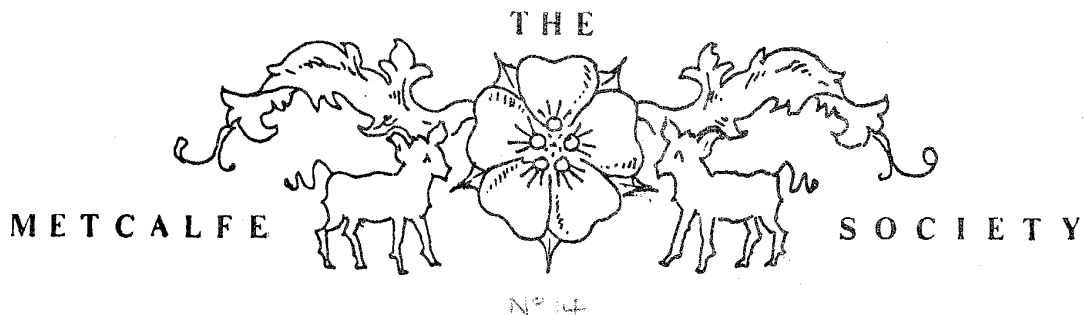




December 1984

Dear Member,

Now that the second Mecca Muster is a thing of the past I would like to say how delighted I was to receive letters from some members who had attended saying how much they had enjoyed it. I deeply regretted not being present myself on that occasion and missing the opportunity of meeting fellow members but maybe there will be another opportunity sometime. A full report of the day's proceedings appears in this issue.

We have quite a collection of material on hand for the Newsletter at the moment for which we are most grateful; but please keep on sending in details of anything at all you think may interest or help other members.

Mrs. Jean Bradley (Member No. 59) of Ilkley and her husband Frank have kindly taken over the distribution of the Newsletter for which we are extremely grateful. Any further offers of help will always be appreciated as the more members we get the more is involved.

I hope it is not too early to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Best wishes,

Vera Adams (Ed.)

SECRETARY'S NOTES

Our sincere welcome goes out to all our new members, may you all get benefit and enjoyment from your membership.

From the financial account you will notice that we have only run to the end of October 1984, this was necessary to facilitate the change over of treasurer. After the newsletter the main expense was, as always, postage, this being extra high because of letters sent out to most UK family history societies.

May I give my personal thanks to everyone who came along to the Mecca Muster in September. It certainly made the work well worth while to see so many of you willing to travel so far. As was mentioned at the time, we in the North are just as willing to travel, so if anyone feels they would like to organise our 1986 Muster elsewhere - please do volunteer! Should we continue to grow at our present rate we will no doubt outgrow the "Claremont" venue, 25 of our members PLUS all our records did not leave any space to spare.

A volunteer will also be needed to take over the General Index in 1986. This huge and important task, so ably carried out by Mrs. Helen Offer these past four years, MUST be passed over to a REAL enthusiast who has time, patience and space to spare. Where are you?

To become full members of the Federation will cost us £20 per annum whilst our membership remains below 200, above 200 but under 500 will cost £50. With current active membership at 94 and funds at rather a low ebb, perhaps we should consider leaving this question in abeyance until 1985. Let me know your view.

As this issue of the Mecca News is the last one of 1984 may I take this opportunity of wishing you all a Happy Family Christmas with successful hunting in the New Year.

Nina Benson

D'ye ken William Metcalfe?

Did you know that the real immortaliser of the well-known song "D'ye ken John Peel" was a Metcalfe? He was William Metcalfe of Norwich who sang for 50 years in the choir of Carlisle Cathedral and was conductor of the Carlisle Choral Society. It was in 1868 that he heard John Peel sung to the old rant of Bonnie or Cannie Annie, and at once realised what a rollicking song could be based on this air. He sang his own version at an important dinner in London the next year and it was met with wild enthusiasm. From that time on it was Metcalfe's version which was sung and it is his song we sing today. He died in 1909 and is buried in Carlisle.

Can anyone claim to be descended from him?

STRAYS

From the Census Returns for Beningborough, 1871

Thomas Metcalfe, aged 18, page boy and domestic at Beningborough Hall, born Newton upon Ouse

From Askrigg Parish Register - 6th April 1791, George Metcalfe married Nanny Kearton. Nonames of parents or witnesses.

MECCA MUSTER 1st September 1984. "Claremont", 23 Clarendon Road, Leeds

Business Report

25 members were present. Apologies for absence were received from Mrs. Vera Adams, Mrs. Joan Metcalfe, Mrs. Valerie Metcalfe, Mrs. S. Walls and Mrs. B. Kent.

Membership This now stands at 82 including 13 overseas members.

Subscriptions Breakdown of present figures were given as follows:-

UK	£2.00	Costs 1.55	surplus .45p
Overseas Landmail	£2.50	Costs 1.70	surplus .80p
Overseas Airmail	£3.50	Costs 2.45	surplus 1.05p Can. & USA
		Costs 2.55	surplus .95p Aus. & NZ

1985 Rates proposed by Mrs. Nina Benson, seconded by Mr. David Lambert

UK £2.50 Overseas Landmail £2.50 Overseas Airmail £3.50

This motion was carried.

Newsletter printing. It was agreed that the new format was successful and should be continued.

Advertising / Mail Shot No mail shot approach is to be considered at present.

Any advertising to be aimed at Metcalfes who have moved away from their homeland. 'Dalesman' magazine to be considered as this appeals to many ex-patriots - would they carry an article about our meeting? Members who also hold membership of other Societies are requested to insert articles or notes in their respective magazines. Consideration is to be given to joining the Federation instead of the Guild of One Name Study Groups, the membership of which has so far proved negative in respect of increasing our membership. The secretary to ascertain the costs involved and to take appropriate action.

Treasurer Mrs. Mary Metcalfe appealed to those present to be relieved of her duties as treasurer and Mrs. Margaret Metcalfe of Earby agreed to take over at the end of October. her address is shown elsewhere in this newsletter. We offer our thanks to Mary for all the work she has done in the past. She will continue holding back copies of the Mecca News until they go out of print.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Mrs. K.M. Davey, Member No. 93 has now changed her address to
20 Hinkley Close, Harefield, Middlesex UB9 6AA

Metcalfe entries in 'The Wensleydale Advertiser' 1844-46

Births

1844	25th Feb.	Ings House, Hawes, a son to Revd. John Metcalfe
	6th Nov.	Burtersett, a daughter to Mrs. J. Metcalfe
1845	25th Feb.	A son to Mr. Thos. Metcalfe of Hawes
	11th April	A son to Mrs. William Metcalfe of Burtersett
	1st Dec.	A daughter to Mrs. Ralph Metcalfe of Bainbridge Ings, Hawes
1846	13th Feb.	A daughter to Mrs. George Metcalfe of Askrigg
	3rd June	A daughter to Mrs. Matthew Metcalfe
	9th Sept.	A daughter to Mrs. Thomas Metcalfe of Burtersett
	Oct.	A daughter to Mrs. James Metcalfe of Marsett
	27th Oct.	A son to Mrs. Richard Metcalfe of Hawes

Marriages

1844	28th Aug.	W. Metcalfe, Bedale, Tailor, and Martha Brockett, Bellerby
	23rd Nov.	John Metcalfe, Appersett and Elizabeth Calvert, Snaizeholme
	30th Nov.	Warren Metcalfe, Hawes, Shoemaker, and Elizabeth Lodge, Widdale
	39th Nov.	Tom Metcalfe of Rigg Hosse and Elizabeth Stuart of Burtersett, married at Hardraw
1845	3rd Feb.	Tom Metcalfe and Ann Pratt, both of Burtersett
	10th April	Ralph Metcalfe of Bainbridge Ings, Hawes and Mary Blyth of Hawes
	8th Dec.	Richard Swidenbank and Joan Metcalfe, daughter of Ninian Metcalfe of Mossdale
	12th Dec.	Thomas Chapman and Miss Metcalfe, daughter of Leonard Metcalfe of Raysdaleside
1846	31st Jan.	George Metcalfe of Borwins and Janet Metcalfe daughter of John Metcalfe of Stalling Busk
	16th April	John Stuart and Alice Metcalfe, daughter of William Metcalfe of Burtersett
	20th Oct.	John Walling and Elizabeth Metcalfe
	Dec.	Francis Whaley and Mrs. Mary Metcalfe, widow of late Robert Metcalfe of Hawes
	5th Dec.	James Metcalfe of Butt House, Swaledale and Margaret Clarkson

Deaths

1844	15th Jan.	Miss Metcalfe (74) at Middleham. She was a lineal descendant of Sir Christopher Metcalfe of Nappa Hall, Sherriff of Yorkshire in 1555
	1st July	Miss Jane Metcalfe (42) at Stalling Busk
	8th Aug.	Elizabeth (29) wife of Thomas Metcalfe of Appersett
	Sept.	Simon Metcalfe at Low Force, Raydaleside
	26th Sept.	Thomas Metcalfe (82) at Appersett, Hawes
1845	17th Feb.	Richard Metcalfe (12) son of James at Marsett
	6th April.	Esther Metcalfe (72) wife of Thomas of Coleby Hall, Askrigg
	15th April	Nancy Metcalfe (62) at Helm, Askrigg
	24th Aug.	John Metcalfe (54) OF Kearton, Swaledale
	8th Nov.	Alex Metcalfe (80) at Halfway house, Hawes
	29th Nov.	Agnes, daughter of the late Cuthbert and Betty Metcalfe of Thorns, Hawes
	9th Dec.	John Metcalfe (9) son of Thomas Kearton, Swaledale
	16th Dec.	Ann (25) Leonard (16) daughter and son of the late William Metcalfe of Stalling Busk

Deaths (contd)

1845	28th Dec.	James Metcalfe (18 months) son of James of Stalling Busk
1846	9th Feb.	Ann Metcalfe (20) daughter of Thomas Metcalfe, joiner, of Hawes
	23rd Feb.	John Metcalfe (23) SON OF John Metcalfe
	24th March	Ann Metcalfe (18) daughter of Thomas Metcalfe
	8th May	William Metcalfe (88) at Cow Hill, Snaizeholme
	12th May	Lister Washington Metcalfe (67) at Muker
	18th Nov.	Mary (13) orphan of Tom and Betty Metcalfe of High Abbotside
	20th Dec.	John Metcalfe (75) blacksmith of Bainbridge

The above were sent to us by John Holden (Member No. 6) of Burnley to whom we are very grateful. He also added the following:-

I have long been aware that a form of the Metcalfe Arms appears as one of the shields on the dado behind the High Table and over the entrance to the dining-hall of my old college - Trinity College, Oxford. Michael MacLagen, a history don and Fellow of that College, as well as being Richmond Herald, has kindly tried to account for its presence. The beautiful chapel of the college is the result of a complete rebuilding in 1691-94, and those who subscribed to the work had their benefactions recorded and their arms displayed in the College Hall, in cases where they armigers. In the attractive benefactors' book, the arms in question are ascribed to Metcalf from the County of Essex. Unfortunately no member of the college who matriculated before 1691 seems to have been a Metcalf(e). Two entries may interest members however:-

1. William, son of Charles of Fort St. George (Madras) matriculated in November 1714, aged 16
2. William, son of James of Holborn, gen. matriculated in January 1722 aged 17 (Took his B.A., M.A., and B.Med.).

It is possible that one of these was a subsequent benefactor of the college

A SERIES OF WILKS

1728, 28 Jan.	Wilks Metcalfe of Norton, blacksmith, had a son Edward baptised at Cuncall
1734, 12 Nov.	Wilks Metcalfe married Margaret Armstrong at Pickhill
1804, 26 Aug.	Wilks and Jane Metcalfe had a son Wilks baptised Burniston
1822	Wilks Metcalfe is blacksmith and victualler of the "Four Ails", Burniston
1827, 27 Dec.	Wilks Metcalfe married Elizabeth Gill at Burniston
1838, 13 Oct.	Wilks, son of Wilks and Elizabeth baptised at Burniston
1864	Wilks Metcalfe, blacksmith of ? Newton le Willows, had son Henry married to Mary Watson at Hipswell.
1871, 1 Oct.	Wilks, son of Henry, innkeeper of Scotton and Mary, nee Watson, baptised at St. John's Church, Hipswell.

It will be interesting to find eventually the links between the first three and the others and also to note how the occupation of blacksmith seems to have descended through nearly a century and a half.

H.O.

John Holden also sent us the following from 'The Metcalfe Family of Lancaster', page 13 of 'Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Notes, Vol. 1. edited by W. Duncombe Pink F.R.H.S. 1885.

Amongst my Lancashire MSS I have two documents relating to this family; one, an agreement dated 6th May 1692 and the other the will of Thomas Metcalfe, dated 5th November 1712

1712. The indenture of agreement was between Judith Metcalfe, widow and relict of George Metcalfe, late of Lancaster, gentleman (deceased), and Thomas Metcalfe, son of the said George and Judith, and it witnesseth that George Metcalfe was seized of a messuage in Lancaster wherein the said Judith lived, and other houses in Penny-street, and also certain crofts of land in Lancaster and Heysham. Upon the death of George these descended to his eldest son and heir Thomas, subject to dower to which his mother relinquished her right in consideration of an annuity of £12 per annum. In February, 1713, Thomas Metcalfe died, and by his will (dated 5 Nov., 1712) he bequeathed his land to his eldest son Thomas and legacies to his other children, viz., to William £50, to Judith and Elizabeth £100 each, and to George, Margaret, and Dorothy £100 each on their attaining the age of twenty-one years. He appoints as his executors Thomas Westmore and William Stout both of Lancaster, gentlemen. William Stout, although described in the will as "gentleman" was a wholesale and retail grocer and ironmonger, and belonged to the Society of Friends, and from whose autobiography (edited by J. Harland) I have extracted the following particulars about the Metcalfes:-

12th month, 1712 (i.e. Feb., 1713) Alderman Metcalfe died and I was at his burial. In two days after I was sent for by his daughter and they produced the will, which being read, his brother Westmore and I was named joint executors of it, which I was much surprised at and much troubled at. Sometime before he died he sent his eldest son Thomas, to London to be preferred by his cousins George and Francis Metcalfe. The first was solicitor for the Commissioners of the Customs in London and the latter Collector of the Customs at Southampton, who procured him (i.e. the eldest son of Thomas) the place of Collector of Customs at Penzance, worth £100 a year, and of the salt duty worth £50 a year

William Stout communed with the testator's eldest son, who desired him to "execute the will and he would be well content with his management". Accordingly the will was proved and the unfortunate executor had sometimes to "advance £100 of his own money to make all easy". Thomas Metcalfe remained in Penzance until 1726, when he appears to have been in pecuniary difficulties, and coming to London had his estate in Lancashire sold to pay his debts. he shortly afterwards returned to Penzance and there died. Stout gives the following particulars of the rest of Thomas Metcalfe's family:- William was brought up to the sea "very hopeful and improving" but he died "upon a Guinea voyage". George was sent to his brother at Penzance and from then to London "but could not get him fixed to good business". Judith married Thomas Holme, schoolmaster and curate at Lancaster. Elizabeth married Robert Winder, a draper. Margaret "married poorly at London". Dorothy "we placed an apprentice to a milliner; she was of little stature and very modest and hopeful, but had an unfortunate marriage which brought her to hardship". In 1680, Francis Metcalfe was Mayor of Lancaster. Would this be the cousin in London already referred to, or was he a brother of George Metcalfe, and consequently uncle to Thomas?

H. Fishwick, F.S.A.

Being a new member of the Society, I have read with much interest the article "English Surnames" which was published in the December 1983 Newsletter, and I feel that I must add my contribution.

Without doubt, part of the border area referred to by Dr. Redman takes in the upper reaches of Swaledale, North Yorkshire, an area which is also the land of my forebears and subject of my own research over the past six years.

In 1707 it was said to be perhaps the largest tract of waste land in South Britain having only four acres of arable land, sixty acres of woods and plantations, twelve thousand nine hundred acres of permanent grass and the rest moorland. How times have changed, as today, this area is recognised as the most beautiful dale in the Yorkshire National Park. To give an account of the very colourful history of this area and its people would fill a large volume and this is certainly not my intention at this time.

The mother church for this area was located at Grinton and it is from this church that the parish obtained its name. Grinton Parish was composed of the townships of Grinton, Melbecks, Muker and Reeth. Melbeck township included the hamlets of Feetham, Gunnerside, Kearton, Lodge Green, Low Row and Pot Ing. Muker township contained the villages of Muker, Thwaite, Angram, Keld and the hamlets of Oxnop, Satron, Birkdale, Stonesdale and Ravenseat. Reeth was composed of the town of Reeth and the villages of Fremington and Healaugh. In all, this vast parish had a total area of just on fifty two thousand one hundred acres. This church at Grinton had been built in Norman times but its locality near the head of the dale had meant that the population of the upper reaches had to walk or travel up to fifteen miles to attend all services.

At Keld, there had been a very early Chapel, said to have been demolished in a riot of the inhabitants. Partly restored, it had been used by Calvinists but it was later rebuilt in 1789 for use by the Independents. Meanwhile, in its place was erected, in a more convenient situation at Muker, another Chapel-of-Ease to Grinton. This was consecrated by the Rev. William Chatterton, then Lord Bishop of Chester, on the 3rd August 1580. The Church Registers date back to 1638 and are complete up to the present day except for the period 1670-1699. These registers and the church burial grounds bear witness to the many early inhabitants of the area most of whom were Aldersons, Metcalfes, Milners along with Harkers, Keartons and Peacocks.

There appears to be very little evidence of Roman occupation of the Swaledale area but after them came the Angles and Saxons, followed by the Norsemen who arrived by way of Ireland and the Lake District and in due course, the dale felt the influence of Norman rule. The fells around Hurst have for centuries yielded vast quantities of Galena (Lead Ore) and it is said that some of it went abroad to roof the public buildings of Rome and Jerusalem in Herod's day. In the Anglo Saxon period, lead was being used for line coffins, for water tanks and pipes. In the period 1179 to 1183 just on five hundred and fifty tons of lead was sent from Swaledale to various parts of France and to Rotterdam and from this period on the industry developed and it became the main occupation for the men, women and children, to reach its peak in the early 1800's.

A very serious depression was experienced between 1829 to 1833 when the price of lead fell to an uneconomic level. As a result, many were forced out of the mining areas and it was common for whole families to emigrate to the Collieries at Durham and the cotton mills of Lancashire as well as other industrial areas of England. Many of the numerous Lead Mines never reopened, the abundant supplies of cheap lead from Spain, America and Australia spelling doom to the old industry.

So after many centuries the Metcalfes, Aldersons, Milners, Keartons and other families left their ancestral lands for pastures new and now can be found scattered in all parts of the world.

From my own records I list the following which I hope may be of interest to other members.

1583 Holders of Tenements and Lands in the Manor of Muker.

Includes.....

Mewacre (Muker) Galfridi Metcalffe
Georgii Metcalffe
Willelmi Metcalffe
Alexandri Metcalffe

Keisden (Kisdon) Wellelmi Metcalf

Oxnoppe (Oxnop) Anthonii Metcalfe
Ricardi Metcalf

1618

Includes

Muker Alex Metcalfe, Jas Metcalfe, William Metcalfe Snr,
William Metcalfe Jnr, John Metcalfe, Chris Metcalfe,
Jas Metcalfe, John Metcalfe, George Metcalfe,
Ralph Metcalfe and Thomas Metcalfe

Oxnop Richard Metcalfe, Alice Metcalfe and Christopher
Metcalfe

Thwaite James Metcalfe

Of interest

By Will of Anthony Metcalfe, a Free School
in the township of Muker was founded in 1678

An inscription at the head of the Rainwater
pipe on the Southern side of the Muker Chapel
commemerates the building of the Church Tower
Still clearly readable are the names R. Metcalfe,
J. Calvert. C Wardens 1793

1841

Census	Thwaite	William Kearton	60	Tailor	Born in County
		Ann Kearton	50	Wife	Born in County
		Sarah Metcalfe	20	Servant	Born in County

1851

Census	Thwaite	William Kearton	32	Shoemaker	Thwaite
		Margaret Kearton	42	Wife	Bainbridge
		Mary Kearton	10	Daughter	Bainbridge
		Betty Metcalfe	15	Servant	Thwaite

Marriages.....

George Kearton of Gunnerside and Mary Metcalf of Gunnerside.
28th September, 1660. Grinton

John Kearton and Eleanor Metcalfe. 13th January 1756. Muker
A witness was Richard Metcalfe

William Kearton and Francis Raw. 4th December 1827
Witness was James Metcalfe

Continued.....

Mathew Wilson (27) and Elizabeth Metcalfe (20) on the 26th April, 1777 at Muker. Witness Michael Metcalfe

Christopher Kearton and Nelly Metcalfe on the 5th Oct., 1782 at Muker

James Kearton and Sarah Metcalfe on the 22nd April 1834, at Muker

William Kearton and Margaret Metcalfe on the 6th May 1849 at Muker

Christopher Kearton to Ruth Metcalfe on the 23rd Jan. 1870 at Muker

Thomas Metcalfe to Jane Kearton on the 6th September 1873 at Muker

At the Independent Chapel, Longsight Gordon, Lancaster, Thomas Kearton (31) Widower, and Mary Medcalf (20) Spinster, daughter of William Medcalf, Deceased, an Architectural Carver, on the 9th November 1868. Witnesses were James Medcalf, Annie Medcalf and Sarah Marshall.

Baptisms

Dorothy, daughter of Michael Metcalfe of Thwaite
17th January 1762 at Muker Chapel

Elinor, daughter of Michael Metcalfe of Thwaite
16th May 1764 at Muker Chapel

Burials Muker

Dorothy Kearton, daughter of Michael Metcalfe on
17th January 1762

Eleanor Metcalfe, Widow, 11th January 1767

Nelly Kearton, daughter of Michael Metcalfe, Miner
30th March 1794, aged 29 years

Sarah Metcalfe, wife of James Kearton of Muker,
11th September 1855, aged 39 years.

Basil E. Kearton
40 Hospital Road
Te Kuiti
North Island
New Zealand

BIRTH BRIEFS - Addition and Corrections.

No: 61. Mrs Valerie Metcalfe : 4 Roseberry Avenue, Stokesley, Nth Yks.

Addition - Harold b 8.5.1878 Helmsley was natural son of Elizabeth Ann (Lily) who was bpt 20.4.1855 Helmsley and was dau of William & Elizabeth. William was bpt 23.9.1831 Helmsley, son of Thomas and Ann (Moorhouse) Metcalfe who were married 17.3.1818 Helmsley.

No: 81. Mrs A. Hutton : 197 Highsted Road, Christchurch 5, New Zealand.

Confirmation of the address where TOM son of Henry and Patience was born 17.9.1896 is :- 205 Woodhouse Street, Leeds.

No: 85. Mrs D. Nash : 55 Tibland Road, Acocks Green, Birmingham, B27 7EE.

Correction - Joseph Metcalfe b 1805 at Limber, Lincs was the son of William & FRANCES (Markham) who were married 5.5.1783. William was b 11.6.1757 and was son of William and Mary (Button) who married 3.1.1748 Lincs.

BIRTH BRIEFS - NEW MEMBERS.

No: 88 Mrs Beryl F. Davis, 34 Bridgemoor House, Bromford Bridge, Birmingham. B36 8RA.

Dau of Albert & Florence (Metcalfe) Keeling. Florence b 1907 Birmingham dau of Joshua & Mary Ann (Woodhall) who were married 1891 Bordesley, Birmingham. Joshua b 1865 son of Joshua & Elizabeth (Morris) who married 1859 Birmingham. Joshua b 1826 son of Joseph & Ann (Hanns) who married 1810. Joseph b 1790 son of Edward & Ursula.

No: 89 Mr Douglas E. Metcalfe, 11900 Wickchester Ln. 1715 Houston, Texas, USA, 77043.

Nothing known.

No: 90 Miss J.E. Metcalfe, Belle Bank, High Bentham, Via Lancaster, LA2 7AH.

Grandfather was Charles Metcalfe who came from Lodge Bank, Clapham, he died 1959 at Belle Bank.

No: 91 Mrs Joyce Thomason, 12 Grayburn Court, Beverley, North Humberside, HU17 8JP.

Mother in Law's maiden name Gladys Metcalfe b 1896 (7th of 9 children) of Leonard & Fannie. Leonard b 1865, Burley Woodhead in Lower Wharfedale, Yks, was son (3rd of 9 children) of George & Mary (Benson). George was b 1822.

No: 92 Mrs Gillian Morrison, Grange Farm, Hornby, Great Smeaton, Northallerton, Yks. DL6 2HF.

Awaiting confirmation. Park House, Hipswell line.

No: 93 Mrs Kathleen M. Davey. 151 Waltham Avenue, Hayes, Middlesex, UB3 1TE.

Great Grandmother Mary Metcalf mar William Kidd 19.10.1857 at Donington Parish Church, Lincs: Mary bpt 17.4.1834 1st of 9 children of George & Sarah, all bpt Donington in Holland, Lincs: George bpt 18.10.1810 at Donington, son of James & Jane (Johnson).

I.G.I. lists children of James Metcalf & Jane Johnson being baptised at Donington, Lincs and also at Stainmore, Westmorland, between October 1796 and April 1817. Is it one family or two? Has anyone access to the Stainmore records? No marriage found.

No: 94 Mrs Patricia M. Gibson, "Rossie Braes", R.D. 9, Hastings, New Zealand.

Gt.gt.gt. Grandmother Elizabeth Metcalfe married William Robinson 25.5.1802
St. Mary Magdalene, Bermondsey, London.

No: 95 Mrs Barbara Murray, 2 Winscombe Crescent, Ealing, W5 1AZ, London.

Interested in Metcalfes of Brigg in Lincolnshire.

No: 96 Mrs Jean Forrester, 199 Kingsway, Ossett, WF5 8ED, West Yorkshire.

Husband's ancestor is Elizabeth Metcalfe of Marske nr Richmond, Yks, who
married 11.6.1827 Robert Cansick of Downholme, nr Richmond. Elizabeth
b circa 1802 d 1838 was dau of Thomas & Margaret (Carter) who married at
Bedale 18.7.1798.

No: 97 Miss Linda Huntington, 6 Moss Place, Lancaster, LA1 2EJ.

Gt.gt. Grandmother Mary Ann Metcalfe married 1830 Edmund Fothergill of
Lancaster. Mary Ann bpt 30.3.1806 Thornton in Lonsdale, dau of Jonathan
& Mary (Leeming) who were married 12.1.1805 at Thornton. Jonathon (6th
child of 7) bpt 4.1.1784 at Thornton was son of Anthony & Margaret (Jackson)
who married 30.7.1770 Ingleton. Anthony bpt 16.6.1744 son of George and his
second wife Elizabeth (Battley) who married Dec 1739 Ingleton. George was
b 27.3.1700 son of Christopher (of Raisgill) & Catherine (Leake) who were
married 22.1. 1697/8 Ingleton.

(Helen Offer reports that there is some doubt about this line and that
investigations continue !)

No: 98 Mr Roger Bellinger, 30 Brettingham Avenue, Cringleford, Norwich,
NR4 6XG, Norfolk.

Descendant of James Edwin Bellinger and Emma Gertrude Metcalfe who were
married 1914 at Chatham. Emma b 24.7.1896 Norwich dau of Walter and
Emma Sophia Brereton (East) Metcalf, who were married 1895 Norwich.
Walter b 28.10.1872 Norwich 4th child of 12, of William & Mary Ann
(Drumee) Mt who were married 9.3.1867 Norwich. William was born
circa 1847/8 parentage not yet traced.

No: 99 Mr. T.W. Metcalfe, Dalton Fields, Newsham, Richmond, DL11 7RF,
North Yorkshire.

son of John Coates Metcalfe b 1864 Hipswell, Yks son of Thomas & Mary
(Coates) Mte, who were married 1862 at Hipswell. Thomas b 9.12.1835 Tunstall,
nr Hipswell was son of Thomas & Elizabeth (Blenkiron) Mte who were married
3.10.1825 at Marske by Richmond. Thomas bpt 25.12.1799 Bedale son of Thomas
& Margaret (Carter) Mte who were married 18.7.1798 at Bedale. Thomas may
be bpt 5.5.1773 Spennithorne born at Bellerby, son of Thomas & Mary
(Hutchinson) Mte who were married 21.9.1769 at Spennithorne.

(Members may well recognise this tree by now - we now have four members
descending from it, all previously unknown to each other !).

HELP WANTED

No. 24 Mr. J.W. Metcalfe, 7 Roundcroft, Romiley, Stockport, Cheshire, SK6 4LL
requires date of birth or baptism also date and place of death of
Alexander Metcalfe, plasterer of Linton in Craven who married
Catherine Bradley of Burnsall, 10th Feb. 1783 at Burnsall.
Last known mention of him - sent to house of correction in 1798.
No age given.

No. 81 Mrs. Alison Hutton, 197 Highsted Rd., Christchurch, 5 N.Z.
requires place of birth on 26.7.1863 of Henry son of George
and Elizabeth (Gatenby) Metcalf. Also their marriage prior
to March 1860, possibly in Stockton on Tees or Leeds area.
1871 Census for Stockton already searched unsuccessfully.

BOLTON UPON DEARNE PARISH CHURCH memorial:

"Mary, wife of Peter Milner, daughter of William Metcalf of Colvert House in Swaledale. Died 1785 age 41"

Spouse Index reveals Mary married Peter Milner, 11th April 1768 at Muker

WEST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE. POLL BOOK 1835.

N.E.B.

T = Township

		<u>Residence</u>
Burley in Wharfedale T.	John Metcalf	'Woodhead'
Dent T.	Simeon Metcalfe	'Deepdale Head'
Halifax T.	William Aked Metcalf	'Waterhouse Street' ((William Aked Mt married Mary Lister 21.5.1833, Halifax - sec:))
Kirk Hammerton T.	William Metcalfe	'Kirk Hammerton'.
Leeds T.	David Metcalf	'Grove Terrace'
	Joseph Metcalf	'Duke Street'

Pateley Bridge District

Bishopside High & Low T.	John Metcalfe	'Pateley Bridge'
	George Metcalfe	'Pateley Bridge'
Menwith with Darley T.	Thomas Metcalfe	'Menwith with Darley'
	John Metcalfe	'Menwith with Darley'
	Peter Metcalfe	'Menwith with Darley'
	John Metcalfe	'Menwith with Darley'
North Stainley with Slenningford T.	James Metcalfe,	'North Stainley'.
Ripon T.	John Metcalfe	'Allhallowgate'
	John Metcalfe	'Allhallowgate'
Thruscross T.	Hardisty Metcalfe	'Eastgate' ((Hardisty Mte married Elizabeth Akers 30.4.1827, Hampsthwaite. Son Hardisty Lewis Metcalfe bpt 3.5.1840, Fewston. Dau Dorothy bpt 26.11.1837, Fewston. - sec:))

Settle District

Austwick T.	Edward Metcalfe	'Austwick'
	James Metcalfe	'Austwick'
Airton T.	Thomas Metcalfe	'Airton'
Horton in Ribblesdale T.	John Metcalf	'Gobar' ((? GAUBER - sec:))
Ingleton T.	Robert Metcalf	'Beesleys' ((? BEEZLEYS - sec:))
	Richard Metcalf	'Gunnerfleet'
	John Metcalf	'Weathercoat'
	Francis Metcalf	'Weathercoat'
Malham T.	James Metcalf	'Malham'
Stainforth T.	John Metcalfe	'Stainforth'

Skipton District

Barnoldswick T.	Robert Metcalfe	'Longing'
Buckden T.	Wood Metcalfe	'Askrigg' ((Wood Mte bpt 28.10.1791 at Askrigg, son of James - sec:))
Embsay with Eastby T.	William Medcalf	'Manchester'

Wakefield District

Dewsbury T.	James Metcalf	'Dewsbury'
Purston with Jagling T.	Thomas Metcalf	'Leeds'.

The second in our series of famous Metcalfes
JACK METCALFE, THE BAINBRIDGE HORNBLOWER

Jack is a very common diminutive of John and as, in our last issue, we read about Blind Jack Metcalfe of Knaresborough, we now have a story about another famous Jack Metcalfe, the Bainbridge Hornblower.

From Holyrood, the 27th September to Shrovetide, it has long been the custom for the Bainbridge Hornblower to stand beside the village green at dusk and sound several blasts on his horn. This was to act as a guide for travellers who might otherwise be lost in the surrounding countryside.

The custom of blowing the horn began when, in Norman times, 12 foresters used Bainbridge as a base from which to patrol the Forest of Wensleydale.

The Hornblower is always a member of the Metcalfe family and it is said no one but a Metcalfe could ever hope to blow the horn properly so that its note carried a full three miles.

As Englishmen generally dislike losing old traditions the practice of blowing the Bainbridge Horn has been kept up throughout the centuries, to this day. The older horn is now at Castle Bolton, but the present one, from a large Afrikander ox and adorned with silver bands and a chain, was given to the village in 1864. The ceremony which initiated this was a splendid affair as the great horn headed a procession through the village accompanied by 12 white horses as a token of the sovereignty of the Metcalfes of Wensleydale.

During the summer the horn bides its time hanging in the village inn, The Rose and Crown, overlooking Bainbridge village green. The horn has been blown for generations by a Metcalfe and when the dark nights come round again the onerous task of blowing the horn every evening is undertaken, not these days, by a Jack Metcalfe, but by 10 year old Alistair Metcalfe, whose great-uncle Jack Metcalfe had been the hornblower for 36 years until his recent death at the age of 83.

AN ENTERPRISING WOMAN

Recently, whilst indexing Metcalfes from Baines Directory, 1822, I came across the following entry:-

Mirabella Metcalfe, Spurriergate, York - umbrella and parasol manufacturer and dealer in lobby cloth.

With such a name as Mirabella I was easily able to identify her as Mirabella, the daughter of John Smith, farmer of Water-Fulford who married George, a glover of York and had seven children baptised at Holy Trinity, King's Court, York, between the eldest Jasper baptised 1799 and Mary Ann baptised 1806. I have no record yet of their marriage or of George's death but I wondered whether she had been left a widow and had organised her children, three boys and four girls into a small factory.

H.O.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR ENDING 1st NOVEMBER 1984

Cash at Bank	1.12.83	11.99	<u>Expenditure for year:</u>	
Cash in Hand	1.12.83	3.84	Newsletter publishing	69.16
<u>Income for year</u>			Postage	58.84
Subscriptions		201.00	Stationery	5.10
Donations		24.10		
Back numbers		6.50		
Mecca Muster		102.00	Caterer	97.50
			Room and Expenses	25.16
			<u>Balance at 1.11.84</u>	
			Bank	62.59
			Cash	29.77
			Sec.'s Credit balance	1.31
		<u>£349.43</u>		<u>£349.43</u>
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Many thanks to members who sent 'a little bit extra' and to Mrs. Margaret Metcalfe of Earby who has kindly taken over as treasurer.

M.M.