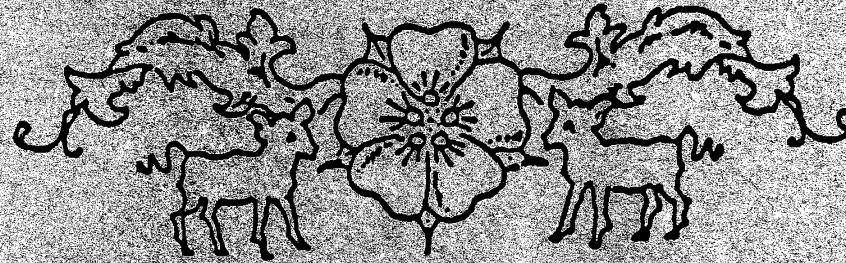


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FROM THE EDITOR

The Dales are seemingly timeless, although over the years there have been changes due to enclosures (18th and 19th centuries) and mining. The latter has particularly affected Swaledale and Arkengarthdale. I saw a photograph in the recently renovated Charles Bathurst (CB) Hotel near Langthwaite which showed that in nearly a hundred years there had been few new buildings in the Dale although trees and bushes had spread along Arkil Beck. If one of the Metcalfe's then living in the dale was to return they would easily find their way around. The restfulness of the dale helped to recharge the batteries after the difficulties and disruptions 1997 has brought. (Thank you for your kind comments.) This has meant I am able to throw myself into the production of this issue with some gusto - which after a suggestion in March when your committee looked to increase the size of your Mecca News by up to a further 12 pages - I will need! There is an interesting piece on occupations which highlights the type of articles we are looking for, for the Metcalfe Family History Book, a variety of sources and lists, an article in the church series and of course the usual birth briefs and officials reports. This has been greatly helped by an update in the size of computer processing power and a laser printer.

An editor's job is never a dull one. You are never sure of what articles/items you are likely to have or whether they are meeting members interests. If readers like the content they can be encouraged to send in articles or if they don't they will write - sometimes they don't respond in either instance! Then the committee weigh in with suggestions, like the one above or that the Mecca News should be put forward for the Elizabeth Simpson Award! This is an award for the best produced family history journal in the previous year and is judged by the Federation of Family History Societies. Our 50th Issue was put forward with some trepidation but a pleasant surprise was in store when after the FFHS Conference our Secretary Nina rang to say that we had made the last eight out of 39 entries and were the first one-name Society to reach that stage. We did not win but nonetheless it was a good result for a first attempt. Thank you to all of you who contributed to the content and production which helped us to do so well.

We are fast approaching the Muster once again. When you receive this issue you will have until 31 August to book your place so don't delay, fill in and return the booking form to the Conference Secretary **TODAY**.



METCALFES & BRUSHMAKING

by
PM Tyler M683

*This is the second article to be given over to 'Metcalfe Occupations' which will form part of the **Metcalfe Book**. The first article appeared in Issue 51 (April 1997) and the articles will be interspersed amongst the chapter 'Family Trees'. This piece was contributed by Peter Tyler as a direct response to the appeal for articles. Now it is your chance to follow Peter's example.*

If any members have knowledge about a particular occupation or trade followed by their ancestors can they supply a short piece (750 words or less) to Warwick Metcalfe, the Chairman of the Family Book Editorial Board direct (his address is listed under committee members details at the front of this Issue). A decision on the contents for the chapter for the book will be made at the sub-committee meeting prior to the Mecca Muster. So, if you want an item to be considered supply it as quickly as possible. Editor.

Metcalfe is my wife's maiden name and it is this line which I am researching. A major feature in the family's history is the occupation of brushmaker which was followed by several of the men.

The first was John Metcalf (b1783, Helmsley, Yorks) who married Maria Douglas at Appleton le Street, Yorks on 20 January 1809 and it was here that their first child, a son, Douglas was born and baptised (13 December 1811). The family then moved to York where John became a journeyman printer, without having served an apprenticeship. Perhaps the disadvantages from not having followed this traditional route, particularly in a place like York, still tightly bound to the apprentice system, were forcibly brought home to John. Of his four sons, three are known to have served apprenticeships in York and two of these were with brushmakers, of whom there were a number in the city.

Quite apart from its technical and commercial aspects the occupation and craft of brushmaker is interesting from a social history standpoint because journeymen brushmakers formed their own society (Society of Brushmakers) as early as 1747. The aims of the society must have been skilfully drafted so as to avoid any hint of being seen to be a trade union which were illegal and banned until much later. The society was well organised and one of the principal social benefits of membership was the assistance given to members who became unemployed. It established a *tramping* route between towns where there were known to be master or employer brushmakers. Any unemployed journeyman brushmaker who was prepared to follow this established route received financial support to pay for food and accommodation during the journey. The man had to furnish proof that he followed the prescribed route by means of the signatures of society officials in the various towns on the way.

Douglas Metcalf (John's son) and his brother John (b1820, York) both served 7 year apprenticeships with different York master brushmakers. By 1841 Douglas has himself set up as a master brushmaker in York, had taken at least one apprentice and is shown in the 1843 Directory for York as continuing in the business. However by 1846 he and his family had moved to Leeds, staying there for about three years before returning to York where Douglas continued as a journeyman brushmaker. The reasons for Douglas giving up his own business in York and moving to Leeds for 3 to 4 years before returning to York remain to be discovered. Meanwhile the younger John established himself as a brushmaker in Blackburn.

During their period in Leeds Douglas and his wife Sarah (nee Johnson) had two more children. One, another Douglas, born 1846 eventually became like his father, a brushmaker in York. Douglas junior married Hannah Armstrong (also from York) in Leeds in 1870 but by the time of the 1871 Census they had settled in Halifax, Douglas continuing with his trade of journeyman brushmaker. The stay in Halifax did not last long because by 1872 the family were back in Leeds where they settled permanently. Douglas and Hannah had eleven children of which seven were sons; none appears to have followed their father into the brushmaking trade, although Douglas would continue as a journeyman brushmaker until the early part of this century.

The Society of Brushmakers drew up and published lists of journeymen and apprentice brushmakers showing their employers. A few of these have survived and have recently been republished by the Society of Brushmaker' Descendants. They cover a few of the years between 1829 and 1870 and form excellent family history aids to locating what could be very mobile families. For example without this information it would have been extremely difficult to locate Douglas and Hannah in Halifax and even more difficult to locate the younger John who established himself permanently in Blackburn.

An interesting article by the founder of the Society of Brushmaker's Descendants (KA Doughty) appeared in the March 1993 issue of *Family Tree Magazine*. Included in the article was a full list of towns forming the *tramping* route.

MECCA NEWS DEADLINES

The deadlines for inclusion of articles etc in the Mecca news is as follows:-

April	-	6 February
August	-	6 June
December	-	20 October

As members will appreciate receipt of the items by the due date will not necessarily guarantee inclusion in that issue but don't let that put you off sending in those articles comments or snippets!

NOTICE BOARD

Nina E. Benson

To M590 & M884 - Mge 9th Oct 1838 at Thornton Watlass, Yorks by Banns.

George MTE bach.publican.48 of Snape.s/o William,joiner.

Margaret Ward.spr. servant. 48 of Thornton Watlass d/o Thomas Ward, labr.

To M454 - Francis MT bach married Isabella Craw spr both of this parish at Knaresborough parish church on 8th Nov 1815. by Banns. Francis buried same place 5th Dec 1817 aged 30 & Isabella may be the one buried 20.03.1822 aged 26.

A box of letters circa 1895 - 1915 and cards circa 1939-43 with a few photographs and a file of documents relating to a disputed Will of ROSE METCALFE 31 Claret St, Accrington, Lancs and relate to a family living in Hale and Altrincham in Cheshire. Most of the 1900 letters are from JAMES METCALFE head constable of Reigate. Anyone interested please contact Mrs C.Phillips, 3 Moseley Road, Cheadle Hulme, Cheshire. SK8 5HJ. Tel.0161 485 1696, who has them for SALE - perhaps circa £20;weighs approx 2lbs 4ozs so postage extra.

M867 Dr John Alban Metcalfe, 1 Riseholme, Clarence Rd,Horsforth,Leeds LS18 4LB wonders if there are any members linked to Blind Jack of Knaresborough.

Patrick Malham reports slow progress with the GRO recording, if YOU promised to help PLEASE send off the completed work to Patrick as soon as possible. He would like to have it onto the database in time for the Muster. If subsequent events have made it impossible for you to complete the work please let Patrick know and your time span can be re-allocated. Patrick's address is on the Committee list.

The Society would benefit greatly from Parish Register recordings from OUTSIDE Yorkshire. David Metcalfe is doing his level best with all those available at the North Yorkshire County Record Office but as more and more members begin their descent from other counties it has become apparent how little we have. For instance records covering DENT 1800+ and for GARSDALE 1835+ would have instant success ! Anyone interested ?

THOMAS METCALFE of HAWES (scholar 1862-1866) - recently we have received, from non-member Edna Ellis, a handwriting practise book belonging to the above. He signs nearly every page except one signed by JOHN METCALFE of Hawes. Checking David Metcalfe's recording of the 1861 Census for Hawes there are only TWO likely lads as the other two are aged 5 & 6 and the writing appears to be too well formed for this age. We are left with :- 1) THOMAS aged 12 scholar s/o Warren aged 44, joiner and farmer. Warren m Jane Routh 1840 Aysgarth and their s Thomas bpt 1848 marries Betsy Elizabeth Bell and becomes a joiner. 2) THOMAS EDWARD aged 11 - ruled out as the writer never uses either a second name or initial. Warren and his family appear to be related to XM43 who is now deceased - have we anyone else connecting to this family? 31p stamp to Secretary Nina Benson will wing the book on its way to a proven relative.

MILITARY METCALFES

Provided by John Witheridge of the Witheridge Society and Chairman of the Council for Family History Societies from his indexes compiled from records in the Public Record Office Kew, reference WO 13 2341 1st York Militia - North, 1781 - 1797.

The 1st Yorkshire Militia. Colonel Sir Ralph Milbank Bart. Casuals listing ;
Captain Grensides Company, encamped at Eighton Bank, 26 August 1782.

Joseph Metcalf 26 December 1781, discharge 6 May 1782.

Captain Benjamin Wrigley's Company. Eighton Bank.

Sergeant **John Metcalf** (no dates given) but listed in same returns

Priv **Ralph Metcalf** balloted 6 May 1782 marked as a substitute for

George Metcalf being discharged 26 May 1782.

Captain Francis Ford's Company. Eighton Bank.

Corp **Thomas Metcalf** (no dates)

Priv **William Metcalf** substitute 4 May 1782

Priv **James Metcalf** substituted 14 May 1782

Thomas Metcalf discharged 20 May 1782

Thomas Metcalf substitute 5 May 1782

William Metcalf substituted 4 May 1782

Colonel Milbank, Bart's Company. Eighton Bank.

Barnard Metcalf substitute 31 May 1782

Captain Richard Brownes Company

John Metcalf sub. 4 May 1782

William Metcalf discharge 6 May 1782

Naresborough 25 June 1782 Colonel Sir Ralph Milbank, Bart in command

Captain Wrigley's Company, Naresborough.

Sgt **John Metcalf**

Priv **George Metcalf** substitute 4 June 1782

Captain Ford's Company, Ripon

Thomas Metcalf, Snr 15 May 1782

Thomas Metcalf, Jnr 31 May 1782

William Metcalf 17 May 1782

James Metcalf 29 June 1782.

Captain Grensides Company, Naresborough

Joseph Metcalf on furlow 30 May 1782

The whole of the North Yorks Militia was distributed between the towns of Thirsk, Knaresborough and Ripon. If a member of the company needed to be discharged for some special reason and a substitute could be found from the same family, then this exchange was allowed to take place. The term *casuals* merely means a noncombatant, perhaps a cook or a batman looking after one of the higher ranking soldiers.

METCALFE EMIGRANTS

Freda White (M784) found the original of this picture in a drawer of a sideboard inherited from her Grandparents CM and Margaret (nee Metcalfe) Brown. She believes that Margaret received the picture before her death in 1885.



Lizzie Jeffrey & Edward Metcalfe

Margaret's brothers Edward (b 24/3/1844, Aysgarth) and James (b 16/5/1848) emigrated to America some time towards the end of last century (exact date not known).

Stormy seas drove the ship off course and the journey took much longer than planned. The stock of food ran out due to the delay so the passengers took to chewing their leather boot laces for sustenance. The tallow candles also came in useful to help alleviate starvation!

There is no record of what happened to the brothers although on Margaret's death James wanted to adopt Margaret's eldest son James - Freda's father - and have him sent to America.

Margaret (b 7/6/1846 the daughter of James (b 1821) and Ann (nee Falshaw) Mte) married Christopher Marsden Brown. Their younger son Christopher Brown (b 1879) emigrated to Canada earlier this century and died in Vancouver in the 1950's. All contact with Christopher's descendants has now been lost.

INTERNATIONAL REPLY COUPONS AND STAMP BANK

International Reply Coupons.

In our April 1997 issue you were given news of the Stamp Bank plan, unfortunately an error slipped in about the number of International Reply Coupons (IRC's) required. In the information given it said that the minimum number required to receive a reply should be FOUR. This is a little excessive.

An IRC can be exchanged in the UK for the cost of sending an airmail reply weighing no more than 10g - this is currently 43pence. 10g covers the weight of 1 sheet of A4 size paper and the envelope. The next weight band is 20g and this costs 63p. Following this it rises to 40g for £1.07p, then 60g for £1.51p.

Therefore if an envelope is sent with your request you will only need to send 1 x IRC as long as you are not requesting a prolonged search entailing several sheets of paper in the reply. If no envelope is sent then we need another IRC to cover the cost of providing it.

Several times the Secretary has received IRC's which are invalid either because they have not been date stamped by the issuing post office OR they had been stamped by them in the area reserved for the receiving office. If you use IRC's please double check before sending them.

Stamp Bank.

Member Mary Morris, 59A Devonshire Road, Miramar, Wellington 6003, New Zealand now holds UK postage stamps valued at 43p and at 20p and welcomes requests from members.

ST CATHERINE'S HOUSE VISITOR

After many years and following the move of the Births, Marriages and Deaths Registration from St Catherine's House in Kingsway to the Family Records Centre at 1 Myddelton Street, London EC1 1UW, Betty Van Arkadie has decided that the new, complicated and extended journey makes her continued help impossible. Betty has helped many of our members obtain copy certificates at basic rates and we send her our sincere thanks for her work.

MYDDELTON PLACE VISITOR

Although it's official name is Family Records Centre most people seem to be using the above. PLEASE, have we anyone who can carry on Betty's fine example at this new venue ? Please contact Nina Benson, Secretary - **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

SECRETARY'S NOTES

29th May 1997

Thank you, yes, we did enjoy our marvellous holiday. At the Congress in Christchurch it was great to meet M73 Joan Teale, one of the team of highly efficient organisers; M81 Alison & Don Hutton and M147 Mary Morris who made a special trip from Wellington and we were able to freely discuss many aspects of the Society. Alison and Don have already called in during their UK trip so I hope that Joan & Mary will make it one day !

It is gratifying to see so many new members this issue together with their Birth Briefs. We still have several members who have never sent in any family details and I worry that they do not receive the FULL benefits of membership. Are you all content ? If not, drop me a line.

The sketch of Middleton Calf Top in our April issue p6 was drawn for us by Mary Metcalfe, one of our founder members. Mary's notelets and greeting cards are usually for sale at the Muster - talking of which - will we see YOU there ? I do hope so.

On 12th April David Metcalfe and I took the Society "Roadshow" to a family history Open Day organised by the City of York & District FHS at the Folk Hall in New Earswick - a fine venue and well attended. We will also be the team at the Racecourse in York on Sat 28th June on which I shall report in our December issue. Make a note in your diaries that the Society "Roadshow" will be at Stockport Town Hall on Saturday 4th October, not sure at this stage who will be representing us. I plan to attend on the Friday & Saturday of the Federation 8th British Family History Conference to be held at Askham Bryan College, York, from Wednesday 3rd to Sunday 7th September. Anyone else going ?

In early May it was the turn of the Boroughbridge Historical Society to hear my short talk on our Society - with Member 640 José Roberts their current chairman I could hardly refuse! I have been contacted twice in the last two months by different departments of the BBC television programme organisers but no big offers have been forthcoming - maybe one fine day !

Best wishes to everyone - hope you have a summer of grand discoveries.

Nina Benson.

THE BIRCH TREE

Member 672 Joan Gouldson has very kindly donated a copy of her book to our Library. The Birch Tree is a history of the Birch Family of Sefton, Lancs in general and of Walter Edward Birch in particular. It does contain mentions of "Mr Midcalfe of Magull" being executor of the Will dated April 1776 of James Birch of Thornton; then in June 1800 "the Executor was sworn in _____ Medcalf being dead" A witness to the signing of the Will was "Francis Metcalfe". Is this one man, three surnames or three men ? I would suspect one man three names. This book is a fine example of how to write up and publish YOUR family history and will be a superb addition to our Library. Thank you Joan.

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This article was first published by David Lambert, a Metcalfe Society Committee member and Chairman of The Federation of Family History Societies in the FFHS Newsflash in June 1996 and is published with his approval. This is an area which only in the last twelve months has seen further changes and as the Editor of the News I find one must tread carefully. Members should be aware of the topic when sending in articles and provide details of the source, however that should not prevent them from providing the information! David's article now follows:-

This topic is much misunderstood particularly by persons or societies who prepare and publish an index only to discover that purchasers or users of the information which is contained in it utilise the data for their own commercial ends.

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Once the "work" has been published copyright will be broken if a third party takes a straight copy of the work. Copying by extracting a small portion of the whole is permissible ; one should acknowledge the copyright of the Author. A straightforward photocopy (and in my view scanning) of a printed text will be breach of copyright because the original is thereby replicated in its published format.

In the case of an index, which lists names collected from a source, no-one can preclude a user of that index, if it is donated free of charge or offered for sale, from using the information contained in it. That is what the index is there for. Whilst it might be morally reprehensible to use the information commercially, since it has originally been produced by volunteers for no reward, there cannot be a breach of copyright because the user merely extracts items of information. There would be breach if the purchaser of the index photocopied extracts from it without the written consent of the Author.

Protection against the use and extraction of information can only be retained by the copyright owner if an index is never published. If the owner of a copyright in an index

merely sought enquiries, referred to the index and then replied to the query, the entirety of the copyright in the index would be retained by the copyright owner. This however would run against all that had been done by Member Societies during the last 25 years and the availability of information.

Breach of copyright is both a civil and criminal wrong. Proceedings can be instituted in the Magistrates Court where a breach of copyright has occurred although criminal proceedings are relatively rare. Documents which have been prepared in breach of copyright can be seized and destroyed.

There are special rules of copyright for archive repositories, libraries etc. It is permitted to copy short extracts from printed books provided one has signed a copyright acknowledgement form.

The above is naturally a very short generalised resume of some of the salient points raised by this aspect of law. It is intended that the Seminar in Birmingham in November (1996) will include a presentation on copyright. It is intimated there may be changes in 1997 to the law concerning the storage and copyright of information on computer databases.

David Lambert, Chairman

You have been warned!

From 'Lists of emigrants to American Plantations 1600 - 1700' - JC Hotter (Extracted by Mrs Chris Reith M430) (List L2065)

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|-----------|---|
| 16.2.1623 | George Medcalfe also Ann Medclalfe (sic) both living at 'Elizabeth Citty' in Virginia on the above date. |
| 1624 | Later Muster Rolls of settlers in Virginia include George Medcalfe aged 46, Sarah Medcalfe aged 30 and Joane Medcalfe a child who emigrated in the 'Hopewell' in 1624. |
| 1634 | James Metcalf , 22 emigrated to Virginia on vessel 'Bonaventure', master James Riccoste. |
| 1635 | Thos Metcalf , 20 emigrated to 'the Barbadoes' on vessel 'Faulcon', London, master Thos Irish. |
| 1635 | Chr. Metcalf , 19 emigrated to Virginia on vessel 'Speedwell' of London. |
| 1635 | Oswell Metcalf , 20 emigrated to 'St Christophers' on vessel 'John of London', master James Weymouth. |

Also the following people went to New England with Mr William Andrews of Ipswich in the 'John and Dorothy' of Ipswich, and with Mr William Andrews, his son, in the 'Rose of Yarmouth':- 8.4.1637 The ex.n (?) of **Michill Metcalf** of Norwich dornix weaver aged 45 years and **Sarrah** his wife aged 39 years with eight children;- **Michill, Thomas, Marey, Sarrah, Elizabeth, Martha, Joane and Rebecca** and his servant Thomas Cumberbach aged 16 years, Ar desirious to pass to Boston in New England to inhabit.

RAISING A GLASS TO THE PAST

Raising his glass to a famous Metcalfe is Robert W Metcalfe (M) of Ottawa, Canada at a re-union event held at Rideau Hall the home of Canada's Governor Generals in Ottawa. The famous Metcalfe is Sir Charles Theophilus Metcalfe who was Governor General for



Upper Canada between 1843 and 1845. Upper Canada was the old name for Ontario in the early days of Canada. Lower Canada was Quebec and the upper and lower designations were changed when the western provinces joined the Confederacy.

Sir Charles was the second son of Major Thomas Theophilus Metcalfe (1745 - 1815) Bart and was born on 30 January 1785 in Lecture House Calcutta India. In 1822 he inherited the title of Baronet of Fernhill from his brother Sir John Theophilus Metcalfe and in 1827 was appointed a member of the Supreme Council of India, based in Bengal and was Governor General of India when he retired in 1838. The year after that he became Captain General and Governor of Jamaica until his appointment as Governor General of Canada in 1843. He was created Baron Metcalfe in 1844 the first and last Lord Mte as the Barony became extinct on his death in 1846. There is a memorial in the parish church at Winkfield in Berkshire by Lord Macaulay.

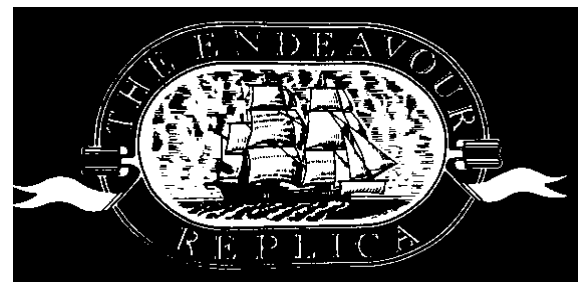
A Whitby Coal Cat.

Said Thomas Medecalfe to James - "You're a first mate now, why don't you get your own boat and go off and discover Australia and New Zealand?".

I, after a helping of Whitby fish and chips with a few tankards of ale, thought I heard this conversation as I crawled (marine quarters height 4' 7") over the replica of the bark Endeavor in Whitby harbour after its arrival there in May from Australia. (It can be either bark or barque !)

Thomas Medecalfe age 46 of Whitby was the carpenter on the coal cat, or bark, Friendship from 2nd April 1754 to 24th June 1754 with mate James Cook age 26, as the boat carried coal from Shields to London. Via the Whitby Museum in Pannett Park this information was found on some old muster rolls which were uncovered during building repairs in 1980 to the Whitby Seaman's Hospital.

These rolls also show that during the course of 15 voyages on the ships of John Walker of Whitby, James Cook rose from servant to mate and with a letter of recommendation, joined the navy in 1755. They again show that Thomas was living in Whitby in 1754 and that his previous ship was the Amity Fowler, and although Thomas left the Friendship in June in Shields, James Cook was on board until it docked in Whitby on the 25th July. It is also interesting that the names in the muster rolls are listed in order of seniority with mate following master and being followed by carpenter. The crew lists for Cook's more interesting voyages were not to be found - by me - but who knows ? anyone out there, or is there a claim to Thomas ?



A nearly finishing note - We queued for two hours in freezing winds, which was quite long enough, before getting on board, but some people actually stood for more than five hours!

CSM



COMMITTEE NEWS

Early March 1997

Computer Index. Data being ordered chronologically by David Metcalfe. Software limitations make this a time consuming exercise. A subcommittee to look at suitability of alternate computer packages.

Mecca News. Size of the News to be increased rather than an additional edition produced. This was subject to the availability of material. The 50th Edition had been put forward as the Society's entry for the Federation of Family History Societies, Elizabeth Simpson Award for the best produced family history society magazine.

Publications. An updated Index to Lists is to be produced in order for a master copy to be available at the Muster. A new Birth Brief Booklet was in preparation and it was hoped to have it available in September.

Sales. Various ideas for merchandising new products was considered. Further discussions would be held at the next meeting.

Covenant Report. Sixty one members were covenanting their subscriptions. As there was some apparent confusion regarding the scheme a reiteration of the key details would be placed in the Mecca News.

North West Group of FHS. The group was again undertaking the running of the Stockport Family History Fair which was scheduled to take place at the Town Hall Stockport on Saturday 4 October 1997. The Society continued to be involved with the work.

Projects: (1)GRO Collection. Work continued on the BMD's for 1901-1920 which it was hoped would be completed this year although volunteers were still needed. It was proposed to undertake work on the 1920-1930 records next year.

(2)New Family History Book. Progress to date was reviewed with 117 pages produced together with a further 68 pages of family trees. Work had begun on the Metcalfe occupations and the outcome of the appeal in the April News was awaited.

(3)Census Returns. A total of nineteen county indexes for the 1881 Census were available and being linked into the database.

Fairs. The Society was to attend the City of York Fair on 12 April and the Northern Fair at York on 28 June as well as the Stockport Fair on 4 October.

Mecca Muster. A guest speaker would be sought and a pre-muster dinner on the Friday evening would be proposed in the August News to see what the response would be.

At our March Committee Meeting I reluctantly had to announce that at the AGM in October 1998 I would cease to be your Secretary, a position I have held since April 1982. On the same date Dorothy Pope will retire as Membership Secretary.

We now (August) have only 14 months in which to organise ourselves to ensure a smooth and efficient hand-over. Realistically the work needs to be divided and the full Committee will be looking at this aspect in the coming months. To give you an idea of what is required and to give everyone an opportunity to be considering how they could help I thought I should outline the areas of work that MAY be capable of division, subject to Committee approval.

BUSINESS SIDE - coping with :- The Federation of Family History Societies; GOONS; Council of Family Societies; North West Group; North East Group; Monitor Charity Commissioners & Data Protection; Make Fairs bookings. Committee Agendas and notices; Preparation of and provision of letterheads and compliment slips, Information Leaflets; Providing services to Committee Members and Office holders including the bulk order and storage of Stationery. Representing & promoting the Society at every opportunity.

MEMBERSHIP SIDE - maintaining the up-to-date Master file of Members; replying to requests for membership details. New Members - allocate number, despatch full information leaflets, Mecca News (when appropriate) and Birth Brief Booklet - recording monies received and sending to the Treasurer. Printing & despatching sets of labels for each issue of the Mecca News. Maintaining alphabetical card index. Recording and informing the AGM and Committee of the numbers of new members from each source, the numbers of annual gains and losses etc.

LISTS - maintaining the Index to Lists - allotting numbers to all new Lists - File and Store (currently 2 1/2 Banker's boxes) - Copy each List and send to the Keeper of the Computer Index. Provide copy Lists to Members on request and payment.

ARCHIVE RESEARCH - maintain a current database of the Computer Index, the IGI and the GRO Indexes. Deal with all requests for searches from the active membership.

FAMILY TREES - preparation and provision of Birth Briefs to each Mecca News with duplicate copy for Birth Brief Booklet.

Nina E. Benson

PLEA FOR HELP

M773 Ronald G.Clark, 8 Eastern Ave, Newborough, Victoria 3825, AUS.

Ronald's grandmother Jane Sanderson Charlotte Metcalfe had a cousin JUDGE WILLIAM METCALFE - an enquiry to the Inns of Court brought a request for £50 per hour for research in their archives circa 1904. Has anyone knowledge of any other method of research ?

Ronald's grandmother had another cousin who in 1904 was on a singing tour in Australia, namely DIVA MADAM STANTON DALBY - can anyone help to trace this lady ?

THE SCENE OF THE CRIME ?

In Issue No 50 (page 18) Warwick Metcalfe in his article about **The Lady Mary of Middleham** wrote that '*Richard de Staynbrigge of Dent killed Adam de Medecalf of the same place and immediately fled*'.

I was intrigued by this and have been discussing with Warwick and other society members where this dastardly crime might have been committed. The records indicate that the murder took place on the parish boundary between Askrigg and Dent on a stone bridge - but where? Originally Wensleydale parish was covered from Aysgarth and it was not until the 12th century that a chapel of ease was provided at Askrigg but from the town to Dent is some distance - approaching twenty miles. So where was the spot? Some opinions thought that as Adam was serving the area around Middleham it was logical for the scene to be close to Askrigg - there are a few possible contenders - whilst others thought that as they both came from Dent it would be more likely to be over in that direction.

After consulting maps - new and old I have come up with a contender which I believe can hold its own against all other possibilities. We do not appear to know where Adam was going to or coming from but in some respects that is not relevant. A little like the stranger when asking for directions was told 'Well if I was going there I wouldn't start from here!'. If he was returning home to Dent or going to Middleham he was likely to have passed along Dent Dale. From Middleham / Wensleydale to Dent the seemingly easier route is along Wensleydale then up Widdale and down Arten Gill to the dale or the reverse to Middleham.



The Stone House Bridge

This road from Hawes to Dent is very old and has been used for many hundreds of years the lower end into Dentedale being traversed more recently by the drovers¹. Another possibility from the south or east is the Cam High Road to Newby Head Gate² then again down the dale. All the routes however pass one place which seems to have been on the maps for a long time - the aptly named **Stone House Bridge**. The road along the dale is very narrow and from either direction you have to cross this bridge. The road down the Arten Beck from Widdale past the impressive Arten viaduct meets the dale road at the bridge. A recent visit to the site makes me even more sure that this is the place. The bridge itself is old but not being any kind of expert I cannot date it but it looks as if it or something similar has been there for a very long time. For me the clincher! I suspect others may have their own suggestions and if you do I would be interested to hear from you but for me this is the place where '*Richard de Staynbrigge of Dent killed Adam de Medecalf of the same place and immediately fled*'.



Sources : ¹ Roads and Trackways of The Yorkshire Dales - Geoffrey N Wright.

² *ibid*.

YORK SOURCES

There are at least four main repositories in York which contain a variety of reference material. These are:-

The Borthwick Institute of Historical Research, St Anthony's Hall, Peasholme Green, York YO1 2PW holds on microfilm, transcript copies of parish registers for a large part of Yorkshire; parish records for the Archdeaconery of York and most wills to 1858. To pre-book telephone 01904 642315.

The City of York, Reference Library, Museum Street, York YO1 2DS. The local studies collection has over 13000 items on the county. The sources include - Marriage indexes, the 1993 IGI, St Catherine's House Index to 1980, the census returns for York for 1841-1891, local newspapers, poll books, electoral rolls, directories and calendars of York Addizes. Some of these items can be viewed without appointment but to use a microfilm you must book beforehand. Telephone 01904 552824.

York City Archives, Art Gallery Building, Exhibition Square, York YO1 2EW contains 800 hundred years of York Civic records plus records of local societies, charities and businesses and City Freeman's rolls. Telephone 01904 551878.

York Minister Archives, Dean's Park, York YO1 2JD has a database of over 250,000 names of Yorkshire people from before 1550. To arrange an appointment ring 01904 611118.

Dear Editor.....Dear Editor.....Dear Editor....Dear Editor.....

I was Grandma reared from the age of 2 years until leaving school at 14. My Grandmother was Mrs Margaret Marsden wife of Richard Marsden and she was the daughter of John and Isabella Metcalfe.

Your article on page 19 of the Mecca News (Issue 51) relates to my grandmother Margaret Marsden not Manson. The item was most interesting and unexpected.

John Drury M790

I am writing to correct an error in the Mecca Miscellany page 19 of the April 1997 issue. The name was Marsden not Manson. Margaret (nee Metcalfe) Marsden was my great aunt a sister of my grandfather William Metcalfe. Their father (John) as well as being licensee was also mail carrier. Margaret and Richard Marsden lived in Ingleton, they had two sons and two daughters. One - John was for many years proprietor of the cinema in Ingleton.

Ruth Kay M041

(Thank you both for pointing out the error - Ed)

Your August Mecca News (Issue No 49) was a very special one to receive. I am related to new member Margaret Taylor M821. She goes back to Frances Metcalfe born 29 October 1780 and I go back to the younger brother Christopher Metcalfe (1784). We have already met as we are about 30 miles apart so this is quite a neat surprise and thanks to all the efforts of the committee.

Sandi Walton M541

The spelling of Metcalf(e) can arouse pure indignation with some people even though the spelling is solely dependant upon how the person entering the information heard what was said and if he himself knew how it was spelt. Apart from the more common mistakes I have examples which could easily be seen as separate surnames and these are Madcap and Macgraft. Locally in this day and age I have pronounced my name and seen it written as McDuff even though it is a Scottish surname.

T J Metcalfe M471

HELP REQUIRED

We have a photocopy of Thomas Metcalfe's Letters Patent dated 1460 in old script.

CAN YOU TRANSCRIBE?

If so please write to the Editor

Modern Metcalfes

From the Queen's Birthday Honours List June 1997 - Diplomatic and Overseas List :

MBE - **John Ismay Metcalfe**

former administrator European Community Liaison Unit Gibraltar.

Hilary Metcalfe part author of *Employers Use of Flexible Labour* with Bernard Casey and Neil Milward. Policy Studies Institute London. May 1997.

THE CALENDAR

from information supplied by

Joan Metcalfe (M063)

*During the preparation of the **Metcalfe History Book** apparent anomalies were found in dates which led Joan to provide the following which members may find of interest and of use:-*

It has been said that the Christian chronological system (the use of AD - Anno Domino meaning the Year of Our Lord) was introduced into England by St Augustine (c AD595) but that it was probably not generally used until later.

In the early Julian Calendar, instituted by Julius Caesar in 46BC, all centennial years were leap years. Because of this there was towards the end of the 16th century a difference of 10 days between the astronomical and calendar years; the March equinox for example falling on the 11th of the month not the 21st. In 1582 Pope Gregory eliminated the accumulated error and avoided its recurrence by declaring that the 5th October should be called the 15th October and that of the end-century years, only those divisible by 400 should be a leap year.

The Gregorian Calendar was adopted immediately in some European countries and shortly afterwards in others, However it was not until 1752 that the change from Old Style to New Style was made by Great Britain and her Dominions, including the North American Colonies. By this time the error amounted to 11 days, corrected by 2nd September being followed by 14th September. By the same measure, the beginning of the year was changed from the customary date of 25th March to the now familiar one of 1st January. Under the Old Style calendar (prior to 1752), 1st January to 24th March were dates at the end of any numbered year, following on from December.

There is some evidence that the Gregorian Calendar was in use before 1752 as Samuel Pepys diaries (1690's) apparently started on 1 January perhaps because as a Government official he used the calendar when corresponding with continental Governments.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND MECCA MUSTER 1997

Will be held on Saturday 11 October 1997
at the College of Ripon and York St John,
College Road, Ripon, North Yorkshire.

9.30am Registration for 10am start.

Come along and delve into the records of over 65000 Metcalfes.
Meet old friends, make new ones and see how your Society functions.

Full details, costs and a booking form are enclosed with this issue.

MECCA MUSTER MEAL SATURDAY EVENING 11TH OCTOBER 1997

Following on from a proposal by Member 444 Patrick Malham and after a quietly successful meal last year, we should like to hear from any member (and their guests) who would like to join us for the evening meal at either a Ripon City hotel or one nearby - it will NOT be at Ripon College. If transport is required then we can fill up each car.

We need to know **NOW** so please let Secretary Nina Benson hear from you by **1st SEPTEMBER**. Please enclose a stamped self addressed envelope so that you can be informed of further details and whether sufficient numbers wish to come along.

STAMPS

Member 607 R.H.Jewitt reminds us that the Family Tree Magazine exchanges British postage stamps for those from overseas countries

(Canada, USA, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa) and vice versa.

Details can be obtained by telephone 01487-814050 or by letter to
Family Tree Magazine, 61 Great Whyte, Ramsey, Huntingdon, Cambs. PE17 1HL,
England; enclosing an SAE/IRC (!)

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH AYSGARTH

In the Domesday Book of 1086 AYSGARTH is written as ECHESCARD, held by Goisfrid for Count Alan of Brittany. The Count was the son in law of William the Conqueror having married his daughter Constance. Alan was also called Earl of Richmond, Head of Bretons in England with large holdings in Yorkshire and twelve other English counties.

However, Aysgarth's history starts long before the Normans arrived. The area was part of the northern land of the Celtic tribe the Brigantes until they were subjugated by the Roman Armies around 80AD. They remained enslaved until the Roman administrators withdrew around the end of the 4th century. Thereafter knowledge is scarce but all through the following centuries until the arrival of the Conqueror the area was settled by waves of Angles and Vikings. The village was called EIK SKARD - *Open space with Oaks* - probably by the Norwegian Vikings spreading up from the Irish Sea.

There is evidence of a church presence at Aysgarth since at least the 10th century in the form of a Northumbrian cross found in a wall near the churchyard in 1968. (Unfortunately this was stolen in 1996 and has not yet been recovered.) The more detailed history dates from the 13th century when the first known rector Peter de Thoresby is mentioned. The powerful Neville family then owned the right to place a rector on the parish until 1397 when they gave it to Jervaulx Abbey in exchange for land at Worton. After the Dissolution of the Monasteries by Henry VIII the right was given to Trinity College Cambridge who still own it today.

The parish at 81000 acres was the largest in England and the mother church for the



whole of Wensleydale. However this was changed in the twelfth century probably due to the growth in population resulting in the building of Askrigg then later Hawes. Today, the church only serves Aysgarth, Bishopdale, Newbiggin, Thoraby, Thornton Rust and West Burton.

The church stands on the river Ure near the famous middle falls in an imposing position on the scarp above the river. The structure one now sees is mainly Victorian, the church having being almost completely rebuilt in 1866. The tower which holds the peal of six bells dating from 1828 is older but little of the Middle Age building now remains.

St Andrew's is famous for its Rood Screen dating from around 1506 and originally in Jervaulx Abbey. It is beautifully decorated and one of the few icons from the Middle Age abbeys which survived the Dissolution and the Puritan zeal of the Civil War era. Some 95% of icons, which were often highly coloured, failed to survive the 17th century.

The first sign of Metcalfe involvement with the church is in the two replica windows on the south side of the building showing the Metcalfe arms. The window shown below states "This shield is a copy of coats of arms found in the east window of the church of St Andrew destroyed MDCCCLXVI". However this is incorrect as the original is in the Scrope chapel at Ulshaw Bridge (see Mecca News Issue 49).



Outside the church on the pillars at the main gate is a memorial to the fallen of two World Wars. Here is a mention of Pte Robert Pickering Metcalfe 8th KRRC - 1918. The churchyard has a large number of Mecca graves with around forty headstones in its four acre grounds. The earliest entry records John Metcalfe of Bishopdale who died 17 March 1795 aged 75 and his wife Mary died 3 January 1793 age 70.

The trees that surround St Andrew's give the typical Victorian building a dark appearance from the road but the view from the meadow to the east (see the picture on page 21) is of a less harsh structure and once inside the church has a peace and tranquillity all of its own. The impression is of a church lovingly cared for and it is well worth a visit if you are in the area.



Sources :-

Visitors Guide - The Parish Churches of Aysgarth with Bolton cum Redmire
A Guide to the Churches of Wensleydale
The Parish Church of St Andrew Aysgarth (a guide)
Bishopdale Booklets Nos 27 & 28 - Monumental Inscriptions Aysgarth
(from Bishopdale Archives West Lane House Bishopdale Leyburn N Yorks DL8 3TG)

It's all yours.

The information that the Metcalfe Society holds in a variety of forms and locations having accumulated it over the past few years through the generosity of individuals, and organisations, around the world. I doubt that the majority of us, the exception being the small percentage that attend the Muster, realise the full extent of the vast and unique collection of information that we now have access to for the cost of postage.

This collection ranges from selected extracts of 'The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' International Genealogical Index "IGI'92" (which has a base of 200 million names, so we extract "Medecalf's" etc; and the next version should be available with data collected up to 1996 ??), to for example a copy of a note from Jane Doe (as our ex-colonial friends would put it) which mentions a memorial stone seen while on holiday. The majority of this information is held on the Society's computers and is accessible through the office of the 'Keeper of the Computer Index' although some is also available in printed form. The major files of data on computer are labelled the Mecca Index; IGI'92; St Catherine's and the Metcalfe Lists, while those on paper are the Wills Series of Books; the Metcalfe Birth Brief Booklet; the Index to Lists and the Lists themselves, and the best source of information of all, but one that is frequently overlooked - the Mecca News - particularly if all issues since 1980 are available.

A brief explanation then of each of these sources :-

The Mecca Index is an ever increasing collection (so that a repeat search in twelve months time can be more productive) of Metcalfes from a variety of sources, but most frequently from the Lists, and filed on computer by christian name initial, a series of 25 files (as J is so large it is split in two, and XYZ are combined as one). Some 60,000 entries are available for research and contain whatever factual data is available together with references to all sources of that data. To be sure that the data you use in your own tree is accurate you should, in all cases, check with the original source used - mistakes in transcription can be, and are, made. Obviously there are also many conflicts in the data collected - mis-read or mis-recorded birth dates for instance - and where a conciliation cannot be made with certainty, both pieces of data are entered. All requests for print outs from these files should be made to the Keeper of the Computer Index as listed in the latest Mecca News and should contain as much information as you have about the individual being researched, this rule of course applies to all enquiries.

The IGI'92 contains information as collected through 1992 by the Genealogical Society of Utah with most of the records covering the period 1550 to 1875 and including some, but not yet all, church registers, census and military records etc etc. Each entry contains names of individual, parents spouse or relative; sex; type of event, christening, birth, marriage etc; date and place together with a coded source. The Metcalfe entries that we have extracted total some 15,000 and have a large degree of overlap with our own Index. It is as

well to remember that the IGI files names in a sometimes peculiar way, Martholomew under ‘B’ and Katherine under ‘C’ as two examples.

The St Catherine’s data collection is computer based and again accessible through the Computer Index Keeper. It is held in three files, births, deaths and marriages. All three cover the years 1837 to 1900 (and as you can read in the Mecca News they are being expanded) with information as to which quarter, christian names of course, place and county together with a reference number to allow further investigation.

The Wills series of booklets, currently 1 to 5, list dates, names and brief details for all Metcalfe wills held by :-

- 1. Sheepscar, Leeds archives 1540 - 1857
- 2. Preston, Lancashire (proved Chester) archives 1545 - 1857
- 3. Borthwick, York 1389 - 1857 ; Cornwall 1383 - 1857 ; Durham 1540 - 1857
- 4. The National Index 1858 - 1899
- 5. The National Index 1900 - 1940

These booklets may be obtained at any Muster or by post from the Sales Department.

The Birth Brief Booklet is re-issued at varying intervals and contains brief details of descendant lines as provided to the society by members. New briefs are published in the Mecca News so that with the Booklet and the latest copies of the News one may have a copy of all the information available in this form. Once again the booklet may be purchased from the Sales Department.

The Metcalfe Society Lists together with the individual trees supplied by members are the source of most of the data which has been used to form the computer held Mecca Index. Parish records, census returns, information from individuals, etc etc; all pieces of information are given a list number and are held on file. The ‘Index to Lists’ is printed both in alphabetic order by area and in numerical order by list number and may be obtained from the Sales Department of the Society.

It cannot be emphasised too much that all of the above data is second, third or fourth hand and should always be treated with care - always check the source if the data is critical.

CSM

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From the Ripon Historian Vol 3 No 4 - October 1996

Thirlway Journal extract : "January 29, 1856. The half yearly meeting of the Charitable Trustees. The old women and men receive their half yearly payments." (These half yearly payments were probably those made from the bequests of Alderman John Terry and **Thomas Metcalfe** to eight poor men and eight poor women of Ripon).
See also page 38. Do any members know anything more about this bequest and Thomas Metcalfe? If you do drop me a line - Ed.

MECCA MISCELLANY

TV Celebrity. Those of you that follow the US comedy series MASH being re-run on Sky Television or perhaps saw it the first time around might have noticed that the director was **Burt Metcalfe**. We have no record on our database of Burt, do any of you out there know anything about him?

Fast Lady. Appearing in the Guinness Book of Records for 1997 under yachting is **Samantha Metcalfe** who holds the British high speed record at 37.21 knots made at Sota Vento Beach, Fuerteventura, Canary Islands on 29 July 1995.

A flower by any other name. Mentioned in the Gardener's World TV programme from the 1997 Chelsea Flower Show an new poppy from a Dutch grower named after the seedsman **John Metcalfe**.

Scientist. Professor **Don Metcalf** discovered, some ten years ago, a drug called GM-CSF for the treatment of diseases in blood cells. This was used in the treatment of the Spanish tenor Jose Carreras. At a dinner in Melbourne Australia to launch a medical research fund the tenor sang Happy Birthday to celebrate the Professor's 68th birthday. Ballarat Courier 27 February 1997. (**Mrs Avis White M656**)

Mountaineer? One of only two members of the self-styled Stockport Secret Climbing Club **Fraser Metcalfe** had secretly abseiled from the town's 110ft viaduct and scaled the town hall. The midnight mountaineering came to an end when going on an across the town centre rooftops escapade the police apprehended the climbers and they were fined for what the magistrate called a 'boyish prank'. Manchester Metro 26 July 1996. (**J Metcalfe M316**)

Rodeo Rider. For the second time **Carolyn Metcalfe {4th cousin to David Metcalf (M46) and neice to Shirley Metcalfe (M731)}** qualified for the Canadian Rodeo Finals. To reach the event she took part in 46 rodeos and came in the top ten list of prize winners.

Tennis Coach. At the Muscat Inter-Continental Hotel tennis coach **Peter Metcalfe** was given a farewell party including a tennis match and other novelty programmes. At the end of the party along with gifts and mementoes a shield was presented by the vice president of the Oman Tennis Association in appreciation of Peter's role in promoting tennis in the Sultanate. (From the Times of Oman 4 May 1996 provided by **Suzanne Briscoe (M604)**).

Medical Doctor. **James O. Metcalfe** was a leader in Canadian Urology. He helped win international recognition for Canadian urological training programmes while guiding many of the major urological developments over the last fifty years. Now retired he plays golf, fishes for trout and he and his wife **Betty** have discovered Bridge. They also travel the continent extensively visiting their four children and fourteen grandchildren. (Supplied by **Sandi Walton M541** from an article by **Peter Metcalfe** - J.O's grandson.)

WILLS - Appendix to Booklet 3

PROBATE INDEX 1711 - 1731

					Document	
			Reference	Deanery	Date	type
Mde	Amice	Gisburne		Craven	11.01.1726	A
Mte	Anna	Ripon	78/327	Craven	12.02.1725/6	W
Mte	Anne	Leppington		Buckrose	16.02.1720	A
Mte	Catherine	Guisborough	80/6	Cleveland	31.05.1728	W
Mte	Edward	Ripon	78/167	Craven	14.07.1725	W
Mt	Eleanor	Bishop Monkton	81/446	Craven	27.06.1730	W
Mte	Elizabeth	Leeds		Ainsty	18.01.1716	A
Mte	Hannah	Morley, Batley	75/326	Pont	01.06.1721	W
Mt	James	Leeds		Ainsty	16.11.1723	A
Mt	John	Leeds	77/136	Ainsty	18.02.1723/4	W
Mte	Maria	Great Barugh	68/55	Rydall	13.05.1712	W
Mte	Martin	Bradford		Pont	27.11.1724	A
Mte	Mary	Pontefract	75/108	Pont	15.02.1720/1	W
Mte	Timothy	Pool	79/629	Ainsty	27.02.1726/7	W
Mt	Robert	Leeds	67/444	Ainsty	20.03.1711/2	W
Mte	Robert	Scarborough	73/205	Dickering	12.03.1718/9	W
Mte	Stephen	Bishop Monkton	70/44	Craven	20.02.1713/4	W
Mte	Thomas	Morley,Batley	72/74	Pont	05.10.1717	W
Mte	Thomas	Stokesley	80/61	Cleveland	08.06.1728	W
Mte	William	Pontefract	68/96	Pont	02.07.1712	W
Mte	William	Pontefract		Pont	30.01.1723	CUR
Mde	William	Rimington,Gisburne	Vacancy	Craven	10.09.1724	W
Mt	William	Ripon	79/166	Craven	12.08.1726	W
Mte	William	Middlesbrough		Cleveland	07.02.1727	A

Nina E Benson (M029)

PAROCHIAL FEES

from The Church Commissioners

From 1 January 1997

Searches in Church Registers etc.

The search fees in Church registers are unchanged for 1997.

The registers of marriage before 1 July 1837 (for up to one hour) are £11, each subsequent hour or part £9; Registers of baptism (up to one hour) £11, each subsequent hour or part £9; Each additional copy of an entry in a register of baptisms or burials £11; Inspection of instrument of apportionment or agreement for exchange of land for tithes deposited under the Tithe Act 1836 £5; furnished copies of the above (for every 72 words) £5.

Index of Seamen certified as Master or Mates

Supplied by Mrs Chris Reith M430 from PRO, Kew reference BT - 127 (Sept 1996)

Each man was allocated one (sometimes two, as a new set of registers was kept) reference or certificate numbers. The reference numbers given can then be looked up on microfilms at PRO Kew for details of the ships the man sailed in with dates and ports and sometimes date and cause of death.

Forenames	Place of Birth	Date of Birth	Ref	2nd Ref
Robert Medcalf	Islington	1819	1,600	6,130
	Metcalf(e)			
Robert	Sunderland	1799	43,744	
Robert	Islington	1818	12,299	
Robert Noble	Sunderland	-	24,377	
Tom George	Hawes	1850	95,404	
Thomas	Maryport	1822	43,743	
Thomas	Sunderland	1819	63,912	
Thomas Bunn	South Shields	1842	26,799	
William Richard	Poplar	1815	1,036	
Willaim	Carlisle	1809	64,253	
William	South Shields	1819?	64,188	
William Hederington	Liverpool	1836	100,395	20,593
William Charles	Sydney, NSW	1848	02,179	
Richard	Cotham	1792	51,195	
Paul	Whitby	1812	43,640	
George	Maryport	1818	43,402	
Joseph	Sunderland	1822	43,769	
Philip	Cullercoats	1827	63,996	
George	Sunderland	1810	64,146	
Francis	Sunderland	1807	63,939	
Richard	Sunderland	1802	43,947	
Horatio Francis	Castleford	1835	13,946	
Cuthbert	Sunderland	1815	63,847	
David	Penclawdd?	1830	29,305	
Hamer	Castleford	1833	31,650	
Wallis	Beresley/Beverley?	1823	82,910	
Middleton Ismay	Maryport	1849	91,300	98,894
Joseph Henry	Maryport	1850	93,299	
George	Maryport	1852	93,801	012,676
Joseph Brown	Kendal	1851	433	
Francis Edmund	Preston	1853	95,999	
Joseph	Maryport	1862	?HK51/HK222/HK494?	
Alfred	Settle Yorks	1861	016,908	

Note : Maryport CUL. Vessel 'Mary Ogilvie' schooner 45 ton built 1837 by Isaac Middleton, owned by Henry & Joseph ISMAY. Master Joseph Mt.

COUNCIL OF FAMILY SOCIETIES

MEETING & AGM held Saturday 26th April at Eagle Village Hall, near Lincoln.

Within the membership of the Guild of One Name Studies there are circa forty societies which have a full constitution; a committee and produce a regular newsletter for their membership. In 1994 following the leadership of Iain Swinnerton / Swinnerton Society, John Witheridge / Witheridge Society, Ernest Hamley / Hamley Society and Douglas Beresford / Beresford Society, we joined in with the foundation of the Council of Family Societies. Our aims are to promote an exchange of ideas and methods with representatives of other such societies. Over the years we have varied from 9 to 11 member societies and have aimed to hold two meetings annually.

On Saturday 26th April I travelled to Eagle and joined the representatives from seven other societies at the Council's third Annual General Meeting. As I had weekend guests with us I had to leave at 1pm but was able to join in with the general report session which preceded the AGM. Each society gave a brief resumé of their current position and we were able to air many problem areas.

During the AGM, having been the Council's treasurer since it's foundation and in accordance with my reluctant policy of reducing my workload, I retired from this position. This coincided with the resignation of Douglas Beresford as Secretary and both offices remain open to offers as there were no takers amongst those present on Saturday. One of our newest members Roy Stockdill took over as Editor of the "Forum" journal, previously produced by Iain Swinnerton. John Witheridge, chairman, and Ernest Hamley, vice chairman, remain in place for the coming year.

During the short time available to me I learnt two important things :-

- 1) Beware the "Trojan Horse" virus on the Web site (on computers). Apparently BIG trouble !
- 2) Members of the Beresford Society are in the midst of the organisation for their next International muster - this is held over TWO whole weeks and includes visits to venues in Ireland and in several English counties.

Now that must be some muster !

I believe the autumn meeting is to be held in the Swindon area when we hope that our Society will be able to continue it's support of the Council.

Nina E.Benson.

FAMILY REMINISCENCES

**From an audio cassette tape
provided to**

Ron Clarke M773

by his brother

Percival Henry Clarke in 1968.

Jane Sanderson Charlotte Metcalfe was born in 1832 and baptised on 4 January 1835 at St John's Paddington London. Daughter of Christopher and Ann Metcalfe she was born into a well to do family who lived at Palladine Mews near Marble Arch in central London where Christopher (from Aysgarth bpt May 1788) was a Hackney Coach proprietor. (*See also Mecca News No 48, page 20 - Ed.*) The family history states that Christopher was a "millionaire" who rode in "a carriage pulled by white horses" to church on a Sunday. However Christopher whilst a wealthy man was "arrogant and proud"; he would not allow his children to associate with the local children. One day when Jane was young she spoke with one of the children and was seen by a brother who reported the event to her father. Christopher was not pleased, he told Jane to consider her actions before he exacted retribution the following morning. She spent a worried night before her father meted out his punishment "with a studded belt". Incensed by this treatment Jane later rounded on the brother who had reported her and attacked him. He was only saved from a beating of his own by another brother who stifled the attack before it went too far.

Life was not always that harsh and there were some lighter moments as seen in the following episode. One night Jane and her brothers were playing around when she decided to put a white sheet over her head and chase them around the house and stables. In the excitement she ran out into the street just as an old lady was passing who on seeing the 'apparition' promptly fainted with shock. The next day a notice appeared in the area offering a reward for information leading to the apprehension of the perpetrators of the deed! Any future exuberance no doubt was confined to the family house.

Eventually the situation at Palladine Mews led Jane to leave home when she was only 17 years old. She was married four times to widely different men. One of her husbands was a member of the circus family the Smart's and she travelled around the country with the circus learning about life on the road as well as how to mix herbs and potions. She was married in the traditional travellers way of holding hands and jumping over a broom stick. This husband was a "rotter" who often beat her up. On one occasion returning from the hospital she found he had taken up with another woman and had taken most of the furniture with them, leaving her to fend with two children. This husband was killed in an accident whilst the second - a sailor died at sea. Jane then married a steward / sea cook by the name of Simpson. An American Negro, Simpson was "a very good man" spending his spare time

reading the Bible whilst smoking a claypipe. He later died at the New Seasons Hospital in New Zealand.

Life was tough for Jane Metcalfe, sometimes she took in 'ships' washing (apparently a lot) often leaving the children to fend for themselves. Her daughter Almeria Agnes Smart married at sixteen and in later life Jane went to live with her. By then she was riddled with rheumatism and arthritis spending her last twelve years confined to her bed. However she whiled away the time singing sea shanties she had learned from her seafaring husbands! (This singing ability has been passed onto her descendants in Australia where Ron Clarke's granddaughter carries on the tradition.)

A MYSTERY ?

The picture below is of a Mrs Kearton of Newbiggin (1mile NE of Askrigg?) at age 101. The Society's records show this lady was born Margaret Metcalfe of Thwaite, daughter of John Metcalfe, blacksmith who married William Kearton (son of John) also of Thwaite on 13 December 1849 at Muker (from parish records).



However that appears to be the sum total of our information. Do you know anything more about this lady, her history or her descendants? If so please write and let me know.

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BIRTH BRIEF UP-DATES

M631 Mrs Judith M.S. Robinson, Robindale, 3 Abbey Drive, Natland nr Kendal, Cumbria LA9 7QN. G-gddau of Mary Elizabeth (Mte) Atkinson (b 1849 Hawes, d1931 Kendal) wo Rowland Atkinson (1846-1891) do of Ralph Tiplady Mte (b 1813 Sedbusk, d 1880 Hawes) & Mary (Blythe) Mte (1814-1895). R.T. Mte so John Mte (b 1786 Hawes, d 1875 Hawes) & Jane (Tiplady) Mte (1786-?) so John Mte (b 1749 Cotterdale, d 1848 Gayle) & Sarah (Kitchen) Mte.

M637 Mrs Lilian Holmes, 55 Manton, South Bretton, Peterborough PE3 9YT. G-dau of Jane Ann Mte b 26 April 1880 at Halfway House Hawes do Thomas Taylor & Elizabeth Ann (Moore) Mte m 15.11.1879 Hawes. Thomas Mte b 8.3.1857 Hawes so Richard & Ann (Taylor) Mte m 19.12.1844 Hawes. Richard bpt (with twin sister Sarah) 1818 Ingleton so John & Isabella (Moss) Mte m 23.4.1817. John bpt 1791 Ingleton Fell so Richard & Agnes (Shepherd) Mte m 17.11.1788 Chapel le Dale. Richard b 1766 so John & Eleanor (Whaley) Mte m 1761. John bpt 4.10.1734 so George Mte & ?? George bpt 27.3.1700 (d 1786) so Christopher & Catherine (Leake) Mte of Raisgill.

M805 Mr Arthur Metcalfe, 58 Lilac Avenue, Framwellgate Moor, Durham, Co Durham. DH1 5JB. The marriage has been traced between Anthony b 1842 at Crosby, Ravensworth, Wes. s.o Robert & Mary (Fawcett) MTE. Anthony married Elizabeth Maughan dau of Thomas, a master shoemaker, on 12th November 1863 at East Ward Registry Office.

BIRTH BRIEFS - NEW MEMBERS to whom we extend a hearty welcome.

M861 Mr John Metcalfe, 62 Newtown Road, Goytre, Penperlleni, Nr Pontypool, Gwent, NP4 0AZ. Born 1961 at Corbridge, Northumberland [m Gabriella Minoli 1987], son of William & Catherine (McAllister) MTE. William b 02.03.1935 s.o Joseph & Florence (McGuire) MTE. Joseph b 15.03.1885 Byker, Newcastle s.o Joseph & Jane (Murphy) MTE m 26.08.1884. Joseph b 18.06.1863 Crossmichael, Scotland s.o Patrick & Mary (Carlin) MTE m 27th Nov at Newton Stewart, Scotland. Patrick b 17.02.1829 Loughgilly, Co Armagh, Northern Ireland s.o Patrick & Anne (McKeowen) MT m 18.01.1828 Loughgilly. Nephew of M508 Terry & Doreen Metcalfe and their research is continuing into the possibility that Patrick's forebears may have been in the English army of occupation. Can anyone give any help or clues ?

M862 Miss Margaret Potter, Glen View Farm, Ayle, Alston, Cumbria CA9 3MT. Grand-dau of John & Annie (Metcalf) Potter m 17.12.1929 Danby, North Yorkshire. Annie b 07.02.1906 New Forest, Richmond Yorks d.o William & Margaret Ann (Bradberry) MT m 19.02.1901 Kirby Ravensworth, Richmond. William bpt 07.07.1869 at Orton, Wes s.o William & his second wife Mary Ann (Norman) MT m 29.05.1852 Crosby Ravensworth, Wes. William bpt 18.02.1824 Orton, Wes s.o John & Elizabeth (Bentham) MT m 30.07.1821 bpt

Orton. John bpt 20.03.1799 Orton s.o Thomas & Mary (Christian) MT m 10.11.1791 Asby, Wes. ? Thomas bpt 19.12.1771 at Morland, Wes s.o Thomas & Jane MT.

M863 Mrs Dorothy & Mr Joseph Duncan, 1321 N.Walnut, Muncie, Ind. 47303. United States of America. Descendant of John & Mary (Metcalf) Rodgers. Mary b circa 1750 d 1840 Shelby Co.KY. d.o Capt John & Sybil (Farrow) MTE m ca 1750. John's 2nd mge was to Sarah Dent, his 3rd to Mary O'Brien. John who served in the Continental Army during the American Revolution was born circa 1724 at Longbranch, Fauquier Co.Va. son of John & Dianne (Watkins) MTE m 1723 in Virginia. John was born 1680 in England son of Theophilus MTE. Theophilus b 1650 in England and descended from the Metcalfes of Knaresborough, Yorkshire.

M864 Mrs Ann Jackson, 106A Calverley Lane, Bramley, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS13 1HE. 3 x great grand-dau of Mark & Henrietta (Metcalf) Dalton m 07 Oct 1816 at Wath near Ripon, Yorks. After research through our records the Society show that Henrietta is apparently bpt 18 May 1794 at North Otterington, Yks. d.o James & Ann (Allison) MTE m 28 May 1788 Bagby, Yks. James bpt 27 Aug 1760 Bedale s.o Christopher & Henrietta Maria (Reynolds) MTE m 15.09.1756 Bedale. Christopher bpt 26.03.1733 at Well, Yks. s.o Christopher & Anne (King) MTE m 14.07.1730 Well. Christopher bpt 27.02.1703/4 Well s.o George & Ellenor (Raper) MTE m 25.07.1703 Well. George d 1736, at Well, s.o John MTE of Carperby in Wensleydale. **Connects to XM170 & M590.**

M865 Mrs Dorothy J.Capstick, Ngunguru Rd, Glenbervie, R.D.3. Whangarei, New Zealand. Details awaited.

M866 Mr John Llewys Metcalf, 19017 Newhouse Street, Canyon Country, California 91351-2834, United States of America. Grandson of Walter & Linda Livingstone (Norris) MT m 1912 Canada. Walter b 11 Jul 1880 in Keelby, Lincs, Eng. s.o Samuel & Sarah MT whose family in 1891 CR 98 Victor St. Grimsby, Lincs is :- Samuel 55 b Keelby, Sarah 57 b Lincoln, Miriam 24 b Lincoln, Louise 22 b Lincoln, William 20 b Keelby, Henry A. 15 b Keelby, Walter 10 b K & Florence 6 b K. At Barton St Peter is their eldest child Arthur aged 17 in the household of his uncle Wm Stamp. Arthur emigrated to the USA and became a Congregational Minister in El Paso and had a son Col.Fredric Arthur MT (US Army) who died in 1976 in San Diego, CA. From Society records it appears that Samuel is the son of Joseph & Ann (Taylor) MT m 1808 & Joseph bpt 05.09.1784 s.o Joseph & Elizabeth MT.

M867 Dr John Alban Metcalfe and his wife Professor Beverly Alimo-Metcalfe, 1 Riseholme, Clarence Rd,Horsforth,Leeds,LS18 4LB. Gt,Great Grandson of Robert & Ann(e) (Sherwin) MTE of Nesfield cum Langbar, Ilkley, Yorkshire. The Society can add :- Robert bpt 04.05.1818 Fellbeck s.o Peter & his 2nd wife Mary (Graham) m 21.03.1796 Ripon Cathedral. Peter bpt 07.01.1770 s.o Peter of Collarstoops near Ripon & Hannah (Richmond) MTE m 22.04.1766 Ripon Cathedral. Peter b 1739 s.o James of Evestone, Ripon. ? James

Oct 1709 at Askrigg, Yks. s.o Peter & Elizabeth (Teasedale) MTE m 1703 Askrigg. **Connects to M513 et al.**

M868 Mr Louis Metcalfe, MA, KSG, 6 Lynton Mead, Totteridge, London N20 8BX. Details awaited.

M869 Mrs Althea M.Horn, Carswell Cottage, 590 Bunning Rd, Mt.Helena, Western Australia 6082, Australia. Adopted dau of Walter & Eveline (Thompson) Medcalf m 1919 Walton, Lancs, Eng. and dau & 7th child of Eveline's brother & his wife. Walter b 16 Oct 1887 at Hazelhurst, Lancs. s.o John A.MD b 16 Dec 1851. Thanks to David Metcalfe's recording of the Lancs 1881 CR Index, John A. and his wife Sarah E. MD are traced to Aughton, Lancs. John Albert, an architect aged 29 born in Liverpool had his birth registered in the 1st Qtr of 1852 at West Derby. He and his wife Sarah had issue Rupert 1881; Eric 1882; Douglas 1884; Leonard 1886; Walter 1887; Hazel 1889 and John 1891, all registered at Ormskirk. John Albert's mge is shown as reg in 1880 at West Derby - so thanks to the SCH recording team for all these confirmations. There is a connection to another Architect - Thomas MD aged 33 in 1881 b Liverpool and m Harriet (Benyon) with family Thomas B aged 4; William J aged 2; and Margaret E aged 6 months, all living in Kirkdale. Both John Albert & Thomas are sons of Thomas William & Elizabeth (Stretch) MD m 10 Oct 1844. **Connects to M672.**

M870 Mrs Jennie G. Mould, 2429 Goodison Ave, Mississauga, Ontario Canada L5B 1W6. Details awaited.

M871 Mr William M.D.Roe, Roecroft Hall, PO Box 207, Sudlersville, Maryland 21668, United States of America. Son of Dudley G & Anna (Metcalfe) Roe m 1906. Anna b 31.03.1884 d.o Joseph Brown & Ann Jane T.(Hayden) Metcalfe m 16.04.1883. Joseph Brown b 12.06.1851 Kendal, Wes.Eng. s.o John & Jane (Brown) MTE. The Society can add :- m 21 May 1850 Ingleton, Yks. John bpt 10.02.1828 Kendal s.o George & Jane (?*) MTE * may be the mge at Haughton le Skerne, Nr Darlington Co Durham, to Jane Richardson on 23 Jul 1822. George bpt 08.12.1796 Ingleton s.o John & Ann MTE. John ? bpt 1774 in Horton in Ribblesdale, Yks. s.o George & Elizabeth (Lucas) MTE m 26.12.1768 Chapel le Dale. George b circa 1742-4 s.o George (1700-1786) of Southerscales in the parish of Bentham Yks & Elizabeth (Battley) Mte m 26.12.1739 Ingleton Fells. George who had previously been married to Margaret Thompson in 1726 had a total of 22 children and was bpt 27.03.1700 Ingleton s.o Christopher & Catherine (Leake) Mte m 22.01.1697/8 at Ingleton Fells. Christopher buried 1757 Ingleton of Raisgill. **Connects to M97, M529, M553 & M777.** See M637 update.

M872 Mr Michael E.Holtby, 171 Lunedale Rd,Dartford, Kent DA2 6HU. Details awaited.

M873 Mr Derek Waudby, 43 St Mark's Grove, York, Yorkshire YO3 6TS. Details awaited.

Jane 1851; Nancy 1852/3; George 1855; Edmond 1857; and Margaret 1859. The Society

M874 Mr & Mrs Brian & Stephanie Metcalf, 47 Bayonet Head Rd, Oyster Harbour, Albany, Western Australia 6330, Australia. Brian son of Owen Richard & Hilda Joy (Sanders) MT. Owen R. s.o Harold Alfred & Daisy Louisa (May) MT. Harold A. s.o David Francis Augustus & Aves Salome (Pearce) MT. David F.A. 1858-1933 s.o William & Mary Ann Louisa (Beasley) MT m 1844 Adelaide, Aus. William born March 1812 d 22nd Oct 1890 went from England on the Barque "Anna Robertson" and arrived in South Australia on 20 Sep 1839. William b 1812 NORWOOD ? Suffolk. **Connects to XM420, XM421 & XM477.**

M875 Mr Christopher C.Henard, 22 Mounty Way, Potter's Bar, Herefordshire, EN6 1EP. Born 1913 grandson of William Christopher Metcalfe b Wensleydale and his wife Mary Isabella Carter. The Society can add:- William Christopher age 27 of Low Blean & s.o Christopher MTE m Mary Isabella Carter, 26 of Bainbridge d.o Anthony at Stalling Busk on 29th Aug 1885, witnesses John, Henry & Jane Ellen MTE. Their son Christopher Anthony was born at High Blean and their dau Constance at Liverpool. William Christopher bpt 28.03.1858 Stalling Busk s.o Christopher & Jane** (Metcalfe) MTE m 31.01.1846 Stalling Busk; [Christopher's 2nd mge 05.09.1878 Aysgarth = Esther Alderson a widow nee Tiplady] Christopher bpt 02.11.1823 Askrigg s.o George & Elizabeth (Chapman) MTE m 28.04.1823 Askrigg. George bpt 29.05.1796 Askrigg s.o George & Nanny (Kearton) MTE m 06.04.1791 Askrigg. ** Jane Metcalfe 16.11.1823 Stalling Busk 4 child of 8 of John & Margaret (?) MTE. John bpt 06.10.1793 Stalling Busk 9th child of 16 of William & Ann (Tomlin) MTE. William bpt 13 May 1759 s.o John & Alice (Tennant) MT m 13 Jun 1754 Stalling Busk. **Connects to M178, XM406, M410, XM415, XM419 & M597.**

M876 Mr Raymond Griffin, 28 Aldridge Ave, Stanmore, Middlesex, HW7 1DD. When Raymond's gt grandmother died in Marylebone Workhouse in 1903 a witness to her death was MARY ANN METCALFE of 43 Hartington Road, Walthamstow. Can anyone help Raymond's search or do you know of any GRIFFIN/GRIFFEN - METCALFE connections which do NOT appear on the IGI 1992 edition ?

M877 Mrs Christine Halsall, 4 Cherryfields, Ham Lane, Orton Waterville, Peterborough, PE2 5XD. Grand-dau of Arthur Medcalf b circa 1871/2 in Mare Street, Hackney, London; married Ellen Bishop 27.12.1898 Plaistow, London; wheelwright/carpenter who died 27 May 1952.

M878 Mr Alastair J.Wilson, 3 Townsend Park, Luston, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0DZ. Details awaited.

M879 Mrs Christine Hudson, Orchard Garth, Knayton, Thirsk, North Yorkshire YO7 4AS. Great Grand-dau of Stephen Hey & Nancy (Metcalfe) Holdsworth. Nancy b ca 1852 ? at Keld, Swaledale, d1928. d.o James & Margaret (Clarkson) MTE m 05.12.1846 at Muker, Swaledale. James & Margaret began married life at Cat Hole, Keld and between 1861 and 1871 moved to Stanbury near Keighley. They had issue Isabella 1848; John 1849; Mary

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can add:- James bpt 10.06.1827 Keld/Muker s.o John & Jane (Willan) MTE m 25.07.1818 Muker & had issue Mary Ann 1819; Sarah 1821 m1849 = George Calvert; Elizabeth 1823; George 1824 1st m 1850 = Hannah Harker & 2nd m = Martha; & James above. John b 14.04.1793 Keld s.o George & Mary (Rukin) Mte m 18th Sep 1792 Muker.

M880 Mrs S.M.D.Billot, La Ports, Rue du Pont, Maufant, St Saviour, Jersey, JE2 7HT, Channel Islands. Dau of Oscar Hume & Minnie Annie Eleanor (Law) Medcalf m pre 1914. Oscar H. b 30.09.1885 Chalfont St Giles Buckinghamshire so Mark & Matilda Charlotte (Hume) MD m 1860 Mark bpt 21.04.1839 Long Melford, Suffolk so Samuel & Sarah(?) Md.

M881 Mrs Bliss J.Hansen, 1799 Cobblestone Drive, Provo, Utah 84604, United States of America. Descendant of Elizabeth Walker b 1833 Embsay, Skipton, Yorks. d.o Christopher & Elizabeth (Metcalf) Walker m 15 May 1823 Stalling Busk, Wensleydale. Elizabeth b 15 Aug 1802 Stalling Busk d 1891 at Davis, Utah, USA, d.o Joseph & Mary (Hebden) MTE m 27.03.1786 Stalling Busk. Joseph bpt 10.11.1765 Stalling Busk so George & Margaret MTE.

M882 Ms Lynn Houghton, 32 St Alban's Road, Derby, DE22 3JJ. Derbyshire. Descended from 18th and 19th Century Metcalfes from the Masham, Yorkshire area. Details awaited.

M883 Mrs F.Eva Parker, White Horse View, Main Street, Little Ouseburn, Nr York. YO5 9TG. Dau of Roland James & Ivy Metcalfe. Roland J. b 1913 s.o William & Nancy (?) MTE m 1901 Liverpool. William b 08.09.1877 Snaizeholme, Wensleydale s.o John & Agnes (Thwaite) MTE m 26.05.1877. The Society can add :- John b 07.11.1856 Garsdale/Dent s.o William & his 2nd w Elizabeth (Capstick) MTE m 02.02.1850 Garsdale. William's 1st mge 21.08.1841 Hardraw = Mary Hunter & had issue Mary ca 1843 Cotterdale = 1867 Cuthbert Winn Allen; & Alice bpt 02.08.1844 Kirkby Stephen m 1865 = Matthew Bell. William & Elizabeth's issue William 1851 m 1877 Jane Allen; Margaret 1853 d inf; Thomas 1855 1st m 1882 = Mary Moore, 2nd m 1884 Rose Metcalfe nee Moore; John 1856 above; Richard 1859-1892; Margaret 1861; Christopher 1862-1931 m Alice. William b 20.08.1820 bpt 27.07.1823 Garsdale s.o William & Mary (Taylor) MTE m 10 Feb 1806 Sedbergh and had issue bapt at Sedbergh :- Emma 1807, John 1809; Christopher 1811; Margaret 1813; Mary 1816 and Elizabeth 1819. Then bapt at Garsdale were William 1820 above; Thomas b ca 1821/2 bpt 27.07.1823; Richard b 1823 bpt 02.07.1824; Ann 1824; and Agnes b 1829 bpt 1830. William b circa 1786.

M884 Mrs Joan M.Williams, 2 Church Cottages, Hall Road, Alderford, Norwich, NR9 5NF, Norfolk. Great Grand-dau of William & Sarah Ann (Metcalf) Wood m 23.02.1867 St Peter's, Leeds. Sarah Ann b Clint, Yorks 11.03.1848 d.o James & Ann (Rhodes) MTE m 12.04.1825 Hampsthwaite, Yorks. James bpt 22.06.1800 Ripley, Yorks. s.o Richard & Ann (Pindar) MTE m 24.11.1794 Knaresborough. Richard bpt 07.02.1773 Knaresborough s.o Edward & Mary (Bake) MTE m 25.11.1771 Knaresborough. **Connects to M309 & M853.**

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND SPRING COUNCIL MEETING. Held on Saturday 5th April 1997 at the Bishop Otter College, Chichester.

This year the above event was held during the annual conference hosted by Sussex Family History Group, 4th - 6th April. It was the sixth such conference I had attended representing our Society and putting forward our views at both the Federation AGM & Council meeting and the GOONS meeting.

After a long train journey it was a big relief to be met at the station by a volunteer shuttle service of cars and then at the college by a bag carrying escort to my room. These college venues vary considerably in their facilities but Bishop Otter college had very attractive, clean, rooms in a peaceful garden setting and if you could ignore the noisy central heating, (even when turned off), a good nights sleep was ensured. Also the food was excellent ! It was with some regret that I had to leave BEFORE Sunday lunch - train timetables never suit everything.

To set the record straight the Society pay for the Conference fee and I have paid the expense of getting there. In 1992 this was to Hull & in subsequent years it has been to Norwich, London, Isle of Wight, Roehampton and now Chichester. I have seen areas of England that have been quite new to me and without doubt the experience of being at the hub of the Federation life has been VERY illuminating & I feel that I have both learnt a lot & (eventually) been able to speak up on our behalf. "Speaking up" is not something that has ever come easily to me although attenders at our Musters may think otherwise, these are meetings of our "family" which make it so much more friendly and relaxed. Learning to stand and "spout" elsewhere is a different kettle of fish !

If you have never even considered attending one of these events do think again and come along one year to see for yourself - the extreme friendliness on offer is quite amazing, the speakers' topics vary considerably depending on the "theme" of the conference but there is always something for everyone. All the latest publications are there for your perusal and as long as your purse will stretch to it you could fill up the bookshelf for months ahead.

My excursions have only been to the Spring held conferences because this is when the AGM is held, there is however always an Autumn meeting too and this year it is to be held at Askham Bryan College, York, 3rd - 7th September. In 1998 the Spring Conference is to be hosted by the Cheshire FHS at Manchester University, Crewe Campus, 17th-19th April, when the theme will be "transport and movement of people through the ages". Why not try it ? Watch your local publications for where to send for the full information.

This year, during the Council Meeting on the Saturday afternoon, I was especially thrilled to be told that our Mecca News had been highly acclaimed in the "Elizabeth Simpson" award and one of the first things I did on returning home was to pass on the good news and congratulate Peter Dobson our Editor. Well done Peter! At the GOONS meeting later in the day, in my report on the state of the Metcalfe Society, I mentioned the news of our recording of the GRO Indexes holding some 55,000 Metcalfes in the period 1837-1911 this caused a lot of admiration for those members who have worked on the project. Well done that team!

Nina E. Benson

Forthcoming Events

3 - 7 September 1997. *"Faith Hope and Charity"*. The Eighth British Family History Conference organised by the Federation of Family History Societies at Askham Bryan College York. Send a sae for further details to the Joint Conference Organisers - Pauline Litton and Pauline Saul c/o 2 Florence Road, Harrogate, North Yorkshire HG2 0LD.

13/14 September 1997. Alderson Society Autumn Meeting and AGM, Swaledale.

28 September 1997. Society of Genealogists' Computer Interest Group - *Genealogy and the Internet* by Peter Christian at the SOG 14 Charterhouse Blds, Goswell Rd London EC1.

Saturday 11 October 1997. *Mecca Muster*, College of Ripon & York St John, Ripon. For details see the enclosed booking form.

17 -19 April 1998. Federation of Family History Societies Cheshire Conference 1998 *"A Moving Experience"*. Transport and movement of people. After dinner speaker Blaster Bates!

THE EPHEMERA WAREHOUSE

This organisation based at Huddersfield operates an approval service for old original documents. Most of their material dates from the 19th and early 20th centuries and costs from 50p to a few pounds.

They operate free searches for paper ephemera including postcards, both topographical and subject related. They have a number of items on Metcalfe families as follows:

a) Settlement indenture c1817 between Ann Hughes of Stockton, Samuel Inman of the Navy Office London, Robert Clarke and **George Metcalfe** of Stockton - 27 sheets.

b) Draft Bond from Mr **Robert Metcalf** to Mr John William Harris Mackenzie promising not to practice as an apothecary within seven miles of Cheadle. Dated February 1863.

c) Three items regarding the distribution of Annuities to four **Medcalf** daughters- **Marianne, Caroline, Lucy and Rose also brother Frank** - from Leek Staffs in 1901.

If you are interested in Ephemera contact them direct at **60 Cowersley Lane Cowersley Huddersfield HD4 5UB.**

The Thirlway Journal

A record of life in early Victorian Ripon. Social commentary by a man who lived in Ripon 160 years ago. Index lists no less than 500 names. Edited by Jean Denton. Available from Mr John Hebden, Aldergarth, Galphey, Ripon HG4 3NJ at £7.50 plus 85p p&p. Cheques to the Ripon Historical Society.

THE WILLIAM METCALFE

Delphine McDonnell M497 writes "Florence Chuk, a family and local historian of some note and a friend has written a book 'The Somerset Years'. This was an in depth account of emigrants who came to Australia from the county of Somerset. Mrs Chuk who loves to share information with all, has given me permission to write this account for Mecca readers."

Under the heading - *The Immigrants and their Ships* - information on

The William Metcalfe :- Ship 447 / 500 tons, sailed from London July 24 arrived Port Phillip 15 November 1839. Master Edward Phillipson. Surgeon Superintendent Arthur O'Mullane. I have abridged the details of the voyage to save space and our editor's sanity. (I fear that may be too late - Ed.)

The William Metcalfe was the second vessel to carry government assisted immigrants from Britain directly to Port Phillip. A fairly new vessel, she was about 100 feet long with a hull coppered for speed. Built in Sunderland in 1836 for the London shipping firm of H. Metcalfe she had a nine years A1 rating from Lloyds.

She sailed from Gravesend in mid-summer, with warm southerly winds for her voyage to Plymouth where more emigrant, cabin passengers and cargo were taken on board. As well as the two hundred or so emigrants in steerage and intermediate quarters there were 23 cabin passengers, a couple of cows, a score of sheep, thirty pigs, a dozen ducks and fowls together with a gaggle of geese.

The vessel left Plymouth Sound on July 25, with westerly winds against her, an omen for the long voyage ahead. Soon the Trade Wind carried the vessel into warmer waters, where the heat became almost unbearable and everyone became irritable, especially when during prayers an emigrant played his flute whilst the parson was praying. He refused to stop, struck the Surgeon and pulled his nose. Outraged Dr O' Mullane demanded that the man be put in irons, the Captain merely sent everyone below where it was cooler. Then the master put the culprit in hand irons. The fellow tried to reach his belongings where there was a loaded musket but was threatened with leg irons and then became more orderly thus averting a possible mutiny.

By the end of August the ship was off Sierra Leone and dysentery had broken out due to foul water. An emigrant child died and a further nine were buried at sea. Off the Guinea Coast fear of pirates occurred when a sinister looking vessel approached but she hoisted the United States flag and sailed on. Celebrations took place as she crossed the equator.

The entire voyage was marked by either useless light winds or gales. However despite adverse weather she sailed along the south coast of Australia, a coast line which was a veritable graveyard for emigrant ships and their passengers, to Port Phillip Heads without mishap. After entering Port Phillips Bay the immigrants, their dependants (increased by four

births en route) and the crew were suprised to find fourteen other vessels anchored in Hobson's Bay when they thought The William Metcalfe was the only vessel sailing for the new colony.

Notes :- John Batman explored the Port Phillip district in 1835 and registered it for private colonisation. Batmania was proposed for the name of the settlement which eventually became Melbourne. If the original suggestion had been used what a wonderful address one would have had in the late 20th C. However Melbourne has a better ring to it and perhaps it would have brought more tourists.

ANOTHER WILLIAM METCALF

William Metcalfe was an artist with Linthorpe Pottery in the late 1800's. He lived at Imeson Terrace Linthorpe (Middlesbrough?) before moving to Bretby near Burton-on -Trent to work with Henry Tooth who had been the Linthorpe manager between 1879 and 1882. Tooth had left Linthorpe Pottery to go into partnership with a William Ault forming Tooth and Ault in 1883 at Woodville near Swadlincote before moving to Bretby three miles east of Burton -on-Trent.

After leaving Bretby William Metcalfe joined Crown Derby Pottery and must have been of some importance signing pottery *W Metcalf*. (*Does anyone know more about this potter ? - Ed*)

Supplied by **Eleanor Burke M846** and taken from a booklet entitled 'Linthorpe Pottery - An interim report published to mark the occasion of a major exhibition of the ware exhibited at Billingham Art Gallery in 1970'. Written by Jonathan RA. L. Vine, Activities officer for Teeside Museums and Art Galleries Service. The booklet was bought at a book fair by Eleanor's brother.

PORCH HOUSE NORTHALLERTON

The house goes back over four hundred years, originally being the home of Sir Richard Metcalfe in 1584. It became part of English history when in 1603 it played host to James I en route to his Coronation in London; and then again in 1649 when it held Charles I, who was a prisoner, on the way to his beheading at the Tower of London .

Porch house remained with Sir Richard's descendants until 1988 after which it became a dole hostel. At this stage its reputation dropped and the building deteriorated. This state lasted until 1993 when the house was purchased by a private buyer who carried out extensive renovations. The fruits of that particular labour were rewarded with Porch House winning the top prize in the 1997 annual round of the North Yorkshire Tourist Board awards. The property is apparently now on the market for £250,000 so here is your chance to own a piece of Metcalfe history - get down to see your bank manager straight away!

(Details from **Nina Benson and Dorothy Pope**)

THE METCALFE SOCIETY

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Notes for Potential Contributors

We welcome any articles or letters on the Metcalfe name in all its derivations, together with articles on family history research in general. Material should be sent to

the Editor,
Peter Dobson,
143 Vernon Road,
Poynton,
Cheshire. SK12 1YS

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Mrs Diane Howarth
Peter W Dobson
Charles S Metcalfe

THE METCALFE SOCIETY

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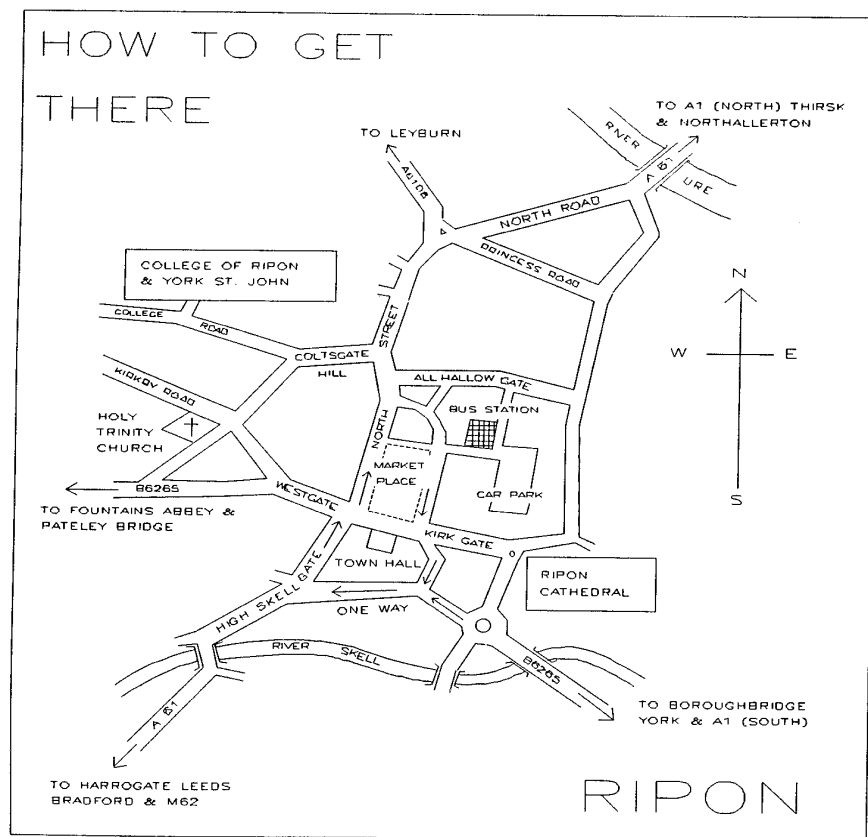
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Saturday 11th October 1997

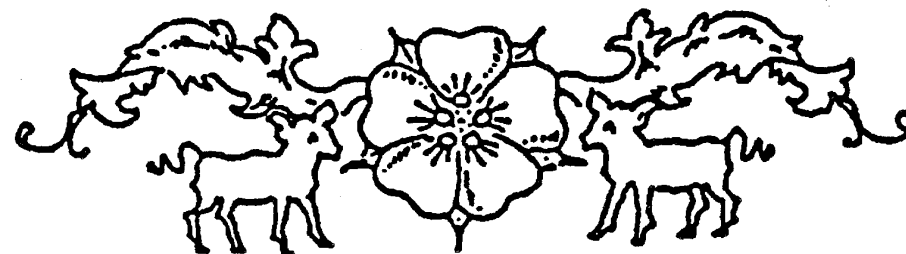
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METCALFE

SOCIETY

1997 MECCA MUSTER & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

on
Saturday
11th October 1997
at the
College of Ripon & York St John,
College Road,
Ripon,
Nth Yorks

THE MECCA MUSTER & AGM 1997

BOOKING FORM

Please return by 31 August 1997

I wish to reserve the following for the Mecca Muster 1997 as detailed below :-

..... Places for Saturday 11th October at £15.00 each £.....

Total £ _____

Payments should be made out to "The Metcalfe Society" and sent to :-

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128 Stanwell Road,
Ashford, Middx.
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If you require Vegetarian meals please indicate the number here

Full Name..... Membership Number

Address

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If you are to be accompanied please give Full Names
and indicate whether they are Society Members.

Non-members are welcome but cannot take an active part in the AGM.

Names here :-

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Accommodation

For details write to the local Tourist Board, address on the back of this leaflet.

**THE MECCA MUSTER
&
AGM 1997**

Saturday 11th October 1997

**At the College of Ripon & York St John,
College Road, Ripon, Nth Yorks.**

PROGRAMME

Saturday 11 October

9.30am	Registration & Coffee
10.00am	Annual General Meeting Followed by a report on the Metcalfe History Book
1.15pm	Luncheon
2.15pm	Open Session
3.30pm	Afternoon Tea
5.00pm	Close

THE AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
METCALFE SOCIETY

To be held at the College of Ripon & York St John, College Road,
Ripon, North Yorkshire, on Saturday 11th October 1997 at 10am.

1. Chairman's Opening Remarks
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of the AGM 1996 - copy attached
4. Matters arising from the Minutes
5. Reports
6. Elections
7. Subscription Rates for 1998
8. Approval of Accounts
9. Appointment of Auditor
10. Any other business
11. Date of AGM 1998 - Saturday 10th October

TIMETABLE OF EVENTS

09.30 Registration and Coffee

10.00 Annual General Meeting
Followed by a Report on the
Metcalfe History Book

1.15pm Luncheon

2.15pm Open Session

3.30pm Afternoon Tea

5.00pm Close

All Members are hereby officially notified that our Annual General Meeting will be held as indicated above. Members are welcome to attend this section of the Muster, free of charge. Only those wishing to take part in other activities and to have any refreshments are required to pay. Non-members are very welcome but may take no active part in the Annual General Meeting.

All attending are required to Register on arrival and to wear an identification badge at all times.

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Metcalfe Society

Held at the College of Ripon and York St. John, Ripon
12th October, 1996

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS:

Charles welcomed Members to the Society's twelfth AGM and Muster, which was for the first time being held over a two day period. He thanked all members of the Committee for the work they had done over the previous year, with particular mention of the very significant contributions of Nina as Secretary, Peter as Editor and Warwick for his work on the Metcalfe History Book.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies had been received from Dorothy Galliford, Diane Howarth, David Lambert, Ann Metcalfe, Frank Bradley, David Galloway, Vera Adams, Monica Crook, Helen Offer, Guy Metcalfe.

3. The Minutes of the AGM 1995, having been circulated, were accepted and signed as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

5. REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN:

- * Charles stressed the amount of data the Society currently holds, much of this now on computer. David Metcalfe, the keeper of the Computer Index, has the master which is backed up frequently on floppy disks. Nina and Charles also hold copies of the information. This should allow adequate protection for record retention for the future.

- * Charles warned that the Society was beginning to generate a variety of methods of data holding, the IGI, the Index and the GRI information all being on different computer packages, and he felt that this was not the direction the Society should be pursuing. Instead he believed that a common format for holding all information should be found and he intended to research this during the coming year, together with Diane Howarth.

COMPUTER INDEX:

- * David Metcalfe reported that the Index now stood at about 62,000 records. The entry of new data onto the Index remains a significant task for the future. The Computer Index was available to the Muster attenders to browse through during the course of the weekend.

- * The Chairman thanked David for his sterling work over recent years.

SECRETARY:

- * Nina welcomed all members, especially those who had come from distant counties and from overseas.

- * The membership stands at 416, of which 92 are overseas, 26 in America, 23 in Australia, 19 in Canada, 19 in New Zealand and one each in Tasmania, Indonesia, South Africa, Germany and France. At the end of 1995 the Society lost a total of 81 members and this may have reflected the £2 increase in subscriptions, as it had been more usual to lose and gain approximately the same numbers each year. In 1995 there were 69 new members. Up to the end of September there had been 46 new members in 1996. Reminders for 145 overdue subscriptions were sent out in February. Subsequently 64 paid. The Committee has decided that this year the

December Mecca News will not be posted until early January to try to alleviate the problem of members in the Christmas period forgetting to renew their subscriptions.

- * Mary Morris acts as agent in New Zealand and receives subscriptions in New Zealand dollars. She is also going to start a stamp bank to avoid the high cost of international reply coupons. Nina would like to see the establishment of similar arrangements in America, Canada and Australia.

- * Nina reported the deaths of four members: Jean Bradley, Ken Banks of St Austell, Stanley Metcalfe of Colchester and David Metcalfe of Richmond.

- * Nina had represented the Society at the AGM of the Federation of Family History Societies in Roehampton in April.

- * Nina thanked David Metcalfe for his priceless work in extracting the Metcalfe entries from the 1851 census, 1881 census and 1891 census for Yorkshire and Nottinghamshire and for Lincolnshire in 1891.

- * On behalf of the Society Nina recorded appreciation of the continued hard work of Patrick Malham in compiling the extractions of Metcalfe entries from the GRI.
- * Bob Jewitt had supplied extractions of Metcalfes from several years of the civil registrations in Ireland.

- * Nina asked for volunteers to help with any of these projects.

- * Nina, Diane Howarth and David Metcalfe had represented the Society at the Northern Fair at York racecourse in June, using the new stand, courtesy of IBM. There had also been a representation at the Stockport Fair in September. It is planned to attend these two fairs in 1997 and to continue with the advertisement in the Family Tree Magazine. Members were asked to take some of the Society's leaflets and to distribute them in their home areas.

- * Carol Arkwright reported that sales have been doing well though the library has been quiet. The library was available for use during the weekend.

- * Valerie Metcalfe reported that 61 members have taken out deeds of covenant.

- Members who are UK taxpayers are encouraged to pay subscriptions in this way.

- * Enquiries are being made into having envelopes for the Mecca News franked to alleviate the work of Gwen and Ron Metcalfe in dispatch.

- * The Bible found by Mrs June Fox in Somerset is to given to either Hilda Lunn or Janet Bywater, both members whose ancestors are named in sections of the book. (In the event, as Janet Bywater did not attend, the presentation was made on Sunday to Hilda Lunn)

- * Nina thanked the whole of the Committee and those who complete associated tasks.

TREASURER:

- * Margaret presented a shortened version of the accounts from 6th April, 1996 to 11th October, 1996. £1500 had been transferred from Barclays to National Savings. Income is £2021-39 and expenses are £1247-37. The balance at Barclays Bank is £1695-84, cash in hand £7-75 and National Savings account £4386-62, making a total of £6090-21. Of this £1100 is currently reserved for the Metcalfe History Book.

- * The accounts were accepted by the meeting.

- * It was proposed that Jo Gould continues as auditor and this was accepted by the meeting.

EDITOR:

- * Peter had received a healthy inflow of articles from the membership. He appreciated feedback on the Mecca News.

* Major efforts were being made to improve presentation, particularly of photographs.

6. PUBLICATIONS:

* Diane is planning another update of the Birth Brief Booklet, hopefully ready for next September. This would include an index.

7. PROJECTS: METCALFE HISTORY BOOK:

- * The book's title is still a matter for debate.
- * Warwick presented the basis of two of the three sections of the book. The first section, on the early history of the family, currently has 90 A4 sides, including photos and maps and diagrams as well as text. This takes the story as far as the founding of Nappa Hall. It is intended to take the story to the time when the family lost the ownership of Nappa Hall in the mid 18th century. The second section of the book concerns the family trees, worked on initially by Joan Metcalfe and now being put on computer and checked by Charles. This consists of 73 trees working back from 1851, of those members with at least two links to other members in the Society.
- * The Editorial Board had met the previous day and particularly discussed the third section of the book. The aim here was to give a picture of the huge variety of occupations and activities in which the family had been involved over the centuries.

8. ELECTIONS:

- * Stanley Metcalfe had resigned. There is room on the Committee for new members.
- * David Galloway was proposed, seconded and elected to the Committee.
- * The rest of the Committee was re-elected.

9. SUBSCRIPTION RATES FOR 1997:

It was agreed that these should remain at the current rate.

10. A.O.B:

- * Metcalfe sweatshirts are available at 29 dollars from Stuart Metcalfe in the USA.
- * Warwick acknowledged the very detailed work George Buxton has carried out on the Metcalfes in India and for his help in checking references in the Metcalfe History Book.
- * Patrick Malham requested that members save any Metcalfe cuttings from newspapers, which he hopes that people will bring to the next Muster. He asked for further helpers for the GRI work.
- * It was raised whether the Society should log on to the Internet. Charles felt that this would be too expensive in telephone bills and with no definite benefit to the Society.
- * It was suggested that the Committee investigate the possibility of an advertisement in Family History Monthly and The North Easterner.

11. DATE OF NEXT AGM:

This will take place on Saturday, 11th October, 1997 at the College of Ripon and York St. John in Ripon.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 11-15a.m

Signed as a correct record _____

Dated _____

INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 5th APRIL 1997

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Subscriptions	3563.97	3,435	Newsletters - Distribution Costs	608.61	484
Donations	55.49	160	Library Purchase & Postage	62.12	65
Bank Interest Received	150.34	165	Postage, Stationery, Files & Labels	1221.47	986
Muster Raffle	127.00	112	Telephone	51.18	55
Photocopying Lists	8.00	12	Insurance	34.75	35
Metcalf AGM & Muster	1280.50	700	Raffle Prizes	21.28	4
Muster Accommodation and Dinners	398.75	-	Committee Meetings & Travel Expenses	75.10	79
Tax Refund	157.47	101	Depreciation	438.99	422
Publications & Sales	612.98	575	Conference Expenses	150.00	188
			Exhibitions Fair	65.00	56
			Advertising, GRD & Family Tree	91.88	83
			Affiliation Fees FFHS, & GOON	101.44	107
			Bank Charges	-	1
			Metcalf AGM - Hire of Hall	-	167
			Metcalf Muster Catering & Expenses	1224.83	523
			Muster Accommodation & Dinners	398.75	-
			Transfer to History Book Reserve	-	100
			History Book Research Costs	-	46
			Data Protection Register	75.00	-
			Surplus of Income/(Expenditure) over Income:	1734.10	1,859
	£ 6354.50	£ 5,260		£ 6354.50	£ 5,260

THE METCALFE SOCIETY
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 5th APRIL 1997

ASSETS

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
COST:		
Printers	538.73	539
Copier	410.08	410
Computers, Printer, Workstation & Software	2017.90	2,018
Filing Cabinets	<u>338.84</u>	<u>339</u>
	3305.55	3,306
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LESS DEPRECIATION:		
Printers (25% on Cost)	(268.86)	(134)
Copier (25% on Cost)	(205.04)	(103)
Computers, Printer, Workstation & Software (10% on Cost)	(991.48)	(790)
Filing Cabinets	<u>(338.84)</u>	<u>(339)</u>
	(1804.22)	(1,366)
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NET BOOK VALUE ASSETS:	1501.33	1,940
BANK BALANCES:		
Barclays	2798.79	2,422
National Savings Investment Account	4585.72	2,887
PREPAYMENTS:		
Deposits Ripon Muster - 1997 & 1998	<u>400.00</u>	<u>165</u>
	£ 9285.84	£ 7,414
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LIABILITIES

	<u>1997</u>	<u>1996</u>
Metcalf History Book Reserve:-		
Balance at 5th April 1996	1100.00	
Interest Added (5¼%)	63.25	
Donation Received	<u>250.00</u>	
	1413.25	
Less Research Costs in the Year	(128.27)	
Expenses	<u>(47.00)</u>	
	1237.98	1,100
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR:	1734.10	1,859
SURPLUS BROUGHT FORWARD:	6313.76	4,455
	£ 9285.84	£ 7,414
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Windle & Bowler

 5th June 1997

Windle & Bowler
 Chartered Accountants
 Croft House, Station Road
 Barnoldswick BB8 5NA

The Metcalfe Society

Minutes of the additional Committee Meeting
13th October, 1996 in Ripon

PRESENT: Charles Metcalfe (Chairman), Nina Benson (Secretary), Margaret Metcalfe (Treasurer), Carol Arkwright, Margaret Hodgson, Patrick Malham, David Metcalfe, Robert Metcalf, Warwick Metcalfe.

The meeting had been called solely to discuss the effectiveness of having a two day Muster as opposed to a one day event. A decision needed to be made regarding this, and thus the booking of space at the College of Ripon and York St. John for 1997, before the next scheduled Committee meeting in March 1997.

The Committee took into account the views which had been expressed by the membership at the Muster on the questionnaires which had been made available to them. Following discussion it was decided that the 1997 Muster would be Saturday only but with an extended day. The shortened AGM had been well received and it was decided to continue with this in 1997.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 5-00p.m

Signed as a correct record _____

Dated _____