

THE APPLE TREE

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We are now in our third year of the Appleby Research Organisation, and I must say how much we appreciate the help and encouragement we have received, not only from our members, whose numbers are growing all the time, but also from friends who have so kindly donated copies of certificates, photographs, books and documents relating to the Appleby's and the places where they lived. This is most encouraging. We have also been busy extracting data from Parish and other Records, and again extend our thanks to those who are assisting in this work. We now have a new IBM compatible computer together with a database program, which will accept up to 2 billion records, so we should be OK for a few years to come!

WEDNESFIELD PARISH REGISTER.

Extracted from Wednesfield Parish Register, Chapel of St. Thomas, Baptisms & Burials (1751-1837):

BIRTHS.

16 Apr 1809	Thomas son of Timothy & Mary Appleby.
23 Nov 1823	Elizabeth dau of Timothy & Phoebe Appleby (Timothy was a locksmith)
21 May 1826	Harriett dau of Timothy & Phoebe Appleby (")
01 Jul 1832	Caroline dau of Timothy & Phoebe Appleby (Timothy was a lockmaker)

BURIALS

14 Apr 1819	Mary aged 35 (first wife of Timothy Appleby)
1 Aug 1826	Elizabeth dau of Timothy & Phoebe Appleby (aged 2 years 8 months)

ANOTHER LOOK AT MEDEIVAL RECORDS.

Found in a book about Katherine Swinford, John of Gaunts third wife, there is reference to Esmon Appleby 1376 mentioned in John of Gaunts registers.

1881 CENSUS INDEX.

As most family historians know, the Mormon Church aided by volunteers from Family History Societies across the UK, is engaged on the mammoth task of indexing the 1881 census. Work is progressing well, but volunteers are still required, and if you think that you can spare some time for this project, please contact your local Family History Society. Meanwhile, some Counties have been completed, and below is an extract from the Waterbeach, Cambridge Census:

Jerimiah Appleby	47	M	Mar.	Head	Carpenter	Waterbeach, Cam.
Ann Appleby	42	F	Mar	Wife	Laundress	Oakington, Cam.
William C. Appleby	18	M	Un	Son	Pupil Teach	Waterbeach, Cam.
George Appleby	8	M	Un.	Son	Student	Waterbeach, Cam.

1881 CENSUS.

We made a search of the 1881 Census for Cornwall, and found only one Appleby, on the Redruth, Cornwall schedule. His name is given as Haratio Appleby aged 42 - born in Ireland. There were no Appleby's in the Rutland county Census.

VICTORIA AUSTRALIA PIONEERS INDEX

We are grateful to David Cotton for sending a copy of the Appleby entries in the Victoria Australia Pioneers Index from 1834-1888, containing over 120 entries of Birth Marriage and death. Many of the Pioneers came from the U.K., and they have all been added to our Database.

THE TRAGIC VOYAGE OF THE "TICONDEROGA"

Liverpool, England the date is 4th August 1852 and the last passengers are just boarding the Ticonderoga. Among them are Silas Appleby a twenty-eight year old agricultural labourer from Baltonsborough in Somerset. Until recently Silas and his wife Sarah had been looking after his 67 year old widower father who had been living with them until his death shortly after the 1851 census was taken. His brother Albin is at the dockside, thoughtful of the adventure before his older brother. Gathered closely to Silas is his wife of four year, Sarah aged twenty-three and their son John (3) and baby Emma.

Unknown to any of them was the fact that this was to be the most disasterous of the immigrant ships, and in all during the four and a half months 100 people died including Sarah and her two little ones.. They arrived in Melbourne, four days before Christmas during the Australian Summer. Silas settled in a place called Indented Head on the Bellarine Peninsular near Geelong. He spent five lonely years before brother Albin arrived with his new bride Jane Higgins on the "Bee" arriving on the 18th April 1857.

Silas later remarried to Harriett Richards in 1865 and died a year after his brother Albin at the age of 80 in 1901.

ASSISTED IMMIGRANTS ON "TUDOR".

The passenger list of The Tudor leaving Southampton 9 October 1854 included:

WILLIAM APPLEBY	26	Sawyer	from Cambridge
Charlotte	"	23	Wife
John	"	24	Sawyer
Rebecca	"	21	Wife
Susan	"	3	Dau
Elizabeth	"	1	Dau

They arrived in Melbourne 20th December 1854.

FFHS STRAYS INDEX.

We now have a copy of the Federation of Family History Societies four collections of Strays index on Microfiche. These are records where the person is found to be in a place other than where they were born, usually taken from Census returns. We shall be happy to search the index for you on receipt of a stamped and addressed envelope, or two IRC's from overseas.

WATLINGTON, OXFORDSHIRE.

We are grateful to Mrs S M Shayler who has sent an extract from the Parish Records of Watlington, Oxfordshire, for inclusion in our records.

NORTH ESSEX RECORDS

Don Appleby has kindly sent a further batch of over 350 entries extracted from the Baptism, Marriage and Burial records of towns in North Essex, mainly from Boxted, Dedham and Langham, which have now been added to our database. Don has now returned to his home in the USA, and our very best wishes go with him, together with our thanks for all the help he has given to the ARO during his stay in the UK. Don will, we hope, continue to be associated with the ARO and we look forward to continued correspondence with him.

1861 CENSUS OF PERSONS ON SHIPS AT SEA OR IN PORT.

Another good friend of the ARO is Josi Birkbeck, who has kindly sent an extract of the Appleby's on an index taken from the 1861 Census to persons on ships at sea or in port. When the British Census was taken on 7th April 1861, census schedule forms were given to the ships in port and also those on the high seas. The census forms asked the passengers and crew of each ship for the same information that was asked of those people who were living on land.

The index has been prepared by the LDS Family History Library in Salt Lake City, to whom to offer our thanks. Before the index was available, someone looking for a person who was on board a ship in 1861 would have had to search through twenty-two rolls of microfilm!

THE SHEPHERDS OF EAST APPLETON.

This is the story of Francis Sowerby of East Appleton in Yorkshire who together with his friend Christopher Coates sold up their lands in Swaledale in about 1818 and moved lock stock and barrel to Beelsby in Lincolnshire. It is understood that they brought with them their livestock and also their shepherds by the name of Appleby. As the sheep farms prospered they spread southwards eventually reaching Withcall about twelve miles away. Records show that in each village where there was a Sowerby farming, there was an Appleby as shepherd. The Sowerbys and the Applebys are still in the area.

KELLYS DIRECTORY - ESSEX 1898

We have obtained a copy of the above mentioned directory, and list below all the Appleby entries:

JOHN APPLEBY, Bootmaker, High Street, Brightingsea.

MRS APPLEBY, Hainault Gore, Chadwell Heath.

ERNEST M APPLEBY, Jobmaster, 8 Beech st., and Rosemary Rd, Clacton on Sea

MOSES APPLEBY, Refreshment Rooms, Pier Avenue, Clacton on Sea.

ROBERT APPLEBY, 22 Hythe Hill, Colchester.

WILLIAM APPLEBY, 1 Papillon Road, Colchester.

Miss ESTHER APPLEBY, Costumier, Head Street, Colchester.

WILLIAM H APPLEBEE, Grocer & Carpenter, Eve's Corner, Danbury.

Miss ELIZA APPLEBY, Kings Arms P H, Dovercourt.

WILLIAM APPLEBY, Angel P H, Harwich Quay.

CHARLES APPLEBY, Farmer, Post Office, Laver de la Haye.

ERNEST ALFRED APPLEBY, Butcher, Navestock.

NATHANIEL APPLEBY, Farmer, Peldon.

JOHN APPLEBY, Fairview, Woodford Wells.

PROVIDENTIA TUTAMOR.

Does anyone have knowledge of a crest consisting of a sprig or branch (presumably an apple tree) underneath which is a Latin inscription "Providentia Tutamor" ? My grandfather, Leonard Shafto Appleby, had a seal of this description which he claimed was the Appleby crest and from which signet rings were made for family members. Any information please to Diana Pullinger, ARO, Box AA90.

THE PLUMSTEAD MYSTERY.

My great grandfather was ARTHUR WILLIAM APPLEBY, born 7 May 1867 in Clophill, Bedfordshire. He married Ellen Draper on 27 August 1888 in Plumstead, London. He was 21 years old and a Smith by occupation. I do not know why Arthur was in Plumstead! By October 1900 they were living in Hitchin, Hertfordshire, and possibly by 1894. If any members have found any Appleby's in Plumstead area I would be very pleased to hear about it. I would like to know where they lived in Plumstead, and whether Ellen was local to the area. (Mrs. Debbie Wootten)

SWYNCOMBE, SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE.

Whilst I was recording the War Memorial at Swyncombe in South Oxfordshire, I noticed two Appleby's recorded thereon:

- 1) CHARLES APPLEBY killed in 1917.
- 2) JAMES APPLEBY also killed in 1917.

Obviously inhabitants of the village

(Mrs S. M. Shayler)

(Later Mrs Shayler kindly extracted all the Appleby's from the Baptism, Marriage and Burial registers of Swyncombe from 1690 to 1935 thus adding considerably to our knowledge about the Appleby's of this area who were skilled as cordwainers (shoemakers) and passed their skills from father to son. We found that Charles and James were brothers, James was only 20 when he was killed)

(P. Talbot-Ashby)

WATLINGTON, SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE.

Found on War Memorial in Watlington for the 1914-1918 war:

ARTHUR APPLEBY.

(Mrs S M Shayler)

THE GIANT APPLE OF DESBOROUGH

New Member, Phillip Appleby tells me that until recently there was an Appleby furniture manufacturer at Desborough, Northants that displayed a giant apple on the roof of their factory, also a very good make of Appleby ice cream is available in Boston, Lincolnshire.

DOCUMENTS FOR OUR LIBRARY.

Following a recent article about the ARO in the "Hunts Post" we were fortunate to hear from Mr. G. H. Appleby who kindly sent us a pack of photocopied documents and certificates relating to his family from County Durham and also some documents obtained by his father relating to Appleby's in Somerset. To date no connection has been found between the two sets of documents, but we are hopeful of finding a link. Included among the papers was a copy of a will dated 1650 in which ANTHONY APPLEBY is a beneficiary. His Son, Christopher later became a member of both the Middle Temple and Lincoln's Inn. He was admitted to the former on 7th May 1694 and to the later, specially, on 22nd October 1728.

ROYAL NAVY MAN MARRIES.

The great war is still a dreadful and close memory for the people of Hendon, London. The date is 7th August 1919, and world peace is less than a year old. However happiness has come to LEONARD APPLEBY and his wife Doris (Wilks) when their second son Bertram was born on this day. BERTRAM joined the Royal Navy as a cadet in 1935 at the age of 16 and it was a life that he enjoyed. War again took hold of the world in 1939, taking Bert to new locations. However he had time for relaxation and enjoyment and having met Violet Goodall he was to be found standing at the steps of the chancel of St. Johns Church, Wembley on 3rd August 1940 waiting for his bride to walk up the aisle. His sisters Doris (19) and Eleanor (17) were bridesmaids.

Their only son, RALPH APPLEBY was born at Wembley on 2nd May 1941 and now resides in New York. Then tragedy struck this little family, when on the 14th December 1944 the sloop HMS Aldenham sank off the coast of Yugoslavia. Bert was Chief Petty Officer on board, and went down with his ship. Back in Wembley, Violet was nursing their second child, Barbara who was born just ten days before her fathers death.

Violet became a supervisor at the Wrigley Chewing Gum factory in Wembley and retired to Coral Springs, Florida. She died in 1984 and it was her wish that her ashes be taken to a place off the coast of Yugoslavia, where she could be reunited with her beloved Bert.

PRICING YOUR NAME.

The Manorial Society of Great Britain reports that some 13,500 manorial lordships still exist, and of these some 100 titles are currently on offer for sale. Prices for these feudal titles, which rarely confer any benefits beyond allowing purchasers to style themselves Lord of the Manor and apply for a coat of arms, generally range from £4,000 for a manorial lordship to £50,000 for English and Scottish baronies. The Earl of Carlisle recently managed to sell his Cumbrian barony of Gilsland to an American for \$112,000
