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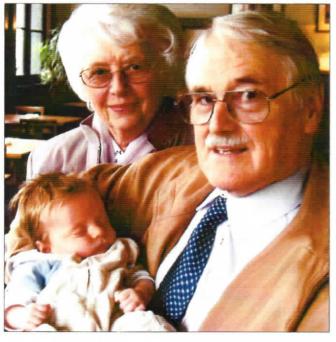
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### WELCOME LAURIE JOSEPH JOSLIN

Born 12<sup>th</sup> August 2005, in London; the first son of Andrew Peter & Anna Joslin. Seen here with grandparents Peter Walter & Margaret Joslin (29)



2005 AGM VISIT TO
KELVEDON HATCH, ESSEX
TO VIEW THE COLD WAR
GOVERNMENT BUNKER
9.10.2005

Photos Peter Joslin

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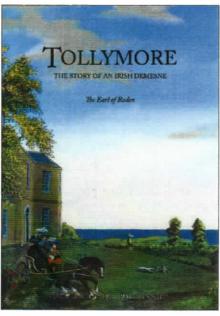




### Thelma and Harold Williams in 2004

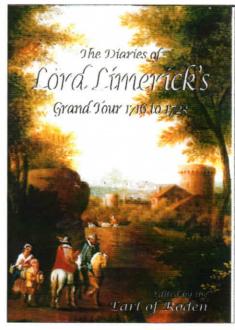
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### THE JOSLENS OF BRAUGHING

By Thelma Williams (56)

John Joslen was born in Braughing, Hertfordshire, probably about 1765, and was married to Ann. They had a son, also John, in 1789, who married in turn, Mary Page and Mary Merchant. By Mary Page they had sons Thomas, born 1805, and Joseph, born 1807. Joseph married Grace Baker in 1826. We have no information of this union.

Thomas was a gardener and small holder. He married Ann Wall, daughter of Francis Wall, in 1837. They lived at Chalk Lodge, Braughing; a small cottage, which is still there. They had two sons, Francis and George, and three daughters, Esther, Charlotte and Sarah. Of Esther, we have no trace. Charlotte did not marry, was believed to be a lady's maid in Richmond, Surrey. Sarah married Francis Langdon Edis. Ann Wall was probably better class than Thomas; she is shown in an old photograph wearing clothes much above a labourer's standard, presumably from her earlier days. She had an illegitimate daughter, Mary, four years before she married Thomas. This must have been hushed up, because Mary does not appear in any records until the 1871 census, at Chalk Lodge, when she is described as "stepdaughter, domestic out of place". Thomas grew fruit and vegetables, and watercress, which was put on the train and sent to the "Big House".

George was born in 1831 and married Mary about 1876. He was a carman and then a publican and fly owner, keeping the Anchor at Puckeridge, now a private house. He had 3 daughters; Ada b. 1877, Agnes b. 1879, Cicely b. 1880. Agnes was known as Aunt Aggie to the family. When Agnes was sixteen, she became ill and they sent for the doctor. In due course, the doctor announced that he had delivered a son. George was so angry he nearly hit the doctor. The culprit was a local "likely Lad" and part time poacher named "Friday" Salmon. A shotgun wedding was quickly arranged. And the priest baptised the baby first, and then married them, in front of the villagers. Afterwards, they lived happily and had eight children. Aunt Aggie lived to ninety eight and Louisa [2] (Denny) and Alice sometimes went to visit her.

Francis William, born in 1848, was my grandfather who worked for the Buntingford branch line railway. While working at Braughing Station he met Louisa Mary Fuller, who was a nanny at "the big house". We do not know which big house. She used to visit her Aunt White (Jemima), her mother's sister, who was married to Martin White. He had a general store in Braughing, where they killed their own animals. The White's butchers in Braughing are their descendants. They are known for Braughing sausages.

Francis William used to help Louisa [1] Mary off the train, and fell in love with her ankles; he probably couldn't see much more of her. They married in 1876, and had three daughters; Charlotte b. 1880, Alice b. 1884, and Louisa b. 1889, my mother. There were also Peter (died aged 7 yrs), Frances and Francis who died in infancy.

Francis William was promoted to Station Master at Palace Gates and Noel Park Stations, Wood Green. He appears to have been a very clever man and was working on a design for an automatic coupling when he died of tuberculosis in 1889, aged 41 years. His widow was so mad at the railway company for refusing to recognise his work, that she burned all his plans. They did, however, transport his body to Braughing, where he was buried in the churchyard. The headstone is still there. As Francis did not have a surviving son, the Railway paid for his eldest daughter Charlotte to go to boarding school until she was 18 years old. She was beautifully educated and spoke French, sang, sewed and played the piano. The nuns arranged for her to go to a Fine House in France as a Lady's Maid but her mother would not let her go. Such a shame!

Louisa [2], the baby daughter, was sent to her grandmother Ann at Chalk Lodge, who brought her up until Ann died in 1891. Louisa [2] was then looked after by Ann's first daughter Mary (Aunt Mary), who was a very devout Catholic, so Louise [2] was well schooled in the ways of the devil. One day two tramps were cursing each other in the lane beside the Lodge, so Aunt Mary promptly ran out and sprinkled Holy Water all around, and once she saw a red devil jump up and run away.

After Francis died, Louisa [1] acquired the Railway Dining Rooms in St. Michael's Terrace, Wood Green. She married James Tripp in 1893 but would not change the Joslen name to Tripp. (See photograph opposite.) Eventually, young Louisa [2] and her two sisters went there to live and worked in the dining rooms as waitresses. Buffalo Bill Cody would eat at the Dining Rooms and our mother, aged 14 years, had a "pash" on his son, she thought him wonderful. The mother was another strict Catholic with great respect for the devil. She used to tell the girls that if they were too long looking in the mirror the devil would look over their shoulder.

When James Tripp died the girls were taken to see him laid out and one of them said "Show him a quarten of gin and a prostitute, if he doesn't move, he's dead". He was in the habit of finding himself "Lady Friends" when my grandmother went to "take the waters" in Buxton or Droitwich.

Louisa [1] Tripp (Joslen) must have known that she was very ill. She made over the dining rooms to her youngest daughter Louisa [2], my mother. She then arranged Louisa's [2] wedding day. In the early hours of the wedding day in 1911, Louisa [1] Tripp died. Louisa Tripp was buried at Standon with her son Peter who died at seven years old.

Mum and Dad (Walter Denny) went to see the priest and he married them immediately, but stipulated there must be no celebration, they had to go away after the service. Mum and Dad then went to Brighton on honeymoon. The "Wedding Picture" was taken in a booth on the front. As she married a Protestant, the RC church took a dim view of her, but she refused to be bullied and went her own way. She never really lost her faith.

She had a great fund of sayings, instilled into her from childhood, Anybody making plans was told "Never tell the Devil too much of your mind"; and, "Talk of the Devil and he's sure to appear". When anybody complained about a deficiency, they were told "You're flying in the face of the Almighty". If she wanted to hide something it was Put that in dark house lane". We could never get her to understand the difference between fawning and fornication. Anybody strange trying to get round her was apt to be startled when told to "Stop your fornicating".

She was very active to the end, and having cleaned the windows one morning, she was sitting talking to her daughter Olive Grace Thomas née Denny, when she had a stroke. She never recovered consciousness, and died four days later on 22nd September 1979.

About Myself.

I worked in the office of A. C. Cossor of Highbury for 17 years. In the war they made radar and afterwards TV and radio. My husband, Harold Williams, was in the Berkshire Yeomanry. They went to Malaya. t the end of the war, he played football for the Army when they won the Malaya Cup. On demob he played for Tottenham and Gillingham. He tore a ligament in his groin and had to retire from football. He had trained as a grainer and marbler before the war, so went back to his old trade. With his youngest son, Howard, they worked in Windsor Castle and Hampton Court, and many pubs in the South east, mainly Greene Kings. He has just retired at 82. Our other son, Christopher, works for IBM and our daughter, Kate, is a property manager.

Received from Thelma Williams 21st September 2005 together with copies of two death certificates, a will, and two pages of photographs with handwritten notes. She enjoys belonging to the Society and thanks us all for our hard work. She says she is always looking for more information, so if anybody can help it will be most welcome.

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Descendant Report prepared by C. A. Snodgrass from data provided by Thelma Williams, Douglas Woodyard (Thelma's brother-in-law) and the editor's own research. Any errors are due to the editor. Follow-up to this article will be found in Issue 34.

### THE BRAUGHING JOSLENS



THOMAS & ANN JOSLEN



FRANCIS WILLIAM JOSLEN



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LOUISA JOSLEN PETER JOSLEN



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CHALK LODGE BRAUGHING

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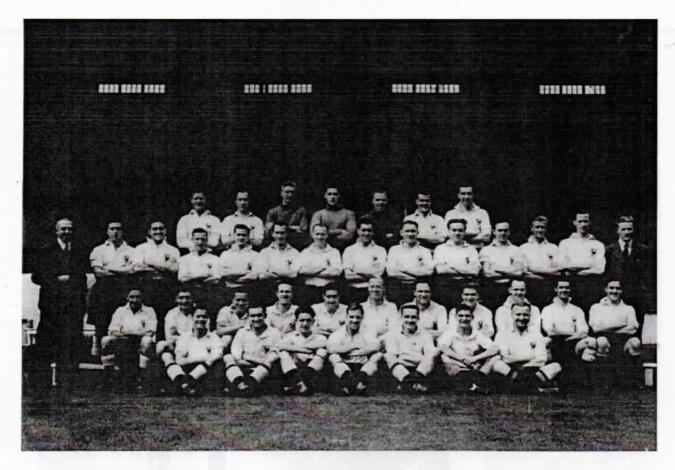
THOMAS

FRANCIS



DINING ROOMS
SL MICHAELS TERRACE WOOD GREEN

Photographs from the Collection of Thelma Williams



### **TOTTENHAM 1948**

Back Row: L. Bennett, R. Burgess, S. Markham, E. Ditchburn, E. Hodge, L. Duquemin, L. Heseltine Third Row: J. Hulme (Manager), H. Robshaw, H. S. Williams, G. Ludford, L. Garwood, E. Jones, C. H. Trailor, S. Tickridge, W. Nicholson, E. Gibbins, H. Woodward, V. Buckingham, C. Toulouse, C. Poynton (Trainer)

Second Row: F. Cox, A. Willis, R. Henty, H. Gilberg, C. Withers, G. Foreman, L. Medley, W. Walters, R. Sullivan, L. Stevens, K. Flint

Front Row: Left to Right: C. Rundle, J. Westwood, T. Harmer, E. Baily, I. J. Scarth, A. Elmes, J. Wallis

HAROLD WILLIAMS **GILLINGHAM DECEMBER 1949** 





Thelma and Harold Williams 2004

# JOHN GOSLING

John Gosling joined the Metropolitan Police of London in 1929 as a constable. In 1939 he was promoted to Detective Sergeant and joined the Flying Squad. Later, in 1944, he and Detective Sergeant Matthew Brinnard topped the arrests collectively and individually. John Gosling was the only original member of the Ghost Squad to serve throughout its existence. He is married and has three children, and retired in 1956 with the rank of Detective Superintendent.

In his book entitled The Ghost Squad he tells the exciting story of one of the most remarkable operations ever undertaken by Scotland Yard – the organisation of the Ghost Squad. Four top CID men were chosen from London's 1,200 detectives to work under cover to catch the biggest crooks that were far too clever to be caught by orthodox methods. In the four years that the Ghost Squad was operational more than 1,000 arrests



Ex-Det. Vept. John Govlin

were made and well over 250,000 pounds worth of stolen property was recovered. The phantom detectives responsible for this clean-up of London's underworld never appeared in court nor were their identities ever revealed.

It was a constant battle of wits between the "ghosts" and the criminals, cunning was matched against cunning and the stealthy encroachments of the "unseen force" into the deep haunts of crime struck terror among the masterminds of the underworld.

Taken from the dust cover of the book written by John Gosling and published by Odhams Popular Book Club priced 4/9 to members only. Original published by - W. H. ALLEN at 16/-.

The book belongs to Mr. Hatton and was lent to me by his daughter Jenny.

### MEMBER'S RESEARCH INTERESTS

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### PHILIP JOHN JOSLIN (189)

Interested in the Joslins of Heybridge basin / Heybridge / Totham.

Henry Joslin b. 1816 Heybridge, Essex (gggrandfather); his ancestors and children.

Henry was a son of Thomas and a ship-owner. What vessel? Probably a schooner carrying coal/wood. He was also a Publican. He had 4 sons by his first marriage. All appeared to die young. How? He married 2 sisters named Cox.

What became of Frederick William b. 1856 and Edward Ernest b. 1854? No trace after the 1861 Census.

Philip (BSc. Biochem., DMS) has an interest in Industrial History and is a member of the National Trust and Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust. He is married to Angela Mary nèe Fraser, a school teacher. They have two children; Helen Louise Carrol (landscape architect) and David Thomas (graphic designer) and two grand children Alex Clifford Joslin and Arthur Philip Carrol.

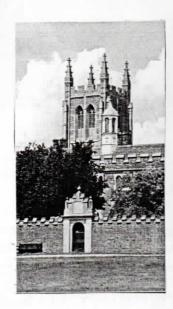
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REMINDER!!

Don't forget to let us know if you are coming

# SUMMER WEEKEND IN SUFFOLK 24 – 25 JUNE 2006





### **SATURDAY 24 JUNE**

We will meet in the morning at <u>Long Melford Church</u> to view the stained glass window of Sir Ralph Joscelyn and then individually visit places of interest in the area.

At 7pm we will gather again for a <u>Dinner at the Cock and Bell Inn</u> in Long Melford.



SUNDAY 25 JUNE

A visit to Kentwell Hall to enjoy a day back in Tudor Times.

Another Date for your Diary - SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2006

# A DAY IN EARLS COLNE, ESSEX to include -

A visit to the Rev. Ralph Josselyn's Church in Earls Colne with a talk by a local historian about Ralph, his times and his celebrated Diary.

A visit to Earls Colne Heritage Museum.

Lunch at The Lion Public House in the High Street with the AGM to follow.

Events arranged by Paul & Jane Joscelyne, Peter & Margaret Joslin and Ben & Mary Joscelyne

# DON'T FORGET!

Peter Joslin's Web Pages.

Up-to-date news on <a href="https://www.peterjoslin.btinternet.co.uk">www.peterjoslin.btinternet.co.uk</a>
Reports of recent events
Photographs of places you can download to you own family tree; simply R click on the photo and save to file.

# JOSSELIN SOCIETY MEMBER'S VISIT TO THE SECRET UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR BUNKER FOR DEVOLVED CENTRAL GOVERNMENT

By Ray Joslin (133)

Some 28 members gathered at the Secret Nuclear bunker, just off the A128 Ongar-Brentwood road at Kelvedon Hatch, on Sunday, October 9th.

Well hidden in the Essex countryside, the bunker was constructed, in great secrecy, over 8 months in 1952/53 during the Cold War. It is three storeys high and required, inter alia, 40,000 tons of concrete, plus a lot of equipment. Decommissioned by the Government in 1993, much of the bunker is still capable of being brought back into use.

The tour begins in the entrance of a supposed farm cottage and, with the aid of an audio "wand", one follows the arrows and oral instructions through corridors to communications, radio and scientific officer's rooms, map rooms, filtration plant, power plant, dormitories and sick bay, plus large administration rooms (some showing video films, made in the fifties, concerning the nuclear threat).

The tour ends in the Canteen where, in addition to beverages and snacks, there are postcards of the site plus other memorabilia and local jams for purchase.

Our group had the use of an adjacent room where an excellent 3 course meal, with tea and coffee, was provided. This was followed by the Annual General Meeting, plus a number of short talks by our members, both old and new.

### JOSIAH JOSSELYN

by Joyce Ann Josselyn Grady (158)

Josiah Josselyn Jr. was born on 25 August 1799 in Pembroke, Plymouth, Massachusetts. When he was sixteen the family moved from Pembroke to Bridgewater. His father, Josiah, purchased a farm in the south west part of Bridgewater from Josiah Crocker about 1815 where he and his wife Ruth, raised their children Josiah Jr., Jairus, Lewis, Ruth and Robert. His father died 30 April 1864 and his mother on 16 August 1848 and they are buried beside each other in Bridgewater.

The Josselyn men had always been very active in politics with Josiah Sr. serving in the Legislature in 1855 and Josiah Jr. following in his father's foot steps, both as life long Democrats. Josiah Jr. filled many important offices and represented the town of Bridgewater for two terms in the Legislature and as selectman during his second term. He built the "finest Grange hall in the State, known as the "Josselyn Hall", (see picture). After more than a hundred years it is still used as a grange hall. It is located at Bridgewater Corners and is a couple of houses from Home Place, which is now a Mennonite Church.

As a young ambitious man, Josiah was a peddler in Vermont and New Hampshire and learned the clothing trade from Elihu Smith. Starting with nothing but credit he closed his peddling career \$2,000 ahead. On 16 October 1825 he married Ann Topliff, daughter of James and Abigail Dimick Topliff. In 1827 they purchased the Topliff farm where

they lived and raised their three sons.

Ann died in Bridgewater on 3 October 1876 and Josiah lived to be about 93 and died 27 January 1892. They are both buried together in Bridgwater.

The above information and accompanying photo's where sent to me (Brenda Joscelyne) by Joyce Ann Josselyn Grady.



LORD LIMERICK'S DIARIES leave a first-hand account of France, Spain, Portugal and the Low Countries in the early 18th century. This was not only the beginning of the golden era of the Grand Tour, but the age of Enlightenment that heralded important advances in philosophy, science and the arts.

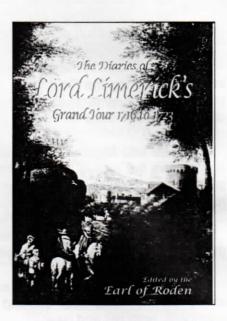
In France, Lord Limerick travelled down the Loire valley. Six years later he was back on the Continent, visiting what is now Belgium before making the arduous journey through France, across the Pyrenees and on to Madrid. From there he went to Lisbon before returning to Spain.

His experiences on the Continent influenced his outlook on many subjects including his architectural and landscape designs and art collection. On his return to Ireland he set about improving his properties and began the work on Tollymore Park in County Down as it is seen today.

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# NEW BOOKS BY LORD RODEN 2005

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OF LORD
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Few demesne landscapes can rival the magical beauty of Tollymore with its incomparable setting in the Mourne Mountains. For over two centuries, visitors have eulogised about its fine views and tree collections, its romantic rivers and waterfalls, and marvelled at its distinctive buildings.

Drawing upon a wealth of previously unpublished letters, diaries, and estate documents, the author traces the story of this unique demesne in a pioneering and lucidly written study. He shows how Tollymore evolved, from an early 18th century deer park renowned for its venison, to a flourishing estate and family home. As often in Ireland, political strife, famine and a near-disastrous fire form part of the narrative.

The book particularly highlights the architecture and landscaping. It examines how the demesne was developed along Enlightenment principles by Lord Limerick, who introduced Thomas Wright, the remarkable "Wizard of Durham", to Ireland. He tutored Limerick's son, Lord Clanbrassill, and designed for Tollymore some of the earliest neo-gothic buildings in Ireland. Limerick also began planting the mountains and laid the foundations of the forestry park that has supplied timber for many uses, including the oak for the grand interiors of the Titanic. His son continued the task and established one of the earliest arboreta, which still includes the dwarf conifer named after him: P. abies "Clanbrassillana".

Lavishly illustrated with historic photographs, paintings, maps and specially commissioned drawings and photography, the book is a vivid portrayal of an integral and intriguing aspect of Irish history and culture.

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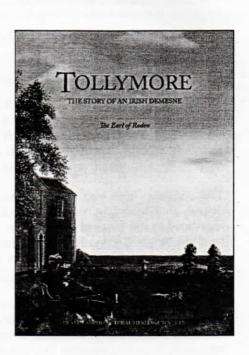
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As Lord Limerick's son had no heir, the family properties passed to his daughter Anne who had married the 1st Lord Roden.



TOLLYMORE

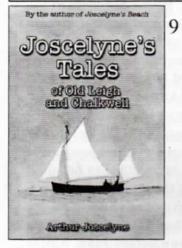
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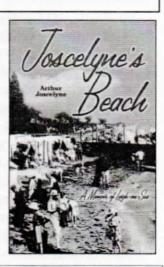
2005 saw the publication of the second book by Arthur William JOSCELYNE [1903 - 1993]

In 1909, when Arthur Joscelyne was six, his father emptied the family savings from the jug on the mantelpiece to lease 200 yards of foreshore on the north bank of the River Thames. Arthur helped run the family beach for 20 years. In his 80th year he recorded his remarkable early life in two manuscripts. The first recalled the history of the family's private patch of sand and was published as **Joscelyne's Beach, A Memoir of Leigh-on-Sea** in 2004, priced £7.99. (See Issue 29 August 2004.) The second resurrected the colourful personalities he encountered in his youth and was kept separate for fear of causing embarrassment. It is published now as **Joscelyne's Tales.** In both books, Arthur's boyhood reminiscences vividly bring to life a world long disappeared. The tides, the gulls and the dinghies set the scene for a cast of characters that will never be forgotten.

Both are published by Desert Island Books of 89 Park Street, Westcliffe-on-Sea, Essex. SS0 7PD. UK www.desertislandbooks.com Tel: [44] (0) 1702 392908 Fax: [44] (0) 1702 432580.







### A HOLIDAY COTTAGE IN GALWAY.

Lord Roden's Holiday Cottage.

The cottage is in Cashel, Co. Galway, and 100 yards from the Roden family main house. It is advertised by Shamrock Cottages who act as agents. Their address is 13 Clifford Terrace, Wellington, Somerset. TA21 8PQ. Tel. 01823 660126. Fax 01823 660125. It is number 235 in the list provided on www.shamrockcottages.co.uk Superb sea views.





### THE WILL OF GILBERT NEVILLE, 1547.

#### FROM RICHARD JOSCELYNE

In the name of God, Amen. The XXIIIIth day of October in the year of our Lord God MDLI and in the fourth year of the reign of our dread Sovereign Lord Edward the Sixth by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith and in each of the Churches of England and Ireland, Supreme Head; I. Gilbert Neville, of Naylinghurst of the parish of Brancktree in the county of Essex and in the diocese of London, being sick of body but of sound mind and whole remembrance thanked be God therefore make and ordain my present testament declaring therein my last Will in manner and form following: Item I commend and bequeath my soul into the merciful hands of the blessed trinity of Father, Son and Holy Ghost, one Almighty and Eternal God and seeking to be saved by my Savior Jesus Christ by whom and by whose glorious passion I believe to have remission and forgiveness of all my sins and I will and bequeath my body and corpse to be buried in the said parish churchyard. Item I will and bequeath to Alice my wife three score pounds of lawful money of England to be paid to her by mine executors under written immediately and directly after my decease out of that sum of money which John Josselyng the younger of Mashbury my brother in law oweth unto me for the late purchase of my Tenement called Naylinghurst Hanley and all the lands and grounds thereto belonging (and) with them appertaining together with all rents payments and commodities incident or in any way appertaining to the same. Item I bequeath of the same sum of money owing to me from the same purchase to Elizabeth my daughter twenty pounds of lawful money to be paid to her by my said executors at the day of her marriage. Item I will and bequeath all the rest remaining of that sum of money owing to me to be equally divided and distributed to my three sons John Neville, William Neville and Edward Neville and to be paid to them by my said executors as they shall come to the age of twenty years. And if any one of them from these sons dies before the said age then I will this said portion of money to be equally distributed among and between any of those sons still living and if those of my said sons die before the said age then I will that the third son still living shall have both the said portions of money and if my said daughter Elizabeth shall die unmarried I will that the pounds XX bequeathed to her shall be equally divided among my three sons if they are then living or as many of them as are then living and if one of them only is then living I will that he shall have all the same XX pounds and if all my said children die before the said years and days of payment above recited then I will that all those said portions of money bequeathed to them shall remain to as many of my four sisters Joan, Agnes Catherine and Margaret's children as then be living by like portions. Item I bequeath all such items as I have taken of my said brother in law John Josselyng the younger in my said late Tenement with the lands thereto belonging with the said rents and profits incident to the same according to the (contract) that I made with the same John in the said bargain and sale, to my said wife freely and not paying anything therefore that is to say till the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel next ensuing after my decease and one whole year after the same feast. Item I will that my said wife shall keep two of my said children the youngest of them and which ones of the three as she will choose till they come to the said age and day of payment above recited. Item I will that John Josselyng the elder of Chykenayle my brother in law shall keep or else...and cause to be kept one other the third of my said children and that the said third child's portion of money aforesaid shall be deposited with the said child to the same John by my said executors consequently upon receipt of the sum of the said purchase to occupy the said portion of money for keeping my said child until he comes to the said age and day of payment above said, so that although the same John the elder shall be bound for paying the said portion of money so remaining in his occupying to my said executors with the sufficient.....by their.....obligation and either of them in the whole sum of money. **Item** I will that Simon Josselyng of Rookeswell my brother in law shall .... have the keeping of the fourth of my said children and his said portion of money designated to the same child to occupy it for his keeping in form aforesaid and the same Simon to be bonded for payment thereof in the like manner as the said John Josselyng the elder was bonded for payment of my said third child's portion of money. Item I will that all the said portions of money of those two of my said children that are as-

signed to be kept of my aforesaid wife shall wholly remain in the hands and occupying of the said purchaser till the same two children accomplish the said ages and come to the said years and days of payment above said so that always the said Tenement and lands with them appertaining together with the rents and profits thereto belonging shall stand still bound in contract to my said executors for default of good and true payments thereof at the said age of payment to these of my said two children according to the form and true meaning of the said bargain and sale made and agreed between me and the said purchaser concerning the same contract for the occupying of the same two children's said portions of money. Item I bequeath and give to Margerie Pope my servant 20 shillings of money to be paid to her within two years next after my decease. Item I give and bequeath to Thomas Josselvng my servant 20 shillings of money to be paid likewise within two years next after my decease. Item I bequeath to Joan Josselyng my servant.....the day of her marriage to be paid. Item I bequeath to John Stafforth my servant 3 shillings and 4 pence to be paid to him at the age of 20 years. Item I bequeath 11 shillings of money to the poor people of Brancktree to be paid immediately after my decease. Item I bequeath to two of my said executors that is to say John Josselyng the younger aforesaid and William Pratt my cousin singularly ten shillings of money to be paid at my month's day. Item I will and bequeath to my said wife all and singular debts of money and goods that are anywhere owing and due unto me. Item I will and bequeath to my said wife Alice the residue of all and singular my goods money corn cattle and household implements whatsoever they been as well moveable as immoveable before....In consideration that she my said wife shall pay and consent all moneys of debts that of right I do owe anywhere and to discharge likewise all such legacies and bequests of this my said last will as are in the same not appointed to be discharged with the said sums of money for the said purchase and also for to keep and bring up my said two children in manner above declared provided always that if my said wife Alice also do make or cause to be made any trouble suit or business by claiming or demanding so as to have over above the said legacies and bequests in this my last present will...and give any dowry in this said Tenement and land with the appertaining or in the said rents and profits thereto belonging and now lawfully by me bargained and sold to the said purchaser or by any other.....trouble or suit against this my said bargain and sale contrary to the form and true meaning thereof. Then I will and ordain by this my same last Will that she the same Alice shall not receive nor have any penny or pennies worth of all those legacies and bequests as are before willed and bequeathed to her by the same my last will and then for such trouble suit or business made by her or caused to be made on her behalf my....executors subscribed namely the said John Josselyng the younger and the said William Pratt shall minister all things in this my said last will consigned in form aforesaid and that they shall then put ?away my said wife and ever after shall (exclude) her from the office of executriceship of the same and from all execution of the principal which execution the said two executors John and William shall by.....of this my said will take into their own hands in form aforesaid immediately upon the said trouble suit and business by her my said wife committed according to the true meaning of this my said last will and I do make and constitute my said wife and the said John Josselyng and the aforesaid William Pratt my cousin to be executors of this the same my present last will and testament and I do desire William Spicer Robert Beatton John Lamson and William Walker to be the witnesses of the same.

### DIED IN GOOD FRIDAY EARTHQUAKE OF MARCH 27th 1964

Chester Joslyn died in the Valdez, Alaska earthquake which reached 9.2 on the Richter Scale. His name Is engraved on the memorial stone. The town was essentially destroyed by the tidal wave and underwater landslide. The recording station was destroyed and here are no data from the 28th to April 6th. The town was rebuilt some distance away.

Our thanks go to all those who have contributed articles, material and pictures in this issue. Please keep sending contributions to make the Journal possible.

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# Letter to The Editor 30 September, 2005:

The 32nd issue of the Josselin Society Journal was received, perused, contemplated and appreciated. The Journal is becoming a significant piece of literature, and I thoroughly enjoy the presentations of the membership. This is a THANK YOU to all involved Society members.

Now, we must work to present clearly documented information with quotations and noted sources enclosed as such and opinions noted as such. We must also present original research by significant genealogists that has been made public knowledge by significant publications. These are the sources I accumulate and that are important for the Josselin Society archives.

The works of Sir Charles Travis Clay, C.B. and F.S.A. are examples. Our members should be able to review these significant pieces and draw their own conclusions. Sir Clay was an Honorary Graduate of the University of Leeds in 1943 [two years before Sir Robert Anthony Eden], a 1953 member of The Roll of Fellows of the American Society of Genealogists and Knight Librarian and Antiquary of Great Britain at his death [1885-1978]. Sir Clay worked closely with his friend, attorney and research associate, the late Lewis C. Loyd, author of The Origins of Some Anglo-Norman Families which was published in 1951 as Volume CVIII of The Publication of the Harleian Society of Leeds. Sir Clay extensively researched a Joscelyn line of Amundeville in Normandy and northeast England as demonstrated by:

- I. "The Family of Amundeville", in 1945 Vol. 3, part 2, pgs 109-137, in Lincolnshire Architecture and Archaeological Society. [corrections of information presented in Josselin Society Vol. 32].
- 2. "Notes on the Family of Amundeville", in Archaeologia Aeliana or Miscellaneous Tract Relating to Antiquity, edited by C.H. Hunter Blair, and printed and published in 1946 for the Society of Antiquaries of Newcastle Upon Tyne, MCMXLVI [1946].
- 3. "Paynel Fee", Yorkshire Charters, Vol. 6.

I will provide copies to the Josselin Society library if needed and will consider funding the costs of printing them as enclosures in a Society mailing. I also believe the Society should acquire a copy of all wills [about 145] translated by A.W. Joscelyne, a Society founder, and located by Ben Joscelyne in Essex.

Very sincerely, Jim O'Dea [and my dear Kay Josselyn O'Dea]--

# JOHN JOCELIN From Richard Joscelyne

A distinguished former fellow of my Cambridge College, Queens', was John Jocelin who was Latin Secretary to Archbishop Parker and one of the first scholars of Anglo-Saxon. In his will (?1603) \* he left a sum of money to the College to found a college Fellowship in Hebrew. The incumbent during my years in the College was Henry Hart, an eccentric but kindly man who led parties of undergraduates on reading and walking parties in the Lake District each Easter, and continued to do so well on into his nineties. He died a few weeks ago, as the longest-serving Fellow in the history of the College. The lectureship, one supposes, is now vacant.

\* I used to have a transcription of his will but cannot now find it. There is a biography in the DNB. Received 10.3.2005.

### MEMBER'S RESEARCH INTERESTS (continued)

STEPHEN RICHARD JOSLIN (191) has recently begun research into his family history. He comes from Cleveland, was in the Army 25 years and later in accountancy. He is married to Patricia Ann née Jefferson and has two children, Andrew Stephen and Angela Ann. He is interested in knowledge about research methods in Family History and has contacted Peter Joslin's Web site.

JOHN MUNDY ( ), an accountant, is researching Joslin, Lockwood and Boreham on his maternal side; South and Carter for his wife, Dawn Rosemary. Their children are Anita Jane, Alison Dawn, and Adele Marie.

# NELSON'S 'LEGACY' TO LEIGH A 200 YEAR MYSTERY

I never cease to wonder at coincidence or is it synchronicity? One dark December day I opened a Christmas card from an ancient Harvey relative. Inside he said that he had not managed much more on the family tree this year but was thinking of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Trafalgar and our old captain Eliab Harvey, Captain of the Temeraire. He added that Eliab had attended a splendid dinner in celebration of the victory in spite of the sad loss of Nelson.

The same evening I looked at my e-mails and Carole Pavitt had requested me to write a small article for Leighway on Nelson's alleged Leigh connections with the Joscelyne family.

I suppose something should be said of both families because when I stand on Leigh marshes walking my dogs I look east knowing that my Joscelynes owned the land from beside the Leigh Church up as far as Avenue Road, from the Broadway to the sea. To the west my Harveys worked Castle Farm at Hadleigh, plus Park Farm and Leigh Heath Farm with its sawpits supplying Leigh, (burnt down in 1938). My roots and connections are firmly here in Leigh.

Eliab was a descendant of Sir Thomas Harvey of Folkestone (father of the famous Sir William who discovered the circulation of the blood). He is buried in Hempstead near Finchingfield in north Essex. Later in life he became a member of King's Counsel and MP for Greenwich, but sadly his line died out with him in 1830 (his sons, William and Edward, both having died fighting the French at Burgos). If we look at naval records for Trafalgar we find that just at the crucial time, when things were at their worst, the Temeraire came in to save the



day.

Eliab Harvey

On the Joscelyne side of course there is the well known tale in Leigh that my Great Great Grandmother, Mary Joscelyne, nee Woodward, a midwife, of Joscelyne Square, Leigh attended the secret birth of a girlchild to Emma Hamilton.

This seems even more likely when we know more of Mary's history.

She was born in 1762 at Barling Hall to William Woodward and his wife Elizabeth, nee Osborne. Of their 5 children Mary and her brother James were sole survivors. William died in 1769 leaving his widow Elizabeth with the two children aged 7 and 2. In 1772 Elizabeth married Christopher Parsons of The Lawns in North Shoebury (now Alleyne Court School) so the children were brought up there with Christopher's daughter.

In 1779 Mary married John Joscelyne, a blacksmith from White Notley who moved to Leigh to set up shop. This marriage was a joint ceremony with her step father Christopher Parsons and John Joscelyne's sister (also Elizabeth). So her stepfather became her brother in law. It is said that Mary and John met at the May Fair at St Clement's.

Her brother James was an adventurer and went to sea sailing on many a ship and even being court martialled on The Lion. Eventuially he ended up as Second Lieutenant to Nelson.

Nelson was an unconventional man both in his ways in battle and in his love life. He could be difficult, which sometimes resulted in him being laid up on shore without a ship for years, but he was much loved by the common seamen. He was a ladies man in spite of being somewhat delicate of build.

Having lost his mother at the tender age of 9 and gone to sea under the auspicies of his uncle, Captain Maurice Suckling at the age of 13, I wonder if he felt the need of a mother figure in his 'ladies'.

After several passionate affairs he eventually married a young widow, Fanny, in the West Indies. They married in 1787. In 1793 he first met Sir William Hamilton and his wife Emma in Naples. Emma was born Emma Hart in 1762, the daughter of a Cheshire blacksmith.. They remained in close touch by letter for some years until eventually, once the Hamiltons returned to England Nelson and Emma became lovers.

Their union resulted in the birth of a daughter, Horatia, in 1801. To hide her parentage a sailor called Thompson (sometimes Tomson) was invented as the father of the child and the baby was put in the care of a Mrs Gibson.

It is known that Emma was again pregnant in the spring of 1804. She often spent time at the Royal Terrace in Southend. Her condition was once again hidden but legend has it that Mary Joscelyne was taken in a covered carriage to the Lawns and there, with the help of a ship's surgeon, delivered Emma of a child baptised Emma Seacole after the surgeon.

The child is said to have died (although registered at St Mary's). What more logical than James Woodward should offer a safe haven for his master's secret child in the house where he and Mary had been brought up. Plus the services of his sister, a trained midwife, who would keep quiet.

Mary's daughter Charlotte wrote a diary in which she said her father had a secret that he would tell on his deathbed. Sadly she records that he walked across Hadleigh Fields in the noonday sun, his blood turning to water, he died out of his mind and could not tell.

Could his secret have been that the child was fostered by the Joscelynes in White Notley where we have an Emma crop up in the spring of 1804? Hamilton Joscelynes then come down through the family tree. As a family of blacksmiths was there a network up and down the country and did the family also know the Harts, because there are Harts as well as Thompsons. Or was the secret about the illusive James Woodward who was sent to France as a spy and spent 2 years languishing in a French gaol before escaping with vital information for the Lords at the Admiralty. Or his 200 gold guineas well hid, worth at current rates £10,000 James disappears from naval records (thought dead) in 1810. He surfaces in Sackets Quay (America) in 1812 where he takes another wife. I am not sure that the wife here was dead. He then goes on to have 5 children in the New World and establish a line there.

Yes in this anniversary year I shall certainly be pondering on unsolved family mysteries.

Clare Harvey (nee Joscelyne)

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186 Sylvia Franklin (Joscelyne)

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A member of the Lincolnshire Family History Society since formation and sometime committee member.

Her Grandmother married into the Joscelyne family of Woodham Walter.

187 Angus and Catherine Heron (Joscelyne)

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Angus is a cousin of Richard Joscelyne (38), his mother being a Joscelyne. He is pictured in Richards Descent publication as the small page boy at Richard's father's wedding.

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Related to the Maldon Joslin's.

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Ben Joscelyne. October 2005

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John Orde's daughter Juliana Orde, married Robert Jocelyn b. 1756-1820. Son of John Jocelyn b.

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sons, 3 dau. Shaw was born Bushy park, Dublin. Ed: Trinity Coll. Dublin and Brasenose Oxon. 1822

Irish bar. 1830-31 MP for Dublin. 1830-1848 MP Univ. Dublin. Succeeded to Baronetcy 1869. Brooks

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Steve Gosling. An expert on staff of the magazine Digital Photo .