



THE APPLE ORCHARD

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Thomas Appleby & Mary Birkett

From a certified copy of marriage in the registration district of Aston, Birmingham, England, Thomas Appleby, 25 years old, bachelor and Mary Birkett aged 22 married on 5th November 1899.

Sadly the marriage lasted only 5 months as Thomas Appleby died on 9th April 1900 at back 90 A Tower Road, Aston Manor in the County of Warwick. My Granny (who I knew) was present at the death.

Shortly after his death my Uncle Tom was born, but I have not been able to find a birth certificate for him. I met uncle Tom with my father at Longstone Road, Perry Beeches, Birmingham when I was a young boy (1945/55) Uncle Tom married Auntie Gert. and they had one daughter, perhaps 10-15 years older than myself. Uncle Tom was very poorly and had to use oxygen from a large cylinder. Apart from a photograph of Uncle Tom with his half-brother I have not been able to find out any more data. I would be grateful for any further information on my Uncle..

The link with my name is that Tom Appleby was half-brother to my father. On 4th June 1904 Mary Appleby(nee Birkett) 27 years old, married Alfred Wigley, 33 a returning Boer War veteran shortly after his discharge at St. Paul's Church, Aston, Birmingham. My father Alfred Wigley was born in July 1906 followed by three other brothers.

Peter Wigley ARO/EQ403

FREDERICK APPLEBY born 1833.

Central Criminal Court Records:

On 8th May 1843, Frederick Appleby was indicted for unlawfully obtaining 4,000 nails, and two padlocks by false pretences.

GEORGE MURRAY: "I am an ironmonger, and live in Leather Lane, London. On the 8th April, the prisoner came into my shop, and asked for 4,000 of three-penny fine clod-nails and two padlocks for Mr. Cotterell, who is a customer of mine – he produced Mr Cotterell's book, that he sent backwards and forwards – I gave him the goods, and enter the articles in the book to the value of 7 shillings. He had been errand-boy to Mr Cotterell, and had been in the habit of coming from him, and bringing the book to show what he fetched away – this is the book – I made this entry – it is all in my writing

SAMUEL JOHN COTTERELL: I am a blind-manufacturer and live in Holborn. The prisoner was in my service – he left on the 16th March – some days after, I missed the book – I had been in the habit of sending him to Murray for goods – I did not send him there on the 8th April – he was not in my service then – he had no right to retain the book at that time.

FRANCIS MORRISS (Police constable E78) The prisoner was brought to the station, and given into my custody.

VERDICT: Guilty. Aged 10 years – recommended to mercy – confined for three months.

ARO/Doc/800.

The Appleby's & Walker's of Chile.

Greeting from Saudi Arabia, although my home is in Thornton-on-Tees, Yorkshire.

It was a chance find on the IGI that I found the Appleby records for Chile in the 1820 that were printed in an earlier edition of this newsletter. Following that I made contact with Alberto Walker in South America. This is what I learned.

Thomas Hill Appleby was married to Manuela Videla in Medoza, Argentina. Their daughter Manuela Augustina Justina de la Mercedes Appleby was christened in Santiago, Chile 15th March 1821. They did not have grandsons, so their Appleby line expired. He was the son of Thomas Appleby and Sarah Hill and born in Yorkshire in 1790. Brother of Robert and Mary Hill Appleby.

Robert was owner of a sailing ship "TEPHANE" with routes to India. Mary Hill Appleby married William Walker. Their children were Robert, John and Thomas Appleby Walker, they all lived and died in Chile. Robert Appleby Walker was born 14th December 1808 in Rotherham, Yorkshire.

The following is an extract from "Sketches of Buenos Ayres" by Samuel Haigh

... he said that he was residing with an Englishman, the only one in the place, he was from Yorkshire and his name was Appleby and was married to a Mendozina woman. Messrs Robinson and Appleby joined our party for dinner which was sumptuous, served up in handsom style and composed of more dishes that I can remember. The Spanish Olio however made an impression on me as it was the best I have ever tasted. and I thought it excellent.

After coffee our horses were brought into the courtyard or patio and we rode to view the outskirts of the town.

I was struck by the beauty and spirit of the Mendozaian horses. Mr Appleby was an excellent horseman, and was called by the natives the "Gaucha Ingles" in honour of his equestrian accomplishments. They looked upon every foreigner, who did not sit and ride his horse well, with the utmost contempt, and say he must have been a "Hombre Baso" or one of the "Canalle" in his own country. We called upon a brother of Don Manuel's who resided close to the City; he was a farmer and his estate was very extensive. He joined us in our ride, and he was also a good jockey, and kept fine horses. Mr Appleby and he rode a race "A la Gaucha" which deserves a remark. The races are a very short distance, not above 250 yards; the horses stand close together, and on the word "Cha" being uttered they spring forward, and are instantly at full speed. It was curious to see the horses gathering their feet together, preparing for the signal to start, and never moving until it is given. It requires some practice to keep a firm seat. The races are generally run in a straight line, but sometimes the agreement is to turn at a certain distance and come back to the starting point. A horse that can wheel round quickly then has a great advantage."

The Walkers sold armaments to Ejercito Libertador Argentina and Chile. Thomas Appleby was agent and the armaments were transported to Argentina in Robert Appleby's ship.

Thomas Appleby then became friends with General Jose de San Martin (General in Chief of the Chilean Army and later

Protector of Chile) and Bernardo Higgins who were both national Heroes, but never received payment for the goods. Simon Walker, the grandson of Mary Appleby and William Walker traveled to Argentina and Chile from Philadelphia for the payment while at the same time other members of the family went to Chile.

So we have a Ships Captain who transported Guns to South America and a Goucho.

Colin Appleby. ARO/AW22

Extract from 1901 census of Pickering, Yorkshire

Joseph Appleby	head	53	born Pickering	Shoe Maker.
Hannah Appleby	wife	44	"	Milliner
Richard W. Appleby	son	12	"	
John Appleby	son	10	"	
Charles W. Appleby	son	8	"	
Ada Appleby	dau.	4	"	
Mary McKenning	grandmother	80	Amblethorpe..	

The National Youth Orchestra.

I have just finished reading a book called "The Story of the National Youth Orchestra" written by Ruth Railton.

On page 37 she mentions a William Appleby, The Music Adviser for Doncaster, he was a warm, sensitive choir trainer. I sensed he was not very welcome in the British Council where he did a weekly programme for schools. That would have been in 1948 when Ruth Railton founded the National Youth Orchestra.

If any member knows more about William Appleby please let us know at the ARO.

Janet Harris EQ/408

John Appleby & Elizabeth Slater

Family legend says that John Appleby (b. 1820) came from Cumberland, England and he married Elizabeth Slater on the 24th March 1853 in Adelaide, Australia. He died on the 2nd march 1853 at Port Piries, South Australia.

I am currently marrying into this family. My fiancée is a descendant of John Appleby and Elizabeth Slater. Their third child William Appelby (spelled differently following a family feud over a wood milling business, I believe) is her Great Great Grandfather.

We have a book on the Slater family but know little about the Appleby /Appelby line. I would love to know more. Anything that you have to offer would be hugely appreciated. Thank you.

Paul Edwards. EQ/409

Four pieces of Merino Stolen.

Central Criminal Court Records:

On 9 May 1836 Joseph Appleby, aged 40 & Edward Thomas were indicted for stealing 4 pieces, containing 112 yards of merino, value £4. 3 s.; the goods of Robert Spence and others.

James Cooper: I am in the employment of Robert Spence and others as warehouseman in love-lane, london.. On the 9th April they were removing a quantity of merino from king-street to love-lane and six pieces were lost.

George Gentil: I am in the employ of Francis Barker, a town carman. We had to move these goods – Appleby was employed by us – I do not know Thomas _ on the 9th April I saw Appleby bring four pieces of merino from our loft, where we keep hay. I did not know what they were, as they were in a sack and Thomas took hold of them. I asked Appleby what he had brought down – he said they contained old pieces of stuff. I took them away into Bell-yard and found it was four pieces of merino. I went for an officer and took the prisoner into custody. It was about half-past seven in the evening that I saw him bring it down. I asked Thomas what business he had with it? He said "They don't belong to me" I said "Who do they belong to? – Appleby said "They are pieces of old stuff."

Joseph Appleby: "I was on the stand at ten in the morning and went home at half-past six in the evening. I was out all day in Barker's service at the East India Docks.

George Gentil: He had a right to be in the loft, but had no right to the property – I do not know who placed it in the loft – it is about a minutes walk from the prosecutors warehouse –it had no businees at our place at all.

Verdict: Appleby Guilty. Confined for one year

Thomas not guilty.

Aro/Doc/801

Rand Daily Mail 1st December 1909

Wm. Cunningham Appleby, a carpenter, employed on Kimberley Roodepoort took his life yesterday afternoon by shooting himself with a revolver. The deceased is a man between 35 to 38 years of age. He was married but his wife and children are not in the Country, being resident at Newcastle upon Tyne. For some months past, deceased had been leading an irregular life. His connection with the Kimberley Roodepoort was short. He started work there on November 22nd, and had been off a day or two through illness, and had been drinking more or less right through. He however gave no hint of designs on his life. He retired to his room and was then evidently in a desperate state of mind. The room was used by the deceased and an Italian miner, Andrew Abrario.

The following inscription was found on the wall of his room and written by the deceased:

" May those who have sought my ruin be satisfied now. I have never injured any man, woman or child since the day I was born. If you want my life and dare not take it, I give it to you now. Be satisfied. I leave my wife and children in peace, you have got their breadwinner. Be satisfied now. What I have done to deserve this I do not know for certain. No man will be straight with me. Those I have every reason to believe are at the bottom of it, smile in my face and talk words of honey. Andrew, forgive me for causing you the trouble. W. C. Appleby."

No explanation is forthcoming as to the people who were supposed to want his life and dare not take it. The police on investigation set down this and other details of the note to a disorganized imagination.

William Cunningham Appleby, the subject of this extract from the Rand Daily Mail was my Great Grandfather.

Duncan Scott Grey.

ARO/Doc/799