Hawkins & Currey Family

Overview Hawkins Family

Birth, Marriage & Death

Census

George Jr. Hawkins

Frances Mary Hawkins (daughter)

Currey Family

Birth, Marriage & Death

Census

Other Records

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Hawkins Family And Allied Families – Currey and Challenger

Appendix A

Challenger Challenge

FHL Film #1526776, Parish Church of Wrington, Somerset

Baptisms ... Mary dr of William and Mary Challenger, 10 months old, 22 June 1779 (note: from the census we know that born ~ Aug 1778 ... could be a good fit!)

The only relevant marriage found was:

No. 40, James Challinger of this parish of Wrington in the County of Somerset, batchelor and Mary Hincks of this Parish, spinster married in this church by license on the eighth day of February in the Year one thousand seven hundred and sixty two by me Henry Waterland Rector. In the presence of John Barnes, Jane Barnes.

(NOTE: except this Mary Challenger seemed to die in 1767! A problem!)

Appendix B

Ann Thomas (wife of George Hawkins)

1891 Censusⁱ

93 Brynymor Rd

Ann Hawkins, Head, Widow, 60, Living on Means, Coity Lower, Glamorgan, speaks both Catherine Thomas, Sister, Single, 56, Coity Lower, Glamorgan, speaks Both Edgar R. Hutchinson, Nephew, Single, 29, Student, Coity Lower, Glamorgan, Speaks English.

(NOTE: Edgar R. Hutchinson was actually a nephew of her late husband ... a son of his sister Georgina Hawkins Hutchinson)

We find her listed in the 1895 Directoryii ...

75 ThomasRess.master marn: BRYNSYFI TERRACH—COL. 79 Garlick Miss Annie, school 17 Sandy Thomas Paul So Hughes Louis George x8 John William. Sr Hay John 10 Joselyn John 20 Owens Joseph 3e Williams Mrs 83 Thomas David 21 Owens Mrs. 84 Meyler David, comrel. trav. **22 Johns John** 23 Marley Wm. jobbing gardnr | 35 Williams OswaldE, batcher 88 JohnsonJohnAlfd.confetur 24 Atkin Charles ac Jones David 87 Jones Edward, draper. 26 Drew Alfred Bennett 8a Watson Brothers, grocers 27 PerkinsMrs. RoseE. drss. ma[90 Fuller Wm. Evan,cabut.ma] here is Clifton hill...... 92 Hodge Mrs. a∂ Johna Owen. o3 Hawkins Mrs. 94 Watkins Sidney Waring Bryn-y-Môr crescent. 95 Symons Prust See Bryn-y-Môr road. of Palmer Sydney, confector 97 Nicholls WalterJohn, groce Bryn y-Môr rd, St. Helen's og Puddicombe Alex, botcher road to Walter road. [100 Taylor & Co. Lim.grocers]

1901 Censusⁱⁱⁱ
93 Brynymor Rd, Swansea
Ann Hawkins, Wid, 69, Living on own means, Bridgend Glam
Catherine Thomas, Sister, S, 65, Living on own means, Bridgend Glam

Brynymor road,

from St. Helen's road to Westbury street We also find her listed in a 1907 Swansea Directory^{iv}

1 Westbourne Hotel (T. Ar H. Cheetham propr.) W 2 Hawkins Mrs A. 3 Jones D. E. Wh

Cambrian – 28.11.1910 – November 26 at 2 Brynymor Road, Ann Hawkins, Aged 80, wife of George Hawkins (could be her. We know she is alive in 1901 and that she was born c. 1831 which would make the age correct – confirmed by MI found in

Newton Nottage).

(Ref: Cambrian.Index@swansea.gov.uk, (see full entry for George Hawkins death)

There were many Catherine Thomas' that died in Swansea ... not possible to determine which is ours!

The Cambrian index also had this entry... was Ann's mother possibly an innkeeper and then the daughter and husband went into the trade? Notice that she was the proprietor of the South Wales though others seemed to be the proprietor before George did so since in 1861 he was living with the Dyer family and not yet married to Ann Thomas.

17/08/1855

SWANSEA COUNTY COURT:D.EVANS –V- MARY THOMAS, KEEPER OF THE SOUTH WALES INN, HIGH STREET –RECOVERY OF SOVEREIGN.

Have looked at the 1861 census to see if we can find the sisters; we have not yet identified their parents via the marriage of Ann to George ... a possibility for the family is below ... this address is not far from where George was living in 1861 on Caroline Street with the Dyer family.

Queen Street					
David Thomas	Head	Widr	58	Blacksmith	Bridgend
Ann Thomas	Daughter	Unm	30		" "
David Thomas	Son	Unm	27	Blacksmith	" "
Catherine Thomas	Daughter	Unm	25		" "
Elizabeth Thomas	Daughter	Unm	19		" "

(Source: www.ancestry.com) RG9/4077, Bridgend, ED 4, Folio 50, Page 16, Household Schedule # 58, GSU Number 543230)

If this was the family ... then it's just coincidental that a Mary Thomas was in Swansea in 1855.

Appendix CAlfred Currey

We don't remember and for some reason, we started tracking the baby of the Currey family, Alfred Currey ... probably because his name is fairly unique! Working backwards from 1901 ... again, why this way instead of forward ...

Find in a 1902 Directory^v, that this address is now listed as Parker & Sons, Nurserymen ... in fact, the whole stretch of road is listed as businesses and not residential. And, neither of the daughters are listed either as individuals or as teachers.

Found in 1901 Census^{vi} ...
Bristol, 54 Queens Road
Alfred Currey, head, M, 80, Retired Congregational Minister, Bristol
Julia C. Currey, Daur, S, 30, Teacher of Drawing, Wilts, Codford St. Mary
Sylvia E. Currey, Daur, S, 28, Teacher of Music, Wilts, Codford St. Mary

We find Alfred's wife, being cared for in a Nursing Home in 1901 in Bristol.

1901 Censusvii

Bristol, 43 Manor Park

Anne Crisp, Mother, wid, 73, Wiltshire, Kinston St. Michael

Harwell E Crisp, Head, single, 45, Private Nursing Home, own Account, Wiltshire, Ladcock Gertrude E Crisp, Sister, single, 42, " ", " ", " "

Anne M. Crisp, Sister, single, 40, "", "", " " (certificated nurse)

Amelia Verrier, Serv, single, 16, housemaid, worker, Somerset

Elizabeth Davies, nursing home, single, 48, patient in nursing home, Wolverhampton

Catherine E. Currey, nursing home, married, 69, patient in nursing home, Somerset, Yatton

Rose Neate, nursing home, married, 58, patient in nursing home, Somerset, Bath

An 1897 Directory still lists Alfred in Long Ashton

Long Ashton.

[Marked thus † receive their betters through Bedininster.]

PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

Adams Rowland
Amey Miss
Bernard William Larkins, The Glebs

Cashmore Samuel, Catcombe court (postal address, Flax Bourton, Bristol)

Cheethern Rt. Rev. Henry D. D. Ashover Carrey Bev. Alfred [Cong.], Park cot Deering Rev. Lucius Hy. M.A. Vicarage Puller Joseph

Cashmore Samuel, Catcombe court (postal address, viå Flax Bourton, Bristol)

Evans William, Bower Ashton

Fisher Miss, Bellevus

Fry Thomas Tozer

Puller Joseph

Found in 1891 Census^{ix}
Park Cottage, Long Ashton
Alfred Currey, Head, M, 69, Congregational Minister, Bristol, St. Pauls
Catherine E Currey, Wife, M, 59, Yatton Somerset
Julia Catherine Currey, Daur, S, 20, Codford St. Marg Wilt

By now we were hooked as he is listed as a congregational minister and he was living in Wiltshire!

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The other daughter, Sylvia, was a visitor in the Bristol area^x.

7 Egerton Brow, Horfield

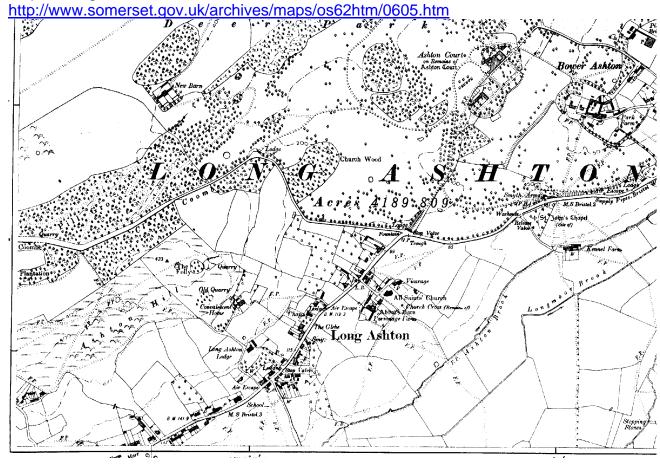
James Gurley Baskerville, head, M, 56, Commissioner Agent Canned Meet, London St. Lukes

Lydia Denham Baskerville, wife, M, 57, Yatton Somerset Rest of family

Sylvia E. Currey, visitor, S, 18, Student Music, Wiltshire, Codford

Sylvia is most likely visiting an Aunt since the aunt's middle name is Denham ... suspect variants of the same name (Sylvia's mother's maiden name was Derham)! Some confusion over Derham and Denham ... clearly the same family!

Map of Long Ashton, Somerset ...



Long Ashton.

[Marked thus * should be addressed Bishopsworth, Bristol.] PRIVATE RESIDENTS.

Amey Miss
Baber Charles, Walton villa
Boutflower Rev. Chas. Win, Marsh M.A.
Boutflower Charles Edward Douglas
Bodgett Wm. Hill, Catcombe court
Canning Robert [Postal address, Flax
Bourton R.S.O]
Clark William

Currey Rev. Alfred [Cong.], Pack cot

He is listed in an 1889 Directory^{xi} for Long Ashton

Finding in 1881 was a challenge ... if you look at this, you'll see why! www.familysearch.org ... Curney not Currey!

Household:

Name	Relation	Marital Status	Gender	Age	Birthplace	Occupation
Alfred CURNEY	Head	M	Male	60	Bristol, Gloucester, England	Independent Minister Of Long Ashton Chapel
Catherine E. CURNY (CURNEY)	Wife	M	Female	49	Yatton, Somerset, England	Wife
Julia C. CURNY (CURNEY)	Daur		Female	10	Corford, Wiltshire, England	Scholar
Sylvia E. CURNY (CURNEY)	Daur		Female	8	Corford, Wiltshire, England	Scholar
Priscilla DERHAM	Visitor	U	Female	48	Yatton, Somerset, England	Retired Gentlemans Daughter
Amelia PARSONS	Servant	U	Female	16	Nailsea, Somerset, England	General Servant Domestic

Source Information:

Dwelling Park Cottage

Census Place Long Ashton, Somerset, England

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Could then find the same information on www.ancestry.com

He is listed in an 1880 Directory ^{xii}
house, Daisy bank, Herkeley rd. Bishopston
Currey Rev. Alfred, Park Cottage, Long Ashton
Curry Andrew, outler, 1 St. Nicholas rd. St. Paul's

And, the aberrant spelling carried to 1871 where we find him as Alfred Cuney!

1871 Census^{xiii}, Wiltshire, Warminster, Heytesbury Independent Chapel House

Alfred Currey, Head, Mar, 50, Independent Minister of Codford Chapel, Bristol, Gloucester Catherine C. Currey, Wife, Mar, 39, Somerset, Yatton

Julia C. Currey, Daur, 2 mo, Wiltshire, Codford

Surname	First name(s)	District	Vol Page
	Marriages Jun	1867	
BAKER	Jane	Bedminster	5c <u>1221</u>
COLEMAN	Luke	Bedminster	5c <u>1221</u>
CURREY	Alfred	Bedminster	5c <u>1221</u>
DERHAM	Catherine Elizabeth	Bedminster	5c <u>1221</u>
(http://freeb	md.rootsweb.com)		

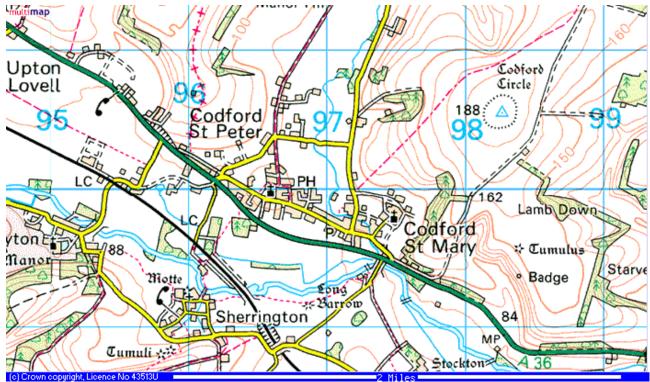
And, Bedminster would be Catherine's home parish:

Bedminster

Created 1st July 1837. Abolished 1st January 1899 (renamed Long Ashton). Sub-districts: Bedminster; Long Ashton; St. George; Yatton.

GRO volumes: XI (1837-51); 5c (1852-98).

Abbots Leigh, Backwell, Barrow Gurney, Bedminster (1837-96), Bishopsworth, Brockley, Chelvey, Clapton, Clevedon, Dundry, Easton in Gordano, Flax Bourton, Kenn, Kingston Seymour, Long Ashton, Nailsea, North Weston, Portbury, Portishead, Tickenham, Walton in Gordano, Weston in Gordano, Winford, Wraxall, Yatton.



www.uk.multimap.com

1867^{xiv} ... we find him listed as Rev. Currey Alfred in a directory

CODFORD ST. MARY is a parish, on the banks of dates from 1653. The living is a rectory, yearly value the Wiley, and on the road from Salisbury to Warminster, £350, with residence, in the patronage of St. Joha's College, in the Southern division of the county, hundred of Heytes-bury, Warminster union and county court district, diocese and archdeneoury of Salisbury, and rural densery of Wylye, dents. On the summit of Colleged Hill, in this parish, and and archdeneousy of Salisbury, and rural desirery of Wylye, distant 7 miles south-east from Warminster, 14 north-west from Salisbury, and 3 from Heytesbury, adjoining Stockton, Sherrington, and Codiosi St. Peter, in the latter of which there is a station on the Great Western Railway. The church of St. Mary was restored in 1844, and a south aisle added, which is connected with the nave by an arcade supported by three clustered piers; the chancel arch was for centuries so covered with plaster that its beauty was unheeded; the ornament constituting the enrichment of the anaequed; the ornament constituting the environment of the mediatecture is very elaborate; in an adjoining recess, on the south side, serving as a sacristy, at the end of the new side, is the Momposcon monoment; the panels of the pulpit are richly carved in oak, and are in high preservation; the commanion table is made from the old pulpit of the church of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford; the square tower, which contains 3 bells, is ancient. The register

Oldbury Camp, an earthwork forming a complete circle, and surrounded by a vallum and fosse constructed with great regularity. Henry Godolphin Biggs, Eaq., of Stockton House, is principal landowner. The soli is light chalk; subvoil, chalk and flint. The chief crops are wheat, onts and barley. The population in 1861 was 404; area, nearly 2,123 acres. Parish Clark, John Sparey.

Post Office.-John Bendall, receiver. Letters arrive from Bath by measuring from Heytrabury at 0 a.m.; dis-patched at 5 p.m. The Bearest money order office is at patched at 5 Heytesbury CARRIERS :-

Sparcy's cart to Salisbury, tuesday; Hindon, thursday; Warminster, saturday Viney's cart to Warminster, wednesday & saturday

Bennett William, esq. Budder Mr. Samuel Corry Rev. Arthur [Independent]

Hammond Rev. John William, s.n. Rectory Mundy Mrs

COMMERCIAL Arthur Samuel, farmer

NOTE: In 1861, he is a boarder in Codford ... listed as an Independent Minister of Codford ??? & Chapel. He is not listed in an 1859 Directory of the time and so he must have started c. 1860ish and he is not listed in an 1875 Directory and so must have moved to Long Ashton by then.

1861 Census^{xv} Wiltshire, Codford, St. Mary High Road Thomas Matthews, Head, M, 48, Draper & Grocer, Gravesend Kent Matthews family

Alfred Currey, Boarder, Unm, 40, Independent Minister of Codford ??? & Chapel, Gloucestershire, Bristol

We also find that his bride-to-be is living with a brother and a sister in Wrington.

1861 Census^{xvi}, Wrington, Somerset Joseph Derham, Head, Un, 23, Draper & Grocer, Somerset, Yatton Catherine E. Derham, sister, Un, 29, Draper & Grocer, Someset, Yatton Priscilla Derham, Sister, Un, 28, Draper & Grocer, Somerset, Yatton

Armed with this information, we could look into some other bits of information!

Here is the birth information for the two girls:

Surname	First name(s)	District	Vol	Page
	Births Ma	r 1871		
Currey	Julia Catherine	Warminster	5a	<u>174</u>
	Births Ma	r 1873		
CURREY	Sylvia Elizabeth	Warminster	5a	<u>167</u>

Moving forward ... possible marriages ...

Marriages Sep 1903

CURREY	Catherine	Tynemouth	10b	<u>338</u>	Info
CURREY	Eunice Wilson	Middlesbro'	9d	<u>1085</u>	Info
CURREY	Julia Catherine	Bristol	6a	<u>145</u>	Info
CURREY	Sarah Jane	Tynemouth	10b	<u>319</u>	Info

Marriages Sep 1903

CURREY	Julia Catherine	Bristol 6a 145
Hutchinson	Charles Frederick	Bristol 6a 145 Info
Paget	Alfred Percy	Bristol 6a 145
WEBB	Minnie Elizabeth P	Bristol 6a 145 Info

This is an interesting entry ... could Charles Frederick Hutchinson be the brother of Eleanor that is living in Ilford in 1901? Very coincidental or not if that is the same person!

There is no listing (FreeBMD) of a marriage or a death for Sylvia in 1901-1910 and the indexes are not complete at this point



source: http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/gallery/map/codford_map.73.001.jpg

Completely off the Hawkins -> Currey family to find Catherine Derham's family info ...

And here is Joseph and his family in 1851 census^{xvii} index for Yatton

Yatton Street, Yatton Somerset
Joseph Derham Head 42 b Yatton Tailor Draper Grocer
Elizabeth 45 b Middlesex
Catherine 19 b Yatton Shop Assistant
Priscilla 18 b Yatton Shop Assistant
Lydia 17 b Yatton Shop Assistant
Joseph 13 b Yatton Scholar at home
Mary 9 b Yatton Scholar
Theophilias 5 b Yatton Scholar at home
John 2 b Yatton

We can trace this family easily through the censuses ... a last name of Derham and a birthplace of Yatton made it pretty easy!

Need to look at map and see where Yatton is with respect to Bristol! YOU can also see Long Aston (SW of Bristol)... and Yatton is further Southwest of Bristol or Southeast of Clevedon.



source: http://uk.multimap.com Yatton is about 10 miles SW of Bristol

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Appendix D

Sarah Jemima Currey Dyer & Family

In 1851, Frances Mary Currey Hawkins is listed as Cousin-in-law to John Dyer, husband of Jemima Currey. So, it would appear that Jemima and Frances Mary were cousins ... So, what do we know about Jemima Currey^{xviii}?

- Jemima's name before she was married to John was CURREY.
- ♦ John DYER and Sarah Jemima CURREY were married at St. Paul's Church, Portland Square, in December 1839.

Interestingly, in 1861, we can find the Hawkins family and not the Dyer family ... well, we find 3 of the children with no parents listed (see info for George Hawkins Jr). This was because George Hawkins (Jr) was still living with the family. Part of the explanation in that the husband of Sarah Jemima Dyer, John Dyer, died in the June Quarter of 1852^{xix}!

This explains why this 1852-3 Directory^{xx} listing still has him.

Confectioners

Dyer John, Bridgend
Millward Thomas, Bridgend

In 1858^{xxi}, his widow is listed as:

Confectioners

Dyer Sarah Jemima, Bridgend Millward Thomas, Bridgend Shelland William, Bridgend Thomas John, Bridgend

Grocers and Dealers in Sundries

Brown Evan, Bridgend
Burnell Catherine, Bridgend
Cooke Thomas, Bridgend
David John, Porthcawl
David Watkin, Bridgend
Davies William, Bridgend
Dyer Sarah Jemima, Bridgend

By 1871 Census^{xxii} ... we find that Sarah Jemima has remarried and two of her children are living with her in Bridgend. This census entry is also notable in that we subsequently learn that the surname was listed by the enumerator as her 2nd husband's birth place ... we finally figure this bit out with the 1881 census. Thank goodness for other family members ... that is what cracked this issue!

Nolton Street, Coity, Bridgend

Francis E. Warwick, Head, Mar 56, Overman, Warwick Cumberland

Sarah J E. Warwick, Wife, Mar 53, Bristol Gloucestershire

Frederick W. Dyer, Step son, Unm, 24, Clerk Telegraph, Bridgend Glamorgan

Julia A. Dyer, Step Daur, Unmar, 21, Bridgend Glamorgan

Margaret M. Earl, Niece, 12, Aberkenfig, Glamorgan

Marget Treheine, Servant, 17, General Servant, Pencarol Glamorgan

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Edward Parry, Lodger, Unmar, 44, Station Master, Monmouth

Apparently, her daughter Mary Eliza died in 1869... FreeBMD lists for Deaths in the the September Quarter of 1869:

DYER Mary Eliza 17 Bridgend 11a 231

Have had no success tracking any of the family in 1881^{xxiii} until it was realized that in 1871 the enumerator confused his birth place with his surname ... calling him Francis Warwick instead of Francis Earl! It was the niece and Jemima again being referred to as a Sarah J that allowed us to link the 1871 and 1881 entries!

Household:

Name	Relation	Marital Status	Gender	Age	Birthplace	Occupation
Francis EARL	Head	М	Male	66	Warick, Cumberland, England	Overman Ironworks
Sarah J. EARL	Wife	M	Female	63	Bristol	Wife Of Ironworks
Margaret E. EARL	Niece	U	Female	22	Aberkeneig, Glamorgan, Wales	Spinster
Egerton SWALLOW	Lodger	U	Male	21	Manchester, Lancashire, England	Engineer Draughtsman (Artiz)

Source Information:

Dwelling Derlwyn Cottages

Census Place Ynysawdre, Glamorgan, Wales

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Apparently, her daughter Julia Ann died in 1872... FreeBMD lists for Deaths in the the March Quarter of 1872:

DYER Julia Ann 22 Bridgend 11a 367

We learn that Frances dies in 1886^{xxiv}. This was also confirmed by someone finding a burial for him at St. John's (Tondu) Aberkenfig ...

Deaths Dec 1886

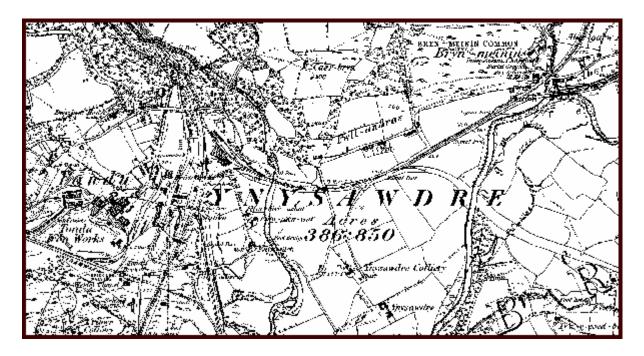
Earl Frances 70 Bridgend 11a 377

St John's (Tondu) Aberkenfig burials, and found a Frances EARLE buried there in November 1886, it shows the address as Tondu^{xxv}

As far as Sarah Jemima, she's still around in 1891^{xxvi} ... The map on the next page shows the hamlet of Ynysawdre^{xxvii}.

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Ynysawdre, Glamorgan 15 Maesteg Rd Sarah J. Earl, Head, Widow, 73, Living on her own means, Bristol Margaret E. Earl, Niece, single, 32, Glamorgan Aberkenfig John Lewis, Boarder, S, 21, Clerk, Carmarthen



We have not found Sarah in 1901 ... this makes us think that she is deceased. Interestingly, she is not buried with her 2nd husband ... and we haven't found where her 1st husband, John Dyer, is buried. And, we don't find the niece Margaret Earl and this marriage might be the answer to that **xviii!

Marriages Dec 1894

Earl Margaret Elizabeth Bridgend 11a 1231

She appears to have married John Coles and they are found in 1901 ...

George Coles abt 1853 Bridgewater, Somerset, Head Ynysawdre Glamorgan England

Margaret E Coles abt 1859 Abenkenfig, Glamorgan, Wife Ynysawdre Glamorgan Wales

What do you know ... Margaret and husband George are living with Sarah J and she is now 83 years old!

1901 Census^{xxix}, Wales

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Ynysawdre, St. Brides Minor, Tondu 15 Maesteg Road Sarah J Earl Warwick, Head, Wid, 83, Living on Own Means, Bristol George Coles, Head, M, 48, Boot Maker, Somerset, Bridgewater Margaret E. Coles, Wife, M, 43, Glamorgan Abenkenfig

Notice that again, Sarah's name is bizarre ... her last name is listed as Earl Warwick ... from what we can determine ... Earl was the last name and Warwick was the birthplace of her deceased husband.

Working backwards ... we find that Sarah J and Francis are not married by 1861 ... he is listed as a widower living with his children in Newcastle. So, we know that they married between 1861 and 1871. This still doesn't help us know where Sarah J was in 1861 and given that her children are listed without her ... who knows!

How is Jemima related to Frances Mary?

Searching the IGI (<u>www.familysearch.org</u>) shows a family, baptized in Bristol to a William and Sarah Currey

1. LOUISA JANE CURRY - International Genealogical Index

Gender: Female Christening: 15 JAN 1832 Philip & Jacob, Bristol, Gloucester, England

2. Sarah Ann Curry - International Genealogical Index

Gender: Female Christening: 31 JAN 1836 St James, Bristol, Gloucester, England

3. Georgiana Curry - International Genealogical Index

Gender: Female Christening: 01 JUL 1838 St James, Bristol, Gloucester, England

4. Mary Ann Curry - International Genealogical Index

Gender: Female Christening: 12 JUN 1831 St James, Bristol, Gloucester, England

5. Selina Curry - International Genealogical Index

Gender: Female Christening: 18 AUG 1840 St Marys, Bristol, Gloucester, England

6. Jemima King Curry - International Genealogical Index

Gender: Female Christening: 22 AUG 1841 St Marys, Bristol, Gloucester, England

What's interesting is the use of the name Georgiana and also there is a Jemima ... though in this case she is too young, unless baptized as an adult. Looking at deaths from September Quarter 1837 forward, it appears that ... at least Selina and Georgiana died as children. Since the records are not complete, it's hard to determine if more of them died before reaching majority. We have not been able to find the family, including the parents in the 1861 census. Unfortunately, the names William and Sarah are common enough ... that we can't know if the persons by these names who died in Bristol in 1840 & 1844, respectively, are the parents!

Deaths Sep 1840

CURRY Selina Bristol 1115_

Deaths Jun 1848

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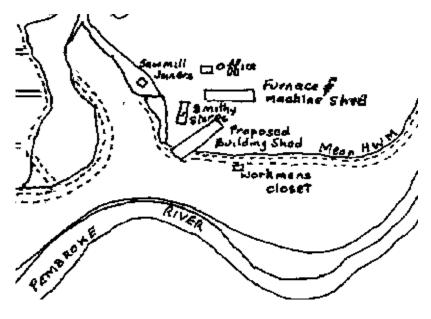
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Appendix E Jacob's Pill Shipyard

Pembroke Dock Community Website - History Section

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Map: Jacob's Pill private dockyard, 1876. [courtesy: Pembrokeshire Record Office]

The following has been extracted from the history on the above page. Only general information and that applicable to ships built for John Cory has been included. Much of this page is about ships built for the Japanese Navy and this has been ignored. [Ruth]

The story began when Edward J Reed (later Sir Edward), former Chief Constructor of the Royal Navy had political ambitions, and decided to stand as the Conservative candidate for Pembroke Boroughs. He promised, if elected, that he would build a private shipyard in Pennar, Pembroke Dock offering to employ many of the workers recently made redundant from the nearby Royal Dockyard. His opponents vociferously protested, but the incentive offered persuaded sufficient people to vote for him and he was returned to Westminster with a majority of 29 in February 1874.

True to his word he opened a shipyard in Jacob's Pill, Pennar, Pembroke Dock, and set up the Milford Haven Shipbuilding and Engineering Company. (Pill is local dialect for a small tidal inlet; this one owes its name to Jacob Jenkins who once lived in the vicinity).

The Jacob's Pill Yard seems to have had mixed fortunes after the glory days. There was a lull between 1877 and 1882. Work may have been done during this time but I can find no record of it. 1882 saw the construction of the Rheubina, an iron hulled screw and sail ship of 737 tons. The following year the Rhiwderin, 988 tons of similar construction was built, both for John Cory and Sons of Cardiff.

The yard seems to have had numerous sheds and buildings but the ship building slip was very primitive and the workers had to stand in the mud of the tidal estuary to work. A plan of the

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proposed yard, approved by the Board of Trade on January 17, 1876 shows a covered ship building shed but this was never built.

The massive Caisson Gate for the improvements to Milford docks was built about this time, the docks becoming fully operational in 1888. Incidentally the gate is still in daily use. Soon after this the yard closed.

All that remains of the Jacob's Pill yard today is the crumbling dock gate and an ivy covered ruin that was once the mould loft, and in later days an isolation hospital.

Ships built at Jacob's Pill

1882 Rhiwbina, Iron hulled screw & sail ship, 737 tons, owners John Cory & Sons Cardiff 1883 Rhiwderin, 988 tons, owners John Cory & Sons Cardiff

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