Descendants of John Wright and Richard Hesketh Halstead and Wright Line at 3 September 2021

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Dedication

Since I have been doing the research I have wondered how different our lives might have been if our ancestors had not chosen the directions that they did. These directions have made us who we are, and landed us in so many different places.

I wonder at the courage of our ancestors - getting on those ships and sailing to far flung foreign lands, with little or no hope of returning to see their families again. How brave they must have been, or perhaps they were just desperate.

We cannot forget those who stayed at home and kept the home fires burning and gave our intrepid travellers a point of reference.

Whether they stayed in places old or travelled to places new, and whatever the reason for their remaining in, or departing from those homelands, we should continue to thank them for being our parents, grandparents and great grandparents and for helping to make us who we are today.

With this in mind, this book is

For my children and grandchildren and broader family so they know all where we came from. Coral Jones (Blackwell) 2021

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Thank You

I would like to thank all the members of the family who have continued to supply me with information. There are too many to name, but you know who you are. Without that information, this book would not exist.

Special thanks go to my late aunts, Pax Towt (Blackwell) and Eve Johnson (Blackwell) and my mother Nancye Blackwell, without whose collaboration, enthusiasm, encouragement and advice, I may never have continued with this research.

My research is also interlinked with many other researchers whose families are linked to our own. Thank you to those people who have carried out research into these other family branches. Please see the bibliography and sources at the back of this book for this information. (As a paper saving measure I sometimes omit this information, but it can be supplied on request).

Introduction

Many strange and interesting facts are discovered in the process of family tree research. It can be costly and frustrating, but the results are so worthwhile, all the negatives disappear.

Sadly, there are some facts that will never be known, and a certain amount of supposition then comes into play, but a fact is not a fact without written evidence, so where ever possible, that evidence has been included in the sources section of this book. (As a paper saving measure I sometimes omit this information but it can be supplied on request).

I have carried out this research mostly at my own cost, and in my own time, but I believe that the more people this information is shared with, the longer it will last. I am happy to share this information with the family and I hope that you get some benefit out of my 30 plus years of research.

My motto is "always ask the questions". Sometimes you don't get the answers you want and would like, but if you don't ask, you will never know.

Research can be dry and boring to read and can only go so far, conversations round it all out. Over the years the conversation becomes less and the research becomes greater. It is important to try to have some family stories included amongst the research to make the family seem alive.

DNA has opened up a whole new realm of research and DNA has helped me solve, or put to rest, some family mysteries and dead ends. Without DNA, one entire line of my own tree was incomplete and incorrect. We now know more about our past than we could ever have hoped for. I am sure that DNA research will continue to solve some mysteries, and possibly even create some new mysteries.

I only ask one thing, and that is for all the family to continue to contact me with any information that is missing or incorrect, and that you all continue to contact me regarding any births, deaths and marriages. This is a BIG family, and I can't know it unless you tell me.

This book is a work in progress and will never end, as births deaths and marriages continue down the generations in perpetuity. There are bound to be mistakes in this book and I would appreciate being notified of any alterations or corrections that may be found.

Thank you once again for all your help and please enjoy this labour of love that has taken me more than 30 years to produce.

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First Generation

1. John WRIGHT [10251], son of **Robert WRIGHT** [11611], was born in 1662 in Marshside, Lancashire, England and was christened on 19 Oct 1662 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.

Noted events in his life were:

He worked as a Husbandman in North Meols, Lancashire, England.²

John married Elizabeth [10252]. Elizabeth was born in 1660.1

Children from this marriage were:

2 F i. Alice WRIGHT [11612].²

Alice married **William BALL** [11628]³ on 14 Dec 1724 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.³ William was christened on 6 Oct 1694 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.³

3 F ii. **Elisabeth WRIGHT [11613]**² was christened in 1686 in North Meols, Lancashire, England² and was buried on 14 Jul 1762 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.²

Elisabeth married **John THOMASSON** [11625]⁴ on 27 Jan 1725 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁴ John was christened on 15 Nov 1696 in North Meols, Lancashire, England⁴ and was buried on 5 May 1729 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁴

4 F iii. **Jenet WRIGHT [11614]**² was christened on 11 Dec 1686 in North Meols, Lancashire, England² and was buried on 9 Jul 1737 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.²

Jenet married **Richard BALL** [11617]⁵ on 18 Oct 1716 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁵ Richard was christened on 23 Apr 1686 in North Meols, Lancashire, England⁵ and died before 6 Mar 1745.⁵

5 M iv. **Robert WRIGHT [11615]**² was christened on 3 Feb 1690 in North Meols, Lancashire, England² and was buried on 17 Jul 1764 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.²

Robert married **Margaret WRIGHT** [11618]⁶ on 30 Mar 1725 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁶ Margaret was christened on 4 May 1695 in North Meols, Lancashire, England⁶ and was buried on 19 Feb 1773 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁶

- + 6 M v. **Niccolas WRIGHT [10174]**⁷ was born in 1695 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, was christened on 11 Aug 1695 in Saint Cuthbert, North Meols, Lancashire, England, died in Jul 1767 in North Meols, Lancashire, England at age 72, and was buried on 18 Jul 1767 in Saint Cuthbert, North Meols, Lancashire, England.
 - 7 M vi. **Oliver WRIGHT [11616]**² was christened on 27 Oct 1700 in North Meols, Lancashire, England² and was buried on 27 Jan 1729 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.²

Oliver married **Mery JOHNSON** [11623].⁸ Mery was buried on 28 Feb 1729 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁸

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Second Generation (Children)

6. Niccolas WRIGHT [10174]⁷ (*John* ¹) was born in 1695 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ⁷ was christened on 11 Aug 1695 in Saint Cuthbert, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ⁷ died in Jul 1767 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ⁷ at age 72, and was buried on 18 Jul 1767 in Saint Cuthbert, North Meols, Lancashire, England. ⁷

Niccolas married **Ann BALL** [10175]⁷ on 18 Nov 1721 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁹ Ann was born in 1702 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,⁷ was christened on 18 Jun 1702 in Saint Cuthbert, North Meols, Lancashire, England,⁷ died in May 1777 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,⁷ at age 75, and was buried on 31 May 1777 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁷

The child from this marriage was:

+ 8 M i. **John WRIGHT [10162]**¹⁰ was christened on 21 Apr 1734 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ died on 14 Mar 1818 in Marshside, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ at age 83, and was buried on 16 Mar 1818 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹⁰

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Third Generation (Grandchildren)

8. John WRIGHT [10162]¹⁰ (*Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was christened on 21 Apr 1734 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ died on 14 Mar 1818 in Marshside, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ at age 83, and was buried on 16 Mar 1818 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹⁰

John married **Anne BARTON** [10163]¹⁰ on 10 Oct 1758 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁷ Anne was christened on 2 Feb 1735 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England¹⁰ and died on 28 Feb 1797 in North Meols, Lancashire, England¹⁰ at age 62.

Children from this marriage were:

- 9 F i. **Ann WRIGHT [10176]**⁷ was born in Lancashire, England⁷ and was christened on 15 Jul 1759 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁷
 - Ann married **Richard RYMER** [11627]¹¹ on 14 Nov 1780 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹¹ Richard was born in 1751,¹¹ was christened on 13 Oct 1751 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹¹ died on 16 Dec 1797 in Rowe Lane, North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹¹ at age 46, and was buried on 18 Dec 1797 in Rowe Lane, North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹¹
- 10 F ii. Jane WRIGHT [10178]⁷ was christened on 2 May 1762 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁷
- M iii. Nicholas WRIGHT [10179]⁷ was born in 1765 in Lancashire, England,⁷ died in Little London, North Meols, Lancashire, England,⁷ and was buried on 15 Jan 1849 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁷ Nicholas married Alice HOWARD [10183]¹² on 28 Oct 1793 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹² Alice was christened on 3 May 1761 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹² and was buried on 7 Jan 1841 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹²
- + 12 M iv. **John WRIGHT [10158]**¹³ was christened on 19 Apr 1767 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹³ died on 19 Aug 1839 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England ¹³ at age 72, and was buried on 22 Aug 1839 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹³
 - 13 M v. **Robert WRIGHT [10177]**⁷ was born in Marshside, Lancashire, England⁷ and was christened on 9 Jul 1769 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁷
 - 14 F vi. **Betty WRIGHT [10180]**⁷ was christened on 21 Mar 1773 in North Meols, Lancashire, England and was buried on 15 Oct 1851 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.
 - Betty married **John BLUNDELL** [11626]¹⁴ on 29 May 1798 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹⁴ John was christened on 24 Jan 1773 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹⁴ and was buried on 15 May 1855 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹⁴
 - 15 F vii. Jane WRIGHT [10181]⁷ was christened in 1777 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁷

Fourth Generation (Great-Grandchildren)

12. John WRIGHT [10158]¹³ (*John* ³, *Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was christened on 19 Apr 1767 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹³ died on 19 Aug 1839 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, at age 72, and was buried on 22 Aug 1839 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹³

John married **Peggy FAIRCLOUGH** [10159]¹³ on 20 Apr 1795 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹⁰ Peggy was christened on 15 Feb 1767 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹³ died on 23 Dec 1836 in North Meols, Lancashire, England¹³ at age 69, and was buried on 28 Dec 1836 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹³ Other names for Peggy were Margaret¹⁵ and Margaret Faircliffe.¹⁵

Children from this marriage were:

- i. **Ann WRIGHT [10164]**¹⁰ was born on 8 Dec 1795 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ was christened on 27 Dec 1795 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ died on 4 Jan 1871 in Meols Hall, Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ at age 75, and was buried on 9 Jan 1871 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹⁰
 - Ann married **Thomas BAKER** [10172]¹⁶ on 10 Nov 1818 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹⁶ Thomas was born on 30 Dec 1796 in Marshside, Lancashire, England,¹⁷ was christened on 15 Jan 1797 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹⁶ died on 9 Apr 1875 in Meols Hall, Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England¹⁷ at age 78, and was buried on 14 Apr 1875 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹⁷
- + 17 M ii. **John WRIGHT [10134]** was born on 5 Apr 1797 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁸ was christened on 16 Apr 1797 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹³ died in 1868 in Southport, Lancashire, England ¹⁹ at age 71, and was buried on 26 Nov 1868 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹³
 - 18 M iii. **Thomas WRIGHT [10165]**¹⁰ was christened on 3 Mar 1799 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹⁰ Thomas married **Helen PARKINSON** [10185]²⁰ on 29 Jun 1852 in Trinity Church, Southport, Lancashire, England. ²⁰ Helen was born in 1811, ²⁰ died on 27 Feb 1894 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ²⁰ at age 83, and was buried on 2 Mar 1894 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ²⁰
 - 19 M iv. **Robert WRIGHT [10166]**¹⁰ was christened on 1 Feb 1801 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England¹⁰ and was buried on 25 Feb 1811.¹⁰
 - v. George WRIGHT [10167]¹⁰ was born on 12 Jun 1803 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹⁰ was christened on 12 Jun 1803 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹⁰ and died on 26 Jul 1806 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England¹⁰ at age 3.
 - 21 M vi. **Nicholas WRIGHT [10168]**¹⁰ was christened on 21 Apr 1805 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹⁰
- + 22 M vii. **George WRIGHT [10169]**¹⁰ was born on 12 Mar 1807 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ was christened on 22 Mar 1807 in Marshside, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ and was buried on 1 Jan 1878 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹⁰
 - 23 M viii. **Nicholas WRIGHT [10170]**¹⁰ was born on 25 Feb 1810 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England¹⁰ and was christened on 25 Feb 1810 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹⁰

Fifth Generation (2nd Great-Grandchildren)

17. John WRIGHT [10134] (*John* ⁴, *John* ³, *Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was born on 5 Apr 1797 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁸ was christened on 16 Apr 1797 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹³ died in 1868 in Southport, Lancashire, England, ¹⁹ at age 71, and was buried on 26 Nov 1868 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹³

General Notes: at the 1841 census Johns' occupation is given as farmer and he and the family are living at North Meols and 1851 Census, John Wright is said to be a farmer and living at Penwortham, at the 1861 census he is said to be a farmer of 145 acres employing 2 men at Old Hales, Samlesbury, Lancashire

Noted events in his life were:

He has conflicting death information of 22 Nov 1868 and Birkdale, Lancashire, England. 13

John married **Elizabeth HESKETH** [10135] in Dec 1821 in Lancashire, England.²¹ Elizabeth was born on 9 May 1799 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,²² was christened on 26 May 1799 in Marshside, Lancashire, England,²³ died on 30 Mar 1883 in Longton, Lancashire, England²³ at age 83, and was buried on 2 Apr 1883 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.²³ Another name for Elizabeth was Betty Hesketh.²³

Noted events in their marriage were:

• They have conflicting marriage information of 11 Dec 1821 and North Meols, Lancashire, England. 13

Children from this marriage were:

24 F i. **Margaret WRIGHT [10161]**¹³ was born in Marshside, Lancashire, England¹³ and was christened on 28 Apr 1822 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹³

Noted events in her life were:

• She had a residence in Preston, Lancashire, England in 1861.²⁴

Margaret married **Jeffrey WAREING** [10182]²⁴ on 3 Dec 1843 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁴ Jeffrey was born in Crossens, North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁴ and was christened on 14 Dec 1817 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁴

25 F ii. **Ann WRIGHT [10160]**¹³ was born in Moss Lane, North Meols, Lancashire, England¹³ and was christened on 28 Sep 1823 in Moss Lane, North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹³

Ann married **John HODGE** [10173]²⁵ on 21 Sep 1842 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁵ John was born in Rowe Lane, North Meols, Lancashire, England,²⁵ was christened on 18 Jun 1820 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,²⁵ and was buried on 15 Feb 1847 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁵

- 26 M iii. **Robert WRIGHT [10136]** was born in 1827 and was christened on 8 Jul 1827 in Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁶
- 27 F iv. **Mary WRIGHT [10137]** was born about 1827 and was christened on 8 Jul 1827 in Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁷

Noted events in her life were:

- She has conflicting birth information of 8 Jul 1827 and Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England.²⁷
- 28 F v. **Alice WRIGHT [10138]** was born about 1829 and was christened on 15 Mar 1829 in Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England. 28
- 29 M vi. **John WRIGHT [10139]** was born in 1831.
- + 30 M vii. **Thomas WRIGHT [10081]** was born about 1833 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ²⁹ was christened on 17 Mar 1833 in Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ³⁰ and died on 20 Jan 1911 in Southport, Lancashire, England³¹ aged about 78.
- 31 M viii. **Richard WRIGHT [10140]** was born about 1834 and was christened on 14 Dec 1834 in Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England.³²
- 32 F ix. **Jane WRIGHT [10141]** was born in 1837 and was christened on 2 Apr 1837 in Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England.³³
- 33 F x. **Elizabeth WRIGHT [10142]** was born in 1840, was christened on 7 Nov 1841 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ³⁴ died on 12 May 1865 in North Meols, Lancashire, England at age

25, and was buried on 17 May 1865 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. 34

- + 34 M xi. **George WRIGHT [10143]**³⁵ was born about 1841 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ³⁶ was christened on 7 Nov 1841 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ³⁷ and died in 1916 in West Hanningfield, Essex, England ³⁸ aged about 75.
 - 35 M xii. **Nicholas WRIGHT [10144]** was born about 1843 and was christened on 20 Nov 1843 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England.³⁹

Nicholas married **Jane BARTON** [10184]³⁹ on 21 Apr 1874 in St Leonard's, Balderstone, Lancashire, England.³⁹ Jane was born on 6 Apr 1846 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.³⁹ and was christened on 17 May 1846 in St Leonard's, Balderstone, Lancashire, England.³⁹

22. George WRIGHT [10169]¹⁰ (*John* ⁴, *John* ³, *Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was born on 12 Mar 1807 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ was christened on 22 Mar 1807 in Marshside, Lancashire, England, ¹⁰ and was buried on 1 Jan 1878 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ¹⁰

George married **Mary APPLETON** [10171]⁴⁰ on 15 May 1832 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁴⁰ Mary was born on 30 Oct 1811 in Liverpool, Lancashire, England,⁴⁰ was christened on 3 Feb 1812 in Liverpool, Lancashire, England,⁴⁰ and was buried on 24 Mar 1890 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁴⁰

Children from this marriage were:

- + 36 F i. **Elizabeth WRIGHT [10205]** was born in 1833 in North Meols, Lancashire, England and died in 1864 at age 31.
 - 37 M ii. **George WRIGHT [11717]**⁴¹ was born on 11 Feb 1835 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ⁴¹ was christened on 8 Jan 1836 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ⁴¹ and was buried on 14 Apr 1836 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ⁴¹
 - 38 F iii. **Mary WRIGHT [11718]**⁴¹ was born about 1838 in Southport, Lancashire, England⁴¹ and died about May 1913 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England⁴¹ aged about 75.

Mary married **Henry HODGE** [11820]⁴² on 14 May 1855 in Trinity Church, Southport, Lancashire, England.⁴² Henry was born on 31 Jul 1836 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England,⁴² was christened on 31 Jul 1836 in Southport, Lancashire, England,⁴² and died on 30 Nov 1893 in Lancaster, Lancashire, England⁴² at age 57.

- 39 F iv. Margaret WRIGHT [11719]⁴¹ was born about 1842 in England.⁴¹
- 40 M v. William WRIGHT [11720]⁴¹ was born about 1846 in Southport, Lancashire, England.⁴¹
- 41 F vi. Victoria E WRIGHT [11721]⁴¹ was born in 1852 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.⁴¹

Sixth Generation (3rd Great-Grandchildren)

30. Thomas WRIGHT [10081] (John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born about 1833 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ²⁹ was christened on 17 Mar 1833 in Pitts House, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ³⁰ and died on 20 Jan 1911 in Southport, Lancashire, England ³¹ aged about 78.

Noted events in his life were:

- In 1841 he resided at Pitts House, in North Meols, Lancashire, England.
- In 1851 he resided at Hall Farm, Priory Road in Penwortham, Lancashire, England.
- On 22 Apr 1858 he resided at Old Hall in Samlesbury, Lancashire, England.
- In 1861 he resided at Cottage Lane in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.
- In 1871 he resided at Daisy Hill, in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.
- In 1881 he resided at Daisy Hill in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.⁴⁷
- In 1891 he resided at 15 York Street in Birkdale, Lancashire, England. 48
- In 1901 he resided at 51 Belmont Street in Southport, Lancashire, England. 49
- In 1911 he resided at 99 Sheffield Road in Southport, Lancashire, England.

Thomas married **Margaret COUPE** [10080] on 22 Apr 1858 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.⁵¹ Margaret was born in Apr 1838 in Mellor, Lancashire, England.⁵² and died on 20 Sep 1920 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England.⁵³ at age 82. Another name for Margaret was Margaret Coup.

Noted events in her life were:

- On 22 Apr 1858 she resided at Lane Side in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.
- Margaret was living with her son Robert Wright 31 years, Joiner, his wife Elvie Mary 28 years, Calvert Charles Wright 5 and Elvie Mawson 12.⁵⁵
- She has conflicting death information of 1920 and Ormskirk, Lancashire, England.

Children from this marriage were:

42 F i. Elizabeth WRIGHT [10089] was born about 1859 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.

General Notes: Witnesses to Thomas and Elizabeths marriage were Maria and Walter Halstead.

Elizabeth married **Thomas ROSTRON** [10266] on 4 Nov 1886 in Mellor, Lancashire, England.⁵⁶ Thomas was born about 1848.

43 M ii. George WRIGHT [10088] was born about 1861 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.

General Notes: In June 1890 George and his wife and eldest child, Margaret travelled to the USA on the Ship Paronia. One daughter was born in the USA but by 1901 census, they were back living in England.

George married **Annie Maria WILCOCK** [10267] on 16 Aug 1887 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England.⁵⁷ Annie was born about 1865.

44 M iii. **John WRIGHT [10087]** was born in 1864 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England⁵⁸ and died in 1937 in Southport, Lancashire, England at age 73.

General Notes: Some family trees have John Wright marrying Catherine Meadows, however, in the Parish Registers, the father of this John is actually a William Wright, so I doubt this is the correct marriage. If this is not the correct John, the below newspaper and other stories do not belong to this John Wright and therefore the death will also be incorrect.



Maxim's Flying Machine

Lancashire Evening Post January 12, 1937 SOUTHPORT STEAMER CAPTAIN DEAD

John Wright, Marshside Road, Southport, who was ex-chairman of the Southport Boating Company and member of the old Southport Lifeboat crew, died at his home, aged 75, today. He had also been pleasure steamer captain and manager of Sir Hiram Maxim's captive flying boats on Southport Pleasureland.

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Sir Hiram Maxim, in 1878, lost a priority patent battle with Thomas Edison over the invention of the electric light. He next invented the machine gun, found the US Department of War unreceptive, and moved to England in 1881 where the Royal Army was more convivial. In England he devoted much of his life to research in aviation but made little substantial contribution. In his first public address on aeronautics, Wilbur Wright credited Maxim for making the first powered flight, although it was uncontrolled and could not be sustained. Maxim was convinced that propulsion was the central problem in aviation and built a lightweight steam engine that developed 180-horsepower. He mounted two of these on a huge multi-wing airplane and tested it on a track. The track was designed to hold the biplane down, letting it rise only a few inches. But during one test in 1894, the track failed to restrain the biplane and it took off with three people aboard, careened through the air for several hundred feet, and then crashed and was demolished. Thankfully none aboard were serious injured. This was, as Wilbur pointed out, perhaps the first time an airplane took off from level ground under its own power. However, owing the lack of effective controls and a skilled pilot to man them, it could hardly be considered a flight. Nonetheless, he had many other successful inventions, among them the mousetrap and the bronchial inhaler. In 1901 Queen Victoria knighted him for his contributions to science and technology.

In 1904, he designed an amusement ride to help fund his research. Based on one of his aeronautical test rigs, he called it the Captive Flying Machine. Today it is better known as the Circle Swing and it's a staple at every carnival and amusement park. Maxim built a huge (but unsuccessful) biplane in 1910 and in 1911 he partnered with the pilots Claude Grahame-White and Louis Bleriot to develop an airplane capable of lifting a 500-pound (227 kilogram) payload that could be used as a bomber. Ill health prevented him from completing this project and he died in 1916.

Noted events in his life were:

- In 1911 he resided at 99 Shellfield Road in Southport, Lancashire, England.
- + 45 F iv. **Maria WRIGHT [10074]** was born on 14 Jan 1866 in Salmsebury, Lancashire, England⁶⁰ and died on 13 Oct 1921 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England⁶¹ at age 55.
 - 46 F v. Mary WRIGHT [10226] was born about 1869 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England. 62
 - 47 M vi. Thomas WRIGHT [10086] was born in 1871 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England.

General Notes: Witnesses to Thomas and Elizabeth's marriage were Nicholas Wright and Ellen Johnson.

Thomas was a builder and joiner.

It is likely that Thomas and Elizabeth and family emigrated to Canada after the 1911 census and that Thomas died in Moosejaw, Canada on the 18th May 1956.

Thomas married **Elizabeth JOHNSON** [10268] on 4 Apr 1893 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England. ⁶³ Elizabeth was born about 1871.

48 F vii. **Jane Ann WRIGHT [10085]** was born in 1873 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, was christened on 2 Mar 1873 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, ⁶⁴ and died on 25 Mar 1905 in The Whittingham Asylum, near Preston, Lancashire, England at age 32.

General Notes: Jane was admited to the Whittingham Asylum on 13 March 1905. She was reported to have been unwell for only 1 week. She was described as a lunatic. She was having delusions and spoke in a rambling incoherent manner about her electric influence and responsibilities. She took a bible and said the influences proceeded from that. She said the electric influences over all the birds she had given over to her sister-in-law.

Thomas Wright, 26 Bury Road, Birkdale, near Southport, joiner, brother to the above, states, she kept her finger on the electric bell push and would not remove it, saying she exerted her electric influence on people in that manner. She had a delusion that they suspected her of trying to poison her sister.

She died on the 25th of March 1905.

- + 49 M viii. **Nicholas WRIGHT [10084]** was born on 23 Dec 1874 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, ⁶⁵ was christened on 28 Mar 1875 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, ⁶⁵ and died on 6 Oct 1911 in Lancashire, England, ⁶⁶ at age 36.
 - 50 F ix. **Margaret WRIGHT [10083]** was born in 1877 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, was christened on 5 Aug 1877 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, ⁶⁷ and died on 30 Aug 1954 in Matsqui, British Columbia, Canada at age 77.

General Notes: There is a DNA match between a grandchild of this person and Nancye Blackwell on Ancestry.com Feb 2019.

Margaret married John Trewitt MAWSON [10273] in 1897 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England. 68

- + 51 M x. **Robert WRIGHT [10082]** was born in 1880 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England and died on 27 Aug 1952 in State College, Centre, Pennsylvania, USA at age 72.
- **34. George WRIGHT [10143]**³⁵ (*John*⁵, *John*⁴, *John*³, *Niccolas*², *John*¹) was born about 1841 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ³⁶ was christened on 7 Nov 1841 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ³⁷ and died in 1916 in West Hanningfield, Essex, England, ³⁸ aged about 75.

General Notes: George Wright and Elizabeth Cowpe were married at Salmesbury C of E. George was a farmer and fathers names are given as John Wright and Thomas Cowpe, both farmers. Witnesses to the marriage were Nicholas Wright and Elizabeth ???? possibly Brown

Preliminary children details Nancy 1872-1911 Mary 1874-1955 Jane 1876 Elizabeth 1878 Margaret Ann 1879 - 1880 Margaret Ann 1880 - 1960 George 1884 Lilly 1886 Isabel 1890

George married **Elizabeth Betty COWPE** [10145] on 3 Nov 1870 in Salmsebury, Lancashire, England.⁶⁹ Elizabeth was born in 1845 in Salmsebury, Lancashire, England⁷⁰ and died in 1927 in West Hanningfield, Essex, England at age 82. Other names for Elizabeth were Elizabeth Coup and Elizabeth Coupe.

The child from this marriage was:

- + 52 F i. **Nancye WRIGHT [10148]** was born in 1872 in Southport, Lancashire, England and died on 7 Jun 1911 in Preston, Lancashire, England at age 39.
- **36.** Elizabeth WRIGHT [10205] (George ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born in 1833 in North Meols, Lancashire, England and died in 1864 at age 31.

Elizabeth married **William HODGE** [10206] on 10 Nov 1853 in Southport, Lancashire, England. William was born in 1828 and died in 1886 at age 58.

The child from this marriage was:

+ 53 M i. **George Thomas J HODGE [10207]** was born in 1854 in Southport, Lancashire, England and died in 1934 in Ontario, Canada at age 80.

Seventh Generation (4th Great-Grandchildren)

45. Maria WRIGHT [10074] (*Thomas* ⁶, *John* ⁵, *John* ⁴, *John* ³, *Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was born on 14 Jan 1866 in Salmsebury, Lancashire, England⁶⁰ and died on 13 Oct 1921 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England⁶¹ at age 55. The cause of her death was Asthma/Broncho pneumonia.

General Notes: Witnesses to Walter and Maria's wedding were George Henry Halstead and Mary Wright.

England & Wales, National Probate Calendar (Index of Wills and Administrations), 1858-1966, 1973-1995 for Maria Halstead 1922 Haag-Kyte

Maria Halstead of Prospect House, Wilpshire, Blackburn, widow, died 13th October 1921, Administration Lancaster, 12 January to Dora Whittaker, wife of John Percival Whittaker. Effects £160.



Maria Halstead
photo supplied by Patricia
Wright (Whittaker) Feb
2018

Noted events in her life were:

• On 5 Jan 1889 she resided at York Road, in Liverpool, Lancashire, England.

Maria married **Walter HALSTEAD** [10075] on 5 Jan 1889 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England.⁷² Walter was born on 11 Jul 1867 in Burnley, Lancashire, England⁷³ and died on 27 Apr 1920 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England⁷⁴ at age 52. The cause of his death was shot himself with a revolver whilst not of sound mind.

Noted events in his life were:

- In 1871 he resided at Bridge End, Habergham Eaves, in Burnley, Lancashire, England. 76
- In 1881 he resided at 63 Great Bolton Street in Blackburn, Lancashire, England. 77
- On 5 Jan 1889 he resided at 79 Alexander Road, in Blackburn, Lancashire, England.
- In Aug 1889 he resided at 15 York Road in Birkdale, Lancashire, England.
- In 1891 he resided at 16 Broom Street in Blackburn, Lancashire, England.
- In 1901 he resided at 13 Broom Street in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, 79
- In 1911 he resided at Meadow Side, in Wilpshire, Lancashire, England.

Walter Halstead taken in Switzerland photo supplied by Pat Whittaker Wright 2018

Children from this marriage were:

- + 54 M i. **Harold HALSTEAD [10072]** was born on 9 Aug 1889 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England, ⁸¹ died on 5 Jul 1946 in Newcastle, NSW, Australia ⁸² at age 56, and was cremated on 6 Jul 1946 in Newcastle, NSW. Australia. ⁸³
 - 55 M ii. **Thomas Henry HALSTEAD [10117]** was born on 3 Jun 1892 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁴ was christened on 26 Mar 1893 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁴ and died in 1893 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England at age 1.
- + 56 F iii. **Lena HALSTEAD [10118]** was born on 15 Apr 1894 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁵ was christened on 27 May 1894 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁶ and died in Mar 1960 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England ⁸⁷ at age 65.
- + 57 F iv. **Dora HALSTEAD [10123]** was born on 8 Oct 1898 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁸ was christened on 20 Dec 1898 in Southport, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁸ and died in Sep 1972 in Amounderness, Lancashire, England⁸⁹ at age 73.
- **49. Nicholas WRIGHT [10084]** (*Thomas* ⁶, *John* ⁵, *John* ⁴, *John* ³, *Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was born on 23 Dec 1874 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, ⁶⁵ was christened on 28 Mar 1875 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England, ⁶⁵ and died on 6 Oct 1911 in Lancashire, England, ⁶⁶ at age 36.

General Notes: Nicholas was a cycle agent and repairer.

Nicholas married **Edith Jane HARTLEY** [10269] in 1903 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England. ⁹⁰ Edith was born about 1880 and died in 1946 aged about 66.

Children from this marriage were:

- 58 F i. Doris Mary WRIGHT [10270] was born in 1906 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England.
- 59 F ii. Nora Beatrice WRIGHT [10271] was born on 6 Jul 1907 and was christened on 15 Sep 1907 in

Lancaster, Lancashire, England.

- + 60 M iii. **Leslie Nicholas WRIGHT [10067]** was born on 27 Jun 1908 in Lancashire, England, was christened on 16 Aug 1908 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England, and died in 1980 in Essex, England at age 72.
 - 61 F iv. **Edith Marion WRIGHT [10272]** was born on 29 Oct 1910 and was christened on 18 Dec 1910 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England.
- **51. Robert WRIGHT [10082]** (*Thomas* ⁶, *John* ⁵, *John* ⁴, *John* ³, *Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was born in 1880 in Balderstone, Lancashire, England and died on 27 Aug 1952 in State College, Centre, Pennsylvania, USA at age 72.

General Notes: Robert was a joiner and builder. He seems to have emigrated to Canada, but later moved to the USA.

Robert married Elsie Mary CUNLIFFE [10274] in 1904 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England. 92

Children from this marriage were:

- 62 M i. Calvert Charles WRIGHT [10275] was born in 1906 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England.
- 63 M ii. Norman WRIGHT [10276] was born about 1915 in Canada.
- 64 F iii. Cecilie WRIGHT [10277] was born about 1921 in Canada.
- **52.** Nancye WRIGHT [10148] (George ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born in 1872 in Southport, Lancashire, England and died on 7 Jun 1911 in Preston, Lancashire, England at age 39.

Nancye married **John PROCTER** [10149] in 1900 in Preston, Lancashire, England. Another name for John was John Proctor.

The child from this marriage was:

- + 65 F i. **Nancye PROCTER [10150]** was born in 1911 in Preston, Lancashire, England and died on 8 Aug 1994 in Tenby, Wales, England at age 83.
- **53. George Thomas J HODGE [10207]** (*Elizabeth WRIGHT*⁶, *George* ⁵, *John* ⁴, *John* ³, *Niccolas* ², *John* ¹) was born in 1854 in Southport, Lancashire, England and died in 1934 in Ontario, Canada at age 80.

George married **Elizabeth BLUNDELL** [10208] in 1876 in Lancashire, England. Elizabeth died in 1886 in Southport, Lancashire, England.

George next married **Arabella TYRER** [10209] in 1887 in Lancashire, England. Arabella died in 1921 in Ontario, Canada.

The child from this marriage was:

+ 66 M i. **John Bertram HODGE [10210]** was born in 1893 in Stisted, Ontario, Canada and died in 1928 in Muskoka, Ontario, Canada at age 35.

Eighth Generation (5th Great-Grandchildren)

54. Harold HALSTEAD [10072] (Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born on 9 Aug 1889 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England, ⁸¹ died on 5 Jul 1946 in Newcastle, NSW, Australia ⁸² at age 56, and was cremated on 6 Jul 1946 in Newcastle, NSW, Australia. ⁸³ The cause of his death was ureamia, left pyonephrosis with rupture into the peritoneum, peritonitis/right basal pneumonia.

General Notes: My special thanks go to Patricia Wright of USA/Canada for remembering my question from November 2016, asking her if she had a male relative in Australia in 1912. Also thanks to Patricia's father, for sharing a story some 14 months later, about his Uncle who came to Australia about the time of WW1. If Patricia had not given me her great uncles name, I would almost certainly have been so easily able to find out who Harold was. DNA is amazing, but it can't replace the spoken word for making connections. It is great to find our new cousins that we did not know about. Coral Jones Jan 2018



Harold Halstead photo supplied by Patricia Wright (Whittaker) from the collection of her Father Barry Whittaker, nephew of Harold Halstead. (Cir 1914)

Harold left England in May 1910 to travel to Australia on the Ship the Suevic.

It is uncertain where Harold disembarked when he arrived in Australia, but it is thought he may have landed in Melbourne.

from the Victorian Public Record Office website: - Unassisted passenger lists (1852-1923) Record Series Number (VPRS): 947 Age: 20 date: 03 JUN 4 port: B ship: SUEVIC year: 1910 HALSTEAD, HAROLD MR.

On 21 August 1914, Harold enlisted in the army to serve in WW1. His service number was 191. He was 5 feet 8 inches tall and weighed 9lbs 7, I presume this actually means 9 stone 7ozs. His chest was 34 inches and his complexion was fair with brown hair and brown eyes and his religion was given as C of E. He was wounded in the shoulder whilst fighting at the Dardanelle's at Gallipoli on 8th May 1915. He returned to Australia in mid 1916 and was discharged due to illness . In 1922 he collected his Victory medal at Manangatang, but he also collected another medal in 1922 from Victoria Barracks in Carlton.

Harold appears to have worked at the Lux Foundry in Brunswick for about 3 years prior to his enlistment, and was re-employed by the foundry after his discharge in 1916. The factory was shut down due to a strike and Harold was forced to find employment elsewhere. He worked at the Naval Store for a short time, and then worked as a labourer for the Brunswick Council for a short time before he moved to Kulwin late in 1920. Harold applied for an Indulgence Passage to return to England in 1916, but this was refused by the State War Council per a letter dated 10 November 1916.

Harold was granted a Soldier settlers block about 1920. The land was described as allotment 23, Winnambool, Kulwin. Kulwin is a locality in Victoria, Australia, located approximately 36 km to the east of Ouyen, Victoria. Kulwin Post Office opened on 16 August 1920 when the railway arrived and closed on 19 November 1974. His postal address was Manangatang. Harold forfeited the land at Kulwin in August 1925.

In April 1937, Harold was living at 9 Argyle Street, St. Kilda but a letter addressed to him dated 2 March 1937 gives his address as 66 Wilson Street, Burnie. He appears to have lived at various addresses in Tasmania, including Burnie and Latrobe from 1932-1936 approx. I have found Harold and Bridget in the 1936 and 1937 Electoral Rolls living at the Central Hotel in Burnie. Harold's occupation is given Manager. It seems Bridget and Harold separated between 1937 and 1943 as they are listed at different addresses in the 1943 Electoral Rolls. Bridget living in Traralgon, Victoria and Harold in Newcastle, New South Wales. I have now discovered that Harold and Bridget divorced in 1942.

Harold enlisted in Newcastle New South Wales, in the Army Citizen Military Forces during World War 2. His service number was N467395. He was discharged on the 20th March 1945.

The Bertram's referred to in the funeral notice appear to be Felix Hendry Bertam and Vera May Bertram of 100 Lawson Street, Hamilton in the 1943 electoral roll. Harold's address is given as 100 Lawson Street, Hamilton in the 1943 electoral roll and his occupation is given as sales manager.

Advocate (Burnie, Tas. : 1890 - 1954) Sat 18 Jul 1931 Page 6 BURNIE. Notice To Quit:

At the police court yesterday morning three residents were dealt with for having failed to quit premises when requested by legal notice to do so. A. M. Young proceeded against Joseph Fisher in reference to a

house occupied by him at Wivenhoe. Mr. T. M. Crisp . (Messrs. Crisp and Edwards), who appeared for the complainant, said that he had arranged with Fisher to give up possession of the house within a fortnight. He asked that an order be made accordingly, and

that the bench remit the costs, as defendant was not in regular employment. The order was made. Albert Cruse pleaded guilty to a charge of having failed to quit a house occupied by him and owned by John Hancox at Upper Burnie. Mr. Crisp appeared for the complainant, and made a similar application to that in the previous case. The defendant was ordered to give up the promises by July 31. Court costs were remitted. There was no appearance of Walter Bowden, who was charged in respect of premises occupied by him at Wivenhoe and owned by George Hull. The case was heard ex parte.

Harold Halstead told the court that he was the Burnie representative of J. F. Brady and Co., agents for Mr. Hull. Defendant had taken possession of the property in May last without the consent of the owner or his agents, and although he had been served with two quit notices had refused to leave the house. Bowden was ordered to quit the premises by July 31. Costs in this case were also remitted.

Examiner (Launceston, Tas.: 1900 - 1954) Sat 17 Dec 1932 Page 5 WYNYARD STREET ACCIDENT

Yesterday at the corner of Alexander and High streets a collision occured between a car driven by Harold Halstead, of Burnie, and another car driven by John Joseph Doolan, which was going down High-street. Halstead's car was damaged to the extent of £10, and Doolan's to a lesser degree. No one was injured.

Advocate (Burnie, Tas.: 1890 - 1954) Sat 7 Jan 1933 Page 2 Social Notes.

Mr. Harold Halstead, manager of J. F. Brady's, Burnie, is a passenger on the Dimboola, on the first "round" tourist trip to Sydney, Brisbane, and Melbourne, and will return to Burnie on the 19th.

Advocate (Burnie, Tas. : 1890 - 1954) Sat 14 Oct 1933 Page 6 BURNIE.

Ordered to Quit Premises:

George Leahy was charged at the Police Court yesterday with having refused to quit premises in Ladbrooke street. **Harold Halstead** said that on May 13 last he let defendant a house. He had been an unsatisfactory tenant, and in September last witness had given him a month's notice to quit the house. He was still occupying it. Defendant said he had been working for the dole. He had tried to get another house, but had been unsuccessful. **Mr. Halstead** said he had not been harsh to defendant. The bench ordered defendant to leave the house in 14 days, and to pay 8/ costs.

Examiner (Launceston, Tas. : 1900 - 1954) Tue 3 Sep 1935 Page 5 THE NORTH-WEST EJECTMENT ORDER

In the Burnie Police Court yesterday morning, before Colonel J. P. Clark, P.M., Harold Halstead, agent for Florence and Hugh McKenna, applied for an ejectment order against Hannah Maria Hudson in respect of a cottage at Wivenhoe, which she had refused to quit when notice was served on her on August 17. The ease was heard ex parte, and Colonel Clark ordered the defendant to deliver up possession before noon on September 21. Costs were remitted.

Advocate (Burnie, Tas.: 1890 - 1954) Tue 3 Sep 1935 Page 6 BURNIE. Order to Quit:

In the Burnie Police Court yesterday morning, before Colonel J. P. Clark, Police Magistrate, Harold Halstead manager for J. F. Brady, agent for Florence and Hugh McKenna, in respect to a cottage at Wivenhoe tenanted by Hannah Maria Hudson, sought an ejectment order against her, on the ground that she had refused to quit and deliver up the premises within seven days of receiving a notice to quit on August 17. The defendant did not appear, and the case was heard ex parte. Evidence was given by Mr. Halstead, it being stated that the defendant had previously been served with notice to quit some months ago, but had refused to do so. She was many months behind with rent. The P.M. ordered the defendant to quit and deliver up possession of the premises to Mr. Halstead on or before 12 noon on September 21. Costs were remitted.

Examiner (Launceston, Tas. : 1900 - 1954) Mon 25 Nov 1935 Page 5 Country Interests:: District News BURNIE

HORSE DESTROYED

A collision occurred at the intersection of Jones and William streets, West Burnie, on Saturday evening, between a car driven by Mr. Harold Halstead, and a horse drawn milk delivery cart, driven by Mr. Gordon Terry. As a result the horse, which received a broken leg, was subsequently destroyed. The occupants of the vehicles escaped with slight abrasions. The owner of the horse estimated its value as £20.

Examiner (Launceston, Tas. : 1900 - 1954) Sat 18 Jan 1936 Page 7 THE NORTH-WEST Advocate (Burnie, Tas. : 1890 - 1954) Sat 18 Jan 1936 Page 6 BURNIE.

The sequel to a collision at the junction of Jones and William streets on November 23 took place in the Police Court yesterday morning, when Harold Halstead was charged with having on that day driven a car negligently in Jones-street, and Gordon Douglas Terry was charged with having failed to give way with his milk cart to a vehicle on his right at the junction, also with having driven a milk cart so constructed as to prevent the driver from having a sufficient view of the traffic on either side. Mr. T. H. Crisp appeared for Halstead and Mr. Leslie Hudson represented Terry. Mr. Hudson stated that civil action was pending in connection with the incident, and he therefore asked that the case be adjourned. The Police Magistrate stated that if that were so he would grant the application, as he did not wish to prejudice the civil case. He adjourned the cases until 9.30 a.m. on February 14.

Advocate (Burnie, Tas.: 1890 - 1954) Wed 26 Feb 1936 Page 6 BURNIE.

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Before the Commissioner, Albert Ernest Terry will claim £25 from Harold Halstead for damages allegedly caused as a result of a collision between defendant's car and plaintiff's milk cart, then being driven by Gordon Terry, at the junction of William street and Jones street on November 23. As a result of this collision plaintiff's horse was injured to such an extent that it had to be destroyed.

Examiner (Launceston, Tas. : 1900 - 1954) Wed 18 Mar 1936 Page 5 BURNIE BURNIE

POLICE COURT

In the Burnie Police Court yesterday Gordon Douglas Terry was charged with having on November 23 last being the driver of a milk cart, failed to yield the right of way to a car driven by Harold Halstead at the junction of William and Jones streets; also with having on the same date been the driver of a milk cart so constructed as to prevent the driver from having a sufficient view of the traffic following on either side of the vehicle. Harold Halstead was charged with having on the same date driven a motor car negligently in Jones-street. Sergeant E. J. Butller, who prosecuted, said that a collision had occurred between the two vehicles, and the charges had been held over to allow civil proceedings to take place. The civil action had now been settled, and he asked that both charges be withdrawn, to which request the bench acceded.

Newcastle Morning Herald and Miners' Advocate (NSW : 1876 - 1954) Sat 6 Jul 1946 Page 2 Family Notices

HALSTEAD.--The Relatives and Friend of Mr. and Mrs. P. BERTRAM (of 100 Lawson-street, Hamilton, are Invited to attend the Funeral of their late friend. HAROLD HALSTEAD, to move from T. Moore's Private Chapel, Williams. Hamilton. This Afternoon, at 3.15 o'clock. for Beresfield Crematorium. THOMAS MOORE, 630 Funeral Director.

R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. Hamilton Sub.branch.

HALSTEAD.--Members of the above are requested to attend the Funeral of their late Member. HAROLD HALSTEAD. For particulars see family notice. J. ARMSTRONG, Pres. J. ARMSTRONG, Pres. H. GAUDIN, Sec. 631

Hamilton R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. Memorial Hall (R. S. S. & A. I. L. A. stands for Returned Sailors', Soldiers' and Airmen's Imperial League of Australia)

R.S.S. & A.I.L.A. Memorial Hall: 24-August-2011

The Memorial Hall commemorates those who have served in conflicts in which Australia has been involved.

The building dates from the late 1880's, when the various friendly societies were consolidating their position in the community. It has historical associations both with the Manchester Unity and the Independent Order of Oddfellows. On November 9th 1955 it was rededicated as the R.S.S. & A.I.L.A.

Location

Address: Kennedy Street, Hamilton, 3300

State: VIC Area: AUS

GPS Coordinates: Lat: -37.744525

Long: 142.020514

Note: GPS Coordinates are approximate.

http://monumentaustralia.org.au/themes/conflict/multiple/display/31511-hamilton-r.s.s.-and-a.i.l.a.-

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Noted events in his life were:

- He emigrated departing for Australia on the ship Suevic from Liverpool, Lancashire, England in May 1910.⁹⁴
- In 1913 he resided at 521 Sydney Road, in Brunswick, Vic, Australia.⁹⁵
- Harold served in the military from 1914 to 1916: World War 1 service number 191.⁹⁶
- In 1914 he resided at 5 Breeze Street in Brunswick, Vic, Australia. 97
- He had a residence in Tasmania, Australia from 1931 to 1936.
- He served in the military in Australia: enlisted in Newcastle New South Wales, in the B884: Army Citizen Military Forces WW2 from 1939 to 1945. 98
- In 1943 he resided at 100 Lawson Street in Hamilton, NSW, Australia.

Harold had a relationship with **Catherine Mary SLATER** [1271]. No evidence this couple married. Catherine was born on 16 Oct 1887 in Kyneton, Vic, Australia, ⁹⁹ was christened on 25 Oct 1887 in Kyneton, Vic, Australia, ¹⁰⁰ died on 10 Jun 1976 in Malvern, Vic, Australia ¹⁰¹ at age 88, and was cremated on 15 Jun 1976 in Springvale, Vic, Australia. ¹⁰² The cause of her death was coronary occlusion, ischaemic heart disease, valvular heart disease. Other names for Catherine were Kitty Bonham, Kate Slater, and Kitty Slater.



Catherine Mary Slater (Cir 1908)

Noted events in her life were:

- In Nov 1910 she resided at Sutherland Street in Brunswick, Vic, Australia.
- In Sep 1912 she resided at usual residence given on birth certificate of son in Brunswick, Vic, Australia.¹⁰⁴
- In 1914 she resided at 9 Sutherland Street in Brunswick, Vic, Australia. 105
- From 1915 to 1919 she resided at 185 Stawell Street in Richmond, Victoria, Australia. 105
- She had a residence in Campbellfield, Vic, Australia in 1924. 105
- From 1924 to 1936 she resided at Nicholas & Watson Streets in Broadmeadows, Vic, Australia. 105
- In 1937 she resided at Nicholas & Watson Streets in Broadmeadows, Vic, Australia.
- She had a residence in Garfield, Vic, Australia in 1942. 105
- In 1949 she resided at 21 Hanover Street in Oakleigh, Vic, Australia. 105
- In 1954 she resided at Fifth Avenue in Bribie Island, QLD, Australia. 105
- She had a residence in Iona, Vic, Australia in 1963. 105
- In 1972 she resided at Campbell Street in Garfield, Vic, Australia. 105
- In 1976 she resided at Eunice Flats, Wannaeue Street in Rosebud, Vic, Australia. 105

The child from this relationship was:

+ 67 M i. **Harold William Slater BONHAM [244]**¹⁰⁶ was born on 4 Sep 1912 in Carlton, Victoria, Australia, ¹⁰⁷ died on 4 Jul 2002 in Inverloch, Vic, Australia ¹⁰⁸ at age 89, and was buried on 9 Jul 2002 in Bunyip, Vic, Australia. ¹⁰⁹

Harold married **Bridget Eleanor O'NEIL** [10077] in 1918 in Victoria, Australia. 110 The marriage ended in divorce in 1942. Bridget was born on 24 Oct 1887 in Flinders, Victoria 111 and died in 1973 in Dandenong, Victoria, Australia 112 at age 86. They had no children.

56. Lena HALSTEAD [10118] (Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born on 15 Apr 1894 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁵ was christened on 27 May 1894 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁶ and died in Mar 1960 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁷ at age 65.

General Notes: Lena was an attractive and vivacious outgoing character who took up dancing in the theatre. She was working in the Windmill Theatre in Blackpool when she had a relationship with the Manager, Sid Brandon. Sid was already married with children and much older than Lena. Lena became pregnant to Sid Brandon. Sidney Josolyne, an upcoming magician and illusionist married Lena a month prior to the birth of her child. Sidney Josolyne had already had a child named Lionel with a married woman. Lionel's mother's name was Ouida. Ouida had TB and was in a sanitorium.



Lena Halstead
photo supplied by Patricia
Wright (Whittaker) Feb
2018
(date unknown)

Ouida died within an year of Lena and Sid's marriage and Lena took charge of the 2.5 year old Lionel, son of Sidney Josolyne and Ouida, and her own baby Dora Desiree, who was about 6 months old at the time. Sidney was developing a new clairvoyent act and Lena, billed as La Celeste, would perform in the evenings. Lena's skills were applauded and they toured the country performing their popular act.

Sidney had grown up in a strict Victorian household where children were seen and not heard. He expected attention and demanded perfection at home and on stage.

When Sidney's son Lionel was 7, and Lena's child Dora was 6 years old, Lena fell pregnant again. Lionel was quite difficult and about this time he was taken out of school and sent by train to live with foster parents.

Beryl Francis was born during the Edinburgh Festival on March 11, 1926 at 3am. Lena was apparently still performing despite her advanced pregnancy. Beryl was a sensitive little girl who was frequently cared for by her older sister and by her father.

After Beryl was born she remembers playing close to the sands at Blackpool, and being sent to stay with her Auntie Dora, Lena's sister. Lena was not able to show the perfection in her performances that Sidney demanded and gradually began to seek solace in alcohol.

In 1931, Sidney had been working away and returned home to find Lena in bed with another man, Harry Birkby Dunster. Sidney made Lena pack her bags and sent her away with Dora. Beryl was only 5 years old at the time.

Sidney divorced Lena and married another young woman who became the new La Celeste.

Lena married Harry Dunster and they ran a boarding house. Lena stayed in contact with her daughter Dora, but did not see Beryl for many years.

Beryl became a nurse and she had a row with her father and left home and lived with her sister Dora. Harry Dunster had become ill and was a patient in hospital. Beryl went to relieve another nurse and Harry and Beryl had a conversation in which Harry apologised to Beryl for taking her mother away from her. Harry died soon after from cirrhosis of the liver.

Lena went on to marry Ernie Whisker who was a boarder in her boarding house. Dora Desiree convinced Beryl to attend the wedding, this broke the ice and Beryl and Lena were reconciled after many years. Beryl had finished her nursing training by this stage and went to stay with her mother and helped out at the boarding house.

When Beryl married Frank Bartlett, Lena and Ernie Whisker attended the wedding but Sidney Josoyne did not. 113

Noted events in her life were:

- Lena was a shared dna to the dna of Valerie A BARTLETT [11237] Jan 2019 Ancestry.com: 112 cM across 8 segments shared with Nancye Bonham.
- She was a shared dna to the dna of Valerie A BARTLETT [11237] Jan 2019 Ancestry.com: 92 centimorgans shared across 7 DNA segments with Coral J Jones.

Lena married **Sidney Edgar JOSOLYNE** [10119] in 1919 in Fylde, Lancashire, England. The marriage ended in divorce in 1931. Sidney was born in 1892 in England and died Mar Q 1965 in England at age 73.

Noted events in their marriage were:

• They were divorced in 1931.

Children from this marriage were:

- + 68 F i. **Dora Desiree JOSOLYNE [10120]** was born in Sep 1919 in Fylde, Lancashire, England¹¹⁷ and died in Dec 2002 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England¹¹⁸ at age 83.
- + 69 F ii. Beryl Frances JOSOLYNE [11234]

Lena next married **Harry Birkby DUNSTER** [10121] in 1931 in Bolton, Lancashire, England. Harry was born in 1901 in Bolton, Lancashire, England and died in 1946 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England as age 45.

Lena next married **Ernest WHISKER** [10122] in 1948 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England. ¹²¹ Ernest was born in 1891 and died in 1969 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England at age 78.

57. Dora HALSTEAD [10123] (Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born on 8 Oct 1898 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁸ was christened on 20 Dec 1898 in Southport, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁸ and died in Sep 1972 in Amounderness, Lancashire, England, ⁸⁹ at age 73.

General Notes: Lancashire Evening Post 2 June 1944 SILVER WEDDING WHITTAKER - HALSTEAD

On June 2 1919 at St Pauls Church, Salesbury, Blackburn, JOHN P WHITTAKER to DORA HALSTEAD, both of Wilpshire, Blackburn, 1 South End, Preston.

WHITTAKER - congratulations and best wishes to our dear mother and father on this, their silver wedding day.



Dora Whittaker (Halstead) photo supplied by Patricia Wright (Whittaker) Feb

Dora married **John Percival WHITTAKER** [10124] in 1919 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England. 122 John was born in 1883 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England, 123 was christened on 1 May 1883 in Higher Walton, Blackburn, Lancashire, England, 124 and died in 1960 in Preston, Lancashire, England 125 at age 77.



John Whittaker

Children from this marriage were:

70 M i. **John Halstead WHITTAKER [10125]** was born on 9 Feb 1920 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England¹²⁶ and died in 2006 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England¹²⁷ at age 86.

John married Dorothy Alma HEATLEY [10241].



John Whittaker
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- 71 F ii. **Florence Brenda WHITTAKER [10126]** was born in 1922 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England and died in 2010 in Lancashire, England at age 88.
 - Florence married Ronald G H POLLARD [10242].
- 72 F iii. **Beryl Emilie Julia WHITTAKER [10127]** was born on 2 May 1925 in Blackburn, Lancashire, England¹²⁹ and died in Nov 1996 in Chorley, Lancashire, England¹³⁰ at age 71.

General Notes: may have married Alexander S Wood in 1943 Preston, Lancashire Beryl married **Alexander S WOOD** [10998].

+ 73 M iv. Barry Percival WHITTAKER [10128]

60. Leslie Nicholas WRIGHT [10067] (Nicholas ⁷, Thomas ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born on 27 Jun 1908 in Lancashire, England, was christened on 16 Aug 1908 in Birkdale, Lancashire, England, and died in 1980 in Essex, England at age 72.

Leslie married Alice Nina DUNKLING [10112] in Dec 1938 in Lancashire, England.

Children from this marriage were:

74 M i. Anthony N WRIGHT [10113]

75 M ii. David A WRIGHT [10114]

76 F iii. Patricia A WRIGHT [10115]

Patricia married HARWOOD [10116].

65. Nancye PROCTER [10150] (Nancye WRIGHT⁷, George ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born in 1911 in Preston, Lancashire, England and died on 8 Aug 1994 in Tenby, Wales, England at age 83.

Nancye married Albert TILBURN [10151].

Children from this marriage were:

77 F i. Margaret TILBURN [10154]

78 M ii. David A TILBURN [10152]

79 F iii. **Joan TILBURN [10155]**

66. John Bertram HODGE [10210] (George Thomas J HODGE⁷, Elizabeth WRIGHT⁶, George⁵, John⁴, John³, Niccolas², John¹) was born in 1893 in Stisted, Ontario, Canada and died in 1928 in Muskoka, Ontario, Canada at age 35.

John married **Mary Elizabeth SMITH** [10211] in 1917 in Stisted, Ontario, Canada. Mary was born in 1899 in Stisted, Ontario, Canada.

The child from this marriage was:

+ 80 F i. **Mary Elizabeth HODGE [10212]** was born in Jun 1918 in Muskoka, Ontario, Canada and died in 2010 in British Columbia, Canada at age 92.

Ninth Generation (6th Great-Grandchildren)

67. Harold William Slater BONHAM [244]¹⁰⁶ (Harold HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas⁶, John⁵, John⁴, John³, Niccolas², John¹) was born on 4 Sep 1912 in Carlton, Victoria, Australia, ¹⁰⁷ died on 4 Jul 2002 in Inverloch, Vic, Australia ¹⁰⁸ at age 89, and was buried on 9 Jul 2002 in Bunyip, Vic, Australia. ¹⁰⁹ The cause of his death was Acute myocardial infarction, ischemic heart disease, heart block, congestive cardiac failure, anemia, aortic stenosis, a. Another name for Harold was Harold William Slater.

General Notes: ur: 78 McBride Ave Wonthaggi. Harold spent only 6 days at Seahaven Hostel Inv. before his death.

According to Harold's mother, he was born with a heart condition and was the first Glaxo (powdered baby food) baby in Australia. He was fed the formula whilst he was in hospital after his birth.



Harold Bonham (Cir 1992)

Harold was born prior to the marriage of his mother to John Bonham. On 25 January 2018, with the help of DNA matches with his daughter Nancye and Grand daughter Coral, some good luck and a great deal of research, it has been established that Harold's biological father was in fact a man named Harold Halstead. Further information is being researched at present, but as Coral and Nancye have strong DNA matches with three people down the Wright, Coup and Halstead lines, and Harold Halstead has been placed in the right place at the right time, there would seem no doubt he was Harold Slater Bonham's biological father. FURTHER RESEARCH IS CURRENTLY BEING CARRIED OUT

I can remember his occupations as Fisherman at Lakes Entrance and Corinella, poultry farmer at Garfield, shop keeper at Iona, Pallet maker at Longwarry saw mill, Caretaker of the Cardinia Creek Boat Club near Koo-Wee-Rup. I can also remember him milking cows on his farmlet at Garfield and putting the milk cans out on the side of the road for the milk factory to collect. Other occupations included Truck Driver, quarryman, soldier.

Harold lived at Burnley until about 1919, Campbellfield, Broadmeadows East, Inglewood until 1930, Moe until 1936, Trafalgar Until October 1936, in Wangaratta working at the filtration plant in 1937, Garfield until March 1940, Jindivick until June 1946, Corinella until June 1953, Poowong for 5 months in 1954, Fish Creek until April 1954, Iona until January 1956, Lakes Entrance from 1957 until January 1961, Catani February 1961, Scoresby from 1963 to October 1964, the Iona Post Office from 1964 until July 1968, the farm at 14 Mile Road, Garfield from 1969 until October 1972, The Cardinia Creek Boat Club near Koo-Wee-Rup from 1972 until February 1975, the farm at Garfield from 1975 until July 1987, 18 George Street Warragul from 1987 until Aug 1995, 8 Mary Street, North Wonthaggi from 21 August 1995 and finally 78 McBride Avenue Wonthaggi until the time of his death.

Harold was a very private man. He retired when he was 65 and always had a magnificent vegetable garden wherever he lived. At Garfield, then Warragul, and finally at Wonthaggi.

Despite his heart condition, he enlisted in WW2. He enlisted in the Militia Forces in 1932 and gave his address as Post Office Broadmeadows and his occupation as baker. His Army No was 183946. He enlisted in the regular army 28 April 1941 and his number was VX54407. His address at that time was given as Princes Highway, Garfield and his occupation as Quarryman. He was graded as a Group II baker and was sent to New Guinea, and the Middle East, but suffered from serious bouts of malaria and was eventually returned home and discharged. He would rarely talk about his service in WW2 in the 3/3 RAE, with only very scant details being passed on to his family. He never joined the RSL or participated in their activities. In the years before his death, he lived in a small house in Wonthaggi opposite the Cenotaph. On Anzac Day he would walk out to the fence and watch the proceedings, this is the nearest he ever got to participating in Anzac Day.

He was referred to as Pa by all his grandchildren.

Noted events in his life were:

- In 1936 he resided at 411 Nepean Road in Mordialloc, Vic, Australia. 131
- In 1937 he resided at Contingent Street in Trafalgar, Vic, Australia. 131
- Harold served in the military from 1939 to 1945: World War 2 service number VX54407.
- In 1942 he resided at Princes Highway in Garfield, Vic, Australia. 131
- He had a residence in Longwarry, Vic, Australia in 1949. 132

- He had a residence in Corinella, Vic, Australia in 1954. 131
- He had a residence in Longwarry, Vic, Australia in 1954.¹³¹
- In 1963 he resided at Cathies Lane in Scoresby, Vic, Australia. 131
- In 1963 he resided at Main Drain Road in Iona, Vic, Australia. 131
- From 1968 to 1980 he resided at 14 Mile Road in Garfield, Vic, Australia. 131
- From 1991 to 1998 he resided at 18 George Street in Warragul, Victoria, Australia.
- In 1998 he resided at 76 McBride Avenue in Wonthaggi, Vic, Australia.
- In 1998 he resided at 8 Mary Street in Wonthaggi, Vic, Australia.

Harold married **Gladys Elsie WILSON** [243] on 7 Nov 1936 in Trafalgar, Vic, Australia. ¹³³ Gladys was born on 23 Jan 1916 in Coalville, Vic, Australia, ¹³⁴ died on 2 Oct 2006 in Wonthaggi, Vic, Australia. ¹³⁵ at age 90, and was buried on 6 Oct 2006 in Bunyip, Vic, Australia. ¹³⁶ The cause of her death was bronchopneumonia, stroke.

Noted events in her life were:

- From 1998 to 2002 she resided at 76 McBride Avenue in Wonthaggi, Vic, Australia.
- In 2002 she resided at Seahaven Aged Care in Inverloch, Vic, Australia.
- From 2003 to 2006 she resided at Armitage House, Wonthaggi Hospital in Wonthaggi, Vic, Australia.



Gladys Bonham (Wilson) (1996)

Children from this marriage were:

- + 81 F i. Nancye June BONHAM [185]
- + 82 F ii. Lola BONHAM [2109]
- + 83 M iii. Maxwell Robert BONHAM [2108]
- + 84 F iv. **Valerie Joy BONHAM [2110]** was born on 14 Nov 1945 in Warragul, Victoria, Australia, died on 4 Jun 2015 in Ringwood, Vic, Australia at age 69, and was buried on 15 Jun 2015 in Lilydale, Vic, Australia.
- **68. Dora Desiree JOSOLYNE [10120]** (Lena HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas⁶, John⁵, John⁴, John³, Niccolas², John¹) was born in Sep 1919 in Fylde, Lancashire, England¹¹⁷ and died in Dec 2002 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England¹¹⁸ at age 83. Another name for Dora was Dora Dessere Josolyne.

Dora married **James Henry GRAHAM** [10219] in 1940 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England. ¹³⁷ James was born on 30 Dec 1918¹³⁸ and died on 11 Apr 1976 in Blackpool, Lancashire, England at age 57.

Children from this marriage were:

- 85 F i. **Brenda F GRAHAM [10220]**
- 86 F ii. Patricia M GRAHAM [10221]
- 87 M iii. Ronald J GRAHAM [10222]
- 88 F iv. Jacqueline A GRAHAM [10223]
- **69.** Beryl Frances JOSOLYNE [11234] (Lena HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas⁶, John⁵, John⁴, John³, Niccolas², John¹)

Beryl married **Frank William BARTLETT** [11235]. Frank was born in 1926 in Kent, England and died in 1972 in Kent, England¹⁴⁰ at age 46.

Children from this marriage were:

- 89 M i. **Adrian J BARTLETT [11236]**
- 90 F ii. Valerie A BARTLETT [11237]
- 91 M iii. Peter Sidney BARTLETT [11238]
- **73.** Barry Percival WHITTAKER [10128] (Dora HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ². John ¹)

Barry married Marilyn COTTRELL [10131].

Children from this marriage were:

- + 92 F i. Patricia Mary WHITTAKER [10129]
 - 93 M ii. Paul Halstead WHITTAKER [10132]

Paul married Linda [10156].

80. Mary Elizabeth HODGE [10212] (John Bertram HODGE⁸, George Thomas J HODGE⁷, Elizabeth WRIGHT⁶, George ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹) was born in Jun 1918 in Muskoka, Ontario, Canada and died in 2010 in British Columbia, Canada at age 92.

Mary married Fred MOLYNEAUX [10213]. Fred was born in 1923 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

The child from this marriage was:

94 M i. Brian Leigh MOLYNEAUX [10214]

Tenth Generation (7th Great-Grandchildren)

81. Nancye June BONHAM [185] (Harold William Slater BONHAM⁹, Harold HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹)

Nancye married Douglas Geoffrey Francis BLACKWELL [186].

Children from this marriage were:

95 F i. Coral Janine BLACKWELL [2]

Coral married Michael James JONES [910].

Douglas did not marry or have any children.

ii. Douglas Harold Maxwell BLACKWELL [1326] was born on 12 Mar 1960 in 96 M Warragul, Victoria, Australia, died on 5 Dec 1988 in Melbourne, VIC, Australia 141 at age 28, and was buried on 8 Dec 1988 in Bunyip, Vic, Australia. 142 The cause of his death was hepato renal failure, multiple trauma including fractured spine received in a motor cycle accident. He had no known marriage and no known children.

> General Notes: Douglas worked at various occupations on leaving school, including for Smith and Nephew at Wonthaggi and Containers Ltd at Dandenong. He gained employment as a communications technician installing radio equipment and towers for PG Wallace until late 1988. He was living in Glenhuntly, Victoria. He then got a position for another communications firm installing car telephones and the like. He had only been working at the job for two weeks and was on his way to work on his on his motorbike about 2kms from his home when he hit a speed hump in the road and was thrown into a fence. The accident occurred in Lyons Street, Glenhuntly at the edge of R M Lord Park or Koornang Park. Douglas sustained serious injuries and was transported to the Alfred Hospital



DouglasHarold Maxwell Blackwell and Michelle

Douglas was the second child and only son of D. Geoff Blackwell and Nancye (Bonham). He lived at Garfield, Victoria, Australia, until he was 14 years old, when his family moved to Wonthaggi, Victoria, Australia. Douglas spent some time unemployed after he finished school, and later worked at Smith and Nephew in Wonthaggi and at Containers Limited, a packaging factory in Dandenong, driving from Wonthaggi to Dandenong daily. He moved to Glenhuntly in approximately 1985 where he had obtained a job working for P.G. Wallace and Co, a Prahran based company, who installed, serviced and maintained communications antennas. He worked all over Victoria installing these towers, but most of the work was carried out in the Melbourne area.

where he remained in a critical condition for one month where he died as a result of his injuries.

Douglas was an early adopter of computer technology and was adept at computer programming. He was also an amateur (ham) radio operator and enthusiast. He assisted in the early stages of organising and installing equipment for the formation of a local radio Station in the South Gippsland area, now known as 3MFM. He was undertaking a course in electronics at the Swinburne Institute of Technology.

The Rialto Towers (often The Rialto) is the second-tallest reinforced concrete building and the tallest office building in the southern hemisphere, when measured to its roof (several other skyscrapers in Australia are taller if their spires are included, as are some other structured in Australia such as communications masts and observation towers). The building is located at 525 Collins Street, in the western side of the central business district of Melbourne, Australia.

The Rialto Towers featured Melbourne's first skyscraper public observation deck which operated between 1994 and 31 December 2009 It was also the location of Melbourne's first Tower running event.

At the time of its completion it was the 23rd tallest building in the world and the 2nd tallest outside of the United States (behind First Canadian Place in Toronto, Canada). Construction of the Rialto Towers was completed in 1986.*(Wikipedia Feb 2012)

P G Wallace and Company installed the communications towers on the top of the Rialto building. Douglas, who was initially very unhappy working at height, soon got used to it, and would proudly recount the fact that he and his workmates used to fly paper aeroplanes from the roof of the Rialto building during its construction and the installation of the communications towers.

Douglas left this job with P.G. Wallace and Co in mid 1988 and commenced working for a company called Australnet Communications that installed car telephones that operated from Mount Waverley. This was an infant industry at the time.

In his younger years Douglas played the cornet in the Wonthaggi Citizens Band, and played competition table tennis at Wonthaggi. He also enjoyed archery. As a child and into adulthood he built and flew model planes, eventually branching out into radio controlled equipment including planes, cars and boats. He competitively raced radio controlled sailing boats on the Albert Park Lake in Melbourne.

As children, Douglas and his sisters learned to ride motorbikes, which were ridden at Garfield on Theadora Fenn's land which was about 6 acres. Eventually Douglas obtained his motorbike licence and rode his bike to work in Melbourne trying to save fuel costs. He had purchased a 125cc racing motorbike which he was preparing to race in 1989.

Douglas was on his way to work at his new job at Australnet Communications, where he had been working for only 2 weeks, when his motorcycle hit a speed hump in the road, only about 2 kms from his home in Glenhuntly. He lost control of the machine and was critically injured and taken to the Alfred Hospital in Melbourne, where he remained in a critical condition for one month, but finally succumbed to his injuries on the 5th of December 1988.

Douglas did not marry or have any children but loved his nieces and nephews dearly. 143

Noted events in her life were:

- From 1960 to 1974 he resided at 46 Garfield Road in Garfield, Vic, Australia.
- From 1973 to 1987 he resided at 4 Hunter Street in Wonthaggi, Vic, Australia.
- In 1977 he resided at 7 Blackburn Road in Mooroolbark, Vic, Australia.
- He worked as a Communications Engineer from 1985 to 1988.
- From 1985 to 1988 he resided at 14 / 25 Royal Avenue in Glenhuntly, Vic, Australia.
- In 1985 he resided at James Street in Glenhuntly, Vic, Australia.
- 97 F iii. Charmaine Louise BLACKWELL [1327]

Charmaine had a relationship with Neil JEREMIAH [1329].

98 F iv. Linda Diane BLACKWELL [1330]

Linda married Mark James McINTOSH [1331].

99 F v. Naomi Jeanette BLACKWELL [1336]

Naomi had a relationship with Jeffrey NAK [1338].

82. Lola BONHAM [2109] (Harold William Slater BONHAM⁹, Harold HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas⁶, John⁵, John⁴, John³, Niccolas², John¹)

Lola married **Donald Francis LUNDBERG** [2119]. Donald was born on 3 May 1938 and died on 29 Apr 2015 in Victoria, Australia¹⁴⁴ at age 76.

Children from this marriage were:

100 F i. Karen Lynette LUNDBERG [2121]

Karen married Geoffrey CAMPBELL [2126].

101 M ii. lan Donald LUNDBERG [2122]

lan married Barbara ANDREWS [3276].

102 M iii. Mark Andrew LUNDBERG [2123] was born on 1 Apr 1963 in Victoria, Australia, died on 23 Aug 2009 in Melbourne, VIC, Australia¹⁴⁵ at age 46, and was cremated on 27 Aug 2009 in Dandenong, Victoria, Australia. The cause of his death was Motor Neurone Disease.

Mark married Linda Ellen KINNE [3277].

103 F iv. Tanya Ann LUNDBERG [2124]

Tanya married David Lawrence KALWIG [3280].

104 F v. Private [2125]

Private had a relationship with Private

Lola married Charles Smith McCULLOCH [2120]. They had no children.

83. Maxwell Robert BONHAM [2108] (Harold William Slater BONHAM⁹, Harold HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas⁶, John⁴, John³, Niccolas², John¹)

Maxwell married Melva Lillian LAWLER [2111].

Children from this marriage were:

105 M i. Michael Raymond BONHAM [2112]

Michael had a relationship with **Manda BOZIC** [2116].

106 M ii. Brian William BONHAM [2113]

107 F iii. Denise Ann BONHAM [2114]

Denise married John PEPI [2118].

108 M iv. **David John BONHAM [2115]**

David married Jenny HENSON [3288].

84. Valerie Joy BONHAM [2110] (Harold William Slater BONHAM⁹, Harold HALSTEAD⁸, Maria WRIGHT⁷, Thomas⁶, John⁵, John⁴, John³, Niccolas², John¹) was born on 14 Nov 1945 in Warragul, Victoria, Australia, died on 4 Jun 2015 in Ringwood, Vic, Australia at age 69, and was buried on 15 Jun 2015 in Lilydale, Vic, Australia.

General Notes: DUNSTONE (nee Bonham). Valerie Joy (Val) Passed away peacefully on Thursday June 4, 2015 at Maroondah Hospital aged 69 years. Loved and loving wife of Ray (Mick). Much loved mother of Craig and Joanne, mother-in- law to Rosalie and Stephen, loved Grandma of Michael, Sarah, April, Daphne and step Grandma to Gale and Amanda. Forever in our hearts

Obituaries

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DUNSTONE. Valerie Joy. Loved sister and sister-in-law of Max and Melva. Loved aunt of Michael, Brian, Denise and David and their families. At Peace Obituaries

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Obituaries

Published in Herald Sun on 12/06/2015

DUNSTONE (nee Bonham). A Service to Celebrate the Life of Valerie Joy Dunstone (Val) of Mooroolbark will be held on MONDAY (June 15, 2015) at 11.00 a. m. in the William Matthews Funeral Home, 45 Cavhill Rd, Lillydale. CREMATION

Funerals

Published in Herald Sun on 10/06/2015

Noted events in her life were:

- She worked as a Royal Australian Navy from 1963 to 1965.
- From 1965 to 2015 she resided at 7 Blackburn Road in Mooroolbark, Vic, Australia.
- Her obituary was published in the Herald Sun newpaper on 10 Jun 2015 in Melbourne, VIC, Australia.

Valerie married Raymond Arthur DUNSTONE [2129].

Children from this marriage were:

109 M i. Craig Michael DUNSTONE [2130]

Craig married Rosalie Diane MATTHEWS [3290].

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Val Dunstone (Bonham) (1973)

110 F ii. Joanne Lee DUNSTONE [2131]

Joanne married Stephen Dennis ALLSOP [3292].

92. Patricia Mary WHITTAKER [10129] (Barry Percival WHITTAKER ⁹, Dora HALSTEAD ⁸, Maria WRIGHT ⁷, Thomas ⁶, John ⁵, John ⁴, John ³, Niccolas ², John ¹)

Patricia married Michael WRIGHT [10130].

Children from this marriage were:

111 F i. Stephanie Patricia WRIGHT [9970]

112 M ii. Andrew Michael WRIGHT [10073]

First Generation

113. Richard HESKETH [11280], son of **William HESKETH** [11772]¹⁴⁶ and **Catharine JOHNSON** [11773], ¹⁴⁶ was born about 1766 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁴⁷ was christened on 28 Sep 1766 in St. Cuthberts, North Meols, Lancashire, England, ¹⁴⁶ and died on 7 Apr 1858 in Ormskirk, Lancashire, England, ¹⁴⁸ aged about 92.

General Notes: At the 1851 Census, RIchard is listed as living with his son James, James's wife Alice and their children. Richard was 84 years old and a widower.

Richard and Ann's children - preliminary info

Elizabeth 1798-1883 William 1799-1875 Richard 1801 - 1882 Alice 1803-1806 Ann 1805 Alice 1807 - 1895 John 1811-1814 James 1816-1894

Richard married **Ann JOHNSON** [11281] on 30 May 1796 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. Ann was born in 1773 in Rowe Lane, North Meols, Lancashire, England and died in 1829 in Crossens, North Meols, Lancashire, England at age 56. Other names for Ann were Nanny Hesketh and Nanny Johnson.

The child from this marriage was:

+ 114 F

i. **Elizabeth HESKETH [10135]** was born on 9 May 1799 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ²² was christened on 26 May 1799 in Marshside, Lancashire, England, ²³ died on 30 Mar 1883 in Longton, Lancashire, England. ²³ at age 83, and was buried on 2 Apr 1883 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ²³

Second Generation (Children)

114. Elizabeth HESKETH [10135] (*Richard* ¹) was born on 9 May 1799 in North Meols, Lancashire, England, ²² was christened on 26 May 1799 in Marshside, Lancashire, England, ²³ died on 30 Mar 1883 in Longton, Lancashire, England²³ at age 83, and was buried on 2 Apr 1883 in North Meols, Lancashire, England. ²³ Another name for Elizabeth was Betty Hesketh. ²³

General Notes: at the 1871 census, Elizabeth aged 71 was staying with James Hesketh and his family at Liverpool House Crossens, North Meols. James Hesketh aged 54 is a farmer of 4 acres. Could this be a brother or nephew of Elizabeth nee Hesketh. I note there are many place names that contain the name Hesketh, in this area.

At the 1881 census Elizabeth is head and living with her is her daughter, Alice Young and her husband Robert, a bricklayer.

Elizabeth married **John WRIGHT** [10134] in Dec 1821 in Lancashire, England.²¹ John was born on 5 Apr 1797 in Church Town, North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹⁸ was christened on 16 Apr 1797 in North Meols, Lancashire, England,¹³ died in 1868 in Southport, Lancashire, England,¹⁹ at age 71, and was buried on 26 Nov 1868 in North Meols, Lancashire, England.¹³

Noted events in their marriage were:

• They have conflicting marriage information of 11 Dec 1821 and North Meols, Lancashire, England. 13

Noted events in his life were:

He has conflicting death information of 22 Nov 1868 and Birkdale, Lancashire, England.

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