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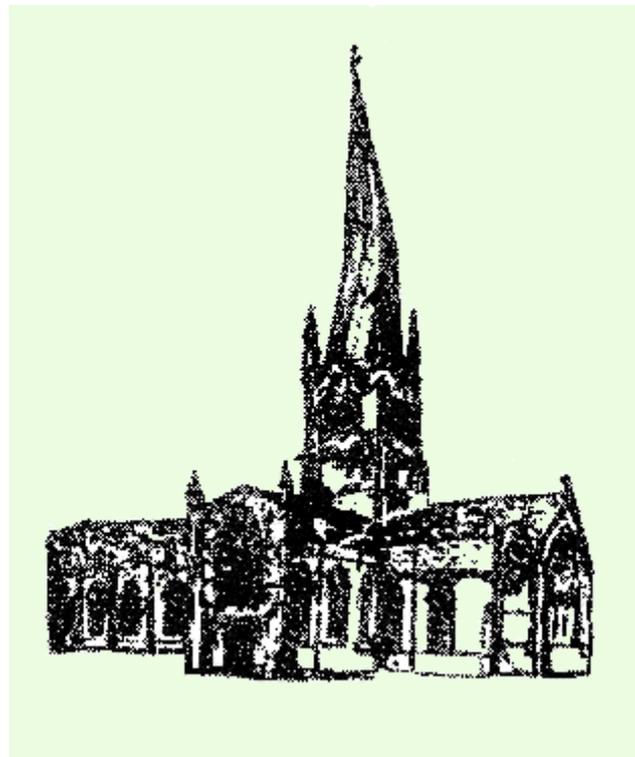
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COLLIN/COLLINS	Various	Chesterfield	DBY	19 <sup>th</sup> Cent



## Corrections

Apologies to Member 919 Mr A M Johnson, 9 Southwold, Bracknell,  
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Correction to email address

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BROWN	Chesterfield	DBY	All
FORD	Chesterfield	DBY	All
GOODWIN	Chesterfield	DBY	All
HADFIELD	Chesterfield	DBY	All
HANDFORD	Whittington	DBY	1870+
JOHNSON	Chesterfield	DBY	All
PARKER	Chesterfield	DBY	All
REVELL	Chesterfield	DBY	All
SADLER	Chesterfield	DBY	All
SHARRATT	Chesterfield	DBY	All
SINGLETON	Chesterfield	DBY	All
STOCK	Chesterfield	DBY	1860+
WRAGG	Chesterfield	DBY	All

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CHAMBERLIN		LEI	1750
DAWSON	Brampton	DBY	1750-
DUNK	Brampton	DBY	1800
MARGERISON	Brampton	DBY	
PARSONS		LEI	1800



## Help Wanted

I have been researching my family history direct male line and I have traced my line back to 1619 via Nottingham, Yarwell. Bulwick, Northamptonshire,

There were thirty families working as stonemasons in Yarwell and when the work dried up a lot of the families moved to Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire.

Seeking any **IRESON** families from Chesterfield with connections to Nottingham.

I am starting to trace mothers line **Olive Shone** b1920 Bolsover.

Father **Harold Shone**

Mother **Hilda Norton ? Morton**

Living at Longlands

Olive had a brother **Steve** and sister **Dorothy**,

**Olive** aged 19 married my father **William Herbert Ireson** 1939 Nottingham.

Any further facts or information, would be appreciated,

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## Help Given

- STRAY from Chesterfield, Derbys.  
LORD, William age 10 years. Occupation - scholar.  
In printed notes from Spalding Union Workhouse, census 1891  
found in Spalding Ref Library



## Additions to our Library

The committee wish to thank Brian Austin for donating his Surname Index of Shoemakers in Chesterfield to our Society. The Index is compiled of Surname, First Name. dates and some have references to Census Returns and even Newspaper reports.

## CADFHS Programme for 2010

- 6<sup>th</sup> April Queen Mary's Dolls House** Marjorie Dunn  
Apparently this talk will appeal to both men and women, and bring out the "kids" in all of us.
- 4<sup>th</sup> May Hansel and Gretel** Mrs J Loebel  
This is not a fairy story. It is a very true and poignant story told with feeling by a family member.
- 1<sup>st</sup> June Members Evening**
- 6<sup>th</sup> July Derbyshire Place Names** Mrs J Ainsworth  
Place names can be very important in researching family history as we all know. Do you know the history behind some of them ?
- August No Meeting**
- 7<sup>th</sup> Sept The Ingenious Watsons** Trevor Brighton  
Who were the Watsons? Find out the history of this fairly unknown connection with Chatsworth House and other well known houses.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Oct Two Queens and a Countess** David Templeman.  
This is the story of two Queens and a Countess and their connection with Manor Lodge. Find out more from David who has extensive knowledge of Manor Lodge and who has spoken to us before about it.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov Spinners of Fortune** Darrell Clarke  
Darrell was a long time member of The Arkwright Society at Cromford Mill, working full time for the Society until his retirement in 1995. He brings along some 80 slides to illustrate his talk.
- Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas Party.**



### FICHE COPIES FOR SALE June 2010 (These are hand written and are not indexed)

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BAPTISMS	1650-1902	(13 fiche)	£8.00
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BAPTISMS (some gaps)		(4 fiche)	£3.00
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MARRIAGES	1868-1919	(1 fiche)	£1.25
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MARRIAGES	1760-1929	(3 fiche)	£2.50

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BURIALS	1832-1974	(6 fiche)	£3.50
St Peter & Paul Old Brampton			
MARRIAGES	1756-1928	(7 fiche)	£3.50
MEMORIAL INSCRIPTIONS		(3 fiche)	£2.75
St. John's NEWBOLD			
MARRIAGES	1861-1920	(7 fiche)	£3.75
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MARRIAGES	1914-1953	(3 fiche)	£2.00
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MARRIAGES	1851-1923	(3 fiche)	£2.00
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BAPTISMS	1761-1801	(4 fiche)	£3.00
BAPTISMS	1908-1934	(7 fiche)	£4.50
MARRIAGES	1761-1822	(6 fiche)	£4.00
MARRIAGES	1822-1844	(4 fiche)	£3.25
MARRIAGES	1844-1858	(4 fiche)	£3.25
MARRIAGES	1858-1871	(4 fiche)	£3.25
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MARRIAGES	1885-1901	(4 fiche)	£3.25
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MARRIAGES	1916-1933	(6 fiche)	£4.50
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BURIALS	1761-1801	(4 fiche)	£3.25
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MARRIAGES	1880-1894	(3 fiche)	£2.00
DEATHS	1880-1894	(12 fiche)	£8.00

1851 Chesterfield Town Residents Name Index (2 fiche) £2.00

Copies of the Microfiche can be obtained at the prices shown from Mr R Batteson, 17 Orchards Way, Walton Chesterfield, S40 3DA Please make all payments to C.D.F.H.S. Prices include UK postage, Overseas orders must be paid in Sterling and should include 2 IRC's to cover postage.



## **The 1868 East Derbyshire Election**

With a General Election in the offing, it seems a good time to look at past elections, and how they affected life in our district.

In Chesterfield Library, Local Studies, we have two election pamphlets (The Crow and The Derby Ram) and a bound volume of cartoons from the 1868 East Derbyshire Election, which I am planning to use as the basis for a topical display on general elections in North East Derbyshire sometime in the Spring.

The 1868 General Election was very different to the elections which had gone before. In 1867 the Representation of the People Act (often called the Second Reform Act) had extended the vote in the counties to all men who occupied small amounts of land, and all householders in Boroughs, together with lodgers paying £10 or more yearly rent who had lived at that address for at least 12 months.

This meant that the number of men who had the vote was almost doubled, and that the working class had suddenly become the majority of voters in many urban areas.

The constituency of East Derbyshire was created shortly before the 1868 election, and was a contest between two parties, the Conservatives and the Liberals, for two seats at Westminster.

Previously the county of Derbyshire (excluding Derby) had been divided into North and South constituencies, each returning 2 Members of Parliament. Traditionally in Derbyshire these 'Knights of the Shire' had been elected by a cosy gentlemen's agreement, and contested elections were comparatively rare.

Now with a larger number of people entitled to a vote, Derbyshire had been reorganised into three constituencies. This redistribution of seats

made along with the Reform Act was thought to be a strategy by Disraeli to preserve some Conservative controlled rural areas, and so East Derbyshire was formed to encompass the Liberal-supporting workers of the North East Derbyshire coalfield, leaving the more rural areas of North and South Derbyshire to elect (they hoped) some Conservative candidates.

The Liberal candidates for East Derbyshire in 1868 were the naval **Captain Francis Egerton**, son in law of the 7th Duke of Devonshire and the **Hon. Henry Strutt**, great-grandson of **Jedediah Strutt** who lived at Kingston upon Soar Hall, Nottinghamshire.

Their supporters included industrialist **Charles Binns**, Chairman of the Liberal Committee **W.H. De Rodes** of Barlborough Hall, Liberal Agent and Coroner for the Hundred of Scarsdale **C.S.B. Busby**, and the Duke of Devonshire's agent **John Gregory Cottingham**.

The Conservative candidates were **Gladwin Turbutt** of Ogston and **Edward Valentine Pegge Burnell** of Winkburn Hall, Nottinghamshire. Both were county magistrates and previously High Sheriffs of Derbyshire. Their supporters included landowners **F.C.G. Hunloke** of Wingerworth Hall, **Bernard Lucas** of Hasland Hall, **W.H. Arkwright** of Sutton Scarsdale and **John Barrow** of Ringwood Hall.

Mr Pegge Burnell withdrew from the campaign at the beginning of October due to ill health, and was replaced by a Sheffield lawyer, William Overend Q.C. Overend had headed the commission of inquiry following the Sheffield Flood of 1864, and had stood unsuccessfully as a Conservative candidate in Sheffield in the 1850s.

Campaigning had already started by the beginning of July 1868, when the two parties had announced their candidates. Notices in the papers announcing their names with lists of their supporters appeared at frequent intervals.

Because the election for East Derbyshire was due to take place on Friday the 20th November, this meant a lengthy campaign of some 20 weeks duration. Voters lists were pinned on church doors, and men had until the 25th August to apply for their name to be put on the register of voters. The formal nomination of candidates took place in the Market Place at Chesterfield by the High Sheriff, **Mr F.W. Bagshawe** on Tuesday 17th November 1868.

The 1868 election had opened the ballot to far more voters than ever before, but it was still an open ballot, and landowners and industrialists could see and influence the voting of their tenants and workforces. One of the **Duke of Portland's** agents was said to have circulated a letter informing the tenants that His Grace was supporting the Conservative party. One of the key issues of the election campaign was **Gladstone's** proposal to disestablish the Irish Church, as part of a set of measures to pacify Ireland. This campaign fed on and fostered the resentment some felt towards Irish workmen taking jobs in English towns, and may help to explain why feelings were running so high in North East Derbyshire.

Election day in Chesterfield was like a holiday. Crowds thronged the streets but little business was done in the shops, and in any case many had closed early for fear of trouble. A telegram from Dronfield resulted in 12 constables being sent there to quell disturbances, but this proved to be a false alarm. The Conservatives took an early lead in the polls, but during the working men's dinner hour, the Liberal vote increased and overtook the Conservatives.

In Ripley and Clay Cross the picture was very different. Serious rioting in Ripley led to the reading of the riot act. In Clay Cross it appeared that Conservative supporters "blues" were attacked by Liberals, the "yellers"

At first cabs and carriages were stoned, policemen were targeted, and then a 'great mob' went on the rampage, throwing stones and breaking windows. Estimates of the size of the crowd ranged from 40 to 4,000!

The Radical roughs threw mud upon their opponents in almost every district, and one correspondent writes from Clay Cross - 'The rioting was not stopped till midnight at Clay Cross, and policemen were wounded.

All Conservative windows were smashed and gentlemen ill-treated brutally --**Mr Turbutt** and the **Rev. J. Nodder** especially. Conservatives dare not vote because they were intimidated by the mob.  
(Derby Mercury 25 Nov 1868)

The Liberal paper, The Derbyshire Courier, did not dwell on the rioting in Clay Cross, but knew where to place the blame, "A somewhat serious disturbance there took place, owing, as it is said, to the foolish conduct of some Conservatives in smashing a cab which was conveying some Liberal electors to the poll. This gave rise to some very angry feeling, and the Liberals, in order to be revenged, made free with the private carriage of **Mr Turbutt**. –  
(Derbyshire Courier 27 Nov 1868)

The numbers polled were announced at hourly intervals during the day, and it was clear by late afternoon that the Liberals had won the day. The official declaration of the result was announced by the High Sheriff in Chesterfield Market Place on the following Monday morning, to a large crowd of 2-3,000 people:

**Egerton** (Liberal) 2089 - elected

**Strutt** (Liberal) 2032 - elected

**Turbutt** (Conservative) 1999

**Overend** (Conservative) 1970

**Egerton**, **Strutt** and **Turbutt** each made speeches, but **Overend** did not appear. **Turbutt** commented, "I congratulate **Mr Strutt** and **Captain Egerton** on their victory, such as it is. I have nothing to complain of in their conduct personally. I wish I could say the same about those who have acted for them"

(Derby Mercury 25 Nov 1868)

The constituency of East Derbyshire lasted only 17 years, and then a new redistribution of seats in 1885 created the two constituencies of North East Derbyshire and Chesterfield.

**Captain Egerton** was MP for East Derbyshire and then North East Derbyshire until 1886. He rose to the rank of Admiral, and died in 1895. The Hon. Henry Strutt was defeated in the East Derbyshire election of 1874, and later became MP for Berwick-upon-Tweed. He went to the House of Lords as the 2nd Baron Belper following the death of his father in 1880.

**Francis Arkwright** and **Alfred Barnes** followed him as MPs for East Derbyshire before the constituency was abolished. **Alfred Barnes** then became the first MP for Chesterfield.

If you are looking to see whether any of your ancestors had the vote in 1868, we have the Burgess Rolls (for local elections) for this date for the Borough of Chesterfield at the Library, but not voters lists for parliamentary elections, which are held at the Derbyshire Record Office. We have a few registers and poll books (showing votes cast) from the 1830s and 1840s, and just one poll book for the Northern Division of Derbyshire in 1868. There is a full list of our electoral registers in the Library, and you can also find details on the web site [www.cornucopia.org.uk](http://www.cornucopia.org.uk).

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## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

### **LOCAL and FAMILY HISTORY FAIRS 2010**

In 2010 Derbyshire County Council's Cultural & Community Services Dept. is planning to hold a series of open days to show case the services and resources of the Department for local and family historians. The events build on the very successful and well attended open days held in 2009. They will feature displays, demonstrations of on-line resources, quizzes, sale of withdrawn local history books, and drop in family history advice surgeries.

We would very much like to invite local societies, heritage centres and museums to join us at these events with a stall and/or display to promote their activities, attract new members or volunteers and to sell publications etc.

The dates now fixed for 4 large events at

Buxton Museum	8 <sup>th</sup> May
Chesterfield Library	22 <sup>nd</sup> May
Dronfield Library	19 <sup>th</sup> June
Ilkeston Library	10 <sup>th</sup> July

The first 2 events are in May to celebrate Local History Month and that Chesterfield's is going to have a theme of pottery with displays, in connection with the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Pearson's. It won't just be pottery, family and local history societies etc will be welcome, but it might be of particular interest to some of the Forum members.

Bookings and enquiries:

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**SHEFFIELD & DISTRICT FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETY  
FAMILY HISTORY FAIR  
SATURDAY, 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2010  
10 AM TO 4 PM  
"THE CENTRE IN THE PARK", NORFOLK HERITAGE PARK,  
GUILDFORD ROAD, SHEFFIELD S2 2PL**

**VISITORS CAN CATCH SUPERTRAM FROM MIDLAND STATION  
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**LOCAL GROUPS AND OTHER FAMILY HISTORY SOCIETIES WILL  
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YOUR ENQUIRIES.**

**ADMISSION WILL BE FREE. REFRESHMENTS WILL BE  
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VISIT OUR WEBSITE [WWW.SHEFFIELDFHS.ORG.UK](http://WWW.SHEFFIELDFHS.ORG.UK) FOR  
FURTHER DETAILS.**

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**YORKSHIRE FAMILY HISTORY FAIR**

**SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

**YORK RACECOURSE**

**KNAVESMIRE EXHIBITION CENTRE**

**10.00am to 4.30pm**

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**Tel/Fax:- (01642) 486615**

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## “LUCKY BREAKS”

How many “Lucky Breaks” are available in Family History Research? So far I have benefited from a good share.

After joining CADFHS and having my interests published, a member contacted me. She also had WILCOCKSON roots in and around Old Brampton. Whereas I had followed a direct line back to circa 1675 on my mother’s maternal line, she had researched and compiled a WILCOCKSON family tree across the generations-and very generously gave me a copy.

From a copy of the GRD found in the CADFHS Library I discovered a New Zealand interest in my father’s paternal line-FELTHAM- in certain London boroughs.

I wrote (with sae) and a prompt reply told me that we didn’t link so far- BUT- 10 years earlier she had been contacted by another Kiwi who had supplied the names which I had given. Moreover she had checked her telephone directory and this Kiwi was still residing near Auckland, NZ – and sent me the address.

So I wrote to her (plus sae)-and we linked!! (Actually her husband is my 2<sup>nd</sup> cousin) She does voluntary work for the New Zealand Society of Genealogists- a very experienced Researcher.

I had never heard of the g.g. uncles who had emigrated circa 1880- one to New Zealand and another to Australia.

There have been so many developments from this link. Apart from the original exchange of family info almost daily e-mails flow between us. We divide orders for any certificates required to share the costs.

We met our “new” relatives for the first time in June 2006 on the platform of Chesterfield station when they stopped off from their European tour to spend a few days in Derbyshire. That enabled a memorable family gathering on a warm summer evening in the garden.

After extensive searches we still have to trace the birth, circa 1809, of Henry FELTHAM, who maintains (from several census returns) that he was born in Lewisham.

Member 627 Enid Gelsthorpe



**Taken from Derby Mercury. 28th Nov 1764**

By a statute of James 1<sup>st</sup> in 1603, Innkeepers under pain of fine or imprisonment in default, were compelled to sell 1 quart of their best ale for 1d ie 1/2d a pint

And 2 quarts (4 pints) of table beer for 1d ie ¼ d a pint

T P Wood 1876



**MEMBERS MEETING      3 NOVEMBER 2009**

“Hulley’s Buses” a talk by Andy Firth illustrated with slides

Before showing his collection of over 100 slides Andy gave a brief history of Hulley’s buses.

Henry Hulley the founder was a chauffeur at the Baslow Hydro in 1916. He started the first Hulley’s bus service between Chesterfield, Baslow and Bakewell between 1919/20.

Other members of the Hulley family involved in the business were Ben and Diane. The family lived at Derwent House in Baslow and the buses were kept in the Derwent garage. The house is still standing on Calver Road near the Rutland Arms but it has been converted into flats.

Hulley’s now have 20 buses and a luxury coach. Originally the buses were painted red and cream, then red and grey, silver and finally blue and cream.

The company was originally run by the Hulleys as a family business. Then it was run for them by Stanley Eades and later Peter and Richard Eades. In 1978 there was a rumour of a buy-out by Chesterfield Corporation but they backed out of the deal. The company was instead taken over by J. H. Wooliscroft & Sons (Silver Service). In 1988/9 the company was taken over by Kingsland of Sheffield but they kept the trading name of Hulley’s. The buses still operate today running services between 40 villages in Derbyshire.

Andy then began his slide show with pictures illustrating the services that Hulley’s buses have provided over the years.

The first picture was of a 1927 bus. This ran from Chesterfield to Tideswell – the X67. The company at this time bought second hand buses. The service that ran from Chesterfield to Baslow started at the

crooked spire and went via Old Brampton and Wadshelf with a pick up at Beetwell Street. One picture showed a bus in deep snow at the Highwayman at Eastmoor. The company had a reputation that they would get to Baslow whatever the weather.

Buses used to go Via Beetwell Street and the Market Hall and in the 1950's and 60's would have both a driver and a conductor to take the fare and issue the tickets. In those days the return fare from Chesterfield to Bakewell was 2/6d (twelve and a half pence) In the 1940's and 50's the buses had 28-29 seats but the seats were wooden. Passengers would travel as far as Blackpool on wooden seats – not a comfortable ride!

A 1972 picture shows the Hulley's bus in its red paint. The buses at this time had sliding doors and one driver was renown for using his scarf to open and close the door.

In the 1980's the company acquired a second hand bus from the Western Scottish Bus Company, registration number CAG 474 C. This was known by the drivers as the "Flying Haggis" and was used on the 172 route to Tideswell.

The buses were and are much used by walkers in the Derbyshire countryside. The bus that went to Baslow via Old Brampton and Wadshelf would drop people at the Robin Hood so that they could visit Birchin Edge where three rocks bear the names of Nelson's ships – "The Sovereign", "Defiance" and "Victory".

One of Andy's photographs shows the Hulley's bus in the thick snow of February 1979. It was a feature of the company that the buses kept running no matter how bad the weather.

Hulley's used to run three double- decker buses particularly on the school runs but they now only use single deck buses.

Chatsworth was always a popular destination for walkers using Hulley's buses. Pictures feature the Swiss and Emperor lakes, the weeping willow tree and the Hunting Tower in Stand Wood

When deregulation of bus services was brought in it introduced competition. In Bakewell there were often three buses vying for the same routes. One of the Hulley's bus destinations in Bakewell was Shutts Lane, this was known locally as "Going up Top". When Bakewell show is held in August each year Hulley's run a park and ride service

from Hassop Old Station. In addition the Monsal Trail is closed to walkers and the bus travels on the old railway line.

Hulley's buses are always much in demand by tourists who want to visit the various well dressings held in Derbyshire. One picture of the 1994 well dressing at Youlgrave featured the biblical scene "Holy is his name".

The buses are always popular with walkers, climbers and cavers as they visit many places in the Peak District like Bradford Dale, Hartington, Buxton, Winnat's Pass, Dovedale, the Manifold Valley, Tissington, Thorpe Cloud and Islam.

One picture features Stanton Moor and the "Nine Ladies" bronze age standing stones said to represent dancers who turned to stone when they danced in the moonlight. Nearby is the Earl Grey Tower commemorating Earl Grey who was involved in the Reform Bill of 1832.

A bus with the destination of "Llandeilo" was an April Fools Day joke played on the passengers by the driver. However, they had the last laugh as they didn't notice the wrong name on the 120 service!

Hulley's buses run in the Matlock area and passengers travelling in Darley Dale can choose between the bus or steam train on Peak Rail.

Buses in the Longshaw Lodge area (The Duke of Rutland's Hunting Lodge) see the dramatic scenery of Higger Tor, Carl's Wark and Toads Mouth rock as they travel towards Surprise View and Hathersage.

There is a service to Castleton, this also goes to Win Hill and Kinder Scout. The areas of the Hope Valley are always attractive no matter what the season. Castleton is always busy particularly when the Garland Ceremony takes place.

Winnats Pass is a popular destination but can prove dangerous in winter with black ice. The bus used to travel to Mam Tor but they have been prohibited since 1979 when nine-foot cracks appeared on the road and this road has never reopened.

The Derwent Valley area and its association with the Dam Busters is always busy with sightseers when there are commemoration fly pasts by Lancaster bombers and the Red Arrows. Unfortunately the sheer numbers of people create traffic chaos and queues take three hours to clear!

Hulley's buses not only operate in the Peak District. They now do coach tours as far afield as Appleby in Cumbria, Arran in Scotland, tours of the Isle of Wight and school trips to the continent.

During a question session at the end of the talk members recalled the days before "Health and Safety" when Hulley's kept their customers warm with a paraffin heater on the bus!

A vote of thanks was given by Keith Feltham.



## **NAPOLEONIC WAR PRISONERS IN CHESTERFIELD**

Chesterfield was a detention depot for French officers on parole, numbering some 200, whose favourite promenade was High Street then called Drapers Row.

Captains and upward had 10/-d a week allowance and lower officers of commissioned rank 7/-d. These were very generous sums in that day.

They were free to go in any direction for one mile from the market place, but had to be indoors in their private lodgings by 8.00pm, at which hour "The Frenchman's Bell" tolled.

They were all under orders of a civilian commissary, the first of these being **John Bower esq** of Spital.

The first prisoners to arrive came in 1803 and were both naval and military, from St Domingo. Four generals were amongst them, **Rochambeau**, **Boyer**, **d'Henin** and **Lapoype**, with their staffs, also naval **Commandant Barre**.

**Rochambeau** had been such a wretch of cruelty that the others refused to associate with him, and he was transferred to the dept at Ashbourne.

**Boyer**, a man of violent temper and arrogant character, insulted a civilian in the old theatre and was in consequence removed to the Litchfield depot.

**d'Henin**, a charming personality was highly popular with the Cestrefeldians. He married a wealthy Scots young lady, and lived happily in Spital for some years. Finally he was exchanged for an English general, and he, his wife and family left for Paris. At Waterloo he was struck by a cannon ball which tore of a leg at the thigh.

Only one of the first prisoners could speak any English, but before the war ended they were so popular, so honest, so honourable and so cheerful that they got sent home en bloc before the end of the war by direct petition of the English government by the principal inhabitants of the town.

There were a few exceptions :

One committed suicide on being unmasked as a thief, and was buried at the cross roads by the present Gas Works before a huge mob.

Another, **General Excelmans**, a brave man and a favourite of Napoleon, broke his parole and escaped with **Colonel de la Grange**. They were got away by **Jonas Lawton**, assistant to **John Elam**, surgeon in a covered cart. Arrived at Paris, **Lawton**, got a liberal reward and was found a post, though only a youth, as a hospital surgeon, where he remained till old age.

**General Excelmans** was captured by us at Waterloo and given twenty years detention in a military fortress; the term it is believed was subsequently reduced.

The naval officers were finally all transferred to Ashby-de-la Zouch.

Another discredit to the general high standard of the prisoners was **Col. Richemont**, who left the town with large debts to his name, though a wealthy man with ample ready assets. Subsequently he was sued for these debts, but the creditors never obtained anything.

(From the information of Mrs Hannah Roberts, of Chesterfield. She was in some way a relative of Ald T P Wood, by marriage.)

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### **From the Webmaster**

This is strange, writing in normal text and not HTML code or even PHP code. A web page is made up of thousands of characters, a lot of (</>) and coding which are not seen when the web page is viewed.

Developing the site over the years has been an experience. There is now video available of the 20<sup>th</sup> celebrations, a feat the small web master could not do a few years back. Code is being released, which enable us to maintain the site, as it is, but without the clutter that some have.

A webmaster's life is not a happy one as you cannot please everyone all the time. Problems when trying to download from the site have been brought to my attention; however this is not an error with our website. Please check your Internet Service Provider regarding download speed and size of files.

The quarterly Magazine is also available online and will in future, be sent by email **to those who requested it on the renewal form.**

Members can also view the Members Surname Interests, records of Committee Meetings and the AGM, along with various other items.

To view these documents online, please contact via the web site and after checking your membership details, I will send you the login details. These login details will change when the December magazine is published.

A self-help forum has been developed to help as a research tool in order to assist family historians with their research when they hit the inevitable 'brick wall". Please give it a try, you never know who will have the answer at their fingertips. Registration is open to all and an activation email is sent automatically to prevent non-human auto-logins by the spammers.

Neil Wilson.  
CADFHS webmaster

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### **Editors Jottings**

I will be including some of the notes or stories from Brian Austin's Shoemakers Indexes in future magazines. (See Library notes) If you want to know if your ancestors may be among them you can contact me on our email address [mail@cadfhs.org.uk](mailto:mail@cadfhs.org.uk) or my address which can be found on the inside front cover and I will look them up for you  
Thanks Carol.

## **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 Interest and the Chesterfield and District Family History Society produce theirs on microfiche each year. This is updated and distributed annually with the June magazine and is also available via the Website**

Other versions available are, printed, or emailed, for members who prefer it.

Members 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. Eg 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 except August, when there is no meeting. They will be held at 7.30pm at St Hugh's Roman Catholic Church, Littlemoor. Chesterfield.**

**C.A.D.F.H.S. membership and Renewal is from September 1st to August 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 7pm onwards.

A readers 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 either the Editor, Chairman or the Secretary at the addresses inside the front cover or via the web site [.mail@cadfhs.org.uk](mailto:.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.**

The Chapman Codes for County and Country (pre 1974 countries)

England	ENG	London	LND	<b>SCOTLAND</b>		<b>IRELAND</b>	
Ireland	IRL	Middlesex	MDX	Aberdenshire	ABD	Antrim	ANT
Scotland	SCT	Norfolk	NFK	Angus	ANS	Amargh	ARM
Wales	WLS	Northamptonshire	NTH	Argyllshire	ARL	Carlow	CAR
All Counties	ALL	Northumberland	NBL	Ayrshire	AYR	Cavan	CAV
		Nottinghamshire	NTT	Banffshire	BAN	Clare	CLA
<b>ISLANDS</b>		Oxfordshire	OXF	Berwickshire	BEW	Cork	COR
Channel Islands	CHI	Rutland	RUT	Bute	BUT	Donegal	DON
Alderney	ALD	Shropshire	SAL	Caithness-shire	CAI	Down	DOW
Guernsey	GSY	Somerset	SOM	Clackmannanshire	CLK	Dublin	DUB
Jersey	JSY	Staffordshire	STS	Dumfriesshire	DFS	Fermanagh	FER
Sark	SRK	Suffolk	SFK	Dunbartonshire	DNB	Galway	GAL
Isle of Man	IOM	Surrey	SRY	East Lothian	ELN	Kerry	KER
Isle of Wright	IOW	Sussex	SSX	Fifeshire	FIF	Kildare	KID
		Warwickshire	WAR	Forfarshire	ANS	Kilkenny	KIK
<b>ENGLAND</b>		Westmorland	WES	Inverness-shire	INV	Leitrim	LET
All Counties	ALL	Wiltshire	WIL	Kincardineshire	KCD	Leix (Queens)	LEX
Bedfordshire	BDF	Worcestershire	WOR	Kinross-shire	KRS	Limerick	LIM
Berkshire	BRK	Yorkshire	YKS	Kirkcudbrightshire	KKD	Londonderry	LDY
Buckinghamshire	BKM	YRS 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
Cumberland	CUL	<b>WALES</b>		Orkney Isles	OKI	Monaghan	MOG
Derbyshire	DBY	Anglesey	AGY	Peeblesshire	PEE	Offaly (Kings)	OFF
Devonshire	DEV	Brecknockshire	BRE	Perthshire	PER	Roscommon	ROS
Dorestshire	DOR	Caernarvonshire	CAE	Renfrewshire	RFW	Sligo	SLI
Durham	DUR	Cardiganshire	CGN	Ross & Cromarty	ROC	Tipperary	TIP
Essex	ESS	Carmarthenshire	CMN	Roxburghshire	ROX	Tyrone	TYR
Gloucestershire	GLS	Denbighshire	DEN	Selkirkshire	SEL	Waterford	WAT
Hampshire	HAM	Flintshire	FLN	Shetland Isles	SHI	Westmeath	WEM
Herefordshire	HEF	Glamorgan	GLA	Stirlingshire	STI	Wexford	WEX
Hertfordshire	HRT	Merionethshire	MER	Sunderland	SUT	Wicklow	WIC
Huntingdonshire	HUN	Monmouthshire	MON	West Lothian	WLN		
Kent	KEN	Montgomeryshire	MGY	Wigtownshire	WIG		
Lancashire	LAN	Pembrokeshire	PEM				
Leicestershire	LEI	Radnorshire	RAD				
Lincolnshire	LIN						

The society will meet on the first Tuesday of the month, except August  
at  
St Hughs Roman Catholic Church, Littlemoor Chesterfield  
located on the B 6150 at the corner of Littlemoor and Duke's Drive in Newbold village

The venue can be accessed from Chesterfield town centre via Newbold Road B6051 or from Chesterfield by-pass A61 (Whittington Moor roundabout) via St Johns Road, B6150

