

THE BALL, WHITAKER, JOHNSON, FORSTER, HOLT, BEAMES AND TEWSON FAMILIES

NB: recent generations are omitted

John BALL¹ (b.1716) m.(c.1738) Elizabeth BRAUNSTON

Elizabeth (b.& d.1740)

John (b.& d.1741)

Thomas (1742-1746/7)

John² (b.1745) m.(23.8.1767) Elizabeth CLARK

Elizabeth

William (b.1767) m. Elizabeth CLARK

} (sisters)

Henry

John (...) m. Ann CLARK

Catherina (b. & d. 1774)

William Ernest³ (1795-1840)

Mary (b.1801)

Joseph⁴ (b.1803) m. Sophia Smith *née* WRAGG

Charlotte (b.1804) m. Thomas GRIFFIN⁵

William John (4.12.1826-21.8.19) - see below

Granville (b.1829)

Sarah Ann (b.1834)

Josiah (b.1835)

William COOKE

William John BALL (4.12.1826-21.8.19)⁶ m. (1851) Ann

-William (b. & d. 1852)

-William Clark (b. 1853) m. Alice Louisa REYNOLDS

-Vincent Ambrose⁷

-Joseph⁸ (b. 1853) m. Blanche Mary UDEN

-George William⁹ (b. 1880)

-Lilliane Blanche (b. 1883)

-Percy Joseph¹⁰ (1885-?1981)

-Frederick John¹² (b. 1886)

-Daisy Blanche¹³ (b. 1889)

-Sydney Arthur (1894-?1895)

-Clarence Edward¹⁴ (b. 1902)

(wives were sisters)¹¹

-John Josiah¹⁵ (b...1857) m. Elizabeth UDEN

-William Ernest¹⁶ (b. 1884) m. Rosina Mary THORNTON

-Margery Rosina¹⁷ (b. 1913)

-John Thornton¹⁸ (b. 1915)

-Frank Thornton¹⁹ (b. 1921)

-Alfred²⁰

-Annie Lilian (known as Ann)

└ Frank²¹ (d. 1915)

George WHITAKER (b. c.1779) m. Jane [...]

└ George (b. c.1816) m. Mary KING

└ George (b.1840) m. [...]

└ Alice m. Arthur [...]

└ Ethel m. Alf LYONS²²

└ Eric m. Barbara [...]

└ Raymond

└ Barbara (Babs)

└ Will)

) both k.i.a. WWI

└ Arthur)

└ Polly m. Charlie [...] *

└ Harry m. Maud [...]*

└ Eileen m. Arthur [...] *

└ Mary Anne (b.1841)

└ William (b.1843)

└ Thomas (b.1845)

└ Harriet (b.1847)

-Anne Elizabeth (31.5.1860-7.2.23)

-Elizabeth Sophia (b. & d.1861)

-Emily²⁵ (b.1863)

-Sarah (b.1863)

m.(19.2.1880)

- Jane (b.1849)

- Edward (b.1851)

- Elizabeth (b.1860) m. John Doughty CHESTER²³ (b.1858)

- Edwin (Ted)²⁴ (14.4.1857-4.1.32)

George Edmund BLOXHAM m. Sabina [...]

- Edwin (Ted)²⁶ (15.9.1880-Dec 1926) m.(21.9.14) Catherine Amy (Kitty) (1878-..)

William Charles JOHNSON²⁷ (b.1819) m. Sarah May [...]

- Frances (b.1830)

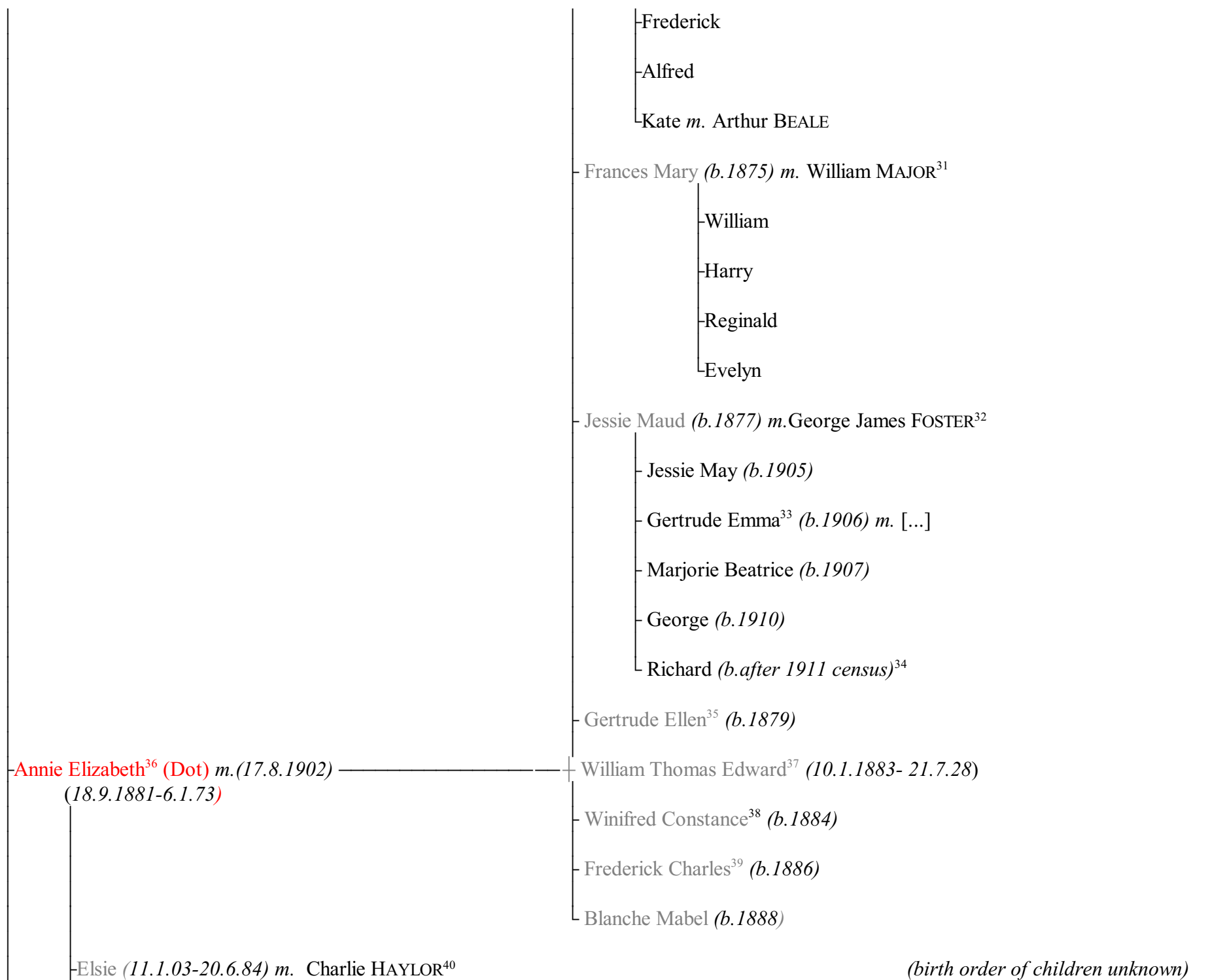
- William Charles²⁸ (b.1844) m. Mary Anne Elizabeth [...]

- Thomas (b.1845)

- Walter Francis (b.1850)

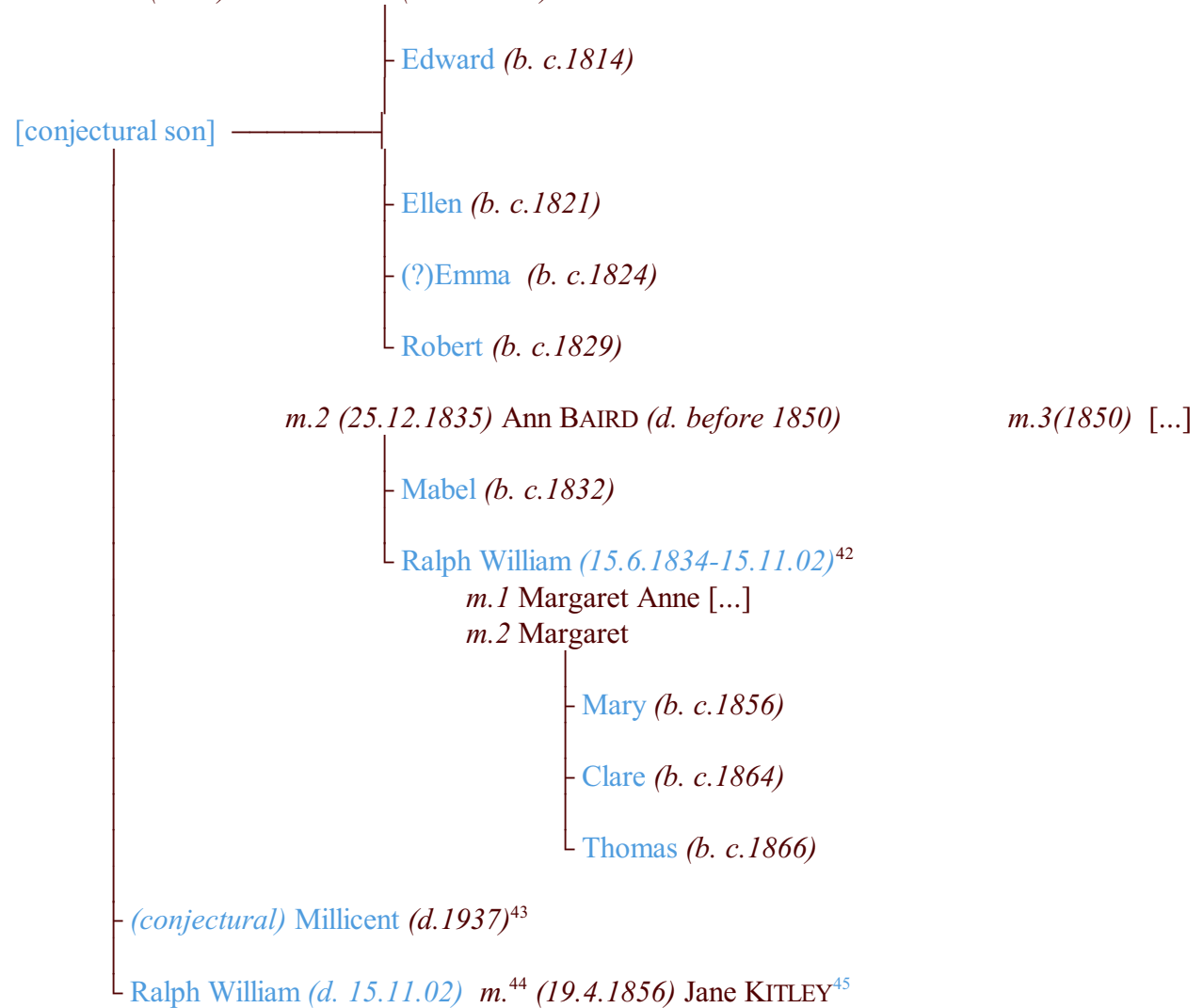
- Eveline Louise²⁹ (b.1870) m. David [...]

- Ada May (b.1871) m. Frederick CROFT³⁰



Eileen *m.* Norman [. . .]
 Joyce (*died in infancy*)
 Colin *m.1.* Liz [. . .] *m.2.* Maggie [. . .]

William FORSTER⁴¹ *m.1(1811)* Anne DODDS (*d. 1830-33*)



- Alice Mary (b.1.5.1860)

- Robert

[...] COCKING⁴⁶ m. [...] MILLER

- Harry

- Emily m. (9.4.1892) Robert DODDS

└ Helen m. Joe WITHNELL⁴⁷

└ Joe⁴⁸

└ Tom⁴⁹

└ Marion

└ Albert

└ Sheila

└ Jim

└ Lucy

- William Joseph⁵⁰ m. (26.12.1887)⁵¹ └ Helen⁵²
(12.7.1863-14.2.32) (24.12.1863-22.10.35)

- Millicent Helen⁵³ (11.1.1889-1913)

- William Ralph (29.4.1891-2.3.1908)

- May (Marion)⁵⁴ (1894-27.7.1967)

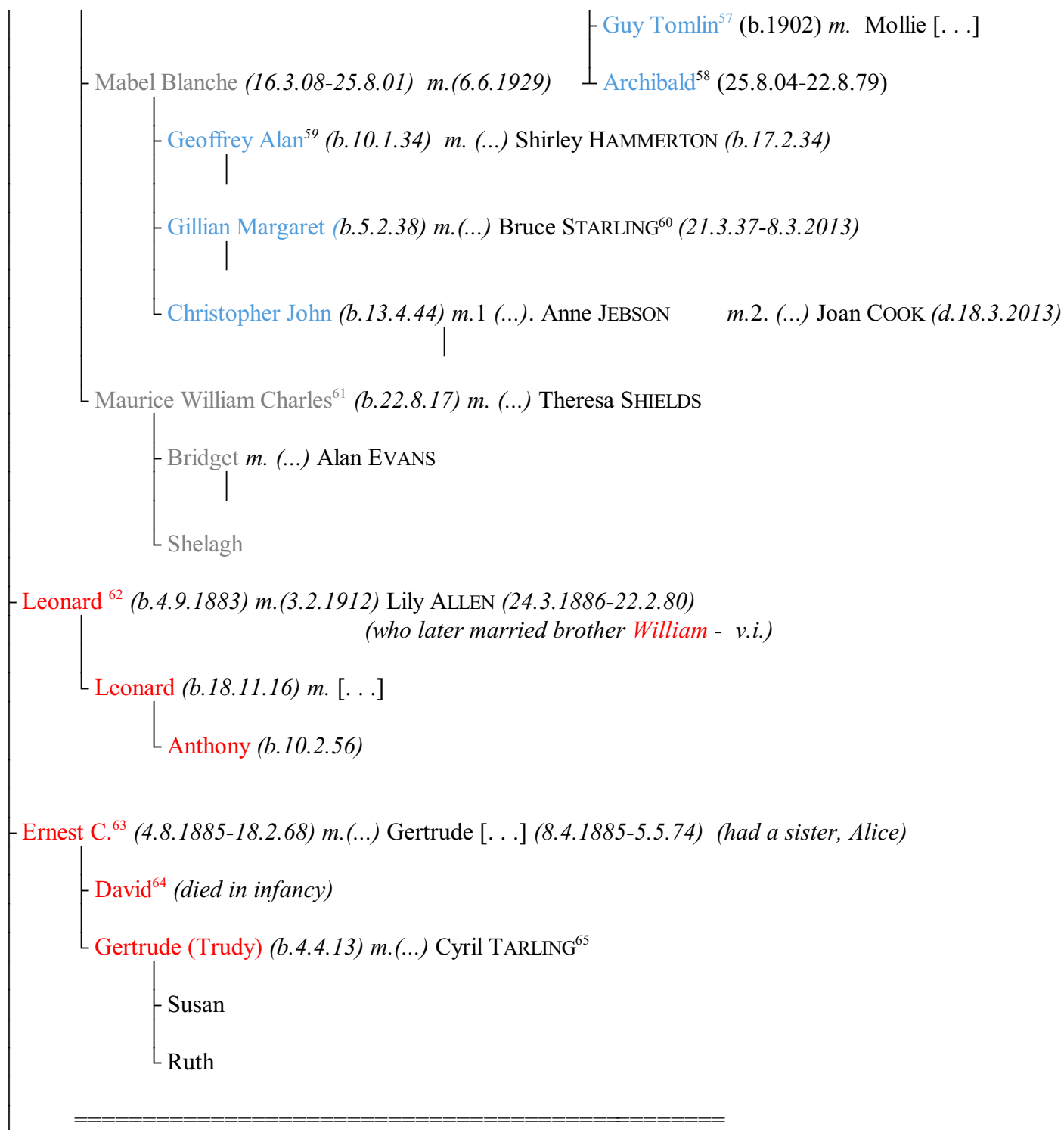
- Nellie⁵⁵ (1895-4.10.49)

- Helen (d. in infancy)

- Herbert Edward⁵⁶ (b.22.2.00) m. Ruby [. .]

└ Aileen m. Ray [. .]

└ son



[...] **HOLT** m. Elizabeth [...] (1771-1818⁶⁶)

[...] m. [...]

Edward Daniel m. Elizabeth GIRTON

Edward Daniel⁶⁷ m. Charlotte

(birth order of children unknown)

Edwin Daniel (b.29.11.1841)

Charlotte Jane (b.9.12.1845) m. William BOYER⁶⁸

Jack m. [...]

Fred m. [...]

(daughter)

George

Alice m. [...]

(daughter)

Harry⁶⁹

Albert

Fanny Elizabeth⁷⁰ (b.11.2.1849) m. David DAVIES

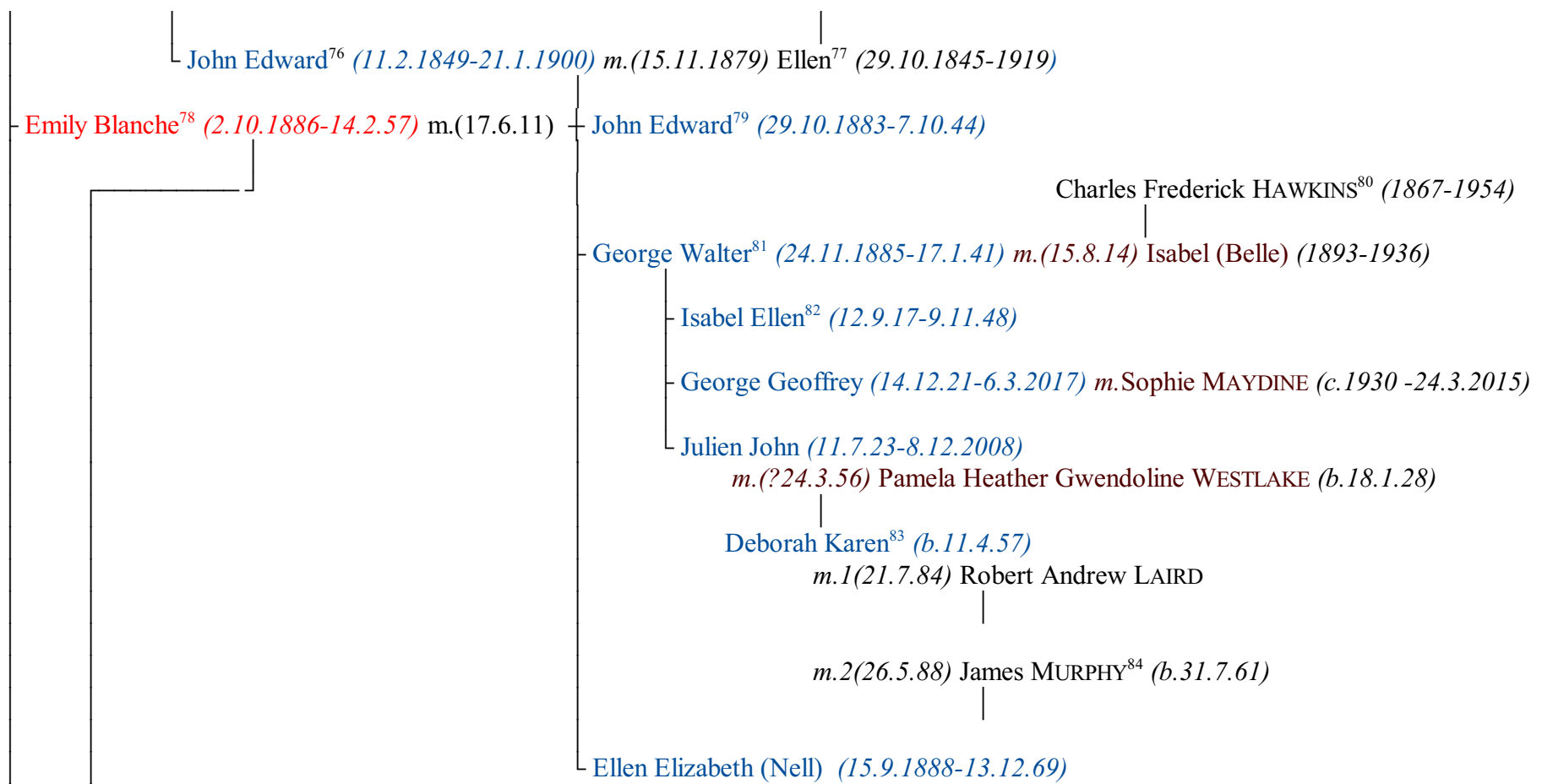
Elizabeth Charlotte (Bessie) (15.4.1890-23.1.71)⁷¹

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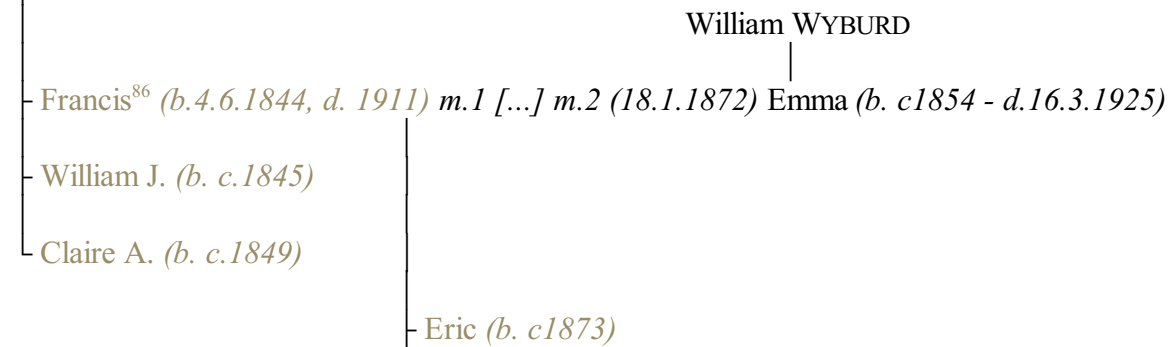
Richard SHEPPARD⁷²

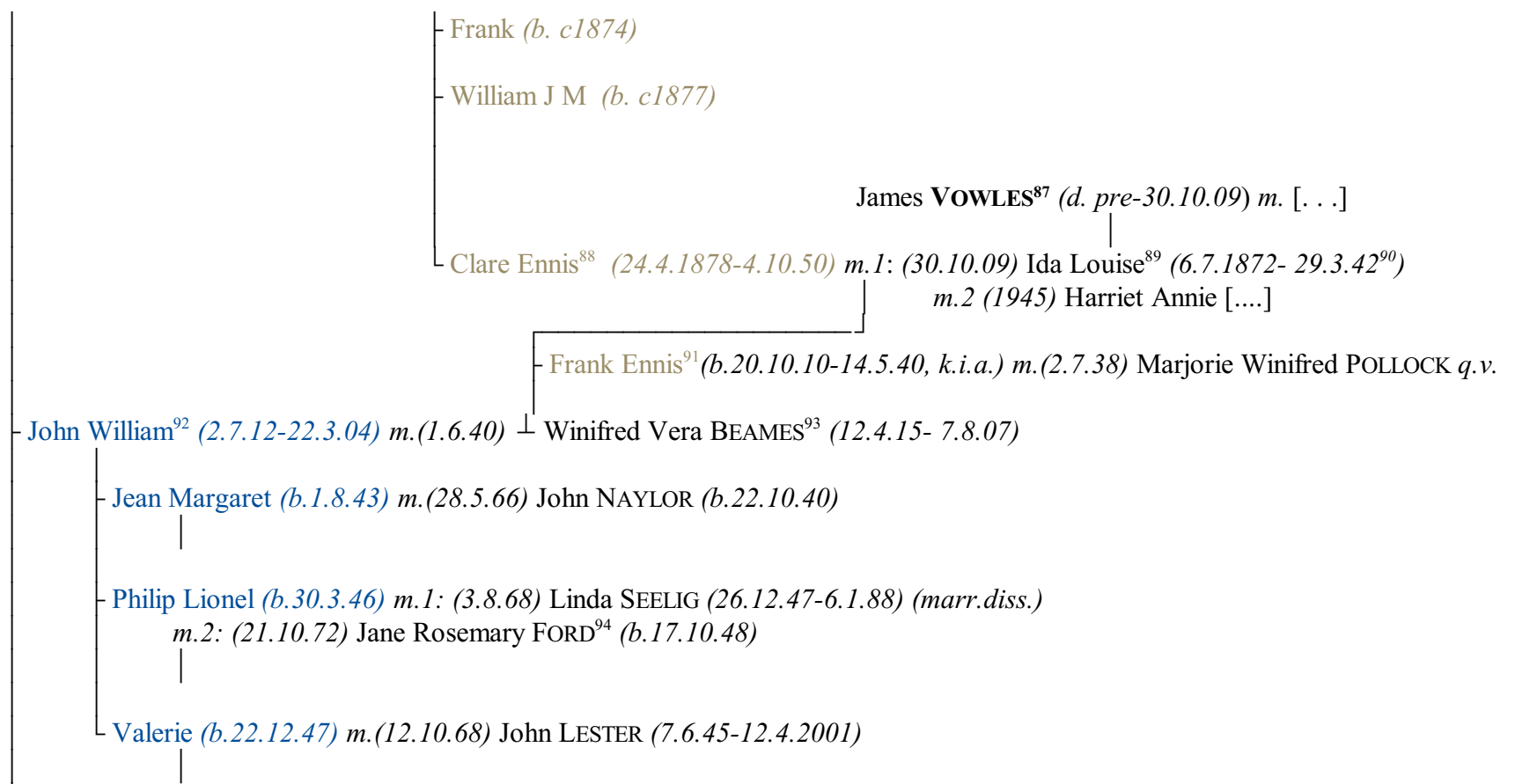
William FROST⁷³

William⁷⁴ (d. before 15.11.1879) m.(25.12.1841) Mildred⁷⁵ (c1820-7.12.1855)

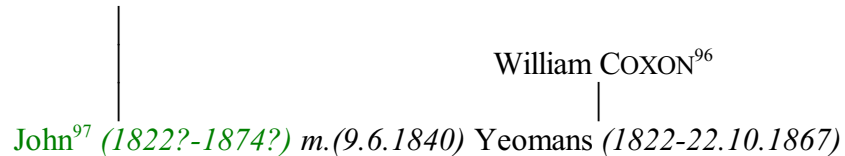


Francis BEAMES⁸⁵ m. Annie MARSH





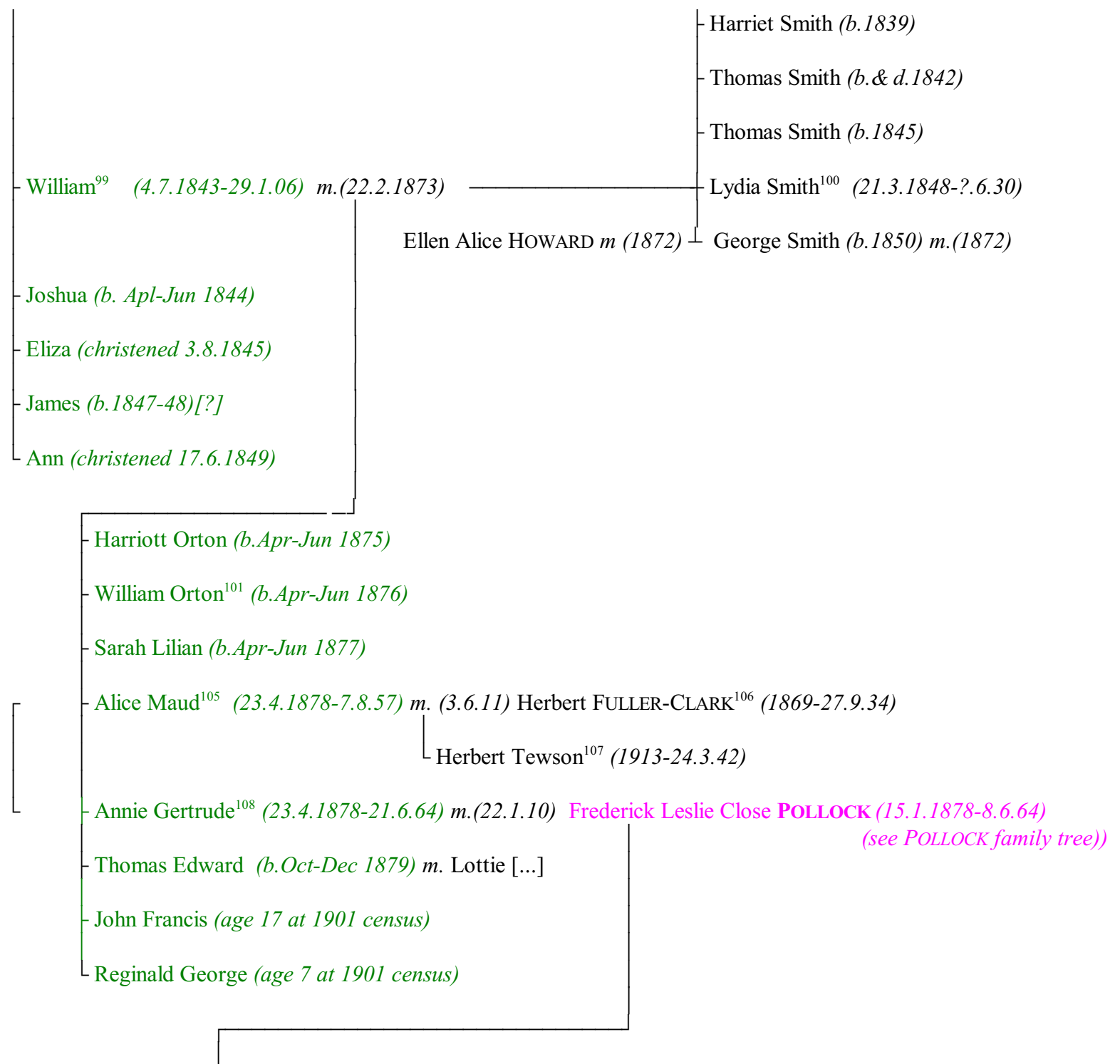
Edward TEWSON⁹⁵



Edward (b.Jly-Spt 1841) m.(1866) Martha [...]

Thomas Smith ORTON⁹⁸ (d. by 1881) m.(27.12.1836) Harriet WHITMILL (1808-15.10.1888)

Sarah Smith (b.1837)



- Marjorie Winifred (7.12.10-2.7.71) m.1:(2.7.38) Frank Ennis BEAMES
 (20.10.10-14.5.40, k.i.a., q.v.)
 m.2:(21.12.40) William George FORDER (21.8.10-22.8.70)

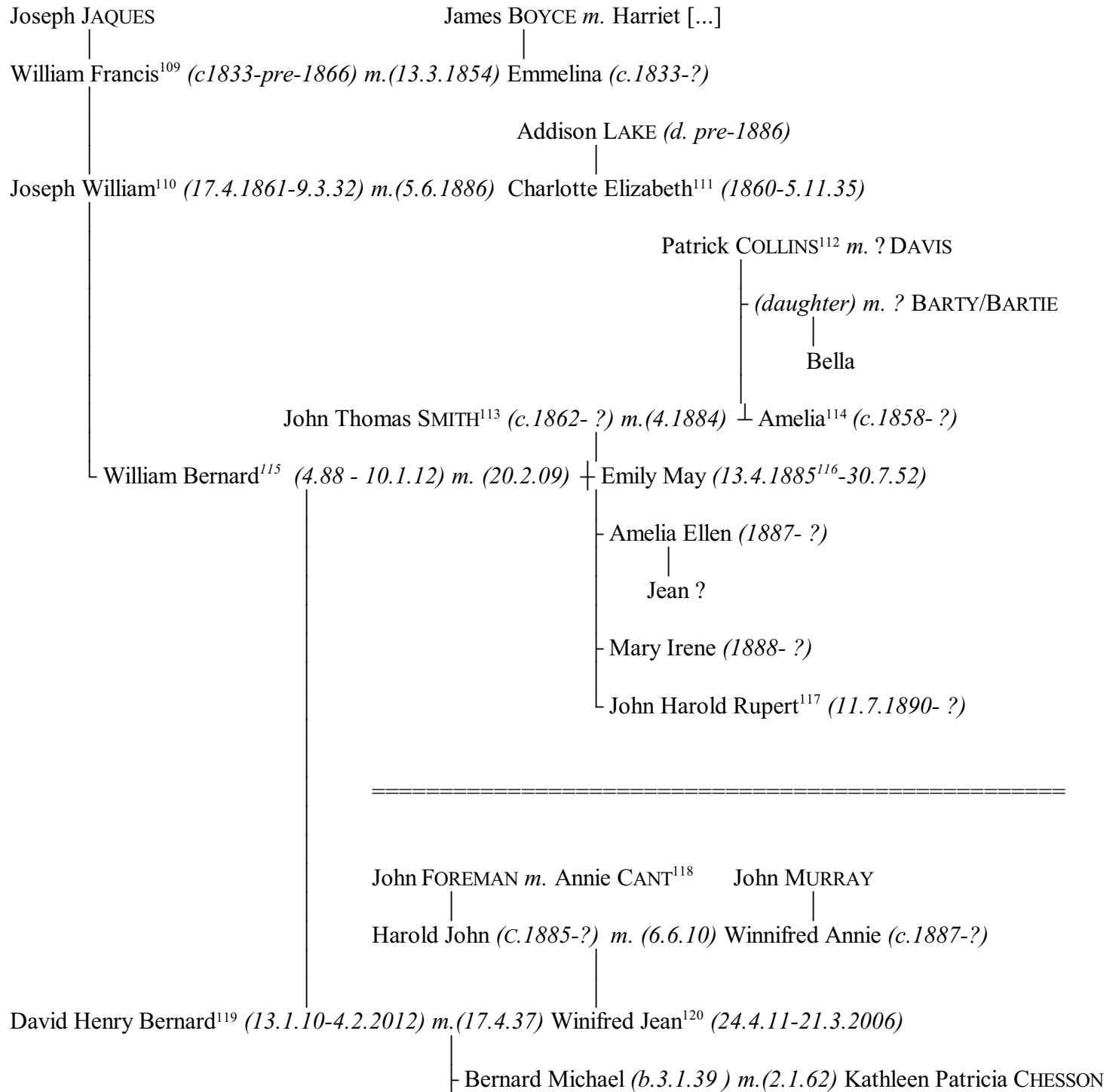
- Peter (b. 26.4.40) m.1 Patricia [...] (b. ...) (marr.diss.)
 - m.2 (...) Chris [...] (b. ...)
- Jacqueline M. (1.1.42-6.12.2011) m.(31.7.65) Gerald Henry DAWKINS
(b.25.11.35)
- Richard (b. 3.5.45) m.(29.8.70) Jean [...] (b. 27.10.40)
 - Suzanne (b.4.7.46) m.(16.9.67) Richard FIELD (b.29.8.43)
 - Patricia (b.13.3.48) m.(16.8.69) Leonard Stanley GORDON (b.12.9.48)
 - Diane (24.9.49-30.3.2011) m.(3.7.71) David Michael Thomas HEWITT
(b.18.3.46)
 - Avril (b.3.10.55) m.(6.3.76) Kevin Robert MARTIN (b.27.4.55)
(marr.diss.3.2.2009)

- Dorothy Emily (22.4.14-30.4.95)
 m.(4.11.39)

- William Leslie (6.8.13-2.11.2003)

- Frank Reginald Orton (29.9.16-4.3.88) m.(29.9.39) Eileen Muriel JENNINGS
(28.9.19-28.6.2002)
- Michael (b.15.8.45) m.(12.6.71) Diane Mary WARHAM (b.16.8.40)
- Lester (2.1.53-12.1.2012) m.(12.2.72) Linda WITHNALL (b.19.10.52) (marr.diss. 1998)





(b.12.11.39)

David Michael (b.24.1.63)

Christine Anne (b.16.7.64)

Christine Jean (b.14.9.42) m.(1965) John HIRST (9.7.1942-3.2.2016)

Miriam Lois JQUES (b.21.4.47)

m.1 (1966): Gerard FOX¹²¹ (1933-22.11.2007) (marr.diss.1967)

= 2 Arthur LATHAM (14.8.1930-3.12.2016)

David John Frederick (b.3.2.42) ————— m.3

m.(15.5.76)(marr.diss.10.9.91)

re-m.(16.11.2017)

Kenneth Anthony (b.3.8.44) m.(16.5.81) Diana WINSOR (b.10.4.46)

Malcolm Alan (b.7.9.47) m.(13.12.75) Regan Ann GRAY (b.12.7.51)

Geoffrey Stuart (b.20.2.52) m.(25.4.87) Linda Margaret COLE (b.9.11.54)

Lionel George (23.10.19-19.11.2003) m. (2.4.49) Ruth MIDGELY (b.15.2.25)

Nigel Peter (b.26.8.51) = Charlotte TUCKER (b.12.10.51)

Madeleine Mary (b.25.2.54) = Russell STANFORD (b.10.5.54)

Graham Paul (b.9.5.57) m.(21.1.84) Elaine [. . .] (b.17.3.61)

William George (Billy)¹²² (2.7.1890-11.5.65) m. Lily Whitaker née ALLEN (24.3.1886-22.2.80) (widow of deceased brother *Leonard*, q.v.)

See also <http://david-pollock.me.uk/docs/family-intro.htm>

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NOTES

NB: As well as the information attributed to him, much of the information on the Ball, Johnson and Forster families comes from Geoff Forster, who maintains a relevant archive, referred to in these notes.

- 1 Of Shepshed, Leicestershire. A copy of his wedding licence is held in the Leicestershire County Records Office.
- 2 Born in Belton Low Woods, Leicestershire. At the time of his wedding (by licence) his occupation was listed as a Frame Knitter. He was 21 and his wife 22. Their first child was baptised some two months later.
- 3 William Ernest worked in the Excise office, a job that was secured through an uncle. He was found drowned in the Regents Canal in 1840 but it is not known how he came to be there.
- 4 Joseph was born in Thringstone and was married in Whitwick to Sophia Wragg who was a widow by the name of Smith. Sophia had been born in Shepshed and clearly the family moved there on or soon after the marriage as all their children were born there.
- 5 Of Whitwick: there are many Griffin graves in Whitwick churchyard.
- 6 Dates from Geoff Forster in document transcribing his retirement tribute by the City Mission, *q.v.*: previously dates recorded as 1824-1927. He was born in Shepshed, Leicestershire. “In May 1850 I left my native village in Leicestershire and came to the metropolis to offer myself as a candidate for mission work”, joining London City Mission on May 27th 1850. Her worked first briefly in Belgravia, then in the Jacob's Island area of Bermondsey (the setting for Dickens' *Oliver Twist*); from 1872 he was at Guy's Hospital, and finally worked with “the day cabmen of South London”. He retired on July 1st 1900. Mabel Forster suggested he was a friend of Ruskin. He was a witness (described as City Missionary) at the marriage of daughter Anne Elizabeth to Edwin Whitaker: other witnesses were George Whitaker and “Emily Ball” and “Sarah Ann Ball” - daughters or was one his wife?
- 7 Geoff Forster notes: “Vincent Ambrose has left us some fascinating notes on his ancestors, a copy is in the archive.”
- 8 Associated by Mabel Forster with Court Lane, Dulwich. Geoff Forster notes: “Both Joseph and John Josiah were officials in the mineral water companies of Rawlings and R. White and Son which are believed to have merged. This may be how Edwin Whitaker who married their sister Anne came to have responsibility for the building department of R. White and Son, presumably on some sort of contractual basis according to his granddaughter.”

- 9 Married Edith Maud Linford.
- 10 Married for the second time at the age of eighty four, he died aged ninety six
- 11 Geoff Forster notes: “The Uden family were close friends of the Ball family in the second half of the nineteenth century. There were four brothers, with the initials, AC, LWJ, AG and E for Ernest. George Ball, Ernest Uden and his son Boye were all accomplished artists and Boye married Rowland Hilder’s sister. Ernest Uden was a shoemaker or repairer in Bermondsey, the area where William Ball was a missionary; he had three daughters and one son who was nicknamed Boy and subsequently added an E and used the name Boye Uden for his work as a war artist. In 1881 William Uden (possibly LWJ) started what was to become an enduring family business as funeral directors. The original branches were in Bermondsey, New Cross, Sydenham and Biggin Hill. (Possibly where the four brothers were living). In the archive is their invoice for the burial of William Johnson, my grandfather. In 2011 the company has branches throughout South East London and Kent and there are still seven family members in the company who if at all possible attend each funeral.”
- 12 Geoff Forster notes: “Frederick John (known as Fred) was a master carpenter who worked in many churches but what he saw put him off the church to such an extent that he requested no church service at his funeral. He was also a wheelwright, played the musical saw, had a ventriloquist’s dummy and may have been a member of a magicians organisation.”
- 13 Geoff Forster notes: “An epileptic, she did exquisite embroidery and was by all accounts a very sweet person despite apparently having a very ripe vocabulary. Eventually she was put in a home in Salisbury where her brother George became a regular visitor. On a personal note I am sure that it was Daisy (known to my mother as Dimps) who I visited with my mother as a child either before or during the war. I can remember a meeting in Peckham very well and can still picture the back yard of the house, but when did she go into the home?”
- 14 Became a Midland Bank manager.
- 15 Frank Thornton Ball (15 January 1921 – 16 March 2013), actor, was his ?great grandson. See also note on his brother Joseph.
- 16 Geoff Forster notes: “He worked in a bank and was very musical: as he approached ninety he was still the resident organist at Kingston Crematorium.” He played the organ for his sister Annie Lilian’s funeral in 1976.
- 17 She became a midwife she married Leslie Heward after the death of his first wife. They had no children.
- 18 He married Vera Winifred Smith. He worked in insurance and became a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries in 1955.
- 19 Geoff Forster notes: “He married Beryl Jane Margaret Evans from Wales. Frank served in the Royal Air Force during WW2. He dropped the surname Ball and took his mother’s maiden name and became the successful actor Frank Thornton. I worked with Frank in my capacity of advertising film producer when Frank played the part of a car salesman in a commercial for Triumph cars which I filmed in a dealership in Bromley. There is more information on this and a copy of a magazine article about Frank in the archive. Frank and Beryl had one daughter Jane who was until recently working at the museum in Edenbridge Kent.”
- 20 Geoff Forster notes: “Alfred was a lieutenant in the Royal Engineers. He survived Gallipoli and France but died (it is thought in the early 1920's) when he fell from the roof while fixing a radio aerial. He died in Guys hospital.”

- 21 Geoff Forster notes: "He was a private in the Warwickshire Regiment (service no 241930) he was killed in action at the battle of Loos. We have his photo in the archive."
- 22 12 Park Road, Beckenham.
- 23 Geoff Forster notes that he was: "a gardener who held a senior position in Regents Park as they lived in one of the lodges 'Park Crescent lodge E'. At the time of the 1911 census they had a lodger, Robert Denny Martin who was a clerk with the Law Union and Rock Insurance company."
- 24 Manager with the building section of R. Whites (mineral waters manufacturers) (information from Mabel Forster). Amateur artist and a keen angler. Born at Walworth (census 1891). Died at Earith, leaving £548.14s.1d to his son Ernest Charles Whitaker - see [1]. Marriage at Christ Church, Bermondsey 19 February 1880 to Annie Elizabeth Ball, described as a builder, living at 42 Beatrice Road and wife at 67 Havil Street, Camberwell with her father, a City missionary: see [2]. In 1881 census, living at 9 Bonamy Street, Camberwell, age 28 with wife Annie 21 and son Edwin aged 6 months and described as Carpenter employing 8 men and 2 boys - see [3]. In 1891 census, living at 36 Peckham Grove and described as grainer and decorator, age 38, living with wife Annie E. 31 and children: Edwin Whitaker 10; Annie E Whitaker 9; Leonard Whitaker 8; Ernest C Whitaker 5; Emily B Whitaker 4; William G Whitaker 9 months - see [4] At 1901 census, living at 11 Peckham Grove and described as employed house decorator, age 48, living with wife Annie E. 41 and Edwin Whitaker 20, house decorator; Annie E Whitaker 19, shop assistant; Ernest C Whitaker 15, jeweller's assistant(?); Emily B Whitaker 14; William G Whitaker 10 - see [5] [*Leonard not listed*] At 1911 census, living at 11 Peckham Grove and described as employed house decorator, age 58, living with wife Annie E. 51 and Edwin Whitaker 30, employer as house decorator; Leonard Whitaker 28, clerk to a florist; Ernest Charles Whitaker 25, jeweller; Emily Blanch (*sic*) Whitaker 24; William George Whitaker 20, art student - see [6]. [*Annie not listed*]
- 25 Became a successful businesswoman.
- 26 Proposed to Nell Holt. Died falling from tree, fixing wireless aerial.
- 27 Schoolmaster born in Ham and living in Kingston. Had a sister Frances, born c.1830.
- 28 Solicitor's managing clerk. He lived at 9, Rita Road, Lambeth. His granddaughter Mabel stated that he was an alcoholic and they could only visit when he was out of the way. It is believed that he was killed in a road accident.
- 29 She became a mantle maker. Her husband David was a rep for a firm of ladies outfitters.
- 30 She was a dress maker. Her husband was a pawnbroker who later had a second hand furniture shop in Thornton Heath. Of their children, Fred was a ticket writer for his father's business and was a driver in the RASC during WW1 serving in Gallipoli with the Australians. Kate married Arthur Beale but had no children: her photo is in the Forster archive. Alfred moved from London to Brighton.
- 31 He had a pawn brokers shop in Upper Kennington Lane, Vauxhall. Geoff Forster notes: "I remember very well visiting the shop in Vauxhall with my grandmother in February 1938. I was just turned four and was staying with her as mother was about to give birth to my sister. I was shown a large drill with a plate that would fit against a man's stomach to enable him to apply more pressure. I was told it was a "Belly Buster" and I never forgot that name or the fact that we then stood on Vauxhall Bridge and watched the tugs lowering their funnels as they passed

beneath us.” He adds that their son Reginald committed suicide and their daughter Evelyn had a breakdown and was committed to the Maudsley Hospital.

32 Landlord of the Olde Leather Bottle, Merton, and 21 years older than his wife. In 1911 the family had a cook ,a nurse and a servant in addition to two bar staff.

33 She married a pianist on Ocean Liners and went to live in India.

34 He joined the Indian Police and was posted to the Bombay area.

35 Telephone operator.

36 Admitted 7.7.1890 to Cator Street School, Southwark which opened in 1881, closed or reorganised in 193-. She worked as a glove saleswoman in Oxford Street and later in St Paul’s Churchyard. Her husband died of tuberculosis.

37 He became a shipbroker’s clerk at Lamport and Hol and lived at 140 Camberwell Grove. At the time of their marriage Dot was living at 11 Peckham Grove. See [7].

38 Governess; never married.

39 Commercial clerk.

40 Elsie became a City typist. Charles Haylor was a commercial artist, then a grocer.

41 According to Geoff Forster, he had five children by Ann Dodds and a further two by Ann Baird following the former’s death. Six were living at home at Howden Salt Water East, Tynemouth Shield North, Tynemouth in the 1841 census. Mabel and Ralph William were the youngest of these; the latter was baptised at Christchurch Newcastle in 1834 (certificate in Geoff’s possession).

42 Born at Tynemouth. In 1851, he was living at Willington Quay, Tynemouth, Wallsend, a Waterman. In 1861, he was living at 125 New Street, Tynemouth, Wallsend, with wife Margaret Anne (and a lodger William Carr), an Engine Feeder. In 1871, he was living at 149 Rippendon Street, Newcastle with a new wife Margaret and three children, Mary aged 15, Clare 7 and Thomas 5. Presumably Ralph’s first wife had died and he had remarried a widow with at least one child, the eldest daughter. - *information from Geoff Forster*. He died in the workhouse infirmary at Croydon: he had his own home and was not in the workhouse but in those days the infirmary attached to the workhouse served as a local hospital.

43 Geoff Forster conjectures this family member as “the very old lady who my parents referred to as Auntie Millie who had been a professional nanny. She died in 1937 leaving me ten pounds which bought my first bike, a Fairy Cycle”.

44 In Paddington; witnesses Charlotte Anne Forster & James A Kinson. The couple lived in the Paddington area, maybe in Praed Street.

45 Born in Westbury, Wiltshire, probably in 1839.

- 46 A butler
- 47 Canadian, in England during WWI .
- 48 Killed during WWII possibly in Dieppe or at Dunkirk.
- 49 Geoff Forster notes: “ During my mother's lifetime we had three visits from Tom and I well remember meeting him. For some reason our mother was not keen on following up the visits. Tom worked for the Ford Motor Company in Canada and retired to Florida. The Withnell family in Canada and Australia is listed on our tree but details have not been verified.”
- 50 b. Dilton Marsh, Westbury: the birth was registered by Jane's sister Mary who ‘made her mark’ seemingly being unable to write. He became a reader for the Morning Post and was described as a “Compositor” on his wedding certificate.
- 51 Witnesses George & Annie Cocking. After their marriage the couple lived at 24 Moncrief Street, Sydenham. Geoff Forster notes: “At the time of the 1911 census there were two visitors in the house William Ernest Molson who was a chief merchant navy officer and Jane Charlotte Molson presumably his wife who had been born in Paddington where William and Helen had first lived so they could well have been neighbours.”
- 52 Born in Cheam. Described as “Messenger” on wedding certificate.
- 53 Born in Pimlico, presumably before the family moved to Moncrief Street in Peckham. She became a short hand typist working for a general store but died aged 24.
- 54 She remained a spinster and worked for a department store, maybe Dickens and Jones in Regent Street, as an accounts clerk. She lived in a flat in Clapham and later retired to Hastings. She died of bronchopneumonia.
- 55 She became a civil servant and was awarded an OBE. She remained a spinster and lived in a block of flats called Du Cane Court in Balham. She died of encephalitis caused by measles at Reigate age 54.
- 56 He was in the meteorological service of the RAF and was in Gibraltar during at least part of the war. Geoff Forster has a walking stick he made from part of a propeller. He was awarded the Military MBE.
- 57 Guy worked all his life for an insurance company and apparently hated it. He married late in life and he and his wife Mollie had no children. His gold long service watch remains in the family.
- 58 Archibald was awarded an MBE and the medal is in Geoff Forster’s archive. His grandson Jonathan was christened in the MBE chapel at St Pauls Cathedral.
- 59 He joined a small film company and recording studio and went on to become a successful television advertising film producer and later a consultant.

- 60 Canadian; worked for Procter & Gamble for over 30 years.
- 61 Geoff Forster notes: “Maurice was a clerk in a finance company in the West End. He was a member of the Territorial Army and embodied into the regular army in 1939. He served in India and later survived the landings in Arnhem made famous in the film ‘A Bridge Too Far’. His own recollections of his army service are in the archive. After the war he worked in the housing department of Westminster City Council.”
- 62 Marriage at St George’s, Camberwell - see [8]. He worked in Smithfield market as a buyer for the hotel trade.
- 63 He worked for court jewellers in Hatton Garden. His son-in-law was a diamond merchant.
- 64 After whom I am named - so told by my mother Dorothy Emily.
- 65 Diamond merchant. Information about his children comes from my own 1950s family tree, sourced presumably from Nanny (Emily Blanche Holt).
- 66 Buried 15.4.1818 age 47 at Burnham, Buckinghamshire: parish register p.22, no. 171 - George Holt, email 19/10/13
- 67 Baptised all four children at St Andrew, Holborn, on 28 February 1854, when he was living at 2 Norwich Court and described as a servant - see baptism register at [9]. Later of 10 Vere Street, Middlesex. Known as Daniel but son’s marriage certificate gives him as “Edward Daniel”, and his occupation as ?“Pater”.
- 68 “This is probably the family that lived in Windsor Castle with whom Aunt Nell stayed as a child” - George Holt, email 19/10/13.
- 69 Killed at Khartoum.
- 70 John Edward Holt and Fanny Elizabeth Holt baptised 28 February 1854; parents Daniel (“servant”) and Charlotte Holt living at 2 Norwich Court. See baptism certificate and George Holt email 19/10/13. “David Davies certainly married Fany Holt , he was I understand a cripple wih a foul temper. I met Fany Davies nee Holt at 50 Balcombe Street , Incidentally I have her rent book for the 1920 s if you would like it also a studio portrait.” - George Holt email 27/10/13.
- 71 Birth certificate issued at St Mary, St Marylebone. Babysat Jack W Holt at Baker Street. “I was amused to see you had described. Elizabeth Charlotte Davies, Milliner, of 123 New Bond Street as Bessie. It was not the name she would have wanted her Mayfair clientele to know her by. One could talk of Aunt Bess for hours, she was a character, incidentally she lived at 50 Balcombe Street, but she gave her address as Dorset Square. When Aunt Bess and her mother lived there in 1924 to 1928 according to the Rent Book I have the rent for there two front rooms flat was eight shillings and four pence per week. I remember visiting them at that time before the BBC in the days of 2LO and putting on the headphones, fiddling around with the Cats Whisker to hear a transmission, For a boy of 5 or 6 this was the cutting edge of technology. I still have AB’s crystal set with two sets of headphones, and with my computer it demonstrates the changes that have occurred in my life time.” - George Holt, email 19/10/13. Death certificate shows death at Isle of Thanet District Hospital, Ramsgate Wing, from bronchopneumonia and hypertensive heart disease; occupation as “retired clerical officer (Ministry of Transport)” and residence as 50 Balcombe Street, London NW1. Informant: George Geoffrey Holt, cousin, of 204 Minster Road, Minster, Sheppey.

- 72 Described as bailiff on son's marriage certificate.
- 73 Described as butcher on daughter's marriage certificate.
- 74 Described on his marriage certificate as Carman. Married at St John's, Waterloo, Lambeth. Described on daughter's birth certificate as a saddler. Described on wife's death certificate as "dealer in tea chests". Deceased before daughter's wedding.
- 75 Died at age 35 at 9 Weaver Street, Bethnal Green - "natural death - inflammation of the Peritoneum"; informant W Baker, Coroner, 12 Chester Terrace, Regents Park".
- 76 John Edward Holt and Fanny Elizabeth Holt were baptised in 1854 - George Holt, email 19/10/13. JEH indentured 17.6.1864 for 7 years to lithographic printer Fredk. Chifferiel at 34-35 Cursitor Street; lived Oakhurst Grove; d.?..1900 - information from Mabel. Married 15.11.1879 at St Peter's Church, Walworth, as a lithographic printer living at 44 Aylesbury Street (as was his wife). Valerie Lester email 6/10/09 based on info from George Holt - "John Edward Holt died in January 1900 and left £109.14s 8d. to Ellen." Death certificate shows him as litho-printer journeyman, age 50, death from "influenza pneumonia"; informant "Ellen Holt, widow of the deceased, present at the death, 5 Alder Street, Sumner Road", registered 22 January.
- 77 Born at home at 12 Wellington Street, South Lambeth. Birth registered 2.12.1845. Baptismal certificate 29.8.1847, abode Neptune Street; father "Harness maker".
- 78 Born at 18 Augusta Road, Ramsgate.
- 79 He was an agent for china and glass manufacturers and had a showroom in Shoe Lane, Holborn, which was bombed out during he blitz.
- 80 Described on daughter's marriage certificate as a french polisher, and her (and presumably his) address "3 Staveley Road, Asylum Road".
- 81 Marriage certificate shows him as newspaper clerk living at 77 Evelina Road, Nunhead, and his father as a printer. Death certificate shows death at 27 Stoneham Road, Aldington, Hove, age 55, formerly a newspaper manager, death from pulmonary tuberculosis & valvular heart disease; informant on 18 January E E Holt (sister - present at death). Reminiscence by George Holt, email 27/10/13: "You may be wondering what the picture of Big Ben has got to do with the price of fish, Bear with me whilst I tell the story, My father George Walter Holt, as a young teenager was an officeboy at the Daily Telegraph office in Fleet Street. His claim to fame whilst there was to introduce a new word into the English language. During the time of the Boer war, he was required to put up a bulletin on the window of the office announcing the relief of Mafeking, Bearing in mind the jingoism of the time and the many facetious messages sent out by .Colonel Baden Powell during the siege, the news of the relief caused an enormous crowd to gather in Fleet street. It took my father two hours to cross the width of the street. Hence the word "to mafek" a joyous assembly. / To get back to the picture. My father was visiting a colleague in the Middlesex Hospital on a Sunday afternoon sometime prior to 1903, he had a large box camera with glass quarter plate negatives. I remember it. The reason for taking the photo is obvious he saw the girl on the bicycle. What a well composed picture, the girl with a well corseted waist the fashion of the Edwardian age. The man and the gas lamppost, also the enamelled steel plate on his arm which marks him out as an authorised porter from one of the markets. The courting couple wearing a Luton straw hat in front of St Margarets, the horse drawn omnibus with the horse dung in Victoria Street The Plate which I have, wants cleaing up. I wondered if Landsay with all his computer skills would like me to hand this plate over to him it might

even have a commercial value, if so it is his to keep. Let me know and I will send it to him.”

- 82 Birth certificate shows birth at 27 Stoneham road, Aldrington, Hove; father an “advertising clerk”, registered 26 September. Death certificate shows death at Darvell Hall sanatorium, Robertsbridge, Salehurst, age 31, “of 35 Jesmond Road, Hove 3, spinster, hospital nurse, daughter of George Holt, newspaper manager (deceased)”, death from “cardiac failure, pulmonary tuberculosis, amyloid disease”, informant on 10 November the deputy medical superintendent of Darvell Hall.
- 83 At Sophie’s funeral 8 April 2015 with Callum, Lisa and their two children.
- 84 Guitar-maker - George Holt, 24 July 2016
- 85 Spelled Beams on 1844 birth certificate. See 1851 census entry at [10] which shows him living at 6 Henry’s Place, Lambeth with wife Annie and three children and brother Horatio (‘clerk, Prerogative Office’) and servant Emily Erwood.
- 86 Born at 32 Nelson Square, Peckham. Married (see [11]) as widower at St Paul’s, Greenwich, with William and Harriet E Wyburd as a witnesses; living at South Street; wife living at ?2 Maidenstone Terrace. Described as clerk on son’s wedding certificate. At 1901 census living at 86 Blackheath Hill, Lewisham with wife Emma and sons Eric (clerk 28), Frank S (27) and William J M (auctions clerk 24) plus servant Eliza P Baker (21) and visitor Elizabeth ?Brean (widow, 76) - see [12]. At 1911 census living in Bournemouth with wife and son Eric and wife’s sister (as boarder) Harriett Wyburd - see [13]. Died in Christchurch, Hampshire, Apl/Jun 1911.
- 87 Survivor of charge of Light Brigade. Dead by time of daughter’s wedding - said on marriage certificate to have been [workhouse] receiving officer.
- 88 At 1911 census described as underwriters reinsurance clerk and living in Sanderstead as tenant with 5 rooms with wife Ida (school teacher working at home, born in Marlborough, Wilts) and son Frank aged 6 months - see [14]. Living at 247 Wellbeck Road, Carshalton at his death on 4 October 1950 - estate valued at £156 3s 6d (National Probate Calendar).
- 89 Baptised at St Mary’s, Lewisham 8 September 1878 - father described as insurance clerk; living at Camden Cottage, Blackheath Road. She a schoolteacher, he a retired clerk on wedding certificate - both at 4 Station Parade Sanderstead - he an insurance clerk on son’s birth certificate, where she was informant & was at Montrose, Sanderstead Road, Sanderstead.
- 90 Death at 31 Park View Road Croydon previously recorded as 29.3.1943 but my note of death certificate (held by Jean) is 1942. Probably buried at Westminster Council cemetery at Hanwell - plot 8011 - purchased 13.10.1922 (Jean has papers, pinned to death certificate.)
- 91 Wireless operator - killed 14.5.40 at Saint-Menges, Ardennes.
- 92 Described on marriage certificate as insurance clerk, living at 158 Lennard Road, Beckenham.
- 93 Described on marriage certificate as living at 96 Binkhall Road, Catford.

- 94 Her father was an officer in the RAF and the Fleet Air Arm at different times, a pilot who fought at the end of WW11 (too young for most of it as he was born in 1924) and was mentioned in despatches in the Korean War. He was killed in a plane crash after a jet training course at Culdrose, Helston in 1952 when he was about to get a train to Nottingham to join her mother and move to married quarters - the plane suspected faulty.
- 95 Farmer
- 96 Weaver
- 97 Coachman
- 98 Carpenter/merchant. Married at St James, Paddington.
- 99 Schoolmaster
- 100 In 1911 Census, living as head of household at 2 Vesta Road, Brockley with Harriott Orbon - unemployed, Alice Maude (*sic*) - portal clerk, Thomas Edward - electrical fitter, John Francies - clerk - and Reginald George Tewson - clerk - plus Herbert Goulden Fleming (lodger, teacher,56) and May Chambers (servant, 22).
- 101 William Orton Tewson, godfather of William Leslie Pollock (& origin of his forename), was recorded in the 1901 census as a transfer clerk, living at home at 36 St Donatts Place. He went to USA in early 1920s and became sports writer on Hearst newspapers, with syndicated column called The Attic Saltcellar. Lived on Riverside Drive in Upper East Side Manhattan. Visited UK pre-WW2, took whole family to dinner at Savages (writers' fashionable venue), incl. JE & EB Holt, who visited him in mid-1930s. Married to a Christian Scientist. Died during WW2. (*Source: Geoff Pollock from LWPollock, 5 November 2000*)
- 105 8 Wheathill Road, Anerley
- 106 An Arts and Crafts architect, responsible for the remodelling in 1905 of the Black Friar public house (174 Queen Victoria Street, Blackfriars, London) - see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Herbert_Fuller-Clark.
- 107 Second Lieutenant Herbert Tewson Fuller-Clark (1913-24.3.1942) served in the Royal Indian Army Service Corps and was killed in action in India and is buried in the Delhi War Cemetery - see <https://www.cwgc.org/find-war-dead/casualty/2177223/fuller-clark,-herbert-tewson/>
- 108 Shorthand typist in 1901 census.
- 109 "Born cir 1833, UK. Death prior to 1886, married Emmelina Boyce, 13 March 1854 in Parish church, St Michael's Co. Oxford [WA]" (*source: Cathy Hirst*).
- 110 Born in Sileby registration district of Barrow upon Soar, Leicestershire (*source: Cathy Hirst*); buried in Bassendean, W.A.

- 111 Born in England. Aged 25 at marriage and living in Buckhurst Street, South Melbourne. Marriage was at presbyterian church in Glenferrie Road, Hawthorn, a comfortable inner city suburb of Melbourne. certificate says his parentage is unknown.
- 112 A nominal Catholic from the south of Ireland who married an Anglican woman and permitted the children to be brought up as Protestants. He became a policeman, resulting in ostracism - they were pelted with cabbage stalks and the like when going to church on Sundays. He and his wife died young. (*Source: letter to Cathy Hirst from DHB Jaques 18/6/1989 - see Cathy Hirst note*)
- 113 “John Thomas Smith was born in Gloucester in England and sang as a choir boy in the cathedral (when there we [i.e. Jean and Bernard] went to evensong on a night of poor attendance and were invited to sit in the ancient choir stalls - perhaps I sat in his one-time seat). He was orphaned while young and, by an uncle, apprenticed as a ‘live in’ to a shoemaker emerging as a trained journeyman. No one worried much about him and at 21 he worked his passage to Australia on a sailing ship - technically he was a stow away - never having been to sea - arriving in Melbourne in, I think, 1880. His first job was driving a cab but within two or three weeks he was working at his trade. Not long afterwards, he went to a Good Templar Social and met, as a dancing partner, my grandmother [*Amelia Collins*]. They were married in an Anglican church and in due course my mother [*Emily May Smith*] was christened in one but somewhere along the line came to worship in a Methodist church... While at teachers’ training college, mother became convince (*sic*) of the truth of believer’s baptism (by her bible reading) and was immersed but remained a Methodist. After meeting my father, mother became a Baptist. She once told a dear old Anglican vicar who took scripture at her school that she was ‘born an Anglican, grew up a Methodist and became a Baptist by conviction’ and he replied ‘you know, my dear, you have fallen from grace’.

“As a footnote to all this, at Christmas in 1913 (just before I was four), mother and I went to Victoria and visited her cousin Bella Bartie/Barty on a farm at Bendigo. She must have been a daughter of Grandma’s older sister but I do not know any more of her and there is no living family member to whom I can turn for information.

“Your greatgrandparents (both Smith and Jaques) were good but simple folk who made their contribution to Australia’s development around the turn of the century. Grandpa Smith obviously had a limited education but he was an avid reader. As a young man owning his own boot making and repairing shop in Footscray, he worked hard for the Labour party in its campaign for the Saturday half holiday. Here in WA, even when he became an orchardist, he still took an active part in Labour campaigning leaving them for the Nationalists over the conscription issue during the Great war. He used to read the state Hansard from cover to cover and even in his later years, could still advance forceful and cogent arguments for the things in which he believed. I spent most of my school holidays at Bedfordale and I recall with joy the high regard my grandparents enjoyed in their community.” (*Quoted from letter from DHB Jaques to Cathy Hirst, 18/6/1989*)

Cathy Hirst provides the following additional information about John Thomas Smith and Amelia Collins obtained by John Hirst during Grandpa’s last visit to Melbourne: “The birth certificates of John and Amelia’s four children establish that they were resident in Pickles St, South Melbourne at least until 1890 when their last child was born. Note that the name Pickles St was changed to Boundary Rd by the time of the birth of John Harold Rupert (name change recorded in Sands and McDougalls directories). The directories record John Thomas Smith in Pickles/Boundary Rd until 1892. From 1893 he was in Somerville Rd, Yarraville (the suburb just south of Footscray where Bernard was told they lived). He remains there until 1896 when a Mrs Hirst, greengrocer, replaces him in the Directory. I presume this is when John Thomas Smith moved to WA. The house in Pickles/Boundary Rd that John Thomas Smith lived in still standing. It is now numbered 104 Boundary Rd. It is a weatherboard cottage with verandah directly on the street with a brick front wall. In Somerville Rd, Yarraville, a small

factory stands where the residence of John Thomas Smith was most likely located.” *Cathy Hirst adds*: “John Thomas Smith, was 25 and living in Buckhurst St, South Melbourne. It is interesting that ‘unknown’ appears in the space for his parents’ names and occupations on the marriage certificate. The marriage took place at a Presbyterian Church in Glenferrie Rd, Hawthorn (comfortable inner city suburb of Melbourne). Amelia and John Smith had four children. Emily May 12/04/1885 (Grandpa’s mother), Amelia Ellen (3 years old in 1890), Mary Irene (2 years old in 1890) and John Harold Rupert (born 11/07/1890). . . In another note, Grandpa mentions hearing some information from Amelia Ellen’s daughter Jean (his first cousin). She claims both Amelia Collins and her older sister worked as domestic servants before their marriages.”

- 114 Born in Thurles, Co.Tipperary, Ireland, the second daughter of John Thomas Smith and Amelia *née* Collins. “When the parents died, the two girls were taken into the home of their maternal uncle. He was a substantial farmer and sent them to the ‘Dame school’ with his children but at busy times like harvest, the orphans were kept from school to help the hired hands gather crops like potatoes etc. [In another note, Bernard says that this uncle ‘did not treat them as his own children’ and ‘they were generally something in the nature of the Cindarellas (sic) of the family’] As soon as Grandma’s [Amelia Collins] sister was old enough she found work and saved, emigrating to Australia [NB. This was more expensive than going to the US or Canada and of course more expensive than going to England or Scotland - I wonder why she chose Australia?], getting a job in Victoria and sending for Grandma to join her when old enough. I do not know where Amelia Collins was born [we now know it was Thurles, Co Tipperary] but Grandpa Smith’s [i.e. Amelia’s husband John Thomas Smith] property at Bedforddale in WA [not far from Perth] was named ‘Roscrea’ after Grandma’s village in Ireland which might have been her birthplace or where she spent her youth.” (*Quoted from letter from DHB Jaques to Cathy Hirst, 18/6/1989*) *Cathy Hirst adds*: “Marriage certificate shows Amelia Collins worked as a domestic servant in Brunswick [the next suburb down from us!] and confirms her father’s occupation was a police constable in Ireland. She was 26 when she married in April 1884. . .”
- 115 “Born April 1888, married Emily May Smith 201211909 at residence of JW Jaques, site of Baptist church, Albany Rd, Cannington.” - (*Notes by Cathy Hirst*)
- 116 Alternatively born 12 April 1886 at ?Footscray, Victoria.
- 117 Fought in World War I and suffered mustard gas poisoning; died Perth, W.A.
- 118 For Annie Cant’s family see “A Short Story of Thomas Cant and his Family from 1824-1903 - from Kimbolton, Bedfordshire to South Australia”.
- 119 b. Northam, W Australia, d. Perth *Additional information from Cathy Hirst*: “I remember Grandpa telling me that when he was a child he saw bullock carts being used on the outskirts of Perth. Grandpa told me he campaigned for the ‘no’ campaign when WA held a referendum on separating from the rest of Australia - can’t remember when this was, sometime in the early 20th century. His reasons for opposing separation were, I think, practical i.e. that WA would not have the resources to conduct its own defence etc. We have Grandpa’s framed commission he received from the Governor General, Alexander Gore Arkwright, Baron Gowrie on 23/03/1937 for his rank of Lieutenant in the ‘Active Citizen Military Forces of the Commonwealth’ from the 2/9/1936. I gather this was the forerunner of the Army Reserve. I wonder if he stayed throughout the Second World War?”
- 120 b. Broken Hill, NSW, d. Perth

- 121 Traditional Irish folk singer/musician. b. Omagh, Northern Ireland.
- 122 Geoff Forster notes: “William, always known as Billy by the family, had a slightly hunched back. He was a very competent artist. He became a war artist and many of his works are in the Imperial war Museum which has 359 of his works on their computer. After the death of his brother Leonard his widow became Billy’s housekeeper for some time before they eventually married. A copy of a children’s book ‘Countryside Friends’ illustrated by Billy is in the archive along with more information on his WW2 work.”