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EDITORIAL & ADMINISTRATION.

THE JOSSELIN SOCIETY

The Society was founded 25 years ago by Peter Josling and Bill Joscelyne who invited a small number of persons whom they knew to be involved in tracing their 'Josselin' ancestors to an exploratory meeting.

At this meeting, a structure was formulated and a committee formed with Arthur W Joscelyne as the first President, the aim being to disseminate information relative to Josselins and collaborate with others working on their Josselin origins.

In those early days, much of the communication was by hand written letters delivered by Royal Mail. How things have changed!

Now, our main means of communicating with members are through the Journal and the 'Josselin' website, but our aims remain the same. We welcome articles or queries for inclusion in the Journal.

We especially invite any of the general public who feel they can contribute to or benefit from the Society to make themselves known to the Secretary, Ben Joscelyne, or the Journal Editor, John Hallum.

Journal 57 error. The Journal included an article **The Riddle of the Joslens!** by Carol Wiles in which she presented details and a photograph received from a 'cousin', John Joslen in New Zealand.

Unfortunately, in transferring her chart to the Journal, I cut out the the vital last section of the information.

The full chart is included again on page 7. My apologies to Carol. John Hallum (Edit.)

PROPOSED MEETINGS THIS SUMMER, our 25th year

SATURDAY, 18 JUNE 2016

A day visit to **THE ROYAL POWDER MILLS at WALTHAM ABBEY** near the junction of the A10 with the M25 London Orbital Motorway. A most interesting and extensive site partly viewed by a "land train" and with exhibitions describing the production of gunpowder and rocket propulsion.

SATURDAY, 10 or 17 SEPTEMBER 2016

A day visit to **SAFFRON WALDEN**, NW Essex, probably including a town walk, public garden, art gallery and/or museum visits, lunch and AGM.

Full details will be sent when fully arranged.

NEWS OF MEMBERS SINCE JOURNAL 57

New Member 270. Dr Stephen Young, The Gatehouse, Westbrooke House, Ryhope Road, Sunderland, SR2 7ED. E-mail: medi2121@aol.com

Stephen has found that his 6X great grandfather seems to be John Josselyn (1746-1797) married (secondly) to Fanny Salmon. This John is JOHN X on the pedigree charts (see the Society website www.josselin.org.uk). This line descends to the "Mount Bures" line and Stephen has been put in touch with our Editor, John Hallum, who is also of that line.

Stephen is particularly interested in DNA and is trying to establish whether he can link to Peter or Derek Joslin or Ben Joscelyne all of whom have had their DNA tested by FamilyTreeDNA. Stephen is also researching the Constable family in Essex and Suffolk.

69. Ruth Joslin formerly of Braintree. Please note that Ruth's new address given in the last Journal is incorrect - she is now at 16 Chesterton House, Chesterton Lane, CIRENCESTER, Glos, GL7 1XQ. Telephone is 01285-239821

127. Former Member Joan Joselyn has donated two old American publications and provided a short family tree of the LeCompte Joslins. The latter has been forwarded to **Carol Treadway** as the information links with her Register of Descendants of Abraham Josselyn, one of the sons of the emigrant Thomas Jostlin/Josselyn. Joan and Carol send their best wishes to members.

258. Ruth E Joslin, hitherto of Guildford, has a new address - Myrtle Cottage, Northend, BATHEASTON, Bath, BA1 8ES

Obituaries

88. David William Joslin Our long standing Bridgewater member has passed away after a debilitating illness and Peter Joslin (29) has written an Appreciation elsewhere in this issue.

128. Sheila Joscelyne We were saddened to learn that Sheila, the widow of Donald Joscelyne of Carlisle had died in September 2014, shortly after him.

156. Michael Joscelyne of Warminster has also just sadly died at the advanced age of 98 and a half leaving a widow, Mary, a son Paul with granddaughter twins Fiona and Katherine and a daughter Clare with granddaughter Laura. Michael, who was born in Stanway Rectory, Colchester, tragically lost his father Clement Joscelyne in the First World War before he even knew him. (See Journal 55). It is hoped to publish an Appreciation at a later date.

DAVID WILLIAM JOSLIN 1929-2014**Peter Joslin (29)**

Members of our society will be saddened to get the news of David's passing a year after the event.

Since 1994 David and I had exchanged valuable 'Joslin' data by letters, email and regular phone calls. He was my expert on the Joslin's of Devon. As most Joslin researchers will know, there is no link between the Joslin's in Devon and the bigger cluster of Essex Joslin's. David's personal line is in the South West part of England. He and his family can trace back to around 1600 in the Ashreigny area of Devon; you could often find David on the message boards of the Family History forums helping people on-line.

David became a valued member of the Josselin Society (No. 88) and in the hope of encouraging other Devon Joslin's to join us, David helped us to organise our 8th AGM at Exeter in September 1999, this proved to be a very successful and memorable event. (see photo below)



David's working life was in Banking and in retirement he devoted a lot of his energy to civic work in Somerset; for many years he was a counsellor for Bridgwater and was on a variety of committees.

I vividly remember David telling me that he had been diagnosed with Parkinson's. The condition gradually robbed him of his speech and we were unable to understand each other when discussing our family history on the phone; his computer skills were also affected

In a recent chat to his widow Evelyn, it was sad to learn that none of his family were interested in David's vast collection of Family history research, and it would probably be destroyed. (A lesson to us all)

I do miss you David; I now have no Devon Joslin expert to talk to.

The Josselin Society extends its sympathy and understanding of your very deep loss to Evelyn, his son Andrew and daughter Linda.

Peter Joslin (29)

Now how did I find out that David had died?

Last year the government's actually brilliant team at HM Justice England & Wales department completed a long awaited 'Wills and Probate' index that is free to search online. It was a mammoth task to undertake but now all post 1858 wills, Probates and Grants up to a year ago are now on-line.

The index is to make any Will available to purchase at a cost of £10.00 each, once ordered I got my copies as a pdf in a couple of days straight onto my computer, good quality and no postage.

NOTE it is a .GOV website, don't be fooled into using a site pretending to be 'Official'. If it's not .gov be careful it could cost you dearly.

The true website address is: <https://probatesearch.service.gov.uk/Wills>

See following pages for Joslin/Joscelyne Wills.

Below is a list of Joslin and Joscelyne wills over the last fifteen years (including 2015) extracted from the Wills & Probate Index by Peter Joslin.

Full Name	Died	Registry	Full Name	Died	Registry
Ada JOSLIN	16-Mar-08	Oxford	Elizabeth Mary JOSCELYNE	30-Oct-08	Ipswich
Agnes Letitia D JOSLIN	27-Apr-04	Ipswich	Elizabeth May JOSLIN	27-Apr-00	Bristol
Albert Dennis JOSLIN	06-Jul-07	Leeds	Elsie Eva JOSLIN	7-Oct-10	Winchester
Albert Thomas JOSLIN	15-Jun-05	Ipswich	Elsie Lilian May JOSLIN	16-Oct-01	Winchester
Alfred George JOSLIN	19-Jul-03	Winchester	Elsie Margaret M A JOSLIN	18-Apr-00	Oxford
Alfred Leslie JOSLIN	22-May-02	Ipswich	Elsie Winifred JOSLIN	26-Oct-09	Brighton
Alice Doris JOSCELYNE	30-Jul-05	Brighton	Emily JOSLIN	09-Jun-00	Birmingham
Anne Katherine JOSCELYNE	12-Mar-00	Winchester	Ernest Edward JOSLIN	16-Dec-10	Bristol
Anthony JOSLIN	05-Apr-06	London	Ernest French JOSLIN	16-Mar-02	Winchester
Barbara Georgina M JOSLIN	24-Nov-12	Brighton	Ernest Guy Pritchard JOSLIN	12-Oct-03	Ipswich
Barbara Mary JOSLIN	03-Apr-01	Bristol	Ethel Dorothy Jennie JOSLIN	08-Feb-05	Ipswich
Beatrice Lily JOSLIN	19-Aug-15	Ipswich	Ethel Serena JOSCELYNE	28-Dec-08	London
Bernard Albert J JOSLIN	24-May-07	Brighton	Evelyn Ellen JOSLIN	28-Sep-14	Winchester
Bertram Harry J JOSLIN	17-Feb-02	Winchester	Evelyn Gladys JOSLIN	19-Jul-10	Bristol
Carol Ann JOSLIN	31-Dec-01	Ipswich	Evelyn Maud JOSLIN	12-Feb-04	Winchester
Cedric Stanley JOSLIN	06-Feb-05	Ipswich	Florence Ann JOSLIN	11-Mar-08	Ipswich
Celia Margaret JOSCELYNE	03-Jan-13	Ipswich	Florence May JOSLIN	17-Aug-01	Bristol
Charles Alfred JOSLIN	17-Feb-05	London	Florence Vera JOSLIN	29-Mar-03	Bristol
Christine Ivy JOSLIN	08-Sep-11	Brighton	Frances Constance JOSLIN	31-Oct-08	Brighton
Christine Leonore E JOSLIN	12-Nov-14	Bristol	Frances E JOSCELYNE	27-Oct-11	Ipswich
Christopher Peter JOSLIN	23-Sep-12	Winchester	Frances Margaret JOSLIN	06-Jun-02	Bristol
Christopher R JOSCELYNE	19-Dec-03	Manchester	Frances May JOSLIN	16-May-00	Bristol
Cynthia Pearl JOSLIN	18-Jun-11	Ipswich	Frank George JOSLIN	08-Nov-00	Bristol
David Alan JOSLIN	18-Mar-04	Newcastle	Frank Peter JOSCELYNE	25-Jun-06	Ipswich
David A J N JO	06-May-13	Brighton	George Herbert B JOSLIN	10-Jun-06	Oxford
David William JOSLIN	4-Nov-14	Winchester	George Thomas JOSLIN	11-Apr-05	Brighton
Denis Edwin JOSLIN	15-Sep-12	Newcastle	Gladys May JOSLIN	24-Jul-13	Bristol
Donald N JOSCELYNE	04-May-14	Newcastle	Gordon Leslie JOSLIN	21-Mar-15	Liverpool
Dora JOSCELYNE	21-Nov-05	Manchester	Grace JOSLIN	12-Jan-11	Winchester
Dora JOSLIN	13-Jan-11	Ipswich	Harold W JOSCELYNE	25-Jun-03	London
Doreen Beryl JOSLIN	23-Apr-06	Ipswich	Helen JOSLIN	05-Aug-06	Winchester
Doris Gertrude JOSLIN	23-Aug-04	Manchester	Hilda JOSLIN	07-Jun-06	Winchester
Dorothy JOSLIN	25-Jun-08	Winchester	Hugh Patrick JOSCELYNE	16-Sep-03	Ipswich
Dorothy Mary JOSCELYNE	04-Apr-08	Ipswich	Ida Miriam JOSLIN	18-Feb-12	Winchester
Douglas Albert JOSLIN	10-Oct-06	London	Irene Joan JOSLIN	13-Mar-12	Ipswich
Edith Emily JOSLIN	07-Jan-05	London	Isabel Grace JOSLIN	26-May-05	Bristol
Edith JOSLIN	06-Feb-05	Brighton	Jack JOSLIN	22-Apr-13	Oxford
Edna May JOSLIN	26-Jun-02	Ipswich	Jean JOSLIN	07-Dec-14	Newcastle
Edward Arthur JOSLIN	10-Jul-09	Winchester	Jean Mary JOSLIN	13-Jul-13	Bristol
Edward Charles JOSLIN	09-May-12	Ipswich	Jeanne Erskine JOSCELYNE	19-Dec-11	Winchester
Edward Thomas JOSLIN	05-Jun-09	Oxford	Jennifer JOSLIN	21-Mar-13	Ipswich

Full Name	Died	Registry	Full Name	Died	RegistryPeter
Joseph Thomas JOSLIN	06-Apr-10	London	Robert JOSLIN	02-Sep-08	Brighton
Joyce Edna JOSLIN	15-Oct-03	Winchester	Raymond William JOSLIN	25-Apr-13	London
Joyce JOSLIN	24-Feb-12	Winchester	Regina Mary Selia JOSLIN	16-Dec-09	Winchester
Kate JOSLIN	27-Oct-00	Ipswich	Richard David JOSLIN	21-Jan-09	Ipswich
Kathleen J JOSLIN	06-Aug-13	Birmingham	Rita Mary JOSLIN	16-Nov-10	Ipswich
Keith David JOSLIN	07-Sep-15	Ipswich	Rita Mary JOSLIN	13-Nov-00	Manchester
Lawrence Allan JOSLIN	09-Aug-04	Winchester	Robert Charles JOSLIN	21-Mar-13	Bristol
Leonard C JOSCELYNE	01-Jan-02	Brighton	Roma Marion JOSLIN	15-Jan-09	Oxford
Leslie Leonard JOSLIN	24-Jan-07	Ipswich	Ronald Alfred JOSLIN	18-Jul-09	London
Lily JOSLIN	15-Mar-07	Oxford	Rosalie Theresa G JOSLIN	23-Jun-11	Bristol
Malcolm JOSLIN	20-Oct-06	Ipswich	Rose Ellen JOSCELYNE	03-Feb-03	London
Margaret Ann JOSLIN	01-May-09	Bristol	Rose JOSLIN	28-May-13	Newcastle
Margaret J JOSCELYNE	21-Nov-04	Oxford	Roy Clifford JOSLIN	19-Jul-04	Ipswich
Margaret Joyce JOSLIN	14-Apr-10	Ipswich	Rupert Gordon JOSLIN	07-Nov-08	Brighton
Marie Lisle JOSLIN	09-Feb-02	Winchester	Stanley Wilfred JOSLIN	25-Jun-03	Ipswich
Marie M JOSCELYNE	02-Dec-04	Ipswich	Stephen C H JOSLIN	09-Jan-01	Brighton
Mary Ellen JOSLIN	15-Jun-05	Ipswich	Stuart Gordon JOSLIN	03-Oct-09	Ipswich
Mary JOSLIN	18-Mar-07	Bristol	Susan Emily JOSLIN	08-Apr-07	Leeds
Mary JOSLIN	30-Dec-08	Winchester	Susan Mary JOSLIN	05-Dec-11	Newcastle
Mary S N JOSCELYNE	13-Sep-14	Newcastle	Sylvia Naomi JOSLIN	04-Nov-15	Bristol
Michael Henry JOSLIN	29-Mar-06	Bristol	Sylvia Jean JOSLIN	09-Jun-02	Ipswich
Michael Owen JOSLIN	06-Jan-10	Brighton	Sylvia Violet JOSLIN	25-Aug-12	Winchester
Michael Peter JOSLIN	12-Jun-07	London	Thomas John JOSLIN	22-Jul-02	Bristol
Millicent Alice JOSLIN	04-Mar-01	Cardiff	Thomas Wm H JOSLIN	25-Jul-11	Oxford
Molly Irene Alice JOSLIN	02-Feb-07	Liverpool	Trevor A JOSCELYNE	25-May-11	Winchester
Noel Dennis JOSCELYNE	09-Dec-06	Ipswich	Ursula JOSCELYNE	27-Feb-13	Newcastle
Olive JOSLIN	26-Aug-08	Bristol	Vera Dorcas JOSLIN	04-Jan-15	Ipswich
Olwen JOSLIN	26-Dec-10	Oxford	Vera Ivy JOSLIN	30-Apr-07	Bristol
Owen JOSLIN	05-Aug-11	Ipswich	Veronica JOSLIN	27-May-04	Ipswich
Patricia Maria JOSLIN	18-Oct-08	Brighton	Victor Edwin JOSLIN	15-Jan-06	London
Paul Henry JOSLIN	25-Jul-10	London	Violet JOSLIN	12-May-04	Ipswich
Paul Leslie JOSLIN	28-Mar-08	Oxford	Violet Olive JOSLIN	19-Jan-14	Leeds
Pauline Julie JOSLIN	02-Mar-15	Brighton	W Frederick JOSCELYNE	21-Oct-13	London
Peggy JOSCELYNE	10-Jan-03	Ipswich	Winifred JOSLIN	15-Jun-00	Ipswich
Peggy Lilian JOSLIN	14-Aug-15	Winchester			

[Editor's footnote: On receiving this article from Peter Joslin, I spent an interesting couple of hours searching through the Index to resolve a few outstanding queries and found the information included in the entries was of sufficient detail to meet my needs without having to obtain copies of the wills involved.]

Brick Walls [Following on from the article in Journal 57.]

At last, I've had a breakthrough and broken down a 'brick wall' that has been in place for some years. Henry White Joslen, the butcher, in Maldon, was that 'brick wall'. I could not find him anywhere! I didn't even know if he was born in Essex, whether he was married in Essex, or even if he died in Essex.

Of course, more and more records are coming 'on-line' all the time, and since hearing from John in New Zealand I have been inspired to see if I could find Henry (senior). And then a heap of information appeared! I was lucky enough to obtain a month's subscription to Find my Past, and I had a concentrated session of looking for Joslens.

Below is what I have found:

Will 1771	Blacksmith?	
H White	Joseph = Anne	
Son-in-Law	JOSLEN FROST	
Sible Hedingham	b. d. 1771	b. m. 1867 (for 4 years)
	Son	Son
	Henry White JOSLEN	Samuel JOSLEN ?
ch. 8 May (Essex Parish Registers 1503 - 1979 Chelmsford)	b. 1768 Hedingham-Sible, Essex	Fillows Farm
	1783 Apprenticed to Edward Sewell	
	Butcher	
	Felsted, Essex	

Bankruptcy - 14 July 1798 Article in London Gazette
? 1799 Master Butcher at Maldon (All Saints)
Apprentice: William Manning

30 Apr 1800 London Gazette advertised Creditors' Meeting
NB: I don't understand how one can be made bankrupt and still have an apprentice!

Aged 40 d. 27 Jan 1808 Buried All Saints & St Peter's, Maldon

(Butcher)
Henry White = Susannah
b. 1768 b. 1773 Danbury
d. 1808 (40) d. 1856 Moulsham (83)

Four known children:

Thomas	John	Martha	Henry
b. 1798 Maldon	b. 1800 Maldon	b. 1801 Gt Baddow?	White (jun)
d. 1834 Maldon		ch. 16 Aug	b. 1803 Maldon
(Butcher)		Married Richard Finch	married Eliza Mayhew

All baptised at All Saints & St Peter's Maldon

1841 Census living London Road, Maldon
Susannah JOSLEN aged 65 Ind
Susannah Westwood aged 14 Servant

1851 Census living London Road, Maldon
Hannah WATTS Head of Household aged 83 born Danbury
Susan JOSLEN Sister aged 78 born Danbury

So, there's still a way to go, but I'm at last making inroads!

So a big thank you to John for stirring up my interest! I can't wait to share this with him!

Carol Wiles, August 2015
Member No. 179

The 1939 Register available on-line November 2015

Peter Joslin

In 1939, at the outbreak of World War II, the British government introduced an act that would allow them to gather vital information about the country's population. This information would inform their decisions on identity cards, rationing, conscription and more, including – eventually – the formation of the NHS. On November 2nd 2015, for the first time, Findmypast - in partnership with The National Archives - is publishing the 1939 Register online, providing an unprecedented insight into a country on the eve of war.

The 1939 Register that the British Government collected in September 1939 contains 41 million individuals. As it was also the same month that the second World War started, the registers significance cannot be over stated, unless you filled in the form you may not receive your 'Ration Books' for Clothing, Food, Petrol and even Sweets. The Register was also used for many other government departments including Conscription and the setting up of the NHS.

The National Archives has released the 7,000 volumes of entries and FindMyPast has scanned the data into a searchable database that we can all access free on-line, but, **you will have to pay to 'Unlock' the details.**

To give you an insight into the journey one volume of the Register takes as it goes through the process of conservation, scanning and digitisation; they have made a video for you to enjoy.

This new, and very important tool, will be a 'God Send' to all those who are unable to trace family members between the 1911 census and the present day, it will also be used as a substitute for the 1941 census that, because of the World War, didn't take place.

Are you tempted to subscribe to FMP?

From February 2016 a subscription to will give unlimited access to the 1939 Register.

Is it expensive to 'unlock' the data in the 1939 Register?

YES, to look at one family the cost is **£6.95**; free to FMP subscribers.

Is it free to search for anyone in the 1939 register without subscribing?

YES, and you may be very satisfied with what you find for free.

For a free search just go to the FindMyPast home page www.findmypast.co.uk

You will find an extra tab has been added along the top of the page: 1939 Register, click, then enter a first name, then a Surname, then a year of birth and finally the town in which they lived. You should then find who you are looking for. If you fail to find who you are looking for Don't overlook the 'Advanced Search' button, this gives you more ways of finding your missing person, even by putting their birth date in. I found the most useful search on this page was the address search; only enter the name of the Road or Street, then the Town, then the county and click search, All the people living on that street in 1939 will appear in alphabetical order.

You must also remember that if you were a child in 1939 and your age is now under 100, you are very unlikely to find any details of yourself, and siblings of a similar age will also have their details hidden. (overprinted with 'This Record is Officially Closed')

The data that you get on unlocking the image is:

The Address, Full Name, Full birth date, Sex (M/F), Occupation, You do not get any relationships apart from status ie. S, M, W, D. per person.

The unlocked sheet also contains details of the neighbours on the same street along with their house numbers and occupations etc. It is well worth saving the image to your computer as the save file is excellent quality and can be enlarged for closer scrutiny later. As with most other pay to view sites you are not charged if you need to look at the record again latter. The above is the personal views of Peter Joslin 2nd November 2015.

In a U-Turn FindMyPast announced that from February 16th that subscribers of FMP will have unlimited FREE searches of the 1939 register.

Person Ad

WHO First name(s) Last name(s)

Name variants [i](#) Name variants

All fields are optional

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Name variants [i](#) Name variants

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How will I know I have the right person?

Before you commit to unlocking a record, you'll be taken through to a preview page. On this page, you'll be given information about the person's name, year of birth, town and county of residence. In addition, you'll be able to see how many other people lived in the house at the time and how many of them are closed due to being younger than 100 and still alive.

As you can see, the 1939 Register advanced search screen allows you to search by name, precise date of birth (you can also be more vague, searching only by year), sex, occupation, marital status, street, district and more.

What's also useful is the option to search by other household member. This means that if the person for whom you're searching has a common name, but was living with someone with a more distinct name in 1939 then you can add them to the search to refine your results.

You'll notice the TNA Reference box. This is for those of you who have a reference from The National Archives for a specific record, which will allow you to go directly to the individual you're searching for.

As well as searching for an individual, you can search for a household or institution by address on this search screen:

In addition, unlocking a household in the 1939 Register doesn't just grant you access to a record and image. In this, our richest record set ever, when you unlock a household you will also unlock rich, exclusive content giving you an insight into the world of 1939.

Maps will demonstrate how local areas have changed, never-before-online photos related to the individual's life will add context to their record, we'll use the numbers in the Register to show a breakdown of the local area, and local and national newspapers will bring 1939 to life like never before.

How much does a subscription cost?

Answer:

To purchase a subscription you first need to create your free account if you haven't done so already by clicking Sign in/Register via one of the following links:
www.findmypast.co.uk

We have four types of subscription packages to choose from;

Local monthly package (giving you access to records from your country)

Local 12 monthly package (giving you access to records from your country)

World monthly package (giving you access to our international records)

World 12 monthly package (giving you access to our international records) Our 12 Month World subscription is the best value.

For full information on packages and prices and to subscribe click on the relevant site.

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[Information collated by Peter Joslin.]

Dr. Barnardo Joslin Family

Peter Joslin (29)

This is a continuation of the sad story that was first told in our Josselin Journal number 30 in 2004. The true story of three very young Joslin children; a girl Minnie (9) and her two younger brothers John (5) & Thomas (3), all admitted to Dr Barnardo's in 1906, within three years each of the children were sent separately to Canada and grew up unaware of the existence of each other or any siblings or family.



A lot has happened since the story in 2004, and members will recollect Donna and her brother Dave (the descendants of Minnie Joslin) coming over from Canada to attend our 2014 AGM weekend at Stebbing, Chelmsford and Finchingfield.

Donna, who lives in Vancouver, Canada, couldn't make it for our 2015 AGM but she and her husband Larry came to England a few weeks later with the aim of finding out more about Minnie's time in the Dr Barnardo's Home in London over 110 years ago.

Margaret and I also agreed to spend a couple of days with them in London to help them find their way around and to share our family history photos and discoveries.

Donna & Larry were overwhelmed by the sheer size of Dr Barnardo records that had been preserved about Minnie Joslin, they were given copies of her admission, schooling, church records and even given copies of letters sent by Minnie from Canada to tell them how she was settling in to her new life in Canada, Donna & Larry were shown her dormitory and were able to visit the same church that Minnie had been taught in.



Peter & Margaret (29) and their daughter Karen & Jeremy (94) had two days with Donna and Larry and visited HMS Belfast, The Borough Market, Golden Hind replica, The Clink, The Globe then across the Millennium Bridge to St. Pauls. This was a good walk and an introduction to a part of old London that Donna had not experienced before.



The following day was a surprise for the Canadians; we had arranged a get together in Covent Garden where Ben & Brian Joscelyne would travel from Braintree to join us for a meal; this gathering proving very successful.

If you are an overseas member and find yourself in London and feel that you would like to meet up with some of your fellow Joselin's, please let Ben or Peter know and we will see what is possible.

Research is still ongoing to find what happened to Mae Joslin, the American mother of our three Barnardo children. She as a widow returned to America with her American born children and her fate is yet to be determined. Peter Joslin

JOSCELINE FITZROY BAGOT and LEVENS HALL



On a recent WEA Great Gardens course, one of the subjects was **Levens Hall** near Kendal in Cumbria, famous for its extensive topiary first created by the French gardener Guillaume Beaumont around 1700. It also has the first ha-ha in the country, black fallow deer and Bagot goats. The house dates mainly from Elizabethan times.

I was interested to learn that in 1877 the estate was inherited by **Josceline Fitzroy Bagot** and was intrigued to find how he came by that forename. The answer was that his

mother was **Sophia Louisa Percy**, one of the descendants of the family who became the Dukes of Northumberland of Alnwick Castle and also the Earls of Beverley.

Some members will recall the Society visit to Alnwick arranged by Averil Snodgrass where we learnt that Agnes, the sole surviving child of William de Percy, married **Josceline de Louvain** and while he kept his titles, he adopted the Percy name in order to keep that alive. This was in the 12th Century and although Josceline never lived at the castle, the rampant **Percy Lion**, the symbol of the Percy family which can be seen all around the castle, originated with the **Josceline family arms**.

Josceline Fitzroy Bagot was born on 22 October 1854 in Ashted, Surrey, and was commissioned in the Grenadier Guards in 1875. He was Aide-de-Camp to the Governor General of Canada 1881-2 and 1888-9 and also saw war service in the Boer War 1899-1900, where he was mentioned in dispatches and was the chief Military Censor. His wife was also in South Africa during the war running a military hospital. Later, attached to the Westmorland and Cumberland Imperial Yeomanry, he was granted the honorary rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

He was twice returned as **Conservative MP for Kendal** (1892-1906 and 1910-1913) and served as Parliamentary Secretary at both the Treasury and the Home Office. Although nominated for a baronetcy in 1913, he died the same year and the baronetcy was conferred instead on his only son, Sir Alan Bagot, the 1st (and last) Baronet.



Josceline married Theodosia Leslie, daughter of Sir John Leslie and had four children. The Bagot family still own Levens Hall which is open to the public, another attraction being a small collection of steam road vehicles and traction engines. Levens Hall is reportedly haunted by a Grey Lady and people have claimed to have seen the ghost of a black dog, which inhabits the stairs, and an amicable lady in pink. Other family members carry the name Josceline.

Acknowledgements and further reading:

Levens Hall and **Josceline Bagot** on the Wikipedia website.

The Percy Family and Alnwick Castle - www.alnwickcastle.com - a particularly informative site including re Josceline of Louvain in the section "Before Alnwick Castle".

The Bagot Family - www.ancestry.co.uk

Ben Joscelyne (09), 2016

Royal Ancestry?

Richard Joscelyne (38)

Some five or six years ago, Roger Joslyn very kindly sent me a pile of letters, mostly dating from the 1970s, being his correspondence with colleagues, friends and others about, among other things, possible links between the Joselin family and the Plantagenet kings.

This search proved fruitless. The pedigrees in general use at that time were riddled with errors and, in this particular case, the assertion that Maud, the daughter of Sir John Hyde and Elizabeth de Sudeley, married Thomas Joselin (born 1227) and that she brought with her into that marriage the property of Hyde Hall, has proved to be wrong.

Maud Hyde's mother, Elizabeth de Sudeley, is thought to have been the daughter of John de Sudeley. John was a grandson of William de Tracey an illegitimate son of King Henry I.

The Lord Sudeley, in his reply of 12 April 1979 to Roger's query, was quick to point out that Maud, who would have married Thomas Jocelyn in about 1250, could not possibly have been the granddaughter of John de Sudeley (born about 1095).

In fact, the first documentary mention of the Hide ('Hida') occurs in Henry III's Fine Roll of 1217 taking it from William de Duston's heirs into the King's hands. William was the Guardian of Ralph Jocelin's son John from about 1212. The Hide was evidently owned by Ralph during his lifetime (c.1170-1212), probably as a result of a settlement related to his second marriage to Maud Hyde (after 1206).

This marriage is mentioned in the 'Raven' pedigree of 1612. With the revised dates, a descent of Maud from King Henry is just about possible. Unfortunately, the Jocelin family descends from Ralph's first marriage to Beatrice de Beseville and the royal connection does not therefore descend into the Jocelin family.

But there is another intriguing connection between the de Sudeley and the Jocelin line. One of Roger's correspondents (Fitch-Northern, 1978) writes as follows:

'I cannot fit in Maud Hyde's alleged mother Elizabeth as a daughter of John de Sudeley. But if this were possible, then the whole of the Joscelyn family from the time of Edward I would descend from the tap root of the Sudeleys: Count Dreux of the Vexin, who married Godgifu daughter of Ethelred II by his second wife, Emma of Normandy (who later married King Canute); Godgifu being uterine sister of King Edward the Confessor.'

Count Dreux died with Duke Robert 'the Magnificent' of Normandy when they were returning from a pilgrimage to Jerusalem in 1135. Godgifu subsequently married Eustace son and heir of Count Eustace I of Boulogne, despite a disparity of some ten years in their ages (Godgifu being over 30 and Eustace barely 20).

Eustace succeeded his father as Count of Boulogne some 14 years later (1049) and immediately joined a revolt by the duke of Lorraine against the Emperor Henry III. As a consequence it appears, the newly elected Pope Leo IX excommunicated him 'on the grounds of consanguinity'. Effectively this meant the annulment of his marriage to Godgifu and the illegitimacy (and disinheritance) of any children of the marriage. He subsequently married (about 1054) Ida, the daughter of the duke of Lorraine, by whom he had three sons Eustace, Godfrey and Baldwin. Another son, Geoffrey, is thought to be illegitimate: the question is whether he was born from the marriage of Eustace and Godgifu, **and** rendered illegitimate by the Pope's decree of excommunication.

There is no documentary evidence to show whether Eustace and Godgifu in the course of their fairly long marriage had any children, but it seems most likely. In particular, as contemporary historians have pointed out, it would have been odd if the powerful Geoffrey de Mandeville had consented to the marriage of his daughter Beatrice to a son of Eustace by an 'ordinary mistress'; or given them such a generous endowment. There is also much to suggest that Geoffrey's acceptance within the Boulogne family was greater than one might expect for an illegitimate son.

This Geoffrey de Boulogne was of course, the great great grandfather of Beatrice de Beseville who married Ralph Jocelin in about 1200. It is thus possible to make out a reasonable case, on the circumstantial, but not the documentary evidence, for the family's direct descent from the Anglo-Saxon Kings.

Richard Joscelyne, 2015.

Mary Ann Joslin (Nee Double) 1808-1868

Brenda Joscelyne (95)

"It is Sunday 1st August 1835 and Mary Ann has just returned to her home in Colchester after attending the burial of her husband Edward in the churchyard of St. James Church. She was very heavily pregnant and was reflecting upon happier times such as her wedding to Edward on 7th April 1833 at the same church."

Mary Ann was born January 1808 in Ardleigh to Dale Double and his first wife Caroline Double nee Lewes. They had married on 26 July 1806 at St Mary the Virgin, Ardleigh. Mary had a brother William Double born July 1810. Very sadly Caroline died at the beginning of 1812 aged 37, leaving her husband with two young children, aged 4 and nearly 2. It seems Dale left Ardleigh and returned to Hadleigh, Suffolk or near there, perhaps to his parents.

Edward junior was born in September 1835 and baptised 13 September at St James. On his baptism record it says father's occupation victualler, deceased. Was Edward senior living at The Welcome Sailor before he died?

On Christmas day 1836 Mary Ann married Daniel Joslin, Edward's elder brother. Daniel and Edward were the youngest children of Jonathan and Elizabeth Knight from Suffolk.

Their first child Alfred was born in June 1837 but sadly died March 1852 aged 15. Daniel and Mary Ann went on to have another seven children.

By the time Mary Ann died on 3rd August 1868 she had six children living and six grandchildren.

Mary Ann lived in The Welcome Inn, East Street, Colchester (now an Indian Restaurant, but protected by English Heritage) until her death, so must have had a very busy life with her husband Daniel who was the Inn keeper. It would be lovely to see inside the building, but I do not enjoy Indian food!

THE COUNTESS OF WARWICK, 'THE PLEASANT SUNDAY AFTERNOON MOVEMENT' AND LEWIS HENRY JOSCELYNE

The following report appeared in a local newspaper thought to date from the early years of the 20th century prior to the first world war.

“Lady Warwick and the P.S.A.

It was a bitter disappointment to the embers of the Braintree P.S.A. Society that the Countess of Warwick was unable to fulfil her promise to attend on Sunday and deliver an address. But they accepted the situation cheerfully, knowing that her Ladyship would not have failed them if she had been well enough to attend.

The Countess has won the respect of the working classes by her kindly concern for their welfare, and had she been able to visit Braintree she would have received a magnificent reception.

In the absence of Lady Warwick and in the absence also of another speaker, Mr L.H. Joscelyne, the versatile Hon Secretary to the Society, stepped into the breach and gave an interesting account of an interview he had had with Lady Warwick the previous Thursday. I am told that her views on social questions, as repeated by Mr Joscelyne, aroused enthusiastic applause. And now the Braintree workers are more anxious than ever for a visit from the Countess.”



Daisy Greville, Countess of Warwick
a studio portrait in 1897



Lewis Henry Joscelyne
aged 85 in 1953

In another paper, a similar report concluded with: “An experiment in the “Garden City” movement out Easton way, should the Countess take the work in hand, would prove very interesting.”

Lady Warwick resided at Easton Lodge and while a well known Socialite and confidant of Edward VII, in her later life she became much concerned about working people and after the

war joined the Labour Party. She founded a needlework school at Easton Lodge and hosted meetings of trade unionists there. She also founded Studley Agricultural College for women in Warwickshire and supported many good causes..

The ‘Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Movement’ began towards the end of the 19th century and flourished for a while, particularly in the Congregational Church. It was designed to attract young men to a more informal religious instruction than regular Sunday services and as an alternative to more secular activities.

Lewis Henry Joscelyne (1868-1956) continued the Braintree family business of Furnishers, Removal Contractors and Estate Agents started by his great grandfather Benjamin who was apprenticed to a cabinet maker in 1777. The eldest of 14 children, he outlived them all and was a life deacon of Braintree Congregational Church (now Christ Church) in London Road

and active in public life. He was a member of Braintree Urban District Council, a Director of the Braintree and Bocking Building Society (later acquired by the Halifax) and of the Braintree Market House Company, which owned and ran the Corn Exchange, and also a founder Trustee of the Recreation Ground. Marrying Millison Oldrin, they had 3 children: Lewis Hamilton, Arthur Garrett and Marjorie Violet Louisa.

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CHARLES AND GEORGE JOSSELYN AND LAND AT CRESSING, ESSEX, IN 1842

In the **Tithe Award of 1842 at Cressing**, there are several entries as Landowner of **Charles and George Josselyn** as Trustees of **Alexander Count de Vandes**. Some of the land formerly belonged to the Order of the Knights Templars. And in Whites Directory of 1848 it states that "**G and J Joscelyn, Esqrs.** are lessees of the Rectory.

It is thought that these Josselyn/Joscelyns were probably of the Ipswich Solicitors firm as no trace can be found of them in residence in the parish in any of the various Censuses. And who was the Count de Vandes?

A search via www.ancestry.co.uk and the Internet suggests that the Count was born in Bayeaux, Normandy, about 1767 and he is listed in the 1851 Census in Hastings, aged 84 as a British subject.

His wife is shown as Martha, aged 47. This appears to have been his second marriage as there is a marriage to Elizabeth Wright at St Georges, Hanover Square, London on 19 September 1800. There is a record that in 1837 he was at 38 George Street, Hastings. He died in 1855 also in Hastings.

Other references point to his expertise in Horticulture. On 31 March, 1827, there is a report of the Garden Committee of the Horticultural Society of London on the formation and progress of their garden, Alexander being a member of the Committee; there is also a record of a donation he made in 1837.

And an Alexander Campbell (1795-1877) was gardener to the Comte de Vandes at Bayswater, London, and curator of Manchester Botanic Garden in 1831.

From Ben Joscelyne (09), 08/02/2016

JOURNEY TO YORKSHIRE

A memorandum believed to have been written by Joseph Garrett of Braintree

“1831 16th October

Left the Bull and Mouth Inn London at quarter past 8 o'clock in evening by the Leeds Mail inside. Passed through Holloway and Highgate Arch where the road has been lowered perhaps 20 feet. Very fine and pleasing scenery all around.. Thru' Barnett - East and West Melbourn - Wellwin - Hitchin - Bedford.. Changed coachmen.

Arrived at Melton Mowbray about 7 the next morning. Took breakfast and there got outside. This is a respected old town without any manufactory carried on in it but is very much frequented thru' the winter by sporting gentlemen who meet here in great numbers from distant parts to enjoy the recreations of the field - about 400 hunting horses are brought together for the same purpose and a great deal of money is spent in the place during the season. The country around is open and favourable to this sort of amusement.

Sheffield

A large ancient town of very extensive trade in the manufactory of Cutlery Goods - its population is supposed to be about 100,000 including its immediate vicinity - it has several respectable streets paved and lighted but the annoyance arising from the smoke of the almost immeasurable furnaces constantly at work is almost intolerable.

This place 'tho so densely peopled has at present no voice in the representation of the Country - it is much to be hoped that so much wealth - industry, skill and genius as are here concentrated will not long remain in this state.”



A reproduction of a pair of miniatures believed to be portraits of Joseph Garrett and his wife Louisa, nee Goldsmith

Notes:

1. The above is a transcript of a handwritten note, believed to have been written at the time by Joseph Garrett of Braintree (1768-1858) whose daughter Louisa Garrett married John Joscelyne of the Braintree family of Furniture Retailers and Auctioneers and Estate Agents.

Joseph Garrett is extensively quoted in W F Quin's "A History of Braintree and Bocking" published in 1981 - ISBN 0 9507378 0 1 (available on Amazon) as a member of the Select Vestry including details of this journey he made to Yorkshire in 1831 to follow up on paupers who had been removed from Braintree and were in receipt of monies from the Vestry.

Joseph had a tailors shop in High Street, Braintree, opposite the premises now partly occupied by the Braintree and Witham Times (and in the 19th and first half of the 20th centuries owned by the Joscelyne family of Stationers and Printers).

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A prominent member of the Bocking End Congregational Church where he was a founder and superintendent of their Sunday school, Joseph was credited with being instrumental in bringing gas to the town and to have assisted the Courtauld family in their early days in Braintree. He was also a sergeant in the Volunteers at the time of the Napoleonic wars.

2. "The Bell and Mouth Inn, opposite the post-office in St Martin's le Grand, formerly represented the Eastern centre, as the Regent Circus did the Western, of the travelling world; but since the empire of iron roads, these vast caravansaries, where met and parted the migratory world of London, are shorn of their beams: the gilded bull over the gateway now laughs rather on the wrong side of his mouth ...

But the tide of travel, no longer rushing through the gateway of the great London inns, is only more diffusive than before.. The effect produced upon intercommunication by the now almost universal agency of steam has not merely facilitated travel but has created travellers. When time and space are literally annihilated, and when, without labour or fatigue, we can breakfast at a not unreasonable hour in Bristol, arrive in London to lunch, and return again to Bristol to a six o'clock dinner, who would not see a little of the world?"

From "The World of London" by John Murray in Blackwoods Magazine, July 1841

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Good News & Bad News

Peter Joslin (29)

It is often said that "it's a wise man that knows who his father is".
But!!!

A professional researcher rang me the other day with both good and bad news (depending on your point of view) The good news was that he had been on my Joslin website and thought it wonderful, he explained he had no personal interests in the JOSLIN surname but with the aid of my site he had made a lot of progress with a JOSLING line in the Chelmsford area of Essex.

He then related how a George Joslin was charged with murder after the horse he was riding on the main street of Chelmsford ran down and killed a man.

We are talking of a couple of hundred years ago, but bringing this family tree to the present day we find Naomi JOSLING born in 1915 marrying David Corbyn in 1940 and, as you have already guessed, their son Jeremy was born 26th May 1949.

I have learnt by now: "You can't win them all"



[Apologies to our overseas readers who are not au-fait with British politics. Editor]

JOSLIN STREET, ADELAIDE

Philip Joslin (189)

In the last edition of the Journal, Brenda Joscelyne posed the question "who was Joslin Street in Adelaide, South Australia named after?"



As my son and his family now live in Adelaide, I am a frequent visitor to this city, and I have discovered a number of Joslin connections and interesting coincidences.

I can now answer that question.

Joslin Street is in a small Adelaide suburb called Joslin, situated close to the city centre. They are named after Henry Joslin (1839 - 1927), a director of the South Australian Company, and its chairman from 1899 to 1923.

The South Australian Company was formed in London in 1835 by a number of British businessmen to establish the new colony of South Australia. Settlement started in 1836 on Kangaroo Island. The Company encouraged migration from Europe and managed land sales to the new immigrants. This was the first state in Australia not to use convict labour.



And now to the strange coincidences: my son lives in another suburb of Adelaide called Dernancourt. This was named after a small French town close to Albert, where a large number of South Australians fought alongside the British in WW1.

My grandfather, Clifford Joslin, saw action in France and Flanders with the 8th London Regiment (Post Office Rifles), and was killed in action attacking German trenches at Dernancourt in 1918.

My son is now establishing his own Joslin dynasty in South Australia, having produced three wonderful grandsons!

[Brenda Joscelyne has done some further research into Henry Joslin's background; this follows on the next page. Editor]

HENRY JOSLIN 1839-1927

Henry Joslin was born 1839 in Hacton Hamlet, Upminster to Henry and Pricilla Joslin. When he was 12 he was sent to boarding school in Orsett House, Orsett. In 1861 aged 22 he was living with mum and dad at Hoppy Hall, Upminster. His father Henry was a farmer, farming 826 acres and employing 55 men, 20 boys and 14 women.

Henry married on 5 January 1865 in London Rebecca Mary the widow of Rev George Clayton who had died in 1862. George owned Gaynes Park. In 1871 Henry aged 32 and his wife Rebecca Mary Joslin aged 56 were staying at The Royal Hotel, St Peter Mancroft, Norwich. His occupation was farmer of 300 acres employing 11 men, 2 women and 2 boys. Also income derived from Dividends. Rebecca died 24th December 1872 and was buried 1st January 1873 in St. Laurence churchyard, Upminster. That must have been a very sad Christmas time.

We can trace Henry through the census as follow:

1881 Henry was living at Gaynes Park he was 52, and his sister Pricilla Joslin, unmarried, had moved in with him. By 1891 he was still living at Gaynes Park and a JP for the County of Essex. Henry remained at Gaynes Hall until his death. In his life time Henry often wrote letters to the Times and he gave generous help to the London Missionary Society and British and Foreign Bible Society.

Henry died 2nd November 1927 and the funeral service on Saturday 5th November was at Upminster Congregational Church and was attended by a good number of people including Mr Herbert C Hallward representing the South Australian Company. He was buried in the family vault in the Upminster churchyard and there was a floral tribute from the co-directors of the South Australian Company. On the unpolished oak coffin were three wreaths, with plumed hat and sword which formed part of the deceased's uniform as a Deputy-Lieutenant of Essex.

Will.

Henry Joslin of Gaynes Park Upminster died 2 November 1927 and left £91,214 15s 7d. His executors were Henry Walter Joslin, nephew, son of his brother Walter and John Henry Joslin, nephew, son of his brother Clement Joslin.

The Times on 26 January 1928 carried an advertisement for the auction of GAYNES PARK by the direction of the executors of the late Henry Joslin JP. The valuable contents of the mansion include a Queen Anne grandfather clock, Chippendale chairs and A Fiat six-cylinder Landau-lette motorcar. It is said that Henry rode in a private coach from Gaynes Park to Upminster Station or was it the car in his garage? There is a copy of the Catalogue for this auction held at ERO. It would be nice to see if there is a picture of the car in the catalogue.

Brenda Joscelyne (95)

Thanks to all the contributors to this Journal; I am now starting to assemble material for Journal 59.

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