

## The Appleby Research Organisation Newsletter

# THE APPLE TREE

*Membership of the ARO is open to all members of the Appleby family, in all its varied forms of spelling. We also welcome researchers, family historians, and anyone with an interest in the world-wide Appleby family.*

*The annual membership is just £6.00 paid by cheque drawn on a British Bank and made payable to "Appleby Research Organisation"*

*Overseas members may pay by sending \$15.00 in U.S., Canadian or Australian dollar bills.*

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ARO Representatives.

All correspondence should be sent to:

### My Grandfather was a Titanic Victim

**M**y Grandfather, Harry Corn, a steerage passenger drowned on the Titanic, aged 28, leaving my grandmother Rebecca and two small children, my mother Stella, aged three and my aunt Fay, four and a half.

My aunt should have gone with him on the journey but was unwell and so he went alone, taking the family's life savings to establish himself in America quickly before sending for the rest of the family.

My mother often told me stories of the disaster and, much later, a fellow traveller visited my grandmother and told her how he tried to save my grandfather by carrying him on his back and "swimming for both" but Harry declined, saying that way they'd both drown.

I grew up believing my grandmother was offered £250,000 compensation. But she spoke no English (having come to England from Russia) and was terrified of authority. She asked a neighbour

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what she should do and was told "Don't be greedy or make a fuss and tell them you don't need anything". So she was awarded £1 a week, which she received until she died in 1960, having spent her entire life in poverty, earning a living by selling stockings from a stall in London's East End.

I often wondered what would have happened if proper legal advice had been available to the poor in those days.

*Mrs Phyllis Appleby. Hove, East Sussex.*

*Submitted by Peter Appleby and reprinted from the Daily Mail.*

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## Abney Park Cemetary

For those of you with ancestors who died in Hackney / Stoke Newington, London, England we have extracts from the Abney Park Cemetary Index. This gives the date of burial, the age of the person together with surname and either the forenames or initials. There are 26 persons with the name Appleby with dates ranging from 1893 to 1957

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## My Great Great Grandfather was transported to Australia.

Thomas Appleby was born in County Durham, England in 1815, and on 28 July 1835 was sentenced in County Antrim, Ireland for seven years for stealing clothes.

He was put aboard *THE SURREY* which left Cork on 9 January 1836 and transported to Sidney, Australia, arriving on 17 May 1836, a voyage of 129 days.

He was immediately assigned to James Wright at Lanyon. It was not long before Wright appointed him to the position of overseer in charge of twenty men. His promotion did not enhance his popularity with many of his fellow convicts. On most occasions it was Thomas Appleby who escorted those charged with sheep offences to the Queanbeyan court and who gave evidence in support of those charges. Appleby enjoyed the full support of James Wright who was to praise him as "he could not be better qualified for any situation by reason of knowledge, ability, temper or discretion"

Thomas Appleby was the holder of a ticket of leave when he married Elizabeth Bain at Lanyon on the 8th September 1841. Theirs was the first wedding to be celebrated at Lanyon, James & Mary Wright signed as witnesses. The couple resided in the overseers cottage, known locally as Bluebeard's Hut.

Thomas left Lanyon shortly after the birth of his first child, Elizabeth (born 26 Nov. 1841) and was granted the license for *The Fleece Inn* at Booth's Flats (Royalla). He received his certificate of Freedom on the 23 May 1842.

He was later employed variously as a labourer, stockman, Hotelkeeper, bushman, baker and operating a eucalyptus plant. He died 5 Sept 1901 aged 85, and was survived by most of his twelve children. *submitted by Aileen Hayes, of New South Wales, great-great grand-daughter of Thomas Appleby.*



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## Canadian Expeditionary Force

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## The Missing Brother

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Ph. 650-355-2975.

Email [marony@pacball.net](mailto:marony@pacball.net).

## American Records.

Peter Applebee, one of our Australian representatives has extracted the following data from the Internet, for which we are most grateful:

1790 NY Census - Suffolk County.  
(Eleven names)

McKean County 1820 Census (one name)

9th Virginia Cavalry Roster.  
Company A -Stafford Rangers

Robert Appleby enlisted April 1861

1810 US Census Culpepper  
County, Virginia

1860 Census Northumberland  
County, Virginia.

British Columbia Cemeteries Index.

Edmonton, Alberta Canada  
Cemetery Index.

Hart County, Kentucky Marriages

Pedigree chart of John Lewis  
Applebee born 4 Jn 1853  
Canton, Illinois, USA.

Index to the 1871 Census of Ontario

Ontario Cemetery Index

Colorado Marriages 1859-1939  
(13 names)

Maine Marriages 1780 - 1892  
(14 names)

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We walked back to my car so that I could get my camera, and he loaned me a hatchet and limb lopper to help clear the tombstones for a clear picture. I walked back and surveyed the plot, took pictures and attempted to read other tombstones. One other tombstone was partially readable. It was possible to read *INTHAS* on the second line, and James Appleby on the forth line, and partial dates: 1804 and May 10, 1839. Putting together what I could read with the information from the Cemetary Directory mentioned above, it turned out that this was the grave of the first wife of James Appleby, Sintha S. Appleby. The third line must say "wife of". This was the largest stone in the graveyard, and I suspect was the first.

Obviously I was ill prepared to read tombstones. There were some that could have been read had I had with me the tools to read eroded tombstones. I missed an opportunity to have found more information.

There were a total of 14 vertical tombstones, and three locations that appeared to be fragments of headstones. A search for more headstones was not fruitful. According to the Directory, there were only 6 tombstones, so they obviously did not visit the site in 1979.

*Submitted and written by Robert H. Appleby from Durham, North Carolina, USA.*

## HMS "Victory"

Donald Welbourn writes to say that the muster rolls of HMS "Victory" show that a John Appleby served on her at the battle of Trafalgar.

## My Great Great Grandfather was a Ship Captain.

I am researching Anne Constance Appleby who married Alfred Thomas Sykes on April 18, 1857 in St Mary's Church in the parish of St Anne's Westminster, Middlesex, England. Anne's father on the marriage certificate is listed as Thomas Appleby a ship captain. At the time of marriage Anne was living at 3 Rose Street, Soho. I am a direct descendant of Alfred and Anne.

*Mrs Coralie Luskey, Australia.*

## Calling All Appleby Radio Hams.

The following are some of the Appleby's who are radio amateurs or "Hams". Underlined is the Call sign used by the operator followed by the name and address in England or USA

**KC6UWG Brent L Appleby**  
2946 Sterling St. Pomona, Ca  
91767, USA

**G4RYH F B Appleby**, 25 Chester Rd. North, Brownhills, West Midlands, WS8 7JW, England

**N2HHB Fenton C Appleby**, 418 Cedar St. Millville, NJ 08332, USA.

**N5JNB Gary D Appleby**, Rt. 2 Box 2274, Cedar Creek, Tx. 78612, USA

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*submitted by John S. Appleby  
FRHistS. of Great Horkesley, Essex,  
England, who says that his second  
son, scans the world and is the final  
one in the list.*

## The Apple Orchard.

**A**s we put this newsletter together,  
Peter Applebee, one of our  
Australian Representatives is  
organising an Internet Email ARO  
forum, a discussion group, for those  
of our members who are on the  
Internet. To be known as "The  
Apple Orchard" it will be where the  
World's Appleby Family Trees bear  
fruit in an online discussion group.  
If you have not been included,  
please contact Peter at:  
apples@tolstoi.saccii.net.au

## Members Link

**J**oe Forsyth and his wife have  
Appleby ancestors. Following  
contact with ARO member, Sheila  
Wallace he has found that there is a  
family link between her family and  
that of his wife. Both family lines  
descend from Thomas Appleby and  
Thomasina Watson who were  
married in Newton, Northumberland  
in 1831. Branches of the family  
now live in Canada, Norway,  
England and New Zealand. A truly  
international family of Applebys'.