

The Shoemakers of Rayleigh.

This is but a brief genealogical story of the Family at Ramsden and Rayleigh, but some information has been added recently to bring the records up to the present day. Doubtless a number of readers will fault some of the statements made and may be able to give a truer account of the happenings. This can be only part of the full story and any additions will be most welcome.

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Since the death of Albert (in 1976) material has been gathered by the late Mr. G.T. Fairhead, myself and fellowship members in general and added to Albert's work to give a fuller and more informative story. This record is compiled from Albert's original book and the new information collected since that time. Where places are described as a 'District', this is the Registration District where the event was Registered. (I. D. No's. in Blue)

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The earliest record to date is that of **Edward** ⁽²⁶³⁹⁾ of Ramsden Bellhouse, born about the year **1650**. It cannot be determined from what stock he came, but researches might reveal that he too came from the early stock mentioned in "**The Essex Farmers**". He was a Cordwainer, a trade better known as a Shoemaker, and a son, Edward ⁽²⁶⁴¹⁾, was born to his wife Elizabeth ⁽²⁶⁴⁰⁾ about the year 1680. Elizabeth was recorded as a widow in 1717 so Edward had died before this date.

Edward 1680 ⁽²⁶⁴¹⁾ married Ann ? ⁽²⁶⁴²⁾ and they had the following family :-

Mary ⁽²⁶⁴³⁾	b	1718
Ann ⁽²⁶⁴⁴⁾	b	1721
Edward ⁽²⁶⁴⁵⁾	b	1722
Lucy ⁽²⁶⁴⁶⁾	b	1728
Joseph ⁽²⁶⁴⁷⁾	b	1729

Edward (1680) had a shop with house and five acres of land at Ramsden Grays and carried on the family trade as a Cordwainer. He was reasonably well off and when he died in 1748 he left the business to his son Edward with cash benefits to the other children.

The 2nd Generation.

Mary 1718 ⁽²⁶⁴³⁾ No record.

Ann 1721 ⁽²⁶⁴⁴⁾ No record.

Edward 1722 ⁽²⁶⁴⁵⁾ married Ann **Page** on the 25th February 1745 at Mountnessing, Essex, but there were no children and Ann died before her husband, who died in 1768. From his Will the property was left to Joseph (1729), with cash payments to his sisters in the same manner as his father's Will.

Lucy 1728 ⁽²⁶⁴⁶⁾ No record.

Joseph 1729 ⁽²⁶⁴⁷⁾ moved to the town of Rayleigh, possibly a better centre for the trade of Cordwainer, and was now described as a Shoemaker. He married Penelope **Kendal** ⁽²⁶⁴⁹⁾ (bap. 1st May 1728, dau. of John ⁽⁴⁴³⁵⁾ & Mary Kendall ⁽⁴⁴³⁶⁾) on the 8th April 1752 at St. Peters, South Hanningfield, Rayleigh, and they had three sons :-

Joseph ⁽²⁶⁵⁰⁾	b	1753
Edmund ⁽²⁶⁵¹⁾	b	1755
Edward ⁽²⁶⁵²⁾	b	20 th January 1758

Penelope died on the 28th February 1758 in Rayleigh, Essex.

The widower, Joseph, then married Susannah **Rutter** ⁽²⁶⁵³⁾ (b. abt 1735 d 29/11/1824) on the 19th October 1758 at Thundersley, Essex, and the ensuing large family came along as follows :-

Edward ⁽²⁷³¹⁾	b	1759	bap. 27/12/1759
William ⁽²⁶⁵⁴⁾	b	26 th August 1761	bap. 26/10/1761
Susannah ⁽²⁶⁶⁰⁾	b	1763	bap. 1/07/1763
Jephthan ⁽²⁶⁵⁵⁾	b	1765	bap. 2/ 6/1765
Tracey ⁽²⁶⁵⁹⁾	b	1767	bap. 2/ 6/1767
Elizabeth ⁽²⁶⁶¹⁾	b	1769	bap. 28/ 3/1769
Sarah ⁽²⁶⁶²⁾	b	1771	bap. 20/ 5/1771
Thomas ⁽²⁶⁵⁶⁾	b	1773	bap. 1/ 4/1773
Eleanor ⁽²⁶⁶³⁾	b	1775	bap. 5/ 6/1775
George ⁽²⁶⁵⁷⁾	b	1777	bap. 13/10/1778
Lucy Ann Charlotte ⁽²⁶⁵⁸⁾	b	1779	bap. 3/ 1/1781

Joseph, the father, died on the 28th August 1811, aged 82 years, and Susan lived for a further 13 years, dying on the 28th November 1824 at the age of 89 years.

The 3rd Generation.

Given below is the list of the 3rd generation along with their parents of the 2nd generation :-

2nd Generation

Mary 1718 ⁽²⁶⁴³⁾
 Ann 1721 ⁽²⁶⁴⁴⁾
 Edward 1722 ⁽²⁶⁴⁵⁾ & Ann (Page) ⁽²⁶⁴⁶⁾
 Lucy 1728 ⁽²⁶⁴⁶⁾

Joseph 1729 ⁽²⁶⁴⁷⁾ & Penelope (Kendall) ⁽²⁶⁴⁹⁾

& Susannah (Rutter) ⁽²⁶⁵³⁾

3rd Generation

Joseph	1753	⁽²⁶⁵⁰⁾
Edmund	1755	⁽²⁶⁵¹⁾
Edward	1758	⁽²⁶⁵²⁾

Edward	1759	⁽²⁷³¹⁾
William	1761	⁽²⁶⁵⁴⁾
Susannah	1763	⁽²⁶⁶⁰⁾
Jephthan	1765	⁽²⁶⁵⁵⁾
Tracey	1767	⁽²⁶⁵⁹⁾
Elizabeth	1769	⁽²⁶⁶¹⁾
Sarah	1771	⁽²⁶⁶²⁾
Thomas	1773	⁽²⁶⁵⁶⁾
Eleanor	1775	⁽²⁶⁶³⁾
George	1777	⁽²⁶⁵⁷⁾
Lucy Ann Charlotte	1779	⁽²⁶⁵⁸⁾

Joseph 1753 ⁽²⁶⁵⁰⁾ moved to High Laver, married Barbara ? ⁽²⁶⁶⁴⁾ and had three children :-

Joseph ⁽²⁶⁶⁵⁾
 Susannah ⁽²⁶⁶⁶⁾
 Mary Ann ⁽²⁶⁶⁷⁾

Joseph, the father, died in 1795.

Edmund 1755 ⁽²⁶⁵¹⁾ No record.

Edward 1758 ⁽²⁶⁵²⁾ died on the 26th January 1758.

Edward 1759 ⁽²⁷³¹⁾ No record.

William 1761 ⁽²⁶⁵⁴⁾ carried on the Shoemakers business at Rayleigh and also became Postmaster of the Town. He married Elizabeth **Smith** ⁽²⁶⁶⁸⁾ (of Great Burstead) on the 2nd June 1785, at Holy Trinity Church in Rayleigh, and they had the following family :-

Maria ⁽²⁶⁷¹⁾	b	1786	Bap. 30/ 4/1786
Sophia ⁽²⁶⁷³⁾	b	1787	Bap. 1/10/1787
William Smith ⁽²⁶⁶⁹⁾	b	1788	Bap. 3/11/1788
Lucy ⁽²⁶⁷⁰⁾	b	1791	Bap. 25/ 2/1791
Joseph ⁽²⁷³²⁾	b	1793	Bap. 16/12/1793
Susannah Elizabeth ⁽²⁷³³⁾	b	1795	Bap. 6/ 1/1795
Sophia ⁽²⁷³⁴⁾	b	1796	Bap. 5/ 3/1796
Miles ⁽³⁴⁷³⁾	b	1 st March 1802	Bap. April 1802

William, the father, did not live to a great age and died on the 16th May 1806 and was buried at Rayleigh. In Jan 1829 a letter to the post-master general complains about the conduct of the widow who is the receiver of letters at Rayleigh. The widow Mrs **Benton** (she married William **Benton** (3313) on the 25th October 1808) was removed from this position, and her son-in-law William **Pissey** (4048) appointed to the post. The Rayleigh burial register has the following entry:

1837 Elizabeth **Benton**, late mistress of Post Office, widow of William Fairhead, Rayleigh, aged 76 was buried May 2.

Susannah 1763 (2660) married William **Sharp** (4546) on the 31st May 1792 at St. Martin's, Birmingham, Warwick.

Jephthan 1766 (2655) married and went to live in the neighbouring Rochford. This first wife (2688) died shortly after the turn of the century, and Jephthan married Amy **Rudkin** (2674) of Rochford, Essex on the 25th February 1806 and two children were born to this union :-

Jepha (2675)	b	1 st November 1807
Mary Ann (2676)	b	4 th September 1809

There is no record of what happened to these, but the father died at the age of 60 years and was buried at Rayleigh on the 12th April 1826. Amy had a son before their marriage, born in 1803 who was William Wells **Rudkin** (4673).

Tracey 1767 (2659) married a Mr Smith (3478).

Elizabeth 1769 (2661) No record.

Sarah 1771 (2662) married William **Whichcord** (2681) (a widower who had previously been married to Elizabeth Usher (5991) in 1787) on the 4th July 1799 at Rayleigh. They lived at Fryerning near Ingatestone. William Whichcord is listed in the 1832 electoral roll. Sarah Whichcord is living alone in the 1841 census, and her death was registered Jan-Mar 1851.

Thomas 1773 (2656) married Sarah **White** (2677) (b. abt 1771 d 28/4/1848) at Rayleigh, on the 17th December 1794. He was the father of the unfortunate Thomas who was hanged for Sheep stealing in 1820 (see "Murder, Facts & Fiction" by A.E.Fairhead, where the account is told, this Thomas was born in 1796). They are known to have had a son and two daughters :-

Thomas (2689)	b	1796	
Sarah (2672)	b	1799	Bap. 4/ 2/ 1799
Susannah (3479)	b	1802	Bap 17/4/1802

Thomas died on the 8th July 1840, at the age of 67, and was buried at Rayleigh on the 10th July 1840. Sarah was buried on the 28th April 1848. Albert felt that these two might be the forebears of many present day Fairhead's.

Eleanor 1775 (2663) married ? **Joslin** (2682).

George 1777 (2657) became a Grocer and Draper in the town of Rayleigh. He married and Ann ? (2678) and a son was born at Great Braxted. The son was :-

John (2679)	b	21 st August 1795
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Lucy Ann Charlotte 1779 (2658) remained unmarried and died at the age of 75 years and was buried at Rayleigh on the 9th January 1854.

The 4th Generation.

Given below is the list of the 4th generation along with their parents of the 3rd generation :-

3rd Generation

Joseph 1753 ⁽²⁶⁵⁰⁾ & Barbara (?) ⁽²⁶⁶⁴⁾

Edmund 1755 ⁽²⁶⁵¹⁾

Edward 1758 ⁽²⁶⁵²⁾

Edward 1759 ⁽²⁷³¹⁾

William 1761 ⁽²⁶⁵⁴⁾ & Elizabeth (Smith) ⁽²⁶⁶⁸⁾

Susannah 1763 ⁽²⁶⁶⁰⁾ & William (Sharp) ⁽⁴⁵⁴⁶⁾

Jephthan 1766 ⁽²⁶⁵⁵⁾ & Wife ⁽²⁶⁸⁸⁾

& Amy (Rudkin) ⁽²⁶⁷⁴⁾

Tracey 1767 ⁽²⁶⁵⁹⁾ & ? (Smith) ⁽³⁴⁷⁸⁾

Elizabeth 1769 ⁽²⁶⁶¹⁾

Sarah 1771 ⁽²⁶⁶²⁾ & William (Whichcord) ⁽²⁶⁸¹⁾

Thomas 1773 ⁽²⁶⁵⁶⁾ & Sarah (White) ⁽²⁶⁷⁷⁾

Eleanor 1775 ⁽⁹²⁶⁶³⁾ & ? (Joslin) ⁽²⁶⁸²⁾

George 1777 ⁽²⁶⁵⁷⁾ & Ann (?) ⁽²⁶⁷⁸⁾

Lucy Ann Charlotte 1779 ⁽²⁶⁵⁸⁾

4th Generation

Joseph ⁽²⁶⁶⁵⁾

Susannah ⁽²⁶⁶⁶⁾

Mary Ann ⁽²⁶⁶⁷⁾

Maria 1786 ⁽²⁶⁷¹⁾

Sophia 1787 ⁽²⁶⁷³⁾

William Smith 1788 ⁽²⁶⁶⁹⁾

Lucy 1791 ⁽²⁶⁷⁰⁾

Joseph 1793 ⁽²⁷³²⁾

Susannah Elizabeth 1795 ⁽²⁷³³⁾

Sophia 1796 ⁽²⁷³⁴⁾

Miles 1802 ⁽³⁴⁷³⁾

Jepha 1807 ⁽²⁶⁷⁵⁾

Mary Ann 1809 ⁽²⁶⁷⁶⁾

Thomas 1796 ⁽²⁶⁸⁹⁾

Sarah 1799 ⁽²⁶⁷²⁾

Susannah 1802 ⁽³⁴⁷⁹⁾

John 1795 ⁽²⁶⁷⁹⁾

Joseph ⁽²⁶⁶⁵⁾ No record.

Susannah ⁽²⁶⁶⁶⁾ No record.

Mary Ann ⁽²⁶⁶⁷⁾ No record.

Maria 1786 ⁽²⁶⁷¹⁾ No record.

Sophia 1787 ⁽²⁶⁷³⁾ died of Smallpox and was buried on the 27th November 1787.

William Smith 1788 ⁽²⁶⁶⁹⁾ was a Carpenter by trade. He married Rebecca **Bradley** ⁽²⁶⁸³⁾ at Prittlewell, Essex on the 11th January 1811 and they had the following family, all born at Southend :-

William ⁽³⁹⁴⁵⁾	b	1811		
William Miles ⁽²⁶⁸⁴⁾	b	1813	Bap.	17/11/1813
Martha ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁵⁾	b	1816	Bap.	20/10/1816
George ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁶⁾	b	1819		
Elizabeth ⁽²⁶⁸⁵⁾	b	1824	Bap.	18/1/1824
Augusta Firman ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁷⁾	b	1825		
Martha Firman ⁽²⁶⁸⁶⁾	b	1827	Bap.	7/10/1827
Rebecca Jane ⁽²⁶⁸⁷⁾	b	1834	Bap.	28/12/1834

In 1841 William was living with his wife and two of his daughters, Elizabeth & Martha at Wellington Place, Southend. Rebecca died in 1841 and was buried at St. Mary's, Prittlewell on the 12th September 1841.

In 1851 he was a widower and was living with daughters Martha & Jane at 11 Fairhead Road or Row, Southend. By the time of the 1861 Census, William was living with his daughter Martha and her husband and family at 3 Albert Place, Southend. William died in 1866 and was buried on the 2nd December 1866 also at St Mary's.

Lucy 1791 ⁽²⁶⁷⁰⁾ married William **Pissey** ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁸⁾, a Draper and Post Office keeper, on the 4th March 1817, and they had a family of nine children. Lucy was buried at Rayleigh on the 31st December 1866. William was buried at Rayleigh on the 18th November 1876.

Joseph 1793 ⁽²⁷³²⁾ died and was buried on the 26th February 1794.

Susannah Elizabeth 1795 ⁽²⁷³³⁾ No record.

Sophia 1796 ⁽²⁷³⁴⁾ No record.

Miles 1802 ⁽³⁴⁷³⁾ was buried at Rayleigh on the 15th May 1802.

Jepha 1807 ⁽²⁶⁷⁵⁾ No record.

Mary Ann 1809 ⁽²⁶⁷⁶⁾ No record.

Thomas 1796 ⁽²⁶⁸⁹⁾ Something, which can be added to, the story concerning Thomas is an extract from "Essex Countryside" dated February 1968, is :-

" My Great Grandmother, Sarah Monk, washed the shirt of one of the last men to be hanged for sheep stealing in 1820. I would never have mentioned it, had it not been for Mr. J.Wentworth-Day's controversial article "Old fashioned justice" in your last issue. This article recalled unpleasantly the days of Stocks and Whipping Posts and times not so long ago when starving vagrants would be soundly flogged and sent to the next village to receive a similar treatment there.

But about my great grandmother, who my father told me, lived in Pettywell and had a lodger named Henry Gilliot, who was a Shepherd at Temple Farm under Thomas Laver.

Gilliot had a friend in Rochford named Thomas Fairhead. This man was a butcher and was on good terms with the Innkeeper at the 'Old Ship' in Rochford, who allowed him to keep a stall in the Inn yard. Fairhead was engaged to marry Mary Walter, the Publican's daughter.

With this set up it was a simple matter to steal sheep from Temple Farm and later dispose of them at the Rochford butcher's stall, but someone got wind of this profitable business and the Law took over. Henry Gilliot (wearing the shirt my great grandmother had washed for him) and Thomas Fairhead - both under 24 years old, says

Benton's History, were taken to Chelmsford Goal. There they were tried and found guilty of theft, being executed on the 24th March 1820.

To quote Benton, "Thomas Fairhead had the previous 26th March 1819, witnessed the execution of Simon George Baker, known as 'Gentleman George', for burglary at Cold Norton. Fairhead remarked afterwards that he little thought as sat on his horse during the last struggles of Simon that he would come to the same end. Now the whole point of this true story seems to me to be in the last sentence which proves that the witnessing of Baker's hanging was no deterrent to Fairhead's swift progress to the scaffold only a year later on a similar charge. In the days of those dreadful hanging laws, when a criminal knew that he might as well murder as to thieve, for the penalty was the same."

*W. Monk
18 Sairwood Gardens,
Eastwood.*

Sarah 1799 (2672) No record.

Susannah 1802 (3479) No record.

John 1795 (2679) No record.

The 5th Generation.

Given below is the list of the 5th generation along with their parents of the 4th generation :-

4th Generation

Joseph (2665)

Susannah (2666)

Mary Ann (2667)

Maria 1786 (2671)

Sophia 1787 (2673)

William Smith 1788 (2669) & Rebecca (Bradley) (2683)

Lucy 1791 (2670) & William (Pissey) (4048)

Joseph 1793 (2732)

Susannah Elizabeth 1795 (2733)

Sophia 1796 (2734)

Miles 1802 (3473)

Jepha 1807 (2675)

Mary Ann 1809 (2676)

Thomas 1796 (2689)

Sarah 1799 (2672)

Susannah 1802 (3479)

John 1795 (2679)

5th Generation

William 1811 (3945)

William Miles 1813 (2684)

Martha 1816 (4045)

George 1819 (4046)

Elizabeth 1824 (2685)

Augusta Firman 1825 (4047)

Martha Firman 1827 (2686)

Rebecca Jane 1834 (2687)

Nine Children

William 1811 (3945) died shortly after birth and was buried on the 17th November 1811 at St, Mary's, Prittlewell.

William Miles 1813 (2684) was also a carpenter by trade like his father. He married Sarah **Robinson** (2690) (b.1813/14) on the 22nd September 1835 at St. Nicholas, Deptford, London and they had the following family :-

Sarah Jane (2691)	b	1838 bap. 1/6/1838 in Beighton, North Yorkshire
William (2692)	b	19 th January 1841
Rebecca (2693)	b	1843

It is not known why Sarah Jane was baptised in North Yorkshire, unless they had moved there for work. Sarah, the wife, died in 1843 at Rochford, Essex, probably due to childbirth and was buried on the 23rd May 1843 at St. Mary's, Prittlewell.

William Miles married for a second time to Mary Ann **Gibbs** (2694) (b. 1813, Leigh, Essex) on the 4th November 1843 at St. Mary's, Whitechapel, London. This marriage brought forth the following family all born at Southend, Essex :-

Elizabeth (2695)	b	1844
Jane Werge (2696)	b	1846
John George Werge (2697)	b	1849
Emily (2698)	b	1851
Walter (2699)	b	1854 bap. 1/10/1854

Alice (2700) b 1856 bap. 2/11/1856

Both Baptisms were at St John the Baptist, Southend, Essex

At the time of the 1851 census William was living at 4 Wellington Place Southend with Mary Ann, his wife, Sarah Jane and William from his first marriage and Elizabeth, Jane and John of his second marriage, and also a servant, 19 year old Mary Ann **Hall**. It can be assumed from this that Rebecca, the third child from his first marriage died at birth and brought about the death of the wife Sarah. William died on the 15th August 1883 and was buried on the 20th at St John the Baptist, Rayleigh. Mary, his wife, died on the 8th February 1887 and was buried on the 14th.

Martha 1816 (4045) died aged 15 months and was buried on the 28th December 1817 at St. Mary's.

George 1819 (4046) died aged 2 weeks and was buried on the 28th June 1819 also at St. Mary's

Elizabeth 1824 (2685) married William **Perkins** (4049) (bap. 3/10/1824), stated to be an Ostler / Cab proprietor, in the last quarter of 1850 at Bethnal Green, London. They had the following family :-

Rebecca Fairhead (Perkins) (4050)	b	1851		
Eliza Fairhead (Perkins) (4051)	b	1855	bap	7 th October 1855
Harriett (Perkins) (4052)	b	29 th September 1857		
Walter Fairhead (Perkins) (4053)	b	1858	bap	7 th August 1858
William Fairhead (Perkins) (4054)	b	1860		
Alfred Fairhead (Perkins) (4055)	b	1862	bap	6 th July 1862
Emma Louise (Perkins) (4056)	b	1864	bap	7 th August 1864
Arthur T. (Perkins) (4437)	b abt	1868		

Augusta Firman 1825 (4047) died aged 6 weeks and was buried at St. Mary's.

Martha Firman 1827 (2686) married James William **Wakeling** (2701), who was a Waterman / Fisherman by trade, on the 10th March 1852 at St. Mary's, Prittlewell, Essex, and they had the following family :-

Martha Fairhead (Wakeling) (4059)	b	1852		
William James (Wakeling) (4058)				
Rebecca Fairhead (Wakeling) (4060)			bap	4 th January 1857
Emily Phoebe (Wakeling) (4061)	b	1859	bap	3 rd July 1859
George Fairhead (Wakeling) (4062)			bap	4 th January 1863
Augusta Jane (Wakeling) (4063)	b	1865	bap	5 th November 1865
Phoebe Elizabeth (Wakeling) (4064)	b	1868	bap	6 th September 1868
Ada Jane (Wakeling) (4065)	b	1871	bap	1 st October 1871

All baptisms at St. John the Baptist, Southend, Essex. Martha died in the Jul - Sep quarter of 1898, at Strood.

Rebecca Jane 1834 (2687) At the time of the 1851 census Jane and her sister Martha were living at 11 Fairheads Row, Southend with their father William. She had a daughter, who was :-

Alice Jane (4066) bap. 5th August 1860 at St. John's, Southend.

It is thought that Rebecca died in the Jan - Mar quarter of 1901.

The 6th Generation.

Given below is the list of the 6th generation along with their parents of the 5th generation :-

5th Generation

William 1811 ⁽³⁹⁴⁵⁾

William Miles 1817 ⁽²⁶⁸⁴⁾ & Sarah (Robinson) ⁽²⁶⁹⁰⁾

& Mary Ann (Gibbs) ⁽²⁶⁹⁴⁾

Martha 1816 ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁵⁾

George 1819 ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁶⁾

Elizabeth 1824 ⁽²⁶⁸⁵⁾ & William (Perkins) ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁹⁾

Augusta Firman 1825 ⁽⁴⁰⁴⁷⁾

Martha Firman 1827 ⁽²⁶⁸⁶⁾ & James William
(Wakeling) ⁽²⁷⁰¹⁾

Rebecca Jane 1834 ⁽²⁶⁸⁷⁾ & ?

6th Generation

Sarah Jane 1838 ⁽²⁶⁹¹⁾
William 1841 ⁽²⁶⁹²⁾
Rebecca 1843 ⁽²⁶⁹³⁾

Elizabeth 1844 ⁽²⁶⁹⁵⁾
Jane Werge 1846 ⁽²⁶⁹⁶⁾
John George Werge 1849 ⁽²⁶⁹⁷⁾
Emily 1851 ⁽²⁶⁹⁸⁾
Walter 1854 ⁽²⁶⁹⁹⁾
Alice 1856 ⁽²⁷⁰⁰⁾

Rebecca Fairhead (Perkins) 1851 ⁽⁴⁰⁵⁰⁾
Eliza Fairhead (Perkins) 1855 ⁽⁴⁰⁵¹⁾
Harriett (Perkins) 1857 ⁽⁴⁰⁵²⁾
Walter Fairhead (Perkins) 1858 ⁽⁴⁰⁵³⁾
William Fairhead (Perkins) 1860 ⁽⁴⁰⁵⁴⁾
Alfred Fairhead (Perkins) 1862 ⁽⁴⁰⁵⁵⁾
Emma Louise (Perkins) 1864 ⁽⁴⁰⁵⁶⁾
Arthur T. (Perkins) 1868 ⁽⁴⁴³⁷⁾

Martha Fairhead (Wakeling) 1852 ⁽⁴⁰⁵⁹⁾
William James (Wakeling) ⁽⁴⁰⁵⁸⁾
Rebecca Fairhead (Wakeling) 1857 ⁽⁴⁰⁶⁰⁾
Emily Phoebe (Wakeling) 1859 ⁽⁴⁰⁶¹⁾
George Fairhead (Wakeling) 1863 ⁽⁴⁰⁶²⁾
Augusta Jane (Wakeling) 1865 ⁽⁴⁰⁶³⁾
Phoebe Elizabeth (Wakeling) 1868 ⁽⁴⁰⁶⁴⁾
Ada Jane (Wakeling) 1871 ⁽⁴⁰⁶⁵⁾

Alice Jane 1860 ⁽⁴⁰⁶⁶⁾

Sarah Jane 1838 ⁽²⁶⁹¹⁾ No record.

William 1841 ⁽²⁶⁹²⁾ was baptised on the 21st February 1841 at St. Mary's, Prittlewell. He carried on the family tradition of working in wood and became a Joiner. He married Rhoda Ann **Paul** ⁽²⁷⁰²⁾ (b. 22.9.1835) on the 28th July 1862 at St. Mary's Marylebone, London and they had the following family :-

Elizabeth Amelia ⁽²⁷⁰³⁾	b	11 th July 1863	Medway District, Kent
William John Paul ⁽²⁷⁰⁴⁾	b	10 th July 1865	
Rhoda Jane (Jeannie) ⁽²⁷⁰⁵⁾	b	11 th August 1867	
Alice Emily ⁽²⁷⁰⁶⁾	b	4 th January 1870	
Amy Marion ⁽²⁷⁰⁷⁾	b	5 th March 1872	
George Walter ⁽²⁷⁰⁸⁾	b	2 nd December 1873	

Not long after this the whole family immigrated to New Zealand; the name of the ship was named "The Clarence". They sailed from London on the 24th September 1874, with a total of 324 passengers. The journey took 103 days and they arrived in Hawkes Bay, at a cost of £16-10-0 per adult. One of the children, the youngest, George Walter died on the journey and was buried at sea. William, the father, wrote a poem which sums up what many emigrants must have felt in similar circumstances.

We can no never forget
That sad and eventful morn,
When on the good ship Clarence we went
And carried our youngest born.

How the little one laughed and cried
And clapped his hands in glee,
At the cruel waves that proved his xxxxxxxx
For we buried our babe at sea.

Midway on the restless deep
No vessel or land in sight,
We saw from his eyes fade out and die
Their beautiful living light.

Instead of the churchyard green
To the billows deep and wild,
We gave encased in canvas coarse
The form of our darling child.

And although no power on earth
Our dear little boy could save,
It's hard to know that we ne'er can stand
By his quiet silent grave.

We can never plant bright flowers
To blossom sweet and nice
And cover his silent resting place
For we buried our babe at sea.

The baby died of malnutrition in 1874. In all 27 died from Scarlet Fever, food was scarce and there was no milk or water. Mrs Fairhead nearly died also, the sailors brought up canvas to sew her up but she started singing "a few more years shall roll " and the Doctor allowed her some brandy and she recovered.

Rhoda died on the 3rd August 1918 at 140 Broad St. Palmeston North and was buried at the Terrace End Cemetery on the 5th August. William died on the 6th November 1922 at the same address and was buried in the same cemetery on the 7th November.

Rebecca 1843 ⁽²⁶⁹³⁾ as stated earlier died at birth. Both her birth and death were registered in Apr - Jun 1843.

Elizabeth 1844 ⁽²⁶⁹⁵⁾ married George **Hart** ⁽⁴⁰⁶⁷⁾ (A Farmer, b abt 1842) on the 26th March 1867 at St. Mary's, Prittlewell, Essex. They had the following family :-

Henry (Hart) ⁽⁴⁴⁴¹⁾	b abt	1869
Edwin (Hart) ⁽⁴⁴⁴²⁾	b abt	1870
Esau (Hart) ⁽⁴⁴⁴³⁾	b abt	1871
Ada (Hart) ⁽⁴⁴⁴⁴⁾	b abt	1872
Lillian (Hart) ⁽⁴⁴⁴⁵⁾	b abt	1875
Kate (Hart) ⁽⁴⁴⁴⁶⁾	b abt	1878

All born in Prittlewell, Essex.

Jane Werge 1846 ⁽²⁶⁹⁶⁾ married William **Page** ⁽⁴⁰⁶⁸⁾ in 1846, they had the following family :-

William J. (Page) ⁽⁴⁴³⁹⁾	b abt	1870
Emily R. (Page) ⁽⁴⁴³⁸⁾	b abt	1875
Harold Edmund (Page) ⁽⁴⁰⁶⁹⁾	b	1883 (died 11/9/1883)

Jane died on the 25th March 1892 and William on the 15th December 1907 aged 68. The Tombstone for all three at St. John's, Southend.

John George Werge 1849 ⁽²⁶⁹⁷⁾ married Caroline **Thorp** ⁽²⁷⁰⁹⁾ in 1873 at Kensington, London, and they had the following family, the first two were born in London and the rest at Southend :-

Emily Marion ⁽²⁷¹⁰⁾	b	1875
Walter John ⁽²⁷¹¹⁾	b	1876
Eva Francis ⁽²⁷¹²⁾	b	1878

Alice Jane (2713)	b	1880	bap.	5 th September 1880
Edith Eliza (2714)	b	1881		
Charles Edwin (2715)	b	1883		
William Harold (4440)	b	1886	bap	4 th April 1886
Elsie Caroline (2716)	b	1886	bap	4 th April 1886

All baptisms at St. John the Baptist, Southend. Caroline died in 1893, and John remarried on the 29th October 1898 to Alice **Gammon** (nee Watson) (4070).

Emily 1851 (2698) married John **Page** (2717) (b. abt 1844 Dublin, Ireland) on the 6th April 1876 at Southend, Essex. John was recorded as a Mariner in 1876 in Dublin.

Walter 1854 (2699) became a Steward on a ship. He died in 1929 in the Rochford District, Essex.

Alice 1858 (2700) died in November 1858 and was buried at Prittlewell, Essex on the 21st of that month.

Rebecca Fairhead (Perkins) 1851 (4050) No record.

Eliza Fairhead (Perkins) 1855 (4051) married Josiah **Gatward** (4447) (b 1850 Chadwell, Essex) on the 4th June 1879 at St. John the Baptist, Southend, Essex. He was a Station Master in 1879 at Southend. They had one son :-

Ernest (Gatward) (4448)	b	1880
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At Upton Park, Essex.

Harriett (Perkins) 1857 (4052) married Arthur John **Bonney** (4057) (b 1855) and they had the following family :-

Harriet Lily (Bonney) (4449)
Arthur John (Bonney) (4450)
Lionel Harry (Bonney) (4451)
Walter Harold (Bonney) (4452)

Arthur died in 1897 and Harriet died on the 16th June 1943 at The Retreat, Great Burstead, Essex.

Walter Fairhead (Perkins) 1858 (4053) No record.

William Fairhead (Perkins) 1860 (4054) No record.

Alfred Fairhead (Perkins) 1862 (4055) No record.

Emma Louise (Perkins) 1864 (4056) No record.

Arthur T. (Perkins) 1868 (4057) No record.

Alice Jane 1860 (4066) No record.

The 7th Generation.

Given below is the list of the 7th generation along with their parents of the 6th generation :-

6th Generation

Sarah Jane 1838 (2691)

William 1841 (2692) & Rhoda Ann (Paul) (2702)

Rebecca 1843 (2693)

Elizabeth 1844 (2695) & George (Hart) (4067)

Jane Werge 1846 (2696) & William (Page) (4068)

John George Werge 1849 (2697) & Caroline (Thorpe) (2709)

Emily 1851 (2698) & John (Page) (2717)

Walter 1854 (2699)

Alice 1856 (2700)

Rebecca Fairhead (Perkins) 1851 (4050)

Eliza Fairhead (Perkins) 1855 (4051)

Harriett (Perkins) 1857 (4052)

Walter Fairhead (Perkins) 1858 (4053)

William Fairhead (Perkins) 1860 (4054)

Alfred Fairhead (Perkins) 1862 (4055)

Emma Louise (Perkins) 1864 (4056)

Arthur T. (Perkins) 1868 (4057)

Martha Fairhead (Wakeling) 1852 (4059)

William James (Wakeling) (4058)

Rebecca Fairhead (Wakeling) 1857 (4060)

Emily Phoebe (Wakeling) 1859 (4061)

George Fairhead (Wakeling) 1863 (4062)

Augusta Jane (Wakeling) 1865 (4063)

Phoebe Elizabeth (Wakeling) 1868 (4064)

Ada Jane (Wakeling) 1871 (4065)

Alice Jane 1860 (4066)

7th Generation

Elizabeth Amelia 1863 (2703)

William John Paul 1865 (2704)

Rhoda Jane (Jeannie) 1867 (2705)

Alice Emily 1870 (2706)

Amy Mary Ann 1872 (2707)

George Walter 1873 (2708)

Henry (Hart) 1869 (4441)

Edwin (Hart) 1870 (4442)

Esau (Hart) 1871 (4443)

Ada (Hart) 1872 (4444)

Lillian (Hart) 1875 (4445)

Kate (Hart) 1878 (4446)

William J. (Page) 1870 (4439)

Emily R. (Page) 1875 (4438)

Harold Edmund (Page) 1883 (4069)

Emily Marion 1875 (2710)

Walter John 1876 (2711)

Eva Francis 1878 (2712)

Alice Jane 1880 (2713)

Edith Eliza 1881 (2714)

Charles Edwin 1883 (2715)

William Harold 1886 (4440)

Elsie Caroline 1886 (2716)

Elizabeth Amelia 1863 ⁽²⁷⁰³⁾ was baptised at St. John's, Chatham, Kent. She married Henry Mills Stowe **Seon** ⁽²⁷¹⁸⁾ on the 17th January 1884. Not much else is known except, Elizabeth died on the 4th October 1907 at 6 Rendell Place, Eden Terrace, Auckland, and Henry on the 4th April 1928 also at 6 Rendell Place, Auckland.

William John Paul 1865 ⁽²⁷⁰⁴⁾ who was the only one of this family to carry on the Fairhead name, also followed in that families tradition and became a Carpenter. He married Mary Maude **Bennet** ⁽²⁷¹⁹⁾ (b. 1874 in Auckland) in 1902 and they had the following family :-

Leslie William ⁽²⁷²⁰⁾	b	1903
Rhoda Maud ⁽²⁷²¹⁾	b	April 1914

William John died on the 20th July 1948 and Mary on the 7th December 1954.

Rhoda Jane (Jeannie) 1867 ⁽²⁷⁰⁵⁾ was baptised at Southend. She married Charles Edward **Mackie** (b.1865 Auckland) ⁽²⁷²²⁾ in 1887. He was decribed as a Photo-process Engraver. Charles died on the 18th October 1937 and Rhoda on the 23rd June 1924 and both are buried at Hillsborough, Auckland. They had the following family :-

Irene May (Mackie) ⁽⁶⁶²¹⁾	b	February 1888
Phyllis Rhoda (Mackie) ⁽⁶⁵⁵⁵⁾		
Stanley Charles (Mackie) ⁽⁶⁴⁴⁶⁾		
Madge Paula (Mackie) ⁽⁶⁴⁴⁵⁾	b	22 nd September 1898

Alice Emily 1870 ⁽²⁷⁰⁶⁾ married Rupert Howe **Sollitt** ⁽²⁷²³⁾ (b. 3.4.1870 in Station Rd, Strood, Kent) on the 3rd December 1891 in the house of her father William, in Palmerston North, NZ. Alice was born at Prittlewell, Rochford, Essex and baptised at St. John's, Southend. She died on the 24th June 1947 at 6 Massey St., Palmerston North. Rupert died on the 23rd June 1937 and at that time was at 11 Roy St. Palmerston North, both are buried at Kelvin Grove, Palmerston. They had the following family :-

Rhoda (Sollitt) ⁽⁴⁴⁵⁵⁾	b	17 th October 1892
Myrtle (Sollitt) ⁽⁴⁴⁵⁶⁾		
Frederick George William (Sollitt) ⁽⁴⁴⁵⁷⁾		
Frank Gambrell (Sollitt) ⁽⁴⁴⁵⁸⁾		
Dorothy (Sollitt) ⁽⁴⁴⁵⁹⁾	b	1905
George (Sollitt) ⁽⁴⁴⁶⁰⁾	b	April 1915
Rupert Edward Claude (Sollitt) ⁽⁴⁴⁶¹⁾		

Amy Mary Ann 1872 ⁽²⁷⁰⁷⁾ was baptised on the 27th Jun 1872 at St. John's, Southend and sadly only lived a short while, dying on the 25th August 1872.

George Walter 1873 ⁽²⁷⁰⁸⁾ also did not live for very long, as stated earlier, and died at the age of 11 months, on the voyage to New Zealand.

Emily Marion 1875 ⁽²⁷¹⁰⁾ married George **Wiggins** ⁽⁴⁰⁷¹⁾ (b abt 1882), a Carpenter, on the 14th February 1906.

Walter John 1876 ⁽²⁷¹¹⁾ married Annie Jane **Martin** ⁽⁴⁰⁷²⁾ (b abt 1876) on the 29th December 1898, at St John the Baptist, Southend. At this time he was a Plumber.

Eva Francis 1878 ⁽²⁷¹²⁾ married Leman **Robinson** ⁽²⁷²⁴⁾ (b 1870 Laneford, Bedfordshire) in 1896 in Marylebone, London, and it is from her great grandson Richard C. F. **Forty** that some of this information has been collected. Eva died in 1919 in Woking, Surrey. Leman was a Master Taylor; he died in 1961 in Wallingford. They had one daughter :-

Evelyn Emily (Robinson) ⁽⁴⁴⁶²⁾

Alice Jane 1880 ⁽²⁷¹³⁾ married Herbert Angelo **Chalk** ⁽⁴⁰⁷³⁾, a Bricklayer, on the 9th April 1901, at St. John the Baptist, Southend.

Edith Eliza 1881 (2714) married George Thomas **Pawley** (4074) (a 'traveller') on the 28th December 1904 at St. John the Baptist, Southend.

Charles Edwin 1883 (2715) married Bessie Ethel **Streek** (4075) on the 25th December 1906 at Prittlewell. Charles was a Ships Carpenter.

William Harold 1886 (4440) No record.

Edith Eliza 1886 (2716) married ? (6599) in 1908 in the Rochford District, Essex.

The 8th Generation.

Given below is the list of the 8th generation along with their parents of the 7th generation :-

7th Generation

Elizabeth Amelia 1863 (2703) & Henry Mills Stowe
(Seon) (2718)

William John Paul 1865 (2704) & Mary Maude
(Bennet) (2719)

Rhoda Jane (Jeannie) 1867 (2705) & Charles Edward
(Mackie) (2722)

Alice Emily 1870 (2706) & Rupert Howe (Sollitt) (2723)

Amy Mary Ann 1872 (2702)

George Walter 1873 (2703)

Emily 1875 (2710) & George (Wiggins) (4071)

Walter John 1876 (2711) & Annie Jane (Martin) (4072)

Eva Francis 1878 (2712) & Leman (Robinson) (2724)

Alice Jane 1880 (2713) & Herbert Angelo (Chalk) (4073)

Edith Eliza 1881 (2714) & George Thomas (Pawley) (4074)

Charles Edwin 1883 (2715) & Bessie Ethel (Streek) (4075)

William Harold 1886 (4440)

Edith Eliza 1886 (2714)

8th Generation

Leslie William 1903 (2720)

Rhoda Maud 1914 (2721)

Irene may (Mackie) 1888 (6621)

Phyllis Rhoda (Mackie) (6555)

Stanley Charles (Mackie) (6446)

Madge Paula (Mackie) 1898 (6445)

Rhoda (Sollitt) 1892 (4455)

Myrtle (Sollitt) (4456)

Frederick George William (Sollitt) (4457)

Frank Gambrell (Sollitt) (4458)

Dorothy (Sollitt) 1905 (4459)

George (Sollitt) 1915 (4460)

Rupert Edward Claude (Sollitt) (4461)

Evelyn Emily (Robinson) (4462)

Leslie William 1903 (2720) became a Motor Mechanic. He married Lillian Naysmith **Donald** (2725) in 1925 and they had one son :-

Allan Donald (2726)

b

9th May 1926

Auckland

Leslie died on the 12th September 1927 and Lillian outlived him till the 9th September 1977 and was cremated at Glendowie.

Rhoda Maud 1914 (2721) was born in April and only lived for a short time, dying on the 27th May 1914. She was buried at Purewa, Auckland.

The 9th Generation.

Given below is the list of the 9th generation along with their parents of the 8th generation :-

8th Generation

Leslie William 1903 (2720) & Lillian Naysmith (Donald) (2725)

Rhoda Maud 1914 (2721)

9th Generation

Allan Donald 1926 (2726)

Allan Donald 1926 (2726) married Sonia Muriel **Walsham** (2727) (b 5/7/1928) on the 22nd May 1951 at Holy Trinity, Auckland, and they had two sons :-

Roger Leslie (2728)	b	15 th November 1951
Peter Allan (2729)	b	21 st July 1953

Sonia died in 1981 and Allan has since remarried to Valerie Ralston **Dillner** (2730) in 1981. Allan's 2nd wife, Valerie also died in 2000, and Allan is now married for a third time to Carolyn **Scott** (5576).

The 10th Generation.

Given below is the list of the 10th generation along with their parents of the 9th generation :-

9th Generation

Allan Donald 1926 (2726) & Sonia Muriel (Walsham) (2727)

& Valerie Ralston (Dillner) (2730)

& Carolyn (Scott) (5576)

10th Generation

Roger Leslie 1951 (2728)

Peter Allan 1953 (2729)

Roger Leslie 1951 (2728) married Diane Elizabeth **Bray** (4463) (b 22/10/1951) in 1974 and they have a daughter :-

Sarah Jane (4464)

b

29th December 1976

Peter Allan 1953 (2729) married Margaret **Reese** (2441) (b 22/8/1951) in 1978, and has two daughters :-

Morgan Sonia (2442)

b

27th September 1981

Ashleigh Reese (3312)

b

18th January 1985
