and marked with an L in the right-hand column. *All that part of the Parish of Lamerton called the Out Down, that lies North and East of Heathfield including Prescombe, Waterfall Inn, Westford, Wastor, Woodmanswell, Lypsley, Langston, Burnville, Burnlane, and North* and South Brentor.* (*Recorded by the enumerator throughout as North Brent).

All properties listed in the Description of the Enumeration District for Brentor are included and marked with a B in the right-hand column. *The whole of the Parish of Brentor, including the Toll House, Herrings Arms, Liddaton, Praggs Tenement, Monkstone, Woodparks, Stentabridge, Stagshead, Stowford Hill, Burcom, Lysley, Bowdenhill, Whitson and Brinsaback.*

This research also includes households in *All that part of the Parish of Mary Tavy, which lies to the west of the Turnpike Road leading from Tavistock to Oakhampton including Burntown, Warn, and all of the houses on Blackdown, west of the said Turnpike Road, the Croft, Palmer's Corner and Wortha Mills, marked with an M.*

	Place	Name			Age		Occupation	Born	
					M	F			
22	Westford	McDONALD Andrew	Ser	U	19		Labourer	Scotland	L

Andrew McDONALD was a long way from his birthplace when he was working for the Cundy family in 1851. He does not appear to have stayed in the area after that date.

10	Toll House	MADDAFORD John	H	M	58		Shoemaker	Dev Bridestowe	B
		MADDAFORD Catherine	W	M		60		Warwickshire NK	

John MADDAFORD and his wife, Catherine, born in Radnor, Warwickshire, continued to live at the Toll House in 1861, when their grandson John P Kelly, aged 8, born in Sunderland, Durham was staying with them. John may have died in the Tavistock area in 1864 and Catherine in Plymouth in 1865. Otherwise, they do not feature in the available records.

6	Monkstone	MADDLETON Mary	Ser	U		23	House servant	Dev Thrushelton	B
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Mary MADDLETON was working for the Maunder family at Monkstone in 1851. It is likely that she was Middleton, but it is difficult to pinpoint which one, as there were a number of Mary Middletons born in Devon that year.

84	Black Down	MAN Joanna	H	W		67	Householder	Dev Lewtrenchard	M
		MAN John	S	U	42		Copper miner	Dev Milton Abbot	

Joanna MAN, born in Lewtrenchard in about 1784, was living with her unmarried son, copper miner John in Blackdown in 1851 but it has not been possible to find them elsewhere in the records.

39	Blackdown	MARTIN James	H	M	34		Ag Lab	Dev Milton Abbot	M
		MARTIN Sarah	W	M		29		Dev Lamerton	
		MARTIN William	S		7			Dev Brentor	

James MARTIN 1817-84 married Sarah or Sally Rice 1822-90, the sister of Henry Rice (*see Henry Rice below*) in Tavistock in 1842. In 1841 she had been living at home with her brother, Henry, and mother, Elizabeth Colling, who had married Roger Rice on 30 October 1801. Roger had died in April 1831 and was buried in the churchyard of St Michael de Rupe and Elizabeth was buried there on 23 March 1844.

Their son, **William Henry** Martin 1844-1932 was an apprentice, living with his uncle, carpenter Roger Rice and various cousins in Burn Lane in 1861 and a carpenter there in 1871. He married Emma Fuge, the daughter of William Fuge, a manganese, later copper, miner, and his wife Mary, in Tavistock in 1871 and by 1881 they were living in a cottage in North Brentor with sons William James Fuge 9 and Ernest Henry Fuge 3, while his parents James and Sally were living in Week Cottage, Milton Abbot. Both parents were in their 60s when they died, James in 1884, aged 65, and Sally in 1890, aged 68.

Emma died in 1910 aged 71 and William Henry on 1 March 1932, aged 88. Their sons William 1872-1953 and *Ernest* born 6 June 1877-1943, lived at home with their parents until their marriages.

In 1898 *William James Fuge* married Mary Maria Voaden 1871-1959, the daughter of Thomas Voaden of Northlew and his wife, Eliza Ellen Barkwill. William James and Mary Maria had a daughter, Ivy 1898-1971, later Dangerfield, who had been born on 5 December 1898 and a son, William Thomas Ashley 1901-51, who married Lavinia Jasper, born on 1 February 1902, and they had one son, Ivor William born 1 June 1937. In 1939, when William T A was a master blacksmith,

they were recorded as living at The Retreat in Brentor (*see 1939 Property 130: The Retreat*) and on his death on 6 February 1951, he left £514 to the care of his widow, Lavinia.

At the time of the 1911 Census, Ernest was not at home, as he was with John Cowling also of Brentor, at St Thomas, Elgin West, Ontario. The local Tavistock newspaper, reporting the loss of the TITANIC on 15 April 1912, recorded that well known residents of Brentor, Messrs J Cowling and E Martin had intended crossing the Atlantic on this ill-fated vessel, but through illness in the former's family, delayed for a fortnight, to which they owed their lives.

Ernest was listed as a farmer and mason in 1916. He had a conditional exemption certificate from June 1916, as he was single with 25 acres, 10 bullocks and 62 sheep. The military applied for the certificate to be withdrawn in August 1917 but this was refused. Ernest married Lydia Jane Warren 1879-1980 in 1920 and their son William John was born on 16 June 1921. They were living next door to his brother William, at East Cottage, in 1939 when Ernest was described as a general farmer. He continued to live there until his death at the Prince of Wales Hospital in Plymouth on 24 November 1943, aged 65. His estate of £1,243 was left with his widow, Lydia.

In 1939 their parents, William James and Mary Maria, were living at Horrathorne, next door to his brother, Ernest and his family. William was a carpenter and wheelwright, born on 11 January 1872, while Mary had been born on 19 January 1871. William died on 13 May 1953 leaving an estate of £1,139.

27	Lypsley	MARTIN John	H	M	44		Farm 25 acres	Milton Abbot Dev	L
		MARTIN Rachel	W	M		49		Bradworthy	
		MARTIN Rachel	D			12	Scholar	Milton Abbot	
		MARTIN James	S		10			Lamerton Devon	
		MARTIN John	S		7			Lamerton Devon	
		MARTIN William	S		4			Lamerton Devon	
		MARTIN Thomas	S		1			Lamerton Devon	

John MARTIN was the son of John and Elizabeth Martin: born on 16 March 1807 and baptised on 12 April 1807 at the Church of Mary Magdalen at Launceston. He was living with his wife, Rachel, and children: Mary, baptised on 2 February 1834, Jane baptised 5 June 1836, Rachel 3 and James 8 months at Lypsley in 1841. Though both Mary and Jane were baptised in Brentor, it was stated that they were living in Milton Abbot at the time. Their mother Rachel, was probably the daughter of James and Jane Moor of Bradworthy, and baptised on 22 September 1811. In 1861 the family was farming 50 acres at Lipsleigh, with children Mary 27, James 20, Thomas 11, Margaret Moor 9 and Elizabeth Ann X at home. Mary Ann was a dressmaker, who had been working as a general servant in Coryton for the Wallen family in 1851, and James was described as farmer's son. By 1871 John was farming 50 acres at nearby Woodmanswell, with only farmer's son, Thomas, and Elizabeth Ann at home.

Towards the end of 1861, their daughter **Mary Ann** had married Thomas Squire (*see Thomas Squire 29 Burnaford below*) and in 1871 they were living at Windsor Farm in North Brentor with her sister Margaret Mary and brother William working with them. By 1881 Thomas was working the 13 acres of Stannon Farm in Peter Tavy in partnership with his father-in-law, John Martin, with the two couples were living together on the farm. By 1891, both couples had returned to North Brentor: John and Rachel were living at 2 Cudlipp Cottages and Thomas, who was fifteen years older than his wife, had retired, and, with Mary, was living at Standon Cottage in North Brentor, close to Bonnaford where his cousin/nephew William and his family were living.

Parents Rachel died later that same year and John Martin, described as a farmer of Wilsworthy, died on 6 April 1894 and left £443 to Elizabeth Martin, his widow. This marriage may have taken place shortly before his death. Thomas Squire died early in 1895, aged 76. His wife Mary may have died in East Stonehouse in 1907, also aged 76.

In 1851 a **Jane** Martin was living and working at Westcott, a twelve acre farm, where she was described as niece to unmarried William Oxenham, and his sister Mary. Jane may have married in 1855.

Details of the life of their sister **Rachel** 1838-1902, and the prolific Crossman branch, are given further down this page.

James was aged eight months, living at home with his parents in April 1841, and continued to live with them in 1851 and 1861, when he was working on the family farm. On 10 March 1864 he married Coryton born Elizabeth Anna Hillman 1839-1910 in her home village. In 1871, when James was a slate splitter and Elizabeth, a schoolmistress, were living in Broompark, Coryton, with their three children: *Lizzie* born on 22 March 1865 and baptised on 30 July 1865, *William Samuel* baptised 22 December 1867- and *Mary Frances* baptised on 15 August 1869, all born and baptised in Coryton. *John James* 1872-1890, and *Thomas Henry* 16 November 1874 had joined the family by 1881. *John James* just 18 when he died in 1890 in the Plymouth area. The 1891 census confirms that James had made a career change: becoming a shepherd living at Ernesettle Farm, next to Ernesettle House, belonging to solicitor Cecil F Prance, in St Budeaux, Plymouth. Only Mary, a dressmaker, and Thomas, a farm labourer, were living at home. *William Samuel* had enlisted in the navy on 16 August 1882, probably making himself a year older with a birthdate of 2 December 1866 instead of 1867. He had dark brown hair, hazel eyes and a fresh complexion and was initially 5'1" tall, growing during service to 5'9". He served first on HMS Impregnable and then a number of ships, always judged to be of good character and rising to the

rank of Master at Arms. His last ship was HMS Severn when his service was judged to have been completed on 30 June 1900. However, a note on his file dated 16 July 1900, indicates that he died of heat apoplexy aboard HM Transport *Jelunga* and was buried at sea.

By 1901, James was described as a hind, or bailiff, on the Ernesettle estate, still owned by Cecil Trenenan Prance: Thomas was a bargeman and *Mary Frances* who had married Sidney Ferris Glanvill in 1895, had been widowed when he died in 1900. *Mary Frances* married again, in about 1905 to Charles Ganaway who was away from home at the time of the 1911 census. They had no children of their marriage, but his 16 year old daughter Amy Louise was at home with her stepmother at 43 King Gardens, Plymouth. In 1911 *Thomas Henry* was a gardener working with his wife of nine years, Annie Amelia White, at a private school run by Rev John Black Hyland at the Rectory in Combe Florey and Ash Priors in Somerset. By 1939 he was a grocer, living with Annie at 47 South View in St Budeaux, Plymouth. Thomas was living at 14 Grosvenor Road, Crownhill, Plymouth when he died on 21 December 1963, leaving £2,973.

James's wife, Elizabeth had died in 1910 in the Newton Abbot registration district, and may have been living with their daughter at the time. Certainly in 1911, James, a retired farm bailiff was living in Fore Street, Chudleigh, with his eldest daughter, *Lizzie* 1865-1944, who had married rural postman later sweet shopkeeper, Edward Mills Henley in 1892. They had two daughters Hilda (*Clara Frances Hilda May Martin Henley*), born 23 January 1893, who was a tobacco shop assistant when she married William Hosegood in 1945 and she died on 16 January 1976 in Pathfinder Village, Tedburn St Mary, leaving £914 and Evelyn Martin Henley, born 23 January 1895: she married Edwin T J Pike, a private hire car driver, in 1922 and was living at 78 Fore Street, Newton Abbot in 1939. She died in 1977. A James Martin of 12 Chapel Street, Holsworthy died on 25 June 1925 leaving £67 to his widow, Annie Martin.

John, born in 1843, was living at home with his family in 1851, aged 7, but not in 1861 and may have been the John Martin whose death was recorded in the area in the months after the census in 1851.

As we have seen above, **William**, born in 1847, was working with his sister Margaret on Windsor Farm in Brentor, the farm belonging to Thomas Squire, the husband of their oldest sister, Mary. By 1881 William had married Brentor born Ellen and established himself as a gardener in Michaelstow, Cornwall, where their three children were born: *Rosina Lillian Dora* born 1877, *William Francis John* baptised 28 April 1879 and *Arthur Wilfred O* baptised 25 October 1880. Also with them at that time was his nephew, the son of his brother James (see above) 13 year old William Samuel Martin, working as a gardener's help.

In 1891 they were living in Chapel Grove, Chertsey, Surrey with *Ellen Maud M* born in 1886, *Constance Ruby May* baptised on 15 February 1891, *Lionel Hedley Preston* born on 15 December 1890, the youngest three being born in Liskeard, indicating that their move to Surrey was very recent. William continued to work as a domestic gardener in 1901, when he and Ellen were living at 1 Middleton Villas, Chertsey with Arthur 20, a joiner; Ellen known as Mary 15, a draper's assistant, Constance known as Ruby, Lionel known as Hedley, and the youngest *Norman George Maunder* born in Addlestone in 1894 still living at home. In 1911 the family was at 20 Chapel Avenue, Addlestone, with children Mary 25, a draper's assistant; Hedley 20 a correspondence clerk for an exporter, and Norman 17 a boy clerk student in the civil service. They confirmed that they had been married 38 years and seven of their eight children, all named above, had survived to that date. William was 81 when he died in the summer of 1928

Rosina married potato merchant Albert Bayliss in 1903 and had twins Edna May and George Langdon in 1905. They were living in a substantial house in Folkeston in 1911. She was living at The Garth, 31 Offington Drive, Worthing when she died on 4 March 1964, leaving £1,062 to the care of her unmarried daughter, Edna.

William married Eva Charlotte Stanbridge in 1904 and was a baker when he was living with Eva and their two children: Frances 6 and Evelyn 3 at 78 Park End, Bromley. He may have died in Hastings in 1919, aged 40.

Joiner *Arthur* married the grandly named Charlotte Collingbourne Brown in 1907 and in 1911 they were living at 24 Liberty Hall Road in Addlestone with their two year old daughter Vera. He was 81 when he died locally in 1961.

It has not been possible to trace *Mary* after 1911 when she was a draper's assistant living at home.

Ruby was a draper's clerk, giving her birthplace as Doublebois rather than Liskeard, Cornwall in 1911 when she was lodging at the accommodation for the drapery store run by draper Harry George Townsend and his family at 241/243 High St, Acton. She may have died in Plymouth in 1935 when she was 44.

Hedley may have served as a lance corporal in the South Staffordshire Regiment during the Great War. He was in Louth, Lincolnshire in 1921 when he married Florrie Hodgson. In 1939 they were living at 125 Sandwell Street, Walsall with a child. Hedley was the chief clerk for an export merchant and served as an ARP warden in Walsall in the World War Two. He was living at 5A Belvidere Rd, Walsall when he died on 18 October 1977, leaving £14,592.

Norman was living at 55 Crockford Park Road, Addlestone when he died at Rowley Bristow Orthopaedic Hospital in Pyrford, Surrey on 28 November 1955, leaving £3,721 to his widow, Kate.

Thomas was born in the summer of 1849 and he married Ashburton born Harriet Thomas in the Tavistock area late in 1877. He was involved in farm work all his life, initially farming 10 acres in Mary Tavy, as a farm labourer at Witson Cottage, Brentor in 1891 and Buckland Monochorum in 1901 and as a gardener in 1911 when they were living in Lower Elford Town in Yelverton. They recorded that they had been married for 30 years and of the fourteen children born to

them, twelve were still living at the time of the 1911 census. The children we know about, born between 1879 and 1904, were: *Anna or Hannah M, Margaret, Charles, Henry, Emily, Flora, Maud, Lily, Gilbert, Mabel, Beatrice, Jessie* and *Amy*. Thomas died in the Tavistock area in 1917 and Harriet in Plymouth in 1935.

Margaret Moore born 1852, daughter of John Martin, farmer, was living in Hampstead when she married coffee house keeper William Richard Walker at Christ Church, Hampstead on 6 June 1882. In 1891 they were living at 1 Yew Terrace in Hendon with their children: *Margaret M, Elizabeth M, Sydney George*, baptised on 3 October 1888, and *Eva Hilda* and William's sister, Annie E Walker. In 1901 they were still at 1 Yew Terrace, which seems to have been close to the Crown Hotel and near the Edgware Road shops. Children *May, Elizabeth, Sydney, Eva* and *Annie Letitia* baptised on 10 April 1892, were at home. By 1911 they were living at 291 Edgware Road, Cricklewood, North West London and Margaret was assisting in the coffee house with dining rooms business. They had been married for 29 Years and five of their six children were still living. The children living at home were Eva, a cook at home and Annie, a phone operator. Six year old grand daughter Eva Margaret Perkins was also there at the time. Margaret Moore Walker was 70 when she died early in 1922. Her husband, William, who had been nine years younger than her, had died in 1914, aged 53.

THE EASTCOTT FAMILY

Elizabeth Ann was the youngest of John and Rachel's children, born in 1855, she married farmer William Eastcott early in 1880. The son of William and Susannah from Kelly, Cornwall, he was born on 22 October 1844. The new couple lived at Woodmanswell, where in 1881 William farmed 106 acres employing six men and one boy. Their eldest daughter, *Susannah*, known as Susie, born on 23 January 1881, was two months old at the time of the census. Sadly, their next son, *William*, only lived one day, and was buried at Christ Church, Brentor on 9 July 1882. *Henry John*, born on 28 December 1884, was known as John Henry. Their youngest son *William Gilbert* was born on 14 March 1893. Elizabeth Ann died within days, probably as a result of childbirth and was buried on 29 March 1893 at Christ Church.

In 1901 *Susie* was living at Beechfield in Buckland Monachorum with her uncle Henry Eastcott, his wife May and son eight year old Russell. Henry was a boarding lodging house keeper and Susie, aged 20 was assisting him in the lodging house. Susie went to Canada in 1910, possibly with her aunt and uncle. Their son, Russell, had joined the navy and in 1911 was a boy artificer, based in Portsmouth. He went on to marry Bessie and they had three sons: David, Alan and John. He was aged 49, an engine room artificer 1st class on HMS Drake, when he died on 21 April 1941. His gravestone stands in Christchurch churchyard, though he is not commemorated on the village war memorial. Susie married Frank Furk, an accountant in government service, on 20 March 1913 in Vancouver. They settled in British Columbia, where they had four children: Marjorie Louise, Donald Loyd, Stuart Gilbert and Dorothy. Susie was living at Portquitlam British Columbia when she died in nearby New Westminster on 11 January 1957. Her £574 estate in England was left to her husband Frank, who survived her.

(Henry) John had arrived in Canada in 1906 and had moved out west to Alberta, where he was working as a telephone linesman when he enlisted in the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force at Medicine Head, Alberta, on 6 February 1915. Eventually attaining the rank of corporal, he was single, aged 30, 5'3" tall with blue eyes, brown hair and a fair complexion when he signed up. He served in France, from May 1916 as a signaller 434913 in the 50th battalion of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, and was almost unscathed until April 1919, when he contracted broncho pneumonia, necessitating 34 days in hospital until he was passed fit to return to duty. His records also indicate that he had had a bout of typhoid fever for 5-6 weeks in 1904 but had otherwise been very healthy. He was living in New Westminster, not far from his sister, Susie, in his retirement. He died on 26 September 1963 and was accorded full military honours, as befitting a veteran, when he was buried at Murrayville, British Columbia. Sadly, his family had lost touch with him and it was a great sadness to his half brother *Richard Arthur*, (*below*) who could not find him when he went to Canada. Richard travelled 3rd class on the CORINTHIAN from London to Quebec on May 1913 as a 16 year old farmer going to his uncle in Dauphin, Manitoba. Giving his birth as 14 November 1897, though records indicate 1896, Richard was described as being 21 years and 6 months, 5'10", with ruddy complexion, blue eyes and light brown hair when he was drafted on 7 May 1918 at Dauphin, Manitoba. After a short time in training, he was deemed to have flat feet, which meant that he would be physically unable to endure long marches, so he was discharged. On 15 February 1922 he married Marie Ruby Sumpton, having lodged with the Sumpton family in 1921, though it was indicated that he had his own farm. Their daughter Beatrice Marie later Mackenzie was born in 1931 and son, Bill, later.

William Gilbert was a farmer of Burn Lane in 1925, when he married Lena Jessie Minhinnick 1888-1974. There were two William G Eastcotts serving in the Devonshire Regiment. He may have been one of them. In 1939 William Gilbert and Jessie, born 6 May 1888, were living at the Post Office in Brentor. She was described as the Postmistress, he as a dairy farmer. Also living with them was Mary A I Eastcott, a retired housekeeper born in 23 April 1857. This was William's aunt, Mary Ann Irving Stevens 1857-1945, the wife of his uncle Henry 1854-1936, with whom his sister was living in 1901 and who may have been in Canada in 1911. Jessie died at Windsor Cottage (the Post Office) on 19 July 1974, leaving an estate of £18,228. William Gilbert died five years later on 15 March 1979 at Harewood House, 66 Plymouth Road in Tavistock, leaving £24,560.

Soon after the loss of his wife Elizabeth Ann in 1893 and with three small children to care for, widower William Eastcott married Elizabeth Friend 1868-1957 of Bridestowe. She had worked for the family of John Banks, the Station Master at Lydford Station in 1881 and for the Bickell family at Ford Mill in 1891. The 1911 census records the survival of two of her five children. *Richard Arthur* 1896- (*above*) and *Beatrice Ann*, who was a nurse domestic looking after the Warde children in Newton Abbot in 1911. When she was 22 Beatrice married Walter Charles Snook of the 1st Somerset Light Infantry in the summer of 1917. Less than a year later, on 21 March 1918 he was presumed dead, killed in action. His widow received his outstanding pay of £28 6s 4d the following year. In 1920 she sailed to Montreal in search of better prospects: She had £20, had bought her own ticket and was heading to Montreal where she had employment. She stayed in Canada and America for the rest of her life living in various places including Florida and Vancouver.

Of Elizabeth's other children, *George Arthur* had died in 1908 aged 7 and was buried in Christchurch churchyard, *Mary Elizabeth* 1898-9 and *Ethel Margaret* 1899-9. William Eastcott was living at 35 Brook Street in Tavistock when he died on 27 January 1927 and was buried in the Christ Church churchyard, leaving £3,509 to be distributed by his widow, Elizabeth, and son William Gilbert, sub postmaster. William's second wife, Elizabeth, died in 1945 and was buried with him.

THE CROSSMAN BRANCH

Rachel married clay labourer William Crossman, early in 1857 and in 1861 they were living at Kilworthy, Tavistock with their two young sons: *William* 3 and *John Martin*, nine months old. By 1871 William senior, born in Dunterton, had joined the railway as a labourer and they were living in Horrabridge: where youngest daughter *Anne* was born in 1870; *Elizabeth* was born in 1867 in Buckland Monachorum and *Mary* in 1863 and *James* in 1865 in Tavistock. John M was with the family that night, but not William. In the mid 1870s the family had moved to North St in Esh, Durham. No occupations were given for William and eldest son, John, whilst James 16 was listed as a coal miner. All the children were living in the family home, with the addition of *Emily*, born in Horrabridge in 1873 whilst *Margaret* was born in Esh on 5 May 1878. In 1891 William was listed as a coal miner and he and Rachel were living at 3 Durham St in Esh with only Margaret, then 13, living at home. In 1901 Rachel's circumstance had changed: she was a widow following William's death in 1893 aged 60, Margaret was now Brown, having married John Brown in 1899 and a grandson Leonard Crossman, born on 11 April 1898, was living with them at 45½ Quebec Street in Esh. Rachel died the following year, aged 64.

Youngest daughter *Margaret CROSSMAN/BROWN/STEWART*

On 5 January 1907 *Margaret* and her son *Leonard* arrived in St John, New Brunswick, Canada, having sailed from Liverpool aboard the *Empress of Britain*, to join her husband. A daughter, *Elizabeth* Brown was born in 1909. John must have died soon after that, as Margaret married boilermaker Alexander Stewart on 19 March 1910 in Wellington. The 1911 census shows that they were living in Victoria, British Columbia, that 24 year old Alexander had come from Scotland in 1902, and that as well as his step children, Leonard and Elizabeth, they had a six month old son, also *Alexander*. Their daughter *Isabella* was born in 1913 and son *James* in 1918. Sadly, Leonard, by then known as Stewart, died on 6 September 1917, serving in the Canadian Forces and was buried, with the maple leaf insignia, in the Bois-Carre British Cemetery at Nord-Pas-de-Calais in France. Margaret was 93 when she died on 27 August 1971 and was buried with her husband, Alexander 1888-1940 in Hatley Memorial Garden in Colwood, British Columbia. Also buried with them was their son James 1918-74.

Rachel and William's eldest son, *William CROSSMAN*, born on 8 February 1858, was not with the family in 1871, as he was staying with his Crossman grandparents on their small holding at Heathfield, Tavistock. He moved with his family to Esh, Durham and early in 1881, he married Alice Lizzie S Burton 1860-1917, who brought her two year old son Samuel Burton to the marriage. By 1911 the couple had been married for 30 years and had had eleven children, but only eight survived until adulthood. It is not easy to tell whether they included Samuel in these figures. The Crossman family: William, Lizzie, *John*, *Dawson (James?)*, *Thomas*, *Alice*, *Albert* and *Harry* sailed on the *Empress of Britain* from Liverpool, arriving in Quebec on 3 August 1911, intending to settle in Victoria, British Columbia. The year after Lizzie's death in 1917, William married Ellen Rowden 1857-1936.

William died on his 91st birthday, 8 February 1949. The local newspaper The Daily Colonist carried his obituary the following day, detailing many facts and family links: confirming he had lived Victoria for 37 years, was living with a daughter in law at 454 Griffith Street, had served as a Color-Sergeant with the Salvation Army, Citadel Corps and was a member of LOL, No 1610. His surviving children were Mrs *Alice* Edmonds of Victoria, four sons *Bill* in England, *Jim* in Victoria, *Albert* in Chicago and *Harry* in New Zealand and his sister Mrs A Stewart (*Margaret – see above*) in Esquimalt and one brother in England, as well as grandchildren and great grandchildren. He was buried in the family plot in Hatley Memorial Garden in Colwood, Columbia. Also buried there were his two wives, Lizzie and Ellen, and his children were commemorated: *John* 1886-1936, *James* 1888-1949, *Thomas* 1893-1947, *Alice* (Edmonds) 1895-1970, *Harry* 1902-72

John Martin CROSSMAN, born mid 1860, and nine months old at the time of the 1861 census, was a coal miner like his father. He married Susannah Maria Rees early in 1887 and they had two daughters *Susannah* later Wardle and *Minnie* later Dixon, before Susannah's untimely death aged 34, early in 1902. In the summer of 1903 he married Agnes Millar Short and in 1911 the family was living at 5 West Cross St in the town of Langley Park, of which Esh was a part, with John working as a coal miner, Susannah was a stocking knitter at the shop and niece, Helen Morland 17, was a milliner at the

Co-operative store. John was living at 16 Elm Street, Langley Park when he died on 22 March 1950, just short of his 90th birthday, leaving £465 to the care of his daughters.

Mary Jane CROSSMAN, born on 10 August 1862; late in 1882, married coal miner William Cooper, born in South Moor, Durham. The 1891 census shows the couple living with their daughters Elizabeth Jane 1883-1963, Rachael Hannah 1885-1954 and Letitia Isabel 1886-99 at 11 West Cross Street, where brother William and his family were next door but one at number 9 and brother John was living with his family at number 5 in 1911. In 1901 only Elizabeth and Cecil aged 8 were at home with their parents at 28 Durham Street, Esh. The 1911 census records that William and Mary Jane. Living at 28 Durham Street, had been married for 27 years and that of seven children born to them, only three had survived to that date. One of the children they had lost was Letitia Isabel, who had died, aged 12, in January 1899.

Elizabeth Jane COOPER married coal miner (hewer) Thomas Firbank 1878-1964 in the summer of 1903 and by 1911 when they were living at 54 Front St, Langley Park they had three children: William Cooper 7, named after her father, Audrey 4 and Elizabeth 2. Son Cecil was born in 1918 and Charles in 1920. In 1939 Thomas, Elizabeth, Elizabeth, Cecil and Charles were living at 1 Carters Cottages, near Quebec St. Thomas was a colliery hewer (unemployed), Cecil was a bus conductor and Charles a colliery water head driver-below. Elizabeth Jane died late in 1963, aged 81 and Thomas' death was registered in the following quarter.

Rachel Hannah married coal miner Charles Hansom late in 1908. The couple were living at 7 Brown's Terrace in Esh with their children, Letitia Isabel 4, named after Rachel's sister who had died in 1899, and William Cooper 1, named after her father. Rachel was 70 when she died in 1954. When Charles died on 4 July 1962 he was living in the Aged Miners Homes in Langley Park, and probate for his £1,221 estate was granted to his son William Cooper Hansom, newsagent and stationer, and Letitia Isabel Wearmouth (wife of Abraham Wearmouth).

In 1939 their parents William and Mary Jane Cooper were living at 12 Brown's Terrace, not far from their son Cecil at number 5. Born on 24 May 1898, Cecil was a livestock transport manager, who had married Ellen Patterson in Gateshead in 1921. They had one child living at home. Cecil was 67 when he died in 1965. Mary Jane had died in 1946, aged 83.

James CROSSMAN, son of Rachel and William Crossman, born in mid 1864, married Mary Jane Ashbridge in the summer of 1889. The 1891 census shows them living in Esh with two children William aged 2 born in Crook and John 4 months, born in Esh. It is not obvious until the 1911 record, when he is credited with both surnames, that William came with Mary Jane at the time of the marriage. Baptismal records tell us that William Crossman Ashbridge, son of Mary Jane Ashbridge was baptised on 12 January 1891 at the Surham Primitive Methodist Chapel with John Crossman, son of James and Mary Jane Crossman, so William may have been James' son, though the marriage didn't take place until after his birth on 10 June 1889. Accents can warp spellings. In 1901, when they were living at 2 West Cross Street, Esh, James' birthplace was given as Eathfield nr Tavstock. He continued to work as a coalminer and son James was born in 1892 and Tom in 1895. In 1911, they were living at 1 North Street and recorded that they had been married 21 year and all five children, presumably including Willie, were still alive. Although all the men worked in the mines, their tasks differed: James was a coal miner hewer; William was a pony trainer above ground, John and James were coalminers pony putters underground, Tom was a coalminer pony driver underground and Leonard born in 1902 was still at school. This is a whole slice of mining history. The thorough birthplaces add another layer of understanding, or confusion! James: Makpie Devon; Mary Jane: Wooley pit, Stanley Crook, co Durham; William: Billy Row, Crook; John and James: Hill Top, Usher, Esh; Tom and Leonard: Langley Park, Esh.

Mary Jane was 60 when she died in 1930. James was 71 when he died in late 1935. He was living at 5 Lillian Terrace, Langley Park when he died on 12 December 1935. Unusually for a man with children, probate for his £229 estate was granted to William Bertram Heppell, postman, and John Gardner Stoddart, co-operative society van man.

Son Willie's adult life was lived under the name William Crossman Ashbridge. It was under this name that he had married Margaret A Barrass in Chester le Street, late in 1913 and served as a sergeant R4/062472 in the RASC from April 1915 to June 1919. He served with the Remounts Services obtaining and breaking horses and mules for frontline duty, as well as treating injured animals. In 1939 Willie and Margaret were living at 16 Langley Street in Lanchester, where he worked as head horsekeeper and farmer, doing heavy work and he went on to serve as a special constable in the second world war. He was living at 5 South View, Langley Park when he died on 22 December 1967 leaving £5,261.

His brother John was born on 16 December 1890 and baptised on 12 January 1891. He married Rebecca Clough 1891-1976 in 1914 in Chester le Street. They had three children: James Darling 1915-2010, Jenny later Morland, born in 1918 and Hilda, later Ardley, who was born on 6 September 1919- 2006 and was living with her parents at 5 Lillian Terrace in 1939, when John was a colliery hewer. This was where John's father, James, was living when he died in 1935. John died in 1963 and his wife Rebecca in 1976.

James was born on 14 September 1892 and baptised in the Durham Methodist Church on 17 October 1892. On 27 December 1913 James, age 21, son of James, married Mary Thompson 1893-1970, age 20, daughter of Thomas at the Anglican Church of St Mary the Virgin at Easington. In 1939 he was a watchmaker, jeweller, dealer manager living at 38 Unslow Terrace, Brandon and Byshottles, Durham with Mary and a redacted child. He was living at 42 Park View, Langley Moor when he died on 18 May 1980, leaving £6,421.

Thomas (Tom) born on 17 September 1894, married coal miner's daughter Mary Ann Littlewood of 39 Ashington Road, Ashington on 20 May 1916 at the Primitive Methodist Chapel, Ashington, Northumberland. Their children were: Douglas 1917-75, Irene 1920-90 and Thomas Charles Littlewood, who was born on 1 September 1922. Three years later they set sail from London, bound for Sydney, Australia, on the *ss Balranald* arriving on 14 July 1925. Thomas was a miner, and he and his family of wife May 33, and children Douglas 7, Irene 4 and Thomas 2 had been living at 100 Pont Street, Ashington. Daughter Violet 1927-2016 later Tudor was born at Coffs Harbour, New South Wales. In 1954 Tom was a mineworker, living with wife Mary and son Thomas, a shiftworker at 10 Clark Street, Hunter, Weston New South Wales. They had been living at Weston since at least 1930. On his retirement, Tom and May returned to London from Sydney on the P&O ship *Iberia* on 29 May 1955, intending to stay for up to a year and giving their destination address as 41 Park Drive in Langley Park. They returned to Australia on 10 May 1956. Mary was a widow when she died on 18 March 1968 at Kurri Kurri, Hunter NSW, probably at the home of her daughter, Irene, by then Hunter or son, miner Douglas.

Leonard, son of James and Mary Jane, was a miner, born on 13 November 1901. He married Ivy Stoddart 1904-92 in 1927 and they had one son, Leonard born on 27 September 1927-2001. In 1939 the family was living at 29 Tinings Avenue, Lanchester with son Leonard and one other child. Leonard was unable to work as a miner as he was incapacitated by illness and he died in 1942, aged 40.

William and Rachel's daughter: Elizabeth CROSSMAN born in 1867, married coal miner John Vickers 1864-1937 early in 1889. They had ten children, all of whom were living with them in 1911 at 28 East Street, High Spen, Rowlands Gill: when John was classed as a coalminer overman underground, John a weighman master at bank and James a coalminer driver John William born on 23 May 1889 and baptised on 2 July 1889; was a colliery weighman living with his sister Elizabeth at 1 Bute Road South, High Spen in 1939, which is where he died on 28 August 1960 leaving his £776 to the care of his brother Fenwick, a colliery engineer.

James, born 31 January 1891 and baptised on 23 February 1891, married Hannah Haddon in 1936 and in 1939 was a colliery worker, living at 37 Townelly Terrace, Blaydon, with her and the three children: John born 1922, William 1925 and Doreen later Lockey born in 1928, from his marriage to his first wife Alice Chambers in 1922, who died in 1934. James died in 1984 aged 93.

Margaret Grace, baptised on 4 September 1893, married Matthew H Greenhill, a miner: coal hewer and deputy below ground in 1912. They had at least four children, Leonard born in 1914, Henry 1918, Grace later Witherington born in 1927 and Elizabeth later Huby born 1929. Margaret died in 1931, aged 38,

Elizabeth, born 24 September 1894 and baptised on 14 October 1895, had been living with her brother, John William, both unmarried, at 1 Bute Road South, High Spen in 1939. She died mid 1981 aged 85.

Fenwick was born on 26 January and baptised on 28 February 1898. He served in the Manchester Regiment 50870 and the East Lancashire Regiment 31357 in the Great War. He was an engineer when he married Lily Eden in St Jude's Church, Preston on 24 September 1923, with his brother Thomas as a witness. The 1939 registration showed them living at 14 Bute Road North, High Spen, probably not far from his brother John William and sister Elizabeth. Fenwick and Lily had three children: Fenwick 1924, James 1926 and Dora later Ford born in 1927. Fenwick was living at 27 First Street, Pont Bungaloes, Leadgate, Consett when he died on 27 October 1974, leaving £665. His widow, Lily, continued to live there until her death in 1988.

Thomas, born on 15 April 1900 and baptised on 7 May 1900, may have been working at the Seaham Colliery, Co Durham when he enlisted in the Newfoundland Regiment 66445 during the Great War, and was then discharged with a disability on 29 January 1919. If this was the case, it didn't hamper his working life, as he was a collier hewer underground in 1939 when he was living at 19 East Street, Blaydon with wife Margaret and children Thomas born in 1935 and Margaret later Carr born in 1935. Thomas died in 1965, aged 65.

George, born on 1 August 1902, was baptised three weeks later on 25 August. In the summer of 1922 he married Dorothy Mason 1903-1968. In 1939 George was a colliery hewer doing heavy work underground: they were living at 9 Strothers Terrace, Blaydon with their daughter, Elizabeth, born on 16 March 1923, a chemist shop assistant who married Leslie Asbury in 1942 and died in 1993. Also living with them was Dorothy's father, James Mason born on 19 February 1873, also a colliery hewer and her sister Margaret 1914-99, who had married Thomas W Lyon in 1935. The unnamed child could have been her two year old daughter Margaret. Dorothy was living at 8 Stanley Street, Swadincote, Derbyshire when she died on 29 February 1968 Leaving £355. George was probably living at the same address when he died in 1991, aged 88.

Annie was born on 6 January 1905. She married colliery chageman Robert Sewell Oliver in 1931. In 1939 they were living at 21 Clover Avenue, Blaydon with their three children: Robert, born 1932; Dorothy, later Runan, 1934-91 and John 1936-2005. Annie died in 1959, aged 54. When Robert died on 14 May 1973, leaving £5,499, he was still living in the family home: 21 Clover Avenue.

Jane was born on 10 March 1907 and married coal miner James Rutter Newton 1904-52 in the autumn of 1928. In 1939 they were living, with their son James, born on 8 December 1928 and died in 2004, at 5 Bute Road South, not far from her brother, John William and sister, Elizabeth. Jane was 82 when she died in 1989.

Sadly, youngest son, Frederick 1909-11, was only two when he died within months of the 1911 census. Elizabeth Crossman's husband John Vickers died on 20 December 1937 and was living at 16 Glossop Street, High Spen, leaving £433 to the care of John William Vickers, miner, and Thomas Potter, newsagent; the same executors used by Elizabeth, when she died at the same address on 23 August 1938, leaving £694.

42	Blackdown	MARTIN William	H	M	34		Copper Miner	Dev Bere Alston	M
		MARTIN Jane	W	M		31		Devon Marytavy	
		MARTIN James	S		12		CM	Devon Marytavy	
		MARTIN William	S		11		CM	Devon Marytavy	
		MARTIN Jane	D			9	Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		MARTIN Hellen	D			8	Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		MARTIN Catherine	D			6	Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		MARTIN Elizabeth	D			3		Devon Marytavy	

William MARTIN married Jane Collings in Marytavy early in 1838. Altogether they had six children: **James, William, Jane** three days old on the day of the 1841 census, **Hellen, Catherine, and Elizabeth**, all born in Marytavy. The family was living at Lanehead, Marytavy in 1841, Blackdown 1851 and Gunnislake in 1861, when William was a copper miner and all the children living at home: James, Hellen, Catherine and Elizabeth were mine labourers. After that entry it has not been possible to trace any of the family, which could mean that being in mining they moved north or, more likely, abroad.

33	South Brentor	MASON Ann	Vis	M		51		Broadwoodwidge	L
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Ann MASON was visiting her neighbour, brother Thomas Squire and his wife Mary Stephens Ellis in 1851, probably because they had a five day old baby, later named Thomas, and two young daughters, Mary E 1847-66 and Annie Eliza, later Mathews 1849-1925 (*see 1911 People*).

34	South Brentor	MASON William	H	M	53		Farmer 8 acres	Stowford Devon	L
		MASON Hannah Squire	D	U		13	Scholar	Co Stokeclimsland	

William MASON had a vote in 1837 as a farmer occupier at Hampt Farm in Stokeclimsland, and in 1841, was living there with his wife, Ann (*see above*), and daughters, Mary 5 and Hannah 3. In 1861 **Mary Joanna** Mason, born in Stokeclimsland, was 'living in the house' with her uncles, yeoman farmer Thomas and his brother Edward Mason, partner in the business, in Westlake, Monk Okehampton.

In the summer of 1857 in the Tavistock area **Hannah Squire** married copper miner Jonathan Pearce from Mary Tavy, baptised on 3 May 1835 in Mary Tavy, he was the son of copper miner John Pearse and his wife, Grace, of Cholwill House, Mary Tavy. In 1861 Jonathan and Hannah were living at Wortha Mill Cottage in Mary Tavy with their two year old daughter *Mary Hannah*. Hannah's father William, a married carpenter, was staying with them, whilst her mother Ann, a schoolmistress, was living in Higher Hampt, Stokeclimsland with her unmarried sister, Johannah Squire, visiting her. By 1871 both Hannah and her mother Ann had been widowed: Ann late in 1866 and Hannah in 1867. They were living at Hampt in Stokeclimsland with Ann's sister Johannah, or Joanna, Squire 1803- 1876 and Hannah's son *William John*, born in 1867. Ann died later that same year. Her sister, Joanna, had been recorded staying with various family members: as an annuitant with farmer Jonas Squire and his family in Inwardleigh in 1851 and farmer Thomas Squire, probably her brother, in 1841. She died in 1876.

Jonathan and Hannah's daughter, *Mary Hannah*, born on 23 October 1858 was staying with the Mason family in Monk Okehampton in 1871. Her uncle, probably great uncle, Robert was a yeoman farmer with 50 acres. Also staying there was a nephew Francis Mason, a farm servant, aged 26, born in Stokeclimsland.

At some stage after that, Hannah, Mary Hannah and William John had moved to New Zealand, whether together or to join each other.

The first record of the widowed Hannah Squire Pearse in New Zealand was when she married farmer John Vicary in 1904 and settled in Featherston, where he was subsequently described as a settler. He had been married to Mary Ellen 1820-1897 and was 70 when he married 66 year old Hannah. She died on 17 February 1922 when she was 74 and John in 1926 aged 92.

Her daughter *Mary Hannah Pearse* had moved to New Zealand by 1883 when she married the flamboyantly named Henry Septimus Decimus Homes, from Ledbury, Herefordshire. They had at least one child William Henry born in April 1886. Married life for Mary Hannah was not a bed of roses: on 9 February 1892 Henry Septimus was tried for arson at the Supreme Court in Timaru and sentenced to eighteen months labour and in 1901 Henry and Mary Hannah, boarding house keepers, were declared bankrupt. Their son Henry William, a carpenter aged 29 years and 5 months, was in New South

Wales when he signed up to fight in the Great War. He had dark brown hair, blue eyes and was 5' 8" tall. He was hospitalised twice with psoriasis, before being discharged as being medically unfit. He was living at home with his parents, at 137 Hutt Road, Retone in 1919. His mother Mary Hannah died on 23 May 1923 and his father Henry, a labourer, on 19 April 1934. Life for Henry William then took a downward turn, partly because he enlisted in Australia and returned to New Zealand and the army had rules and regulations about how to apply for records, badges and pensions etc and Henry's lifestyle was not settled enough to follow these rules carefully. He had a short term of imprisonment and sought his discharge records and badges in order to find work and sign up for the Home Service in the Second World War, having lost all his possessions in a fire caused by the Napier earthquake. By 1944 he was imprisoned again, this time three months for theft. By this time, his nose was described as flat, broken and he was losing his hair. Hannah's son, *William John Pearse* married 24 year old New Zealand born Margaret Thompson McCourt in 1894 and their daughter Margret Emily Honi, known as Hone, was born on 13 September 1895.

37	South Brentor	MASON Francis	H	M	34		Hind	Devon Tavistock	L
		MASON Mary	W	M		36		Cornwall Jacobstow	
		MASON Elizabeth Jane	D	U		8		Cornwall Jacobstow	
		MASON Francis	S	U	6			Cornwall Jacobstow	
		MASON William	S	U	4			Cornwall Jacobstow	
		MASON James	S		1			Devon Lamerton	

Francis MASON married Mary Blake on 27 March 1839 in North Tamerton. In 1841 they were living in South Brentor with their one year old son, Thomas. Francis was described as a farmer. By 1861, agricultural labourer Francis and Mary, just had William living at home and in 1871 it was just the two of them. By 1881 Francis was farming seven acres in North Blackdown, and they had their grandsons, Egbert 13 and Sydney 6 Allway, sons of their daughter Elizabeth Jane, living with them. Mary died in 1886, aged 72. In the following census, 1891, Francis was lodging with Richard and Susan Bickle, at 2 Cross Tenement in Mary Tavy. The 1901 census shows him living with his son, Francis and grand daughter *Edith* at Hughball, Monk Okehampton before he died in 1909, aged 92.

Altogether, Francis and Mary had five children: Thomas 1840; Elizabeth Jane 1843 (*see her account below her brothers*); Francis 1845; William 1847 and James 1849

Thomas: Little has been found about Thomas, who was only recorded with his parents in 1841.

Francis born in 1845, his birthplace was given as Jacobstow, Cornwall in 1851, but was variously described as Stoke Climsland and Bridestowe in later census. In 1861 he was a carter living with his uncles, Thomas Mason, married to Hannah, and Edward Mason, described as yeomen, partners in the farming business at West Lake, Monk Okehampton. Francis continued there in 1871 as a farm servant, though Hannah's husband was now named Robert! In 1876 Francis married Ann Wilmot Bidgood 1842-89. Her daughter Ellen had been born in 1871. Their three children were *William* 1877-1930, *Elizabeth J* born in 1878 and *Edith Mary* born on 11 June 1883 when Francis was an agricultural labourer and the family was living at Hugh Ball, Okehampton. His wife Ann died in 1889 and in 1891 he continued as an agricultural labourer, living at Hugh Ball with his stepdaughter, Ellen Bidgood, and children, William, an apprentice miller, and Edith Mary. Daughter Elizabeth J was visiting the Rectory in Monk Okehampton at that time. By 1901 Edith was the only child at home and Francis' father, also Francis Mason, aged 84, was staying with them. Son William was a carpenter and had married Elizabeth Kneebone in 1896 and by the time of the 1911 census, when they had been married sixteen years, they had had six children, one of whom died young. They may have gone to Canada but with another William Mason married to Kate and some indecipherable census records, that needs a bit of sorting. It appears that Francis jun may have died in 1903, and Francis senior in 1909. In 1911 Edith was cook for the Colt family in their substantial home, Oakmead in Lyndhurst Road, Exeter.

William, born in 1847 in Stokeclimsland, was working as a groom for the Reverend Antony Buller, Vicar at Mary Tavy in 1871. He married Emma Taverner 1853-1938 in 1874. Altogether, between 1875 and 1887 they had seven children: *Francis Thomas Taverner* 1875-1957; *Mary Jane* 1877-1888; *Sidney William*, born 1878; *Edward Ernest* 1881-1965; *Eleanor Louise* 1882-; *Egbert* 1884-1965 and *James Victor* 1887. In 1881 they were living at the Barracks in Princetown, as William was an assistant warden at the prison. By 1891 Mary Jane had died, aged 11, and the family was living in Tavistock Road in Princetown with William described as an officer at the convict prison. In 1901, living at 7 Government Row, William continued as a prison officer warden, with Edward and Egbert working as prison officer assistant messengers. By 1911, William had become the Principal Warder Prison Dept, and the record confirmed that they had had seven children, one of whom had died, Mary Jane in 1888. Living with them at 2 Old Cottages, Princetown was their daughter in law Jessie from Penzance and her 14 month old son Egbert Gerald, born in Lewisham London.

Though it has not yet been possible to identify the date of William's death, Emma was living at Pensilva, Station Road, Okehampton when she died on 7 July 1938, leaving her estate of £671 to the care of her son Francis Thomas Taverner, retired prison officer.

Francis Thomas Taverner was in lodgings in Warwick while working at Warwick Prison in 1911. He and his wife Ada were living at 2 Alfred Place, Dorchester when he died in the Dorset County Hospital on 8 December 1956, leaving £1,979 to his widow, Ada.

In 1901 *Sidney William*, born 1878, was living in Christchurch, Southwark, London in a vast residence for employees of Messrs Cookson & Co. They were described as Manchester warehousemen. Manchester cloth was a type of corduroy, a very good quality cloth with a dense pile, worn by poorer workers. There are later records for Sidney William Masons, but none can be linked to this person with any accuracy.

Edward Ernest born on 10 February 1881, was a prison officer assistant messenger, living at home with his parents in 1901. In 1911 he was a clerk in the prison service, living at 51 St Luke's Road, Maidstone with his wife, Thirza, their eleven month old daughter Nina Emma Ann, his mother in law, Ann Ennor, and Thirza's cousin Charlotte Annie Smith from Wimbledon. He had married Thirza Ann Smith Ennor in the Tavistock district in 1909. She had been born in Bothal, Northumberland, but, aged 14, in 1901 she was living with her Mary Tavy born widowed mother, Ann Ennor and unmarried aunt Mary Smith, with her grandfather, William Bascombe Smith, at Palmer's Corner in Mary Tavy.

Ann's husband, Thirza's father, James Ennor was a copper miner from Beer Alston and after their marriage late in 1885, the couple had gone to Northumberland, like so many others locally, as that was where the work was. Thirza was born there on 23 January 1887. On 28 October 1889, James was working for the South Moor Coal Co at Chester le Street, Durham when it is reported "These men had holed into each other's place when a large stone fell from the roof killing them both on the spot". In 1901 Thirza was living with her mother Ann Ennor 1847-1920 at Palmers, Mary Tavy and her aunt Agnes Harris, the wife of schoolmaster James Harris. With Thirza, James was executor for Ann's £100 estate when she died in Princetown on 7 January 1920. In 1939 James, by then retired and his wife Agnes, an invalid, were living at 29 Tierney Road in Wandsworth with Thirza, her husband Edward, a civil servant in the prison dept, and their daughter, Nina later Stewart, an unemployed civil servant, born 5 May 1910. Edward and Thirza were living at Osborne House, 10 Watts Road in Tavistock when he died on 17 December 1965, leaving her £1,052. She was still living there on 10 August 1970 when she died, leaving £8,530. Nina married Albert E Stewart in the summer of 1941.

Eleanor Louise was born in 1882. In 1901 she was living in the household of the Connibear family in Morthoe, Devon. She was one of three described as servants, though two were bakers working with the head of the household, baker George, while Eleanor was post office assistant to his son, the postmaster. In 1911 Eleanor was a hospital nurse working at the Royal Hospital, Richmond, Surrey. In 1956 a Louise Mason was recorded as being on the electoral register at Newington Lodge, Westmoreland Road, Walworth SE17. Newington Lodge had been the old workhouse, taken over by London County Council and renamed, it was a home for old people and the homeless. It was likely that she was here in her retirement.

Egbert born on 15 June 1884, like his brother Edward, was a prison officer assistant messenger living at home with his parents in 1901. In 1911 he was a representative for a hardware merchants' and was living at 36 Richmond Road, Thornton Heath, near Croydon, Surrey. The record shows that he had been married for a year. In fact, he had married Florence Jessie Kelynack late in 1908 in Penzance. Florence, known as Jessie was the daughter of William Kelynack, who was a grocer, sub postmaster and mason in Penzance. At the time of the 1911 census she was recorded as Jessie, the daughter in law staying with William and Emma with her 14 month old son Egbert Gerald, born 18 January 1910 in Lewisham, London (*see above*). By 1922 when daughter Eleanor D was born on 29 January, Egbert, an ironmonger, and Jessie had moved to Bournemouth and in 1939 were registered with their three children at 66 Uplands Road: Egbert Gerald was engaged in aircraft work; Eleanor had the same occupation as her older ?sister, whose record is closed. Eleanor married Laurence M Ratigan in Bournemouth in the summer of 1949. Jessie was living at Oaklands, 66 Uplands Road, Bournemouth when she died at Christchurch Hospital on 1 October 1957, leaving her estate of £164 to her husband Egbert. Egbert died on 21 April 1965 at Pembury Hospital in Pembury, Kent when he was living at 2a Bordyke, Tonbridge. His £3,720 estate was left to the care of his son Egbert Gerald, an estate agent's negotiator, who had continued to live in the Bournemouth area, living at Little Hollow, Dewlands, Verwood, Wimborne until his death on 7 December 1980, leaving £21,964.

James Victor, born on 3 June 1887, was the youngest son of William and Emma Mason. He was living at home with his parents, attending school in 1901, but does not appear to have been registered in the 1911 census. On 22 December 1923 James, a general merchant, married Mabel Bessie Peters at the church of St Michael at Bowes in Southgate, Middlesex. They both gave their address as 24 Berkshire Gardens, Southgate and she was the daughter of Charles Peters, gentleman and had been born on 7 June 1893. His father was given as William Mason, retired prison officer, probably indicating that he was still alive. In 1939 the couple were living at 85 Woodland Way, Southgate N21, when the registration indicates that he was a draper's buyer and Mabel worked as a volunteer Red Cross nurse during the war. A James V Mason died in Wood Green, Middlesex in the summer of 1953. Mabel Bessie Mason was living at Greenacres, Ledbury, Herefordshire when she died on 3 October 1983, leaving £80,634.

James born in the summer of 1849, was the youngest son of Francis and Mary and the only one born in Lamerton. As he does not appear with his parents in the 1861 census, it is likely that it was his death that was recorded in the area, late in 1858, when he would have been nine.

THE ALWAY FAMILY: Elizabeth Jane was the only daughter of Francis and Mary Mason. She married William Alway 1830-1905 from Staplegrove in Somerset in the early months of 1874, soon after the death of his second wife, Jane. He was a prison warder and local Methodist preacher and had married locally born Jane Taverner Powell 1837-1873 in 1869, after the death of his first wife: Ellen Keeton 1847-67 on 27 July 1867. Ellen, who had married William in 1865 in Bridgewater, was the mother of his two children: Clara Sophia and Egbert Vivian.

Clara Sophia 1865-1934, born on 25 November 1865 in Bridgewater, Somerset, married printer and stationer Alfred Edwin Goodman 1861-1940, with whom she had two sons, Douglas 1890-1917 (*see his De Ruvigny's Roll of Honour for details of his life and military service*) and Stuart 1896-1964. Living in Taunton at the time of her death on 3 July 1934 Clara Sophia left the substantial sum of £5,889, whilst Alfred left £13,934 when he died on 9 December 1940.

Egbert Vivian 1867-1933, born in Princetown, married Emily Bray in Plymouth in 1893. He was a drapery traveller and they had two children, both born in London: Amy Louisa 1894-1985, who married Paul L Pallot, a Captain in the Blue Funnel Mercantile Line; he was master aboard the ss Antiochus in 1939, which travelled between Hong Kong and Liverpool. Her mother, Emily, was living with them in 1939; and Egbert Richard 1903-83, an insurance inspector, married to Gwendoline E Ham, living in Barnstaple and later Cornwall.

In 1881 William and Elizabeth Jane were living at Mount Pleasant in Princetown with their children Ethelred 4, Ellen 3 and Amy W 1, whilst eldest sons, Egbert Vivian 13 (above) and Sydney 6 were with her parents in Mary Tavy, probably because the birth of her next child was imminent. *Minnie Lucinda* was born later that same month, on 24 April 1881. Sadly, she died shortly after birth. As well as William's two children, he and Elizabeth Jane had seven children: Sydney William 1875-1951; Ethelred 1876-1955; Ellen 1877-1943; Amy Winifred 1879-1868; Minnie Lucinda 1881-1; Rowena Amina 1882-1976 and Oliver 1884-1958

Sydney William, born on 6 January 1875, was an apprentice draper to William Winter, living at 10 Higher Market Street, Tavistock, next to the Tavistock Bank in 1891 and he was a draper living in Weston Super Mare in 1901, with his sister Ellen and brother Oliver, both of whom were working for him. Verified Army records indicate that he married Ruth Pask from Lincolnshire on 1 October 1907 in West Ham, Essex, though their son, also Sidney William had been born on 5 November 1906. In the 1911 census, when he was a draper's assistant and they were living at 11 Albion Place, Heavitree, Exeter, a substantial home with eight rooms, they declared that they had been married for seven years. Sidney was a warehouseman, 5'11" tall and 43 years old, living at 48 Summerland Street, Exeter when he signed up to the RAMC in 1918, presumably the delay was because he suffered from flat feet. He spent a year in the services, during which time he was fitted with part dentures. Ruth died in 1920, and in the summer of 1925, in Camberwell district, London, Sidney married Winifred Sutherland Goldworthy. She had been an invoice clerk at the biscuit makers in 1911, when she was 24 and living with her parents at 113 Friern Road, East Dulwich. Sidney and Winifred's son Francis R was born early in 1927 and was probably the 1939 redacted entry, living with his parents, retired warehouseman, Sidney and Winifred at 4 Birmley Villas in Teignmouth. In 1939, Sidney jun was an electrical engineer living in Tiverton, Devon with his wife Dorothy with a redacted record indicating a possible child. Sidney senior died in the Newton Abbot area in 1951 and his wife Winifred on 15 March 1979 in Tiverton, leaving £1,817.

Ethelred born on 14 April 1876, was a draper and milliner, who married Kate Isabel Besley 1885-1948 in 1907; they lived in Dawlish and had five children: Ethelred Besley 1908-35, who was living in Wotton under Edge, Gloucestershire when he died on 21 June 1935 aged 27, Kenneth Mason born on 13 January 1912, married Florence May Rendel 1908-1971 in 1936. Their son was Guy Mason 1938-2013. Kenneth was a police constable in 1939 and a sergeant when he administered his father's will in 1955. He was living at 12A Bridgetown Court in Totnes when he died on 28 August 1972, leaving £10,062. Anthony Blake was born on 26 April 1915 and married Doreen M Symons 1911-92 on 20 May 1939, in Collaton St Mary in Devon. They had three children. He was living at 22 Edna Avenue, Liverpool when he died on 3 June 1971, leaving £5,589. Jeffery Barrington was born on 6 April 1918 and was in the RAF, staying with his parents in 1939 and in Detroit, Michigan in 1943, when he married Estelle Margaret Keegan 1922-90 on 11 March. Sadly, the childless marriage ended in divorce on 30 October 1946 and he married again in Macclesfield, Cheshire in 1954. He was living at Falcon Cottage, Higher Brookfield, Lustleigh in Devon when he died on 9 December 1975, leaving £2,869. Daughter Joan Isabel Elizabeth was born on 15 June 1920. She was living at Bidlake House, Lawn Terrace, in Dawlish when she was entered on the Nursing Register Roll of Assistant Nurses, with a Rule 14 qualification, on 25 October 1946. She married Douglas Loraine Jones 1916-99 in 1951. They had two children. She was living at 129 Longford Lane, Longlevens, Gloucestershire when she died on 14 February 1988, leaving an estate under £70,000. Their father Ethelred, of Bidlake House, Dawlish, died on 7 January 1955, leaving £5,627 in the care of his son, police sergeant, Kenneth Mason Alway.

Ellen born on 27 July 1877, was a draper's assistant living with, and working for, her brother Sydney in Weston Super Mare in April 1901. Within weeks of this, she married grocer George Christopher German 1874-1906 of Glastonbury. They had three children: Vera Rowena, Naomi W and Reginald before George's untimely death on 28 January 1906, when

he left her £1,060. Ellen established herself as a draper and in 1911 she was living at 94 Pinhoe Road, Heavitree, Exeter with her three children, her mother Elizabeth Jane and sister Amy W, who was working for her. By 1939, Ellen had retired and was living with daughter, Naomi now England and her family in Newton Abbot. Ellen died aged 66 on 4 August 1943. Her address was given as 93 Abbotsbury Road in Newton Abbot, her daughter Naomi's address, but she died at Wisdom House in Peter Tavy, leaving £3,970, testament to the success of her business.

Ellen's daughter Vera Rowena, born 7 February 1902, married Isaac Martin Wilkes 1884-1924 on 26 September 1923, their daughter Barbara Hannah was born on 26 September 1924 and Isaac, of Sedgely House, Wilmington, died just five weeks later, leaving Vera with the substantial sum of £19,215 to raise their daughter. Vera married again, in 1926 to chemistry teacher Arnold James Parkes Andrews 1895-1973. They had one son Christopher James Parkes born on 13 October 1927. In 1939 they were living at Cameron in Sherborne with one (redacted) child, next door to Arnold's parents. His father was also a schoolmaster. Arnold became a gas detection officer for Sherborne during the war. On 21 September 1940, Vera, accompanied by son Christopher JP Andrews 12 and daughter Barbara Hannah Wilkes 15, both scholars, set sail from Liverpool for arrival in New York on 3 October 1940, travelling third class aboard the Cunard White Star Line ss Scythia, with a visa issued in London on 1 August 1940, intending to stay in the US for the duration of the war. Due their stay in the US, Hannah attended Paris School in Ontario, featuring in the 1940 year book, acclaiming her violin playing. After the war Barbara returned to America on 17 November 1946 to visit her friend Constance Chilton at 121 Hamilton Ave, Englewood, NY. She went for six months, with \$300, saying that she had last been there on 9 January 1943. Passenger records indicate that she sailed from New York on the Queen Elizabeth, as a student in First Class, arriving in Southampton on 23 September 1947 and sailed on the Queen Mary with four pieces of luggage from Southampton to New York, arriving on 27 March 1951, intending to stay at 157 72nd Street, New York. The next important events recorded were her marriage to John Collins 1918-99 in Chelsea in 1954 and the birth of her son Nicholas John Fogg Collins. Barbara died on 22 July 2012 in the Stratford upon Avon district.

Her brother Christopher was awarded a Royal Aero Club Aviators certificate as a member of the RAF at the Wiltshire Flying Club on 16 September 1946 and later returned from New York to Southampton on the Cunard White Star RMS Queen Elizabeth, arriving on 9 September 1949. Vera continued living at Cameron, Avenue Road, Sherborne until her death on 21 March 1953. Probate for her effects of £3,092 was granted to her son, Christopher James Parkes Andrews, by then a barrister at law. Her husband, Arnold continued to live at Cameron until his death on 18 April 1973, leaving £54,384. His death was recorded in the South African Transvaal Estates Death Index in Pretoria, indicating a financial interest there. Christopher otherwise known as James, was living at 46 Yardley Park Road, Tonbridge when he died on 13 December 1979, leaving £34,783.

Ellen's younger daughter Naomi Winifred German, born on 5 March 1903, married chief motor mechanic John Franklin England 1898-1944 in the summer of 1929 – an interesting change of surname, which probably provoked some mirth at the wedding. Their daughter Elizabeth Ann 1931-99, later Harris, was born on 16 May 1931, when they were probably living at 93 Glastonbury Road, Newton Abbot, their home in 1939 when her mother Ellen was living with them. John died in 1944, aged 45. Elizabeth travelled to New York, in transit to Canada, on 12 July 1951 aboard the Queen Mary, just three months after her cousin Barbara Wilkes (*above*). Her marriage took place in Newton Abbot in 1955. She had one child. Her mother Naomi died in 1986 in Newton Abbot and Elizabeth died there on 31 December 1999.

Reginald George Always was born on 16 May 1904 and was just a toddler when his father George German died. His work as an engineer saw him based in the Manchester area, before travelling to various locations. He was living at 112 Kenyon Street, Ashton under Lyme in 1928, when he set off for Port Said, Egypt, returning to London from Port Sudan in 1930, before staying at 34 Wonford Road, Exeter. 1931 saw a return to Liverpool and 15 October 1935 to Southampton from Dar Es Salaam, before returning to Ashton under Lyme where he married Florrie Helena Gregory 1908-93. The last travel record we have for Reginald is in 1937 when he returned from Colombo in India, giving his address as 91 Stockport Road, Ashton under Lyme. 1939 records show him living at 111 Hamilton Terrace, Ashton under Lyme with wife Florrie, her parents and a redacted child. He was an engineer's fitter on munitions doing engine work, which classed him as undertaking heavy work. He was living at 30 St Mary's Road, Sherborne, Dorset when he died on 23 November 1977 at Yeatman's Hospital, Sherborne leaving £13,609. The hospital was founded in 1886 by friends of the Reverend Harry Farr Yeatman, a well known and respected local squire and magistrate. Florrie died in 1993.

Amy Winifred, born 28 November 1879, was working as a mantle saleswoman in 1901 and staying in hostel style accommodation at 49-53 Fleet Street, Torquay and in 1911 was living with her mother, Elizabeth Jane at the home of her sister, Ellen German, where she worked for her sister as an assistant draper. She married the grandly named grocer Frederick Theophilus Samuel Parr Ekers 1877-1960 on 30 April 1924 in Paignton. In 1939 Amy was described as married and living with a redacted child at Summer Glen in Sticklepath. Frederick, aged 62 was a patient in the Devon Mental Hospital in St Thomas, Exeter, where he may have remained until his death in 1960. Amy died in 1968.

William had become the principal warder clerk by 1891. Children Rowena and Oliver were 8 and 6. By 1901 William had retired and they were living on their own means in Goosemoor, Tiverton with Rowena, a housekeeper, living with them.

William died on 13 July 1905, when they were living at 5 Fore Street, Heavitree, Exeter. Probate for his effects of £250 was granted to his son, Egbert Vivian, a commercial traveller.

Rowena Amina Alway was born on 8 June 1882 and was working as a housekeeper when she was living with her parents, William and Elizabeth, at Goosemoor, Halberton, in 1901, when her father was living on his own means. On 13 April 1903 she married agricultural implement maker Ernest Vickery Twose 1879-1961 in Halberton. After seven years of marriage, the 1911 census records that they had no children. The business continued to be based in Halberton, a town of 1,202 people in 1931 and they were recorded living at Barns Close, in 1939. Ernest was living at Eastgate, Halberton when he died on 10 November 1961 at Tidcombe Hall Nursing Home in Tiverton, leaving his £40,531 estate to the care of his wife Rowena. He was buried in the Halberton Methodist Churchyard. Rowena, the last of the Alway siblings was living at Boxmoor, 29 Exeter Road, Dawlish when she died on 10 April 1976, leaving £39,337.

Oliver, the youngest Alway, was born on 3 October 1884. As we have seen above, he was living with his brother Sidney and sister Ellen in Weston Super Mare, assisting in the drapery business in 1901. On 20 May 1907 he married Heavitree born Rosa May Heard Johnson 1884-1924. By 1911 they were living in a substantial house in North Street, Ashburton. The only son of their three year marriage: Ernest John was born in Ashburton on 2 September 1910 but was not recorded on the 1911 census. Sadly, he died aged 21 on 25 February 1932 at Charing Cross Hospital in London. Their daughter Margaret Violet 1917-98 was born in Monmouth on 9 April 1917. The family were in Exeter in 1924 when Rosa's death, aged 40, was recorded 5b 102 just before Oliver's mother Elizabeth Jane 5b 104 who died on 19 November 1924, aged 82. Oliver married again in the spring of 1926 to Alice M Flisher 1886-1938. Born Alice Mary Sullock in Exeter, she was the third daughter of Police Constable George Sullock and his wife Emma. She married telegraphist George Edward Flisher 1887-1918 on 24 April 1913 in Exeter. He enlisted as a sapper 195261 in the Royal Engineers on 17 August 1916, served with the Expeditionary Force in France and Flanders from March 1917 and died at No 41 Casualty Clearing Station on 18 July 1918, of double pneumonia contracted while on active service. He was buried at Pernois near Amiens. He left £332 to his widow. Margaret Mary Flisher later Gray, the daughter of Alice and George, was born on 27 June 1916 and was a certified assistant school mistress in 1939.

Alice, wife of Oliver Alway, was living at 86 Ladysmith Road, Exeter, when she died on 30 June 1938, at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital. Probate for her £1,461 estate was granted to her sister, Susannah Esther Rudd, wife of Charles Rudd. In 1939 Oliver, a retired draper, continued to live at 86 Ladysmith Road with his daughter Margaret Violet, an assistant milliner. During the war he served in the ARP for Exeter City Council. Oliver was living at 13 Haldane Road, Exeter when he died on 18 February 1958, leaving £2,737. After the war Margaret moved to Canada, where she worked as a post office clerk. Unfortunately, she did not manage to return to be with her father before he died, arriving at Liverpool aboard RMS Sylvania on 1 March 1958. She appears to have remained in England. Her death was recorded in Somerset in 1958. In 1911 Elizabeth Jane, aged 68, widowed and with private means, was living with both of her daughters, Amy W and Ellen German, and her children. Elizabeth Jane died in the Exeter area on 19 November 1924, aged 82.

19	Burnaford	MASON William	Ser	U	27		Waggoner	Launceston Corn	L
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In 1851, William MASON, born in the Launceston area, was working as a waggoner on farmer William Squire's 110 acre farm, at Burnaford. In 1881, he may have been working as an agricultural labourer on Richard Hawkins' farm at Felldownhead in Bradstone and in 1891 as a single agricultural labourer boarding at the Scilly Arms in Bradstone.

21	West Liddaton	MASON James	H	M	44		Farmer 85acre emp 1 lab	Devon Dunterton	B
		MASON Susanna A	W	M		46		Devon Dunterton	

James MASON married Susanna MASON in the autumn of 1843. They continued to live in West Liddaton in 1861 and 1871. Susanna was 71 when she died on 2 February 1875. Her burial in St Constantine Churchyard in Milton Abbot would indicate that they were living in the parish at that time. When James died on 19 January 1881, he was buried with his wife. Probate for his estate of under £100 was granted to his nephew Thomas Mason, a coachman of Milton Abbot. This relationship probably accounts for the move to the village.

6	Monkstone	MAUNDER William	H	M	35		Farmer 48 acres	Devon Mary Tavy	B
		MAUNDER Mary	W	M		38		Devon Mary Tavy	
		MAUNDER Elizabeth A	D			10		Devon Mary Tavy	
		MAUNDER Susannah	D			8		Devon Mary Tavy	
		MAUNDER William	S		5			Devon Mary Tavy	
		MAUNDER Thomas	S		4			Devon Brentor	
		MAUNDER Mary	D			2		Dev Thrushelton	

William MAUNDER 1816-1897 and his wife Mary 1813-1891 were living at Monkstone in 1851 and 1861 when it was a farm of 68 acres, and moved to Bowdenhill, a similarly sized farm, by 1871: living there until 1891, when they were at

South Warn Farm, next to their son William. Mary may have been the daughter of farmer George and Elizabeth Godard and would have been baptised in Mary Tavy on 27 September 1812. She and William probably married in Mary Tavy in about 1836. They had nine children: George Godard, Elizabeth Ann, Susannah, William, Thomas, Mary, Ellen, Jane and John.

George Goddard was born late in 1838 and was staying with his Godard grandparents in Mary Tavy in 1841 and his Goddard uncles: John, George and William at Witstone House, their 70 acre farm in 1851. In 1861 he was living with his family, working on his parents' 68 acre farm. After that it has not been possible to trace him with any certainty.

Elizabeth Ann married Jeremiah James in about 1864, which was probably when William moved to Bowdenhill, as Jeremiah and Elizabeth Ann were farming Monkstone in 1871. They had six children, before Elizabeth's untimely death in the summer of 1879: Edith Ann, Ellen J, Frederick William, Elizabeth Ann, William George and Mary. In 1881 Jeremiah was at Monkstone farming 20 acres with Edith, Frederick, Elizabeth, William and Mary.

Edith Ann, known as Ada, was born on 10 March 1865 and married farmer John Pengelly Tredennick 1867-1938 of Burley Wood Cottage in Bridestowe in 1894, probably in Babbacombe, where other members of the family were living. In 1900 they were living in Livingston County in Illinois where their five children were born: Elmer George, Mabel Mary, Walter Dewey, Florence Ada and Frederick John. She died in Cook County, Illinois on 7 March 1959.

Ellen J was in service in 1881 and 1891: with the Cowell family in Calstock and then as a housemaid with her sister, Elizabeth Ann, for the well to do Morris family at Kincora, Tormoram, Torquay. She married Torquay born Alfred George Trace 1871-1936, a dairyman and greengrocer, in Tavistock early in 1894. Living in Torquay, they had three children Violet Ellen, Gladys Annie and Norman George, who was a dairyman when he was one of the executors of his father's £7,951 will, when he died on 21 April 1936. There were two death registrations for an Ellen Trace, one late in 1911, the other in 1929.

A groom boarding in Lewtrenchard in 1891, *Frederick William* 1869-1939 married Edith Mary E Brown 1872-1940 in Plymouth in the summer of 1892. Settling in Plymouth, they had three children, two of whom survived until 1911, Daisy Eleanor and Frederick Ronald. Frederick was a domestic coachman before becoming a chauffeur.

Elizabeth Ann, born in 1872 was living at home in 1881 and was with her older sister Ellen, working for the affluent Morris family in Tormoram in 1891, as a kitchenmaid.

William George was born on 15 December 1874 and was shown on the 1881 census living at home with his family. In 1911 he was a dairyman living in the substantial seven roomed house Heightleigh, Redden Hill Road in Babbacombe with his wife of three years, Launceston born Lena Mary Thorne. They had married in Plymouth in the summer of 1907. At that stage they had no children. Redden Hill Road was where his sister Ellen was living with her husband Alfred George Trace, a dairyman. By 1939 he was a shop keeper and they were living at 53 Market Street in Torquay. Lena died in 1956 aged 82.

Mary, born in 1875, was living with her family in 1881 and was staying with her sister Ellen Trace and her husband, Alfred George and their children: Violet, Gladys and the unnamed son of three weeks, later named Norman, at 3 Redden Hill, Babbacombe. Mary described as niece, though actually sister-in-law to Alfred, was a retired farmer's daughter and was probably there to care for the new mother and her children. In 1908 she married William White Thorne in the local area. They were living at Lipscliff, Brentor when William, a retired postman died on 31 March 1909, leaving £110 to his widow, Mary.

Susanna, born early in 1843, was at home in 1851, but not in 1861. She may have died locally in the spring of 1862.

William, was an agricultural labourer; born in 1846, he married Sarah Jane Cudlipp in 1869, the daughter of John Martyn Cudlipp and his wife Hannah (*see Cudlipp above*). In 1871 William, Sarah Jane and their one year old son, *William John Martyn Cudlipp*, were living in Liddaton, next door to her parents and brother, John, a mason. Their daughter *Sarah Ann Cudlipp* was born in 1874 and Sarah Jane died late in 1880. In 1881 William was a widower, living with his parents and working on their farm at Bowden. Two of the three Maunder grandchildren in the household were his children: William and Sarah Ann, who continued to live with their grandparents in 1891, when they had moved to South Warn Farm. A William Maunder was living next door, but this was not their son, as this William had been happily married to Ellen Palmer since 1868. Our William had married Jane Wevill in about 1887, their son *Edward Wevill* was born in 1890 and in 1891 William, Jane and Edward were living at 13 Barley Market Street in Tavistock, the home of her mother, Elizabeth 75, a widow living on her own means and Jane's half sister, Mary Ann, who had had a congenital disease from childhood. By 1891 the Maunder trio had moved to Higher Kingsett Farm in Mary Tavy. The 1911 census confirmed that Edward was the only child of their twenty-four year marriage. Jane died early in 1925 and William on 2 May 1926, when he left his £611 effects to the care of his farmer son, Edward. His other son William John etc, born on 9 November 1869, became a policeman in the Metropolitan Police, rising to the rank of Sergeant, before retiring after 28 years service, in 1922, having joined New Scotland Yard in 1893, when he had been just over 5'9" tall, with fair hair, hazel eyes, a fair complexion and married to Emma Jane. He died on 14 December 1954 at St Nicholas Hospital in SE18, when he was living at 17 Dansington Road, Welling, Kent leaving his £1,053 estate to Doris Lillian Prentice, married woman, probably his daughter. Sarah Ann probably married James Squire towards the end of 1897.

Thomas, born late in 1848, was at home with his family in 1851 and 1861. He may have died in the summer of 1925 in the Tavistock registration area, but more work needs to be done to identify him in the intervening censuses.

Mary married James Batten, the son of small farmer Daniel Batten 1804-73 and his wife Elizabeth 1807-73 of Longham in Bridestowe, early in 1869. Their son, *Charles*, was born on 9 April 1869 and daughter *Ellen* was four months old at the time of the 1871 census when they were living in Mary's family home at Bowden with her parents, William and Mary. Their son *William* was born in 1872 and in 1873 James' father Daniel died in Brentor on 25 September 1873 and his mother Elizabeth not long after, on 6 December 1873, at Burcombe Farm in Brentor. James and Mary's daughter *Elizabeth Jane*, born in 1874 in Brentor, was named for her Batten grandmother, who died soon after her birth, and *Mary Louisa*, born on 16 June 1876 in Mary Tavy, for her still living Maunder grandmother.

The 1881 census entries hint at great sadness in the family: Mary and son Charles 11 were with her parents at Bowden and James, a farm labourer, was living at North Blackdown with his children: Ellen, William, Elizabeth J, and Mary Louisa, and Elizabeth Mashford, a housekeeper for the time. The time came soon after: within weeks, perhaps even days, of the census Mary died, leaving James with five children under eleven. He married again, but not until 1888 when he married Eliza Jane Warne 1857-1926. Their eldest child was *James Moor Batten* 1889-1918, commemorated on the Brentor War Memorial. James died in 1907.

Mary's son *Charles* 1869-1951, a jeweller, married Lizzy Anne Rowe 1871-1936 in 1892 and they had four children, one of whom died in infancy. They settled in Tenby, Pembrokeshire where he lived until his death in 1951.

Ellen was four months old at the time of the 1871 census and is recorded as continuing to live at home with her family in 1881. By 1891 she was a cook in the household of retired naval paymaster Thomas Haverford and his family, which included his wife, children and various in laws at Clifton Villa in Tavistock. In the summer of 1898 Ellen married domestic gardener Nicholas Charles Dowrick 1865-1939, who had been born in Pilleigh, Cornwall. In 1901 they were living at 7 Petitor Road, Torquay, expecting son Wilfred Charles, who was born on 14 June 1901. By 1911 they were living at Little Efford, Egg Buckland, with Wifred and daughter Winifred Mary aged 6. Sadly, they had lost one other child in their twelve year marriage. In 1926 Winifred married Samuel Pennington in the Tavistock registration area and in 1928, Wilfred, a clerk for a fertilizer manufacturer in 1939, married Aileen Leadon in Plymouth. Ellen's husband Nicholas Charles, known as Charles, died in the Tavistock area in 1939 and Ellen in Plymouth in 1956, when she was 86.

William was living at home in 1881 and his may have been the birth registered early in 1872 as William Henry Batten, but after 1881 it is difficult to identify him. He was not the William living in Honiton.

Daughter *Elizabeth Jane* was born on 6 October 1873. In 1891 she was a general servant working for miller John Sargent and his family at Phoenix Mill in Walkhampton. In mid 1894 she married Holsworthy born farmer William Sluggett and in 1911 they were living at Ottery Moor Farm in Honiton with son Ernest 6 and five month old Hilda Mary. By 1911 they were living at Piles Cottage, Town Farm, Honiton. In addition to Ernest and Hilda, were daughters Minnie 8 and Winnie 2. Sadly, the couple had lost two babies in infancy. Elizabeth was widowed when her husband died in 1935. In 1939 she was registered as living at Town Farm, where she continued to live until she died in the Royal Exeter Hospital on 10 September 1946. Her effects, of £5,465, were administered by her daughter, Hilda Mary Walden, wife of Francis Sidney. Daughter *Mary Louisa* 1876-1961 was living with her father and stepmother at Veales Tenement in Mary Tavy in 1891 and in 1901 was in service as a cook in Teignmouth working for the elderly Elizabeth Lambert and her three unmarried daughters at Raymore House in Raymore Road. By 1902 she had returned to the local area where she married Wheal Maria born farmer Freddy Down, before they moved to Surrey, where their daughter Florence Louise was born in 1904 and they farmed Coneyhurst Farm in Ewhurst, living in its substantial nine roomed farm house. By 1939 Freddy had died and Mary Louisa was living with her daughter and son in law, chauffeur and handyman, Cecil McCarthy and their two children at Chauffeur Cottage in Guildford. Mary Louisa was living at Kenwolde, Callew Hill in Virginia Water, Surrey when she died on 20 May 1961, leaving an estate of £10,670.

Ellen born just after the 1851 census, may have married Calstock born Thomas Procter, an engine driver at the mine in 1872. It has not been possible to identify the couple after that.

Youngest daughter **Jane**, born in 1857, recorded as living at home in 1861 and 1871, is likely to have died in 1880 at the age of 22.

Youngest son, **John** Maunder, born on 1 January 1862, was described as son of William and Mary, aged 9 in 1871 and grandson in 1881. With the multi generational family at home for each census, it is difficult to be certain of which relationship is correct. He may have been the son of Elizabeth Ann, before her marriage to Jeremiah James, or of Susanna, who may have died early in 1862, soon after his birth. He went on to become a farm labourer and married Mary Tavy born Hannah Dawe, daughter of farmer James and Eliza Dawe in 1885. They had thirteen children, one of whom had died by 1911: *Elizabeth Ann*, *George Henry*, *Amelia Jane* known as *Millie*, who may have been the mother of Francis, known as Frank, born in 1910, *Kate*, *Elsie*, *Ellen*, *Winifred Mary* later Glanville, *Frederick*, *Bert* (probably Albert John), *Edith Blanche* known as *Blanche*, *Brenda Anna* and *Edwin T*.

After Hannah's death late in 1938, John was a widowed sheep farmer, aged 77, living at The Retreat in Brentor in 1939 with his youngest son Edwin T, born on 12 December 1910; daughter Edith Blanche, born on 18 January 1904, her husband since 1929, Albert Cox and their daughter, Sheila.
Mary Godard Maunder had died in 1891 aged 78, and father William in 1897 when he was 81.

24	Woodmanswell	MEDDLETON James	Ser	U	19		Labourer	Thrushelton Dev	L
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James MEDDLETON or MIDDLETON was working on farmer David Watkins' farm at Woodmanswell in 1851. Unfortunately, with these details, it has not been possible to find him in any other records.

21	West Liddaton	METHERATE Mary Jane	Ser	U		18	House servant	Devon Lifton	B
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Mary Jane METHERATE was working for James and Susanna Mason (*above*) at West Liddaton. Sadly, like so many other young people, it has been impossible to trace her. This may be due to mistakes or incorrect information given to or by the householder.

40	Rickards Tenement	METTERS Thomas	H	M	53		Farmer of 8acres	Devon Sourton	L
		METTERS Peggy	W	M		45		Dev Bradworthy	
		METTERS Thomas	S	U	19			Devon Bridestow	
		METTERS John	S	U	12			Devon Bridestow	
		METTERS William	S	U	9			Devon Bridestow	
		METTERS Jane	D	U		7		Devon Bridestow	
		METTERS Ann	D	U		5		Devon Lamerton	
		METTERS George	S	U	3			Devon Lamerton	

Thomas METTERS 1798-1882 was probably the son of John Metters 1775-1810 and his wife Ann Wills 1771-1837 of Sourton, who had married on 21 March 1792. Thomas had married Peggy Moore 1805-88 on 25 March 1828 in Lewtrenchard. Thomas's occupation varied between small farmer and farm labourer on the various censuses. Living in Bridestowe in 1841 they may have had seven children: their eldest son was **James Franklin**, born on 17 August 1829 and though living with them in Bridestowe in 1841, he was not with the family at the time of the 1851 census. He married Elizabeth Jane Rule 1840-1894 on 24 January 1857 in Guilford, North Carolina. They had four children: *Elizabeth Jane* 1861-1951 who married Hosea Machnely Skeen and had thirteen children between 1878 and 1906, *William Thomas* 1863-1935, *Charles Edward* 1870-1960 and *Pallie* 1880-1945. James died, aged 84, on 20 February 1914 in Davidson County, North Carolina and is buried at the Fairview United Methodist Church.

Thomas, baptised in Bridestowe on 8 April 1832, married East Quantox, Somerset born Elizabeth Exon 1833-1922 early in 1860 in Plymouth, where he was working as a mason's labourer. It was there that their children, *Elizabeth Jane* 1861-1939, *Thomas* 1862-1952, *John* 1864-1933 and *William* 1869 were born. *Louisa* 1867-1922 was born in Devonport. They had moved back to the local area by 1869 when *Fanny* 1869-1954 was born. Thomas was an agricultural labourer living in Burnlane, when *George* 1871-1916, *Frederick* 1872- and finally *Alice Anna* was born on 20 December 1875 in Brentor. In 1881 Thomas was a farm labourer living with his parents Thomas and Peggy in North Blackdown, whilst Elizabeth was at home in Burnlane with Jane, Thomas, William, George and Frederick. His father Thomas died on 13 April 1882, leaving £146 and mother, Peggy, died early in 1888. By 1891 farmer/agricultural labourer Thomas and Elizabeth were living together at 1 Blackdown Cottages, North Blackdown, where they continued to live in 1901 and 1911. Thomas died on 19 March 1911 and two weeks later Elizabeth had her grand daughter, Eva Doidge living with her, as she had been completely blind for fifteen years, since she was 62. As a widow, she did not have to supply the information that she had been married for 51 years and only five of her nine children had survived to that date. Elizabeth died on 8 January 1922 aged 89, having outlived most of her siblings and children.

John, born in 1839, was a farm labourer living at home with his family in 1841 (aged 5), 1851, 1861 and 1871. He was living in Brentor when he died on 27 February 1893, leaving £106 in the care of Jessie Walters, wife of George Henry Walters.

William, born in 1842, was a farm labourer, like his brother John, living at home with his family in 1841 (aged 1), 1851, 1861 and 1871. But when sole executor for his father Thomas, on his death in 1882, he was a coachman living at Pound House, the home of the well to do Buller family in Buckland Monachorum. By 1911 he was retired and lodging with Mrs Gilbert and her family at Furze Park in Horrabridge. He died early in 1920, aged 80.

Jane, born in 1844, was a cook, in 1861, for merchant John Skinner and his family in Devonshire Terrace in Tavistock. In 1871 she was in Paddington at 80 Oxford Terrace, working as a cook for the Alderson family. She may have died in the Tavistock area in 1909 but it has not been possible to track her whereabouts between these dates.

Ann, born in 1846, was also a cook in 1871, working for bank manager Samuel Bowes and his family at 1 Higher Market Street in Tavistock and in 1881 she was the cook in the household of Mrs Hewlett and her son of Battsford House in Edgware Road, Hendon, London. Unfortunately, it has not been possible to identify her after that date, though sources

indicate that she may have died in Plympton in 1923, though that may have been Charlotte Ann Metters, who had been born in Plympton in 1846.

George, born in 1848, may have been working for John Arthur at Tor Town Farm in Peter Tavy in 1871, though the place of birth was recorded as Bratton. He may have died in the Launceston area in the spring of 1897.

77	Black Down	MICHELL Thomas	H	M	55		CM	Devon Marytavy	M
		MICHELL Elizabeth	W	M		54		Devon Northlew	
		MICHELL John	S		25		CM	Devon Marytavy	
		MICHELL Samuel	S		18		CM	Devon Marytavy	
		MICHELL Elizabeth	D			13	At home	Devon Marytavy	
		MICHELL Francis	S		6			Devon Marytavy	

Thomas MICHELL was the son of Sampson Michell 1769-1830 and Elizabeth, known as Betty, Rice 1767-1842 and brother of James Michell (below, living at property 78). He married Elizabeth Saunders 1797-1793 on 18 November 1815 in Marytavy. She was the daughter of John Saunders and Elizabeth Palmer of Northlew.

Altogether Thomas and Elizabeth had eleven children: **William** 1816-17; **Thomas** baptised on 12 July 1818, married Grace Williams in 1841 and was a copper miner living in Croffonter House in Marytavy with his family in 1851. He died in Truro in 1900. **Sampson** 1821-1904 married Mira Powning Reddicliff Marshal on 20 August 1842. The family lived in the Midlands area of Marytavy, until 1871 when they were living at Palmer's Corner, before moving to Millom, where he died on 6 November 1904. One of their ten children, Emma, married Albert Spicer, the son of John Spicer (*see their story below in Spicer*). **William** 1823-70 married Mary Brooking 1822-95 early in 1846. Like his brother Sampson, he was a copper miner living in the Midlands area of Marytavy in 1851, moving to Croft by 1861. He died in mid 1870, leaving Mary to be supported by their copper miner son, William and daughter dressmaker, Mary later Treffry, while she raised Bertha, her youngest, and Mary's five month old son.

John 1826-91 married Grace Rouse 1828-1911 on 21 April 1853 in the Tavistock area. John was listed as a tailor when he sailed on the *Indian Queen*, with his wife Grace and brother James, arriving in Melbourne, Victoria, Australia in February 1855. They were back in Tavistock living at 3 Millbrook Villas in 1871, with four of the children born in Australia and the youngest born the previous year in Islington, London. By April 1873 the family, with their five children had returned to Melbourne, aboard the Northumberland. John died in Camberwell, Victoria on 16 July 1891, leaving the substantial sum of £9,468 in real estate and personal property.

Ursula Saunders baptised on 6 April 1828 was a servant in Plymouth in 1861, but by 1881, when she was living with her brother, George, she was retired and living on the interest of her money. In 1891, after George's death, she was living in alone on her own means in Clifton Place, Plymouth. There followed a short stay in the Plymouth County Asylum from 16 July 1897 until 23 February 1898, having become a private patient on 8 December 1897. She died on 1 July 1900 at Gwynfyr, 4 Castle Road, Clacton in Essex, leaving the not inconsiderable sum of £996 to the care of Elizabeth Ann Richards, her sister.

James baptised on 8 April 1830 married Mary Ann, known as Minnie, Nankivell, the daughter of Thomas Nankivell 1787-1849 and his wife Ann Rogers 1789-1866 late in 1850 and they were living in Brook Street, Tavistock in 1851 with their two month old son *Francis*, while James was working as a copper miner. He sailed to Australia with his brother John and his family in 1855, leaving his wife and sons at home. He returned to collect Minnie and their three sons born before he left: *Francis*, *Jabez* and *Reuben*, sailing to Victoria, Australia in March 1860 aboard the *Agincourt*. They went on to have seven more children in Australia before he died in Hawkburn, Australia on 16 December 1894, when he was described as a brass finisher, aged 64.

Samuel George was baptised on 17 March 1833. He was a copper miner living at home in 1851 but after that does not show up in the records until 1881, when he was named George and was an unmarried retired mine agent, living with his sister Ursula in Plymouth. He may have spent his working life abroad. He died in 1886 in Plymouth.

Celia was born on 29 May 1835 and baptised in Marytavy on 14 June 1835. She was not shown on the 1841 census and was a servant in 1851 working as a housemaid for butcher William Hordge and his wife Charlotte at 21 Barley Market Street in Tavistock. In 1861, she was at home with her parents before marrying mine carpenter Nathaniel Smith 1841-1921 late in 1863. *See his family story under William C Smith below*. They had sailed with their four children to the United States by 1873, when son *James Edwin* was born in Pennsylvania, where at least three of their four other children were born, before they settled in New Jersey, with their seven surviving children, by 1880, when Nathaniel was working in a car shop, before returning to his carpentry trade. Celia died on 11 June 1915 in Dover Morris, New Jersey and Nathaniel died six years later on 24 August 1921.

Elizabeth Ann 1837-1912 married Edwin Josiah Richards 1834-82 in Tavistock in late 1860 and they settled in Ashburton where their two eldest children were born. They moved to Islington in the late 1860s and Edwin was working as a railway timekeeper when their two younger children were born. After Edwin's death in 1882, Elizabeth supported her family as

a dressmaker. It was she who was granted probate for her sister, Ursula's estate in 1900. In 1901 Elizabeth Ann was visiting and then in 1911 living with her eldest son Fred and his family in Hornsey.

It is likely that **Francis**, born in 1845, and at home for the 1851 census, may have died in the summer of 1855.

In 1841 eight of their surviving ten children had been living at home in another area of Marytavy with Thomas and son Sampson, both working as miners. In 1861 Thomas and Elizabeth were living at Taylors Green in Marytavy, with daughter Celia and in 1871 Thomas was still a copper miner and they were living near Week's Court in Mary Tavy. Thomas died later that year, aged 76 and Elizabeth died two years later, also at the age of 76.

78	Black Down	MICHELL James	H	M	41		Copper Miner	Devon Marytavy	M
		MICHELL Elenor	W	M		31		Cornwall Crowan	
		MICHELL James	S		10			Devon Marytavy	
		MICHELL Samson	S		8			Devon Marytavy	
		MICHELL Elenor	D			6		Devon Marytavy	
		MICHELL John W	S		4			Devon Marytavy	

James MICHELL was the son of Sampson Michell 1769-1830 and Elizabeth, known as Betty, Rice 1767-1842 and brother of Thomas Michell (*above living at property 77*). James married Elenor Williams 1819-96 from Crowan, Cornwall on 7 October 1837 in Plymouth. They had six children before the untimely death of James early in 1857, at the age of 46.

Their children were: **James** 1841-55; **Sampson** 1842-98, who lived with his mother throughout his life, until her death in 1896. His career was in finance, starting as a mining clerk in 1861, living in Sampford Spiney with his mother and two younger brothers William and James, before moving to 2 Rake Lane Cottages in Saltney, Flintshire, where brother William was a fitter, in 1871; and he was an accountant in 1871 and clerk and head of the household in 1881. In 1874 he had married Elizabeth Thompson, born in Staffordshire, but living at Sandycroft, Saltney, Flintshire in 1871, the daughter of Henry Thomson, overlooker at the foundry.

By 1891 there were a number of changes; Sampson was the cashier of the foundry and ?augerbanks; his wife and mother lived with them as did his niece and nephew Eleanor C Michell 15 born in Hawarden and Sampson Michell 10 born in Chester, Cheshire. His mother Eleanor died early in 1896 at the age of 76 and Sampson died two years later, aged 56, on 19 April 1898 and was buried, on 23 April. Living at Rake Villa in Hawarden, Flintshire he left a considerable fortune of £11,380 to the care of his widow Elizabeth, James Michell pattern maker and his nephew James Henry Thomas, book keeper.

Elenor 1845-87 married farmer of 90 acres Denbighshire born John Thomas in 1866 in Great Boughton, Cheshire and they were living on his farm, the Hollins Farm in Ewloe Town, Cheshire in 1871. Altogether they had six children: eldest son *Sampson Michell* Thomas, and his parents, were living at Rake Cottage when he was born on 14 September and baptised on 21 October 1866, He died in 1873 aged 6. *James Henry* 1868-; *Eleanor* born 20 October and baptised on 5 December 1869, when they were living at the Hollins Farm; *John William* 26 December 1871-1917; *Frederic* 1872-1917 and *Albert* 1880-7. Some change had occurred in the family by 1891 as Eleanor, still married, was a grocer in Thornton le Moors, Cheshire with Eleanor, John W, Frederic and nine month old Albert living with her, while husband John was a licensed victualler, and with eldest son James Henry, was in Hawarden running the Phoenix Inn. By 1891, after the death of Eleanor in 1887, John was a gardener, back in Chester at 1 Albert Street with James Henry a clerk, Eleanor and Frederic a fitter. James Henry married later that year and was still at 1 Albert Street with his family in 1901.

John Williams 1846-51; **William Henry** 1852-1919, a fitter in 1871, married Elizabeth Ann Stacey 1852-1907 in Chester in 1875 and they had three children: *Eleanor Catherine*, known as *Nellie*, born on 23 November and baptised on 16 December 1875-1934 who was staying with her uncle, Sampson, in 1891 and married farmer Frederick Hurst on 26 April 1893, when her father was described as an engineer. *Elizabeth Adelaide* 28 May 1877- 18 September 1965, was an apprentice dressmaker, aged 13, boarding in Southport, Lancashire in 1891. She married Walter Hurst 1875-1964 at St Martin's Church, Castleton, Lancashire on 6 January 1896 and went on to have ten children. And *Sampson* baptised on 29 March 1883 in Hoole, Cheshire, also staying with uncle Sampson in 1891. He was a bank cashier married to Emilia Heath Kirkland in 1927 and living at The Firs, 113 Chester Road, Runcorn in 1939, where he died on 20 January 1948, leaving £1,890 to his widow Emilia and Agnes Elizabeth Law, wife of Thomas Henry Brown Law. There are no records to indicate where William Henry and Elizabeth Ann were in 1891 and 1901. One option is that he may have been working abroad, leaving the children in safe hands in their absence. Elizabeth was in Hawarden when she died on 7 November 1907 and William was buried in Overleigh Old Cemetery in Chester when he died in December 1919.

James 1856-1917 was a farm servant working on his brother-in-law John Thomas's farm, the Hollins Farm in Ewloe Town, Cheshire in 1871 and married Charlotte Alice Jones 1857-1938 in Chester in the summer of 1878. They went on to have eight children, while in Chester and then Birkenhead, before settling in Watkin Street, Sandycroft, West Saltney or Hawarden by 1901. Six of their children were still alive in 1911: *Eleanor Jane* 1879-1955 later Sherwood, living with her sister Elizabeth in 1939; *Samson* 1881-; *Elizabeth* born 7 September 1882, and living in the family home in Watkin Street,

Hawarden in 1901 through to 1939 when she had her widowed sister Eleanor Jane Sherwood living with her and until her death in May 1957 when it was called Watkin House, Watkin Street, Sandycroft. *Margery* born 19 November 1889 married general labourer Robert German 1892-1960 on 8 August 1914 at St John's Church in Chester and had two children: Charlotte Asenath and Robert Ralph, who were living at Watkin House, Watkin Street during Robert's war service. In 1939 she was widowed and living at 5 Dee View, Hawarden with her unmarried sister Lillian and not too far from Eleanor and Elizabeth. Margery died the following year aged 50; *Lillian Emily* 1892-1965 was living at Watkin House, with her sister Margery in 1939 but when she died at Heath Lane Hospital, Great Boughton in November 1965, she was living elsewhere but was buried in Hawarden. *James Meredith* 1894-1958 was an electrician when he married Rhoda King 1893-1951 on 24 April 1916 in Hawarden and they had three children: James G 1918-20, Thomas Norman 1920-68 and Lilian 1922-97. According to the marriage certificates his father James was still alive, but retired in 1916. He died the following year in Hawarden, aged 62.

28	Black Down	MILLMAN George	H	M	38		Copper miner	Devon Lamerton	M
		MILLMAN Mary	W			35		Devon Lamerton	
		MILLMAN Ellen	D			10		Devon Stowford	
		MILLMAN Mary Jane	D			8		Devon Stowford	
		MILLMAN Ester (Esther)	D			6		Devon Stowford	
		MILLMAN Martha	D			3		Devon Stowford	
		MILLMAN Emelin (Emmeline)	D			1		Devon Coryton	

George MILLMAN 1812-84 married Mary Davey 1817-89 late in 1839 in Tavistock. Born in Ottery St Mary, she was the daughter of John and Meloney Davey, and was baptised on 18 June 1815 in Ottery. In 1841 George and Mary were living in Port Park or Gate, Stowford with their seven month old daughter Ellen, while George was described as working in a mine. They went on to have eight more children: Mary Jane, Ester, Martha born in Stowford, Emelen (Coryton), Henry, Thirza, George W and Thomas, all born in Mary Tavy. In 1861 George continued to work as a miner and they were living in Vigars Buildings, Blackdown with Martha, a mine labourer, and included the younger children: Henry, Thirza, George W and Thomas. By 1871 George had given up mining and was a farm servant, as was his son George, Thirza was an assistant and they were living in Townlake, Sydenham Damerel, with Mary, and Thomas, who was still at school. By 1881 the couple were living at Middle Woodley Cottage, Lamerton, where he continued to work as a farm labourer. George died in the summer of 1884, aged 71 and Mary in the summer of 1889, aged 74.

Ellen, 1840-1925, born in Stowford in September 1840, was a servant in the household of superintendent at the railway station, Edison Chivers, in West Street, Tavistock in 1861. By 30 December 1867 she had moved to London, where she married railway porter, later clerk, George Haycock, at St Marylebone parish church. By 1911, when they had been married 43 years, they were living at 28 Richmond Road, New Southgate, North London, where George continued to work as a clerk, and coal merchant. Of their five children, daughters *Louisa Alice Jane* and *Lilly Beatrice Hannah* later Davis, both machinists in ladies outfitting, were still living at home. Their other children were *William George Henry*, *Ellen Rosina Mary*, later Mowbray and *Florence Phyllis Elizabeth*, later Cardnell. Ellen died in 1925, aged 84.

Mary Jane 1842-1935, born in Stowford, was baptised in Launceston, Cornwall on 5 June 1842. She married Tavistock born coal miner later coal porter and then worker at the gas works, Nicholas Down 1809-1925. In 1911 when they were celebrating forty-eight years of marriage, they confirmed that they had had eight children, one of whom had died young. The surviving children were *Florence* later Chubb, a dressmaker; *John Henry*, bootmaker; *Mary Elizabeth J*; *William George*, a tailor; *Charles*, also a tailor; *Thomas*, a coal merchant's clerk and *Albert E*. Mary Jane and Nicholas spent their married life living in Tavistock, initially at 19 West Bridge Cottages and then at 32 Fitzford Cottages, while Nicholas worked at the gas works.

Esther 1843-1932, was baptised 10 January 1844 in Launceston. In 1861 she was working as a general servant for William Squire and his family, at their 170 acre farm, Bonneford, in Brentor. She had moved to London by 1871 when she was a parlourmaid at 10 Source Place in Paddington for the family of solicitor, James B Kelly. In the summer of 1873 she married bricklayer, later builder, Samuel Furze 1845-1924. Altogether they had five children, including *William John*, twins *Samuel Charles* and *Esther*, *George Albert* and one other who died young. Esther died aged ten in 1888. The three sons followed their father into the building trade: William as a builder's clerk, Samuel as a joiner and George as a decorator. The family lived in various addresses in Kensington, Brentford and Hounslow. One wonders whether any of their houses were built by Samuel!

Martha 1847-1933 was born in Stowford on 1 February 1847 and baptised in Launceston, Cornwall on 18 March 1847. In 1861 she was a mine labourer living at home with her parents and was an unemployed domestic servant living with her sister Mary Jane Down in West Bridge Cottages, Tavistock in 1871. In the early summer of 1890 she married house porter John Greening in Plymouth. He was related to the Brentor Greening family (see Edward Greening 1911 People).

In 1911 she was living at 31 Oakdale Road, Streatham in SW London with her husband John, who was caretaker for this twelve roomed house, and their only child *Florence Dorothy* 1895-1972 who had been born in Plymouth in 1895. Martha was listed as Wesleyan, when she was admitted to the Medway Workhouse at Chatham on 29 November 1927. There is no entry in the discharge or death column, though she died in Medway in the summer of 1933, aged 86. Martha was living at 34 Shakespeare Road in Gillingham when she was admitted in 1927 and this was where Florence was living when she died on 13 July 1972. Florence was living at 31 Oakdale Road when she had married HMS Glorious stoker Stanley Eslick at the church of St Anselm in Streatham on 16 October 1918. In 1939 she was listed as a married woman living at Woodford Cottage in Blackdown, with the incapacitated mason John 1873-1940 and Melleny Cowling 1872- 1945, who was a Greening before her marriage.

Emmeline was born in Coryton in the early summer of 1849, but recorded in the 1851 census as Emelen. After that it has not been possible to find her under either name in the records.

Henry 1851-1886 was working for farmer Thomas Roskilly on his 400 acre farm at Pittscombe in Lamerton near the Sportsman's Arms, where he employed five labourers and a boy, in 1871. By 1875 William had moved to London, where he was a railway signalman living at Durham Wharf when he married Ellen Lamberton on 27 March 1875 at St Barnabas Church in Kensington. She had been living at 52 Warwick Gardens and was the daughter of maltster Isaac Lambert. In 1881 they were living at 15 Percy Cottages in Hammersmith with their two children: *Edith* 5 born in Shepherd's Bush and *Henry* 2 born in Hammersmith. William's brother George a platelayer on the railway was living with them. Henry died in Fulham early in 1886, aged 34. Ellen married again on 4 April 1891 to police constable William John Wilson. In 1891 she was living with daughter Edith, aged 15, who may have been a witness at her wedding. Her son Henry was staying in Hatfield with his (great?) aunt Jane Clark, a dressmaker aged 67. Henry went on to become a dential engineer when he married in 1901 and in 1911 was a chauffeur living with his wife and children Gordon 9 and Winifred 2 at Eldon House, London Road, Bracknell.

Thirza 1852-1876 was an assistant living with her family in Sydenham Damerel in 1871 and died aged just 22, and was buried on 18 January 1876 in Lamerton.

George William was born early in 1856 and was working on the farm in Sydenham Damerel with his father in 1871. In 1881 he was a railway platelayer living with his brother Henry and his family at 15 Percy Cottages, Hammersmith before marrying Marion Sheay at St Paul's Church, Hammersmith on 1 September 1883, when he gave his occupation as labourer, as were both fathers. He had been living at 1 Great Church Lane and Marion at 72 Shepherd's Bush Road. In 1911 he was recorded as William George, a platelayer married for 27 years with two children, living at 22 Tabot Road, Hammersmith with his sons *George W* 1889-1960, employed in the building trade and *Frederick Charles* 24, a railway porter. Frederick, born on 4 July 1887 may have been a private 16319 in the 7th Battalion of the 1st Royal Dublin Fusiliers when he was killed in action in the Balkans on 23 September 1916 and was buried at the Struma Military Cemetery in Kalokastron, Greece. A death was registered for a George William Millman of 32 Caithness Road, West Kensington on 28 July 1960 at Hammersmith Hospital, His effects of £198 were left to Margaret Millman, widow.

Thomas was born on 15 May 1859 in Mary Tavy and was living with his parents in 1861 and 1872. Aged 21, he was a carpenter living with sister Ellen Haycock and her family at 2 Stanley Villas, in Nightingale Road, Tottenham in 1881. On 30 September 1883, within a month of his brother, George, he was married at St Paul's Church, Hammersmith to Kate Hodges 1862-1947, born in Farringdon, Berkshire. In 1891 they were living at 2 Florence Terrace in Marlborough Road, Tottenham with their daughters: *Edith Kate* 1885-1927 later Sadler, *Ethel Elizabeth* 1888-1949 and *Bertha Mary* later Neville 1890-1946. By 1901, with Thomas having become a builder of houses, employing men, they had moved to 1 Ashbourne Grove, Chiswick, in about 1897 and the family had increased with the births of *Florence Mabel* 1893-1973, *Thomas Henry* 1895-1978, *Dorothy Maud* 1898-1922 and *George William Charles* 1900-71. The 1911 census records that they were living in a substantial house at 1 Gloucester Road, Ealing with all eight of the children born during their twenty-seven year marriage, living with their parents. *Lily May*, the youngest had been born in 1903 and died the year after the census in January 1912, aged 9.

Ethel was a clerk in the Civil Service working in the GPO; Bertha was a millinary assistant and Florence a telephone operator. In 1939 Thomas and Kate continued to live in Gloucester Road house, as did their daughters *Ethel*, born on 3 May 1888, a higher clerical officer in the Post Office Savings Bank and *Florence*, born on 9 February 1893, an assistant supervisor CL11 at the London Telephone Service. Ethel remained single throughout her life, and was living at Rustlings, Oakley Avenue, Chinnor, Oxfordshire when she died on 31 July 1949, aged 61, leaving administration of her £3,394 estate to her brother George William Charles, by then an engineer, and her sister Florence Mabel, described only as spinster. Florence was living in Queen's Road, Swanage, Dorset when she died on 29 July 1973, leaving £3,408.

Thomas was 80 when he died on 20 April 1940 at his home since before 1911, in Gloucester Road, and was buried four days later. Probate for his £4,619 estate was granted to his sons, Thomas William and George William Charles, both builders. Kate died on 2 April 1947, when she was 85 and living at Spelthorne House, 62 Staines Road, Bedfont, Middlesex. Interestingly, administration for her Nil effects was granted to her sons, builders Thomas Henry and George William

Charles, both builders. As this was granted on 11 October 1949 and just before Ethel's on 1 December, these administrations appear to have been linked for inheritance purposes.

Thomas Henry, born on 7 October 1895, married Margaret, and was living at Rustlings (see Ethel above) when he died, aged 82 on 25 February 1978, leaving £34,300. *George William Charles* was born on 15 April 1900. A builder and contract manager, and later an engineer, he was living in Feltham with his wife Florence E and their two children in 1939. He was living at 3 Cauldron Cres, Swanage, when he died, aged 70, on 20 February 1971, leaving £6,127.

25	Woodmanswell	MUTTON George	Ser	U	17		Farm Servant	Milton Abbot Dev	L
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George MUTTON was living with, and working for, the Williams family at Woodmanswell in 1851. He was the son of Thomas and Jane Mutton, who were living in Milton Abbot in 1841, with children Anne 10, George 8, John 5, Mary 3 and Thomas 9 months. By 1851 they had moved in with Jane's father, boot and shoemaker Robert Stacey 1774-1856. Thomas was a labourer, Jane a laundress, and the only child with them at that date was 13 year old Mary, as 10 year old Thomas was staying with his elder sister, Joanna Hockridge 1826-92, and her husband William 1823-99, a farm labourer, and their child, Elizabeth, in Tavistock. Thomas went on to work as a tailor, lodging in Plymouth. Sister, Ann 1831-1896 had married Henry Martin 1825-1913, also a tailor, in 1855, and they settled in Tavistock at 3 Trelawney Road, where they brought up their eight children.

George married Lifton born Betsey Ann Williams in the summer of 1859. He started married life as a farm labourer in Milton Abbot, with her daughter, Mary Pomeroy Williams 1856-1915, who went on to marry fish hawkler, Edward Mole, and their son, John Harris Mutton, born in the same quarter as the wedding, before moving to 20 Mill Hill Cottages in Tavistock, when he became a copper miner. They lived at Mill Hill Cottages in Tavistock Hamlets until they died: George in 1925, aged 92 and Betsey in 1919, aged 87. The 1911 census indicates that, at 78, George was earning a living stone breaking on the Duke of Bedford's estate, after 52 years of marriage and five of their seven children were still alive.

The children of the marriage known to us were, **John Harris** 1859-1951, a slate quarry labourer, who married Mary Jane Brooking 1862-1940 in 1889, and became a gardener not domestic and settled in Exeter Street at number 16 and then 21, where they brought up their family of eight children, only three of whom survived to 1911.

Mary 1864-1953, married foundry labourer Samuel Dodd 1862-1946 in 1888, living at 9 and then 19 Exeter Street, where in 1911 they declared that they had been married for 33 years and only five of their eight children had survived, *William, Samuel, Frederick, Gladys* and *Ernest*. Like his son, William who was a nurseryman, and brother-in-law John Harris, Samuel became a gardener, but he was a domestic one.

Elizabeth Jane, born 20 May 1866, was staying with her aunt Elizabeth and uncle William Richards, a dairyman at 36 West Street Tavistock in 1881, when she was 14, and continued to live there until her aunt's death on 26 December 1909. After her husband's death in 1898, Aunt Elizabeth had carried on running the dairy business, depending on Elizabeth Jane to take care of the domestic duties. Buried in Tavistock Cemetery, Elizabeth Richards left her £120 estate to the care of her niece, who then went to live at 20 Mill Hill Cottages, to care for her parents. The 1939 record shows that she had moved next door to number 19 Mill Hill Cottages with pensioners William J Lubber and his wife Bessie Ann. When Elizabeth Jane died, on 24 January 1945, she was living at 2 Sunnyside Road in Plymouth and left her £97 estate to the care of her brother, storeman, William George Mutton.

Born on 11 October 1871, **William George** had been a grocer's apprentice in 1891 and married Lucy Florence Cruse, also of Tavistock, in 1898. They were living at 9 Abbey Mead in 1901, when William George was working as a bread van driver. Their eldest children, *William Charles* 1899-1982 and *Reginald Stanley* 1901-78 were born in Tavistock, but by the time Thomas George Daniel was born on 23 May 1907, they had moved to Plymouth. The 1911 census shows the complete family living at 8 Wellington Street in Plymouth, confirming that William was a grocery van man and they had been married 12 years and all three children were alive. William Blackburn, a grocer's porter from Carlisle was lodging with them in 1911 and continued to do so at 2 Sunnyside Road in 1939, when both men were still employed in the grocery trade in the warehouse/storeroom, by which time Lucy had died, in 1929. William George's sister Elizabeth Jane had come to live with them after the 1939 registration, and it was there that she died in 1945. William George died on 11 October 1947 leaving his £1,357 estate to the care of plasterer Ronald John Mutton - possibly another son.

Son *Reginald Stanley* had married Myrtle Victoria Burge in 1923. Born on 9 September 1902, she was the daughter of naval pensioner/general labourer, George Alick Burge and his wife, Edith Crabb. Both Reginald and Myrtle were living at 7 Eden Villas, Larkhall, Bath when he died on 30 July 1978 leaving £10,494 and she on 13 August 1981 with an estate under £25,000. She had been living at Flat 5, 99 Belvedere Road, Penge in 1939, with two children including, Leonard G, a plastic trimmer, born in 1925. *Thomas* married Hilda M Brimacombe 1910-1972 in Plymouth in 1928, she was the daughter of fisherman, Charles, and Florence Brimacombe. In 1939 Thomas, a public service vehicle driver and Hilda were living at 19 Cromwell Rd in Plymouth, with three small children, including Shirley A, under school age at the time, she went on to become Harrison on marriage. Thomas was living at 36 Severn Place, Higher Efford, Plymouth when he died at Mount Gold Hospital on 1 October 1950, his £212 estate was left to the care of Ronald John Mutton, a timekeeper.

Emma, born 1870, married James Henry Laurance, a milk carrier from Poplar in the east end of London. In 1911 when they had been married eleven years, they were living at 43 Pellatt Road, East Dulwich with all five of their children: *Harold James, Queenie Elizabeth, John Stanley, Dorothy May and Edith Emma*.

82	Black Down	NANKIVELL Ann	H	W		49	Schoolmistress	Cwl St Mawen	M
		NANKIVELL Emma S	D	U		17	Mine labour	MT	
		NANKIVELL Ann	D	U		15	ML	MT	
		NANKIVELL Hariott	D			13	ML	MT	
		NANKIVELL Mahala	D			9	Scholar at home	MT	

Ann NANKIVELL was Ann Warne until her marriage to copper miner William Warne 1806-49 on 1 September 1832 in Stoke Damerel. She was the daughter of John Warne 1758-1843 and Ann Newton 1760-1836 who had married in Brannel parish on 25 December 1785. Ann may have died in Truro in 1894, but she was not the only one of that name in that area.

William and Ann's eldest daughter **Emma Sophia** was born on 11 December 1833 and baptised on 29 December 1833 at the Tavistock Wesleyan Church. She appears to have died at the start of 1853, aged 19.

Ann was born on 19 August 1835 and baptised on 13 October 1835, also at the Wesleyan Chapel in Tavistock. She married Thomas Jewell 1835-68? locally, late in 1858. Their daughter Mary Emma was born early in 1859 and son *Thomas* in 1861. He was with her in Plymouth when she was described as a widowed washerwoman living her sister Mathilda's family in Plymouth in 1871, whilst Mary Emma was elsewhere.

Mary Emma married coach builder Frederick William L Down 1859-1900 in Plymouth in 1890. In 1891 they were sharing 83C Bannawell Street with another family. Their four month old twins Henry Richard and Archelaus Frederick, known as Frederick, had been born on 20 November 1890. After her husband's death in 1900, Mary Emma and her sons were living in Treville Street, Plymouth with her mother-in-law Elizabeth Down, 80, while her own widowed mother Ann Jewell, 65, living on her own means, was visiting. Ann may have continued to live with Mary Emma, as she was in Plymouth when she died on 22 January 1911 at the age of 75. Mary Emma continued to work as a pork butcher, living in Treville Street, in 1911: Henry Richard was an apprentice fitter and turner and Frederick, an apprentice electric wireman. Also living there was a cousin, shorthand typist Ethel Lucy Stoye 1893-1935, daughter of Mary Emma's cousin Edith Ann Willcocks, Mathilda's daughter, who had died in 1904. Henry continued in this trade, married and settled in Plymouth where he died in 1967. Frederick went to Western Australia, where he married and raised his family, dying the year after his brother, in 1968. Mary Emma was living at 57 Seymour Avenue, Plymouth when she died on 4 May 1936, leaving £1,604 to the care of her son, Henry.

Harriet was born on 30 July 1837. She married copper miner William Henry Willcocks 1838-1903 on 22 June 1859, with both signing the register with their marks, and in 1861 they were living in Exeter Street with their eldest son, William Henry. By 1871 they had moved to Plymouth where William worked as a sawyer, machine and steam. As well as their own children, Mary's sisters, were living with them: widowed washerwoman Ann and her son Thomas, 10, probably Thomas Henry born in the Tavistock area in early 1861 (*see above*) and plumber's wife Mahala and her daughter, Florence. Widowed in 1903, in 1911 Harriet recorded that they had had ten children with only two of them still alive in 1911. The ones we can name are: *William Henry* 1860-1932; *Emma* 1862-1930, a dressmaker living with her mother in 1911, who may have married her widowed brother-in-law, and neighbour from 1901, Alfred E Stoye 1870-1938 in 1929. Emma died in 1930. *Matilda Elizabeth* 1866-1900 later Armour; *Albert Edward* 1870-1903, a sick naval pensioner living with his mother in 1901; *Edith Ann* 1872-1904 later Stoye; merchant *Frederick Charles* 1875-1917, a bosun aboard the SS Minihaha, he was drowned on 7 September 1917 when the ship was attacked by an enemy submarine; *Harriet Maud* 1878-98 and *Ethel Elizabeth* 1880-90.

Harriet died in Plymouth late in 1924, aged 87.

Mahala, born in 1842, was not the same one born in Marytavy in 1838. This one married plumber Richard John Colling early in 1868. Their daughter, Florence Ann, was born in the summer of 1868 and in 1871 she and Florence Ann were visiting her sister Harriet Willcocks in Plymouth. In 1881 they were living at 114 Charlotte Street, Stoke Damerel, Devonport, while her husband was a seaman serving in the Royal Navy. In 1911 Mahala Colling was a widowed housekeeper living at 10 Raleigh Street in Plymouth, with her daughter Florence working as a laundress, with Mary Gilbert, aged 50, described as a sister. Mahala was 80 when she died in 1922 and Florence was 66 when she died in 1935, both in Plymouth.

20	Blackdown	NEILL John	H	M	72		Copper miner	Dev Coombemartin	M
		NEILL Sarah	W	M		61		Devon Tavistock	
		NEILL William	S	U	24		Copper miner	Devon Mary Tavy	

John NEIL had married Sarah Smith on 16 August 1823 and their son William was born in about 1826. It is likely that Sarah died in the summer of 1852 and John late in 1855. **William**, still a copper miner, had married Eleanor Lee, known as Ellen, late in 1853. She was the daughter of Samuel Ley and his wife, Mary, and had been baptised in Linkinhorne on 6 March 1814. In 1851 she was working as a house servant, as Eleanor Lee, for draper Stephen Trehane and his assistant Bridget Brown. By 1861 William and Ellen had two children Elizabeth Smith 1858-1935 and *Ellen* 1860-3. They had moved to Bannawell Street where they continued to live, probably at number 41 until at least 1891. William was a copper miner throughout, though with a period of unemployment around 1881. Sarah, born in Linkinhorne, Cornwall in 1814 was a seamstress from 1871, when they had five year old Tavistock born Ellen Adams, boarding with them. Both William and Ellen died in 1899, William was about 72 when he died late in the year Ellen was 85 when she died in 1899.

Their surviving daughter *Elizabeth*, who lived with them throughout, was a dressmaker. She married William Henry Barnett 1852-1934 in the Tavistock area early in 1894. She was his second wife. His first wife, with whom he had nine children, Mary Ann Moyle, had died in 1893, at the age of 39. Their youngest child, Henry Isaac, had died as a new born in 1891 and the next youngest Alfred 1889-1955 was still at home in 1901 at Rexhill Cottages in Whitchurch, with his father, Elizabeth and their surviving son Albert Ernest, who had been born on 5 August 1896. Their first son, Henry Neil was born late in 1894 and his death was registered in the first quarter of 1895. By 1911 the family had moved to 2 Albert Street, Thornley, Co Durham where all three of the men were involved in working at the coal mine: William was a miner stoneman, Alfred a coal miner and Albert, aged 14, a driver below ground. Both sons served in the army during World War One. William and Elizabeth were in Tavistock when he died there towards the end of 1934 and Elizabeth returned to County Durham, where she died in the summer of 1935 aged 78. Her son Albert had married and had children and by 1939 was working as a forest labourer, drainer and planter in Northumberland, having been a gardener before he signed up in 1916.

53	North Brent	NEWTON Robert	H	M	66		Greenwich Pensioner	Middlesex London	
		NEWTON Elizabeth	W	M		62		Dev Milton Abbot	

Robert NEWTON was a mariner when he married Elizabeth Bickle in Stoke Damerel on 29 August 1815. Their daughter Ann Elizabeth was born on 19 January 1822 and baptised in Marylebone, London on 14 July that same year. In 1841 Robert, a naval pensioner, and Elizabeth, and their children (Ann) Elizabeth 20, Robert 16, a managanese miner, and Jane 8 were living in Quither. **Ann Elizabeth** married agricultural labourer John Colling(s) in the summer of the year after the census, 1842, and in 1851 they were living at Heathfield with his daughter from his first marriage, Ann Musters 12, and their own children *John Robert, Rebekah Jane, William James* and *Ann Elizabeth*. *Mary Emma, Henery Richard, Sarah Ellen, Eli George, John Jethro* and *Eva Emily* were born at intervals until 1865, with their birthplaces showing moves to Tavistock, Launceston and back to Tavistock, where they lived in Lower Market Street, Paulls Bridge and Bannawell Street. The 1891 census shows Ann Elizabeth as being head of the household and married, living with Eli George at number 39 Bannawell Street; with Ann E described as the wife of a labourer at the Canal Stores and Eli as a stableman. John Collings died in 1894, and Eli continued to live in Bannawell Street lodging with Louisa Brown at number 66 in 1901, when he was listed as groom – stableman at hotel, and in 1911 with her at number 72 when he was a groom at the livery stables. He died in the early months of 1914, aged 55.

In 1861 Robert, a pensioner, and Elizabeth were living in Exeter Street in Tavistock, not far from their son **Robert** and his wife, Elizabeth Lawrence, the daughter of labourer John Lawrence and his wife, Mary, of Menheniot, Cornwall, and their three children: *Thomas, Robert* and *Mary A*. Robert was a copper miner and in 1851 had been lodging with the Bennett family in Lamerton. In 1871 the older Robert and Elizabeth were living at 5 Bannawell Street and the younger couple and their children: James H (perhaps Thomas), Robert E, Mary A and *John* aged 2 at Paulls Bridge. Robert still continued to work as a miner in 1881, when they were living in the Square with son John and daughter *Elizabeth* 9. Young Robert's wife, Elizabeth had died by 1891, when Robert had moved to Tanfield in Durham, where he was living on his own means with his son John, daughter in law, Julia and their son James H. Robert died in Durham in 1896, aged 71. His father Robert had died in Tavistock, aged 88, and was buried on 5 July 1874. The deaths of all three Elizabeths have been difficult to find: as has any information about their younger daughter, **Jane**. She may have been Sarah Jane, house servant for butcher and grocer Edmund Turner and his family in Back Street, Tavistock in 1851.

63	North Brent	NEWTON William	H	M	40		Farmer 20 acres	Devon Lidford	L
		NEWTON Mary	W			36		Dev Milton Abbot	

William NEWTON, an agricultural labourer, and his wife Mary were living in North Brentor in 1841 with fourteen year old William Word, who was probably a lodger, rather than Mary's brother, as it is likely that she was Mary Cornish who married William Newton in the Tavistock area in the summer of 1837. William and Mary had two lodgers in 1851: Peter

Pellow (*see below*) a schoolmaster aged 40 from Sourton and five year old John Arscott (*see above*) from Milton Abbott. Unfortunately, it has not been possible to find any record of them after 1851, so they may have gone abroad. John Arscott's parents went to Canada in about 1861 and they may have been friends or family – sisters? William's date of birth is not quite right to have been Robert and Elizabeth's son (*above*), as we think they married in 1815.

60	Black Down	NICHOLLS Mary	H	W		48	Farming 16 acres	Devon Marytavy	M
		NICHOLLS George	S	U	21		Copper miner	Devon Marytavy	
		NICHOLLS Emma	D	U		17	Indoor labour	Devon Marytavy	
		NICHOLLS Thomas	S	U	15		Outdoor labour	Devon Marytavy	
		NICHOLLS Richard	S		13		Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		NICHOLLS Henry	S		10			Devon Marytavy	
		NICHOLLS William	S		7			Devon Marytavy	

Mary NICHOLLS was born Mary Ball, the daughter of Richard and Jane Ball, and she married miner James Nicholls on 7 April 1821 in Mary Tavy. They had at least nine children before James died. In 1841 they had been living in Blackdown with eight of their children. By 1861 Mary was farming 15 acres and living in Miners Town, Marytavy with two of her children and her seven year old grandson, James Nicholls, born in Calstock, son of her son, James. By 1871 Mary was living with her son William and his family at Nicholls Court and in 1881 with her widowed daughter, grocer Jane Cock and her family at the Grocer's Shop in Calstock. Mary died in 1884 at the age of 82.

Their children were:

Samuel Davy, was baptised in Marytavy on 20 January 1822 and was the eldest of James and Mary's children living at home in 1841. He married Elizabeth Mudge 1826-1909 from Christow, Devon in St Thomas in the summer of 1847. They lived in Fore Street, Gunnislake throughout their married life with Samuel running a shop, at various times as a baker, grocer and draper. He died on 14 February 1890, leaving £30 to his widow, Elizabeth, who continued to live in Fore Street, but did not run the shop. In 1901 she was living with her daughter *Olivia Annie* Mudge 1844-1914, who was married to coal merchant later colliery proprietor Charles Edgar Wakeford, with whom she had three sons: Charles Francis Darviell, Sidney Julian and Edgar Geoffrey. Samuel and Elizabeth had one son, *William Sidney Mudge*, baptised in Calstock on 1 December 1853, who was a Catholic priest living in Aberystwith in 1891 and Monmouth in 1901 before retiring to St Leonards on Sea, East Sussex, where he died on 5 April 1934, leaving a substantial estate of £4,452.

James 1827-71 was baptised on 19 April 1827 and married Mary Jane Job 1829-1902 on 11 June 1850. They had eleven children altogether between 1851 and 1869: *Emma* born 1851, had left home by 1881.

William Job 1853-1922, an assistant teacher at a day school in 1871 and a head teacher in Fraddon by 1911. He married Fanny Coward in Calstock on 2 April 1877 and they had six children. William died in Fraddon, St Columb Major on 27 April 1922, leaving £469. *James*, staying with his grandmother in 1861 and a copper miner in 1871. *Jonathan Job* 1855-1914, a copper miner when young, was a Methodist minister in South Australia, married to Celia Phillips 1857-1939. *George* born about 1857, a copper miner in 1871.

Francis Thomas born 16 July 1858, a copper miner in 1871, a stone cutter in 1881, had travelled to America in 1886 and described himself as a minister of the Gospel in South Dakota, USA, married to Emily 1858-1911, when he died on 12 August 1904, aged 46.

Frederick J W born on 1 September 1862, married Elinore Augusta Webb 1870-1918 on 30 April 1887 in Marquette, Michigan, when he was 25 and she was 17. She was probably the sister of Amelia Bell Webb married to his brother Alfred the following year. Frederick died on 4 June 1892, in Hurley, Iron, Wisconsin, at the age of 29. *Albert Henry*, was a copper miner in 1881. *Alfred Paul* born on 7 October 1865, initially a copper miner in Cornwall, then a miner in Marquette, Michigan when he married 14 year old Amelia "Millie" Bell Webb 1874-1902 on 24 April 1888 when he was 22, though 33 stated on register, but he was a retired, widowed farmer in Cascade, Montana when he died of pneumonia on 15 June 1931. *Richard* was also a copper miner in 1881.

Laura Annie 1869-1949 was a dress maker living with her mother in 1901. In 1903, after her mother's death she went to America and was recorded as being an owner of the farm where she was living with her brother Alfred in Cascade, Montana after the death of his wife, Millie. Laura died on 18 December 1949 in Great Falls, Cascade County, Montana. James was a copper miner throughout his adult life and they lived in Gunnislake/Calstock for most of that time, except for a short time in Lawhitton around 1861. James died in Calstock on 22 June 1871, leaving Mary with all the children at home and five under the age of ten.

George, 1829-1902 was baptised on 27 September 1829 in Marytavy. He had married Elizabeth Ware from Peter Tavy in the summer of 1857 and by 1861 they were living in Miners Town, Marytavy with their two year old son *Frederick James Ware Nicholls*, born late in 1858. By 1871 they had moved to Holditch Farm, where George was farming 50 acres and where they continued to live until his death in 1902. In 1881 Fred W was a grocer in Ferryhill Station, Gurham with an assistant living with him and his mother, farmer's wife Elizabeth, visiting him. Fred went on to become Alderman Ford

Nicholls and his life is given in more detail in *1911 Brentor People*, elsewhere on the village website. George died on 15 July 1902 at Holditch Farm. His wife Elizabeth died on 31 May 1907.

Jane was born on 20 November 1831, and baptised on 11 December at Tavistock Wesleyan Chapel. She was living at home in 1841 and was a domestic servant working for copper mine agent Isaac Richards at Devon Consols in 1851 before marrying mine agent William Chynoweth Cock 1827-69 early in 1854. In 1861 they were living at Wheal Hooper in St Clear, Cornwall, after a short period in Sydenham Damerel, with their three eldest children: *Jane*, *James Nicholls* and *Mary Emma*. William, mine agent and shopkeeper of Albaston, in the parish of Calstock, died on 30 May 1869 at Albaston, leaving effects under £200 to Jane, and by 1871 she was a grocer in Calstock with children Jane and *Frederick Joseph*, born on 25 August 1865, living at home, with Mary Emma visiting her uncle William and her grandmother, Mary, and James Nicholls, an apprentice ironmonger, boarding with ironmonger John Chenoweth, probably his father's cousin, at 9 Castle Gardens, Liskeard.

In 1881 Jane Cock continued to live at Grocer's Shop, Calstock with daughters Jane 26 dressmaker born in Sydenham, Mary Emma, a school teacher of 24, born in St Clear, and son Fred J 15 carpenter's apprentice also born in St Clear, and her mother, Mary, who probably lived with them until her death in 1884.

By 1881 *James* had gone to live in London and married Catherine Julie Sharp in West Ham in 1882. In 1891 he was a merchant's clerk and they were living in Cedar Villas, Leyton with their two children Winifred and Hugh James. Their third child Harold Chynoweth had been born on 26 April 1887, baptised on 3 March 1891 and died that same month. James was in Tavistock area when he died in the summer of 1896, at the age of 39, a loss which would make a difficult time in his family much worse. (*see below*)

Fred married Hannah Bennetts in 1889, and he was a carpenter when they were living with their infant son, Alfred, with her family in Mount Pleasant near Harrowbarrow and in 1901 he was a bus proprietor living in Mount Pleasant with his wife, son *Alfred Thomas* and daughter *Winifred Nellie*, and continued living there in 1911, when he was a farmer. By 1939 he described himself as a retired carpenter living at Brooklands, Harrowbarrow, where he continued to live until he death on 27 April 1950 leaving £248.

Both of their sisters married in the 1880s as well. *Jane's* wedding does not appear in the records as she may have married Calstock born mining engineer Alfred Francis Seccombe 1857-1905 in Norway, prior to the birth there of their son William John in Bergen on 19 June 1883 and the curiously named *Trygve Karl Francis* 1885-1907 also in Bergen. Both daughters, *Edith May* and *Gladys Maud* were born after the family's return to Albaston, where Jane was living with her children, not far from her mother, Jane, who was still working as a grocer at the age of 60 and living alone in Albaston in 1891.

Jane's sister Mary Emma, known as Polly, married Alfred's brother, mine agent Charles William Seccombe on 6 March 1884 in Calstock. Initially, they lived with his parents at the Clitters in Gunnislake before moving to Alma Cottage in Chilworthy. Their daughter Lillian Maud was born on 1 December 1886. The birth of another child on 9 September 1896 triggered a divorce petition being filed on 15 October 1896, with Charles alleging that this child was not his. This was later amended to include as father the name of Henry Popplestone, with whom he alleged that Mary had committed adultery at Alma Cottage in or about December 1895, January or February 1896. The decree nisi was granted on 21 May 1897 and the marriage dissolved on 29 November 1897.

Mary's baby, Percy, of Chilworthy, born on 8 September 1896, was baptised in Calstock on 20 September 1896, with only Mary's name on his entry. It would appear that he died within days of his baptism. Mary Emma Cook/Seccombe married Denis Hayes in Plymouth in the summer of 1905 and was visiting her sister Jane in 1911, stating that her occupation was assisting her husband in hotel, and they had been married five years without children. Her daughter *Lillian Mabel/Maud* later Rempey was away at school in Bristol in 1901 and a music student in London in 1911, so it may be that she had no contact with her after the divorce. There is no record of the Henry Popplestone, whose affection for Mary caused such devastation in her family and in her own life. Mary Emma appears to have died in Plymouth in late 1921.

This would probably explain why James was in the area that summer of 1896, when he died. A burial was recorded in St Ives on 14 November 1896 for Jane Cock, who may have gone to St Ives to be with her sister, at this difficult time, compounded by the death of her son, James. Emma's sister Jane was another one embroiled in this situation, being married to Charles's brother. Alfred does not appear in any of the census with Jane and the family, but this would be due to his work commitments abroad. The 1901 census shows her living in Plymouth at 44 Hill Park Crescent with three of her children and her cousin Grace M Osborne visiting. This is the home address given for Alfred when he died at Frontina in Columbia, South America on 1 October 1905, leaving his widow, Jane, his effects worth £250. Sadly, Trygve or Trigve, died late in 1907 at the age of 22. In 1911, Jane was living on her own means at 14 Alexandra Road in Mutley, Plymouth with her daughter, Maud 1894-1984, and a visitor: ME Hayes whose occupation was given as assisting husband in hotel. This was her sister Mary Emma, who married Denis Hayes in Plymouth in 1905. Jane died in Plymouth late in 1913, at the age of 59.

Emma, was born on 30 March and baptised on 27 April 1834 in the Tavistock Wesleyan Chapel. She married grocer William Osborne 1831- on 28 June 1854 and they had their first two children in Marytavy before moving to St Ives in

Cornwall, where they continued to live throughout their married life, raising their eight children: draper and outfit supplier *James Nicholls* 1854-1929; *Mary Jane*; *Selina* 1859-1941 later Waddleton; *Ada* born 23 February 1862-1940 later Gillbard; *John Maurice* born 1871 who was living in Somerset in 1901, before moving with his wife and son to Chester, Delaware in Pennsylvania. *Leonard Nicholls* born on 10 April 1875-1948 who was an accountants clerk living in Darlington with his wife of four years, Lottie Dixon from Leicester, and their two sons Kenneth and Maurice in 1911. They went to America on 12 December 1913 heading for Pennsylvania, before working for a printing company in Illinois and settling in Wisconsin where he died in 1948, aged 73.

Geraldine or Grace Maude, known as Maude, 1880-1938, a draper's assistant, was visiting her cousin Jane Seccombe, daughter of her aunt Jane Cock in Plymouth in 1901 and later married to blacksmith William Bennett of St Clear. She was living in Hockens House in St Clear when she died on 21 April 1938, leaving £413.

Thomas Davey, born in 1836, was living in Yorkshire when he married local girl Martha Parker 1843-1914 in Linton, Grassington, Skipton in 1862, and they settled there to raise their seven children: *Richard*, *James*, *Samuel* 1866-1938, *Mary* known as *Polly*, *John*, *Henry* and *Nellie Parker* 1881-1964. Thomas started as a carter, becoming a farmer as well, later; an occupation followed by his son James when he was one of the executors for his mother, Martha when she died on 24 June 1914, leaving £660. Thomas had died in the summer of 1894, after which time Martha moved to live in Main Street, Grassington, where she was living on her own means, with her grandson Thomas D, aged 5, in 1901.

Richard, born 1839, was a copper miner living with his mother in 1861. A Richard Nicholls married Susan Parsons in Torrington and went to Canada with children Archibald and Eva, but this is more likely to be the one born in Bideford at the same time.

Henry, six weeks old at the time of the 1841 census, married Maria Lyndon in the Totnes area late in 1865 and by 1871, when he was a schoolmaster, they were settled in Badminton, Gloucestershire with their three eldest children: *Morris Lyndon* 1867-1956; *Bertha* 1870-1949; *Alice* 1871- with *Charles* 1888-1961 born some years later. Henry remained a schoolmaster in Badminton until at least 1901, with Maria as a schoolmistress in 1881, when their youngest child Charles was one, and Alice a teacher from 1891 onwards. Maria died on 23 March 1899, when she was 59.

After a lifetime teaching in Badminton, Henry retired to Marytavy, where he was living at Galford House in 1911. *Morris Lyndon*, known as Lyndon, was a civil engineer in 1901 and a draughtsman in marine engineering and ship building for the railway company living at 14 New Hill, Llanwnda, Pembrokeshire in 1911 and he continued to live there after the death of his wife Sarah in 1917, when he had been the chief clerk, marine department for the Great Western Railway and in his retirement, when he was recorded living there in 1939 with his sister, Bertha, a retired nurse, and probably until his death in 1956. *Bertha Lyndon* had been a nurse, trained at the Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton, between 1899-1902 and was matron of The Helena, a Nursing Home in Reading in 1911. She was living with her brother Lyndon from at least 1923 onwards and continued to live there until her death on 23 October 1949, when she was visiting her brother *Charles* at his home Brenmoor in Marytavy. He was one of the executors for her £4,147 estate. Charles had been a railway clerk living in Bristol in 1901, married trained nurse and certified midwife Alice Hardy 1891-1967 in Grantham, Lincolnshire in the summer of 1924, when he was 45 and she was 33. The next record is that of 1939 when both were described as retired and living at Brenmoor in Brentor Road, Marytavy. Charles had been a mining accountant and surveyor prior to retirement and was an ARP Group warden, while Alice made use of her nursing experience to be an ARP first aider. They continued to live at Brenmoor, until Charles died on 24 July 1961, leaving £13,288 in Alice's care and she died on 24 March 1967, leaving £18,510. Their sister *Alice* had been a teacher living at home until 1901. Sometime after that she appears to have travelled to Canada where she married Essex, England born farmer Harry Jarvis, nine years her junior, on 9 November 1910 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Their children were Marjorie Lyndon Jarvis 1911-58 and Harry Charles Lyndon Jarvis 1912-90. The family returned to England in 1916 with Marjorie marrying and settling in Plymouth in 1936 and Harry Charles, a farm and garden feed machines manager, in Essex in 1940. Alice and Harry were retired and living in Shaftesbury, Dorset in 1939.

William Davy, born in 1849, was working as a farm servant in 1861, when he was living at home with his mother in 1861. He married Peter Tavy born Elizabeth Jane Dawe in the summer of 1867. He was farming 16 acres in 1871, living at Nicholls Court, later Royal Standard Court, in Marytavy, where he was head of the household, living with his wife, Elizabeth Jane, children *Mary Emma* born in 1868, who married mason Thomas Ball, had three children and lived in Blackdown in 1901 and *Ada Annie* nine months old in 1871, married Samuel Nankivell Simmons in 1904. Also living there was his mother Mary, aged 68, and his ten year old niece, Mary Emma Cock, daughter of his sister Jane, was visiting. Three children *Bessie*, a housemaid in Marylebone, London in 1901, *Frederick James* 1879-1947 County Council road labourer living in Truro and *William George*, born 25 February 1881, died in Plymouth in 1872, aged 91, were born before the 1881 census and *Beatrice* and *Amy* before 1891, by which time he was an agricultural labourer. Amy was living at home in 1901 and died in 1910, aged 21.

Over forty years after first moving in, William and Elizabeth, continued to live at 1 Royal Standard Court, with only Beatrice still living at home. Altogether they had had nine children, but three had died by that date. Elizabeth died in 1919, aged 75 and William died in 1925, at the age of 81.

4	Whitsun	OKE William	Ser	U	30		Servant	Dev Lewtrenchard	B
This William OKE should not be confused with the well documented William Oke of Bradworthy married to Mary who was living in Lifton! This William was working for William Bickel at Whitsun in 1851. There are other William Okes including one in Canada but it has not been possible to pinpoint with any certainty.									
33	Blackdown	OXENHAM Thomas	H	M	78		Retired from farming	Dev Milton Abbot	M
		OXENHAM Betsy	W	M		35		Devon Marytavy	
		OXENHAM Ann	D			11		Devon Marytavy	
		OXENHAM James	S		7			Devon Marytavy	

Thomas OXENHAM was the son of John Oxenham 1748-1838 and his wife, Mary Palk 1750-1817, and was baptised on 6 April 1777 in Milton Abbot. On 17 April 1803 he married Annie W Rowe born 1775, Milton Abbot. They possibly had three sons: John baptised 1 April 1804, and died in Bowden, Adelaide, Australia on 4 March 1884; Thomas 1806-86, who went to Australia and William baptised in Peter Yavy on 5 July 1807 and died in Plymouth on 24 December 1856.

By 1841, farmer Thomas and his very much younger, by over forty years, wife, Betsy, were living in Marystow with their six month old daughter, Ann. Thomas was buried in Marystow parish on 14 October 1852. As Betsy was not found in the 1861 census, she may have married again.

Ann was a house servant working for the family of Charles N Burt, saddler, ironmonger and innkeeper at the White Horse Inn in Launceston in 1861. She may have married Robert Northey later that year and gone with him to America, but there was another Ann Oxenham of the same age born in Tavistock, and that might be her.

James was also working in Launceston in 1861, as a carter at Dutson Farm for the Eggins family. He was a groom when he married Jane Martin 1845-1924 on 21 August 1877 at the Denbigh Road Chapel, Kensington, when each gave their address as 13 Hampden Street, Paddington. James was a general labourer when they were living at 65 Walterton Road in Paddington and their son *Ernest James Martin* was born in 1879; *Thomas Alexander* was born on 20 September 1881 and baptised on 4 December that year; *Edith Mary* was born on 25 December 1882 and baptised on 4 March 1883, when they were living at 24 Eastbrook Road. By the time that *Frank Humphrey* was born on 4 December 1886, baptised on 6 February 1887 and died in the summer of that year, (one of two children they lost in infancy), the family had moved to 185 Shirland Road, Paddington. In 1891 James was recorded as a provisions dealer, and in 1901 as a shopkeeper grocer with his two sons assisting and living at home. By 1911 James was a provision dealer and the couple were living on their own at 6 Fordingly Road, Paddington, with two sons in New Zealand and their daughter married and living in Maida Vale. Both he and Jane died in the summer of 1924.

James had recorded the presence of a niece, Mary J, a dressmaker born in Launceston in about 1855, in the census of 1881, but no other records can be linked to her.

Ernest James Martin had married Eliza Ann Willers on 28 March 1901 and that year she and her brother Arthur were living in the household, he as a boarder. Ernest and Eliza's first child, Cecil Leonard James 1901-69, was born at Shirland Road on 22 November 1901 and baptised on 9 January 1902. He was followed by Leslie Stanley 1903-80; Mabel Christine born early in 1905, died only a few months later; Ernest Basil James was born on 22 December 1905-79. By 18 September 1912 they were living in Island Bay, New Zealand when Dorothy Joan 1912-2001 and her twin Lillian May 1912-90 were born. Their mother, Eliza Ann died in Island Bay, New Zealand and was buried on 21 May 1936 and Ernest, a grocer, died on 28 September 1948 in Wellington, New Zealand.

In 1916 both Ernest James Martin Oxenham, grocer of 7 Trent Street, Island Bay and Thomas Alexander Oxenham, commercial traveller of 16 Charles Street, Mt Albert, Auckland were on the New Zealand World War One Army Reserve Roll. Thomas had married Annie Margaretta Horsey in the Hendon area in the early summer of 1904. By 1911 they had lost their only child and Annie, only child of out of work wood carver Robert William Horsey and his wife, Dinah her parents, was staying with them, at their substantial home: St Issells in Cunningham Park, Wealdstone, Middlesex, probably waiting to join her husband Thomas in New Zealand. Annie Margaretta died there in 1932 and the following year on 21 October 1933 Thomas married Emily Elizabeth Rule, a second marriage for each. Thomas died on 27 June and cremated on 29 June 1953 and his ashes were scattered in the Eucalyptus Garden at Waikumete Cemetery, Auckland.

James and Jane's daughter *Edith Mary* married designer Robert Davis on 28 February 1909 and in 1911 they were living at 161 Delaware Mansions, Delaware Road in Maida Vale with their ten month old only son, Edmund Oxenham, born on 12 June 1910 and baptised on 15 January 1911 in St Ethelburgha's, Bishopgate, where his parents had married two years before. Robert gave more information about his occupation, stating that he was a decorative designer (artist) working on his own account from home. Their second son Philip Oxenham was born on 15 July 1912 and was living at 43 Brondesbury Road, Willesden in 1934 with his wife Edna May Davis and was a journalist living at 172 Broadhurst Gardens in 1939. It is likely that this marriage ended in divorce as Edna became Chambers at a later stage and Philip married Christine M Wills in 1956. He was 75 when he died in Colchester in 1987.

Robert and Edith's son, Edmund was living at 96 Cheyneys Ave, Edgware when he died on 9 January 1976 leaving £4,454. On 14 April 1935 he had been a certified bailiff when he married sub post office clerk Vera Iris Ada Stearman at the Parish

Church in Little Stanmore, Middlesex, with both of his parents signing the register as witnesses. In 1936 he had been registered on the electoral roll for 112 Shirland Road, Paddington, an address shared with six others, as well as Vera, with their abode given as Long Cottage, Great Holland, Essex. In 1939, three of the previous six remained on the roll with them, and their abode had changed to 96 Cheyneys Avenue, where they were registered with their three year old daughter *Jean A* later Edwards. He was still a certified bailiff and drove ambulances in the war. He continued to live there until his death in 1976. His mother may have been living at 58 Court Way Twickenham, when she died on 30 January 1951 leaving £161 to the care of widow Ellen Money-Kent 1886-1964, second wife of Julian Money Vernon Money-Kent 1855-1942, a consulting engineer.

40	Blackdown	OXENHAM Mary	Mil	W		70	Receiving parish relief	Devon Tavistock	M
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Mary OXENHAM had been Mary Ball when she was born in Tavistock in 1790, she may have been the daughter of John Ball 1756-93 of Blandford Forum, Dorset and his wife Mary Allsworth 1763-1826, born in Exeter. She married Richard Oxenham 1781-1828, who may have been the brother of Thomas Oxenham *above*, in Tavistock on 6 March 1804 and had nine children, some in Marytavy and some in Peter Tavy: **Mary** 1807-81 who married William Bickle and had fifteen children; **Betty** 1809-81; **Patience** 1810-11; **Patience Ball** 1812-1902 later Tucker *see Tucker story below*; **William Ball** 1814-1902 who married Ann Blackmore; **Richard** 1818-83; **Joseph** 1820-73, who married Mary Jane Mason Westaway and went to Australia, with the second of their seven children being born aboard the ship "David Malcolm" near South Australia and named *John David Malcolm* in consequence; **John** 1822-96 who married Elizabeth Smale and had eight children and **Agnes Harriet** 1824-1914.

In 1841 Mary was living in Marytavy with her son Joseph, an agricultural labourer and Charles Oxenham 13, who may have been a grandson. In 1851 Mary was living with her daughter Patience Ball Tucker and her family in Blackdown. Mary was 76 when she died in the Tavistock registration district in late 1857.

71	North Brent	PALMER William	H	W	47		Ag Lab	Devon, Lamerton,	L
		PALMER Sarah P	D	U		20		Devon Tavistock	
		PALMER Ellen Ann	D	U		7		Cornwall Calstock	
		PALMER Jane	Ser	W		60	House Servt	Dev Thrushelton	

William PALMER was recorded in the 1841 census as a yeoman living in West Harrowbeer, Cornwall with his wife Mary Witherage 1806-43+ and oldest children Sarah 10 and Mary 9, none of whom were born in Cornwall. The remainder of the family were all recorded as being born in Cornwall: William was 5, John Philips, baptised on 10 July 1836, Susanna Jefferies baptised on 29 March 1839 and **Emma Ann** was 2 months old and was baptised 9 May 1841, with all of these baptisms in Calstock. The farm in 1841 supported five teenaged male servants. By 1851 Mary had died and William had moved to North Brentor, with two of his children, where he was working as an agricultural labourer. Youngest daughter Ellen Anne had been baptised in Calstock on 30 April 1843. Three of his children were recorded in 1851 with their aunt, Sarah Walter, a farmer's wife aged 38, at Week, Tavistock; they were William 19, a farm labourer, **Mary** 17 who was visiting and Susanna, 12, a servant. It is not known whether William's servant in 1851, Jane Palmer, aged 60, was related to him.

Sarah P was recorded in 1861 and 1871 working as a domestic servant for the Rev Newman and his family at the Coryton Rectory.

William may have been a lead miner in 1861, living in Newton Abbot with his wife, Mary and their 10 month old son, also *William*.

Their younger sister, **Ellen Anne** was also working as a servant in 1861, but in Plymouth for the Downing family. In the summer of 1872 she married John Knott 1849-1912, who had been born in Bickington, Devon and by 1881 they were living at The Pawn Shop, 15 Flora St, Plymouth with four children. *Ellen* was an apprentice Honiton lace maker, aged 11, and had been born in London; *Charles* was 8, *John* 6 and *Emma* 1 and the younger ones had been born in Plymouth. At that time John was a dockyard labourer and Ellen, a machinist. In 1891 the only child living at home in Wyntham St, West Plymouth was John, who was a clicker's apprentice (cutting the uppers for boots or shoes), Ellen continued working as a machinist and John was a ship's fireman. By 1901 Ellen, or Nellie as she was known, was a hospital nurse giving her place of birth as London Hanover Square and was living at home with her sister, Emma, a ship's stewardess, and their parents. John was a general labourer and Ellen was performing domestic duties. They were living at Guildford St when Ellen Ann died on 7 February 1907, leaving her estate of £170 in the care of their son, John, a craneman. Husband John was living at 16 Morley Place, Plymouth when he died five years later, on 6 February 1912. His son John gave his occupation as pensioned stoker RN when he applied for probate for his £190 estate.

John Phillips Palmer and **Susanna Jefferies** Palmer sailed from Plymouth to Melbourne, Australia on the *William*, docking on 25 January 1857. Both could read and write and each said they were travelling with friends (each other?) to

Warrnambool, Victoria. John said he was C of E and Susanna said, Wesleyan. Susanna married Joseph Robinson in Victoria in 1858. Records show that their daughter *Blanche Palmer* Robinson was born in 1878 and died the following year. Susannah continued to live in Allansford, Warrnambool until her death in 1918. Her brother John married Bristol born Phoebe Ponting, the daughter of Thomas Ponting, in 1862. She had arrived in Melbourne on 7 December 1861. They had four children: *William Francis* 1867-1947, *Charles Ponting* 1873-1960, *Ida Phoebe* 1879-1958, who became Martin, and *William Percival* born in 1881, the year before his mother's death in 1882. Most, if not all, of the families stayed in the Allensford area where John died in 1928, aged 95.

William Palmer may have died in the Tavistock area in 1866, aged 62.

16	Tor Cottage	PALMER William	Ser	U	15		Farmers Servant	Lidford Devon	L
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This was William Roger PALMER, not the son of William Palmer above. In 1841 this William Roger was living in Lidford Village with his parents: manganese miner Charles 35 and his wife Elizabeth 30 and his siblings: Nancy 10, Mary 6, John 4 and Elizabeth 1, next door to agricultural labourer James Palmer 65 and his wife Elizabeth 60, probably William's grandparents, and their daughter Harriet 20. In 1851 William was working for John and Hannah Langman, who farmed 11 acres at Tor Cottage.

In the summer of 1856 he married Patience Hutchings, the daughter of farmer Holland Hutchings and his wife, Patience, of Prescombe farm (*see Hutchins at 28 Prescombe above*) and by 1861 they had settled at Reddeford Farm in Petertavy, with their three children: William Henry 4, born in Stokeclimsland, Maria J 2, born Tavistock, and John born in Petertavy. The birthplaces and dates indicate that it was in about 1859 that they arrived at Reddeford, having moved around previously. Subsequent children: Sarah born 1862; Patience; Arthur; Thomas George; Sophia in 1869, Mary Ann in 1873 and probably Elizabeth, known as Bessie, in 1871, were all born in Petertavy, where they continued to live at Reddeford, which by 1871 was 237 acres and described as "*having a new loke(?) on Dartmoor*", and in 1881 was 317 acres. But in the autumn of 1877 Patience, baptised on 25 December 1835 in Beaworthy, had died aged 44, leaving William with children William, Maria, Arthur, Thomas, Sophia and Mary A, aged only four when her mother died, living at home, while Bessie aged 9 by 1881 was at the Whitethorn Inn, Shaugh Prior with her aunt Grace, Patience's childless sister.

In 1901 William was living at 20 Tollox Place in Charles, Plymouth, where he was described as a general dealer at the general shop, with his wife Mary Maria Down, thirty-three years his junior, who he had married in the Tavistock registration area in the summer of 1893, and their two children Annie 6 and Ellen 4 and Mary's niece 17 year old Annie Down. William died in 1903, though Mary initially described herself as wife and married on the 1911 census, which was changed to head and widow on the form. Her occupation was given as shopkeeper, vegetables and greengrocery. They had continued to live at 20 Tollox Place, with daughter Ellen, a dressmaker's apprentice. Their other daughter, Annie was living at 108 Mount Gold Road working for the Cross family, where Mr Cross was a commercial traveller in confectionary. Prior to her marriage Mary Maria had been a servant, working in the household of the Roddenbury family who ran a pub/beer shop at 57 George Street.

The children of William and Patience were William Henry, Maria Jane, John, Sarah, Patience, Arthur, Thomas George, Sophia, Elizabeth (Bessie) and Mary Ann.

William Henry, baptised on 24 August 1856 in Stokeclimsland, was still living at home in 1871 and 1881 with his family, and in 1891 he was farming the family farm Reddiford with his wife, engine driver's daughter, Eliza Geake from Stokeclimsland and their children *Ellen J*, *Eliza*, *Mabel*, *Mary Anne* and *Patience*, aged from 9 down to 2. By 1901 the family had increased with the addition of *Albert H*, *Charley*, *Bessie*, *Harry* and *Emily*, whilst Mabel was working as a housemaid for the Slater family in Tiverton. In 1911, she was working as a parlourmaid for the affluent Chichester family at their twenty-two roomed house, Grenfen, Whitchurch, Tavistock. Her own family had moved from Reddiford to the seven roomed Fullamoor farm in Whitchurch at some time after the birth of youngest daughter *Daisy* in 1902. The 1911 census reports that William and Eliza had been married for 29 years and all eleven of their children were still alive. Their grand daughter Ada Mary Jope 3 was with them at that time. William died early in 1940 in the Tavistock registration area.

Maria Jane, born in Tavistock in 1858, was living at home with her family in 1871 and 1881, and she married gardener Robert Maben in Stoke Damerel in late 1888. In 1891 they were living at Greencliffe in Buckland Monachorum with their two eldest sons, both born in Buckland Monachorum *Sidney Alfred John* 1889-1943, a stoker in the Royal Navy who died of pneumonia at the Royal Naval Hospital in Plymouth and three month old *Robert William* 1891-1970 who became a builder. They continued to live at Greencliffe throughout their married life, with Robert's occupation varying between domestic gardening and general farm labourer. Robert recorded in the 1911 census that Maria, known as Jane, had had six children during their marriage of twenty-three years. Their other children were: *Olive Eva* 1894-1968, *Florence Ethel Jane* later Brown 1894-1980, market gardener *Harold* 1898-1989 and *Edith Mary* born 1899. Olive, Harold and Edith were still living at Green Cliffe in 1939, where their widowed mother, Maria Jane, had been living until her death on 30 June 1938. She left an estate to the value of £1,013 to the care of farmer Frederick Thomas Edwards. Her husband Robert had died in 1919 aged 71.

John was living at home with his family in 1871, but in 1881 was an apprentice carpenter with Roger Rice and his sons in Burnlane. He married Elizabeth Cole in the Tavistock area in the summer of 1890 and they moved to Ararat, Luppitt in Honiton where he worked as a wheelwright and carpenter. Their seven children were *William; Alice; Alfred George* 1896-1979; *Walter; Edith Rose or Rosy* later Foale 1902-1982; *Leslie* and *Arthur*.

Sarah, born late in 1861, was living at home with her family in 1871, and in 1881 was working as a kitchen maid for banker Reginald Gill and his wife at Tamar House in Beerferris. By 1891 she had moved to Much Hadham in Hertfordshire, where she worked as a domestic cook in the household staff of the affluent, widowed Emma Harris, and her daughter Henrietta, at The Lordship (next to The Palace), Much Hadham. Emma had been widowed for many years and was living on her own means, which some years before had been recorded as proprietress of copper mines and fundholder and later as annuitant and landowner.

Patience, born on 18 June 1863, followed her sister's career path in becoming a kitchen maid in the household of magistrate and colonel, Edward Archer and his family at Trelaske House in Lewannick in 1881. In summer 1888 she married copper miner John Reddicliffe Friend 1864-1931 of Horndon, Mary Tavy. In 1901 they were farming at Alder Farm, Thrushelton and in 1911 at Battishill, Bridestowe. Their three children were *Hertbert John* born in Mary Tavy in 1890; *Harold Arthur* born 1895 and *Meda* 1897, both born in Peter Tavy. When John died on 29 August 1931, leaving £3,600 to his widow, Patience, they were living at Mount Pleasant in Mary Tavy. In 1939 she was living at 28 Brook Street in Tavistock but by 1947 when she died, Patience had moved back to Bridestowe where she was living at Ashleigh. Probate for her £2,768 estate was granted to her son Herbert John Friend and Frederick John Yelland, both farmers.

Arthur, born 26 April 1865, was living at home in 1871 and 1881. In summer 1889 he married Bessie Ann Pedlar in the Barnstaple registration area. She was the daughter of John Pedlar, a naval pensioner and his wife Grace Reddicliffe, the daughter of Susannah Reddicliffe, and in 1881 Bessie was living with her parents and grandmother at Eastcott, Coryton. After they married, Arthur, with no occupation given, had moved in to this intergenerational family, headed by Susannah, at the age of 80, described as a shopkeeper (grocer) in 1891. His sister Mary Ann was a visitor there at that time. By 1901 both Susannah and her son-in-law John had died and Grace, living on her own means, was living with her daughter, Bessie, son in law, farmer Arthur and grandson Alfred Hedley, known as Hedley, 1896-1973, who married Edith M Cornish. During their marriage Arthur and Bessie had had seven children by 1911, but only four had survived until 1911: *Alfred Hedley*, *Lionel Arthur* 1904-70, herdsman and shepherd in 1939, *Ralph* 1907-95, ploughman and horseman in 1939 and *Gladys Bessie* known as Bessie, born in 1909. In 1911 they were living at Horseyeat Farm, Walkhampton near Horrabridge and Arthur, Bessie and the two younger sons continued to live there through 1939 and on until at least 7 July 1958, when 93 year old Arthur, of Horseyeat Farm, died at Faunstone Farm, Shaugh Prior leaving his estate of £4,571 to be administered by Lionel and Ralph. Bessie had died in 1952.

Thomas George was born in the summer of 1867 and was living at home at Reddeford in 1871 and 1881, but after that it has not been possible to locate him in the records.

Sophia was at home in 1871 and 1881. In 1891 she was working as a domestic servant for farmer Thomas Bevan and his wife Katurah at their farm in Bridestowe, near the White Hart Inn. In mid 1896 it is likely that she married farmer Richard Tucker Huxtable in the Barnstaple registration area. In 1901 they were living at Lower Ranscombe Farm, Lynton with his nephew ten year old Thomas Burnell, though her birthplace was given as Holsworthy. Their marriage was shortlived, lasting only five years, as she died in the summer of 1901 in the Tavistock area aged 32. In 1911 widower Richard was living with his widowed mother Elizabeth, aged 75, in Cleave Cottage Lynbridge, Lynton. She recorded a marriage of fifty-one years, with five children born and four of them still alive at that date. Richard confirmed that his five year marriage had been childless. He was living at Hall Farm, Countisbury when he died on 5 April 1939 at the Cottage Hospital, Lynton, leaving an estate of £1,329.

Elizabeth, known as Bessie, was born in the summer of 1871, and in 1881 and 1891 was living with her childless aunt Grace and her husband, John Roberts, at the Whitethorn Inn, which was near Dunstone Farm, where her Hutchings grandparents lived. It has not been possible to locate her in the records after 1891. She did not marry Frederick Charles Banks.

Mary Ann, born in 1873, was only four when her mother Patience died. Living at home with her family in 1881, she was visiting her brother Arthur, who was living with his extended family of in-laws in 1891. After that, it has not been possible to locate her in the records. Her father remarried in 1893 and it is possible that she and her brother Thomas George moved abroad, where the Empire offered many opportunities for young people from farming and mining backgrounds.

48	Black Down	PAULL Thomas	H	M	41		Copper miner	Dev Marytavy	M
		PAULL Maria	W	M		41		Dev Chagford	
		PAULL Mary H	D			7		Dev Chagford	

Thomas PAULL was baptised on 28 January 1811 in Marytavy, the son of John Paul and his wife Margery. There is a Marytavy record of a marriage between John Paul and Mary Reddicliffe in Mary Tavy on 12 March 1812. Mary or Maria may have been his second wife. By 1841 Thomas was a captain in the tin mines, living in the town of Chagford with his

wife Maria and their ten month old daughter Elizabeth, who had been baptised on 13 September 1840 in Chagford. They were living with or near baker Elizabeth Hooper, Maria's mother, and Maria's sister Mary 30 and brother George, aged 15. **Elizabeth**, not with her parents in 1851, was probably with her maternal relations in Chagford. Their second daughter **Mary Hooper** Paull had been born late in 1843 in Chagford and was baptised there on 19 December 1843. By 1861, Maria, a grocer, was still married; Elizabeth, a dressmaker and Mary were living in the Square, Chagford. In 1871 Maria, her daughters, Elizabeth, late a draper's assistant, and Mary a dressmaker were living with Maria's unmarried sister, Mary Hooper, in the town of Chagford.

It is likely that Maria died late in 1876 and in 1881 Mary Hooper, annuitant aged 78 was head of the household in The Square living with Elizabeth, formerly shop assistant, Mary housekeeper and lodger John Holmes, a retired railway district supervisor. By 1891 the roles had changed: Elizabeth seems to have died in the summer of 1890, aged 50. John Holmes was the head of the household at Swindonia in The Square; Mary Hooper aged 88 was the lodger and Mary Hooper Paull was still the housekeeper, doing all the work! In the summer of 1900, at the age of 57 Mary married Henry, known as Harry, White Harvey, who was by 1901 a retired blacksmith. In 1901 they were living in The Square at the home of his cousin, Mary Harvey, a retired butcher's widow. In 1911 they were at 90 Park Road, Heavitree, Exeter. When he died on 6 March 1915, they were living at 87 Park Road, Polsloe Estate and he left £370 to Mary. She continued to live there until her death in the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital on 25 April 1922, leaving £822.

66	North Brent	PEARSE Mary Ann	D	M		34	Miner's wife	Devon Lamerton	L
		PEARSE Martin	GS		2			Devon Lamerton	

Mary Ann PEARSE or PEARCE was living in 1851 with her mother Mary Southcombe, *and her details are given below under Southcombe*. Mary Ann had been a servant working in the Walters household in Back Street, Tavistock in 1841. She was living in North Brentor when she married copper miner, Martin Pearce of Lamerton at the time, on 7 August 1848 in Lamerton Parish Church. Both Mary Anne and her father, Thomas, signed the register with their mark, whilst Martin wrote his name. Martin was the son of Abraham and Ann Pearce and had been baptised in Kenwyn, Cornwall on 20 October 1820. By 1861 they were living at 1 Church Row, Lamerton with young Martin 12, and another son, **Joseph**, aged 4. In 1871 they were living in North Brentor, not far from Bonnaford. It is likely that her husband Martin died in 1879, because in 1881 the widowed Mary Anne was living with her son, farmer **Joseph** and his family at Burcombe. In 1911 Joseph 1857-1927 and his wife Elizabeth Ann Symons 1858-1940 were still living at Burcombe and declared that they had been married for 31 years and of the fifteen children born alive, thirteen had survived. The names of the children born between 1880 and 1900 are: *Francis, Winnifred, Effra Annie, Frederick John, Bessie, Maud, Lydia, Charles Martin, Ethel Florice, Rose M, Norman Joseph and Ivy*. *More can be found about members of this family in other Brentor projects: 1911 People and Brentor 1939*.

In 1875 young **Martin** married Ellen Perkins, born in Plymouth in 1853 and by 1881 had moved to 5 Brisbane Street, Douglas on the Isle of Man, where he worked as Secretary to the Railway Board, and their four children were born: *Elizabeth Mary* 5, twins *Ralph* and *Annie* 2 and *Charles* who was three months old at the time of the census. By 1891 he was Secretary to a Public Corporation and they were living in Wakefield, Yorkshire where they continued to live in 1901, when he was described as secretary to a Brewing Company. The 1911 census records that they were living in an eight roomed house at Heath near Wakefield and had been married 35 years and that three of their four children had survived. It was probably Charles who died, as he was not recorded in 1891. It is likely that Martin died in 1924 in the Tavistock area.

80	Black Down	PELLOW John	H	M	63		Copper miner	Devon Bridestowe	M
		PELLOW Susannah	W	M		71		Devon Lamerton	

John PELLOW and his wife Susannah were living in Blackdown in 1841 with their son, **John**, who, like his father was working in the mines. John had been baptised on 10 September 1820 in Marytavy, and married Tavistock born Mary Ann Burn in 1844. They were living with their three children: *John; Emma* and *William*, in Madge Lane, Tavistock in 1851. They had four more children: *Mar; Maria; Frederick Burn* 1855-73 and *James* before John died in 1859 aged 39. The family continued to live in Tavistock, and in 1861 were recorded in Barley Market Street, where Mary was a victualler running the Butcher's Arms, with all the children living at home.

John and Susannah's other child was **Mary Ann**, baptised in Marytavy on 25 January 1813. She married copper miner John Truscott on 8 September 1835 and they were living in Shovel Lane in Peter Tavy in 1841 with their three children: *Jane; Edmund* baptised in Mary Tavy on 27 August 1837 and *John*. They had had three more children by 1851: *William; Francis and Jane*.

The 1850s must have been a difficult time for Mary Ann: her father John died early in 1853 aged 64, her husband John early in 1854, aged about 37, her mother Susanna early in 1857, aged 76 and her brother, also John in 1859, aged 39.

By 1861 Mary Ann was living with all of her children at Palmers Corner, Martytavy, with the three eldest sons working as copper miners to support the family. In 1871 she was living at Blackdown with her two youngest children: Francis, a copper miner and Jane. Also there, was a four week old child, William Thomas Truscott, described as her step son, but more likely to be Jane's child. After her marriage to Henry Hockaday on 26 March 1873, with whom Jane had six children, William Henry was included with the surname Hockaday added. Mary Ann died in 1875, at the age of 62.

63	North Brent	PELLOW Peter	Lod		40		Schoolmaster	Devon Sourton	L
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Sourton was well endowed with PELLOW family members, with 42 baptisms recorded between 1813-39, but not one was of a Peter. In 1851 Peter had been lodging with small farmer, William Newton and his wife Mary. There was an 1861 census record of a Peter Pellow as a lodger staying with the Stanbury family at Raddon in Bridestowe, but he was a carter, which would be an unusual career change for a schoolmaster.

29	Lower Liddaton	PENGELLY James	H	M	33		Farmer 53 acres	Cwl Lowland St Mawer	B
		PENGELLY Jane	W	M		36		Devon Kelly	
		PENGELLY John	S		9			Cwl Egloshayle	
		PENGELLY Henry	S		7			Cwl Egloshayle	
		PENGELLY Elizabeth T B	S			3m		Devon Brentor	

James William PENGELLY 1813-59 married Jane Brendon 1819-88 early in the spring of 1841. The newly weds were living in Maidenland St Kew, Cornwall soon after. Jane, born on 2 September 1819 at Billacombe, Kelly in Devon, was the daughter of Richard Rundle Brendon 1787-1869 and his wife Jane Ward 1787-1861, known as Jenny, who had married on 26 April 1815 in Milton Abbot. In 1851, Richard Brendon was a retired farmer and they were living in Church Street, Liskeard with their farmer son, John.

Also staying with Richard and Jane in 1851 was their five year old grandson, erroneously entered as nephew, Richard Pengelly: James and Jane's third son. Altogether they had seven children before James died in 1859, with daughter, Mary being born the year after his death.

In 1861 the widowed Jane was living with her parents and brother, John, at Turnpike Gate in Saltash with five of her children: Richard 16, Jane 7, Henry 5, Redinald 4 and ten month baby, Mary, all of whom had St Germans as their birthplace. Her mother, Jenny or Jane, died within weeks of the census, and her father in 1869.

Their son **John** had been baptised in Egloshayle on 18 May 1842 and in 1861 he and his sister **Elizabeth Thomasina Bond** were visiting their uncle Henry, a chemist, and his family at Fore Street in Liskeard. John may have married Elizabeth Dawe in 1864.

Their brother **Henry James**, baptised in Egloshayle on 17 August 1843, was working as an assistant to grocer Alfred C Penrose, and living with his family at 10 Drake Street in Plymouth. Sadly, he died in Plymouth, aged 24, in 1868. **Richard Rundle** born in Wadebridge and baptised in Egloshayle on 21 September 1845, married Emma Cotte in the East Stonehouse area in the spring of 1873. In 1891 he was a commercial traveller and in 1901 a commission agent and they were living at 5 Union Terrace in Plymouth. By 1911 he had retired and the census gives us the information that their thirty seven year marriage had been childless and that 5 Union Terrace was a more substantial house than expected with eight rooms. It was there that Richard died on 14 December 1915, aged 70, leaving his widow, Emma, £634.

Jane born in 1852, the unusually named **Redinald** in 1857 and **Mary** in 1860 were all born in St Germans and can only be positively identified on the 1861 census, living with their mother and grandparents. There is the possibility that some of these went to America, as some Pengelly names feature on passenger records.

A death was recorded for a Jane Pengelly in Tavistock in 1888 but there was another local Pengelly family.

23	Fordmill	PHILLIPS Francis	H	M	48		Labourer	Milton Abbot Dev	L
		PHILLIPS Ann	W	M		51		Lamerton Devon	
		PHILLIPS Francis	S	U	16		Miner	Lamerton Devon	
23	Fordmill	TUCKER Roger	FL	W	85			Lamerton Devon	

Francis PHILLIPS and his wife Ann Tucker were living at Torr Cottage in 1841 with their sons: John 8, Francis 6 and William 3 and her father Roger TUCKER or TOOKER, an agricultural labourer of 76. Roger had married Ann's mother, Ann Waldern, in Lamerton on 7 June 1792. It is likely that Anne died, aged 53 in 1825. Roger died early in 1852, less than a year after the census. Agricultural labourer Francis, and Ann, continued to live at Torr Cottage in 1861, but by 1871 he was a farmer with 28 acres, living in Calstock Road, Calstock. In 1881 Francis was a widower living with his son, William, a master carpenter, and his family in Plymouth.

In 1861 their eldest son, **John**, was an engine miner living in Gunnislake with his wife, lead miner's daughter Amelia Eva from Beerferris, who had married in the Tavistock area in the summer of 1854. Their children were: *Emily Ann, John*

Henry and Alfred F all born in Calstock. In 1871 they were living at 11 West Bridge Cottages in Tavistock, with John described as an engine driver at the mine and John Henry was an errand boy. They continued to live at 11 West Bridge Cottages in the Plymouth Road in 1881, 1891 and 1901, when Emily Ann was the only one of their children living at homes. Initially, she was a dressmaker but then became a grocer's assistant whilst her mother was the dressmaker and her father became an industrial assurance agent. Ultimately, Emily became a shopkeeper on her own account. By 1911, John and Amelia had died: John late in 1906 and Amelia a few months later in 1907, and Emily Ann was a grocer, continuing to live at 11 West Bridge Cottages.

In 1851 their youngest son, **William**, was working for Samuel and Elizabeth Palmer as an agricultural labourer on their seventy acre farm at Trevern, Lamerton. By 1861 he was a journeyman carpenter who had married Martha Wordon in the preceding couple of months and living in Stoke Damerel. By 1871 he was a carpenter joiner living at 4 Wilton Place, Stoke Damerel with his wife Martha, son *Francis Wordon*, born 1862, daughter *Elizabeth* born 1865 and Martha's mother, Elizabeth Wordor aged 77. Sadly, Martha died the following year and her mother a few months after that. William remarried in 1875 and in 1881 was living at 11 Wolsdon Street, Plymouth where he was a master carpenter employing seven men and three boys. Living with him was his new wife Ann, son Francis a printer compositor, who died in 1883, daughter Elizabeth Ann, who probably married in 1889, and his father Francis, a retired farmer, who died in 1884. In 1891 William and Ann were living at Wyntham Lowest in Plymouth where he was a carpenter and undertaker. The 1911 census describes William as a carpenter and undertaker living with his childless wife of 36 years, Ann, at 3 Wolsdon Place in Plymouth. William may have died in 1915.

In 1857, their son, **Francis**, had married Lamerton born Rachel Batten, in the Okehampton registration area. She was the daughter of agricultural labourer Daniel and Elizabeth Batten who were living in Lamerton in 1841. Rachel is recorded in this 1851 account, working as a servant for farmer of ten acres, Thomas, and his wife Jane, Squire at property 29 Burnaford. In 1861 Francis was working as a copper miner and they were living in Calstock, with their two children, *Elizabeth Ann* born 1858 and *Mary Jane*, born 1859. By 1871 Francis had been promoted to mining agent, and they were in Mine House, Calstock/Gunnislake, with four more daughters: *Louisa* 1862, *Catherine* or *Caroline B* 1865, *Edith Rachel* 1867 and *Maria* or *Myra Annie*, aged one. The census of 1881 shows them living at 46 Bannawell Street in Tavistock, with Francis, a copper mine agent, and sixteen year old Caroline B, a governess and *Helena Harriet* born 1871 and son *Sydney Francis* born in 1875.

It is difficult to pinpoint when Francis and Rachel moved to South Africa, though records show that their daughter Myra Annie and her family were there by 1897. Rachel died in Cape Town in 1905, aged 72, and Francis in 1920, aged 85.

Their children were: *Elizabeth Ann* who died unmarried in Cape Town in 1941.

Mary Jane, born 1 December 1859 in Calstock, who, in 1887, married Bible Christian Minister Henry Rundle 1857-1946 from St Austell. They had five sons who lived to adulthood: Stanley Phillips born 1888, who was attending the Shebbear Bible Christian College in 1901 with his brother Reginald, when their parents were living in Langport, Somerset. Stanley was a civil servant working in the post office and living at 14 Ross Parade in Wallington, Surrey in 1911. Reginald Henry, 1889-1936, may have moved to South Africa where his mother's parents, aunts and cousins had settled in Cape Town as early as 1897. He was working as a secretary in the Transvaal in 1931, and died in 1936. Younger sons Francis John 1891-1950, Gordon Phillips 1895-1958 and Arthur Douglas 1900-1987 were living with their parents in Water Lane, Langport, Somerset, where Arthur had been born only four months before. In the 1911 census, only Henry was at home in Marlborough Road, Falmouth, with sons Gordon 16 and Arthur 10, but he kindly recorded that he and Mary had been married for 24 year and five of their seven children had survived until 1911.

Francis John known as *Frank*, served as a Staff Sergeant in the Royal Army Service Corps SS/2284 during the Great War, for which he received the British War Medal and Victory Medal. In Southampton in the summer of 1915, Francis John married Gwendolen Mary Bull, and their daughter *Patricia Mary* was born in Clapham in 1920. In 1924 the army contact address for him was 25 Carlton Road, Southampton but the last address in the United Kingdom was given as 19 Wyneham Road, Herne Hill, London SE24, when on 27 March 1924 Francis John, a shipping clerk, his wife Gwendolen Mary, three year old daughter, Patricia Mary and brothers Gordon, a 28 year old chemist, with £100 savings and Arthur, 23, a farmer with £50 savings set sail from Liverpool aboard the White Star Dominion steam ship, the SS Doric, heading for Halifax, Nova Scotia. They settled in Vancouver, British Columbia, which is where Frank was living, at 3425 Point Grey Road, when he died, on 28 August 1950. Two months later on 26 October 1950 his widow Gwendolen and daughter Patricia, sailed to San Francisco. Both his brothers Gordon and Arthur were mentioned in his obituary. Gordon had served as a private in the Royal Sussex Regiment and in documents, he gave as his place of birth Dalton, Lancashire and his next of kin, his father Henry Rundle of of Glanville Avenue, Tavistock. He died in Vancouver on 25 October 1958. Arthur married Eleanor Johnston 1899-1980 on 19 October 1927 in British Columbia, settling in Fraser Valley, Chillawack, BC where their four children were born.

In their late sixties, Henry and Mary Jane Rundle sailed from Liverpool on 5 June 1925 on the SS Doric, bound for Quebec, Canada, intending to make Canada their permanent residence. Henry died, aged 88, on 27 July 1946 in Vancouver, after

which Mary moved to Chillawack BC, presumably to be with her son Arthur and his family. This is where she died on 25 April 1951, aged 91, only months after the death of her son Francis in August 1950.

It has not been possible to find **Louisa, Catherine B/Caroline B, Edith** or **Harriet Helena** after the 1881 census, which may indicate that they went overseas. *See under Sydney below for a possibility.*

However, **Maria** or **Myra Annie** is much better documented through her connections. Myra was married to medical practitioner, Michael Waistell Wilmshurst Cowan 1867-1937, the son of Michael Waistell Cowan -1903, who went on to become the Royal Navy Inspector General of Hospitals and Fleets, and his wife Emma Louisa Pritchard 1832-1902, who had married in the summer of 1859 in Portsea.

Michael WW had been born on Ascension Island in the South Atlantic in 1867, though his siblings were born in the British Isles, and in 1871 was living at 153 High Street Close in Midlothian with his mother, three siblings and paternal grandmother but in 1881 was lodging with his father (Fleet Surgeon RN MD) in Stoke Road, Alverstoke, Hampshire, at the home of John Russell, described as Keeper of the State Apartments on HM Yacht Victoria and Albert, whilst the rest of the family was living in 158 King Street, Aberdeen. Michael Waistell Cowan died on 20 June 1903 at Beaumont Street, Portland Place, Middlesex leaving his estate of £660 to the care of son, John James Cowan, physician and surgeon and daughter Mary Ann Cowan, spinster.

Qualified in Edinburgh in 1888, the Medical Directory of 1895 shows Michael WW Cowan, listed next to his brother John James, living at 202 Burrage Road, Plumstead, Woolwich when he served as surgeon on the Castle Line. In 1900 he was the Medical Officer for the Namaqua Copper Company in Concordia and in 1930 and 1935 he was listed as being the district surgeon for Springbokfontein, Namaqualand. Myra and her husband MWW were living in Concordia, Namaqualand when their son *Michael Waistell Francis* Cowan was baptised on 21 December 1897 at St Andrew's, Port Nolloth. Their son Charles Phillips was also baptised in Concordia, on 6 February 1901. He attended Rondesbosch School and went on to marry Louis Botha Van Den Heever on 7 June 1927 and continued to live there in 1939 and work as a magistrate. MWW Cowan died in Namaqualand, Cape Province on 22 September 1837 but it has not been possible to find Myra Annie Cowan's death record.

Myra's only brother **Sydney Francis** was a student attending the Prospect Bible Christian General Education College in 1891, as his nephews Stanley and Reginald Rundle did in 1901, and was described as a mine manager when he joined the Phoenix of Namaqualand Masonic Lodge on 17 February 1910. He died in Cape Town in 1952.

Although initially it had seemed that Myra had moved to South Africa with her husband, it seems to be more likely that the whole family had moved there, perhaps as early as the 1880s, leaving Sydney to be educated at Shebbear, before joining them.

22	Westford	PIKE Richard	Ser	U	15		Labourer	Oakhampton Dev	L
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Richard PIKE, baptised on 16 February 1834, was the son of tanner William Pike and his wife Grace. In 1841 they were living in Okehampton with five of their children: Grace 9, Richard 7, James 5, William 3 and 10 months old Emanuel. Richard was working as a labourer for the Cundy family at Westford, Lamerton in 1851 but went on to join the Royal Engineers, which accounts for his later movements round the country. On 18 September 1861 he married Southampton born Lucy Louisa Newman in Gillingham, Kent. Earlier that year she had been a servant working for the Warne family in Marylebone, London. All three of their children were born on Spike Island, near Queenstown, indicating that Richard worked there. **Henry Thomas** was born on 9 August 1871, **Jessie Louisa** on 16 December 1873 and **Edward James** on 8 August 1878. *This notorious island in Cork Harbour was, from 1847, an official prison, the largest in the UK, housing at times as many as 2,000 long term convicts, most of whom were imprisoned for fairly minor crimes, including stealing. Spike was closed as a prison in 1883 and was used as a military complex and used again as a prison during the Irish War of Independence.* Royal Chelsea Hospital Pension and Admission and Discharge records indicate that Richard left the Royal Engineers as a private (5531) on 13 May 1879. In 1881 the family was living at Redland Lane in Fareham, Hampshire when Richard was working as an office keeper. This census is the last record of Edward.

In 1891 Henry Thomas was a postman, boarding in Alverstoke, which is where his father Richard died in 1899. In 1894 Henry had married his first wife Annie Martin and in 1911 they were living in Stoudon Park, Forest Hill with daughters *Gertrude Mary* and *Mabel Irene*. Henry was a commercial traveller in pianos and organs. He was a widower when he married again in West Derby on 16 September 1917 to another Annie, Annie Frances Vera Riley, twenty three years younger than him. On his marriage certificate he was a manager and his father Richard (deceased) was described as RE. By 1939 he and Annie were living at 1 London Grove, Liverpool and he was incapacitated, a manager in the music trade. He died in 1944 in York.

After Richard's death, Lucy was living in Little Gaddesden, Hertfordshire, in 1901, with her daughter, Jessie and her clerk of works husband Alfred T Perk and their children. By 1911 she had moved to 129 Avenue Road, Stoke Road in Gosport where she lived alone, an old age pensioner with private means. She died in 1919.

11	Burnlane	PINE William	Ser	U	20		Carpenter	Bridestow, Devon	L
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William PINE was probably the son of shoemaker William Pine 1795-1856 and his wife, Fanny Brook Walters 1805-91, who had married in Bridestowe on 1 June 1824. They had been living in Bridestowe village in 1841 with five of their six children: John 14, William 12, Henry 9, Ann 6 and Ellen 4, with baptisms recorded for John in 1827, William on 29 March 1829, Henry in 1831, Elizabeth-Anne in 1835, Ellen in 1838 and also Jane in 1825. Throughout, William's occupation was given as shoemaker, though in 1838 he was recorded as beer seller. They had moved to Chaddlehanger by 1851 when William jun was working for Roger Rice in Burnlane. Baptisms were recorded for another Pine shoemaker, his brother Richard 1803-74 and his wife, Ann Elford, with sons John in 1831, William 1834, Samuel 1836 and Richard 1839.

The 1851 household consisted of William and Fanny, their children: dressmaker Jane, mason John, shoemaker Henry and Elizabeth and Ellen, who were still at school. Their lodger was labourer John Walters, probably Fanny's brother and another John Pine, a nineteen year old labourer, perhaps a nephew, was visiting them. William senior died in 1856 and by 1861 the widowed Fanny had moved with her family to Wheal Maria where Henry was a shoemaker, Ann was a mine labourer and Ellen was a dressmaker. William H Pine, Fanny's two year old grandson was staying with them. In 1881 Fanny was living at 8 Barley Market Street in Tavistock with dressmaker daughter, Ellen, now Geake and grandsons Henry Pine, 12 an errand boy and Thomas Pyne/Payne? actually Geake 5, both born in Tavistock. By 1881, still living in Barley Market Street, Ellen, still married was head of the household, with mother Fanny, an annuitant, and son Thomas, a grocer. Fanny died in the early months of 1891, just before the census. Unfortunately, it has not been possible to find William himself after the 1851 census entry.

43	North Brent	POWELL John (Fuge)	H	M	68		Retir'd farmer	Devon Lamerton	L
		POWELL Ann	W	M		68			

John Fuge POWELL was the eldest son of Lydford born Edmond Powell 1755-1833, baptised 6 July 1755, and his wife, Brentor born Mary Elizabeth Fuge 1762-1837, married in Lamerton on 28 September 1784. Altogether Edmond and Mary had eleven children: John Fuge 1785-1859, William 1787-1845, Edmund 1790-1854, Mary 1792-, Valentine 1793-1871, Mary Ann 1795-1843, Valentina 1799-1876, Joanna 1801-71, Margaret 1802-63, Thomas 1804-74 and Maria 1806-79.

John Fuge Powell's siblings (*in italics*) *Valentine*, farming 60 acres, and his wife Elizabeth, with their children, Edmund 17 and Jane 14, and Valentine's brother *Edmund*, were living in Lydford in 1851, not far from his niece, Joanna's daughter, Mary Powell Prout and her husband labourer Thomas Newton. By 1861 the farm had become 70 acres and Valentine was employing a man and a boy to help him. Daughter Jane, a dressmaker continued to live at home, as did her sister Susanna 21. The 1871 census was Valentine's last as he died within months, aged 78. He continued to farm, but by this time only 50 acres and their grandson William Powell, aged 12 was living with them.

Mary Ann married carpenter Stephen Rice 1791-1852 and was the mother of Ann Powell Rice who married John Tapson 1809-52 on 27 September 1834 (*see John Tapson below*). The couple were living with their other children Grace, Thomas, John, Cecelia and Mary in North Brentor in 1841 in a cluster of houses near Edmund Powell and his family (*see below*), the Powells, farmers Joseph and William (*see below*), Elizabeth, all aged in the region of 35, and John 20. Not far away lived John Longmaid, a seventy year old stonemason, who in 1851 was lodging with Joseph and Elizabeth Powell.

Valentina married John Bickle 1791-1827 on 14 September 1818 and was the mother of Thomas 1820-85, Patience 1823-1904, who married tailor John Symons, and Mary Powell 1826-65, all born in Milton Abbot. John Bickle died in Milton Abbot in the summer of 1827 and on 1 March 1836 she married Germansweek born agricultural labourer Richard Pengelly 1796-1851 and had two more children: Elizabeth born 1838 and Richard Friend born 1841. Valentina and son Richard were living with her daughter Patience and husband John Symons in 1861, while Richard was training as a tailor and they were living together in Village Road, Lydford in 1871.

Joanna or *Johannah* married blacksmith John Prout 1797-1875 in Lamerton on 7 December 1819, settling in Lewtrenchard and had many children with him between 1820 and 1845, including Mary Powell later Newton, William, Jane, Joanna, John, Robert, Joanna, Mary Ann, Thomas 1841 blacksmith, Edwin Powell 1844 copper miner and Edmund. Joanna died on 13 November 1871.

John Fuge Powell married Ann Friend in 1810 and was a farmer living at Woodmanswell when his son **Edmund** (*see Edmund Powell below*) was baptised on 1 January 1816. The 1841 census lists him as a publican, living in North Brentor with wife, Ann, and 18 year old son **Valentine**. Ann died in 1852 and John Fuge in 1859.

It would have been neat to have had William and Joseph (below) as their sons as well, but both were born before the marriage date of 1810.

68	Broompark	POWELL Edmund	H	M	36		Lead Miner	Devon Lamerton	L
		POWELL Eliza Ward	W	M		32		Dev Milton Abbot	
		POWELL John Perry	S		15		Miner's son	Devon Brentor	
		POWELL Patience P	D			12		Devon Lamerton	
		POWELL Edmund	S		7		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		POWELL Daniel Ward	S		5		Scholar	Dev Ugborough	

		POWELL Thomas	S		4		Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	
		POWELL Elizabeth	D			2		Devon Mary Tavy	
		POWELL Catherine	D			9m		Devon Lamerton	

Edmund POWELL, baptised on 1 January 1811, was the son of farmer John Fuge Powell 1783-1859 and his wife Ann Friend 1785-1852 (*see 43 John Powell above*) who were living at Woodmanswell at the time. He married Eliza Ward Perry 1817-71, the daughter of John Perry 1777-1835 and his wife Elizabeth Ward 1778-1834. Both of these surnames were valued by the couple who continued them in the naming of their children. Their eldest son, John Perry, was baptised on 6 October 1835, when Edmund was described as a farmer. The entry for their next child, Elizabeth Perry, baptised on 16 April 1837 shows her father as a publican. Patience Perry was baptised on 4 July 1838, and her labourer father was erroneously transcribed as Emanuel Powell. By the 1841 census, agricultural labourer Edmund and Eliza were recorded with three children: John 5, Patience 2 and Anne 1.

The 1861 census shows the family continued to live at Broom Park. Edmund was farming 18 acres and he and Eliza had six of their children living with them with their birthplaces indicating that the family had settled in Lamerton, though the Elizabeth in 1861 was given as aged 8 instead of 12, indicating she was the second child of that name.

By 1871, probably in 1868, the family moved to America. The children born between 1835 and 1852 are listed, with those who settled in America in italics: John Perry, Elizabeth Perry, *Patience Perry, Anne, Edmund, Daniel Ward, Thomas, Elizabeth A, Catherine Perry, Eliza Perry and Margaret.*

Copper miner **John Perry Powell**, born in Brentor, was married to Elizabeth Ash of Mary Tavy in 1856. In 1861 they were living in Lamerton, with their three children: *Edwin* 1856-95, *Daniel* 1858-1922 and *Bessie P* who was eight months old. By 1871, the family had moved to Millom, Cumberland, a place to which many Brentor miners moved over those years, John Perry had died, Elizabeth had married Henry Burn, and as well as her three children, they had their own son *Frederick William Burn* 5 living with them. By 1881 Elizabeth 1837-1911 was married to Cornish born miner James Roach 1854-1904, with whom she had two further children, *Henry George* and *Mary Elizabeth*, later Butcher. In 1891 Elizabeth was living with her family at 6 Main St, Haverigg, Cumberland and eldest son Edwin, an iron ore miner, and his family were living next door at 8 Main St. Edwin's second son, Joseph Edwin, travelled to Kingston, Pennsylvania in 1909 giving his aunt, Ann Rowland, as next of kin. His half brother Frederick William Burn also went to Kingston, Pennsylvania. John Edwin born 1887, son of Edwin Powell (deceased) and Isabella Grezell (Glessall), gave Michigan as his place of birth when he married in 1915. Confusing, as Edwin and Isabella's sons were named John James born in 1884 and Joseph Edwin who was two years younger, both born in Haverigg, Cumberland. Their daughter Elizabeth Jane was born in 1881 and Emmeline Alberta 1888-1912.

Daniel H Powell Sr, brother of Edwin, born on 6 April 1858, the son of John Perry Powell and his wife Elizabeth Ash, born in England, was a fire boss in the coal mines. He married Catherine Clark 1858-1933 of Warwickshire and they had two daughters Mary E and Catherine. He died on 6 March 1922 whilst living at 235 Rutter Street, Kington, Pennsylvania.

Elizabeth Perry appears to have been elsewhere or may have died, as she is not shown in 1841 or 1851 census, but is likely to have died by 1849 when her sister also named Elizabeth (A), was born. Nor have records for **Anne** been identified. The majority of the Powell family had moved to Marquette in Michigan by 1870 when Edmund, Eliza and sons Daniel Ward and Thomas were recorded in the 1870 census. **Patience Perry** was in Bruce Mines, Algoma, Ontario, Canada, when she married miner John Willis Lang 1831-91, and living in Galena, Illinois with their eldest children, before moving to Marquette, Michigan by 1874, where their other children were born and she died in 1888.

Commemorated in the cemetery at Marquette, Michigan are Edmund 1811-1894, his wife Eliza Ward 1819-1871 and several of their children **Edmund** jun, who married Emma Solace 1844-1943; **Daniel Ward** sr 1845-1923, his wife Susan Mitchell 1854-1942 born at Bruce Mines, Algoma, Ontario and their son Daniel Ward jr 1874-4; **Thomas** 1847-1870; **Elizabeth A** Juliff 1849-1900, wife of John, who lived in Texas; **Catherine Perry** Moore 1852-1889, known as Kate, and her husband Walter J 1846-1923 who were married on 7 January 1874 at the residence of Dan and Lizzie Powell in Marquette; **Eliza Perry**, known as Louisa, Handford 1855-1918 and her husband shoemaker Harry F 1862-1922. **Margaret** or **Maggie** 1856-1939, the youngest Powell, had been living with her sister Elizabeth Juliff and her family in 1880. She married cigar maker Edward S Healy 1855-85 on 17 April 1883 in Galveston County, Texas and sadly, he died just over two years later. Maggie worked as a hotel housekeeper, before she died in Houston in 1939.

There seems to have been two way family movement between Bruce Mines, Algoma, Ontario and Marquette as Daniel Ward jun born in Marquette on 26 May 1874, but was baptised in Bruce Mines on 22 July and returned to Marquette, where he died on 25 July. After the death of his wife, Edmund snr was a fisherman living with his daughter Louisa Hanford and her family. Also living with them was their nephew, William Powell, born in Canada in 1866. It is difficult to identify his Powell parent.

57	North Brent	POWELL William	H	M	45		Farmer of 15acres	Devon Lamerton	L
		POWELL Mary	W	M		30		Devon Tavistock	
		POWELL William	S		5			Devon Lamerton	

William POWELL was probably one of the four children of Valentine Powell 1765-1838 and his wife Jennifer Gloyne 1770-1841 who had married in Lamerton on 30 November 1799. Valentine's parents were Edmund Powell 1725-1803 and his wife, Margaret Phillips, who died in 1801. It is thought that Valentine and Jennifer's children were John 1800-63, Joseph, a farmer in North Brentor in 1871 who had been born in 1803 (*see below*), William 1805-73 and Anne Jane 1810-73.

Eldest son John married Grace Rice 1800-82 in Lamerton on the 1 April 1824. They had five children: Mary Kinsman 1824-24; John 1825-1925; a second Mary Kinsman, born 1828; William 1835-81 and Valentine Joseph 1842-59. Only daughter, Anne Jane married Edward Kinsman Rice 1807-87 on 5 April 1830 in Lamerton. Their son Edward Kinsman Rice was born in 1847 and went on to marry Mary Margaret Hatch Rice, *whose story is told under Rice in 1911 People*.

William, baptised on 22 September 1805, married Mary Rice 1820-73 in Milton Abbot on 18 April 1842. Their son, also named **William**, was born in mid 1845. In 1861 the family was living at West Lyle, Lamerton farming 14 acres, not far from Edmund Powell and his family at Broom Park, a farm of 18 acres. Both of his parents died early in 1873, Mary's death, aged 52, was registered in the first quarter, and William at the age of 68, soon after, in the same quarter as the wedding. By 1871 they were farming 10 acres. On 20 March 1873 he was a clerk when he married Elizabeth Ann Vigers 1852-1901. By 1881 he was farming at West Lyall, a 308 acre farm, with the help of four men and a boy. By 1891 he had become an auctioneer and they were living at Mount Pleasant in Wastor, near Rossmoyne. By 1901, their circumstances had changed. They were living at 4 Pearson Avenue, Plymouth, sharing a house with a cab proprietor and his family; William was working as a gardener, not domestic, and Elizabeth was a laundress. Elizabeth died later that year in Plymouth and William died in 1906 also in Plymouth.

57	North Brent	RICE Eliza	Vis			13		Dev Milton Abbot	L
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Eliza RICE was visiting the Powell family in 1851, and was probably related to Mary Powell, nee Rice.

55	North Brent	POWELL Joseph	H	M	47		Farmer of 15acres	Devon Lamerton	L
		POWELL Elizabeth	W	M		40		Devon Lamerton	

Much of Joseph POWELL's story is told in the accounts above. He and Elizabeth are recorded as living in Lamerton at Brentor Cottage or North Brentor throughout their married life in 1851, 1861 and 1871, often with a lodger.

66	North Brent	POWELL Thomas	Nw			9		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	L
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Thomas POWELL was described as the nephew of Mary Southern (com), a widow aged 72, on parish relief, who was living in North Brentor with her daughter Mary Ann Pearse and her son Martin Pearse, aged 2, not far from Edmund Powell. (*see Southcom below*). He was not one of Edmund and Eliza Ward's children, as they had a son named Thomas, five years younger. Nothing more has been found for this Thomas.

12	Stantabridge	PROUT James	H	M	52		Cop Mine Agent	Devon Bere Alston	B
		PROUT Ann	W	M		48		Devon Plympton	
		PROUT Richard	S	U	21		Copper miner	Devon Tavistock	
		PROUT William	S	U	19		Copper miner	Devon Tavistock	
		PROUT Thomas	S	U	17		Copper miner	Devon Tavistock	
		PROUT Abraham	S	U	13		Scholar	Devon Tavistock	
		PROUT Maryann	D			9	Scholar	Devon Brentor	
		PROUT Samuel	S			5	Scholar	Devon Brentor	

James PROUT had married Ann Cruse in Tavistock on 10 January 1823. He was described as a miner and they were living in Bannawell Street, Tavistock when each of their children was baptised: their eldest son James Bennett was baptised on 4 November 1823: John on 22 February 1826; Joseph in 1828; Richard Wendeatt in 1830; William Bennett in 1832; Thomas on 22 October 1834; Maryann in 1836 and Abraham in 1838. The family was living at Stantabridge in 1841 and also included James (*below*), John (*below*) and Joseph aged 10. Maryann and Samuel were born after the 1841 census. Abraham was born in Tavistock, indicating that the move took place between 1838 and 1841.

Just over a year later, James, mine agent, late of Brentor, died at Bagnieres de Luchon in France on 16 May 1852, with his effects of under £200 being granted to Ann, his widow, who was living in Plymouth at the time. In 1861 Ann was living in New House, near the Herring Arms with sons Abraham, a copper miner, and Samuel, a manganese miner. By 1871 she was living at 35 James Street in Charles, Plymouth with son, Samuel, by then a policeman. **Samuel** married Harriet Stone from Ottery St Mary in the summer of 1873 and by 1881 he had been promoted to sargeant and they were living at 12 Constantine Street in Charles. His mother Ann was living a short distance away in the almshouses at 9 Green Street, Charles Cross, established by John Lanyon, ex Lord Mayor and friend of Samuel Pepys. Samuel and Harriet's son *William Thomas* was born only months lafter the census. Ann's death, aged 79, was recorded in the Plymouth area early in 1882, soon after the birth of her grandson. 1891 saw police sargeant Samuel, and his wife and son, living not far away at 37 Baring St, with his brother, Thomas, a grocer's assistant lodging with them. In 1898 Samuel was described as a gentleman

when he was executor for his brother, James (see below). Their address in 1901 was 56 Baring Street and Samuel, aged 55 was retired from the police force, William was a carpenter's apprentice and Thomas continued to live with them. In 1911 William, a joiner in the building trade, was lodging with the Harvey family in their substantial home, Park House at 36 Albany Road in Redruth, Cornwall. Samuel and Harriet were about 80 years old when they both died in the early months of 1926.

The stories of **James** and **John** are given below. **Joseph** was not with his family in 1851 as he was a miner lodging with his uncle and aunt, William and Mary Cook (probably his mother's sister) at 8 Bannawell Street, Tavistock. In the summer of the following year, he married dressmaker Susannah Walters from Mary Vavy. In 1861 the family was living in Calstock with son Josephus 11 and daughter *Anna Maria* 8. The birth of Susan's son, Josephus preceded the marriage, as he was born Josephus Collins Walters early in 1850 and was included in the 1851 census for Black Down with his grandparents, copper miner, Thomas Walters and his wife Ann, as their son and Susan, their daughter. By 1871 Josephus and Anna Maria had left home and their parents were living in Albaston Road, Calstock where Joseph was an Innkeeper: an occupation he continued to follow at the Tamar Inn, near James Place in Calstock in 1881. He died in Calstock on 30 August 1884, aged 56, leaving £128 10s 6d for his widow, Susan, who continued the family business with the help of her son Josephus. In 1891 they were living at 25 Adit, Calstock, where she was a pub hotel keeper and Josephus, her assistant. He died in 1895 aged 45. In 1872 Anna Maria had married journalist, later author and editor of the Western Morning News, Charles Mutten 1846-1927, with whom she had two children, *Charles George J* 1873-93 and *Winnifred Lillian*, who is likely to have married wholesale grocer, William Ernest Pile, executor for her mother's £2,077 estate when she died on 19 May 1926 and her father's £1,852 on 25 May 1927. Her parents had been living at Fairholme, 12 Leigham Street, Plymouth.

Richard was a blacksmith, lodging at 27 Portland Place, Stoke Damerel in 1861. The following year he married Cornish born housemaid Mary Sleeman, ten years his junior. In 1881 and 1891 the childless couple were living at 31 Pembroke Street, Devonport. Richard was 61 when he died early in 1889. In 1911, Mary was living at 45 Queen Street, Devonport with her 28 year old niece Sarah Ellen Dawe, a general dealer, and she died mid 1915, aged 78.

William travelled to Victoria in Australia in the 1850s, marrying Mary Ann Andrews in 1859. They moved around Victoria during their married life and had nine children between 1861 and 1881: *Mary Ann*, *Fanny Elizabeth* 1863, *William Bennett* 1865, *James Bennett* 1868, *Clara Jane* 1869, *Frances Ada* 1871, *George Thomas* 1874, *Maud Elizabeth* 1876 and *Ernest Andrew* in 1882. William died in 1884, leaving Mary Ann to bring up their children.

Thomas was lodging with widowed grocer Hannah Prout, 43 and her daughter Mary E, 16, in Brook Street, Tavistock in 1861. He was her assistant and she may have been his aunt. In 1871 he was the senior assistant for grocer John Henry Anstis, who lived with his extensive family and many employees at 34 & 35 Fore Street in Devonport. In 1891 and 1901 Thomas was living in Charles, Plymouth with his younger brother, Samuel, the police sargeant, and his family. Thomas died in 1903, aged 68. It has not been possible to find any records of Mary Ann after the 1851 census, unless she died in the Tavistock area mid 1859.

10	Burnlane	PROUT John	H	M	25		Miner	Tavistock, Devon	L
		PROUT Elizabeth	W	M		25		Brentor, Devon	
		PROUT John Abram	S	U	8m			Lamerton, Devon	

John PROUT, the son of James and Ann (above) married Elizabeth Ann Dawe in early 1850 in Stoke Damerel. In 1861 John was working as a schoolmaster and they were living in Lowertown, Brentor with their only child, **John Abram**. John died in the Plymouth area late in 1869 and in 1871, the widowed Elizabeth was living at 6 Armada Street, Charles in Plymouth with son John A, a carpenter. They do not seem to appear in any UK records after that.

67	North Brent	PROUT James B	H	M	27		Copper Miner	Devon Tavistock	L
70	North Brent	PROUT Mary Ann	W	M		22		Devon Lamerton	

Unusually, James B PROUT and his wife Mary Ann, were entered twice on the census. Mary Ann had been Rice (*see Rice stories below*) before her local marriage in the summer of 1848 to James Bennett Prout, the son of James Prout, a mining agent living at Stentabridge (see above). James had some unusual changes of occupation through the course of their fifty year marriage. 1851 copper miner in Brentor: 1861 manganese mine agent at Ford Cottage, Coryton: 1871 solicitor's clerk in Newton Abbot: 1881 manganese miner, Rose Cottage, North Brentor: 1891 2 Gilly's Cottage, retired solicitor's clerk. James was described as an accountant when he died on 21 July 1898, leaving £1,457, with his brother, Samuel, (*see above*) one of the executors, described as gentleman. This enabled Mary to live on her own means, which was what she was doing in 1901, when she was living between the bakery and Winsor House. By 1911, she had moved into Lower Town farm, with her brother, Thomas (*see 1911 People*). She died there on 23 February 1919, aged 90 years.

There were two elderly Thomas Rices living in North Brentor in the **1841** Census. One was a farmer aged 75 living with his wife Grace, also 75, between two John Rices. One of these Johns was a carpenter aged 30, married to Elizabeth with

children Mary 6, Caroline 4 and Dibella 2, who was living at (property 2) Easter Cottage in 1851, who may have been the son of Thomas. The other John (property 72) North Brent, had been born in Peter Tavy, and went to Canada in 1860. Confusingly, Thomas was boarding with him in 1851.

The other Thomas aged 78, was a farmer living at Prescombe with John 34 and Thomas aged 30, in 1841.

13	Burnville Lodge	RICE Elizabeth	Ser	U		30	Domestic Serv	Coryton Devon	L
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Elizabeth RICE, who was working for John and Patience James at Burnville Lodge in 1851, does not appear to have been closely related to any of these Rice families by virtue of her Coryton birth and it has not been possible to trace her in any other census, birth, death or marriage records.

72	North Brent	RICE Thomas	Lod	W	91		Retired farmer	Devon Lamerton	
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Thomas RICE married Grace Kinsman on 10 January 1786 in Lamerton, but there are also Lamerton marriages for a Thomas Rice to Margaret Dingle on 7 March 1783 and to Mary Sleeman on 20 November 1884. Born in about 1764, Grace was the daughter of Edward Kinsman, possibly 1735-70 and his wife, Mary Fuge, who may have been born in Lamerton in 1731. Other research, without supporting records, indicate that they may have had three sons before 1800: Stephen 1791-1852, Thomas 1791- and John 1796-. Other sons attributed to them are William 1804-82, Roger 1804-82 (*see (11) Burnlane below*) and Edward Kinsman 1807-87 (*see (54) North Brent below*) and possibly another John 1810-84. After Grace's death in the summer of 1846, John was a retired farmer lodging with John and Ann Rice at (72) North Brentor in 1851. They are unlikely to have been closely related as young John was the son of a John Rice and had been born in Peter Tavy. It would appear that Thomas died early in either 1852 or 1853.

11	Burnlane	RICE Roger	H	M	47		Carpenter	Brentor, Devon	L
		RICE Ann	W	M		49		Dunterton, Dev	
		RICE Henry	S	U	17		Carpenter	Lamerton, Devon	
		RICE Roger	S	U	16		Carpenter	Lamerton, Devon	
		RICE Jane	D	U		11		Lamerton, Devon	
		RICE Samuel	S	U	5			Lamerton, Devon	

Roger RICE 1804-1882, was a carpenter in 1841 living in Burnlane with his wife Ann Sleeman 1802-58 and their children. They had married in Brentor on 23 July 1829 and had seven children:

Elizabeth, baptised on 20 March 1831, married carpenter Edward Alford 1825-97 of Bridestowe. They lived in Gunnislake throughout their married life and had five children: *William Henry Alford* 1859-1931, a united Methodist Minister who had married Elizabeth Adelaide Evans 1860-1934 in 1896; *Robert Rice Alford* 1860-1923, a general merchant, who married Mary Ellen Parken in 1887 and had four children: Edward N, Stanley P, Elizabeth Frederica and Ellen Mary; *Elizabeth Ann Alford* 1862-76; *Roger Rice Alford* 1868-1964, a merchants clerk, later accountant, in 1891, he married his cousin, Mary Ann Redstone 1870-1904, who had been their housekeeper in 1901, on 2 February 1903, and later, the much younger Effra Denham in 1909, and had a daughter Eldwyth Ruth the following year; and *Frederick Ernest Alford* 1872-1960, an insurance agent in 1891 and accountant in 1901. Husband Edward died in 1897 and Elizabeth in the spring of 1900, aged 69.

William Henry, baptised on 29 April 1832, married Mary Tavy born Thirza Smith 1840-1905, daughter of carpenter William Smith and his wife Mary, early in 1874. By 1881 they were living in Lambeth, London with her sister, Agnes, a governess and brother William a clerk. They continued to live in London through to 1901, moving back to Mary Tavy where Thirza died on 15 May 1905, leaving her personal estate of £182 to her husband. In 1911 William, a retired carpenter, was living with his brother Robert and his wife Elizabeth in Brentor. He died early in 1913 aged 80.

Roger was baptised on 20 April 1834 and lived his whole life in the substantial eight roomed family home in Burnlane with his youngest brother, Samuel. They continued the family carpentry, wheelwright and smithing business, training up many young apprentices and providing a service for Brentor people for over 70 years until his death in 1925.

Daniel Sleeman, baptised on 19 January 1836, was at home in 1841 but in 1851 he and his brother Robert were living with their uncle William Sleeman, who was a farmer with 70 acres in Townlake Village, Sydenham Damerell and in 1861 he was living in Devonport, with another aunt and uncle, a ship joiner in Devonport. In 1862 he married Elizabeth Gill in Tavistock and by 1871 the family had moved to London and were living at 50 Courtland Grove, where he worked as a carpenter. In 1881 they were living at 296 Clapham Road, where he was a master builder employing about 15 men. In 1891 the family was living 17 Studley Road with their six children. In 1901 Daniel and Elizabeth were living in the nine roomed 1 Stanley Villas, where they continued to live in 1911 when he had retired as a builder. They had been married 48 years and had had seven children, of whom we have the details for the surviving six, shown below. Their daughter Ellen Jane by then Philcox was living with them, with her husband Mervyn Bennet and daughter Dulcie Ellen. Daniel died on 6 April 1917 and was buried in the Norwood Cemetery in West Norwood, Lambeth. Their children were:

Frederick Gill 6 August 1866-30 June 1935 was a master builder, knighted for his public service as president of the London Master Builders Association and of the Institute of Public Builders in 1921, Conservative MP for Harwich, from 1924 until stepping down in 1929, and admitted to the Freedom of the City of London in the Worshipful Company of Loriners on 4 July 1927. These records show that he was born at 3 Trinity Terrace, Courboud Grove, Clapham and living at Great Bromley Lodge, Colchester, where he died on 30 June 1935, leaving £163,946.

William Roger 30 August 1868 – 20 January 1948, chose a completely different life path to his father and brothers, as a Wesleyan Methodist Minister. He married Josephine Margaret Mendham in 1898 and they had had no children by 1911. He was living at 5 Herondale Avenue, Wandsworth when he died at 97 Magdalene Road, Wandsworth in 1948, leaving an estate valued at £4,808.

Louise Ann 1871-1940 married her first cousin Brentor born accountant Frederick Roger Hocken Rice, son of Robert and Elizabeth Rice in 1897 (details below).

Elizabeth Florence was born in 1874 and lived with her parents until 1901, and her brother Frederick Gill and his family in Worthing in 1911 and was living at 1 Stanley Villas, Studley Road, Lambeth in 1918-21.

Ellen Jane 26 September 1879-1946 married jeweller Mervyn Bennett Philcox 1882-1960 in the summer of 1906. They had two daughters: Dulcie Ellen 8 September 1908-1981 and Hilda Marion 19 August 1912-2004. Ellen died in 1946 aged 67.

Alfred Daniel Sleeman 1884-1948 was a builder like his father and did exceptionally well, being granted Freedom of the City of London in 1911. He married Katherine Norah Shearman Field in Croydon in 1908 and left £164,594 when he died on 9 November 1948.

Robert, son of Roger and Ann, baptised on 3 September 1837 was living at home in 1841, but in 1851, with his brother Daniel, he was living with their uncle William Sleeman, who was a farmer with 70 acres in Townlake Village, Sydenham Damerell. From 1861 onwards each census shows him in Brentor working as a carpenter. In 1861, with his parents until his marriage on 12 October 1865 to Elizabeth S B Hocken in Lezant, when his residence was given as Lezant. Elizabeth (probably Sleeman Bennett) was the daughter of carpenter William Bennett Hocken 14 December 1811-18 February 1866 and his wife Elizabeth Sleeman 1809-78 of Carthamartha, Lezant. They had two other children, sons William Bennett Hocken 1838-1903 and John Bennett Hocken 1845-1901. Elizabeth may have been a sister or cousin of Robert's mother, Ann Sleeman, as both were Sleemans from Dunterton.

Robert and Elizabeth had three sons *William Henry* born in the summer of 1866, was an ironmonger's assistant living at 56 Sandmere Road in Lambeth with his uncle, also William Henry Rice and his wife, Thirza, (*see above*). Banns for his marriage were called in St Michael's Parish, Lambeth during July 1895 and the marriage to Elizabeth Ann Harris, known as Annie, took place at the Parish Church of Temple on 23 July 1895. Annie was the daughter of farmer Thomas Harris of Temple. After their marriage, the couple were living at 40 Victoria Street, Peckham in 1901, when William continued to work as an ironmonger. By 1911 they were farming at Water Lands, Helland, Bodmin. The census confirmed that at that stage the marriage was childless.

Frederick Roger Hocken was born in 1868 and had moved to London by the autumn of 1897 when he married his cousin, Louise Ann Rice 26 July 1871- 26 June 1940, daughter of his uncle, builder Daniel Sleeman Rice (above). In 1901 they were living at 10 Studley Road, Clapham, where they continued to live throughout their married life. This was probably the same road as his parents, who were living in Stanley Villas. Frederick was a clerk in a public company in 1901 and an accountant in a public liability company, described as a motor cab company in 1911. Their marriage was also described as childless at that stage. Their cousin carpenter Harry Rice Redstone was staying with them then. He was described as 46, married for 19 years, with three of his five children alive at that date. Frederick died in the autumn of 1928 and Louise on 26 June 1940 at 47 Lavender Gardens, Battersea, though her home was still Studley Road. Throughout, they had had lodgers but by 1939, it would appear that the seven roomed house was in use as two flats. Louise left her £403 estate to the care of her brother Alfred Daniel Sleeman Rice.

Youngest son *Samuel John* born in 1883, was substantially younger than his brothers. In 1901 he was a carpenter living at home with his parents, Elizabeth S B and Robert who had been a carpenter, but by then aged 60, was the Post Master. In 1911 they were living in the seven roomed Trebor Cottage in Brentor. Both father and son were described as carpenters and Robert's brother, William Henry (*see above*) was visiting them after the death of his wife, Thirza in 1905. Samuel married Edith Mary Davis in 1915. His mother died in 1922, but it has not been possible to identify his father's death.

Jane Ann, baptised on 12 May 1839, was living at home for each of the early census. In 1861, following the death of her mother, Ann Sleeman in 1858, she was caring for the family as housekeeper. In the summer of 1862 she married carpenter James William Cox Redstone 1840-1924 and moved to Morwellham, where they lived in a four roomed house known as number Four Morwellham. They had four children: Henry Rice Redstone born 1865, Mary Ann Redstone born late 1850, Frederick Redstone born 1875 and James Edwin Redstone born in 1879. James had become a bargeman by 1881, a trade he continued until at least 1911, when he was described as Master of Barge. However, sons William Rice and James Edwin described him as a joiner on their marriage certificates in 1891 and 1902. Jane Ann died on 3 March 1891 aged 51, and the following year James married Tavistock born Elizabeth Ann Nicholls, seventeen years his junior.

They had four children with only three surviving to 1911: *Ethel J*, *William John* and *Lily May*. James was living at 24 West Bridge Cottages when he died in 1924.

Henry Rice Redstone was a carpenter living in Redland, Bristol when he married Louisa Emily Nigh, the daughter of mason Albert Nigh, in her home village of Sandford in Winscombe, on 8 July 1891. He was the cousin staying with Frederick Roger Hocken and Louise Ann Rice (*above*) in Clapham in 1911, while Louisa was a grocer at home in Sandford, with children Louise Minnie 1895-1986, Roger Harry Rice 1903-72 and George Albert born in 1905. Their lodger was Francis Reginald Vincent, a seventeen year old railwayman with the GWR, who seven years later on 10 June 1918 married Louise Minnie. Beatrice Minnie died soon after birth in 1892 and Violet Blanche was five years old when she died in 1904. Harry Rice died in 1920 in Bristol and later that same year on 22 November Louisa, who suffered from some deafness, and George Albert aged 15 sailed from Liverpool for Quebec, destined to work in Grimsby, Ontario. It would appear that Louisa may have just gone for a short stay, leaving George with his aunt and uncle Percy and Amy Sutton in Hamilton, where he was working as an office boy in 1921, as Louisa died in Bristol in 1924. On 21 May 1923 he had crossed into Buffalo, New York but settled in Hamilton, Ontario where on 31 May 1933, working as a clerk, he married Florence Alberta Creelman and was living there in 1972 when he was retired. His brother Roger Harry, known as Harry, had married Rachel E Ferdig in Michigan on 3 November 1927. He died in Alhambra, Los Angeles on 30 June 1972. Louisa Minnie was 90 when she died in Weston Super Mare on 9 June 1986.

Samuel, with his older brother Roger lived his whole life in the substantial eight roomed family home in Burnlane, continuing the family carpentry, wheel wright and smithing business, training up many young apprentices and providing a service for Brentor people for over 70 years until his death in 1933.

54	North Brent	RICE Edward	H	M	45		Shoemaker	Devon Lamerton	L
		RICE Mary Jane	W	M		40		Devon Lamerton	
		RICE Edward	S		4		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	

Edward Kinsman RICE 1808-87 was another of the sons of Thomas Rice and Grace Kinsman. On 5 April 1830, he married Anne Jane Powell, sometimes named as Mary Jane 1811-73, in Lamerton. Edward was a shoemaker, living in North Brentor in 1841 with his wife, named as Anne and two elderly ladies: Mary Kinsman 70, possibly his mother's sister and Elizabeth Symons aged 75. They had only the one son, also Edward Kinsman born early in 1847, making their family complete in the 1851 census. In 1861 the census shows that they were living in one of the Gill's Cottages, and as well as being a shoemaker, Edward was described as a Bible Christian Local Preacher. In 1871 he had given up shoemaking and was farming 27 acres. Their son **Edward Kinsman** 1847-99 was a butcher and, with his wife, continued to live with his parents. He had married Mary Margaret Hatch Rice 1848-1924, in Okehampton in the previous few months. Born in Bratton Clovelly, she was the daughter of farmer John 1807-66 and Alice Rice of Boasley. Altogether young Edward and Margaret Mary had ten children, with only six surviving until the 1911 census.

Mary Jane Rice died on 19 December 1873 and her husband Edward continued to live with his son and daughter-in-law at Gilles Cottage. By 1881 he had retired and young Edward had taken over as butcher and farmer of 37 acres. It was probably a noisy household with six children under ten and the youngest, Frederick James only two weeks old, which was probably why widowed nurse Mary Hartop was in residence. Edward Kinsman senior died on 26 March 1887 and his son, also Edward Kinsman died at Gill House on 28 December 1899. Mary Margaret Hatch Rice died on 7 August 1924 at Digbys, Exeter. Her £1,555 estate was administered by Richard Burden (her son in law) and Richard Voaden, also a farmer, probably from North Russell, Sourton.

We have details for eight of the children of Edward Kinsman and Margaret Mary:

Alice Annie 1872-1949 was born on 14 January 1872. In 1881 she was living at home in Gill House, Brentor and in 1891 was visiting Yorkshire born schoolmaster William Barker and his wife, sewing mistress Cassandra. and their daughter Florence. in Whitestone, Devon. In 1901 Alice was living in Lewdown, a housekeeper for her brother, butcher William Joseph, and early in 1902 she married farmer Richard Burden. In 1911 they were farming at Staddon, Lew Down, having been married nine years without children. When Mary Margaret Hatch Rice died on 7 August 1924 at Digbys, Exeter. Probate for her £1,555 estate was granted to her son in law, Richard Burden.

By 1939, Richard had retired and they had moved to The Retreat in Brentor. Alice continued to live at The Retreat until her death, aged 77, in Horrabridge on 28 January 1949. Although she was described as the wife of Richard Burden (by this time 82), probate for her £361 estate was granted to her youngest brother Stanley Russell Rice, a retired butcher. Richard died on 29 December 1950 at Catchfrench, Trerulfoot in Saltash although his home continued to be the Retreat. Probate for his £4,079 estate was granted to William Burden, farmer (perhaps his nephew) and Stanley Russell Rice, his brother-in-law, by then described as a cattle grader.

Jessie Jane, born in May 1874-1954 lived at home in Gill House, probably until her marriage to carpenter Richard John Crocker early in 1906. Born in Millom, Cumberland, he was the son of iron miner Joseph Crocker and his wife, Mary Jane, both originally from Mary Tavy. In April 1911 Jessie, Richard and their only child, Alice Dorothy Mary, born in December 1906, were living at Nutshell in Brentor. Within weeks they had moved to Canada, leaving Avonmouth on the Royal

Edward, and arriving in Quebec on 10 May 191, destined for Summerland, British Columbia. Richard gave his occupation as mine overseer and had planned to do the same in Canada. Their religion was given as C of E. When the Canadian census was taken on 1 June 1911, however, they were living at 1306 2nd Avenue in Calgary, Alberta, where they were recorded as new arrivals, with Richard, known as Jack, being a carpenter in housebuilding. Jack enlisted for overseas duty in WWI on November 3, 1915, in Calgary, joining the 8th Field Ambulance. He had previously served with the military in India, having been in the KGF Volunteers for nine years (Kolar Gold Fields Battalion). He was described as being a Methodist, 5'7" tall with dark brown hair and grey eyes. During his service he worked as an orderly or room clerk and became a Christian Scientist, though the 1916 census describes him as Presbyterian. They were living at 413 15th Street a few doors down from her brother William Joseph and his family at number 423.

An account of his life indicates "Upon coming to Calgary, Mr. Crocker first worked in a butcher shop, and later owned a confectionery business, located where the Eaton's store building is now, on 4th Street and 8th Avenue S.W. After the war, the family moved to Crossfield, where Jack was the Alberta Government Telephone agent. Jack and Jessie were very interested in music, and Jessie won many awards over the years as a vocal soloist. Their daughter, Dorothy married Glyn Jones". *Some of the source material came from the Crocker family story in "Prairie Sod and Goldenrod."* Their 1921 census entry indicates that they were living rent free in a single house plastered with limewash, which presumably came with his job as an operator in the telegraph office. Census returns consistently gave Jessie's date of birth as 1879, which was closer to Jack's. Alice D M Crocker married William G Jones, known as Glyn, in Calgary in 1929. Jessie died on 3 November 1954 and was buried in the Burnsland Cemetery in Calgary, not far from her husband, Jack. When he died on 13 May 1941 Sgt Richard Crocker had been awarded a military gravestone in recognition of his service.

Edward John, born 12 April 1876, was living at home in 1891 earning a living as an ironmonger's apprentice, an occupation he continued to follow in 1901 when he was in Derby, lodging with Miss Millicent Lawley at 67 Otter Street. In 1911, probably before the census in April, he went to Canada, where he was lodging with his sister Jessie Jane and her husband Jack, though he had not travelled on the same ship as them. He continued to follow his trade working in a hardware shop as a clerk. After that it has not been possible to identify him. The burial of a John Edward Rice was recorded in Calgary at the Union Cemetery in 1922 but he may have returned to England and was a butcher, living in Benow Park Road, Plymouth with his wife, Bertha J born 20 October 1887 and he died in 1942 aged 65.

William Joseph born in 1877 was a butcher living in Lewdown with his sister Alice as his housekeeper in 1901. He married Broadwoodwidge born Betsy or Bessie Rockey Doidge 1881-1965 in the summer of 1903 and they had one daughter Gwendoline Harriet M born in Lewdown in 1905. They emigrated to Canada, landing in St Johns on 13 April 1912 and the 1916 Census shows them living in Calgary at number 423 15th Street a few doors away from his sister Jessie Jane and her family at 413. They were living in Calgary when they returned to England with daughter Gwendoline to visit friends from 28 July 1920 to 22 June 1921. In July 1931, the year after her marriage, Gwen and her mother Betsy returned to Devon until 6 September 1931 when they arrived back in Quebec. Gwendoline had married book keeper William Stenhouse 1896-1943 in 1930. A keen footballer, he had been born in Bathgate, West Lothian, Scotland and had travelled to Canada as a coal miner in 1920 to join his brother. By 1921 he and his brother were living with their parents in Alberta. He died after a long illness, which had started with the football injury that had finished his footballing career some time before. He had not been able to work for six months before he died on 27 July 1943, at 423 Eleven A Street, Calgary, leaving his wife Gwen to raise their daughter. Electoral registers in 1949 show Mrs Gwen Stenhouse, a clerk, living with her parents at their home, 1648 Broadview Road. Phone records indicate that she continued to live at various addresses in Calgary from 1995-2002. William and Betsy continued to live in Broadview Road after his retirement. William died on 11 December 1966, the year after Bessie, and they were buried in Queen's Park Cemetery, Calgary.

Albert Henry, known as Harry, 1879-1906, married Amy Elizabeth Squire, who had been born in Brentor on 12 October 1878. He had travelled to Headingley, Leeds, where Amy was living at the time, to marry her at St Michael's Church on 30 January 1901. The witnesses at the ceremony were her brother William George Squire, who lived in Leeds, and her sister 'Minnie' Mary Maria later Castle (*see 1911 people*). The 1901 census shows them living in a cottage near the Post Office. He was a butcher working from home. Their son Edward Kinsman was born in 1903. Sadly, Albert Harry died on 17 November 1906 aged just 28, leaving an estate of £37. In 1911, Amy and her son, Edward, were living with her mother, Anne Squire, and her sisters Anne Terrell Squire and Mary Maria Castle at Bonnaford Farm. In 1939 she was living at Bearwood in Brentor, the home of her sister, retired confectioner, 'Minnie' Mary M Castle and her brother retired farmer, James E Squire. Amy was described as housekeeper. Amy Elizabeth died in 1949. A will exists for an Edward Kinsman Rice of Station Road, Brentor, Tavistock who died on 16 March 1927. Probate was granted to Elizabeth Ann Russell widow for his £309 estate but no death certificate can be found to support this. There are no other records for their son, Edward Kinsman, so it is possible he may have travelled to Canada, following other family members.

Fred Kinsman was listed at two weeks old, as Frederick James in the 1881 census, but when his birth was registered his first name was shortened and second name changed! In 1901 he was still living at home and working as a butcher. Like his brother William he may have emigrated as there are no further records but it is more likely that with Mary's record of only six children still alive, that he had died by 1911.

Albert Harry 1878-1906 was a butcher, like so many in his family. He was the husband of Amy Elizabeth Squire and father of Edward Kinsman Rice (More details in 1911 People under Amy Elizabeth Rice at property 32, Bonnaford Farm. *Ewart Sydney* 1888-1978 was born on 11 February 1888 and still living at home in 1911. He was recorded as farming at Beechcombe Farm from 1923 until 1939 when the Register shows him living there as a stock and dairy farmer with his wife, Helen Mary born 31 May 1897. Between 1944 and 1956 he was at Harewood, Peter Tavy and from 1956 to 1958 at Hill Town Farm, also Peter Tavy. In 1958 he travelled to Canada, probably a retirement trip to visit his brother, William Joseph. He returned on 30 September 1958 on the EMPRESS OF ENGLAND leaving from Montreal and arriving at Liverpool. He gave his age as 70 and occupation as retired farmer. His death was registered in Tiverton in 1978, though his will for his £33,129 estate, describes him as living at Exhurst Manor in Staplehurst, Kent. In 1911, as a butcher, he was initiated into the Bedford Freemasonry Lodge in Tavistock, which at that time met at the Freemason's Hall in Barley Market Street.

Stanley Russell was born on 18 June 1891 and was a butcher living at home in 1911. He travelled to Canada on 28 October 1912, six months after his sister Jessie Jane and brother William Joseph. He gave his mother as his next of kin and indicated that he was travelling to Calgary. He returned and married Mary Ellen Sandercock 1881-1964 of Chaddlehanger in 1923, in Plymouth. In 1939 Stanley was still a butcher and they were living in Gill House, his family home from the 1870s. Mary Ellen died on 1 September 1964, when they were living at Lyndhurst in Whitchurch Road, Tavistock. Stanley, retired butcher, was one of the executors for her £21,779 estate. Stanley died on 26 November 1971 aged 80, leaving £33,686.

2	Easter Cottage	RICE John	H	M	41		Carpenter	Lamerton, Devon	L
		RICE Elizabeth	W	M		40		Lamerton, Devon	
		RICE William	S	U	7			Lamerton, Devon	
		RICE Catherine	D	U		4		Lamerton, Devon	
15	Wastor	RICE Mary	Ser	U		15	Farm Servant	Lamerton Devon	L
15	Wastor	RICE Diabella	Ser	U		11	Farm servant	Lamerton Devon	

John RICE was born in about 1810. He may have been the son of farmer Thomas Rice and his wife Grace Kinsman, given that he was living next door to them in 1841 and 1851 and the frequent family occupation of carpentry. John and Elizabeth, known as Betsy, were married by 28 July 1835 when their eldest daughter, Mary was baptised in Brentor. Their daughter, the unusually named Diabella Cowling, born on 25 March 1839, was baptised on 26 March 1839. Another daughter, **Caroline** was recorded, aged 4, in the 1841 census, when they were living next door to Robert and Joanna Cowling, perhaps Betsy's brother, but no other records can be identified for Caroline. Mary and Diabella were working on farmer Joseph Willcock's farm at Wastor in 1851. **William** born 1844 and **Catherine** born 1847, continued to live with their parents in 1861. Interestingly, Catherine was still a scholar at the age of 15, an age when both her sisters had left home and were working elsewhere. This may have been a sign of improved affluence. By 1871 John and Betsy had moved to Ashburton, where they were living at North Street. Catherine was working as a domestic servant for the recently widowed Wesleyan Minister Joseph R Warburton, who was living in West Street with his six month old son, in the care of his sister in law.

Their daughter **Mary** had married Exmouth born labourer Henry G Gibbs in about 1865. In 1881 she was living with her parents in Ashburton, perhaps caring for them, while Henry was in lodgings in Chapel Street, Littleham where he was working as a mason's labourer. John died in 1884 and Betsy in 1889. Mary and Henry continued to live in Ashburton at Druids Cottage, when he was working as an agricultural labourer and she was a caretaker. Their next move was to Plymouth by 1891 where they lived at 50 Harwell Street, Plymouth and then to 10 South Street in Exmouth.

Daughter **Diabella Cowling** married labourer Richard Rich 1840-1920 early in 1861. He was the son of labourer Richard and Grace of Chaddlehanger. In 1861 the young couple were living in Brook St, Tavistock with his widowed father. Their children were *William Coombe*, born 21 November 1861 and died on 31 August 1939; *Hannah Coombe* 21 March 1863-23 June 1945, who married John Charles Coad on 9 February 1887; *Henry* 1866 and *Alfred* 11 May 1868-1 October 1951, who were all born in England. Soon after Alfred was born the family moved to Mariposa, Victoria, South Ontario, where Richard was working as a labourer when their son *Richard John*, known as John, was born on 3 November 1870. He died on 17 April 1955. By the time of the 1871 census, Richard was a farmer. Then came their sons: *James Coombe* 7 April 1872-1959; *Charles or Charley*, 15 August 1874-1961, who married Lillian Wickett on 22 February 1905; *Wesley Thomas*, 5 April 1876-1963, was a physician aged 32 when he married Blanche E Webster on 24 June 1908, and *George Edgar* known as *Eddie* and later assumed to be *Edward* born 23 November 1879-19 November 1951. Henry was a farmer, a member of the Salvation Army and had been suffering from consumption for two years when he died on 15 January 1891, aged 24. Alfred was a farmer aged 27 when he married Isabella Thompson on 4 June 1895.

Diabella died on 4 April 1923 and her obituary tells us that her sons William, Alfred, John, James, Charles and Edward were farmers with adjacent farms in Mariposa and son Dr Wesley Rich and his sister Hannah Coad were living in nearby Lindsay, Ontario.

The sad news reached town last evening that Mrs. Richard Rich of Mariposa Station, who was reported yesterday to be in a very critical condition, had passed away at the homestead, Mariposa Station. The late Mrs. Rich was in advanced years and the end was hastened by an attack of pneumonia. Her death is keenly regretted by the whole countryside. Everyone knew and respected her and she had hosts of friends. Mrs Rich, who was predeceased by her husband just three years ago, came to Canada from Devonshire, England, and has spent practically all her life in Mariposa district. The funeral will leave her late residence, Lot 16, Con 7 on Thursday, Apr. 15, at 2:PM and proceed to Little Britain Christian Church for service, thence to the Christian Cemetery for interment.

4	Easter Place	RICE William	H	M			Blacksmith	Lamerton, Devon	L
		RICE Grace	W	M		55	Blacksmith wife	Brentor, Devon	
		RICE William	S	U	18		Blacksmith	Lamerton, Devon	
		RICE Edward	S	U	14			Lamerton, Devon	

William RICE 1804-1882, probably the son of Thomas Rice and Grace Kinsman, married Anne Rice 1802-39 in Lamerton on 17 November 1826. They had four children Thomas Blatchford 1827-1912, Mary Ann 1829-1919 William 1833- and Edward Kinsman 1836-1927 who were all recorded in the 1841 census, as living with their father in North Brentor, after the death of their mother in 1839. William married Grace Ash Coram, 22 January 1797-1864, in the spring of 1844 in Exeter.

As Grace Ash, she had married William Coram on 31 March 1817. The seven children from this first marriage were: Grace baptised 2 September 1817; William, 15 December 1818; Hannah, 5 October 1820; John. 24 September 1822; Catherine, 14 July 1825; Elizabeth, 6 December 1827 and James on 4 April 1834. She was a neighbouring widow living in North Brentor with four of her children John, Catherine, Elizabeth and James in 1841. James continued to live with her in 1851 (see James Coram below). Her daughter Catherine, married Grace's stepson, Thomas Rice (see Thomas Blatchford Rice below). In 1871 William Rice was living at Lower Town, with his grandson, Thomas Henry Rice, son of Thomas Blatchford Rice, who was living and working with him on the 33 acre farm. In 1873, many years after Grace's death, William, by then 69, married the much younger Martha Sargent/Parish born in 1822. William died on 12 May 1882, aged 78, leaving £601, with probate granted to his son, farmer Thomas, the sole executor.

Thomas Blatchford had married Catherine Coram 1825-95 in East Stonehouse in the autumn of 1848. She was the daughter of his stepmother, Grace Ash Coram. They had two children: *William Edwin* 1849-1919, who followed Thomas's father's trade as a blacksmith, moving to Canada by 1890, and *Thomas Henry* 1854-1929 of Pulborough, Lydford, miller, farmer and general merchant. (See more of their story below under Thomas Blatchford Rice.)

Mary Ann 1829-1919 married James Bennett Prout 1824-98 in 1848. (See James B Prout entry above). In 1901, after his death in July 1898, she was living in one of the houses between the bakery and Winsor House. By 1911, she had moved into Lower Town farm, with her brother, Thomas. She died there on 23 February 1919 aged 90.

William 1833-1915 married South Molton born Ann Woolacott late in 1863 in Newton Abbott, possibly in Ashburton, which is where they were living when their daughter *Ellen Rosa* was born in 1864: she went on to become a dressmaker and in 1893 she married life insurance agent William Henry Dobson and had four children by 1911, Florence May 1900-18, Hilda Beatrice 1901-91, Cedric 1904- and Lillian Queen 1907-86. When Ellen died on 11 March 1921, she was living at 30 Wellington Street and left her £155 to her husband.

William and Ann had moved to Millom in Cumberland some time between 1864 and 1868 when daughter *Selina Sophia* was the first of their children to be born there on 12 March 1868. She lived with her parents throughout: in 1871 and 1881 at Mains Gate and from 1891 through to 1911, or possibly 1915, at 15 Steel Green. After the death of her mother in 1902, she was caring for her blacksmith father, William, who by 1911 had retired and at his death on 30 January 1915 at 15 Steel Green, she was executor for his £616 estate. She was living at 41 Wellington Street in 1939 and it was there that she died on 24 August 1947, leaving her brother, retired blacksmith William to administer her £11,638 estate.

William and Ann's son, *William*, baptised on 10 February 1870, married Charlotte Hannah Vincent early in 1902 and by 1911 they were living at 8 Devonshire, Millom and had three children: William Edward 1902-, Dorothy 1906- and Audrey Emmeline 1910-. William died in 1952. *Edwin* was born in 1871 and was living at home in 1891, working in the mines. *Frederick*, baptised on 27 November 1874, was a fitter living at home in 1901. He died on 26 July 1937. Born early in 1877, *Albert* was an iron ore miner living at home in 1901. He was living at 41 Wellington Street, Millom, possibly with his sister, Selina, when he died on 11 May 1934, leaving £2,962 to her care.

Youngest son blacksmith *Charles Ernest* was born late in 1879. His address was given as 41 Wellington Street, Millom when he died on 20 August 1915 in Germiston, Johnnaesburg, leaving his £448 effects to the care of his sister, Selina.

Edward Kinsman 1836-1927, the youngest son of blacksmith William Rice, and his wife Ann, was under five when his mother died in 1839. His father married again in 1844, when Edward was eight, to Grace Coram, a neighbouring widow, with a son, James, close in age to Edward.

In 1861, Edward, his wife Melinda Crees and their one year old daughter *Elizabeth Ann* were living in her home town of Ashburton, where his niece Ellen Rosa, daughter of his brother William and his wife Ann, was born in 1864. 1871 brought

great changes to the family as they had moved to Millom in Cumberland, where they were living not far from his brother William and his family. Edward continued to work as a blacksmith, with their address of Mains or Mines Gate indicating that it was at a mine, possibly with his brother. In 1891 the brothers were living next door to each other at 16 Steel Green By 1881, their daughter Elizabeth Ann had married Joseph Russell, a local time keeper and they had a small son, James E, born 1880. By 1901 Edward and Melinda had returned to Brentor where they were living in a cottage near the Post Office. By 1911 Edward had retired. Melinda died in 1919. Edward was living in Station Road when he died on 16 March 1927 aged 90, leaving an estate of £309 to the care of his daughter, Elizabeth Ann, who had been widowed by that time.

4	Easter Place	CORAM James	SL	U	16		Labourer	Lamerton, Devon	L
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James CORAM was the youngest of Grace Rice's seven children from her first marriage. As Grace Ash, she had married William Coram on 31 March 1817. Their children were: Grace baptised 2 September 1817, William 15 December 1818, Hannah 5 October 1820, John 24 September 1822, Catherine 14 July 1825, Elizabeth 6 December 1827 and James 4 April 1834. Grace was living with John 15, Catherine 15, Eliza 13 and James 7 in Brentor in 1841. William and Edward Rice were the sons of William Rice from his previous marriage.

In 1861 James was visiting Park? House where his sister Elizabeth, was living with her husband, George Squire. The following year, James married Eliza Eastcott, the daughter of William and Susannah Eastcott. She was born in Kelly in 1839 and in 1841 and 1851, she was living with her parents, and later her younger siblings: William, John and Ann at Meadwell, Kelly, where William was described as a yeoman with a 133 acre farm, employing three labourers. By 1861 the Eastcott family, by then including Henry aged 5, had moved to Woodmanswell, a 95 acre farm in Brentor. Sadly, Eliza died in 1870, aged 30, leaving James a widower in the 1871 census, farming 12 acres with 4 acres of woods, with two small daughters: Edith 5 and **Susanna Elizabeth 2**.

On 9 October 1873 James sailed with his daughters to Quebec, intending to farm in Beauneville. The 1880 census confirms that he was with his daughters, farming in Durham, West Ontario. Sadly, tragedy struck the family again after they had moved to the United States. A report in the Daily Yellowstone in Miles City, Montana on 29 January 1890 tells us "*Miss Susie Coram, of Glendive, died of pneumonia yesterday morning at 3 o'clock at the Convent, where she had been attending school. This disease was brought on by a severe attack of la grippe, the duration of her sickness being less than one week. The young lady came to the city at the beginning of September term and was a very studious scholar and will be greatly missed by her schoolmates and teachers. She was 21 years old and her father is living in Glendive.*"

By the time of Susie's death, her sister **Edith** was married to John Jay Southwick 1856-1950, with whom she had four children: *Hulda Ann* 1887-1969, *Irene* 1893-1986, *Lucy* 1898-1923 and *Richard* 1902-1973. James was still living in Glendive, Montana when he died on 28 October 1896. Administration for his will for his English estate to the value of £1,286 was granted two years later to George Henry Ellery Randle, solicitor, the attorney of John Jay Southwick. Edith was living in Hamilton, Montana when she died on 14 September 1919.

60	North Brent	RICE Thomas	H	M	23		Blacksmith	Devon Lamerton	L
		RICE Catherine	W	M		25		Devon Lamerton	
		RICE Edwin	S		1			Devon Lamerton	

Thomas Blatchford RICE 1827-1912 was the son of William Rice of Easter Place (see 4 above) and married Catherine Coram 1825-95 in East Stonehouse in the autumn of 1848. She was the daughter of his stepmother, Grace Ash Coram. They had two children: William Edwin 1849-1919, who followed Thomas's father's trade as a blacksmith, moving to Canada in 1861, and Thomas Henry 1854-1929 of Pulborough, Lydford, miller, farmer and general merchant.

Thomas and Catherine's forty seven year marriage ended with her death in 1895. Thomas married again in 1906, to Grace Pearse, who, nearly 30 years younger, had been described as his servant in 1901. Her parents were farmer Thomas and Mary Pearse of Leathertor Farm in Buckland. As a young, newly married man in 1851, Thomas Blatchford had been a blacksmith, living in the village initially and then in what was named Rice's Tenement in 1861. In 1871 Thomas had become a farmer and the family lived in Westford Cottage, Mary Tavy. Their final move was to his father's farm Lower Town, Brentor where he stayed for the rest of his life, dying in 1912. Grace died in 1938.

Blacksmith **William Edwin**, known as **Edwin**, according to the Canadian 1911 Census, arrived in Canada in 1861, this is unlikely as, at age 11, he was living at home with his parents, who continued to live in Brentor. He married Mary Ann Lucas 1862-1918 on 24 December 1890. Thirteen years his junior, she was of Irish descent, the daughter of builder William James Lucas and his wife Martha. Although 41 at the time of the marriage, Edwin gave his age as 36, and 28 year old Mary Ann as being 30. We can see that numbers weren't his strong point. Living in London, Middlesex, Ontario throughout, they had two children: Catherine Edwina, known as Edwina, born on 7 June 1892 and Pearl Irene born 20 October 1894. Mary Ann died of pneumonia on 29 November 1918 aged 56 and Edwin on 24 September 1919, of chronic heart trouble.

Edwina married widowed machinist Daniel Polci 1887-1958 on 24 February 1920, with both giving their religion as Catholic. Daniel's children from his first marriage included Pauline, Luigi 1909-98 and Joseph 1918-78 and their joint children were Loretta Joan 1921-2011 and Daniel Orville 1924-2001. Edwina died in London, Ontario in 1975.

Pearl married her first husband, book-keeper William John Anderson, born 25 May 1891, in Detroit Michigan on 20 October 1912 and their son Hughes was born in 1915. They were living at 648 Princess Ave. London, Ontario when William went overseas, serving in the 7th Regiment in World War I. Pearl divorced William after he returned from World War I, on the grounds of extreme cruelty and misconduct. The petition, filled on 15 September 1923 and not contested, was granted on 29 January 1924, during which time her son had to live with his grandparents.

After divorcing William, she married Edwin Alfred Harris 1894-1925 on 2 February 1924. He had come to Michigan from New Zealand. Their daughter, Margaret Claire later Arrandale, was born on 28 November 1924 and sadly Edwin died on 19 July 1925.

She then met and married John Joseph Newell 1901-86 on 10 February 1926 in Essex, Ontario and they had a daughter Frances Jane 29 September 1929-2002. Irene died on 11 December 1962 in Royal Oak, Michigan.

Thomas Henry was born on 8 September 1854 and was living at home with his parents in 1861 and working as an agricultural labourer for his grandfather William Rice at Lower Town Farm in 1871. In the summer of 1877 he married Jane Elizabeth Chubb 1857-1931, the daughter of farmer George Chubb 1822-1909 and his wife Elizabeth 1824-1901 (see the Chubb story above). In 1881 the young couple were living with their eldest daughters at Lydford Mill, where Thomas was described as a corn miller. Ten years later when they were living in the village of Lydford he was a farmer as well as a miller. By 1911 they were living at Pulborough, which was described as being at Lydford via Bridestowe, when he was a farmer and general merchant, with most of the family working on the farm. Henry died at Pulborough Farm on 1 January 1929, leaving an estate of £8,066 for which probate was granted to his son William Edwin, a fruiterer. His wife, Jane was incapacitated and living in Torquay at a house called Airdrie, with daughters Alice, Amy and Jesssie and one other person at the time of the 1939 registration. She died in the summer of 1940 in Torquay.

Thomas and Jane had eight children altogether, seven of whom lived to adulthood. They were Alice Rose 1879-1966, Amy 1850-1965, William Edwin 1881-1967, Jessie 1884-1968, Laura 1887-1974, Thomas Henry 1891-1955 and Beatrice Clara 1893-1985

Alice Rose, born on 9 April 1879, was the only child not at home at the time of the 1901 census, as she was a cashier working for chemist and grocer Seth Harry, and living with his family in Fore Street, Okehampton. In 1911, she was at Pulborough, working as a laundry clerk. The next record is of her living at Airdrie, a house in Torquay sharing running the house and caring for her incapacitated mother, Jane, with her sister, Amy. She was living at 24 Thorne Park Road in Torquay when she died on 6 December 1966, leaving £13,111. Probate was granted to her sister, Laura, and a solicitor.

Amy, born on 3 August 1880, was living with her family at each of the census, helping on the farm before moving with her mother and sisters to Torquay. She was living at 24 Thorne Park Road, Torquay but died at 3 Keysfield Road, Paignton, on 14 February 1965. This was later the home of her sister Beatrice, when she died in 1985, though her husband Billie, was living at The Pines when he died. Probate for her £19,216 estate was granted to her sister Laura and William John Allan Stuart, a customs officer, her brother-in-law, husband of her younger sister, Beatrice.

Family research indicates that *William Edwin* was married to Maud Reid, later Carey 1891-1977. Born in Dublin on 2 April 1891, her father Wallace Reid was a serjeant in the Royal Engineers, stationed at The Curragh. She was baptised in her mother Mary Jane's home parish of All Saints, Gloucester on 17 June 1891. Her sister Vida was born the following year in Gloucester and brother, also Wallace, later in Kent. Mary Jane, Maud and Wallace were living in Gillingham Kent in 1901. By 1910 the family were living in Singapore, when Maud married Company QSM Henry Sidney Carey 1882-1917 in St Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore. Each of their children was born in a different place, indicating the difficulties of army life. Vida on 24 November 1910 in Singapore, Henry Sidney in India in 1912, Constance Mary on 1 February 1914 in Devonport, George Edward on 7 June 1916 in Plymouth and Maud, after her father's death, on 29 June 1918 in Tavistock. Serving in the 4th Battalion of the Middlesex Regiment, Henry was killed in action in France or Belgium on 22 December 1917.

A memory told to Patrick Haughton by his mother Connie when she was 93:

Constance Mary Carey (my mother Connie Haughton), who was just under 4 yrs old at the time, remembers sitting on his knee pulling his moustache during his last leave. The family were living in a cottage adjacent to the Vicarage in Lydford, Devon where Company Quartermaster Sergeant Henry Carey spent his last leave. They accompanied him to Lydford Railway Station to see him off. She remembers him kissing them all before getting on the train – apparently, he was leaning out of the carriage doorway waving as the train went round the bend and they were worried he might fall out. By a curious coincidence the cart which took them to and from the station was driven by William E Rice, who later married the widowed Maud Carey.

William and Maud had three children: Sybil Pearl 22 August 1920-1977 later Godlieb, who went to Australia, Betty Lois 14 August 1921-2005 later Ottley and William Edwin 14 December 1923-2003, all of whom were born in Plymouth. Betty Lois Rice, told her family in a letter, that grandfather Thomas Henry Rice told her that the family originally came from Cumberland and there were three sons. All came down in the 17th 18th century - (*this dating is inaccurate as first UK railway*

was 1825 and local Lydford lines were constructed forty years later) when the mines failed in Cumberland; they came down with the railways to Devon/Cornwall borders. (Interestingly, after 1851 many Brentor people went to Millom in Cumberland to work in the mines, probably because of local mine closures)

William was described as a fruiterer when probate was granted for his father's will in 1929. In 1939 he was a farmer when they were living at Pulborough, Lydford, William was living at Tanglin, Peter Tavy when he died at Tavistock Hospital on 9 May 1967, leaving £6,361. Probate was granted to his widow, Maud, his stepson Henry Sidney Carey, a civil servant, and his son William Edwin Rice, a quantity surveyor. Maud was living at 39 Medar House, Bevan Road, Barnstaple when she died on 26 March 1977, leaving £5,143. William Edwin and his beloved wife, Maud, are commemorated on Thomas Henry's gravestone.

Jessie, born on 12 October 1884, married Bristol born Harold Cecil Gregory 1885-1970 in the summer of 1919. The 1939 registration indicates that they had retired as hotel proprietors, were living at 146 Redland Road in Bristol and helping in the war effort as members of the ARP. She died in mid 1969. Harold was living at the Upper Flat of La Ronde, Priory Road, St Marychurch, Torquay when he died on 8 November 1970, leaving £19,029.

Laura, born on 23 January 1887, was described as a school teacher, aged 14 in the 1901 census and in 1911 was an elementary school teacher in a Devon County Council school, elsewhere in Devon, as she was boarding with Elizabeth Mortimer in Jericho Street, Thorverton, Devon. In 1939, whilst living with her mother and sisters in Airdrie, Torquay, she continued to work as a teacher. Probate was granted to her for both Alice and Amy's estates. When she died on 12 January 1975, it was confirmed that the house she and her sisters and mother had lived in, Airdrie, was at 24 Thorne Park Road in Torquay. She left £61,121.

Thomas Henry's first census was on 5 April 1891, when three days old, he was named Baby Rice. At home in Lydford in 1901, he attended Tavistock Grammar School and was a bank clerk in lodgings at 29 East Street, South Molton in 1911. It was there at St Mary Magdalene Church that he married Mary Helen Robertson 1884-1956, known as May, on 16 December 1915. Harry served in the Wessex Field Ambulance in the Royal Army Medical Corps between 1916-18, which included serving on the Somme, in the third battle of Ypres. His family has a collection of his postcards and letters sent to his beloved wife. Both of their children were born in South Molton: their son Geoffrey Henry Robertson was born on 7 January 1920 and their daughter Sheila MR in late 1921. Sadly, Sheila contracted peritonitis and died when only a few months old. From the 1930s Harry was a bank manager and in 1939 was living at 23 Walpole St, Twickenham with his wife May, who had been born on 31 March 1884 in St Pancras, and her sister Nora Sarah Robertson, a bank clerk. Both Harry and May were still living at 23 Walpole Street when they died. Unusually, Harry's death was recorded as being in a railway carriage between Twickenham and Waterloo Stations, as he died of a heart attack when on his way to St Thomas' Hospital in London. He left £11,143 and probate was granted to his sister-in-law Nora and son Geoffrey, who was a commercial enquiry agent. May was in St Katherine's Nursing Home, Popesgrove, Twickenham when she died on 6 March 1956, leaving £1,971 to the care of her son, Geoffrey. Geoffrey had been a lieutenant serving in India, in the Indian Army, between 1941-4. Unfortunately, after swimming in a river, he contracted polio. Following his war service, from 1945 until 1953, he was the publican at The Plough Inn at Coldharbour near Dorking, Surrey. During that time, he married Gwladys Elizabeth Sanderson, known as Betti, on 3 January 1948. They had two children, but sadly the marriage ended in divorce in 1951. From 1954-1973 he was the company representative for Dunn and Bradstreets, a corporation offering information on commercial credit and reports on businesses and for some of that time, at least, he was living at Walpole Road with his aunt Norah, who was living in Southampton when she died on 5 April 1976. Geoffrey died on 13 January 1981, aged 61, in Strasbourg, France.

Beatrice Clara, known as Trixie, born on 10 May 1893, was the youngest child of Thomas Henry and Jane Rice. On 31 August 1925 she married William John Alan Stuart, a customs officer, born on 8 October 1891. In September 1939 they were living at 12 Ashburton Gardens in Harrow, London. There were no children living with them at that time. Later, they moved to Torquay where they lived at The Pines, Daddyhole Road, which is where Billie died on 16 April 1980, leaving £6,818. A family account indicates that they used to go to Scotland to play golf. Trixie was living at Windemere, 3 Keysfield Road in Paignton when she died on 13 January 1985, leaving £77,898.

RICE FAMILY PHOTOS AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

72	North Brent	RICE John	H	M	56		Farmer of 30 acres	Devon Petertavy	L
		RICE Ann	W	M		55		Devon Cookberry	
		RICE Charlott	D	U		25	Farmer's Daur	Devon Lamerton	
		RICE John	S	U	18			Devon Lamerton	
		RICE Mary Ann	D	U		16	Farmer's Daur	Devon Lamerton	

John RICE, born in Peter Tavy, Devon, was the son of John Rice, who had been born in Plymstock, and his wife, Sarah Davills, the daughter of George Davells and Grace Dart. John was an agricultural labourer living in North Brentor in 1841, with his wife Ann Collacott, the daughter of Richard and Thomasin Collacott, and their children, Matthew 1823-92, Charlotte 1826-, John 1832-86 and Mary Ann 1836-. Another son, named John was born on 2 March 1827, and baptised

on 11 March 1827 in the North Brentor Chapel, part of the Bible Christians of Shebbear in Devon. He must have died by 16 May 1832, when his younger brother, also named John, was born.

Late in 1845 in Stoke Damerel, **Matthew** married Valentina Powell 1825-91, daughter of Brentor publican John Powell and his wife Anne. By 1851 the young couple were living in the Channel Islands at 25 Ann Street, St Helier, Jersey, where Matthew was a pork butcher. Their sons were *Jethro John*, born on 13 March 1848 in the Tavistock area and ten month old *Alfred Joel*, born in St Helier. A daughter, *Lavinia* later spelt *Levina*, was born the following year and by 1857 they had moved to Canada where *Albert* 1857-1900 and *Margaret* 1860-1936 were born. The family was living in Bowmanville in Durham County, Ontario at the time of the 1861 census, not far from his parents, John and Ann, and brother, John, and sister-in-law, Ann Smith Werry. Both John senior and junior were butchers. They were living as one family in a one storey framehouse.

By 1871 **John** junior was a carpenter and he and Ann had four children: *John* born on 5 June 1863, married to Elizabeth, he died in a car accident on 17 December 1935; *Elizabeth* born in 1866; *George* in 1867 and *William* in 1870. William was a Presbyterian clergyman and a widower when he married Bertha M Rundle in 1932 in Toronto. *Albert*, *Henry* and *Charlotte* were born before the 1881 census, when their father, John jun, was described as a farmer. He had been suffering with a heart condition for four years when he died suddenly on 16 January 1886 in Minto Wellington, Ontario, according to his son, John, the informant. His wife Ann Werry died in 1902 and they are buried together in the Mount Forest Cemetery in Ontario.

Their father John had died on 29 June 1877, a Bible Christian farmer in Bowmanville, he had died of old age, according to his son, Matthew, the Informant. Matthew and his wife, Valentina, continued to live in Bowmanville and their family had increased by 1871, with the births of *Matthew* in 1862 and *Valentina* in 1864. Throughout, Matthew worked as a butcher, sons Jethro and Albert were cabinet makers, and Levina and Margaret were tailoresses. Levina and turner Joshua Barrett, both of Oshawa, married in Brooklin on 19 January 1884. She died on 12 February 1892 in Oshawa. Margaret A, born on 10 October 1860 married Augustus M Jacobi, a Canadian of German descent on 29 October 1887. She died on 19 August 1936. Valentina was 21 when she married moulder William Gibson, aged 22, at Whisty on 5 October 1885 and she died on 13 April 1927 in Oshawa.

The 1891 census shows Matthew at 67 still working as a butcher, living with Valentina in Oshawa, Ontario. They were both Methodists. Eldest son Jethro had married Mary Augusta Holmes 1857-1921, known as Mattie, the daughter of Mercy Nearpass 1831-1920, on 5 July 1876 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. They had four children: Claud Hidreth born 15 July 1877-1934, Ethel May in November 1880-1960, Charles Lovell on 13 October 1887-1964 and Jethro Gardner 15 January 1892-1944. Jethro was a superintendent of the Nelson Matter Furniture Company, living at 1627 Plainfield Ave, Grand Rapids, Michigan, when he died on 25 July 1914, aged 66.

Matthew and Valentina's son, Matthew, born on 12 August 1862 in Bowmanville, moved to Illinois in 1878 and married Quebec born Marie Belzimir Alice Therriault 1868-1909 on 17 March 1886 in Cook County, Illinois. They had seven children: Matthew Joseph 1887-1967; Edmund Powell 1889-1952; Florabelle F later Orrell 1893-1970; Albert William 1895-1959; George Thomas 1897-1963; Genevieve E Valentina later Harris 1901-82; Ethel C later McGovern 1904-39 and Ruth M later Writer 1907-89. After Marie's death on 6 June 1909, Matthew married Annie Garrity 1864-1919 on 22 April 1911 and then Elizabeth Lozo 1878-1946 on 22 May 1920. He died on 21 October 1930 in Chicago and was buried in Mt Olivet Cemetery, Chicago.

38	Black down	RICE Henry	H	M	40		Carpenter	Devon Brentor	M
		RICE Jane	W	M		30		DevonOakhampton	
		RICE Elizabeth	D			6		Devon Lamerton	
		RICE Henry	S		4			Devon Marytavy	
		RICE Rogger	S		1			Devon Marytavy	

Henry RICE was probably the son of carpenter Roger Rice of Burn Lane, North Brentor and his wife Elizabeth Colling, who had married in Brentor on 14 February 1801. They had had at least three children: Henry born in 1811, Jenny baptised on 16 October 1814 and Sarah, known as Sally, born in about 1821 and married to James Martin, *see Martin above*.

In 1841 Henry, a carpenter, was living in Burnlane with his mother, Elizabeth, aged 60 and sister, Sarah, aged 20. Roger had died in April 1831 and was buried in the churchyard of St Michael de Rupe where Elizabeth was buried on 23 March 1844. Henry married Jane Guast from Okehampton, early in 1844 in the Tavistock registration area. They went on to have eight children together before Jane died in 1867, aged 46.

The children were: **Elizabeth**, known as Isabel, 1845-1911 who married William Vigars, stonemason of North Brentor and lived with him and their six sons, *Alfred Rice*, known as Fred or Frederick, 1868-1952, *William Henry Rice* 1871-1946, staying with his grandfather Henry Rice in 1881, *John Henry*, known as Harry, 1872-1938, *John Daniel R* 1874-1929, *Charles* or Charley Rice 1876-1908, *Ernest Albert* 1879-1939, and *Sidney Edward* 1880-5, at Rowden until the early 1880s when, sometime after their daughter *Frances* was born in 1881, they travelled to Albany, New York, where Frances died on 20 November 1885 and Sidney Edward three days later. Another daughter and son were born in Albany, *Florence*

Barbara 1885-1900 and *Gilbert Clarence* 1887-8, but both died young. Elizabeth died on 28 January 1911 and William had a heart attack later that year on 26 August 1911.

Henry was born in 1847; **Roger** born in late 1849, was working as a servant in the Moor household in Milton Abbot in 1861 and was a carpenter living with his uncle Roger and various cousins in Burn Lane in 1871, and possibly married the following year.

Daniel was born in 1852; **John** born in 1858, was living at home with his father and some of his siblings in 1871 after the death of his mother, Jane in 1867, and in 1881, when he was a mason; **Jane Ann**, who was two months old at the time of the 1861 census, was seven when she died early in 1868 and was buried with her parents in the churchyard of St Michael de Rupe, Brentor. **Mary Jane** born 1864 may have been a general servant working in the household of fundholder Charlotte Goodall at 11 Trafalgar Place in Stoke Damerel in 1881, but did not marry Simon Middleton in 1887. **Sarah Ann** was living at home with her father and various members of her family in 1871 and 1881, when she was 16. Her niece Alice Rice was living there as well, but it is difficult to identify many members of this family and follow through their life stories.

Their father Henry died in 1882 and was buried on 16 July in the churchyard of St Michael de Rupe with his wife, Jane, and daughter, Jane Ann.

57	North Brent	RICE Eliza	Vis			13		Dev Milton Abbot	L
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Eliza RICE was visiting farmer William Powell and his wife Mary, in North Brent, in 1851. There is no obvious family link. Eliza was one of the nine children of farmer Thomas Rice 1793-1853 and his wife, Joanna Friend 1796-1869, who had married in Tavistock on 9 May 1820. The nine children living with them, in 1841, at Cardwell Farm, were Mary, Jane, John, Joanna, Anne, Thomas, Margaret, Eliza and Sarah. Some of them continued to live with their parents on the 150 acre farm at Curry West in Boynton in 1851, whilst Eliza was away in Brentor visiting William and Msry Powell. Sadly, Eliza's father and brother, also Thomas, died in June 1853 and were buried on the same date, 25 June. Her mother Joanna, a fundholder, was visiting Samuel and Elizabeth Bridgman in Beaford in 1861. She died in the Tavistock area in 1869.

In 1858 Eliza had married farmer John Dinnis 1834-1907, born in St Thomas, Cornwall, and she went to live with him at Copthorne Farm, North Petherwin where some of their nine children were born, before moving to Hellscott, where she lived for the rest of her life. Her husband, John, described as a yeoman, died on 28 August 1907, leaving £928. Probate was granted to his widow, Eliza and his spinster daughter, Jane, who had continued to live with her parents at Hellscoth, which was spelt Hellescourt, where Eliza died within six months of her husband on 28 January 1908. Probate for her £350 estate was granted to her son, farmer Albert Dinnis.

John and Eliza's children were:

Richard 1861-1917 who married North Petherwin born Ellen Jane Vantone, with whom he had eight children and farmed at Higher Exe, Jacobstow.

Mary Turner 1863-1944 married farmer Richard Hortop and had two daughters.

Jane 1864-1919, carried on farming at Hellscoth until her death on 21 April 1919, with the help of her nephew, Walter W Dinnis, son of her brother Richard, and she had her niece Helen Augusta Bate, daughter of her sister Helen Louisa staying with them in 1911.

John 1867-1939 married Mary Ann and they had four children, one of whom died as an infant. They farmed at Maxworthy, North Petherwin before retiring to Downhayes.

William Henry 1871-1960 farmed at Davidstow with his wife Emma Tubb, they had four children, one of whom died as an infant.

Eliza Jane 1874-1950 married Richard Cary Dangar Brimmell, a sub editor for the Press Association News Agency. Their three children were born in London and in 1911 they were living in Wimbledon. In 1939 Richard was a retired journalist and he and Eliza were staying at (the old family home?) North Hellescott, the home of their nephew, Walter and his wife Ivy, and with Eliza's sister Mary Turner Hartop. They returned to London before Richard's death in Cheam in 1943.

Helen Louisa 1876-1942 married farmer, later seed and manure agent, Samuel John Wheeler Bate of Trebeath Farm, Egloskerry. Of their eight children, two died in childhood.

Farmer **Albert** 1881-1964 married Amelia Ellen Jones and they had eight children, three of whom died young. They farmed initially in Altarnun before settling at South Whimple Farm in Honiton.

Unsurprisingly, **Alfred** 1883-1957 was a farmer, married to Annie Curtice: they had three sons at Stowdsdon, Yeolmbridge before settling at Berrio Brook, Northill, Cornwall.

18	Waterfall Inn	RICH George	H	M	46		Labourer	Stokeclimsland Co	L
		RICH Joanna	W	M		41		Bridestow Devon	
		RICH Rebecca	D	U		15		Lamerton Devon	
		RICH Mary Grace	D	U		13		Lamerton Devon	
		RICH John	S	U	10			Lamerton Devon	

		RICH Harriet	D	U		7		Lamerton Devon	
		RICH George	S	U	5			Petertavy Devon	
		RICH Anna	D	U		1		Lamerton Devon	

George RICH was the youngest of the three children of farmer John Rich and his wife Mary Gimblett of Stoke Climsland. His sister Nancy was born on 13 September 1801 and baptised on 28 December. Their brother William was born on 15 December 1804 and baptised on 21 January 1805. George was born on 28 June 1807 and baptised on 10 August. The earliest record of farmer John was that of 1799 when he was occupying land to the value of £5 from Richard Gloyn. His wife Joanna appears to be Joanna Palmer, who was the daughter of John and Mary Palmer and was baptised on 9 December 1810.

George and Joanna Rich were living in South Brentor in 1841. He was an agricultural labourer and they had four children: Eliza 7, Rebecca, Mary and John. They appear to have lost two other children. They were living in Lydford Village when older daughter Mary was baptised on 28 February 1832 in Lydford, with a note *admitted to church 25 March* and they were living in South Brentor when she was one and was buried on 22 May 1833 in Lamerton and Richard was 6 months old when he was buried on 14 July 1836, also in Lamerton. Lamerton baptisms were recorded for Eliza on 5 January 1834, Rebecca on 23 February 1836 and Mary Grace on 21 March 1838.

In 1851 their daughter, **Eliza** 1833-1915, was working as a house servant at Great Close Farm, Bridestowe for the family of John Palmer, aged 58, a farmer of 200 acres; probably her uncle, her mother's eldest brother. Also at the farm was another brother Roger, 49, who worked on the farm. Two years later, in Plymouth in 1853, Eliza married farmer George Mudge 1826-1910 from Peter Tavy. They settled at Higher Collaton Farm in Whitchurch, variously spelt Colyton and Colliton, initially a 65 acre farm, then 150 acres (on which he recorded that he employed a man occasionally, in 1871), where they lived throughout the remainder of their fifty-seven year marriage. Their children, recorded on various census were *Emma or Emily Ann, Charles Edward, William Henry, Elizabeth Jane, Mary Jane, Lueza Agnes and Frederick*: though, in 1911, Eliza claimed to have had only five, one of whom had died. Eliza's mother Joanna died in 1859 and the 1861 census shows Hannah (Anna?) Rich, a scholar of 12, visiting, and George Rich 15, working as a carter on the farm. In 1891, their grandson, Charles Albert Palmer was 14 and working on the farm as a farm labourer. He was the son of their daughter Elizabeth, who had married Albert Samuel Palmer of Wolborough, Newton Abbot in Tavistock in 1886.

George and Joanna's daughter, **Mary Grace**, married carter William Bellamy, sometimes spelt Ballamy, 1836-1921, locally in the Spring of 1858. In 1861 they were living at 4 Crowndale Cottages in Tavistock with their two small children *Charles* and *George*, her older sister Rebecca Rich, aged 25, with her son 3 year old Edward Rich, whose story is given below. By 1871 William and Mary Grace had moved to Wedlake in Willsworthy, Peter Tavy where they lived for over 30 years, with William working as a farm labourer and shepherd, looking after over 100 acres of land. Charles was no longer living with them as he was working in Whitchurch, but they had more sons: *Henry, James, William* and *Thomas*, and by 1881 *Bessie, John, Mark* and *Albert*. Another *Albert* was born in 1883 and *Jessy* in 1890. Their daughter, Bessie continued to live with them throughout, until at least 1911 when Mary Grace recorded that she had had eleven children, with nine surviving until 1911.

Rebecca worked as a domestic servant and lived with William and Mary in Wedlake in 1871, as well as 1861. Of her son, Edward Thompson Rich, there is no record for 1871 or 1881. In the Spring of 1876 Rebecca married HM Dockyard blacksmith James Scoble 1837-1916 in Plymouth, and they were shown in 1881 living at 45 Wolsden Street Plymouth, but probably in one of the cottages behind number 45, with Ernest, James's son from a previous marriage, and lodging with them was George Rich a labourer of 24 from Lamerton, possibly a nephew. Rebecca died, aged 50, on 28 October 1886. Her will is curiously worded: *...wife of James, late of 45 Wolsden Street, proved by Edwin Thompson Rich of Lipson Vale, Plymouth, labourer, the son sole executor. Probate being granted under certain limitations £113 10s*. As James continued to live at 45 Wolsden Street, one would assume that Rebecca had moved out. The certain limitations may mean that her estate, perhaps comprising money from before her marriage, was left to her son, with the proviso that James may have been able to claim a share as her husband. James went on to marry Emma and had achieved twenty-three years of marriage by 1911.

Edwin Thompson Rich born in Lamerton, married Emma Sherwill 1863-1896 early in 1886 in Plymouth and in 1889 their first son Edwin George was born and died. In 1891 Edwin was working as a farm labourer and they were living at Pennycross, Tavistock, with their baby son: William Henry, born on 25 October 1890, who sadly died in 1894. Emma died two years later, aged just 33. Directories indicate that Edwin was a shopkeeper in 1889/90. Edwin married again, in 1898 to Mary Elizabeth Bellman 1861-1922. In 1901 they were living at 2 Mount Pleasant, St Budeaux and in 1911 Edward had moved on from being a farm labourer to being a general dealer in coal, fruit etc at 38 Providence Street, Plymouth. Edwin died in 1927.

After the death of Joanna in 1859, the family seems to have gone their separate ways. Sadly, entries for 1861 and 1871 indicate that his health and wellbeing may have taken a downward turn for George Rich, a labourer and widower, born in Stoke Climsland, as he was a patient in the Devon County Lunatic Asylum at Exminster.

His son agricultural labourere **John** married Thomasine Wooldridge 1838-1921 of Inwardleigh in 1861 and they had eight children: *Susanna* 1861-, working in Dawlish in 1881: *Mary Thomasine* 1864-1943, died in Launceston, working as a cook in Eastbourne in 1911: *William John* 1865-1936, a railway worker, who was staying with the Bellamys in 1891, and moved to Minster, Cornwall with his wife Margaret Emma Tryphena Beare and their eight children: *Eliza* 1867-1950, who was working for the Gerrys in Ashwater in 1881 and the Davenports in Devonport in 1891. Soon after, she married Walter Young and settled in Cheadle, Cheshire with her husband and their five children: and her twin *Joanna* 1867-, known as Annie, who married foreman platelayer James Bewes 1864-1945 in 1893 and lived in Ashwater with their four children: railway worker *Thomas George* 1868-1935, who was known as George and was staying with the Bellamys in 1891, was living in Cheadle in 1901 and married Elizabeth Lamb as his second wife in Stockport in 1902, and was living there in 1911 with her and a son from each marriage: *Bessie* 1869-1870 and *Frederick Charlie* 1871-1946, who married Mary Mathilda Harris 1875-1958 in Launceston in 1896, and settled in St Bueaux, changing profession from being a railway worker in 1891, a stone quarryman in 1901, a government dockyard worker in 1911 and was a retired lathe machinist living in Plymouth in 1939. They had two daughters, Ivy Mathilda 1897-1973 and Amy Kathleen 1899-1960. Frederick was living at 2 Evelyn Street St Budeaux when he died on 13 June 1946, leaving £727.

In 1861, as a couple, just after their marriage, John and Thomasine, were living in Vigars Buildings in Mary Tavy. By 1871 John was a railway packer and they were living in South Brentor with six of their seven children, as Bessie had died the previous year. Frederick Charlie was born on 14 May 1871 and John died at the beginning of 1872. Thomasine married railroad plate layer James Moore in 1875 and in 1881 they were living in Sellick Cottage, Hollacombe with their own four children James 4, Thomas 3, Earnest 1 and Horace 10 months, as well as her children: William 16, Annie 14 and Frederick 9. In 1891 Joanna, 24 domestic servant, and Frederick Rich, 19 platelayer, were living with the Moore family in Hollacombe.

Harriet, born in 1844, was working for the Mathews family at Rock View House in Bannawell Street, Tavistock in 1861. It was their son Frederick Mathews who would later marry Ann Eliza Squire, see Squire at 33 South Brentor below.

George was 15 and living with his sister Eliza Mudge and her family and working on the farm in Whitchurch in 1861, whilst younger sister **Hannah** was a 12 year old scholar visiting the family. After the 1861 census, just after their mother had died and their father was a patient in the County Asylum, it has not been possible to identify the three youngest children in the records. *George is not to be confused with the George Rich born in Mary Tavy, who presents a full record narrative!* It is possible that the girls may have married or they may have gone to Canada or America, a much travelled route from Brentor.

81	Black Down	RICH George	H	M	37		Copper miner	Devon Marytavy	M
		RICH Mary Ann	W	M		37		DevSouth Tawton	
		RICH George	S		10		Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		RICH Davie	S		9		Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		RICH Henry	S		5		Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		RICH John	S		3		Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		RICH William	S		4m			Devon Marytavy	

George RICH was the son of farmer of eighteen acres, David Rich 1780-1863, and his wife Mary Maunder 1785-c1845. David is recorded as living and farming in Marytavy, with his daughter Susannah, and initially with his son William, until he left home in the 1850s. They were executors for his under £100 will after his death in 1865, when Susannah, baptised on 8 July 1826, carried on farming until her death in 1895.

George was baptised in Marytavy on 1 August 1813 and he married Mary Ann Way late in 1837. In 1841 they were living with their three year old son William, next door to George's family: father David, mother Mary, brothers William, an agricultural labourer, and John, a copper miner and sister Susannah. Lodging with them was Grace Maunder 60, and her copper miner son John 14, who were probably related to Mary.

In 1861, living at Higher Spring Cottage, George was still a copper miner, as were their sons, George, David, Henry and William. Juliaanne, Francis and Albert were scholars. **John** appears to have died early in 1860, aged 12. George died early in 1868 at the age of 54. In 1871 Mary Ann was living in Higher Spring with her two youngest sons, miner Francis 16 and Albert 14, still at school. Mary Ann, erroneously named Margaret, was living with her son William and his family in Millom in 1881 and her burial was recorded on 6 August 1891 in Millom St George.

Their son **George** 1841-1900 married Elizabeth, possibly Harris in Stoke Damerel, just after the census in 1861. In 1861 and 1871 they were living in Calstock, but by 1874 they had moved to Millom, where they were recorded in 1881 as living at 18 Duddon Street with all six of their children: *John Henry*, *William*, *Albert*, *Rosina*, *Joseph* and *Lillian*. In 1891 George, who was living on his own means, with Elizabeth and their five year old son *Percy*, visited Tavistock and stayed with William Glubb, the town letter carrier and his wife Elizabeth at 68 West Street. George died, aged 58, early in 1900 in Millom.

Copper miner **David Henry** 1844-97 married Harriett Ware 1840-1921 in Peter Tavy in 1870 and they lived in Lower Spring in 1871 before moving in with Harriett's brother, farmer of 20 acres, Francis Ware in Mount Pleasant by 1881, when David was also listed as a farmer. Still farming, David and Harriett were living at Joy Cottage, Blackdown in 1891 and in Burn View, Lower Springs where he died on 11 July 1897, leaving £214 to Harriett. This enabled her to continue to live at Burn View, a substantial house with seven rooms, with a servant to look after her. Her brother Francis, by then retired, and his wife Elizabeth, were visiting her there in 1911, when she confirmed that she had had no children.

Henry 1846-86 and his brother William were lodging in Holborn Hill with the Nute family, also from Marytavy in 1871 and on 10 July 1880 in Millom, Henry married milliner Hannah Derbyshire Spencer 1862-1902 from Dudley in Staffordshire. They had been living next door to each other at 20 and 22 Newton Street. They continued to live at 20 Newton Street in 1881, before their children were born, when Henry was a miner and milk dealer. Their sons were *Thomas Henry* 1881-1948 and *Frederick George (Spencer)* 1883-1952. They were living at Lapstone Road in Millom when Henry, described as a milk dealer, died there on 9 December 1886. He left £195 for Hannah, who had two small sons to raise. In 1888 she married Gas & Waterworks manager Thomas Rayner Spencer 1852-1913 who had two sons from his previous marriage and they went on to have four more children themselves. Thomas Henry was working as a clerk for his stepfather in 1901 and went on to become a manager at the Urban District Council gas and waterworks, like his stepfather, by 1911. One of his sons, Thomas Rich became a headmaster and was awarded an MBE by King George VI in 1946 for his services to National Savings.

William 1850-1891+, lodging with his brother Henry in 1871, married Mary Ann (Hannah) Trevena 1854-1924 on 27 July 1872 in Millom. An iron miner, he was living at 6 Lord Street, Millom in 1881 with his wife, Hannah from Camborne in Cornwall, their three children *William*, *Annie* and *Francis*, known as *Frank*, and his mother, erroneously named Margaret. In 1891 Hannah was described as married and living on her own means at 81 Newton Street with all six of her children; *Lotty*, *Frederick* and *Hetty* having been born in the 1880s. This may indicate that William was working away. But by 1901 she was described as widowed but it has not been possible to find his death in the English records.

Julia Ann 1853-1931 was a general servant working for butcher Simon Hyne at 5 Chapel Street in East Stonehouse in 1871 before moving to Millom where she married iron miner Peter Holmes 1846-1925 from Peter Tavy, early in 1873. They record that they had three children including daughters *Lottie* 1875-1930 and *Winifred* 1884-1874 but the third child cannot be traced. They were living at 22 Newton Street in 1881 with his son Frederick 1869-1955 from his previous marriage on 5 April 1868 to Mary Ann Northcote 1850-1871. In the 1871 census Mary Anne was described as a miner's wife and was living with her parents and her two children: Frederick aged 3 and nine month old Elizabeth 1870-1956. Mary Ann died on 19 November 1871, aged 21. Elizabeth continued to live with her grandparents in Lord Street in 1881, while Frederick lived with his father.

In 1887 Julia Ann and her daughters Lottie and Winifred moved to America, with her husband Peter settling there in 1889. In 1892 they were living in Seattle and Peter was a clerk. All were naturalised in 1903. The four of them returned to England at least three times. In 1908, 1909 and 1911 when they were staying in lodgings in St Pancras, London. Peter was the manager of an apartment house in Los Angeles in 1920, with both daughters living at home, without occupation. Peter died in Los Angeles on 31 January 1925. In 1930 the widowed Julia Ann continued to live in Los Angeles with both daughters: Lottie was now the manager of a bungalow court and Winnie, the assistant manager, probably following on from the work they had done with their father previously. Lottie died on 11 August 1930 and her mother Julia Ann the following year. By 1935 Winifred had married Andrew Anderson, from Norway, the owner of Devonshire Court, the bungalow complex. Winifred, born on 8 November 1874, died on 24 October 1974, just a couple of weeks short of her 100th birthday.

Francis Thomas born in 1855, a copper miner in Marytavy in 1871, appears to have died in Millom on 22 September 1875, aged 20, and **Albert** James born in 1857, was still at school and living with his mother and brother Frank in Lower Spring, Marytavy in 1871, but does not seem to appear in the records after that.

70	Blackdown	RICHARDS Simon	H	U	79		Copper miner Cap	CWL Helston	M
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Simon RICHARDS was probably baptised on 12 July 1772 in Wendron, near Helston, the son of William Richards and his wife Anne Plumming, who had married in Wendron on 29 October 1770. He may have been the Simon Joseph Richards who died in the Tavistock area towards the end of 1851.

30	Blackdown	RIDER William	H	M	50		Shopkeeper	Cwl Probus	M
		RIDER Marria	W	M		52		Cwl Cawson	

William B RIDER was the son of Ralph Rider and his wife Mary Bennett. He was baptised in Probus on 6 June 1802 and his age was stated as being 1 year 1 month and 3 days, indicating he was probably born on 3 May 1801.

It has not been possible to identify the date of his marriage to Maria or their whereabouts in 1841, with any certainty. Maria was born in Cawsand in 1794, so was five years older than recorded. In 1861 they were running the grocer's shop in Peter Tavy and Maria died in the summer of 1866 and, soon after, William married the widowed Mary, daughter of

John 1783- and Jane Northcote 1785-1829 of Peter Tavy. Born in 1818, she had married Richard Phillips 1817-48 on 23 June 1839, when she was 21. They had five children before his death at 31 in 1848. In 1851 she was described as a pauper with five children, miner's widow, living with the five children; Elizabeth, John, Simon, William Henry and Richard. and her father in Peter Tavy. In 1861 she was a boot binder living with her three youngest children: Simon and William were shoemakers and Richard was working at the coal mine. After their marriage in 1866, the 1871 census records that she and William were living at 30 Brook Street in Tavistock running a grocer's shop. In 1881 they were living at 56 Bannawell Street, Tavistock where William was described as late master mariner. Mary's daughter Elizabeth was living at number 52 with her husband, Stephen Walters and their five children. By 1891 both women were widowed and they were living next to each other at 36 Bannawell Street, with three of Elizabeth's children living with her. In 1901 Mary was living with her daughter and one of her sons and a grandson at 22 Exeter Street. Mary died within months of the census. William had died early in 1887, aged 85.

87	Blackdown	ROBINS Betsy	Lod	U		66		Beer Alston	M
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Betsy or Elizabeth ROBINS was lodging with the William Crocker family in Blackdown in 1851 and 1861. She may have been Honor Crocker's maternal aunt, Elizabeth Johns who married Francis Robins on 21 October 1804 in Redruth or she may have been the wife of mine agent Bartholomew Robins, who had been born in Redruth and baptised on 26 April 1781, and mother of Mary Robins and living in Sydenham Damerel in 1841. Another link may be that she was related through her husband to George Robins family below. Betsy may have died in Boscoppa, St Austell and been buried there on 7 September 1862.

7	Burnlane	ROBINS George	H	M	27		Labourer	Lamerton, Devon	L
		ROBINS Mahala	W	M		28		Bickley, Devon	
		ROBINS John	S	U	4			Lamerton, Devon	
		ROBINS Ann	D	U		2		Lamerton, Devon	
		ROBINS Elizabeth	D	U		1		Lamerton, Devon	
		ROBINS John	B	U	20		Mason	Lamerton, Devon	

Both George ROBINS 1823-1909 and Mahalah Radholes/Ridholes 1822-1901 were 19 years old and working at Kilworthy House, Tavistock for Yeoman farmer George Lethbridge and his family at the time of the 1841 Census. Probably, her brother, Charles, was working there at the same time, though the surname appears to have caused the enumerator some difficulty. They were probably the children of Charles Radholes and Mary Lewis, who had married in Tavistock parish on 24 December 1814. George was probably the son of William Robins (see below) and his first wife, Mary, who was living at Burnville Farm when she died, and was buried on 24 February 1831, aged 39. They were living in East Langstone when George was baptised in Lydford on 15 June 1823.

George and Mahalah were married in Tavistock early in 1845. In 1861 George was away from his family, working as a groom for the Eastcott family at Woodmanswell, where he appears to have been living in staff quarters adjacent to the house. Mahalah was working as a laundress and living with four of their five children at the Carpenters Shop Cottage by Burnlane Cottage. John 14, Ann 12, Mary 9 and George 5. It is likely that daughter **Elizabeth** died in the months after the 1851 census, just after her first birthday.

By 1871 the couple were living together in Lamerton Village with their two sons: John, a mason, and George, a gardener like his father. From this date until her death Mahalah was recorded as Ann on forms. In 1881 they were living in a cottage in Lamerton by the School House, with George continuing to work as a gardener. In 1891 their son **George**, by that time a mason's labourer, was living at home with his parents at Lydford Station where his father gave his occupation as Sexton. In 1881 young George had been a groom living in a private house near Willestrow Farm. Mahalah/Ann, recorded as Mahalathe, died on 11 March 1901, aged 76, leaving an estate of £132, a sizable amount for a person of her occupation, to her husband George Robins, described as a retired coachman. The following month when the census was taken, George was recorded as being 77, a retired domestic gardener living in Lamerton with his daughter in law Laura, 38, born in Tavistock and grand daughter *Gertrude*, aged 26, born in Bow, Devon. Gertrude was John's daughter and Laura Ridholes was the wife of his son George. They had married in 1894 and the 1911 census records them living at 12 Cornwall Street in Devonport with Laura's mother eighty five year old Jane Ridholes, who may have been Mahalah's sister and therefore George's aunt. Sadly, during their sixteen year marriage, though they had had four children, none of whom had survived childhood. George may have died in Exeter in 1914, aged 52. Laura died in Plymouth in 1945, aged 83.

His father George Robins of Lamerton, retired gentleman's servant, died on 14 March 1909, aged 85. Probate for his £423 estate, again a substantial amount, was granted to John Henry Bidlake Wollocombe, clerk, and Richard Reed Daw, farmer. In 1881 their daughter **Ann** 1849-1923 was working as a cook at the Rectory for the Rector of Peter Tavy, Walter Championman, and his mother and sister. Her brother **John**, a stonemason's labourer, was living at 1 Alma Cottage, Charles in Plymouth with his wife, Mary 1849-1882 and their children: *Freddie* 8 born in Lamerton, *Gertrude* 7 born in Bow - and staying with her grandfather in 1901, *Sydney* 3 and *Lilley* 7 months, both born in Plymouth. With Mary's death

in the summer of 1882, it is likely that Ann moved to Alma Cottages to help her brother with his young family, for in 1891 she is recorded there as a dressmaker, John was a stone mason, Frederick a sawyer and Gertrude also a dressmaker. In 1901, it was only John, mason; Ann, dressmaker and Lilley, a drapery assistant, who were living at 1 Alma Cottages. By 1911, Lily had been married to Ernest John Campbell, a clothing salesman from Monmouth, for one year. They were living at Cum Llyn Road, in Blaina, Monmouth and her father, a widower and mason with the district council, was visiting them. The 1911 return in his six roomed house at Newhouse, Lamerton, indicates that it was a temporary absence as Sydney, who was completing the form, initially referred to himself as son, which had to be changed to head. He was a Naval pensioner/sexton at the age of 34. His aunt Ann and sister Gertrude 37 were both dressmakers.

Mary had married agricultural labourer Charles Holwill from Lydford in the summer of 1877 and in 1881 they were living in Frizzenham, Little Torrington, with their two children *George 2* and *William 1*, both born in Yarscombe. By 1891 the family had moved to Kenn, and the family had increased. *Frederick* was born just after the previous census in Little Torrington, *Charles 8* and *Albert 7* were born in Chittlehampton, and *Sydney*, *Edith* and *Edwin* were born in Kenn. The family continued to live in Kenn through the 1901 and 1911 census, when it was recorded that they had been married 33 years and all eleven of their children were still alive. The additional sons were *Reginald* born just after the 1891 census, and *Lewis* and *Cecil*. William had become a blacksmith but the remaining sons appear to have been farm labourers, like their father. Charles died on 9 October 1928 aged 73 and Mary on 9 October 1934 aged 82 and they were buried together in St Andrew's Churchyard in Kenn.

George's brother, John ROBINS married Mary Ann Deeble, the daughter of labourer Hugh S and Mary Deeble of South Petherwin. Cornwall, on 16 November 1854 in Calstock. In 1861 they were living in Gunnislake, where John worked as a stonemason. They had three small children: *John 5*, *Sarah A 2* and *William H* one month. In 1871 when they were living at 2 Robin Cottages, their son John was a stonemason, like his father, Sarah A was 12 and the younger children were *Harry 4*, *Edwin 3* and *Sydney* ten months. By 1880 the family had moved to Branford, New Haven, Connecticut in the United States. John was a superintendant at the Stone Quarry and the children living with them were: Annie S 21 (Sarah Ann?), Harry, Edwin, Sydney H, *Ernest G 8* and *Harral G 5*. Also living with them was Mary Ann's brother John L, a stone cutter at the Quarry.

3	Easter Cottage	ROBINS William	H	M	57		Labourer	Hatherleigh, Devon	L
		ROBINS Agness	W	M		41		Lifton, Devon	
3	Easter Cottage	HOIDGE Agness	DL	U		12		Brentor, Devon	

William ROBINS, recorded as Robbins, was living in Burnlane in 1841, with 60 year old Jane Robbins and his son John (see 7 Burnlane above), aged 10. Parish records show that labourer William ROBINS and his wife Mary had seven children baptised in Brentor, Lamerton or Lydford parishes. They were living at Willestrew in Lamerton when **Anne** was baptised on 7 May 1820 and **Catherine** on 26 August 1821; East Langstone for the baptism of **George** (see 7 Burnlane above) in Lydford on 15 June 1823 and **Sarah** in Brentor on 26 September 1824; **Mary's** baptism on 11 June 1826 gave their address as Burnville Lodge or East Langstone; **William** on 6 April 1826 at Burn Lane and **John** at Burnville Farm on 24 February 1831. Mary was 39 when she died, and was buried, also on 24 February 1831, indicating that she may have died in childbirth. William and Sarah Robins, both around 15 years of age were working for farmer John Bone at Wastor in 1841. It has not been possible to identify Jane Robins (see above), who was living with William and his son John in 1841, although there were two Jane Robins, in 1861, one in Plymouth and one in Exeter, both widowed, so possibly a sister in law.

In 1841, Agness Hoidge, sometimes recorded as Hodge, was married to lead miner John Hoidge and living in Mary Tavy with their children: **Susanna 10**, **Harriet 8**, **William 6**, **Richard 4** and **Agness 3**. John probably died early in 1848 and Agness and William married in the early months of 1851, just before the census, when only Agness, her youngest, went to live with them. Sadly, young Agness died in 1854 when she was 15. Remarriage appears to have given William a new lease of life: for, in 1861, when William was described as a servant occupying 7 acres of land, they were living in Vicarage Cottage, Lamerton with their two children, **Richard 9** born in Lamerton and **Joanna Jessy 6**, born in Mary Tavy. Unfortunately, William died within months of the census in the summer of 1861, leaving Agness a widow with small children for the second time. She married again in the summer of 1865 to farm labourer George Westlake, eight years her junior. In 1871 her son Richard was the nephew of shoemaker William, Rattenbury in Lewtrenchard and was an apprentice shoemaker. He died in the Liskeard area in 1879 aged 27. In 1871 his mother Agness and her husband George were living in Little Warne, Mary Tavy and by 1881 had moved to Dawshouse in South Petherwin, the birthplace of William Robins' daughter in law, Mary Ann Deeble, John's wife. Agness died in Plympton St Mary in the early months of 1883, aged 73.

59	North Brent	ROWE William	H	M	31		Ag Lab	Cornwall Lezant	L
		ROWE Elizabeth	W	M		29		Devon Dunkerton	
		ROWE William	S		6		Scholar	Devon Sydenham	

		ROWE Mary Maria	D			13m		Devon Sydenham	
<p>William ROWE and his wife Elizabeth moved to Tavistock in about 1855-6 and were living at 10 Moureham Cottages, Tavistock in 1861, with five of their children living with them: Mary Maria born early 1850, Elizabeth Ann late 1852, Jane Phillips early 1854, John Thomas late 1856 and ten month old Emma. It is likely that Elizabeth died in the 1860s, after the birth of their son James in 1864, as William appears to have married another Elizabeth in the summer of 1871, possibly Elizabeth Parr. There does not appear to have been an 1871 census return from William, but his son John Thomas was working for miller George W Blatchford at Huckworthy Mill, Walkhampton and daughter Emma, aged eleven was staying with her aunt and uncle, William's sister, James and Mary Bull, beer retailers at 21 Filwell Street, Charles, Plymouth.</p> <p>In 1881 carter William's wife, Elizabeth was aged 54 and born in Polperro. Living with them at 33 Neswick Street in Plymouth St Andrew were William's sons John, a general labourer and James a stableman, both born in Tavistock.</p> <p>In 1901 John was a flour miller and his brother James was a horse driver with Pickford's, the carriers. Both men were single and boarding with the family of Peter Tregillus, a flour storeman at 10 Wyndham Street, St Peter's Plymouth. John continued to board with them in 1911, by which time he had become a dock labourer. James was 52 when he died in Plymouth in 1917.</p>									
9	Brinsabatch	RUNDLE William	Ser	U	18		Farm labourer	Devon Broadwoodwidge	
<p>William RUNDLE was working for the Batten family at Brinsabatch in 1851, but even with the number of William Rundles available, it has been difficult to find other records for one born in Broadwoodwidge.</p>									
47	North Brent	SAMBELS John	H	M	50		Ag Lab	Devon Tavistock	L
		SAMBELS Mary	W	M		42		Devon Tavistock	
<p>John SAMBELS was the son of John Sambels and Charity Treplett who had married on 10 July 1800 in Tavistock. They may have had at least seven children: John born about 1801, for whom there are no baptismal or local marriage records; William who married Elizabeth Hockin on 1 January 1824 in Lamerton. Their son Robert who was working in Lamerton in 1841, married Harriett Courtis in 1846 and they settled in Brook Street, Tavistock to raise their family; Benjamin who died aged 5 in September 1813; Charity who died aged 11 in March 1818; Elizabeth, baptised 24 June 1814 and married James Tonkin in Tavistock on 8 May 1834; Mary Ann baptised 14 November 1816; Thomas baptised 19 February 1819 and another Charity baptised 23 March 1821 who married mine blacksmith Samuel Allen 1817-54 in Stoke Damerel in 1842. Charity and Samuel Allen were living at Heathfield Cottage, Lamerton in 1851 next door to his mother, Ann and his father Samuel, who was also a mine blacksmith and had a small farm of 33 acres, employing a man. Samuel and Charity had at least seven children: Thomas Sambels, Abraham Sambels, Charity Ann, Elizabeth Ann, John Samuel Sambels, Mary Jane and Samuel before Samuel died in 1854 aged 37. In 1861 she was living with six of her children and a child boarder, Henry G Kerswill, in Higher Back Street, Tavistock, with only Thomas working, as an agricultural labourer. Under her occupation was <i>Keeps a mangle</i>. By 1871 the family had moved to Cairnarton Down, Illogan, Cornwall where John was a tin miner, Samuel a copper miner and Elizabeth a dressmaker and her brother John was living with them.</p> <p>John may have been that eldest child and married Mary Ann Reed in Stoke Damerel on 18 February 1833 but there was another Sambels family in that area. John and Mary were living in Lamerton in 1841 with John working as a labourer. In 1861 John continued to work as a labourer and was living in Exeter Street, Tavistock with Jane, aged 57. It would imply that Mary had died by 1861 and John had remarried. There was a Mary Sambels death recorded in Plymouth in 1854 and a John Sambels marriage to Jane Woods in Plymouth in the summer of 1856. In 1871 John was widowed, a retired labourer, living with his sister Charity in Illogan, Cornwall. In 1881 she was retired and living at 28 Bannawell Street on her own. In 1891 she had moved to Islington, London, where she was living with her dressmaker daughter, Charity Ann, and it is there that she died, and was buried on 28 March 1896. The only John Sambels death recorded in that period that might fit this John was of a 78 year old who died in East Stonehouse in 1879. There is no suitable Jane Sambels death.</p>									
95	Blackdown	SANDERS Richar	H	M	27			Devon Roburow	M
		SANDERS Ann	W	M		27		Devon Burington	
		SANDERS William	S		3			Devon Roburow	
		SANDERS John	S		1			Devon Roburow	
<p>Richard SANDERS was born in Roborough in 1824 and was working as an agricultural labourer for farmer William Bealey at Roborough in 1841. It has not been possible to pinpoint a marriage, births or future records for this family, with this information.</p>									
6	Easter Place	SANDRY Joanna	H	U		57	Parish Relief	Stowford, Devon	L
		SANDRY Milia	D	U		24	Servant	Lamerton, Devon	

		SANDRY Mary	GD	U		4m		Lamerton, Devon	
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Joanna SANDRY was born Joanna Rowe, the daughter of John and Mary Rowe. She married husbandman Henry Sandry on 10 November 1821 in Lamerton. It is probable that they had at least five children: William Henry 1825-77; Milia, probably Amelia, 1827-1907; Mary 1829-31; John Ishmael 1832-1877 and Henry 1838-. The 1841 census for Lamerton misnames her as Joanna Saunders aged 45, living with sons: William 18, a manganese miner, John 8 and Henry 5.

Tin miner **William Henry** married Frances, known as Fanny, Savery Elford, born in Woolwich, Kent, in Plymouth early in 1854. The birthplaces of their children indicate that they lived in Plympton twice, Plymouth and Ashburton before settling in Llantrisant, Glamorgan. Their children, born between 1855 and 1882 were: *Rosa Savery, Frederick John, Elizabeth May, William Henry, Richard Charles, Thomas, Gilbert Borington* and *Frances Savery*. After William's death in 1877, in Llantrisant, aged 48, his widow, Frances and some of their children returned to Colebrook, Plympton St Mary, where she earned a living as a dressmaker, or seamstress, doing plain sewing. Frances continued to live with her youngest daughter, Frances, after her marriage to Ernest Charles Hooper in 1895. By 1911, Frances who had had four children, with three surviving, had been widowed and was living at 17 Hyde Park Road in Mutley, Plymouth. Her mother, who died early in 1916, was no longer living with her.

Amelia married labourer George Philp, son of William Philp, a miner, on 24 December 1864 in Stoke Climsland. After George's death, she married labourer William Smale, son of miner William Osborne, on 26 September 1874. The 1891 census shows them living in Higherland, Stoke Climsland, when William was a mine labourer, born in Okehampton. After William's death, the next census shows Amelia, a pauper, continuing to live in Higherland. She died in 1907, when her age was given as 78. She was probably 80 years old.

Mary was baptised in Lydford on 19 March 1829. The burial of a two year old Sandry child took place on 6 March 1831 and it was probably her, although transcribed as Henry Johannah.

Copper miner **John Ishmael** was born on 1 January 1832 and baptised in North Brentor Bible Christian Chapel four weeks later. He married Sarah Jury 1840-1927 in the summer of 1859 and they had three children William Henry, Jessie and *Edwin*. Throughout their marriage they lived in Lamerton village and in 1881 were living next door to seventy year old widow, Jane Jury, probably Sarah's mother. After John's death in 1877, Sarah lived with her son copper miner *William Henry* and worked as a dressmaker. All three of her children were still alive in 1911. *Jessie*, born 24 August 1862, had married farmer Elias Prout at Poughill on 24 December 1893 and had three children. When she died on 25 March 1951, she was living at Rose Cottage in Devon Consuls and left an estate of £3,084.

In 1861 **Henry** married Sarah Hancock in Swansea and in 1871 they were living in Mansel Street, Swansea where Henry worked in the copper mines. Their children were *William Henry* 1863-1887, who had been an apprentice land surveyor in 1881 and *Frederick Ishmael* 1866-1955, an ironmonger's apprentice in 1881, and a ship chandler's manager in 1811 when he and his wife Ada Dixon had two children Lila 5 and Frederick Dixon 3, known as Dixon, and Frederick Ishmael was an asphalter district manager in 1939. Sarah Sandry died in 1873 aged 32 and Henry married Elizabeth Hancock late in 1874 and after her death, he married Hannah Tucker in 1891. They had no children in their eighteen year marriage which lasted until Henry's death on 19 October 1909. Since the beginning of his first marriage, Henry had lived in various houses in Mansel Street, Swansea and he was described as an ore sampler when he died at 40 Mansel Street, leaving his widow Hannah £415.

Mary Sandry, the four month old granddaughter of Joanna Sandry in 1851 was probably Mary Emma Richards Sandry who died in 1856. It is most likely that she was the daughter of Amelia.

It has not been possible to identify the date of death for Joanna Sandry.

A CENSUS SPELLING ERROR RECORDED THE SYMONS FAMILY AS *SIMMONS*. THEY ARE RECORDED CORRECTLY BELOW UNDER **SYMONS**

13	Stantabridge	SIMMONS Nicholas	H	M	56		Farm labourer	Dev Whitchurch	B
		SIMMONS Elizabeth	W	M		53		Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS Jane	D	U		16	Teacher of school	Dev Milton Abbot	
43	Rickards Tenement	SIMMONS Thomas	H	M	36		Ag Lab	Devon Whitchurch	L
		SIMMONS Elizabeth	W	M		33		Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS John	S	U	9		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS Mary Ann	D	U		7	Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS William	S		4		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
6	Monkstone	SLEEMAN James R	Vis	U	38			Devon Tavistock	B

Staying with the Maunder family at Monkstone in 1851, no other records can be found for a Tavistock born James R SLEEMAN born around 1813. There were Sleemans in Tavistock and an 1813 born James Sleeman, but he was born in Helston, Cornwall.

62	Blackdown	SLIMAN William	H	M	41		Ag Lab	Devon Sourton	M
		SLIMAN William	S		12		Ag Lab	Devon Mary Tavy	
		SLIMAN Selena	D			5		Devon Mary Tavy	
		JOHNS Mary	Vis			73	Annuitant	Dev Lewtrenchard	

William SLIMAN, SLOMAN or SLEEMAN depending on which record you see, was baptised in Sourton on 26 February 1809, the son of labourer John and Anne. He married dressmaker Patience Johns 1817-95 on 10 July 1837 in Sourton. She was the daughter of labourer John Johns and his wife Mary and baptised in Bridestowe on 31 July 1817.

In 1841 William was a copper mines labourer and they were living in Blackdown with their one year old son, **William**. In 1851 Patience was not present and it has not been possible to find her but her mother Mary Johns was there with the family. In 1841, Mary had been living in Bridestowe at Great Cranford with her daughter, also **Mary**, a 25 year old milliner, and **Samuel**, aged 8. By 1861 William and his family had moved to Gunnislake where their daughter **Selina** was 16 and a copper dresser and they had a four year old son, **John**. It is not known where their other son William was in 1861. Nor has it been possible to pinpoint which of the deaths in that period was that of this Mary Johns.

By 1871 William, a copper miner, Patience and John who was also working in a copper mine, were living at 13 Crocker's Row in Gunnislake, not far from their daughter Selina and her family at 8 Crocker's Row. By 1881, like daughter Selina, the Sломans had moved to Burnley where they were living at 19 Berwick Street, Habergham Eaves not far from Selina at number 9. William was a street sweeper and John was an unemployed cotton mill worker. They had two boarders to help financially. William was 75 when he died in 1884. In 1891 Patience was living with her married granddaughter Selina Halstead (*see below*) and her husband coal miner Albert and their two children Laura and Ellen. Patience died in 1895, aged 78.

On 5 January 1863 **Selina** married copper miner William Aaron Bickle 1843-90. Living in Gunnislake at 8 Crockers Row, they had six children: *Selina* later Halstead then Dugdale, *Laura Ann* later Beswick, *William* 1867-7, another *William* born in 1868, *Mary Elizabeth* known as Elizabeth later Ingham and *John*; before moving to Burnley in about 1876, where they had four more children: *Hannah* 1876-8, *Ann* later Romney, *Albert* and *Ernest*. In 1881 they were living at 9 Berwick Street, Habergham Eaves, Burnley and her parents: William and Patience, and brother John were living at 19 Berwick Street. On 6 October 1890 there was an accident at the Clifton Colliery in Burnley: pitman William Bickle had his finger crushed by an iron beam he was moving below ground. After having the little finger of his left hand amputated on 15 October, he died of blood poisoning on 21 October. The Burnley Express of 25 October 1890 had a report of the inquest. William was living at 61 Westgate, Burnley when he died leaving £116 to his widow, Selina.

The widowed Selina still had six children living at home in Berwick Street in 1891, with William a coal miner and Mary and John weavers. By 1901 Selina was a grocer living at 68 Barracks Road, Burnley with three children at home, Annie a cotton weaver, Albert an iron moulder and Ernest still at school. Selina was living at 104 Barracks Road when she died on 14 July 1904, aged 59, leaving estate valued at £154 in the care of Edward Charles Ingham, a carrier and herb beer manufacturer, probably related to her son in law, William Henry Ingham.

It has not been possible to find John in the 1891 or 1901 census records but in 1911 he was recorded as a coal miner (hewer) born in Tavistock, Devon, an inmate in the Union Workhouse at 118 Briercliffe Road, Burnley. He died in 1928.

86	Blackdown	SMITH William C	H	M	35		Carpenter	Devon Tavistock	M
		SMITH Mary Ann	W	M		33		Devon Mary Tavy	
		SMITH Thirza	D			11		Devon Mary Tavy	
		SMITH Nathaniel	S		9			Devon Mary Tavy	
		SMITH Ann	D			4		Devon Mary Tavy	
		SMITH Mary	D			3		Devon Mary Tavy	

William Crocombe SMITH was born in Tavistock in 1818. He was the son of Nathaniel Smith, born in Tavistock in 1792, who had married William's mother Ann Crocombe 1796-1844 in Tavistock on 16 August 1817. They had six children, with William the eldest. After Ann's death on 7 August 1844 in Blackdown, he married Mary Dannwell on 15 February 1845 in Stoke Damerel. Nathaniel was described as a mining engineer when he died on 4 January 1867, leaving effects to the value of nearly £400. His son William Crocombe Smith was the sole executor.

Late in 1839 William Crocombe was a mine carpenter when he married Mary Ann Rich 1816-72 and living in the Lower Spring Cottage/ Palmers Corner area, they had seven children: **Thirza** 1840-1905 was living at home as a housemaid in 1861 and a dressmaker in 1871. Early in 1874 she had married carpenter William Henry Rice 1832-1913 son of Roger and Ann Rice *See Roger Rice above for their story*. By 1881 Thirza and William Henry were living at 120 Hubert Grove in

Brixton, London, with her sister Agnes, a governess and brother William, a clerk. They continued to live in London through to 1901, then moving back to Marytavy where Thirza died on 15 May 1905, leaving her personal estate of £182 to her husband. In 1911 William, a retired carpenter, was living with his brother Robert, and his wife Elizabeth, in Brentor. He died early in 1913 aged 80.

Nathaniel 1842-1921 was a mine carpenter in 1861 and married Celia Michell 1835-1915, in the Tiverton area late in 1863. She was the daughter of Thomas Michell and his wife, Elizabeth Saunders, *see their family story above under Thomas Michell*. Nathaniel and Celia's children: *William Albert* 1864-1932, *Emma* 12 August 1865-1961, *Thirza* 1866-1926 and *Cecelia Annie* 1868-1928, were all born in England before they sailed to America; arriving in New York on 27 September 1869. *James Edwin* 1872-1951, *Archie* in 1875 and *Thomas H* in 1876 were all born in Pennsylvania. Their youngest *Bertha*, born in 1876 died in 1883, after they had settled in Morris, New Jersey where they stayed for the rest of their lives. Celia who had been born in Marytavy on 29 May 1835, died on 11 June 1915 and Nathaniel died on 24 August 1921, also in Dover, Morris, New Jersey.

Ann 1847-1920 married copper miner James Ennor 1847-89, from Beer Alston, late in 1885. The couple went to Northumberland, like so many others locally, as that was where the work was. Their daughter *Thirza Ann Smith* Ennor was born there on 23 January 1887. On 28 October 1889, James was working for the South Moor Coal Co at Chester le Street, Durham when it is reported "*These men had holed into each other's place when a large stone fell from the roof killing them both on the spot*". By 1891 Ann and her daughter were back in Marytavy, keeping house for her father and sister Mary. In 1901, after the death of her father in 1899, Ann was the head of the household, living on her own means, at Palmers, with her daughter Thirza and married sister, Agnes Harris. In 1909 Ann's daughter Thirza Ann married *Edward Ernest Mason* born in 1881, (*see his Mason family story above*) a clerk in the prison service, and in 1911 Ann was living with them and their eleven month old daughter Nina Emma Ann at 51 St Luke's Road, Maidstone. Also there was Thirza's cousin Charlotte Annie Smith from Wimbledon. Ann died in Princetown on 7 January 1920, leaving £100. Her daughter Thirza and her brother-in-law James Harris were joint executors for her will. In 1939 Edward, a civil servant in the prison department, Thirza and their daughter, Nina born 5 May 1910, later Stewart, a civil servant working in the Unemployment Assistance Department, were living at 29 Tierney Road in Wandsworth with her aunt Agnes, an invalid, and her husband, James Harris, by then retired. Edward and Thirza were living at Osborne House, 10 Watts Road in Tavistock when he died on 17 December 1965, leaving her £1,052. She was still living there on 10 August 1970 when she died, leaving £8,530. Nina married Albert E Stewart in the summer of 1941.

William and Mary Ann's first daughter called **Mary** was born in 1848 and recorded in the 1851 census but not in 1861, as she had died late in 1852.

Agnes, born late in 1851 was a dressmaker working from home in 1871 and by 1881 was living at 120 Hubert Grove in Brixton, with her sister and brother-in-law, Thirza and William Henry Rice. On 5 September 1895, in the parish church of St Michael, Stockwell, at the age of 42 she married schoolmaster James Harris, ten years her junior. With both giving their address as 15 Stockwell Road. William Henry Rice was a witness, as was Annie Smith, the wife of her brother William. James had been born in Marytavy and in 1891 was a lodger at 31 Dalyell Road in Lambeth. The son of miner John Harris and his wife Mary of Horndon, he had been a pupil teacher, aged 17, lodging at the Farm House in Calstock in 1881. While Agnes was staying with her sister Ann in Marytavy, James a schoolmaster assistant at Kings College, was boarding with Thirza and William Henry at 15 Stockwell Road, the address they had both given on their marriage certificate.

After Thirza and William Henry had returned to Marytavy, James and Agnes were living at 15 Stockwell Road, a house with six rooms. They had been married sixteen years with no children and James was working at the Strand School, WC London. James was executor for his sister-in-law Ann when she died in Princetown in 1920. In 1939, the couple were living at 29 Tierney Road in Wandsworth, London, the home of Agnes' niece Thirza A S Mason and her husband Edward Mason, who was still working in the prison service and their daughter Nina, later Stewart, a civil servant working for the Unemployment Assistance Board. James who had been born on 15 July 1863 was a retired schoolmaster while Agnes born 14 December 1851 was described as an invalid, both with private means.

Agnes was living at Whimble Lodge, Whimble in Devon when she died on 10 May 1941, leaving her effects of £52 to her husband James Harris, retired schoolmaster. James was living at Oakleigh, Marytavy when he died on 1 February 1953, leaving £310 in the care of Edward Mason, retired civil servant.

Their second daughter named **Mary** was born in the summer of 1854 and was recorded as a dressmaker living at home until 1891. After that it is difficult to pinpoint her: she may have married John Collins in 1899 or died in Stoke Damerel in 1896.

William born in 1857 was a clerk in Brixton, London in 1881, staying with his sister Thirza and her husband William Henry Rice at 120 Hubert Grove. In 1891 William was the secretary of a mining company and living in Holmwood in Brownhill Road, Lewisham with his wife Annie and six year old daughter *Annie Charlotte*, born 17 October 1884 in Wimbledon and in 1901 they were living at 52 Kent House Road in Beckenham. By 1911 it was just William and Annie living in a substantial nine roomed home: Wilhayes in London Lane, Bromley. He had continued to work as the secretary for a public mining company and they recorded twenty-seven years of marriage, with only one child, still living. Their daughter Annie

Charlotte was known as Charlotte Annie, and was the cousin from Wimbledon, living with her cousin, Thirza Ann Smith Mason and her family in Maidstone in 1911.

According to the 1924 directory William living at 1 Tweedy Road, Bromley and it was there that he died on 5 January 1929, leaving £5,890, for which probate was granted to Annie, and daughter, Annie Charlotte. Annie was the household head in the 1930 directory and in 1939 was described as incapacitated when she was living there with her unmarried daughter, Annie Charlotte. They were still living there when Annie died on 26 June 1941, leaving £359 to her daughter. It was Annie Charlotte's home when she died on 13 March 1961 at 25 Durham Avenue in Shortlands, Bromley. Probate for her £5,688 estate was granted to Laura Cecile Roffe nee Crudge.

13	Burnville Lodge	SMITH Mary	Ser	U		18	Domestic Serv	Thrushelton Dev	L
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Mary SMITH was working for the Deputy Lieutenant for Devon John James and his wife Patience at Burnville Lodge in 1851. She was the daughter of Charles Smith and his wife, Catherine Cowling, who had married in Thrushelton on 8 January 1821. Interestingly. Richard Smith, probably his brother, had married Mary Cowling, probably her sister, three years before in Thrushelton, on 6 April 1818. Charles and Catherine had seven children baptised in Thrushelton, reflecting changes in his status over time: William 1821; Joanna 1823; Charles 1825 (labourer); Richard 1827, an infant Philip was buried on 25 November 1829; John 1830; Mary 25 November 1832 (farmer); Philip 1837 (labourer). Charles, Catherine, Philip and John aged one were recorded in the 1841 census as living in Bratton Clovelly, where Charles was described as being a chemist. In 1851 he was an agricultural labourer and they were living at Cross Farm, Sampford Courtney with their nine year old daughter Jane, born in Bratton Clovelly. In 1871 she was a servant working for the Bulleet family at 62 Durnford St, East Stonehouse. By 1861 Charles and Catherine were living at Turnpike Gate in Sandford, where he was the toll collector. Charles may have died in the Axminster area in the summer of 1865, with Catherine dying in the Plymouth area late in 1866. A marriage was recorded in Tavistock, early in 1854, between a Mary Smith and Richard Gill, but no other records can be found to confirm this is the right one.

38	South Brentor	SNELL George	H	M	34		Miner	Devon Lamerton	L
		SNELL Mary Ann	W	M		32		Devon Lamerton	
		SNELL Harriet Jane	D	U		8m		Devon Lamerton	

George SNELL was the son of stone mason George and his wife Elizabeth. The widowed George, who died in the autumn of 1842, had been living with his children Mary; Jane, who married early in 1843; George and John (*see below*) in North Brentor in 1841. His son Richard had died in August 1806.

Young George was baptised on 3 July 1816 when his father was a husbandman. It has not been possible to find his marriage to Mary Ann, which probably took place mid to late 1840s. They had two children **Harriet Jane** and **Jessie**, born in 1853. George died in 1864 when he was 47. In 1871 Harriet was working as a cook for the Jones family in Tavistock. William Jones was a firebrick manufacturer, employing 13 men and 6 boys. In the summer of 1874 in Plymouth Harriet married Robert Dunstan 1849-1928, an engine fitter employed at the works. In 1881 when Jessie was working as a chambermaid at the Bedford Hotel, her mother Mary Ann who had been a laundress, was living with her other daughter, Harriet Jane, and her family, in Taylor Square, Tavistock. In 1891 the Dunstan family: Bovey Tracey born Robert, Harriet and their children *Harry*, an apprentice engine fitter; *Jessie* who had been born in Bridgewater, Somerset; *Mary Jane* and *Alice I* were living at 69 Bannawell Street but Mary Ann was not with them, as she had probably died in the summer of 1882. By 1901 they were living in Plymouth at 7 Pier Street and it was here that Harriet died in 1903, aged 52. In 1911, Robert was living with his daughter Jessie, a dressmaker, and her family. Mary Jane had been a clerk for a wholesale clothier.

39	South Brentor	SNELL John	H	M	32		Miner	Devon Tavistock	L
		SNELL Eliza	W	M		24		Devon Tavistock	
		SNELL George	S	U	4			Devon Lamerton	
		SNELL Elizabeth Ann	D			2		Devon Lamerton	

John SNELL was the son of stone mason George and his wife Elizabeth. The widowed George, who died in the autumn of 1842, was living with his children: Mary; Jane who had married early in 1843; George (*see above*) and John in North Brentor in 1841. His son Richard had died in August 1806.

John had been baptised on 25 October 1819 when his father was the toll gatherer and they were living at the Turnpike Gate. John married servant Eliza Johns in the autumn of 1845. Born on 7 April 1828, she was the daughter of manganese miner Richard Johns and his wife Agnes, who had been living in Bannawell Street in 1841. Altogether John and Eliza had nine children: George, Elizabeth Ann, Eliza E, Eva, Jessie, Thomas, Ophelia, Mary Jane and Kathy. The first three were born in Lamerton, the next three in Mary Tavy and the last three in Manaton, East Devon. They were living in Stirrup Cottage, Manaton in 1861, having moved there in about 1860 just after the birth of Thomas and were at Challacombe Cottage, Manaton in 1871. It is likely that John died in mid 1873.

George, born 28 December 1846, was a tin miner like his father, living at home in 1861 and 1871. Never married, he was recorded as a miner of iron ore, living with his sister Katie and her family at 692 Nelson Street, Ishpeming, Marquette, Michigan in the 1900 census, having emigrated to America in 1877. He died of pulmonary tuberculosis on 27 August 1904, the informant being his brother, Thomas. George is commemorated on the same grave memorial as his mother, Eliza, who died in Ishpeming on 18 June 1899.

Elizabeth Ann, born early in 1849, was 21 when she died in the summer of 1870 in the Newton Abbot area.

Eliza Ellen, known as Ellen, born in the summer of 1851, was working as a domestic servant for plate merchant William Webber and his family at 1 Castle Terrace, Tormorham, Torquay in 1871.

Eva, born early in 1854, was working as a general servant for farmer James Scott and his wife in Plympton St Mary in 1871.

In 1871, **Jessie**, aged 16 was a general servant working for Farmer Hayward and his family at Greenawell in North Bovey. She may have been the Jessie Snell, not her cousin (*above*) working as a chambermaid at the Bedford Hotel in Tavistock in 1881 and as a waitress at Webbs Hotel on The Parade in Liskeard in 1891.

Thomas, born 25 September 1859, was working as an iron ore miner in Ishpeming, like his brother George and brother-in-law, John Gill. He died of cancer of the mouth and throat on 23 July 1916, aged 56. The informant was his sister, Mary Jane Skewis, who gave her address as 337 Main Street, Ishpeming, which is where Thomas was living in 1900, 1904 and 1910.

Ophelia, born in 1862, married Canadian miner John McMillian in 1882. In the 1900 census they were living at Anaconda Hill, Silver Bow, Montana, with their five children, all born in Michigan: *George Henry*, a lumber man born in Ishpeming and living in Green Lake, Seattle, married Nellie Myrtle Perrigo on 18 December 1908 with his sister Katie as a witness; *Jessie* was single, an assistant in a doctor's office and continued to live with her mother at 4th Avenue NE, Seattle until at least 1940, when she was recorded there as the widowed Jessie Williams; *Katie*, living in Green Lake, Seattle married nurse George Henry Bidgood on 17 February 1908, with her sister Jessie as a witness, *Laura* and *Mertie*, who married Elmore Drouillard at her father's home on 25 September 1917, with her sister Jessie as the witness. One of the children, Laura, had died by 1910, when Ophelia and John, until his death, began living at 4th Avenue NE in Seattle, King, Washington state. Ophelia died on 26 November 1947.

Mary Jane, born on 16 August 1864, married miner John Skewis, who had been born in England in about 1881. The 1900, 1910 and 1920 censuses show them living at South Main Street, Ishpeming throughout, probably at 337, with her brother Thomas living with them in 1900 and 1910. Altogether, John and Mary Jane had had eight children but only five had survived to 1900: *Thomas*, a butcher; *William* a cigar maker later a drill runner at the Diamond Drill. He died suddenly of a heart attack on 11 July 1936, when he was a pipeman, still living at S Main St. His sister, Jessie Cornish was the informant; *John*, a machinist driller at the diamond drill and then a foreman at the County Road Company; *George*, a teamster at a general store, married Grace June of Marquette on 17 November 1910 in Ishpeming and *Jessie* who married Gordon H Cornish, a warehouseman, on 17 July 1919. Each census records that John and Mary Jane had arrived in the US on a different date: John 1877, 1874 and 1887 and Mary Jane 1881, 1880 and 1889. It is likely that the first given for each was most accurate. Mary Jane was a widowed housewife, living at 430 Oak Street when she died just before her 73rd birthday on 10 August 1937.

Kathy, born in March 1867, was known as Kate or Katie, when she lived in America from 1881 onwards. She married John Henry Gill in Ishpeming, Michigan on 18 June 1887 when she was 20 years old. He was a miner, born in Perranzabuloe, Cornwall. In 1900 they were living at 692 Nelson Street, Ishpeming when her brother George was living with them, and in 1910 in Barn Street. John, probably known as Henry, was an iron ore miner and later miner's captain. They had lost one child by 1900, but by 1910 had had ten altogether: *George Henry*, *Eldred*, *John*, *Carl*, *Raymond*, *Blanche E*, *Ruth V* and twins *Pauline* and *Winifred*. By 1920 Kate was widowed and living in W Div St with Raymond who was a machinist at the mine, Blanche, Ruth, Pauline and Winifred.

Eldred or Eddie, was a diamond drill runner when he married Elizabeth Dinston on 2 October 1924. Blanche, born 21 September 1905, married Ontario born John Henderson in Lucas, Ohio on 21 May 1927. Her second marriage was to postman Arthur W Giebel in Detroit on 8 September 1934. Ruth was a comptometer operator living in Hurley, Wisconsin when she married postman Charles B Skinner of Richford, Vermont in Monroe, Michigan on 12 February 1932. Pauline, born on 22 September 1907, was Hickey when she died on 1 February 1991. Her twin, Winifred was 26 years and 6 months when she died on 18 April 1934, seven days after having a cerebral embolism, after suffering a subacute endocarditis, or heart infection, for three months. The informant was her brother, Carl.

48	Blackdown	SOBEY Emma	Ser		13	General servant	Chagford	M
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Emma SOBEY was the daughter of Henry Sobey and his wife Susan Osborne, the daughter of James Osborne and his wife Jane. Susan was born in Stoke Damerel in 1813 and baptised in Throwleigh, near Chagford on 2 October 1814. She married Henry Sobey on 27 February 1837 in Stoke Damerel and they went on to have one daughter, Emma born early in 1838 and six sons born between 1840 and 1849: Edwin George, Henry, Thomas, Richard, Geroge and James Thomas. In 1841

the family was living in Chagford, where Henry worked as a tin miner, with their four eldest children, all aged 3 and under, and two lodgers Susan Lee, an off spinner of about 50, and Susan's mother, Jane Osborn, a woolcarder, also aged about 50. In 1851, the family was separated, probably as a result of Henry's imprisonment in Devon County Prison in Exeter. Susan and her one year old son, James Thomas, were staying with her brother William Osborn and his family in Kingsteignton; Emma was working for tin miner John Paull and his wife Maria in Blackdown; Edwin was working for Osborn relations in Middlecoombe, Lustleigh. He later married Elizabeth Parsons Peardon, and settled with their children in Millom, where he worked as a miner. Henry, Thomas, Richard and George were in the workhouse in Okehampton. It must have been a terrible time for the family separated in this manner.

Late in 1859 Emma married miner Josiah or Joseph Northey in Stoke Damerel. In 1861 she was living in St Giles, Beerferris, listed as miner's wife, head of the household, with two year old daughter, **Elizabeth**, who had been born in Beerferris, while her husband was staying with her brother Edwin and his family in Hennock, Devon. In 1871 Truro born Josiah was at home with his wife and daughter in St Giles, living next door to Edwin and his wife and their large family.

In 1871 her parents Henry and Susan were living in Haverigg, Millom, not far from their son James and his wife Elizabeth, who had married in the Okehampton area in the summer of 1870. James went on to be a stationary engine man, living in Wellington House, Millom, in 1911, recording that they had had five children in their forty year marriage, but only three were still alive at that date. In 1891 the widowed Susan had been living with her son iron miner Thomas and his family in Millom. Thomas had married Mary Jane Osborn in the Okehampton district late in 1864, and they had had two children: Henry George 1866-1941 and William Thomas 1868-74 in South Tawton before they moved to Millom shortly before the 1871 census. By 1881 they had five of their children living with them at Sea View, Millom: Henry George; Edwin Albert 1872-; Thomas Osborne; Frances Helena and William John. They were living next door to his brother Richard, his wife Susan and their seven children. In 1891, when his widowed mother, Susan, was living with them, the family of Thomas, Mary J and their children were living at 10 Bankfield Road, Millom. Edwin Albert baptised on 31 December 1871 in the Millom Bible Christian Church, went on to marry his second cousin Eva Maude Jackman Waye in 1899 (*see Waye below for the story of their family*); Thomas Osborn baptised 13 December 1874, went on to be sub-postmaster for Haverigg and after living in Main Street while working as a grocer/ sub-post master, was living at 10 Bankfield Road until his death on 5 January 1951, leaving £1,587; Frances Helena baptised 17 March 1878 in the Millom Bible Christian Church, also continued to live at 10 Bankfield Road until her death on 18 February 1939 and probate for her £361 will was granted to her brother Thomas Osborne; William John Powlesland, baptised 13 April 1879, also in the Millom Bible Christian Church, married Ellen Maudsley 1881-1959 in the summer of 1915 and died the following year aged 37 and Bessie Florence baptised in the Millom Bible Christian Church on 26 February 1882 and who died in 1908, aged 26.

Thomas died, aged 51, in 1894 in Cumberland and his mother Susan in 1898 in Northumberland, aged 87.

30	South Brentor	SOPER William	H	M	34		Labourer	Exbourn Devon	L
		SOPER Jane	W	M		29		Sourton Devon	
		HATCH Mary	DiL	U		11		Bridestow Devon	
		SOPER Elizabeth Ann	D			3		Lamerton Devon	
		SOPER Ann	D			1		Lamerton Devon	
		HORRELL Mary	Lod	W		61	(Widow)	Bridestow Devon	
		HORRELL Ann	SiL	U		25		Sourton Devon	
		HORRELL William	BiL	U	22		(Labourer)	Sourton Devon	

William SOPER was probably the second husband of Jane Hatch, who had been Horrell before her first marriage, though neither marriage record can be found. Jane and her first husband Hatch were probably married in 1838 or 9 and William and Jane by 1847. As well as Elizabeth Ann and Ann, they had Jessie and Joseph, shown in the 1861 census and Louisa, born in Lamerton, in the spring of 1863, the quarter after her father William Soper died. Sadly, it is likely that their two daughters, **Elizabeth Ann**, born in the summer of 1848, and **Ann Horrel**, born summer 1850, both died in the summer of 1858, aged 10 and 8 respectively.

By 1871 Jane was married to her third husband William Laskey, a quarry labourer and they were living at 5 Amity Place, in Plymouth, his hometown, with her daughter, **Louisa Soper**. By 1881 he had died and Jane was living with Louisa at 9 Waterloo St, Plymouth, when Jane worked as a washerwoman and Louisa as a domestic servant. By 1891 Louisa had married and was living at 8 Waterloo Street, next door to her mother and brother, Joseph, a merchantile seaman. Jane died in 1893. Louisa's husband was John George Birch, a private in the Royal Marines, born in Tewkesbury, Gloucestershire. After his service in the Royal Marines, John became a gas stoker for the Plymouth Gas Company and in 1901 they were living at I Bedford Cottages, which had been her sister, Jessie's home in 1881, with their son, **Sydney Albert**, born on 12 February 1893. During their marriage John and Louisa had had four children but only one survived. Louisa died in 1906 aged 42. Sydney continued to live with his father and in 1911, they were at 31 Baring Street, with John continuing as a gas stoker, and Sydney a butcher's errand boy. He married Ennie Roose in 1919 and was a widowed labourer in 1939, a postman in 1951 and died in 1971.

Louisa's brother, **Joseph**, born on 1 September 1858, had been staying with his mother Jane in 1891, presumably while he was on shore leave, as he served in the Royal Navy from 19 September 1873 until 30 June 1892, initially as a Boy 2nd Class on HMS Impregnable, rising through the ranks until becoming a Petty Officer. He was 4'10.5" tall, with brown hair, light blue eyes, fair complexion and had a tattoo on his right arm when he signed up. By the end of his service, which had been good or very good throughout the very wide range of ships he had served on, he was 5'6". In 1881 the census shows him on HMS Vernon at Portsea Island. By 1911 he was a lodger at 9 Hastings Street and was working as a skilled labourer at HM Dockyard, Plymouth. He died in 1914, aged 56.

His sister, **Jessie**, was working as a servant for nurseryman and florist Edmund Roberts and his family at Lower Venn, Pennycross, Plympton in 1871 and in 1873 married William Henry Bennett 1854-1934, who she might have met through her brother, as he was a seaman in the Royal Navy, and later a coastguard. In 1881 he was serving aboard the Agincourt, a First Class Ironclad, stationed at Gibraltar, whilst Jessie was living at 1 Bedford Cottage, Plymouth with daughters *Florence*, *Emma J* and *Rosina*, all born in Plymouth. Her sister, Louisa and her family would live there in 1901. They had had seven children, all of whom were still alive in 1911, and at least six were daughters: Florence, Emma J, Rosina, later Hayse, born in Plymouth; *Annie* and *Charlotte*, born in Wexford, Ireland and *Lillian Maud* born in Plymouth. The four youngest daughters were living with their parents in Gladstone Buildings, Kinmel Street, Rhyl in 1901, when William was the Pier Master and Jessie was a caretaker for the Inland Revenue offices, which were next door to their home. They continued to live there in 1911 by which time William had his pension and Lillian was a barmaid. Charlotte (Williams) was a widow, when she married farmer James Albert Robinson in Ontario on 22 September 1924. Jessie died in 1944, aged 88.

Jane's eldest daughter, **Mary Hatch**, was born in about 1840, when Jane was 18. In 1841 Mary appears to have been living in Bridestowe with her grandparents, William 55 and Mary Horrell 50, and her uncle George 15, a quarry labourer. Like her mother she was very young, when she married agricultural labourer William Brock in 1857. He was the son of John and Frances Brock and had been baptised at Sheepwash on 29 January 1826. The couple was living at Mana Butts, Tavistock in 1861 and 11 Church St, Stoke Damerel in 1871 with their Mary Tavy born children, *William* and *John*, neither of whom have been easy to identify after that date. *Elizabeth* and *Jessy* were born in Tavistock 1862 and 1865 and were still living at home at 10 Wyndham St, Plymouth in 1881, when Jessy was a domestic servant and no occupation was shown for Elizabeth. William had died before the 1881 census and Mary had remarried, as she was listed as Mary Frost. After 1881 it has not been possible to identify the records for Mary Frost or her daughter, Elizabeth, known as Bessie. It may be that members of the family went abroad, a not uncommon occurrence at that time. By 1891 Jessy had been married to Coryton born stableman, John Pellow, for nearly four years and they were living at 2 Kilworthy Lane in Tavistock, before moving to Devonport where Jessie began working as a dressmaker, and then 32 Exeter St, Plymouth where the census record states that during their twenty-four year marriage they had only had one child, who had not survived. Jessie died in 1931, stableman/horse driver, John in 1939.

Mary Horrell was probably Jane's mother; as Jane's daughter Mary Hatch had been living with Mary and her husband William and their son George in Bridestowe in 1841. William Horrell died on 3 April 1848 and was buried in St Michael de Rupe Churchyard at South Brentor. Mary may have died in 1863. Not surprisingly for the Horrells, it has not been possible to trace any further records of Jane's siblings!

44	North Brent	SOUTHCOM John	H	M	61		Ag Lab	Devon Lamerton	L
		SOUTHCOM Mary	W	M		63		Dev Whitchurch	
		SOUTHCOM William	S	U	27		Copper Miner	Devon Lamerton	
		SOUTHCOM Elizabeth	D	U		24	Works in the house	Devon Lamerton	

John and Mary SOUTHCOM(BE) were living in North Brentor in 1841, when John was a Manganese Miner. Both were listed as being 50 and their children **William**, aged 17 and **Elizabeth** 15 were both rounded to 15. Son **John** was living next door, aged 25, with his wife, Anne also 25 and their children *Josiah* 2 and *Elijah* 1 month. Elsewhere in the village **Sarah** Southcombe, aged 20, was working as a domestic servant for shoemaker Edward Rice and his family.

Parish records show labourer John, and Mary Ann Doidge had married on 26 March 1814, and were living at Middleside or Middleslade, Lamerton when eldest son John was baptised on 20 August 1815, **Mary Anne** was baptised on 28 June 1818 and Sarah on 8 April 1821. By the time William was baptised on 25 January 1824 their address was given as Rowden, Lamerton and Elizabeth's baptismal record on 7 May 1826 gives their address as North Brentor.

John, born in 1791, may have died in 1860 and Mary Ann, who may have been born in 1788, died in 1876, aged 88. Their daughter Mary Ann, probably married in 1844, but it has been difficult to identify her husband. Nor has it been possible to find out more information about their son William. Elizabeth may have married David Adams or John Farnham in 1852. Sarah married Edward Metherell 1822-72, a copper miner, probably in about 1846. They went on to live in Tavistock, initially in 18 Barley Market Street and later in Taylor Square, and had five children before widowed Sarah's death in 1887, aged 66. Details of their son, John are given below at property 45.

45	North Brent	SOUTHCOM John jun	H	M	36		Copper Miner	Devon Lamerton	L
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		SOUTHCOM Hannah	W	M		38		Dev Milton Abbot	
		SOUTHCOM Josiah	S		11		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		SOUTHCOM Elijah	S		9		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	

John SOUTHCOM(BE), as shown above in property 44, was the son of John and Mary Southcombe, and he and his family were living next door to his parents in 1841 and 1851. A marriage took place between John Southcombe and Anne Southcombe on 1 December 1837. Parish records indicate that, **Mary Anne**, baptised on 3 December 1837, only lived for one day and was buried on 5 December 1837. There are few records for younger son, **Elijah**. It may be that he died early in 1862, when he would have been about twenty, or late in 1864.

The 1871 census records copper miner, John jun and his wife described as Ann, living with their daughter Elizabeth Ann 1853-1886 at Pettand Corner, Lamerton. John died in 1879 and Ann and Elizabeth, a laundress, were living in Heathfield Cottages, Lamerton in 1881, before Elizabeth died in 1886 and her mother in 1888.

Their eldest son, **Josiah Southcombe**, baptised 24 April 1839, a copper miner like his father, married Emma Barker 1842-1929 in the autumn of 1860. In 1861 Josiah, was living in Bannawell Street, Tavistock with his young wife and their two month old baby *Elijah*. By 1871 they were living at 12 Trelawny Cottages with four additional children: *Emma Zereen* born 1863, *William Thomas* 1865, *Clara Jane Barkell* born 1868 and twelve month old *Kate*. They continued to live at Trelawny Cottages through to 1891, during which time *Harry* 1872 and *Charles* 1874 had been born. Sadly, Elijah died in 1875, aged 14, and Kate in 1883, aged 13. In 1891 Emma and Clara, both dressmakers, Harry, a draper's assistant and Charles an engine fitter, were still living at home and Josiah had become an insurance agent. By 1893 he had moved to 28 Brook Street, where he lived and ran his business until his death in 1896. That same year his daughter Emma married either Harry Bickell or John Biscoombe. Her sister Clara, who had been living at 28 Brook Street, Tavistock, married John Arthur Cook at St Eustacius Church, Tavistock in February 1895.

Josiah's widow, Emma went to live in Park Lands, Okehampton, with their son, William Thomas, a Customs and Excise officer, and his wife Mary Emily Prout, who had married in 1891. Their daughter: Lily Zereen, had been born in Scotland, and Marion in Ashton Under Lyme. In 1911 William and Mary Emily and their children were living at 116 Old Tiverton Road, Exeter, where William died on 15 November 1932 leaving £1,878. Mary Emily and her daughter, secondary school teacher, Marion, moved to Budleigh, Bridge Road, Torquay, where they were living when Mary Emily died on 25 January 1951, leaving £2,325 to her two unmarried daughters.

Josiah's widow Emma had returned to Tavistock by 1911 and was living opposite his old home, at 29 Brook Street, and working as a dressmaker, aged 69. Sadly, she recorded that she had had seven children and only two were still alive. *Harry* was one of these to have died by that date. In 1901 he was a silk warehouseman, living at 53 Yerbury Road, Islington with his wife, Jessie Fife Williams, from Clifton, Bristol and their small daughter: Agnes Zereen had been born on 8 February 1900 and baptised on 14 March at All Saints, Tufnell Park. By 1910 her parents were living in Poole, Dorset when Harry died on 6 June at 'St Kathleen' Ashley Road, Upper Parkstone. In 1911 Agnes was boarding at the Warehousemen, Clerks and Draper's Orphan's School at Russell Hill, Purley. Her mother Jessie was living at Brandon Lea, 36 Poole Road, Branksome when she died on 23 December 1912. Agnes was living at 9 Palace Road, Haringey in 1930 and was a private school teacher living at 30 Mainridge Road, Woolwich in 1939. She died on 27 April 1984 at Queen Mary House, Park Road, Chislehurst leaving an estate of under £40,000.

Youngest son *Charles* married Clara Cruze in 1898 and settled in Devonport, where their son Harold Ross was born on 13 July 1900. Charles was a steam engine fitter in 1901 when they were living at 7 Harrietta Street North and at 12 Martin Terrace in 1911. Sadly, they had lost two other children during that time. Clara died in 1912 and Charles may have married Edith Collacott 1874-1927, a ladies maid, in 1914. Charles died in 1922 aged 48. His son Harold Ross was a Chief Engine Room Artificier, Coppersmith in the Royal Navy, serving on HMS Drake. He had married Emily Winifred Davies in 1924 and had signed up for a twelve year term on 28 February 1927, when his record shows he was 5'8" tall with brown hair, grey eyes and a fresh complexion. He must have extended his service for the duration of the war as he was awarded a Long Service and Good Conduct award in 1944. He died on 14 October 1966, leaving his wife £741.

66	North Brent	SOUTHCOM(BE) Mary	H	W		72	Parish Relief	Devon Lamerton	L
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Mary SOUTHCOMBE may have been the wife of labourer Thomas, who died in 1846. Baptisms are recorded for three of their children: **Mary Anne**, baptised in Milton Abbot on 10 October 1813; **Thomas**, baptised in Brentor on 7 September 1817 and **John** baptised in Metherall, Milton Abbot on 28 May 1820. Daughter Mary Ann was living with her mother in 1851 and her details can be found above under her married name of Pearce, or Pearse (above). It has not been possible to find more details about Mary's life.

9	Burnlane	SOUTHCOM Thomas	H	M	33		Labourer	Lamerton, Devon	L
		SOUTHCOM Abigail	W	M	43			Sheptor, Devon	
		SOUTHCOM Mary A	D		8			Mary Tavy, Devon	
		SOUTHCOM Susanna	D		4			Lamerton, Devon	

		SOUTHCOM Elizabeth	D		2			Lamerton, Devon	
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This SOUTHCOM(BE) family has been difficult to track. None of the Thomases in the 1841 census fit as the one in Bridestowe was a tailor and the one in Tavistock a carpenter. No marriage record can be found and the only birth records are for a Susanna registered in Tavistock in the autumn of 1844 and Elizabeth in 1848.

If this is the Thomas who married the widowed Maria Harris Ayres (see 65 above) in the autumn of 1854 there should be a death registered for Abigail between 1851 and 1854. The only Tavistock death is for a Mary in the summer of 1854, which might have been her.

In 1861 **Mary A** 17 was working as a servant for the Perkins family at Kingsell Farm in Mary Tavy. **Elizabeth** 13 was working as a servant for the Gribble family at Ottery Farm, Lamerton. After that it has not been possible to find other records for any of them with any certainty.

Left with three small children at home after the death of her husband Francis in 1853, Maria married highway labourer, Thomas Southcombe in the autumn of 1854. The 1861 census shows them living in Easter Cottage in Lamerton, with the two youngest Ayers children: Emma 14 and Ellen 10, and their own children: Eliza 6, **Thomas** 5 and eleven month old John. In 1871 the couple were living in North Brentor with their two youngest: Eliza, a domestic servant, currently out of employment and John 11. Also living with them was Maria's eldest daughter Mary Ann aged 36, now Avery, and described as being the wife of a railway labourer.

Maria died in 1874 and by 1881, Thomas was described as a farm labourer living in a cottage in Lamerton, with his son, John, a mason and his stepdaughter (relation) Mary Ann as a housekeeper.

Later that year **John Southcombe** married Emily Pugsley from Inwardleigh and, living in Brentor and later Lydford, they had four children: *Lucy, Alfred John, Laura* and *Ethel M* by 1891. *Thomas* was born the following year, and *Florence May* in 1895. This was confirmed in the 1911 record: that they had been married 30 years and all six children had survived. Living at 3 Westpark Villas in Whitchurch, Tavistock, John was a mason on the GWR, Alfred a general smith and May a draper's shop assistant.

Thomas and Maria's daughter, **Eliza Southcombe**, born in 1855, married Broadwoodwidge born farm labourer William Paige in early 1876. The 1881 census records them living in a cottage in Lamerton with their two small children: Ellen 3 and John 11 months and Eliza's niece, Mary Ann Spearman. She was the daughter of Eliza's half sister Elizabeth Ayres, and went on to marry William Medland and was the mother of Fred, commemorated on the War Memorial. In 1891 William and Eliza were living at Pit Cottage in Brentor, with children Ellen, John, Thomas born on 15 July 1884, *Margaret, Mary* and *Henry*. Sadly, Henry died around the time of his first birthday in 1891 and Mary Ann, aged 5 in 1893. The last son *Francis Paige*, known as Frank, was born on 4 August 1892. A farm labourer like his father, he married Mabel A Yarde in 1925 and they were living with a child at 6 Mill Hill Cottages, Tavistock in 1939, the home he had shared with his widowed father in 1911. Frank died in 1975.

Erroneously, but helpfully, William had declared in 1911 that his marriage of 36 years had produced nine children, six of them still alive.

It has not been possible to find further information for *Ellen*, born 1877, after 1891.

John Paige 1880-1947 married Jessie Harvey Dunn in 1902 and in 1911 they were living at 22 Mill Hill Cottages with their only son Archibald, born 29 September 1902. In 1939 he was living with his wife Dorothy at 16 Mill Hill Cottages, while his parents were living at number 8.

Thomas Paige 1884-1963, a rockman, married Eliza Towell in 1903 and in 1911 they were living at 9 Mill Hill Cottages with their children, Russell 6 and Doris 5. The year after Eliza's death in 1923, Thomas married Bessie B Dawe 1888-1967 and in 1939, when he was a mason's labourer and air raid warden, they were living at 19 Mill Hill with one child.

Margaret Paige 1886-1966 was working as a cook for widowed, retired civil servant George Walter Philpott in the Regents Park area of London in 1911. By 1922, she had returned to the Tavistock area to marry wool sorter Sydney Craze 1886-1946, and in 1939 they were living at 29 Exeter Street, not far from where her niece, Elizabeth Jane's wool sorter husband, Francis Pickings had lived at 14 Exeter Street. After Sydney's death in 1946, Margaret married Francis J Northcott in 1952. Thomas and Maria's eldest son, **Thomas Southcombe** 1858-1838 married Lavinia Westlake Doney 1860-1921 early in 1880. She was the daughter of Sampson and Mary Doney from North Hill, Cornwall and was baptised on 2 September 1860. Thomas and Lavinia started their married life in a cottage in Lamerton, where Thomas worked as a farm labourer doing packing. They had a lodger, widowed Mary Vigars aged 71. By 1891 Thomas was working as a ganger on the railways and they had moved to Gem Cottage, Grenofen Cross, Whitchurch near Tavistock, where they lived for most of their married life. Their children were *Annie Maria, William Henry, Florence Jessie, Albert, Clement* and *Olive*.

After working as a servant for the elderly Babbages at Ashleigh Villa in Whitchurch in 1901 *Annie Maria* married general labourer William Scoble in 1907. Their children were leap year day baby William Russell 1908-73 a gardener; Charles Frederick 1912-93, a baker's roundsman in 1939 and Thomas Arthur 1914-74, who was a steward at the same time. William had died in the months before the census and Annie died in 1956.

William Henry 1882-1933 does not appear to have married. *Florence Jessie* 1884-1953 married William John T Sanders in 1904 in Tiverton but returned to live in Whitchurch by 1905 when their son Percival Roy 1905-94 was born. He went on

to marry Vera A Quaintance in 1929 and was a bus driver in Plymouth. William Sanders was not at home at the time of the 1911 census. Home was a two roomed cottage at Chapel Hill, Whitchurch. Also listed was their daughter (Florence) Murie 1910-2001, who married Eric MG Pethick in 1934.

Maria Southcombe died in 1874 and it is believed that Thomas died on 6 February 1897.

32	South Brentor	SPICER John	Lod	W	68		Labourer	Lamerton Devon	L
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John SPICER was lodging with Richard and Amy Trinnamon in 1851. In 1841 an agricultural labourer of the same name was living with the Drake family in Mary Tavy. The death of a John Spicer was recorded in the Tavistock area in the summer of 1853. He may have been the father of the John Spicer below. They were on adjacent farms.

33	South Brentor	SPICER John	Ser	U	24			Lamerton Devon	L
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John SPICER was working at Wilminstone, the farm of yeoman John Friend in 1841 and in 1851 for the Thomas and Mary Stephens Squire family in South Brentor. In the summer of 1851 he married Johanna Jane Floyd 1820-85 in Tavistock. The 1871 census shows them living at Collings Houses in Mary Tavy, where they continued to live in 1881. John was a labourer, probably on a farm throughout. Johanna's birthplace varied between Exeter and Bratton Clovelly. They had three sons living with them in 1871, Albert 15, Charles 11 and Edwin or Edward 7, all born in Mary Tavy. Only the youngest, by then Edward, also a farm labourer, was still at home in 1881. Johanna died in 1885.

Albert had married Emma Burley in Cumberland, probably in Millom in 1877. She had been born Emma Mitchell, in Mary Tavy in 1856, the daughter of copper miner Sampson and Mira Mitchell of Palmer's Corner, Mary Tavy. Their daughters: *Edith*, later Alway, was baptised in Millom on 17 February 1878, and *Louisa*, later Smith, on 4 May 1880. The 1881 census shows Emma and her two daughters, Edith 3 and Louisa 1, (from Cumberland) visiting the Brownsley family at Devon Friendship Mine in Mary Tavy. In 1891 the family was living at 85 Newton Street, Millom with three of their daughters, Louisa 11, Alice M 7 and Beatrice 6, all born in Millom. The occupation for Albert E was gold miner. Meanwhile Edith was visiting her uncle **Edward**, Albert's brother, and his Norfolk born wife Maria at 14 Vartry Road, Tottenham, where Edward was working as a Metropolitan Policeman, as he had been when he married Maria Jacobs on 26 March 1885 in West Hackney. In 1901 the couple were living at 24 Sheerdale Road in Richmond. In 1911, Edward was a police pensioner, living with Maria at Mount Temple, Marlingford, Nr Norwich, Norfolk. Their twenty six year marriage had produced no children. In 1939 Edward, born 12 August 1864, and Maria were living at Pensilva, Salhouse Road, St Faith's and Aylsham, Norfolk. Edward died in Norwich, Norfolk in 1946.

By 1901 Albert and his family had also moved to London and were living at 349 Portobello Road, Kensington. Albert Edward was a (Pub) Beer seller and his wife Emma and daughter Edith were working in the business, while Louisa was a dressmaker. Sons Albert Edward 6 and Sampson 5, were born in Notting Hill, indicating that the move south had happened between 1891-4. Albert Edward had been baptised at St Michael and All Angels, Ladbroke Grove on 9 June 1894, when his father was described as a tradesman. When Sampson was born on 25 September 1895 and baptised on 1 October he was described as an Off Licensed Victualler. At the time his daughter Alice was a lady's help, visiting coal merchant John Watling and his wife, Annie, who was a governess in a school and their one year old daughter Dorothy, but whether it was a social visit, or a short term commercial venture is not clear. Her sister Beatrice was visiting contractor's timekeeper, George Park, and his wife Dorcas, in Swan Road, Hanworth, Uxbridge at the time. Dorcas had been born in Tavistock and her sister Mary Gorman who was also visting had been born in Millom, as had their eldest daughter, also Mary.

Also staying with Albert and Emma Spicer and their family in 1901 were Albert's father, John and brother, **Charles**, who had enlisted in the Royal Engineers when he was 20, in Tavistock in 1881. In 1907 Charles married Ellen and by 1911 he was working for HM Customs and they were living at 19 Morley St, Plymouth with the only child of their marriage at that date, *Cyril Charles* 1908-59.

Emma died in August 1911 and was buried in Islington. Although she had been entered on the census form, this had been crossed out, perhaps indicating that she was in hospital. It recorded that they had been married 34 years and six of their seven children were still alive. Both she and daughter Beatrice had been working with Albert, who was the licensee of a beer house. Young *Albert* was a clerk with the railways; *Sampson*, a clerk at the motor works. Also visiting were his nephew (probably grandson, and the form completed by one of the children) Cecil James Albert Alway 4 born in Cardiff, Wales, perhaps the son of daughter Edith: and visitors, mechanic James Jones and his wife Mira, 32, who had been married for six years, and had been born in Millom. With the unusual forename, she was probably related to Emma's family, the Mitchells, and named after Emma's mother, Mira.

On 12 January 1913 Beatrice 1885-1933, unusually, married a man with the same surname: hay dealer Frederick George Spicer, the son of Frederick John, also a hay dealer. They had two children Beatrice Emma and Frederick Albert Edward. Her father Albert Edward was the licensee of the Capel Arms, Osbourne Road, South Acton, when he died on 19 March 1923, aged 66, and was buried in Acton Cemetery. His £1,955 estate was administered by his son Albert Edward, who was a licensed victualler manager.

28	East Liddaton	SPRY Mary	Ser	U		24	House servant	Devon Mary Tavy	B
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Servants like Mary SPRY, as with her fellow employee, James Tailor, are notoriously difficult to research as the accuracy of their entry is dependent on the farmer's knowledge, literacy levels and conscientiousness. We know that this young woman was working for the Westlake family at East Liddaton in 1851, but as it has been impossible to find other information about her, it could be that the spelling of her name, her age or where she was born was not recorded correctly, or even all three!

69	Broompark	SQUIRE John	H	U	45		Farmer of 40 acres	D Broadwoodwidge	L
		SQUIRE Jonas	B	U	41		Partner	Devon Hatherleigh	
		SQUIRE Susannah	S	U		36	Housekeeper	Devon Ingwardly	
		SQUIRE Susannah	Lod	W		81		D Broadwoodwidge	

John, Jonas and Susannah SQUIRE were the children of the 'lodger' Susannah nee Baskerville and her husband William, who had married on 31 October 1804. Baptisms have been found in the records for Jonas, baptised on 16 May 1810, George on 6 November 1811, given below as living with brother William at Burnaford, and Susannah on 16 November 1813, all in Hatherleigh, though Susannah's place of birth was recorded as Ingwardley (sic). Another brother, Thomas, born in Broadwoodwidge was living with William in 1861, aged 54.

In 1841 the family, consisting of Susannah 70, farmer, John 34, Jonas 31, George 25, Susan 20 and Thomas 16, were living at Brambleton in Bridestowe. A death occurred in the Tavistock area, early in 1852, of a Susannah Squire, which is likely to have been that of the mother. William had a brother, staying with him in 1861, who may have been John, a labourer. John Squire died late in 1868 in the Tavistock area, aged 62, which would fit. Otherwise, there are few clues to members of this household after 1851.

19	Burnaford	SQUIRE William	H	M	43		Farmer 110 acres	Hatherleigh Dev	L
		SQUIRE Mary	W	M		47		Bridestow Devon	
		SQUIRE Susanna	D	U		14		Lamerton Devon	
		SQUIRE William	S	U	11			Lamerton Devon	
		SQUIRE Thomas	S	U	9		Scholar	Lamerton Devon	
		SQUIRE John	S	U	6		Scholar	Lamerton Devon	
		SQUIRE Edwin	S	U	3		Scholar	Thrushelton Dev	
		SQUIRE George	Bro	M	39		Labourer	Hatherleigh Dev	
		SQUIRE Elizabeth	SiL	M		25		Lamerton Devon	

William SQUIRE, also the son of William and Susannah, was baptised on 21 June 1808 in Hatherleigh, and married Mary Palmer in Hatherleigh Parish Church on 21 February 1832. In 1841 they were living in North Brentor with their two eldest children, Susannah and William, with Thomas born later that same year. As well as John and Edwin, they had daughter Lavinia, before Mary died on 20 March 1855. In 1861 **Susannah** was keeping house for her widowed father and the other five children living at home. Family research indicates that she died later that same year, but as yet there is no confirmation of this in the records. William married again between 1861 and 1871, when he was farming only 50 acres of Bonnaford Farm. His wife Maria was six years older than him and from Lamerton, but it has not been possible to identify the marriage date. William died on 19 November 1874, aged 65 and his effects of under £200 were in the care of his sons Thomas and Edwin, both farmers and daughter Lavinia, spinster, all of North Brentor.

In 1865 **William** married Annie Ellis, the daughter of Chaddlehanger farmer Richard Ellis and his wife, Hannah. He was a substantial farmer with 165 acres in 1851 and 170 acres in 1861. In 1871 William and Annie were living at Bonnaford Farm where they were employing 3 labourers to help with their 100 acre farm. Their children at the time were *William George* 5 and *Annie Tyrrell* 3. Subsequently, *Mary Maria* later Castle, *Amy Elizabeth* later Rice and *James Ellis* were born. Their stories are told in *1911 People*. William and Annie continued farming the 200 acre Bonnaford Farm together until some time after 1891, for in 1901 Annie was described as married and recorded as head of the family but by 1911, she was a widow continuing to farm at Bonnaford with the help of her daughters, and grandson. Annie died on 7 December 1920, when she was living at Park Cottage. Her £1,131 estate was left to the care of her eldest son William George, a buyer who lived in the north of England.

Thomas was still alive in 1874 and living in North Brentor. There is a suggestion that he may have gone to New Zealand, with his brother John but, so far, there are no records to support this, although it may have been just a sort visit for work.

John Simpson Squire, born on 31 March 1845 in North Brentor, was living at Collingwood, Marlborough-Nelson, Tasman, New Zealand when he made his sheep returns: 1887: 88 and 1888:82. The return on 31 May 1890 indicates that he had 200 in 1880 and 194 in 1890. Electoral registers for 1905-6, show him farming at Parapara with Clara Ophelia and William, a miner. In 1911 at Bainham, Motueka with Clara Ophelia and in 1914 alone there, but on both occasions, miner William was living nearby. John died on 14 June 1918, aged 73 and was buried at Stoke Cemetery, Nelson City, New Zealand.

Edwin and **Lavinia** were living at Cudlipp Cottage in 1881, with Edwin a farmer and Lavinia, his housekeeper. Edwin died in 1888, aged 40 years. Lavinia had married farmer Francis Stenlake in 1885 and their only son *Francis Squire Stenlake* was born the following year, on 3 February. Lavinia died on 9 September 1898, leaving £80. Francis was a prosperous farmer, leaving £10,247 to the care of his son, when he died on 12 May 1928.

George SQUIRE, the son of William Squire and Susannah Baskerville, was baptised on 6 November 1811 in Hatherleigh. He married Elizabeth Coram, baptised 6 Decembbber 1827, between 1844-1851. She was the daughter of William Coram and his wife, Grace Ash of North Brentor. The widowed Grace Coram, was living in Brentor with her children: John 15, Catherine 15, Elizabeth 13 and James 7 in 1841. Subsequently, Grace married William Rice and is shown above at Easter Place, with William, his sons, William and Edward and her son James, described as William's son in law, which is what we would call stepson. Also there was William Woldridge, shown below, who had worked as a labourer for Grace in 1841. In 1861 when George and Elizabeth were living at Park House her brother James was visiting them, more of his story is told above under James Coram (*see Coram 1851: part 1*). George was described in 1861 as a farmer of 5 acres and 10 acres in 1871. No children were recorded in any of the census. By 1881 he was a retired farmer and the couple were living in a cottage near the vicarage. When George died on 6 June 1886, aged 74, at his home, Winsors Cottage, his estate of £411 went to his widow, Elizabeth. She may have died in Tiverton in 1906.

In 1861 William had another brother staying with him. The name is difficult to read but as he was two years older than William, it is likely to have been his brother, John, above.

29	Burnaford	SQUIRE Thomas	H	M	33		Farmer 10 acres	Inwardleigh Dev	L
		SQUIRE Jane	W	M		36		Stokeclimsland Co	
		SQUIRE Thomas	S	U	6		Scholar	Stokeclimsland Co	

Thomas SQUIRE was the son of Susannah Baskerville and her husband William Squire and youngest brother of John, Jonas and Susannah of Broompark (*above*). Living at home with his family in 1841, he married Jane Philp, the daughter of Joseph Philp on 19 December 1843 in Stoke Climsland. Sadly, their marriage was short as by 1861, when he was a farmer of 40 acres living at Winstor, presumably Windsor, Farm with his 16 year old son, George, he was a widower. A few months after the census, he married Mary Martin, fifteen years his junior, from Milton Abbot, the daughter of John and Rachel Martin (*see Martin above*) and they were living together at Windsor Farm, by then 70 acres, in 1871, by which time it would appear that young Thomas had died, aged in 1868, aged 22. In 1881 they were living at Shannon, in Peter Tavy, at the edge of Willsworthy Hamlet, with Mary's parents: John Martin 74, described as a partner on the farm with his son in law, and her mother, Rachel aged 69. By 1891, Thomas and Mary were back in Brentor, living at Standon, which appears to have been near Bonnaford where his cousin/nephew William and his family were living. Thomas died early in 1895, aged 76. His wife Mary may have died in East Stonehouse in 1907, also aged 76.

33	South Brentor	Thomas SQUIRE	H	M	46		Farmer 140 acres employs 2 boys	Broadwoodwidge Devon	L
		Mary Stephens SQUIRE	W	M		36		Mary Tavy Devon	
		Mary Eliza SQUIRE	D	U		4		Lamerton Devon	
		Ann Eliza SQUIRE	D			2		Lamerton Devon	
		An infant not named	S		5d			Lamerton Devon	

Thomas SQUIRE 1805-72 married Mary Stephens Ellis 1815-63, in early 1846 in Plymouth. She had been baptised on 24 March 1815, in Mary Tavy, the daughter of William and Ann Ellis. Thomas may have been the son of William, baptised on 11 February 1770, in Hatherleigh and Elizabeth Squire 1773-1869, who married in Hatherleigh in 1795. If not, he was certainly related to the Squires at Broompark and Burnaford, though most probably as a cousin. His sister was Ann Mason (*see Mason above*) who, though her husband and child were living nearby, was staying with her brother at the time, probably because her sister-in-law had recently given birth.

Thomas and Mary had six children, many with the same names as the other Squires: Mary (probably Emily) 1846-1866, Ann or Annie Eliza, later Mathews 1849-1925, Thomas, the unnamed newly born baby above 1851-, John 1854-. Jonas 1856-1930 and William 1858-1930. Thomas was a substantial farmer, with 240 acres in 1861 and 300 acres in 1871. **Annie** was living at home in 1871, keeping house for her father and brothers after the death of her mother in 1863, aged 48, and sister Mary Emily aged 20, in 1866. By 1881 Anne's brother Thomas had taken over the farm. (He was granted probate for his father's effects of under £3,000, on his death on 11 July 1872) and Annie was keeping house for her brother John, who was the innkeeper at the New Market Inn, 1 Duke St, Tavistock. Also living with them was their brother **Jonas**, a veterinary surgeon. Later that year, on 4 June 1881, at St Stephens in Shepherds Bush, London, Anne Eliza, who had been living at 54 Loftus Road, Shepherd's Bush, married Frederick William Matthews, the son of Joseph 1823-1908 and Mary Anne Matthews of 10 Glanville Rd, Tavistock. Frederick was a civil engineer at the Iron Foundry where he and his father employed 65 men. On 23 October 1881, their son *Harry Edward* Matthew was born at 9 Glanville Road, Tavistock. Sadly,

he died on 26 January 1890 and in 1891 Annie was visiting Gulworthy Farm, the home of Henry T Perkin and his wife Anne, Annie was shown as being married but it has not been possible to identify her husband Frederick William in any records after the marriage. More details about Annie Eliza and her management of the Manor Hotel can be found in the study *1911 People*. She died on 2 October 1925.

In 1889 her brother **William** had married Ann Cory Brown in Bodmin and on 19 November 1890 at St George's Church, Tufnell Park, London, their brother **John** Squire, Hotel Proprietor of the Bedford Hotel, Tavistock, married Kate Lanham, the daughter of Joseph Lanham, publican. Brother William was one of the witnesses. In 1901 Annie was recorded as married and working as a domestic housekeeper, living at the Bedford Hotel with her brother John 1853-1904 and his wife, Kate, whose only daughter *Emily Mary* died in infancy. John died in 1904. Frederick Matthews appears to have died between 1901 and 1911 but no record can be found in England.

Thomas 1851-1929 had inherited the farm and had married Agnes Withycombe locally in the summer of 1876. They were working a 320 acre farm at South Brentor with the help of four labourers and two boys in 1881. Altogether they had had nine children of whom seven can be named and only six survived to 1911. In 1901 Agnes declared herself to be *Head of the family* at Cross Trees farm with only Reginald and Kathleen living with her. It appears that Thomas may have been working as a cattleman at Taviton Farm in Tavistock, though in 1911 he was working as a farm labourer, staying with his eldest daughter Emily Louise Muzzlewhite and her family in Black Torrington. He died on 17 July 1929 at Wortha Cott in Brentor, leaving his £112 estate to the care of his unmarried daughter Ethel Charlotte. Agnes J died in Tavistock in 1924, aged 70. She had been living at Ashleigh Villa in Whitchurch with her son, farmer Reginald and daughter Ethel Charlotte. Youngest daughter, Kathleen Margaret Moseley was visiting with her nine month old son, William McDonald Moseley, who had been born in Sherborne, Dorset.

Emily Louise had married Sydney Muzzlewhite in the autumn of 1908. She died in Exeter on 13 January 1958, leaving £690.

William Thomas 1879-1899 was the named son who had died by 1911.

Reginald, born 12 December 1880, was a farmer, living with his mother, probably until her death in 1924. Sadly in 1939 he was a patient in the Exeter City Mental Hospital, known as Digbys. He was recorded as being of Brentor, when he died at 200 Woodwater Street in Exeter on 14 February 1953. His estate of £3,462 was left to the care of his widowed sister Emily Louise Muzzlewhite.

In 1901 *Florence Maud*, born 13 May 1882 was a draper's assistant living at 36-40 Bedford Street, Plymouth, where her brother, James, a draper's apprentice, three years younger than her, was also living. On 24 August 1908 she married draper William Ewart Ellis. In 1911 they were living in a substantial house at 52 Mill Street in Bideford where their daughter, *Doreen Mary*, later Giles, was born on 24 October 1913. William, only 5'5" tall, served in the ASC (MT) during World War One. He embarked on a life of service in the community, which saw him serving as Mayor of Bideford from 1934-35 and Deputy Mayor and on the Food Committee during World War Two, when Florence was involved in the Red Cross, both nursing and sewing, when they were living at Oakleigh, North Down Road, Bideford. It was for his work on the Bideford Youth Employment Committee that Alderman Ellis was awarded the MBE in the New Year's Honours List of 1950. He died on 19 May 1958, leaving £18,488. Florence was 89 when she died on 22 October 1971 at 17 Pine Park Road in Honiton, leaving £3,486.

Her brother *James* had moved to London by 1911 when he was working as a warehouseman for Messers Cookes of 22 St Paul's Churchyard, EC London and was one of 267 workers living in their accommodation at Stamford Street, South London. Nine private houses had been converted to provide 133 rooms. James was living at 68 Haven Road, Exeter when he died on 6 December 1931, leaving his effects totaling £124 to be dispersed by his unmarried sister, Ethel.

Ethel Charlotte. had also been in the drapery trade in 1901 as a draper's apprentice, but she stayed locally, boarding at 9 Market Street in Tavistock. By 1911 she was at home in Ashleigh Villa with her mother and brother. She died on 15 November 1935 at Wortha Cott, leaving her estate of £2185 to be managed by her sister Florence Maude Ellis and her nephew William Stephens Muzzlewhite, a contractor's agent.

Youngest daughter, *Kathleen Margaret* born on 11 October 1887, married William Robins Moseley in the autumn of 1907. Her obituary advised that she had died on 29 January 1957 and was mother of Bill, Andrew, Joan and Peter, with no mention of husband William Robins. Her will declared that she had been the wife of William Robins Moseley, living at Greywalls Lodge, Liss in Hampshire when she died on 31 January 1957, leaving £1,619 to the care of her son, Peter Charles Molesely, a film editor.

Thomas and Mary's son, **Jonas** 1856-1930, a vet, married Eliza Rowe Collings in 1884. They were living together in 1891 at 1 & 2 Princess St in Plymouth with their three children: John Collings 1884-1958, Anne Eliza 1886-1930 and Dorothy Ethel 1887-1964, but in 1901 and 1911 Jonas was in lodgings in Tavistock at 19 Brook St and 1 Vigo Bridge. His wife Bessie was a lodging house keeper in 1891 and was visiting Arthur Collings (her brother) in 1911, while younger daughter *Dorothy* was a governess living in the family home at 13 Leigh Terrace in Plymouth. *John Collings* Squire married Eileen Harriet A Wilkinson in 1908, but in 1911 he is recorded as living at 100 Chelsea Gardens in London with his single sister,

Annie Eliza, who was a professional singer. In 1921, when he went to New York for two months, he was described as an author, with his wife, living at Swan House, Chiswick.

Wikipedia says of him: **Sir John Collings Squire** (2 April 1884 - 20 December 1958) was a British poet, writer, historian, and influential literary editor of the post-World War I period. His poetry from World War I was satirical; at the time he was reviewing for the *New Statesman*, using the name *Solomon Eagle* (taken from a Quaker of the seventeenth century) - one of his reviews from 1915 was of *The Rainbow* by D. H. Lawrence. Squire had been appointed literary editor when the *New Statesman* was set up in 1912; he was noted as an adept and quick journalist, at ease with contributing to all parts of the journal. He was acting editor of the *New Statesman* in 1917-18, when Clifford Sharp was in the British Army, and more than competently sustained the periodical. When the war ended, he found himself with a network of friends and backers, controlling a substantial part of London's literary press. Squire was knighted in 1933, and after leaving the *London Mercury* in 1934, he became a reader for Macmillans, the publishers; in 1937, he became a reviewer for the *Illustrated London News*. Squire is in any case generally credited with the one-liner "I am not so thick as you drunk I am". His eldest son was Raglan Squire, an architect known for his work at Rangoon University in the 1950s and as the architect for the conversion of the houses in Eaton Sq, London into flats thus ensuring the preservation of that great London Square. His second son was Antony Squire, a pilot film director (*The Sound Barrier*). His third son Maurice was killed in the Second War while his youngest daughter Julia Baker (née Squire) was a costume designer for theatre and cinema. She married the actor George Baker, best known for his parts, **Tiberius in I, Claudius** and **Inspector Wexford in The Ruth Rendell Mysteries**

William was the youngest son of Thomas and Mary. He is a difficult man to identify in the records. In 1901 he was living at 65 Seymour Ave, Plymouth with his wife Ann Cory Squire, born 1859 in Bodmin, their daughter *Mary*, born 1892 in Plymouth and Annie's sister, Maria (Brown) Jennings 1862-1925, a drapers' assistant. William was an assistant in a gentleman's outfitters. In 1891, Annie Cory had been visiting her parents, James Brown, a builder, and his wife, Mary at Fore St in Bodmin. Also with them was their grandson *William H*, an infant. Maria's children, Frederick and Florence were also staying with their grandparents at the time. In 1911, Ann Cory Squire was boarding with the Piper family at 2 Pike St, Liskeard, while William was working on his sister's farm at the Manor Hotel. The census form recorded that she had been married for twenty-one years, with two children born, with one still alive, altered to one born by the enumerator. Their daughter Mary was a drapery saleswoman staying in a huge boarding house with many other drapery saleswomen in 1911. Ann Cory Squire died in Tavistock in 1925.

11	Herring Arms Inn	STEPHENS John	Sil	M	26		Copper miner	Devon Mary Tavy	B
		STEPHENS Mary	D	M		29		Devon Tavistock	
		STEPHENS Jane	Nie	U		7		Devon Tavistock	
		STEPHENS William	Nep	U	5			Devon Tavistock	
		STEPHENS John C	Nep	U	2			Devon Tavistock	

John STEPHENS was baptised on 12 April 1824 in Mary Tavy, the son of William Stephens and his wife, Elizabeth Stanning, the daughter of Samuel and Mary Stanning, members of the Tavistock Wesleyan congregation. In 1841 William and Elizabeth with three of their children: James, John and Grace, were living in Mary Tavy. An older son, Joseph, was living with his family in Warn area of Marytavy (*see below*). William was working as a lead miner and he died before the next census, when Elizabeth was a pauper living with daughter Grace, a charwoman, and Grace's three year old son, Thomas, in Brook Street, Tavistock. Elizabeth may have died in the years before the following census. Grace had had another child Elizabeth before her 1855 marriage to cutler William Williams, who had two children from a previous marriage: Sarah A and another nine year old Elizabeth. The child of this marriage was Henry Stevens Williams, aged 6.

John married Mary Crossman in the summer of 1843. She was the daughter of Richard and Jane, known as Jenny, Crossman (*see Crossman above*) and was baptised on 30 January 1821 in Mary Tavy. In 1841 it would appear that Mary was living in Mary Tavy but the record is so faded to be almost indecipherable.

In 1851 John, Mary and their children were living with her widowed mother Jane at the Herring Arms Inn where she was the innkeeper. Also living there were her other children, Mary's siblings: Jane, James, Walter and Jonathan.

It is likely that one of these gave the information to the enumerator, thus Jane's grandchildren: (Elizabeth) Jane, William and John, were referred to as niece and nephews. As well as these three children, John and Mary went on to have five more: Mary, Richard, Jonathan, James and Elizabeth Ann. In 1861 the Stephens family continued to live at the Herring Arms Inn with Jane Crossman, but following John's death in 1869, when only 44, the family were living at 9 Wheal Maria Cottages in Tavistock. Mary was 50, Mary 19, Jonathan 13 was a miner, James 8 and Elizabeth Ann aged 4.

By 1880 Mary and family had moved to America, living at Hardyston Township in Sussex, New Jersey. Living with their mother were John, Jonathan, James who were working at the mines, Elizabeth Ann and eldest daughter Elizabeth Jane now Hucker and her children Bessie 12, Harry, Mary Ann, John S 8, Richard S and Elizabeth Jane. The three youngest Hucker children had been born in New Jersey, indicating that the Huckers, at least, had been in the US since 1872.

John and Mary's children were:

(Elizabeth) Jane, born on 13 January 1844 and married to mine labourer Henry Hucker on 8 February 1868. In 1871 they were living in Sydenham Damerel with their two oldest children *Bessie* later Davis and *Harry* or *Henry C*, who went on to

live in Chicago. *Mary Ann* was born soon after, before they left for America. As we saw, above, Jane and her children were living with Jane's family in 1880. John S went to live in Gary, Indiana. Bessie Davis, Richard S and Elizabeth Jane later Bailey continued to live in Franklin, Sussex County. Jane died on 24 May 1910 in Franklin at the home of her daughter, Bessie, Mrs Theodore Davis. Her husband Henry had died thirty-four years before, in 1876, within a few years of their arrival in America and close to the birth of daughter, Elizabeth.

William was born in 1846 and was recorded at home with his family in 1851 and 1861. After that it has not been possible to trace him in the records.

John, who had been working in the mines in 1880, continued to live in Franklin, Sussex County. **Mary** may have become a Kernick, living in Wharton.

Richard also went to New Jersey and by 1880 was a laborer married to Elizabeth with a three year old son, *John H*. If Elizabeth's maiden name was Tichenor, they may also have had *Edward Ackerson* on 7 August 1880 and *Edith* in 1882.

Jonathan was working on the mines in 1880 and is linked to Ringwood Manor on his mother's grave entry.

James C was born on 23 April 1862 and married Laura Kemble 1862 -1947. He had been working in the Hardyston mines in 1880 and went on to be a master mechanic and foreman at the zinc mine. They had at least four children: *Mary Ruth* who died as an infant, *Arthur* born 1893, *Edna* 1894-1978 and *Laura* 1898-1908. James died on 3 June 1956 at the grand age of 94.

Elizabeth Ann 1866-1942 married James H Treloar on 1 July 1886 and they went on to have at least twelve children. Over the years the family home in Franklin was filled with children and grandchildren, who stayed left and returned, but most seem to have settled in the Franklin, New Jersey area.

89	Blackdown	STEPHENS Joseph	H	M	37		Copper Miner	Devon Mary Tavy	M
		STEPHENS Ann	W	M		35		Devon Mary Tavy	
		STEPHENS Betsey	D			11	Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	
		STEPHENS George	S		9		Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	
		STEPHENS John	S		4		Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	
		STEPHENS Richard	S		9m			Devon Mary Tavy	

Joseph STEPHENS was baptised on 13 February 1814 in Mary Tavy, the son of William Stephens and his wife, Elizabeth Stanning, the daughter of Samuel and Mary Stanning, members of the Tavistock Wesleyan congregation. In 1841 Joseph, Ann and their two children aged one, **Betsey** and **Robert** were living in the Warn area of Marytavy. In 1841 William and Elizabeth with three of their children: James *see above*, John and Grace, were living in Marytavy, where William was working as a lead miner. He died before the next census, when Elizabeth was a pauper living with daughter Grace, a charwoman, and Grace's three year old son, Thomas, in Brook Street, Tavistock. Elizabeth may have died in the years before the following census. *See James Stephens above for more of the Stephens family story* Other than these few meagre pickings, it has not been possible to find any records to link to this family. Perhaps they went abroad?

This Joseph is not to be confused with Joseph, son of Thomas and Mary, baptised on 25 January 1813, who married Agness and is much easier to research.

11	Burnlane	STEPHENS James	Ser	U	20		Carpenter	Bridestow, Devon	L
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James STEPHENS, born in Bridestow on 10 October 1830, was the son of lime kiln supervisor, Alexander Stephens and his wife Ann, both born in 1806. In 1841, the family was living at the Stone Quarry in Bridestow with eight of their nine children: Martha 14, Mary baptised 1828, James baptised 1830, Alexander baptised 1832, Ann baptised 1835, John baptised 1837, Eliza 2 and three month old Robert. George, baptised in 1833, had died aged just nine months old in August 1834. Alexander died in 1849 and his widow Ann, who had been born in Okehampton, had moved to live at 33 John Street in Stoke Damerel with her youngest children: Eliza 11, Erriot (Harriet?) 8, William 6 and Ellen 1. She was working as a charwoman to support the family. Son Alexander was in Broadwoodwidge, apprenticed to blacksmith John Brown, and as we know from the 1851 Lamerton census, James was living in Brentor, working for Roger Rice.

In the summer of 1853, in the Tavistock area, James married Jane Goodman, born in Lewtrenchard on 12 June 1828. In 1851 she had been working as a house servant in the household of Portreeve and druggist Solomon Perry in Back Street, Tavistock. In 1861, James, a joiner, Jane and their two daughters, Martha Jane 4 and Henrietta S 4 months, both born in Morice, Plymouth were living at 12 John Street, Stoke Damerel, not far from his mother in John Street. Ann, listed as a laundress, had son William 16, a clerk, and daughters Ann 25, who was a servant, Eliza 21 (a book or boot binder?) and Ellen 11. Eliza married government dockyard shipwright Samuel George Burden within months of the census. In 1911 they had been married 49 years, of the twelve children she had borne, only four survived to that date. She died in 1911. William married in 1867.

In 1870, James, Jane and their children: **Martha** 13, **Henrietta** 8, **Harriet** 6, **Mary** 4, and **James** 1 crossed the Atlantic on the *City of Baltimore*, arriving in Boston on 23 May 1870. The 1871 census shows them settled in the town of Guelph, Ontario, Canada where James worked as a carpenter or joiner and they declared themselves to be Primitive Methodists.

They continued there in 1881, with their children's names recorded both formally and informally. Henrietta/Selina was a tailoress, Harriet/Ellen, Millia G was Emma, James GA was George. Youngest son William or Willie was born in Ontario early in 1871. In 1891 Ellen 27, a knitter and Baptist, George 22, a cabinet maker and Salvationist and Willie 20, also a cabinet maker but a Baptist, were living at home with their still Methodist parents. In 1901 James continued to work as a cabinet maker, aged 70, and was living with wife, Jane and daughters Selina, born 2 December 1860, and Ellen, a woollen knitter born 16 August 1864.

Harriet Ellen was 42 when she married forty year old grocer, Joseph Johnston on 20 April 1905, but the marriage was shortlived and probably unsuccessful, as by 1911, she was back with her parents at 41 Nottingham Street in Guelph, describing herself as single. When her death, on 16 August 1934 was registered, by her nephew Russell Stephens, she was still living at 41 Nottingham Street and described as a housekeeper aged 70 and single. Her sister Amelia Emma had married mechanic Samuel Carter on 5 January 1887, when she was 21 and he was 27 and they both belonged to the Salvation Army. She died in 1941. No death records are available for James and Jane.

29	Black Down	STEPHENS Micall	H	M	37		Copper miner	Dev Bridestow	M
		STEPHENS Amelia	W	M		30		Cwl North Hill	
		STEPHENS Thomas	S		8			Devon Stowford	
		STEPHENS Jane	D			6		Devon Stowford	
		STEPHENS Mary	D			4		Devon Mary Tavy	
		STEPHENS Samuel	S		1			Devon Lamerton	

Michael STEPHENS married Amelia Teague, in the summer of 1840, in the Tavistock area. She had been baptised in North Hill on 24 September 1820, the daughter of Samuel Littleton Teague and his wife, Susannah. In 1841 the young couple were living in Stowford, where Michael was a copper miner. Sometime before the 1861 census, when their son **Thomas** was working as a carter at the 200 acre Great Close farm in Bridestowe for farmer John Durrant Palmer, the rest of the family had travelled to a new life in South Australia.

Jane, born in the early months of 1845 married William John Meritom/n, son of John, at her father's residence in Nelson Town on 22 December 1862. They went on to have four children: *William John*, born on 25 May 1863 in Nelson, Burra; *Sidney* 1 February 1865 in Kooringa, Burra; *Adelaide Amelia* 24 April 1867, also in Kooringa and *Jane Teague* on 25 June 1869 in Moonta, Daly, all in South Australia. Jane died on 1 December 1915, aged 70, in Port Pirie, Clare.

Michael died aged 53, on 17 June 1867 and was buried in Burra, Goyder, South Australia, with his gravestone inscribed *There remainth therefore a rest to the people of God*. On 9 December 1868 Amelia married John Chapman, son of Matthew, at the residence of J Hannah in Kapunda. Amelia Chapman died on 17 January 1908 at Thebarton and was buried in Adelaide.

Mary married Edward Peck Fisher, son of Marker N Fisher, on 22 July 1873 at House Spring Farm, Clare. They had one son, *Stanley Charles*, born on 4 May 1875 at Jamestown, Clare. Mary's death on 12 June 1930 was recorded in South Australia.

Samuel, was born early in 1850. He was recorded as being a retired saddler when he died in Mile End, South Australia on 27 August 1937.

There was a census spelling mistake: the Simmons families were SYMONS, and are recorded here as such.

13	Stantabridge	SIMMONS Nicholas	H	M	56		Farm labourer	Dev Whitchurch	B
		SIMMONS Elizabeth	W	M		53		Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS Jane	D	U		16	Teacher of school	Dev Milton Abbot	

Nicholas SYMONS was recorded as Simmons when he married Elizabeth Gunner on 27 October 1821 in Milton Abbot. Baptisms are recorded in Milton Abbot for five children: George on 14 April 1822 when they were living in Foghanger; Maria on 12 June 1825 and Richard on 11 January 1829 in Shortbourn or burn; John on 4 March 1832 Foghanger and Jane on 27 September 1835 when they lived in Willesley. They were still living there in 1841, when Nicholas and Elizabeth were recorded in the census with John aged 9 and Jane 5.

Farm labourer **George** had been working at Metherele in Milton Abbot for farmer Thomas Bickle and his family in 1841 and had married Mary before 1851 when the couple were living at Pitland in Lamerton. Their daughter *Mary Jane* was born in 1855 and by 1861 they were living at Gregories, Liddaton. Son *George* was born the following year and *John* in 1865 and they continued to live in Liddaton, probably until late 1887 when George died. Young George was a farm labourer and John an apprentice carpenter. By 1891 Mary had moved with her brother George to Milton Green in Milton Abbot, where they were farming. It has not been possible to identify any of the family accurately after that.

Maria was working as a servant for Maria Claverley, of independent means, in Adelaide Street, East Stonehouse in Plymouth in 1841 and in 1851 for farmer Luscombe and his family, also in Plymouth. Late in 1868 in Plymouth she married general labourer John Brown, who often worked in the HM Dock Yard, sometimes as a driller. They had one son, *Thomas Nicholas* 1869-1934; a skilled labourer, he married Helen Elizabeth McGinnes and had five children by 1911, three of whom survived to that date. From at least 1881, probably until Maria died in 1919 or later, the couple were living at 8

Gloucester Road, a two roomed house in Plymouth. Maria's father, Nicholas, by then a widower after Elizabeth's death early in 1873 in the Tavistock area, was living there with them in 1881 and probably until his death in the spring of the following year.

In 1841 **Richard** was just ten years old but working at Burnshale Farm in Milton Abbot for farmer George Walter and his family and in 1851 was one of the two labourers working for farmer Edward Doidge on his 60 acre farm at Ley in Milton Abbot. By 1861 he was a cooper boarding with the Menkenick family at 6 John Street in Charles, Plymouth. He married Mary Ann Short from Pondstock in Cornwall, in the summer of the following year and in 1871 they were living at 46 Richmond Street in St Andrew's, Plymouth and in 1881 at 33 King Gradens, Plymouth. Richard died in Plymouth, late in 1909,

In 1851 **John** was a farm labourer working for farmer George Walter in Week, Milton Abbot but after that no information can be found for him or his sister **Jane**.

In 1861 Nicholas and Elizabeth had moved to Burrows, Milton Abbot, where he continued to work as an agricultural labourer, and Elizabeth probably died in 1873. Nicholas died in Plymouth in 1882.

43	Rickards Tenement	SIMMONS Thomas	H	M	36		Ag Lab	Dev Whitchurch	L
		SIMMONS Elizabeth	W	M		33		Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS John	S	U	9		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS Mary Ann	D	U		7	Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		SIMMONS William	S		4		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	

Within a couple of months of their wedding at the beginning of 1841, Thomas SYMONS and his wife, Elizabeth Rediccliffe, were living in Rickards tenement, South Brentor, not far from her family. Her parents were, John Rediccliffe, a manganese miner, and his wife Grace 1787-1872. Their other children were Mary, later Bray; Grace who had been born on 18 June 1823 and baptised in the Wesleyan tradition on 4 May 1826 and John. By 1861 Grace was described as a pauper living with the family of her daughter, Mary Bray and her husband John, a copper miner at St Ann Chapel, Calstock. John Redicriff, aged 24, a mine labourer, probably Grace's son and Mary's brother, was visiting. By 1871, the year before her death, Grace was back in South Brentor, staying with her daughter Elizabeth Simmons.

In 1861 Thomas and Elizabeth had been living at Court House, which may have become 1 The Court in later years. All four of their children were living with them, **John** and **William** were copper miners, **Mary Ann** was a servant and **Elizabeth** 9 was a scholar. By 1871 when Grace Rediccliffe was living with them, only Mary was living at home, with her husband carpenter John Bickle from Lydford, and their three children: *William* 4, *John* 2 and *Elizabeth* 8 months. By 1881 Thomas and Elizabeth were living alone in a cottage in Lamerton, while he continued to work as a farm labourer, as the Bickles had moved to North Blackdown with six of their children: William, Elizabeth, *Samuel*, *Thomas*, *Jessie* and *Mary Ann*. Both Mary Ann Bickle and her mother Elizabeth had died by the time of the next census: Mary Ann in 1886 aged 42 and Elizabeth in the summer of 1890, aged 72. Two of his grandsons were living with Thomas at 1 The Court in 1891, John Bickle 22, a packer with the GWR and Thomas Bickle 16, a farm servant. Thomas was 81 when he died early in 1896. Of their other children: John, William and Elizabeth, it has been difficult to pinpoint them in the records after 1861. It is quite possible that they moved overseas.

28	East Liddaton	TAILOR James	Ser	U	21		Servant	Dev Blck Torrington	B
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Servants like James TAILOR are notoriously difficult to research as the accuracy of their entry is dependent on the farmer's knowledge, literacy levels and conscientiousness. We know that this young man was working for the Westlake family at East Liddaton in 1851, but as it has been impossible to find other information about him, it could be that the spelling of his name, his age or where he was born, or even all three, were not recorded correctly!

46	North Brent	TAPSON John	H	M	42		Farmer of 28acres	Devon Bridestow	L
		TAPSON Ann	W	M		37	Farmer's wife	Devon Lamerton	
		TAPSON Mary Ann	D	U		16	At home	Devon Lamerton	
		TAPSON Thomas	S		11		Scholar	Devon, Lamerton	
		TAPSON William	S		9		Scholar	Devon, Lamerton	
		TAPSON Selia	D			6	Scholar	Devon, Lamerton	
		TAPSON Elizabeth	D			3	Scholar	Devon, Lamerton	

John TAPSON was a manganese miner living in Brentor in 1841, with his wife Ann Powell Rice, and children Mary and Thomas. Ann, born on 14 February 1814, was the daughter of Stephen Rice, born 1791-1852 and his wife, Mary Ann Powell 1795-1843 of Lamerton. Mary Ann Powell's parents: Edmond Powell 1755-1833 and his wife Mary Fuge 1765-1837 had at least eleven children, including John Fuge Powell, *see 43 above*, as well as Mary Ann. Her daughter Ann married John Tapson on 27 September 1834 in East Stonehouse and they had seven children before John died on 8

December 1852: Mary Ann 1835-1915, Elizabeth 1836-38, Thomas 1839-1909, William 1842-1901, Celia 1844-87, Elizabeth 1847-1917 and John Rice 1851-51. Ann and her surviving five children moved to Bowmanville, Durham, Ontario, Canada, probably in 1854 and certainly before 1861, when they were recorded in the census, living in a two storey brick house, occupied only by themselves. Thomas was a blacksmith and William a wagon maker and they were all Methodists. **Mary Ann** born on 13 April 1836, married Isaac Westcott 1830-86 on 1 February 1862. Their children were *John*, a blacksmith born 1863, who died on 28 March 1896 of pneumonia; *Albert W*, born in 1865, he died on 23 April 1889; *Harry* born in 1867, died on 24 September 1882 and grocery clerk *Harold Isaac* born 5 August 1871 who died of consumption on 5 November 1900. Later in life Mary Ann married William Rowe on 12 February 1909. She died in Bowmanville, Ontario on 6 June 1915, having buried all her sons as young men, and was commemorated with her first husband, Isaac, in Bowmanville Cemetery.

Elizabeth was only two years old when she died on 5 June 1838.

Blacksmith **Thomas** born in 1839, though 1843 is given on his gravestone, married Cornish born Emma Bassett 1848-1933. They had one son, *William Bassett*, a piano tuner. Thomas died on 10 June 1909 in Toronto, Ontario.

Wagon maker **William**, was born on 27 February 1842, married Betsey Ann Rowe in Bowmanville on 9 August 1862 and died on 16 April 1901.

Celia, or Cecelia, born on 3 August 1844, was in Bowmanville, Ontario by 1861, working as a servant (Silia) aged 15 and on 28 March 1864 she married wood turner Charles Edward Hobbs 1839-1924. They were recorded in Oshawa, Ontario with their children in the 1881 census: *Frances Mary*, known variously as Fanny or Mary, was born on 29 October 1865-1941, and married livery master Albert Edward Paulin 1860-1937 on 15 April 1885; *Charles Henry* born in 1867, had died before 1870; *Mary Jane*, known as Jane, born 13 July 1869, married William Burrows on 18 June 1884; *Cecelia Tapson*, born 9 January 1872, became Glenfield on marriage and died in 1931; *Charles Henry*, known as Harry, 30 March 1876-28 March 1943, married Hannah Frances Anderson 1881-1914 on 25 February 1900. They had two children. He married again, on 4 September 1915 to Matilda Jane Crandell 1897-1918. And a third time on 28 July 1919 to Frances Irene Persel, born 1893. *Elizabeth Ann*, known as Lizzie, born 12 January 1879, married SA (Salvation Army?) officer Charles James Jackson 1876-1913 on 6 March 1900. The year after his death in Seattle, Washington, she married Ernest Harry Stork on 2 July 1914. Sadly, Lizzie suffered from psychosis and manic depression for two years before her death on 11 October 1933. *Alfred Edward*, known as Albert, was born one month before the 1881 census and died on 14 August 1963; *Edith Mary Ann or Marian* was born 12 December 1886.

Gertrude Louisa born 18 March 1883 married Frederick Luby 1880-19938. She died on 30 August 1963. *Thomas William Tapson*, known as *William*, born in 1891 married Helen McNamara in January 1917, and died in Toronto on 14 August 1961. For the most part the family were settled in Ontario, Canada, a favoured destination for people from Brentor.

Elizabeth born on 14 December 1848, married William G Glover 1846-1910 and died on 27 November 1917 in Bowmanville, Ontario. Her mother's death on 27 March 1901 is commemorated on their gravestone in Bowmanville Cemetery. Both the birth and death of **John Rice Tapson** were recorded in the second quarter of 1851.

11	Burnlane	TAYLOR John	Ser	U	21		Carpenter	Sth Sydenham, Dev	L
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John TAYLOR was working for carpenter Roger Rice in 1851. It is likely that John was the son of blacksmith John Taylor and his wife, Judith, of Horsebridge. They had five children baptised in Sydenham Damerel: John on 16 February 1822, Jane on 8 March 1825, William 17 August 1826, another John on 26 April 1829 and Michael on 12 February 1832. It is likely that John sen died not long after Michael's birth, as Judith married Robert Doidge on 28 September 1835. She died in 1844 and Robert in 1847 and both were buried in Lamerton Churchyard. In 1841 William was recorded as being apprenticed to blacksmith William Bennett at Lamerton Green, by the Blacksmith's Arms. Other than this, it has been difficult to pinpoint any local Taylors.

50	Blackdown	THOMAS Abslom	H	M	39		Copper miner	Devon Marytavy	M
		THOMAS Elizabeth	W	M		39		Devon Tavistock	
		THOMAS Laura	D	U		17	Labour in mine	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Celia	D	U		15	ditto	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Eliza	D			13	ditto	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Henry	S		11		Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Jerushia	D			9	ditto	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS George	S		7		ditto	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS William	S		5			Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS James	S		3			Devon Marytavy	

Absalom THOMAS was the son of George Thomas, born in Gwennap in 1781, and his wife Mary Glanville 1773-1851, who had married on 4 May 1805. In 1851, George, a widower aged 70, was living with his widowed daughter Melora Warn

and her children in Blackdown (*see her story under Warn below*). Another brother was George Thomas 1808-73 (*see his story below*).

Absalom was baptised in Marytavy on 13 November 1810 and he married Elizabeth Susanna Castle, in Marytavy on 21 September 1833. She was baptised in Tavistock on 20 December 1813 and was the daughter of sawyer John Castle 1784-1862 of Zeal Monachorum and his wife Elizabeth, who were living in Marytavy in 1841, with sons Thomas, Joseph, Richard and Henry.

In 1841 Absalom, Elizabeth and their children Louisa, Celia, Eliza and Henry, were living with his parents George and Mary Thomas in Marytavy. After the death of his wife, John Castle was living with his daughter, Elizabeth, Absalom and their family in 1861 and died the following year, aged 78. Absalom died in the summer of 1867 at the age of 56. Though not found in 1871, in 1881 Elizabeth Castle was living with her daughter Louisa and her husband Absalom and his sister, Melora Warn. Elizabeth died on 11 April 1883, exactly one week after Melora.

Altogether Absalom and Elizabeth Susanna had eleven children:

Louisa 1834-1911, misnamed as Laura in 1851, was baptised on 2 March 1834. She was a copper mine labourer living at home in 1861 and she married her cousin, Melora's son, Absalom Thomas Warne 1831-82 early in 1864, as his second wife. (*see Melora Warn below for their family details*).

Celia 1835-1903 Her birth was recorded as being on 2 February 1835 and she was baptised on 2 August 1835 in Marytavy. She married copper miner Richard Gilbert 1833-94 on 3 March 1862 in the Tavistock Register Office. He was the son of Susan Gilbert, *and their family story is given above in Part One under Susan Gilbert*.

Eliza was baptised in Marytavy on 12 March 1837 and may have married Francis Thomas in Tavistock in 1856. **Henry** born early in 1839, was a copper miner living at home with his parents in 1861 and is unlikely to be the one giving his birthplace as St Mary Church. He may have gone abroad.

Jerusha 1841-1903, married Zeal Monachorum copper miner Thomas Newcombe Densham 1842-97 in the summer of 1860 and in 1861 they were living in Blackdown with their one month old son *Thomas*, who died in 1866. *See Densham in Part One for their family story*. Jerusha died in Durham in 1903, six years after Thomas.

It is likely that, soon after the death of their father in 1867, the younger children went to America to seek their fortune.

George born in 1844, **William** in 1847 and **James** born 1849 were copper miners living at home in 1861, and **Irena** born in 1852 and **John** born on 4 January 1855 were still at school and all were living at home in Kneebow Row, Marytavy in 1861. John travelled to America in 1869, at the age of 14, presumably with his brothers and sister. In 1880 in Marquette, Michigan he married Mary Nancarrow/Gray 1849-1919 from Darlestone in Cornwall, who had arrived in New York on 18 September 1868, moving to Luzerne Pennsylvania by 1870. On 26 June 1880 the census records them living in Champion Township in Marquette, with Mary's mother Mary Nancarrow, who continued to live with them until at least 1900, and four children between the ages of 4 and 10, from Mary's earlier marriage. to Mr Gray. Their own children were *John Francis* 1881-1912, *James Alfred* 1882-1945, *Edward Charles* 1885-1955, *Russell Wilton* 1888-1927 and *Irene* 1891-1953. By 1900 they were living in Florence, Wisconsin where Russell and Irene had been born and in 1910 at Upper Bingham, Salt Lake City, Utah, where John was foreman at the mine. Mary died on 23 June 1919 in Great Falls, Cascade, Montana and on 2 February 1920 John married Mary Elizabeth Shaw/Martin 1874-1951, known as Lizzie, in Salt Lake City. By 1930 they were living in Compton, Los Angeles, California where John was retired and a daughter, probably Lizzie's, Pearl Martin, was working in the chocolate factory. John died in Compton on 27 January 1931, aged 76.

53	Blackdown	THOMAS George	H	M	42		Copper miner	Devon Marytavy	M
		THOMAS Maryann	W	M		41		Devon Ashburton	
		THOMAS William	S	U	19		Copper miner	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Emma	D	U		17	Copper worker	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS John	S	U	15		Copper miner	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS George	S		13		Copper miner	Devon Tavistock	
		THOMAS Absalom	S		11		Copper miner	Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Richard	S		5			Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Maryann	D			3		Devon Marytavy	
		THOMAS Sampson	S		1			Devon Marytavy	

George THOMAS was the son of George Thomas born in Gwennap in 1781 and his wife Mary Glanville 1773-1851, who had married on 4 May 1805. In 1851, George, a widower aged 70, was living with his widowed daughter Melora Warn and her children in Blackdown (*see her story under Warn below*). Another brother was Absalom Thomas 1810-67 (*see his story above*).

Baptised on 11 September 1808 in Marytavy, George married Mary Ann Nankivell, the daughter of John Nankivell 1781-1849 and his wife Mary Bawden, born in 1787, on 24 May 1831. Mary Ann had been baptised in Ashburton on 9 March

1806. Altogether they had eleven children, most of whom were born in Mary Tavy, except for their youngest **Thecla**, born on 21 January 1854 in Gunnislake, where they were also recorded in 1861, with youngest children: copper miner Richard, Susannah, Samson and Thecla, before moving back by 1871, to 70 West Street in Tavistock, where George continued to mine, Mary Ann was a nurse and Thecla a dressmaker. Thecla married blacksmith John Durdan 1848-1909 a few months later. Their daughter *Tryphena* was born in Tavistock towards the end on 1871, and soon after that, the five of them appear to have moved to Guisborough in Yorkshire where their daughter/sister Emma Sophia and her family were living, as that was where George died on the 30 March 1873 and Thecla's son *Malcolm Durdan* was born soon after. In 1881, at the time of the census, Mary Ann was living with the Durdan family: Thecla, John and their children at No 2 Park Farm in Wilton, Guisborough and she died there within weeks of the census. Thecla and John Durdan settled in Guisborough with their five children. After John died on 4 August 1909, aged 61, leaving £135, Thecla was living with her younger daughter *Roseanna*, known as *Ena*, and her family in 1911 at 36 Gladstone Road, Eston and had moved next door live with the youngest of their five children, *Garfield*, a lime filler at the steelworks, and his family at 34 Gladstone Street, Eston in 1939. Thecla died in Eston on 28 August 1944, aged 90.

William, the eldest of George and Maryann's children, was born on 4 November 1831 and baptised on 22 November 1831, and was a copper miner living at home in 1851.

Emma Sophia, born on 5 July 1833 and baptised on 3 August 1833 at the Wesleyan Tavistock Church, married Calstock born copper miner John Rundle in Stoke Damerel in mid 1854. They settled in Gunnislake before moving to Yorkshire, where they lived in Normanby, Guisborough and Skelton. They had had fourteen children, four of whom died in infancy or were stillborn, before John, a retired lead miner of 64, died on 23 May 1891 in Boosbeck, Guisborough. Emma had moved to Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania with her sons *William*, *Alfred*, *Frederick* and *Collins* and only daughter *Alice* by 1904. She died on 19 April 1907 at Forty Fort, Luzern County, Pennsylvania, where she was buried.

John Nankivel was born on 25 February 1835 and baptised on 8 March 1835 in the Wesleyan Church in Tavistock. He was a copper miner in 1851. He may have married Elizabeth Chapman in Christ Church, West Bromwich on 25 December 1857. But other than this, his story is lost in the abundance of John Thomases in Devon at the time.

George Henry, born 30 September 1836 and baptised on 16 October a few weeks later at the Tavistock Wesleyan Church married 18 year old Magdalena Veale on 7 March 1858 in Calstock. In 1861 she, with her one year old daughter, *Thecla*, were boarding with George's parents George and Mary Ann in Gunnislake, presumably while George was working elsewhere. Their daughter Thecla had been born on 7 May 1859 in Gunnislake and she died and was buried on 27 October 1861, aged 2. Soon after that George Henry and Magdalena were living in Kadina, South Australia where their next daughter, also name *Thecla* was born on 16 June 1865. *Mary Ann* was born on 8 July 1867, *George Henry* on 3 May 1869, *Emma Sophia* on 13 March 1871, *Elizabeth* on 23 August 1876 and infant son *William John* aged one, was buried on 31 May 1884 in a grave in Kadina that he was to share with his father, George Henry, who died on 18 May 1886 aged 49, *the beloved husband of M Thomas*. Magdalena married John Lawrie on 29 August 1906, when she was 66. Her death was recorded in South Australia between 1916-25.

Absalom was born in mid 1838 and living at home in 1851. He may have been recorded as a miner, aged 27, single and from England, in Braceville, Illinois in the Civil War Draft Records for June 1863. In 1880 he was living in Sacramento Gulch, Colorado with his wife Florence Ann Honey 1845-1913 born in St Blazey, Cornwall, who had arrived in America in 1857 when she was 12 and married in 1863 when she was 18. Their daughter *Emma Elvira* 1870-1928 was born on 24 January 1870 in Streator, La Salle, Illinois but as an infant was in Ridgeway, Osage, Kansas, which may be where her maternal grandparents lived. She may have been recorded in the 1880 census as Amy. Florence was recorded in DeLamar, Owyhee, Idaho in 1900 as the mother-in-law in the household of Emma E's husband James H Rodda, who had married Emma in Kingston, New Mexico on 20 January 1887. Absalom died on 13 March 1906 in Salem, Marion, Oregon and by 1910 Emma, shipyard worker James and their four surviving Rodda children were living in Broadway Street, Portland, Oregon with Florence. Florence, was recorded as the widow of Absalom, living at 47E 29thN in Portland, Oregon in the 1913 Portland City Directory and she died on 13 December 1913.

Richard born in 1846 was a copper miner, aged 12 living with his parents in Gunnislake in 1861. **Maryann** was recorded as being 3 years old on the 1851 census but there are no other records of her, even her birth. **Sampson** does have a birth entry early in 1850 and is shown in 1851 as aged 1, but in 1861 he was recorded as 7, when he should have been 11.

Susannah is recorded as age 10 with her parents in Gunnislake in 1861. None of these moved with their parents to Tavistock by 1871 and the lack of any further records for any of them may mean that some of them travelled abroad, possibly in the late 1860s.

23	Higher Woodpark	TOOKER Elias R	H	M	50		Farmer 16 acres	Devon Tavistock	B
		TOOKER Nancy	W	M		54		Dev Egguckland	
		TOOKER Elias	Cou	U	10		Visitor	Devon Marytavy	

See also Tucker below.

Elias R TOOKER, his wife Nancy and son **James** 15, who was working as a servant elsewhere in 1851, were living at Higher Woodpark in 1841. Elias Rowe had married Nancy White Towton in Plymouth in 1838, so James could have been a son from an earlier marriage. Elias was probably the son of Roger Tooker (also Tucker) 1766-1852 who was living at Torr Cottage in 1841 with his brother-in-law, Elias' uncle, George Waldron, both agricultural labourers. Roger's wife Ann Waldron had died in 1825. Roger had two other sons: William Tucker 1803-1869 and John Tucker 1816-1890 and a daughter, Ann 1800-by 1881, who was married to Francis Phillips (*see Phillips above*) and was living with him and her father Roger at Ford Mill in 1851.

Elias and Nancy continued to live at Higher Woodpark in 1861, when their niece Ann, *see below*, by then Westlake, was visiting. Elias Rowe died on 6 April 1878, a farmer late of Brentor. Probate for his estate of under £200 was granted to Ann Westlake, wife of Thomas, niece and sole executrix. *See her story below under Towton*. Young Elias TOOKER recorded as cousin on the 1851 census was the son of manganese miner John Tooker/Tucker and his wife Patience Oxenham who, in 1841, were living at Forda Mill, Lamerton with their five month old baby, Elias, two year old daughter Elizabeth and John's mother Ann, aged 75. In 1851 they were living at Black Down where John worked as an agricultural labourer and by 1861 Elias had returned to his family and his story is included with that of his family (*below under Tucker*).

23	Higher Woodpark	TOWTON Ann	Nie	U		9	Visitor	Dev Charles Plym	
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Ann TOWTON, born on 30 August 1841, was the daughter of John Towton, born in Egg Buckland in 1801 and his wife Mary Cooper, and niece of his older sister, Nancy White Towton/Tooker (*above*). Ann had two older brothers: John and William Henry and two younger sisters Nancy Jane and Emma. Late in 1860 she married Thomas Westlake born in Thrushelton on 10 August 1830, the son of Thomas Westlake and Sally Down. In 1861, awaiting the birth of her first child, Ann was visiting her aunt and uncle at Higher Woodpark. Neither family appears in the 1871 census, but in 1878 when Elias died, Ann was granted probate for his estate of under £200, as his niece and sole executrix. The 1881 census shows Ann, Thomas and their children living at Higher Woodpark. The following year, after 10 May, they emigrated to Ontario, Canada, with most of their children. Their children were: **Sarah Anne** 1861-72; **Thomas Elias** 1863-1956; **John Towton** 1865-1920; **Mary** and **William** born 1868; **George Towton** 1871-1914; **Betsy Ann** 1874-; **Sarah Jane** 1875-; **Arthur** 1876-1945; **Elizabeth** 1877-; **Walter**, born in Brentor 10 May 1882-1936; Tommy 1883, **Annie** born in Sandwich East, Maidstone, Essex, Ontario on 5 August 1888 when her father was working as a nightwatchman. Canadian records confirm that some of the children lived in Canada.

Thomas died on 27 February 1904 and Ann on 18 October 1921, with their family well settled in Canada.

22	Burcombe	TOZER Francis	Ser	U	21		Farm servant	Som Hermington	B
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It is tempting to assume that Francis TOZER came from Ermington, Devon rather Herminton or Hemington, Somerset, but the well recorded Ermington Francis was at home with his family for the 1851 census. There are other Francis Tozers, including one from Exeter, but it has not been possible to link this Francis to any of the records, even the criminal ones!

58	North Brent	TRETHEWY Thomas	H	M	32		Copper Miner	Cornwall Breage	L
		TRETHEWY Lucy	W	M		30		Cornwall Sithney	
		TRETHEWY Thomas	S		10		Scholar	Cornwall Breage	
		TRETHEWY Samuel	S		8		Scholar	Cornwall Breage	
		TRETHEWY Eliza	D			6	Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		TRETHEWY James	S		5		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		TRETHEWY Mary	D			3		Devon Lamerton	
		TRETHEWY Charlotte	D			2		Devon Lamerton	

Thomas TRETHEWAY was the son of Thomas Tretheway and Elizabeth James, who had married in St Hillary, Cornwall in 1810. The older Thomas was the son of Richard and Elizabeth Tretheway and had been baptised on 2 April 1786 in St Dennis, Cornwall. Thomas and Elizabeth had at least six children: William James baptised 5 May 1811 at Germoe; Charlotte, later Williams baptised 12 February 1815; Thomas, John born c 1821; Samuel born c 1826; Jane James baptised 26 December 1830 and Eliza born c 1836. The 1841 census shows the senior Tretheway family living in Ashton, Breage with Thomas 55, a tin miner, Elizabeth 51, John 20, James 18. Samuel 15, Jane 10 and Eliza 5. Eldest son William, a *led* miner, was living nearby with his wife, another Elizabeth, and elsewhere in Ashton, Thomas, a copper miner aged 25, was living with his wife, Lucy Pollard 22, the daughter of Zacharias Pollard, with their one year old son, Thomas, and a lodger, Samuel Pollard aged 25, probably Lucy's brother. Zacharias Pollard of St Hillary had married Grace Hill from Sithney, Cornwall on 28 May 1805, with William and George Pollard as witnesses. Thomas and Lucy, both from Ashtown, Breage, with both fathers being miners, had married on 6 June 1840. Their witnesses were William and John Tretheway.

By 1851 there were many changes in Thomas Tretheway's family: Thomas sen had died and the only child living with her widowed mother was Jane James. Confusingly, when she married stone mason Henry James, the son of William James,

on 12 April 1846 in Breage, when she was 19 and he was 22, she became Jane James James! Their daughter Elizabeth Jane was baptised on 6 August 1848 in St Peter's, Liverpool when they were living in John St, Liverpool. Sadly, Henry died in Liverpool in the first few months of 1851, with Jane moving home to be with her mother before the census.

By 1861 the Thomas and Lucy Tretheway family had moved to Mill Hill Cottages, Wheal Maria, Tavistock and been increased by the birth of Emma J born 1851, William 1853 and Edwin 1856. Thomas and sons Thomas, Samuel and James were working as copper miners. In 1871 the family continued living at 22 Mill Hill Cottages but only William, Edwin and Louisa, born after their move to Wheal Maria, were living at home. Thomas died in the months just before the 1881 census, leaving the widowed Lucy living at Mill Hill Cottages with William and Edwin, both copper miners, and Louisa, a mistress or pupil teacher. Lucy died in the summer of 1904, aged 85.

Thomas and Lucy had ten children during their forty year marriage: Thomas, Samuel, Eliza, James, Mary Jane, Charlotte Ann, Emma, William, Edwin and Louisa.

Thomas was born in Breage and baptised there on 26 December 1840. Living with his family at Mill Hill Cottages in 1861, he may have gone to Ontario, Canada by 1871.

His brother **Samuel** was baptised on 20 November 1842 in Breage and was also living at home with his family in 1861. He may have married Betsy Rundle Trebilcock, daughter of John Trebilcock and Ann Rundle, in St Columb, Cornwall early in 1863 and if so, he travelled with her and her sister Kezia Rundle Trebilcock and possibly their brother William James Trebilcock on the ARABIAN from Liverpool to Melbourne on 17 May 1863, before settling in Skilly Creek, Clare, South Australia, where their daughter *Betsy Ann* was born on 17 December 1863. Within two years, Samuel had died, and Betsy married William Chittock Oliver at his home in Clare on 13 February 1866.

Eliza, born in the summer of 1843 in Brentor, was probably the first to leave home: in 1861 she was working for farmer John and Maria Gill at Ottery Park, Lamerton and in the summer of 1864 she married blacksmith John Ward from Thornborough, Devon. They moved to the village of Bocking, near Braintree in Essex where the 1871 census shows them living near the Hare and Hounds pub, with their daughters: *Clara 6, Elizabeth 3 and Emma 2*, and with Emma 12, *Mary J 7* and *Louisa 5* in 1881 and just Louisa in 1891. John probably died in 1899 and by 1901 Eliza had moved in with her daughter Emma at 40 Piccadilly/1,2,3 Sackville Street, St James' London, where Emma's husband, hatter's assistant George William Nurse was caretaker. They had married on 17 September 1893 and had one daughter Dorothy Margaret born in 1898.

All we know for certain about **James** was that he was born early in 1845 and was still living at home in 1861. In 1861 a gold miner named James Tretheway emigrated to America and in 1910 was recorded as being widowed and living in Spring Street Nevada, California.

Mary Jane was working for an elderly couple, copper miner Henry and Mary Rodda at Wheal Maria in 1861. In 1871 she was the servant in charge at Ogbear Chapel House in Gulworthy, with younger sister Emma also working there for mine labourer George Page and his family. Also working there was farm labourer William Wooldridge who may have been related to their brother-in-law James Wooldridge, who married their sister Charlotte Ann in Ontario, Canada on 13 April 1871. On 30 January 1873 in Delaware County, Iowa, Mary Jane married Lamerton born miner William Sampson Yelland (*see Yelland below for more details*) who had emigrated to Iowa in 1870. They had three children, but only two survived until the 1900 census: *Clara Ann 1876-1954* and *John Thomas 1882-1969*.

As shown above, **Charlotte Ann**, baptised on 14 July 1849, emigrated to America in 1870 and married Lamerton born farmer James Wooldridge 1847-1942, the son of James and Elizabeth, in Ontario, Canada on 13 April 1871. In 1891 they continued to live in Mariposa Township, Little Britain in Victoria, Ontario with their children: *Clara, Thomas James, William John, Edwin Joseph* known as Joseph 1875-1941, *Sidney, Louise Elizabeth* baptised 22 August 1878, who later married Laurie Kennedy, and died in 1956, *James, Samuel 1882-1931* and *Frederick William* baptised 2 June 1886, who married Norma Vandervoort and died on 15 December 1973. Charlotte Ann died on 19 March 1915.

Emma Jane who had been working with her sister Mary Jane at Ogbear Chapel House in 1871 married copper miner William Jackman from Peter Tavy in 1875. In 1881 they were living at 7 Wheal Maria Cottages in Tavistock with their four year old daughter, *Emma*. In 1891 they were living at 6 Bell View Cottages, Calstock with eight year old daughter, *Louisa*, who continued to live with them at 52 West St, Tavistock, though William was not with them on the night of the census, and in 1911 when they were living at Bella View, Gunnislake. William was a mining agent and he recorded that during their thirty-five year marriage they had three children, only one of whom had survived childhood.

William John Hill, born in the summer of 1854, was the eldest of the three children still living with their mother, Lucy, in 1881, and within months of the census he married Ellen Knight in Plymouth. The 1891 census shows that they had two sons: *Francis Herbert 5* born in Plymouth, and *William Reginald 1* born in Callington and living in the Liskeard Road, Callington with their mother, while their father was elsewhere. In 1901 the two sons were staying with their aunt Louisa, *see below*. It could have been because their mother was abroad with their father, William, who died in Madras on 1 July 1903. Ellen was living with her son Francis, a submarine cable electrician for the Eastern Telegraph Company at 5 Spring Hill Tavistock and she continued to live there until her death on 24 October 1939, when she left her £3,233 estate to the care of James Herbert Stenlake, a retired fruit grower. Both William and Ellen are commemorated on a headstone in

Tavistock Cemetery. As an officer for the Eastern Telegraph Company, Francis, known as Herbert, travelled the world with his wife Marjorie Doris Mary Joliffe, whom he had married in Tavistock in 1922. He worked in Egypt, the Seychelles, Arabia and Gibraltar. He was described as an engineer when he became a freemason in the Royal Lodge of Friendship in Gibraltar in 1908. His bother William Reginald also travelled widely with his work as an engineer, but at the other side of the Atlantic: Rio de Janeiro, New York and Honduras and also became a freemason, joining the Bedford Lodge in Tavistock on 2 August 1911. He served as an acting sergeant in the Royal Army Service Corps during the Great War and went on to marry Winifred Bella Edwards in Plymouth in 1931. He was living at 7 Vale Close, Galmpton, Brixham when he died on 12 May 1969, leaving £873. His brother Herbert was living at 19 Redland Gove, Redland, Bristol when he died on 25 June 1963, leaving £28,314 to his widow Marjorie.

Edwin married domestic servant Maria Cruze of 2 West Street, Tavistock in the summer of 1882, the year after the census. Sadly, he died on 4 January 1890 aged 34. There do not appear to have been any children, as Maria was a charwoman, living alone at 34 Exeter Street, Tavistock in 1891.

Louisa was living at 9 Glenville Road, Tavistock in 1891, married to William Middleton, an artist and art teacher born in Gunnislake. In 1901, they continued to live there with their son, *Percy H G* aged 2 and her two nephews: Francis H Tretheway 15 born in Plymouth and William R Tretheway born in Callington, the sons of her brother, William John Hill, *see above for more details*. On 10 May 1910, William, Louisa and Percy sailed to Montreal, where they were recorded as living in Victoria in British Columbia in 1911, when William 1863-17 November 1937 was working as an artist. Louisa took at least one trip home, from 11 June to 16 October 1924, and was living at 3693 Quadra Street, Victoria, British Columbia when she died in 1940.

90	Blackdown	Magery TRENWITH	H	W		73		CWL Redruth	M
		Ralph TRENWITH	GS		14		Scholar	Dev Widecombe	

Margery TRENWITH, born Johns, 1778-1863 was the daughter of John and Jane Johns of Redruth, and was baptised in Redruth on 20 December 1778 and died in Marytavy in the spring of 1863. She had married George Trenwith 1781-1841 on 8 February 1802 in Redruth. He was the son of another George and Margery Trenwith, and had been baptised in Redruth on 16 February 1781. This Margery and George had at least five children: **Margery**, baptised in Redruth on 24 July 1803, who married copper miner Peter Jackson 1800-1858 in Plymouth in 1826, and was living in Marytavy by March 1829 (*see part one for the Peter Jackson story*); two **Anns**, one baptised in Redruth on 6 September 1812 and one baptised in Marytavy on 20 August 1815; **George** who married Elizabeth Tremills in Widecombe in the Moor on 23 May 1836 and they were the parents of Ralph Tremills Trenwith, who was staying with his grandmother in 1851; **Honor**, who is recorded in the census as being born in Marytavy in 1809/10. She appears to have returned to Redruth for the birth of her son *John Pearce* Trenwith in about 1834, before she married William Crocker 1807-74, possibly before the birth of their daughter *Elizabeth* in 1836. (*see part one for the Crocker story*).

Margery and George were living in Marytavy in 1841, where he died early in 1841. She was recorded as living at Lanehead in Marytavy, aged 60, with John and Ann Pearse both in their 60s and born in Devon, next to copper miner William and her daughter Honor and their three children: Elizabeth 4, *Joseph* 2 and five month old *Mary*.

In 1851, Margery at property 90, was living very close to her daughters with the Crockers at property 88 and the Jacksons at property 87.

In 1861 Margery was listed next to the Crockers, living as a lodger with Margery Ann Jackson in property 64 in Marytavy. It was probably an enumerator's error and it was Mary Ann Jackson, her grand daughter. She was a house keeper of 22, born in Tavistock, and recorded as head of the household, probably of the family home after her father's death in 1858 and her mother's visit to her sister, Elizabeth. Margery died in 1863.

Ralph was the son of George Trenwith 1809-85 and his wife, Elizabeth Tremills 1810-44, see above. It is reported that Elizabeth died in Maryland in 1844. George was living with labourer George Washington Boone 1823-93, known as Washington, and his wife, Margaret Shoemaker 1910-99, who had married two years previously. It cannot be a coincidence that George married locally born widow Mary Boone (Woolfe) 1815-91 on 20 December 1850 in Frederick, MD. Mary, born Boone, had married Joseph Wolfe on 16 December 1836. They had two daughters: Johanna, known as Ann, was born in 1840 and Margaret E in 1842, who took the surname Trenwith in the census. Ralph was living with his grandmother three months after, so it is uncertain whether it was a visit or whether he had remained in Devon throughout.

By 1860 Ralph, an assayer, had joined the family in Polk, Tennessee, where his father was captain at the Eureka copper mine. In 1870, Ralph and his wife, Margaret E Wolfe 1842-1900, Mary's daughter, therefore his stepsister, who had married in Frederick on 3 September 1864, had two children: *William* 5 and *George* 3 and were living in Liberty, Frederick, Maryland with George and Mary. Sadly, Ralph had died by 1880, when Margaret was living in Carroll County, Maryland, and was a retail grocer while their two sons were working on farms. She married again later that year to Thomas M Belleson, who died in 1897. In 1900 both she and her sister Johanna were living with her son, William, an engineer in Freedom, Carroll County.

George continued to be described as a miner in 1880, when he was 71, and he and Mary were living in Carroll MD, with unmarried Ann living with them. George died in Carroll County, Maryland on 8 November 1885.

32	South Brentor	TRINNAMON Richard	H	M	56		Stone Mason	Hatherleigh Dev	L
		TRINNAMON Ann	W	M		71		Hatherleigh Dev	

Richard and Ann TRINNAMON were living in North Brentor in 1841, but it has not been possible to identify them prior to this to ascertain when their marriage took place. Such a fifteen year age gap is unusual. It may be that Richard died in 1864, having married Maria Bray in 1859, but no death can be found for Ann, which would be expected between 1851-58. There was a 15 year old Maria Bray living in Lamerton village in 1841.

19	Blackdown	TRUSCOTT John	H	M	35		Copper miner	Devon Mary Tavy	M
		TRUSCOTT Mary Ann	W	M		30		Devon Mary Tavy	
		TRUSCOTT Edward	S		13		Copper miner labour	Devon Mary Tavy	
		TRUSCOTT Mary	D			9		Devon Peter Tavy	
		TRUSCOTT John	S		6			Devon Mary Tavy	
		TRUSCOTT William	S		4			Devon Mary Tavy	
		TRUSCOTT Francis	S		2			Devon Mary Tavy	

John TRUSCOTT and Mary Ann Pellow married on 8 September 1835 in Mary Tavy. They had eight children, but with name duplications, it can be assumed that some died in infancy. In 1841 John was a copper miner and they were living in Shovel Lane Peter Tavy with three children Jane 5 who had died by 1853, Edmund, baptised on 27 August 1837 and **John 2**, who had probably died in 1842. By 1851 the family had moved to Blackdown where they settled. In 1861 Mary Ann was a widow and she was living with copper miner Edmund; **Mary, John** born 1845; **William** born 1847; **Francis** and Jane born 1853 at Palmer's Corner. In 1871 Mary Ann was living with Francis 23 and Jane 19 and one month old William Henry born on 15 February 1871 was described as stepson, but was actually her grandson, son of Jane.

On 26 March 1873 **Jane** married Mary Tavy born miner Henry, known as Harry, Hockaday. *William Henry* 1871-1950 was included in this family, taking his stepfather's surname. Son *John Francis* 1873-1953 was born in Mary Tavy on 5 September 1873. After they moved to Millom, Cumberland daughter *Jessie* was born in 1879, but died the following year. *Maude* 1880-1951 was baptised in the Bible Christian Church on 29 September 1880, then two *Ediths* 1885-6 and 1887-8 and *Edwin* was also born in 1887 and died in 1888. Then came *Frederick* 1889-1964 and *Sidney* 1893-1938, born in Wingate, Durham. Only five of their children: William Henry, John Francis, Maude, Frederick and Sidney survived infancy during their almost forty year marriage to 1911. Harry Hockaday worked as an iron ore miner, joined by sons William Henry and John Francis by 1891 and later by Sidney who was a hooker on the rope below ground in 1911, when his brother Frederick was working in a hotel as a billiard marker. Jane died in 1926 and Harry two years later in 1928. Jane's brother **Francis**, also an iron miner, was living with them at 27 Lord St, Millom in 1881.

Eldest son **Edmund** married Emma Rule Bickell 1836-61. She was the daughter of carpenter David Bickell and his wife Christiana of Brook Street, Tavistock. Christiana had died by 1871 and Emma was living at home with her father and her two Tavistock born children *Eliza J* 8 and *William* 5 at 36 Brook Street. She was described as a married carpenter's wife, though Edmund was not at home that night. Emma died late in 1875 aged 39. Eliza and William continued to live with their grandfather at Webb's Court in 1881.

20	Prescombe	TUCK Edward	Ser	U	19		Farm labourer	Lamerton Devon	L
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Edward TUCK was working as a farm labourer at Prescombe, Holland Hutchings' farm. Though his place of birth was given as Lamerton, no other record has been found for him and no other Tucks were living in any local area.

8	Hallgates	TUCKER James	Ser	U	23		Farm labourer	Devon Lamerton	B
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In 1851 James TUCKER was working for farmer Thomas K Bickell at Hallgates, as he had been when he was aged 12 in 1841. He was probably the son of William Tucker and his wife Mary Dawe 1807-49. William was an agricultural labourer living in Skitt, Lidford in 1841, with his wife Mary and children Ann 12, William 9 and George 7. By 1851 Ann was married to boot and shoemaker Thomas Doidge, living in Taylor Square, Tavistock with their daughters Ann 1 and Harriet 2 months and Ann's sister two year old Mary Tucker, perhaps because of their mother Mary's death in 1849. By 1861 Mary had moved to London where she was staying with her brother James, who, in St James's Church, Paddington on 23 March 1856, had married Marlow born Mary Ann Allen, the daughter of ostler, Benjamin Allen. At the time, James was a porter with the Great Western Railway and gave his father William's occupation as miner. Their children were **William**, a plumber's labourer; **James Dawe**, who was a railway guard before he went to Canada, possibly in 1912; **Harry John**, a railway carman, and **Ellen F** born in 1869. There are few records of the family after 1881, when they were all living at 55 Goldney Road, Kensington, other than Mary Ann's burial on 24 January 1929 in Brompton Cemetery, where it was

recorded that she was buried two feet down in a common grave. She was described as a dissenter and living at 37 Ongar Road in Fulham when she died aged 94.

40		TUCKER John	H	M	39		Agricultural lab	Devon Lamerton	
		TUCKER Patience	W	M		39		Devon Petertavy	
		TUCKER Elizabeth	D	U		12		Devon Brentor	
		TUCKER John	S		6			Devon Lamerton	
		TUCKER Patience	D			4		Devon Marytavy	

John TUCKER 1811-90 and his wife Patience Oxenham 1812-1902 had married in 1835 in the Tavistock area and were living near Forda Mill in 1841, with two children: Elizabeth 2 and five months old Elias, and John's mother Anne Tucker, aged 75. John was probably the son of Roger Tucker, who had married Ann Waldern in Lamerton on 7 June 1792. Patience was one of the nine children of Richard Oxenham 1791-1820 and his wife Mary Ball 1790-1871, who had married in Tavistock on 6 March 1804. Baptised on 12 June 1812, she was the second of their daughters to be named Patience, the first having died in 1811, in infancy.

Altogether John and Patience had five children: **Elizabeth** 1838-1913; **Elias** 1840-1910; **John** 1844-; **Patience** 1846-1927 and **Grace Ann** 1853-1909. Mary Oxenham, who was receiving parish relief, was living with her daughter, Patience, and son in law, John, in 1851 and probably until her death in 1857. In 1851 Elias, aged 19, the son of John and Patience, was recorded as a cousin staying with Elias Rowe Tooker (sic) and his wife Nancy at Higher Woodpark (*see Tooker above*). Daughter Grace Ann was born after this census, in 1853. By 1861 the family had moved to Gunnislake, where John was a mine labourer and sons Elias and John were copper miners, daughters Elizabeth and Patience were copper dressers and Grace was still at school.

Soon after the 1861 census **Elizabeth**, who had been baptised in Lamerton on 20 January 1839, married carpenter James Foot 1825-1901 in Exeter. They had five children: *James* born 1863; *John Elias* 1867-1945; *Georgina* later Moyle 1871-1950; *Ellen* later Vogwill 1874-1963; and *Joseph* born in 1880, all born in various Devon towns, except Ellen who was born in Northumberland. In 1891 Elizabeth, James, Ellen and Joseph were at Newbridge, Calstock with Elizabeth's widowed mother Patience Tucker living with them, after the death of John the previous year. The 1901 census records that the married *Ellen* now Vogwill was head of the house in Newbridge, living with her three year old son George Alfred, her widowed mother Elizabeth Foote, and grandmother Patience Tucker, who died the following year, aged 90. On 10 August 1902 Ellen and young George sailed to South Africa to be with her husband, also George, where her second son, John, was born. They had returned to Calstock where Frederick was born in 1906, but after 1911 they went to New Zealand where they settled. Her brother John Elias also went to New Zealand at some stage, dying there in Auckland in 1945. Ellen died in Auckland on 4 July 1963. In 1911 Elizabeth Foot continued to live in Newbridge but by then living with another daughter, farmer's wife, Georgina Moyle, and her family. Elizabeth died on 27 July 1913 and Georgina in the St Germans area on 13 February 1950.

Early in 1864 their daughter **Patience** married Cornish miner Anthony Caddy, locally. In 1871 they were living in Cramlington, Northumberland with their two year old daughter *Ophelia Jane* 1868-1954 later Rae, born in Cramlington, and Anthony's six year old niece, also Ophelia Jane, born in Calstock. Patience was erroneously named Beatrice. Was there a Shakespeare thing going on? Son *Anthony* 1872-4 was baptised in Ashington area on 15 December 1873. Their son Thomas was three months old when he sailed with his parents and sister Ophelia, to South Australia, aboard the MANGALORE, leaving London on 25 November 1876. Their sons: *John Francis* 1879-1923, was born and died in Daylesford, Victoria, Australia, working as a miner; *Charles Anthony* 1882-1957 was also a miner but was in Castlemaine, twenty-three miles away; *Sydney Percival* 1885-9 and daughter *Nellie Rosaline* later Pitts 1889-1975, who also lived her entire life in Daylesford. Ophelia Jane settled with her parents in Victoria and died in Castlemaine in 1954. Her father Anthony died in Daylesford in 1893, aged 51. Electoral records indicate that Patience was living in Spring Creek Road, Daylesford in 1925, probably with Caroline Caddy. Her son Charles Anthony, a miner, was living in Vincent Street with Sarah Beatrice and Thomas Anthony, another miner. Another Caddy living nearby, in Albert Street was Elizabeth. Patience, was living at Hepburn Road, Daylesford when she died in April 1927, with her death notice reported in the Argus

Late in 1865 **Elias** married Avis Warne 1847-93 and they had four children: *Charles* 1867-7; *Elias John* 1867-1949 who was a mine agent working in the gold mines in India in 1911; *Charles George* 1874-1956 working in the shining ore mines in Trennock in 1911, but back in Exeter Street, Tavistock before he died and *Sylvia Jane* 1877-1925, who had a paralysed arm and married general labourer William James of Hennock. By 1871 Elias senior was working as a tin miner in North Bovey and they had their two year old son, Elias. Mining work took Elias to various places in Devon, mining different metals. In 1881 South Zeal and 1891 Chagford: copper mining and in 1901 following the death of Avis in 1893, he was living with his son Charles, his wife Elizabeth, their son Charles and daughter Lillian in Hennock. Both Charles and Elias were recorded as *Shining ore mining*, but the enumerator took exception to this, crossed it out and substituted *miner*.

On 3 February 1910, aged 70, Elias was working for Ferrubron Manufacturing Ltd at the Shuttamore Micaceous Mine when he had an accident. "In tipping a tram into a hopper he was knocked over, and although falling but a few feet broke his neck." Described as a miner of Hennock, probate for his £208 estate was granted to his daughter, Sylvia James.

Grace, the youngest of the children of John and Patience, married miner Elias Warne in 1870, when she was seventeen. In 1871 in their first year of marriage, they were living at Challacomb Cottage in Manaton with their four month old daughter Elizabeth J, her parents, John (miner) and Patience Tucker, and her brother John, also a miner and her nephew eight year old James Foot, eldest son of her sister Elizabeth visiting. They went on to have nine children altogether: *Elizabeth J* born in 1870; *George* 1873; *Avis* 1876; *Elias* 1878; *Emily* 1882; *Joseph* 1884; *Mary E* 1887; *John* 1889 and *Alfred* 1897. Later, they moved to Lydford where they settled at East New House Cottage, possibly near his parents. Grace Ann died in 1909 aged 56.

John was a miner living with his parents and his sister Grace until 1871. After that, it has not been possible to trace him. He may have gone to Australia with his sister Patience in the mid 1870s.

We know that John senior died in 1890 and the following year Patience was living with her daughter Elizabeth Foot and in 1901 in the home of grand daughter Ellen Vogwill with widowed daughter Elizabeth Foot. Patience died in 1902.

31	Blackdown	VIGARS Arthur	H	M	70		Ag Lab	Dev Lamerton	M
		VIGARS Frances	W	M		60		Dev Lamerton	
		VIGARS Harriet	D	U		17		Dev Lamerton	

Arthur VIGARS was the son of Arthur Vigars 1749-1826 and his wife Mary Youlden 1758-1832 and was baptised in Lamerton on 16 October 1780. He married Frances Tarr 1791-1854 in Plymouth on 23 February 1812. She was the daughter of William Tarr and Frances Cain who had married in Woodbury, Devon on 12 May 1811. Arthur and Frances, known as Fanny, had at least nine children, shown below. Fanny, died in Marytavy in the summer of 1854, aged 63, and Arthur on 23 February 1855, aged 75, also in Marytavy.

The story of their eldest son **John** 1812-73 is given below under his own name at property 35.

Mary Jane 1814-1903 was baptised on 20 February 1814 in Lamerton and married mason's labourer Edward Rogers 1811-81 on 6 December 1846 in Stoke Damerel. They settled in Plymouth where they raised their five children and Mary Jane was living on parish relief with her son, John in 1901, so reports of her death in 1900 were inaccurate. She may have died on 7 December 1903 and buried in St George the Martyr Churchyard in Dean Prior, South Hams. Their children were: *Edward Richard Vigars* 1847-1905, *Thomas Henry* 1850-1918, *Mary Jane* 1852-1900 later Creak, *John Joseph* 1855-1934 and *Fanny Agnes Pasco* 1858-1943 later Paul.

Jane 1817-92 was baptised on 14 January 1817 in Lamerton and married William Gale 1821-87 locally on 31 December 1842. In 1851 Jane was living at Wharf, Tavistock with her three children: *Mary Jane Vigars* 1844-1921 later Miles, *Eliza Harriet Vigars* 1846-92 later Reddicliffe and *William Elihu* 1849-1881+. Husband William was not at home that night, but they were living next to lime burner William Gale 51, his wife Mary 59 and their seventeen year old dressmaker daughter, Elizabeth, who may have been William's family. William was at home with his family in 1861, when he was wharf manager, and additional children: *John Joseph* 1851-1932, *Samuel James* born in 1854 and *Elizabeth Frances Vigars* 1860-1935 later Polkinhorn had been born. By 1881 William had become a grocer, Elizabeth was a milliner and they had lodgers/boarders. Jane died on 24 May 1892 and was buried in Tavistock Cemetery with her husband William who had died on 9 June 1887.

William 1819-51 married Mary Madge 1812-1900 on 13 July 1842 and he died on 10 February 1851. His widow is likely to be the Mary Vigars listed below at property 32, next to Arthur and Fanny.

Joseph was baptised on 18 December 1822 in Brentor and married Mary Ann Down 1824-84 at the Register Office in Plymouth on 6 February 1848. They appear to have travelled to the United States that same year as their eldest son, *John*, 1849-1940 was born in Copper Harbor, Keweenaw, Michigan on 22 February 1849. They had nine more children: *Joseph* 1850-1924, *William* 1852-86, *James William* 1854-1935, *George Rice* 1856-1933, *Mary M* 1858-1940 later Wardman, *Eliza Jane* 1890-1943 later Crossan, *Charles*, known as Charley, 1864-70, *Richard* 1867-1927, and *Clara Grace* 1871-1959 later Groom. Joseph died on 25 May 1906 in Eldora, Hardin, Iowa where the family had been living since about 1870, after living in Dubuque, Iowa.

Jonas was baptised on 26 July 1826 in Brentor and died in 1909 (*his story is told below under his name*).

Richard was born in mid 1829 and died as an infant as his death was registered in the last quarter of 1829;

Susannah Jane was baptised on 31 July 1831 in Lamerton. In 1851 she was a servant in Brook Street, Tavistock, working for surgeon Edmund Pearse and his family, before she married John Hingston Tickell 1824-88 in the local area on 3 July 1852. He was the son of William Tickell 1800-37 and his wife Ann Pike 1804-59 and had been born in Plymouth on 11 January 1824 and baptised on 1 February 1824. John and Susannah had seven children: *Mary Ann Hingston* 1853-1935 born in Blackdown, later Croft; *William* 1855-1928 born in Marytavy; the birth of the first *Fanny Vigars* in Liskeard was recorded in the summer months of 1857 and her death towards the end of 1858 and the second *Fanny Vigars* was born late in 1859 and died in 1942. *John* 1862-1915, *Eliza Harriet* on 1864 -1941, later Foote and *Joseph* 1867-1881 – the latter

two born in Marytavy. On 3 February 1870 they left Devon, arriving in Melbourne on 6 May 1870, where the family settled, married and lived out their lives. Their son Joseph died on 12 September 1881 in Wandiligong, Victoria, with Susanna dying just one month later on 17 October 1881 and buried in Bright Cemetery, Victoria. When John died on 21 January 1888 he was living in Hawthorn, Melbourne and was buried in Boroondara Cemetery in Kew.

Harriet Ada was born in North Brentor on 14 July 1835 and baptised on 18 August 1835. In 1851 she was living at home with her parents Arthur and Fanny before marrying James Nicholls 1826-99, the son of John and Ann Nicholls of Stithians in Cornwall, in 1853. Their eldest daughter, *Sophia* was born in Gunnislake in the summer of 1856 and was recorded living with her mother in Gunnislake in 1861. Sadly, she died in Bright, Alpine Shire in 1875 and was buried in Bright Cemetery where her aunt Susannah Jane was buried just six years later. The family was living in Victoria, Australia by 1864 when their next daughter, Harriet Ada 1864-1946 later Richards, was born. They went on to have five more children in Australia: *Eliza Jane* 1865-5; *William James* 1867-8; *William Joseph* 1869-75; *John James Opie* 1873-4 and *Effelena Maude*, known as *Effie* 1879-1922. So, of their children only two, Harriet Ada and Effie Maude, survived to adulthood and it was only Harriet who married, and possibly had at least two children Ada Maud and Olive Mary. James died on 13 March 1899 in Wangaretta, Victoria and Harriet died on 6 September 1925 in Heidelberg, Victoria, at the age of 90, three years after her daughter Effie who had been aged 43 when she died in Mitcham, Victoria.

35	Blackdown	VIGARS John	H	M	38		Mason	Devon Lamerton	M
		VIGARS Ann	W	M		30		Devon MiltonAbbot	
		VIGARS William	S		9		Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		VIGARS Maryann	D			7	Scholar	Devon Marytavy	
		VIGARS John	S		5			Devon Marytavy	
		VIGARS Richard	S		2			Devon Marytavy	
		VIGARS Harry	S		1m			Devon Marytavy	

John VIGARS was baptised in 15 October 1812 in Lamerton. He was the son of Arthur Vigars 1780-1855 and his wife Frances Tarr 1791-1854 (*see their story above*). He married Mary Ann, known as Annie, Powell 1821-1902 on 11 April 1840 in Tavistock. Baptised on 12 March 1821, in Milton Abbot, she was the daughter of farmer John Powell 1783-1859 and his wife Ann Lord 1785-1851. Her maiden name obviously meant a lot to her as it was given as a second name to seven of their eleven children.

Living in Blackdown in 1851, when John was a mason, the family had left England after 12 April 1855 and was living in Prescott, Leeds, Ontario by 10 June 1857, where their first son to be named Joseph Powell, just over two years old, died, and then to Bowmanville, Durham, Canada West by 17 August 1857 when their son Edmund Powell was born. John was a Bible Christian working as a mason in 1861 when they were living in Bowmanville with all of the eight surviving of their nine children. They continued to live in Ontario, by 1871 at Bruce Mines, Centre Algoma where John was a hotel keeper, again with all of their surviving children, and were there until John's death on 13 April 1873 at the age of 60. His wife Annie was living in Prince Arthur, Algoma, Ontario in 1881 with three of her younger children, just after the death of Charley on 31 March 1881 at Shuniah, Algoma, Ontario after seven days suffering with inflammation of the liver and bowels with mortification. Then her son John, aged 35, died in Port Arthur on 3 February 1883 and Fred on 20 January 1884: a difficult time for the family. Only Joseph was at home with her in Port Arthur in 1891 and she died there in Court Street, Port Arthur of old age on 28 January 1901.

Their eleven children were:

William baptised on 15 July 1842; had his age was given as 20 when he was recorded in Bowmanville, Ontario with his family in 1861. He married Mary Bess Besaw 1846-1911 on 27 February 1868 at Bruce Mines, Algoma, Ontario and continued to live in the Port Arthur, Algoma area, working as a mason and later as a carpenter in construction, until his death on 6 February 1922, aged 79. They had four daughters: *Margaret* known as *Maggie* 1868-1943 later Hasking, *Maude* 1870-1957 later Leaney, *Ann* or *Annie* 1873-1933 later McConnell then Chambers and *Elsie May* 1878-1949 later Thomson.

Mary Ann Powell, baptised on 8 May 1843 in Marytavy, married Scottish mine labourer later railway agent and freight clerk, Charles David Sterling 1834-1909 on 4 July 1867 in Ontario. They started married life in Algoma and Grey East, Ontario, before moving to British Columbia, where they settled eventually in Vancouver, where Mary Ann died on 13 May 1927, just after her 84th birthday. They had seven children: *Annie Powell* 1868-1937 later Prenter, *Charles Cumberland* 1870-94, *Kate* 1872-1934 later Adamson, *Edward Powell* 1874-1945, *James Cunningham* 1877-1933, *Frederick William*, known as *Fred* 1879-1950 and *Mabel* 1882-1963 later Luddington.

John Powell was baptised on 23 April 1846 and was a mine labourer living with his family in 1871 before his marriage to Mary Ann Vivian 1853-1933 on 2 May 1872 at Bruce Mines. They had three children: *John Henry* or *Harry* 1871-1943, *Maud Martha Sterling* 1876-1930 later Grant and *Frank Walsh Powell* 1878-1938, before John Powell's untimely death on 8 February 1883 at Port Arthur, at the age of 35.

Richard, known as Dick, was born on 24 December 1848, and was a miner living with his family in 1871 before his marriage to Jane Roach, known as Jennie, 1850-1913 on 1 February 1872 at Bruce Mines. He worked as a contractor, probably in the building trade, as they brought up their seven children in the Port Arthur, Algoma area, until his death on 25 June 1930 when he was living at 34 College Street, Port Arthur, Thunder Bay. Their children were: *William John 'Will'* 1872-1945, *Albert Edward* 1874-1940, *Charles Wellington* 1876-1951, *Arthur Sterling* 1878-1947, *Edmund Richard Henry 'Harry'* 1882-1941, *Blanche Feodore* 1885-1973 later Brennagh and *Beatrice Augusta* 1888-1977 later Bryan.

Henry Powell known as Harry was baptised on 11 February 1851 in Marytavy. Like his brother Richard, he was a miner in 1871. His marriage to Ellen Jane Tretheway 1856-1932 took place in Marquette, Michigan on 21 April 1880. They lived there until the early 1900s when they moved to Kootenai, Idaho where they lived for perhaps twenty years, until he was living in Glendale, Los Angeles at the time of his death on 7 October 1929. They had three children: *Frederick*, who died as an infant in 1881, *Nellie Ellen Trethewey* 1884-1965 later Wilder, then Hogan and *Wallace Powell* 1891-2.

Thomas Powell, born on 19 February 1853, was a mine labourer in 1871 and married Sarah Maloney 1858-1945 at St John's Anglican Church in Port Arthur on 9 December 1878. Moving to the United States in 1888, their daughter *Laura Marguerite Michley* 1884-1976 later Wood, was born in Minnesota; *Ernest Powell* 1891-1962 was born in Spokane, as was *Katherine 'Kate' Sterling* later Rugg 1896-1987. Then the family moved to Portland, Multnomah, Oregon by 1910 and it was there that Thomas Powell died on 1 February 1939 at the age of 85.

John and Annie's first son named **Joseph Powell** was born on 12 April 1855 in Devon and died on 10 June 1857 in Prescott, Leeds, Ontario.

Edmund Powell 1857-1925, as referred to earlier, was the first of their children to be born in America, on 17 August 1857. He doesn't seem to have married, and was living at home, without an occupation recorded, until 1891, when he was an engineer in lodgings in Port Arthur and in 1901 still an engineer, boarding, with his brother, Joseph in a boarding house in Port Arthur. He was living in Toronto, York, Ontario when he died on 4 December 1925.

Their second son to be named **Joseph Powell**, born on 30 October 1859, was living with his mother, Ann, and brothers Edmund and Fred in 1881, and was the only son living at home with his mother in 1891 when he was working as a general labourer. Just before Ann died in 1902, he was a lumberman boarding with his brother Edmund in a boarding house in Port Arthur, a job he continued to do until his death on 30 August 1909. He had had a heart condition for two years, but he died after a bout of cholera lasting two weeks.

Charles known as Charley, born on 1 February 1862 at Bruce Mines was only 19 when he died on 31 March 1881, the cause of which was described above.

Frederick, known as Fred, was born on 18 June 1864, also at Bruce Mines. Just like his brother Charley, he was just 19 when he died in Port Arthur on 29 January 1884 but we do not know the cause of this.

52	North Brent	VIGARS Jonas	H	M	24		Mason	Devon Lamerton	L
		VIGARS Ann Bray	W	M		24		Devon Petertavy	
		VIGARS Mary Jane	D			3		Devon Stonehouse	
		VIGARS Emma Harriet	D			1		Devon Mary Tavy	
		ASH Thomas	V	U	20		Mason	Devon Lamerton	

Jonas VIGARS was one of the nine children of Arthur Vigars 1780-1855 and his wife Frances Tarr 1791-1854 who had married in the Plymouth area on 23 February 1812 (*see above*). Born on 23 July 1826, Jonas married Ann Bray Ash in Lamerton on 10 June 1847. One of the nine children of copper miner Robert Ash 1799-1864 and his wife Mary 1797-1864, she was born on 16 January 1827, and baptised two weeks later on 1 February at the Wesleyan Chapel in Tavistock. Jonas and Ann had six children, before her death in the second quarter of 1860: Mary Jane, Emma Harriet, Elizabeth, Robert, John and Fanny, whose birth had been registered in the early months of 1860.

Life changed so quickly for this family, as unsurprisingly with six children, Jonas married again within months: to Hatherleigh farmer's daughter Grace Madge, in Plymouth. In 1861 the family, including their new stepmother, was living in Vigars Buildings in Mary Tavy, while eldest daughter Mary Jane was working as a servant elsewhere in the village in the household of carpenter and wheelwright, Roger Rice (*see Rice above*). In 1871 the Vigars family was living at Park House when Jonas was a farmer of 30 acres and a mason. With Jonas and Grace were his children Elizabeth, Robert and John, as little Fanny or Frances had died aged 5 in the summer of 1865. In 1881 they were living at Park Cottages with his son John and grandson Joseph Thomas, aged 7. Grace died aged 63 in the summer of 1883.

Later that year Jonas married miner's daughter Maud Mary Creber or Creeper, who, two years previously had been a servant, aged 12, working for the widowed Elizabeth Vigars at the Sportsman's Arms in Tavistock. Born on 2 October 1868, it is likely that they married soon after her fifteenth birthday in the autumn of 1883. Fairly soon after that, Maud Mary produced a second family for her husband, forty-three years her senior: Frank, William and Beatrice M, and by 1891 they were living at Stentabridge House. Their home in 1901 was described as Vigar's Corner: Jonas at 73 was a retired mason, son Frank 17 was a stone mason, Beatrice was 13 and sister-in-law, Jannie Creeper, a domestic cook, was living with them. Jonas was 82 when he died in Plymouth early in 1909 and two years later Maud Mary and son Frank, a house

building mason, were living in a three roomed house at 19 Belgrave Road in Plymouth. She confirmed that she had had three children during her marriage. The following year, in the autumn, Maud Mary married John Gully, a police constable, in Lewisham. After his retirement they moved to Newbridge Hill in St Germans, where they were recorded with one child in 1939.

Eldest daughter **Mary Jane**, the only one born in Stonehouse, was working for the Rice family in 1861 and married George Doidge late in 1865. George was the son of miner John Doidge, who had died by 1851, and his wife Mary Dinner 1806-79, and brother of John 1829-1901, who married Elizabeth Woodman 1836-95. They were the parents of the Doidge children who later played a part in Brentor village life. In 1861 George and his mother, Mary had been living in a cottage close to the Herring Arms. By 1871 George and Mary Jane were living with his widowed mother, Mary Doidge, at Higher Brentor, not far from her father, Jonas Vigars, at Park House – probably a case of marrying the boy next door - with their four children: *John, Elizabeth Ann, William and George*. Soon after the 1871 census, they had moved to Harford Bridge, a substantial house with seven rooms, on the edge of Mary Tavy, where the family were to live until at least 1919. More children were to be born to the couple: *Emma, Jessie, Edith or Eddy and Laura* by 1881 and *Polly, Charles, Lily and Frank* by 1889. Lily went on to live at Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada, arriving in Canada on 7 May 1913 aboard the VICTORIAN from Liverpool to stay with her brother-in-law and married Frederick Hicks from Tavistock later in 1913, having been house and parlourmaid for the Lampen sisters at Keyberry House, Whitchurch in 1911. Mary Jane died, aged 44 in the months just before the 1891 census, which showed nine of the twelve children at home. Elizabeth Ann had taken over the care of the house and family, John was a stonemason and Emma was a dressmaker. George, henceforth referred to as William George, married Joanna Huckman or Houckham late in 1892, about eighteen months after Mary Jane's death. Census records show them living at Harford Bridge in 1901 and 1911, with various children living at home. Erroneously, the 1911 states that George had been married to Joanna for 45 years instead of nineteen years but provides us with the information that all twelve of Mary Jane's children were still alive. George died some time before 1919 when Joanna, a widow of Harford Bridge, died at the Devonshire County Mental Hospital in Exminster on 19 October 1919, leaving £171.

Emma Harriet born in 1850, was living at home in 1861 and was working as a general domestic servant for Royal Naval assistant paymaster Jambell and his wife in Devonport in 1871. By 1873 she was in Manhattan, New York City where she married John Thomas on 16 September. Their son *Joseph* was born in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania on 20 July 1874 and baptised on 15 November 1874. In 1881 he was recorded as staying with his grandfather, Jonas in Brentor, on census night, though it has not been possible to identify where his parents or younger brother were at the time. *William Clarence* was born on 13 March 1878 in Wilkes Barre, Pennsylvania. A civil engineer, he married Nellie Anderson in 1905 and died on 15 May 1948.

Emma had died by 1910, as the Census information for Arch Street, Luzerne, Pennsylvania in 1910 shows son Joseph was the widowed head of the household, which included his daughters Emma 12 and Arlene 9 and his father, John Thomas aged 59, a gate tender on the railroad, also widowed. A moulder at the iron works, Joseph had married Ida E Herman on 29 November 1894. They were shown on the 1900 census with Emma aged 2 and they recorded that another child had died. Ida died on 17 May 1906 from tuberculosis of the lungs, with the doctor stating that she had been sick for a long time before he first saw her the previous week. In 1914 Joseph had been in England, sailing back to his home from Liverpool through New York on the *Mauretania* on 16 May 1914. His World War 1 draft registration card shows that he was 44, 5'4" tall, of slender build with brown eyes and mixed colour hair when he was called up on 12 September 1918. He was an iron moulder working at the Vulcan Iron Works in Main Street, Wilkes Barre and his next of kin was daughter, Emma. Joseph married again on 31 August 1922 in Luzerne, to Sara Swank. For both it was their second marriage. He married again, for when he died on 27 November 1945 at the Homeopathic Hospital in Wilkes Barre, his wife was listed as Mary Kile Thomas, who had been listed with him on the 1930 and 1940 census.

Elizabeth Ann was born early in 1852 and was living at home with her family in 1861 and 1871. Early in 1873 she married William Powell 1845-1906. He was the son of William Powell and his wife Mary. In 1851 he was 5 years old, an only child, living with his parents on their 15 acre farm In North Brent (*see above*) and in 1861 farming 14 acres at West Lyle and by 1871 the farm was only ten acres. By 1881 the young couple had taken over at West Lyle and were farming 308 acres with the help of three men and a boy. By 1891 they seemed to be doing well, living at Mount Pleasant with William, an auctioneer. But by 1901 they had moved to 4 Pearson Ave in Plymouth and William was working as a gardener, not domestic and Elizabeth was a laundress, taking in washing. She died soon after the 1901 census and William early in 1906. They do not appear to have had any children.

Robert was born on 17 September 1854 and was seven when his mother Ann Bray Ash died. In 1861 and 1871 he was living at home with his family. No occupation was recorded, but as his father, Jonas, was a stonemason and farmer, it is possible that Robert helped his father on the farm. Early in 1876 he married Ellen Giles from Tavistock and in 1881 they were living at 54 West Bridge Cottages in Plymouth Road, Tavistock with their three eldest children: *William Henry 3, Frederick 1 and Francis*, who was only 16 days old. In 1883 they settled in America where their daughters were born:

Florence B in New York in June 1886 and *Bertha* in 1894 in Albany where they had been since at least 1892, with Robert working as a roofer.

John, born on 27 August 1857, was living at home with his family until he married Eliza Hockaday 1856-1937 locally in the summer of 1885. The 1891 census shows him as a dairyman living at 1 Taylors Square in Tavistock with his wife, Eliza, their sons *William Henry* 1887-1956, and *Harry Sampson* 1890-1967, her widowed mother, Susannah Hockaday 1816-92 and a niece, Annie Stanbury, 13 years old at the time, but who continued to live with them until at least 1911, when John had become a licensed victualler and they were living at 51 Brook Street, Tavistock. Annie had assisted in the dairy and may have helped in the new business. William Henry was a motor engineer and a third son *Reginald Alfred John* had been born in 1897. He died on 4 February 1933, at the age of 36, leaving his wife Gladys Tryphena Elizabeth Marks 1899-1998 with two small children to raise: Joyce E 1927-2018 and Michael John 1931-86. Eliza died in 1937, four years after her son, and John died the year after her in 1938.

Their niece Annie was the one of the nine children of of plasterer Henry Stanbury and his wife, Priscilla Hockaday, Eliza's sister, who were living at Harwell Street in Plymouth in 1881, when all five of their children were aged under eight, including Annie, had been born in Tavistock. Sadly, in 1939, Annie was an inmate of the Devon Mental Hospital in St Thomas, Exeter. Annie probably died there in 1949, at the age of 71.

Jonas and Ann's youngest child, Frances or **Fanny** as she was known was born in 1860 and died in 1865.

Thomas Bray ASH was Annie's brother, son of Robert Ash 1799-1864 and his wife Mary Bray 1796-1864. He was born on 14 December 1830 and in summer 1858 he was living in Bannawell Street in Tavistock when he married Thomasine Sillick Sparrow. Also known as Tamzin, she was baptised on 31 October 1832, with her cousin Tamzin Sillick.

32	Blackdown	Mary VIGARS	H	W		40		Devon Meeth	
		Henry	S		7			Devon Marytavay	
		William	S		5			Devon Marytavay	
		Emma Jane	D			2		Devon Plymouth	

Mary VIGARS was born Mary Madge, the daughter of John Madge and his wife Mary. She was baptised on 3 May 1812 in Meeth, Devon. She may have been working in a drapery shop in Treville Street in Plymouth in 1841 before marrying William Vigars in Stoke Damerel on 13 July 1842. William was the son of Arthur Vigars 1780-1855 (*see above*) and his wife Fanny Tarr 1791-1854 and brother to John Vigars and Jonas Vigars (*see above*). William had been baptised on 21 January and was only just 30 when he died on 10 February 1851. In 1851 Mary was living not far from her parents-in-law who were at Blackdown property 31 and her brother-in-law John at 35

William and Mary had four children: John Henry 1844-1905; William 1846-1911, Emma Jane 1849-64 and Richard 1851-1926. Mary was working as a charwoman in 1861, while she, and her children, Emma and Richard, were living near William's brother Jonas and his family in Vigars Buildings, Marytavay. Sadly, **Emma Jane** died in 1864 at the age of 15. In 1871 both Mary and her youngest son Richard were living in North Brentor with her son William and his wife Elizabeth and their eldest son Frederick. In 1881 the widowed Mary was lodging with Thomas and Lavinia Southcombe in Lamerton, near the vicarage and it is likely that she died in the St Germans area in the summer of 1885.

John Henry, known as Henry, born in 1844, married Ellen Ayers 1850-1926 in the summer of 1874 and in 1881, Henry was a packer on the railway and was living with Ellen and her niece, Ellen Spearman, in a cottage near Gilles House in Brentor. In 1891 his wife's sister, Mary Ann Avery, on parochial relief, as well as her niece Ellen Spearman and a couple of lodgers were living with them at Windsor House. By 1901 he had become a platelayer on the railway and he and Ellen were living in Winsor House. He died on 25 November 1905 at the age of 61. Ellen died twenty-one years later in 1926.

William was baptised on 16 February 1847 and married Elizabeth, known as Isabel, Rice 1846-1911 on 23 March 1868 in the Tavistock registration area. In 1871 he was a mason and they were living in North Brentor with their three year old son Frederick, William's mother Mary and brother Richard, an agricultural labourer. By 1881 they were living at Rowden, not far from uncle Jonas at Park Cottage, North Brentor and had five more sons. A relative of Elizabeth's, Eliza Rice and her two children were living with them, as was a mason working for William. In 1884 the family moved to America. The February 16 1892 census shows William was a mason, Elizabeth, son William was also a mason, Harry J a taxidermist, Daniel J and Charles milkmen, and Ernest A (at school?) living at 443 Washington Avenue in Albany. By the following year one of the Williams was advertising as a taxidermist in the city directory. In 1910 William and two of his sons, Daniel and Ernest were working as taxidermists in Colonie, Albany, New York. Elizabeth died the following year on 28 January 1911 in Colonie and William just seven months later on 26 August 1911.

Altogether they had twelve children: with only five surviving to 1910, including: *Frederick/Alfred Rice*, known as *Fred* 1868-1952, *William Henry* 1871-1946, *John Henry* known as *Harry* 1872-1938, *John Daniel* known as *Daniel* 1876-1929, *Charley Rice* 1876-1908, *Ernest Albert* 1879-1939, *Sidney Silas* 1880-5, *Frances* 1881-5, *Florence Barbara* 1885-1900 and *Gilbert Clarence* 1888-8.

Richard, born in the summer after his father's death on 10 February 1851, was living with his mother in 1861 and with her, as part of his brother William's household, in 1871, when he was an agricultural labourer. In 1881 Richard was a

stonemason, living with his wife Mary Jane, who had been born in Ashwater, and their one year old son *Thomas William* in a cottage in Lamerton. Mary Jane Parish had been, with her mother and brother, living in North Tamerton, with her unmarried uncle, farmer of 82 acres, Arthur Parish in 1871. Richard and Mary Jane were married locally in the summer of 1877. Their son Thomas William was born two years later in the summer of 1879 and by 1887 they were living in Collingwood, Victoria in Australia where their daughter *Elizabeth Maude* was born. Little is known about the family in the following years, but it may be that Richard, a mason of 57, sailed from Durban to Southampton, arriving on 15 August 1908. A First World War record dated August 1914 for a Thomas Vigars indicates that he had been an apprentice joiner for five and a half years in Salt River, Cape Town, South Africa where he had also been a volunteer in the Cape Highlanders for two and a half years. The will of a Richard Vigars indicates that he was living at 16 Monkswell Road in Exeter when he died at the Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital when he died on 11 July 1926, leaving his personal effects of £1,487 to Elizabeth Maud Victoria Bickel, the wife of William John Bickel, and a solicitor. These facts may be part of Richard's story.

26	Black Down	Elizabeth VIGARS	H	W		61		Dev Bridestowe	M
		William	S	U	22		Copper miner	Dev Lamerton	
		Edmund	S	U	21		Copper miner	Dev Lamerton	
		Henry	S	U	12	14?	Copper miner	Dev Lamerton	

Elizabeth, known as Betty, VIGARS was the wife of agricultural labourer John Vigars and had been Elizabeth Furze before her marriage to John Vigars in Lamerton on 7 May 1814. John was the son of Arthur Vigars 1749-1826 and his wife Mary Youlden 1758-1832, and brother to Arthur Vigars 1780-1855 (*see above under his name*). They had at least seven children: John, baptised on 25 July 1813 in Marytavy; Susannah 1818-90; Richard baptised in Lamerton on 21 January 1821; William baptised in Lamerton on 2 December 1822; Agness was baptised in Brentor on 25 June 1826; Edmund on 5 July 1829 in Brentor; Elizabeth was baptised on 7 July 1833 in Lamerton and Henry, on 13 December 1836 in Lamerton.

John and Elizabeth had been living in South Brentor in 1841 with five of their seven children: lead miner John; manganese miner Richard; lead miner William; Agness and Henry, while twelve year old Edmund was working for farmer Daniel Kinsman and his family at Holeyat, Brentor.

John died in the summer of 1847 aged 67.

On 30 May 1848, his son **John** a miner, who went on to become a mine agent, was living in Aberystwyth, where he married Elizabeth Kneebone Prout, who had been baptised in Marytavy on 6 August 1826, the daughter of Joseph Prout and Priscilla Kneebone. In 1851 they were living in Cardiganshire with their eleven month old daughter *Priscilla Prout* 1850-1910, who was not with the family in 1861 as she was staying with her aunt Susannah Prout in Tavistock, *see below*, but went on to marry William Morris Bowen, and left the princely sum of £5,898 when she died in 1910. John and Elizabeth had six more children: *Joseph Henry* 1852-1916 who became a bank manager and retired to Budleigh Salterton; *John Prout* 1854-1934 a draper manager in Liverpool; *Alfred William* 1856-1929 an ironmonger who left £6,267 when he died, *Mary Jane* 1860-1901 later Rathbone; *Laura Elizabeth* 1864-1911+ married vet Arthur Shawcross 1836-99 in 1896, and became Littlewood when she remarried in 1907; *Francis Ernest*, known as Ernie 1865-1940, who went to Australia. Elizabeth died in Liverpool on 11 September 1894 and John died on the Isle of Man on 27 December 1899, and was buried in Liverpool four days later.

Susannah, known as Susan, was born in about 1818 but it has not been possible to locate her baptismal entry. She married gardener William Prout 1819-88 on 18 April 1850. In 1861 they were living in Brook Street, Tavistock with their niece Priscilla Prout (Vigars), daughter of Susannah's brother John. In 1879 William had been the executor for Susan's brother Richard's will. By 1881 William and Susannah were living at Harragrove, Milton Abbot, where he was a gardener. William died in mid 1888 in Milton Abbot and Susan died less than two years later, and was buried in Milton Abbot on 1 March 1890.

Richard baptised on 21 January 1821, in the summer of 1849, married Elizabeth Mortimore, daughter of Christopher Mortimore 1786-1864 and his wife Elizabeth Sowden 1794-1862 of Dittisham. In 1851 Richard was a copper miner and the couple were living in Lamerton. By 1861 the household had increased, with the addition of their children *William Henry* 1851-67, *Jessie* 1855-1940, *John* born on 27 August 1857-1941 and one year old *Alfred* 1859-1934, and Richard's brothers copper miners, William and Henry. By 1861 when they were living at the Sportsman's Arms in Lamerton, Richard had added licensed victualler to his mining occupation, only Jessie 16, copper miner John and Alfred were still at home with their parents. Richard was 57 when he died on 4 January 1879, leaving a personal estate of less than £200, to the care of William Prout, gardener, his brother-in-law. Elizabeth took over the licence of the Sportsman's Arms, probably with the help of daughter Jessie and son John, by then a mason. In 1891 Elizabeth was living in Tavistock with Jessie, now Wilkins, her husband since 1886 shoemaker Edward James and their only son Alfred E. Elizabeth was 83 when she died in 1905.

William baptised in Lamerton on 2 December 1822, was living at home in 1841 and 1951, with his brother Richard and his family in 1861 and in lodgings with the Bennett family at Lamerton Green in 1871. William died in June 1879 and was buried in Lamerton on 12 June, within months of his brother, Richard.

Agness was baptised in Brentor on 25 June 1826.

Edmund baptised on 5 July 1829 in Brentor, married Ann Williams 1833-90 on 21 August 1854 in the Stoke Damerel area. They had six children between 1854 and 1866 in the Lamerton area before moving to Lydford Station: *Lucy* later Westlake; *Mary Ann* later Richards; *Elizabeth* known as *Bessie* later Tuplin; *Henry* 1860-1940, *Ellen Margaret* later Gibbins and *Agnes* later Sandry. Edmund moved to Ware in Hertfordshire in the last years of his life probably with his daughter Agnes when she married, and it was there he died in 1898.

Elizabeth was baptised on 7 July 1833 in Lamerton and died and was buried on 26 June 1840, also in Lamerton.

and **Henry**, baptised on 13 December 1836, was a copper miner when he was living with his brother Richard and family in 1861. He was living in Heathfield, Lamerton when he died on 20 January 1865 and was buried in Lamerton four days later.

24	Worth Mill	VOIZEY Walter	H	M	26		Copper miner	Dev Bridestowe	M
		VOIZEY Jane	W	M		24		Dev Lamerton	
		VOIZEY William H	S		1			Dev Mary Tavy	

Walter VOISEY, also spelt VOYZEY and VOIZEY 1824-72 was the son of agricultural labourer Henry Voisey and his wife Ann. The family, living in Bridestowe in 1841, consisted of Henry, Ann and four sons: Simon 15, Walter 15 John 13 and William 7. In the summer of 1849 Walter married Jane Weeks 1829-1909, one of the four children of William Weeks 1789-1867 and his wife Grace Hawke, born in 1787, who had died by 1851, when William was living with his only son, John and his family at Worth Mill (*see Weeks story below*), adjacent to the Voiseys. By 1861 William was living with Walter and Jane, and their sons (William) Henry, John and Simon at Lower Spring Cottage. By 1871 Walter had become a miner and three more children had been born: Walter, Bessie and George. Walter died the following year, aged 48. His widow, Jane, married William Westlake in the summer of the following year and by 1881 described as a labourer's wife, she was living at 13 Queen Street, Millom with Voisey sons Walter and George, both iron ore miners. In 1891 Brentor born William Westlake, a banksman for the iron ore company, twelve years younger than Jane was at home with her, and they had her grandson Frederick I Voyce staying with them at 118 Wellington Street in Millom, where they continued to live in 1901 and possibly until her death early in 1909, aged 80.

William Henry 1850-1914 was a miner when he married Mary Ann Metters in late 1869. She was the daughter of William and Margaret Metters, living in Zoar in 1861, with their sons Edward and George and daughters Mary Ann and Ellen both mine girls, Sarah Ann and Grace. The 1871 census takes some unpicking with the complex set of relationships: William Henry was not at home on census night in the home he shared with Mary Ann, leaving her as head of the house, which was next door to his parents Walter and Jane. Mary Ann had a son John 6 and daughter Bessy 10, both named Voisey, but probably born Metters, and unlikely to have been the children of 21 year old William Henry. Also there were her sisters Ellen Gilbert, Sarah Ann Metters and Grace Metters all described as unmarried, though Ellen probably was married. For the first time, Sarah Ann was described as blind.

By 1881 they were living in Millom at 3 Concrete Square, Haverigg with children: John 1865-1912; *William John* 1876-, *Simon* 1878-1920, and ten month old *Bessy* 1880-1943 later Doidge. Mary Ann's sister Sarah Ann Metters, was described as a boarder, as was three year old William Metters, born in Millom. Henry and Mary Ann continued to live there in 1891, when their 'lodgers' were nephew Robert Launders 12 and niece Bessie 6, both born in Millom, who continued to live with them in Concrete Square in 1901 when Robert was a miner and Bessie, a general domestic. Eldest son John was single and a barber and youngest son *Simon* was an iron ore miner married to Sarah Ann. The 1911 census records that William Henry and Mary Ann had been married 41 years, with three of the six children born of the marriage still alive in 1911, and John aged 48 and nephew, miner Robert George Saunders 31 were still living at home. John died in 1912, aged 47, Henry was 64 when he died in Millom in 1914 and Mary Ann was 81 when she died in 1923.

John 1852-1931 was living in Millom when he married Mary Moore 1857-1904 on 17 April 1876. They went on to have eleven children between 1878 and 1896: *Walter, Frances, Sarah Jane, Willie, Mary Ann, Ben, Emma, Margaret, Lilly Agnes, John* and *Kendal*. In 1911 John was a stationary engine driver living at 6 Lord Street, Millom with his children Ben a general labourer, Margaret housekeeper, John - occupation none and Kendal a grocer's assistant, and his married daughter, Frances Walker and her children. John was 79 when he died in Millom early in 1931.

THERE IS A VOIS/ZEY FAMILY PHOTO IN 1851 PHOTOS

Simon 1854-1912 was a miner when he went to America in 1874, aged 20, marrying Ellen Jane Matthews 1858-1909 on 25 December 1875 in Clay County, Indiana. Family records show that Ellen was the daughter of John A Matthews and his wife, Elizabeth J who had married on 6 December 1857. Daughter Ellen Jane was born on 28 August 1858 and died on 19 November 1909 and her husband Simon died on 15 October 1912. Altogether Simon and Ellen Jane had ten children between 1876 and 1900: *Walter, George, Lilly, Willie Lee, Bessie, Elizabeth Jane, Nellie Bly, Willard, Simon* and *Joseph*. Simon appears to have returned to England in about 1900, sailing from Liverpool aboard the *Majestic*, through New York on 31 May 1900. He died in Fontanet, Vigo, Indiana on 15 October 1912. George Marian Voisey died on 1 September 1914 and Nellie Bly Voisey Tanney died on 29 March 1946.

Walter, 1863-BEF 1890, married Elizabeth Ann Nankivell 1866-1947 in the third quarter of 1883 in Cumberland, probably in Millom. They had at least four children: *Frederick James* baptised on 11 December 1883 in Millom, who was living in Norwich when he married Louisa Elizabeth Sumpter on 18 July 1908, and settled in Norfolk and had at least five children: Walter Frederick, Rouse Osbert, Victor C, Lesley Harry and Maurice Louis. Tall for the time, Frederick was 5'11½" tall when, as an engine driver, he joined the Royal Engineers in the Inland Waterways and Dock Companies; later, he was a crane driver, grab dredging. He and Louisa died within four days of each other in April 1960, leaving respectively £1,683, and £1,791. *Annie Jane* 1885- (may have died by 1921) married labourer Herbert Henry Anderson 1883-1968 in Norwich in 1905 and had had three children, of whom only two survived to 1911: Herbert Walter 1905-52, Irene May 1910-2001 and Ruby E was born in 1916.

George Nankivell baptised on 21 September 1887- and insurance agent *Walter* 1888-1938 were living with their mother in 1911. She had married dredging engineer Henry Thomas Sawyer late in 1890 and their surviving son was also living with them.

Bessy or Bessie was born in Marytavy late in 1863, unfortunately, there were at least two other Bessie Voiseys born at that time locally, making it difficult to distinguish which was which.

William George, known as George, was born on 18 June 1865 in Marytavy and in 1881 was an iron miner living with his brother Walter and his remarried mother, Jane Westlake Sawyer, at 13 Queen Street in Millom. In about 1889 he married Eliza Coombs 1867-93 from Hertfordshire and in 1891 he was a Salvation Army officer and he and Eliza were living at 8 Fountain Street, Marsden, Lancashire with their four month old daughter *Beatrice Mabel* 1890-1978, who had been born in Leeds. After Eliza's death in 1893, he married Martha Ann Robinson 1875-1936 of Manchester. In 1901 when he was a chemical worker, they were living in Northwich, Cheshire at 44 Moreton Street with Beatrice and their two month old son. Their daughter *Elsie* born in 1904 and son *Harold* 1906-72 were born in Northwich, before the family left Liverpool on 5 April 1907 sailing to St John, New Brunswick in Canada, settling in Elgin West where *Thomas*, known as *Tom*, was born. They were recorded there in 1911, where George was working as a labourer and still a member of the Salvation Army, and in 1921 when he was a painter. George died in St Thomas Elgin, Ontario on 10 July 1936, aged 71.

94	Blackdown	WALTER Henry	H	M	36		Mine Labourer	Dev Milton Abbot	M
		WALTER Elizabeth	W	M		36		Dev Bridestow	
		WALTER Thomas	S		11		Mine Lab	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTER Mary Ann	D			9	Mine Lab	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTER Eliza	D			7	Scholar	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTER John	S		3		Scholar	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTER Henry	S		11m			Dev Marytavy	
		WALTER John	F	M	60		Agricultural	Dev Kelly	

Henry WALTER, born in 1815, was the son of John Walter. He had married Elizabeth Acford in December 1837 in Bridestowe, Elizabeth's birthplace. It has not been possible to build a picture of this family from the records. It could be that they went abroad before the next census, but it is unusual that no other records were found for them based on these details.

25	Broadpark	WALTER John	Ser	U	57		Farm lab	Dev Bridestowe	B
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John WALTER was working for Mr and Mrs Glanvill at Broadpark in 1851. He may be the 1861 John Walter whose occupation was amended from invalid to agricultural labourer, lodging with Benjamin and Jane Major in Bridestowe, not far from Michael Walter, boot and shoemaker and his family. By 1871 this John was an invalid, with his age given as 78, boarding with the widowed Jane Major after the death of her husband Benjamin on 12 January 1866. In 1841 Benjamin Major and his wife Jane had been living in Sprighill, Bridestowe with their children Elizabeth 12, Grace 9, Benjamin 7 and John 1. By 1851 the couple were with their youngest son John and lodger Mary Ackford, a pauper of 77, who may have been Jane's mother. Elizabeth, the wife of Henry Walter above, was an Acford before marriage. Jane died on 10 November 1876 and was buried with her husband Benjamin in St Bridget's Churchyard, Bridestowe. It has not been possible to identify the death of John Walter.

17	Lake	WALTER Thomas	H	M	62		Farm lab	Devon Brentor	B
		WALTER Sarah	W	M		71		Dev Milton Abbot	

Thomas WALTER and his wife, Sarah, and son, John (*below*), were living at Litton near Stowford in 1841 when Thomas was described as a farmer. Thomas and Sarah Coram had married in Brentor on 25 July 1826 and their son **John** was baptised there on 20 August 1826. Thomas may have been the son of Thomas Walter and Honour Horwill who had married in Brentor on 2 August 1778, as Honor was living in Litton when she died aged 85, early in January 1842. The 1841 census shows her, aged 84, at Litton, not far from Thomas and Sarah, living with Elizabeth Walter, 42, a manganese dresser.

Sarah died in the early months of 1861, just before the 1861 Census, which shows Thomas, an agricultural labourer, living at Northgrounds, Chillaton with his son, John and his family. Thomas died late in 1863.

18	Gregories	WALTER John	H	M	24		Farm labourer	Devon Brentor	B
		WALTER Ann	W	M		23		Devon Bridestowe	
		WALTER Thomas	S		1			Devon Brentor	

John WALTER, baptised on 20 August 1826 in Brentor, was the son of Thomas and Sarah Walter (above). In 1841 he was living with them at Litton and in Autumn 1848 he married Ann Metters. After the birth of their second son, John in 1852 and before the birth of Albert in 1855 and William in 1860, they had moved to the Milton Abbot area, where they were living at Northgrounds, Chillaton where, in 1861, they were living with John's father, Thomas, who died in 1863. At that time, John was a copper mine labourer, a job he continued to do through to 1881 at least. In 1871 John and Ann were living at Chipshop with miner son John and William, aged 11. In 1881 they were living in a cottage at Gulworthy with just copper miner son William living at home. Ann died early in 1886 and John died later that same year. At some stage the family began to be recorded as Walters rather than Walter.

Thomas was recorded as living at home in 1851 and 1861 and may have died in the 1860s or gone to Canada.

John was a miner living at home with his parents in Chipshop in 1871. In Spring 1873 he married Elizabeth Jane Brooks and they moved to Millom, Cumberland after the birth of their daughter *Sarah Ann*, baptised 30 March 1874 in Dreghorn Ayrshire, Scotland, who later married Joseph Atkinson Dobson in Cumberland, and son *Albert* 1876-1943, who was baptised in Millom on 1 October 1876. *William* and *John* were born in 1878 and 1880. In 1881 they were living at the delightfully named Butterflowers in Millom and John was an iron ore miner, the occupation followed by him and some of his sons throughout. By 1891 they had moved to 139 Main Street Haverigg where they continued to live through until 1911. Son *Thomas* was born in 1881, followed by *William John*, *Jessie*, *Philip* and *Jonathan*. In 1911 John and Elizabeth Jane recorded that during their 36 years of marriage they had had ten children, with only six of whom surviving until that date. One of these was the first William, who must have died between March 1881 and October 1883 when his name was used again for his brother, William John: born on 16 October 1883, he settled in the City of London, Middlesex, Ontario where he married Mabel McGugan on 20 May 1912. His brother *Thomas* married Bridget Flanagan in Millom on 28 October 1901 and they had three children: *Jessie*, *Wilfred* and *Edith Irene*. *Albert* had married Sarah Ann Constable in 1897 and they had five children: *Albert John* born 1898, twins *Harry* and *Angus*, 1902-02 *Leslie* 1905-54 and *Arthur Lionel* 1908-79. They were living at the commodious ten roomed Starr Inn in 1911 when they recorded that they had had five children, only three of whom had survived to that date. Erroneously, they included the names of twins Harry and Angus who had been born early in 1902. Angus died within a short time of birth and Harry lived only slightly longer. *Jessie* was working as a domestic servant in 1911. Elizabeth Jane died in 1923 aged 68 and John died five years later.

Albert appears to have died in the summer of 1864 aged just nine.

William, who became a domestic gardener, married Elizabeth Jane Northcott from Broadwoodwidge in 1885. They had six children *William John*, *Lucy Ann*, *Richard Henry*, *Florence Elizabeth*, *Ethel Dorothy* and *Winifred May* between 1886 and the 1901 census when Winifred May was just 3 weeks old. They lived in various places in Devon before settling in Cornwall, where William died in 1933, when aged 75 and Elizabeth Jane in 1941, aged 80.

14	Liddaton Green	WALTERS John	H	M	50		Copper miner	Devon NK	B
		WALTERS Ann	W	M		40		Devon NK	

John WALTERS is probably the father of John Walters (*below*) and his siblings, who were living in Blackdown at property numbered 91. John had married Joanna Stevens, the daughter of John and Mary Stevens in Stoke Damerel on 22 April 1825. In 1841 the family living in Marytavy consisted of John, Joanna, and children **Mary Ann** 15, **John**, **Grace**, **Ruth**, **Elizabeth** 4 and **Emma**. A Joanna Walters died in the Tavistock area in the early summer of 1849 and there are two marriages in the early months of 1851 in the Tavistock area of a groom named John Walters, with no name for the bride. So, this may have been a second marriage to an Ann, which might explain why the family was split between two properties, as otherwise there is no obvious reason. Or Joanna may have preferred to have been called Ann. In 1851 when John and Ann were living at Liddaton Green they had two visitors staying with them: Elizabeth and Caroline Cudlipp, both milliners born in Brentor, visiting their family nearby. In 1861 John and Ann were living in St Ann's Chapel near the Turnpike Road with Thirza and copper miner **James**, and in 1871 Ann was widowed and her daughter schoolmistress Thirza Milford and two year old grand-daughter *Emma Grace* Milford were living with her in Turnpike Road, which is where Ruth Annear and her family were living from 1856-1871+. John may have died in Plymouth in 1866 and Ann, also in Plymouth, in 1878.

John and Joanna appear to have had at least eight children, the stories of six of them are given below. Mary Ann born about 1826 may have married in 1844 or died in 1846. Elizabeth born in 1837, may have died in 1844.

91	Black Down	WALTERS John	H	U	20		Copper Miner	Dev Marytavy	M
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		WALTERS Grace	Sis	U		18	Mine Labourer	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTERS Ruth	Sis	U		16	Mine Labourer	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTERS Emma	Sis			10	Mine Labourer	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTERS Thurza	Sis			8	Scholar	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTERS James	Bro		6			Dev Marytavy	

John WALTERS, and his brother and all his sisters were the children of miner John Walters and his wife Joanna, the daughter of John and Mary Stephens. John may have married in the Tavistock area in 1853.

Grace was born on 21 August 1832, and was baptised on 9 September 1832 in the Tavistock Wesleyan Chape and recorded as the daughter of miner John and Joanna Walters of Marytavy

Ruth was born on 1 March 1835 and baptised at the Tavistock Wesleyan Chapel on 17 March 1835. She married William Jenkins Annear 1834-91+ early in 1856 in the Liskeard area, before settling in the Turnpike Road in Calstock where they had at least six children: *Emma Ann*, born in 1857 and baptised in Calstock on 10 April 1861, **Hannah Eliza* born 1859 later Leathlean, baptised on 10 April 1861 and died in 1899, *Betsey Ann Walters*, later Beer, born in March 1861 and baptised with her sisters on 10 April 1861. *James* was born late in 1861 but not baptised until 13 May 1871. He was an RN stoker in 1881 and was recorded as being NOT on board the HMS INDUS in Devonport and at home with his family, by which time they were living in Plymouth. He may have died in the Tavistock area in 1912. *Edith Annie* was born on 24 October 1863, was a burnisher living at home in 1881, before marrying boiler maker Henry Hugh Graham 1873-1945 in 1885. In 1911 they were living with their only son in 25 years of marriage, William Henry Walters Annear Graham; a nephew, Bertram Graham and, her widowed mother, Ruth, aged 76, who had also been living with them in 1901. On 4 May 1924 Edith and Henry travelled to Detroit, Michigan, USA, planning to stay permanently, probably to join their son, who had married in Toronto in 1916. They were recorded in the 1930 census when Henry was a die maker, but by 1939 they were back in the UK and living in Ilford, Essex. Edith died in Plymouth on 12 July 1952, having been widowed seven years previously. *Ophelia Anne* was born late in 1865, married Steven Jose 1861-1911 in 1890, had four children and died in 1899.

Ruth died in 1911, only months after the census. It is difficult to pinpoint when William died as in 1871 and 1881 Ruth described herself as head of the household and miner's wife. In 1891 she was living at 98 Union Street, East Stonehouse and was described as married and *supported by husband*. So, William was still alive on that date but had died by 1901 when she was described as widowed. Living with her at that a time were two of her married daughters: Bessie Beer and Edith Graham

** There is a baptism recorded on 28 January 1859 in Calstock for Hannah Annear, daughter of William and Ruth Annear. Either there was an earlier daughter called Hannah who died soon after baptism and was replaced by another, but the timescale is very tight. It is more likely that as a baby she was not expected to live and was baptised quickly, and then she was baptised again with her sisters in 1861.*

Emma may have been a domestic servant in 1861, working for builder Thomas Knight, an employer of five men, and his family in Gunnislake.

Thirza, born on 27 April 1842, and living in St Ann's Chapel in 1861 with her parents, married William Milford 1842-99 on 25 April 1865. In 1871 she was a schoolmistress, and with her five years old daughter *Emma Grace*, she was living with her mother, Ann Walters, in Turnpike Road, Calstock, probably while her husband was working away. Again in 1881 William was away and Thirza was described as a miner's wife. She was living in Plymouth with children Emma Grace 1872-1949 later Anstis, *John Walters* 1874-1923 and *Thirza Mary* 1875-1960 later Wasley.

In 1891 William was working abroad again, all three children were living at home: John was a copper miner, Thirza a dressmaker's apprentice and Emma, who was married, had her three children: Thomas, William and Thirza with her. In 1901 the house in Turnpike Road was bursting: there was Thirza, her daughter Emma G Anstis, whose husband was working abroad, and her children: Thomas, William, Thirza and John Anstis; and daughter Thirza M Wasley and her children Thomas, Gwendolin and Bessie Wasley, while Thirza's husband was working abroad, as well. By 1911, William had died and the widowed Thirza was living in St Ann's Chapel, with her daughter Thirza Wasley and her six children, including three more children born since the previous census: Annie, John and William. Thirza died in 1927, aged 85.

James may have been baptised on 9 July 1845 in the Wesleyan Methodist Church in Liskeard, the son of John and Ann Walters. He was a copper miner living with his parents in St Ann's Chapel in 1861 and he may have married Elizabeth Hill in Stoke Damerel in the summer of 1867. The lack of further records may indicate that they went overseas to live.

76	Black Down	WALTERS Robert	H	M	51		Lead miner	Dev Treniton?	M
		WALTERS Rebecca	W	M		49		Dev Boworthy	
		WALTERS Susan	D	U		25	Dressmaker	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTERS James	S	U	16		Copper miner	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTERS Henry	S		9		Scholar	Dev Marytavy	
		WALTERS Josephas C	S		1			Dev Marytavy	

The birthplace for Robert WALTERS, is difficult to distinguish. It may have been that he was the son of John and Grace Walter, and if this is the case, he was baptised in Marytavy on 13 November 1796. He married Rebecca Woodman in Marytavy on 16 October 1823. It may be that Robert had died by 1861 when there was a Rebecca Walters recorded as being widowed, and living in Calstock, with her son copper miner, Harry and if so, she was 64 when she died late in 1868. However, information for this family appears to be very sketchy, so it is possible that almost all the family went abroad. Robert and Rebecca had seven children: **Thomas** 1824-68 (*his story is given below under his name*), **Susan**, baptised on 13 July 1826 in Mary Tavy may have married either Richard Court or John Hockin in Plymouth in the summer of 1855. **Francis** was baptised in Marytavy on 8 May 1831. **James** was baptised in Marytavy on 17 November 1833. **Eliza** was baptised on 8 July 1836 and died two days later, also in Marytavy. **Henry** was born in the summer of 1841 and **Josephus Collins** born early in 1850.

76	Blackdown	LARK John	Vis	U	17		CM	Dev Sampford Spiney	M
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John LARK was probably the son of husbandman William Lark of Horrabridge and his wife Mary, the daughter of William and Mary Elford. He was born on 28 June and baptised in the Wesleyan Chapel in Tavistock on 16 July 1833. In 1841 he was living in Horrabridge in the parish of Buckland Monachorum with his mother Mary and thirteen years old Grace, his sister, who married Robert's son Thomas (*below*) in 1845. Like the Walters family he was visiting, he appears to have disappeared from the records after 1851.

74	Blackdown	WALTERS Thomas	H	M	26		Lead miner	Dev Marytavy	M
		WALTERS Grace	W	M		23		Dev Buckland	
		WALTERS Maryann	D			5		Dev Samford Spiney	
		WALTERS Thomas	S		2			Dev Samford Spiney	
		WALTERS Emma	D			1m		Dev Marytavy	

Thomas WALTERS was baptised on 12 September 1824, the son of Robert and Rebecca, *whose story is given above under Robert's name*. Thomas married Grace Lark locally, late in 1845. She was the daughter of husbandman William Lark of Horrabridge and his wife Mary, the daughter of William and Mary Elford, and she was living with her mother Mary and brother John (*shown above, staying with her in-laws in 1851*) in Horrabridge in the parish of Buckland Monachorum in 1841. By 1861 Thomas, Grace and their remaining six children were living at Walter's Row in Marytavy. It is likely that they had at least eight children before Thomas died on 15 December 1868 in the Tavistock area. At some stage after this Grace went to America, where the 1900 census shows her living at 905 N Wasson in Streator, next dorr to daughter Mary Ann Creber and her family, the address confirmed in the 1907 and 1909 directories for Streator, Illinois which described her as the widow of Thomas. Also at 905 N Wasson, in the latter directory entry, were the Creber Bros (Thomas and John) grocers and their mother Mary, widow of Richard. Grace died the following year in 1910 and was buried in Riverview Cemetery, Streator, Illinois.

Their children were:

Mary Ann, born on 22 September 1845, and listed at home with her parents in 1851 and 1861, she married Richard Creber 1845-1902 early in 1868 and they left England for America later that year and were naturalised in 1870. They probably settled in Pennsylvania initially, where children *Thomas*, known as *Tom*, 1869-1931; *Laura* later Shinn 1871-1955; *John*, known as *Johnnie*, 1876-1882 and *Emma Jane* 1878-1889 were born between 1869 and 1878. Richard was a farmer and the family was living in Nebraska in 1880. Another son, *John Myron* was born on 18 August 1886, and he died on 12 December 1964 in Missouri. From 1882, when Johnnie was buried, until at least 1902, they were living in Streator, Illinois as Richard's will was signed there on 24 December 1901, before he died on 4 April 1902. The 1909 directory for Streator, Illinois also lists the Creber Bros (Thomas and John) grocers and their mother Mary, widow of Richard at 905 N Wasson.

In 1920 Mary Ann was living in Byers Ave, Joplin, Jasper, Missouri with her daughter Laura and her husband William H Shinn 1863-1929, the manager of a butcher shop, and their six years old daughter Mary E later Patterson. Mary died on 1 December 1926 of cerebral apoplexy and was buried three days later in Streator, Illinois, with Richard, Johnnie and Emma Jane in Riverview, where son Tom was buried five years later.

Thomas born in Sampford Spiney in 1849 was at home with his parents in 1851 and 1861 but cannot be positively linked to other records in UK or USA after that.

The first **Emma** was born in Marytavy in March 1851 and died there in 1855.

John born in Marytavy in 1852, was living at home in 1861 and was a coal miner living at 1017 North Wasson Street in 1900, not far from his mother Grace and sister Mary Ann at 904. He had married Elizabeth Ann Hocking in 1878 and both had come from England in 1870. They had had twelve children, eight still alive, and five of them with them in 1900: coal miner *Charles H* 1881-; *Frederick T* 1882- in Colorado; *William John* 1884-1941 in Wyoming; *James E* 1886-, who were all

labourers at the Bottle Company and school boy *George Hocking* born 30 December 1887 in Colorado, who was later a glass blower.

James born in 1855, at home in 1861, stated on the 1900 census that he went to America in 1870, but probably in 1868 with his mother. He married Celia in 1880 and they had all three of their children with them in the 1900 census when he was a grocery man and they were living in Wilson Street, Streator, Illinois. Railroad fireman *William Gordon* 1881-1963; *John* 1885 and *Louisa* 1884 had all been born in Illinois, as was their younger brother *Loyd J* born in 1902. By 1920 James, Celia and Loyd had moved to 1221 West 31st Street in Los Angeles where James was a museum attendant and Loyd a hardware salesman. Celia died in Los Angeles in about 1928 and James in 1945, aged 90.

William was born in Marytavy in 1857 and at home in 1861 but may have died soon after, before the birth of his brother of the same name

The second **Emma** was born in 1858 and was living at home with her family in 1861 and probably went to America with their mother in about 1868-70 but cannot be traced in the records once there.

William Henry born in 1861, went to America in the late 1860s and was naturalised in 1888. He was a coal miner living at 903 North Wasson Street, in 1900, not far from other members of his family, and in 1910 and in 1920 at 907. He had been married to Illinois born Anna Carpenter since 1894 and had lost one child and had one daughter, *Ruth* later Green, born on 30 January 1906 and she died on 19 June 1996. William had been an odd job man in 1919 and was back to being a coal miner in 1920.

Josiah was born in Marytavy in 1864 and died in Streator, Illinois in 1896, at the age of 32. He had married Cumberland born Miriam, known as Minnie, Fairburn Fisher 1868-1934 on 25 April 1889. They had three children: *Mary G* 1891-1918; *Emma* 1892-3 and *Wilbur F* 1894-1925 who married Elizabeth Goldsmith 1894-1926 and their only child James R died in infancy. All of his family appear to have been buried in Riverview Cemetery, where so many others of their family had been buried.

75	Black Down	WALTERS Thomas	H	M	30		Copper miner	Devon Mary Tavy	M
		WALTERS Elizabeth	W	M		25		Devon Tavistock	
		WALTERS Henry	S		5		Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WALTERS Simon W	S		2			Devon Mary Tavy	

Thomas WALTERS was the son of George Walters and his wife Hannah and had been baptised in Marytavy on 12 August 1819. He married Elizabeth Dinnaford Webber in the Tavistock area in the summer of 1844 and they went on to have two other children in addition to **Henry** and **Simon Webber** 1848-: **Elizabeth Ann** 1853 and **Thomas G** 1860. In 1861 all four children were living in Gunnislake with their maternal grandmother, Mary Ann Webber.

The death was recorded in the Tavistock area in the first months of 1861 of Elizabeth Webber Walters. If this was the wife of Thomas, it would explain why all of her children were staying with her mother.

After 1861, it has not been possible to find Thomas or any of his children in the records.

47	Blackdown	WARD Thomas	H	M	26		Copper miner	Devon Plymouth	M
		WARD Sarah	W	M		27		Devon Lamerton	
		WARD Elizabeth	D			3		Devon Mary Tavy	
		WARD William	S		3m			Devon Mary Tavy	

Thomas WARD was born in Devonport in Plymouth. He married Sarah Cruse in the Tavistock area late in 1847. She had been baptised on 15 August 1824 in Brentor Church, one of the six children of miner John Crews/Cruise and his wife, Sarah, when the family was living in South Brentor (*see the John Cruse story above in Part 1*). Thomas was one of the nine children of William Ward and Jane Richards 1805-58 who were living in Marytavy in 1841.

Thomas and Sarah had seven children altogether: **Elizabeth** 1848-1926 who married miner Robert Densham, settled in Blackdown and Horndon to raise their seven children, before her death in 1926.

William 1851-1918 crippled from birth, lived with his parents, until they died. In 1911 William was recorded living at 100 Newton Street, Millom, as a boarder, with his sister Ellen and her family, not far from 124 Newton Street where he had lived with his parents.

Sarah Ann 1853-1932, was staying with her Crews/Cruise grandparents in 1861, and married mason Henry Simmons 1853- in 1878, and settled in Exeter Street in Tavistock where they raised their four children in a three roomed house: *Edith Alice*; *Florence Ellen*; *William Henry*, a harness maker; and *Frederick*, a blacksmith striker.

Mary Jane 1856-97, married copper miner Richard Fuge in 1875 and by late 1880 they were living at 110 Newton Street in Millom where their second child *William Henry* was born. Also living with them was eldest child *Sarah J* and Richard's mother, Jane. Three other children: *Richard*, *Edith* and *John* were born before Mary Jane died in the summer of 1897.

Ellen 1859-1936 was living in Millom when she married iron ore miner, Cornishman Ralph Hill 1856-1937 in the early summer of 1882. They went on to have six children: *John Thomas* 1884-1938, *William* 1884-1940, *Amanda* later Edgar and then *Giles* 1887-1924, *Elizah* 1891-1927, *Margaret Ellen* 1893-1903 and *Sarah Annie* 1897-1973 later Ellwood, as well

as Ellen's daughter Elizabeth Jane Ward, described as sister-in-law in 1891 and as daughter Elizabeth J Hill in 1901. They continued to live at 100 Newton Street throughout the censuses of their married life, not far from Ellen's sisters Amanda at 104, Mary Jane at 110 and their parents at 124. The 1911 census was completed in a slightly chaotic order, but as well as Ralph and Ellen, there were four of their children living at home and Ellen's disabled brother, William. John, like his father, was an iron ore miner; William was an unemployed miner; Sarah Annie at 15 had no occupation; and their daughter Amanda Edgar who was widowed and had her one year old daughter Nellie Edgar with her. Amanda had married William Edgar in 1907 and he had died the previous year, only months before the census. William's brother Walter 1886-1948 married Amanda's cousin Mary Elizabeth Bennetta in 1913, *see Amanda below*.

Amanda 1862-1941 married iron ore miner John Henry Bennetta 1871-1917 in Millom in the months after the 1891 census. The 1901 census shows them at home in 104 Newton Road with their children: *Mary Elizabeth* 1892-1929 later Edgar, who was given away by her brother William on 4 September 1913 and died in childbirth on 15 March 1929. *Hannah* 1896-1967 later Armstrong had her mother living with her and her family at 28 Lonsdale Road, Millom in 1939, two years before Amanda died. *William Henry* married Winifred Campbell in 1923 and they had at least two children, and he was a slagger at the blast furnace in 1939. *Richard John*, who married Bessie Thwates in 1929 and also had two children, was a window cleaner in 1939. In 1911 Amanda was at home with all four of her children and stating that she was married. Did she know that her husband John Henry, a surface gold miner, died of miners phthisis and heart failure six years later on 24 April 1917 at 20 Richmond Street, Krugersdorp in the Transvaal, home of Clarsina Jacoba Hurst, the mother of three more of his children John Albert born 1909, Nancy Grace born 1912 and Richard James born in 1916? John Henry left virtually nothing, leaving Clarsina with three children under eight to raise, the youngest just four months old. and **Elijah** 1865-80.

Thomas was a miner throughout his life, living in various places in Marytavy until they moved to Millom before 1880 when Elijah died there, aged 15. They settled at 124 Newton Street, caring for their disabled son, William, until Sarah died in 1904, aged 78, and Thomas in 1906, aged 80.

61	West Blackdown	WARN Melora	H	W		43		Devon Mary Tavy	M
		WARN Absolam	S	U	19		Copper miner	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WARN Sophia	D	U		17	Mine labourer	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WARN William	S		13		Copper miner	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WARN Hannah	D			11	Mine labourer	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WARN Eliza	D			9	Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WARN Rachel	D			6	Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	
		THOMAS George	F	W	70		Copper miner	Devon Mary Tavy	

Melora WARN was the daughter of copper miner George Thomas and his wife, Mary Glanville, who had married in Marytavy on 4 May 1805. George was also the father of Absolam Thomas and George Thomas (*see their stories above*). Melora was baptised in Marytavy on 14 July 1805. She had married James Warn on 2 September 1823 in Marytavy. The births and baptisms of six of their children were recorded in the Tavistock Wesleyan Chapel registers: Betsy Glanvill 1824-91; Mary Ann in 1826; James in 1828; Absalom in 1831; Sophia in 1834, William in 1836. There does not appear to have been an 1841 census entry for the family, but it is likely that Melora's husband James, died late in 1849. They appear to have had at least nine children altogether: with Hannah born in 1839; Eliza 1841 and Rachel 1844. William, Eliza and Rachel continued to live with their mother in 1861 in Gunnislake. She was described as a house-keeper, William was a copper miner and the girls were copper dressers. In 1871 Milora and her married daughter, dressmaker Sophia Lane, were living at 337 Old Exeter Road in Tavistock. In 1881, when she was 76, she was back in Black Down, living with her son Absalom and his young family. Also living with them was another widow of 76, Elizabeth Thomas, born in Marytavy, who was Louisa's mother and Absalom's mother-in-law. Melora died on 4 February 1883. It is not known when her father George died.

Betsy Glanville was born on 12 February 1824 and baptised a month later, on 14 March. She married miner James Bailey Ware 1824-71 in the summer of 1846 and settled in his home village of Peter Tavy, where they raised their six children: *Elizabeth* 1847-1900 later Weeks who died in Bootle; *Samuel* 1849-1901 an unemployed gold miner at home in 1881, after time in Canada and died in Johannesburg, South Africa; *Amelia* 1850-1907 later Gendle, who died in Bootle; *Frank* 1854-1914, a railway porter who married Jane Ann Down from Gunnislake, was living in Kensington, London in 1881, and spent time in the mines in South Africa, where he died in 1914; *Albert James* was a joiner, lodging with his brother in 1881, before marrying Isle of Wight born Mary Chambers on 30 September 1886. They spent time in Australia, where their two children were born and in South Africa, where he died in 1914, the same year as Frank, his brother, and *John*, a cabinet maker who died in Australia in 1934.

James Bailey Ware was a miner and grocer when he had died on 24 June 1875. Betsy took over the shop until her death on 7 October 1891, aged 67.

Mary Ann was born on 1 February and baptised on 9 February 1826. She married copper miner James Rowe, late in 1849 and they settled in Middle Dimson, Calstock where their eldest daughter *Mary Jane* was born in 1850. Their next child *James* was born ten years later and in 1861 they were living in Gunnislake, next door to her mother Melora and siblings, William, Eliza and Rachel. By the time of the next Census they were living at 1 Chapel Terrace, Calstock and their family had increased with the arrival of *Anna Maria*, *Elizabeth Ann* and *Eliza Warne*, who died aged 3 in early 1873. By 1881 James was a widower, with Anna, a dressmaker, and Elizabeth, the housekeeper, at 1 Chapel Street. Mary Ann may have died in late 1879.

James was born on 17 May and baptised on 29 May 1828. On 17 October 1847 he married Mary Ann Spencer 1824-1915 in Plymouth. Their sons Francis 1849-1899 and James born 1 December 1851-1914 were both born in Mary Tavy and on 20 August 1853 James was one of a group of miners who travelled from Liverpool to Port Phillip Bay, Australia. He was living in the Melbourne area from 1856, when he was described as a householder having livery stables in Bay Street on the electoral roll, until at least 1864 when he was a grocer. His family joined him on 16 July 1866. They had been living in Lanehead, Marytavy in 1861, with Mary Ann described as a miner's wife. Daughter Millie Melora 1867-1945 and son George Washington 1869-71 were born in Maldon, Victoria. George was only two when he died on 16 January 1871 in California Gully, Victoria, and his father died on 26 November 1876 in Sandhurst, Victoria.

Absalom Thomas was born on 9 April and baptised on 26 April 1831; living at home in 1851, he married Emma Sophia Skelley 1835-61, daughter of copper miner Philip and Damson Skelley of Marytavy early in 1854. By 1861 they had two daughters *Mary Ann* 6 and *Eliza Jane* 3 and were living in Miner's Town, Marytavy. Emma's death appears to have been registered in the first quarter of 1861, which was before the 7 April date of the census. It is more likely to have been a transcription error and that she had died in 1862, when her daughter was born.

Absalom was married again, early in 1864 to his cousin Louisa Thomas 1834-1911, a copper mine labourer, daughter of copper miner, Absalom Thomas 1810-67 and his wife Elizabeth Susanna Castle 1812-83 of Kneebone Row, Mary Tavy (see *Absalom Thomas above for their family story.*) By 1871 Absalom and Louisa had had three children: *Louisa* 1864-1873, *Absalom Thomas* 1867-1871 and *Irena* 1868-1938 who was 18 months old. They were living with Emma's daughters Mary Ann, a mine girl, Eliza Jane and Emma Sophia 9, who was named for her mother, at Nicholls Court in Marytavy. As we have seen above, Absalom and Louisa had their widowed mothers living with them in Blackdown in 1881, and children Irena, another *Absalom Thomas* 1872-1916 - named after his brother who died in 1871, *James* 1874-1918, *Louisa* 1877-1965 and another daughter named *Eliza* 1879-1967 later Craig. Absalom died the following year on 1 March 1882, aged fifty, and was buried in St Mary's Churchyard, Mary Tavy, leaving Louisa with five children under twelve years of age. Louisa continued to live in Black Down and in 1891 had both sons Absalom and James working as copper miners and daughters Louisa and Eliza at school. In 1901 the family was living at Bryn Tavy, Irene was a parlour maid living at home, Louisa was now Stephens, having married and there was a grand daughter, Irena Warne, aged 3, born in Marytavy, one of the six children of her son, miner Absalom Thomas 1872-1916 and his wife, Fanny Augusta Westcott 1873-1937. On his death on 22 October 1916, this Absalom left the considerable sum of £2,744 to the care of his wife.

In 1911 Louisa had moved to 20 College Avenue in Tavistock, and recorded that she was of independent means and had had six children, two of whom had died. Her daughter Irena continued to live with her, as did a grandson aged 2 years and 11 months, James H Warn born in Peter Tavy. He had been born on 8 May 1908 and was the son of James and his wife Clara Elizabeth Williams 1881-1908, whose death may have been linked to her son's birth. His grandmother, Louisa died on 19 September 1911. Absalom's son, James Warne was living at 9 Parkwood Place, Tavistock when he died on 14 October 1918 at Obuassi, Ashanti, West Africa, leaving £4,465 to the care of his spinster sister Irena Warne, who was probably caring for his son. When Irena died on 13 August 1938 she was still living in College Avenue at number 26 and she left her £20 estate to the care of her widowed sister, Louisa Stevens. Louisa had married William Henry Stevens 1871-1914 in the summer of 1900. They had lost a child before 1911 and their daughter Edna Violet, who was born in 1905, sadly died in 1918, four years after her father, who had died aboard the Royal Naval cruiser HMS Hogue; manned by reservist, it was one of the three ships in the *Live Bait Squadron* lost that day, when they were torpedoed by U-9 on 22 September 1914 in the North Sea, with the loss of 1,450 lives. This tragedy caused a public outcry, eroded confidence in the British Government and damaged the reputation of the Royal Navy, whose War Orders of 28 July 1914 reflected pre-war assumptions that attacks would be by destroyers rather than submarines. Louisa was living at 26 College Avenue in 1939 and died in 1965.

Of the daughters of Absalom's first family with his wife, Emma: we have seen above that they were all living with their father and stepmother in 1871. *Mary Ann Skelley* was born in the summer of 1854 and was a mine girl in 1871. Early in 1874 she married Marytavy born miner, Richard Bath 1849-99, in Plymouth. He was the son of mine labourer George Bath and his wife Elizabeth of Crowndale, Tavistock. By 1881 Richard and Mary Ann were living at 7 School Terrace, Millom with their children Richard J; Edith Emma later Stamper, baptised on 17 February 1878 at Holy Trinity, Millom, and two month old William Henry, all born in Millom. By the following census, young Richard was unemployed, Edith was not at home as she was visiting her aunt Emma by then Kemp, see *below* and George E, Frederick James and Florence May had been added to the family. Richard died in 1899, aged 50, by which time Ellen Maud and Elsie Melora had been

born, bringing the total to eight. In 1901, with George a joiner's labourer and Fred working for a stationer, Mary Ann appears to have been supplementing her income by taking in boarders: widower William Martin was a stationary engine driver and his son John, a boilermaker's labourer. In 1903 William and Mary Ann married and the 1911 census shows them living at 11 Surry Street, South Bank, with her son, Fred, a crane driver, and daughter Elsie

Eliza Jane married James Batten 1846-1907 in 1888, as his second wife. He was the son of farmer Daniel and Elizabeth Batten of Bridestowe, where the family was living in 1851, though two of his sisters were in Brentor for the 1851 census, see *Batten above*.

James, also a farmer, and Eliza had six children born between 1889 and 1907, five of whom were surviving in 1911 when Eliza was a grazier, with son James helping her. The surviving children were James Moor, Mabel, Myra, Albert and Edie. All were living with their parents in 1901. James senior died in 1907. Private James Moor Batten (51327) of the 9th Battalion (Service), Devonshire Regiment, born on 1 March 1889, died of his wounds in France on 13 October 1918, aged 29 and was buried in Mont Huon Cemetery, Le Treport and is commemorated on the Brentor village war memorial. Mabel married Albert Doidge and had two children Albert and Agnes. She died in 1956.

Myra, born 23 September 1891, was working in Buckland Monachorum for the Sargent family and went on to marry Albert Harris, a general farm labourer eleven years her junior in 1927, and had two children: Albert Fred James Moore born 13 August 1928 and Myra J. born 1933, later Mrs Paul, living in Plymouth. In 1939 the family were living in Tuel Cottages, Tavistock. Myra died in 1969.

In 1911 Albert known as Bert, was lodging in Burn Lane where he was an apprentice smith. He also enlisted and served as a farrier in Mesopotamia. He survived an attack on his ship in transit. In 1939 Bert and his sister, Edith or Edie, both single, were living in West Blackdown. He was a postman and smallholder. He is remembered as the Brentor village walking postman in the 1950s. Their mother, Eliza Jane had died on 30 May 1926.

Emma Sophia, named after her mother, was born early in 1862. In 1881 she was a domestic servant working for Tavistock born iron ore miner, William Gendle and his family in Millom, before marrying Lincolnshire born engine driver, John Kemp 1857-1902 in the summer of 1885 in Barrow in Furness. In 1881 they were living at 4 Cross Street in Barrow in Furness and, as shown above, her niece, Edith Emma 13, was visiting, probably to help with the three small children: Annie, Charlotte and three month old John. In 1901 John was away at the time of the census and Emma was caring for her three older children and eight year old William and 9 month old Florence M. as well as a boarder. Following a short spell in hospital, John died on 19 May 1902 and Emma married general labourer John Pelter 1861-1922, another Lincolnshire man, early in 1905. In 1911 the census records that they had had no children during their six year marriage. Living with them was her daughter Charlotte and Emma's newly born, unless than a month old, grand daughter, Hilda MP Kemp, who was probably Charlotte's baby. Emma died on 31 May 1915 and was buried in Barrow Cemetery

Sophia was born on 10 April and baptised on 27 April 1834. Living at home in 1851 and 1871, by which time she was a married dressmaker with the surname Lane, having married miner Charles Lane in the summer of 1870. *She may have been his second wife, see her sister Eliza below*. It is likely that he was away working, with Sophia joining him, before the birth of their daughter, *Flora*, on 13 January 1876 in Eureka, Nevada. It has not been possible to find further information on Sophia or Flora after the 1880 census, when they were living at North Ruby Hill in Eureka, Nevada.

William was born on 27 October 1836 and baptised on 13 November that year. He was living at home in 1851 and 1861, when he was a copper miner. He married Ann Facey in the summer of 1865 and sons *William Arthur* and *James Facey* were born before the family travelled to Canada in 1869, where they settled on Brome County, Quebec and daughter *Annie Melora* was born on 22 May 1871. She died of cancer on 21 December 1935.

The parents lived in Brome County until William's death in 1896, when Ann moved to Ottawa, where her children were living. Referred to as Captain William Warne, he was a merchant or dealer at one stage but it has not been possible to decipher his occupations as listed in the census on another occasion: he may have been a proprietor of an establishment. William Arthur 1866-1954 worked in the Trade and Commerce Department; James Facey 1868-1914 was a barrister at law, having attended McGill University and Osgoode Hall, Toronto: he married Alberta MC Allin in 1907 and they had a son and a daughter before he died after five days of tonsillitis on 30 January 1914. Their mother Ann Facey died on 16 October 1913 in her 81st year.

Hannah Maria was born on 9 February 1839 and was living at home in 1851. She married clerk, later manager, at the copper works, James Cock Warne 1838-1907, who may have been a cousin, on 2 October 1870 in Prescot, St Helens, Lancashire. They went on to have four children: *John* 1870-, *Christian Emma* born on 3 December 1875-1960 known as Emma: married to mechanical engineering draughtsman William Woodcock 1878-1938 they were living in a substantial house in Chesterfield with their three children including Hannah Melora, Living in St Helens in 1939, she died in Ludlow, Shropshire on 1 September 1960. Frank Thomas 1878-82 and George Gilbert 1882-1919 a banker's clerk in 1901 and 1911, who married Bessie Varley in 1910 and died in Kendal, Westmoreland in the spring of 1919. There were also four children from James's first marriage, on 23 December 1860, to Christian Emma Osbourne 1830-67, from Gloucester: Annie, Mary, William J, bookkeeper at the bottle works in 1901 and Jesse 1867-1914, a book keeper in 1891.

James and Hannah were living at 'Lyndale', Denton's Green Lane in St Helen's when he died on 9 October 1907, leaving £1,692 in the care of his widow, Hannah Maria, and sons, William James, a cashier, and Jesse, a manufacturer's agent. Jesse was a commercial traveller living in Leicester when he died in 1914. Hannah Maria, a Warne throughout her life, died in the spring of 1918.

Eliza born on 15 May 1841, was at home in 1851 and 1861, married Charles Lane in 1864. It may be that she had died by 1870, when her sister Sophia married a Charles Lane, who may have been the same person.

Rachel born on 9 April 1844, was at home in 1851 and 1861 when the family was living in Gunnislake, next to her sister, Betsy, *see above*. She appears to have been a mantle maker, living at 11 Cowper Road, South Hornsey, in Middlesex in 1881 and may have died in Edmonton Middlesex in 1892, when she was 48.

48	North Brent	WATKINS John	H	M	63		Ag Lab	Dev Germansweek	L
		WATKINS Agness	W	M		63		Dev Germansweek	

John and Agnes WATKINS continued to live in Brentor in 1861, with their address given as Inner House, which came between Rice Cottage and Chaple _____. In 1841 they were living in Elbow Lane, Tavistock, with children **Elizabeth** 12, **Thomas** 8 and **Richard** 6. They may have been the parents of David Watkins below. Agnes died in the summer of 1862 and John early in 1871, aged 80. They are buried and commemorated in the graveyard at Christ Church, Brentor.

24	Woodmanswell	WATKINS David	H	M	40		Farmer 70 acres	Northlew Devon	L
		WATKINS Maria	W	M		31		BlackTorrington Dev	
		WATKINS Mary	D	U		2		Lamerton Devon	
		WATKINS John	S	U	1			Lamerton Devon	

David WATKINS was probably working as a farm labourer for farmer Thomas Chastone in Holsworthy in 1841. Maria Jeffery may also have been working in Holsworthy in 1841, for farmer Elizabeth Heddon. David and Maria married in the winter of 1845. In 1861 they were farming 195 acres at Westford Farm in Lamerton and had had two more children David 1856-1901? and Thomas 1859-. All four children were given the second name Jeffery, from their mother's maiden name. They continued to live at Westford Farm in 1871, describing it as having 190 acres. All four children continued to live with them there. Maria died in 1875 and by 1881, David had moved to Ashleigh in Lifton with children, Mary and David, describing himself as a widower and farmer. He was still living at Ashleigh when he died on 1 May 1887, leaving £159 11s to be distributed by his son John Jeffery Watkins of Peek Hill, Walkhampton. **Mary Jeffery Watkins** was born in the summer of 1848 and lived with her family, including brother David until at least 1881, and probably until their father's death in 1887. Neither she nor David were recorded in 1891 but in 1901 she was living on her own means at 16 Stafford Road, Lambeth in London. A **David Watkins** was buried at St Pancras Parish Church, Camden in London in September 1901, but it is impossible to tell whether this was David Jeffery Watkins. **John Jeffery Watkins**, born in 1850, was living with his family in 1871 and in 1878 married Elizabeth Mary Vickery. The 1881 census shows them living with their daughter *Florence Maria*, later Blowey, at Poke Hole (Peek Hill) Farm, Walkhampton, Horrabridge, which was described as a farm of 160 acres, where they employed 1 man and 1 boy. Their children *Mary Ellen*, *John Vickery* and *Annie Louisa* were all born, brought up and worked on Peek Hill Farm. The 1911 census indicates that John and Elizabeth, who was born in Broadwoodwidge, had been married for 33 years and all four children were still alive. Elizabeth Mary Watkins was living at Peak Hill when she died on 24 April 1923, leaving her estate of £476 to her husband. John Jeffery died on 23 March 1926 and the first grant of probate on 27 May 1929 indicated that he had been living at Thorne Farm, Lewdown when he died, leaving £9,339 to the care of his son John Vicary (sic) Watkins. Probate was granted again on 4 March 1952 to Florence Maria Blowey, married woman, and Annie Louisa Batten, widow, for effects to the value of £1,800. Annie Louisa had married William Charles Batten in 1919 and was living in Bluebells, Brentor when she died in 1960. More can be found about the Batten family in *1911 People*.

The youngest of the Watkins children was **Thomas**, but unless he was Thomas J Watkins who died in West Ham in 1917, he has been impossible to trace. It could be that he and his brother David went abroad.

29	Lower Liddaton	WAY James	Ser	U	27		Farm labourer	Dev North Tawton	
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James WAY or WAYE, working for the Pengelly family in 1851, is not, unfortunately, the James Waye born in North Tawton married to Mary Northway Jackman and living in Mary Tavy in 1851. It is likely that the two are related: they do not appear to be first cousins but may be second cousins. He is not easily found in records after 1851.

51	Blackdown	WAY James	H	M	28		Copper miner	Dev Okehampton	M
		WAY Ann	W	M		24		Dev Marytavy	
		WAY Thomas	S		5			Dev Tavistock	
		WAY James	S		3			Cwl Calstock	
		WAY Mary	D			2		Dev Marytavy	

James WAY or WAYE was born in Okehampton in 1821, one of the children of thatcher Thomas Waye 1788-1879 and his wife, Jane Jackman 1789-1875, who had married in Sampford Courtney on 8 June 1813.

James married Ann Dawe, the daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Dawe of Marytavy. Ann had been baptised there on 1 April 1827. James and Ann had five children: Thomas 1845-1917; James 1847-1928; Mary 1850-1917; Ann born in 1852 and Henry in 1854. Ann Dawe Waye died in Gloucester, aged 29, in August 1856 and was buried there on 31 August 1856. On 13 April 1857 in Westbury on Trim, Gloucester, James married Mary Northway Jackman, born in Samford Courtney, possibly a cousin through his mother. Their first daughter, **Louisa** was born in the Tavistock area in the early summer of 1858 and died later that year in the Okehampton registration district. In 1861 Mary was recorded with the James and most of his children in Fair Place, Okehampton where he was a victualler and miner. Their daughter Emily was born in the Sticklepath, Samford Courtney area in 1863. James died In Haverthwaite, Lancashire and was buried there on 12 May 1868. In 1871 Mary, her daughter Emily and some of his sons, described as sons-in-law, James, an iron miner born in Gunnislake, and Henry, a quarryman, were living in Dalton in Lancashire, where Mary was keeping lodgers.

In 1891 **Emily** was in service as a cook, with her half sister Ann, a housemaid, for Mary Anna Hawkins, an unmarried lady of some means, originally from Gloucestershire, living at 5 St James' Road, Tonbridge. In 1889 Emily married iron ore miner William John Kitt from St Clear in Cornwall. Settling in Millom before moving to Wombwell in Yorkshire, they had had seven children by 1911, five of whom, all daughters were still alive in 1911, including *Annie*, one of a set of twins. Emily was a widow when she died on 1 February 1936 at 20 St Michael's Road, Bradford, leaving her effects of £292 to the care of her daughter *Elsie May* Ashton.

In 1867 **Thomas**, a copper miner, married dressmaker Emma Maker in Lustleigh and by 1871 they were living in South Zeal village with their one year old son, *William Thomas*, born on 21 October 1869, in South Tawton, his mother's birthplace. By 1881 the family was living in Newton, Dalton, Lancashire. They moved to Millom, by 1891, where Thomas was working as a carter and William, a locomotive engine driver. On 4 February 1894 William married Edith Youart, and they had two children, neither of whom survived to adulthood. William continued to live in Millom and had a variety of jobs after leaving the mine, including being a school caretaker and a council porter, a job from which he was retired by 1939, by which time his wife Edith had died. In 1901 Thomas was a labourer and Emma, caretaker at the hospital. The 1911 census records that Thomas and Emma had been married 45 years and had had two children, with only William surviving. They were both caretakers at the Isolation Hospital adjacent to their home, Crab Marsh Hospital Cottage in Millom. Thomas was 71 when he died in 1917 and Emma died in 1935, aged 88. William left £333 when he died on 15 August 1950.

James, born in Gunnislake, and baptised there on 3 November 1847, was a miner living with his step mother, brother and half sister in Dalton, Lancashire in 1871. In 1876 he married Okehampton born Eliza Jackman 1845-1906, in Woolwich, London but by 1881 they were settled in Millom, where they lived throughout their married life and where their daughter Eva Maud Jackman was born in 1877. In 1881 James was an iron miner and grocer and the three of them were living at 50 Queen Street with Eliza's mother, Ann Jackman and a servant, Elizabeth Teague, aged 14. By 1891 James had also added being a butcher to his other jobs, with Eliza being a grocer, and with the help of Mary Walker, a 15 year old servant, was managing their five children and a boarder, Fred Schieffler, who oversaw the butchery side of the business. Eliza left £390 when she died on 8 May 1906, aged 61. James continued to live at Queen Street until his death aged 81 on 28 March 1928. He left £1,686, to the care of his sons Caesar Jackman Waye, school master and Herbert James Waye, butcher.

James and Eliza had had five children:

Eva Maud Jackman 1877-1955 married Edwin Albert Sobey 1871-1953 in 1899 (*see Emma Sobey story above*). He was a teacher of music and church organist and they were living with their son, Millom born Frederick Charles 1900-62, at 18 Belvedere Street in Workington in 1901 and in 1911. Three daughters were born before the 1911 census: Bertha Maude, Olive Beatrice and Florence Bessie and two more after, Dorothy Helena on 6 March 1912 and Margaret E on 11 August 1915. Emma and Edwin's sons Frederick Charles and Stanley Edwin were staying with their grandfather, retired butcher James, their aunt Bertha Eliza, grocer and uncle Herbert James, butcher and bacon curer, at their substantial home at 31 Queen Street, Millom. In 1939 Edwin, still an organist, and Eva were living at Fieldside, Elizabeth Street, Workington with their two youngest daughters: Dorothy and Margaret, who married certified school teacher, Basil Oliver in 1941 and then became Jones. Edwin was living in Wallasey when he died on 19 July 1953, leaving £406. Eva died two years later. Dorothy was unmarried and living at The Gables, Old College Lane, Windermere when she died, aged 47 on 19 February 1960, leaving £3,781.

Eda Beatrice was born on 1 December 1879 and baptised in Millom on 4 January 1880. She married secondary school teacher William Stephens in 1909 and their son Leslie William, who also went on to be a school teacher, was born in 1910. They were living at a spacious house, 58 Lapstone Road, Millom in 1911. In 1939 they were living at 49 Aultone Way, Sutton and Cheam, where William continued to work as a schoolmaster in a secondary school, after living for some considerable time in Clapham in the 1920s. Eda was living at 5 The Oval, Wallasey when she died on 25 August 1962, leaving £519.

Caesar Jackman, known as Jackman, was born in Millom on 10 July 1882, and married Alice Rowlinson Ward 1893-1964 in Prestwich in 1916. They had one daughter. They were living in Manchester in 1939, where he worked as an elementary school master. He died in Heywood, Lancashire in 1968.

Bertha Eliza, born in Millom on 12 August 1884, was a grocer living with her father and brother, Herbert James at 31 Queen Street, Millom in 1911. She married bank clerk James Edgar Watson 1890-1965 in 1920 and their son Norman James was born in 1924. In 1939, they were living in Salthouse Road, Millom, possibly with another child. She was living at 4 Henly Avenue, Clevelys, Lancashire, when she died on 14 May 1970, leaving £26,463.

Herbert James, born on 6 September 1886, was a Freemason in the Whitwell Lodge in Millom from 1910-21 and when living at 2 Bondgate, Otley in Yorkshire died on 22 September 1970, leaving £6,907, just four months after his sister, Bertha.

Mary, born in 1850 in Marytavy, was a housemaid at the Severn Hotel in Newby Bridge, Colton, Lancashire in 1871, before she married iron miner Rowland Scales 1851-1900 in the summer of 1872. They settled in Dalton where they were recorded in 1881 with four of their children: *Tryphena* 1873-1954 later Dowell; *John* 1875-1956 a journeyman butcher who married Mary Routledge and had three children; *Hannah* later Bath, Hunter and Lishman 1878-1945; *Irene* later James 1880-1963 and Mary's brother, Henry, also an iron miner, was living with them. Another four children were born before the 1891 census when they were living in 15 Albert Street, Millom, next door to her brother, James and his family. Mary, though married, was described as head of the household: *Emily* Waye 1881-1978 later Worden; *Annie* 1883-1942 later Doidge; *Rowland* 1888-1931, a housepainter in Islington in 1911, who served in the Welsh Fusiliers 59579 in the First World War and *William* 1890-1961 who was a butchering manager in Maryport, Cumberland in 1939, married to Betty Snaith, with whom he had eight children; whilst siblings assistant butcher John, Hannah and Irina were still living at home. Their father Rowland died on 9 January 1900 in Millom and in 1901 the widowed Mary was living at 6 Newton Street, Millom and was a grocer shopkeeper with dressmaker Emily, shop assistant Annie and scholars Rowland and William living at home. Mary and Rowland's daughter Hannah had married limestone quarryman Richard John Bath 1875-1901 in 1897: their daughter Doris was born on 9 November 1900 and Richard, aged only 26, died on 17 September 1901. In 1911 Doris was living with her mother Hannah, who was a housekeeper for the Hunter family at 5 Roanhead Cottages, Dalton in Furness, a substantial house with eight rooms. Forty eight year old iron miner Thomas was a widower with son James, a fitter's apprentice and brother Joseph, also an iron miner living with him. In 1919 Thomas and Hannah were married. After his death in 1930, Hannah married general labourer John Lishman 1877-1970. In 1939 Hannah's daughter Doris and her husband Gilbert Parkinson Brocklebank and their two children, including Edward, were living in Barrow in Furness with Mary Hunter, who was Doris's stepsister from her mother's second marriage. All three adults worked in the bakery and confectionery business. When Mary (Ann) died in Barrow in Furness on 24 September 1953, probate for her £1,502 estate was granted to Doris, wife of Gilbert P Brocklebank. Hannah died in 1945.

In 1911 Mary was living with her daughter Irene, and her husband insurance agent Samuel Harvey James, who had married on 25 May 1872, and their four children in the substantial eight roomed house at 6 Newton Street. The record confirms that Mary had had eight children, all still alive in 1911. Mary died late in 1917.

Annie, born on 4 February 1852, was housemaid in the home of magistrate Richard Postlethwaite and his family at Hardcragg, Broughton East, Lancashire in 1871 and in 1881 was a housemaid, working with her half sister Emily, in the household of Mary Anna Hawkins, an unmarried lady of some means, living at 5 St James' Road, Tonbridge, Kent. Late in 1887 Annie married joiner Richard Hackett Bills 1853-97, the son of John Bills 1818-94 and his wife Elizabeth Lockwood 1818-77 and in 1891 they were living at 34 Hope Road in Lancaster with their infant daughter *Jane Lockwood* Bills born just a few weeks before, on 18 March 1891, and also Richard's father, John, a retired weaver. Their second daughter, named just *Mary* was born on 14 July 1894. Richard died in 1897 and at the time of the next census in 1901, Annie was living at 39 Queen Street in Millom with her two young daughters and working as a confectioner. Also living there was her widowed sister-in-law, Jane Kemp Edson, Richard's sister, and her son, John Richard, and stepson, William Mellor, an apprentice joiner, from her husband, Daniel Mellor Edson's first marriage. Daniel 1844-1900 had died the previous year, after seven years of marriage. By 1911 Jane Kemp Edson had moved to Workington and was living at 33 Clay Street with her son, John Richard, who was also an apprentice joiner and carpenter. She was making her living from having boarders. Early in 1902, Annie married William Nute 1847-1923, a widowed milk scaler from Peter Tavy, who had been living at 68 Lapstone Road in Millom, with his bricklayer son, John, and three teenage children: Helah, their housekeeper; Norman, a grocer and Thomas, a labourer. Like so many other men, William and his sons Norman and Tom had to travel abroad to find work; in their case, in 1910 they were mining borax in Ryan, Inyo, California. William had first gone to America in 1879, Norman in 1906 and Tom in 1909. Their brother, John, the bricklayer, was working in Indiana in 1911, while his wife of five years was living with his stepmother, Annie Waye Bills Nute.

Annie was living in a very substantial twelve roomed house at 35 Queen Street, Millom with a number of others. She was working as a confectioner and bread baker, with both daughters assisting in the business. Her husband's daughter-in-law, Sarah Elizabeth (Park) Nute with both of her two children, Rosa and John were living there, before travelling to America in 1913, to join her husband, John, who had first travelled to America in 1907, and there they had two more

children, Mary and William. Seventeen year old local girl Martha Ann Brocklebank later Metters, Blackburn and Newton 1893-1967 was working as a servant for the family. Also visiting was Annie's nephew architect and surveyor, James Waye 1883-1929, the son of her brother, Henry; his wife, Annie Lewis, and their son, one year old Basil Edmund born on 12 June 1909-1982.

In 1939 Ann and her daughters **Jane Lockwood** and **Mary**, continued to work as confectioners, and live together at 90 Albert Street in Millom. Also living with them was Florence Waye, described as a householder unpaid and twenty year old Isabel Thompson, later Spry, another confectioner. Ann Waye Bills Nute died in the spring of 1941, when she was 89 years old. Both daughters lived together throughout their lives and were living at 79 Market Street in Millom, when Mary died, aged 86, on 19 June 1980, leaving £1,697 and Jane Lockwood died just one month later on 19 July 1980, leaving £17,343, aged 89, the same age as her mother, when she died.

Henry 1854-97, the youngest of the children of James and Anne Waye, was a quarryman living with his stepmother Mary, and stepsister Emily and his brother James in 1871 in Dalton, Lancashire, after the death of his father in 1868. In 1881, he was an iron miner living at 35 Ashworth Street, with his sister Mary Scales and her husband Rowland and their children, including Tryphena, who was working for Henry and his wife at the time of the next census.

Henry had married Mary Grace Houghton 1854-1936, born in Menhenniot, Cornwall, in Barrow in Furness late in 1881. In 1891 they were living at 16 St George's Terrace in Millom, with their children, James baptised on 1 November 1882, who was staying with his aunt Annie in 1911 (*see above*); Frederick Houghton 1885-1965; Henry Oswald 1889-, her mother Mary Houghton and his niece Tryphena Scales, who was working as their servant. Henry was a surveyor and inspector of (indecipherable). He died in 1897 at the age of 43. Mary Grace was recorded in the census of 1901 and the 1901 Bulmer's Directory as living at 72 Lapstone Road, Millom with the Church of England clergyman, curate Albert Edward Wyatt, boarding with her. Also living there were her children *James*, a surveyor's clerk; *Frederick*, an assistant grocer; *Harry* and *William Basil* born on 2 July 1892. By 1911 most of the family: Mary Grace, Frederick, an electrician; Harry, a teacher and William Basil who was working in an insurance office, had moved to 8 Roseford Gardens in Shepherd's Bush. Mary Grace was living at 61 Lonsdale Road, Millom when she died on 7 March 1936, leaving her effects of £993 to the care of her teacher son, Harry.

Harry Oswald married Ann Kemp Cumming in Yeovil in the summer of 1919. He was a teacher from at least 1911-1939, when he was living at 8 Parkside in Belper, Derbyshire with his wife Ann and two children, probably their daughters: Vivien M born in 1927 and Alison V in 1928, both in Derbyshire. Born on 7 November 1889, he was living at 27 Cranbourne Avenue in Eastbourne when he died on 24 August 1982, aged 92, leaving an estate not exceeding £25,000. Ann had died on 31 December 1973 when she was living at 71 Stanley Hill, Amersham, leaving £16,234.

Frederick Houghton, born on 20 December 1884, married Florence Beale in the summer of 1911 in Fulham and served in the navy from 12 April 1915-31 March 1918. They had at least three children: Edith Bertha born 27 June 1912, a boot and shoe maker in 1939; Henry born 30 June 1914, an engineer with the borough council and Frederick 18 January 1919, a student civil engineer. They were all living with their father at 2 Chillerton Road, Wandsworth in 1939, when he was a taxi cab owner and driver. Frederick was living at 67 Christchurch House, Christchurch Road, SW2 when he died on 16 December 1965, leaving £2,707.

William Basil, their youngest son married Irene Alice Hewitt 1891-1979 on 26 June 1916 in St Luke's Church, Shepherd's Bush and the couple were living at 9 Sinclair Mansions, Sinclair Gardens in 1922. Known as Basil, he was retired as an insurance manager in 1939 when they were living at 3 Young's Rise, Welwyn Garden City, Herts with three children, including their son, Clive, born in 1933. Basil continued to live there until he died, aged 94, on 1 April 1986, leaving £61,256.

75	Blackdown	WEBBER Mary Ann	Lod	W		51	Pauper	Devon Tavistock	M
		WEBBER Simon	S	U	22		Copper miner	Devon Tavistock	
		WEBBER Mary Ann	D	U		19	DM	Devon Tavistock	
		WEBBER Henry	S	U	16		CM	Devon Whitchurch	
		WEBBER George	S		12		CM	Dev Sampford Spiney	

Mary Ann WEBBER and her family were lodging with her son in law Thomas Walters and her daughter Elizabeth and their family in 1851. Mary Ann was the daughter of George and Elizabeth Dennaforde or Dinnaforde and the wife of copper miner Henry Webber, who had died in the summer of 1845, after the 1841 census when they had been living in Marytavy with their children;

Elizabeth Dinnaforde 1826-, married Thomas Walters in the Tavistock area in the summer of 1844, *see Thomas Walters above for their story*.

Simon 1829-87, married Elizabeth Newte in a double wedding with her sister Susanna and John Pellow in the summer of 1859 in the registration area of St Thomas. In 1861 Simon and Elizabeth were lodging with her brother-in-law, sister and young nephew in Stratton, where both men were working as iron miners. In 1871 they were living in Calstock, where

Simon was working as an engine driver at the coal mine and by 1881 they were living, and working in the bar, at the Bedford Hotel, Tavistock. Simon died in 1887 aged 59 and Elizabeth in 1891, aged 62.

Mary Ann, born in 1832, lived with her family until 1861, and after that it has not been possible to trace her.

Henry born on 4 October 1834 in Whitchurch and baptised on 21 October 1834 in the Wesleyan Chapel in Tavistock was a copper miner living with his family until 1861 when they were in Gunnislake. After that it has been difficult to identify him.

George Dinnaford 1838-81, married Catherine Sandercock, the daughter of copper miner James and his wife Betsy of Tywardreath, Cornwall, on 7 September 1861. In 1861 Catherine had been a boarder with the Castle family in Calstock, when she was working in the mine office. It appears that she may have died in about 1865 and by 1871 George was a railway porter, boarding in Pontypool, before becoming a railway policeman, at the time of his marriage on 17 April 1872 to schoolmistress Ann Craven from Kirkburton, Yorkshire. In 1881 they were living at Albion Terrace in Trevethin, Pontypool and with George working as a switchman at the coal mine. George was 43 when he died three months later and was buried on 13 July 1881 in Trevethin.

Mary Ann was living in Gunnislake in 1861 with her children, Mary Ann, Henry and George, the latter both copper miners, as well as her grandchildren: Henry 15, copper miner, Simon W 13, copper miner, Elizabeth Ann 8 and infant Thomas G Walters, the children of her daughter Elizabeth and her husband *see Thomas Walters above for their story*.

23	Worth Mill	WEEKS John	H	M	29		Copper miner	Devon Lamerton	M
		WEEKS Grace	W	M		25		Devon Mary Tavy	
		WEEKS John	S		3			Devon Mary Tavy	
		WEEKS William	S		3m			Devon Mary Tavy	
		WEEKS William	F	W	61		Mason	Cornwall St Clear	

John WEEKS was the son of William Weeks 1790-1867 and his wife Mary Rundle, who had married in Lamerton on 27 October 1821. They had four children John, baptised on 31 March 1822 in Brentor, when William was a labourer living in South Brentor; William, baptised on 16 November 1823 and Jane on 9 July 1826, by which time William was a mason and they were living at Fort Gate, Lamerton. **Elizabeth** was baptised in Lamerton on 19 April 1829 when they were living at Burn Mill. Elizabeth appears to have died in infancy, being buried on 15 December 1830. John's mother Mary had died by 1851, when his father William was living with his son. John's sister, Jane was married to Walter Voizey and they were living next door to the Weeks family at Worth Mill and by 1861 her father was living with them (*see Voizey above*) for her story.

John had married Grace Pearce late in 1846. She was the daughter of John Pearce 1803- and his wife Grace Walters 1798-1872 and had been baptised in Marytavy on 16 November 1825. In 1841, aged 16, she was working as a servant in the household of mine agent, Francis Kent, and his family, in Mary Tavy. It is unsurprising that John's father had moved in with his daughter by 1861, as John and Grace's family had increased by then. Young John and William continued to live at home and were working with their father as copper miners. The family, living in Kneebone Row, Marytavy had grown with the births of Julia Ann, Mary Emma, Jonathan Pearce and Jessie Hannah by 1861. By 1871 the family was living near Prince Arthur House: John was a labourer, William and Jonathan were miners and Francis had been born in 1863 and Ellen in 1865.

Eldest son **John** had left home some time before and was living in Millom, Cumberland, where he married Cornish born Harriet Emily Hodge on 5 April 1870 and was living at Wellington, Millom in 1871 with his 18 year old bride. The 1911 census indicates that during their 41 year marriage the couple had had eight children between 1871 and 1886: including *Jessie, John, Laura, Clara, Jonathan, Harriet E and Mary Grace*, six of whom had survived to 1911. From 1891 Harriet referred to herself as married and wife, indicating that John was still alive, though not at home for any of the subsequent census. Harriet died in 1926, aged 72.

By 1881 the family had decided, probably following son John's example, like so many local miners, to seek their fortunes in Millom, Cumberland and in 1881 they were living at 5 Market Street, Millom. John, William, Jonathan and Francis were iron miners; Jessie was a dressmaker and Ellen was still at school.

Julia Ann 1853-1912 married police constable John Louis Sexton 1854-1902 in the summer of 1879 and they settled in Keighly, Yorkshire, where their first son *John Lewis* was baptised on 29 December 1880, but he died as an infant when they were living at 3 Saxton Lane, Leeds and was buried in Beckett Street Cemetery, Leeds on 15 March 1882. They were living in Manchester when their next son was born in 1883, also named *John Lewis*, he died aged three in 1886. *Harold* was born in 1884, *Julia Ellen* on 4 March 1886 and *Grace* in 1888. The 1891 census, shows that John had become a picture frame maker, his widowed mother Mary Terry, born in Ireland, was living with them and their three surviving children at 13 Upper Lewis Street, Manchester. Harold was only 7 when he died the following year and was buried in Philips Park Cemetery on 26 January 1892. The 1901 census shows the family continuing to live at 13 Upper Lewis Street and John still working as a picture frame maker, but just over a year later he died, aged 49 and was buried in the Philips Park Cemetery on 9 August 1902. In 1911 Julia was living at 26 Nelson St, Manchester with her daughters, Julia Ellen, a

polisher, and Grace, a knitter at the cotton mill, the only two of her six children surviving. Julia Ann died the following year and was buried in Philips Park Cemetery on 29 January 1912. Later that year, on 23 November 1912 her daughter Grace married gas worker William James Bookes 1890-1970, with her sister Julia Ellen as a witness. The couple moved to Canada, where Grace died on 16 September 1915 in Kingston, Frontenac, Ontario. Julia travelled from Kingston, Canada to Cape Vincent, New York, aboard the *SS Missisquoi* arriving on 7 October 1918 and was a housekeeper, 5'3" tall with blue eyes, brown hair and a medium complexion, living in Newark, Essex, New Jersey when she petitioned for naturalization on 13 October 1942, aged 56, having declared her intention on 28 May 1939. She was living in Los Angeles when she died in January 1973, aged 86.

Mary Emma had married miner Charles John Giles 1851-1903 from Cobham, Surrey on 23 June 1878. They had six children: *Mary Louisa* later Jones 1879-1950 who cared for her brother Harold and sister Grace after their parent's deaths; *Charles John* 1881-1939; *Jonathan Francis* 1884-1950; *Frederick William* 1885-1944, *Harold Pearce* 1888-1923 and *Grace* later Hughes 1892-1942. Mary Emma died in the autumn of 1902 aged 47, having lived all her adult life in Millom. Her husband Charles died within months of her death.

Jonathan Pearce married Eliza Ware 1847-1900 from Peter Tavy, Devon in 1885. Eliza was ten years older than him. In 1891 they were living in School Terrace in Millom and Jonathan was an iron ore miner. After Eliza's death in 1900 he lived with his brother Francis and family at 18 Egremont Street, Millom before marrying Peter Tavy born Mary Ann Job Wright 1864-1958 in Millom in 1902. Their daughter *Margaret Edith* was born early in 1906 in Peter Tavy and the 1911 census shows Jonathan working as a labourer and the family living in Peter Tavy with Mary Ann's mother, 83 year old Jane Wright.

In 1891 the main Weeks family was living at 27 Market Street, Millom: John, though 72, was working as an iron ore miner, with William. Jessie had married, been widowed and was living there with her son seven year old Samuel Whitford and working as a dressmaker, possibly with her sister Ellen. John died later that same year.

Jessie Hannah had married Samuel Whitford in the summer of 1883, when she was 23. Their son *Samuel John* was born the following year. We know that her husband Samuel had died by 1901 when she was a widow living at home with her parents. She married limestone quarryman Thomas Hewartson, known as Tom, 1868-1903 in the spring of 1897 and their son, also *Thomas* or *Tom*, was baptised on 25 March 1897 at Holy Trinity Church, Millom. In 1901 Jessie was working as a dressmaker and living with husband Tom and both her sons at 67 Hope Street. Tom died in the autumn of 1903 and Jessie married again in 1907 to blast furnace man John Hunter, born in Lancaster. In 1911 they were living at 46 Albert Street, Millom with her son, Tom Hewartson, who had been totally blind since he was two years old. Jessie was 77 when she died in Millom in 1937.

Grace, aged 75 in 1901, continued to live in Market Street, Millom, with son William continuing to work as an iron ore miner. Her married daughter Helena (Ellen) Grace Hough, described as housekeeper (domestic) was living there with her two children: Julia 3 and Mary Louisa 1. Grace died in the summer of 1904, aged 78.

Francis 1864-1909 spent his youngest days in Marytavy before moving with his family to Millom. By 1881, when aged 19, he was working as an iron ore miner with his father and brothers. In summer 1887 he married Rosina Magdalena Gronbach 1862-1943, who had been born in Germany on 10 June 1862. They had two children: *Francis* 27 August 1888-1947, who went on to be a railway engine stoker at the blast furnace iron works and later a gas and water fitter. He married Helen Collins 1890-1946 in 1913 and had three children. *Laura*, who was born on 20 August 1890-1954, was working in the Co-operative Society as a check clerk in 1911, when the family was living at 18 Egremont Street in Millom. She went on to marry Harry Salkeld 1889-1961, a corporation water inspector, in early 1916. Her mother was living with them and their child at 96 Ainsley Street, Barrow in Furness in 1939, which was where Rosina Madalena was living when she died on 7 December 1943. Laura was the executor for her mother's £329 estate. The family had been altogether at 27 Surry Street in 1891 when Laura was seven months old and at 18 Egremont Street with Jonathan, the recently widowed brother of Francis, in 1901. Francis died at Egremont Street on 5 May 1909, leaving £190 to his widow, Magdalena.

Ellen Grace, born in Marytavy in the summer of 1866, married John Hough in the spring of 1897 and was described as Helena Grace Hough, a housekeeper (domestic) when she was living with her mother in 1901. She had two children living with her: *Julia Ellen* and *Mary Louisa*. She died in Barrow in Furness on 1 October 1952 and was buried in Barrow Cemetery. Surprisingly, it has not been possible to positively identify records for this family in the intervening year. Her eldest brother, **William**, born in 1850 lived with his mother Grace, throughout his life, certainly until 1901 when he was 51 and possibly until her death in 1904, but after that it is difficult to find any records for him.

21	Wortha Mill	WEEKS Nicholas	H	M	37		Agricultural Lab	Devon Northlew	
		WEEKS Ann	W	M		40		Devon Northlew	
		WEEKS William	S	U	18		Agricultural Lab	Devon Northlew	
		WEEKS David	S		11		Agricultural Lab	Devon Northlew	
		WEEKS Nicholas	S		8			Devon Northlew	

Nicholas Paige WEEK(E)S 1813-88 was baptised on 8 October 1813 in Northlew, Devon, the son of William Weekes 1784-1865 and his wife Miriam Paige 1786-1845. On 12 November 1832 he married Ann Watkins 1811-1868, the daughter of David Watkins 1777-1842 and his wife Mary Davy 1779-1832, also of Northlew. Nicholas and Ann probably had five children altogether: William was with his parents for the 1851 census, but not in 1841; Mary Jane and Ann were with the family in 1841 but not 1851, David Watkins was six months old in 1841 and at home in 1851 and Nicholas Paige was born after the 1841 census but was there in 1851. It would appear that Nicholas and Ann and at least some of their children had moved to Canada probably in 1851 but certainly by the time of the 1861 census when the couple were living next door to son William and his family. Ann Watkins Weekes died on 5 June 1868 in Ontario. In 1871 Nicholas, a butcher, and his newly married farmer son, Nicholas, were living in Delaware with their brother/uncle, Thomas Weekes 1819-81, also a farmer, while Nicholas's newly married wife Margaret was living next door with her family. Nicholas was recorded as a butcher when he died of asthma and senile decay on 15 February 1888 in Owen Sound, Grey, Ontario and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery. His death was registered by his son, David Watkins Weekes, a railway engineer living in Owen Sound.

Their eldest son **William** 1834-85, born in Northlew, was in Canada by 1855 when he married Ann Kerr 1836-78, from Scotland. They settled in Woodstock Oxford, Ontario where their son *William Daniel* 1856-1917 was born, as was *Jane Isabella* later Spackman on 14 November 1858-1925. *James* was born in Exeter, Huron County, Ontario on 23 October 1860. In 1861 the family was living in the village of Fort Eyrie, in the county of Welland, with their three children, next door to his parents N Weekes and Ann Weekes. No occupation was given for either of the men. Daughter *Mary Ann Mathilda*, known as *Annie* or *Hannah* 1862-1951 was born on 23 September 1862 in Ontario and *George* 1866-1925 was born across the border in Buffalo, New York, USA in 1866. The family was back in Canada, in London, Middlesex. Ontario for the birth of *Susanna* later McDonald 1870-1921 on 10 November 1870 and all were living at home with their parents for the 1871 census when William was listed as an oil refiner. *Miriam* 1874-1957 was born on 24 December 1874. Their mother Ann died just over three years later on 14 April 1878, aged 44, at Exeter Village and was buried in Mt Pleasant Cemetery in Middlesex County. When William died of bilious pleura pneumonia on 22 April 1886, aged 51, he was buried with her. The 1881 census showed William working as a marble polisher in Exeter Village, Huron, with sons William, a marble cutter and James, a stone cutter, while Jane and Annie had probably taken over the housework and caring role from their mother.

Mary Jane 1835-83 was baptised in Northlew on 25 October 1835 and had been living with her family in 1841, but not in 1851. She was living in Canada when she married her husband, Somerset born butcher Job Miell 1826-91, fifteen years her senior, prior to the birth of their eldest son *David Nick* 1857-1906 on 26 November 1857 in Fort Eyrie, Welland, Ontario. Son *Albert* 1860-1917 was born on 19 March 1860 in Hamilton; *Charles* was born in between but no dates or birthplace, as yet; *Mary Ann* 1863-1939 in Walpole Township, Haldimand on 1 April 1863. They continued to live in Walpole Township where *Elizabeth Ella* 1867-1922 was also born, on 12 February 1867; and *Adeline* on 5 May 1869. All the family were recorded living in Walpole, Haldimand in the 1871 census. *William Watkins* was born there on 12 September 1871 and *Oliver Wallace* on 11 October 1876. Oliver may have died young as he was not listed on the census of 1881, when Job and his son Charles were farm labourers and son Albert, a fireman - on the railways? Mary died on 10 August 1883 in Walpole, Haldimand, Ontario and was buried in Jarvis, Haldimand County. Her husband Job died on 2 May 1891.

It has not been possible to find out more information about her sister **Ann**, who was born in Northlew in 1838 and was at home with her family in 1841.

David Watkins was baptised on 20 September 1840 and was listed as being six months old on the 1841 census and shown with his family (*above*) in 1851. On 29 November 1859 he married Susan Baxter in Bertie, Welland, Ontario. Their daughter, *Elizabeth Ann* was born in 1860 and was shown with her parents in the 1861 census, living in Welland, where David was described as a fireman, presumably from his later career, on the railways. It is thought that Susan died aged 28, in Bertie, on 11 August 1866. David married Ontario born farmer's daughter Mary Spedding 1842-1917 and in 1881 engine driver David, Mary and Elizabeth Ann were recorded as living in Owen Sound. Elizabeth married salesman James Henderson Rutherford on 18 October 1882 and their daughter Mary Cathline was born in about 1884. Sadly, Elizabeth died of an ephemeral fever of one and a half week's duration on 19 April 1888 when she was 27. Her husband James, by then a newspaper publisher and her daughter were living with her father, David and his wife, Mary in 1891. David Watkins Weekes, a locomotive engineer, was living in Bay Street, Owen Sound, Grey when he died on 23 October 1898, having suffered from otitis internal jaundice which developed into septicaemia after seven weeks. He was buried in Greenwood Cemetery and commemorated on the stone with his father and his wife Mary Spedding when she died on 16 September 1917.

Nicholas Paige, baptised on 10 January 1843, travelled to Canada in 1851 and was living with his uncle farmer Thomas Weekes and his family in the south part of Delaware, Middlesex, Ontario when he was 19. He was a farmer aged 28, living in Delaware, Middlesex, Ontario when he married Tarbert, Argyllshire born Margaret McFarlane 1841-1915 on 22 December 1870. *See his father's entry above to see where they were in 1871.* In 1881 Nicholas was a cheese maker and

they were living in Howard, Bothwell, Ontario with their three children: *Maryann* 9, known as *Annie*; *John Frederick* known as *Frederick* 1874-1939, born on 31 March 1874 and (*Bella*) *Jane* 3. Their daughter *Beatrice Blanche* was born in 1882 and *George Ernest* in 1885. The 1901 census records all the men of the family working as farmers in Howard, Elgin. Nicholas died on 23 July 1906 and was buried in Botany Cemetery, Kent County, Ontario. His wife, Margaret died on 26 June 1915 in Kent County.

73	Black Down	WEEKS William	H	M	59		Mine labour	Devon Buckland M	M
		WEEKS Sarah	W	M		48		Devon Mary Tavy	
		WEEKS George	S	U	14		Mine labour	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WEEKS Thomas	S		10		Scholar	Devon Mary Tavy	

William WEEKS, born in Buckland Monachorum in about 1792, was the son of William Weeks who was born in St Cleer, Cornwall, and baptised there on 16 January 1763 and died in Birch, Bere Ferrers, Devon in 1818 and his wife Frances Stephens born in Breage, Cornwall in 1762. They had married in the church of Charles the Martyr in Plymouth on 6 March 1790 and William, and his twin, Mary, were the eldest of their four children.

William junior married Sarah Walters 1803-70, the daughter of Thomas Walters and his wife, Sarah May of Marytavy, on 11 October 1824 in Stoke Damerel. **Jane**, the first of their six children, was baptised in Marytavy on 30 January 1825 but was no longer living at home in 1841. **John**, baptised on 5 November 1826, was living at home with his family in 1841; married Mary Ann Williams in the summer of 1850 and by 1851 was a copper miner living in Lamerton village with Mary Ann and six month son, *William*. By 1861 *Elizabeth J*, *Emma*, *Mary* and *George* had been born and Mary's sister Elizabeth was visiting. *Thomas*, *Annie* later Hamlyn and *John* were born between 1861 and 1868 and *Henry* was born in 1873. John died in 1875 aged 49. In 1911, Mary Ann was living in a small house in Lamerton with her widowed daughter, Annie Hamlyn, and two grandchildren. When completing the census she confirmed that her '60 year' marriage had produced nine children, two of whom had died.

William was baptised on 9 August 1829 and not at home in 1841, though he is likely to have been a mason married to Elizabeth Whitford late in 1849, and living at Lanehead, Marytavy with her and, six month old son, *Alfred*, in 1851, moving to Gunnislake by 1854, where children *William Francis*, known as *Francis*, *Elizabeth Anne* later Hancock, *William Henry*, *Olivia* and *Lucinda* were born. *Sidney*, another *Alfred* and *Evelina* were born there by 1871. William was described as a retired builder when he died in Gunnislake on 30 March 1898, leaving effects of £18 to unmarried daughter, Evelina.

Hellen, or **Helen**, was living at home in 1841, aged 10, but cannot be traced after that. **George** was baptised on 12 June 1836 in Marytavy and was living at home in 1841 and 1851. Unfortunately, there appear to have been a number of George Weeks of his age, born in various places and none are reliable enough to link to him.

Thomas Walters Weeks was born in Marytavy in about 1840 and was at home with his parents in 1841, 1851 and 1861 when they were living at Walter's Row, Marytavy and he and his Mere living at 17 Castle Road, Daventry in Northants, where Jesse was retired. Jesse was living in Woodford when he died on 27 January 1944 with his probate record informing that his estate was valued at £1,253 and that Frederick was a railway clerk and George an engine driver. Emily died in Spring 1946.

Thomas Walters had died in late 1898 and was buried in Lamerton Cemetery and in 1901 Thomas's wife, Sarah Jane continued to live in Mullywell, Lamerton close to her sister-in-law Mary Anne, now retired from the grocer's shop and living on her own means. Sarah Jane, a laundress, had a houseful, with daughters Mary Jane, a parlour maid, and Thomasine, a cook, living at home, as well as their sister Jessie and her husband, domestic gardener Edwin Mallett, and their four month old son Reginald Redvers. The Malletts had had two more children, Gladys Eleanor and Walter Ewart, by the time they were recorded living at 2 Grove Cottages, in Crownhill, Plympton, with her mother Sarah Jane. Thomas's wife Sarah Jane was in Plympton when she died in Spring 1920 and was buried with him in Lamerton.

In 1911 their daughter *Mary Jane* was a housemaid, working for the retired banker Reginald Morshead and his family in their twenty-three roomed house, at Hurditch Court in Lamerton, now a Grade II listed building. She was living in Plympton, probably with or near her sister, Jessie, when she died in 1936. *Thomasine*, born on 26 October 1874, was a laundress living in her mother's four roomed house in Lamerton in 1911. In the summer of 1919, when she was 44, she married farmer Fred Hendy 1877-1956. Listed as married in 1939, she was living alone at Meadwell Cottages, Kelly, Lifton while Fred was a patient in hospital in Tavistock. Thomasine died in 1947.

28	East Liddaton	WESTLAKE John	H	M	40		Farmer 100acre	Devon Thrushelton	B
		WESTLAKE Elizabeth	W	M		38		Devon Brentor	
		WESTLAKE John	S	U	16			Devon Thrushelton	
		WESTLAKE William	S		14			Devon Thrushelton	
		WESTLAKE Thomas	S		12			Devon Thrushelton	
		WESTLAKE Elizabeth	D			10		Devon Thrushelton	

		WESTLAKE James	S		8		Devon Thrushelton
		WESTLAKE Grace	D			6	Devon Thrushelton

John WESTLAKE 1811-64 and his wife Elizabeth 1813-84 were farming Puppincott Farm, Thrushelton in 1841 with their children John Martin, William, Thomas, Elizabeth and James, but by 1851 they had moved to East Liddaton where they were recorded with fourteen people in the house. As well as the couple and their six children at the time, with the addition of Grace born in 1844, were two servants and four visitors, including John and Elizabeth Martyn, both aged 80 (Elizabeth's parents?) and John's father Thomas Westlake 77 and William Martyn 70 (an uncle of Elizabeth?). Elizabeth continued to live at East Liddaton after John's death on 10 December 1864, until her own death in 1884. In 1871 she was farming 90 acres with a number of people working for her. Her daughter Grace Gilbert was visiting with her two year old son William and one month old daughter Elizabeth Mary. In 1881 Elizabeth's grand daughters, described as daughters, (Thomas' daughters, Elizabeth, Harriet and Grace Ann) were living with her.

Late in 1854, in the Tavistock registration area, **John Martyn** Westlake 1834-1910 married Elizabeth Yeo 1838-1872, the daughter of John and Alice Yeo, who had a substantial farm of 359 acres in Lewtrenchard. In 1861 they were living in Bratton Clovelly with their three children: *Mary* 5 born in Thrushelton, *Elizabeth* 3 and two month old *John*, both born in Bratton Clovelly. The burial of an Elizabeth Westlake who died on 13 July 1861 took place in the Churchyard of St Mary the Virgin in Bratton Clovelly, where an infant *John Martin Westlake* had been buried on 14 March 1857.

It is likely that John married, as his second wife, Grace, in about 1862 or 3, as by 1871 they were living at Westcott in Milton Abbot with their three children: *Anne*, *Bessy Ann* and *Flora*, as well as son John from his first marriage. Daughter Mary 15 was a servant working for Mr and Mrs Manton in Charles, Plymouth and Elizabeth 12 was staying with her grandparents, John and Alice Yeo and various aunts at Orchard, Lewtrenchard in 1871. She went on to move to London after her marriage to fire engineer James Henry Heathman in 1878, but she had died by 1900, when as a widower, he remarried. John and Grace had moved to Birtley Lower in Witley, Surrey in 1881 where he was working as a farm bailiff and Bessie and Flory were living with them, while Anne, a housemaid, was a patient in the Royal Surrey County Hospital. Flora, recorded as Florence, was a bootmaker's assistant working for, and living with, the Yasp family in Sloane Street, Chelsea. Young John was a soldier, with the rank of private in the Royal Marines, when he married Bertha Burt in the Register Office at East Stonehouse on 24 June 1894. The 1901 census shows him continuing in the armed services, while Bertha ran the coffee house and residential house in Devonport, until her death in 1904.

William was living with his parents in 1861 and may have moved to Huron South, Ontario as a Bible Christian farm labourer by 1871.

Thomas, married Mary Ann Jackman Cole 1840-1904 in 1860 and they lived and farmed at Brambleham, Bridestowe while their children were growing up. We can identify some of the twelve children recorded by Thomas: *Elizabeth Ann Cole*, *Thomas*, *Mary Ann*, *Harriet Ann*, *Ann Jackman*, *Samuel*, *Robert*, *Grace Ann* and *Sarah Ann*. By 1891 Thomas had inherited East Liddaton and his son, Thomas, was farming there with his sisters, Harriet Ann and Sarah Ann. Staying with them was Ann Cole 74, who was probably their maternal grandmother.

By 1891 Thomas and Mary Ann had moved to Whiteley in Lifton where he was farming with the assistance of his son *Samuel*, who had married Bessie Barribal in 1890. They lived with their two children *Mary A* and *Thomas* at Whiteley with the older Thomas and Mary Anne, probably until Mary Anne's death in 1904. By 1911 Samuel and Bessie had moved to United Mines, Gwennap in Cornwall, where he worked as a farm labourer. Two of their four children had died by this time. Samuel's brother *Thomas* was farming alone at East Liddaton in 1901, describing himself as a farmer's son, but in 1911 his father was living with him. Thomas senr died 1916 and Thomas jun in 1931.

Through the daughters' marriages, the Westlake family was related to several of the village families.

Elizabeth Ann Cole 14 June 1860-10 December 1946 married Alfred Friend Brimacombe 1857-1943 of Coryton on 15 November 1881 and had six children, the youngest three of whom were born in South Petherwin, where her sister Harriet was living. But by 1911 they were back in the area with their six children, farming at Whiteley Farm in Lifton, her father's old farm. In 1939 they were living at Spry Farm, with their daughter, *Hilda Vera*, who had married Arthur Victor Wilton, her father's great nephew: her first cousin, once removed. In 1944, when Alfred died they were still living at Spry Farm. Elizabeth died two years later on 10 December 1946, leaving an estate of £2,268.

Mary Ann 5 October 1863-1954 married William Symons on 7 July 1883 and had ten children. In 1939, retired, they were living with their son *John B* and his wife, Miriam I at West Liddaton, close to the Homestead.

Harriet Ann 5 October 1865-1951 married John Squance on 8 June 1891 and they moved to South Petherwin, Cornwall where they had four children, *Florence* born 1893, *Thomas John* 1895, *Ethel* born 1897 and *Sidney Marven* in 1901. *Ann Jackman* probably married John Earland in 1906 in the Okehampton area, but he is not the wheelwright living in Wandsworth in 1911.

Sadly, *Robert Jackman* died aged six in 1877.

Grace Ann, born 4 December 1872, married Richard Herbert Stephens, a porter with the GWR in Tavistock in 1895. In 1901 they were living in Lydford Station Cottages with their children *Edith M* 4 and *Herbert S* 2. Born in Liskeard on 11 September 1872, Richard had started his railway career at Germans, St Austell and Marshmills as a porter. Early in his

marriage, it would have appeared that he had prospects, as he became a signman in 1896 at Lifton, but there were signs of unreliability over the years with minor mistakes that could have caused problems, absence without leave; oversleeping, thus causing delays to a goods train; a couple of mistakes with points, one of which had a train running through them. Allowing two pigs to be carried free of charge, may have been a favour for a friend or member of the family but the final straw came on 11 July 1905 when he came on duty in an intoxicated condition, which resulted in his dismissal. By 1911, Grace and the two children were farming at Kingford Farm in Tavistock Hamlets. She was married and describes herself as being the head of the house, doing housework and dairy work as a dairy farmer, worker, changed by the enumerator to employer. Edith was an assistant doing dairy work, (changed to farmer's daughter). Herbert was still at school. Grace was employing two men on the farm: William Jeffery, 37, a waggoner from Chagford and William Evans, 19, a cattleman from Devonport. It would appear that Richard died in Liskeard and was buried on 22 November 1914, aged 42.

The following year, Grace and William Jeffery were married in Plymouth. In 1939 they were living at Grace Cottage, Fore Street in Okehampton. It is likely that William died in 1949 and Grace in Wood Green, Middlesex in 1954, where she may have been staying with her daughter Edith. Edith, born 5 August 1897, married Walter S Firmager in Hackney in 1922 and after his death, in 1928, married Charles H Bilham, a motorman on the electric railway, in Godstone Surrey in 1930. The 1939 register shows them living at 20 Ringslade Road, Wood Green, Middlesex with two children. Edith undertook ARP duties in the war. She was in Launceston when she died in 1976. Grace's son Herbert Stanley acquired the second name Victor, though this is not shown on his birth registration and he tended to hyphenate the Stanley-Stephens as he got older. The 1939 register records that he was single and had been born on 5 January 1899 and was a catering supply manager: travelling. He was a retired lieutenant in the Devonshires having served in France from 27 July 1918 and retired from service on 2 March 1921, after which he was living at High Street, Launceston. He was in Bournemouth when he died in 1978.

Sarah Ann 1875-1915 married Philip William T Symons in 1895 and had four children, the two surviving children were Frederick Thomas and Kate Mary.

Elizabeth, with such a common name, has been difficult to identify in the records.

James married Elizabeth Ann Glanville, daughter of Thomas and Susannah Glanville of Broad Park, Brentor, in the summer of 1867 and in 1871 they were living at the 69 acre Leetown Farm in Sampford Spiney with their two children, *Thomas Glanville* born in 1868 and *Alice Maud Mary*. Sadly, Elizabeth died in 1879. By 1881 James was living in Bannadon Farm part house with wife Ann, aged 22, born in Germansweek in 1859, and sons Thomas 13, *Joseph* 10, *William* 8, *George* 3, and 6 month old *John*. If Ann was Lydia Ann Hill, the daughter of agricultural labourer William Hill, the marriage may have taken place in the Okehampton area in 1880 and the baby, John, was hers. Daughters *Alice*, born 1870, and *Amy*, born 1875, were recorded in the 1881 census as Glanvilles staying with their grandparents, Thomas and Susannah Glanville at Broad Park, Brentor and in 1891 they were staying there under their own names. Eldest son Thomas Glanville was working as a wheelwright /carpenter and staying with the Hanns family at Horrbridge in 1891. He married Rosina Warren in 1893 and they had had three children by 1901. His brother Joseph James was working as a groom in 1891 and the following year set sail for America, landing in New York in April 1892 and living in Narransett in February 1900 when he applied for naturalization. *William* may have married in Holsworthy in 1895. *George* was an agricultural labourer when he was visiting the Higgins family in Launceston in 1891. There is a possibility that he sailed on the CEDRIC from Liverpool to New York, with his father James on 11 March 1903. *Alice Maud Mary* is the best documented: she married farmer John James Broad in 1894, settling with him and their four sons at Larrick Farm in South Petherwin by 1901. By 1911 they were living at Dutson, St Stephens by Launceston where she recorded that they had been married sixteen years and all four children were still alive. She continued to live there, although widowed, until her death on 25 January 1933. Probate for her £3,676 estate was granted to her farmer sons, Frank and Hedley.

Grace 1843-1938 worked with her brother, Thomas, as a dairymaid in 1861. In 1866 she married agricultural labourer Samuel Gilbert in Plymouth. In 1871 she was visiting her mother Elizabeth on her farm in East Liddaton with her two year old son *William* born in Brentor and one month old daughter *Mary* born in Milton Abbot. By 1911, Samuel was a shepherd and they recorded a marriage of forty years, though actually forty-four years. They had had seven children, all of whom were still alive. Living with them in their substantial nine roomed house, at Landskerry near Lewdown were youngest son *Harry*, a waggoner, and daughter *Elizabeth Ann* Lang and her husband Ernest, a butcher, with their unnamed newly born baby. Their other children were *Samuel*, *Thomas* and *John*. Grace died in 1938, aged 95, having been a widow since Samuel's death in 1912.

28	East Liddaton	WESTLAKE Thomas	F	W	77		Farm lab	Dev Thrushelton	
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Thomas WESTLAKE, baptised in Thrushelton on 19 November 1775, was the father of John (*above*) and the son of William Westlake and his wife Mary Northcott who had married in Thrushelton on 29 March 1770. On 21 March 1798 Thomas had married Joanna Maynard 1778-1832. Both of Thrushelton parish, they had each signed with a mark. They had at least ten children between 1798 and 1824: **Walter** 1798-1820; **Mary**; **Thomas** 1802-1885, a farm labourer who had been blind

throughout the last fifty years of his life; **John** 1805-10; **Thomasine** or **Thomazin** 1808-82, an interesting character, she married twice, becoming Passmore and Spry. Family lore indicates that she had a criminal conviction in 1867 for riot and damaging a house, her sentence is not known. **Arthur, John** 1811-64 (*above*), **William** 1816-81, **Grace** and **Walter** in 1824. In 1841 Thomas was living in Thrushelton with youngest daughter Grace. Thomas died in the Tavistock area in the autumn of 1859.

28	East Liddaton	MARTYN John	Vis	M	80		Visitor	Devon Coryton	B
		MARTYN Elizabeth	Vis	M		80	Visitor	Devon Lifton	
		MARTYN William	Vis	W	70		Farm lab	Devon Coryton	

It is likely that John and Elizabeth MARTYN were the parents of Elizabeth, who married John Westlake (*see above*) and that William was her uncle. In 1841 John was a farmer, aged 71, and with Elizabeth, was living at Broom Park in Coryton. Elizabeth probably died early in 1856 and John two years later. William Martyn was such a common name in the area, it has not been possible to identify which of the three deaths in the Tavistock area between 1851-61 was his.

93	Black Down	WITFORD Richard	H	M	37		Copper Miner	Devon Tavistock	M
		WITFORD Elizabeth	W	M		39		Devon Mary Tavy	
		WITFORD Emma	D			13	Mine Lab	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WITFORD Selina	D			11	Mine Lab	Devon Mary Tavy	
		WITFORD Elijah	S		5			Devon Mary Tavy	

Richard WHITFORD married Elizabeth Jackman, on 17 November 1830 in Mary Tavy. She was the daughter of blacksmith Thomas and Ann Jackman of Blackdown, Mary Tavy (*see Jackman above*), and had been baptised on 18 August 1811. In 1841 Richard was a copper miner living with Elizabeth and daughters **Emma** 3 and **Selina** 2 in Winsor, Stoke Climsland in 1841.

It has not been possible to track the family with any accuracy in England, as there was a couple, also named Richard and Betsey Whitford who were living in Truro/Redruth, Cornwall and William and Mary Whitford of Lanehead, Mary Tavy, whose son Elijah was born in the same year as this Elijah, and was likely to be Richard's brother.

It may be that the family went to Australia before 1861. Certainly, Selina, the daughter of Richard Whitford married James Michael Skewes on 15 August 1858 in Kooringa, Burra, South Australia and died there on 26 July 1859 aged 19.

15	Wastor	WILLCOCK Joseph	H	M	36		Farmer 100 acres	Whitchurch Dev	L
		WILLCOCK Mary	W	M		36		Milton Abbot Dev	
		WILLCOCK Emma	D	U		2		Lamerton Devon	
		WILLCOCK Mary	D	U		1		Lamerton Devon	

Joseph WILLCOCK was recorded living with his brother, John 32, and sister-in-law, Mary Ann, at Anderton Farm in Whitchurch in 1841. John and his descendants continued to live there for the next one hundred years or more and the farm was a major part of the history of the Joseph Willcock branch of the family, as daughter **Emma** married her cousin John William Willcock early in 1873. In 1861 she was attending the boarding school at Milton Green in Milton Abbot run by James A Christie, grandly described as Certificated School Master and author of educational books and in 1871 she was at home with her family at their farm at Hurlditch Horn. It was a farm of 140 acres in 1861 and Joseph employed three men and two boys. By 1871 they had 160 acres and were employing four men and a boy. All four daughters were at home for the 1871 census: Emma, Mary, who had been visiting James and Mary Drew at their farm, Artiscombe, in Tavistock in 1861, Amelia and Meline, also variously spelt Melon, Mallen and Mellen on official records. Both younger girls had been born in Lamerton, so the move to Hurlditch Horn did not take place until after 1855.

By 1881 Joseph and his wife Mary Prout, who had married early in 1848, had downsized, moving to Langsford, an outlying farm of 13 acres near Peter Tavy. The only daughter living with them was 'Melon' and grand-daughter *Kate Willcock*, aged 4. Kate was the daughter of Emma and John Willcock of Anderton, and Amelia was staying with them, probably helping to look after their other children, *Amy, John* and *Essie*. John and Joseph's other brother, James W, an annuitant, was also living with the family at Anderton and continued to do so for many years. Joseph died on 17 April 1882, aged 68, leaving £433. By 1891, his widow Mary, who was living on her own means, had moved to Whitchurch, living at the end of the village with daughters Mallen, a grocer, and Amelia, the postmistress. Mary was 79 when she died in 1875.

Melon Roskilly Willcock had been born early in 1852. She continued to run her grocery shop throughout her life and was recorded in 1911, living at the Post Office in Whitchurch, with her sister, **Amelia**, who was running the Post Office as the sub-postmistress. Mellen was living at Ivy Cottage in Whitchurch when she died on 16 September 1927, aged 75, leaving £795 to the care of her nephew John Willcock, yeoman, and her niece, *Essie Willcock*, Emma's children, who lived nearby. Amelia died in the summer of 1939, aged 86. She appears to have been the quieter of the two spinster sisters, who had lived and worked together throughout their lives.

Emma and John Williams Willcock appear to have had five children altogether: *Amy Evelyn* 1875-95, *Kate*, *John*, *Essie Marion* and *Walter Joseph*, with the whole family living together in 1891 prior to John's death in 1899. In 1901, she was described as the farmer at Anderton Farm, Grenofen Cross, Whitchurch where she was living with children, John and Essie, and her brother-in-law, James. When she died on 22 November 1905 at Anderton farm, she left £275 to the care of sons, John, a yeoman, and Walter Joseph, butcher.

Her son *John*, who had been born on 5 July 1877, married his wife, *Annie*, who had been born in the Isle of Man, in about 1906/7 and in 1911 the census showed that they had two children: *Bessie* 2 and *Joan Ellen Mary*, born 29 December 1909. In 1939, the two children living with them were Joan Ellen Mary, a school teacher who later married Charles Sparrow, and farmer *John M*, born in 1915. In 1911, after John's marriage, his brother and sister, Walter and Essie were living at Anderton Villa, where Essie, born on 11 March 1880, was butcher Walter's housekeeper. In 1939 Walter, born on 7 April 1881, and Essie were living at the Whitchurch Post Office, with Walter, a butcher and Essie, the sub postmistress. Essie was living at the Post Office, when she died at Tavistock Hospital on 4 May 1956. Among the executors for her £1,734 estate was her niece Joan Ellen Mary Sparrow. Emma's daughter *Kate*, born 26 September 1875, had married Bridestowe born farmer Edwin Benjamin Yelland early in 1900. In 1911 they were living at Tor Park in Brentor with their daughter *Elsie*, born in Milton Abbot in 1905, who was recorded as the only child born in their eleven year marriage. Kate was a widow living at Yellands, when she died on 29 January 1946, and was laid to rest with her husband in Christ Church, Brentor. The executors for her £3,352 estate, were Yellands: Walter Joseph, butcher and Harold Thomas, garage proprietor and Roland Wolfendon, bank cashier. Their relationship was not stated.

Mary, the remaining daughter, born in 1850, married Arthur Peter Vigars 1839-1928 of Crebor Farm, eleven years her senior, in 1881. They lived at this farm of 180 acres, employing three labourers in 1861, throughout their married life. The 1911 census stated that during their thirty year marriage they had had six children but only four had survived to that date, all of whom were working on the farm in 1911. Their children were *William Joseph*, known as *Joseph* 1881-1954; *Essie* 1883-4; *Emma* 1885-1962; *Bertie* 1887-1969; *Tom* 1888-9 and *Arthur* 1890-1961, Mary died on 22 July 1918, aged 68, and was buried at Plymouth Road Cemetery, where Arthur was buried, after his death on 8 September 1928.

25	Woodmanswell	WILLIAMS John	H	M	28		Farms 52 acres	Lamerton Devon	L
		WILLIAMS Ann Elizabeth	D	U		8		Lamerton Devon	
		WILLIAMS Mary Jane	D			5		Lamerton Devon	
		WILLIAMS John	S		3			Lamerton Devon	
		WILLIAMS Richard	S		1			Lamerton Devon	
		WILLIAMS Elizabeth	Sis	U		16	House Servant	Lamerton Devon	

John WILLIAMS, baptised on 14 July 1822, was the son of William Williams 1782-1869, farmer of Hill Town in Lamerton, who had, himself, been baptised in Lydford on 29 December 1782, and his wife Nancy Gribble 1796-1863, who had been baptised in Lamerton on 16 February 1796. They had married in East Stonehouse on 25 February 1822. The Gribble family had lived in Lamerton from 1786. William and Nancy Williams had seven children: John, William, James, Mary Ann, Nancy, Elizabeth and Martha.

John's wife according to Anne Elizabeth's Anglican baptismal entry on 3 October 1842, was Mary Ash Williams: they married in about 1843, and she was not at home at the time of the 1851 census and had died between 1856-61, after the birth of Henry Albert in 1856. By 1871 John appears to have moved back to Hill Town where his cousin Henry Hortop was farming 60 acres. John and his wife had had six children Ann Elizabeth, Mary Jane, John, Richard, William John, and Henry A.

The lack of English records for the children may indicate that they moved to America, mostly to Trumbull, Ohio. There are certainly plenty of possibilities. **Ann Elizabeth** was not shown on the 1861 census, as it may be that she had already left for America, where she married Thomas D Thomas in Trumbull, Ohio, on 29 December 1862 or maybe not, as the 1880 census states that she was born in Wales. **Mary Jane** was the eldest daughter at Woodmanswell in 1861. In 1871 she was working as a cook for the Vicar of Woodbury, John Fulford and his family. There are many Mary Jane Williams in Trumbull, Ohio. She may be one of them.

Agricultural labourer, later coachman, **John** married Mary Jane Risdon, daughter of William and Jane Risdon of Calstock, in Tavistock in the summer of 1874. They had seven children: *Emma*, *Mary Jane*, *Annie*, *Albert John*, *Elizabeth Ann*, known as *Lizzie*, *Ida Bessie*, known as *Bessie* and *James Harry*, known as *Harry*. Mary Jane's widowed mother, Jane, an agricultural labourer, was living with them in Boldhay Cottage in 1881 and Great Hay Cottage at Lydford Station in 1891. After her death in 1891, the couple emigrated to Bloomfield, Trumbull, Ohio where they were recorded in the 1900 census with Ida B, Elizabeth A and James H. Bessie married Harry H Rodgers in Astabula, Ohio on 20 March 1912 and Elizabeth Ann married Homer Lee Nevins on 26 June 1912 in the same town. Five years later their older brother Albert John married Nettie M Siegfried in Summit Ohio on 26 June 1917.

Richard, born late in 1849, was at home with his family in 1851 and 1861 and may have travelled to Bloomfield, Trumbull, Ohio in 1873. He didn't marry and worked on farms throughout his life. **William John**, born in 1854, and **Henry Albert**

born 26 October 1856, were recorded at home in 1861, and appear to have gone to America, William to New York/New Jersey and Henry to Trumbull, Ohio, where he married sixteen year old Atarah Dunkerton on 29 March 1888 and died on 25 December 1940.

John's sister, ELIZABETH 1835-71, who was working as a house servant, probably for his brother and his wife, married labourer Charles Allen 1826-65 in 1858. Their eldest daughter, also **Elizabeth** later Smale, was born in Tavistock, before they moved to lodgings at the Ring of Bells in Antony St Jacob in Cornwall by 1861. Their son **George**, was born in 1862 in Devonport and daughter **Jane** in 1867, possibly in Portsmouth. Jane was baptised in Tavistock on 25 December 1867. By 1871 the widowed Elizabeth was working as a needlewoman to support her three children at 29 Brook Street in Tavistock, after the death of her husband, Charles. The 1881 census, shows Elizabeth and Jane continuing to live at 29 Brook Street.

79	Black Down	WILLIAMS Zacharias	H	M	52		Copper Mine Cap	CWL Crowan	M
		WILLIAMS Elener	W	M		53		CWL Camborne	
		WILLIAMS Emma	D	U		14		Devon Mary Tavy	
		DAW Mary Ann	Vis	M		20		CWL Gwannap	

Zachariah WILLIAMS and Eleanor Smith were married in Camborne, Cornwall on 20 March 1819. Eleanor was the daughter of John and Grace Smith, baptised with twin brother, Matthew, on 9 October 1796. The eldest daughter of Zacharias and Eleanor was **Eleanor**, baptised in Crowan on 30 January 1820. Their daughter **Grace** was baptised in Crowan on 24 November 1822 and was in service working for merchant Jno Michell and his family at Tolgallon, Gwannap, Cornwall in 1841. Their daughter **Mary Ann** shown above as a visitor, after her marriage to John Prout Daw in the summer of 1850, was born in Gwannap in 1830. By 1836 Zacharias and Eleanor were living in Mary Tavy where their daughter Emma was born on 3 September 1836 and baptised on 25 October that same year at the Tavistock Wesleyan Chapel.

Early in 1857 **Emma** married James Donnal of Tywardreth and in 1861 they were living at Taylor's Green, Marytavy with their Marytavy born children Elenar Donnal 1 and *James Donnal*, one month, at the home of her parents, Zacharias and Elener. Also there was another grandson, *John Williams Daw*, aged 9, born in Peter Tavy. Both Zacharias and James Donnal were copper mine agents. In 1871 Zecharia, mining agent, and his wife Ellenoar were living at Weeks Court between Palmer's Corner and Higher Spring, Mary Tavy with their servant, Jane Geach from Jersey. When he died, probably in about 1873, Zachariah was buried in St Mary's Churchyard, Mary Tavy and it was recorded that "*He worked nearly all his adult life at Wheal Friendship in Mary Tavy. He was still a mine captain there when that company went into liquidation in 1871.*" Eleanor was 81 when she died early in 1878.

James, copper mine (agent) and Emma Donnal had moved to Capletor, Lamerton by 1866 and were living there with their children: *Eleanor* 1859-96, *Emma* 1863-1949, *Mary Ann* 1866-1931, *Frederick James* 1867-1907 and *James Henry* 1868-1950 and general servant, Lucy Blatchford. Sadly, James was only 38 when he died on 23 March 1873, leaving less than £100 for Emma to raise their five children. By 1881 they had returned to live at Black Down, close to Brays Row and Palmer's. Emma was an annuitant, daughter Emma was a draper's assistant, Mary Ann, a pupil teacher and the two sons, Frederick and James were still at school. In 1891 they were recorded as living between Higher and Lower Springs and Efford House and the Royal Standard pub: with Emma and Frederick, a miner, living at home, while Mary Ann was visiting her sister, Eleanor, the newly married wife of Cumberland born, Magdalen College, Cambridge graduate Thomas Edmund Barker Thompson 1860-1913, who was living on his own means, at Brooklands, Rosemont Road, Acton, London. His father was Thomas C Thompson, magistrate, Major in the Rifle volunteers, bank and railway director(?) and coal owner of Milton Hall, Brampton Cumberland. It is likely that Eleanor died in Chelsea, London early in 1896, as Thomas married Isabella Gilmour Broun 1859-1925 in Christchurch, Hampshire later that year. She was the daughter of Sir William Broun 1804-82, 9th baronet of Colstoun and Thorndykes and his wife Dame Elizabeth Smith 1819-99. In 1901 Thomas and Isabella were staying with her sister Mary Smith 1856-1915 and brother-in-law Doctor William Saul 1835-1903 and their family at Dalblair, Christchurch Road, Pokesdown, Bournemouth. In 1911 Thomas and Isabella were living at Haltonlea, Hawkwood Road, Boscombe, Bournemouth, which is where they were still living when Thomas died on 10 July 1913, aged 52, leaving £7,388 to his widow, Isabella.

Emma died in Sussex in 1899, aged 62. Emma's son Frederick James, born on 2 June 1866, was in New Zealand on 18 June 1901 when he married Scottish born Margaret Wilson 1867-1954. They had two sons: Frederick James born in Ayrshire on 10 October 1903 and Maurice Wilson born on 2 July 1905 in East Preston, Sussex before their father's untimely death in Egypt in 1907. Margaret and her sons continued to live in Sussex and were recorded in 1911 at Montrose, Harrow Road, West Worthing, with two of her nieces, both born in Buenos Ayres, Argentina., while at the same time her sisters-in-law, Emma and Mary Ann were living on their own means with their brother James Henry, a mining engineer, at 59 Tisbury Road, Hove, Sussex, a substantial house of fourteen rooms. All were single. Mary Ann died in 1931 and James born on 3 October 1867, and by then retired and Emma, born 10 December 1862, were living in Southdown Road, Southwick, Sussex in 1939. Emma died in 1949 and James in 1950.

28	Langstone	WINNE Jane	Ser			23	House Servant	St Stephens Corn	
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Jane WINN(E) appears to have been the daughter of stone mason Abraham Winn, who in 1841 was living in At Andrew's district in Plymouth with his family: wife Mary, children John, Elizabeth, Jane, Abraham and Joseph., Joseph had born in Walhampton, the only one of the family to have been born in Devon. Abraham had been born in Wendron, Cornwall, and baptised there on 20 June 1802, the son of Abraham and Elizabeth Winn. His wife Mary died in the Tavistock area early in 1844 and Abraham then married Calstock born widow Margaret Hooper. In 1851 they were living at 17 John Street in Stoke Damerel with his younger children Abraham, a stone mason, and Joseph and her children John, a stone mason, Maria and William Hooper.

Jane Winn was working for John H Clobery at Langstone in 1851, but by 17 April 1853 she was in Truro, marrying the unusually named Christmas Foster, son of Anthoney. In spite of his distinctive name, it has not been possible to identify them in the records before or after their marriage. There was a family named Foster in Kent using Christmas as a Christian name but no links have been found. Abraham and Margaret were living at Shales Cottage in Linkinhorne in 1861 and he died in the Liskeard are in 1865.

4	Easter Place	WOOLDRIDGE William	Ser	U	44		Labourer	Beaworthy, Dev	L
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William WOOLDRIDGE was working for William Rice, the blacksmith, and his wife Grace in 1851 and on his own 35 acre Lowertown Farm in 1861. Previously, in 1841, he had been working for the widowed Grace Coram and her young family, in Brentor. before her remarriage. In 1871 he was living with his brother-in-law, agricultural labourer Richard Wallers, and presumably his sister, Sarah 58, who had been born in Holwill. William may have died in the Okehampton area in 1876, when he was nearly 70.

35	South Brentor	WOODS Thomas	H	M	50		Labourer	Germansweek Dev	L
		WOODS Ann	W	M		51		Lamerton Devon	
		WOODS Richard	S	U	22		Miner	Lamerton Devon	
		WOODS Joanna	D	U		25		Lamerton Devon	
		WOODS Maria	GD	U		9	Scholar	Tavistock Devon	
		WOODS Emma	GD	U		3		Tavistock Devon	

Thomas WOODS 1791-1851 had married Ann Stevens in Stoke Damerel on 31 December 1812. Altogether they had at least eight children: Mary, (William), Jane, James, Joanna, Richard, Elizabeth, Emlyn and John. In 1841 they had been living in South Brentor with six of their children: Mary, James, Joanna, Elizabeth, Emlin and John 2. A death was recorded for a Thomas Woods in the Tavistock area for the first quarter of 1851, but this would have been before the census date of 30 March 1851.

Daughter **Jane**, born in 1821, was not recorded with the family in 1841, as she had married agricultural labourer George Cross in 1837, and they were living at the Stone Quarry in Bridestowe with their children *John* 3 and *Mary Ann* 1. *Alexander, William George, Eliza Ellen and Elizabeth* were born before the next census when they were living in Brook St, Tavistock. In 1859 her husband George had died and in 1864 Jane married labourer William Williams 1838-1901, though the 1861 census showed the couple living in Brook St with Alexander, William and Eliza from her first marriage and their six month baby *Lucy Williams*. Sadly, Lucy died aged 3. In 1871 Jane and William were living with his brother Henry and her daughter Eliza at 17 Bannawell Street, where the couple continued to live in 1881, with daughter Eliza and 4 year old grandson Frederick W Cross. In 1891 he was Fred Williams and described as their son. Both William and Jane died in 1901, aged 80 years.

By 1871, Ann was described as a thatcher's widow, living at Sprydawns, Stowford with her daughter **Mary Ann**, who has been baptised on 25 March 1816 in Lamerton, and was married to lime burner John Williams, as his second wife, since 1852. Also there in 1871 was John's daughter Margaret from his first marriage, her husband, agricultural labourer, William Hill, they had married in 1864, and also their son Thomas 4. The children of the second marriage living with their parents were *John*, an agricultural labourer 20, *William* 15, a manganese miner, *Emma Grace* 13 and *Ann* 10. In 1851, John had been a widowed quarryman living at Sprydawns Cottage, with his children Mary Ann 10, Margaret 8 and Elizabeth Jane 4. Mary Ann had been a washerwoman lodging in Paddons Row with fellow washerwoman Maria Burns and her children, prior to her marriage. Ann Woods probably died in 1872. By 1881, her son-in-law, John Williams, had died, and Mary Ann was living with her children William T, Emma Grace and Ann. In 1891 she was at the Fox and Grapes Cottage with daughters; unmarried dressmaker Emma Grace and Annie Capewell 1860-1936, described as a soldier's wife, and her children Beatrice G 4 and John S 1. By 1901 Mary Ann had died and Emma Grace married, leaving Annie in the cottage, still married but working as a washerwoman, with children Beatrice, (John) Stanley and 10 month old May.

James Woods married Mary Tavy born Mary Ann Burn in 1849 and they were living in Stephens Cottage in Mary Tavy at the time of the 1861 census. By 1861 they had three children *Mary Ann* 8, *Elizabeth Ann* 6 and *Henry* 2. Four year old Rosey Burn, probably Mary Ann's niece from Tavistock, was staying with them. In 1871 they were living in Walter's Court, not far from his brother Richard and his family. James was a mine labourer. Their children Elizabeth and Henry S, as well

as 12 year old lodger Henry S Burn and 17 year old Mary A Woods, a general servant who was visiting – she may have been their daughter, on a visit. By 1881, they had moved to Millom in Cumberland, where they were living with their five year old granddaughter Elizabeth J Thomas. This was not an unusual move from Brentor over these years, when prospects were better in the north and villagers travelled an 'immigration path' to be supported by known contacts, a course of action followed by his brother, Richard, as well.

In 1852 in Plymouth, brother **Richard**, a copper miner baptised on 23 December 1827, had married Priscilla, the daughter of James and Philippa Maunder, who had been baptised in Mary Tavy on 27 November 1831. In 1861 they were living in Walter's Buildings with their children *William 8, Mary Ann 6, Emily 4, James 2, and John* one month old. In 1871 and 1881, when they moved to 13 Albert St in Millom, Cumberland, most of their children continued to live with them, with John, an iron miner; and younger sons *Henry*, a solicitor's general clerk, (*see more about him under John below*) and *Thomas*, a draper's assistant. Mary Ann seems to have married and become Pethick, as her daughter Emily aged 2 was living with her grand parents. Their daughter Emily had married Samuel J Doidge and in 1891 their children, Mary E 20 living on her own means, Thomas 13 and William 8 were living at 7 Newton St, next door to their grandparents at 5 Newton St, probably while their parents were in Queensland, Australia, where their youngest daughter Adelaide had been born two years before. Richard died in 1896 and Priscilla moved into 7 Newton St, where she was living with her miner son in law Samuel, daughter Emily and granddaughter Adelaide in 1901. When Priscilla died on 11 August 1902, her £262 estate was left to the care of her daughter Emily Doidge.

After 1851, when **Joanna** was 25 and living at home with her parents, it has not been possible to identify her in any records. **Elizabeth**, baptised on 24 January 1831, married John Miles, a groom, in 1853 and in 1861, they were living at the Crown Inn in Barley Market Street, Tavistock, with their daughters *Elizabeth* and *Anna* and son *John* 1859-1938. By 1871 John had become a labourer, they were living at 32 Exeter St and *Lucy* had been born. Anna was not with them that night. In 1881 Elizabeth was living at Vigo Bridge Road with grandson Sydney aged 2, whilst her husband was living elsewhere in Tavistock. Lucy was a kitchen maid at Grimstone, the home of County Court Judge Montague Bere and his family. By 1891 John had died and the widowed Elizabeth was working as a needlewoman with her grandson Sydney continuing to live with her at 3 Vigo Bridge Road. She died in 1900.

Emlyn or Emlin has been difficult to find after 1841. **John**, an agricultural labourer, married Ann Budge from Dunterton, in the summer of 1861 and settled in Lifton where they brought up their family: *Elizabeth, William, Mary Ann, Emma, Ellen* and *Bessie*. In 1891 solicitor's clerk Henry L Woods was visiting them. He was probably, Henry Thomas, the son of his brother Richard, whose family had by that time moved to Millom. Henry married Marion S from Scotland and became a colliery clerk living in Northumberland. In 1901 and 1911 her niece Mary Adeline Macdonald was living with them, though Marion was not at home on the night of the 1911 census. Henry was living at Belmont Cottage, Forest Hall, Northumberland when he died on 12 November 1928, leaving his £552 effects to his widow Marion Scott Woods. His uncle John died in the autumn of 1911.

It has not been possible to identify the parents of either Maria or Emma. They may have been daughters of an unmarried daughter, or there may have been an older son not recorded, probably **William**, married to Mary Ann Mudge in 1842 and living in Tavistock, with children *Mary Ann 7* and *John 4* in 1851. A death was recorded for **Maria Woods** in 1857 in the Tavistock area.

Emma was working as a farm servant aged 13 for farmer Thomas Cole and his family at Harford Bridge Farm in Mary Tavy in 1861. In the summer of 1869, she married Morchand Bishop born farm labourer, John Couch. In 1871 they were living at Hardstone, Dunterton with their eldest child, eight month old *Fanny J*, and continued to live there for the birth of *Bessie*, but had moved to Grenofen Cross, Whitchurch for the births of *John T, Charles Alice* and *Amy*. By 1901, living in Daisy Cottage, Grenofen, John was a horseman on a farm; young John was a mason's apprentice; Charles was a blacksmith's apprentice; Alice, a dressmaker and fourteen year old Amy was a nurserymaid. In 1911, John and Emma confirmed that they had been married 42 years and all six of their children were still alive. Emma died in the autumn of 1916, aged 68.

29	Lower Liddaton	WORDEN Maryann	Ser	U		21	House servant	Devon Tavistock	
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Mary Ann WORDEN was the daughter of agricultural labourer John Worden 1793-1853, baptised on 21 April 1793, son of John Worden 1753-1824 and his wife Elizabeth Collen. The younger John's wife was Mary Bloye 1805-1869, daughter of Charles Boye 1768-1843 and Anne Clark 1773-1823. John and Mary had married in Sydenham Damerel on 31 July 1826. Seven of their children were living with them at Weatwalla, Heathfield in Lamerton in 1841: John 14, Mary 12, Fanny 10, Henry 8, Hannah 6, Betsy 3 and Charles 5 months. The ages recorded appear to be best guesses as they struggled to relate to the 1851 and 1861 ages. In 1851 the family was living in Lamerton Village with Henry 15, Hannah 13, Betsy 11, Charles 9, Eliza Jane 4, and William 1. By 1861 John had died and Mary and her family continued to live in Lamerton Village with all the children, except William working as copper mine labourers: Mary Ann 28, Henry 24, Hannah 21, Betsy 19, Charles 17, Eliza 15 and Jane 13. Also living with them were Mary's grandchildren: William Henry Worden 1 and Mary Ann Parrish 3.

It may be that Mary Ann married Samuel Pike late in 1863 and, if this is the case, she may have died early in 1913, aged 85, but it has not been possible to confirm this. Her mother, Mary, may have died in 1869.

Of Mary Ann's siblings: copper miner John 1826-91 married Sally or Sarah Lane from Lifton on 23 September 1855 and they raised their eight children in the Chaddlehanger and Lamerton area before both of them died in 1891;

Fanny married blacksmith Simmons Parish on 3 September 1853 in Devonport. By 1861 they were living in Albaston, Calstock and had four children by 1861: John Symmons 6, Mary Ann 3 (staying with her grandmother, Mary in Lamerton), William 2 and five month old Henry. Thomas was born in 1863 and Ann in 1865.

Henry went to Seaton Colliery in Durham and does not appear to have married. He died in 1899; Ann was baptised on 14 June 1835 and may have died young;

Betsy was baptised on 15 April 1838; Hannah married copper mine labourer John Ellis on 10 December 1863 in Lamerton. They were living in Church Parks Cottages, Tavistock with their four children: Alfred, Pamala, William Henry and Rosina, before moving to Abbots Field House in Tavistock, where John worked as a domestic gardener and Pamala as a housemaid and then to 66 West Street, Tavistock with Pamala.

Eliza married agricultural labourer Henry Kite (*see Kite family above*) on 6 August 1865 in Lamerton and in 1871 they were living in North Brentor with three of their five children: John, Harry and Jessie, and his mother, Ann. Charles 1874-1952 was born in Brentor and Alice Maude 1878-1940 in Plymouth.

Jessie and Harry died in 1880 and Eliza died in 1881, all in Plymouth. In 1884 Henry married again to another Eliza. This was Eliza Ann Nicholas, printer Jabez Bunting Deane Nettle on 11 January 1875 in Tuckingmill, Cornwall. They moved to London where he worked as a carpenter and they had three more children, before Jabez's untimely death in 1882.

Jane was a charwoman, aged 22 living in Mullywell, Lamerton in 1871, with friend, Jane Rice visiting.

William, also a coal miner moved to Durham where, in 1871 in Easington, he married Calstock born Mary Jane Tilley, the daughter of his landlord in Double Row, East Murton, Thomas Tilley. They settled in Esh, where they raised their family, until William's death in 1921.

56	North Brentor	YELLAND Thomas	H	M	51		Copper Miner	Cor Stokeclimsland	L
		YELLAND Catherine	W	M		46		Cornwall Trewen	
		YELLAND Mary Ann	D	U		23	At Home	Devon Lidford	
		YELLAND Thomas	S	U	17		Labourer at Mine	Corn St Stephens	
		YELLAND Catherine G	D			14	Labourer at Mine	Corn St Thomas	
		YELLAND Walter S	S		10		Scholar	Corn St Thomas	
		YELLAND John G	S		7		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		YELLAND William S	S		4		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	
		YELLAND Nicholas	S		2		Scholar	Devon Lamerton	

Thomas YELLAND 1800-59, one of the six children of Nicholas Yelland 1767-1833 and his wife Mary Nicholson 1774-1823 of Stoke Climsland, was a manganese miner when he married his wife Catherine Sandercock on 5 March 1827 in Stoke Damerel. Catherine was the daughter of William and Catherine Sandercock. Born on 22 January 1805, she was baptised on 24 February 1805 at the Mary Magdalene Wesleyan Chapel in Launceston.

Thomas and Catherine were living with their children Mary Ann, Eliza, Thomas, Catherine Gibbs, William and baby Walter Sandercock in St Thomas Parish, Launceston in 1841. Daughter **Catherine** had died in 1833, just before her first birthday and it is likely that **William** had died by September 1846, when his brother was named William Sampson. Thomas died on 23 May 1859 in Brentor aged 59, and in 1861 Catherine was described as a nurse, living with her sons, William, a copper miner and 'Nickless' who at 12, was still at school, in Lyle? Cottage in Lamerton. Nearby at Rice Cottage, lived Milton Abbot born highway labourer, James Yelland, aged 67, and his wife Lydford born Mary 46 and daughter Tavistock born Mary Anne, aged 22. He may have been a cousin of Thomas, but was not a brother.

Catherine died in 1873, aged 73, having continued to live with her youngest son, **Nicholas**, born 1849, by then a miner, in 1871. In 1873 Nicholas married Ellen Crocker of Mary Tavy and he died at the beginning of 1876 aged 27. In 1881 Ellen was recorded as a widowed charwoman living at 11 Smedley Street, Clapham with her seven year old son, *Nicholas*, born in Brentor, and her four year old daughter *Annie* born in Exmouth – though places and dates of birth varied over time. In 1891 they were living in Kennington, Ellen was a nurse, Annie (born Brentor) was 17 and a domestic servant and Nicholas 14 (born Exmouth) an errand boy, later a porter. Nicholas' date and place of birth were given as 27 May 1876 in Exmouth, when he signed up to serve in the navy from 17 February 1893 aboard Boscowan and finished on 7 March 1897 aboard Rainbow, confirming the registration of his birth in Exeter in 1876. He married Caroline Elizabeth Jackson in Kendall in 1906 and in 1911 her five year marriage was childless and she was living with her parents at Lane Ends, Elterwater, Nr Ambleside, Westmoreland, probably whilst Nicholas, a metallurgist, was working abroad. He travelled to Bombay on the Neuralia, to work in the goldmines in 1920 and Caroline travelled on the same ship the following year to join him in Bombay. In 1938, he had been working in Colombia, South America when he travelled home on a Fyffe's banana boat from Kingston, Jamaica to Avonmouth. The 1939 registration shows Nicholas, a retired mining engineer living with his

wife Caroline E and two children (possibly unrelated), at Lane Ends in Westmoreland and serving as an ARP warden during the war. He continued to live at his wife's family home until he died at the County Hospital in Kendall on 25 January 1962, leaving his £815 estate in the hands of his solicitor. Caroline had died in 1954

Mary Ann, the eldest daughter of Thomas and Catherine, probably married Henry Frise on 1853 and went to live in Ontario, Canada where their son *John* married Adelaide Lucy Whiley in 1880.

Eliza, born on 20 June 1830 and baptised a week later at the family home, Truscott, St Stephen's, Launceston, married Francis Raymond 1825-1900 of Whitchurch. After the birth of their eldest son *John* in 1854, they moved to Australia where sons *Thomas* 1857-1943 and *Frank Yelland* 1859-61 were born at Kooringa. The rest of their children were born in Kadina: *Frank* 1862-1940; *Catherine* 1864-1933 later Dodd; *William*, known as Willie, 1866-1936; *Mary Ann* 1868-1932 later Smith; *Nicholas* 1870-1902 who married twice, to Beatrice Adelaide Dayman 1871-94 and Marian Elizabeth Dayman 1877-1972 before he died, aged 32 and *Eliza Ann* 1873-4. Most of Francis and Eliza's children lived, like their parents to a ripe old age and had fruitful marriages, populating Kadina with enthusiasm. Eliza died on 30 October 1915 in Kadina

Thomas, born on 4 March 1834 and baptised three weeks later, married Ann Francis 1845-1938, daughter of John and Ann Francis of Stoke Climsland, on 27 August 1862, at the Kadina, Adelaide, South Australia residence of Francis Raymond, his brother-in-law, who was married to his sister Eliza. Thomas and Ann had nine children: *Thomas* 1863-89, married to Louisa Cornelius in 1886, was killed instantly in an incident at Moonta Mines, where he had lived all his life. The inquest found he was to blame as, when going down the shaft, a gig struck him on the head. Unwisely and contrary to mine rules, he had rung the knocker whilst the gig was in motion. His daughter Flossie born in 1886 married Thomas Herbert Smith in 1912 and a possible son, William Thomas Bright died in 1911 aged 22. Thomas and Ann lost five children as infants: *Catherine* 1864-5; *William Sampson* 1865-7; *William Henry* 1867-8; (possibly twins) *John* 1869-9 and *Elizabeth* 1869-9. *William John* born 1874 married Florence Evelyn Chappell at her father's home at Moonta Mines in 1899 and *Sampson Bright* 1878-1901. Thomas had died in 1878, six weeks after the birth of his youngest son.

Catherine Gibbs, born and baptised in 1836, married miner George Morcombe 1832-1914, son of shoebinder Ann Morcombe, on 1 October 1853 in Tavistock Register Office, before moving to Kooringa, where their two eldest children were born: *Mary Ann* 1856-1929 later Roberts and *Thomas Yelland* 1858-1906. *William George* 1860-68 was born in Burra; *Kate* 1862-75 in Kadina; *Anne* 1864-6 and *Catherine Sandercock* 1865-6 in Moonta. Sadly, the four youngest children all died in Moonta. Catherine Gibbs Morcombe died of influenza, pneumonia and bronchitis in Auburn, South Australia in 1891, aged 55.

Walter Sandercock, born and baptised in June 1840 in Tregadillett, Cornwall joined the Royal Navy and was serving as an ordinary seaman 15153A on the 26 gun Royal Adelaide, which was at moorings in Hamoaze, the estuary that floods past the Royal Naval Dockyard, at the time of the 1861 census. On 13 July 1865 at Holy Trinity Church on Portsea Island, he married forty year old Eliza Sophia Christopher, who had sadly died by the end of that same year. In 1880 and 1885 Walter was recorded as a widowed iron miner living in Bethlehem, Hunterden, New Jersey and in 1900 he was living with his brother, farmer William Sampson, on his farm in Iowa and working as a farm labourer.

The Reverend **John Gibbs**, Bible Christian later Methodist Minister, born in Lamerton on 7 June 1843 married his first cousin, Elizabeth Ann Yelland 1844-1926, daughter of Sampson Nicholson Yelland 1813-1869 and his wife Ann Sleep 1818-91, in 1868, before they moved to Ontario, Canada, where his eldest sister Mary Ann was living. Their four children were all born in Ontario: *John Gibbs* 1870-1960 known as Gibbs; *Thomas Sampson* 1871-1953 known as Sampson; *Mary Annie* 1877-1930 known as Annie and *Elizabeth Caroline* 1881-1959 known as Bessie. All are commemorated on a stone in Exeter Cemetery, Huron Ontario. John Gibbs sen died on 9 August 1920 and Elizabeth Ann on 22 January 1926, both in Exeter, Huron, Ontario.

William Sampson, born in Lamerton on 25 September 1846 was a miner living with his mother, Catherine and younger brother, Nicholas in Lamerton in 1861 after the death of his father in 1859. In about 1870 he travelled to Iowa in the United States where he was living in Oneida, Delaware in 1870. On 30 January 1873 in Delaware County, Iowa he married Mary Jane Treweth 1865-1928, daughter of Jhas? Trethway: she had been a servant for the elderly Mr and Mrs Rodda at Wheal Maria in Tavistock in 1861. They had three children, but only two survived until the 1900 census: Clara Ann 1876-1954 and John Thomas 1882-1969. *Clara Ann* married Hans Otto Christensen on 30 April 1901, as his second wife, becoming stepmother to his son, Charlie. By 1920 the marriage was over and she had returned to live with her parents, claiming to be widowed but later described as divorced. She was head of a household in 1940, which included her brother *John* who had married Ida McGee Phillips 1886-1983 in 1926. Their daughter was Dorothy Idell 1928-2017. Mary Jane died on 9 October 1929, William Sampson on 10 January 1937 of influenza and pneumonia and they were buried at Pleasant View Cemetery in Hartley, O'Brien County, Iowa.

So, every member of this Yelland family, either died young or emigrated to America or South Australia, with the exception of the childless grandson, Nicholas, carrying on the family name in Westmoreland.

5	Whitsun	YELLANDS James	H	M	57		Farm labourer	Dev Milton Abbot	B
		YELLANDS Mary	W	M		35		Devon Lydford	
		YELLANDS Mary Ann	D	U		12		Devon Tavistock	

		YELLANDS Thomas	S	U	4			Dev Milton Abbot	
26	Bowdenhill	YELLAND William	Ser	U	14		Farm servant	Devon Sourton	

James YELLANDS or YELLAND was living in Milton Abbot, in 1841, with his wife Mary and their three children William born 1836, Mary 1837 and John 1840. James had married Mary Williams on 3 February 1835 in Lamerton. Son William, born in Milton Abbot, was baptised on 24 January 1836 in Brentor and Mary Ann was baptised on 31 December 1837 in Tavistock, subsequently being recorded in Brentor. It would appear that their son **John** died aged 4 and was buried on 7 November 1844, and an infant, **Michael** Yelland had been buried in June 1844.

In 1851 **William** was working as a farm servant, living with the Glanvill family at Bowdenhill (*see above*). In 1861 he was working as a carter for farmer Richard Stender in St Neot, Cornwall and early in 1864, in the Liskeard area he married Jane Ann Deacon, the daughter of miller Samuel Deacon and his wife Sarah Mallett of Trevarbyn Mill. Jane Ann had been born on 3 December 1836 and baptised on 5 January 1837 at the Bible Christian Chapel in St Neot, Cornwall. By 1871 William, a waggoner working for a miller, Jane Ann and their children: *Thomas* 8 and *Mary Ann* 1, were living at West Looe Mills in Liskeard. Thomas had been born in St Neots, Mary Ann in Liskeard.

Electoral records indicate that William had been in New Zealand from at least 1875, when his right to vote was based on him having a house and lands to the west side of Lincoln Road. During the 1880s he was registered as a railway employee living in Addington. From 1890 onwards he was a farmer in Yaldhurst, then 1896 in Weedons, Riccarton, Canterbury when Jane Ann, housewife, was added to the register and in 1900 they were farming in Canterbury, off the Mace Road. Jane Ann died in Addington, Canterbury, New Zealand on 20 August 1918. The following year, in 1919, William was a farmer living at 287 Bexley Road, Bexley. It is probable that the children accompanied their parents to New Zealand in the 1870s and there may have been more children, but by the time they were old enough to be on the electoral register, they were no longer living with their parents.

In 1861 highway labourer, James and wife Mary and daughter Mary Ann, were living in Rices Cottage, Brentor. After that, it is not possible to find them in the records.