

GREENTREES

THE JOURNAL OF THE
CENTRAL MIDDLESEX
FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY

*Beneath these greentrees rising to the skies
The planter of them Isaac Greentree lies.
The day shall come when these greentrees shall fall
And Isaac Greentree rise above them all.*

1702

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The two-fold objects of the Society are to promote, encourage and assist members in their efforts to trace the histories of their families and to help co-ordinate research and transcription of records of the Central Middlesex area.

The Society is affiliated to both the Harrow Arts Council and the Brent Arts Council.

The quotation on the front cover is taken from a wooden headboard in the churchyard of St. Mary's Church, Harrow-on-the-Hill, Middlesex.

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MEETINGS. All meetings are held in the Friends Meeting House, 456 Rayners Lane, Pinner. Nearest Underground station: Rayners Lane (Piccadilly/Metropolitan lines). Bus services 209 and H1.

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FROM THE CHAIR

The year has started well with a visit from Dr. Chris Watts, Chairman of the Society of Genealogists, giving us a most interesting and helpful talk on Other Ranks in the British Army.

Work on the 1851 Census for Paddington and Westminster is progressing, but I am sure our willing band of recorders can do with any help members can give. This also applies to the work still to be done on the Monumental Inscriptions at St. Martin's Church, Ruslip.

Looking to the future, with the growing membership we may have to consider looking for a larger hall to accommodate our meetings and, with a large number of newcomers just starting out on their family history research, some consideration will have to be given to helping them, maybe in some form of Beginners' Groups. Obviously the Committee will be interested in your views on these points.

WANTED

Editor for "Greentrees"

We need an Editor for our Journal. Anyone interested in undertaking this task please contact Bill Burgess, our Chairman, (Tel: 200 1169). Advice, assistance and help with typing is available if required to any aspiring Editor.

NOTES AND NEWS

For Your Diary

- April 10th, 1987 "Surnames" will be the subject of a talk by Mr. I. Dunkling, who is known for his writings on this subject.
- May 8th, 1987 Mr. K.J. Westmancoat, Information Officer of the British Library Newspaper Library, Colindale, will talk on the "Newspaper Collection". These national archives are held close to our area and this will be an opportunity to learn more of their use in family history.
- June 12th, 1987 Miss Rosemary Rendel will explain "The work of the Catholic Record Society and its usefulness to Family Historians". This talk will surely interest many of our members.
- July 10th, 1987 A working evening when members will be able to talk of their recent work, exchange experiences, and perhaps have some questions answered.
- Sept. 11th, 1987 Annual General Meeting with members' displays. Make a note of the date.

Look Ahead and Help Us Plan

On 4th May there will be an exhibition on local history and kindred subjects in the Tithe Barn, Headstone Lane. Anyone who has been there this year will have appreciated the difference made since Lastertime 1986. There is now a central heating system, tea, coffee and snack counter, and toilet facilities (all inside the old Barn itself). A shop sells a wide range of books on genealogy, social history, traditional crafts and conservation. There are posters, cards and gifts of some charm as well as a collection of books for children.

Central Middlesex Family History Society will have a stand and we need keen family historians to be around to give help, advice and encouragement to would-be genealogists. Would volunteers please give their names to Tony Francis who will organise a rota.

Old Ordnance Survey Maps

The Librarian at Westminster Central Library has maps at the price of £1 each for Westminster, Paddington, Chelsea, St. Marylebone and Kensington. In connection with the Census Returns which our Society (and the North Middlesex F.H.S.) are transcribing, anyone with research interests in these areas would be well advised to consider purchasing a map for use at home when these transcriptions are finally available. The Librarian, Archives Department, Victoria Library, 160 Buckingham Palace Road, London, SW1W 9UD.

Reference Books

Unfortunately one or two of the reference only books have been taken away by some earnest researcher(s). We would very much like them returned to the Society forthwith, unless the replacement price is being sent to Don Folgate or the Treasurer. Remember, there are others waiting to look up something too!

Other Societies' Journals

If you have taken any Journals from the Society's Library and are unable to return them at the subsequent Society meeting, will you please return them by post to Mr. D. Felgate, 80 Coledale Drive, Stanmore, Middlesex, HA7 2DF.

Non-Conformist Microfiche (Compiled by Cliff Webb - April 1983)

This covers all Non-Conformist Registers for the Ancient County of Middlesex deposited at the Public Records Office, Chancery Lane, London, EXCEPT: Staines and Stanwell; Registers within 5 miles of St. Paul's, which are listed under County of London in the P.R.O. and form a separate category; Enfield Chase Chapel, which on this microfiche goes up to 1840 only, but the Chapel goes on to 1871 elsewhere. The microfiche is in 2 sections:-

1. Chapels in the Ancient County of Middlesex and outside the area transferred to the County of London in 1889, but not in the area transferred to the County of Surrey in 1965.
2. Chapels in the Ancient County of Middlesex transferred to the County of London in 1889.

At the end of section 2 - Index to ALL names in 1 and 2.

The microfiche is held by Ivy Raper and may be borrowed by members of the Society.

Forthcoming Conferences

The Bedfordshire Family History Society have told us of their one-day conference at Houghton Conquest, south of Bedford, on Saturday, 9th May, 1987, which will take as its theme "What's in a name?" Four sessions will examine the origin of Christian names and surnames and connections to place names. One-name studies will also be featured. Previous BFHS conferences have enjoyed high quality catering and this will again be a feature. There will also be a licensed bar. The cost is £6.50 and full details are available from Mrs. G. Dolman, 72 Staines Square, Dunstable, Beds., LU6 3JQ.

Many of us can trace ancestors to the Black Country where the museum at Dudley, West Midlands, with its restored workshops and canal tunnel, has become well known. On Saturday, 16th May, 1987, the Birmingham and Midland Society will hold their Fifth Family History Conference at the museum and a full programme of lectures, displays and working demonstrations promises an exciting day. There will be an opportunity of a canal trip by narrowboat. Conference and buffet lunch will cost £7.50 and, as numbers are limited, early application is advised. Write to Mrs. Joan Weston, 35 Markham Drive, Kingswinford, West Midlands, DY6 8HZ, for details.

The Norfolk Ancestor

In the December 1986 issue you will find a comprehensive list of names in alphabetical order under each of 15 parishes in the Norfolk Census of 1851, including Hempstead, Knapton and Antingham. This is in addition to a whole page of New Members' interests with names that may be of interest to some of the C.M.F.H.S. members, such as BIRD, CHILDS, COOPER, FOX, KING, PEARCE, SLAUGHTER, ULPH, VINCENT, WEBB. Ask Don if it is in the Library.

Huguenot, Walloon and Flemish Ancestry

To enable researchers to exchange news and information on this subject, there is now a non-profit-making information sheet available. For details write to: The Hon. Secretary, "Malmaison", Church Street, Great Bedwyn, Wilts., SN8 3PE.

SOCIETY MEETINGS

CHRISTMAS PAST

On December 12th the Society's Christmas Party went with a swing and was voted one of the liveliest to date, thanks to the friendly atmosphere and animated conversation among the company circulating to compare the name-tags (provided by our genial Committee man, Reg De Villé) and faces of those present with the photos of youngsters and babies set out on our new display stands, brought along by our Publicity Officer, Don Felgate.

Chairman, Bill Burgess, posed twenty questions on "Dates which all genealogists should know" and, surprisingly, only a few of us knew many answers. Two members, both with a score of six, tied for a prize each from the Bookstall.

Some members had brought old newspapers issued on their natal day. Apart from the headlines, it was amazing to recall that the price of newspapers in the 1940s was still only one penny.

There was a good response to questionnaires designed and passed round by Eileen Perrin (assisting Committee) to discover the opinions of all present about journals, help sessions, meetings, volunteers to help with Society projects and ideas for celebrating the 10th anniversary of the Society in 1988, all of which will help the Committee to meet the wishes of the members.

Our Bookstall Lyn Brackley's delicious fruit punches, served in stemmed glasses obtained by Treasurer, Ivy Raper, and the sight of such a marvellous choice of comestibles brought by members really gladdened the heart of yours truly, who had offered to be in charge of 'the food'. With cups of tea and coffee provided by Rita Burgess and a large Christmas cake baked by Mike Fountain, which he sliced and passed round, we gave hearty thanks for a really pleasant evening and we wish more of you than the 30 present could have been there to share it.

The Winter "Greenrotes" was available from Membership Secretary, Tony Francis, containing dates for the New Year arranged by Katherine Chavell, our Programme Secretary.

We hope that some of those to whom it was suggested they write a short anecdote or longer article for the next issue did try their hand at writing over the Christmas break and will now see their offerings in print. We look for further write-ups, perhaps of grim grind followed by amazing discovery, which will thus encourage others to persist in their efforts at research and to share their problems, resources and delight with us all.

Eileen Perrin

There was a full audience to hear Dr. Swinfield speak on "Genealogy and Genetics".

Introducing his subject he explained the pioneer work of the Augustinian monk, Johann Mendel, whose experiments with generations of peas in his Abbey garden produced the theory of organic inheritance governed by dominant and recessive characteristics. Aided by illustrations and charts, Dr. Swinfield made his points very clear and explained how his interest in the subject had been useful in developing an interest in genealogy and family history.

He mentioned several diseases, once confined to a specific area, which by emigration had now spread abroad. As time has passed more diseases are known to be genetically based and tracing back a family history can help in following a pattern of inherited disease. The whole subject had become the background for medical research and the Royal Marsden Hospital were using the Institute to conduct research into the spread of a genetic cancer. We learned details of the progress already made in this direction. Dr. Swinfield urged all family historians to try and find the causes of death among their ancestors. It would explain many features in a family's history.

The unusual subject was well received and this was evidenced by the many questions that were forthcoming.

HELP WANTED

From Miss Pat Joynes, 6 Oaklands, Stakeford, Choppington, Northumberland, NE62 5LG. Membership No. 288.

JOYNES Richard, burgess of Newark, NOTTS., a staymaker, married twice, born circa 1738 - but WHERE? Other Joynes in Nottinghamshire were framework knitters and silk mill owners through hundreds of years. FOUND - a Richard JOYNES bapt'd 9.2.1739 at St. Martins in the Fields, Westminster. Was this the same Richard? If so, why did his parents have him baptised in London and when did he come to Notts? Two other clues may have some bearing - My father said the family came from the Isle of (was it the Isle of Wight?) - I cannot recall. There was a Henry JOYNES of Calbourne in 1580 and a John JOYNES of Carlsbrooke in 1603, both in the Isle of Wight.

From Nigel Bartholomew, 3 Kendon Avenue, Sunnyhill, Derby, DE3 7LE.

"Since my great-grandfather, Frank Bartholomew, "disappeared" soon after the First World War, information on him and his family is rather scarce. I do know, however, that he was born in Roxeth, 31st May, 1876, to George William Bartholomew and Rebecca (Peters). Later (1896) when the family were living in Surbiton, Surrey, he married Alice Clara White in Whitechapel, London. He then moved to Paignton and had five children; two, Ivor Leslie and Irene, have still to be accounted for. Irene, I believe, married a Laurence Till.

"If anybody has any information on this family or other Bartholomew in Roxeth (especially those who came from Berkshire), I would be pleased to hear from you."

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome to the Society:

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| 271 | Mrs. E. Read | 62 Warwick Crescent, London, W2 6NE. |
| 272 | Mrs. G. Shaw | Cresud P.O., P.E.I., COA 150, Canada. |
| 275 | B. Austin |) 8 East Drive, Garston, Watford, Herts., WD1 6AH.
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| 276 | Mrs. J. Austin | |
| 277 | Mrs. K.J. Heath | 35 Hillingdon Road, Kingswood, Watford, Herts., WD2 6JD. |
| 278 | Mrs. B.V. Page | 25 Westerlands, Stapleford, Notts., NG9 7JE. |
| 281 | Mrs. J. Harrod | 54 Lansdowne Road, Wick, Littlehampton, West Sussex, BN17 6JG. |
| 282 | H.S. Hoole | 12 Queens Drive, Bedford, Beds., MK41 9BG. |
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| 292 | Mary Watts | |
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| 294 | Jean Constable | |
| 295 | Mr. Luker | 17 Roslyn Crescent, Wembley, Middx., HA9 7MZ.
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| 296 | Mrs. Luker | |
| 297 | Mrs. N. Young | Newlands, Brookshill Drive, Harrow Weald, Middx., HA3 6SE. (re-joined) |
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Change of Address

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| 241 | Mrs. Johnson | |
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| 274 | Miss A.F. Pitt | |

THE CALL OF THE COAN/CONE
by Eileen M. Ferrin

"I've been told that you are an authority on the Coan family. I am trying to get in touch with Stephen Coan, a film director I was working with in South Africa. I would like to find him urgently, as I have some more work I would like him to do...." This was the voice of an American caller on my telephone this autumn.

In July I had a letter from a New Zealand Coan trying to trace two aunts in England and wanting to compile a family tree for his only daughter. Having said that he had lived in Essex many years ago, he had approached the British Consul in Auckland, who had given him the address of an Essex farmer Coan. This family, being members of my "One-Name" family history society, passed his letter on to me.

Just before Christmas I had a telephone call from Leamington Spa, referred to me by a Coan (also a member of mine) in Knutsford, Cheshire. The lady wanted to find a Frank Coan who had been at Manchester University with her husband twenty years before and they planned to organise a reunion.

I am pleased to say all three were quickly dealt with by my being able to turn to my collection of Births, Deaths and Marriages taken down from the registers at St. Catherine's House; address lists of Coans and Cones in the U.K. telephone directories; plus my COFAMS* membership list.

I was able to refer my American to Stephen's father; to tell the New Zealander that he not only shared the blood of my great-grandfather, but that the eldest of his aunts had died and the younger had married her sister's widower in 1975 in Glamorgan; and lastly, I was able to give on the spot to the lady from Leamington the address of the Manchester Coan, having been reassured that the caller was genuine. (I always try to ask the enquirer to write to the person wanted by sending me the letter in a plain envelope which I then address and send on.) Can you wonder that I feel like a hybrid mix of Salvation Army, private detective bureau and job agency!

I have been researching my maiden name of COAN since 1979 back to 1760, where it seems to have been either COAN or CONE, according to the whim of the parish clerks. I formed a Coan Families and Associated Members Society (*COFAMS) in 1981 and keep contact by newsletters with about fifty families, always seeking to extend the circle.

In 1982 two cousins of mine were introduced to a half-brother whom we had never before known. As each had lost a brother in the last war, they had great joy at finding each other.

Now I am trying to contact Doris Minnie Irene STANLEY (nee COAN), married in Glamorgan in 1975 to Victor W. Stanley and possibly living somewhere in the Midlands. The couple would be in the sixty/seventy age group. Does anyone know where they might be living, please?

The other current search is for the marriage (circa 1880 and probably in Suffolk) of Frederick CONE, farm bailiff. He was the great-grandfather of Russell Edward CONE, lost on a Trinity House lightship sunk on 14th December 1972. Russell's father, Frederick George CONE, born in 1881 at Cosford, Suffolk, one of eight children, was a carpenter and joiner, married at Woodbridge, but lived, it is thought, near Felixstowe and died in 1949.

MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS AT
ST. MARY'S CHURCH, HARROW-ON-THE-HILL

In November 1980 the Society published the full inscriptions from existing monuments in the churchyard of St. Mary's Church, Harrow-on-the-Hill. These, together with those on monuments in the Church, had been transcribed by members of the Society, with assistance from a group of boys from Harrow School. The Summer 1981 issue of "Greenstons" formed an Index to the inscriptions (Volume 2, No.3).

The transcribers had to recognise that, with the passing of time, many of the inscriptions were barely legible and, in some instances, it was obvious that a complete line of lettering had broken away. In the published record many missing details were indicated by dotted lines, and a question mark in brackets. While recording inscriptions many bare places in the graveyard were observed: a sign that there could have been graves marked by a "rail" or headboard of wood which had long ago rotted away. Our front cover illustrates one such headboard in the churchyard that has been renewed from time to time and, from old illustrations, this was one of many that once existed.

Recently, Mr. J.S. Golland, who assisted in the original work of transcription, brought to our attention an issue of "The Harrow Gazette and General Advertiser" for November 3rd, 1866, which listed some of the inscriptions which could be read at that time. The "Gazette" was published monthly and further research revealed that, in three issues for October, November and December 1866, there were lists of rails, head, foot and body stones with inscriptions. As some of these do not now exist and others call for revision of our transcription, it is thought they should be brought to our members' attention and, at the same time, our original publication will be updated. The graves are all in the north-west corner of the churchyard and will have the reference number given in the original publication where an amendment is necessary. New memorials will be so indicated.

"THE OLD CHURCH YARD"

As many of the old tombstones and rails which have a certain parochial interest attaching to them are gradually decaying and as the names of those in whose memory they were erected are likely soon to disappear altogether, we have thought that it might be interesting to preserve some record of them in our pages and, if agreeable to our readers, we shall from time to time continue our list.

Left hand side of path leading from the gate to the terrace:

RL PG9 M. DANIEL BABAULT
Goldsmith and Citizen of London
who departed this life
March 17th, aged 27 years.

M. SUSAN DUPORTAIL
Grandmother to M. Daniel Babault
who departed this life
March 1st 1736, aged 90 years.

98 (Head and footstone)
ANNE
Wife of Edward Slater,
of Kenton Lodge, who died Sept. 21st 1841, Aged 45 years.
(Inscription completed)

- 106 (Head and footstone)
CHAPMAN
Additional details:
Mary Ann CHAPMAN died on October 12th, 1825, aged 16 years.
Henry CHAPMAN died August 5th, 1825, aged 6 months.
James CHAPMAN died April 22nd, 1849, aged 70 years.
Lucy CHAPMAN died June 14th, 1865, aged 79 years.
- 107 (Head and footstone)
Revised name:
MR. DANIEL ELLET MITCHELL
Revised detail:
SARAH MITCHELL.....aged 52 years.
DANIEL MITCHELL.....died 1834.
- 113 (Head and footstone)
JAMES LEAPER
Revised inscription:
Son of John and Mary Leaper of this parish
who died August 2nd, 1826, aged 28 years.
Also ANN LEAPER daughter of the above
who died November 18th, 1834, aged 33 years.
Also JOHN FRANCIS LEAPER
who departed this life September 9th, 1839, aged 74.
Also MARY Wife of the above
who departed this life April 15th, 1844,
in the 75th year of her age.
- 115 (Head and footstone)
Missing details now available:
ELIZABETH
wife of MR. JOSIAH CHAD of this parish
who departed this life April 15th, 1813, aged 52 years.
Also MR. JOSIAH CHAD
Husband of the above who departed this life
May 19th, 1842, aged 64 years.
Also GEORGE, 7th son of the above who departed this life
Nov. 28th, 1847, aged 26 years.
Also JOSIAH and ELIZABETH who died in their infancy.
Also THOMAS CHAD, son of the above,
who departed this life Dec. 12th, 1848, aged 41 years.
- 116 (Head and footstone)
W.G. WIGHTON (alter year of death to 1852).
- 117 (Stone pillar)
Full details now given:
Mr. PETER BALLINGER
died 21 June 1755. Age 55.
Mrs. ANN BALLINGER his wife,
died 18 June 1755, age 57.
ISAAC WILD, his grandson,
died 19 Sep. 1755, age 5.
- 124 (Brick Tomb)
JOSEPH BLAKES family grave.
Alter Mary Blake to age 3 months.
Complete Esther Blake name.

- 127 (Head and footstone)
Alteration to age at death:
ANN ABERDEEN. Aged 64 years.
Housekeeper to the late Lord Northwick.
SUSANNAH BURTON. Died Jan 31st 1811, aged 75 years.
AUGUSTA ANN ABERDEEN. Died Dec. 16th, 1815, aged 9 years.
- New Here lieth the body of
SUSAN LAMBERT
who died the 3rd March 1716, aged.....years
- New (Rail)
AMELIA, second wife of JOHN ROYSTON,
died Nov. 23rd 1810, aged 42 years.
JOHN ROYSTON of this parish,
died Sept. 14th 1847, aged 72 years.
Also Amelia wife of the above, died Dec. 25th, 1810, aged 43.
- New ROBERT and ROBERT HUGH MONRO
Infant children of the Rev. Robert Munro
The former died 14th September 1825.
The latter died 24th January 1827.
- New (Monument)
RICHARD CHADD (See 114)
who died March 24th, 1855, Aged 68 years.
(This monument erected by scholars of Harrow School in memory
of a life spent in their faithful service)
- New (Rail)
WILLIAM WRIGHTON, who died May 27th, 1841, aged 54.
- New (Rail)
MARY ANN MARTIN,
daughter of Joseph and Susannah Martin of this parish,
who died November 21st, 1839, in the 17th year of her age.
- New (Head and footstone)
JEREMIAH NICHOLLS
who died January 12th, 1796, in 77th year of his age.
Also MRS. SARAH RESCH, niece of the above,
who died April 8th, 1837, in 88th year of her age.
Also of MARY ARMSTRONG,
wife of William Armstrong and niece of Sarah Resch,
who departed this life 20th April 1861, aged 76 years.
- New (Rail)
MARY ANN PAGE,
daughter of Henry and Sarah Page of this parish,
died July 8th, 1837, aged 9 years.
Also HENRY PAGE, son of the above,
died Nov. 3rd 1849, aged 23 years.
- New (Rail)
WILLIAM MARTIN, 41 years Sexton of this parish,
who died June 20th, 1842, in the 83rd year of his age.
CATHERINE MARTIN, wife of the above,
died May 3rd, 1843, aged 82 years.

New

(Rail)

MARY GREEN, wife of James Green of this parish, who departed this life 11th May, 1835, in the 25th year of her age.

Also MARY MARGARET, daughter of the above, who died 7th August, 1835, aged 3 months.

JOHN GREEN of this parish, who departed this life 10th April, 1835, aged 63 years.

MARGARET GREEN, wife of the above, who departed this life the 4th June, 1822, aged 55 years.

New

(Stone monument enclosed)

MRS. MARY TOMELIN

wife of Mr. Thomas Tomelin of this parish, daughter of Peter Ballinger, unequal to the pains of child-bearing with Small Pox, sunk to death 19th February, 1757, aged 20.

MRS. ELIZA WILD

the only remaining daughter of Peter Ballinger
Died 13th August, 1774, aged 49.

New

(Head and footstone)

JAMES BALDWIN of this parish, who died February 13th, 1834, aged 66 years.

Also ELIZABETH, wife of the above, who died February 5th, 1834, aged 65 years.

Also near this place lieth

JAMES BALDWIN

who died October 27th, 1832, aged 26 years.

Also SARAH, daughter of the above, died May 18th, 1836, aged 44 years.

Also MARY,

died Jan. 24th, 1855, aged 61 years.

Also BENJAMIN BALDWIN,

died May 2nd, 1855, aged 16 years.

New

(Rail)

WILLIAM PAGE of this parish, who departed this life Sept. 6th, 1846, in the 78th year of his age.

Also ELEANOR, wife of the above, who died May 12th, 1860, aged 78 years.

New

(Flat stone)

WILLIAM BOWLER

who died 1st April, 1796, aged 46 years.

Also MR. GEORGE BOWLER, son of the above, who died the 20th June, 1817, aged 36 years.

Also MRS. MERCY ROSE

wife of Mr. Francis Rose, late of Kennington, and sister of the above named William Bowler,

who died 23rd April, 1818, aged 54 years.

Also FRANCIS husband of the above Mrs. Mercy Rose who died 22nd June, 1830, aged 72 years.

E.H. Whittleton. 1957.

THE ARCHIVES OF ST. GEORGE'S CHAPEL, WINDSOR CASTLE

by Grace Holmes, M.A., A.L.A.

A College of Secular Canons, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint George the Martyr and St. Edward the Confessor, was established on 6th August 1345 at Windsor by Edward III. It formed the religious element of the Order of the Garter and St. George's Chapel became the domicile, not only of the College, but also of the Order. The records of the College are in the Acreary. This purpose-built chamber, situated at the northwest corner of Dean's Cloister, was completed in 1355 and has been in use ever since. Although its original painted walls and window glass do not survive, the floor retains in good condition the decorated tiles from the kiln at Penn, Buckinghamshire, with which it was first covered. The word 'Acreary' is derived from the Latin 'aerarium', meaning 'a treasury'. Religious ornaments and other precious objects were also kept securely in the Acreary until the Reformation. In 1423 a huge wooden press was constructed, containing 9 vertical and 7 horizontal rows of drawers. These too have been in continual use for the storage of documents.

The contents of the Acreary may be categorised as follows:

A. Records of Central Administration

1. Royal and Papal grants - twelve Papal Bulls and various statutes and charters.
2. Chapter Acts - 1430-1596 (incomplete) and 1596 to date. Those for the period 1430-1672 have been transcribed and published (see below). They are a fundamental source, both as regards the administration of the College and also for the details of personnel, tenants and properties.
3. Records of Collegiate officers - Dean, Treasurer, Steward and Precentor. The Dean had testamentary jurisdiction within the freehold of the College until the 18th century, but the only surviving records of this kind are a few 15th century Wills and a Register of Wills 1662-1735. This contains many interesting inventories.

The Treasurer's accounts run from 1352 to date, though the series is incomplete. Through payments of stipends, biographical material for Lay Clerks, Choristers, Vergers, Bellringers, Sacrists and Chantry Priests can be found.

The Steward's accounts (1369 to date, incomplete) record receipts from tenants, Bailiffs and Stewards on the many lands and properties with which the college was endowed. There are some records of payments made from the Widows' and Apprentices' Funds.

The Precentor's accounts (1363 to date, incomplete) record, among other items, rents from Chantry endowments. Registers of attendance at services (1384-86, 1468-79, 1667-1711, 1762 to date) are of biographical interest.

The Chapter Clerk maintained records of leases in a Register from 1660-1846. These give full descriptions of properties, sometimes with plans.

The Military (formerly Poor) Knights of Windsor, founded under the Statutes of the Order of the Garter, are mentioned in some of the records already referred to. Their complex history can be studied in the monograph on this subject (see below).

B. Properties of the College

Tenements, manors, rectories and tithes provided the income of the College. Its Founder, Edward III, and those close to him, including the Black Prince, made various presentations. The Rectories of Wraybury, Buckinghamshire, South Tawton, Devon and Uttoxeter, Staffordshire, came first, closely followed by manors at Bray, Berkshire, and land in Windsor town.

In 1421 the spiritualities (tithes/rectories) of Ogbourne Priory (a dependency of Bec Abbey in Normandy) were presented by John, Duke of Bedford, brother of Henry V. These included scattered portions and Rectories mainly in Berkshire, Oxfordshire, Wiltshire and in Middlesex (Ruislip). The research value of the Ogbourne records - Court Rolls, leases, Surveys, etc., varies, but in some cases they are of considerable use to the local historian.

When the great construction works for the present Chapel were begun in 1475, considerable further endowment was bestowed upon the College by Edward IV and his Court. These included manors and lands in Berkshire and Hampshire, formerly attached to Sandford Priory near Newbury. Endowment of chantries in the new chapel brought land in Yorkshire, Buckinghamshire, and Surrey. Land and tenements in the City of London, Portsmouth and Hereford came from the Order of St. Anthony.

Finally, in 1547, the Will of Henry VIII, who had chosen to be buried in the Chapel, granted a number of rectories, manors, tithes and tenements to the College, chiefly in Wiltshire, Devon and Somerset, but including Islworth/Twickenham Rectory.

All these estates were administered by the College until 1567, when they passed to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. Upon the acquisition of properties it was usual for the deeds and other records of their earlier history to be passed on. Those of Ogbourne go back to 1140 and Sandford begins in 1160. They include initial grants, leases, tithe acquittances, Bailiffs' accounts, rentals, terriers, surveys and court rolls. There are no Parish Registers or newspapers in the Acrey and, with few exceptions, no personal papers of members of the College. A few estate maps exist, the most notable showing Great Haseley, Oxfordshire, Newbury, Berkshire, and Pytton, Oxfordshire. These are of the 16th century, as is an estate record book compiled by Canon Edward Wilson. In this many properties in Windsor and elsewhere have scale plans with abutments.

A series of 16 monographs provides further information about the history of the College. The following are the most relevant to students of local and family history:

1. Organists and Masters of the Choristers of St. George's Chapel - E.H. Fellowes.
2. Military Knights of Windsor - E.H. Fellowes.
3. Vicars or Minor Canons of Windsor Castle - E.H. Fellowes.
4. St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle 1345-1416 - A.K.E. Roberts.
5. Deans and Canons of St. George's Chapel - S.L. Ollard.
6. Baptism, Marriage and Burial Registers of St. George's Chapel - E.H. Fellowes and E.R. Poyser.
7. Manuscripts of St. George's Chapel - J.N. Dalton.
8. Monuments of St. George's Chapel - S.M. Bond.

13. Windsor Chapter Acts 1430-1672 - M. and S.M. Bond.

These are on sale in the Chapel bookshop, or obtainable by post. An account of the Choristers by Neville Wridgway is also on sale.

The Acrey is open to researchers by appointment, usually on Tuesday and Friday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

A small party of members was able to visit Windsor on February 21st and was received by Mrs. Holmes at the Chapel Acrey during the morning. An interesting selection of records had been laid out for inspection and Mrs. Holmes explained their content and the history of the archive collection. Some members were able to find references to their own family connections, which added to their enjoyment. In the afternoon the party was split into small groups, each led by a Chapel steward who enthusiastically guided us through the 500 years of St. George's Chapel. It was a great experience and attendance at Evensong allowed the sharing of six centuries of church music.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I would like to know if anyone else has had problems regarding their family name appearing in one of the European countries where English is not taught as a second language? Telephone directories consulted for the name of COAN/CONE (my one-name study of my father's name) produced several Coans in Australia.

I eventually heard from a young woman in New South Wales, who said that her father had emigrated to Australia from Italy and that she had been born in N.S.W. in 1955. A family tree was enclosed showing grandfather Giuseppe, a farmer in Italy, born in 1894. He had told his son that the Coan family went back for over three hundred years in Italy. However, I was not given the addresses of the Italian Coans and neither was there any indication of where in Italy the family had come from. In looking up Italian telephone books in a London central library, about five Coans were found in Venice, Rome, Milan, etc. Although asking the young lady in N.S.W. several times, I was not able to get any more information. Since then I have seen (whilst on holiday) a huge container lorry with the name B. Coan and an address on the side and the names Nice, Marseilles and Brive. Not knowing the Italian language, it is difficult to know what to do to correspond.

The I.G.L. does not seem to cover much of Italy (unless I am mistaken), whereas in France and Belgium the parish registers have been microfilmed (see page 57 of Stella Colwell's "The Family History Book, A Guide to Tracing Your Ancestors").

In the Genealogical Research Directory, on page 19 of the 1983 edition, there is a suggestion that anyone writing to Germany should write in English, clearly and simply, enclosing a fully detailed family tree. The letter should be typed, if possible, and without abbreviations. Send at least two International Reply Coupons and say that any reply may be written in German. When a reply is received, it is fairly easy to find someone to translate from German. I wonder if the same would apply for a letter to Italy? Suggestions would be most welcome. Thank you.

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Try, Try and Try Again

From the Census Return I discovered that my gg grandfather was Philip Sturgeon FULCHER and that his wife was Lucy, who was born in Trimley. I desperately needed to know her surname, but unfortunately the birth of my g grandmother in 1840 was not registered at Somerset House and her birth in Walton Parish Register only gave her father's name. This meant that my only hope was to find the marriage of Philip to Lucy. From the ages given on the Census Return, I surmised that the marriage must have taken place around 1830 at either Walton or one of the Trimleys. I travelled to Ipswich and searched the Parish Records for all the adjoining parishes for 1830 and for a few years on either side. Nothing. A year later I returned to Ipswich and repeated my search, but this time I checked the Modern Transcripts instead of the original microfiche. Again I drew a blank. By this time I was becoming resigned to the fact that yet another line had fizzled out. Last year I made yet another pilgrimage to Ipswich and, whilst researching a totally different family, I idly glanced through the BT for 1829 and it jumped off the screen and hit me. There was Philip Sturgeon's marriage to Lucy TURNER on 13th December 1829 at Walton. I looked up the PR microfiche and there too was the marriage. How could I have missed it on two previous occasions? Turning then to the Trimley PR, I easily discovered her birth in 1811; her parents' (Thomas TURNER and Mary COOPER) marriage in 1797; her mother's birth in 1776. I then found her grandparents' (Joseph COOPER and Mary PARSONS) marriage in 1769 at Kirton and from there traced the PARSONS back to 1664 when the Register first started. What a bonus! So my advice to you all is, don't give up. Keep looking, as we often get tired and miss the obvious.

Mollie Phipps
Northwood, Middx.

Census Confusions

We all know how valuable the 1851 and later censuses can be in letting us know the ages, occupations and places of birth of our ancestors, although ages can sometimes fluctuate alarmingly according to different censuses. There can, however, be confusion about places of birth. I was somewhat taken aback at my first results when I compared those inhabitants of 3 Seville Row, Piccadilly in 1851 (HO 107/1485) with those still living there in 1861 (RG 9/64). The information is given below, with the 1861 information, where different, being shown in brackets.

James STARTIN	Head 45 (55)	Consulting Surgeon	Shropshire (Warwickshire)
Helen STARTIN	Wife 29 (40)		Lincolnshire (Nottinghamshire)
Thomas WALSH	Serv 28 (37)	Footman (Butler)	Meath (England)
Jane WALSH	Serv 31 (37)	Cook	Surrey West Molesey

Only the cook seems to have a firm idea of where she was born! However, a re-check of the 1861 census showed that the Butler had not had a rush of blood to the head on his promotion - the enumerator had actually written Ireland, but the loops coming up from the entry below had magically transformed 'Ire' into 'Eng'. How very difficult it is to read some of the censuses. Even with this correction, it still seems a somewhat confused household!

Eileen Startin
Heston, Middx.

Howard Lambert, Membership No. 225, writes:

'I came across this rather remarkable obituary in a Carlisle newspaper, which I viewed at the Colindale Newspaper Library. Maybe they were prone to a bit of exaggeration in those days, but fascinating nonetheless.

'Carlisle Patriot - 4th May, 1822

DEATHS

At the advanced age of 126 years and 3 days, Mr. Thadey DOORLEY, a most respectable farmer, residing near the Hill of Allen, County of Kildare. He retained his faculties to the last moment and was able to take the pleasure of any sort of field amusement within the last 6 months of his life. He was the father of the renowned Capt. DOORLEY, well known in that county and was married about 19 years ago at the age of 107 to a woman of 31 years of age.'

MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Mrs. Barbara Johnson (No. 240) is researching WHITE, Paddington/Westminster 1880; WHITFORD-STARK, STARK, CHIDGEY, CANNING, Paddington 1880; FLOOK, JONES, Whitechapel, London 1850; PRICE, Bermondsey, Surrey 1830; KENNETT, Bermondsey, Surrey and Kent 1830; GODWARD, Bermondsey, Surrey 1870; OULTON, Essex 1900.

Mr. Stanley Johnson (No. 241) is researching JOHNSON, East London pre-1880; HIGGINS, London 1870; MALLETT, Poplar, London 1870; SALTER, London 1880.

Mr. Roger Altass (No. 245) seeks any information on ALTASS in Yorkshire/Hull/anywhere, any date.

Mrs. Pamela M. Collins (No. 247) is researching GLOCKNER, GLOCKNER, GLOEKNER, Lambeth, Kensington, Clerkenwell, Whitechapel, St. Pancras, Fulham, Harrow, Hendon, St. Marylebone, Cambridge, Norwich, Gateshead, Rochdale, Hampstead, any dates; SPELLER Alice, Camberwell 1865-1888; HOWARD Mary Ann, Mile End, London 1875; VON COELLN, COLLN, KÖLN, Southampton, USA, South Africa, Bremen, N. Germany.

John and Imogen Kesteven (Nos. 249 & 250) would like any information on KESTEVEN and HULF, anywhere, any dates. Imogen writes: 'Our interest in our families was sparked off by a letter from overseas. The writer was a descendent of the Kesteven family and wondered if we were related and knew of her great grandmother, Mary Ann Kesteven. I decided to find out and through my searches have found that, yes, she and my husband did share the same great, great, great, great, great grandparents, but not the great grandmother. These investigations really caught my imagination and I'm now utterly hooked.

'My own maiden name - Hulf - had always led my family to wonder of its origins. So far I've recorded four generations in the East End of London, but then a complete

blank. This was pretty good going, however, as my grandfather had run away from home at the age of seventeen in 1889 and we knew nothing of his family at all! he'd refused to talk about them!

Mrs. L. Milne-Tyte (No. 253) is researching TYTE, Reading, Berks. 19th/20thC; Eastcote/Russlip, Middx. 19thC; Stroud, Glos. 19thC; Barnstaple, Devon 18thC; EGGLETON, Reading, Berks. 18th-20thC; SINKWELL, Minchinhampton, Glos. 19thC; CARR, Dundee, Angus 18thC; ASHLEY (first board of 1939 Springfield, Mass., USA) anywhere in England pre-1629. Mrs. Milne-Tyte is also trying to locate the former home of Captain R.W. Tyte of Eastcote, Middx., who died in 1858.

Mr. R.E. Carratt (No. 255) is seeking the birth of John CARRATT, St. George Hanover Square, Upper Ebury Street, Fimble 1848. Mr. Carratt writes: "Although the name CARRATT (pronounced KERAT with emphasis on the second syllable) has a French flavour and indeed my father was born in France, in fact, as far as I can trace, it is English. At present, my great grandfather is being researched for a place of birth. It is known that he was living at Upper Ebury Street, Fimble, in 1848 when my grandfather was born, although the address on the birth certificate cannot be traced in the 1841 or 1851 census records. Some time later, the family moved to Chantilly in France to help start the horse racing at that time. The cemetery at Chantilly has been visited and the gravestones have revealed a wealth of material regarding the Carratt family. A long lost cousin has been found and some useful facts obtained from this source. The search continues."

Miss K. Hoole (No. 256) is researching BEAL/E, Paplar 19thC; SLATER, City of London 1850-1900.

H.S. Hoole (No. 282) writes: "My search into my mother's family surnames has slowed down due to a lack of documentation, no family artefacts, blank searches in St. Catherine's House index, no addresses to aid me to use the census material. In fact the total of my knowledge is what I have got from a marriage and two birth certificates and one sighting in 1861 census for Marylebone." Mr. Hoole is researching MELLISH, Shoreditch 1819, Marylebone 1861; McCABEY, anywhere, any date.

Miss P. Joynes (No. 288) is researching JOYNES, Westminster 1700-1750; SIMPSON, Spain 1850, Sheffield 1860; GORSE/GOSS Sheffield/Ilkeston 1850/60; ROWLEY, Rerford 1810; BIRCH, Dalehead 1790; HEPWORTH, Doncaster 1790; LINFORD, Huntingdon 1850; PEACOCK, Huntingdon 1800.

Mr. D.H. Bridges (No. 289) has been working on his ancestry for 20 years and believes he has established for himself a male descent of 10 generations (plus 3 more in one line). His main areas of interest are the Hundred of Launditch in central Norfolk (16th-19thC), where he is concerned with the names BRIDGES, CLEMENTS, DUNTON(DUNTHORNE), IVES, MASON, PHILIPS, SCOTT, WATLING), WIX; and Sheffield and district (16th-19thC), where he is concerned with BRIDGES, BURDEKIN, FOX, HUNCHICLIFFE), IRVING, MILNER, STONES. He is also interested in EDWARDS, HEWITT, POWELL in 19thC Manchester and hopes some day to tackle the thorny problem of his mother's forbears in 19thC Northern Ireland with the names HAMILTON, HENDERSON, JOHNSTONE), MARSHALL.

Mrs. R.E. Bridges (No. 290) has also been researching for 20 years, but has found it harder than her husband to get 'out of town', since over the last 150 years her ancestors in all lines seem to have been Londoners. Her particular interests are ALLEN, BOYD, FREWIN, HARMSWORTH, SULLIVAN in the City (19thC); BOOKER, MORRIS in Paddington (late 19thC), HARMSWORTH, MARWOOD, MORRIS in Westminster (19thC) and MORRIS in Lambeth (18th-19thC). More remote interests (all 18th-19thC) are BOOKER, SAYERIS in Holmwood, Ockley and Capel, Surrey; NUNN, TABERHAM in Helions Bumpstead, Essex and BRADLEY, SUMMERSETT (SOMERSET) in Southend, Essex and possibly earlier in Suffolk.

Tony Watts (No. 291) seeks information on WATTS, Islington/St. Pancras area. Stuck at ROBERT WATTS, Quilcutter, who died about the 1840s leaving a wife, Sarah, and young children. Other interests include WILGROSS, Bethnal Green and Norfolk; WINDHAM/WYNDHAM, Bethnal Green; COLLIER who were watermen on the Thames, Old Brompton; RUFF, Old Brompton; OLD, PENNY, TRASK in Somerset; ELLIOTT, Plymouth Devon; all dates.

Mary Watts (No. 292) seeks information on PLANK, especially Canterbury pre-1850s and maybe London area (Hoxton) after this date. Other interests include WENDEN, Chelmsford and Witham, Essex; SPENCER, Chelmsford and Great Burstead, Essex; TURNER, Chelmsford, Essex; EVERITT/EVERARD, Great Waltham, Essex; HORSLEY, EASTWELL, MARTIN, Cambridgeshire; PATEY, FAIRMAN, BLACKMAN, Kent; all dates.

DOCUMENTS, SOLDIERS AND GENEALOGY

A Study Day at the National Army Museum, Royal Hospital Road, London, S.W.5.

From 1st October, 1986, to 18th January, 1987, the Archives of the National Army Museum displayed historical military documents in an exhibition with the evocative title "Only a Scrap of Paper". During its 26 years in existence the National Army Museum (NAM) has received many thousands of pieces of paper relating to the history of the British Army in general and to individual soldiers in particular. This exhibition centred around documents illustrating the daily life of the British soldier from enlistment to discharge and retirement. Foreign manuscripts, maps and plans describing battles, regimental hospital registers, extracts from Court Martial proceedings, even an 1863 recipe for baking bread - all these fascinating items and many more besides helped to trace military life over the last 200 years or so.

The Study day held on 17th January, 1987, was well attended and extremely interesting, with effective use of an overhead projector to emphasise points made by the speakers. The Exhibition Organiser, Peter Boyden, began the day by introducing "Military Archives" and describing different sources of Army records available for family historians, i.e. Army Lists, military records in the PRO (Kew and London), County Record Offices, Regimental Headquarters and Regimental Museums, regimental books/histories, National Register of Archives, British Library, India Office Library, University libraries and, of course, private papers held by families or perhaps solicitors - not forgetting the Archives of the National Army Museum itself. He introduced the day's programme, which had been arranged chronologically to cover Army records from the 17th to 20th centuries. He also recommended the NAM Reading Room, which is open to the public Tues. - Sat. (readers tickets available from the Director, NAM) and also the NAM Bookshop which sells a wide selection of books, posters, etc.

Andrew Robertshaw from the NAM Education Department then reconstructed the careers of English Civil War officers and, in particular, that of Sir Marmaduke Rawdon. Mr. Robertshaw reminded his audience of the importance of checking facts first and having a historical method - he referred to various sources he had chosen, such as the Guildhall Library, the Hon. Artillery Company, York Minster Library, the Vintners Company archives, and gave useful reading tips; for instance, Newman's "Royalist Officers" and Peacock's "Army Lists of Roundheads and Cavaliers". Local record offices too had proved unexpectedly helpful, as well as state papers in the PRO and records of Companies and Guilds.

Next, Alan Guy from the NAM Weapons Department spoke on 'Administrative Records of the 18th Century British Army 1714-1763'. He described selected central records at the PRO, Kew, and gave very useful reference numbers (WO numbers). He also suggested recent literature, highlighting the 1981 publication by J.A. Houlding 'Fit for Service' - relating to the training of the British Army from 1715-1795. The handout for Mr. Guy's talk included all his references and is most useful.

After lunch, Derek Saunders gave an illuminating talk on 'Researching the Men who Fought at Waterloo'. Mr. Saunders is Chairman of the Waterloo Committee at the NAM and surprised some of his audience by giving the true facts and figures of the British Army actually involved in the Waterloo Campaign. There were 71 fighting units present, totalling 40,300 men, women and children. Most soldiers were, in fact, seasoned troops who had fought in the Peninsula War, not inexperienced youngsters as was sometimes thought. The killed/wounded in the British Army numbered about 3000 out of a total of 11,000 casualties; so the numbers were smaller than many people realised. Mr. Saunders gave various sources at the PRO as being particularly helpful on this subject, especially Medal Rolls (Waterloo Medal), Casualty Returns (WO25), Muster Rolls (WO12), Prize Records (WO164) and Pensions (WO97). There were also official papers and diaries kept throughout the Peninsula War which had proved helpful in his research.

Elizabeth Talbot Rice, the Information and Research Officer at the NAM, then gave the final talk on 'Sources of Information on Soldiers of the First World War'. She too handed out a list of useful sources and published works; the booklet, 'A Guide to Military Museums, 1986', was recommended. She stressed the importance of talking to relatives who may have fought in World War I, or to their families, and looking at family papers, diaries or photographs. A soldier's regiment, for example, could sometimes be identified from his uniform in a photograph. She also recommended the Army Records Centre at Hayes, Army Lists, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, Regimental Associations, Regimental headquarters, the Imperial War Museum archives, the British Legion, the British Newspaper Library, the Army Medal Office, the Society of Genealogists, and associations such as the Western Front Association.

After tea there was a period of summing up by Peter Boyden and then an Open Forum for questions and discussion by the audience. The lively exchange of ideas and opinions which followed gave an insight into the interesting cross-section of participants in the Study Day - as well as family historians there were representatives from the Ministry of Defence, the Hon. Artillery Company, the Army Records Centre and local record offices. All in all a very helpful and exhilarating day - congratulations and thanks to the staff at the NAM, the message 'We're here to help you' came across loud and clear!

Rita Burgess

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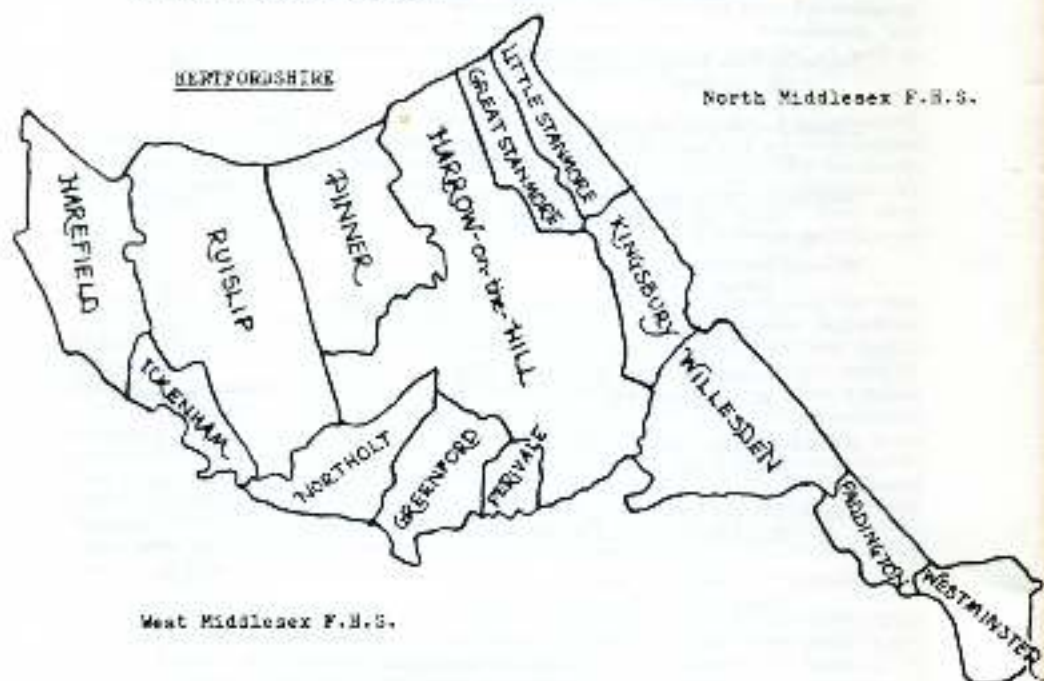
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