

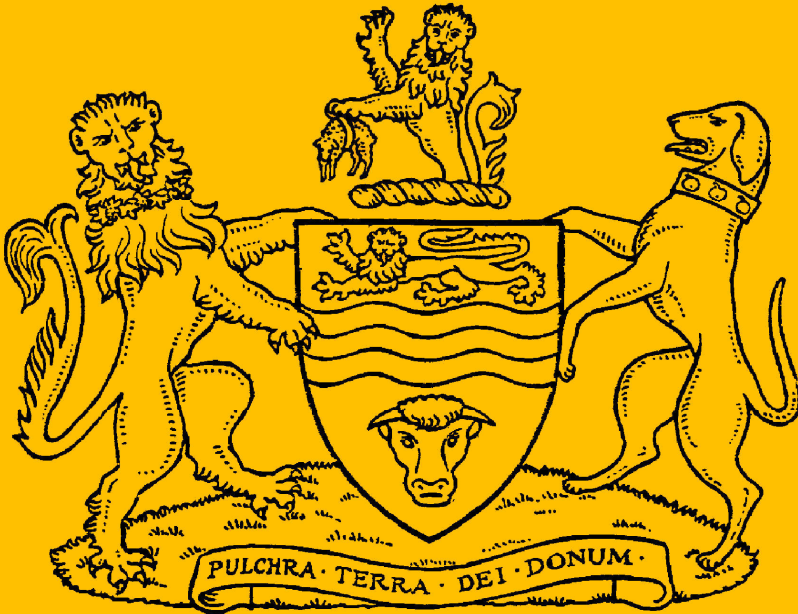
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Editor's Report

Here we are in another new year. Hopefully everyone has had a good Christmas and new year. The shortest day has come and gone, so looking forward to some warm sunny days. Perhaps four heatwaves was too many last year!

Did you know? Your Family History Society Members can get 15% discount on subscriptions with Findmypast. Simply use the discount code FHF-MEM25 (it will change on 1 Jan 2026 to FHFMEM26)

We continue to host the zoom meetings throughout this year and into 2026. If you have any suggestions for topics or speakers, please pass them on to Norman Price at [**normanp.price@live.co.uk**](mailto:normanp.price@live.co.uk)

I know you all having been waiting for my normal plea for articles, well you know I will not let you down, so any articles would be welcome for the April edition of Herefordiensis.

Notes extracted from Eye Parish registers of 1666-1761 while NBI checking
1685 Alice Hughs of Orleton by the hand of John Twisty, Proctor 19 Feb paid a mortuary due upon the death of her husband who lived and died in Orleton

1685 Charles Cleobury of Orleton who refused to pay mortuary upon the death of widow Brimmel of Orleton was put in prison being formerly cast in law.

1698 Buried this year for a mortuary upon the death of Richard Sheward of Orleton ... Shilling by the hand of John Yapp of the same

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Chairman's Report

January 2026

A very happy New Year to all our members. Christmas has gone and spring must be on the way as the days are getting longer.

It has been a very good year for monthly meetings, and a full programme of speakers has been arranged for this year. There is more information in the journals and on the new website.

Members are invited to e-mail Phil Bufton (philbufton@hotmail.com) for advice on how easy it is to join the ZOOM monthly meetings.

Make it a New Year resolution!

The promise of a Herefordshire Baptism registers dataset is unlikely in the coming months. There is a lot of checking to be done and this will take a long time.

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

The other source for society information is our website at:

www.herefordshirefhs.org.uk

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

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

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

Alan Charles

Acting Chairman Herefordshire F.H.S.

Membership No. 268

Births, Marriages & Deaths - 1923

Items from the Hereford Journal with corrections from other sources.

JANUARY 1923

MARRIAGE.

24. At Bodenham Parish Church of William LEWIS of Brick House, Ullingswick and Alice Ellen WALBY of The Crozens, Felton.

At Yatton Parish Church of David Charles DAVIES of Church House, Moreton-on-Lugg to Amy Violet MORGAN of The Highford, Yatton.

DEATH.

2.

DAVIES, Ann PEARCE at Hill House, Ledbury. Aged 61 years.

3.

DOWNING, Isaac of 5 Alton Place, Ross. Town crier. Aged 78 years.

WATKINS, Sarah at 50 Green Street, Hereford. Widow. Aged 85 years.

TRUMPER, John at Longfield Buildings, Hereford. Aged 76 years.

BACH, Robert of Upper House Farm, Lyonshall. Suicide. Farmer drowned in a pond. Aged 62 years.

Coroner Verdict – Drowned himself during temporary insanity.

5.

LEIGH, James Wentworth (late Dean of Hereford) at 63 Pont Street, London. Aged 85 years.

HARTLAND, Caroline at 28 Maylord Street, Hereford. Aged 72 years.

ALDHOUS, Caroline Augusta at 54 Broad Street, Hereford. Aged 69 years.

GRIFFITHS, Elizabeth at Bishops Wood. Aged 62 years.

Coroner Verdict – Death from haemorrhage of the base of the brain.

6.

WILLIAMS, James at Longfield Buildings, Hereford. Aged 66 years.

7.

DAVIES, Beryl at 62 Bulmers Avenue, Hereford. Aged 6 months.

MATTHEWS, Elizabeth Grace at 5 Westmoor Place, Grandstand Road, Hereford. Aged 5 months.

8.

WEBB, Elizabeth at Wightman Road, Hornsey. Daughter of James WEBB, High Street, Hereford.

9.

HOLLAND, John at 6 Gomond Street, Hereford. Aged 77 years.

ROBSON, Jane at 204 Whitecross. Aged 84 years.

11.

JONES, George of 58 Widemarsh Street, Hereford. Killed disarming explosives at Credenhill Munitions Depot. Aged 35 years. Coroner Verdict – Death from shock and burns the result of the explosion. [Photo. 20/1/1923]

12.

BEAVAN, Eliza at 93 Park Street, Hereford. Aged 67 years.

14.

ATTWOOD, Alec Wilson of 7 Hampton Street, Hereford. Bicycle accident.

Aged 29 years. Coroner Verdict – Died from exhaustion from starvation due to a fractured spine.

PREECE, Edward John at 2 Palace Yard, Hereford. Aged 70 years.

19.

WHITTINGTON, William Cornelius at Vine Cottage, Moorfield Street, Hereford. Aged 40 years.

20.

COWLEY, Doris May of 34 Portland Street, Hereford. Aged 4 weeks.

ABELL, Mary Ann Elizabeth at Louvain, Barton Road, Hereford. Aged 85 years.

23.

RUSSELL, Henry Freeman (Alderman) at Southfields, Leominster. Aged 74 years.

MANTLE, Amos at Ford Street, Presteigne. Aged 77 years.

24.

SHIPTON, E R of Hereford. Cycle Club secretary. Aged 68 years.

28.

SLAYMAKER, Henry John, cycle agent at 42 Bridge Street. Bible Class leader at Barton Hall. Aged 63 years.

29.

PORTMAN, Mary Ann of Wallace Cottage, Breinton. Aged 66 years.

30.

BRIGHT, John F H of Treburvah, Llangunllo. Aged 42 years.

31.

BARNEBY, Richard Hicks of Longworth Hall, Hereford. Aged 47 years.

CHILDS, George of Broad Street, Leominster. Former Leominster station master.

Aged 87 years.

FEBRUARY 1923.

BIRTH.

8.

LEAMON, a son to Ernest Albert and wife Peggy (nee HERBERT) at 2 Wilbury Villas, Nelson Street, Hereford.

16.

ANDREWS, a daughter to E and wife at 3 Milton Terrace, Ross.

MARRIAGE.

7.

At Llanover Church of Albert GRIFFITHS of Llanover to Thirza Elizabeth (Cissie) DAVIES of Church Road, Eardisley.

10.

At Bosbury Parish Church of Albert Frederick HARRISON of Sheers Croft, Bosbury to May Beatrice PRICE of The Farm, Bosbury.

12.

At All Saints Church, Hereford of Albert James PRICE of 40 Portland Street, Hereford to Florence Emily BRAITHWAITE of 1 St Nicholas Street, Hereford.

At St Mary's Anglican Church, Regina, Canada of Reginald Ewart SAYCE, C.A. formerly of Llangua, Pontrilas to Constance Faulkner DRY of Regina.

24.

At Belvedere, Kent of Percy John BOSLEY of Churchfield Villas, Cradley to Daisy CLARKE of Belvedere, Kent.

DEATH.

1.

DUNCAN, Mary Walwyn of Much Marcle.

Died in Nice of typhoid, caught in India.

WILLIAMS, John at 90 Catherine Street, Hereford. Aged 33 months.

3.

MATTHEWS, Arthur at Willard, Colwall. Aged 58 years.

5.

JONES, George Frederick of 35 Blueschool Street, Hereford. Wheelwright. Aged 42 years.

6.

TUFFLEY, Nancy Beatrice at 47 Catherine Street, Hereford. Aged 13 months.
SIRRETT, Elizabeth Annie at the General Hospital, Hereford. Aged 57 years.

7.

BELLERS, Mary Ann of Etnam Street, Leominster. Aged 62 years.

8.

ELLSMORE, George of Sellack Hill. Sudden death. Aged 79 years. Coroner Verdict – Died from natural causes aggravated by insanitary surroundings.
SEABRIGHT, George Albert of Ross. Died from overdose of painkillers. Aged 52 years. Coroner Verdict – Misadventure.

9.

BOULTER, John Wm. At 82 Edgar Street, Hereford. Aged 37 years.

12.

WOOD, Charles Knight (Col. OBE) at The Moor, Bodenham. Aged 71 years.
GRUBB, Harold Ernest at 109 Whitecross Street, Hereford. Aged 6 years.

13.

PRICE, Charles of Cwm Farm, Peterchurch. Fell from a horse and broke his neck. Aged 72 years. Coroner Verdict – Accidental death.
BETHELL, Matilda at Bricklayers Arms, St Owen Street, Hereford. Aged 74 years.

15.

BADHAM, Owen at Birmingham. Late of Ross. Aged 57 years.

16.

REES, Ethel of New House Farm, Lucton. Aged 39 years.
SHEPHERD, William Robert (Rev.) of Swinmore House, Madley. Aged 86 years.

Alan Charles. Acting Chairman. Membership No 268

While trolling through my own personal archives I came across a list of inquests for 1827 which for some reason I recorded many years ago. (possibly for the Journal and never used) I thought they might be of interest to our members.

You never know you might find a name that appears on your family tree.

1827.

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| 17 th January. | Thomas BURGUIN of Fownhope – Sudden natural death. |
| 20 th January. | Abraham BAKER of Orcop – sudden natural death. |
| 22 nd January. | John JEFFRIES of Ashperton – Sudden natural death. |
| 24 th January, | William SYMONDS of Ross on Wye – accidentally burnt to death when his clothes caught fire. |
| 26 th January. | Thomas ROOK the younger of Orcop– accidentally burnt to death when his clothes caught fire. |
| 27 th January. | Thomas SMITH of Walford – Sudden natural death. |
| 7 th February. | Evan DAVIES of Sutton St Nicholas – died as a result of a tree he was cutting down falling upon him. |
| 7 th February. | William LANE of Ledbury – sudden natural death. |
| 9 th February. | Mary ROUSE of Stoke Edith – died of burns when her clothes accidentally caught fire. |
| 14 th February. | Thomas ROBINSON of Lyonshall – accidentally drowned in a pool in a stone quarry |
| 20 th February. | Thomas Abraham DAVIES of Linton, aged 3 years – died from burns when his clothes caught fire accidentally |
| 23 rd February. | Caroline MORGAN of Michaelchurch Eskley, aged 4 years – accidentally burnt to death when her clothes caught fire. |
| 27 th February. | Esther DOLLER of Much Dewchurch, aged 8 years – sudden death, cause unknown |
| 7 th March. | Hannah PAYTHERUS – labouring under a disease called consumption and being in a weak state, died as a result of her clothes catching fire accidentally. |
| 8 th March. | Richard NOTT of Almeley – accidentally received a severe cut and bruise on his right hand while using gun powder and died locked jaw. |
| of
15 th March. | Sarah BAKER of Almeley aged 80 – died as a result of burns when her clothes caught fire. |
| 23 rd March. | James CHANCE of Moccas – died from a fatal head wound inflicted by a loaded gun being accidentally discharged |
| 23 rd March. | Samuel HIGGINS the younger of Lyonshall aged 1 year – died from burns when his clothes caught fire. |

To be continued...

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A Birth Registration Mix-up

On 9th October 1858 Susan Stead, wife of Abraham, went to register the birth of her latest child at Tenbury. The registrar, Samuel Collins, duly recorded the birth of JAMES STEAD at Cadmore Brook, Tenbury on 17th September 1858, to Abram (sic) and Susan (née Brown). Susan was unable to write and confirmed the details by X mark. The following day Abraham and Susan of Cadmore Brook took their baby to St Michael's Church where the vicar baptised JANE STEAD their daughter.

I had been searching unsuccessfully for Jane's birth in 1858 but only James (mother's name Brown) appeared in the GRO index. There was no baptism for James, no death entry and no appearance with the family at the next census. I conclude that there never was a James and that the Registrar misheard Susan, who being illiterate was none the wiser. At first, I suspected a transcription error in the indexes, but they were correct. I invested £3.00 to confirm that the birth certificate was indeed for a boy, James.

Jane, who married Thomas Adams, gave birth to 17 children. Her family probably never purchased her birth certificate, but she lived until 1934 and may have tried to obtain a copy when she applied for a pension. It is known that many births were never registered in the early days of Registration, but if you cannot find yours there may be another explanation.

Linda Power . Membership No 102

Another story from Cousin Maud

I first met my late cousin Maud (more precisely second cousin once removed) in 2000 while researching family history in Herefordshire. A previous story of hers was included in an article in "Herefordiensis" Vo X No. 12, January 2010.

Here is another of her reminiscences.

At the beginning of World War II many children were evacuated for safety's sake from large centres of population to the countryside. To Maud, living at home with her parents, Maud Mary and James, the blacksmith, came a small boy from London's East End. Early on they took him on the train into Hereford to buy him extra clothes. He settled down both with the family and at the local primary school where Maud was a teacher. Time passed until one day the boy's father arrived and announced that he was taking his son back home to London at once. Time passed again. Maud married Ted in 1951, Maud Mary and James sadly died later that decade and Maud and Ted were in charge of the family home where Maud was to live for 88 years. One day there was a knock at the front door. Outside was a young man who asked "Are you Maud?". Also there was a young woman and two small children Their wartime evacuee, now grown-up, had brought his wife and family with him to pay a return visit to his former temporary home. He was glad to find at least one person, Maud herself, who had looked after him and who he remembered from the 1940s. They had a happy and nostalgic reunion and a special tea in celebration.

Clive Ayrts . Membership No 1984

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Patience and enjoyment in studying and resolving what the Parish Clerk wrote all those years ago. The desire to work in and with a small group of like-minded people. A knowledge of written Latin would be great but is not essential.

You will learn as you go, I promise! I can assure you we also have plenty of registers in modern English and lots of experts willing to help the beginner.

Keyboard skills are not essential as the recording can be done with a pencil and a piece of A4 lined paper, but it is fine if you want to bring along your laptop and key the data into our excel pro-forma.



Our group re-formed after Covid and we have been very successful in forwarding to the National Federation of Family History Society 34,608 records since July 2021. We meet every month at HARC, in Rotherwas, Hereford, on the first Friday at 4.00 pm until 6.00 pm.

If you think this could be of interest to you then contact me, Linda Lloyd, Project Co-ordinator by email at:

linda_lloyd@btinternet.com

National Burials Indexing at HARC
(Latest submission to FMP, and further submissions below)

Place	Denomination	No	Start	End
Cradley	Anglican	808	1776	1812
Felton	Anglican	43	1794	1812
Garway	Anglican	130	1790	1812
Hampton Bishop	Anglican	205	1793	1812
Holmer	Anglican	394	1760	1812
Hope Mansell	Anglican	107	1762	1805
Hope under Dinmore	Anglican	394	1754	1809
How Caple	Anglican	11	1807	1812
Kington	Anglican	3162	1660	1729
Little Hereford	Anglican	101	1795	1812
Lugwardine	Anglican	335	1784	1812

If you would like to come along and help contact Linda Lloyd on her email at linda_lloyd@btinternet.com

Currently we have submitted 143 register transcripts to be added to FMP

Alternatively if you are available to help in the week and would prefer to help checking of the Baptisms index, contact Alan Charles on his email at ajchome@sky.com

Both projects need your help and more hands make light work, especially if you are able to help with the Baptisms index as that is only checking.

The Whitecross Chronicles No: 15



Mary Elizabeth Shilvock was the eldest of three surviving children of Albert Charles (53) a 'Mechanical Engineer GWR Depot' and Mary Annie (50) who were living in 1911 at 42, Chandos Street. In 1881, at the age of 23, Albert Charles had started his career with the railway in Leominster as a Railway Fireman where his eldest daughter Mary Elizabeth was born and at the time of the census is five months old. In 1891 and 1901 he is a 'Railway Engine Driver' living in Leominster and then Griffithstown, Monmouthshire and then by 1911 he proceeded to become a 'Mechanical Engineer' in Hereford still working with the railway.

Mary Elizabeth (20) in the 1901 census was working as a 'schoolteacher' in Griffithstown as was her younger brother Albert Charles (17). After the 1870 Education Act, there was a requirement for more elementary teachers so that every child could receive an education. At first, to become an elementary teacher a pupil stayed on at school and became a 'pupil teacher' and learned their trade that way. Elementary teachers earned less than secondary school teachers and women earned less than their male colleagues in the same school. She was fortunate in that she and her brother were able to work from home.

In the census year of 1901, elementary schools in Hereford would have been ill equipped and overcrowded and in the following year the 1902 Education Act gave local councils the authority for administering elementary and higher education. As Mary was living at home in Chandos Street in 1911 it is likely that she taught at one of Lord Scudamore's schools which had been built in 1852. Betty Grist and Derek Foxton describe the situation in their book '*Edwardian Hereford*',

Three schools, one for boys, one for girls and one for infants had been built and were intended to 'give a sound practical, useful education, based on religious, moral and industrial instruction'. As the numbers attending the schools had grown, the income from the remaining capital was far from adequate to maintain and improve the facilities. By 1910 the Board of Education had condemned the schools, which were overcrowded, with only fair ventilation, lighting and heating and very ill-equipped.' Mary a 'school mistress Elementary School', might have been in the girl's school or infant school in the 1911 census; the girl's school had 'unusually narrow classrooms, which made it impossible for a teacher to face her class properly and maintain proper control. The infant room had no space for the children to move about or play games and was sadly overcrowded.'

Mary would have worked hard and been used to the school routine with teaching from 9am -12pm and then 2pm - 4.30pm with marking and preparation in the evenings. It is not surprising that women who were teachers remained single as there was very little time for recreation and time to meet a possible husband especially as so many young men were to be called up to fight during the WW1. But Mary married Edward George Wilson in 1915, and they lived at 'Tower View' on Tower Road.

Her husband, aged 15 in the 1901 census, was a '*pupil teacher*' living in Wellington and ten years later, living at 28 Whitehorse Street he was an '*Elementary School teacher, Local Education Authority*'. Perhaps Edward and Mary taught and fell in love working at the same school? Unfortunately, the 1911 census does not say which schools Edward and Mary worked at, but after their marriage, the 1921 census is more informative. Mary Elizabeth (40) is a school-teacher, employed by the '*City Education Committee, Hereford*' at St Martin's School and Edward George (36) is a Secondary School teacher, employed by *The Governors, Hereford High School for Boys* at the Boys High School.

In their book *Edwardian Hereford* Betty Grist and Derek Foxton describe the situation at St Martin's in 1910: *Another gloomy educational establishment was St Martin's School where accommodation was sadly inadequate and conditions well nigh heartbreaking. Paradoxically this school repeatedly held the trophy awarded by the City Education Authority for the best attendance and this says much for the dedication of the staff. In a written tribute, the headmaster, Mr T Williams, is described as "a boy among boys and works under extreme difficulties. His boys simply idolise him because he can see with their eyes, hear with their ears, feel with them in their hearts, and enter into their very joys and sorrows.*

Hopefully 11 years later Mary would have found the building and facilities improved at St Martin's by the local authority. But teachers' salaries were low in Hereford compared with the rest of the country and the authority continued to employ unqualified and inexperienced teachers to save on salaries. As Grist and Foxton use as an example, '*There is a record of a male ex-pupil-teacher who was offered a post at Scudamore School at £55 p.a. which he could not accept, as he was already receiving £70 p.a. from his own authority and could not afford to take a drop in salary.*'

After Hereford County Council became the LEA for secondary education in 1912, the High School for boys was opened in Widemarsh Street. William Collins, in his book '*Historical Landmarks of Hereford*' (pub 1915) extols the High School for Boys as '*a fully equipped modern school. With small classes, and a corps of teachers who are specialists in their respective departments, it is able to study the needs of the individual boy; to observe and correct his deficiencies, and to cultivate his personal career. Practical science, mathematics, history, geography,*

literature, and French are its strong points, whilst manual training in workshops and physical exercises are given their place. Discipline is enforced by moral pressure, in preference to corporal punishment.’ The school could take 150 pupils who paid £2 a term, plus in the early years, 5s for the use of books which was later transferred to the sports fund. By 1929 the school magazine records 204 pupils when after a school inspection the school was described as *‘efficient but overcrowded’*.

I have spent some time looking at the boys’ magazines of Hereford High School for Boys 1921-1933 held at HARC for ‘Mr Wilson’ to find out what he taught and in what ways he would have been involved with school activities. Having started as a pupil teacher in elementary education he did very well to get a job in secondary education with, I expect better pay. These magazines tell us a lot about sport and extracurricular activities and I haven’t found out what his subject was – certainly not sport. However, in the summer magazine of 1921 through to the summer 1933 Mr E. G. Wilson was House Master for Mortimer House and through those years Mortimer House became *‘the brains of the school’* and successfully for six years received the Work Shield and finally in the Summer of 1929 they were very successful in sport, *‘It is the enthusiasm of our members and the general keenness to do well for their House that has resulted in the yellow ribbon being placed on the Sports Shield and Cross Country Cup’*. But by 1933 they were consistently fourth of four houses in work achievement and poor in sports although beginning to win trophies in self-defence and boxing. The ups and downs of School life!

Edward managed the finances for the Annual School Concert held in December and his balance sheet is shown with a signature in December 1929. The writer praises in 1928, *‘Mr Wilson’s organising abilities and business acumen (which) served to make the credit balance as large as possible’* - a balance of £18. He also organised for several years a summer trip out to see the Roman remains of Caerleon in 1929, Cardiff to look round the museum and docks in 1930, Ludlow and Kidderminster via Worcester in 1931 for a tour of Clee Hill Quarries and carpet making at Kidderminster and a visit to Bristol in 1933 to Clifton suspension bridge followed by a visit to the aeroplane factory, *‘Thanks was given to Mr Wilson for such a enjoyable day.’*

Edward died age 50 in February 1936, at 33, Tower Road and interestingly in April the same year, Mary’s mother dies at ‘Overley’, Tower Road and leaves everything to her daughter, Mary’s sister, Annie Shilvock, spinster. Mary and Edward must have lived near Mary’s mother and sister on Tower Road and when Mary died aged 69 in 1950, it was at ‘Overley,’ her mother’s house. She leaves her probate to her brother, Albert Charles Shilvock, ‘retired schoolteacher’. Teaching in those days was a job for life.

Jean Thomson Membership No 3644

Help Wanted

I am researching a friend's family tree & I have info that his relative, possibly a Danish man, was billeted on a farm at Hope Mansell that was possibly owned by Alfred JONES in WW2. The Danish man's name was Karl Jensen. This farm was possibly called Upper End Farm.

There is a story he was in the military. If so, why was he working on a farm in Herefordshire. I only have a photograph of him in civilian clothing,. Any help would be appreciated.

There is an entry in the Channel Islands, Jersey for a Karl Peter Jensen, born 1906 in Denmark. Could it be possible that when Jersey was invaded by the Germans, he fled to the UK ?



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January is when we include within the journal a renewal reminder for the Herefordshire Family History Society.

You only need to use this form if you send the remittance back via the post with a cheque attached, (Please do not staple it to the form) or you intend to use it to setup your renewal as a Bankers Order.

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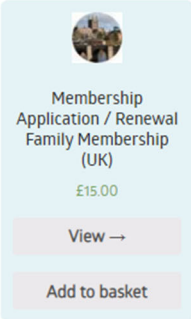
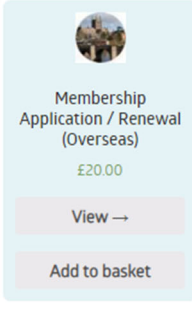
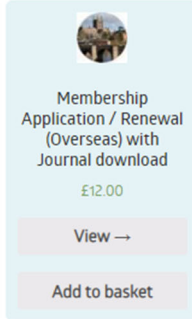
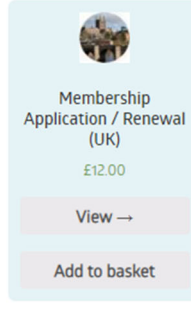
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Four Hereford Basket Makers



“The childhood basket of Margaret Alice LOVERIDGE, born 31st October 1891 at Upper House Farm, Yatton, Herefordshire.” *(Courtesy: Keith James)*

Those of us “of a certain age” we may recall when few people would go shopping without the truly green “bag for life”, namely a woven basket as shown. Similarly, basket containers were essential for many businesses, and as a woven product used for a variety of purposes.

This article follows on from my article ‘The Barnett Basket Makers of Hereford’ in ‘Herefordiensis’, Vol. XV, No. 9, April 2024. Neither articles covers all of Hereford’s basket makers since the mid-1800s, but the principal ones.

In the City of Hereford alone, the demand on basket makers would have been great. Forming the basis for this article, in Littlebury’s Directory of Herefordshire, 1876 -1877, there were four basket makers listed: George CRUMP (59 Eign Street); George DEEN (Hinton Road); William JONES (45 Church Street) and Charles LANE (37 Bewell Street). Addresses given as in Littlebury’s.

George CRUMP, Eign Street, Hereford.

The son of John Crump, wheelwright, George Davis CRUMP was born at Byford and baptised on October 8th, 1826. Age 24 in 1851 he was a "Basket Maker" in Byford and ten years later he was still there. In 1864 he married Ann / Anne HACKLAND of Byford where they were living in 1871. By 1881 George had moved and was a Basket Maker employing two men and a boy at 59 Eign Street, Hereford. George died on August 12th, 1882, and the business was carried on by his widow Anne aided by their son Richard, age 17, and Basket Maker boarder Thomas ROBERTS age 42. In the 1911 Census, "Ann", age 71, was visiting Basket Maker Richard at 'Cromwell Villas', Whitehorse Street. Anne died at 30 Whitehorse Street, Hereford, on October 9th, 1916.

EIGN STREET, HEREFORD,

Messrs Pulling & Co. April 2 1904
Dr. to A. CRUMP,

Wholesale and Retail Basket Manufacturer,

GENERAL DEALER.

Repairs promptly attended to. Goods made to order on the premises.

Terms: NET CASH MONTHLY.

Invoice letterhead as sent by Anne Crump to Messrs Pulling & Co, Wine and Spirit Merchants in 1904. Items included: Casing 2-Gallon jars at 8d each; Casing 4-Gallon jars at 10d each; Eighteen Hampers at 11d each; Repairing a Bottle Basket at 2s 6d.

George DEEN, Hinton Lane (Road), Hereford.

The son of 'Basket Maker' Thomas DEEN and Maryanne, George DEEN was born in Gloucester and baptised there on February 13th, 1833. He married Elizabeth PREECE of Tillington at Hay in 1860, and by the 1861 Census he was established as a 'Basket Maker' at Hinton Lane, Hereford.

In 1864, as reported in the 'Hereford Times', July 23, page 5, Deen was in court for a "Trumpery Charge": "George Deen, a basket maker, was charged by Mrs. Elizabeth ROCK, of St. Martin-street with stealing several tools.... Mrs. Rock's evidence, which was given in a peculiar style, went to show that Deen worked about eight years for her husband, who died on the 17th of May last; but that he left his employment about a fortnight before the death took place.

The witness subsequently missed a knife, “draft,” pitching knife, hammer and other small tools used in sieve making; in consequence of what she had been informed, she went to George Deen’s lodgings opposite and asked him how he dared to take her husband’s things; he replied that he had bought them; witness was in a great passion at receiving this answer, and thought she would bring him here (*court*) to explain himself before the gentlemen. In cross examination, Mrs Rock was with difficulty made to answer the questions in a direct manner. She admitted that Deen had been lent tools on different occasions, and that he had placed a blade in a knife-handle at his own expense; she could not say that he was set up in business at the Duke’s Head, neither did she care.... The Bench dismissed the case...”

The 1871 Census indicates that Deen was still at Hinton Lane. However, by the 1881 Census, “Basket Maker” George Deen was at Waterloo Place Hereford. He was recorded as having died age “48” in June 1884 at Hereford.

William JONES, Church Street, Hereford.

The author’s initial thought was that William JONES of Church Street belonged to an established family of Hereford basket makers. However, it appears that there were several William Jones basket makers!

Born in the 1790s, the 1841 Census records William JONES age 46, and “Basket Maker” at Berrington Street, All Saints, Hereford. He married Elizabeth LLOYD from Ludlow at Hereford on June 15th, 1827. They had a son William born circa 1834 and the 1842 City Directory places William senior at the “Market Place”. By the 1851 Census, they were at the “Cattle Market” and son William, age 17 was now a Basket Maker. The 1856 Post Office Directory places William at the “Pig Market”, where he still was in 1858. By 1860, as the advertisement from the ‘Hereford Times’ shows, he was in Aubrey Street and seeking two workmen. “Master Basket Maker” William Jones senior, age 66, in the 1861 Census was still at Aubrey Street, Hereford. Records indicate that William senior died in 1866 age 74. William junior is not with his family in the 1861 Census, and the records imply that by the 1871 Census he was an engine driver at an iron works in West Bromwich. Conclusively neither William senior nor junior can be the one recorded at Church Street in 1876

TO BASKET-MAKERS. — WANTED, TWO good WORKMEN. May meet with constant employment by applying to Mr. WILLIAM JONES, Basket-Maker, Aubrey-street, Hereford.

Advertisement from the ‘Hereford Times’, January 21, 1860, page 5, where William Jones seeks to employ two workmen.

Therefore, there is a ten-year gap between “Basket Makers” William Jones dying in 1866 and the William Jones appearing in the 1876/77 Littlebury’s Directory. In the “gap”, the Slater’s Directory of 1868, records a William Jones “Basket Maker” at 42 West Street, almost certainly the latter from 1876. Kelly’s Directory of 1885 records no William Jones basket makers in Hereford.

There was a James Jones, age 43, “Basket Maker”, born 1838 in Hereford, and in 1881 living in Cross Street, Hereford with his wife Mary and a 5-year-old son called William. With so many “Jones” it is hard to reconcile if he is related to the others.

William JONES of 14 Leigh Street, Westfields, appears as a “Basket Maker” in Kelly’s Directories, e.g. 1934 and 1937. In the 1939 England and Wales Register, “Basket Maker” Jones, of 14 Leigh Street, was recorded as being born on October 1st, 1904. A widower, William is also recorded as living there with his widowed father, Charles Jones, who was born on May 21st, 1880.

14, Leigh Street, Westfields,

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**Dr. to W. JONES,
BASKET MAKER AND REPAIRER.**

Chairs Reseated in Cane and Rush.

Best Materials, Lowest Prices.

Invoice letterhead of William Jones from the 1930s. The invoice was for two chairs reseatd in cane for 8 shillings.

Charles Smith LANE, Bewell Street and Market Hall, Hereford.

The easily attainable records for 'Basket Maker' Charles Smith LANE born in Gloucester circa 1831, are scant. The 1871 Census records him, age 40, and his Hereford born wife Sarah, age 32, living at '43 Bewell Street', Hereford. His illustrated Littlebury's advertisement is from 1876. In the 1881 Census Lane and his wife are still living in 'Bewell Street'. By the 1891 Census age "60", Lane at 'Bewell Street' was described as a "Basket Manufacturer".

Charles S. Lane died at the end of 1891 in Hereford. In 1911 his wife Sarah was recorded as being a "Lunatic" patient in the Burghill Asylum. She died in 1916.

Charles Lane's 1876-77 advertisement from the 'Littlebury Directory', illustrating some of the baskets he made but also detailing "*All kinds of Baskets, Skeps, and Hampers kept in Stock. Wicker and Cane Perambulators and Basket Carriages made to order.*" The "Skeps" were used for beekeeping.



An invoice letterhead of Charles Lane's from 1886 submitted to Mr William Pulling, Wine & Spirit Merchant, in return for having made two bottle baskets at 8 shillings and sixpence each.

**Bob Powell.
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Parish Profile of Eardisland



Eardisland lies 5 miles West of Leominster, sitting on the River Arrow.

Parish records deposited in Hereford Record Office within the HARC are from 1614 - 1858 for baptisms, 1614 - 1968 for marriages and 1614 - 1933 for burials. Also 1824-1906 for Banns.

Church Records, good selection of general church records including; Church Warden's accounts, Parish Meetings, Vestry Minutes.

General Research items include records on a wide variety of subjects including: Notes on Eardisland Bridges, plans for Tippetts bridge, Brooch bridge and Mill Bridge. Burton Court photographs, information booklet and miscellaneous paper 1671-1798, also rolls for 1332-1633, 1731-1873 and 1908-1948. Internal and external photographs of Eardisland church in 1992. Coronation celebrations in 1902. Court house estate deeds, Riddox estate deeds and plans, Bishop of Hereford estate, Street Court estate sale advertisement in 1904. Shobdon estate sale particulars.

Information on local farms including Court House farm accounts, Moss Hill Farm Tenancy dispute in 1885, Hinton Manor farm sale particulars, Moss Hill farm leases for 1787 and 1791. The Broome farm sale particulars. Sale of the Riddox in 1896. Notes on Eardisland roads and turnpikes.

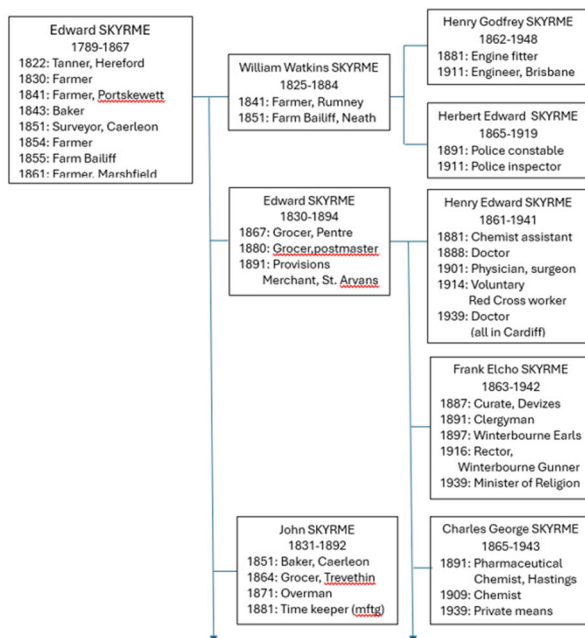
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Like Father, Like Son .. or not?

In all our family trees we often find that sons, especially the eldest one, following in their father's occupation. My own great x2 grandfather, a shipwright at Pembroke Dockyard from 1833 to his death in 1858 had eight sons, seven of whom followed in his footsteps. Coming now to Herefordshire, from around 1735 at least six generations of Richard Skyrmes of Norton Canon and Canon Pyon, took the occupation of their father – a farmer – as well as their name.

However, there are exceptions. For example, it is common in the gentry, after the first son has inherited the estate, that the second son pursues a career in the military, while the younger sons also joined the military or became clergymen or entered the legal profession. I find it quite interesting creating occupation pedigrees, where instead of vital birth, marriage and death dates, the main data is a person's occupation. One of the fascinating trees is that of Edward Skyrme (1789-1867) of Dewsall, son of William Gwatkin Skyrme and Mary Jones.

The diagrams show two generations of his male descendants who lived into adulthood. The diagram is truncated from a Family Historian chart, showing only the changes of occupation or location.



The first thing to notice is that several of the men had changes of career during their lifetime. Edward himself was a tanner, then a farmer and with a period in the 1840s and 1850s as a surveyor and baker. His son Henry started off as a tea dealer then turned into a tobacco manufacturer. In turn his son Theophilus, whilst starting off in his father's business, finished his career as a bursar at a private school in Berkshire (not far from where I live).

Another thing that stands out is how dispersed Edward's descendants became. Several generations of Edward's ancestors lived in Herefordshire (Dewsall) and stayed in the area. But when Edward was about 40 he moved to Monmouthshire and none of the men shown in the chart returned to Herefordshire. Several lived in Monmouthshire, mostly around the Chepstow area. Cardiff was also home to a few of them, but Dorset, Wiltshire, Berkshire and Sussex all feature. Edward's eldest grandson emigrated to Australia in his 20s. Delving into their backgrounds, there are some interesting life stories. Here are a few of the more interesting.

The Grocer and Postmaster

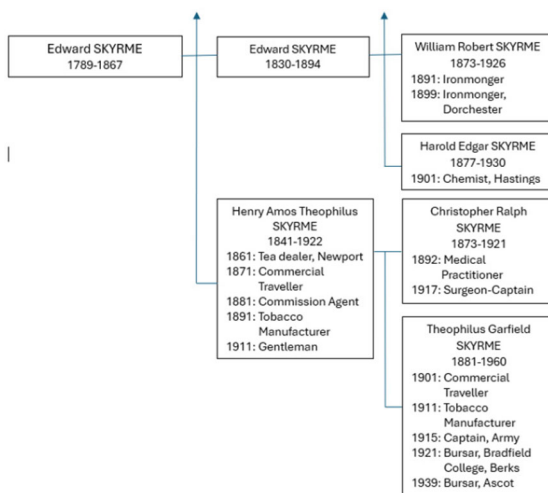
Edward junior was working as a shop assistant in 1851 in Blaenavon, Monmouthshire, as one of eight shop assistants at the premises of tea dealer Israel Morgan. This may have influenced his younger brother Henry Theophilus, since in 1861 Henry was a tea dealer in Newport. They must have got together around then since the London Gazette of 28th July 1866 carried this notice:

Pentre Stores, near Pontypridd. NOTICE is hereby given, that the Partnership lately existing between Edward Skyrme and Henry Amos Theophilus Skyrme, as Grocers and General Dealers, at Pentre, Ystrodyfodwg, in the county of Glamorgan, under the style of E. and H. Skyrme, has been this day dissolved by mutual consent.

Edward continued to run the grocer's shop at Pentre, but a few years later became the town's postmaster. He was also a church warden.

By 1875 it seems he was living in Cardiff but still ran the post office in Pentre. He employed two servants at his house in Cardiff. He is reported to have had many business connections here and also in the Rhondda. During some of his time in Cardiff he was a director of a paper merchants there.

The family moved from Cardiff to St Arvans near Chepstow around 1885, where he is listed as a 'provisions merchant'. He had obviously prospered since he left an estate worth £33,514 in 1894.



From Tea Dealing to Tobacco Manufacturer

The first job of Edward's youngest son Henry (1841-1922) as one of three assistants to tea dealer Joseph NORRIS at Newport. We noted above how he must have joined his elder brother Edward in a partnership in Pentre, Glamorgan which was dissolved in July 1866. It seems he then partnered with a Henry Evans since another *London Gazette* notice of 5th December 1871 announces this dissolution:

Partnership with Henry Evans, in the trade or business of Potato and General Merchants, at Newport and elsewhere, under the style or firm of Evans & Co. has this day been dissolved by mutual assent.

The notice goes on to say that Henry will continue the business in his own name. But before too long he is involved in tobacco manufacturing.

An article in *The South Wales Argus* of 23rd October 1893 reports:

The South Wales Tobacco Manufacturing Company, whose factory is located in High Street, Newport, have recently introduced a new feature into their business, which is likely to be popular with the public, and will be profitable to the concern, namely the manufacture of cigarettes. When the company was formed four years ago, cigarettes were not offered for sale, only tobacco and cigars, but after due consideration the directors decided to experiment in the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, as carried out in other large towns. The result has been highly satisfactory, not to say remarkable."

In the 1901 census Henry is listed as its managing director. He obviously had other interests since there is a patent application in March 1898 for "improvements in or relating to tyres for cycles, carriages and other vehicles."

Henry's son Theophilus (he usually referred to himself as T Garfield Skyrme) did initially follow in his father's footsteps. His first recorded occupation in 1901 was as a commercial traveller selling tobacco products, then in 1911 as a tobacco manufacturer, presumably working in his father's business. Shortly after he moved to Bulawayo (then Rhodesia, now Zimbabwe) where he had a management position in a company growing and manufacturing tobacco. He was very much a sportsman, playing rugby when at Warwick School, an active member of the Newport Athletic Club and an ardent hockey and golf player. For example, he was a member of the Bulawayo Golf Club.

At the outbreak of war he returned to England to sign up for the army. He served in the Rifle Brigade in the war and was shot in the foot in November 1916, requiring the amputation of his right leg.

Like many ex-Army people his post war career took him in a new direction. Major Skyrme, as he then was, became Bursar of Bradfield College in Berkshire. By 1924 he had moved to Ascot where he was the bursar at Heathfield School, a girl's boarding school. He had married in Newport in 1915 and had a son Henry Beaucourt Skyrme whose middle name is taken from Beaucourt-sur-l'Ancre on the Somme, the place where he was injured in WW1. Henry did not directly follow in his father's footsteps.

He became a flying officer in the RAF and was lost in action in December 1941. His father outlived him, living in Ascot until his death in 1960.

The Physician and Surgeon

Although the eldest son of Henry Amos Theophilus Skyrme (Christopher Ralph Skyrme, 1873-1921) became a surgeon, it is his cousin Henry Edward Skyrme (1861-1941), son of Edward junior, who I feature here.

While still living with his parents he was a chemist in Cardiff in 1881. In 1888 he became a medical practitioner, being registered with the Royal College of Physicians. He continued to practice as a general practitioner and surgeon in Cardiff at Windsor Place. In 1905 he is cited as attending to the illness of the Bishop of Llandaff. But he hit newspaper headlines in December 1906 when a mining engineer Thomas Southern took him and a colleague, consulting surgeon Dr Llyn Thomas, to court to recover damages for losing the use of one of his arms. The jury were unable to reach a verdict of negligence but the judge ordered them to reconsider and in the end Thomas Southern was awarded £100 in damages. Henry continued living and practicing in Windsor Place, Cardiff, where in 1911 he had three servants. Around 1923 he had retired and then lived in Bournemouth until his death in 1941.

The World Traveller

Our final profile is that of the third son of Edward junior, Charles George Skyrme (1865-1943). Born in Aberdare he had left the family home in his late teens and started as a pharmacist in St Leonards. In 1893, he married Catherine Keating Sayles, some 26 years older than him. Catherine was originally from Lincoln but

had been a governess living in Worcestershire and Kensington. However, she died in 1901 and soon afterwards Charles started his travels. We next hear of him in the USA, but he had been elsewhere before. In June 1910 he married again, but this time someone 18 years younger - Katherine Meta WELLSLAGER, a widow whose maiden name was Smith. She was 27 and he was 45. She was the daughter of a wealthy Baltimore contractor, The newspaper report of their wedding in *The Baltimore Sun*, 16th June 1910 gives insights into his travels. Headed 'Romance of the Sea Ends' here are some extracts:

The romance was begun on board a ship between England and Norway. After Mrs Wellslager's return to this country a correspondence was kept up. Later Mr Skyrme visited Baltimore and the attachment formed... and finally the time of marriage was decided upon."

And after the marriage ceremony:

The couple left in the afternoon for Atlantic City where they will spend their honeymoon. They will sail on the *Carmania* of the Cunard Line, June 25 for Ireland, and later go to Wales. Then they will visit Oberammergau, and in September will go to Italy and Southern Europe, Ceylon and India, returning to Europe one year hence."

Over the following years there are many passenger records of the couple travelling far and wide. 1911 sees them in Honolulu and Massachusetts. The couple travelled together to Toronto in 1924 where Charles attended a meeting of the British Association. There are several other USA visits and a visit to Tangiers in 1934.

For some years after their marriage the couple lived in St Leonards, where Charles was an active member of the local chess club. He was also a member of the Royal Geographic Society, one time president of the East Sussex Pharmaceutical Association and on the committee of the Association for the Advancement of Science in England.

Sometime in the 1930s when Charles was in his 60s and no doubt retired we find the couple in the electoral registers for Queens Gate, Kensington. But still they travelled, since in the 1939 register they were staying at the Metropole Hotel in Minehead, and he was staying at The Chequers Hotel in Newbury when he died. When I moved to Newbury in 1979 I was unaware of this local connection. Charles died in 1943 six months before I was born and is buried locally at the cemetery at Shaw-cum-Donnington, a suburb of Newbury.

Conclusion

Although in the late 19th century it was common for a son to follow the occupation of his father, this example shows that this did not always happen. I find it very instructive to create occupation trees and find out more about the working lives of our ancestors. What we usually don't know, as is the case here, is why they chose a particular occupation. You need family hand-downs or something other than the usual archive records to tell you that.

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Friday 16th January - Clare O'Grady

Researching your Pauper Ancestors

At some point in their lives, many of our ancestors would have been in receipt in some form of poor relief, either from the parish or from a Poor Law Union.

Friday 20th February - John Vigar

Murder, Sex and Mayhem in English Churches

Like most people I enjoy the peace and serenity offered by our parish churches, but having visited and recorded over 12,000 of them I have found they also contain countless images of Murder, Sex and Mayhem.

Friday 20th March - Andrea Hetherington

British Widows of the First World War.

Based on my book, a general talk outlining the experiences of war widows and their battle for state support.

Friday 17th April - Jenny Malin

Five Generations of a British Raj Family

A complete insight how five generations of a family lived as Domiciled Anglo Indians with British ancestry on both sides of the family for almost two hundred years in India during the British Raj.

Friday 15th May - Paul Wilkins—How to trace your Family History

Friday 19th June - Bill Laws

The Herefordshire P.O.W

From Cathedral organist Percy Hull, banged up at the Kaiser's pleasure in Germany in 1914, to Panzerwaffe Manfred Klein, held briefly in Tupsley before becoming a stockman at the Vern, Marden in 1945, *The Herefordshire POW* looks at the men, women and children, held against their will during two world wars.

Friday 17th July - Kelly Cornwell

Transportation to Tasmania

Exploring English and Australian records to help you discover more about your female convict ancestors; demonstrated via the case study of a young girl from Shoreditch, her conviction, transportation and ensuing escapades in Tasmania.

Friday 21st August - Frances Hurd - Secrets and Lies

Every family has its secrets -- and their impact can last for several generations.

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Herefordshire Strays Index

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

So what is a Stray ?

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

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

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Herefordshire Registrar Indexes

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Births : 1837 - 1924 £15

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

Marriages: 1837 - 1964 £25

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

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

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