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NEW MEMBERS WELCOME TO THE SOCIETY

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WARM WELCOME BACK TO MEMBERS

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No. 969 – Mrs K Garfoot

Any questions please e-mail: - membership@cadfhs.org

NOTICE OF THE AGM – 5 SEPTEMBER

Chesterfield & District Family History Society's
St. Hugh's Catholic Church, 135 Littlemoor, Newbold, Chesterfield S41 8PQ
Tuesday 5th September 2017
Reception from 6:45 for 7.30pm

Please find either enclosed (post) or attached (e-mail) a nomination form for the Election of Officers

1. Chairman
2. Vice Chair
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer

Also, the election of the remaining committee

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of 2015 AGM
3. Matters arising
4. Chairman' s Report
5. Treasurer' s Report
6. Secretary' s Report
7. Election of Officers and Committee
8. Increase in annual subscriptions
9. Any other business

Note: Items for discussion under item 9 must be submitted in writing to the Secretary before 29th August 2017

If anyone has any queries, please contact the Secretary (details on the website or in this magazine)

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Family History Society
Are Hosting on

Entry £1.00
includes entry into
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Saturday the 3rd June 2017 10am till 4pm

Family History, Local History & Heritage plus Craft Fair

Murder Crime and Punishment is this years Theme

Free onsite parking
Refreshments available

At Chesterfield's PROACT football Stadium
Sheffield Rd S41 8NZ

Two free speakers
11am Karen Walker "Thieves, Drunkards and Undesirables"
1:30pm Topic to be confirmed

Our fair is a mixture of Family History, Local History and can help you with your research. Also 'Heritage Societies' such as museums and historical places are part of our exhibition too.

"Cultural Heritage" - places and activities that represent the stories and people of the past and present."

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Chesterfield & District Family History Society's

SHOW CASE EVENT

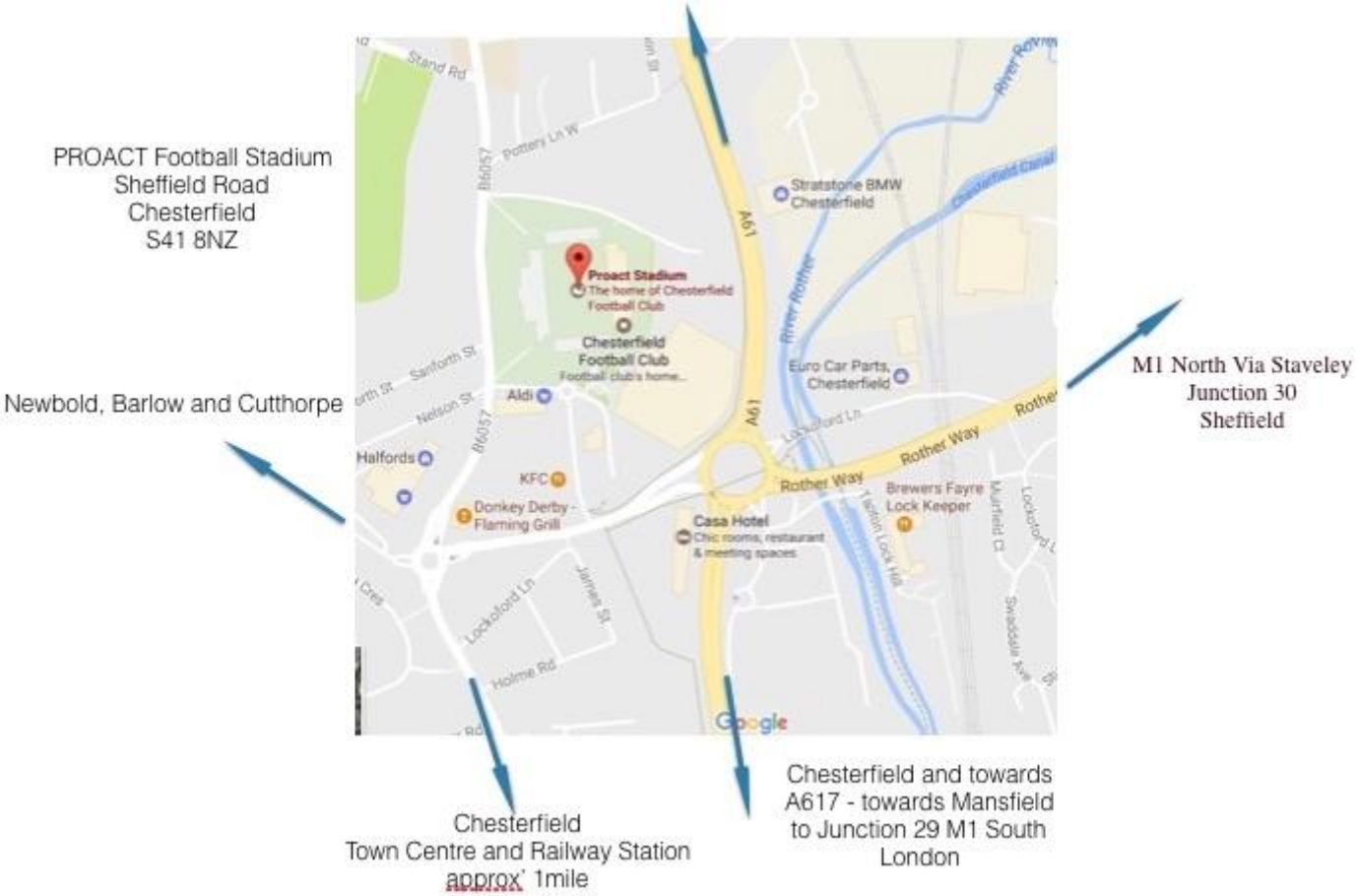
Family History, Local History, Heritage plus Crafts FAIR

3rd June 2017
10am-4pm

CHESTERFIELD's PROACT STADIUM

WWW.cadfhs.org

MAP FOR PROACT STADIUM



MESSAGE FROM DENA FANSHAWE

Sadly, this month, Martin Mosley has told us that he feels that he can no longer remain on the committee due to recent ill health. He has not been able to perform committee duties for several months and felt that he should stand down and let someone else take his place.

We are all sorry to lose him as he has given valuable input which we were looking forward to implementing. Martin has assured us he is still willing to be there in a consultancy role should this be needed.

Luckily for us Martin has said that he will remain webmaster but again in a much-reduced pace at least for the near future. We all wish him well and a speedy recovery.

This of course leaves us light on our committee, and if anyone can step up please contact me, we really are needing extra bodies and minds.

Dena.
Contact me at secretary@cadfhs.org

Programme for 2017

6 June	A Soldier's Story	James Clarke
4 July	The Railway Navvy (His Working Life) Includes Clay Cross	Chris & Judy Rouse
1 Aug	TBC	
5 Sept	AGM	
3 Oct	TBC	
7 Nov	In the Footsteps of my Grandfather	Eric Chamber
5 Dec	Christmas fun, games and nibbles	

MEMBERS MEETINGS – MARCH, APRIL & MAY

7 March 2017 – From Little Acorns – Part 1

My family research started in 1975, at the time I only wanted names. I asked an aunt (dad's sister) about the family, she gave me names, dates and where events took place.

My Great Grandad's name was John TAYLOR, yippee that's going to be easy to track. That is why I only wanted names at first. Why couldn't his name be so unusual that it was easy to find, like Ponsonby TAYLOR.

A little snippet of information was given me as a child, and that was "Your Great Grandad was a Policeman, he was bit by a prisoner and died of lockjaw". That information ate at my brain, until I had to check it out.

John was born 1841, son of George and Mary Ann TAYLOR formerly TRUE, in Holbeach Hurn. His baptism was in Holbeach 1841, as there was no church in Holbeach Hurn until 1870, registrations usually took place in Holbeach or Gedney.

In 1851 on the census John is 10 years old, still in Holbeach Hurn with parents and older sister Emma and 2 younger brothers William and Henry.

In 1994, I decided I wanted to find out more about John and prove he had been a policeman. I purchased the 1881 census disks, as I didn't have internet at the time, and I wrote to the Police Headquarters in Lincolnshire. I received back a letter from Mr MATTHEWS, Curator of the museum, it was a typed record of my Great Grandad's Police service.

I visited the museum that they have in the Headquarters, but forgot to take a camera to photograph the actual record.

It wasn't until a couple of years ago, I found out the records are now in the Archives in Lincolnshire. Excited, that at last I could get a copy of the real thing.

Little did I know, was that Mr MATTHEWS had missed a vital clue to another two service records for him. Another service record in Lincolnshire and one in Yorkshire.

When I got home, I went on the internet and typed in Yorkshire Police service record to find out where the documents might be held, to my horror (yes horror) up came Ancestry. I have had very little luck on either Ancestry or Find my Past, tracing my family or my husband's family, so I didn't think his record would be there.

I put in his details, and instantly there he was, and only him, not hundreds to go through. So instead of having one Police service record I now have three.

The service record in Yorkshire also led me to a census record in 1861, which I was 99% sure wasn't him, until I read all his service record. The service record said he had an 'iron stone mark on his forehead'. In the 1861 census, he was an iron stone miner age 19, in the same year he joined the police force in Yorkshire. So, it was him after all.

It was fantastic to have a description of him: -
Name - John TAYLOR **Age** - 22 years 3 months **(For some reason he lied about his age, he would have been eligible for signing up to the service).**
Height - 5ft 9 ½ inches **Complexion** – Fair **Eyes** – Grey **Hair** - Light Brown
Particular Marks - Iron Stone mark on forehead
Where Born
In the Township – Holbeach **In or near the town** - Holbeach
In the County of – Lincoln **Trade or Calling** - Labourer
Read or Write - Both **Single or Married** - Single
Residence - Harrogate
With whom last employed - Mr M CORMACK - Master Contractor - N.E Railway at Harrogate
If ever been in the police force before - No
No. 200
Date of Appointment - 1861
To What division attached, the exchanges and dates - 1861 - Tickhill
Date removed from force - 1865

Remarks
Advanced from 3 to 2 Grade Constable from 1862
Advanced from 2 to 1 Grade Constable from 1863

Resigned

<u>9 days later, John is back in Lincolnshire, signing up for his 2nd service in the police force, but 1st in Lincolnshire.</u>
Age – 25
His description varies slightly from the first, but added information is: -
Figure – Slender **Religion** – Churchman **Married or Single** – Single
If in Public or Railway Service before – West Riding, Constabulary
By whom recommended - Lieut Col COBBE C.C. West Riding
Appointment, Promotion, and Reduction
1865 – Appointed 2nd Class Constable
1867 – Appointed 1st Class Constable

Service
Kesteven – No 48 – total service 2 years 228 days
Date of Discharge - 1867 he resigned and discharge good.

On 1869 in the Parish Church of Rowston in Lincolnshire John TAYLOR and Lavinia ALLEN were married.

The story from ALL my aunts was that Lavinia was said to have married beneath her status, due to her father being a self-employed Wheelwright, I couldn't understand how this was so as a policeman would have been highly thought of in the community.

John TAYLOR – of full age – Bachelor – occupation Draper and Grocer – Residing in Holbeach Hurn – Father George TAYLOR – fathers' occupation Farmer. Lavinia ALLEN – of full age – spinster – no occupation – residing in Rowston – father William ALLEN – fathers' occupation Wheelwright.
Both John & Lavinia were literate.
Witnesses William ALLEN who was either Lavinia's father or her brother & Sarah Ann ALLEN, Lavinia's sister, they also literate.
Is this why they thought he wasn't good enough for their daughter he was just a Draper and Grocer?

<u>1871 census</u>
John & Lavinia occupation for both Grocers and they have a servant Martha MIDDLETON.

Their first-born child was Mary Susan born 1871 – Holbeach Hurn, John a Draper & Grocer.

John's 3rd Police Service Records Lincolnshire Constabulary

Name - John TAYLOR

Age - 34

Again, his description varies slightly from the other 2 descriptions.

Married

If in public or railway service before - Lincolnshire Constabulary & West Riding of Yorkshire.

By whom recommended - see Folio 187 (This was on the 1st Lincolnshire record).

1874 – Appointed 3rd Class Constable

1874 – Middle Rasen – John & Lavinia's 2nd Child, my Grandad, Arthur John.
Father's occupation Police Constable**.**

He was for a time working at the old Police Station and or Court House at Market Rasen, one of only 3 left in the Country.

The Old Police Station and or Court House, Deer Street Market Rasen

Before the police station was built, prisoners had to be kept in the officer's home and wife fed the prisoner.

1874 – Promoted 2nd Class Constable

1875 – Promoted 1st Class Constable

1876 – John and Lavinia's 3rd child Amy Lavinia was born. Father's occupation Police Officer.

1876 – Promoted Acting Sergeant.

1877 – Promoted Sergeant.

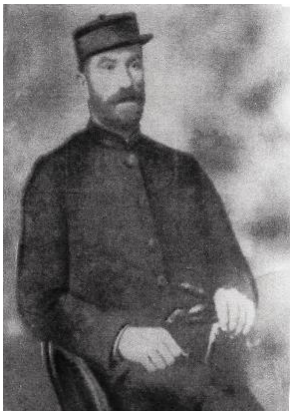
1877 – Promoted Acting Inspector.

1878 – John & Lavinia's 4th child, Minnie ALLEN was born. Father's Occupation Inspector of Police.

Sadly, on 1879 their 3rd child, Amy Lavinia died of Pneumonia convulsions age 3½ years. Daughter of John Taylor Inspector of County Police.

1880 – John and Lavinia's 5th child, William Henry was born, just 6 months after the death of Amy Lavinia. Father's occupation County Police Inspector.

1881 – Promoted Inspector



John in Inspectors Uniform 1881

1881 census

My first evidence of John being a Policeman was the 1881 census, he and his wife Lavinia were living in Caistor, and he was a Police Inspector.

1882 – John and Lavinia's 6th child, Herbert was born. Father's occupation Inspector of Police.

1884 – By General Order John was granted £10 per annum additional pay for meritorious service.

1884 – John and Lavinia's 7th child, Albert was born. Father's occupation Inspector of Police

1885 – By General Order the £10 per annum additional pay was forfeited, as his offence was taking into custody without warrant a tradesman on a charge of giving wrong change to a customer, case dismissed by Justices. He was also reduced to Sergeant.

1886 – John and Lavinia's 8th child, Ada Jane was born. Father's occupation Sergeant of Police.

1886 – Discharge from the police force – this I informed Mr MATTHEWS when visiting the museum at the Police Headquarters, is when John died in Old Leake. That information was missing when I saw the original documents for the first time. But, when looking at the documents in the archives, the information had been added.

Gratuity from Superannuation Fund – to the Widow Lavinia Taylor £83 8s 7d.

Terms of the Grant – By order of Quarter Sessions held at Spalding 1886.

I have got copies of a letter and the Quarter Sessions regarding this gratuity.

I have evidence of him being a policeman, but he died of Catarrh Meningitis within 9 days not lockjaw as I was told as a child. I have asked a Doctor about the difference between lockjaw and his cause of death, the Doctor did say the symptoms are **similar**.

But, I am still searching records for a document (if it exists), for that information that may tell me he was bit by a prisoner.

I am also researching what happened to my Grandfather, all those Great Uncles and Aunts, John & Lavinia's children who were orphaned 2 years later, when Lavinia died of consumption.

That will be 'From Little Acorns – Part 2

Lynne Earland - CADFHS Editor

Members Talk 4 April 2017

Early Asylum Life – David Scrimgeour

April's speaker was David Scrimgeour whose illustrated talk "Early Asylum Life" was based on the extensive research he had carried out into the surviving patients' records of the West Riding Pauper Lunatic Asylum, Wakefield, more recently known as Stanley Royd Hospital. Inspired by the discovery that his great grandmother Lizzie Scrimgeour had spent the last fifteen years of her life in several Scottish lunatic asylums David had spent three years in the West Yorkshire Archive Service ploughing through the case notes of some 11,500 patients admitted to the Asylum between 1818 and 1869. Many of the fascinating patients' stories he discovered have since been published in his first book *Proper People. Early Asylum Life in the Words of Those Who Were There*.

Unlike modern hospital case notes, those which survive from that period provide what are often graphic descriptions of what early asylum life was like for the patients. Thomas Arundel's case notes are among the earliest found in the archives. A trusted patient, in 1819 Thomas demonstrated that he was not quite well when "in passing thro' the kitchen

today he took up a knife and instantly chopped the third finger of his left hand nearly off…. he did it to see if he had any blood in him as he has long been persuaded he has not".

The vast majority of the patients committed to the Asylum were pauper lunatics, unable to make a living so looked after by the parish or poor law unions. Much as it remains today, committal was done by a combination of the law, West Riding magistrates, with medical certification provided by a physician, surgeon or apothecary. At first patients were deemed to be "proper objects" to be committed to the Asylum. It would be another 40 years before the legal wording changed so that a patient became a "proper person" to be admitted, that change being captured in the name of David's book.

Early forms of treatment given to the patients focussed on ensuring that their bodily "humours" were in the correct balance, so the case notes are full of references to what may seem barbaric techniques but were "state of the art" for that time. David read from the 1826 case notes of Rose Clark from High Bentham near Kirby Lonsdale who had been bled, blistered and purged (caused to vomit), not perhaps the ideal treatment for a woman thought to be seven months pregnant. In 1821 Elizabeth Coulson from Leeds was treated with the warm bath, shower bath, the circular swing, looking like something from a torture chamber, and then electric shocks.

David feels that if a family historian finds that they have a lunacy patient as an ancestor, they should celebrate because of the wealth of fascinating material which could be found in any surviving asylum case notes. He finished his talk by telling us more about a few of the notable characters he had found.

Lachlan McKenzie from Glasgow, a wood carver by trade, was admitted to the Asylum in 1869. He was responsible for carving a wonderful wooden eagle lectern for the Asylum chapel, which can still be seen today in the Mental Health Museum, Wakefield.

James Walker was a talented draughtsman who in 1861 produced a fabulously detailed "bird's eye" view of the Asylum as if from a point many hundreds of feet above the ground.

George Penny spent 49 years in the Asylum, his illness said to have been caused by "disappointment in love". On his death local newspaper, *The Leeds Mercury* published an article titled "A Costly Pauper" estimating that £2,000 had been spent on George during his treatment, a figure permanently recorded in his Parish Burial Register entry.

Taken out of the Asylum for a day's fishing by a junior doctor and clinical clerk, alcoholic patient William Roberts managed to get drunk. On the way, back to the Asylum that evening it was not noticed that William had fallen off the back seat of the cart and he was later found still asleep in the road. A classic case of the truth being stranger than fiction!

In *Proper People. Early Asylum Life in the Words of Those Who Were There* David includes interesting and educational tales from the case notes of over 150 of the earliest mental health patients. His book is available from Amazon and by order from major bookshops. See also his websites www.davidscrimgeour.co.uk and www.earlyasylumlife.uk.

West Riding Pauper Lunatic Asylum, Wakefield

Now known as Stanley Royd Hospital

Members Talk – 2 May 2017

Trust Me, I'm a Plague Doctor – David Bell

David Bell, the Plague Doctor from Eyam, visited our group on the 2 May.

David is not a doctor, nor is he an historian; but he did spin a terrific yarn.

Living in the famous Peak District 'Plague Village' he naturally knows a thing or two about The Plague. Much more than this however, his tongue-in-cheek look at the fanciful - often absurd - world of 17th century medicine was hugely original & enjoyable.

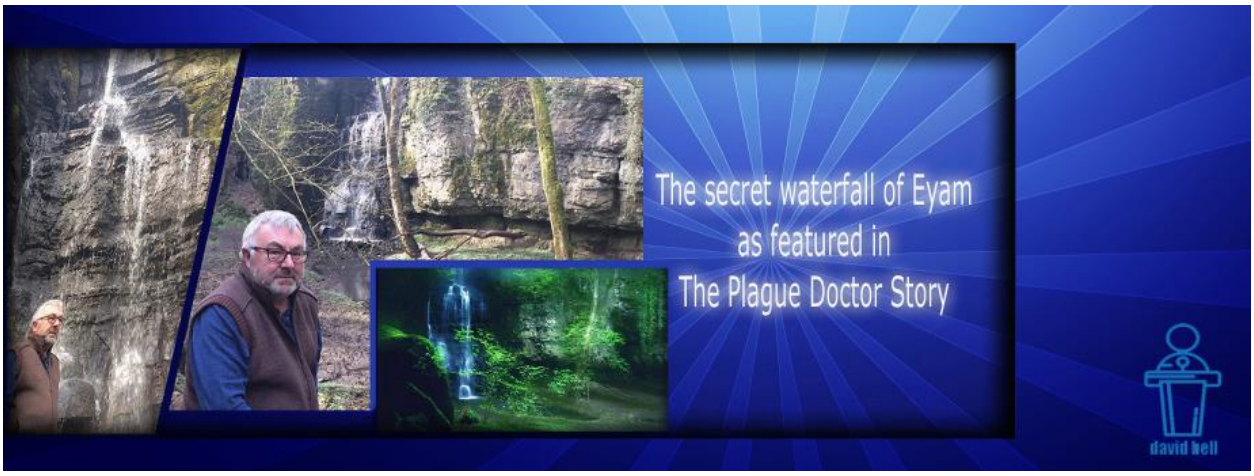
For a fascinating hour, The Plague Doctor seduced us all into a world without anaesthetic; without antibiotics….. a world without knowledge of bacteria and viruses; where hygiene was a dirty word and where both diagnosis and treatment was equally outrageous .....

Oh yes .... and there was The Plague.

Every year tens of thousands of people visit the Derbyshire village of Eyam, where David Bell, the Plague Doctor, now lives. You may have been there yourself; drawn no doubt by stories of the catastrophic plague epidemic of the 17th century and the heroic actions of the locals. The story of a self-imposed quarantine preventing an awful disease from spreading to surrounding areas is, on the face of it, a fine example of a selfless community under strong leadership. But although the plague of Eyam 350 years ago remains one of the most famous episodes in British history (the death toll is undeniable & of tragic proportions) much of the associated narrative is largely legend ... produced and tenuously expanded through the passage of time by a succession of well-meaning, albeit limited, 18th & 19th century authors poets and preachers. Today, Eyam's celebrity is in many ways cemented and indebted to these original literary efforts; now boldly and emarginately manipulated of course to reflect the expectations of a burgeoning army of tourists.

In his own special tongue-in-cheek style, David Bell's story entertained us, informed us, made us reflect, made us smile, made us wince ... and even brought on a tear or two.

Well done David …you were fantastic.



WW1 April – June 1917

APRIL

- **2nd -** US President Woodrow Wilson delivered war address to Congress for a declaration of war on Germany.
- **3rd -** H.M.S Jason (torpedo gunboat) was sunk by a mine off the west coast of Scotland.
- **4th -** Russian forces again occupied Khanagin (North-East of Baghdad).
- **5th -** German withdrawal to the Hindenburg Line was completed.
  - The British Government informed the Russian Provisional Government of their adherence to the principle of an independent and united Poland.
- **6th -** America declared war on Germany.
- **7th -** Cuba and Panama declared war on Germany.
- **8th -** Austria-Hungary severed diplomatic relations with the USA.
  - In Petrograd, 40,000 ethnic Estonians demanded national autonomy within Russia.
- **9th -** Canadian success at the Battle of Vimy Ridge.
  - The first battle of the Scarpe 1917 began.
  - Admiral Sims, United States Navy, arrived in England.
  - The Russian Provisional Government issued Proclamation to the Allied Governments declaring in favour of self-determination of peoples and a durable peace.

9th - 20th Nivelle Offensive (Second Battle of Aisne, Third Battle of Champagne) ended in French failure.

10th - 'Salta' a British hospital ship was mined off Harvre.

- An ammunitions factory explosion in Chester, Pennsylvania killed 133.
- Bulgaria severed diplomatic relations with the USA.

11th - Brazil severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

12th - The Autonomous Governorate of Estonia was formed within Russian from the Governorate of Estonia and the Northern part of the Governorate of Livonia.

13th - Bolivia severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

14th - Battle of Vimy Ridge and the First Battle of the Scarpe ended.

16th - Vladimir LENIN returned to Russian from Switzerland.

- The Nivelle Offensive commenced.
- 1917 French Offensive began with the Second Battle of the Aisne or Nivelle Offensive.

17th - The first signs of a mutiny in the French Army was witnessed at Aisne.

- Battle of the Hills (La Bataille des Monts) also called the Third Battle of Champagne began.
- Second Battle of Gaza began. This unsuccessful frontal attack on stony Ottoman defences along with the first battle, resulted in 10,000 casualties, the dismissal of the force commander General Archibald MURRAY and the beginning of the stalemate in Southern Palestine.
- Japanese flotillas joined the Allied forces in the Mediterranean.
- British ambulance transports 'Lanfranc' and 'Donegal' were torpedoed and sunk in the English Channel.
- Vladimir LENIN's April Theses were published, they became very influential in the following July Days and Boshevik Revolution.
- The Times and the Daily Mail (London newspapers which were both owned by Lord NORTHCLIFFE) printed atrocity propaganda of the supposed existence of a German Corpse Factory.

19th - Second Battle of Gaza ended.

20th - Nirvelle admitted that his offensive had failed in its object but the attacks continued until 9 May.

- French Offensive stopped. Second Battle of the Aisne and 'Battle of the Hills' ended.
- Second German destroyer raid on the Straits of Dover.
- Turkey severed diplomatic relations with the USA.

22nd - Action of Istabulat (Mesopotamia).

23rd - The second Battle of the Scarpe 1917 (Arras).

24th - Samarra (Mesopotamia) was taken by the British Forces.

- ❖ The first Battle of Doiran began.

25th - Dr A Augusto da Costa succeeded Dr A J d'Almeida as the Portuguese Premier.

26th - A second German destroyer raid on Ramsgate.

- ❖ Agreement of Saint-Jean-de-Maurienne between France, Italy and the United Kingdom to settle interests in the Middle East was signed.

27th - Guatemala severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

28th - The United States Congress passed Bill for raising 500,000 men.

- ❖ The Battle of Arleux (Arras).

29th - General PÉTAIN appointed chief of French General Staff.

29 April - 20 May Mutiny broke out among the French army.

30th - Mush (Armenia) was occupied by the Turkish forces.

VLADIMIR LENIN

MAY

2nd - The first US destroyer flotilla arrived at Queenstown, Ireland.

- ❖ Third Battle of the Scarpe 1917 (Arras) began.
- ❖ Battle of Bullecourt began.
- ❖ Professor LAMBROS, Greek Premier, resigned and was succeeded by M ZAIMIS.

4th - Craonne (Aisne) was retaken by the French forces.

- ❖ Third Battle of the Scarpe ended, 1917.

5th - Battle of the Vardar (Macedonia) began.

- ❖ Liberia severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

7th - First night air raid on London. A single aeroplane by moonlight.

9th - First Battle of Doiran ended.

- ❖ The Nivelle Offensive was abandoned.

10th - First use of the convoy system for an Atlantic crossing.

- ❖ Major-General J PERSHING appointed to command United States Expeditionary Force.

12th May - 24 Oct The 10th, 11th and 12th Battles of Isonzo was fought, ending in Italian failure.

13th - The nuncio Eugenio PACELLI, the future Pope Pius XII, is consecrated archbishop by Pope Benedict XV.

14th - German airship 'L-22' was destroyed in the North Sea by British warships.

15th - Philippe PÉTAIN replaced Robert NIVELLE as French Commander-in-Chief of the French Northern and North-Eastern Groups of Armies.

- ❖ General FOCH succeeded General PÉTAIN as Chief of the French General Staff of French Ministry of War.
- ❖ Action between Austrian and British naval light forces in the Straits of Otranto, 14 British drifters sunk.

16th - M KERENSKI succeeded General GUCHKOV as Russian Minister for war.

- ❖ M TERESHCHENKO succeeded M MILYUKOV as Russian Foreign Minister.

17th - Battle of Bullecourt ended.

- ❖ Honduras severed diplomatic relations with Germany.
- ❖ The British Admiralty, following on a Cabinet decision, appointed a Committee, in conjunction with the Ministry of Shipping, to draw up a plan to convoy merchant ships

18th - The Compulsory Service Act was introduced in America.
Pershing left New York for France.

- ❖ Nicaragua severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

19th - Russian's Provisional Government stated that it would not seek a separate peace settlement with Austria and Germany.

- ❖ United States Government announced a decision to send a Division of the United States Army to France, immediately.

20th - The Serbian Government transferred from Corfu to Salonika.

21st - Over 300 acres (73 blocks) were destroyed in the Great Atlanta fire of 1917.

22nd - Battle of the Yardar ended.

- ❖ Commissioned Officer Corps of the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey.

23rd - Count TISAZA, Hungarian Premier, resigned.

- A month of civil violence in Milan, Italy ended after the Italian army forcibly took over the city from anarchists and anti-war revolutionaries. Fifty people were killed and 800 arrested.
- During the Stalemate in Southern Palestine the raid on the Beersheba to Hafir el Auja railway by the Desert Column, destroyed large sections of the railway line which had linked Beersheba to the main Ottoman desert base.

25th - The first great aeroplane raid on England (Folkestone and Kent) to cause heavy casualties. Total of 290, over half were civilians.

26th - 'Dover Castle' a British hospital ship was sunk by a submarine in the Mediterranean.

- A tornado struck Mattoon, Illinois, causing devastation and killing 101 people.

27th - French troops refused to obey orders as the mutiny spread.

- Over 30,000 French troops refused to go to the trenches at Missy-aux-Bois.

28th - Anglo-French Conference assembled in London to discuss the deposition of King Constantine of Greece and the occupation of Athens and Thessaly.

29th - Vossug ed DOULEH, Persian Prime Minister and Foreign Minister resigned.

30th - General Van DEVENTER succeeded General HOSKINS in command of the British forces in East Africa.

EUGENIO PACELLI,
THE FUTURE POPE PIUS XII

JUNE

1st - A whole French regiment mutinied at Missy-aux-Bois.

4th - General BRUSILOV succeeded General ALEXIJEV as Russian Commander in Chief.

5th - Conscription began in the United States.
German daylight aeroplane raid on Sheerness and the Naval establishments on the Medway.

6th - Ala es SULTANEH was again appointed Persian Prime Minister and Foreign Minister.

7th - Battle of Messines began as an Allied offensive in Flanders. The battle was launched in the early hours of the morning, the British explode 19 large mines under the German lines, killing 10,000 in the deadliest deliberate non-nuclear man made explosion in history. Now known as the Spanbroekmolen Mine Crater or Lone Tree Crater.

8th - Speculator Mine disaster, a fire at the Granite Mountain and Speculator ore mine outside Butte, Montana killed at least 168 workers.

- The tenth battle of the Isonzo ended.
- Janina (Greece) was occupied by the Italian forces.
- Major-General PERSHING arrived in England.

9th - The Russian Provisional Government refused a German proposal for an unlimited armistice.

11th - The Entente Governments presented a demand to the Greek Government for the abdication of King Constantine.

- Santa Domingo severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

12th - King Constantine I of Greece abdicates for the first time, being succeeded by his son Alexander.

- Corinth and Larissa occupied by the Entente forces.

14th - Battle of Messines 1917 ended.

- German airship 'L-43 destroyed in the North Sea.
- The British Admiralty formally approve, scheme for convoying merchant ships.

15th - US Espionage Act was passed.

- Count ESTERHAZY was appointed Hungarian Premier.

16th - Haiti severed diplomatic relations with Germany.

17th - Gotha bombers bombed London, 158 were killed and 425 wounded. The worst British civilian casualties of the war.

- Portuguese troops in action on the Western Front for the first time.
- German airship 'L-48' destroyed by aeroplane at Theberton in Suffolk.

18th - Admiral SIMS, United States Navy, hoists his flag in Queenstown as acting Commander-in-Chief Irish Command.

- Count CLAM-MARTINITZ, Austrian Premier resigned.

19th - General CURRIE was appointed to command the Canadian troops in France.

21st - Mutiny broke out in the Russian Black Sea Fleet at Sevastopol.

23rd - Dr Ernst RITTER von SEIDLER was appointed Austrian Premier.

24th - M ZAIMIS, Greek Premier resigned.

26th - The first US troops arrived in France (1st Division).

- M VENIZELOS was appointed Greek Premier.

27th - Greece entered the war on the side of the Allies.

- General Edmund ALLENBY was appointed Commander of the British Forces in Palestine. He succeeded General Sir A MURRAY.
- M VENIZELOS assumed power in Athens. Diplomatic relations severed with Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey.

29th - Russian Summer Offensive began.

King Constantine I of Greece

Derby Mercury – April 10 1806

Devonshire House, Piccadilly about 1800

Funeral of the Duchess of Devonshire – This morning between eleven and twelve o'clock, the remains of her Grace the Duchess of Devonshire were interred in the family vault in All Saints' Church, in this town.

On Sunday morning, as early as five o'clock, the procession moved from Devonshire House, Piccadilly, in the following order:

Eight mutes on horseback – an attendant on horseback carrying the coronet and cushion – the Hearse, drawn by eight horses – the deceased's private coach and two morning coaches, containing the principal domestics of the family, and Mr Wilson the undertaker.

The coffin, which is very elegant, is six feet two inches in length by twenty three inches. It is covered with a very rich crimson velvet, and ornamented with uncommonly rich and beautifully chafed ornaments. At the head are placed a variety of appropriate devices, and at the foot a highly chafed weeping figure, admirably executed. The inscription also contains the arms of the two great families with which the deceased was so nearly allied,

namely the Cavendish's and the Spencer's, with their supporters, the stag and griffin, and mottos quartered – all proper. Underneath is written,

The Moft Noble Georgiana Duchefs of Devonfhire, died 30th March, 1806, in the 49th year of her age.

Above the inscription plate appeared the coronet, and underneath the smaller one, enamelled. There are eight massy and richly chafed and gilt handles on the coffin, on each of which appears the initials of the deceased's name, i.e. G.D. Of the small ornaments there are exactly 41. These, with other insignia, give the most magnificent effect possible to the costume of the whole.

Georgiana Duchess of Devonshire

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FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY
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Providing a strong base to enable our members to develop and grow as Family History Researchers.

We aim to foster a positive experience through creative and innovative and related services to our Members.

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Elder Yard Chapel	Baptisms	1773-1837
Elder Yard Chapel	Deaths /Burials	1787-1837
Elmton	Bishops Transcripts	1673-1868
Soresby Street/Froggatt Yard Meeting House	Births/Baptisms	1776-1825
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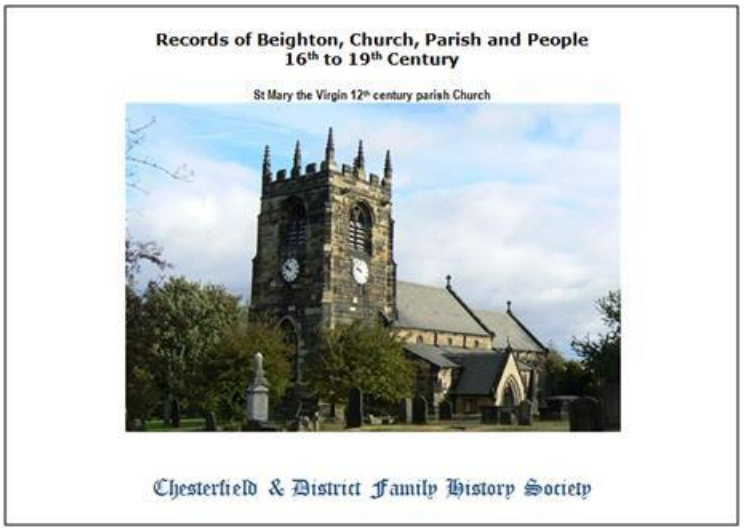
CD for Sale



The CD contains amongst others:

Beighton baptisms.
Beighton burials.
Beighton grave register.
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The information on the CD is the result of research done by a group of friends who all have an interest in Beighton, historically an ancient Derbyshire village with a written history going back to 1022 but now annexed by the City of Sheffield. Those involved were Doreen Coyle, Sheila Rigby, Rosemary Richards who wrote the book on the Church of St. Mary, the late Dorothy Buxton, Eileen Beech and three unknown pupils of Westfield School.

The information was collated and the CD produced by Neil Wilson Produced in PDF format (Adobe Reader or similar required) and are available for £8.00 each, to order a copy contact Mr Keith Feltham, 88 Top Road, Calow, Chesterfield, S44 5SY.

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Editors Jottings - mail@cadfhs.org

First of all, I would like to thank everyone who came to my talk on the 7 March 'From Little Acorns Part 1'. I do hope that I didn't bore you too much. I apologise to everyone who came, as instead of ¾ hour as I had timed it at home when I practised it, it only lasted ½ hour. Hope it wasn't a disappointment for you.

As it was my first talk, if anyone has got any comments please let me know, as I would like to know where I went wrong. Any criticism good or bad, it will help me if I decide to do any more talks.

The magazine is out early again, due to the CADFHS Fair, information is on page 6. I do hope the weather is fine, that will help the foot fall on the day. I hope some of our new members will join us on the day, if anyone has any surname interests they can get a form from me on the day and give back to me before leaving the Fair, bring to the next meeting, post it to me or scan it back to my email address.

If anyone has a little spare time, we would like some volunteers to help on the day. No matter what little time you have it would be welcome.

Children are welcome, but must be supervised at all times by an adult.

I have now completed Surname Interests, that Jayne Smith and Dena Fanshawe started for our members. This is to go on the website in the members only area, but if anyone hasn't got internet access I have printed out a hard copy which is now in the CADFHS library and can be viewed at meetings.

Every quarter I will update the spreadsheet, and for the hard copy will attach any Surname Interests that I receive to the back of it.

Lynne - Editor

REMINDERS

One of the benefits of joining a Family History society is that you can make contact with other members who are researching your family names. **Most Societies produce a list of Members Surname Interest. Although Chesterfield and District Family History Society no longer produce Members Surname Interests on fiche, Jayne Smith our Membership Secretary is now in progress of an alternative which will be electronic.**

Members Surname Interests are listed alphabetically by surname, relevant dates and County using the Chapman County Codes. These were introduced by Colin Chapman and are a set of County Codes universally used by Family Historians to show the counties of the UK in an index without reproducing the full name, e.g. DBY-Derbyshire NTT-Nottinghamshire. A full list of Chapman County Codes is reproduced on the back page of this magazine.

If you find another member is researching the same family name(s) as you, you can share your research and problems, and if you are lucky you may trace that elusive ancestor.

Meetings will be on the first Tuesday of each month.
They will be held at 7.00pm at
St Hugh's Roman Catholic Church, Littlemoor, Chesterfield.

C.A.D.F.H.S. membership and Renewal is from January 1st to December 31st. This includes free magazines in December, March, June and September for the coming year. New Members joining at any other times of the year will be entitled to back copies of these magazines for that year as compensation.

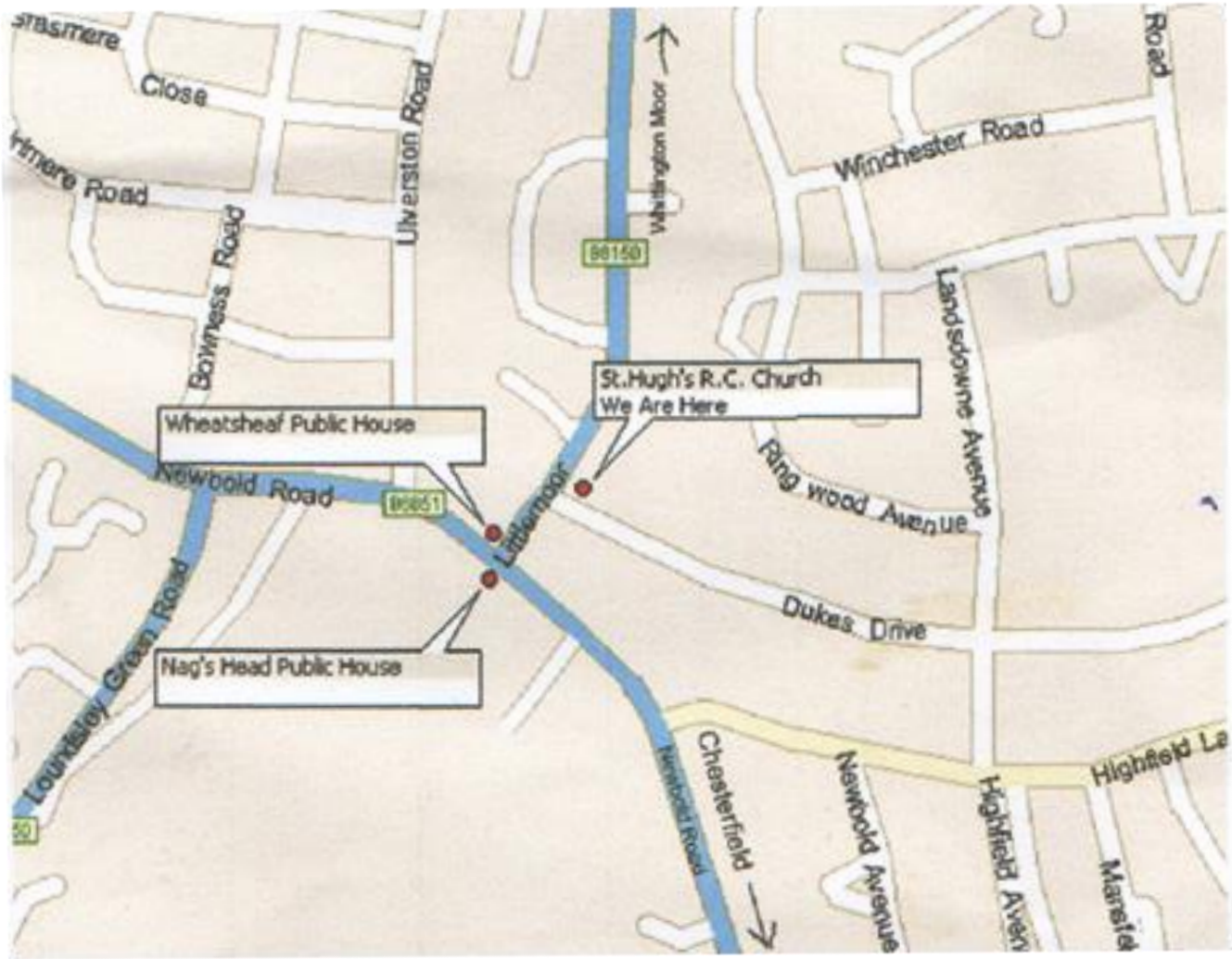
Committee members, the Library and limited research material is available to assist you in your search for ancestors and to answer any questions you may have from 7.00pm onwards.

A reader's query column (Help Wanted) is available so that readers can publish their queries in the Magazine. This column is free to members, but non-members will have to make a remittance with their query on the basis of £2 (minimum) for 50 words maximum. (Or donation). Dates count as one word.

Typed queries should be sent to the Editor, Chairman or the Secretary at the addresses inside the front cover or via the web site **mail@cadfhs.org.uk**

Please remember to show your name, address, and where appropriate your membership number. Readers are reminded that correspondence requiring either a reply or a receipt should be accompanied by a stamped self-addressed envelope. Overseas readers should send appropriate British Stamps or International Reply Coupons.

Map of Venue for Monthly Meetings



The Society meets at 7.30pm, the first Tuesday of each month at St Hugh's Roman Catholic Church, Littlemoor Chesterfield, S41 8QP

Located at the junction of Dukes Drive and Littlemoor, Newbold.
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Buckinghamshire	BKM	YKS East Riding	ERY	Lanarkshire	LKS	Longford	LOG
Cambridgeshire	CAM	YKS North Riding	NRY	Midlothian	MLN	Louth	LOU
Cheshire	CHS	YKS WEST Riding	WRY	Moray	MOR	Mayo	MAY
Cornwall	CON			Nairnshire	NAI	Meath	MEA
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