





## Transcript from the front inner sleeves of a bible

Albert **Clarke** Born 1861 March 26th Jane **Roberts** Born 1863 Jan 16<sup>th</sup> Married at Bonvilstone Parish Church April 22<sup>nd</sup> 1889

Henry **Clarke** Born 1<sup>st</sup> of March 1890 Baptized at Bonvilstone

Annie Christina **Clarke** Born 24<sup>th</sup> of December 1892 Baptized at Pentrych

Henry Clarke confirmed at Llantrissant Parish Church April 14<sup>th</sup> 1904 by the Lord Bishop of Llandaff. Lewis prepared by Rev. H Williams vicar of

Pentrych.

First Communion May 1<sup>st</sup> 1904 Pentrych Parish Church Died Jan 24<sup>th</sup> 1965

Christina Annie Clarke confirmed by the Lord Bishop of Llandaff. Hugh's June 17<sup>th</sup> 1907 At St. Peter's Mission Church Gwaelodygarth Pentrych Prepared for confirmation by Rev. H Williams vicar of Pentrych First communion June 23<sup>rd</sup> at St Peter's 1907

Henry Clarke married to Annie **Goodacre** (second daughter of H. **Goodacre**. Morganstown) at the Parish Church Pentrych on Easter Monday April 13<sup>th</sup> 1914 being joined together by the vicar Rev H. Williams

Harvey died Jan 24<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> 1965 at Greentrees Hospital, Palmers Green Crematorium Jan 29<sup>th</sup> 65

Albert Henery **Clarke.** Born at Old Post Office, Taffs Well, March 2<sup>nd</sup> 1915 Baptised at Tongwynlais Church by the

Rev. H. Williams, vicar of Whitchurch

(late Pentrych)

# Passed away (by accident) Oct 26<sup>th</sup>, 1957, at Bridgend, cremated

Christina Annie Clarke married at Whitchurch Parish Church to Ernest Smith, youngest son of G. Smith, Milford Haven (Pern) May 24<sup>th</sup> 1916, being joined together by the vicar Rev. H. Williams (late Pentrych)

At the 43<sup>rd</sup> General Hospital Salonica of Gunshot wounds and pneumonia Pte Ernest Smith 44669. 28<sup>th</sup> September 1918 to rest with Christ. Greater love hath no man than this, he laid down his life for his country. Sept 13<sup>th</sup> 1920 Christina Annie Smith (widow of Pte. E. Smith) married to Bertie **Haselgrove-Spurin**, eldest son of A. Newton-**Spurin**, of Langley, Bucks at Eglwysilian Church.

July 9<sup>th</sup> 1921, Arthur **Spurin** born at Old Post Office, Taffs Well, Baptised at "St James" Church Taffs Well, by Rev. L.C. Simmons Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> 1923 **Infant daughter** of CA & B **Spurin** passed to eternal rest

Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 1923. Jane **Clarke** passed to her eternal rest with the Lord, buried Nov 12<sup>th</sup> at Taffs Well Cemetary

Oct 8<sup>th</sup> 1929. Leslie Eric **Spurin** born at "White House" James St. Treforest. Pontypridd Baptised at "St Peter's Church" Pentrych Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 29 Jane **Roberts** born Jan 16<sup>th</sup> 1863 Married to Albert **Clarke** at Bonvilstone Church March 26<sup>th</sup> 1861 April 1869

Maria **Roberts** born Sept 17<sup>th</sup> 1865 Married to William **Thomas** at Bonvilstone Church Decbr 1888

Joseph William **Roberts** born March 5<sup>th</sup> 1868 Married to L.M. **Bound** at St. Fagan's Church, June 1892

James **Roberts** Born Novbr 7<sup>th</sup> 1870 Married to Rose **Bouse** at. March 1891

John Edward **Roberts** born July 11<sup>th</sup> 1873 Married to Ada **Powell** at Lauria Church May 1893

Annie **Roberts** born July 8<sup>th</sup> 1876 Married to James **Morris** at Llanilterne

Elizabeth Esther **Roberts** born Novbr 9<sup>th</sup> 1879 Married to T.H. **Crockett** at Pentrych May 8<sup>th</sup> 1901

Alice Rebecca Sarah **Roberts** born May 12<sup>th</sup> 1882 Married to Geagi **Laing** at Llanilterne 1900

Joseph **Roberts** of ? married Octbr 17<sup>th</sup> 1861 to Catherine **Herbert** of Fairford Bath nr Cirencester

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John Edward **Roberts** died suddenly at Gilfach. Bargoed. June 28 1912

Joseph **Roberts** passed away March 20<sup>th</sup> 1916 (84)

Annie Morris passed away at Ynysybwl Dec 29<sup>th</sup> 1916

Jane **Clarke** passed away at Old Post Office Taffs Well Nov 8<sup>th</sup> 1923 Earth hath one mortal less, Heaven one angel more. (my mum)

Albert **Clarke** passed away at Pontypridd Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 1934 aged 73 interred at Taffs Well Nov 24<sup>th</sup> 1934 Peaceful, Calm & Still, in his narrow bed he's lying (my Dad)

Maria **Thomas**, Cardiff passed away Aug 1940 James **Roberts**, Capel passed away Feb 1940 Joseph **Roberts**, Taffs Well passed away Feb 1945

Stanley **Roberts**, Taffs well at Haifa Dec 1945 o a s Arthur **Spurin** married to Edith M **Stephens**, at Glytaf parish Church Sept 8<sup>th</sup> 1940

Leslie Eric **Haselgrove (Spurin)** 1951 married to Ray **Murray** (widow of L. Murray) March 17<sup>th</sup> 1952 at Pontypridd Bonnie Jeanette – born in Germany April 6<sup>th</sup> 1953, daughter of E & R Haselgrove

Richard Ernest born May 12<sup>th</sup> 1958

Penelope Louise born at Singapore Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1959

Harvey **Spurin** son of A and E **Spurin** born Dec 1<sup>st</sup> 1944, at Cardiff

Corbett Haselgrove son of Arthur & E. **Spurin** born Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 1950

Iris Cynthia – adopted daughter of Bertie & Christina **Spurin**, born Nov 26<sup>th</sup> 1930 Married Jan 1949 – Daughter Jennifer, June 26<sup>th</sup> 1949 Remarried March 17<sup>th</sup> W. **Dobrowski** of Poland. Daughters, Halina Marie Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 1955, Maureen June 23<sup>rd</sup> 1956 Patricia Angela, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1962 Jennifer **Dobrowski** married 1968 Steven **Bradbury** of Australia

Toni Halina born March 22<sup>nd</sup> 1969

Thought you might like to add a few bits to your family tree.

Starting with **Edward Charles Spurin**, b abt 1814. I think this may be Edward Charles Spurin, b 1809, bm 29/10/1809 at Gillingham, Kent, his parents being **John and Ann Spurin.** 

He married firstly **Mary Ann Mitchell**, and so far I have only found one child, **Edward William Spurin**, bm at Gravesend, Kent on 15/6/1851.

Mary died at St Georges Hanover Square, London in q4 1860.

Edward took a second wife, **Emma Maria Cooper**, a spinster. They were married in 1862. Emma was born at St Mary's Guildford abt 1831, being christened on 7/9/1831. Her parents were Capteels Cooper and Emma somebody.

Edward and Emma had two children, **Beatrice Emma Spurin** born abt 1863, and **Edith Gertrude Spurin** born in 1866. These are the two ladies who show up in the 1881 census, at school in Brighton.

Edward died in 1869.

Emma then married **Thomas Carter Wigg** in 1884. Thomas was originally a grocer,

who appears to have emigrated to Australia in 1852. However, he certainly graduated as a medic from Giessen University, Hesse, Germany in August 1858, aged about 40, was licensed to practice in the UK on 1/1/1859. Thomas then returned to Australia, and came back to the UK about 1879. His first wife **Eleanor Hart Gosker** died in Norfolk in 1880.

Thomas died at St Margaret's Bay, Dover in 1893.

Emma died at Southsea, Hampshire in 1900. Emma's estate was proved by her two son in laws **George Knight** and **Ernest Vickers**, see below.

Beatrice married **John Knight**, an auctioneer on 5/10/1866, and by 1901 they had had five children, **Edith, George, Edward, Gertrude and Richard**. In 1901 they were living at West St, Midhurst.

Edith married firstly **Ernest John Vickers**, born abt 1864 in New Zealand, on 21/4/1892. Ernest was a powder strength officer, later a superintendent, and was qualified as an engineer.

Ernest died, apparently childless, in 1915 at Kings Norton, Staffordshire.

Subsequently in 1918, Edith married William Jamieson Logie, a doctor from Glasgow, and they set up home at Graham Street, Falkirk, Stirlingshire where Edith died in 1933, and William died in 1950. They do not seem to have had any children. William came from a family that had its origins in farm labouring in Ayrshire, but his grandfather moved to Glasgow and became a foreman in a leather works. Building on this, William's father became a successful leather merchant, an occupation carried on by one of William's brothers. One of William's nephews was a post graduate student at Merton College, Oxford.

How Edith and William might have met is a bit of a mystery. However, Thomas Carter Wigg had a son of the same name who was also a doctor, and he practised in Derby at a time that relations of William were living in Derby in the vicinity of his residence. By another coincidence, a fatherless child, who was also a relative of William was born in Derby at this time. The child's father had drowned in a boating accident of Eigg.

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### Oxford Names Companion

Spurin - see Sperrin. So I saw Sperrin.

Sperrin English metonymic occupational names for a maker of spurs, from Middle English sperun spur (Old French (e)speron, of Germanic origin; cf Spohrer & Spurr)

For Spurnhead it gives;

E. R. Yorks Ravenserespourne 1399. From ME \*spurn ' a spur, a projecting piece of land' in the early spelling with the place name Ravenser which means 'sanbank of a man called Hrafn', OScand. Pers. Name +eyrr

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