

SKIDMORE LEAD MINERS OF DERBYSHIRE, AND THEIR DESCENDANTS 1600-1915

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Parrsboro families have been transferred to *Skydmore/ Scudamore Families of Wellow, Bath and Frome, Somerset, from 1440.*

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DATES

- Prior to 1752 the year began on 25 March (Lady Day). In order to avoid confusion, a date which in the modern calendar would be written 2 February 1714 is written 2 February 1713/4 - i.e. the baptism, marriage or burial occurred in the 3 months (January, February and the first 3 weeks of March) of 1713 which 'rolled over' into what in a modern calendar would be 1714.
- Civil registration was introduced in England and Wales in 1837 and records were archived quarterly; hence, for example, 'born in 1840Q1' the author here uses to mean that the birth took place in January, February or March of 1840. Where only a baptism date is given for an individual born after 1837, assume the birth was registered in the same quarter.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Databases of all known Skidmore and Scudamore bmds can be found at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com

PROBATE

A list of all known Skidmore and Scudamore wills - many with full transcription or an abstract of its contents - can be found at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com in the file Skidmore/Scudamore One-Name Study Probate.

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PRIVACY

The Skidmore/ Scudamore One-Name Study does not, as a matter of course, publish any biographical detail from approximately the last 100 years, unless with permission of descendants.

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INTRODUCTION

THE MOVE FROM SOMERSET TO DERBYSHIRE

Skidmore families arrived in the High Peak area of Derbyshire in the early 17th century and their descendants comprise the second largest branch of the UK family, accounting for about 18% of individuals bearing the name Skidmore¹. Their ancestors were in Somerset from the mid-15th century and have been admirably described in a piece by Warren Skidmore, *The Skydmore Family Of Chewton Mendip, Somerset, and Eyam, Derbyshire, 2007*². I have attempted here to pick up the family after its move to Derbyshire and describe descendants down to the beginning of the 20th century.

Thomas Skydmore, born around 1565, was the first of his name at Chewton Mendip, a son of Robert Skydmore of Dunkerton - both places in Somerset. Two of Thomas' sons, baptised at Chewton Mendip - Arthur in 1593 and Simon in 1600 - were probably the first Skidmores in Derbyshire where they became lead miners in the parish of Eyam. Lead was then mined in two main areas of England, around Chewton Mendip in Somerset and Eyam in Derbyshire. The miners in Somerset had devised a superior method of smelting lead with a fixed ore hearth on the ground. This greatly improved productivity and profits for the owners, and an increasing number of Somerset migrants, Arthur and Simon Skidmore among them, took the new process up to Derbyshire and did not return to Somerset.

The small village of Eyam is located in relative isolation deep in the heart of the Derbyshire Peak District, surrounded by a rugged landscape of limestone hills and dales. The parish church lies in the village and is dedicated to St Lawrence. Its parish registers survive from 1630 - unfortunately about 30 years after the first Skidmores arrived there. The 2006 transcript of these registers published on CD by Valerie Neal has been used for the purposes of this account (as have those for the parishes of Hope, Tideswell, Great Longstone and Stoney Middleton).

Richard Skidmore, the brother of Arthur and Simon, also had lead mining interests but was primarily a yeoman of Taddington parish in Derbyshire.

¹ A numerical analysis of the 1861 British census can be found at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com.

² This can be found at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com.



For the family historian, an understanding of the parishes in the area is useful. The High Peak Hundred of Derbyshire included only 11 ancient parishes, but some were very large and contained numerous townships.

Bakewell, All Saints. A CD prepared by Valerie Neal, containing a transcription of the parish registers of All Saints Church, which survive from 1642, has been used here, together with the Bishop's Transcripts to 1812 (kindly studied by Mrs Velma Skidmore).

A baptism or burial at Bakewell did not necessarily mean that the family lived in Bakewell village. The extensive parish of Bakewell comprised: the township of Bakewell itself; the townships of Blackwall, Brushfield, Calver, Curbar, Flagg, Froggatt, Over and Nether-Haddon, Harthill, Hassop, Little Longstone, Rowland, Great Rowsley, and part of Wardlow; besides the parochial chapelries of Ashford, Baslow, Beeley, Buxton, Chelmortton, Great Longstone (CD transcript used), Monyash, Sheldon and Taddington.

- Castleton** - including Edale.
- Chapel en le Frith** - including Bowden Edge, Bradshaw Edge and Combs Edge.
- Tideswell** - including Litton, Wheston and Wormhill. CD transcript used.
- Darley** - including Wensley & Snitterton.
- Edensor** - including Chatsworth and Pilsley.
- Youlgreave** - including Birchover, Elton, Gratton, Middleton & Smerrill, Stanton and Winster.
- Glossop** - including Charlesworth, Chinley, Bugsworth & Brownside, Chisworth, Chunall, Dinting, Hadfield, Hayfield, Ludworth, Mellor, New Mills, Padfield, Simmondley and Whitfield.
- Eyam** - including Foolow and Eyam Woodlands. CD transcript used.
- Hathersage** - including Bamford, Derwent, Outseats and Stoney Middleton.
- Hope** - including Abney & Abney Grange, Aston, Bradwell, Brough & Shatton, Fairfield, Fernilee, Grindlow, Hazlebadge, Highlow, Hope Woodlands, Great Hucklow, Little Hucklow, Nether Padley, Offerton, Stoke and Thornhill. CD transcript used.

and Peak Forest, an extra parochial liberty.

*The High Peak area (red) of Derbyshire (white)
From wikipedia*



*The High Peak area relative to surrounding
principle towns.*

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF SOME OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISHES MENTIONED IN THIS ACCOUNT.

EYAM [From: History of Derbyshire by David Peter Davies, 1811]

'A small village and parish, containing about 110 houses and 930 inhabitants.

In the Archdeaconry of Derby. Living a rectory; church dedicated to St. Helen.

The parish contains the hamlets of *Fowlow*, *Grindlow* and *Grindleford*, containing, together with the *Woodlands*, about 112 houses.'

WARDLOW

split between the parish of HOPE and the parish of LONGSTONE. Wardlow is a surprising place. In early days, when there was no church here, the village suffered the affliction of being part of two parishes. The main street marked the boundary between Longstone parish and Hope, and one side of the village was therefore in Hope parish, and the other in Longstone (or more usually in the records, Bakewell). The church deemed it as a 'lost place'; and it was said that 'Wardlow women scarcely could trudge the long Derbyshire miles to either church and the men seldom did!'

This apparently was a source of confusion at the 1871 census, even for the Census enumerator John OUTRAM, who, whilst not a native of the village, had lived in the village for some considerable time. He recorded the whole of the village together on the census returns, but then had to cross it all out and start again, recording the same households again, in two separate lists, one for 'Wardlow in the Parish of Hope', and the other for 'Wardlow in the Parish of Bakewell'.

Then in 1871 the Reverend Samuel ANDREW, vicar of Tideswell, taking an interest in the spiritual welfare of Wardlow's 180 inhabitants, decided there should be a church.

[from 1862 'Directory of Sheffield and 20 miles round']



HOPE [From: History of Derbyshire by David Peter Davies, 1811]

A small village, ... situated on the banks of the Derwent' ... 'is mentioned in Domesday 'as having a priest and a church in the time of Edward the Confessor'. ... 'The moors of Hope parish afford an extraordinary instance of the preservation of human bodies interred in them'.

Living a vicarage; church dedicated to St. Peter; patrons - the Dean and Chapter of Lichfield. In the Archdeaconry of Derby.

[Note: although Davies does not list them, the following townships were in the parish of Hope: Abney, Aston, Fernilee, Highlow, Great Hucklow, Little Hucklow, Offerton, Shatton, Stoke, Thornhill, Thornton.]

BAKEWELL [From: History of Derbyshire by David Peter Davies, 1811]

'The most extensive parish in Derbyshire. ... It contains 9 chapelries and several large hamlets, containing altogether about 1200 houses'.

The 9 chapelries were:

- Ashford 130 houses, 600 inhabitants, cotton spinning, agriculture, marble manufactory.
- Monsal Dale, 'a most pleasing sequestered retreat', is at a little distance to the west.
- Baslow 130 houses, hamlets of Bubnal, Froggat and Curbar.
- Beeley 60 houses, agriculture
- Calver and Rowland 110 houses
- Great Longstone 80 houses
- Great Rowsley 30 houses, agriculture
- Hassop
- Monyash 55 houses
- Taddington 70 houses

[description of Taddington from the 1857 trade directory for Derbyshire]

TADDINGTON and PRIESTCLIFFE form a joint township and chapelry, with Blackwell township annexed, together contain 2855 acres of land, principally limestone, and in 1851 had 117 houses and 488 inhabitants.

- + hamlet Upper Haddon 40 houses, mining
- + village of Wardlow 20 houses

In the Archdeaconry of Derby.

MIGRATIONS AWAY FROM EYAM AND TADDINGTON

Migrations to nearby Derbyshire parishes

One man is known to have moved from Eyam into the adjacent parish of Hope in the mid-17th century. Arthur Skidmore, numbered [8] in this account, who lived in Wardlow (in Hope parish), was born probably in the late 1610s or the 1620s. He had perhaps four sons, two of whom were baptised at Tideswell. It was probably his son Richard Skidmore who lived at Bradwell (in Hope parish). His grandson Samuel Skidmore, numbered [29] in this account, was a weaver in Monsaldale in the parish of Ashford and a non-conformist. The absence of non-conformist registers of the period means that a connected pedigree is not possible. It is likely that the Skidmore framework knitters found later in Ashford are descended from the Skidmores of Monsaldale.

The descendants of the Taddington Skidmores are also numerous. We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to Mrs Velma Skidmore who copied and transcribed sections of the Taddington registers, the early parts of which are barely legible. I have visited Matlock Record Office to recheck certain sections and have indicated in the text where the registers are especially difficult. Their descendants who moved into Great Longstone parish have been particularly difficult to sort into a pedigree; again, I have made this clear in the text.

Some of the Great Longstone families who did not remain there as farmers or farm workers found employment in the cotton mills of Litton and Cressbrook, Derbyshire, and Salford (now part of Manchester), Lancashire. Cressbrook is a village in the Peak District National Park in Derbyshire. Before its Enclosure Act of 1762 Cressbrook did not exist. It later grew up around a textile mill complex built alongside the River Wye, first by Richard Arkwright and then later by his son Richard, JL Philips and Brother Cotton Spinners and McConnel and Company. Until McConnel's period of ownership the village did not exist beyond a collection of buildings in the immediate vicinity of the mill. When McConnel's workforce objected to the quality of the housing available he took it upon himself to build the model village that became Cressbrook. Building started in the late 1830s, which is the time when some Skidmore families began working there.³

Migrations to Cheshire

The descendants of William Skidmore of Great Longstone (c.1762-1842) moved to the silk weaving factories of Macclesfield, Cheshire. Macclesfield was the centre of the silk weaving industry in Britain for many years, renowned for the skill of its designers and for its richly patterned woven fabrics. Charles Roe (1715-1781) built the town's first water-powered mill in 1774 and his entrepreneurship was the making of Macclesfield. Apart from William Skidmore's known descendants, two further men - Edward Skidmore (1781-1833) and William Skidmore (1793-1830) - both married in Cheadle in 1812 and were weavers in Stockport and in Macclesfield, Cheshire, but so far I have not been able to connect them to the Derbyshire families.

Migrations to Sheffield

By the end of the 17th century, sons of lead miners were being apprenticed in the nearby town of Sheffield, in the county of Yorkshire. John, son of miner Humphrey Skidmoor of Hucklow, numbered [17] in this account, was apprenticed in 1699 to Thomas Dungworth, a cutler of Stannington, Sheffield. This is the only documentary evidence of Humphrey Skidmore of which I am aware. His son John Skidmore died in Sheffield in 1707.

Sheffield lay in an area known locally as Hallamshire and was a commercial centre specialising in the cutlery trade. The Company of Cutlers of Hallamshire was established in 1624 by an Act of Parliament which gave it jurisdiction over

'all persons using to make Knives, Blades, Scissors, Sheeres, Sickles, Cutlery wares and all other wares and manufacture made or wrought of yron and steele, dwelling or inhabiting within the said Lordship and Liberty of Hallamshire, or within six miles compasse of the same'.

³ The history of Cressbrook can be found in the book *Behind The View — Life and times in Cressbrook, a Derbyshire Mill village*. This was written by and published by the Cressbrook Community association with the help of a grant from the Local Heritage Initiative, a Countryside Agency project.

By the time that the next Skidmores migrated to the town the Company numbered its members in the hundreds and was involved in the manufacture not only of cutlery but of other edge tools such as sheath knives, scissors, sickles and scythes. In 1758 Joseph Hancock introduced silver plating and this process was rapidly taken up in the town and also extensively used in the town of Birmingham.

John, Robert and (probably) Samuel Skidmore appear to have been the next Skidmores in Sheffield, all sons of Samuel Skidmore of Eyam and all involved in the edge-tool trade. These brothers married in Sheffield in the 1760s and have numerous descendants. Two sons of the Sheffield family emigrated to the United States around 1825, and much of their posterity is found in Utah and Idaho.

Of the four churches in the centre of Sheffield, the earliest is Sheffield Parish Church, dedicated to St Peter & St Paul, or the Holy Trinity. Throughout the following account I have referred to it by its later name of SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield to distinguish it from St Paul's Church built in 1740 in Norfolk Street⁴. A typed transcript at Sheffield Archives covers SS Peter & Paul's parish registers from 1560 to 1812 and additional information up to 1837 has been found at Sheffield Records Online.



Gosling's map of Sheffield in 1736

Gosling's map of 1736 shows a town which could be encompassed by a circle with a quarter of a mile radius, drawn from the Parish Church. The population increased so slowly, and the changes were so small, that this remained true of the later years of the 18th century.

According to Leader⁵

'There was no regularity in the frontages of the houses. These were not arranged, they simply occurred; built anyhow, according to the whim of their owners, with a contempt for symmetry which, however picturesque, was decidedly inconvenient. Thus the streets ran in-and-out, now severely contracted and anon straggling promiscuously. They were ill-kept and worse paved. The

gutters in the centre of the thoroughfares were usually constructed with sharply sloping sides, leaving, in the narrow lanes, but a scant margin of footpath, flagged, we are told, with old grindstones, or boulders of all sorts, and of any size except square. The streets being both irregular and filthy, much circumspection was required on the part of the pedestrian to avoid precipitation into the gutter; and in wet weather attention was liable to be distracted from his foothold by deluges descending from overhanging spouts. Slatternly housewives had, too, an inconvenient habit of throwing such garbage as was not left festering on their thresholds into the central channels to be swept away when the waters of Barker's Pool were let loose. Thus passers-by had a fair chance of being incommoded by these, or by horses or cattle or pigs suddenly emerging from entries. For even the central streets of the town – High Street, Fargate, Church Lane – were largely occupied by cutlers, with smithies in the yards and gardens behind. The better class had also stables and cowsheds, and humbler tenements swine-

⁴ St Paul's was closed in 1937 and demolished before WWII. St. James' Church, erected in 1788 in the Vicar's Croft and the Chapel at the Duke of Norfolk's Hospital, opened in 1777, complete the central Sheffield churches of the 18th century.

⁵ *The Highways and Byways of Old Sheffield*, a lecture delivered before The Sheffield Literary and Philosophical Society, 9 February 1906 by R. E. Leader.

hulls contiguous to the middens and well calculated to infect the adjacent wells. After the abandonment of the old practice of employing a swineherd to conduct the pigs to pasture in the woods, these animals found in the unscavenged streets a happy hunting ground, zest being added to their lives by frequent skirmishes with a much-derided and impotent pinder, against whom they and their owners waged perpetual war. The practice of feeding the pigs at troughs on the pavements did not increase the comfort of pedestrians, and, of course, at night, the oil lamps being few, dim, and distant, the streets were additionally perilous.'

Apprentices frequently lived in the houses of their masters and would accompany the family to church on Sundays. Incorporated in 1624, the Cutlers' Company was of paramount importance in the local government and trade of Sheffield from its foundation. Only Freemen of the Cutlers' Company were allowed to stamp a mark on their cutlery. To become a Freeman, men had to have served an apprenticeship under another Freeman and the apprenticeship had to have been recorded at the Cutlers' Hall. The Cutlers' Company also granted the marks: the cutlers were required to deposit copies of their mark punches at the Cutlers' Hall but, periodically, the Company instructed them to bring their working punches to the Hall, copies of which were then marked in new books. From 1875 the Company acted as a sub-office of the National Trade Marks Office.

There appear to have been a number of Skidmore families who were non-conformists in Sheffield and I have not been able to search registers in the second half of the 19th century, if indeed they still exist. I have made what I think are (I hope) intelligent guesses but always make this clear in the text.

Migrations to Nottinghamshire and Lincolnshire

Skidmore families from Eyam also appear in Nottinghamshire in the mid-18th century. Some moved into the town of Nottingham, where they were prosperous carriers, grocers and stocking makers.

It is possible that Derbyshire men also 'removed' and settled in the area which spans the north-eastern corner of Nottinghamshire and the Grantham area of Lincolnshire. My friend the late Warren Skidmore had a saying 'There is nothing so difficult to prove as a removal' and I have erred on the side of caution and described their farming descendants in Appendix 3 and Appendix 4 rather than the main body of the account. The link to the families in Derbyshire is not proven; Y-DNA testing of male descendants would be helpful in tying these people in to a known branch of the family. See www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com for information.

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In addition, thanks must be expressed to the many descendants who have sent me details of their own particular family. The Skidmore/ Scudamore One-Name Study does not, as a matter of course, publish any biographical detail from the last 100 years, unless with permission of descendants. This is a work in progress and I welcome additional information for consideration for future updates.

Readers with some experience of genealogy will know that it is not an exact science. It is likely that others will have additional information or an alternative interpretation of the information I have presented here. I am very happy to receive suggested amendments to this work.

I have placed the families in what I consider some kind of generational layout and in an order that reflects possible connections. Doubtless this will require modification in the light of future discoveries. I have provided an overview of this layout in Appendix 1. The said overview, together with the 'Derbyshire family tree' - published as a separate file on the Skidmore/ Scudamore One-Name Study website - I hope give some insight into the spread of this very large family.

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Family History and the Cutlers' Company Records

The Cutlers' Company records relate only to the internal business of the Company. The main group of documents which contain family details are its apprenticeship records. The most information these give are the names of the apprentices, their fathers' (occasionally mothers') names and occupations, the parish they came from and the dates of their apprenticeships. The records also give the name of the master, his craft and location, and the length of the apprenticeship. The records having this amount of information only cover the period of 1624-1814.

There are no apprenticeship records for the 19th or 20th centuries, but some Freedom records for the earlier part of the 19th century may contain brief biographical details. An alphabetical list of apprenticeships was published in 1906 by Robert Eadon Leader in 'The History of the Company of Cutlers in Hallamshire, Volume II.' There are copies at Sheffield Local Studies Library, at Sheffield Archives and online at http://history.youle.info/index_cut.html

APPRENTICESHIPS, THE CUTLERS' COMPANY

NAME OF APPRENTICE	FATHER	FATHER'S RESIDENCE*	FATHER'S OCCUPATION	APPRENTICED TO	MASTER'S RESIDENCE*	MASTER'S OCCUPATION	F = Freedom	
Skidmoor	John	son of Humphrey,	Hucklaw	miner	Thomas Dungworth	Stannington	cutler	12, 1699
Skidmore	William	son of William	Clayworth	husbandman	Joseph Wilde		shearsmith	8, 1761
Skidmore [or Skydman]	Robert	son of Samuel			George Beal	Stannington	scissorsmith	8-1, 1748, F. 1764
Skidmore	John	[1] son of Samuel			John Beal		scissorsmith	F. 1766
follows on same line:		[2] son of John			father		scissorsmith	F. 1792
Skidmore	Henry & James	sons of Richard,	Gt Longston	husbandman	George Bishop		scissorsmith and shearsmith	7-4, 1779, 7, 1783.
Skidmore	Thomas	[1] son of Thomas	Gt Longston		Charles Rawson		filesmith	7, 1787, F. 1795.
continues of same line:		[2] son of Robert		scissorsmith				F. 1796
Skidmore	William	[1] son of Josh.	London	tailor, dec.	William Green		knife maker	7, 1798
continues on same line		[2] son of William		grocer	Jon. Beet		knife maker	7, 1805
Skidmore	Richard	son of Elizabeth Bingham,	Clayworth		Benjamin Lowton		knife maker	7, 1797 or 1799
Skidmore	George & Joseph	sons of Robert			father		knife maker and scissorsmith,	F.1791, F.1799
Skidmore	Simon, scissorsmith,							F. 1756.
follows on same line:	John	son of Simon		button maker	Jos. Wood		knife maker	7, 1797
Skidmore	Edmund	son of Simon		buttonmaker	George Wolstenholme		knife maker	7, 1803

GENERATION 1

For the purposes of this account, Thomas Skydmore the elder of Chewton Mendip is considered Generation 1. DBY is the code assigned by the Skidmore/ Scudamore One-Name Study to those descendants from the family at Wellow, Somerset who moved to Derbyshire. Hence Thomas Skydmore the elder has the code DBY [1].

DBY [1]. THOMAS¹ SKYDMORE the elder, the first of his name at Chewton Mendip, Somerset, was born perhaps about 1565, a son of Robert Skydmore of nearby Dunkerton. He married and had issue baptised at Chewton Mendip, but seems to have died either elsewhere or intestate.

No mention has been found of him in the surviving index to probates, nor in the file of early copies of the wills lost in 1942 collected by the Somerset Record Office. However, his son Richard asked to be buried in the church at Taddington 'as near conveniently be to the buriall place of my Ancestours', suggesting that Thomas and his wife were buried there.

Children of Thomas Skidmore, baptised at Chewton Mendip⁶,

- i. Joan [Johane], baptised 1 July 1588. Probably died young.
- ii. Simon, baptised 1 November 1590 (twin). He was buried 21 October 1595.
- WLW 18a.iii. ROBERT, of Chewton Mendip, baptised 1 November 1590 (twin).
REMAINED AT CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET, FARMER
- DBY 3. iv. ARTHUR, baptised 4 August 1593.
SETTLED AT EYAM, DERBYSHIRE, LEAD MINER
- v. Richard, buried 16 October 1595.
- DBY 4. vi. RICHARD.
SETTLED AT TADDINGTON, DERBYSHIRE, YEOMAN & LEAD MINER
- vii. Thomas (probably). He married Agnes Von [perhaps Vaughan?] on 24 November 1617 at Chewton Mendip, who is probably the Agnis Skidmore buried there on 6 April 1626. Baptisms of children of this marriage have not been found at Chewton.
- DBY 5. viii. SIMON, baptised December 1600⁷.
SETTLED AT EYAM, DERBYSHIRE, LEAD MINER
- ix. Mary, baptised 11 October 1601. She is probably the lady of this name buried 11 April 1626.
- x. Joan, baptised 29 January 1602/3, and buried on 9 April 1603 at Chewton Mendip.
- xi. George, baptised 11 February 1605/6. Nothing further known.

⁶ Extracts from register of Chewton Mendip (1554-1689) have been made by Mrs Velma Skidmore of Manhattan, Kansas, using microfilm (no. 1526507) from the Family History Library at Salt Lake City. The earliest registers are in wretched condition. They were read by Mrs Skidmore through to 1689 (an enormous chore), together with what survives of the Bishop's Transcripts for the parish.

⁷ This name is impossible to read, but the surviving smudges look more like Simon than any other likely alternative.

GENERATION 2

THE FAMILY IN CHEWTON MENDIP, SOMERSET, descendants of Thomas' eldest surviving son Robert Skidmore.

WLW 18a. **ROBERT² SKIDMORE**, the eldest surviving son of Thomas [1], was baptised on 1 November 1590 (a twin) at Chewton Mendip. He had a lease for three lives of a certain messuage there (containing only a half acre) from Philip Bridges of Ston Easton on 17 June 1619. At the time of his death in 1634 he was a copyholder at Stock Hill in Chewton Mendip with a house 'newly builded by me'. He married Mary, perhaps a daughter of _____ Lane, who apparently survived him. His will, dated 1 May (and proved 2 July) 1634, gives his occupation as 'mineral man', and named his brother-in-law William Lane as one of the overseers of his estate. He was buried in the churchyard at Chewton Mendip on 20 May 1634.

Children of Robert and Mary Skidmore, baptised and buried at Chewton Mendip,

- i. Thomas, baptised 22 January 1612/13. He was buried 4 May 1616.
- ii. Mary, eldest surviving child. She was baptised 29 January 1616/7 and was living on 17 June 1619 when she (as the first child then born) was named as the third party with her parents in the tripartite lease for three lives from Philip Bridges. She died an infant soon after.
- iii. Mary, baptised 15 September 1620. She married Morgan Hopkins on 5 February 1641/2.
- 21a. iv. **JAMES³**, probably the eldest surviving son, of the Burrough in Wedmore, Somerset. He was a minor at his father's death, and he and his brother Lewis were 'to be put to be apprentices' according to their father's will. He married firstly Jane Hooper by whom he had a son. James Skidmore the elder then married secondly Christian Taylor on 3 February 1652/3 at Wedmore. James Skidmore seems to have disappeared from Wedmore after 1657, and no probate has yet been found for him. He appears to have moved with his children to Henbury in Gloucestershire.

A son of James and Jane (Hooper) Skidmore,

- i. James, baptised 19 May 1650 at Wedmore. He died young.

Children of James and Christian (Taylor) Skidmore, as known, baptised at Wedmore,

- ii. James, baptised 18 November 1653. He was living in 1677 when he was remembered in the will of his uncle Lewis Skidmore. He was perhaps the James *Scudymore* buried at St Mary's, Henbury on 8 June 1692.
- iii. Robert, baptised 31 January 1654/5. Buried at Wedmore on 7 November 1657.
- iv. Lewis, baptised 2 April 1657. He was living in 1677. He died in 1691 and was buried at Henbury on 18 September.
- 23a. v. **THOMAS⁴ SCUDAMORE**. His baptism has not been found but he is mentioned in the will of his uncle in 1677. He appears to have married Mary Cook at Henbury on 7 April 1684. She was perhaps the Mary Skidmore buried at Henbury on 26 August 1705. He was perhaps the Thomas *Scudimore* buried there on 12 December 1725.

Children of Thomas and Mary (Cook) Scudamore, baptised at Henbury,

- i. George, baptised 18 January 1684/5.
- ii. Thomas, baptised 18 October 1686. He was buried at Henbury on 12 March 1689/90, 'son of Thomas Scudamore'.
- iii. Thomas, baptised 30 April 1695.
- iv. James, baptised 27 March 1699.
- v. Mary, baptised 5 May 1701.
- vi. Sarah, baptised 12 October 1703. She was presumably the Sarah Skidmore buried at Henbury on 28 August 1705.
- vi. Mary, living 1677.
- v. Lewis. He was a blacksmith who married but had no surviving children. He died at Almondsbury,

Gloucestershire, leaving a will dated 31 July 1677 (and proved at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on 17 October 1677⁸) naming his sister *Elnor Hulbard* sole executrix. He left one shilling apiece to his wife (unfortunately not named), his brother James, and Lewis, Thomas and Mary the three children of his brother James. His brother was left his anvil, bellows and other tools of his trade. Alice Morgan received two beds and bedsteads, all his household goods, his mare, a ewe, twenty lambs and his hay. His two houses in Kingshill in the parish of Nailsea passed to his sister Eleanor wife of Edward Hulbard of Wigton, Somerset. His sister also had 'all the rest of my chattels after the decease of my wife' after which they passed to his nephew Richard Dore. Richard Dore contested his uncle's will in the matter of the two houses at Kingshill⁹.

- vi. Grace. She married Richard Dore on 25 November 1639 at Chewton Mendip. Surviving children James, Richard, John, Sarah, Grace and ?Angell.
- vii. Elinor, baptised 3 November 1622. She married widower Edward Hulbert [Hulbard] of Weston, Somerset on 14 July 1664 at Walcot, Somerset. She died his widow, leaving a will dated 2 November 1687 (proved at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury on 13 March 1690¹⁰) in which she left one shilling to her sister Grace Dore the wife of Richard Dore, and one shilling apiece to her nephews James, Richard and John Dore, nieces Sarah, Grace and ?Angell Dore. The same sum was bequeathed to Lewis, Thomas and Mary, children of brother James Skidmore, and to James' son James Skidmore she left the fifteen shillings which he owed to her. Her son-in-law (stepson) Edward Hulbard was her executor and received all her chattels at Kingshill in the parish of Naylsey (Nailsea) during the lifetime of nephew James Skidmore and niece Mary Skidmore. Her stepson John Hulbard received one bed and bedstead and the rest of her 'household stuff', Anne Hulbard wife of John Hulbard one gold ring and Edward Hulbard son of John Hulbard twenty shillings in money. The will was witnessed by Edward Willams [sic], Thomas James and Elizabeth Hulbard.

23b. WILLIAM⁴ SCUDAMORE of Henbury, whose baptism has not been found. He does not appear in the will of Lewis Skidmore (brother of James [6]), proved in 1677.

Children of William Scudamore, baptised at Henbury,

- i. John, baptised 25 January 1676/7.
- ii. William, baptised 27 April 1679 and buried 21 September 1679, 'son of William Scudimore'.

NOTES

Nailsea, Somerset

Baptism	1653	Thomas	son of George Skidmore
Burial	1651	Francis	son of John Skidmore

St Mary's, Henbury, Gloucestershire.

Henbury, now part of northern Bristol, was historically a very large parish. It extended to the River Severn and included King's Weston, Lawrence Weston, Charlton, Easter Compton, Pilning, Northwick and Aust. The registers of the parish church, dedicated to St Mary the Virgin, survive from 1582.

Parish registers for the years 1583-1711:

Such parts of Source film 1565821 that can be searched at www.familysearch.com are given here. Burials at Henbury not mentioned in the text were: Mary Skidmore, buried 26 August 1705; Mawrice Skidmore, buried 1 March 1709/10; Mary Skidmore, buried 24 February 1717/8.

Parish registers for the years 1711-1761:

Enquiries of Bristol Record Office revealed that they hold a transcript and index of baptisms at St Mary, Henbury for the period 1711-1761, and within there is noted a confirmation of an Anne Scudamore on 15 September 1757.

Parish registers for the years 1754-1837: The Bristol and Avon Family History Society (BAFHS) have compiled an index to all of the parishes within the Anglican Diocese of Bristol for the period 1754-1837. There are no relevant entries for the names Skidmore/ Skydmore/ Scudamore etc., up to c. 1780.

⁸ PROB 11/355.

⁹ Richard Dore v. Edward Hulbert: Two houses at Kingshill, in the parish of Nailshey (Somerset), ... Skidmer alias Skidner (late of the parish of Almondesbury (Gloucester)), blacksmith, died possessed of. Touching the last will, &c., of said Lewis, of which Elianor Hulbert (defendant's aunt) was executrix, and the last will and testament of said Elianor, &c., Records of the Exchequer 13 February 1693 - 12 February 1694, Reference: E 134/5WandM/Mich33, Litigation, Wills and probate. Found in the calendars of the National Archives, original not seen.

¹⁰ PROB 11/398/473.

Baptisms	1676/7	Jan 25	John	son of William Scudamore
	1679	Apr 27	William	son of William Scudamore
	1684/5	Jan 18	George	son of Thomas and Mary Scudamore
	1686	Oct 18	Thomas	ditto
	1695	Apr 30	Thomas	ditto
	1699	Mar 27	James	ditto
	1701	May 5	Mary	ditto
	1703	Oct 12	Sarah	ditto
Confirmation	1757	Sep 15	Anne Scudamore	
Burials	1679	Sep 21	William	son of William Scudimore
	1689/90	Mar 12	Thomas	son of Thomas Scudamore
	1691	Sep 19	Lewis Scudamore	
	1705	Aug 26	Mary Skidmore	
	1705	Aug 28	Sarah	
	1709/10	Mar 1	Mawrice Skidmore	
The years 1711-1780, from the transcript and index of burials held at Bristol Record Office,				
	1717/8	Feb 24	Mary Skudimore	
	1725	Dec 12	Thomas Scudimore	
	1726	Dec 8	Thomas Scudmor	

There is no transcript of marriages for St Mary's, Henbury for the period prior to 1754. This account will no doubt need to be updated following a check of marriages, verification of births and baptisms, and a search of adjacent parishes.

THE FAMILY IN DERBYSHIRE, descendants of Thomas' younger sons Arthur, Richard and Simon Skidmore.

3. ARTHUR² SKIDMORE, the second son of Thomas [1] of Chewton Mendip, was baptised there on 4 August 1593. He appears to have been the first of his name in Derbyshire where he **became a lead miner in the parish of Eyam**. He died at Eyam, untimely it would seem, before 15 July 1629 when an inventory totaling £30 6sh 4d was taken of his estate by John Sheldon¹¹, Thomas Wilson, and Thomas Cowper of that place. Appraised were his purse, apparel, a grey mare, two kyne, a heifer, a weaning calf, saucers, basins, kettles, pots, sheets, blankets, chairs and an acre of grass. His inventory also mentions debts due from Thomas Willson and John Andrews. The administration on his estate was granted a week later on 22 July 1629 to his widow Anne (or Annis) Skydmore; Simon Skydmore of Eyam (doubtless his brother) became her bondsman. Anne Skydmore remained Arthur's widow and was buried at Eyam on 2 April 1654.

Children of Arthur and Ann Skidmore,

7. i. THOMAS.
- ii. Robert, baptised 19 December 1620 at St Peter's, Hope.
- iii. Ellen. She married Francis Thornley of Eyam on 8 October 1638 at Eyam and they had a son Abraham who died in 1652. She was buried as his wife on 28 June 1657 at Eyam. Thornley married secondly Elizabeth Chapman, a widow, and had a number of children by his wife who died of the plague at Eyam in 1666.
8. iv. [probably] ARTHUR, born about 1620.

4. RICHARD² SKYDMORE, known from his will to have been a brother of Simon Skidmore, hence a son of Thomas Skidmore [1] of Chewton Mendip, Somerset. His daughter Dorothy married in 1646, his eldest son in the mid-1650s. Hence, it is likely that some of his children were born in the 1620s, which places his own birth in the 1590s or 1600s. He requested in his will to be buried in the church at Taddington 'as neer conveniently be to the buriall place of my Ancestours', suggesting that his parents were buried there.

¹¹ 7 Oct 1617 Hercules Furnis died owing debts to, amongst others, John Sheldon. John Sheldon was an appraiser named on the following other (known) inventories at this time: 10 Aug 1620 William Bennett of Goderidge in the parish of Eyam; 6 Jan 1622/3 George Skinner alias Thornleye of Eyam, husbandman; 30 Jul 1631 Philip Townend of Fooloe in the parish of Eyam; 1 Oct 1638 Thomas Dakin of Eyam, clerk; 24 Oct 1638 Robert Morten of Foolowe in the parish of Eyam (John Sheldon shown as yeoman of Eyam).

He became a substantial yeoman at Taddington. Dr David Skidmore suggests that the acquisition of land occurred after 1633, since he is not mentioned in the list of freeholders in Taddington or nearby Priestcliffe at that date¹². In 1658 he purchased from Thomas and Richard Foxlowe of Taddington 'land near Mr Eyre and Robert Innocent'¹³. He held a freehold house and lands called the Shippons, and another house known as Staley House¹⁴.

His will was dated 5 May 1660, but was not proved until 6 August 1661 and it is clear from his inventory that he had both farming and lead mining business interests. He mentions his 'groves and meares of ground', and it is clear that if he did not mine lead himself he did own some seams that were otherwise worked. Richard Skydmore was survived by his wife Elizabeth (who was buried on 23 January 1665/6 at Taddington) and the six children remembered in his will.

Children of Richard and Elizabeth Skidmore,

Baptisms presumably took place at St Michael's, Taddington, but the surviving registers do not commence until 1642.

9. i. RICHARD, born perhaps in the mid-1620s.
10. ii. JOHN.
- iii. [perhaps] George who married and had a daughter
 - i. Grace, baptised 2 November 1649 at Taddington¹⁵.
- iv. [presumably] Elizabeth. She married [_____] Oldfield, and was left £10 in the will of her father, which was to be paid to her within three years of his death.
- v. Margaret. She was left £10 in the will of her father, and her children (unnamed) were left 20sh in the will of their grandfather.
- vi. Helen. She married [_____] Knowles, by whom she had a son Thomas Knowles (who perhaps married Sarah _____ and was buried at Taddington 1670) remembered in the will of his grandfather.
- vii. Dorothy. She married Edward Rowland on 7 February 1645/6 at Taddington. On 2 February 1661/2 the Rowlands had a daughter christened, as did her brother John Skidmore and his wife Margery. Edward Rowland was buried at Taddington 2 January 1676/7 'pater familias', his widow on 8 December 1680.
Children, as known - Elizabeth 1646, an infant d.1649, Thomas 1650, William 1652, an infant 1655, a daughter 1656, Edward 1657, Dorothy 1660, Mary d.1660, Ellen 1662, Anna 1664, Rebecca 1666-71, Sarah 1668, Margaret d.1672.

5. SIMON² SKIDMORE, the son of Thomas [1] of Chewton Mendip, was baptised there in December 1600. He went to Eyam along with his brother Arthur and was left 20sh in the will of Richard Skidmore [5] of Taddington in 1660. He married Elizabeth Eyre at Bakewell on 8 September 1619, where they are called 'both of this parish'. She was buried at Eyam on 13 June 1660, Simon Skydmore on 14 March 1662/3.

¹² 1633 Freeholders. At Taddington - Elizeus Dicken, Ricardus Foxlowe, Robertus Innocent, Johannes Newton, Robertus Bagshawe, Thomas Buxton, Henricus Bootll, Edwardus Jackson, Rogerus Harrison, Willelmus Bretnor. At Prestcliffe - Willelmus Dakyn, Johannes Wilson, Henricus Eaton, Rogerus Wibbersley, Radulphus Lees. At Eyam - Thomas Bray, Nathaniell Middleton, Ricardus Gregorie. http://youle.info/history/fh_material/freeholders_1633.

¹³ These were deeds offered for sale by James Coleman, a dealer, of Tottenham, Middlesex who published catalogues of old documents from 1859 to 1894. [This is all the information given in his catalogues nos. 195/items 92,170 and 231/item 295. These codes are not recognised at Derbyshire and Sheffield Record Offices].
195/92 Deed between Thomas and Richard Foxlowe of Taddington, co. Derby, and Richard Skidmore of Taddington, for land near Mr Eyre and Robert Innocent in Taddington. 1658.

¹⁴ Staley House was presumably associated with Richard and Alice Staley mentioned in a case in the Court of St Chamber in 1591:

In Trinity Term, 33 Elizabeth [June 1591], Richard Sheldon of Taddington, in Bakewell, co Derby, complainant, sheweth that about 1 and 2 Philip and Mary [1554-55] his father John Sheldon, bought of Richard and Alice Staley certain lands etc in Monyash and Flagg co Derby, the premises being conveyed through one Henry Sheldon, a younger son of the said John, in trust, to the end that the said Henry should assure them to the said John, his father; and in 4 and 5 Philip and Mary [1557-58], the said Henry did assure the said premises by deed to his said father, John Sheldon, who thus became fully possessed thereof.

¹⁵ Note this is found on the CD transcript of Taddington registers, but is not found in the Bishop's Transcripts, nor are George and Grace found in other records.

Children of Simon and Elizabeth (Eyre) Skidmore, as known,

11.
 - i. GEORGE, of Eyam.
 - ii. Mary, buried 29 March 1633 as 'a daughter of Simon Skydmore'.
 - iii. Anne, buried 20 March 1645 as a daughter of 'Symon and Elizabeth Skidmore'.
 - iv. [perhaps] Mary. She married George Parks (died 1701), a widower of Wardlow, on 29 July 1673 at Stoney Middleton, Derbyshire. This is the only mention of the name Skidmore in the births, deaths or marriages of Stoney Middleton between 1663 and 1841(baptisms) , 1663-1862 (burials & marriages).

NOTES

Warren Skidmore noted in Chancery Depositions, C.21/B27/23 Thomas SCUDMORE (sic), ironmonger, age 21 at Duffield in 1624. Duffield is a large parish in Derbyshire whose register, which begins in 1598, needs to be checked, as should any suit of 1624 which might exist.

GENERATION 3

7. **THOMAS³ SKYDMORE** of Eyam, born about 1615-20, was the son of Arthur [3] and Anne Skydmore. On 31 August 1640 at Eyam he married Anne Allyn, a daughter of Anthony Allyn.

Eyam suffered heavily from the great plague of 1666 which is said to have been introduced into the parish in a box of materials sent up from London to a tailor at Eyam. A servant who opened the box complained that the contents were still damp and was told to put them by the fire to dry out. He was the first to die and had infected the tailor's family from whom the distemper spread to the entire community¹⁶.

Thomas Skydmore had died earlier at Eyam, buried there on 4 August 1657. The widow Skydmore was assessed on one hearth (see Appendix 3). She was buried at Eyam on 24 June 1666, a few days after the deaths of her daughter Mary and her son Anthony of the plague.

Children of Thomas and Ann (Allyn) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

14. i. ARTHUR, baptised 23 May 1641.
- ii. Richard, baptised 25 December 1642. He was buried an infant on 12 January 1642/3.
- iii. Mary, baptised 15 March 1645/6. She was buried an infant on 21 May 1647.
- iv. Mary, baptised 19 March 1648. She was buried on 17 June 1666 of the plague as a daughter of Anne Skydmore, widow. Her mother followed her in death a few days later.
- v. Elizabeth, baptised 13 May 1649.
- vi. John, baptised 21 March 1650/1. He was buried 11 September 1670 at Eyam.
- vii. Thomas, baptised 11 April 1652. He was buried an infant on 8 November 1653.
- viii. Francis, baptised 2 October 1653. He was buried an infant on 18 May 1656.
- ix. Anthony, baptised 27 April 1656. He had his name from his maternal grandfather, and was buried on 12 June 1666, a victim of the plague.

8. **ARTHUR³ SKYDMORE** of Wardlow, Derbyshire. His baptism (probably in the late 1610s or early 1620s) has not been found but he is presumably a grandson of Thomas [1] of Chewton Mendip. He had at least two children baptised at St John the Baptist, Tideswell, the first in 1646. He was living in Wardlow in the 1660s - Arthur Scudmore of Wardlow paid £1 at Easter Roll in 1658¹⁷ and was assessed on one hearth there between 1662-70¹⁸.

The Tideswell baptism register did not record the name of Arthur Skidmore's wife but it appears he married a lady called Ellen _____, who was buried at St Giles', Great Longstone, as the wife of Arthur Skidmore of Worldlow, on 1 November 1679¹⁹.

Presumed sons of Arthur Skidmore, baptised at Tideswell,

15. i. NICHOLAS, perhaps the [unnamed] infant of Arthur Skidmore baptised at Tideswell on 1 July 1646.

¹⁶ An excellent account of the suffering in the parish will be found in William Wood's *History and Antiquities of Eyam*; with a minute account of the Great Plague which desolated that village in the year 1666. (3rd edition, 1859).

¹⁷ See <http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/eng/DBY/Hope/Notes/ChapterVIII.html>

¹⁸ From <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~glossopfamily/hearthtax.htm>. 'The Hearth Tax is a useful source because it lists the names of some of the householders living in a given place at that time. It does not list all people, or even all heads of household, but can give some idea of common surnames in a locality,The Derbyshire Record Society produced a book in 1982 called "Derbyshire Hearth Tax Assessments 1662-70" edited by David Edwards which, although out of print, can be found in some reference libraries. David Edwards kindly gave permission for Derbyshire GENUKI to reproduce some of his work. In the online index are included Arthur Skidmore of Wardlow and Richard Skidmore of Taddington and widow Skidmore of Eyam.

¹⁹ The registers of St Giles, Great Longstone, survive from February 1641. The transcript published on CD by Valerie Neal has been used for this account.

16. ii. RICHARD, baptised 19 August 1648.
 iii. [presumably] Anthony. Anthony Skidmore of Wardlow died at about the same time as Richard [16] and was buried at St Giles', Great Longstone on 24 April 1685.
17. iv. [perhaps] HUMPHREY⁴. A son,
 i. John, born about 1685. Boys were normally apprenticed at around the age of 14 and John, son of miner Humphrey Skidmore of Hucklow²⁰, was apprenticed in 1699 to Thomas Dungworth, a cutler of Stannington, Sheffield. This is the only documentary evidence of Humphrey Skidmore of which I am aware. His son John Skidmore died in Sheffield in 1707. There is no evidence that John Skidmore married; the Skidmore men who appear in Sheffield 60 years later came from Eyam.

9. RICHARD³ SKIDMORE of Taddington, elder son of Richard [4], was left his father's house and lands at the Shippons, and in addition (after the death of the widow) a house and lands called Staley House, and still another house and lands purchased from a Mr Eyre. He had deeds at Taddington in 1666 and 1668²¹, and was assessed on two hearths in 1670²². He was buried there on 22 November 1675. His widow Margaret Skidmore was buried at Taddington on 4 October 1684 and administration of her estate was granted 3 March 1684/5 to her son John Skidmore.

Children of Richard and Margaret Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

- i. William, baptised 10 June 1656 (as a son of Richard Skidmore and 'Margareta uxoris'). *Richard* son of Richard and Margaret Skidmore was buried an infant on 4 April 1657.
18. ii. GEORGE, baptised 22 November 1657 son of Richard and *Mary* Skidmore. He had an illegitimate son William by Alice Stafford. George appears to have died, perhaps elsewhere, after 1679 and perhaps before 1685 when he as eldest son would have been expected to accept administration of his mother's estate.
 i. William, baptised as William (*surname Stafford*) 5 February 1678/9 at Taddington, of whom nothing more is known in Taddington.
19. iii. JOHN, baptised 24 November 1658.
20. iv. SIMON, baptised in February 1659/60.
 v. Elias, baptised in January 1662/3, buried 26 January 1668/9 on the same day as his uncle John Skidmore.
 vi. Arthur, baptised 18 September 1664. He married Mary Moulton at All Saints', Bakewell on 11 June 1688. Mary the wife of Arthur Skidmore was buried at Taddington on 14 August 1725. He married secondly Ruth Brassington on 9 October 1726 at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton. Arthur Scudamore of Taddington was buried there on 9 February 1728/9.
 vii. Nehemiah, baptised 15 July 1666.

10. JOHN³ SKIDMORE of Taddington was left £20 (but no land) in the will of his father, Richard [4]. He married Margery _____ by 1661 and was buried in January 1668/9 at Taddington, 'pater familias'. Nothing further is known of his widow but his children lived in Tideswell, which is about 5 miles north of Taddington.

Children of John and Margery Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 2 February 1661/2. She married George Lomas on 7 April 1687 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell, Derbyshire and had presumably died by 1746, when her husband (or perhaps son) was mentioned in the will of her sister Margaret.

²⁰ Great Hucklow is a small village in the Derbyshire Peak District, under Hucklow Edge between the villages of Tideswell and Bradwell. The area is now mainly agricultural, but the village was formerly a centre of the Derbyshire lead mining industry. The lead vein or rake outcrops to the surface to the west of the village and dives under the rocks of Hucklow Edge on the western side of the village where an adit, known as Milldam Mine, has recently been reopened by Glebe Mines Ltd that connects the various deep mines that had formerly been dug along the edge. This mine is being worked for fluorspar, which is frequently found associated with lead in the vein. Wikipedia.

²¹ [The location of these deeds has been lost - the codes are not recognised at Matlock and Sheffield Record Offices]. 231/295 Deed between Thomas Wibersley of Hardwick Hall, co. Derby, and Richard Skidmore of Taddington. 1666. 195/170 Deed between Richard Robinson and Richard Skidmore, both of Taddington, for land in Taddington. 1668.

²² Derbyshire Hearth Tax Assessments, 1662-70, edited by David G. Edwards. (Derbyshire Record Society, 1982), 20. The usual tax was on a single hearth.

- ii. Mary, baptised 19 May 1664.
- 21. iii. NATHANIEL, of Tideswell, baptised 18 November 1666.
- iv. Margaret, baptised 14 March 1668/9 (posthumous), called a 'daughter of Margery Skidmoor, widow'. She appears to have married George Oldfield at St John the Baptist, Tideswell on 1 May 1690. Margaret Oldfield, widow of Tideswell 'aged and infirm', left a will dated 2 January 1746/7. Probate was granted at Bakewell on 19 April 1755 to her kinsman and executor John Skidmore of Tideswell. He was left her house in Tideswell where she lived at the time of her death, and all her personal estate, after the payment of legacies to Thomas Swindel of Northwych in Cheshire and Margaret Nadin of Alstonfield in Staffordshire, widow; George Skidmore of Taddington, John Skidmore of Grindlow (a place 2 miles NE of Tideswell) and George Lomas of Tideswell (her brother-in-law, or perhaps his son). The John Skidmore kinsman of Tideswell could be an unknown son of her brother Nathaniel. The legatees appear to be children of her cousins John [19] and Simon [20]. I have not yet been able to identify Thomas Swindel of Northwych.

11. GEORGE³ SKIDMORE, son of Simon [5], married Katherine Simson on 12 May 1653 at Eyam. He died in Eyam and was buried there on 22 December 1666. His wife was buried as 'old Catherine Skydmore, widow' on 13 September 1696.

Children of George and Catherine (Simson) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- 24. i. SIMON, baptised 5 February 1653/4.
- 25. ii. JOHN, baptised 25 March 1654/5.
- iii. Anne, baptised 15 June 1656. About 1680 she married her kinsman Arthur Skidmore [14], as his second wife, and was living in 1728 (called Anne Skidmore) when she was left a guinea in the will of her brother John Skidmore (who also remembered her son Samuel Skidmore). She died in 1731 and was buried at Eyam on 6 February.
- iv. Richard, baptised 2 October 1658. He was buried an infant on 27 June 1659.
- v. Elizabeth, baptised 9 June 1660. She was buried an infant on 21 August 1660.
- vi. Ezra, baptised 13 October 1661. He was buried on 28 March 1662.
- 26. vii. GEORGE, baptised 1 March 1663.
- viii. Mary, baptised 15 October 1665. She married Thomas Ellis of Bakewell on 6 September 1691 at Bakewell, Derbyshire. She was living in 1728.

GENERATION 4

14. ARTHUR⁴ SKYDMORE of Eyam, baptised there on 23 May 1641, was the eldest son of Thomas [7]. He married firstly Elizabeth Walker of Eyam on 15 April 1667.

Arthur Skydmore married secondly Anne Skydmore by 1678, a kinswoman (baptised 15 June 1656 and a daughter of George Skydmore [11]) who was buried on 6 February 1730/1 at Eyam. He was buried there on 8 November 1694.

Children of Arthur and Elizabeth (Walker) Skidmore, baptised and buried at Eyam,

- i. Thomas, baptised 28 November 1669 as a son of Arthur Skydmore. He was buried on 7 January 1675/6.
- ii. Anne, baptised 17 March 1672. She was buried on 10 July 1684. [She is called a daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth in the register, but Elizabeth was later struck out and Anne inserted (in error).]
- iii. Arthur, baptised 10 March 1675, son of Arthur Skydmore.
- iv. Elizabeth, buried an infant on 9 October 1676 as a daughter of Arthur Skidmore.
- v. Elizabeth, baptised 5 May 1678. She was buried on 30 June 1678 'aged 1 month'.

Children of Arthur and Ann (Skidmore) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- vi. George, baptised 8 June 1679. He was buried on 14 October 1702 as a son of Anne Skydmore widow, and was presumably named for his maternal grandfather.
- vii. John, baptised 25 September 1681 as a son of Arthur and Anne Skidmore. He was buried on 18 May 1682 at Eyam.
- viii. Mary, baptised 6 May 1683. She was buried 21 February 1686.
- ix. Anne, baptised 10 July 1684.
28. x. SAMUEL, baptised 27 September 1685, of whom further.
- xi. Joshua, baptised 5 February 1687/8. He was buried at Eyam on 30 May 1688.
- xii. Katherine, baptised 7 July 1689. She was buried on 20 July 1707 at Eyam.
- xiii. Arthur, baptised 25 October 1691. He was buried at Eyam on 27 November 1708 called a son of the widow Anne Skydmore and 'killed in a grove'. A grove was the local name for a shallow mine, and Arthur presumably died in a mining accident.
- xiv. Margaret, baptised posthumously 20 January 1695, as a 'daughter of Anne, relict of Arthur Skydmore.' She is perhaps the lady who married Thomas Hanley on 2 August 1719 at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton, Derbyshire.

15. NICHOLAS⁴ SKIDMORE of Wardlow was probably a son of Arthur [8], baptised (as were others around that time) simply as 'infant' on 1 July 1646 at Tideswell. He married an unknown wife, his children baptised 'of Nicholas of Wardloe'. Nicholas Skidmore 'of Wardlow' was buried at St Giles', Great Longstone on 28 February 1683/4.

Three burials took place at Great Longstone of ladies who might be the wife of Nicholas or perhaps of his presumed brother Anthony. The Bishop's Transcripts of Great Longstone record the burial of Alice Skidmore of Wardlow on 24 April 1690, and again Alice Skidmore of Wardlow on 19 February 1692 (though neither is called a widow). Margaret Skidmore died a widow at Wardlow and was buried at Great Longstone on 15 July 1714.

Children of Nicholas Skidmore, baptised at Tideswell,

29. i. SAMUEL, baptised 4 January 1673/4.
- ii. Ruth, baptised 16 July 1676.
- ?30. iii. HENRY, baptised 22 December 1679. The names of his parents are not recorded in the baptism register. **HENRY PERHAPS SETTLED AT FOLKINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE. SEE APPENDIX 4.**
- iv. Ann, baptised 13 August 1682. Ann Skidmore of Wardlow married Abraham Broom of Great Longstone on 5 April 1708 at Great Longstone.

16. RICHARD⁴ SKIDMORE, son of Arthur [8], lived in the part of Wardlow which lay in Hope parish. It seems he married three times. The name of his first wife is unknown, since only the father's name was given in the register through the 1670s and 1680s. He appears to be the man who moved to Bradwell, Hope parish and married Maria Hallum of Hope at St Peter's, Hope on 15 April 1686. Maria, wife of Richard Skidmore of Bradwell, died in 1695 and was buried at Hope on 30 September. Richard married again very soon after, on 24 November 1695 at Hope, Anna Rogers of Haslebridge.

Richard Skidmore of Bradwell died 18 months later and was buried at Hope on 9 May 1697, survived by his wife who was buried on 3 March 1719/20.

Children of Richard Skidmore, baptised at Tideswell,

- i. [perhaps] Margaret. Margaret Skidmore of Wardlow had a son,
 - i. Richard, buried at Great Longstone on 9 July 1689.
- ii. Thomas, baptised 23 December 1673.
- iii. Richard, baptised 22 October 1676.
- iv. Joshua, baptised 18 May 1679.
- v. [perhaps] Elizabeth. Elizabeth Skidmore of Coplow Dale married Godfrey Eyley of Little Hucklow on 2 February 1696/7 at Hope.
- vi. Abel, buried 5 February 1682/3 at St Giles', Great Longstone, 'son of Richard Skidmore of Wardlow'.

Children of Richard and Maria (Hallum) Skidmore, baptised at Hope,

- vii. Joan, baptised 26 September 1686.
- viii. Robert, baptised 9 December 1688.
- ix. Thomas, baptised 26 June 1692. He died in infancy and was buried on 7 April 1694 at Hope.

A child of Richard and Anna (Rogers) Skidmore,

- x. Margaret, baptised 22 December 1695²³. *Margery*, daughter of Richard Skidmore of Bradwell was buried on 14 May 1697, five days after her father.

19. JOHN⁴ SKIDMORE, baptised in November or December 1658 at Taddington, was a son of Richard [9] and his wife Margaret. He married Mary _____ (who was buried as his wife on 20 February 1723/4). He was a husbandman, living at Taddington in 1685 when he administered his mother's estate. He was apparently the eldest surviving son, and was buried there as 'John Skidmore senr' on 13 November 1724. Note that the baptisms of the children of this couple are confusing, certain baptisms perhaps having been recorded more than once. Their son Richard Skidmore is apparently one of the two men with this name who were farmers in Great Longstone, Derbyshire, the second Richard Skidmore presumably a cousin of the first. Son John (1692-) lived at Grindlow, in Hope parish and George (1698-1759) remained in Taddington.

Children of John and Mary Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

- 32./33. i. RICHARD, baptised 10 October 1689.
 - ii. Thomas, baptised 10 October 1689. He and his brother called (in Latin) 'two sons' of their father but not twins were both christened on the same day. Both Richard and Thomas appear to have been recorded as having been baptised (or at least recorded) again on 10 December 1693.
 - iii. John, baptised 30 November 1690. The name Thomas has been deleted and John written above it.
34. iv. JOHN, baptised 5 April 1692.
35. v. GEORGE, baptised 31 October 1698.

20. SIMON⁴ SKIDMORE, baptised Simon in February 1659/60 at Taddington, presumed son of Richard [9]. He married Helena _____, whose family name is unknown and who was buried at Taddington as Ellen the wife of Simon Scudamore on 27 April 1730. He is probably the *Simeon* Skidmore senior of Taddington whose burial took place there on 8 January 1732/3. Administration of his estate was granted on 26 May 1733 to his son Thomas Skidmore.

An inventory was taken of Simon's effects.

²³ Godfrey son of Thomas Eyley of Coplow Dale was baptised the same day.

Purse and apparel	0-10-0
two beds	1-10-0
an old cupboard	0-05-0
a chest	0-08-0
and iron pott	0-01-6
two ----	0-02-6
two chairs	0-01-0
two stools	0-00-6
an old dish board	0-01-0
a pair of tonges	0-00-8
things seen and unseen	0-01-6
total	3-01-8

Children of Simon and Ellen Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 9 August 1684 as a daughter of Simon and Helena, his wife. She was buried 6 July 1685.
- ii. Margaret, baptised 6 February 1686/7. She married _____ Nadin and was widowed by January 1747 when she was living in Alstonfield, Staffordshire and was remembered in the will of her aunt Margaret (Skidmore) Oldfield. In October 1757 she was left by her cousin John Skidmore of Tideswell his dwelling house and yard.
- iii. Thomas, baptised 2 March 1691²⁴. He lived to about 80 years of age (buried 7 May 1772 at Taddington) and left a will, dated 20 February 1769 (proved 30 April 1773 Bakewell), making his sister Helen Higinbotam sole executor. She received for her lifetime 'one close called the Fallass Close with one end joining to the top of Cliffside and the other to George Buckley Close, also my dwelling house and houseing and 'tow rickstids'. After her death this property passed to his 'nephew John Skidmore oldest son of my nephew Thomas Skidmore'. His nephew Thomas Skidmore would appear to have been Thomas [58] the son of his cousin Richard [33]; John the eldest son of Thomas [58] would have been about 16 when Thomas (born 1691) made his will in 1769.
- iv. Ellen, baptised 4 May 1701, buried 13 April 1704.
- v. Ellen, baptised 18 March 1704/5. She is known from the will of her brother Thomas to have married William Higginbotham on 9 May 1753 at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton.



William Higginbottom and Ellen his wife, as stated on a benefaction table in the chapel of St Michael and All Angels, Taddington, gave 10s a year to the poor of the liberty of Taddington, to be paid out of 'some land lying at the Banktop at Priestcliff Ditch called Tymms Crofts'. We are informed that Ellen only had a lifetime interest in the land and was incapable of creating any permanent change thereon; and that 5s is now distributed amongst the poor of the township. Ellen 'widow of William Higginbothom' was buried 7 May 1789 at Taddington.

Photo by Frances Allen.

21. NATHANIEL⁴ SKIDMORE of Tideswell, baptised 18 November 1666 at Taddington, was a son of John [10] and Margery (Skidmore). He married firstly Joan Harrison (who was buried at Wormhill Chapel as the wife of Nathaniel Skidmore on 8 May 1714) on 23 November 1699 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. Nathaniel married secondly Mary Hulmes or Holmes on 4 August 1715 at Chelmorton. He was buried at Tideswell on 20 April 1731. His second wife appears to have been buried elsewhere.

A son of Nathaniel and Joan (Harrison) Skidmore, baptised at St John the Baptist, Tideswell,

²⁴ The CD transcript also a baptism of a Thomas Skidmore on 30 November 1690, son of S.? Skidmore.

- i. Edward, baptised 8 September 1700. He married widow Margaret Dason at Tideswell on 30 June 1743 but died very shortly afterwards and was buried there on 7 July 1743. Margaret married John Hill at Tideswell on 3 January 1744/5.
- ii. [perhaps] Joan, buried at St John the Baptist, Tideswell 13 August 1715.

Children of Nathaniel and Mary (Hulmes/ Holmes) Skidmore, baptised at Tideswell,

- iii. Margaret, baptised 14 March 1716/7, buried 8 April 1717 as the daughter of Nathaniel Skidmore.
- iv. [perhaps] Joan, buried at Tideswell 5 October 1717.
- v. Nathaniel, baptised 13 May 1726, buried at Tideswell on 16 March 1726/7 as a son of Nath Skidmore.
- vi. John, buried 8 March 1726/7.
- vii. Martha, baptised 23 June 1729 daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Skidmore.

24. SIMON⁴ SKIDMORE, baptised 5 February 1653/4 at Eyam, was a son of George [11] and Catherine (Simson) Skidmore. He married Alice Taylor, daughter of John Taylor, on 25 January 1703/4 at Eyam. He is perhaps the Simon Skidmore who was churchwarden at Eyam 1693-97²⁵. He had clearly died before his brother John and must be the Simon Skydmore buried at Eyam on 2 January 1722. His widow Alice Skidmore was remembered with five guineas in the will of her brother-in-law John Skidmore in 1728.

Children of Simon and Alice (Taylor), baptised at Eyam,

- 41. i. SIMON, baptised 6 April 1704.
- 42. ii. JOHN, baptised 4 July 1706.

25. JOHN⁴ SKYDMORE, miner of Eyam, was baptised 25 March 1655 at Eyam, son of George [11] and Catherine (Simson) Skidmore. He married Elizabeth Dakin (who was buried as his wife on 12 July 1692) on 27 April 1679 at Eyam. She was a daughter of Thomas Dakin of Cockey, near Abney, Hope.

In 1716 John Skidmore witnessed the will of Francis Blackwell, a yeoman of Eyam, and was later to remember in his own will of 1728 two of the married daughters of Francis Blackwell, called John's nieces. His brother Simon Skidmore in 1728 witnessed the will of Francis Blackwell's son Anthony Blackwell. Further, Ralph Rigby, the curate of Eyam and one of the executors of John Skidmore's will, witnessed the will of Francis Blackwell's son Robert Blackwell in 1729. Francis Blackwell married Ellen Bagshaw in 1667 in Eyam but the reason for calling their daughters 'nieces' in John Skidmore's will is not as yet clear.

John Skidmore was buried 15 March 1727/8, 'aged 73' in the churchyard at Eyam, called a pauper though he died possessed of a house and some means. He left a will dated 7 March 1727/8 that was proved at Lichfield on 11 April 1728. As a widower with no surviving children it gave to his nephew John Skidmore, the house in which he lived, its garden, his bed and table; to his sister Anne Skidmore, five guineas; to his sister-in-law Alice Skidmore, five guineas; to his nephew Simon Skidmore, four guineas; to his nieces Mary Ashford and Helen Parkin, one guinea each (these were daughters of Francis Blackwell, yeoman of Eyam), to his nephew Samuel Skidmore, six guineas; to his sister Mary Ellis, one guinea. The executors were Francis Drable [of Foolow, probably the man whose memorial in Eyam churchyard reads Francis Drable, late of Eyam, 5 March 1731, 69; Esther, wife, 4 Jan 1728, 67; Thomas, son, 8 Oct 1734, 36], Thomas Middleton [apparently a local lead mine owner mentioned in several leases in the area at this time] and Ralph Rigby [curate of Eyam].

Children of John and Elizabeth (Dakin) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- i. George, baptised 24 October 1680. He was buried on 31 March 1687.
- ii. Thomas, baptised 24 June 1683. He was left 1 shilling in the will of his grandfather Thomas Dakin in 1703. He was buried as 'the son of John Skydmore' on 28 July 1706 at Eyam.
- iii. Anne, baptised 7 March 1685/6. She was buried on 15 September 1690.
- iv. An infant, buried 1 August 1688 at Eyam.

²⁵ Unreferenced information from a correspondent (unchecked) as follows 'Mr. Meanwoods Land upon the Banktop belonging to Eyam Ye [?]modus for hay Tylver viz. 0.3.6'. signed Joseph Hunt rector, Thos hardy, Simon Skidmore, Henry Drabble, Churchwardens.

26. GEORGE⁴ SKIDMORE, baptised 1 March 1663 at Eyam, son of George [11] and Catherine (Simson) Skidmore. He married Elizabeth Fox on 6 November 1687 at Eyam. He was not mentioned in the will of his supposed brother John [25] in 1728 and is presumably the man buried at Eyam on 27 April 1691.

Children of George and Elizabeth (Fox) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- i. John, baptised 13 October 1688.
- ii. Elinor, baptised 6 April 1690. She was buried at Eyam on 15 April 1691.

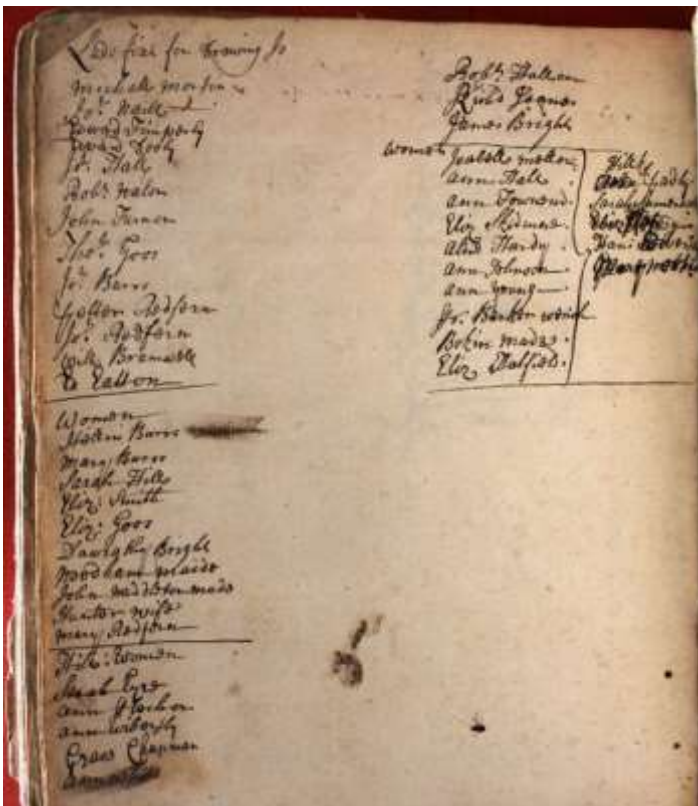
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28. SAMUEL⁵ SKIDMORE of Eyam, baptised there on 27 September 1685, was apparently the only surviving son of Arthur [14]. He married Elizabeth Wilson of Little Hucklow (baptised 22 September 1695 at Hope, Derbyshire, a daughter of Martin Wilson and his wife Elizabeth (Poynton)), on 25 October 1716 at Eyam. He was left six guineas in the will of his uncle John Skidmore who died at Eyam in 1728. Elizabeth Skidmore survived him, and was buried as a widow and pauper on 14 October 1762 at Eyam.

Children of Samuel and Elizabeth (Wilson) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

?45. i. **GEORGE**, baptised 16 September 1717.

ii. **Arthur**, baptised 3 November 1719. He appears to be the man listed in a 1737 reckoning book for the Miners Engine lead mine at Eyam Edge. The section shown is principally dedicated to recording payments made to individual 'coppers', usually spelled 'copers'; it refers to the men who were extracting lead ore below ground. Above their names is a reference to '17 women's wages', coming to £6 16s. Assuming this was shared equally, that comes to 8s each.²⁶ Nearer the back of the same book, we can actually see the names of some of these women, who would (like the 'lads' named on the same page) have been working above ground, 'drawing to', i.e. hauling the ore to the surface.



- Hellin Buros (Helen Burrows?)
- Mary Buros
- Sarah Hills
- Elizabeth Smith
- Elizabeth Goos
- Dawrathy Bright
- Needham maide
- John Middleton maide
- Hunter wife
- Mary Redfern
- Sarah Eyre
- Ann Flecher
- Ann Wibersly
- Grace Chapman
- Isabell Mellor
- Ann Hall
- Ann Townend
- Elizabeth Skidmore**
- Alice Hardy
- Ann Johnson
- Ann Young
- Mr Barker wench
- Bekin maide
- Elizabeth Hatfield

²⁶ Derbyshire Record Office Blog dated 22 July 2014.

46. iii. THOMAS, baptised 20 May 1722.
 iv. Anne, baptised 19 July 1724. She married Reginald Turner of Foolow, Derbyshire on 11 November 1756 at Eyam.
 v. Samuel, baptised 26 January 1726/7. He was buried at Eyam on the same day 'son of Samuel and Elizabeth Skidmore'.
 vi. Mary, baptised 12 July 1729. She was buried at Eyam on 28 February 1744/5.
47. vii. [perhaps] SAMUEL.
- 48./49.viii. JOHN, baptised 11 April 1732.
 ix. Martin, baptised 13 April 1734. He was buried at Eyam on 23 February 1735/6.
50. x. ROBERT, baptised 25 March 1737
 xi. Joshua, baptised 9 December 1739 and buried at Eyam on 1 February 1740/1.

29. SAMUEL⁵ SKIDMORE was a weaver and smallholder of Monsal Dale in the parish of Bakewell, perhaps the son of Nicholas [15] baptised 4 January 1673/4 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. He married Dorothy Baddaley of Over Haddon on 8 May 1715 at Great Longstone. It is less certain he is the Samuel Skidmore of Ashford who married, at Bakewell on 22 November 1703, Ann Bagshaw of Puttayahill.

On 11 July 1710 Samuel Skidmore of Monsal Dale in Ashford was listed as a religious dissenter²⁷. It seems likely, though not proven, that he worshipped at Great Hucklow Presbyterian Chapel which was founded in 1696 under the auspices of William Bagshawe, the non-conformist minister, and so-called Apostle of the Peak whose brother Thomas was Lord of the Manor here. At the time, worship outside the Church of England was still against the law, and early meetings were held in secret, at a barn nearby to the site of the present building. The latter dates from 1796 or 1797 and the present-day congregation at this Chapel is Unitarian, the introduction being possibly in 1826, when the register of Presbyterian baptisms ends²⁸. The Ministers served congregations at Ashford in the Water, Bradwell and Stoney Middleton²⁹. Baptisms have not been found for Samuel Skidmore's children, *perhaps* because the registers for this Chapel before 1789 have not survived.

Samuel Skidmore left a will dated 6 July 1745 (proved at Lichfield 29 April 1748), in which he left £35 to his daughter Ruth Skidmore, with the residue passing to his executors - his wife Dorothy and son Joseph. The will was witnessed by Ruth White and Samuel White. It mentions no other children. The inventory of his goods shows that he was also a smallholder who had 47 sheep, a horse and hay and corn. The burials of Samuel and Dorothy Skidmore have not yet been found.

Children of Samuel and Dorothy (Baddaley) Skidmore, [perhaps with others]

- i. Ruth. She was living in 1745 when she was left £35 in the will of her father 'on condition that she lays no claim nor makes any demand upon my executor or executrix for five pounds which was left her by Elias White of GreatRicks which I have now in hand'. She also received half of her father's linen, one bed with woollen bedding, two chairs, one chest and one desk 'which are in the room in which she usually lodges'. Elias White was a yeoman of Gitrixe, Bakewell, who left a will (with inventory) which was proved at Lichfield on 2 June 1724.
51. ii. JOSEPH.

32./33. Two men of Taddington called Richard Skidmore.

There appear to have been two husbandmen called Richard Skidmore in Taddington in the 1720s, both of whom married ladies called Ann.

32. RICHARD⁵ SKIDMORE, husbandman of Taddington, married on 19 September 1723 at Taddington, Ann Jackson of that parish.

33. RICHARD⁵ SKIDMORE, husbandman of Taddington, married Ann Drabble of Taddington on 11 April 1726 at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton.

²⁷ The source of this information is unfortunately lost.

²⁸ <http://www.genuki.org.uk/big/eng/DBY/GreatHucklow/>

²⁹ Nonconformist Guide - Derbyshire County Council.

One of these men died intestate in 1733 and an inventory of his effects, which included a cow and 'a little Welch Gallowey', was taken on 12 October 1733 by Henry Newton of Taddington, a husbandman. His widow Ann Skidmore was granted probate on 3 May 1734 at Lichfield. She is perhaps the Ann Skidmore who married William Arin on 12 May 1734 at Great Longstone. (Ann Arin, daughter of William Arin, was baptised 20 December 1734 at Great Longstone). The other Richard *Skidmore* of Taddington was buried there on 4 April 1742, his widow Ann on 27 February 1764. One of these two Richard Skidmores is presumably the son of John [19], baptised 10 October 1689 at Taddington, the other another grandson of Richard [9].

A daughter of Richard and Ann (Jackson) Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 16 April 1724 'daughter of Richard Skidmore'.

Further children of Richard Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

58. ii. THOMAS, baptised 25 October 1726 'son of Richard Skidmore'.
 iii. Richard, baptised 8 December 1726 'son of Richard Skidmore'. Buried 10 November 1730.
 iv. Ellen, baptised 13 August 1728 'daughter of Richard *Scudamore*'. She married James Mycock (perhaps baptised at Taddington 1 February 1719/20, son of James Mycock) at Holy Trinity, Ashford on 27 January 1746/7, both of Taddington. Children of James Mycock (mother not named) baptised at Taddington - Richard 6 Oct 1747; Lydia 29 Jan 1748/9.
 v. Mary, baptised 11 August 1729 'daughter of Richard *Scudamore*'. Mary Skidmore married Daniel Heathcott at Taddington on 24 February 1750/1.
 vi. Richard, baptised 18 February 1730/1 'son of Richard *Scudamore*' and buried thus on 3 September 1731.
 vii. Richard, baptised 3 August 1732 'son of Richard and Ann Skidmore', buried 8 September 1734.
 60. viii. WILLIAM, baptised 28 July 1733 'son of Richard and Ann Skidmore'.
 ix. An unnamed 'son of Richard Skidmore', baptised 24 July 1737.
 x. John, baptised 20 April 1740 'son of Richard Skidmore', buried 19 April 1741.
 xi. George, baptised 5 May 1742 (or 5 June 1741)'son of Richard Skidmore'.
 xii. [perhaps] Henry, son of Ann Skidmore, a widow, buried at Taddington on 20 September 1753.

34. JOHN⁵ SKIDMORE, son of John [19] and Mary Skidmore. He was living in the parish of Hope at the time he married, at St Peter's there, Alice Bradwall of Hope on 26 September 1723. Their children were baptised there, 'of John and Alice Skidmore of Grindlow, Hope'. Alice Skidmore died untimely and was buried at Hope on 2 January 1730/1. John was mentioned in 1747 in the will of his aunt Margaret Oldfield. He was 'weak in body' when he made his will on 18 September 1757 (proved at Lichfield 17 October 1757). He left to his cousin Margaret Nadin his 'dwelling house and yard and all appurtenances there to and my tenant right to the dwelling house and yard near my said dwellinghouse and all the hereditaments thereto belonging and all household goods and personal estate, she paying unto my cosen George Skidmore of Taddington five shillings and my godson John Leese (?) One bed and bedding'.

An inventory of his goods was taken.

	His purse and apparel	1	10	0
house	a cupboard, and two chairs and iron Pott	0	9	0
	a chest, seat and Draper	2	0	0
chamber	two pair of bed stocks and bedding	3	0	0
	an oval table chest and coffer	1	0	0
stable	one horse a cow and grass	7	7	0
	hay and a load of salt	2	8	6
	husslements seen and unseen	0	2	6
	total	17	17	0

Gervas Bagshaw, the mark of William B Beard, appraisers

He died soon after and was buried at St John the Baptist, Tideswell on 22 September 1757.

Children of John and Alice (Bradwall) Skidmore, baptised at Hope,

- i. Mary, baptised 4 February 1724. Mary *Skidmoor* married Thomas Davis at St Peter's, Hope on 28 May 1752.
 Children, as known - Ann, Daniel, Mary, Sarah.
 ii. John, baptised 9 October 1726.
 iii. Ann, baptised 12 December 1728. See also her cousin Ann the daughter of George [35].

35. GEORGE⁵ SKIDMORE of Taddington, son of John [19], was baptised there on 31 October 1698. George Skidmore of Taddington married Sarah Milner at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton on 3 May 1725. He was remembered in 1746 in the will of Margaret Oldfield, daughter of John [10] and in 1757 in the will of John Skidmore, husbandman of Tideswell. He was buried at Taddington on 16 September 1759, his widow on 9 April 1780

Children of George and Sarah (Milner) Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

62. i. JOHN, baptised 31 May 1726 'son of George Skidmore'.
 ii. Ann, baptised daughter of George *Scudamore* on 15 February 1730/1. She is *perhaps* Ann Skidmore of Priestcliffe who married Joseph Wild of Taddington Field on 29 May 1775 at Taddington in the presence of Sarah Green and Ann Wild³⁰. This marriage is *speculative* - note that Ann Wild of Priestcliffe Ditch died aged 82 and was buried at Taddington on 7 July 1830. An alternative marriage was that of Ann Skidmore of Taddington to Ralph Rowland on 14 January 1753 at Chelmorton. See also her cousin Ann the daughter of John [34].
 iii. George, baptised 16 March 1734/5 'son of George Skidmore', buried 30 April 1751.

41. SIMON⁵ SKIDMORE, baptised 6 April 1704, son of Simon [24] and Alice (Taylor) Skidmore. He was married on 15 June 1727 at Whittington, Derbyshire, to Maria the daughter of Zachary Robinson. Simon Skidmore was left four guineas in the will of his uncle John Skidmore in 1728.

Mary Skidmore was buried at Eyam on 29 September 1755 according to the parish register. However, there is a monumental inscription for her which gives her date of death as *10 October* 1755 aged 55. Simon survived his wife and was buried on 26 January 1764 at Eyam. The will of Simon Skidmore, miner of Eyam, dated 24 December 1763, was proved at Lichfield on 2 May 1764. This will mentions three sons, John and Benjamin (his executors) and William, and a daughter Mary Hadfield. The witnesses were Thomas Clark, James Blackwell³¹ and John Skidmore.

Children of Simon and Mary (Robinson) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- i. Zachariah, baptised 13 August 1728. He was a farmer at Whittington, Derbyshire and married Sarah Sykes there on 20 November 1750. The will of Zachariah Skidmore, farmer of Whittington, dated 4 July 1776 (proved 1 March 1780, inventory 9 December 1779 at the Exchequer Court, York) left a house in Nottingham and all his real and personal estate to his wife Sarah Skidmore. He also left £5 each to sons of Richard Duckinfield (who married Grace Sykes) and to children of John Moody, hatter of Whittington (who married Elizabeth Sykes). His wife and his nephew Zachariah Skidmore, currier of Nottingham, were executors. An inventory [not seen] was made on 9 December 1779.
64. ii. JOHN, baptised 31 March 1730.
 65. iii. SIMON, baptised 30 January 1731/2.
 iv. Joseph, baptised 26 May 1734. He was apprenticed on 16 March 1752 to John Smallwood, a currier of Tideswell, and became a currier in Nottingham. The administration of his estate was granted on October 1776 at the Exchequer court, York to Zachary Skidmore, John Skidmore, Simon Skidmore, William Skidmore, Benjamin Skidmore and Mary Hatfield, wife of Paul Hatfield, his brothers and sister and next of kin.
 v. Mary. She is remembered in the will of her father and of her brother Simon. Mary Skidmore married Paul Hadfield (apparently baptised 1727 at Eyam, son of James and Ann Hadfield) on 19 March 1754 at Peak Forest. Three children were baptised at Eyam to Paul and Mary; Paul *Hatfield* in 1756, Mary *Hatfield* in 1757 and Martha *Hadfield* 1761. Their son is perhaps the Paul Hadfield who married Jane Turnip at Eyam in 1777 and had children baptised in Sheffield.
66. vi. WILLIAM, baptised 21 April 1739 at Eyam.
 67. vii. BENJAMIN, baptised 20 September 1741.

³⁰ Children baptised at Taddington: Mary 2 Jun 1778; William 24 Oct 1784; (the following all children of Joseph and Ann Wild of Priestcliffe) Betty 26 Jul 1792; Robert 13 Oct 1793; George 1 Jan 1795; John 7 Mar 1798; James 5 Jun 1800; William 18 Apr 1802.

³¹ Note that Simon Skidmore and James Blackwell were witnesses in 1756 to the will of Samuel Furniss of Eyam, yeoman.

42. JOHN⁵ SKIDMORE of Eyam, baptised 4 July 1706, son of Simon [24]. John Skidmore had a house and garden in Eyam as specified in the will of his uncle John in 1728. He was married on 12 June 1730 at Carsington in Derbyshire to Ellen Cocker. A memorial in Eyam churchyard³² states that John Skidmore died on 16 October 1763 aged 67, though his age would appear to have been 57. The burial of John Skidmore 'senior' took place on 18 October 1763. His widow could be the Helen Skidmore, pauper, who was buried at Eyam on 23 September 1792.

Children of John and Ellen (Cocker) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- i. Mary, baptised 20 April 1731.
- ii. Edmund, baptised 24 February 1733³³. Edmund Skidmore, a farmer of Eyam, is listed in the Land Tax Returns for the High Peak for 1778³⁴. He died aged 69 and was buried at Eyam on 3 October 1802, leaving a will, proved at Lichfield on 14 October 1802 (and witnessed by his sister Martha Wilson) which gave all his real and personal estate to his brother John, who was also his executor.
- iii. Alice, baptised 25 January 1736. She married William Broomhead of Eyam (perhaps buried 14 September 1814 at Eyam aged 75) on 27 March 1758 at Eyam.
Children, as known - Ellen, Mary, Thomas, Martha, Hannah.
- iv. Martha, baptised 26 December 1738. She married John Wilson of Eyam on 9 April 1765 at Eyam. She witnessed the will of her brother Edmund in 1802 but is not mentioned in her brother John's will in 1806.
Children, as known, Sarah (died young), John, Sarah, Edmund, Robert, William and Septimus.
- v. John, baptised 11 April 1742. He was remembered in the will of his brother Edmund in 1802. The will of John Skidmore, gentleman of Sheffield, was dated 20 August 1806 and proved on 5 June 1807 at York. The will does not mention a wife nor children, though it is possible he was a widower with no surviving children. He left freehold estate at Eyam and Sheffield in trust to Thomas Broomhead, grocer of Sheffield and to John Wilson the younger of Attercliffe in the parish of Sheffield and to William Douglas, grocer of Sheffield, the interest and profits thereof to provide £10 yearly for life to his brother Simon Skidmore, his sister Alice Broomhead and his sister Ellen Hibbert. Legacies of £100 each were to be paid to his nephew Edmund Wilson [baptised 1772 at Eyam] and his nephew Simon Wilson and five pounds each to his nephew John Skidmore, his niece Martha Skidmore, nephew Edmund Skidmore, niece Ellen the daughter of Simon Skidmore, niece Elizabeth Skidmore, and £22 each to nieces Ellen [Broomhead] Wright, Mary Hides and Mary Willis. John Skidmore, a farmer, was buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 7 December 1806.
- vi. Ellen, baptised 7 February 1745. She married Joseph Townsend, blacksmith of Eyam on 12 April 1768 at Eyam (buried 13 October 1781 at Eyam). She married secondly _____ Hibbert and was remembered in the will of her brother John in 1806. She died in 1829 aged 84 and was buried at Eyam on 26 July.
69. vii. SIMON, born about 1750.
- viii. [perhaps] Samuel, a button maker like Simon [69] and born about 1750 at Eyam. Samuel Skidmore joined the infantry in about 1785. He served in the 113th Foot Regiment, the 14th Foot, 2nd Foot, 32nd Foot, 52nd Foot and 57th Foot. He was discharged from the army in 1798 aged 48, after 12 years 9 months of service 'being old and weak & Subject to Gravel Contracted in Prison at Gadelope in 1796'³⁵.

³² Not seen. This found online.

³³ Edmund Skidmore and W?. Skidmore witnessed on 19 May 1780 the will of Robert Blackwell of Eyam, yeoman, husband of Ruth a daughter of Isaac and Mary (Furnace) Sellars.

³⁴ Land tax - This tax was first introduced about 1692, and was not finally abolished until the 1950s. The annual lists contain names of owners and tenants of houses and land, sometimes with the names of houses and fields. These records survive mostly in County Record Offices, in Quarter Sessions collections, in particular for 1780 to 1832, when the Clerks of the Peace used the tax lists as indicating those entitled to vote in parliamentary elections. *The Family Historian's Enquire Within* by Pauline Saul.

³⁵ Public Record Office WO 121/33/60.

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45. GEORGE⁶ SKIDMORE married Elizabeth (whose surname is presently unknown) and had children baptised at Ashbourne, Derbyshire in the 1750s. George is perhaps the eldest son of Samuel [28] and Elizabeth (Wilson) Skidmore, baptised 16 September 1717 at Eyam. He was apparently deceased by 1771 when the house in which his wife was living was let.

'To be lett and entered upon immediately, a dwelling house, with a stable, brewhouse and other conveniences and likewise a piece of ground thereto adjoining, hitherto used as a bowling green, but now intended to be converted into a garden; at present in the possession of Elizabeth Skidmore, at a place called the Town-Head, very near the town of Ashborne in the county of Derby. For further particulars, enquire of Mr Chatterton, attorney at law, in Ashborne.'³⁶

At a vestry meeting at Ashbourne held on Easter Tuesday in 1791 it was decided that £100 worth of meal and coal should be given away to poor housekeepers (not receiving alms from the parish). A list of 177 names of 'persons desired to apply' appears, including Widow Skidmore j[un.] (perhaps the widow of George Skidmore junior), entitled to 3 guineas, and John Bradbury (perhaps her son-in-law) entitled to receive 15 shillings³⁷.

On 7 August 1800 Elizabeth Skidmore, widow of Ashbourne, made her will (proved at Lichfield on 20 April 1801). She made her son John Skidmore of Tamworth, Warwickshire her executor and he was left 'all my cash, bonds, notes and books, debts, with my best bed for his sole and separate use'. The witnesses were Thomas Marshall and J. Glover. Her will does not mention any other kin.

Children of George and Elizabeth Skidmore, baptised at St Oswald, Ashbourne,

- i. William, baptised 20 October 1749. Presumably died before 1785, since he is not mentioned in the will of his brother Thomas, made that year.
73. ii. GEORGE.
- iii. Samuel, baptised 13 January 1753. Died young.
- iv. Hannah, baptised 29 March 1754. She married John Bradbury at St Oswald's on 8 March 1777 and was living in Ashbourne in 1785.
Children, as known - Thomas, George, Mary, Samuel, Hannah, John, James, Edward.
- v. Samuel, baptised 8 February 1758. Presumably died before 1785.³⁸
- vi. Thomas, baptised 27 December 1760. He was a servant when he made a will dated 27 June 1785, leaving the interest on the £200 which was held by his master Brook Boothby [of Ashbourne Hall] to his mother Elizabeth during her lifetime. After her death £100 was to go to his brother George Skidmore, the rest left in trust to his master for the use of his two sisters Hannah the wife of John Bradbury and Elizabeth the wife of Samuel Pegg. Thomas describes Brook Boothby as his 'late' master, suggesting that Thomas had then ceased to be his servant - he was perhaps ill at the time he made his will. He died before his mother, who failed to administer his estate before her own death in 1800-01. His brother John was granted administration of his estate in January 1802.
- vii. Elizabeth. She married Samuel Pegg at St Oswald's on 7 February 1783 and was living in Ashbourne in 1785.
Children, as known - Samuel, Catherine, Judith.
74. vii. **JOHN**, a watch and clock maker of Tamworth, Warwickshire, remembered in the will of his mother in 1800. He was granted administration of his brother Thomas' will in January 1802. He was presumably the father of,
(perhaps with others)
 - i. George, born about 1800 in Tamworth, who became a hawker and was living in

³⁶ The *Derby Mercury* 11 October 1771.

³⁷ The *Derby Mercury* 28 July 1791.

³⁸ The identity of Samuel Skidmore, a butcher of Ashborne in 1803, is not clear. The *Derby Mercury* of 14 April 1803 reported a coroner's inquest into his death there 'in consequence of excessive drinking'.

1851 with his wife Elizabeth (born about 1815 in Matlock, Derbyshire) at Cheapside, Worksop, Nottinghamshire. This couple I have only been able to find in this one census.

46. THOMAS⁶ SKIDMORE, son of Samuel [28] and Elizabeth (Wilson) Skidmore, was baptised on 20 May 1722. He appears to be the man who, on 1 April 1743 at Eyam, married Anne Stephenson (baptised 11 April 1708, a daughter of Francis Townsend of Bretton, Derbyshire, and previously the widow of Thomas Stephenson of Stoney Middleton). If correctly identified as the son of Samuel [28], then he was 14 years her junior. Thomas Skidmore had by her two daughters, baptised as daughters of Thomas and *Mary* Skidmore.

The burial of Thomas Skidmore was perhaps that which took place at Eyam on 25 April 1778.

Daughters of Thomas and *Mary* Skidmore were baptised at Eyam,

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 7 February 1744/5, on the same day as Ellen the daughter of John [29]. She was buried at Eyam on 10 July 1772 as the 'daughter of Thomas and *Anne* Skidmore'.
- ii. Mary, baptised 1 October 1747 at Eyam. She married John Hallam of Eyam on 23 April 1767 at Eyam. He is perhaps the *Jonathan* Hallam, buried at Eyam on 23 October 1771, followed by Mary Hallam, wife [sic] of Jonathan on 25 May 1775.
Children, as known - Anne 1768 and Thomas 1770 in Eyam.

47. SAMUEL⁶ SKIDMORE of Sheffield. He was perhaps a son, whose baptism has not been found, of Samuel [28] and Elizabeth (Wilson) Skidmore. The name of his first wife is not known. He appears to have married secondly Elizabeth Lomas on 12 November 1765 at SS. Peter and Paul, Sheffield.

He could be the Samuel Skidmore of Red Croft, Sheffield, mentioned in the archives of the Sheffield Town Trustees in a deed dated 2 October 1779 relating to land in Trippett Lane, Sheffield. Ann Wardle, of Sheffield, 'widow of Benjamin Wardle, late of Sheffield, gent., decd., and also formerly the widow of John Stones, of Sheffield, gent., decd.', sold to John Hoyland, of Sheffield, gent, four cottages in Red Croft, Sheffield, 'now in the occupation of George Brammall, John Crawshaw, William Dixon and Samuel Skidmore'.³⁹ Elizabeth the wife of Samuel Skidmore was buried at St Paul's, Sheffield on 23 August 1791.

75. i. JOHN, born about 1752.
76. ii. [perhaps] GEORGE.

48./49. Two men called JOHN SKIDMORE of Sheffield.

Baptism dates reveal that there were two families headed by men called John Skidmore in Sheffield from about 1765 to 1773. The baptism register of SS Peter & Paul names only the father at this period. Two marriages of men called John Skidmore are known to have taken place at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield around this time, both to ladies called Ann:

**John Skidmore married Ann Stones on 8 August 1757.
John Skidmore married Ann Newbound on 14 January 1765.**

48. JOHN⁶ SKIDMORE was baptised 11 April 1732 at Eyam, the son of Samuel [28]. He and his brother Robert settled in Sheffield. Given his age and the fact that he called his firstborn Samuel, he was very probably the John Skidmore who married Ann Stones on 8 August 1757. This man was a scissor-smith.

Children of John and Ann (Stones) Skidmore, baptised SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield⁴⁰,

- i. Samuel, baptised 22 October 1760, '*son of John Skidmore, scissor-smith*'.

³⁹ Sheffield Archives: Archives of the Sheffield Town Trustees: Cat. Ref.TT. Deeds relating to land in Trippett Lane, Sheffield, bought by the Trustees in 1848 (4093). File-Mortgage - ref.TT/117/1 - date:2 Oct 1779.

⁴⁰ There is nothing to suggest that John [64] (b.1730) and Elizabeth (Furnace) Skidmore moved out of Eyam. And John the son of Samuel [42] was probably too young, judging by the date of his apprenticeship, to have been the father of these children.

He is perhaps the man who married Elizabeth Broad at SS Peter & Paul on 3 September 1789. See also Samuel the son of Stephen [84] and Mary (Furnis).

He is perhaps the Samuel Skidmore & Co. of Westbar mentioned in Baine's Directory of Sheffield in 1822, manufacturers of portable desks and cases, pocket books, razor strops, etc. Another entry in the same Directory reads Skidmore Samuel, h[ouse] 8, Broomhill In [Lane?].

He is likely to be a brother of Charles [69] who was also a casemaker.

- ii. John, baptised 24 December 1762, '*son of John Skidmore, scissorsmith*'. He was perhaps the son of John Skidmore, *filesmith*, buried on 24 December 1763 at SS Peter & Paul.
77. iii. [perhaps] CHARLES, baptised 7 July 1765, '*son of John Skidmore*'.

49. JOHN⁶ SKIDMORE. It appears that a *second* John Skidmore married Ann Newbound on 14 January 1765 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. The author very tentatively suggests that this second man was John Skidmore, a gentleman farmer (1742-1806), son of John [42] and Ellen (Cockar) Skidmore.

The wife (not named) of a John Skidmore was buried at St Paul's, Sheffield on 30 January 1774.

Three adults called John Skidmore were buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on the following dates:

29 July 1792;

3 March 1795;

26 June 1796.

Until other documentary evidence emerges, *it is not possible to attribute baptisms iv. thru x. to one of the two marriages of John Skidmore mentioned above.*

Children of two men called John Skidmore, baptised SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield⁴¹,

- iv. Elizabeth, baptised 19 April 1765, 'daughter of John Skidmore, scissorsmith'.
- v. Arthur, baptised 17 October 1766, 'son of John Skidmore, scissorsmith'. He died young and was buried 1 September 1773.
- vi. Sarah, baptised 12 April 1767, 'daughter of John Skidmore', buried thus SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 9 October 1770.
- vii. William, baptised 16 August 1767, 'son of John Skidmore, shearsmith'.
78. viii. GEORGE, baptised 5 March 1769, 'son of John Skidmore, scissorsmith'.⁴²
- viii. John, baptised 16 April 1769 at the Presbyterian church in Sheffield, 'son of John and Ann Skidmore'.
- ix. Arthur, baptised 31 March 1771, 'son of John Skidmore, scissorsmith'. Buried on 8 August 1788.
79. x. THOMAS, baptised 1 September 1773, 'son of John Skidmore, scissorsmith'.
- xi. [perhaps] Thomas, buried 9 February 1775 at SS Peter & Paul, 'son of John Skidmore'. See also John [75].
- xii. [perhaps] Ann, buried at SS Peter & Paul on 16 March 1779, 'daughter of John Skidmore'. See also John [75].

50. ROBERT⁶ SKIDMORE, scissorsmith of Sheffield, was baptised on 25 March 1737 at Eyam, Derbyshire, the son of Samuel [28] and Elizabeth (Wilson) Skidmore. He, together with his nephew John and other kinsmen from Eyam, were apprenticed to scissorsmiths in Sheffield and were settled there by the 1760s. The apprenticeship index for the Cutlers' Company shows that Robert son of Samuel Skidmore of Sheffield was apprenticed to George Beal of Stannington (now a suburb of Sheffield) in 1748 but this is presumably an error, since he gained his 'freedom' in 1764.

⁴¹ There is nothing to suggest that John [64] (b.1730) and Elizabeth (Furnace) Skidmore moved out of Eyam. And John the son of Samuel [42] was probably too young, judging by the date of his apprenticeship, to have been the father of these children.

⁴² There were five boys called George Skidmore belonging to the wider 'Derbyshire family' baptised between 1768 and 1770:

1. George, baptised 20 February 1768 at Taddington, son of John Skidmore.
2. George, baptised 5 March 1769 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, son of either John [48] or John [49].
3. George, baptised 24 May 1769 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, son of Robert [50] the scissorsmith of Sheffield.
4. George, baptised 25 December 1769 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, son of Simon [51]. Died 1771.
5. George, baptised 15 April 1770 at Great Longstone, Derbyshire, son of Richard Skidmore. George's brothers James and Henry were apprenticed to scissorsmiths in Sheffield.

He married Mary Brooks (baptised 10 September 1736, daughter of George Brooks of Brewhill) on 26 September 1765 SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. He is listed in Gale and Martin's Directory of 1787, a scissor-smith at New Street, Sheffield and, according to Pawson & Brailsford's Sheffield Directory that year with 'Trade Mark EYAM'⁴³.

He was in business in Carver Street, Sheffield with his son George in the firm of Robert Skidmore & Son. After Robert's death, the business was carried on by George Skidmore on his own separate account⁴⁴.

He left a will dated 25 October 1800 (proved 31 March 1801 at the Exchequer Court, York), naming as his trustees and executors Peter Cadman, razor manufacturer, John Ellis, cutler and John Turner, book-keeper, all of Sheffield. His son Joseph received all his bed and bedding and his son Thomas all his wearing apparel. His executors were to divide the remainder of his furniture and also his half share in the business known as Robert Skidmore and Son, scissor manufacturers, amongst his sons George, Joseph and Thomas share and share alike.

His wife is not mentioned in his will and is presumably the Mary Skidmore who was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 30 April 1798. Robert Skidmore was buried there on 29 November 1800.

Children of Robert and Mary (Brooks) Skidmore, baptisms and burials at SS Peter & Paul,

- i. Arthur, 'son of Robert Skidmore', buried 29 December 1767.
- 80. i. GEORGE, baptised 24 May 1769.
- ii. Sarah, baptised 29 November 1771. She is said to have been buried on 11 October 1776⁴⁵.
- 81. iii. THOMAS, baptised 9 May 1774.
- 82. iv. JOSEPH, baptised 11 October 1776.

51. JOSEPH⁶ SKIDMORE, yeoman of Monsal Dale, is not mentioned in the will of Samuel [29] in 1745 but is likely to be near kin. He (or perhaps Joseph [55]) is mentioned in a bundle of miscellaneous papers of the Duke of Rutland's stewards. Joseph Skidmore 'of Monsall Dale' declared that 'he will deliver to John Barker a receipt (when found) for £70 paid to Barker as Treasurer of the Chesterfield - Ernstone Lane Head Turnpike, 1761'⁴⁶.

He left a will dated 2 June 1771 (and proved 15 October of that year at Lichfield), naming his son Benjamin Skidmore his sole executor. He left £5 to his daughter-in-law Mary Skidmore and sums of money to his granddaughter Ann Skidmore. His daughter Mary Skidmore received his bed and bedding and £20. The will was witnessed by William Kelsey, Charles Bennitt and Grace Bennitt.

Children of Joseph Skidmore by an unknown wife,

- 83. i. BENJAMIN.
- ii. Mary, living in 1771.

52. JOSHUA⁶ SKIDMORE was a woodframe knitter of Ashford in the parish of Bakewell. He was *presumably* a grandson of either Nicholas [15] or Richard [16]. We have genealogical DNA data from descendants of two of Joshua's sons - Peter [87] and Joshua [88] - which does not match that of other descendants of the earlier family at Wellow nor that of the three definite matches we have for descendants of Arthur [3] of Eyam through son Thomas [7]. It appears then that either Joshua himself or his father or grandfather was adopted into the Skidmore family. Joshua Skidmore appears to have been baptised as an adult at St Giles', Great Longstone on 7 June 1730, possibly in readiness for his marriage to Grace _____.

He was a master frameworker when he took Benjamin Birley as an apprentice on 5 January 1757. This apprentice was perhaps the son of Benjamin *Berley* and Ann Skidmore who were married at Ashford on 8 September 1729.

⁴³ Robert Skidmore had the following apprentices: James Cheetham 1785, son of John Cheetham miner of Copley Dale; Henry Barlow 1790, son of Samuel Barlow collier of Pitthouses; Thomas Hage 1797, son of William Hage farmer of Bakewell.

⁴⁴ London Gazette, 6 January 1802.

⁴⁵ This burial is not found in the transcript of burials and was supplied by a correspondent.

⁴⁶ Sheffield Archives, ref. Bar D/736/5-6 - date: 1632-1778.

Grace Skidmore died in 1795 and was buried on 23 March at Ashford. Joshua died in 1797 and was buried there on 18 May. He left a will (proved at Lichfield 19 October 1798) which mentions all his children except Alice who had presumably died before it was made on 10 May 1797.

Children of Joshua and Grace Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

- i. Alice, baptised 11 June 1734, daughter of Joshua and Grace. She married Thomas Longden on 23 June 1755 at Ashford - on the day that her youngest sister Mary was baptised. She is not mentioned in her father's will.
- 84. ii. STEPHEN, baptised 9 August 1736.
- 85. iii. WILLIAM of Ashford, baptised 12 April 1739.
- 86. iv. SAMUEL, baptised 20 October 1742.
- 87. v. PETER, baptised 9 June 1745.
- vi. John, buried at Ashford on 15 September 1747.
- 88. vii. JOSHUA, baptised 21 April 1749.
- viii. Grace, baptised 25 November 1751. She married George Hamilton of Ashford by licence on 22 November 1778 at Bakewell, witnessed by John Heyward who made his mark in the register. A daughter Grace Hambleton 1791-94.
- ix. Mary, baptised 23 June 1755. She married Thomas Blackwell on 2 February 1783 at Beeley, Derbyshire.

53. JOHN⁶ SKIDMORE of Ashford, another supposed grandson of Nicholas [15] or Richard [16], married and had children baptised at Ashford concurrently with Joshua Skidmore above. He was presumably the John Skidmore buried there on 27 September 1772. Jane Skidmore, a widow buried on 2 January 1795, would appear to have been his wife.

Children of John and Jane Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

- i. Henry, baptised 14 May 1739. He was buried at Ashford on 1 October 1746.
- ii. Mary, baptised 22 April 1742.
- iii. Ann, baptised 23 April 1745. She is presumably the lady who married John Smith on 23 September 1762 at Ashford, 'both of this town'.

54. SAMUEL⁶ SKIDMORE of Bradwell, Hope, married Margaret Warrist of Hope on 25 September 1748 at St Peter's there. She was baptised on 12 October 1721 at Hope, daughter of Enoch Warrist of Blackwell and his wife Ann. Margaret 'wife of Samuel Skydmore of Bradwell', was buried on 6 December 1754. Samuel Skidmore of Monsaldale married Mary Hyde of Whetstone on 11 February 1762 at Bakewell. He died in 1783 and was buried at Hope on 12 January of that year.

Children of Samuel and Margaret (Warrist) Skidmore, baptised at Hope,

- i. Ann, baptised 26 January 1749/50. Ann, daughter of Samuel Skidmore of Bradwell, was buried on 8 May 1777 at Hope.
- ii. Betty, baptised 28 February 1751/2. She died later that year and was buried on 9 December.
- iii. Mary, baptised 18 April 1754. She died aged 1 and was buried on 6 October 1755.

55. JOSEPH²⁶ SKIDMORE was a linen weaver of Monsaldale. He had an eldest son called Samuel Skidmore, also a linen weaver of Monsaldale.

Children of Joseph Skidmore, (Only the eldest son is presently known).

- 89. i. SAMUEL²⁷.
- 90. ii. [perhaps] JOSEPH²⁷, born about 1777.
- iii. [presumably] Mary, of Monsaldale, married by licence John Hawkesworth of Wardlow in the parish of Hope, at All Saints', Bakewell on 5 June 1800.

58. THOMAS⁶ SKIDMORE, son of Richard [32] or Richard [33], was baptised at Taddington on 25 October 1726. His marriage I have not found but his wife Ann is named in the Taddington baptism register in the years 1765 and 1767.

Thomas Skidmore left a will dated 28 February 1784 and proved at Bakewell [Lichfield diocese] later that year on 15 October. He left to his wife Ann an 'inclosed piece of land known by the name of Longfurlong Close'; she and his son Simon were executors. He died days later and was buried on buried 4 March. Ann 'the widow of Thomas Skidmore' was buried on 12 February 1791.

Children of Thomas and Ann Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

93. i. JOHN, baptised 22 July 1753.
94. ii. RICHARD, baptised 17 January 1755.
- iii. Mary, baptised 3 October 1756. She married _____ Gould and had a son James Gould remembered with his mother in the will of her brother John.
- iv. Thomas, baptised 24 March 1758, yeoman of Taddington. In the will of his brother John he received for life the close within Flagg known as Hubbodale and the copyhold dwelling house within Ashford with the shop, garden and appurtances He died aged 71 and was buried at Taddington on 15 December 1829. In his will (dated 10 November 1829, proved 16 April 1830 at Bakewell) he left to Rebecca the wife of his brother Simeon Skidmore - for her lifetime - a house occupied by James Micoock, and a stable and cowhouse, and also a house occupied by Thomas Hibberd together with a building used as a carpenter's shop, and also the land called Raddal side. At her decease this real estate passed to her sons Thomas and Joseph Skidmore (his executors), allowing £10 to their brother William. The witnesses were Matthew Roberts, Sarah Townsend and John Townsend.
- v. William, baptised 23 December 1759. In 1815, when he died, he was a joiner with a house, garden and shop in Ashford. He made a will a few days before his death (proved at Bakewell on 14 April 1815), making his brother John Skidmore of Flagg his sole executor. His brother received his house and shop and a piece of land 'lying in Kirk Dale in the neighbourhood of Ashford now in the occupation of Joshua Blackwell of Ashford'. John also received all William's household goods 'he permitting and suffering Ann Carson of Ashford the use of said household goods during her life'. John Carson of Ashford received a stocking frame. William also left £10 to each of his siblings Richard Skidmore, Thomas Skidmore, Simon Skidmore, Joseph Skidmore, Mary Gould and Ellen Dove. The will was witnessed by Thomas Burton, George Skidmore (perhaps William's nephew) and Richard Naylor.
- William Skidmore was said in the Taddington burial register to be aged 55 and of Flagg, and on his gravestone to have died on 6 November (buried 15 November) 1814 'of Ashford'.
95. vi. JOSEPH, baptised 7 December 1761.
96. vii. SIMON, baptised Simeon on 1 May 1763.
97. viii. SAMUEL, baptised 21 July 1765.
- ix. Ellen, baptised 11 October 1767. *Eleanor* Skidmore married James Dove on 27 November 1786 at Lenton, Nottingham and was remembered as Ellen Dove, along with her son John Dove, in the wills of her brothers William and John. The family of James and Ellen Dove lived in Bedwood Park and Holbeck, Nottinghamshire and later in Castle Donnington, Leicestershire. Ellen Dove died before 1841, James in 1844Q1.
- Children, as known - Ann 1788, Hannah 1792, Henry 1796, Joseph 1803, Elizabeth 1809.
- x. Ann, baptised 31 March 1771.
- xi. Henry, baptised 2 July 1775. He died in infancy and was buried 22 March 1776.

60. WILLIAM⁶ SKIDMORE, son of Richard [32] or Richard [33], was baptised at Taddington on 28 July 1733. His marriage has not been found but his wife Ellen is named in the Taddington register in 1766 at the burial of their son Henry. He is perhaps the pauper William Skidmore buried at Taddington on 8 March 1807. Ellen Skidmore aged 84 was buried there 11 January 1816.

Children of William and Ellen Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

- i. Henry, baptised 1 July 1764. He died young and was buried on 27 September 1766.
- ii. John, baptised 7 March 1771.
- iii. Richard, baptised 8 May 1774. He died in 1776 and was buried on 22 March.
- iv. Ellen, baptised 20 February 1776.

61. RICHARD⁷ SKIDMORE, for whom a baptism and a marriage are yet to be found, is known from the apprenticeship indentures of his sons Henry and James to have been a husbandman of Great Longstone. The baptisms of his children at St Giles there place his residence there with certainty from 1765. It is not possible to pinpoint his year of birth since at the time I believe he died (1787), the burial register for St Giles does not provide ages at the time of death. It seems likely that he is a son or grandson of either Richard [32] or Richard [33].

The seven known children of Richard [61] were baptised at St Giles', Great Longstone, and were recorded as 'son of Richard Skidmore' or 'daughter of Richard Skidmore'. No wives' names were not recorded during this period (indeed they were not named until the new-style registers were introduced in 1812).

Richard's first known child was Henry, baptised in the autumn of 1765. It is not safe in this instance to do a rough calculation of Richard's birth year from the year of birth of his first child. This is because the parish registers of St Giles', Great Longstone, are missing between the years 1743 and 1765. Luckily, the Bishop's Transcripts survive for certain of these 22 years, viz. the period between 1743 and 6 May 1750 and the period from 31 May 1753 up to 15 Apr 1756. No Skidmore children were baptised 1743-50 nor 1753-56. However, this leaves 12 years (mid-1750 to mid-1753, and mid-1756 to 1765) when there might well have been other Skidmore baptisms at St Giles.

If we then look ahead 20 or so years for men and women appearing in the Great Longstone registers - and if we cannot find an obvious childhood baptism for any of them - it is possible to speculate that they were born in Great Longstone during one of the 12 years missing from the record. I am aware of only two men (whose baptisms I have not found) who later appear in Great Longstone, their children being baptised at Great Longstone in the 1780s and 1790s. They are:

Richard (numbered [98] in Generation 8). His children were baptised at Great Longstone between 1783 and 1801. He was buried in 1838 in St Giles' churchyard, Great Longstone, aged 82, which places his birth around 1755-56. It is especially tempting to think he might be an earlier son of Richard [61], baptised in the years missing from the Great Longstone records, since it was common practice, though by no means automatic, to name the first, or one of the first sons of a marriage by the same name as the father. He was not living at Great Longstone village at the time of his marriage at Bakewell in 1781 to Sarah Brightmore of Edensor. He was then resident in Hassop which is 2 miles north of Bakewell and 2 miles east of Great Longstone.

If we make the assumption that Richard [98] was a son of Richard [61] then two facts become evident. Firstly, it would follow that there were probably other children born in the eight years between Richard [98]'s birth around 1756 and the birth in 1765 of Henry the first son of Richard [61]. Another consequence of making this assumption would be to place the birth of Richard [61] nearer to 1730 than 1740.

William [99]. He was born around 1762. Although he married both his wives at Bakewell, he appears to have lived 8 miles north of the town of Bakewell. His first wife was from Hathersage, his second from Hope parish. His first two children (by his first wife) were baptised at All Saints', Bakewell, his children by his second wife baptised at Great Longstone in the 1790s. A tailor, he moved his family to Macclesfield, Cheshire, where he died in 1842 aged 80.

The author has tentatively placed Richard [98] as an earlier son of Richard [61] but does not consider there is sufficient evidence for William [99] being a son of either William [60] or Richard [61]. No doubt these considerations will need to be revisited in the light of other evidence emerging⁴⁷.

Richard [61] is presumably the man who died in 1787 and was buried on 22 March at St Giles. Mary 'the widow of Richard Skidmore' was buried 13 March 1791. Unfortunately, their ages are not recorded in the burial register.
Children of Richard and Mary Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

⁴⁷ I am grateful to descendant David Hargreave of Michigan for the opportunity to discuss the descendants of Richard [61] in some detail.

98. i. [perhaps] RICHARD, born about 1756.

Perhaps with others.

102. ii. HENRY, baptised 27 October 1765.

103. iii. JAMES, baptised 18 September 1768.

iv. George, baptised 15 April 1770. He was buried at St Giles on 12 August 1780.

v. Septimus, baptised 19 May 1771. He was buried at St Giles on 30 January 1772.

vi. Thomas, baptised 14 March 1773. He is perhaps the young man, son of *Thomas* Skidmore of Great Longstone, who was apprenticed to filesmith Charles Rawson of Sheffield in 1787 and who, in turn, took an apprentice Thomas Dalton (son of carpenter William Dalton of Sheffield) in 1809. The original indenture of 1787 needs to be checked.

vii. Elizabeth, baptised 17 September 1775.

viii. Ann, baptised 28 June 1778. She was buried at St Giles on 7 February 1779.

62. JOHN⁶ SKIDMORE, son of George [35] and Sarah (Milner) Skidmore of Taddington parish, was baptised there on 31 May 1726. I have not found his marriage and unfortunately the name of his wife is not recorded in the register when his children were baptised. He was a soldier of [Priestcliffe] Ditch at the time he died in 1771. He was buried at Taddington on 25 June of that year.

Children of John Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

i. Sarah, baptised 30 September 1764. She died later that year and was buried on 14 October.

ii. George, baptised 20 February 1768 'son of John Skidmore of Priestcliffe'. Nothing further known.

64. JOHN⁶ SKIDMORE is presumably the son of Simon [41] and Mary (Robinson) Skidmore, baptised on 31 March 1730. Unlike his brothers, he remained in Eyam. He married Elizabeth Furnace on 26 December 1753 at Peak Forest Chapel. Elizabeth Skidmore died at the age of 74 and was buried at Eyam on 9 June 1803, her husband on 17 April 1806 aged 77.

He appears to be the John Skidmore mentioned in the *Derby Mercury* of 23 May 1799, when the freehold estate of which he was in part possession was auctioned at the house of Mrs Froggatt in Stoney Middleton. The estate was described as being 'situate at or near Stoney Middleton, Ryley, Eyam and Foolow, in the parish of Eyam'. It consisted of several houses, cottages, farms, land and tenements, together about 205 acres. Those mentioned as being in possession were 'Mr James Furniss, Samuel Oliver, Cornelius Chapman, John Gregory, Francis Rowland, William Drabble, Daniel Willis, and John Skidmore, or their undertenants.'

Children of John and Elizabeth (Furnace) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

108. i. SIMON, baptised 27 October 1756.

ii. Mary, baptised 27 October 1759. She probably married George Redfern of Bakewell on 18 January 1779 at Eyam.

iii. Elizabeth, baptised 6 June 1761.

iv. Martha, baptised 25 July 1765. She married William Cooper of Eyam on 11 September 1791 at Eyam. Betty Skidmore Cooper was baptised in 1808 to this couple.

109. v. JOSEPH, baptised 20 March 1768.

65. SIMON⁶ SKIDMORE, a son of Simon [41] and Maria (Robinson) Skidmore, was baptised 30 January 1731/2 at Eyam. It is necessary to distinguish him in documents of the time from his first cousin Simon [69] son of John [42], born in 1750. The man described here finished his apprenticeship as a scissorsmith in Sheffield in 1756. He was listed in 1787 in Gales and Martin's *A Directory of Sheffield; including the Manufacturers of the Adjacent Villages, 1787*, of Back Lane, Sheffield and Church Lane, Sheffield, a maker of shears for gardeners and tailors. The same man appears again in John Robinson's *A Directory of Sheffield including ... Adjacent Villages, 1797*, a shear-cutler at 40 Trippet Lane, Sheffield⁴⁸.

⁴⁸ Simon Skidmore had the following apprentices: 1763 Thomas Barlow son of John Barlow labourer of Altringham [sic]; 1772 John Draper son of Richard Draper labourer of Sheffield; 1790 John Goodlad son of George Goodlad cutler of Sheffield; 1796 John France son of Edward France cutler of Sheffield.

Simon Skidmore married Mary Winterbottam at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 22 December 1754. She died near the end of 1759, shortly after the birth of their daughter Ann; she was buried on 30 December at SS Peter & Paul.

He appears to have married twice more. Simon Skidmore married Ann Robinson on 6 October 1760 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, by whom he had perhaps six children. Ann the wife of Simon Skidmore was buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 6 July 1786.⁴⁹ His third marriage has not been found; Sarah the wife of Samuel Skidmore, edge tool maker, was buried at St Paul's, Sheffield on 26 April 1802.

The will of Simon Skidmore, scissorsmith of Sheffield, proved at York on 11 September 1807, made provision for a yearly annuity of £30 to his wife *Sarah* Skidmore, and to his brother William Skidmore of Manchester and sister Mary the wife of Paul Hadfield of Eyam, sixpence per week each for life. His nephew William Skidmore, grocer of Sheffield, was, with Joseph Barnett of Scawby, Lincolnshire, his executor (though the probate states that his brother William Skidmore and Joseph Barnett were sworn, perhaps an error). They were also trustees for his grandchildren Joseph Skidmore and Simon Skidmore, then under 21, the sons of Zachariah Skidmore of Nottingham who had died some years before. In the event of the death of these grandchildren before the age of 21, one half of the trust monies were to be divided amongst the children of his brothers John Skidmore and William Skidmore, and the other half to William Skidmore only son of his brother Benjamin Skidmore. His will suggests that Zachariah Skidmore was his only child to have offspring and apparently his only (then surviving) son. *Simeon* Skidmore, shearsmith, was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 20 February 1807.

Children of Simon and Mary (Winterbottam) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

The baptism register gives only the name of the father for children baptised to 1777.

110. i. ZACHARIAH, baptised 26 February 1755.
- ii. Mary, baptised 7 January 1756. Possibly the 'child of Simon Skidmore' buried on 13 December 1761.
- iii. Simon, son of Simon Skidmore, was buried 29 October 1758.
- iv. Ann, baptised 25 December 1759 and buried 30 March 1760.

Children of Simon Skidmore, presumably by his wife Ann (Robinson), baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- v. William, baptised 7 October 1761. He was *perhaps* the soldier whose army discharge papers state that he was born in Sheffield about 1760. He enlisted in the 26th Regiment of Foot in 1780 and served as a Private for 6 years 1 month before being made Corporal. After a further 7 years he was promoted to Sergeant, a post he held for 14 years. He was finally Quarter Master Sergeant for 4¾ years before his discharge, as a result of suffering from asthma, with a pension of 2s 5½d per day. He was commended 'for his uniform zeal and fidelity during the course of his service'.
- vi. John, baptised 27 November 1763. He was buried 25 May 1766.
- vii. Sarah, baptised 23 February 1766. Buried 9 May 1768 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, daughter of Simon Skidmore.
- viii. John, baptised 8 March 1767.
- ix. George, baptised 25 December 1769. Buried 12 February 1771, son of Simon Skidmore.
- ?x. A child of Simon Skidmore, buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 24 June 1770.

66. WILLIAM⁶ SKIDMORE, baptised 21 April 1739 at Eyam, was a son of Simon [41] and Mary (Robinson) Skidmore. He married Mary Hadfield on 7 February 1765 at Christ Church, Manchester. He was then a cordwainer of Eaton Norris in the parish of Manchester. His bondsman was George Hall, a tin plate worker of Manchester.

Mary Skidmore was buried in Manchester on 3 February 1793 and it is probably this William Skidmore who married Mabel Hurst in Manchester in 1796. He is known from his brother Simon's will to have been living in Manchester in 1807.

Children of William and Mary (Hadfield) Skidmore, baptisms and burials at St Mary's, Stockport,

- i. George, baptised 18 November 1765. He was buried on 24 October 1770, said to be of Heaton Norris, Lancashire.
112. ii. JOSEPH, baptised 25 September 1768, son of William and *Ann* Skidmore.
- iii. Martha, buried 14 August 1772, daughter of William Skidmore of Stockport.

⁴⁹ Note also Sarah the wife of Simon Skidmore, buried at St Paul's, Sheffield on 9 July 1778 and so far not identified.

- iv. Nanney, baptised 28 January 1774.
- v. Mary, baptised 27 October 1777 at Eyam. She appears to have married Joshua Linney at Manchester Cathedral on 10 May 1801.
Children, as known - Mary, George, Elizabeth.

67. BENJAMIN⁶ SKIDMORE, son of Simon [41] and Mary (Robinson) Skidmore, was baptised 20 September 1741 at Eyam. He married Martha Barker there on 26 April 1764, who was buried there as his wife on 30 June 1767. Benjamin lived to be 75 and was buried on 23 January 1817. He died leaving a will (proved at Lichfield) naming as his executor Joseph Skidmore of Maidlow, Bakewell, Derbyshire.

A child of Benjamin and Martha (Barker) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- 113. i. WILLIAM, baptised 19 February 1765.

69. SIMON⁶ SKIDMORE, born around 1750, was a son of John [42] and Ellen (Cocker) Skidmore. He married Hannah (surname presently unknown) and was a button maker in Sheffield. She appears to be the Hannah Skidmore who died aged 71 and was buried at St Paul's, Sheffield on 30 June 1816. Simon Skidmore died aged 70 and was buried at the same church on 27 April 1820.

Five of his children received legacies of £5 each in the will of Simon's brother John Skidmore in 1806 - named in that document in the order John, Martha, Edmund, Ellen, Elizabeth.

Children of Simon and Hannah Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

perhaps with others,

- i. Mary, buried 19 January 1776.
- ii. Maria, buried 2 September 1776.
- iii. John, baptised 31 May 1776, son of Simon Skidmore, buttonmaker. He was buried on 24 August that year.
- iv. Ellen, baptised 16 November 1777, daughter of Simon and Ann.
- v. Martha, baptised 5 November 1780. She appears to be the lady who married John Walker on 19 August 1810 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield.
- 114. vi. JOHN, born around September 1782, baptised at the age of 2 on 27 April 1785.
- vii. Elizabeth, baptised with her brother John in 1785. She is presumably the lady who married George Green at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 29 July 1806.
- 115. viii. EDMUND, baptised 26 April 1789.

His Majesty's 26th CAMERONIAN Regiment of Infantry, whereof
is Colonel.

These are to certify, that *James Skidmore* in *High Street, Newark* Company
 in the *26th* Cameronian Regiment aforesaid, born in the Parish of *St. Andrew* in or near the Town
 of *Newark* in the County of *Nottingham* was enlisted at the Age of *18* Years and *10* Days,
 Years; and hath served in the said Regiment for the space of *18* Years, but in consequence of *illness*
 as well as in other Corps, after the Age of Eighteen, according to the following Statement, and in consequence of *illness*
 is rendered unfit for further Service, and is hereby discharged;

having first received all just Demands of Pay, Clothing, &c. from his Entry into the said Regiment, to the Date of this Discharge,
 as appears by the Receipt on the Back hereof.

And to prevent any improper use being made of this Discharge, by its falling into other Hands, the following is a Description of
 the said *James Skidmore* He is about *5* Feet *10* Inches in height, *Brown* Hair, *Blue* Eyes,
 Feet *10* Complexion, by Trade a *Soldier*

STATEMENT OF SERVICE.

In what Corps.	Period.		Height Meters Feet	Weight Meters Pounds	Complexion	Inches in height	Trade	Outpost			Front			Total Service			In what War included in the above Statement	
	From	To						Years	Days	Hours	Years	Days	Hours	Years	Days	Hours		
<i>26th Regt of Infantry</i>	<i>17th Feb 1841</i>	<i>24th Oct 1859</i>																
TOTAL . . .																		

Given under my Hand and Seal of the Regiment, at *Newark* the *24th* Day of *October* 1860
James Skidmore
 I do hereby certify that *James Skidmore* has distinguished himself by his uniform zeal and loyalty
 during the course of his service.



GENERATION 7

73. GEORGE⁷ SKIDMORE married Elizabeth Redfern on 12 October 1774 at St Oswald's, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. He is known from his brother Thomas' will dated 1785 to have been a son of George [45] and Elizabeth Skidmore of Ashbourne, though his baptism has not yet been found. He was not mentioned in his mother's will of 1800 and was certainly deceased by 1802 when his brother John declared himself the only son of George [45].

Children of George and Elizabeth (Redfern) Skidmore, baptised at Ashbourne,

- i. Samuel, baptised 20 August 1775. He appears to be the man listed in Pigot's 1830 Directory for Nottinghamshire, a sacking manufacturer of West Retford. He was aged 67 at the time of the 1841 census, living there with his wife Sarah. He married Mrs Sarah Waterfall (born about 1779 in Nottinghamshire) on 18 December 1803 at West Retford. She died in 1849Q3, and her husband, being blind, went to lodge in Clarbrough, where he died in 1854Q4.⁵⁰
- ii. Charlotte, baptised 27 May 1777. She remained single and was living in 1841 in St John Street, Ashbourne. She lived in an almshouse in Ashbourne in her later years and died in 1857Q2 aged 80⁵¹.
- iii. George, baptised 26 September 1779⁵².
- iv. Thomas, baptised 14 November 1781.

74. JOHN⁷ SKIDMORE, a watch and clock maker of Tamworth, Warwickshire, remembered in the will of his mother, Elizabeth Skidmore of Ashbourne (wife of George [45]), in 1800. He was granted administration of his brother Thomas' will in January 1802. He was presumably the father of,
(*perhaps with others*)

- i. George, born about 1800 in Tamworth, who became a hawker and was living in 1851 with his wife Elizabeth (born about 1815 in Matlock, Derbyshire) at Cheapside, Worksop, Nottinghamshire. This couple I have only been able to find in this one census.

75. JOHN⁷ SKIDMORE, son of Samuel Skidmore [47], was born about 1752 (based on the age he began his apprenticeship). In 1766 John Skidmore, son of Samuel Skidmore of Sheffield, was apprenticed to scissor-smith John Beal there. He in turn appears to have had a son, also called John, apprenticed to him. The baptisms of John senior nor John junior appear in the registers of SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield and they were perhaps non-conformists. Three adults called John Skidmore, one or more of whom might be this father and son, were buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on the following dates: 29 July 1792; 3 March 1795; 26 June 1796.

Children of John Skidmore, *perhaps with others*,

- i. John, son of John Skidmore, scissor-smith of Sheffield, completed his apprenticeship in 1792.
- ii. [perhaps] Thomas, buried 9 February 1775 at SS Peter & Paul, 'son of John Skidmore'. See also John [48] and John [49].
- iii. [perhaps] Ann, buried at SS Peter & Paul on 16 March 1779, 'daughter of John Skidmore'. See also John [48] and John [49].

76. GEORGE⁷ SKIDMORE. He had a daughter,

- i. Ann, buried on 10 December 1776 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, 'daughter of George Skidmore'.

⁵⁰ In addition to Samuel Skidmore, it is worth noting the following in Pigot's 1830 Directory for the West Retford area of Nottinghamshire:

Mary Skidmore, milliner & dressmaker; Mary Ann Skidmore, straw hat maker.

⁵¹ Derbyshire Registrars Death Index.

⁵² Note the coincidental birth around 1779 of another George Skidmore, whose father was also called George. They were farmers in Torworth, Nottinghamshire. See Appendix 5.

77. CHARLES⁷ SKIDMORE, son of John [48] or John [49], was baptised on 7 July 1765 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. He married Martha Platts on 28 February 1791 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield and is mentioned in Baines' Directory of 1822, a fancy case maker of 10 Silver Street, and again as a case and strop maker at 12 Workhouse Lane in Pigot's 1829 Directory. He is perhaps the Charles Skidmore, said to be aged 63, who was buried at St Philip's, Sheffield on 3 January 1830. Martha Skidmore is not found in the census of 1841.

Children of Charles and Martha (Platts) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Rebecca, baptised 4 September 1791. She was buried 16 July 1792.
- ii. Ann, baptised 19 May 1793. Buried 12 August 1801.
- 126. iii. WILLIAM, baptised 6 April 1795⁵³.
- iv. Mary, baptised 26 May 1797. She was probably the Mary Skidmore who married John Pryor at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 25 July 1821. Charles Skidmore was a witness.
- 127. v. CHARLES, baptised 5 or 7 April 1799. See also his cousin Charles the son of Thomas [79].
- vi. Martha, baptised 26 July 1801. She is perhaps the lady of her name who died aged 19 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 2 June 1822.
- vii. Henry, buried 10 March 1805.
- viii. Miranda, born 11 March 1806 and baptised *Meriander* on 23 March. *Miranda* Skidmore married William Girdham at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield Cathedral on 15 February 1824.
- ix. Ellen, born 24 January (baptised 25 February) 1810. She was unmarried in 1851 and living in the home of her brother William; it was noted by the census enumerator that she was blind. She married Henry Hibbert, a mason's labourer (born about 1818 in Edensor, Derbyshire) in 1855Q4 and they lived at 4 Craven Street, Sheffield. Mr Hibbert died in 1874Q2 aged 53.
- x. Charlotte, born 7 July 1813 and baptised 1 August. She appears in White's 1833 Directory of Sheffield at 16 Bath Yard, Green Lane, a paper case maker. She married James Allen, a book keeper/agent for steel (born about 1804 at Silkstone, Yorkshire), at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 3 May 1835 and they lived in Queen Street, Sheffield. Mrs Allen died in 1859Q1 after which her husband and children moved to Kilnhurst, Rawmarsh (Rotherham area). His was perhaps the death registered at Rotherham in 1867Q4 aged 63.
- xi. Rebecca, born 29 November (baptised 18 December) 1814, daughter of Charles Skidmore, case maker of Sheffield, and his wife *Mary*.⁵⁴

78. GEORGE⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 5 March 1769, son of John [48] or John [49]. A scissor-smith of Sheffield, I have not found anything more of this family after the birth of their second child. He married Hannah Elliott on 26 March 1787 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. This might be a first marriage for George the son of Robert Skidmore [50] but, if so, then I have not found the burial of Hannah Skidmore between 1789 and 1791 at Sheffield.

Children of George and Hannah (Elliott) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Ann, baptised 29 July 1788. She died in infancy and was buried 4 November that year.
- ii. John, baptised 26 December 1789.

79. THOMAS⁷ SKIDMORE, filesmith of Sheffield, was perhaps - given the names he gave to his children - the son of John [48] or John [49], baptised September 1773, rather than son of Robert [50]. He married Esther Hague on 17 October 1795 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. Esther Skidmore died aged 65 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 11 April 1831. Thomas Skidmore has not yet been found in the census of 1841 and is presumably the Thomas Skidmore who died in 1825, said to be aged 55, buried 19 August at SS Peter & Paul.

Children of Thomas and Esther (Hague) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. George, baptised 15 November 1795. He was buried 19 February 1797.
- ii. Mary, baptised 1 April 1798. She appears to have married Charles Brownell on 3 May 1818.

⁵³ There are some inconsistencies on the IGI, which need to be checked against original registers: William's baptism on 6 April 1795 is recorded twice, once to Charles and Martha and once to Charles and Sarah; Mary's baptism is recorded twice on 26 May 1797 to Charles and Martha and on 28 May 1797 to Charles and Mary.

⁵⁴ She was not the Rebecca Skidmore who married John Moore: her father was George Skidmore, a butcher, who is otherwise unidentified.

- iii. Charles, born 14 August (baptised 7 September) 1800. There are two possible marriages for this man and he is difficult to distinguish from his cousin Charles son of Charles [77]. He died aged 24 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 7 September 1824. Note the Charles Skidmore who married Elizabeth Spencer at the same church on 31 December 1823, who might be this man.
- iv. Henry, baptised 4 December 1803.
- v. Sarah, born 5 October (baptised 2 November) 1806. She appears to have married Joseph Ridge, a Britannia metal smith (born 1806-07 in Sheffield) on 20 April 1832 at SS Peter & Paul. They lived in Dixon Street, Sheffield with their children and also with Ann Brownhill (born about 1830), perhaps a daughter of her sister Mary. Sarah Ridge died in 1876Q2 aged 69, her husband in 1890Q2 aged 83.
- vi. Harriet, buried 5 October 1810.

80. GEORGE⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 24 May 1769, was a son of Robert [50] and Mary (Brooks) Skidmore. He served his apprenticeship with his father in Sheffield and followed his father's trade of scissor making⁵⁵. He married Mary Beet (baptised 27 March 1769, daughter of Edward Beet, a cutler) on 21 December 1791.

George Skidmore had perhaps attended, or was connected with, an 'academy' at Dronfield - at least, he, along with a William Skidmore, agreed to respond to enquirers concerning the establishment, as revealed in an advertisement which appeared in the Derby Mercury on 24 June 1802.

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⁵⁵ George Skidmore had the following apprentices: 1791 Samuel Barlow son of Samuel Barlow collier of Pitthouses; 1794 Matthew Greaves son of William Greaves flaxdresser of Dronfield.

Any desirable Information will be very cheerfully communicated, and for more particular enquiries, references are respectfully directed to**

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**There follows a list of names, including a number in London, as well as in Leicester and Nottingham. Within the list of Sheffield people are George Skidmore and William Skidmore.

George Skidmore died in 1810 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 9 May. His widow then suffered further, losing two daughters later that year and another a year later, leaving just two of her eleven children surviving. She died aged 48 and was buried on 24 May 1818.

Children of George and Mary (Beet) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Mary, baptised 24 March 1793 and buried 13 December 1795.
- ii. Robert, baptised 7 May 1794 and buried 25 November 1794.
- iii. Elizabeth, baptised 14 November 1795 and buried 20 October 1811.
- iv. George, baptised 11 August 1797 and buried 16 December 1800.
- v. Ann, baptised 16 August 1799 and buried 25 December 1800.
- vi. Henry, born 30 August (baptised 20 September) 1801. At his father's death the cutlery firm owned by George Skidmore fell into the hands of a kinsman named Richardson. The two surviving sons 'being dissatisfied with Richardson's management of their father's business, left Sheffield and came to Pennsylvania about the year 1825'.⁵⁶ Both Henry and his younger brother Charles were employed by the Disston Saw Company in Philadelphia. Henry Skidmore died there about 1826 or 1827 presumably unmarried.
128. vii. CHARLES BEET, born 8 January 1804.
- viii. Georgius, born 14 April (baptised 12 May) 1805. Buried 18 February 1808.
- ix. Frederick, born 5 February (baptised 29 March) 1807. Buried 12 July 1809.
- x. Mary Ann, born 31 March (baptised 23 April) 1809. Buried 21 November 1810.
- xi. Harriet, born 3 March (baptised 28 March) 1810. Buried 23 October 1810.

81. THOMAS⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 9 May 1774, was a son of Robert [50] and Mary (Brooks) Skidmore. He served his apprenticeship in scissor making with his father before marrying Ann Hurst on 21 December 1794⁵⁷ at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield.

Children of Thomas and Ann (Hurst) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Sarah, baptised 28 January 1795. She died aged 18 and was buried 25 January 1813.
- ii. Mary Ann, baptised 19 April 1797. She died in infancy and was buried on 19 June that year.
129. iii. GEORGE HURST, baptised 20 January 1799.
- iv. Elizabeth Cleora, baptised 21 June 1801. Elizabeth Skidmore aged 11 years was buried on 7 December 1813.
- v. Louisa, born 11 July (baptised 5 August) 1804. She died at 2½ years and was buried 6 January 1807.

82. JOSEPH⁷ SKIDMORE, son of Robert [50] and Mary (Brooks) Skidmore, was baptised 11 October 1776 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. He married, by licence, Mary Wright (born about 1785 in Sheffield) on 6 December 1801 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield.

⁵⁶ Information from a descendant.

⁵⁷ IGI also gives a marriage date of 3 February 1794.

After serving his apprenticeship with his father, he became a knife maker in Sheffield. We know the name of one of his apprentices; in 1814 Joseph Skidmore, razor maker, took on apprentice Isaac Darwent, son of Jacob Darwent of Thornhill Hope. Joseph Skidmore appears in Baines' Directory of 1822, a razor and table knife manufacturer at 30 Bailey Street, Sheffield and again in Pigot's Directory of 1829 in Pond Street as a razor and scissor manufacturer⁵⁸.

The Edinburgh advertiser of 21 December 1816 reported an 'important trial' at the Town Hall in Sheffield. The prosecutors, Messrs Rhodes, Champion and Son, manufacturers of scissors, charged the seven defendants, all journeymen scissor grinders, with having attended an illegal meeting in the house of Joseph Holland, a publican in Sheffield, 'held and convened for the purpose of affecting or controlling the complainants in the conduct and management of their said trade' and of having intimidated Matthew Fisher, another journeyman grinder, to attend the meeting and so prevent his working for the said complainants. Mr Rhodes complained that work at his factory had been entirely suspended, the grinders having refused to work for them. Mr Joseph Skidmore, another scissor manufacturer in Sheffield, also stated that he had been 'struck out' for some time, the grinders having refused to work for him and that he had been told by a grinder that he was 'shelved' for having delivered out a few pair of scissors belonging to Messrs Rhodes and Co. to one of his (Skidmore's) grinders, which had been discovered at the wheel. Magistrates 'animadverted in very severe terms upon the conduct of the defendants, and the members of such dangerous associations, which had already done such enormous injury to the trade of Sheffield, and having for their end the abrogation of all subordination, and respectful legal authority; and remarked that such a system of tyranny never did exist in this or any other country, and was highly disgraceful to the town'. All the defendants were convicted.

Joseph Skidmore, scissor manufacturer of Sheffield, was declared bankrupt at the beginning of 1824⁵⁹. He died at the age of 58 and was buried on 4 January 1835 at SS Peter & Paul.

Mary Skidmore was living in 1841 with the family of her daughter Ellen Renton, and later in 1851 with her son William. She died aged 72 in 1857.

Children of Joseph and Mary (Wright) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Thomas, buried 23 September 1802.
- ii. William [presumably a twin], buried 12 September 1802.
- iii. Mary, born 1 September (baptised 21 September) 1803. She married Luke Ellison (born about 1803 in Sheffield) on 28 November 1824 at SS Peter & Paul. Luke and Mary Ellison were running an inn in Pinstone Street in the St Paul's district of Sheffield at the time of the 1841 census, though by 1851 he had become a fruiterer. Mr Ellison's death appears to have been that registered at Sheffield in 1861Q3 and by the time of the 1871 census Sarah Ellison, a widow, was resident with other ex-publicans in the licensed victualler's asylum in Bland Street, Brightside. She died in 1871Q2 in Sheffield, aged 67.
- iv. Robert, born 26 September (baptised 20 October) 1805. He died in infancy and was buried on 20 March 1806.
130. v. WILLIAM, born 13 February 1807.
- vi. Ellen, born 7 March (baptised 24 March) 1809. She married Alexander Renton, a tailor (born in Scotland) on 21 August 1831 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. They were living in 1841 with their children and Ellen's mother in Change Alley, Sheffield. Mr Renton died in 1848 and their son Walter W. Renton continued their drapery business in Change Alley, though the family appear to have lived in Fitzwilliam Street and, after Mrs Renton's retirement, in Hanover Street, Ecclesall. She died in 1893Q4 aged 84.
131. vii. ANTHONY, born 15 August 1811.
- viii. Elizabeth, born 6 November (baptised 5 December) 1813. She probably married John Waine on 6 August 1835 in Sheffield. Note that John Wright Wain was baptised 9 August 1840 at Nottingham and at the time of the 1841 census was living at Hockley in the St Mary's parish of Nottingham with

⁵⁸ He is perhaps the J. Skidmore called a scissor-smith of Sheffield in Holden's 1811 Directory, though this is perhaps more likely the John Skidmore son of John Skidmore scissor-smith apprenticed in 1792.

⁵⁹ *The Examiner* (London, England), Sunday, February 29, 1824; Issue 839 and *The Derby Mercury*, Wednesday, March 3, 1824; Issue 4782. Joseph Skidmore, Sheffield, scissor manufacturer, bankrupt.

- his parents John Wain, a brushmaker (born about 1810) and his wife Elizabeth (born about 1813, both outside Nottinghamshire). I have so far been unable to find this family in later censuses.
- ix. Maria, born 16 January (baptised 14 February) 1817. She married Robert Neill, a joiner (born about 1817 in Scotland) in Sheffield in 1839Q2. Mr Neill set up a building firm in Cheetham, Manchester, where their home in 1851 was in Sherborne Street. The business grew and they moved to Grove House in Broughton Road, Cheetham and later Midfield, Northumberland Street, Salford. Maria died in 1891Q2 aged 74, her husband in 1899Q1. Children, as known - Robert, Joseph, Mary, Maria, Alexander Renton, Margaret, Ellen, Archibald and William Henry.
- x. Ann, born 5 July 1819, baptised 30 July daughter of Joseph Skidmore, scissor maker, and Mary. She is presumably the 3 year old who was buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 17 October 1822.
132. xi. EDWIN WRIGHT, born 1 November 1822.

83. BENJAMIN⁷ SKIDMORE, son of Joseph [51] of Monsal Dale, married Mary (surname presently unknown) and both were living in 1771 when remembered in the will of Benjamin's father. Benjamin Skidmore is mentioned in the family papers of the Longsdon family of Little Longstone in late 1793 when Richard Prime of Bucklersbury, London, warehouse man, and his wife Jane sold for £600 to James Longsdon of Little Longstone, gent, a message in Monsal Dale, Wardlow and Little Longstone then in the occupation of Benjamin Skidmore. This comprised with Ellis Lee 14 acres made up as follows: Greencroft 3 acres 2 roods [rods], Cress-brook close 1 acre 3 roods, Doe Horseley 2½ acres, and 5 beastgates in Little Longstone Hay⁶⁰. On 3 April 1795 a tenancy agreement was drawn up⁶¹ between James Longsdon and Benjamin Skidmore farmer, letting to Skidmore for 1 year to Lady Day next the farm then in his possession in Monsal Dale for a rent of 20 guineas. Skidmore was to pay a £10 penalty if he broke or ploughed any land without permission and, further, he engaged 'to deliver up premises without trouble or grumbling if Longsdon wants them'.

A child of Benjamin and Mary Skidmore,

- i. Ann, living in 1771.

84. STEPHEN⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 9 August 1736 at Ashford 'son of Joshua Skidmore', was son of Joshua [52] and Grace Skidmore. He moved into Sheffield, where he was a stocking maker. He married Mary Furnis on 1 September 1763 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. Stephen and Mary Skidmore had six children in Sheffield before her death in 1776 (buried 12 May at SS Peter & Paul).

He appears to have married secondly Hannah Furnice on 20 April 1778 at All Saints', Bakewell. The children of Stephen and Hannah Skidmore were baptised at Baslow, a chapelry of Bakewell about 4 miles NE of that town. She is perhaps the Hannah Furnice who was baptised on 8 January 1754 at Baslow, who had an older brother Henry, children of Martin and Mary Furnice. Until further evidence emerges the following ten children will be attributed to this man; it is possible there are two Stephen Skidmores here, though no other man of this name has been discovered.

Children of Stephen and Mary (Furnis) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

The wife's name is not stated in the register.

- i. Samuel, baptised 6 February 1765. He was presumably the 'child of Stephen Skidmore' buried at SS Peter & Paul on 28 May 1765.
- ii. John, baptised 19 May 1766. Presumably died young.
- iii. John, baptised 19 June 1768.
133. iv. STEPHEN, baptised 25 December 1770, 'son of Stephen Skidmore, stocking maker'.
- v. Peter, baptised 7 June 1772, buried 7 January 1776.
- vi. Mary, baptised 5 February 1775, buried 24 September that year.

Children of Stephen and Hannah (Furnice) Skidmore, baptised at Baslow,

The wife's name is not stated in the register.

- vii. Henry, baptised 25 October 1778.

⁶⁰ Derbyshire Record Office: Longsdon of Little Longstone Family and Estate Papers [D3580/T - D3580/ZF].

⁶¹ *ibid*, ref.D3580/T101.

- 133a. viii. JOSHUA, baptised 8 October 1782.
 ix. Mary, baptised 8 February 1785.
 x. [perhaps] Hannah, daughter of Stephen and Gartrick [sic, ref.IGI] Skidmore, born 21 March 1788 and baptised at Glossop on 4 May.

85. WILLIAM⁷ SKIDMORE, framework knitter of Ashford, was baptised 12 April 1739, a son of Joshua [52] and Grace Skidmore. He married firstly Margaret Dicken on 22 January 1763 at Bakewell who died aged 38 and was buried at Ashford on 19 April 1775. William married secondly by licence Mary Oldfield of Ashford (probably daughter of Elias Oldfield, baptised at Ashford 25 January 1755) on 13 July 1779 at Bakewell, witnessed by Robert Baxter.

William placed the following advertisement in the Derby Mercury published on 17 March 1785:

'Ashford, 16th March, 1785.

Whereas Samuel Gould, apprentice to William Skidmore, framework-knitter, did absent himself from his said Master's service on the 4th day of this instant March; he is about 16 years of age, dark hair, pitted with the small pox, round shouldered, hooks forward; thickish of hearing, and talks thick. He had on an old hat, stitch'd round with white thread, two waistcoats, both Yorkshire Grey, and dirty leather breeches.

This is to discharge all persons from harbouring or employing the said apprentice. - And if any person will acquaint me by a line where the said Samuel Gould now is, it will be gratefully acknowledged by me, William Skidmore.⁶²

It seems he also had a smallholding. The Derby Mercury of 23 February 1786 carried the following account of a fire at his premises:

'Saturday sen'night about Eight o'Clock at night, a fire broke out in a cow-house belonging to William Skidmore at Ashford, in this County, which consumed the same, together with a quantity of corn, and one cow burnt to death; with great difficulty two others were got out safe. - It was occasioned by the carelessness of a boy sticking a lighted candle to the wall while he went to water a horse, which dropped on the straw.'

William Skidmore died on 3 May 1817 and was buried at Ashford on 7 May aged 78. In his will dated 29 September 1815 he left his freehold and copyhold messuages, lands and tenements at Ashford and elsewhere in Derbyshire to Mary his wife and after her decease equally between children of his former wife and present wife. He requested that his landlords Thomas Barker esquire and Mr Thomas Goodwin allow his wife Mary to continue as tenant to the lands he held under them for her life and after her death likewise his son John Skidmore 'near Ashford framework knitter'. Probate was granted at Lichfield on 17 October 1817 to his wife, his son John of the township of Bakewell reserving power for his son Joshua Skidmore who was supposed to be in America. Mary Skidmore lived to be 86 and was buried at Ashford on 19 January 1840.

Children of William and Margaret (Dicken) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

- i. William, baptised 14 August 1763. Although he is of an age to be the William who died aged 80 in Great Longstone in 1842, the man of Great Longstone did not have an association with Ashford. See William [99].
- ii. Grace, baptised 19 May 1768. She married John Watts on 30 September 1788 at Bakewell, witnessed by John Skidmore and William Longden. A daughter Martha Watts was baptised in 1789 and son John Watts baptised 1796 at Ashford.
- iii. Peter, baptised 25 December 1770. Buried 22 June 1771 aged 8 months.
- iv. Hannah, baptised 10 October 1773. Hannah Skidmore married George Heathcote at Bakewell on

⁶² William Skidmore took on a number of apprentices. The following are noted in the burial register of Ashford as being apprenticed to him - George Allcock 1803, John Willshaw 1804, Michael Billinge 1805, Thomas Bell or Ball 1806, William Bridden 1808, Francis White 1810. It is worth noting that William Skidmore is mentioned in the 1837 Settlement Certificate of William Crowder, a framework knitter aged 77 of Matlock Bank. William Crowder was born in Ashford in the Water around 1760, son of George and Hannah Crowder whose legal Settlement was Bakewell. From the age of three he lived with grandfather Martin Middleton of Abney; when his grandfather died went to his Uncle John Middleton, then bound apprentice when 18 [circa 1778] to his Uncle Joseph Crowder of Ashford, **then William Skidmore**.

13 November 1792 and had children baptised at Ashford - John 1793-98, George 1794, Ann 1798-98, Mary 1798-98, Thomas 1801, Ann 1804. However, there is the confusing evidence of the burial of Hannah, daughter of William Skidmore, that took place at Ashford on 13 March 1802.

Children of William and Mary (Oldfield) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

134. v. JOHN, baptised 22 May 1780.
 vi. Jane, baptised 21 July 1782. She married by licence Thomas Howe, a bachelor of Ashford in the Water (born about 1786), on 21 July 1807 at St Mary's, Ecclesfield. She was then aged 25 and living in Hannington, in the parish of Ecclesfield.
135. vii. ELIAS, baptised 21 March 1784.
 viii. Peter, baptised 30 July 1786. He would appear to have died at the age of about 20 and was buried at Ashford on 1 November 1812, 'son of William and Mary Skidmore'.
 ix. Mary, baptised 11 May 1788. She was buried 3 August 1791.
 x. Alice, baptised 16 May 1790. She married Peter Bailey, a lead ore miner (born about 1778 in Ashford) on 30 October 1810 at Bakewell. He died 16 September 1853 aged 75, his widow on 24 April 1868 aged 78. They are remembered on a stone in Ashford churchyard, 'also six children interred here, one son William died in India 20 July 1840 and interred there'.
 Children, as known - William, Barbara, Mary, Elizabeth, Jane, Peter, Hannah, John, George, Susannah, Sarah Ann, Peter, Thomas, Hannah.
- 135a xi. JOSHUA, baptised 24 February 1793.
136. xii. SAMUEL, baptised 3 April 1795.
137. xiii. ELISHA, baptised 2 December 1798.

86. SAMUEL⁸ SKIDMORE, son of Joshua [52] and Grace Skidmore, was baptised 20 October 1742 at Ashford. He became a stocking maker in Ashford and later in Matlock, Derbyshire. In 1764 a child of Samuel Skidmore, 'stockenmaker of Ashford', was born to Mary Heaward or Howard⁶³. Nothing further is known of this child.

Samuel Skidmore, framework knitter of Cromford, leased a piece of land called Wirksworth Upper Long Close - to Job Higton in 1782 and again to Thomas Ince in 1792⁶⁴. Samuel settled in Matlock, where he had a successful hosiery business. He was probably part of 'Smith and Skidmore' of Tansley [Matlock] who were members of the 'Association of the Inhabitants of the parishes of Ashover, Bonsall, Darley & Matlock, for the Prosecution of Felons, &c.' in 1798 these men, who paid a subscription of three shillings, had meetings and made resolutions to uphold the peace. For example, at the meeting held on 25 May 1798, and reported in the *Derby Mercury*, they resolved to pay to prosecute any person who received stolen goods or concealed or compounded a felony, and decided upon rates to be paid by their Treasurer to informers (not being subscribers) following the successful prosecution of a miscreant.

On 4 September 1806 in the *Derby Mercury*, Samuel Skidmore, stocking manufacturer of Matlock, advertised for sale or let 'two new and complete freehold dwelling houses, either with or without shops, adapted for genteel families, or convenient to let as lodgings, with conveniences adjoining, situate near the Hotel at Matlock Bath'.

Samuel was married late in life to Elizabeth Annable of Wirksworth, on 20 January 1800 at St Giles', Matlock, and they had one son. The will of Samuel Skidmore, hosier of Matlock, was made on 19 November 1809 and proved at Lichfield on 10 August 1812. His widow Elizabeth died in 1839 and was buried at the Zion Chapel, Wakefield on 19 September, aged 75.

A son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Annable) Skidmore,

138. JOSHUA ANNABLE, born 13 January 1801.

⁶³ Bakewell bastardy records, found online at Rootsweb, Yesterday's Journey compiled by Michael Spencer.

⁶⁴ Derbyshire Archives, D161/BOX/5/19-20 and D161/BOX/5/21-22.

87. PETER⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 9 June 1745 at Ashford, was a son of Joshua [52] and Grace Skidmore. He was a framework knitter, initially in Ashford. In April 1775 and again in October 1776 Elizabeth Hall of Great Longstone had children by Peter Skidmore, framework knitter of Ashford⁶⁵.

He appears to have moved at some point to Tideswell and married Jane Robinson of Tideswell on 26 June 1776 at Bakewell (she signed her name Robeson). The witnesses were William Skidmore and Joshua Skidmore. They were certainly in that parish in 1804 when James Bowden of Barlborough, Derbyshire, esquire, with the consent of his mortgagees, assigned a mortgage to Peter Skidmore of Tideswell, Derbyshire, maker of stockings⁶⁶. Peter and his wife appear to have moved, presumably in their retirement, to Matlock.

Jane Skidmore, wife of Peter Skidmore, died at the age of 74 and was buried at Tideswell on 19 July 1812. Peter Skidmore of Matlock died at the age of 80 and was buried at Tideswell on 29 May 1824.

Children of Peter and Jane (Robeson) Skidmore,

- i. Robeson, baptised 6 September 1778 at Ashford, buried as Robinson Skidmore at Tideswell 5 February 1781.
- ii. Margaret, baptised 21 February 1781 at Tideswell, buried there 30 November 1784.
- 139. iii. JOHN ROBINSON, baptised 27 May 1784 at Tideswell. **LATER OF MATLOCK.**

88. JOSHUA⁷ SKIDMORE, framework knitter of Ashford, was baptised 21 April 1749, a son of Joshua [52] and Grace Skidmore. He married Martha Longden on 31 August 1776 at Bakewell, his brother Peter acting as a witness. The Joshua Skidmore of Ashford who paid 3d for Land Tax in 1778 (Land Tax returns for High Peak) could have been this man or his father.

Martha Skidmore died in 1779, apparently in childbirth, and was buried on 25 March at Ashford. He is presumably the Joshua Skidmore, framework knitter of Ashford, who took on apprentice Joseph Mather in 1802. Joshua survived his wife by many years and died aged 75 in 1824 (buried at Ashford on 18 July). Letters of administration of his goods and personal estate were granted to his daughter Bridget of Ashford, wife of labourer John Brassington, on 15 October 1824.

Children of Joshua and Martha (Longden) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

- i. Bridget, baptised 29 June 1777. She married John Brassington on 20 April 1795 at Bakewell. The 1797 will of her grandfather Joshua Skidmore gives her name as Bridget Sellers but the will of her father says that Bridget Brassington was his natural daughter.
- ii. Samuel, baptised 25 March 1779. He is presumably the Samuel Skidmore who died in 1804 and was buried at Holy Trinity, Ashford, on 28 April.

89. SAMUEL⁷ SKIDMORE, eldest son of Joseph Skidmore [55], was a linen weaver of Monsaldale. He had an only child,

- i. Ann. She married John Mawrey, a framework knitter of Ashford. An unconfirmed record states that this marriage took place at Bakewell on 16 January 1782, both bride and groom of Brushfield.

An indenture of mortgage dated 4 November 1805 was made whereby Joseph Mawrey had received £190 of George Cooper for a house with garden in Ashford together with two acres of land called Woollen Dale (which lay on the west side of land of Benjamin Skidmore), all then in the possession of John Mawrey. On 28 April 1828 Joseph Skidmore, a yeoman of Wardlow, and his wife Sarah, came before the Ashford Manor court and received £91 from Thomas Cooper, a miller of Ashford, for 'all that parcel of land lying in a certain Close within Ashford called Woollen Dale and lying on the East side of the said close next to the hedge half an acre now in the occupation of John Mawrey as tenants thereof ...'.

Joseph Skidmore the grandfather of Ann (Skidmore) Mawrey had died intestate and so cannot be Joseph [51].

⁶⁵ *ibid.*

⁶⁶ Sheffield Archives: Younge Wilson Deeds, ref.YWD 923/15a-b - date: 23, 24 January, 1804. (Original lease not seen, this reference from Access 2 Archives website).

90. JOSEPH²⁷ SKIDMORE, born about 1777, was perhaps another son of Joseph Skidmore [55]. Joseph Skidmore, of Monsaldale in the parish of Bakewell, married Sarah Bocking, of Bradwell in the parish of Hope (born about 1785 in Bradwell), by licence on 11 February 1802 at All Saints', Bakewell. Mary Dakin was a witness. Joseph and Sarah farmed about 12 acres in Wardlow, where he is found in a list of voters in 1832 by virtue of having freehold houses and land in Wardlow.

Joseph Skidmore, farmer and husband of Sarah Skidmore, died at Wardlow aged 72 on 5 January 1849. Sarah Skidmore, widow of Wardlow, died on 25 February 1853 and administration of her estate was awarded on 11 March of that year to her daughters Jane Robinson and Elizabeth Ashmore.

Daughters of Joseph and Sarah (Bocking) Skidmore,

- i. Jane, born 25 October 1801 in Bury, Lancashire, baptised 22 November 1801 at St John's, Bury, daughter of Joseph Skidmore. She married Ralph Robinson, a land agent (born about 1802 in Eyam, Derbyshire) on 13 June 1825 at All Saints', Bakewell. Their children were born in Wardlow, apart from the youngest Henry who was born at Mount Cottage, Gollon in the parish of Abbeycwmhir, Radnorshire. Jane Robinson died there in 1859Q4.
Children, as known - Joseph, Sarah, Ann, Mary, Harriet, Henry.
- ii. Elizabeth, born about 1805 in Wardlow. She married Matthew Ashmore, a cattle dealer (born about 1791 in Brushfield, Derbyshire, son of farmer Thomas Ashmore) on 6 November 1843 at St Michael's, Horton, Staffordshire, and lived in Wardlow. She died perhaps in 1863Q4, her husband died in 1866 aged 76. A son Joseph Ashmore born 1845.

93. JOHN⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 22 July 1753 at Taddington, was a son of Thomas [58] and Ann Skidmore. John Skidmore of Taddington married Ann Bagshaw of Flagg on 14 March 1780 at Bakewell, witnessed by Elizabeth Roberts. Nancy 'the wife of John Skidmore of Flagg' was buried at Taddington on 16 April 1785.

He was a farmer of Flagg who died at the age of 64 on 14 May 1818 and was buried at Taddington. He left a will written on 24 January 1818 (and proved at Lichfield on 16 October 1818) in which he expresses the wish to have a stone erected in the churchyard to his memory and that of his brother William (who had died in 1814). Having apparently lost his wife and children some years earlier, he bequeathed his property in the following manner: to his brother Richard Skidmore and his heirs and assigns for ever the closes in Flagg known as the Upper Crawshaw and the nether Crawshaw, and the close in the Manor of Ashford called the Shining Cliff; to his brother Thomas Skidmore for his natural life the close within Flagg known as Hubbodale and the copyhold dwelling house within Ashford with the shop, garden and appurtenances - and after the death of his brother Thomas the close to pass to his nephew Thomas Skidmore (son of Samuel) and the house etc to his nephew William Skidmore (son of Simon); to his brother Simon during his natural life a house in Taddington with 2 gardens attached and the closes in Taddington known as the Long-furlong and the Shining Stone, the allotment of land at Taddington Town Head, together with the close in Flagg known as Handkerchief Close - and after the death of Simon to Simon's sons John, Thomas and Joseph, but subject to payments of £5 being made out of the proceeds of this property to his nieces Matilda Skidmore and Rebecca Skidmore; to his brother Joseph Skidmore for his natural life closes in Taddington called the Field Heads and in Flagg called the Hyde's Yard - and after the death of Joseph to his nephew George Skidmore and his heirs, paying to George's brothers and sisters, £20 to Thomas, £20 to Ann, £10 to Joseph; nephew George Skidmore also received all his household goods, his cattle, farming utensils, hay and corn (except two cows which passed to his brother Simon); his sisters Mary Gould and Ellen Dove each received £50 out of the money owed him by John Needham of Flagg; to his son in law James Gould £50; to the following nieces and nephews, Ellen Mycock £20, Elizabeth Dicken £10, Ann Goodwin £10, Hannah Dove £5, John Dove £5, Thomas Skidmore, son of Joseph, £10, Thomas, James and Samuel, sons of Samuel, £5 each, Debro Froggatt £10, Matilda Gyte £10; £5 each to Samuel Marchington, Dorothy Gould and Ann Mitchell (all to be paid out of a sum owed to him by Messrs Matthew and Thomas Pickford); to the poor of Taddington and Flagg each twenty shillings on the day of his interment. The executors were his nephew George Skidmore of Flagg, farmer, and friends Thomas Burton of Flagg, farmer and James Gould of Longnor, Staffordshire, grocer and mercer.

Children of John and Ann (Bagshaw) Skidmore,

- i. William, buried 6 September 1780 at Taddington, an infant.
- ii. Ellen, baptised 26 May 1782 at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton, daughter of John and Ann Skidmore. She married her cousin James Gould of Longnor, Staffordshire at All Saints', Bakewell on 25 December 1800.
- iii. Mary, 'daughter of John Scidmore of Flagg', buried 15 August 1798.

RICHARD SKIDMORE. Two men called Richard Skidmore married in Bakewell in 1781 and both had their children baptised at St Giles', Great Longstone. The name of the mother is not always given in the baptism register and so the families of the two Richard Skidmores - Richard [94] and Richard [98] - are distinguished using the information provided by the will of Richard [94] and by his gravestone in St Giles' churchyard.

Richard Skidmore [94], described next below, married Ann Flint on 18 September 1781.

Richard Skidmore [98] married Sarah Brightmore on 8 November 1781.

94. RICHARD⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 17 January 1755 at Taddington, was a son of Thomas [58] and Ann Skidmore. He married by licence Ann Flint of Hartington parish on 18 September 1781 at Bakewell. The witnesses were John Skidmore and Samuel Wain.

Richard Skidmore was a livestock farmer⁶⁷ who, in the will of his brother John, received the closes in Flagg known as the Upper Crawshaw and the Nether Crawshaw, and the close in the Manor of Ashford called the Shining Cliff. He in turn left in his will (dated 10 November 1830, proved at Lichfield 7 June 1831) freehold land in both Great Longstone and Flagg to his son Joseph and, after Joseph's death, to Joseph's wife Ann.

Richard and his wife are commemorated on a stone in the churchyard of St Giles, Great Longstone: Ann the wife of Richard Skidmore of Longstone died on 8 June 1819 aged 64, her husband on 23 December 1831 aged 76.

Children of Richard and Ann (Flint) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

141. i. JOSEPH, baptised 23 May 1782, son of Richard Skidmore.
 ii. Deborah, baptised 15 January 1786, daughter of Richard Skidmore. She married George Froggatt, of Foolow in the parish of Eyam, on 25 September 1814 at Bakewell. Anthony and Millicent Gyte, her sister and brother-in-law, acted as witnesses.
 At least one of their children was baptised at a Wesleyan Methodist chapel in the Bakewell Circuit before they moved to Manchester around 1818. She was remembered in the will of her father in 1830, together with her sons John and Joseph - who received five ewes and five lambs between them - and her daughters (not named) who received the bulk of Richard's household goods. Children, as known - Elizabeth 1815, Joseph 1817, John 1818, George 1821.
 ii. Millicent or Melicent, baptised 28 March 1790. She married Anthony Gyte, who farmed about 180 acres in Sheldon, Bakewell, at Bakewell on 7 June 1810 and is remembered as Martha Gyte in the will of her uncle John Skidmore in 1818. Millicent Gyte died in 1843Q4 and Anthony Gyte married secondly Grace Brassington in 1847Q4. He died in 1852Q3 and his widow continued to farm their land until her death in 1883.

95. JOSEPH⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 7 December 1761 at Taddington, was a son of Thomas [58] and Ann Skidmore. He married Jane Mather (perhaps baptised 8 February 1767 at Monyash, daughter of George and Silence Mather) on 10 August 1784 at St Peter's, Alstonfield, Staffordshire.

He received for his natural life, in the will of his brother John Skidmore [93], closes in Taddington called the Field Heads and in Flagg called the Hyde's Yard. After Joseph's death John's will bequeathed them to Joseph's son George Skidmore and his heirs, paying to George's brothers and sisters, £20 to Thomas, £20 to Ann, £10 to Joseph. George Skidmore also received all his uncle's household goods, his cattle, farming utensils, hay and corn.

Note the 10-year interval between the births of their daughter Ann and their son Joseph; other children might yet be found in the baptism register of another parish in this interval. Joseph and his wife were buried at Taddington. Joseph Skidmore of Warslow, Staffordshire, died aged 61 and was buried on 4 November 1823; Jane Skidmore of Flagg died aged 70 and was buried on 9 March 1837.

Children of Joseph and Jane (Mather) Skidmore,

⁶⁷ Note the settlement certificate in 1796 at Beeley of John Mellor 21, apprenticed to Wm Smith then Richard Skidmore of Gt Longstone.

- 142. i. GEORGE, baptised 11 July 1785 at Alstonfield.
- 143. ii. THOMAS, baptised 16 September 1787 at Elkstone.
- iii. William, baptised 25 December 1789 at Elkstone.
- iv. Ann, baptised 5 June 1792 at Elkstone.

perhaps with others

- 144. v. JOSEPH, born about 1803, baptised 22 March 1807 at Warslow.
- vi. [perhaps] Hannah, buried at Taddington 9 February 1837 aged 27.

96. SIMON⁷ SKIDMORE, also found in documents as **SIMEON SKIDMORE**, of Taddington, son of Thomas [58] and Ann Skidmore, was baptised Simon on 1 May 1763 at Taddington. He received for the duration of his natural life, in the will of his brother John [93], a house in Taddington with two gardens attached and the closes in Taddington known as the Long-furlong and the Shining Stone, the allotment of land at Taddington Town Head, together with the close in Flagg known as Handkerchief Close. After the death of Simon these passed to Simon's sons John, Thomas and Joseph, subject to payments of £5 being made out of the proceeds of this property to his nieces Matilda Skidmore and Rebecca Skidmore.

Simon Skidmore married Rebecca Holme (born about 1768 in Derbyshire) on 17 May 1791 at All Saints', Bakewell; Elling Holme and Ann Holme were witnesses.

Simeon Skidmore was a yeoman at Taddington, where he held of John Donnan Esq. the 'tenantright' of a farm (?in addition to) a field measuring 1 acre 2 rods 22 perch called Longfurlong (which he received in the will of his brother John). These passed to his wife in his will (dated 19 January 1828, proved 21 October 1831 at Lichfield), out of which were to be paid legacies to his daughters Rebecca Skidmore, Milly Skidmore and Ann Goodwin, and to the children of his deceased daughters Elizabeth Dicken and Ellen Mycock. At the time of his daughter Ann's marriage in 1814, she gave her address as Kingslandale.

In 1830 Rebecca received in the will of her brother-in-law Thomas Skidmore the 'dwelling house where farmer Mycock now dwells, and the stable and cow house also in his possession, and also a building now used as a carpenter's shop, and also the land known as Raddalside'. On her death all of this was to pass to her sons Thomas (who also received his uncle's bed) and Joseph, equally divided, paying £10 to their brother William. It would appear that her husband was in poor health at this time.

Simeon Skidmore was buried at Taddington on 18 May 1831, said to be aged 66. His widow remained in Taddington with the family of her son Thomas Skidmore. Rebecca Skidmore died aged 75 and was buried 25 September 1842.

Children of Simon and Rebecca (Holme) Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

- i. Ann, baptised 4 March 1792. She married Thomas Goodwin of Cowdale on 19 March 1814 at Bakewell and, with her children (not named), was left £10 in the will of her father.
- ii. Thomas, baptised 17 November 1793, buried 5 November 1795.
- iii. Elizabeth, baptised 25 March 1796. Elizabeth Skidmore of Taddington married George Dicken of Flagg at Bakewell on 4 November 1816 and died before her father. Her children Mary, Sarah, Martha and George were remembered in the will of her father.
- iv. John, baptised 5 October 1797. He died at the age of 31 and was buried at Taddington on 10 March 1827.
- v. Ellen, baptised 3 August 1799. Ellen Skidmore of Flagg married James Mycock of Flagg at Bakewell on 6 October 1817 and died before her father. Her children Richard, Francis, Sarah Ann & Elizabeth were remembered in the will of her father.
- vi. Mary, baptised 12 November 1801, buried 5 July 1803.
- 145. vii. WILLIAM, baptised 11 September 1803.
- 146. viii. THOMAS, baptised 21 February 1806.
- 147. ix. JOSEPH, baptised 29 December 1807.
- x. Rebecca, baptised 30 December 1810. She was left £10 in the will of her father and married Thomas Dicken, a lead miner (born about 1805 in Taddington) on 15 May 1828 at Taddington. In the 1840s he became an agricultural labourer and the family were living in 1851 at 1 Flacks Lane.

Mr Dicken's death was probably that registered at Bakewell in 1862Q2; his wife's I have not found but was during the 1870s.

- xi. Mary Ann, baptised 3 October 1813. She was buried at Taddington as Mary Skidmore, aged 4 months, on 16 January 1814.
- xii. Milley, baptised 11 December 1814. She was left £10 in the will of her father. *Millicent* Skidmore married John Young, a publican in Wirksworth, in 1840Q3. He had died before 1851 when she was a nurse at Derby Infirmary.

97. SAMUEL⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 21 July 1765, was a son of Thomas [58] and Ann Skidmore. The will of his brother John Skidmore of Flagg in 1818 mentions Samuel's sons Thomas, James and Samuel. There was no bequest to Samuel himself in the will, though he is not described as deceased (nor is he mentioned in the will of his brother William in 1814). As yet we have no indication of his occupation, nor is his residence stated in John's will. These named sons do not appear later in Ashford or Great Longstone.

Ellen wife of James Dove, Samuel's sister, was married in Lenton, Nottingham and it is worth noting that in 1801 a son of Samuel and *Sarah* Skidmore was baptised in Lenton - his name was James Oliver Skidmore. Samuel and *Elizabeth* Skidmore had two sons baptised at Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, Thomas in 1795 and John in 1797. A younger Samuel Skidmore, whose baptism I have not found but who appears later in censuses, was born in Mansfield about 1808. These four sons of Samuel Skidmore - Thomas, John (died 1802), James and Samuel - fit the nephews mentioned, and in the order of mention, in the will of John Skidmore [93]. Their histories are not similar, as would be usual for brothers and further evidence might well necessitate changes to this account.

Samuel Skidmore married Elizabeth Birks 5 November 1793 at Mansfield, and *perhaps* secondly Sarah _____. His burial has not yet been found but it is *possible* that Elizabeth Skidmore, widow of Samuel Skidmore, joiner, was the lady who died aged 74 in Hucknall, Nottinghamshire on 24 March 1842.

Children of Samuel and Elizabeth (Birks) Skidmore,

- 148. i. THOMAS, baptised 26 September 1795 at Mansfield.
- ii. John, baptised 12 April 1797 at Mansfield. He was perhaps buried on 20 April 1800 at All Saints', Ashover, Derbyshire aged 2, of Lea.
- 149. iii. JAMES OLIVER, baptised 16 August 1801 at Lenton, Nottinghamshire, son of Samuel and *Sarah* Skidmore.
- 150. v. SAMUEL, born about 1808 in Mansfield.

98. RICHARD⁷ SKIDMORE, for whom no baptism has yet been found, was born about 1756 and was perhaps a son of Richard [61]⁶⁸. He was living at Hassop in the parish of Bakewell at the time he married Sarah Brightmore of Edensor (born about 1756) on 8 November 1781 at Bakewell, witnessed by Luke Bradley and John Smith junior. Both bride and groom signed the register.

Richard's family has been distinguished from that of Richard [94] from the information provided by the will of Richard [94] and by his gravestone in St Giles' churchyard. (Richard [94] married Ann Flint and Richard [98] married Sarah Brightmore but their offspring could not be identified from the baptism registers because the name of the mother was not given).

Sarah his wife was born around 1756, the same time as her husband. Brightmore families are found in the registers of Great Longstone from the 1660s and lived in Rowland, mid-way between Great Longstone and Hassop and about a mile from each. A baby girl Sarah Brightmore, daughter of William Brightmore, was baptised at Great Longstone on 9 October 1755, though the baptism register transcript does not indicate where William Brightmore lived. If she became the bride of Richard [98] then she, or more likely her family, were living in Edensor in 1781. It is interesting that Richard and Sarah Skidmore named one of their sons Michael, a name not otherwise found in the Skidmore family. We should then consider a different Sarah Brightmore as the possible wife of Richard [98]. Sarah Brightmore, daughter of Michael Brightmore, was baptised 25 March 1759 at Baslow; her father had a seat in Baslow Church as a result of holding (along with most of the village) a lease for a house

⁶⁸ Please see notes for Richard [61] for a fuller discussion.

from the Duke of Rutland. Michael Brightmore also had sons William and John (who remained in Baslow and whose sons were in the shoe making trade), and daughters Mary, Ann and Hannah.

I am unaware of any reference in documents to Richard Skidmore's occupation. Sarah Skidmore 'wife of Richard' was buried at St Giles on 15 August 1813, aged 57. Richard lived to be 82 and was buried there on 27 March 1838.

Children of Richard and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

The mother's name is not given in the baptism register for these years.

- 151. i. JOHN, baptised 11 May 1783.
- 152. ii. WILLIAM, baptised 15 May 1785.
- 153. iii. RICHARD, baptised 17 June 1787.
- 154. iv. MICHAEL, baptised 13 September 1789.
- 155. v. GEORGE, baptised 9 October 1791.
- vii. Ann, baptised 23 June 1793. She appears to have been the mother of four sons and a daughter, who were known as Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone before her marriage to widower George Fletcher on 4 December 1837 at Great Longstone. He was an agricultural labourer (born about 1800 in Great Longstone, son of George Fletcher). At the time of the 1841 census, their household consisted of George's daughter Martha Fletcher aged 11, Mary Fletcher 3 and Harriet Fletcher 10 months by his marriage to Ann, and also Sarah Skidmore, Charles Skidmore, Ezekiel Skidmore and Henry Skidmore. In the adjacent property - the home of William Fletcher aged 60[-64] - lived William Fletcher aged 5, perhaps another child by George's first wife. Ann's cousin Richard Skidmore, son of John [151] lived close by.
Ann Fletcher died in 1856Q4, her husband in 1875Q4 aged 76.

Children of Ann Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

- 245. i. **SAMUEL**⁹, baptised 25 April 1813. He married Lydia Lant (born about 1814 in Winston, Derbyshire, daughter of William Lant) on 19 August 1839 at Bakewell. They were living in 1861 in Mill Lane, Bakewell, where Samuel was a quarry man. His widow remained there after Samuel's death in 1861Q3. She died in 1877 aged 63.

Children of Samuel and Lydia (Lant) Skidmore, baptised at Bakewell,

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 9 January 1841. A domestic servant, she died in 1877Q1 aged 36.
- ii. Sarah Ann, baptised 4 February 1844. A domestic servant in 1871, this lady was cared for in Bakewell Workhouse at the time of the 1881 census but was moved to Pastures Hospital (Derby County Asylum), Mickleover where she lived until her death aged 66. She was buried at Mickleover on 12 April 1909.
- iii. John, baptised 31 May 1847. Buried 23 July that year at Bakewell.
- iv. James, baptised 14 September 1851.
- v. Herbert, born 1854Q1. A blacksmith in 1871. He married Elizabeth Botham in 1877Q4. Elizabeth Skidmore died in 1879Q4 aged 21, Mr Skidmore in 1880Q2 aged 26.
- vi. Clementina, born 1859Q3. She married Samuel Whitehead (born about 1854, son of Samuel Whitehead) on 29 March 1881 at St Katherine's, Rowsley, Derbyshire.
- ii. Sarah, baptised 7 January 1821.
- iii. Charles, baptised 13 February 1825. He died aged 19 in Cressbrook and was buried at Great Longstone on 13 October 1844.
- iv. Ezekiel, baptised 9 December 1827. He was an agricultural labourer who remained unmarried. He appears to be the young man, working at Badger House, Dore, Derbyshire, who said at the time of the 1851 census that he was 19. His brother Henry was a farm servant in Dore at the same time. He was boarding in 1861 in Lidgate, Holmesfield and by 1891 at Court 3 House 2 Renton Street, Ecclesall, Sheffield.
Mr Skidmore died in 1896Q3 aged 67.
- v. Henry, baptised 11 July 1830. In 1851 he was a farm labourer, living at Moorside,

Dore. He became a railway excavator in Great Longstone area for a time before moving to London, where he was described as a horse keeper in 1871 when he was living in a lodging house in Magdalen Street, Southwark, London with his wife Mary _____ (born about 1831). Not yet found after this date.

156. vii. HENRY, baptised 3 July 1796.
viii. Thomas, baptised 2 September 1798, buried 13 April 1799.
157. ix. JAMES, baptised 27 June 1801.

99. WILLIAM⁷ SKIDMORE of Bakewell and later of Great Longstone, for whom no baptism has yet been found, was a tailor, born around 1762. He appears to have moved with his family to Macclesfield, Cheshire, where he was living in 1841, a widower, with the family of his son George Skidmore. William Skidmore died on 28 December 1842, said to be aged 80. He was probably a grandson of one of the two men called Richard Skidmore, husbandmen in Great Longstone in the 1720s (numbered [32] and [33] above). He is likely kin to the Richard Skidmore of Great Longstone, numbered [98] above.

He appears to have been the William Skidmore of Bakewell who married Ann Bingham of Hathersage on 26 March 1785 at Bakewell. Ann 'wife of William Skidmore of Bakewell' was buried on 8 April 1788 at Taddington. He married, probably secondly, Hannah Gregory of Hope parish at Great Longstone on 14 September 1789. William Frost was a witness.

They lived in the Macclesfield area and were by religious persuasion Methodists. Hannah Skidmore died in 1834 aged 65 and was buried on 3 September at or from Brunswick Wesleyan Chapel, Macclesfield.

Wesleyan Methodist Chapel in Chapel Street

[<http://www.thornber.net/cheshire/htmlfiles/macclechap.html>]

The Brunswick Methodist Church in Chapel Street, built in 1823-4 and enlarged in 1850 has five bays, two tiers of arched windows, segmental porch on Tuscan columns and a three bay pediment.



It is necessary at this point to note the Elizabeth Skidmore of Sutton who died aged 61 in 1829 and was buried on 26 April at the Ebenezer Independent Chapel, Macclesfield. She could be a relative of William Skidmore.

Children of William and Ann (Bingham) Skidmore, baptised at Bakewell,

- i. Joseph, son of William Skidmore and Ann, baptised at Bakewell on 21 May 1786. He was buried at Taddington on 29 June 1786, an 'infant of Bakewell'.
- ii. Hannah, daughter of William and Ann, baptised at Bakewell on 19 October 1787. She married James Singleton, a silk weaver of Prestbury parish, Cheshire, on 30 December 1822 at Prestbury; William Robinson and William Pickering were the witnesses. He was perhaps the James Singleton of Sutton, Macclesfield, Cheshire who died aged 45 and was buried at Brunswick Methodist Chapel, Sutton on 7 November 1830.

Children of William and Hannah (Gregory) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

I have made the assumption that the William and Hannah Skidmore baptising children at Great Longstone from 1790 are William Skidmore and Hannah Gregory (not William Skidmore and Hannah Livesly, who married in 1784).

- iii. Betty, baptised 11 October 1790 at St Peter's, Hope, 'daughter of William and Hannah Skidmore'. She was buried three days later 'daughter of William Skidmore of Windmill'.
- iv. Nancy, baptised 5 February 1792, 'daughter of William Skidmore'. Buried as Ann, aged 22, the daughter of William Skidmore, on 18 April 1814.
- v. Martha, baptised 14 September 1794, 'daughter of William Skidmore'. She married Joseph Sellors on 25 November 1817 at Great Longstone and secondly James Ferns, a block painter (?cotton weaving trade). The Ferns family lived in Norbury Street, Hyde, Cheshire, where Martha and her

children by her first husband were cotton weavers. After the death of her second husband Martha and her daughter Eliza lived with her son-in-law Robert Stafford in Hyde. Mrs Ferns died in 1869Q1 aged 74.

158. vi. WILLIAM, baptised 26 February 1797, 'son of William Skidmore'.
 vii. Mary, baptised 12 May 1799, 'daughter of William Skidmore'. Buried 14 June 1803.
 viii. Eliza, baptised 25 October 1801, 'daughter of William Skidmore of Great Longstone'. Eliza Skidmore of Great Longstone married Samuel Taylor of Ashford on 17 February 1824 at All Saints', Bakewell. George Waterhouse and Elizabeth Taylor were the witnesses.
159. ix. GEORGE, baptised 3 June 1804, 'son of William Skidmore'.
 160. x. JOHN, baptised 19 June 1808, 'son of William Skidmore'.
 xi. Hannah, baptised 28 October 1810, 'daughter of William Skidmore'. Buried 2 February 1812, 'daughter of William and Hannah Skidmore'.

102. HENRY⁷ SKIDMORE, son of Richard [61] and Mary Skidmore, was baptised on 27 October 1765 at Great Longstone. Along with his brother James, he was apprenticed in 1779 to scissormith George Bishop of Sheffield. He married Ann Toothill on 16 September 1784 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield.

A directory of 1822 lists the firm of Sorby, Turner and Skidmore, operating at the Wicker, Sheffield, manufacturers of edge tools, cutlasses, etc. Henry Skidmore, edge tool maker of the Wicker in the parish of Sheffield, made a will on 10 June 1822 (proved on 16 June 1823 at the Exchequer Court, York), leaving all his household goods to his son John Skidmore and his daughter Phoebe the wife of Daniel Camomile. The remainder of his estate passed to his son John and to John Torby of the Wicker, Henry's partner in trade, as joint executors for the benefit of his daughter Phoebe 'and.. her child or children'.⁶⁹

Ann Skidmore died aged 62 and was buried on 2 September 1819 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, followed by her husband, aged 56, buried 14 June 1822.

Children of Henry and Ann (Toothill) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Mary, baptised 24 April 1785. She died an infant and was buried 15 May.
 ii. John, baptised 29 October 1786⁷⁰. He accepted probate of his father's will in 1823. He died aged 39 and was buried 5 January 1826.
 iii. Phoebe, baptised 13 September 1789. She married Daniel Camamile, a basket maker (born about 1786 in Cromwell, Nottinghamshire) on 25 February 1815 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. They lived in Stockport, Cheshire, where Daniel died in 1854Q1, his wife in 1859Q4.
 Children - ?John married Ann Herod, ?Edward 1821 married Keziah, Ann/ Phoebe Ann 1828, ?Daniel 1832.
 iv. Elizabeth, baptised 24 March 1793. She died in infancy and was buried on 4 December that year.

103. JAMES⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 18 September 1768, was a younger son of Richard [61] and Mary Skidmore. He, like his brother Henry, was apprenticed to George Bishop in 1783 and became a shearsmith. He married Ruth Brownhill on 15 December 1788 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield.

Children of James and Ruth (Brownhill) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

perhaps with others

- i. George, baptised 26 July 1789.
 i. Mary, born 1 December 1799 and baptised with her sister Margaret on 4 March 1803.
 ii. Margaret, born 23 December 1802.

108. SIMON⁷ SKIDMORE, son of John [64] and Elizabeth (Furnice) Skidmore, was baptised 27 October 1756 at Eyam. He married Ann Hardy on 17 November 1783 at Attenborough, near Nottingham, Nottinghamshire. In 1797 Simon Skidmore was the tenant of land belonging to his brother Joseph, which comprised Hall Roods, measuring 2 acres 1 rood and 17 perches, and Haycliffe Acre 1a 3r Op.

⁶⁹ This strongly suggests that Henry's son John was single and appears to rule out his son being John Skidmore [114].

⁷⁰ He should not be confused with John the son of Simon [69], who was apprenticed to a knife maker in 1797.

He appears to have been a shopkeeper in Eyam, several of whom were fined in 1798 for 'having and keeping sundry weights which were defective and not according to the Standard in the Exchequer'. Unfortunately, the type of shop is not specified⁷¹.

His wife Ann Skidmore of Goldcliff died soon after the birth of their fourth child and was buried at Eyam on 23 September 1792. This child died in 1795 and it was perhaps soon after this that Simon took his children to Nottingham, where he appears to have been an employer of silk stocking makers⁷². He was probably in Nottingham by 1805 when his eldest son described himself as a stockinger when he enlisted in the army. Simon was certainly there by 1811, called a gentleman hosier, as shown by the following piece which appeared in The Derby Mercury.

'Address of the plain silk stocking makers to the gentlemen hosiers of Nottingham who have agreed to give an advance of sixpence per pair for the making of black silk hose. Gentlemen, - Gratitude is an attribute imprinted upon the human heart by Deity himself; and for us not to acknowledge your favor on the present occasion, would render us unworthy of your future regard, and justly expose us to the scorn of every honest and --?-- man, who might be made acquainted with your present attention to our interest. ... Indeed, whoever contemplates for a moment the present situation of the stocking-makers, with the alarming price of every necessity of life staring them in the face, will sympathise with their sufferings ... and will readily join with them in giving thanks to those of their employers who attend to the amelioration of their piteous condition. Gentlemen, Believe me your very humble and obedient servant, William Crump, Secretary, in behalf of the plain silk stocking-makers, Nottingham, Nov 27, 1811.

N.B. The following is a list of those gentlemen hosiers who have signed the above advance:-

There follow the names of over 50 firms and individuals, including Simon Skidmore⁷³.

I have not yet found burials for Simon or Ann.

Children of Simon and Ann (Hardy) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

166. i. RICHARD HARDY, baptised 12 June 1785.
- ii. John, baptised 21 December 1786.
- iii. Ann Elizabeth, baptised 2 June 1791. She married William Wright on 18 June 1816 at St Mary's, Nottingham. Children, as known, baptised at St Mary's, Nottingham - Elizabeth 1818, John Thomas 1819, Caroline 1819?-22.
- iv. Graham Chappell, baptised 28 August 1792. He was buried at Eyam on 1 October 1795.

109. JOSEPH⁷ SKIDMORE, son of John [64] and Elizabeth (Furnace) Skidmore, was baptised 20 March 1768 at Eyam. He married Hannah Youle at Eyam on 22 October 1793. He appears to be the Joseph Skidmore who purchased Hall Roods and Haycliffe Acre at auction on 6 June 1797 from Thomas Wright Esq., this being part of a freehold estate at Eyam and Foolow belonging to the Wright family⁷⁴. The Derby Mercury which announced the auction named the tenant of this land as Simon Skidmore, presumably Joseph's brother.

Hannah Skidmore died aged 40 and was buried at Eyam on 24 January 1812. Joseph Skidmore was living in 1841 with the family of his daughter Elizabeth Hibbard in Hassop, Derbyshire. Joseph Skidmore died in Birchill in 1842 aged 73, buried 13 November at Eyam.

Children of Joseph and Hannah (Youle) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- i. Hannah, baptised 24 August 1794. She was buried at Eyam on 27 October 1795.
167. ii. JOSEPH, baptised 3 September 1796.

⁷¹ Derby Mercury 10 May 1798.

⁷² It is necessary to distinguish him from another Simon Skidmore, grocer of Nottingham, numbered [169] in this account.

⁷³ The Derby Mercury, 5 December 1811.

⁷⁴ Derbyshire Record Office: Wright of Eyam Hall. Title deeds to the main Wright family estate at Eyam and Foolow. D5430/1/29/9 Particulars and conditions of sale of a freehold estate at Eyam and Foolow belonging to John Thomas Wright Esq., for auction on 6 Jun 1797, with memorandum of sale of lot 13 (Hall Roods and Haycliffe Acre) to Joseph Skidmore 1797. D5430/1/29/10-11 Lease and release of closes called the Haycliffe Acre (1 acre 3 rods) and the Hall Roods (2 acres 1 rod 17 perches) and a piece of land formerly part of the commons and waste of Eyam (2 acres 2 rods 18 perches) 1825. D5430/1/29/12 Copy assignment of closes called Hay Cliffe Acre and Hall Roods in Eyam to a trustee for their purchaser Robert Rawson, for the residue of a term of 500 years.

- iii. Sally, baptised 18 November 1798. She appears to be the Sarah Skidmore who married George Bowring, a quarryman (born about 1796 in Woodland Eyam) at Eyam on 12 July 1819 and lived in the village of Grindleford Bridge, Woodland Eyam. Mr Bowring died in 1854Q1 and his widow continued to live in Grindleford Bridge until her death in 1882Q3 aged 84. Children, as known, Harriet, Roger, Barbara, George and Sarah.
- iv. Martha, baptised 25 October 1801.
- v. Peggy, baptised 13 November 1803.
- vi. Barbara, baptised 19 February 1806. She married Richard Anthony, a cheesemonger, on 11 January 1835 at Manchester Cathedral. Mr Anthony retired from business around 1845 and returned to his native Bakewell, where the family lived in Field Cottage. He later ran a small farm which was taken over by his son Joseph. He died in 1875 aged 76, his wife in 1882, aged 76. Children, as known - Anne, Isabella, Eliza, Joseph, Fanny.
- vii. Elizabeth, baptised 29 August 1808. She married George Hibbert at Edensor on 30 March 1828. He was a gamekeeper, born about 1806 in Pilsley, Derbyshire. They were living, together with Elizabeth's father, at Birchill Lodge, Hassop in 1841 and the families of John Hibbard and George Hibbard lived nearby in Nether Birchill. George and Elizabeth moved before 1851 to Ault Hucknall, where he died (registered at Chesterfield) in 1861Q2. She was living in 1871 in the hamlet of Rowthorne with her daughter Elizabeth aged 22 and grandson William Eaton (born about 1854 in Hardwick, Derbyshire). Elizabeth Hibberd married Herbert Whitworth in 1880 and went to live in Mansfield, where her mother died that same year aged 72. Children, as known, Thirza, Mahala, Uriah, Mary Ann, Abel, Albert, Hanes and Elizabeth.

110. ZACHARIAH⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 26 February 1755 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, son of Simon Skidmore, shearsmith [65] and Mary (Winterbottam) Skidmore. In 1776 he inherited the business in Nottingham of his uncle Joseph Skidmore. *The Derby Mercury* of 21 June 1776 carried the following announcement.

'ZACHARIAH SKIDMORE, currier, begs leave to acquaint the public, that he succeeds his late uncle, Mr Joseph Skidmore, currier and leather cutter, at his shop in Bottle-Lane, Nottingham, and Shoemakers, &c. may depend on being served with any Article in that Branch of Business, on the most reasonable Terms, by Their most humble Servant, Zachariah Skidmore.'

He took on a number of apprentices, including George Capp (1779) and George Smith (1781). Zac Skidmore was a Nottingham ratepayer in Chandlers Lane (exact date not known). He married Juliana Barnet on 30 August 1779 at Scawby, Lincolnshire. The Lincolnshire Marriage Index indicates that she married with consent of her father. Sight of the actual licence might reveal his name.

Zachariah's will, dated 1 March 1789 (and proved 30 July 1789 at the Exchequer Court, York) left to his wife Juliana the dwelling house in the possession of Mrs Taylor in Bridlesworth Gate, together with his stock in trade and working tools and all household goods, on condition that she carried on the trade of currier 'according to the best of her knowledge and judgement'. This was subject to the estate for life of his aunt Sarah Skidmore as limited by the will of his late uncle Zachariah Skidmore, farmer of Whittington, Derbyshire. Should his wife not wish to continue the trade or should she remarry then Simon Skidmore, shear smith of Sheffield (his father) and Joseph Barnett of Scawby, Lincolnshire were to sell his real and personal estate and invest the monies to pay a yearly annuity of £25 to his wife 'whether she continues my widow or marries again', an appropriate part being devoted to the bringing up of his two sons Joseph Skidmore and Simon Skidmore.

Juliana Skidmore married secondly Robert Gregory, a widower of St Mary's parish, Nottingham, on 7 October 1791 at Kirton-in-Lindsey, Lincolnshire and had further children in Nottingham, where this family were Wesleyan Methodists.

Children of Zachariah and Juliana (Barnet) Skidmore, baptised at St Mary's, Nottingham,

- i. Zachariah, baptised 31 October 1780. Buried 19 December 1784.
- 168. ii. JOSEPH, baptised 7 April 1782.
- 169. iii. SIMON, baptised 15 September 1786.

111. JAMES⁷ SKIDMORE, whose children were being baptised at St Mary's, Nottingham concurrently with those of Zachariah [110], married Sarah Smith at the same church on 12 April 1779. He does not appear to be a brother to Zachariah since neither he nor his children are mentioned in the will of Simon [65] in 1807. He seems to have married secondly Sarah Hall on 12 May 1796 at St Mary's, Nottingham.

Children of James and Sarah (Smith) Skidmore, baptised at St Mary's, Nottingham,

- i. William, baptised 12 April 1780, buried 29 May 1783.
- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 16 December 1781. She is perhaps the Elizabeth Skidmore who married Thomas Wharton at St Mary's, Nottingham on 3 July 1802.
- iii. James, baptised 10 April 1784.
- iv. Henry, baptised 16 July 1787. He married Mary Burton on 4 September 1810 at St Mary's. He died in 1838 aged 49; his widow is presumably the lady (born about 1790) of independent means living at the time of the 1841 census in Eldon Street, Sneinton, who appears to have died in 1849Q2.
- v. Mary, baptised 4 September 1792. She perhaps married Edward Harston (said on the IGI to be a son of Richard and Sarah Harston) on 5 August 1821 at St Mary's and was widowed by 1841, living with her children in Taylor's Yard, Sussex Street, Nottingham. By 1851, her children had left home and she made her living as a seamstress and by taking in four lodgers, though she was later a school mistress. Her death was perhaps that registered at Radford in 1876Q4, aged 83.
- vi. Ann, baptised 6 January 1795.

112. JOSEPH⁷ SKIDMORE was a soldier who died in 1804 whilst serving on the island of St Helena. I suggest that he was the son of William [66] and Mary (Hadfield) Skidmore. I have made a further assumption that the baptism register of St Mary's, Stockport, has an error in naming his mother as Ann at his baptism on 25 September 1768. Readers will need to look at the wider family described here and reach their own conclusions. The author would be pleased to hear alternative hypotheses as to Joseph's ancestry.

The South Atlantic island of St Helena, only seventeen by ten kilometres in size, was used as a safe anchorage with easily accessible water by sailing vessels of the sea-going European nations returning home from the East on the south-east trade winds. It was, however, not permanently settled until 1659 when the British East India Company established a garrison to secure its use for their ships. From that date the island has remained in British hands, administered by the East India Company until 1834, when direct rule was imposed by the Crown⁷⁵. A census there on 29 March 1802 listed —Military 892, Civil Servants and Families 122, Planters and others 241, Free Blacks 227, Slaves 1029. Total 2511.

The St Helena garrison church records are in the British Library and have been (?partly) indexed and are available on the India Office Records website⁷⁶. Joseph Skidmore died on 1 March 1804 intestate. Ann Skidmore, a widow, married Samuel Cooper on 23 September 1804 on St Helena. On 21 March 1817 administration of the estate of Joseph Skidmore, 'late a Sergeant in the Saint Helena Artillery at Saint Helena deceased' was granted to 'one of the natural and lawful children of said deceased' William Skidmore 'a Private in the first Battalion of the third Regiment of Foot Guards now quartered in the Tower of London, and Richard Thomas of No. 30 Castle Street, Southwark, Surrey, labourer; Ann Skidmore widow the relict having died without taking upon her letters of admom of the goods of the deceased.' Joseph Skidmore's effects amounted to less than £20.

Children of Joseph and Ann Skidmore,

- i. [presumably] James, born around 1794 on the island of St Helena, was a framework knitter who lived in Nursery, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire. He married Elizabeth Moore (born in Edwinstowe, Nottinghamshire) on 28 December 1823 at Mansfield. Note that in the 1851 census they are called James Skidmore *Eidy* and Elizabeth Skidmore *Eidy*, for a reason not yet understood. James' granddaughter Martha Moore, a dressmaker (apparently baptised 21 September 1831 in Mansfield, daughter of Robert and Ann (?Jennings) Moore) lived with them. Elizabeth Skidmore died on 1 April 1858 aged 80, as reported in the *Derby Mercury*, and James continued to live in Nursery, near to Martha, who had married George Levers in 1851. It seems James Skidmore was known as a local poacher and on 1 September 1864 was caught poaching in

⁷⁵ Smith, Brian S., *A guide to the manuscript sources for the history of St Helena*. 1995.

⁷⁶ <http://indiafamily.bl.uk>. India Office Records Reference: N/6/2/f. 37.

the parish of Blidworth, Mansfield. He died soon after at Southwell House of Correction as a result of injuries sustained during his arrest. The policeman who apprehended him was subsequently charged with manslaughter⁷⁷.

170. ii. WILLIAM, born on St Helena in 1799 or 1800.
 iii. Ann, baptised at St Helena on 5 December 1802, daughter of Sergeant and Mrs Skidmore⁷⁸. She appears to have married Henry Daniel Adams, a painter and glazier (baptised 23 October 1800 at St Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey, son of George Adams, a painter and glazier of Long Walk, and his wife Esther) on 23 May 1820 at St Giles', Camberwell, London. They lived in Charles Street, Finsbury. Mr Adams died in 1867.
 Children, as known – Georgina, Mary A., Caroline, Elizabeth, Fanny.

113. WILLIAM⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 19 February 1765 at Eyam, was the only son of Benjamin [67] and Martha (Barker) Skidmore. He is known from the will of his uncle Simon Skidmore [65] to have been a grocer in Sheffield and is presumably the man found as such in the Universal British Trades Directory of 1791. He, or his son William, was a grocer at 18 Fargate, Sheffield in 1821⁷⁹.

He married Margaret Dale (born about 1759) at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 8 May 1788 and they worshipped at Queen Street Independent or Congregational Chapel in Sheffield, where their children were baptised. Margaret Skidmore of Sheffield died aged 52 and was buried at St Peter's, Warmsworth, Yorkshire on 11 October 1811.



*Queen Street Chapel, Sheffield
 from the website of the Central United
 Reformed Church, Sheffield.*

The following account in the Derby Mercury of 19 December 1832 reveals that discontent amongst the 'working class' and resentment of 'gentlemen' such as William Skidmore lay not far below the surface.

'Dreadful Riot at Sheffield Election

Friday night, after the second day's polling had closed, and the Committees of the several candidates had retired to their Inns, a riotous assemblage of persons collected in front of the Tontine Inn, the large room of which was occupied by Mr Parker's committee. - About three o'clock, symptoms of insubordination had been manifested by the mob in the neighbourhood of the Corn Exchange, where the poll was taken. Several gentlemen were very roughly treated, and had their coats torn off their backs. A little before five, when Mr Parker was addressing the members of his committee, the mob outside commenced breaking the windows riotous proceedings became more alarming "On to the Bank! down with it - and to Palfreyman's." nine o'clock a mob of eight or nine thousand went on to Bank-street and broke several windows in the bank. They then went on to Mr Palfreyman's in Queen Street, and began breaking the windows. Mr Palfreyman, with Mr Skidmore, a gentleman in his office, came immediately to the door, and begged of the mob to retire he then told them that if they did not desist, he should use firearms, which both he and Mr Skidmore then produced. The breaking of windows and throwing of stones still continued. Mr Palfreyman and Mr Skidmore fired over the heads of the mob when fortunately the police arrived, with Mr Badger, who had a few minutes previously read the riot act from the window of the Town Hall, by virtue of his office as Coroner, in the absence of a Magistrate.'

⁷⁷ The Leeds Mercury 24 September 1864. He is called William Skidmore in this newspaper article but the death of James Skidmore was registered at Southwell in the 3rd quarter of 1864.

⁷⁸ India Office Records Reference: N/6/2/f.6.

⁷⁹ He took on apprentices Thomas Bacon (1791), Joseph Sykes (1791), Daniel Dale (1792), John Greenwood (1798), William Banks (1804). Register of Duties Paid for Apprentices' Indentures, 1710-1811.
 W. Skidmore, grocer of Sheffield, was declared bankrupt in 1819, The Examiner - Sunday 27 June 1819.

An order was sent to Rotherham to enlist the help of the 18th regiment of foot, who, after firing blank cartridges and with many entreaties, were unable to disperse the mob, fired live rounds - five people were killed.

William Skidmore appears to be the pensioner aged 75[-79], at the time of the 1841 census, in Shrewsbury Hospital, Sheffield⁸⁰ and died in 1847Q2.

Children of William and Margaret (Dale) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- 171. i. BENJAMIN, baptised 23 May 1789.
- 172. ii. WILLIAM, baptised 24 March 1791.
- 173. iii. JOSEPH, baptised 8 November 1792.
- 174. iv. SAMUEL, baptised 12 February 1794.
- v. John, baptised 10 September 1795. He was perhaps the John buried at SS Peter & Paul on 26 June 1896.
- vi. Mary, baptised 10 September 1795.
- vii. Jehoiada, baptised 26 March 1797. He was an appraiser, accountant, collector of debts, commission and house agent with premises at 65 Campo Lane and a home at 87 Fargate⁸¹. He moved by 1833 to 10, Norfolk Row. He was also an agent for medicines - Drs. Drummond of Park Square, Leeds advertised their Peruvian Pills in 1835 and Jehoiada Skidmore was one of three stockists in Sheffield⁸².
He married Harriet Oldfield (baptised 12 December 1787, daughter of William and Ann Oldfield) on 25 June 1834 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. He died aged 42 and was buried at St George, Sheffield on 26 March 1839. Harriet Skidmore his widow lodged with members of the Pallet family in Sheffield until her death at the age of 72; she was buried at St Philip's, Sheffield on 28 August 1856.

114. JOHN⁷ SKIDMORE was born around September 1782 and baptised at the age of 2 years 7 months on 27 April 1785 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, son of Simon [69] and Hannah Skidmore. John son of Simon Skidmore, button maker of Sheffield, was apprenticed to knife maker Joseph Wood in 1797 and was a cutler in Sheffield. He married Elizabeth Ellis on 23 September 1804 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. His wife could be the Elizabeth buried at St Paul's (as was John) on 18 January 1831, aged 54. See also Elizabeth Amory, wife of Benjamin [171].

John Skidmore, a table knife cutler, was living at the time of the 1841 census in Burgess Street, Sheffield with Mary Hingham who had a 4-year old son John Hingham. She was born about 1793, a daughter of Joseph Fletcher, a joiner. They married at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 18 September 1844. Mary Skidmore died on 31 May 1854 in Burgess Street and was buried 4 June at St Mary's, Sheffield. By 1851 John Skidmore senior was in Johnson Street, Brightside, with 14- year old John Skidmore, called his son. John Skidmore died aged 72 and was buried at St Paul's, Sheffield on 9 April 1854. His son joined the army and moved to Doncaster.

Children of John and Elizabeth (Ellis) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. John, born 17 August (baptised 15 September) 1805. He died at 5 months and was buried on 27 January 1806.
- ii. Henry, baptised 25 December 1806. He is perhaps the young man, said to be aged 25, who was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 10 February 1833.

A son by Mary (Fletcher) Skidmore,

- 175. iii. JOHN, born about 1837.

115. EDMUND⁷ SKIDMORE, baptised 26 April 1789 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of Simon [69] and Hannah Skidmore. Edmund son of Simon Skidmore, button maker of Sheffield, was apprenticed to knife maker George Wolstenholme in 1803. He married Elizabeth Drayton on 27 July 1814 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. She

⁸⁰ 'Here is an Hospital, situated near the bridge, called "the Hospital of Gilbert, Earl of Shrewsbury." ... The Hospital consists of two quadrangles, each containing eighteen dwellings, for the accommodation of eighteen men, and the same number of women, being aged and decayed house keepers, each of whom is provided with a house and garden, and a pension of 5s. per week, with clothing and coals.' From *The Shrewsbury Hospital, Sheffield 1616-1975*, Borthwick Paper 104 by John Roach 2003.

⁸¹ Gells 1825 Directory of Sheffield. Pigot's Commercial Directory - 1828 to 1829. History & Directory of Sheffield - 1833.

⁸² The Manchester Times, 17 September 1836.

is perhaps the Elizabeth Skidmore who died aged 43 in 1832, though this said lady was buried not in Sheffield but at Eyam, on 22 August. Edmund Skidmore married secondly Sarah Smith on 8 August 1833 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. He was a pen and pocket knife manufacturer in Sheffield and lived in the area known as Little Sheffield⁸³. Sarah Skidmore died in 1843 aged 64 and was buried at All Saints', Eccleshall on 19 November. Mr Skidmore by 1851 was living in the home of his daughter Ann. He died in 1854 and was buried on 24 December at St Mary's, Sheffield.

Children of Edmund and Elizabeth (Drayton) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Ann, born 14 June (baptised 30 July) 1815. She married Benjamin Parkin, a pen blade grinder (born about 1811 in Sheffield) on 29 July 1833 in Rotherham and they were living in 1851 with their daughter Clara and son Ebenezer at 32 Duke Street, Sheffield. She died it seems some time during the 1860s, a widow.
Children, as known - Clara, Ebenezer.
- ii. Selina, born 28 November 1816, baptised 9 March 1817. She married Henry Smedley, a table blade forger (born about 1814 in Sheffield) at Rotherham parish church on 17 April 1837. They lived in Wadsley hamlet, Ecclesall, moving to Simpsons Gardens, Bramall Lane by 1851. She became a dressmaker to support her children and died in 1884Q4 aged 68.
Children, as known - Maria [m. Robert Ward], Elizabeth, John, Sarah Ellen, Imogen, Edmund, Selina, Henry.
- iii. Eliza, born 16 December 1818, baptised 24 January 1819. She married George Grayson, a table blade maker (born about 1819 in Sheffield, son of M. [Michael] Grayson, hairdresser) on 25 December 1837 at Sheffield. They were living with their eight children in 1861 in the Yard behind 29 New George Street, Ecclesall, Sheffield. Found in 1871 in Sheffield but not later.
Children, as known - Eliza ?Cara, John, Elizabeth, Mary A., Edmund, George, Clara, Martha Lane.
- iv. William, baptised 5 November 1820 at Norton, Derbyshire, son of William, cutler of Sheffield, and his wife Elizabeth. Nothing further known.
- v. Ellen, born 4 February (baptised 30 March) 1823. Living in 1841.
- vi. Elizabeth, born 4 May (baptised 14 August) 1825. She married Charles Turner, a saw handle maker (born in Grimesthorpe, Sheffield about 1825) in 1846Q2 and they were living by 1861 in Wentworth Street, Nether Hallam.
Children, as known - Edmund, Clara, Mary A., Emily, Elizabeth.

⁸³ Gells 1825 Directory of Sheffield. Pigot's Commercial Directory - 1828 to 1829. History & Directory of Sheffield - 1833 to 1837.

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123. MARTIN⁸ SKIDMORE was a framework knitter in Derby and later Nottingham. I have yet to locate a baptism for this man. We have two pieces of evidence to help pinpoint the year of his birth. He was reported to be aged 76 when he died towards the end of 1853 - placing his birth around 1777. Secondly, the British 1851 census states that he was born about 1779 in Ashbourne, Derbyshire. The only Ashbourne family known to me at this period was that of George [74] but Martin does not appear in the Ashbourne baptism register nor in the wills of George [74]'s family members. There was at least one other man in Ashbourne in the late 1700s who cannot be linked to the family of George [74]; the identity of Samuel Skidmore, a butcher of Ashbourne in 1803, is not clear. The Derby Mercury of 14 April 1803 reported a coroner's inquest into his death there 'in consequence of excessive drinking'. He was perhaps kin to Martin Skidmore.

If we turn to naming patterns for clues to Martin Skidmore's parents, we find that the only earlier occurrence of the name Martin Skidmore in Derbyshire (at least as known to the author) was the son of Samuel [28] and Elizabeth (Wilson) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam on 13 April 1734 (buried at Eyam on 23 February 1735/6). It is perhaps worth noting that Hannah Furnice, the second wife whom Stephen Skidmore [84] married - on 20 April 1778 at All Saints', Bakewell - was probably the daughter of *Martin* and Mary Furnice. Certainly, Martin Skidmore appears, in his occupation and in the names which he gave to his children, to be more closely linked to the family at Ashford, than to be a grandson of George [45]. This mid-late 18th century period is notoriously difficult when trying to connect family lines; doubtless, this account will be modified in the light of further evidence emerging.

Martin Skidmore married Sarah Wain, a hose stainer (born about 1783-85 in Wirksworth, Derbyshire) on 18 August 1807 at All Saints', Derby. They lived in Derby, later moving to Nottingham, where they are found in 1841 in Cambridge Street and, by 1851, at 13 Newcastle Court. Mary Wain, a lace runner (born about 1806 in Derby and presumably Sarah's sister) was part of their household. Mr Skidmore died in 1853Q4, his widow in 1859Q4 aged 76.

Children of Martin and Sarah (Wain) Skidmore, baptised at All Saints', Derby,

190. i. JOSEPH, baptised 11 April 1808.
191. ii. JOSHUA baptised 21 July 1816.
- iii. [perhaps] Mary Ann, baptised 28 May 1820 at St Mary's, Nottingham, daughter of Martin and *Mary* Skidmore. She died at 16 months and was buried at St Mary's on 26 August 1821.
- iv. [perhaps] Mary. She was a servant to the family of draper Lambert West in Long Row West, Nottingham in 1841. She was perhaps the Mary Skidmore who married in Nottingham in 1845.

126. WILLIAM⁸ SKIDMORE, born in Sheffield and baptised 6 April 1795, was the son of Charles [77] and Martha (Platts) Skidmore. He enlisted at the age of 17 on 11 January 1813 at Sheffield, a private in the Royal Horse Guards, for 'unlimited service'. He served for two years at Waterloo for which he received on discharge an additional allowance back-dated to 31 July 1815. He served in the Royal Horse Guards from 25 December 1812 to 29 January 1828 (a period of 15 years 36 days) before being discharged on the grounds of 'chronic rheumatism with constitutional debility contracted in the service'. His discharge papers also speak of an accident which deprived him of the sight of one eye. His conduct as a soldier was said to be 'very good' and he was recommended 'His Majesty's Royal Bounty at Chelsea'. Upon discharge he was aged 32 years, was 5 feet 11¼ inches tall, with light hair, grey eyes and a fair complexion - and was by profession an optician.

He married Ann _____⁸⁴ (born about 1796 at Marlborough, Wiltshire) on 23 April 1822 at Manchester Cathedral and continued as an optician at Barker Pool, Sheffield. He died in 1860Q1 and his widow continued to live in Barker Pool, where she was a laundress. She died in 1867Q1 aged 74.

⁸⁴ He does not appear to be the William Skidmore who married Ann Furness on 23 April 1822 at Manchester Cathedral, who was unable to write and described as a turner and filer.

Children of William and Ann Skidmore,

- i. William, born about 1822. Banns were called in October and November 1843 at All Saints', Spofforth, Yorkshire, for his marriage to Lydia Clapham of Spofforth parish (baptised there on 13 October 1843, daughter of Joseph Clapham, a joiner, and his wife Mary). They were married at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 3 December 1843, he described as a cutler, son of William Skidmore, optician.
- ii. [perhaps] Elizabeth, born 24 September 1823 and baptised with her brother Furniss on 12 February 1826 at Ripley, Derbyshire.
- iii. [perhaps] Furniss, baptised 12 February 1826.
- iv. Henry, born 22 January 1831, baptised 13 February. He died at the age of 3 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 7 January 1834.
- v. Martha, born 30 August 1833 and baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 22 September of that year. Martha Skidmore of Burgess Street married Ezra Johnson in Sheffield on 27 December 1854 at Sheffield Parish Church. Ezra was a stone mason, born about 1832 in Attercliffe, son of John Johnson, a mason of Sheffield Park, and his wife Margaret. Ezra and Martha had three children - John, Anna and Alfred, before emigrating around 1859 to America. They were living at the time of the US 1860 census in Macomb, McDonough County, Illinois. The family of Ezra's brother William Johnson, also a stone mason, and his wife Sarah lived in the adjacent house.
- vi. Reuben, born 9 August 1836, baptised 31 August. He died at the age of 3 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 5 September 1839.

127. CHARLES⁸ SKIDMORE, probably son of Charles [77], married Elizabeth Hemings at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 23 July 1820. She is presumably the Elizabeth Skidmore buried at St Philip's, Sheffield on 28 April 1841, aged 44. Charles Skidmore, an edge tool grinder, was living alone at the time of the census taken on 6 June 1841 in Shales Moor, Sheffield. He died aged 46 and was buried at St Philip's on 5 September 1845.

A daughter of Charles and Elizabeth (Hemings) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Martha, born 17 July (baptised 28 October) 1821. She died aged 2 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 27 August 1823.

128. CHARLES BEET⁸ SKIDMORE, born 8 January 1804 and baptised on 17 February at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of George [80] and Mary (Beet) Skidmore. With his brother Henry he emigrated to Pennsylvania around 1825. He married Harriet Henrietta Schrader (born 8 May 1812 at Philadelphia, died 24 January 1892 at Salt Lake City, daughter of John Hendrik Schrader). Two of his children (Charles and Harriet) died at the same time and their deaths are noted in the Public Ledger printed in Philadelphia on 25 April 1849. Most of the children of Charles Beet Skidmore became members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints and migrated to Utah. He and his son George did not join the church and remained in Philadelphia where he was employed by the Disston Saw Company. He died there on 16 March 1856, and his widow married secondly William Wines Phelps on 8 September 1856 in Utah.

Children of Charles Beet and Harriet Henrietta (Schrader) Skidmore,

192. i. HENRY BEET, born 11 December 1830.
- ii. Charles, born September 1832. He died unmarried in April 1849.
- iii. Mary Elizabeth, born 10 August 1833. She married 1st Charles Lutz on 14 March 1860 at Salt Lake City and secondly Martin Lenzi (born 1815 in Switzerland, died 1898) about 1878. She died 16 November 1884.
- iv. Adaline, born March 1835. She died unmarried.
193. v. GEORGE CHARLES, born February 1836.
194. vi. SAMUEL ROBERTS, born 14 August 1838 at Philadelphia.
- vii. Margaret, born about 1839. She died 30 August 1843.
- viii. Harriet, born about 1841. She died in April 1849.
195. ix. WILLIAM LOBARK, born 22 September 1844 at Philadelphia.
- x. Rachel Louise, born 14 January 1851. She married Willis Albert Clark on 14 June 1879 and died 10 April 1934.

129. GEORGE HURST⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 20 January 1799 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was the only known son of Thomas [81] and Ann (Hurst) Skidmore. He married firstly Hannah Jeffrey on 7 (?11) February 1825 at St Mary's, Nottingham and was a coach smith in that town until January 1833. Within a month they perhaps had moved to Sheffield, where their second son was born. By the time of the 1841 census they were living in Ravenhurst Street, Bordesley, Birmingham and Hannah Skidmore died in Birmingham in 1848Q4 aged 53.

George Skidmore (he does not seem to have routinely used his middle name) married his second wife Mrs Ann Salt (born about 1800 in Repton, Derbyshire, widow of Thomas Salt) on 4 February 1850 at St Peter's, Derby⁸⁵. They were living in 1851 in Eagle Street, Derby with Ann's sons George Salt and John Salt. By 1861 they had moved to 4 Mellors Buildings, ?Gray Street, Manchester, with son George Salt, a railway clerk, his wife Mary Ellen Cheetham (Hyde) Salt and grandson James Eaton Salt.

George Hurst Skidmore died aged 72 in 1870Q4 in the registration district of Glanford Brigg, Lincolnshire. His widow Ann moved to Ardwick, where she died aged 77 at 7 Kingett and was buried in Ardwick Cemetery on 13 November 1877.

A child of George Hurst and Hannah (Jeffrey) Skidmore,

- i. George Thomas, buried ?27 January 1833 at St Mary's, Nottingham, son of George Skidmore, coachsmith of Newcastle Street, Nottingham, and his wife Hannah.
- ii. George Thomas, born 9 January (baptised 20 February) 1833 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, son of George Skidmore, coachsmith of Sheffield. He was a coach body maker like his father. He married Emily Maggs (born about 1826 in Warminster, Wiltshire, widow of Isaac Ferris) in 1858Q2 in Northampton registration district but by the time of the 1861 census they were living in the High Street, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire. I have so far been unable to find this couple after this time.

130. WILLIAM⁸ SKIDMORE, born in Sheffield on 13 February 1807 and baptised at SS Peter & Paul there on 8 March, was a son of Joseph [82] and Mary (Wright) Skidmore. A razor maker, he married Mary Cowin (perhaps baptised 25 April 1813 at Sheffield, daughter of George and Hannah Cowen) on 18 June 1834 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. Their home was at 107 Milton Street, Ecclesall Bierlow, where Mrs Skidmore died aged 31 after suffering from phthisis for five years. She was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 2 March 1845.

William Skidmore remained in Milton Street and was a commercial traveller. He died in 1878 aged 71 and was buried in Sheffield General Cemetery on 17 March.

Children of William and Mary (Cowen) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Joseph Cowin, born 15 July (baptised 2 August) 1835. He died aged 1 and was buried on 18 April 1837 at SS Peter & Paul.
- ii. Walter, born 13 July (baptised 20 August) 1837. He was a German silver caster in 1861, living with his father in Ecclesall. An ironworks labourer by 1871, he boarded in Attercliffe until his death in 1892 (buried 11 June at Tinsley Park Municipal Cemetery) aged 55.
196. iii. WILLIAM, born 23 September 1839.
- iv. Henry, born 1842Q1. He died that same year and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 11 September.
- v. Mary Ann, born 1844Q3, died 1845Q1.

131. ANTHONY⁸ SKIDMORE, born 15 August 1811, baptised 11 September at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of Joseph [82] and Mary (Wright) Skidmore. He married Sarah Sykes (born about 1815) on 9 April 1833 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. Their three sons were born in Sheffield but between 1837 and the time of the 1841 census they moved to London. He was a die sinker and was living in 1841 in Corporation Lane, Clerkenwell with his wife and sons and 12-year old Eliza Sykes, perhaps a sister to Mrs Skidmore. Sarah Skidmore died on 25 December 1848 at 36 Great Tuften Street, Westminster, London, aged 33.

Anthony Skidmore married secondly Margaret _____ (?Parker or?Walker, born about 1818 in Sheffield) in 1849Q3 in the Strand registration district of London. They were living at the time of the 1851 census at 3 Drake

⁸⁵ The Derby Mercury, 6 February 1850.

Street in the parish of St George the Martyr. Anthony Skidmore died the following year at the age of 41 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 19 December 1852.

Margaret appears to be the 45-year old widow, serving as a cook in 1861 to the household of solicitor William Slater at 4 Peel Terrace, Layton, Lancashire. By the time of the 1871 census she was housekeeper to the family of John W. Bowden, a cotton manufacturer living in Albert Terrace, South Shore, Blackpool. She was perhaps the 70-year old Margaret Skidmore who died in Croydon registration district in 1887.

Children of Anthony and Sarah (Sykes) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. William, born 2 June 1834 and baptised with his brother Henry. He died at the age of 3 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 3 August 1837.
- 197. ii. HENRY, born 5 September 1835.
- 198. iii. FREDERICK, born 9 November 1836.

132. EDWIN WRIGHT⁸ SKIDMORE was born 1 November 1822 and baptised at SS Peter and Paul, Sheffield on 25 December of that year, the son of Joseph [82] and Mary (Wright) Skidmore. He emigrated in 1847 and was a cutler living in the 16th ward of New York City in 1850 with his wife Mary _____ (born about 1826 in England) and a son Joseph (aged 1, born New York). They lived for many years at 636 West 52nd Street in Manhattan. He gave up his cutlery business and after 1857 operated a liquor store. He is called a plastics manufacturer at his death on West 52nd Street where his children continued after his death. He died on 14 June 1878 and his widow on 3 April 1888. They are buried, together with a number of their children, in the New York Bay Cemetery.

Children of Edwin Wright and Mary Skidmore,

- i. Joseph, born 10 April 1850. He was a plastic manufacturer in 1870 and died on 17 August 1877 at Sheepshead Bay, Kings County, Long Island. His funeral at Gravesend was paid for by his brother Edwin⁸⁶.
- ii. Edwin G., born 1851. He was apprenticed to a stone cutter but took over the running of the liquor store by the time of the 1880 census. He died 16 February 1886 at 636 52nd Street, New York City and was buried in the New York Bay Cemetery.
- iii. Mary, born 5 November 1853. She died 7 September 1854 aged 10 months, 2 days.
- iv. Ellen, born 17 October 1855 at 145 West 35th Street. She married Martin J. Hickey (born Ireland) in 1880. They were living in 1900 with her brother at 636 West 52nd Street, Block B. A son John J. Hickey born November 1886.
- v. William, born 1858. His occupation in 1880 was recorded as 'medicen patent'. He was a watchman by 1900, living unmarried with his sister Ellen and his brother Thomas D. Skidmore at 636 West 52nd Street, Block B.
- vi. Mary, born 1860. A book keeper by 1880.
- vii. Maria, born 1863.
- 199. viii. THOMAS D., born 1867.
- ix. John, born 1869. Not listed in the 1870 census.

133. STEPHEN⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 25 December 1770 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of Stephen [84] and Mary (Furnis) Skidmore. He married firstly Mary Harrison on 15 May 1791 at All Saints', Bakewell and lived for a time in Manchester.

He is probably the man who was a member of the Society of Singers of Ashford and whose verse is written into a manuscript volume of music for the Psalms which survives at Derbyshire Record Office⁸⁷. He was a framework knitter in Ashford who took on apprentice Mary Richard (1796), Joseph Horobin (1798) and Robert Allsop (1799).

He appears to have married secondly - as Stephen Scudamore - Sarah Goosetry (born about 1786 in Wolverhampton Staffordshire), on 10 November 1828 at the Cathedral Church in Manchester. He was a framework knitter in Nottingham at the time of the 1841 census, living with his wife in Clement Place there. By

⁸⁶ The information on Edwin Wright's family in the US was kindly supplied by Warren Skidmore.

⁸⁷ Derbyshire Record Office, D747/A/PZ 2/1.

1851 they had moved to Fennel Street, Ashford, where he died aged 81 and was buried at Ashford on 1 July 1852. Sarah Skidmore died aged 82 and was buried on 11 March 1861.

Children of Stephen and Mary (Harrison) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford (except where stated),

- i. Mary, baptised 17 July 1791.
- ii. John, baptised 5 May 1793 at St Giles', Matlock. He is perhaps the John Skidmore of Manchester who died aged 28 and was buried 5 September 1821 at Gorton, Lancashire.
It is possible this man married because on 17 December 1817 at the same church the burial took place of Sarah Skidmore aged 1 year.
200. iii. SAMUEL, baptised 5 July 1795.
- iv. Ann, baptised 3 June 1798.
- v. William, baptised 28 June 1800. Nothing further known.
- vi. Hannah, buried 19 December 1802.
- vii. Stephen, baptised 7 January 1804. Stephen Skidmore was living in Manchester in 1830 when a removal order was issued for Stephen Skidmore the younger 'sick', from Manchester to Ashford in the Water. He died, however, in Manchester Workhouse and was buried from there on 18 April 1830, aged 26.
- viii. Peter, baptised 8 June 1806. Nothing further known.

133a. JOSHUA⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 8 October 1782, was a son of Stephen [84] and Mary (Furnis) Skidmore. He was presumably the man who married by licence Mary Woodward on 7 July 1807 at West Retford, Nottinghamshire. Mary Skidmore was perhaps the lady aged 60 living at the time of the 1841 census in Long Row, Nottingham, with a Joshua Skidmore aged 28. Further, she is perhaps the widow of Bunkers Hill, Nottingham, whose death on 27 April 1849 at the age of 76 was reported thus on 3 May 1849 in the Nottinghamshire Guardian,

'Inquests before the town coroner.....On Friday, at the Bunkers' Hill Tavern, on the body of Mary Skidmore, aged 76, widow, Bunker's-hill. The deceased was well up to the day previous to her death, when she was seized with inflammation of the bowels, of which she died on Thursday morning. Verdict accordingly.'

A child of Joshua and Mary (Woodward) Skidmore,

201. i. JOSHUA, baptised 29 May 1808 at St Werburgh's, Derby. He appears to have been living, along with Mary Skidmore (presumably his mother, in Long Row, Nottingham, at the time of the 1841 census. He might be the man living at the time of the 1851 census in Parliament Street, Nottingham, with Ann Lang and her son by Joshua Skidmore, Joseph Lang. Joshua is recorded in the census as being unmarried, aged 50 and as having been born in the city of Derby.
The Nottinghamshire Guardian on 12 April 1849 reported as follows:

'STEALING A BOX - John Heard, aged 24, labourer, Bunker's-hill, was charged with stealing, on Monday night, from the Black Boy yard, a box, containing a silver medal, a neck-lace, a pair of ear-rings, and other articles; and Joshua Skidmore, aged 40, framesmith, Bunker's-hill, was charged with receiving part thereof knowing the same to have been stolen. Heard acknowledged stealing the box which, he said, he took to Skidmore, who broke it open for him, and bought of him the medal and other articles. He sold the rings to Elizabeth Mills for 6d and gave the neck-lace to a girl named Taylor. Skidmore denied having bought any of the property.'
He was found not guilty at Nottingham Town Sessions on 2 July 1849.

and again on 7 March 1850:

Ann Lang, aged 23, was brought up under a warrant, charged by Joshua Skidmore, furniture broker, etc., with stealing a feather bed, some bolsters, and a variety of other articles, his property. It appeared that the prisoner had been living with the complainant until a fortnight ago, when he turned her out of doors, although she was far advanced in pregnancy. On Saturday night, while in the market place, he was informed that his house had been broken into A neighbour informed him that the prisoner and a man had been to the house with a cart, and that they had taken the goods away. - The prisoner complained bitterly of Skidmore's conduct to her,

stating that he had induced her to go and live with him under promise of marriage, but that he had since turned her out of the house, and she is now houseless, homeless, friendless and destitute.

On 5 February 1852 the same newspaper described the case brought against Joshua Skidmore, a broker of Parliament Street, charged with stealing a duplex watch which had been brought to him for cleaning. On 3 December 1858 at Sheffield he was convicted of felony and sentenced to 3 years in prison.

The death on 17 April 1872 of Joshua Skidmore, a hawker of Parkwood Springs, Sheffield, aged 64, was reported in the Sheffield Independent newspaper.

A probable son by Ann Lang,

- i. Joseph, known by the surname Lang, born 1850Q4 in Nottingham. He was a visitor at the time of the 1861 census in the home of what is probably his maternal aunt Mary (Lang) and her husband Alfred Wigfield, in Carlton, Nottinghamshire. Nothing further presently known.

134. JOHN⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 22 May 1780 at Ashford, was a son of William [85] and Mary (Oldfield) Skidmore. He was a hosier of Ashford at the time he married, by licence, Frances Smith on 12 July 1802 at Christ Church, Manchester. She was born about 1775 in Ashford but was living in Didsbury, Manchester when they married.

John Skidmore lived near Ashford Corn Mill in 1829, when the copyhold land on which he was a tenant was sold by auction at the Rutland Arms Inn in Bakewell on 11 December. John Skidmore farmed Fin Lees with various fields totalling about 10 acres and a cowhouse with a slated roof to house four cows. He also was tenant of a close 'in the Farfield, in the Township of Bakewell, with a cowhouse thereon' measuring 5 acres 2 roods and 10 perches. He was appointed by the owners to show prospective buyers around the various lots to be auctioned⁸⁸.

By the time of the 1841 census John and Frances were living in Bridge House, Bakewell, when he was described as a framework knitter. Fanny Skidmore died on 30 October 1853 at Bridgefoot (burial register) aged 77, John on 3 August 1857 aged 78; there is a stone to their memory, and that of their daughter Ann, in Ashford churchyard. John left a will (not seen, proved at Lichfield), which made his son Joseph Skidmore executor.

Children of John and Frances (Smith) Skidmore, born in Bakewell and baptised at Holy Trinity, Ashford,

- i. Joseph, apparently baptised twice, firstly on 5 January 1803 at All Saints, Bakewell, 'son of John Skidmore, framework knitter, and Frances his wife', and again on 30 January 1803 at Ashford. The first mention of this man is the settlement certificate in 1824 of Isaac Wilshaw aged 26, born in Fairfield, who was apprenticed to Daniel Hambleton of Ashford and Joseph Skidmore of Ashford. Joseph Skidmore married firstly Ruth Coe on 28 November 1829 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. She died aged 64 on 29 May 1848 and was buried at Ashford. He married secondly Emma Garfitt (born about 1807 in Ashford, Derbyshire, daughter of Thomas Garfitt) in 1852Q1 in the Ecclesall area of Sheffield and they were living in 1861 in Greaves Lane, Ashford where Joseph was a farmer of 11 acres. Joseph Skidmore, yeoman of Ashford, died on 12 August 1866 aged 61 and was buried at Ashford, where a memorial mentioning both his wives survives. He left a will (proved at Derby on 3 September 1866) which named as executors William Froggatt of Cressbrook, Tideswell, grocer, his wife Emma Skidmore and Joseph Coe of Stoke on Trent, veterinary surgeon. Mrs Skidmore remained in Greaves Lane until at least 1881, deriving income from interests and dividends on houses and land. She died on 16 October 1888 aged 82, leaving a will (not seen, proved at Derby in 1889), naming as executors Charles Swindell of 12 Kenwood Road, Sheffield, bank cashier, and her niece Mary Elizabeth Mountford of Parkhead, Sheffield.
- ii. William, baptised 28 April 1805. Nothing further known.
- iii. Mary, baptised 11 January 1807. She married Richard Savage, a marble mason (born about 1805 at Baslow, Derbyshire) on 10 September 1836 (church uncertain, IGI gives both Bakewell and Buxton). They lived in Church Street, Ashford, with their daughter Fanny. Richard and Mary Savage both died in 1876.

⁸⁸ Derbyshire Mercury, 4 November 1829.

- iv. Ann, baptised 30 May 1809. She died on 10 October 1859, said to be aged 53, and was buried at Ashford.
- v. Frances, baptised 14 April 1811. She married Peter Milnes, a master carpenter (born about 1809 in Ashford) on 5 September 1829 at All Saints', Bakewell. They lived at Cliffend, Ashford. Peter Milnes died in 1868 aged 60, his wife in 1876 aged 65.
Children, as known - Edward, Harriet, David, Ruth, William, Alfred, Peter, John, Fanny E.
- 202. vi. PETER, baptised 14 February 1813.
- vii. John, baptised 26 February 1815. Died at 2 years 7 months, buried at Ashford on 3 October 1817.
- viii. Martha, baptised 27 July 1817. She married Samuel Furniss, a mason (born about 1810 in Longstone, son of Matthew Furniss) on 2 April 1849 at All Saints', Bakewell. They lived at Hill Cross, Ashford and after her husband's death Martha farmed 11 acres there. She died in 1895 aged 78.
Children, as known - Elizabeth, Samuel.
- ix. Jane, baptised 27 August 1820. She married Thomas Sheldon, farmer of about 70 acres in Sheldon (born about 1814 in Hartington, Derbyshire, son of Roger Sheldon) on 24 August 1844 at All Saints', Bakewell. Sheldon is a small farming hamlet perched high above the River Wye, South of Ashford. Thomas Sheldon died in 1871, his wife the following year and the farm was taken over by their son Benjamin.
Children, as known - Benjamin, Roger, Frances, Ann, Harriet, John, Arthur.

135. ELIAS⁸ SKIDMORE was baptised 21 March 1784, son of William [85] and Mary (Oldfield) Skidmore. He married firstly Alice Longden (baptised 26 May 1793 at Ashford, daughter of Thomas and Frances Longden) on 28 May 1807 at Bakewell. Alice, wife of Elias, died on 12 August 1834 aged 42 and he married secondly Agnes Wilkinson (born about 1793) on 21 May 1835 at Chesterfield.

He rented a house and garden in the centre of the village of Ashford (its owner put the house up for sale in August 1825⁸⁹). He owned knitting frames (see below) and either followed this trade himself or employed local people. Later, perhaps at his second marriage, Elias became a tenant of the Thorn Tree Inn in Ashford and appears as such in Pigot's Commercial Directory of Derbyshire 1835.

On 7 April 1835 a Female Friendly Society was set up which met at the Thorn Tree⁹⁰. In 19th century Britain many working class families relied on friendly societies to provide them with financial benefits at times of sickness or death. Friendly Societies were based in public houses where they met each month for a social evening at which members paid a small subscription to the society's 'box'. The payments entitled members to a weekly benefit when ill-health prevented them from working, as well as a lump-sum for the family when they died⁹¹. Only one in about 175 friendly society members belonged to a female society, and 17 counties in England did not have a female society at all. The Female Friendly Societies were mutual aid organisations, established and run by women for women. The records of the society which met at the Thorn Tree - if they still exist - could throw light on the place of Skidmores and other families in the society of Ashford.

Agnes Skidmore died on 8 November 1838, aged 45. Elias Skidmore was living at the time of the 1851 census, a victualler and farmer, in Church Street, Ashford, with his granddaughter Harriet Tomlinson, a house servant (born about 1837 in Ashford). In May 1854 Elias re-let the inn and land connected with it to his son-in-law Thomas Maycock, with the understanding that Elias was to board in the house with them as long as they could all agree but that if Elias chose to leave he should then be allowed 10s per week by Maycock. Animosity, which could not have been far below the surface, clearly grew between Elias and his son-in-law for after 13 months 'the old man left'⁹² and went to court to claim £50 from Maycock for rent and board. He won his case and the bailiff seized in payment a chest of drawers, a bed, four stocking-frames and a clock, believed to be Maycock's (but which, in fact, belonged to Elias Skidmore) who then brought a further claim to retrieve his property. The judge said it was

⁸⁹ The Derby Mercury, 31 August 1825. Sale of house and garden, 'with the garden and appurtenances thereto belonging', in the centre of the village of Ashford, in the occupation of Elias Skidmore.

⁹⁰ Parliamentary Papers, House of Commons and Command, Volume 51. [Found at Google books].

⁹¹ Gorsky, Martin, *Self Help and Mutual Aid: Friendly Societies in 19th Century Britain*, Recent Findings of Research in Economic & Social History, Spring 1999.

⁹² The Derby Mercury, 17 June 1857.

the oddest case that had ever been brought before him and was, in fact, perfectly ridiculous⁹³. Nevertheless, Maycock chose to sue his father-in-law and a month later on 12 August the following piece appeared in the *Derby Mercury*:

'MAYCOCK v. SKIDMORE. The names of Thomas Maycock and his father-in-law Elias Skidmore have been so frequently before the public, and the whole affair being in reality no more than a family difference, that although the case occupied much time in hearing, and appeared to possess some local interest, we shall not annoy our readers by going into particulars. Maycock married Skidmore's daughter and became landlord of the Thorn Tree public house at Ashford-in-the-Water. Skidmore sued Maycock two court days since, and gained a verdict of £43 odd and now Maycock sued Skidmore for £24 16s 6d, alleged to be due for rents and coals. Maycock fenced with material questions, and prevaricated to such an extent that the judge told him he paid very little attention to what he said; when questions were asked he would talk about anything instead of answering in a direct manner Elizabeth Maycock, plaintiff's wife, gave evidence, but of no great importance, and defendant Mr Joseph Skidmore, and Mr Hodkin, who had arbitrated previously, were severally examined, but their testimony related to mere matters of detail. His Honour said that this was plainly a trumped up case, and one bill put in for coal, he designated a very audacious one. Plaintiff was dissatisfied with any other arbitrators whose decision might have been adverse to him, because nothing would satisfy him but receiving and not paying. Verdict for the defendant with costs.'

Elias was farming 40 acres and living alone in Fennel Street, Ashford in 1861. He died on 23 September 1864 aged 80 and there is in Ashford churchyard a stone to his memory and also his two wives and his children Catherine, William, Peter and Andrew.



Fennel Street today

Children of Elias and Alice (Longden) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

- i. Peter, who died in infancy and was buried 24 November 1807.
- ii. Mary Ann, baptised 11 June 1809. She married John Tomlinson, a marble mason, on 31 October 1833 at Bakewell, and lived in Greaves Lane. He died in the 1850s, Mary Ann apparently in 1872 aged 63.
Children, as known - Abel, Alice, John, Harriet, Sarah Jane, Eliza, Elias, George.
- iii. Catherine, baptised 13 January 1811. She died on 5 February 1835 aged 24.
- iv. Jane, baptised 25 December 1812. She had a son before her marriage at Bakewell on 21 August 1837 to William Milnes, a cordwainer (born about 1805 in Ashford, son of George Milnes). They lived in Fennel Street, Ashford. Jane Milnes was a schoolmistress by 1861 and died in 1889 aged 76.

⁹³ Derby Mercury 15 July 1857.

- i. JOHN LONGDEN SKIDMORE⁹⁴, born 27 December 1831, baptised 8 January 1832 at Ashford. He was living in his grandfather Elias Skidmore's home at the time of the 1841 census. He travelled to America later that year with his great uncle Joshua Skidmore [135a]. He had settled before 2 April 1856 in Vigo County, Indiana (which adjoins Vermillion) when he married Serinda Mallory. The U.S. Civil War Draft Registrations Records, 1863-1865 list, in Coles County, Illinois in June 1863, John L. Skidmore, age 28, a married farmer, born in England. They were at Charlestown, in Coles County, Illinois in 1870 where he was farming with \$1000 in real property and a personal estate of \$1400. In 1875 he was Treasurer of the Bluff Lodge of the I.O.O.F. at Cooks Mills in that county. He was a widower in 1900 in Windsor Township, Shelby County, Illinois living with his son Charles Skidmore, and had died there before 7 October 1909 when the settlement on his estate was recorded. The grave of John L. Skidmore carrying a birth date of 27 December 1831 and death on 7 October 1909 is in Quigley Cemetery, Shelby County, Illinois.
A child of John Longden and Serinda (Mallory) Skidmore,
- i. Charles, living in 1900.
203. v. JOHN, baptised 19 February 1815.
vi. Elizabeth, baptised 31 May 1818. She had a son,
i. Sydney, baptised 11 December 1836 at Ashford. He died aged 1 year and was buried at Ashford on 18 April 1838.
Elizabeth married Thomas Mycock, a carrier and horse dealer (born about 1819 in Taddington, son of William Mycock) on 13 July 1840 at Sheffield. At the time of their marriage, her husband described himself and his father as farmers. She lived later with her son Thomas *Maycock* in Fairfield, Derbyshire and became housekeeper to groom Thomas Wilshaw there. Children, as known - William, Adam Charles, Thomas, Edwin.
204. vii. WILLIAM, baptised 16 April 1820.
viii. Bridget, baptised 29 December 1822. She married Edward Smith, a marble turner in Ashford (born about 1821 in Ashford) in 1845Q3 in Sheffield. She later went to live in Manchester with the family of her son Charles, a grocer. She died in 1913 at the age of 90.
Children, as known - Elizabeth, Alice, Louisa, William E., Peter, Charles Henry, Sarah Ann.
ix. Andrew, baptised 8 April 1825. He died in infancy.
205. x. ELIAS, born 4 August 1826 and baptised 6 August at Ashford.
A child of Elias and Agnes (Wilkinson) Skidmore,
206. xi. PETER, baptised there 13 March 1836.

135a JOSHUA⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 24 February 1793 at Ashford, Derbyshire, was a son of William [85] and Mary (Oldfield) Skidmore. The following information on this man in its entirety was kindly provided by Warren Skidmore, who noted that at the time of the 1830 census, a computer search found only three Joshua Skidmores in the whole of the United States. One was in Stafford County, Virginia. by what can be only an extraordinary coincidence the other two, completely unrelated, were both in Vermillion County, Indiana enumerated on pages 233 and 238 of the census. The second of these, on page 238, is known from genealogical DNA analysis to have been the Joshua Skidmore numbered 67 in Warren Skidmore's account of the descendants of Thomas Skidmore 1605-1684, of Westerleigh, Gloucestershire, and Fairfield, Connecticut (which can be found on the US page at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com).

The younger Joshua Skidmore was aged 30/40 and living alone in 1830, recorded on page 233 of the census taken that year. He is known from the precise age at death given on his gravestone to have been born on 29 January 1793. He was baptised a month later on 24 February 1793 at the parish church in Ashford, Derbyshire.

⁹⁴ Skidmore, Warren, *Thomas Skidmore (Scudamore), 1605-1684, of Westerleigh, Gloucestershire, and Fairfield, Connecticut; his ancestors, and descendants to the ninth generation*. 6th ed. 2010, at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com

He filed for American citizenship at the courthouse at Newport in Vermillion County on 3 September 1835 stating that he was born in England. His first marriage was to Sally Olds on 2 November 1822 in Vigo County, and then secondly on 5 July 1838 to a local girl, Mary Harper (who seems to have died soon after without issue).

After her death he went home to England, where he was living, aged 48, in the home in Ashford of his brother Elisha at the time of the census taken on 6 June 1841. He returned to Indiana on the steamer *Warsaw* landing at New York City on 8 September 1841 when he stated that he was aged 48. Travelling with him was John Longden Skidmore, the son of his niece Jane Skidmore, daughter of his brother Elias Skidmore of Ashford by his first wife Alice Longden.

Back in Indiana he married his third wife Mary Ann Olmstead (born 1814 in Ohio) on 11 April 1843. She was a widow who brought with her three stepchildren Elizabeth, Sarah A., and William Olmstead aged 14, 11, and 8, who were living in his household in Clinton Township in 1850 along with their Skidmore siblings. Joshua prospered in America and acquired 360 acres on 2 June 1853 in Township 16 North, Range 13 West of the 2nd Meridian in Indiana by Federal patent. His probate shows that he also owned land in Jasper County, Illinois. In 1860 he owned \$9600 in real property, and a personal estate valued at \$1160.

He is sometimes called Joshua H. Skidmore in the records. He died on 20 March 1872 in Vermillion County survived by his wife and three of his children. The Hoosier State newspaper, Newport, Vermillion County, reported on Thursday, February 29, 1872 that 'Joshua Skidmore, an old resident aged about 76 years, residing about 3 miles West of Clinton, died about 3 weeks ago.' Warren Skidmore stated that Joshua Skidmore's family graveyard was in the 1980s badly overgrown, found at Universal near the Vigo County line. In addition to the stone showing that Joshua was 79 [correctly 78] years, 11 months, and 26 days old at his death there are also stones for his children, which have provided the information given below. Mary A. (Olmstead) Skidmore, the mother of these children, died 15 June 1880 aged 66 years, 3 months, 15 days. Findagrave.com lists nine burials Skidmore cemetery at Universal, as follows:

Skidmore, Joshua	b. Feb. 3, 1792	d. Jan. 29, 1872
Skidmore, Mary Ann Ohmstead,	b. Feb. 28, 1814	d. Jun. 15, 1880
Skidmore, Henry C.	b. unknown	d. Sep. 18
Skidmore, John W.	b. Dec. 5, 1848	d. Dec. 28, 1876
Skidmore, Albert	b. Aug. 7, 1853	d. Sep. 8, 1858
Skidmore, Joshua Albert	b. Oct. 12, 1855	d. Dec. 3, 1874

These next two should have the surname Hopkins:

Skidmore, Mary A.	b. Aug. 4, 1869	d. Aug. 16, 1877	daughter of B J, 8 years 12 days
Skidmore, Ella Hopkins	b. Aug. 13, 1874	d. Aug. 13, 1876	daughter of B J, 2 years
Skidmore, Charlie W.	b. May 14, 1876	d. Jul. 27, 1877	son of J P, 1 year, 2 months, 13 days

Children of Joshua Skidmore, born in Indiana,

- i. Henry C., born 1844, died 18 September 1860, aged 16 years 7 months, 3 days.
- ii. Mary J., born 1846, who died before her father, possibly on 20 _____ 1863 [broken stone].
- iii. John W., born about 1848, who enlisted in Company K, 115th Regiment of Indiana Infantry at Sandford in Vigo County on 13 August 1863, and died 28 December 1876, aged 28 years, 23 days.
- iv. Josephine, born 1854, who apparently married B. Hopkins and moved away, leaving two of her young children buried in the family cemetery before 1880.
- v. Albert W., died 8 September 1858 aged 5 years, 1 month, 1 day.
- vi. Joshua Albert, born about 1855.

136. SAMUEL⁸ SKIDMORE was a son of William [85] and Mary (Oldfield) Skidmore, baptised 3 April 1795. A framework knitter of Ashford, he married Ann Heathcote in June 1815 at All Saints', Bakewell. She died aged 52 and was buried at Ashford on 15 January 1845. He lived as a widower with his daughter Jane and her husband in Ashford. Mr Skidmore died in 1882Q2 aged 87.

Children of Samuel and Ann (Heathcote) Skidmore, baptised at Holy Trinity, Ashford,

- i. Mary, baptised 8 October 1815. She married James Shaw, a painter of Sheffield Manor (son of ___ Shaw, a painter), at Sheffield on 12 July 1840. They were living in Ashford in 1841 but not yet found thereafter.
207. ii. JOSHUA, baptised 13 January 1818.

- iii. Elisha, baptised 31 October 1819. He died at 7 months old and was buried at Ashford on 5 May 1820.
- iv. John, baptised 15 March 1821. A marble mason, he married, on 27 March 1849 at All Saints', Bakewell, Frances Redfearn (baptised 29 July 1821 in Sheldon, Ashford, daughter of Robert Redfearn, a lead miner, and his wife Elizabeth). By 1861 John and Frances were living at 75 Landsdown Road, Ecclesall, Sheffield. He died in 1867 and was buried at Sheldon church on 7 November, aged 46. Frances his widow was living in 1871 back in Sheldon, where she farmed 14 acres.
- v. Jane, baptised 18 May 1823. She married Sydney Smith, a marble turner employing two men and one boy (son of Edward Smith, a marble mason), on 18 June 1850 at Manchester Cathedral. She was widowed by 1881.
- vi. Peter, born 13 (baptised 14) February 1827. He died in infancy and was buried on 16 February 1827.
- vii. Henry, born 17 (baptised 21) November 1830. He died at 3 years and was buried on 9 July 1834.

137. ELISHA⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 2 December 1798 at Ashford, was the youngest son of William [85] and Mary (Oldfield) Skidmore. A farmer of Ashford, he married Hannah Massey (born about 1801 in Brampton, Derbyshire) at All Saints', Bakewell in January 1821.

Elisha was a freeholder who farmed the following fields in Ashford: East Field (2 acres 1 rood 0 perches), West Field 2a 1r 36p, Middle Field 3a 2r 20p, South Field 4a 2r 1p and Little Moor Piece 0a 3r 7p. This land, along with other lots farmed by Michael Simpson, in Chelmorton, and houses in Ashford and Sheldon, all the property of the late Mr Farmer, were auctioned on 26 June 1834 at the Devonshire Arms Inn at Ashford⁹⁵.

Elisha and Hannah Skidmore were living by 1851 in Hill Cross, Ashford with their daughters Sarah and Mary Jane. He is presumably the man mentioned in White's 1862 Trades Directory for the Sheffield area as a farmer of Ashford Chapelry and 'carrier to Sheffield on Fridays'. Hannah died on 14 October 1868 aged 67 and by 1871 Elisha and his daughter Mary Jane were living in Hill Cross (which follows Greaves Lane in the census) where he was at this time farming 12½ acres. He died on 18 June 1880 aged 81. He and his wife were buried at Ashford.

Children of Elisha and Hannah (Massey) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

- 208. i. WILLIAM, born in Holymoorside, baptised 25 November 1821 at Old Brampton.
- ii. Sarah, born 28 February (baptised 26 March) 1826. A dressmaker, she married William Hulley, a butcher and farmer of 30 acres in Ashford (born in Little Longstone, son of William Hulley) on 11 April 1855 at Ashford. Sarah Hulley died in 1910 aged 83. A daughter Emma Jane.
- 209. iii. JOHN, born 3 July 1828 and baptised on 27 July.
- 210. iv. PETER, born 29 September 1832 and baptised there 21 October 1832.
- v. Mary Jane, born 1845Q1 and baptised 30 March 1845. She was at first a dressmaker but in the 1870s qualified as a school mistress and remained so in Ashford until at least 1891. She had moved by 1901 to be teacher at Cherry Tree Orphanage, Totley, Derbyshire, an institution with 48 boys and girls ranging in age from 5 to 16 years. In her retirement she returned to Ashford to live with her niece Emma Jane Twigg, daughter of William and Sarah Hulley. Miss Skidmore died in 1929 aged 83.

138. JOSHUA ANNABLE⁸ SKIDMORE, born 13 January 1801 in Matlock Bath and baptised 8 February at St Mary's, Cromford, is the only known son of Samuel [86] and Elizabeth (Annable) Skidmore. He married Sarah Agnes Robinson (born about 1807, daughter of J. Robinson of Richmond, Yorkshire) on 11 September 1828 at Richmond. Their home was in St John's, Wakefield, West Yorkshire, where they worshipped at the Zion Chapel. The Leeds Mercury of 3 November 1838 reported the beginning of that church's fundraising effort.

Zion Chapel Sunday Schools, Wakefield

⁹⁵ The Derby Mercury, 18 June 1834. Interested readers should be able to locate these fields (the layout and acreage of which rarely changed over the years) on one of the earlier Ordnance Survey maps of Ashford.

'On Tuesday last, about 300 children of both sexes, belonging to these schools, were treated with tea and buns, when an appropriate address was delivered to them by the Rev. J. D. Lorraine, the much respected minister of that place of worship. After the children had been dismissed, the teachers and friends partook of tea, the above gentleman presiding. After tea, the meeting was addressed by Messrs. Miller, Lorraine, Horner, Skidmore, Exley, Walker, Shaw, Child, Scott, Matthewman etc., who severally advocated the necessity of enlarging both the schools and the chapel, there not being sufficient room at present for accommodating either the children or the congregation. A congregational meeting was fixed for Tuesday evening next, in the chapel, to take into consideration the most efficient means of accomplishing this most desirable object.'

The same newspaper three year later, on 8 July 1843 reported that the rebuilding fund was approaching one thousand pounds, and that Mr Skidmore of St John's had donated one hundred pounds.

Joshua Skidmore was an 'agent for Colonial Produce', a commercial traveller in the grocery and tea trade. Sarah Agnes Skidmore died in 1865Q4, her death registered in St George Hanover Square, London. By 1871 Joshua was retired and living with his son Henry in St John's, Wakefield. He appears to have made a will on 20 March 1838; it gave an annuity to his mother Elizabeth, and provided for his wife Sarah and their then infant children (reference for this information now mislaid). He died on 10 April 1885 aged 84 at Cheapside, Wakefield.

Children of Joshua Annable and Sarah Agnes (Robinson) Skidmore, baptised at the Zion Chapel, Wakefield,

- i. Frances Caroline, born 7 April (baptised 29 April) 1830. She attended a boarding school in Drury Lane, Westgate, Wakefield. Fanny Skidmore died aged 15 and was buried from the Zion Chapel on 8 April 1845.
- ii. Louisa, born 11 February (baptised 9 April) 1832. Died 1 August 1848 aged 16, buried from the Zion Chapel.
211. iii. JOSEPH ANNABLE, born 22 March (baptised 23 July) 1835.
- iv. Elizabeth, born 11 April (baptised 14 May) 1837. The Leeds Mercury carried the announcement of her marriage on 1 June 1867 at Wakefield Zion Chapel to Jonathan Haigh, a maltster, born about 1840, the eldest son of the late Thomas Haigh of St John's, Wakefield. Children, as known - Mabel Lilian, Nora Mary, Lionel C., Bernard.
212. v. CHARLES, born 30 April 1839.
- vi. Henry, born 5 January (baptised 5 August) 1841. He was a clerk to a sugar broker at the time of the 1861 census, boarding in Walworth, London. He married Ellen Lund (born about 1837 in Hatton Garden, London, eldest surviving daughter of J.R. Lund of Lee Park, Lee, Kent⁹⁶) on 11 July 1866 at Lee. They were living in St John's, Wakefield by 1871. A colonial commission agent, he moved with his wife to Yeadon, Yorkshire and, by 1891 to Headingley, Leeds. Ellen Skidmore died in Leeds in 1913 aged 76, her husband in 1923 aged 82.
- vii. Sarah, born 6 March (baptised 5 September) 1843. She married, in 1865 in Wakefield, William Rogers, a solicitor (born in Chellington, Bedfordshire). Children, as known - Ethel Agnes, Leslie William and Russell Skidmore Rogers.
- viii. Joshua, born 1846Q4. Died 1848Q2 aged 1.

139. JOHN ROBINSON⁸ SKIDMORE, born in Tideswell, Derbyshire on 4 May and baptised there on 27 May 1784, was a son of Peter [87] and Jane (Robinson) Skidmore. He does not appear to have used his second forename of Robinson. He married Elizabeth Boden (born 1781 Matlock, daughter of Thomas Boden) on 14 October 1805 at St Giles', Matlock. After the death of his father's brother in 1812, John Skidmore became a hosier in Matlock Bath.

Matlock Bath, Wholesale and Retail Silk and Cotton Hosiery Warehouse.

J. Skidmore most respectfully informs the Nobility, Gentry, & Public in general, that he has taken and entered upon the Stock-in-Trade of his late Uncle Samuel Skidmore, at the old accustomed Shop, Matlock Bath, and most humbly hopes for a Continuance of those Favors, which his late Uncle so long experienced from them...

⁹⁶ The Pall Mall Gazette 13 July 1866.

Matlock Bath, 11th May 1812.⁹⁷

On 20 May 1812 he bought for £30 from Wigley Hayward Hodgkinson and George Hodgkinson, both of the parish of Matlock, gentlemen, a croft 'at or near a place called Upper Wood in the parish of Matlock, containing by estimation half an acre and formerly in the occupation of Ann Boden, spinster, and now or late of the said John Skidmore'⁹⁸.

John Skidmore was also a paper maker. The *Morning Chronicle* of 23 October 1816 reported that the partnership between J. Debanke and J. Skidmore of Matlock, Derbyshire, dissolved. Pigot's Directory of 1831 mentions John Skidmore of Matlock, paper maker and also John Skidmore (presumably his son) grocer. Bagshaw's Trade Directory of 1846 mentions John Skidmore, paper manufacturer of Halldale Mill, Darley.

He owned the Kings Head public house in Matlock Bath, with its adjoining cottage, and in October 1856 brought a claim for £10 19s 2d against Mr P. Bailey, his tenant there. This was for 'dilapidations committed by the defendant' on leaving the property, having detached and removed a number of fixtures which had mistakenly been sold on from tenant to tenant in the mistaken belief that they were tenants' property. The articles removed on this occasion included doors, oven, boiler, shelves and numerous fixtures and fittings. Mr Skidmore won his case⁹⁹. In another case brought the following year for non-payment of rent, we find that the annual rent for the Kings Head was £26¹⁰⁰.

Retired by 1851, John Skidmore senior died on 30 May 1859. His will was proved at Derby on 14 March 1860 by his son Samuel of Matlock Bath, one of the surviving executors. Also mentioned are his father-in-law Thomas Boden, his wife Elizabeth (who had died since his will was made), daughters Margaret, Elizabeth and Mary and sons Peter, Thomas, Samuel and Anthony. Elizabeth Skidmore died aged 76 and was buried at Matlock on 7 January 1858.

Children of John Robinson and Elizabeth (Boden) Skidmore, born and baptised in Matlock,

Birth dates from the family Bible.

- i. Catherine, born 25 April 1807. She was baptised twice, on 2 May 1807 at Cromford Chapel and again at Matlock on 13 September 1814. Her sisters Jane and Margaret and brother John were baptised for a second time on the same day in 1814.
Her marriage to John Bennet Brough, upholsterer of Macclesfield, on 15 January 1835, was reported in the *Derby Mercury*. They moved in the 1850s to Wesley Place, Southport, Lancashire where Catherine Brough died in 1862, her husband in 1867 aged 64.
Children, as known - Elizabeth, John Bennet, Maria, Joseph, Mary Ann.
- ii. Jane, born 23 September 1808 and baptised one month later on 23 October and again in 1814.
On 26 October 1837 at the Superintendent-Registrar's Office, Burre House, Bakewell, she married Richard Wilson, a grocer of Macclesfield (born about 1812 in Thornton, Yorkshire). It was noted that this was the first marriage under the new Act in the district [of Tideswell, Bakewell & Matlock]. Richard and Jane Wilson were living by 1861 with their daughters Jane and Hannah (born in Macclesfield) in Thornton Cottages, Thornton in Caven. Mr Wilson had become a commercial traveller for a cocoa firm.
- iii. John Boden, born 8 June 1810 and baptised two days later, son of John and *Mary* Skidmore (an error in the register - he was baptised again in 1814). He married Mary Sybray (born about 1813 in Rowsley, Derbyshire, daughter of ___ and Sarah Sybray) on 8 June 1836 in Darley Dale and they were living in 1851 in Park Street, Macclesfield, where John was a pasteboard maker. Mrs Skidmore's widowed mother lived with them at this time.

The Nottinghamshire Guardian on 10 March 1853 published the following notice:

'Important to Card Manufacturers. - To be sold by Private Treaty (under directions from the Manchester district Court of bankruptcy), the valuable stock-in-trade and working apparatus, with the small steam engine, of a Jacquard Card or Paste Board

⁹⁷ Derby Mercury 14 May 1812. Classified ads.

⁹⁸ Derbyshire Archives, D1859/T/35.

⁹⁹ Derby Mercury 22 October 1856.

¹⁰⁰ Derby Mercury 20 May 1857.

Manufacturer, and Paper Dealer, situate in the town of Macclesfield, in the county of Cheshire, belonging to John Skidmore, a bankrupt.'

The death of John Skidmore, 'eldest son of Mr J. Skidmore of Matlock Bath', on 6 April 1854 at the age of only 44 was reported in the *Derby Mercury*. His widow Mary lived in Snitterton, Derbyshire; her death was presumably that registered in 1865Q1 in Bakewell.

- iv. Elizabeth, born 11 April 1812 (14 May according to the family Bible) and baptised 28 April that year and again in 1814. On 9 November 1842 at Glenorchy Chapel, Matlock Bath, she married John Brown, a Scotsman and Minister of an Independent Chapel in Wirksworth, Derbyshire and later at Bishop's Castle, Shropshire. Elizabeth Brown died in 1892 aged 80. A son James Skidmore Brown.
- v. Margaret, born 12 June (baptised 13 September) 1814. She is mentioned in Kelly's Directory of 1848 as a grocer and in 1861 was running a grocer's shop in Matlock Bath with her sister Mary and next to the draper's belonging to her brother Samuel. She was later also a tea dealer and lodging house keeper in Matlock Bath. She died unmarried on 13 April 1892, probate being granted to her brother Anthony Skidmore, commercial traveller.

Derby Mercury - Wednesday 15 April 1846. Joseph Potter, aged 22, and Abel Boden, aged 44, charged with having in the night of Thursday, the 19th of March, at Matlock, feloniously broken and entered the shop of Margaret Skidmore, and stolen therefrom 67lbs. weight of cheese, and various other articles; and also for feloniously entering the shop of Samuel Skidmore.. and stealing therefrom six yards of black broad cloth, and various other articles.

Margaret Skidmore said that she kept a shop at Matlock Bath; her brother also keeps a shop adjoining hers. [She] closed her shop about 8 o'clock in the evening, fastened the doors and windows, and left a key in the lock.'

There follow detailed accounts by the constable and other witnesses of finding the property from both shops within the house of the two accused and in an old mine shaft near Matlock. The jury having found both prisoners guilty of theft from both shops, the judge found that 'having considered the whole circumstances of the case, it was impossible for him to permit them to remain any longer in the country'.

Both men were sentenced to be transported for 10 years.

- vi. Peter [a twin], born 8 September 1816 and baptised with his twin a day later at St Mary's, Cromford and again with his younger siblings on 11 September 1825. He was a surgeon of Ashover in July 1860 when the Family Bible was bequeathed to him following the death of his father. He died a few months later on 7 December 1860 and was buried in Welford Road Cemetery. The *Derby Mercury* reported the sudden death at Leicester of Peter Skidmore of Ashover, surgeon, second son of the late Mr John Skidmore of Matlock Bath'.
- vii. Thomas [a twin], born 8 September 1816 and buried on 10 June 1817 at Matlock.
- 213. viii. THOMAS BODEN, baptised Thomas *Robinson* Skidmore on 15 August 1818 at St Mary's, Cromford.
- ix. Mary, born 5 August 1821 and baptised with her brothers at St Giles, Matlock on 21 May 1825. She was listed as a lodging house keeper of Bridge, Matlock in White's Directory of 1857. She lived and worked with her sister Margaret in Matlock Bath, where she died in 1904 aged 82.
- 214. x. SAMUEL, born 20 February 1823.
- 215. xi. ANTHONY, born 21 May 1825.

141. JOSEPH⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 23 May 1782 at St Giles', Great Longstone, was the son of Richard [94] and Ann (Flint) Skidmore. He was left freehold land in Flagg and Ashford in the will of his father. He (?also) was a tenant of a farm belonging to 'my noble landlord his Grace the Duke of Devonshire' and desired that his wife and later his son Richard continue the tenancy. He married Ann Hill (born about 1800 in Great Longstone) on 8 April 1827 at Great Longstone.

Joseph was farming 65 acres in Ashford at the time of the 1851 census. He died on 30 November 1852 (buried at Great Longstone), leaving a will dated 26 October, a month before his death (proved at Lichfield on 22 June 1854). He placed all his real and personal estate and effects in trust to his daughter Mary Ann Skidmore and after her death (which occurred in 1858) to his wife Ann Skidmore during the term of her natural life. His widow

continued to farm 80 acres at Great Longstone with the help of her son Richard and his wife, who lived with her. She died in 1872 aged 74.

Children of Joseph and Ann (Hill) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

- i. Richard, baptised 13 January 1828. A farmer, he married Eliza Milnes (born about 1831 in Ashford, daughter of George Milnes) on 13 September 1852 at Ashford. He retired with his wife to Holly House, Great Longstone. They adopted Thomas Mycock (born about 1878 in Miller's Dale, son of Ruth the wife of Daniel Hambleton farm labourer). Also part of their household appears to have been Mary Ann Skidmore, daughter of George [206]. She and her future husband James Tissington Trickett were executors of Richard Skidmore's will. He died at Calton House, Edensor on 8 June 1900 aged 72, and was buried at Great Longstone.
- ii. Mary Ann, baptised 6 February 1836. She died at the age of 21 and was buried at Great Longstone on 23 January 1858, where she and her parents are remembered on the same memorial as her paternal grandparents.

142. GEORGE⁸ SKIDMORE of Flagg, baptised 11 July 1785 at Alstonfield, was a son of Joseph [95] and Jane (Mather) Skidmore. He married Ann Dove (born about 1788 in Bescot Park, Nottinghamshire, died 29 May 1862 aged 74) on 3 April 1809 at Bakewell. He was presumably the George Skidmore who was a Trustee of Chelmorton Church in 1814¹⁰¹. At the death of his father in 1823, he received closes in Taddington called the Field Heads and in Flagg called the Hyde's Yard. He is shown as a farmer in Flagg in Glover's directory of 1827-29. He was holding at the time of the 1851 census 110 acres of land in Flagg. This appears to have been part of the Priestcliffe School lands, since in 1842 the trustees stated the conditions 'on which George Skidmore of Flagg enters Priestcliffe School lands'¹⁰². George Skidmore 'husband of Ann' died on 18 April 1852 (buried 23 April) aged 66. He and his wife are remembered on a gravestone at Taddington, along with memorials to others of their family.

At the time of the 1861 census Mrs Skidmore was a farmer of 68 acres and lived on The Green, Flagg. She died on 29 May 1862 aged 74.

Children of George and Ann (Dove) Skidmore, born in Flagg and baptised at Chelmorton, buried at Taddington,

- i. Hannah, baptised 13 August 1809 at Elkstone, Staffordshire. Living unmarried at her parents' home in 1851. She died aged 46 on 18 May 1855 aged 47 (buried 20 May).
- ii. Ellen, baptised 17 March 1813. She married Thomas Needham, a farmer of 120 acres in Flagg, at Chelmorton on 26 January 1835. They also lived in and ran the Plough Inn at Flagg. In her later years she lived with the family of her daughter Martha Ann, wife of James Hopkinson. She appears to have died there in 1882 aged 60.
Children, as known - Joseph, George, John, Mary, Richard, Martha Ann, Ellen, Thomas.
217. iii. JOHN, baptised 28 July 1816.
218. iv. JOSEPH, baptised 3 May 1819.
- v. Henry, baptised 1 October 1820, died 27 December (buried 30 December) 1827 aged 7.
- vi. Richard, baptised 11 May 1823, died 27 June (buried 1 July) 1825 aged 2.
- vii. Jane, baptised 21 August 1825. She married John Needham, a farmer of Flagg, in 1844Q2. Jane Needham died in 1888 aged 63.
Children, as known - Ellen, George, Thomas, Richard, William, Joseph, Peter, Martha, Sarah A., John, Emma, Matilda, Fanny.
- viii. Mary Ann, baptised 25 November 1827. She was living unmarried in 1851 at the home of her brother Joseph in Chelmorton. She died on 16 April 1863 at Flagg and administration of her estate was granted on 10 October 1863 to her brother James Skidmore of Millers Dale in Wormhill in the parish of Tideswell in Derbyshire, innkeeper.
219. ix. JAMES, baptised 10 July 1830.
220. x. GEORGE, born 13 November 1833.

¹⁰¹ John Skidmore and George Skidmore were witnesses in 1813 to the will of Samuel Naylor, a yeoman of Flagg (who mentions his sisters Hannah Hurdman, Jane Morris and Ann Naylor and his sister-in-law Mary Naylor).

¹⁰² Derbyshire Record Office, D1693/A/PF/17.

143. THOMAS⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 16 September 1787 (?at Elkstone), was a son of Joseph [95] and Jane (Mather) Skidmore. A lead miner of Flagg, he married Hannah Hall on 11 June 1810 at St Peter's, Alstonfield, Staffordshire. Hannah died aged 31 and was buried at St James', Warslow on 3 December 1817.

Thomas Skidmore was jailed in 1833 for wilful murder but subsequently acquitted. Disputes between Magpie and neighbouring Red Soil mine began about 1824 and continued for 10 years, arguing over who owned a seam of lead ore. The Barmote Court failed to solve the problem, and in 1833 three Red Soil miners died, apparently suffocated by smoke from straw and oil lit by Magpie miners. Twenty Magpie miners were charged with murder, including Thomas Skidmore, and seven months later a trial was held at Derby Assizes to decide the matter. The case against Thomas, along with several others, was dismissed and those men put forward for trial were subsequently acquitted. The complex proceedings are detailed in a booklet published about 1835. This has been transcribed by John Palmer, who found the witnesses' statements painted a vivid picture of the life of a lead miner¹⁰³.

By the time of the 1841 census Thomas shared his home with the family of his son Thomas. The death of Thomas the elder was presumably that registered at Bakewell in 1852Q2.

Children of Thomas and Hannah (Hall) Skidmore,

- i. John, baptised 3 March 1811 at Elkstone and Warslow (?St John the Baptist, Elkstone - original not seen).
- 220a. ii. [perhaps] JOSEPH^{8?9?}, born about 1811.
- 221. iii. GEORGE, baptised 10 May 1812 Elkstone and Warslow.
- 222. iv. THOMAS, baptised 19 February 1815 at St James', Warslow¹⁰⁴.
- v. Hannah, baptised 27 November 1817 at St James', Warslow. Nothing further known.

144. JOSEPH⁸ SKIDMORE, son of Joseph [95] and Jane (Mather) Skidmore, was born around 1805-06 in Warslow, Staffordshire and baptised there on 22 March 1807. He married Martha Dicken (born about 1807 in Flagg) on 10 September 1827 at Bakewell. He was a farm worker in Brushfield and then Flagg, moving before the time of the 1851 census to Litton, a hamlet in the parish of Tideswell.

For a time he became a labourer at the cotton mill, his wife a stocking seamer, but he returned in later life to farm work, while his wife was a seamstress. He died aged 69 (buried 25 April 1875 at Taddington) and his widow lived with the family of her daughter Silence Bingham. Martha Skidmore of Cressbrook died aged 76 and was buried at Taddington on 17 May 1881.

Children of Joseph and Martha (Dicken) Skidmore, born in Taddington,

perhaps with others

- i. Silence, born in Brushfield, Taddington, baptised 27 January 1828 at Taddington. A cotton mill operative in 1851, she married William Bingham (born about 1828 in Litton) on 1 December 1851 at Tideswell. He farmed 12 acres at Dale Head, Litton, helped by his sons and later by his grandson John William Bingham, who ran a carting business. Mrs Bingham died in 1898Q3 aged 71, her husband in 1909Q3 aged 83.
- and baptised at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton,**
- ii. Sarah Ann, baptised 20 December 1829.
 - iii. William, baptised 15 January 1832. He died at the age of 7 and was buried at Taddington on 3 July 1839 'of Flagg'.
 - iv. Maria Bagshaw, baptised 24 August 1834. Maria Skidmore of Flagg was buried at Taddington on 18 September 1836 aged 2.
 - v. [perhaps] Isaac, buried an infant at Taddington 22 August 1837.
 - vi. Joseph, baptised 3 December 1836 at Chelmorton. He died aged 2, buried at Taddington on the same day as William above.
223. vii. BENJAMIN, born 1842Q3.

¹⁰³ <http://www.wirksworth.org.uk/REDSOIL.htm>. Also the *Morning Chronicle* (London, England), 17 September 1833. Also the *Derby Mercury* 18 September 1833.

¹⁰⁴ Warslow, Staffordshire, between Hartington and Ipstones, not to be confused with Wardlow, Derbyshire.

145. WILLIAM⁸ SKIDMORE, born about 1804 in Taddington, Derbyshire, was a son of Simon [96] and Rebecca (Holme) Skidmore. He received in the will of his uncle John Skidmore - and after the death of his uncle Thomas Skidmore in 1829 - a house in Ashford. On 25 April 1831 William Skidmore of Taddington, servant, sold 'a house with shop and garden' and 'admission to the manor of Ashford' to John Thorpe of Ashford, framework knitter, in consideration of £150¹⁰⁵.

William married Mary Mycock (born about 1809 in Monyash) on 30 December 1833 at All Saints', Bakewell. Mary Skidmore died aged 51 and was buried at Taddington on 1 March 1858. At the time of the 1861 census William was living with his children in Taddington, where he farmed 40 acres. By 1871 there were three grandchildren in his household - John Henry Skidmore aged 9, Tom Skidmore born 1869Q3, and George Skidmore born in August 1870, sons of his daughter Ellen. Tom and George continued to live at the farm until at least 1891.

William Skidmore died at the age of 72 and was buried 2 March 1875.

Children of William and Mary (Mycock) Skidmore, born and baptised at Taddington,

- i. William, born about 1834. He remained single, taking over his father's farm at his death. His sisters lived with him and they were joined for a time by their brother John when he was widowed. William died in 1906 aged 72.
- ii. Ellen, baptised 26 October 1834. She had four sons before her death, unmarried, at the age of 36. She was buried at Taddington on 18 January 1871.

Sons of Ellen Skidmore,

- i. Henry, baptised 21 October 1855 at Taddington. He died at six weeks old and was buried on 28 November that year.
330. ii. **JOHN HENRY¹⁰, born 1861Q3.**
- iii. [presumably] Tom, born 1869Q3. He and his brother George were raised by their uncle and aunts at William Skidmore's farm in Taddington. Tom died in 1895 aged 26.
331. iv. **GEORGE¹⁰**, born 17 August 1870.
- iii. Ann, baptised 20 March 1836. A dressmaker in 1861. Miss Skidmore lived with her brother William and later with her nephew George Skidmore. She died in 1919 aged 82.
224. iv. JOHN, born 1845Q4.
- v. Emily Mary, born 1848Q3. Miss Skidmore lived in Taddington with her brother William. She died in 1897 aged 49.

146. THOMAS⁸ SKIDMORE, born about 1805 in Taddington, son of Simon [96] and Rebecca (Holme) Skidmore, was an agricultural labourer in Taddington at the time of the 1841 census. He married firstly Hannah _____ who died aged 27 and was buried at Taddington on 9 February 1837.

Thomas Skidmore married secondly, on 22 May 1838 at All Saints', Bakewell, Mary Needham (born about 1811 in Sheen, Staffordshire, daughter of Benjamin Shirley and widow of _____ Needham). William Goodwin and Sarah Goodwin were witnesses. By 1851 Thomas Skidmore was a farm worker living in Rock Cottages, Litton, near Tideswell, where he progressed to farm bailiff by 1861. Originally a lead-miners' village, in the 18th century Litton had a flourishing stocking making industry in which his children found employment.

Mary Skidmore of Cressbrook died aged 67 and was buried at Taddington on 7 August 1877, her husband aged 78, buried 21 January 1883.

Children of Thomas and Hannah Skidmore, baptised at Taddington,

225. i. RICHARD, baptised July 1830.
- ii. Simon, baptised 13 January 1833, buried at Taddington 20 December of that year, an infant.
- iii. John, baptised 2 November 1834, buried on 2 April 1835 aged 5 months.
- iv. Sirell, baptised 24 January 1836. Perhaps the Simeon Skidmore buried an infant at Taddington on 2 April 1837.

Children of Thomas and Mary (Shirley) Skidmore,

¹⁰⁵ Derbyshire Archives, D504/35/10.

- v. Elizabeth, baptised 29 August 1838. Working at the age of 13 as a cotton and worsted power loom weaver. After her father's death, Miss Skidmore ran a small boarding house at the School House in Cressbrook. She died in 1907 aged 69.
- 226. vi. SIMON, baptised 17 April 1840.
- 227. vii. JOSEPH, born 1847Q2.
- viii. Thomas, born 1857Q2. He was a cotton and worsted power loom weaver in Litton. He died aged 19 in 1876.

147. JOSEPH⁸ SKIDMORE, son of Simon [96] and Rebecca (Holme) Skidmore, was baptised at Taddington on 29 December 1807. Joseph, son of *Simeon* Skidmore married Ann Kirk (born about 1818 in Clitheroe, Lancashire, daughter of John Kirk, a blockcutter) on 26 March 1839 at St Mary's, Manchester. He was a brewer and beer retailer in Springfield Lane, Salford, Manchester. Ann Skidmore died on 17 September 1856 aged 40 and she and her infant children are buried in Rusholme Road Cemetery.

I have not been able to find Joseph Skidmore in the census of 1861 or later.

Children of Joseph and Ann (Kirk) Skidmore, born in Salford, baptised at Manchester Cathedral,

- i. Rebecca, baptised 14 June 1840. She married Edward Kershaw at St John's, Manchester in 1859Q4.
- ii. Jane, baptised 8 May 1842. She died of measles on 25 November 1844, aged 2½. (She is recorded in error in the Rusholme Cemetery records as *John* Skidmore, but correctly in the gravestone transcript).
- iii. John Kirk, baptised 3 March 1844. He died on 30 May 1848.
- iv. Ellen, baptised 16 February 1846. She died on 8 June 1848.
- v. Simeon Kirk, baptised 19 August 1849. He died at 14 weeks old.
- vi. Alice, baptised 6 October 1850. She lived with her married sister Rebecca Kershaw.

148. THOMAS⁸ SKIDMORE, son of Samuel [97] and Elizabeth (Birks) Skidmore, was baptised at Mansfield on 26 September 1795. The enumerator at the time of the 1841 census recorded his exact age of 47 years (rather than rounding down to the nearest 5 years as per instructions). This is fortunate since the family seem to have escaped the 1851 census and in 1861 his age was recorded in error as 57. He died in 1869, said to be aged 76.

Thomas Skidmore, a bachelor of Earl Sterndale, Derbyshire married Ann Redfearn on 8 April 1822 at St Michael & All Angels there. The marriage was witnessed by George Skidmore (perhaps his cousin George [142]) and by Elizabeth Redfearn. In 1829, at the death of his uncle Thomas Skidmore, he received (by the will of his uncle John Skidmore [93]) the close within Flagg known as Hubbodale. I have no evidence that he ever lived there and, in fact, he was living at the time of the 1841 census in Buxton, Derbyshire, where he was a labourer.

Ann Skidmore died aged 56 at Brearley Toll Gate and was buried at St John's, Chelmorton on 17 September 1856. By the time of the 1861 census Thomas, together with his daughter Jane, was working on the farm of his daughter Mary Ash, he a cowman, Jane a dairy maid. He died aged 76 in 1869.

Children of Thomas and Ann (Redfearn) Skidmore, born in Brierlow, Hartington,

- i. Ann, born 31 March 1823, baptised 12 May 1823 at Earl Sterndale and again with her younger siblings on 17 November 1833 at Earl Sterndale. She was said in censuses to have been born in Chelmorton or Dowlow or Brierlow, Derbyshire. She was a servant in 1841 in the household of cattle dealer William Lees in Buxton. She married James Featherstone (born about 1821 in Heathcote, Derbyshire) on 4 June 1847 at St Michael and All Angels, Earl Sterndale. He was by 1871 farming 160 acres at Pigtor Farm, Fairfield, close to the land of his wife's sister Mary Beswick. Ann Featherstone died in 1889Q3 aged 66, her husband in 1904Q2 aged 83. No known offspring.
- 228. ii. FRANCIS, born 30 November 1824.
- iii. Ellen, born in Brierlow and baptised on 11 February 1827 at Chelmorton. With her sister Mary, a servant in 1841 in the home of farmer George Simpson at Town End, Chelmorton. She married Samuel Gregory, a master wheelwright (born about 1826 in Underhill, Hartington, Derbyshire) on 23 January 1848 at Earl Sterndale, and lived in Crowdecote, Hartington. Ellen Gregory's death was

- presumably that registered at Belper in 1864Q1. Samuel Gregory married secondly Martha _____ (born in Longnor, Staffordshire) by whom he had further children.
A son Samuel Gregory, born about 1852 in Longnor, Staffordshire.
- iv. Mary, born 4 February 1829, baptised 15 March 1829 at Chelmorton and again in 1833 at Earl Sterndale. She had a son, Thomas Ash Skidmore, baptised 1 December 1849 at Earl Sterndale, before marrying John Ash on 18 February 1851 at Fairfield. He farmed 190 acres at Bailey Flatt, Fairfield. Mary Ash married secondly Thomas Beswick (born about 1835 in Alstonfield, Staffordshire) in 1864Q4 and they continued at the same farm. Mrs Beswick died in 1879Q3.
- v. Martha, born 29 August 1831 in Brierlow, baptised 2 October 1831 at Chelmorton and again in 1833 at Earl Sterndale. A servant in 1841, living in the home of farmer Ellen Redfern (born 1777-81), Joseph Redfern (born 1802-06) and Benjamin Redfern (born 1812-16).
She married Thomas Horobin, a farmer (born about 1821 in Crowdecote) at Hartington on 26 December 1850. They farmed 4 acres at Lark Road, Crowdecote before moving to farm 17 acres at Stiff Close, Longnor, Staffordshire. Martha Horobin died in 1872Q4 aged 41 and Mr Horobin apparently married secondly Sarah Rowbotham and became a labourer 'on the highways' in Worth, Cheshire.
Children, as known - Rachel, Thomas.
229. vi. THOMAS, baptised 17 November 1833.
- vii. Elizabeth, born in Hartington and baptised 8 May 1836 at Earl Sterndale. She was a house servant to the Simpson family in Chelmorton in 1851. She married James Belfield, a railway labourer and quarryman (born in Greenside, Derbyshire) at Earl Sterndale on 27 December 1860. Mrs Belfield died in 1873Q2 aged 37 and James married secondly Sarah Cowley in 1875Q1.
- viii. Harriet, baptised 7 July 1838 at St John the Baptist with St Anne, Buxton. She died at 9 months old and was buried at Chelmorton on 12 March 1839.
- ix. Jane, baptised 21 June 1840 at Earl Sterndale. A dairy maid in 1861. Nothing further known.
- x. Hannah, baptised 31 March 1844 at Chelmorton. She was a chamber maid at the Eagle Hotel, Buxton in 1861. She died in 1863 aged 19.

149. JAMES OLIVER⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 16 August 1801 at Lenton, Nottinghamshire, was a son of Samuel [97] and Sarah Skidmore. He married Elizabeth Stevenson on 2 July 1826 at St Nicholas', Nottingham. He was a waggoner, living at the time of the 1841 census with his family in Albion Street in the St Peter's area of Nottingham, later moving to Orchard Street.

Elizabeth Skidmore died in 1873 aged 71, her husband in 1875 aged 73.

Children of James Oliver and Elizabeth (Stevenson) Skidmore, baptised at St Peter's, Nottingham,

- i. Mary, born about 1828. A hose mender in Nottingham, she married William Reading, a Chelsea Pensioner, in 1869. She was widowed by 1881 and lived with the family of her son-in-law John Pendleton and daughter Eliza Ann. She died in 1903.
- i. Eliza Ann, born 24 July 1848. Her birth certificate states that her birth took place in Orchard Street, Nottingham. Her parents are named as Bryan Skidmore, a tailor and Mary Smith. She was raised as James Oliver Skidmore's daughter and trained as a seamstress. She married John Pendleton, a provisions merchant, on 26 December 1870 at St Paul's, Nottingham and lived at first in Upper Dobson Street, Chorlton and later Alexandra Road, Moss Side, Manchester. Mrs Pendleton died on 17 February 1892 at 32 Meadow Street, Moss Side (probate index), her husband the following year.
Children, as known - Annie, Walter, May, Mary, Emma, Florence, John, Alfred.
- 342a. ii. **SAMUEL HENRY⁹**, born 20 August 1851 in Orchard Street, Nottingham, son of Mary Skidmore. A coal miner, he married in 1873 Jane Reek (born 1855 in Balderton, Nottinghamshire) and lived in Portland Road, Hucknall. Jane Skidmore died in 1937 aged 82, her husband in 1944, said to be aged 87.
Clarence Skidmore, a grandson of Samuel and Jane, was born in 1899 and died aged 13 in 1913.

Children of Samuel Henry and Jane (Reek) Skidmore,

- i. Betsy Ann, born 1874Q3. In 1894 she married Richard Harvey, a coal miner, who adopted Gladys May Skidmore (born 1896Q3). In 1906 they emigrated to Taylorville, Christian County, Illinois, where Mrs Harvey died on 1 April 1957.
 - ii. Annie, born 1877Q3.
 - iii. Samuel, born 1879Q2. He died that same quarter.
 - iv. Lucy Gertrude, born 1880Q3. She is perhaps the Lucy Skidmore who married in 1902 in Basford registration district.
 - v. Kezia Jane, born 9 March 1883. She married Joseph Hill, a coal miner, in 1903.
 - vi. Mary Elizabeth, born 1886Q2.
 - vii. Maria, born 1 January 1889. She married Samuel W. Sherratt in 1913.
 - viii. Samuel Henry, (Samuel Harry) born 7 July 1891. He married Flora Hollingworth in 1921. He died in 1959 aged 67.
 - ix. Joseph, born 1894Q2. Gunner Joseph Skidmore (service number 85083) served in France with the Royal Field Artillery in World War I.
 - x. John Richard, born 25 November 1897. He died in 1988 in Nottingham.
230. ii. JAMES, baptised 8 November 1829.
- 230a?. iii. **JOSEPH**, baptised 11 March 1832. A slater in Nottingham, he is perhaps the man who married Mary Swinburn on 12 June 1853 at St Nicholas', Nottingham. They had three children who died in infancy and she appears to have died in 1858 aged 30 (buried 7 October at St Mary's, Nottingham).
- Children of Joseph and Mary (Swinburn) Skidmore,**
- i. Ann Elizabeth, born 1854Q2. She died that same quarter.
 - ii. William, born 1855Q4. He died in 1857 aged 1.
 - iii. William, born 1858Q3. He died at a month old and was buried on 22 September 1858 at St Mary's.
- He married, on 18 February 1861 at St Mary's, Mary McNeish (born about 1832 in Dumfries, Scotland) and they were living in April 1861 in Hermit Place, Snenton. Mary Skidmore died on 7 April 1864 in Thorsby Street, Snenton aged 32; Jane McNeish registered her death. Joseph Skidmore appears to be the man who died in Leeds in 1870 aged 38.
- A child of Joseph and Mary (McNeish) Skidmore,**
- iv. Jane, born 1861Q2.
- iv. Henry, baptised 17 May 1835. I have not found his burial but he does not appear in British censuses after 1841.
 - v. Ann, baptised 8 October 1837. She died aged 8 months and was buried at St Peter's, Nottingham on 6 June 1838.
 - vi. Oliver, baptised 1 April 1839. He helped his brothers as a slater but had a mental disability and was in the Nottingham Union Workhouse at the time of the 1871 census. He died there shortly after.
231. vii. JOHN, baptised 7 August 1842.

150. SAMUEL⁸ SKIDMORE, a labourer born about 1808 in Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, was perhaps a son of Samuel [97] and Elizabeth (Birks) Skidmore. An agricultural labourer, he married Sarah Clarke (born about 1800 in Cotgrave, Nottinghamshire) on 27 December 1824 at All Saints', Cotgrave and was living in 1841 in Wilford Street, Nottingham. In the late 1840s they moved to the village of Carlton (and parish of Gedling), Nottinghamshire.

Samuel Skidmore's death was probably that registered at Nottingham in 1855Q1, said to be aged 53. Sarah was certainly a widow by 1861, a charwoman living at 19 Wollaton Street, Nottingham with her daughter Sophia, a lace worker, and son William. She died in 1875, said to be aged 72.

Children of Samuel and Sarah (Clarke) Skidmore,

- i. Mary Ann, baptised 5 February 1826 at Cotgrave. She was probably the Mary Skidmore, servant at the time of the 1841 census to draper Lambert West and family in Long Row West, Nottingham. In 1851 she, along with 14-year-old Mary Clarke, was a servant to solicitor Richard Enfield at

Bramcote Grove, Bramcote, Nottinghamshire. She was later cook to a hosiery manufacturer in Nottingham before she married (as *Ann Skidmore*), on 13 November 1866 at St James', Nottingham, Henry Atkin, a carpenter from Bramcote (son of William and Elizabeth Atkin). They lived with Mr Atkin's widowed mother at 1 Atkin's Yard, Bramcote before settling in Main Street, where Mr Atkin had his business premises. Ann Atkin was still living at the time of the 1911 census.

- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 3 October 1828 at St Helen's, Burton Joyce. She died at the age of 8 in Nottingham and was buried at St Peter's on 4 September 1836.
- iii. Sarah, baptised 15 December 1831 at Burton Joyce. A lace worker, she married Robert Lang (born about 1831 in Arnold, Nottinghamshire) in August 1853 at Gedling. Sarah Lang died 1860Q4 and Robert's mother Rebecca Lang was living with him and his daughters Elizabeth and Ann in Carlton at the time of the census a few months later.

born in the St Nicholas area of Nottingham,

- iv. Selina, baptised 4 March 1835 at St Peter's, Nottingham. She died in 1836 and was buried at St Peter's on 13 March, aged 1.
 - v. Elizabeth, baptised 4 June 1837 at St Peter's, Nottingham. A lace worker in 1851. Nothing further known.
 - vi. Sophia, born in 1840Q2. She married Henry Gamble in 1863 in Nottingham and died in 1866 aged 26.
232. vii. SAMUEL THOMAS, born 1843Q4 in Carlton.
233. viii. WILLIAM, born in Carlton, baptised 9 December 1849 at Gedling.

151. JOHN⁸ SKIDMORE, son of Richard [98] and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore, was baptised 11 May 1783 at Great Longstone, 'son of Richard Skidmore of Gt Longstone'. He became a soldier like his brother George in the 1st Foot Guards. He served a total of just over 4 years as a soldier, during which time he received a wound to his left arm at Waterloo¹⁰⁶. He married Elizabeth/ Betty Bottam (probably Elizabeth Botham, daughter of Peter, baptised in Great Longstone on 14 February 1790) on 3 February 1818 at Bakewell. He is described as a weaver of Eyam in the registers of that place in the early 1820s and a labourer of Ladywash House in 1822.

John Skidmore died aged 47 and was buried at St Giles', Great Longstone on 22 June 1831, leaving his widow of independent means in Great Longstone. She died aged 76 and was buried 30 September 1866.

Children of John and Elizabeth (Bottam) Skidmore,

234. i. RICHARD, baptised 20 September 1818.
- ii. Hannah, baptised 28 January 1821 at Eyam, buried 27 January 1822.
- iii. Jane, born 18 February 1821. She died at 1 week and was buried at Eyam.
- iv. Mary Ann, baptised 17 February 1822 at Eyam.
- v. Sarah, baptised 1 May 1825 at Great Longstone. She married William Blackwell, a railway worker (born about 1817 in Tideswell, son of Francis Blackwell) on 13 February 1848 at Ashford. Sarah Blackwell's death was one of the two registered at Bakewell in 1861 and 1863 and her husband married secondly Hannah (?Fox, born about 1830 in Lenton, Nottinghamshire).
- vi. Eliza, baptised 3 January 1830 at Great Longstone. A dressmaker, she was unmarried in 1871, living alone in Great Longstone and with a visitor at census time, her niece Mary J. Blackwell. She married innkeeper John Winson of Youlgreave (born about 1810 in Shottle, Derbyshire, son of William Winson) at Great Longstone on 17 May 1871. After her husband's death she continued to live in Youlgreave with Mr Winson's daughter Mary, until her death in 1899Q4 aged 69.

152. WILLIAM⁸ SKIDMORE was baptised 15 May 1785 at Great Longstone 'son of Richard Skidmore'. It is necessary to decide whether he is son of Richard [94] or of Richard [98], both husbandmen in Great Longstone at the time of William's birth. It is much more likely that the William Skidmore described here - husband of Elizabeth Redfearn - is a son of Richard [98] and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore. He is unlikely to be the son of Richard [94]: Richard [94]'s older brother John [93] left a detailed will in 1818 which mentions all his brothers and several nephews and nieces with their fathers specified. The bulk of his real estate passed to his brother Richard [94] and hence (presumably) he did not specify legacies to Richard's children, who are not mentioned.

¹⁰⁶ UK, Royal Hospital Chelsea Pensioner Registers of Soldiers Who Served in Canada, 1743-1882.

We need then to look at the will of John's brother Richard [94], made in 1830, for mention of a son William. In fact, Richard [94] mentions only one son Joseph and two daughters.

William Skidmore of Longstone married firstly Elizabeth Redfearn of Ashford, at Bakewell on 30 March 1812. They moved around 1820 from Great Longstone to Eyam, where William, like his older brother John, was a weaver. Elizabeth died aged 43 and was buried at Eyam on 22 August 1832 and William married secondly Mrs Ann Platts on 25 December 1833 at Eyam. Judging from her reported age when she died, his second wife was born about 1796. She is *perhaps* Ann Furness who married John Platts on 26 April 1819 at Eyam, though this needs further investigation. She is called Nancy at the baptisms of the children she had with William Skidmore; Nancy the daughter of Richard and Ann Furniss was baptised at Eyam on 13 September 1795.

The baptism registers of Eyam church describe William as a weaver of Eyam as late as 1839, though he was living with his wife in Great Longstone at the time of the 1841 census and was an agricultural labourer. Ann Skidmore died in 1846 aged 50 and was buried at Great Longstone on 5 March, leaving a young family. William Skidmore died a month later aged 60 and was buried on 12 April 1846.

Children of William and Elizabeth (Redfearn) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone

- i. Harriet, baptised 1 November 1812 at Holy Trinity, Ashford. She died aged 11 and was buried at Eyam on 8 March 1823.
- 235. ii. WILLIAM, baptised 23 October 1814.
- iii. Sarah, baptised 21 July 1816. Buried 5 January 1819 at Great Longstone, daughter of William, a weaver.
- 235a. iv. GEORGE, born in Calver, Derbyshire (a hamlet in the parish of Bakewell), was baptised 13 September 1818. He was a labourer in the tanning yard at Eyam at the time of the 1841 census. He married Ann Hattersley (daughter of Robert Hattersley and the widow of _____ Gillatt) on 4 July 1842 at Dronfield and had twin girls the following year who died in infancy. By 1851 he was lodging in Hanover Street, Ecclesall Bierlow, Sheffield, a 'labourer excavator'. He is recorded in the 1851 census as a *widower* which is presumably an error. Still *unmarried* in 1861, he was then living in the home of Septimus and Lucy (Innocent) Parkes in Arundel Street, south Sheffield, and said to be their son-in-law. Also recorded in that household was George's future wife, widow Mrs Ellen Thorpe (born about 1810 in Limerick, Ireland); they were subsequently married in 1861Q2 in Rotherham. George Skidmore was a labourer in Liverpool by the time of the 1871 census when he and his wife were living at 16 Russell Place there. George Skidmore of Brown Street died aged 66 and was buried on 24 December 1885 at St Nicholas Roman Catholic church, Liverpool; his widow died in 1887 aged 77. Children of George and Ann (Hattersley) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,
 - i. Martha, who died at 13 weeks and was buried at St Mary's, Sheffield on 12 May 1843.
 - ii. Mary, who died at 11 weeks and was buried on 19 April 1843.
 A son of George and Ellen (Thorpe) Skidmore,
 - iii. Thomas, born and died in 1861 in Rotherham.

and baptised at Eyam,

- v. James, baptised 2 March 1823 at Eyam. He was buried on 24 February 1824 at Eyam.
- vi. Mary, baptised 26 December 1824. Nothing further known.
- vii. Ann, born about 1827. She was living in 1841 but nothing further is presently known.
- 236. viii. RICHARD, baptised 31 August 1828.
- ix. Henry, baptised 26 June 1831. He died at the age of 13 and was buried on 13 April 1845 at Great Longstone.

Children of William and Ann/ Nancy (?Furniss) Skidmore, baptised at Eyam,

- x. Elizabeth, born 20 May 1834, baptised 3 November. She was a house servant to veterinary surgeon Thomas McLeech in Bath Street, Bakewell in 1851. Nothing further known.
- xi. Sarah, born about 1837. In 1851 she was a general servant, who said she was born in Eyam, at the farm of Francis Baker in Litton. She appears to have married William Buckland, a lady's shoe maker (born about 1840 in Newark, Nottinghamshire) on 17 January 1859 at St George's, Sheffield. Their first child Walter Buckland was born about 1860 in Sheffield but by the time of the 1861 census they were living in Dale, Eyam, Derbyshire. Her son Joseph was born in Chesterfield in about 1864 and she was widowed and living in Eyam at the time of the 1871 census. She married

secondly Edwin Slater, a lead miner (born about 1841 in Tideswell) in 1876Q1 in Sheffield. Mrs Slater died in 1902Q4 aged 64, her husband in 1915Q3 aged 76.

- xii. John, born 2 May 1839, baptised 23 May. He was aged 2 at the time of the 1841 census. Both his parents I believe died in 1846. He is perhaps the 10-year old boy (recorded as having been born in Little Longstone) in Bakewell workhouse at the time of the 1851 census. He is not one of the John Skidmores whose deaths were registered between the censuses of 1851 and 1861 in Derbyshire. He could be the 20-year old coal miner, who said he was born in Stoney Middleton, Derbyshire, lodging with other colliery workers in Whittington, Derbyshire in 1861. Nothing further known.

153. RICHARD²⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 17 June 1787 at Great Longstone 'son of Richard Skidmore', was a son of Richard [98] and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore. He was an agricultural worker of Butts, Little Longstone and married Hannah Holmes (born about 1791 in Little Longstone¹⁰⁷) on 29 October 1815 at Bakewell. Michael Skidmore and Ann Skidmore were witnesses.

Richard died on 17 January 1857, his wife on 2 March 1864 aged 73, and both buried at Great Longstone, where a gravestone to their memory survives.

Children of Richard and Hannah (Holmes) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

- i. Ann, baptised 18 August 1816. She probably is the lady who married Charles Townsend at Great Longstone on 19 September 1836, and lived in Tideswell. She and her husband (who died in the 1840s) and their children worked in a cotton factory. She died in 1875 aged 59.
Children, as known - Robert, Sarah, James, Reuben, Charlotte, Aaron.
237. ii. GEORGE, baptised 19 April 1818.
- iii. Sarah, baptised Sally on 2 April 1820. Sarah Skidmore married William Hetherington, a joiner and pattern maker (born about 1824 in Clayton Green, Lancashire, son of Lawrence Hetherington, joiner and his wife Mary) on 18 November 1845 at St John's, Manchester. They lived in Cheadle and later Rusholme and Moss Side, Manchester and were in Stockport Road, Gorton, Lancashire by the time of the 1861 census. William Hetherington died in the Chorlton registration district in 1873Q4 aged 49, Sarah in 1879Q1 aged 58.
Children, as known - Alfred S., William, Laurence, Ann, Emily, Alfred.
238. iv. JOSEPH, baptised 28 July 1822.
- v. Jane, baptised 21 November 1824. She married William Rosevere, a railway pointsman (born about 1827 in Warrington, son of John Rosevere, an ostler) on 26 August 1849 at St John's, Manchester. They lived for a few years in Manchester before moving to Bolton, Lancashire, where Mr Rosevere was a foundry labourer. Jane died in 1895Q3 aged 70, her husband in 1904Q4 aged 76.
Children, as known - Hannah Jane, Elizabeth, John, Alfred, Florence.
- vi. Martha, baptised 8 April 1827. She married William Hargreave, a salesman (born about 1830 in Chorlton on Medlock, son of Samuel Hargreave, a joiner) at St Saviour, Chorlton on Medlock, Manchester on 12 May 1850. They lived in Gorton and later Ardwick in Lancashire. At the time of the 1881 census, he was described as an agent for a Loan Society and a shopkeeper. Mr Hargreave died in 1893Q1 and his wife later lived with the family of her married daughter Clara Whitehead in Stretford. Martha Hargreave worked as a domestic cook.
Children, as known - William, Ann, Rosa, Thomas, Clara.
239. vii. ROBERT, baptised 27 April 1829.
240. viii. THOMAS, baptised 30 July 1831.
241. ix. WILLIAM, baptised 2 January 1834.

154. MICHAEL⁸ SKIDMORE, an agricultural labourer of Cressbrook, Litton, Derbyshire, was baptised on 13 September 1789 at Great Longstone 'son of Richard Skidmore'. He was a son of Richard [98] and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore and married Hannah Alsop (born about 1794 in Wardlow) on 30 January 1820 at All Saints', Bakewell, witnessed by Ralph Bradbury and Ann Alsop.

¹⁰⁷ According to <http://wc.rootsweb.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/igm.cgi?op=GET&db=cygnus12&id=I60619> Hannah Fenton Holmes, the daughter of Benjamin and Hannah Holmes, baptised 7 February 1790 at Bakewell.

Michael and Hannah lived in Litton and spent their later years at least at Top Row, Litton Slack, a house apparently taken over by their daughter Mary and her husband. Michael Skidmore died aged 73 and was buried at St Giles', Great Longstone on 20 April 1862. His wife died in 1878 aged 84.

Children of Michael and Hannah (Alsop) Skidmore, baptised at St John the Baptist, Tideswell,

242. i. JOSIAH, baptised 14 January 1821.
243. ii. JOHN, baptised 29 December 1822 at Great Longstone.
- iii. Elizabeth, baptised at Tideswell (as *Elizabeth Alsop* Skidmore) on 15 August 1824 and again at Great Longstone on 3 October 1824. She, like her younger sisters, was a cotton and wool power loom weaver. She married William Hawley, a framework knitter of Little Longstone (son of William Hawley, a weaver) on 16 April 1854 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. They lived in Apprentice Row, Litton. Elizabeth Alsop Hawley died in 1900 aged 75.
Children, as known - Hannah, Walter.
- iv. Isaac, born about 1825. A cotton weaver, he died in Cressbrook at the age of 22 and was buried on 1 September 1847 at Great Longstone.
244. v. MICHAEL, baptised 8 August 1827.
- vi. Mary Alsop, baptised 24 November 1829 at Tideswell. She married George Ollerenshaw in Sheffield in 1854 and they were living at the time of the 1861 census in the home of her parents in Litton and remained there after Michael Skidmore's death. Mary Ollerenshaw died in 1889 aged 59, her husband a year later aged 60.
- vii. Martha, baptised 24 July 1831. A servant in 1841 in Cressbrook to the family of shopkeeper William Froggatt.
- viii. Hannah, baptised 12 July 1834.


155. GEORGE⁸ SKIDMORE, son of Richard [98] and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore, was baptised 9 October 1791 at Great Longstone. At the age of 21, on 6 December 1813 at Dover, Kent, he enlisted for unlimited service in the 1st Grenadier Regiment of Foot Guards. He served in the army for 16 years 240 days, including serving at Waterloo, before discharge on 10 May 1828 as a result of 'diseased lungs, contracted while in the Regiment'. He acknowledged receipt, by making his mark, of all his due pay. He was described on his discharge papers as aged 36, 5ft 8in in height, with light brown hair and a fresh complexion, by trade a labourer. (See p.85).

He appears to be the George Skidmore who married Lydia Bamford (born about 1803) and had children baptised at Great Longstone during the 1830s. There were earlier children born in the 1820s; Lydia was perhaps his second wife or these children were his wife's by an earlier marriage, who took the name Skidmore. Mr Skidmore died of asthma at the age of 51 and was buried on 21 March 1841 at Sutton, Macclesfield. Lydia Skidmore was living at the time of the 1841 census in Windmill Yard, Macclesfield, Cheshire with the following children - Cairor, a daughter aged 17, Ann aged 15, Moses aged 5 and Matilda aged 1½. She next appears on 19 April 1843, admitting herself and her children (Ann 16, Moses 5 and Matilda 3) for the night to Castle Street Workhouse, Westminster, London¹⁰⁸. This was repeated for the nights of 24 July that year. On 18 February 1848 the St Marylebone Workhouse received Lydia and her children for the night (Moses 11, Matilda 9 and William 2). It was noted that they originally came from Great Longstone and that their last residence in London was at 2 Gees Court. They returned to the same workhouse between 31 October and November that year, together with other residents of Henrietta Street, made homeless for some unknown reason. Lydia Skidmore registered the death of her son William Skidmore on 7 December 1848 at Horsegate, Whittlesea. His father is unknown. She died in the Brentford area of Essex in 1849Q3, aged 46.

¹⁰⁸ London, England, Workhouse Admission and Discharge Records, 1738-1930.

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HIS MAJESTY'S



10/6/28

Colman REGT. OF *Foot Guards*

Whereof *the Hon. Genl. the Duke of Wellington* is Colonel.

These are to Certify,

I. **THAT** *George Skidmore* born to the Parish of *Longton* in or near the Town of *Longton* in the County of *Derby* was enlisted for the aforesaid Regiment at *Longton* in the County of *Derby* on the *11* Day of *20th Dec* at the Age of *eighteen* for *Colman's Regiment*

II. **THAT** he hath served in the Army for the space of *thirteen* Years and *240* Days, after the Age of Eighteen, according to the subjoined

STATEMENT OF SERVICE.

IN WHAT CORPS.	PERIOD OF SERVICE.		Sergeant Major.		Gd. Mstr. Sergeant.		Sergeant.		Corporal.		Privates or Drummers.		Total Service.	
	From	To	Yrs.	Days	Yrs.	Days	Yrs.	Days	Yrs.	Days	Yrs.	Days	Yrs.	Days
<i>Foot Guards</i>	<i>11 Dec 1815</i>	<i>11 Dec 1828</i>												
<i>Colman's Regiment</i>	<i>11 Dec 1815</i>	<i>11 Dec 1828</i>												
Total of Service...														
In East or W. India														

III. **THAT** by Authority of *General Lord Hill* dated *10 May 1828* HE IS HEREBY DISCHARGED in consequence of *Disorderly conduct* while in the Regiment *Colman's Regiment*

IV. **THAT** he is not, in my knowledge, incapacitated by the Sentence of a General Court Martial, from receiving Pension.

V. **THAT** his general Conduct as a Soldier has been *good*.

VI. **THAT** he has received all just Demands of Pay, Clothing, &c., from his Entry into the Service to the date of this Discharge, as appears by his Receipt underneath.

VII. **I** *George Skidmore* do hereby acknowledge that I have received all my Clothing, Pay, Arrears of Pay, and all just Demands whatsoever, from the time of my Entry into the Service to the time of this Discharge.

VIII. **TO** prevent any improper use being made of this Discharge, by its falling into other Hands, the following is a Description of the said *George Skidmore*. He is about *30* Years of Age, is *5* Feet *6* Inches in height, *Black* Hair, *Blue* Eyes, *Fair* Complexion, and by Trade or Occupation a *carpenter*.

Children of George Skidmore,

- i. Cairor, a daughter born about 1824. Not found after the census of 1841. This very unusual name could have been an error on the part of the census enumerator.
- ii. Ann, born about 1826. Not found after 1843.

Children of George and Lydia (Bamford) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

- iii. Harriet, baptised 4 October 1831. She died aged 18 months and was buried 4 October 1833.
- iv. Valentine, baptised 22 February 1834. Not found in the 1841 census.
- v. Moses, baptised 24 November 1836 at All Saints', Bakewell. He was a private soldier, based at the time of the 1851 census at the Infantry Barracks at New Windsor, Berkshire.
- vi. Matilda, baptised 19 September 1839. At the time of the 1851 census, she was living with James Glenister, a deal porter of 5 Kine Court, Westminster, London, and his wife Elizabeth. Matilda Skidmore, daughter of Henry Skidmore, soldier deceased, married Henry Stidolph (born about 1846 in Newington, son of Thomas Henry Stidolph, a shoemaker, and his wife Elizabeth) on 10 June 1867 at St Mary's, Lambeth. Unfortunately, I have been unable to find more about this couple in order to verify that the wife was indeed the daughter of George and Lydia.

156. HENRY⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 'son of Richard Skidmore' on 3 July 1796 at St Giles', Great Longstone, was a son of Richard [98] and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore. A farm worker in Great Longstone, he married Sarah Hancock (born about 1799 in Great Longstone) on 28 February 1820 at All Saints', Bakewell. Henry Skidmore died in 1830 aged 33, and was buried at St Giles' on 8 March.

Sarah Skidmore lived a widow of independent means in Great Longstone and died there aged 55 (buried 12 July 1854).

Sons of Henry and Sarah (Hancock) Skidmore, baptised at Great Longstone,

- i. Thomas, baptised 9 July 1820. Buried 9 October 1820, aged 3 months.
- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 23 September 1821. She married William Ashton, a gardener (born in Little Longstone, son of Thomas Ashton) on 23 October 1843 at Bakewell. Elizabeth died in 1886 aged 64, her husband in 1899 aged 79.
Children, as known - Sarah Ann, Elizabeth, Harriet.
- 246. iii. RALPH, baptised 23 March 1824.
- iv. Henry, baptised 19 August 1827. He died at 9 months and was buried at Great Longstone on 14 June 1828.
- v. Michael, born in Ashford, was a son of Henry and Sarah of Great Longstone, baptised 2 October 1829. In 1851, he was a porter for Thomas Staley, a grocer and tea dealer at 15 Lower Hillgate, Stockport, Cheshire. *Isaac Michael* Skidmore, a foreman living in Westmoreland Place, Shoreditch (and son of Henry Skidmore a farmer then deceased) married Ellen Matilda Ward (born about 1837 in Kenninghall, Norfolk, daughter of Francis Ward, a cab proprietor) on 23 August 1858 at St John the Baptist, Shoreditch, London. He was a foreman at an iron works in 1861, when they were living at 12 James Street, Poplar, London with their infant niece Julia Emma Skidmore (apparently registered in 1861Q1 at Clerkenwell, Julia Emma Amelia *Ward*). This child appears as Julia Skidmore, Ellen Matilda Skidmore's daughter, in 1871. Julia Emma *Ward* married in 1877 in the Fulham district of London.
Michael Skidmore died in 1869 aged 39. Ellen Matilda married secondly James Thurman, a bachelor of 5 York Street, Swansea (son of William Thurman, a blacking manufacturer) on 9 September 1874 at St Mary's, Islington. They were living by 1881 in Islington, with nephew Augustus Ward, aged 6.

157. JAMES⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 'son of Richard Skidmore' on 27 June 1801 at St Giles', Great Longstone, was a son of Richard [98] and Sarah (Brightmore) Skidmore. He married Harriet Wilson (born about 1808 in Bakewell) on 6 May 1832 at Great Longstone. James was a dresser at a cotton and wool factory and lived in Cressbrook until at least 1851. James and Harriet shared their home with their nephew Ralph Skidmore [235] and his wife Mary. By 1861 they had moved as a unit to Great Longstone, where James Skidmore was a quarry labourer.

Harriet Skidmore died on 21 May 1877 aged 70 and is buried at Great Longstone, where a large slab headstone to her memory survives. By 1881 James was living with his daughter Harriet's family. He died aged 84 and was buried 29 November 1885.

Children of James and Harriet (Wilson) Skidmore, born at Great Longstone, baptised at St Giles',

- i. Mary Jane, baptised 12 September 1841. She died aged 9 weeks on 29 September 1841.
- ii. Harriet, born in Cressbrook and baptised 28 April 1844. A wool weaver, she married James Morton, a stone mason and licensed victualler (born about 1844 in Great Longstone, son of James Morton) on 6 June 1864 at Bakewell. By 1881 they were running the Crispin Inn in Great Longstone, though this enterprise seems to have been short-lived.
Children, as known - Fanny, James Albert, Elizabeth Ann, Joseph, John William.

158. WILLIAM⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 26 February 1797, 'son of William Skidmore', was the eldest son of William Skidmore [99] by his wife Hannah Gregory. The registers of the General Baptists in Macclesfield show that he married Susannah Smith (born about 1805, daughter of John Smith, a weaver, and his wife Elizabeth). The marriage took place on 21 February 1825 at Prestbury, Cheshire and William was a silk weaver of Sutton, Macclesfield, at the time.

William Skidmore died in Macclesfield of consumption on 28 August 1837 aged 49. Susannah Skidmore, William's widow, married John Longden, a shoemaker (son of James Longden, a 'looker over') in 1838Q4 at St James',

Gawsworth, Cheshire. Joseph Adams and Mary Bamford were the witnesses. Susannah Longden died in Macclesfield in 1842Q3.

I am indebted to David Skidmore, gt.gt.gt.-grandson of William for details of the families of William and of his brother George.

Children of William and Susannah (Smith) Skidmore, born in Prestbury parish, Macclesfield, details from the General Baptists registers,

247. i. GEORGE, born 30 September 1826.
 ii. Ann, born 28 October 1829. She died at 17 months old and was buried from the Brunswick Wesleyan Chapel on 31 March 1831.
 iii. Hannah, baptised 19 June 1834 at the General Baptist church, Macclesfield. She died aged 3 in Macclesfield and was buried at the Wesleyan Methodist Chapel in Sutton on 11 June 1837.

159. GEORGE⁸ SKIDMORE, born in Great Longstone and baptised 3 June 1804, 'son of William Skidmore', was the second son of William [99] and Hannah (Gregory) Skidmore. He was a silk weaver and porter, living in 1841 in Gunerdan, Sutton (Macclesfield) and by 1851 in Cross Street there.

On 1 August 1830 at St Peter's, Prestbury, George Skidmore married Elizabeth Townsend. She was born about 1808 in Sutton, Macclesfield and is known from the entries in the General Baptist registers to be the daughter of Thomas and Ellen Townsend.

George Skidmore died in Sutton in 1858 aged 54, and was buried at St Paul's, Macclesfield on 28 March. Elizabeth Skidmore died aged 68 in 1877Q1.

Children of George and Elizabeth (Townsend) Skidmore, born in Prestbury parish, Macclesfield, details from the General Baptists registers,

248. i. WILLIAM, born 15 September 1831.
 ii. Samuel, baptised 28 November 1833. Not found in the census of 1841.
 iii. Elizabeth, born about 1834. A silk piecer, she married David Lowndes, a blacksmith (born about 1843 in Sutton, son of Joseph Lowndes, a weaver, and his wife Susannah B.) on 12 January 1863 at St Peter's, Prestbury, Cheshire. William Skidmore, her brother, and Harriet Clough were witnesses. Elizabeth Lowndes died in 1869Q3 aged 26. In 1873 Mr Lowndes married Sarah Baker; he died in 1915Q2 aged 72.
 iv. Ellen, born 17 March 1836. Not found in the census of 1841.
 v. Thomas, born 1838Q2, died 1839Q4 aged 1.
 vi. Mary Ellen, born 1840Q2. She died later that year.
 vii. Elizabeth, born 1843Q2.
 viii. Hannah, born 1849Q3. Living in 1881, a silk piecer boarding in Sutton.

160. JOHN⁸ SKIDMORE, third son of William [99] and Hannah (Gregory) Skidmore, was baptised 19 June 1808 at St Giles', Great Longstone, 'son of William Skidmore'. On 15 September 1834 John Skidmore, a weaver of Macclesfield, married Mary Ann Mottershead. She was baptised 20 June 1813 at Christ Church, Macclesfield, daughter of William Mottershead, a brewer, and his wife Mary. George Skidmore and Elizabeth Skidmore were the witnesses. Mary Ann Skidmore died at the age of 28 in Macclesfield and was buried at St Mary's, Chester on 2 May 1841. At census time a month later, John Skidmore, a silk weaver, and his son William were living in Windmill Hill, Macclesfield, in the home of his wife's parents.

John appears to have married again; John Skidmore, a silk weaver born in Longstone married Ann Woolley (born about 1811 in Wirksworth or Bonsall, Derbyshire). His wife's name is assumed from the birth certificate of a son John in 1842. He was living with his wife in 1851 in Davies Street, Hurdsfield [Macclesfield], Cheshire. They later lived in Macclesfield, at 42 Commercial Road in 1861 and at 2 Court, 3 Snow Hill in 1871. John died aged 73 on 31 July 1880 at West Park Workhouse and was buried at Mace Cemetery, Macclesfield.

Children of John and Mary Ann (Mottershead) Skidmore, born in Macclesfield, details from the General Baptists registers,

249. i. WILLIAM, born 4 April 1836.
 ii. Cicely, baptised 23 December 1838. She died aged 1 and was buried 13 November 1839 at St Michael's, Macclesfield.

A son of John and Ann (Woolley) Skidmore,

- iii. John, born 8 August 1842 in Fountain Street, Macclesfield. He died at a month old and was buried at Christ Church, Macclesfield on 11 September 1842.

161. EDWARD²⁸ SKIDMORE was born about 1781. He married Ann Capper (born about 1791 in Wisterton, Cheshire) on 21 April 1812 at St Mary's, Cheadle. Cheadle was historically in the county of Cheshire but is now part of Stockport, Greater Manchester. Both bride and groom were said to be of St Mary's parish at the time they married. It is worth noting another couple of this parish who married at this same church in the same year; William Skidmore [101] married Elizabeth Walter on 18 November 1812. Both these couples called their first son Joseph. Edward was a hatter in Macclesfield at the time of the baptism of their son Henry in 1817.

Edward Skidmore died aged 52 and was buried at St Michael's, Macclesfield on 9 June 1833. Ann Skidmore was living, of independent means, in Beach Lane, Macclesfield, in 1841. She died there aged 66 and was buried at St Paul's, Macclesfield on 16 August 1857.

Children of Edward and Ann (Capper) Skidmore,

- i. Joseph, baptised 28 February 1813 at St Mary's, Stockport.
- 250. ii. HORATIO, baptised 25 February 1814 at St Mary's, Stockport.
- iii. Alfred, died at Hillgate, buried 24 December 1815 at St Mary's, aged 3 months.

and baptised at St Michael's, Macclesfield,

- 251. iv. HENRY, baptised 10 August 1817.
- v. Jane, born February 1820 and baptised with her brother Edward. A silk factory worker in Macclesfield and later a cotton weaver in Preston, Lancashire. She was perhaps the Jane Skidmore whose death was registered at Preston in 1890, though that lady was said to be aged 73. She appears to have had a daughter,
 - i. Martha Ann, baptised at St Michael's on 12 March 1837. This child died in 1840.
- vi. Edward, baptised 28 April 1822. He died in his second year and was buried at St Michael's on 12 April 1823.
- vii. Jeremiah, baptised 15 August 1824. He died in infancy, buried at St Michael's on 26 September.
- viii. Edward, born (according to his age at census times and at his death) in about 1827, baptised 12 December 1830. A silk weaver in Macclesfield, he married Sarah Hunt (born about 1832 in Macclesfield, daughter of James and Ann Hunt) on 23 June 1864 at St Peter's, Prestbury. Sarah Hunt was living at the time of the 1861 census with her mother Ann and with her daughter Emily Hunt aged 6. Edward Skidmore died in 1870 aged 44 and at census time a year later his widow was living with her two daughters Sarah Ann Hunt (called Skidmore in this census, perhaps born 1853Q1; married, as Sarah Ann Skidmore, Samuel Warren in 1879 at St James', Sutton) and Emily Hunt (called Skidmore in this census, born 1855Q1). Sarah Skidmore married secondly Joel Hallworth, a weaver (son of Isaac Hallworth) on 1 July 1877 at St Peter's, Prestbury.
- ix. Eliza, an infant buried at St Michael's on 3 December 1828.
- x. John, born about 1831. A silk piecer at the time of the 1851 census.

162. WILLIAM²⁸ SKIDMORE, born about 1793. He married Elizabeth Walter on 18 November 1812 at St Mary's, Cheadle. Both bride and groom were said to be of St Mary's parish at the time they married. They lived at Portwood, Stockport. William Skidmore died in St Petersgate, Stockport and was buried at St Mary's, Stockport on 21 March 1830.

Children of William and Elizabeth (Walter) Skidmore, baptised at St Mary's, Stockport,

- i. Joseph, born late 1812. Joseph son of William Skidmore of Portwood was buried at St Mary's, Stockport on 6 April 1813, aged 6 months.
- ii. Joseph. He died in Portwood aged 1 year and was buried at St Mary's on 9 April 1814.
- iii. Joseph, baptised 21 December 1814. He died at 6 months in Portwood, buried 5 April 1815 at St Mary's.
- iv. Sarah Ann, baptised 25 February 1816. She died aged 9, buried 4 December 1825.
- v. Thomas, baptised 19 July 1818. He died aged 2 months, buried 18 August at St Mary's.
- vi. William, baptised 14 September 1819. He died in Portwood said to be aged 4 months, buried 7 March 1820 at St Mary's.

- vii. John, baptised 27 June 1821. He died in Portwood aged 10 months, buried 27 March 1822 at St Mary's.
- viii. Jane, baptised 30 March 1823. A servant in Brinnington, Cheshire in 1841.
- ix. George, born 1824. He was baptised and buried on the same day, 8 May 1825 aged 1 year.
- x. [presumably] Richard, who died at 1 month old in Portwood, buried 13 August 1826.
- xi. [perhaps] Ellen, who died aged 2 months in St Petersgate and was buried at St Mary's on 28 August 1831.

166. RICHARD HARDY⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 12 June 1785 at Eyam, Derbyshire, was a son of Simon [108] and Ann (Hardy) Skidmore. A stockinger by trade, he enlisted on 18 August 1805 at the age of 21 and was a gunner at the Artillery Barracks in Woolwich, London. He served for 13 years but was then discharged on 1 November 1818 and awarded one shilling per day, 'in consequence of asthma and spitting of blood from an injury on duty' and became a member of the Invalid Regiment of Artillery.

He had married Charlotte Poynter (born about 1789 at Winkfield, Berkshire) on 20 June 1810 at St Mary Magdalen, Woolwich, London and by the time of the baptism of their son Richard in 1819 they were living in Keppel Street, Chelsea. As an Out Pensioner of Chelsea Hospital, he became a gardener, perhaps in one of the market gardens around the Chelsea Hospital and Kensington or on one of the several farms in the area owned by the Chelsea Hospital itself which supplied food and vegetables to the pensioners. He later suffered paralysis and was obliged to enter the Kensington Workhouse where he died on 14 March 1845 (buried at St Mary Abbots Church, Kensington). His wife died aged 64 in Brompton on 13 December 1852 (buried Holy Trinity, Brompton).

Children of Richard Hardy and Charlotte (Poynter) Skidmore, baptised at St Mary Magdalene, Woolwich,

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- i. HENRY, baptised 14 September 1814.
 - ii. Louisa, born 22 July (baptised 21 August) 1816. She married James Salisbury (born in Huntingdon, son of James Salisbury, a gardener) in 1837 at St Paul's, Hammersmith. She died in 1880Q1.
 - iii. Mary Ann, born 4 February 1818, baptised 6 March 1818. She married Edward Salisbury, a gardener (born in Huntingdon, son of James Salisbury, a gardener), on 2 August 1838 at St James', Paddington.
 - iv. Richard Hardy, born 16 October 1819 and baptised 21 November at St Luke's, Chelsea. He died at 6 months old and was buried at the same church on 19 April 1820.

167. JOSEPH⁸ SKIDMORE, son of Joseph [109] and Hannah (Youle) Skidmore, was baptised on 3 September 1796 at Eyam. He married Martha Dooley on 2 September 1823 at St Lawrence's, Eyam. According to a pedigree found at familysearch.org, she was born in 1801, the daughter of John and Sarah (Bradshaw) Dooley of Eyam.

Joseph Skidmore was called a labourer of Eyam in the parish registers between 1829 and 1836, and by the time of the 1841 census head of the only Skidmore family remaining the village. The censuses reveal that he worked in the lead mines and that they lived to the east of the church there (which includes part of the modern village of Stoney Middleton), in Townend.

Joseph died at the age of 70 and was buried on 16 October 1866 at Eyam. and his widow was living in 1871 in the family home of her daughter Sarah Unwin. Mrs Skidmore died in 1877Q4 aged 76.

Children of Joseph and Martha (Dooley) Skidmore, born and baptised in Eyam,

perhaps with others

- i. Hannah, baptised 3 May 1829. She became a house servant to the family of the curate of Ironville village, Alfreton and married Henry Swindell, iron moulder (born about 1827 at Codnor Park or Ironville, son of Thomas and Mary Swindell) on 9 June 1851 at Alfreton, Derbyshire. They raised a large family at Pye Bridge, Somercotes. Remarkably, in 1881 they were living next door to John and Phoebe Skidmore from Dudley, Worcestershire, part of the Kingswinford branch of the larger Skidmore family. Hannah Swindell died in 1896Q3 aged 67, Henry Cotterill Swindell in 1897Q4 aged 70.
Children, as known - Mary Ann, Joseph, Henry, George, Thomas, William, Samuel, Hannah and Lizzie.
- ii. Sarah, baptised 9 September 1832. A shoe binder living with her parents in 1861. She married

Charles John Unwin, a lead miner (born about 1837 in Eyam) in 1867Q3. She was widowed by 1891 and continued to live with her sons in Townend, Eyam, where she was a cleaner at the school. She died either in 1903Q4 or 1904Q2.

Children, as known - Abraham and Charles.

- iii. Barbara, born 15 August (baptised 28 August) 1836. She was a servant to the household of butcher Joseph Hyde in the Market Place, Chapel en le Frith before her marriage there to Joshua Hadfield Walker (born about 1839 in Chapel le Frith) on 13 June 1861. They moved around 1870 to the hamlets of Chinley and Brownside, Derbyshire, where Mr Walker looked after the engines in a wadding mill. At the time of the 1911 census they lived in their retirement in Chapel Milton. Mrs Walker died in 1914Q1 aged 77, her husband in 1921Q1 aged 82.

Children, as known - Charles, Annie, Clara, Joseph, Barbara, John Joseph and Henry.

168. JOSEPH⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 7 April 1782 at St Mary's, Nottingham, was a son of Zachariah [110] and Juliana (Barnet) Skidmore. He was apprenticed on 27 October 1795 to John Cooper, a framework knitter of Nottingham, and took up his trade in that town. He appears to have gone into partnership in Nottingham with John Crosland under the firm of Crosland and Skidmore, hosiers. This partnership was dissolved by mutual consent on 8 March 1803¹⁰⁹. He married Mary Lown at St Mary's, Nottingham on 1 December 1801. The burial of Mary Skidmore, perhaps the wife of Joseph or perhaps his daughter, took place at St Mary's, Nottingham on 13 March 1807. Joseph Skidmore was remembered in the will of his brother Simon in 1816. He died at the age of 42 was buried at St Mary's on 20 September 1822.

Children of Joseph and Mary (Lown) Skidmore, baptised in Nottingham,

- i. Edward George, baptised 24 August 1802 at the Wesleyan Chapel.
- ii. Joseph, baptised 13 November 1803 at St Mary's. He was perhaps the man who married Rebecca Bakewell (born about 1799 in Sutton on the Hill, Derbyshire) in 1827 at Etwall, Derbyshire. She would appear to have been widowed before 1841, when she was governess to the children of William Sampson, a farmer of Mount Pleasant, Church Broughton, Derbyshire. She was lodging by 1851 in Mansfield Road, Carrington, Nottinghamshire, where she died on 15 April 1861. Probate was given to her sole executor, her nephew Henry Waldron Watson, a doctor of Derby. Her death was reported in the Derby Mercury 'suddenly ... Mrs Skidmore, greatly respected'.
- iii. Edward, baptised 10 June 1804 at St Mary's. This was perhaps a second baptism for Edward George. He was an agricultural labourer and lodged in Scawby, Lincolnshire (the birthplace of his paternal grandmother) - for many years with the family of Robert Vickers. He was unmarried in 1861, called Edward G. Skidmore in that year's census. I have not yet found him later than 1861.
- iv. Mary, baptised 11 May 1805 at the Wesleyan Chapel.

169. SIMON⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 15 September 1786 at St Mary's, Nottingham, was a son of Zachariah [110] and Juliana (Barnet) Skidmore. He was apprenticed on 21 February 1800 to Joseph Pearson, a framework knitter of New Radford, but became a grocer in Nottingham.

He married Sarah Flewitt (born about 1791 in Edwalton, Nottinghamshire) on 14 February 1809 at St Mary's, Nottingham. He died aged only 29 and was buried at St Mary's on 31 March 1816. He left a will dated 3 February 1816 (proved 19 October 1816 at the Exchequer Court, York), in which he left all of his real and personal estate to his two friends Robert Gregory the younger, gentleman of Nottingham (Simon's mother Juliana Skidmore married secondly Robert Gregory) and John Flewitt, factor of Birmingham, Warwickshire, upon trust to pay a yearly sum of £10 for life to his brother Joseph Skidmore, framework knitter of Nottingham, to be paid in weekly instalments 'the first payment to be made Monday next after my decease'. He left to 'my dear wife Sarah the use occupation and enjoyment of ... and benefit product and advantage of my personal estate and effects ... for life ... therewith to maintain herself and to bring up support and educate my several children hereinafter named'. The will goes on to mention his four children Sarah Skidmore, Julia Skidmore, Simon Skidmore the younger and Charlotte Skidmore.

On 24 March 1829 at Basford, Sarah Skidmore married secondly William Hickling, a baker of Nottingham and later a farmer in Lenton, by whom she had at least three children.

¹⁰⁹ London Gazette at www.london-gazette.co.uk.

Children of Simon and Sarah (Flewitt) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,

- i. Sarah, born about 1810. She appears to have married Robert White, a hosier (born about 1809 in Nottingham) on 10 July 1832 at St Nicholas', Nottingham. They lived in Bond Street, Sneinton. Children, as known - Henry, Robert and Frederick.
- ii. Julia, born about 1812. She married firstly John Quinton on 17 September 1833 at St Mary's, Nottingham. She was living by 1841, a widow, with her daughter Julia Sarah aged 6 and Richard Quinton aged 20[-24], in Southall Road, St Mary's, Nottingham. She married in 1842Q3 in Nottingham widower John Wild, a leather merchant and boot top manufacturer (born about 1807 in Oldham, Lancashire), and moved to Mansfield and later Fox Street, Liverpool. Mrs Wild died in 1880Q4 aged 69.
- iii. Simon, baptised 11 August 1813 at St Peter's, Nottingham. He was a chemist and druggist in Snenton, Nottingham. He married Mary Ann Watson (born about 1813 in Sutton St Edmund, Lincolnshire, daughter of James Watson, farmer) at St Pancras Old Church, London on 12 September 1839. ___?___ Nicholson was a witness. He was presumably the church warden who contributed to improvements to the new Church at Snenton¹¹⁰. S. Skidmore played for the Newcastle Bowling Green team in Nottingham with Messrs Weaver & Wigglesworth¹¹¹. The couple retired to Old Chilwell, Nottinghamshire, where Mr Skidmore died on 5 December 1885 aged 72. His widow returned to lived in Snenton and died at 8 Castle Street on 21 February 1895 aged 87. No children known.
- iv. Charlotte, baptised 1 December 1815. Nothing further known.

170. WILLIAM⁸ SKIDMORE, born on St Helena in 1799 or 1800, was a son of Joseph [112] and Ann Skidmore. At the time that he was granted administration of his father's effects in March 1817, he was a Private in the first Battalion of the third Regiment of Foot Guards, then quartered in the Tower of London. He became a Yeoman of the Guard in Chelsea, London and as such is found in the Lord Chamberlain's Department Staff List from 1838 through to 1844¹¹².

He married Mary Ann Cormack (born about 1801 in Canterbury, Kent) on 17 September 1820 in Lambeth, London. Eliza Jordan was a witness. They lived at 37 Jubilee Street, Chelsea. Mary Ann Skidmore died on 23 February 1866 and was buried at Brompton Cemetery 'wife of W. Skidmore, Sergeant-Major of H.M.'s Body Guards, late Qr-Mr Sergt. Scots Fusilier Guards'¹¹³. William Skidmore died on 3 July 1869.

The children of William and Mary Ann (Cormack) Skidmore, born in Hammersmith, London,

- i. Elizabeth Mary Ann, born about 1826 in the St Margaret's district of Westminster. A dressmaker, she married widower John Burke, a Yeoman of the Guard (born about 1809 in Galway, Ireland) on 9 September 1869 at St Mary's Roman Catholic Chapel, Cadogan Terrace, Chelsea. She died in 1896 aged 72 and is buried in Brompton Cemetery. Children, as known - Stanislaus, Mary, Celia, Agnes.
- ii. Sarah, born 26 December 1829 and baptised 27 January 1830 at St Mary's, Whitechapel. She married Joseph Southerwood, a smith and wheelwright (born about 1832 in the parish of St George Hanover Square, son of John Southerwood) on 20 July 1851 at Holy Trinity, Lambeth. Sarah Southerwood died in Chelsea in 1890, aged 60. Children, as known - Kate Elizabeth, John Edmund, Harry Frederick, Joseph Skidmore, Edward, Charles J., Alfred Thomas. Descendants in Australia.
- iii. Laura Jane, born about 1833. A musician. She married Frederick Augustus William Louis Jacob, a civil engineer with the Royal Engineers (born about 1837 in Halifax, Nova Scotia, son of Charles Jacob, gentleman) on 12 March 1861 at St Luke's, Chelsea. The witnesses were William Berks and her sister Elizabeth. At least some of Sgt. Major Jacob's time was spent in the late 1870s on St Helena but they returned with their children to Chelsea by the time of the 1881 census. By 1901 they had moved retired to Pokesdown, Hampshire. Laura Jacob died in 1916 aged 83. Children, as known - Mary Jane, William Skidmore, Elizabeth, Frederick Theo.

¹¹⁰ Nottinghamshire Guardian, 19 April 1849.

¹¹¹ Nottinghamshire Guardian, 1 August 1850.

¹¹² The Royal Archives: Royal Household Staff 1526-1924; Establishment Lists for Lord Chamberlain's Department 1837-1924.

¹¹³ The Pall Mall Gazette 28 February 1866.

- iv. William Joseph, baptised 19 June 1836 at St Martin-in-the-Fields, Westminster. A carver and gilder, he married Ann Leatherbarrow (born about 1833 in Brompton) in 1858Q3. He died in London at the age of 28 in 1865Q3. Ann Skidmore was living in Cirencester in 1901.
- 255. v. CHARLES EDMUND, baptised 23 December 1838.
- 256. vi. JOHN, born 1840Q4.

171. BENJAMIN⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 23 May 1789 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was the son of William [113] and Margaret (Dale) Skidmore. He married firstly Elizabeth Amory on 23 February 1825 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield and was a grocer, tea and corn dealer at 20 Fargate, Sheffield. He advertised 'in immediate need of an apprentice' in The Derby Mercury of 10 August 1825. It appears he became a 'register agent' by 1841 and was called an 'accountant and registrar' in later censuses.

His wife could be the Elizabeth buried at St Paul's on 18 January 1831, aged 54. See also Elizabeth Ellis, wife of John [114].

He married secondly Mary Thompson (born about 1794 in Sheffield) in 1839Q4 in Sheffield and lived with his wife and sons in the Haymarket, and later at Talbot Place, Sheffield. He died in 1863Q3, his widow in 1869 aged 79 (buried 16 February at St Mary's, Sheffield).

Children of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Amory) Skidmore, baptised at Nether Independent Chapel, Norfolk Street, Sheffield,

- i. Henry, born 29 December 1825, baptised 22 February 1826. Apprenticed to his father. His death at the age of 20 'eldest son B. Skidmore Esq. of Sheffield' whilst on a voyage to Mauritius, was reported in the Liverpool Mercury of 5 February 1847.
- ii. Benjamin, born 22 February 1828, baptised 31 August of that year. His death was probably that registered at Sheffield in 1850Q2.

172. WILLIAM⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 24 March 1791 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of William [113] and Margaret (Dale) Skidmore. William, son of William Skidmore grocer of Sheffield, was apprenticed to Jonathan Beet, a knife maker of Sheffield, in 1805. He married his master's daughter Sarah Beet (baptised 14 February 1790, daughter of Jonathan and Sarah Beet) by licence on 5 May 1813 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield.

A record of his burial has yet to be found but by the time of the 1841 census Sarah Skidmore, a grocer and tea dealer, was living at 172 Broad Lane, Sheffield with children Margaret, Hannah Maria, Thomas Smith and John. She later retired with daughter Hannah Maria to Gloucester Street, Sheffield and later settled with her daughter Margaret in Bolton, near to the family of her son John. She died in that town in 1874Q4 aged 84.

Children of William and Sarah (Beet) Skidmore, baptised at Brunswick and Park Chapels, Norfolk Street, Sheffield,

- i. Margaret, born 29 November 1813, baptised 7 February 1814. She was living in 1851 with the family of her brother William Jonathan in Spittlegate, Lincolnshire and, by 1861, with her mother in Bolton. After her mother's death she lived with her sister Hannah Maria Fordham. Her death appears to have been that registered at Hastings, Sussex in 1891.
- ii. Sarah Beet, born 26 July 1815, baptised 6 September 1815, daughter of William Skidmore, master cutler, and Sarah his wife. She married Thomas Woollam, a general draper and later a Relieving Officer (born about 1821 in Bentley near Doncaster, Yorkshire) in Sheffield in 1847Q3. They were living in 1851 at 26 Angel Street, Sheffield and by 1861 at 145 Brook Place. Sarah Woollam died in 1866Q1 aged 50 and Thomas married secondly Hillaria Thomasina Shrewsbury.
- 257. iii. WILLIAM JONATHAN, born 26 February 1817.
- iv. Benjamin, born 2 January 1819, baptised 3 February 1819. Nothing further presently known.

and at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- v. Hannah Maria, born 10 May 1820, baptised 30 June 1820. She married John Smith Fordham, a Wesleyan Methodist Minister (born about 1829 in Sheffield) in 1853Q3. Mr Fordham was a Methodist Missionary in Fiji and their daughter Margaret and son John S. Fordham were born there. G.C. Henderson writing on Fiji noted¹¹⁴

¹¹⁴ Henderson, G.C., *Fiji and the Fijians 1835-1856*. Chapter XIII — Wesleyan Methodists and Roman Catholics.

'The most complete and valuable collection is the one in the possession of the Methodist Missionary Society in London. It ranges over the years from 1835 to 1856—the great missionary period in Fiji—with a few letters and reports in 1857. It includes general reports from the District Meetings in Fiji, some of which are missing; special reports from each of the mission centres—Lakemba, Rewa, Vewa, Somosomo, Nandy (Vanua Levu), Mbua Bay and Mbau; letters page 319 (with extracts from their journals) and reports from William Cross, David Cargill, John Hunt, James Calvert, Thomas Jaggar, Dr R. B. Lyth, Thomas Williams, John Watsford, David Hazlewood, John Malvern, William Moore, John Polglase, Joseph Waterhouse, Samuel Waterhouse, John Smith Fordham, William Wilson, and W. Collis, teacher at Lakemba. The most important of the letters and reports are those written by David Cargill, John Hunt, Dr Lyth, Thomas Williams. These men were in Fiji in the very early years; they remained long enough to correct first impressions, and they had a seeing eye that looked into detail.'

By the time of the 1871 census Mrs Fordham and her daughter occupied the Wesleyan Minister's House in Derby and by 1881 The Wesleyan Parsonage, Stainland, Yorkshire. Their son John S. Fordham was a missionary in China and by at least 1887 had returned to take up posts in Ramsay, Isle of Man and Penrith, Cumberland before becoming by 1891 Methodist Minister in Midgley, Yorkshire, where he lived with his children and his cousin Elizabeth Willis Skidmore. Hannah Maria Fordham died in Sheffield in 1899Q1 aged 78. Mr Fordham died on 6 August 1904 in Retford, Nottinghamshire, aged 76, leaving a will (proved 11 November 1904 at London).

- vi. Thomas Smith, born 1 July 1822, baptised 30 April 1824. He was an agent of Broad Lane, Sheffield, and a bachelor at his death on 12 October 1846. Administration of his estate was granted on 12 December 1876 at the Principal Registry to his sister Margaret Skidmore of Cross Hills, Leeds.
- 258. vii. JOHN, born 8 February 1824.

173. JOSEPH⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 8 November 1792 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of William [113] and Margaret (Dale) Skidmore. He appears to be the 28-year old man who married as his first wife, by licence at Sheffield Cathedral on 14 March 1822, Mary Kellam of Sheffield (born about 1798). There were four witnesses to the marriage – William Skidmore, Benjamin Skidmore, Charlotte Holt and Joseph Hendry.

He married, probably as his second wife (sight of the marriage register is needed to confirm this) Margaret Anastasia Hemsworth on 6 June 1843 at the Catholic Chapel in Pontefract. The notice of their wedding in the Leeds Mercury of 10 June stated that he was of Sheffield, his bride the niece of Rev. Mr Bell of Kippax. She was born about 1805 in Fishlake/ Sykehouse and was living at the time of the 1841 census with her uncle at Wharfe, Allerton Bywater. Joseph Skidmore was a brewer's traveller in 1851, living with his wife at Arundel Street, Sheffield. He had died by 1861 when his widow was keeper of a lodging house at 159 Fitzwilliam Street, Ecclesall. She appears to be the Margaret *Agnes* Skidmore whose death was registered at Ecclesall in 1865Q1.

A son of Joseph and Margaret Anastasia (Hemsworth) Skidmore,

- i. Joseph Bell, born 5 November 1850 and baptised 10 November at St Mary's, Sheffield. He married Ada Schofield (born about 1854, daughter of William Schofield) on 6 August 1877 at St Philip's, Shalesmoor, Sheffield. He was a commercial clerk and traveller in the steel file trade and lived with his wife in Ecclesall Bierlow. He found employment in the same capacity in the West Midlands and was living in Handsworth, Birmingham in 1911. He died in the Eastbourne area of Sussex in 1938 aged 88.

174. SAMUEL⁸ SKIDMORE, baptised 12 February 1794 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of William [113] and Margaret (Dale) Skidmore. A cabinet case maker in Sheffield, he married Elizabeth Kellam on 10 September 1817 at Scarborough, Yorkshire. He was, however, called a book keeper at the time their sons were baptised in 1827. They were living at the time of the 1841 census in Arundel Street, Sheffield. Elizabeth Skidmore died aged 56, and was buried 21 March 1850 at St Mary's, Sheffield. Samuel died aged 56, buried 28 May 1850 at St Mary's. **A daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Kellam) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul,**

- i. Sarah Kellam, born 12 June 1820, baptised 27 December 1821. She was living in 1841 in the home of corn factor George Hall in Albion Place, Doncaster, together with Mary Dale (perhaps a cousin). She married William Henry Palmer, a solicitor (born about 1819 in Doncaster) in 1846Q4 in Doncaster and lived in Albion Place there. She died in 1896Q4 aged 76, her husband in 1899Q1 aged 80.
- ii. John, born 8 February 1822 and baptised 24 January 1827.
- iii. Kellam, born 31 December 1826, baptised 24 January 1827.

175. JOHN⁸ SKIDMORE, born about 1837, son of John Skidmore [114] by Mary Hingham. He was a Sergeant in the 3rd West York Militia in Doncaster. He married Lois Ann Pickering (born 1848Q3 in Syerston, Newark, Nottinghamshire) in a ceremony registered in Doncaster in 1869Q4. She was later a school mistress in Doncaster, a position from which she was obliged to resign on the birth of their youngest child.

John Skidmore in 1881 was receiving an army pension. He died early in 1891 and Lois Ann married secondly Richard Schofield Gregory, a foreman joiner, in 1893. Lois Ann Gregory died in 1907 aged 58.

Children of John and Lois Ann (Pickering) Skidmore, born in Doncaster,

- i. John Tom, born 1870Q4. He died aged 1 and was buried at Hyde Park Cemetery, Doncaster on 12 March 1872.
- ii. Florence, born 1873Q3. She married Herbert Frost, a stationary engineman, in 1903Q3 in Ecclesall and lived in Hillsborough, Sheffield in 1911.
- iii. Gertrude, born 1876Q3. She was living in 1901 with her uncle William Pickering in Lincoln and was unmarried in 1911, living with her stepfather.
- iv. Leonard John, born 1889Q2. A carpenter in the building trade. He enlisted on 11 February 1915 with the 3rd West Riding Field Ambulance Reserves (part of the Royal Army Medical Corps). He arrived in France in January 1917 and was attached to No. 1 Siege Company R.M.R.E.(?). He was killed in action on 12 April 1918. His personal effects were sent to his sister Gertrude at Fulmer Road, Endcliffe, Sheffield.

The following two men - William Skidmore [177] and John Skidmore [178] - were both born in Sheffield in the 1780s but I have been unable to find their baptisms. They were perhaps brothers or cousins.

177. WILLIAM²⁸ SKIDMORE, whose baptism has not been found, was born about 1783. A cutler in Sheffield, he married Hannah Jepson on 27 March 1803 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. William was buried at St Philip's, Sheffield on 25 January 1832, aged 49. Hannah Skidmore aged 62 was buried at St Philip's, Sheffield on 3 May 1840.

Children of William and Hannah (Jepson) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

259. i. FREDERICK WILLIAM, born 10 July 1803.
- ii. Jane Johannah, buried 27 March 1806, daughter of William Skidmore, cutler.
260. iii. HENRY, born 6 February 1813.
- iv. [perhaps] Samuel Sampson, born 1 April 1816 (baptised 16 June), son of William and *Ann*. He is presumably the Samuel Skidmore who died at the age of 20 and was buried at St Philip's on 1 November 1825.
261. v. [perhaps] WILLIAM, born about 1823.

178. JOHN²⁸ SKIDMORE, for whom no baptism has yet been found, married Mary Smith on 18 April 1812 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield and was a fender maker of Sheffield at the baptism of their son Henry in 1812. Fender making was done in the Nether Hallam region of Sheffield, and the Green Lane Works were established in 1795 by the firm of Hoole and Company. John is perhaps brother or cousin to William above. It is possible he was a soldier for a time: John Skidmore, born in Sheffield, was discharged from the Royal Artillery between 1807-1817, aged 30¹¹⁵.

¹¹⁵ The National Archives WO 97/1262/23.

Mary Skidmore's death could be that in 1833 at the age of 48. She was buried on 4 July at SS Peter & Paul. I have not found John Skidmore in the census of 1841 or later.

Children of John and Mary (Smith) Skidmore baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Henry, born 12 November (baptised 13 December) 1812.
- 262. ii. EDWARD WILLIAM, born 1 December 1814.
- iii. Mary Ann, born 2 August (baptised 12 December) 1819. She appears to have been living at the time of the 1841 census in Headford Street, Ecclesall Bierlow, with cutler George King and his wife Mary. She died at the age of 30 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 19 June 1850.

179. CALEB SKIDMORE married Mary _____ and was a mason of Sheffield in 1818. The name occurs in the Black Country and Frampton Cotterell branches of the Skidmore family - it was new to Sheffield at this time. The Skidmore men of the Oxfordshire branch were stone masons, but I have not found a baptism for this man in any of these areas.

A son of Caleb and Mary Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. William Renshaw, born 27 October (baptised 15 November) 1818.

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190. JOSEPH⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 11 April 1808 at All Saints', Derby, was a son of Martin [123] and Sarah (Wain) Skidmore. A lace maker, he married Harriet Towle on 3 April 1825 at St Mary's, Nottingham. They were living by the time of the 1841 census in William Square, Nottingham, where they remained. Harriet Skidmore died in 1857Q3 and by the time of the 1861 census Emma Ann Lee aged 13 was living with her grandfather. Joseph Skidmore lived with Louisa Burton for many years and died in 1886Q4 aged 78. Louisa Skidmore died in 1893 aged 78.

It is possible (in the absence of another of his name at this time and place) that this Joseph Skidmore was the man declared bankrupt in 1831, a bobbin and carriage maker of Nottingham¹¹⁶.

Children of Joseph and Harriet (Towle) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,

- i. Ann, baptised 19 June 1825 at St Mary's, Nottingham. A silk seamer, she appears to have married Thomas Lee, an engine smith and later a licensed victualler, in 1842Q3 in Nottingham.
- ii. Helen, born about 1829. Ellen Skidmore married Robert Haslam, a framework knitter (born about 1832 in Nottingham) in 1850Q3 and were living at her father's home in 1851. I have so far not found them after this date. The death of Ellen Haslam, probably this lady, was registered in Nottingham in 1851Q2 and a Robert Haslam married there two years later. Ellen Skidmore had a son,
 - i. William, born 11 August 1849. He died that same quarter.
- iii. Emma, born about 1835. She appears to have married Isaac John Dicks in 1852Q4.
- ?iv. Ann born about 1843, called their daughter in the census of 1851, perhaps a grandchild.

191. JOSHUA⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 21 July 1816 at All Saints', Derby, was a son of Martin [123] and Sarah (Wain) Skidmore. He married Sarah Roe (born about 1819 in Nottingham) in 1839Q2 and was a labourer of St Anne's Court, St Anne's Street, Nottingham in 1841 and 12 Warren Court by 1851. By the time of the 1871 census Joshua and his son John had become fish hawkers. Mr Skidmore died in 1897Q2 aged 80, his wife in 1898Q3 aged 79.

Children of Joshua and Sarah (Roe) Skidmore,

- i. Sarah, born 1839Q4. She married John Thraves, a cabinet maker (born about 1846 in Arnold, Nottinghamshire) in 1868Q1 in Nottingham. At the time of the 1871 census, when Mr Thraves was employing two men and two boys, they were living at 49 Lewis Street, Nottingham with their son George and 5-month old twins Sarah and John. They moved to 91 Northumberland Street, from which address he ran his undertaking business. He died in 1899Q1 aged 54 and his widow went to live with the family of her daughter Sarah, wife of Elijah Henry Goddard, where she died aged 72 in 1911Q2.
285. ii. **JOSEPH**, born 1842Q2.
286. iii. **JOHN**, born 1845Q1.
- iv. Elizabeth, born 1847Q3. A lace worker in 1861 at the age of 13. Betsy Skidmore married Samuel Lee, a brick maker (born about 1845 in Carlton, Nottingham) in 1866Q2 in Nottingham and they were living with their children in her father's home until the time of the 1881 census. The death of Betsy Lee appears to have been that registered at Nottingham in 1890Q1 aged 43. Samuel and *Mary* Lee and his children by Betsy Skidmore were living in 1891 at 90 Quernby Street, Nottingham.
- v. Eliza, born 1850Q3. She died at the age of 3 and was buried at St Mary's, Nottingham on 28 December 1853.
- vi. Hannah, born 1853Q1. She died at just over a year old and was buried at St Mary's, Nottingham

¹¹⁶ The Law Advertiser, Volume 7 — J.W. Paget, 1829 [on Google books]. 18 June bankruptcy hearing, Skidmore, J., Nottingham, bobbin and carriage maker.

And Derby Mercury - Wednesday 08 June 1831. Bankrupts. Joseph Skidmore, Nottingham, carriage maker, June 17, 18, July 15 at Wilson's Hotel, Nottingham.

- on 18 January 1854.
287. vii. **HENRY**, born 1854Q4.
viii. William, born 1857Q3. He died the following year aged 1.

192. HENRY BEET⁹ SKIDMORE, born 11 December 1830, was a son of Charles Beet [128] and Harriet Henrietta (Schrader) Skidmore. He baptised his brother William Lobark Skidmore at the age of eight in the Delaware River and in April 1855 went by rail to Pittsburgh, then down the Ohio and Missouri Rivers, to Atchison, Kansas. They then crossed the plains by wagon arriving at Salt Lake City on 3 October 1855. His wife and family, his mother, his brothers and his sister Rachel Skidmore made up the party of 1855. He was a saw manufacturer, High Priest, and a Counsellor in the Bishopric of the East Mill Creek Ward. Henry B. Skidmore was a volunteer in the Ute-Blackhawk War of 1866. He married firstly Rachel Webb Brooks on 15 November 1850, and secondly Sarah Ann Elliott (born 30 April 1834, died 28 February 1911 at Twin Falls, Twinfalls County, Idaho, a daughter of Daniel Elliott) at Philadelphia on 4 June 1854, and died 22 April 1918 at Richmond, Utah.

A child of Henry Beet and Rachel Webb (Brooks) Skidmore,

- i. Harriett Brooks, born 10 August 1851 at Christiana, Newcastle County, Delaware. She married firstly Silas Albert Knapp on 26 October 1874 and was widowed before the census of 1880. She married secondly Simon Webb (born 3 October 1831 in Somerset, England, died 31 August 1912, son of Samuel Webb and Anne Furzer, first wife Elizabeth Rowsell) on 3 August 1882 in Salt Lake City. They farmed at Richmond, Cache County, Utah, where Mrs Webb died 7 January 1938 (buried Richmond City Cemetery).
Children, as known - Rachel Knapp, and by her second husband, Henry Sansome, Charles E., Edith L., Jesse Ernest, Esther Elizabeth and Lucy Grace.

Children of Henry Beet and Sarah Ann (Elliott) Skidmore,

- ii. Mary Elliott, born 1856. She married Martin Garn, a sheep farmer, on 29 December 1877. Mrs Garn died 11 January 1931 at Teton, Idaho and is buried at Salt Lake City Cemetery.
Children, as known - Martin H., Effie M., Royal R., Rudger, Mary V.
- iii. Sarah Ann, born 10 August 1858. She married George Goodridge Hardy, a travelling salesman, on 25 November 1880, the same day that her sister married his brother. They lived in Salt Lake City where Mrs Hardy died 24 January 1954.
Children, as known - Josephine, George, Earl, Burton J., May S., Chester, Scott Elliott.
- iv. Elizabeth, born 3 May 1860. She married Jesse Wallace Hardy (born 31 December 1857) on 25 November 1880. They moved around 1900 to farm for a time in Alberta, Canada, moving to Salt Lake County, Utah by 1910. They had ten children, of whom six were living in 1910. Elizabeth Hardy died a widow on 29 July 1943 in Salt Lake City.
Children, as known - Leonard, Elizabeth, Hazel, Alta, Frank, Aretta H., Arthur, Virtue.
- v. Clara, born 25 November 1861. She married Moroni Hodgson (1860-1931) on 12 October 1882. She died on 7 January 1929 at Blackfoot, Bingham County, Idaho.
Children, as known - Lucy Elva, Henry Moroni.
- vi. Josephine, born 13 July 1863. Miss Skidmore died on 16 February 1881.
- vii. Henry, born 1864. He died on 31 October 1875.
288. viii. **EDWARD**, born 1 August 1867 at Mill Creek, Salt Lake County, Utah.
- ix. William Frederick, born 11 March 1870. Died 13 June 1881.
- x. Charles, born 1 August 1873. He married Iva Eudora Virgin (1 November 1893-1 March 1982). He died on 5 February 1936 at Sugar City.
- xi. Olive Esther, born 1 September 1875. She died 11 July 1881.
- xii. Elva, born 1877. Died young.
- xiii. Lucy, born 12 June 1879. She married William R. Ashdown, a restaurant manager. She died 5 February 1950 in Los Angeles.
Children, as known - Margaret, William Raymond, Lucy.

193. GEORGE CHARLES⁹ SKIDMORE, born February 1836, was a son of Charles Beet [128] and Harriet Henrietta (Schrader) Skidmore. He was a saw maker and married Mary Gladen (born about 1837). He was living in the 16th Ward of Philadelphia in 1860 and in 1880 at 819 Siloam Street. He was widowed by 1900, and made his home with his son-in-law Charles Foll. He died in Philadelphia on 22 March 1901 and is buried in North Cedar Hill Cemetery.

Children of George Charles and Mary (Gladen) Skidmore,

- i. Henry, born 1857.
- ii. Eleanor (Ella), born 1861.
- iii. Clara, born, according to the 1900 census, in August 1871 or, according to her death certificate, on 25 Jun 1868. She married Charles Foll about 1894. She died in Philadelphia on 5 April 1942, her death certificate being the only evidence so far found of the family name of her mother. No children known.
- iv. Mamie, born 1874.
- v. Florence, born 1879.

194. SAMUEL ROBERTS⁹ SKIDMORE, born 14 August 1838 at Philadelphia, was a son of Charles Beet [128] and Harriet Henrietta (Schrader) Skidmore. He married Margaret Isabel Shewan (born 10 December 1845 in England, died 17 August 1918 at Salt Lake City) on 12 February 1866 and was working in a cabinet shop in 1870. They were living in 1900 at 244 Ninth East Street in Salt Lake City. He died there on 2 October 1928.

Children of Samuel Roberts and Margaret Isabel (Shewan) Skidmore,

289. i. **SAMUEL RANDOLPH**, born 15 November 1866.
- ii. Mary Margaret, born 15 March 1869. She married Alexander Pickering on 29 March 1894 and died 18 August 1935. A son Paul.
- iii. Marie Theresa, born 12 July 1871. She married Richard Monroe Johnson on 29 June 1902. She died on 20 May 1964.
Children, as known - Mary/ Teresa Mae, Raymond Monroe and Robert Douglas.
- iv. William Walter, born 28 November 1873. Died in January 1876 in childhood.
- v. Thaddeus Raymond, born 23 May 1876. He died unmarried on 30 July 1949.
290. vi. **ARTHUR JOHN**, born 17 June 1879.
- vii. Grace Irma, born 19 February 1883. She married Arthur Leonard Laxman on 20 November 1918.

195. WILLIAM LOBARK⁹ SKIDMORE, born 22 September 1844 at Philadelphia, was a son of Charles Beet [128] and Harriet Henrietta (Schrader) Skidmore. He went to Utah in the company commanded by Captain John Hindley in September 1855. William L. Skidmore served in Whittle's Utah Volunteers in the Ute-Blackhawk War. He married firstly Sarah Armina Knapp (born 10 February 1853, died 14 November 1891 at Richmond, Cache County, Utah) on 28 March 1868, and secondly Charlotte Wilhelmina Persson (born Sodermanland, Sweden, in November 1853) on 19 February 1885. He was Bishop of the Richmond Ward, and ordained a Patriarch in 1905, a Justice of the Peace, and a member of the Richmond City Council. His diaries running to about 5000 pages are now deposited in the LDS Church Historian's office at Salt Lake City. He had issue by both his wives and died 11 November 1933 at Richmond, Utah.¹¹⁷

Children of William Lobark and Sarah Armina (Knapp) Skidmore,

291. i. **WILLIAM ALONZO**, born 29 March 1869.
- ii. Harriet Armina, born 15 April 1871. She married Hyrum Lester Baer on 9 June 1897 and died 6 May 1950.
292. iii. **JUSTIN ALBERT**, born 6 May 1873 (a twin).
- iv. Judson Alfred, born 6 May 1873 (a twin). He died the day following.
293. v. **CHARLES HENRY**, born 23 July 1875.
294. vi. **GEORGE WILLIS**, born 25 August 1877.
- vii. John Samuel, born 25 February 1880. He died unmarried on 20 December 1902.
- viii. Joseph Francis, born 22 October 1882. He died on 21 January 1890.
- ix. Malinda Ray, born 1 March 1885. She married Allen Riley Cutler on 2 March 1919 and died on 26 February 1970.
- x. Rozina Marinda, born 14 April 1887. She died unmarried on 7 November 1965.
295. xi. **EARL LOBARK**, born 18 October 1889.
- xii. Edna Mary, born 17 October 1891 in Richmond, Utah. She died on 9 March 1892.

Children of William Lobark and Charlotte Wilhelmina (Persson) Skidmore,

- xiii. Charlotte Ann, born 25 April 1886. She died on 18 August 1889.

¹¹⁷ See *The Overland Narrative of Travel in 1855 to Utah*, by William Lobark Skidmore, then ten years of age, at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com.

296. xiii. **EDWIN WILBUR**, born 9 February 1888 (twin).
 xv. Elsie Lucina, born 19 March 1894. She married Levi Andrew Henson Allen and died in October 1985.
 xvi. Ada Louise, born 17 March 1896. She married Leo Gessel Jensen.
297. xvii. **ELMER GUSTAVE**, born 29 April 1897.
298. xviii. **CYRUS RANDOLPH**, born 10 February 1900.

196. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, born 23 September 1839 in Sheffield, was a son of William [130] and Mary (Cowen) Skidmore. A saw maker¹¹⁸, he married Emma Jane Atha (daughter of Jeremiah Atha, a shoemaker of Eyre Street, Sheffield) on 26 December 1859 at St Jude's, Eldon, Sheffield. Emma Skidmore died aged 25 and was buried in Sheffield General Cemetery on 19 May 1866. William married secondly Harriet Bagnall on 14 April 1867 at the same church. She was born about 1849 in Rotherham, daughter of Thomas Bagnall, a moulder of South Street, Sheffield.

They were living in 1871 in the home of William's father at 197 Milton Street, where William Skidmore the younger died later that year aged 32. His widow married James Henry Gunday Wilton, a baker of Henry Street (born 1853Q2 in Plymouth, Devon, son of William Wilton, confectioner) on 29 December 1878 at St Silas, Sheffield. In 1881 their confectionery and bakery business was at their home at 268 Hanover Street, Ecclesall Bierlow. In 1891, when they lived at 5 Plants Yard, Ecclesall, he was described as a confectioner only.

Children of William and Emma Jane (Atha) Skidmore,

- i. Mary, born 1860Q1. She does not appear in the 1861 census.
- ii. Ann Elizabeth, born 1861Q2.
- iii. Sidney Atha, born 1864Q3. He died aged 18 months and was buried at Sheffield General Cemetery on 31 January 1866.

Children of William and Harriet (Bagnall) Skidmore,

- iv. **THOMAS WILLIAM**, born 1868Q1.
- v. Ada, born 1870Q4.

197. HENRY⁹ SKIDMORE, born 5 September 1835, son of Anthony [131] and Sarah (Sykes) Skidmore. He became a law stationer in London and married Fanny Clark (born about 1833 in St Clement Danes, London) in 1857Q2 in the Shoreditch registration district. They were living by 1861 with their only child Anthony Clarke Skidmore in a lodging house in Duke Street, St Giles. They had settled by 1871 in Warrior Road, Lambeth.

The census of 1891 reveals that Henry Skidmore was an employer, though does not specify the number of law stationers under him. He was then living with his wife at 38 Grosvenor Park, Southwark. She died early in 1900 aged 68 and her husband followed on 31 October of that year. Their address was 24 Fawnbrake Avenue, Herne Hill, Surrey, though he died at Loughborough Junction, Surrey. His son Anthony Clarke Skidmore, law stationer, was named executor of his estate.

The son of Henry and Fanny (Clark) Skidmore,

- i. **ANTHONY CLARK**, born 13 November 1859.

198. FREDERICK⁹ SKIDMORE, born 9 November 1836 and baptised 29 March 1837 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was a son of Anthony [131] and Sarah (Sykes) Skidmore. He married Bertha Corker in 1863Q4 in Sheffield. She was born about 1837 in Sheffield, daughter of William Corker, a file hardener of Uppertorpe Road, Sheffield, and his wife Mary. Frederick Skidmore was a table knife cutler of Ecclesall Bierlow, Sheffield. After his marriage he moved with his wife and children to Wentworth Street Court in the Nether Hallam area of Sheffield and at the time of the 1871 census was a gas maker. However, he returned to his craft of hafting table knives and moved back into central Sheffield before 1881, when the family is found at 42 Fawcett Street.

¹¹⁸ In June and July 1867 there was violence against strike breakers of the saw makers' and saw-handle makers' trades unions in Sheffield. Skidmore (unfortunately, his first name is never stated in newspaper accounts) was President of the Saw Makers Union at this time, but which of the Skidmore sawmakers in Sheffield he was I am presently unable to say. Interested readers should check the following London Evening Standard issues for detailed accounts of the evidence given to the commission set up to investigate the matter - 25 June 1867, 4 July 1867, 9 July 1867.

Bertha Skidmore died aged 53 in Fawcett Street and was buried 1 March 1891 at Burngreave Cemetery, Sheffield, followed by her husband later that year, aged 55.

The children of Frederick and Bertha (Corker) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

301. i. **FREDERICK HENRY**, born 1864Q4.
 ii. Mary Hannah, born 1866Q3. A silver burnisher. She married Harry Francis Pepper, a pork butcher (born about 1861 in Wath, Yorkshire) in 1894Q3 and was living in 1901 at 1 Manell Terrace, Jobson Road, Sheffield. Mr Pepper had by 1911 become a labourer in the steel industry and their home was then at 86 Cottingham Street, Attercliffe. They had seven children of whom only two were living in 1911, Harry Francis jun., an iron moulder, and Gladys.
 iii. Emma, baptised 24 August 1870 at St Philip's, Shalesmoor. A silver burnisher, she married John Thomas Sanderson in 1893Q4. They had, as known, two children - Herbert and Emma - before his death in 1899 aged only 27. Emma married secondly in 1902 widower William Gibson, a packer for an electroplate firm (born about 1851 in Sheffield), by whom she had three children.
 iv. Ann Eliza, born 1871Q4. A file cutter. She appears to be the *Annie* Eliza Skidmore who married Albert Thomas Ibbotson, a file cutter (born about 1870 in Sheffield) in 1894Q3. They were living in the home of his father, John Ibbotson at 58 Martin Street, Nether Hallam, at the time of the 1901 census. By 1911 their family had grown to five and they had moved to 39 Springvale Road, Sheffield.
 v. Fanny, born 7 August 1876 at Fawcett Street and baptised 6 September at St Stephen's, Netherthorpe. She married in 1898Q1 Charles Frederick Wilde, a plumber (born about 1878 in Sheffield) and was living by 1901 with her husband and two small children and Mr Wilde's mother Jane at 71 Tennyson Road, Nether Hallam.

199. THOMAS D.⁹ SKIDMORE, born 1867, was a son of of Edwin Wright [132] and Mary Skidmore. A bartender, he married Aida Tobias (daughter of George Tobias) in 1892. They were living with his brother William in 1900. The administration of his estate was granted to his widow Ada on 31 March 1904 in Manhattan. She was still living in New York City in 1940 with her unmarried daughter Maud.

Children of Thomas D. and Ada (Tobias) Skidmore,

- i. Maud, born 1894.
 ii. Ellen, born 1898.

200. SAMUEL⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 5 July 1795 at Ashford, was a son of Stephen [133] and Mary (Harrison) Skidmore. A framework knitter, he married Mary Longden on 6 November 1819 at All Saints', Bakewell¹¹⁹. She was widowed by 1841 and was living in 1851 in Church Street, Ashford with her married daughter Frances. Mary Skidmore died aged 63 and was buried at Holy Trinity, Ashford on 26 January 1858.

Children of Samuel and Mary (Longden) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

302. i. **PETER**, baptised 19 November 1820¹²⁰.
 ii. Frances, born 14 June (baptised 25 June) 1827. She married Thomas Frost, a painter of Ashford (son of Richard Frost), on 24 July 1848 at Holy Trinity, Ashford. Frances Frost died in 1901 aged 74.
 Children, as known - Ann, Elizabeth, William, Thirza, Albert.

202. PETER⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 14 February 1813 at Holy Trinity, Ashford, was a son of John [134] and Frances (Smith) Skidmore. He lived with Harriet Wagstaffe, the wife of Ernest Jacklin and was a silk framework knitter in 1851, living in Harveys Yard, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire. Harriet reported at census time that she was born about 1811 in Farley, Nottinghamshire, but according to a pedigree posted at Ancestry.com she was born in Hucknall Torkard, Nottinghamshire in 1807, the daughter of Thomas and Hannah (Savage) Wagstaffe.

¹¹⁹ I have distinguished him, perhaps wrongly, from Samuel the son of William and Mary (Oldfield) Skidmore, by the names the two men gave to their children.

¹²⁰ The P. Skidmore (born about 1821 in England), a deck hand on board the SB Prairie ?Slate in St Louis, Missouri at the time of the 1850 census, I have yet to identify.

Harriet Skidmore was living in 1861 with her two Skidmore children at 6 Church Lane, Mansfield, while Ernest Jacklin lived with his sister until his death in 1872.

Harriet Skidmore said that she was widowed at the time of the 1871 census, perhaps indicating that Peter Skidmore had died by this time. She was then a charwoman, living alone at 1 Malt Court, Mansfield. I have not been able to find Peter Skidmore after the census of 1851.

Children of Peter and Harriet (Wagstaffe) Skidmore,

- i. Frances, born 1843Q4 in Mansfield, her mother's maiden name given as Savage. The 1861 census says that she was an invalid from birth. She died in 1863Q4 in Mansfield.
- ii. John, born 1846Q4 in Belper, Derbyshire, his mother's maiden name given as Wagstaffe. A moulder in Mansfield in 1861.
- iii. Martha, born 1849Q1. She died in infancy and was buried at St Peter's, Belper on 21 October 1849.
- iv. [perhaps] James, who died in 1851Q4 in Mansfield registration district, before his first birthday.

203. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 19 February 1815 at Ashford, was a son of Elias [135] and Alice (Longden) Skidmore. At the time of the 1841 census he was a framework knitter, living in his parents' home. He married Sarah Rogerson (who died in 1868 aged 43) in 1863Q3. However, he was recorded as married in both the 1851 and 1861 censuses, though his wife is not with him. In 1851 he was living in the home of his sister Jane Milnes and her husband. He appears to have been in gaol at Portsea, Hampshire in 1861. He was widowed by 1871, an engine tender, living with his children Herbert and Alice in Eldon Street, Ecclesall Bierlow, Sheffield. An engine tender operated the machine which stretched the cloth whilst drying in a woollen mill. His address was specified as 127 Eldon Street in the census of 1881 when he was a 'rule maker'. John Skidmore died in 1890Q1 aged 75.

Children of John and Sarah (Rogerson) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

305. i. **HERBERT HANDEL**, born 1864Q2.
- ii. Alice Mary, born 1865Q3. I have not found this lady after the British census of 1891.
- iii. Sarah Jane, born and died in 1868.

204. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 16 April 1820 at Ashford, was a son of Elias [135] and Alice (Longden) Skidmore. A brass turner of Well Gate, Rotherham, he married, at Rotherham parish church on 26 June 1843, Elizabeth White (born about 1818 in Masbrough, daughter of John White, a moulder).

He is remembered with his parents in Ashford churchyard, said to have died on 31 August 1847 aged 25. However, the burial register gives his age as 28 and the date of his burial as 3 September 1848¹²¹. Elizabeth Skidmore married secondly John Marshall, a table blade striker, in 1849Q3 in Sheffield and they were living in Court 1, Fitzwilliam Street there at the time of the 1851 census. She had by him two sons Edwin Marshall and Jonathan Marshall. She married thirdly Joseph Brammer, a spring knife cutler.

Children of William and Elizabeth (White) Skidmore,

- i. Elias, born 1843Q3. He died aged 17 months and was buried at St Mary's, Sheffield on 25 February 1845.
- ii. Catherine, born 1845Q3 in Sheffield. She died aged 16 months.
- iii. Elizabeth, born 1847Q4 in Sheffield. At the time of the 1861 census, when she was 13 years old, she was a nurse to the Turner family at Buxton House, Terrace Road, Buxton. In 1871 she was living at the home of her mother Elizabeth Brammer and her mother's third husband Joseph Brammer, at Court 6, Fitzwilliam Street, Sheffield. In this household lived also three sons of Joseph Brammer, including Joseph Brammer junior who married Elizabeth Skidmore later that year. Elizabeth (Skidmore) Brammer died in 1889, aged 42, and Joseph Brammer junior married Emily Milner in 1890.
Children, as known - Thomas B., Joseph, Charles W., John A.

205. ELIAS⁹ SKIDMORE, born 4 August 1826 and baptised 6 August at Ashford, was a son of Elias [135] and Alice (Longden) Skidmore. Elias has not yet been found in the 1851 census. He was a carpenter in Liverpool when

¹²¹ Original not seen. This burial was obtained from the Neal CD.

he obtained a licence to marry Sarah Ann Massey at St John's there on 21 January 1852. She was a daughter of Robert and Mary Massey, born 19 August 1828 and baptised 24 August at Ashford.

Elias and Sarah Ann Skidmore were living in 1861 at the Railway Inn, Kingsley, Staffordshire, where Elias was innkeeper. Robert Massey had inherited three farms at Ipstones nearby. Sarah Ann subsequently inherited the smallest of the three farms (Woodhouse Farm?) and she & Elias raised a family there before moving back to Derbyshire to the village of Marston Montgomery near Ashbourne. Woodhouse? Farm was only 13 acres in size and remained in the Skidmore family until it was sold by Elias' son Peter in 1947. By around 1863 the family were in Ipstones, Staffordshire, where he was farming 60 acres in Mill Lane in 1871. The family moved some time after 1872 and by 1881 were in Marston Montgomery, Derbyshire, where Elias was farming 82 acres. He died on 27 December 1887 aged 61 and his widow continued to farm at Old Hall Farm in Marston Montgomery with her sons Joshua, Peter and Harry. She died there on 28 January 1919 aged 90; a stone to their memory survives in St Giles' churchyard, Marston Montgomery.

I am grateful to John Skidmore of New South Wales, Australia, Elias' great grandson, for information about this family.

Children of Elias and Sarah Ann (Massey) Skidmore,

- i. Mary Alice, baptised 3 March 1853 at Ashford. She was living in 1871 in the home of her grandfather Robert Massey, a retired farmer, as companion to his wife Mary. Mr Massey's home was also in Mill Lane and appears from the census to be adjacent to that of Elias Skidmore. She married Joseph Brittlebank (born about 1848 in Ipstones) at St Leonard's, Ipstones on 29 June 1876. He was in 1881 a farm bailiff over 280 acres in Grendon, Warwickshire, and employing seven men and two boys. Mary Alice Brittlebank, after the death of her husband in 1887, ran a dairy in Woodchurch Road, Birkenhead, Cheshire. She died in 1936 aged 83.
Children, as known (of eight) - Thomas, Francis Joseph?, Charlotte Mary, Annie E., Margaret Grace, Joseph.

born in Kingsley,

- ii. Frances Bridget, born 1855Q1. She was a scholar at a Ladies' College in Widemarsh Street, Hereford at the time of the 1871 census. She married Frederick William Davoll, National School master (born about 1851 in Stone, Staffordshire, son of William Davoll, a railway servant) at St Leonard's, Ipstones on 30 October 1875 and they lived in the School House, Eaton, Cheshire in 1881. Her husband's job clearly took them to different towns - their children were born in Ashbourne, Derbyshire; Ysgoldu?, Denbighshire; Congleton, Cheshire; and Seaton, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. They lived in the School House in Diddlebury, Shropshire in 1891 and Mr Davoll then became Headteacher of Upton Bishop elementary school, Herefordshire. Frederick Davoll died in 1918 aged 68, his wife in 1924 aged 69.
Children - William Harry Elias, Frances Annie, Frederick Evan C., Charles Edwin.
306. iii. **ROBERT ELIAS**, born 1856Q3.
- iv. William Edwin, born 1858Q1. He married Mary Wardle (born about 1856 in Ipstones, daughter of labourer Charles Wardle) on 18 March 1880 at St Leonard's, Ipstones. William Skidmore farmed 21 acres in Ipstones in 1881, when he was living with his wife and his brother Robert in Well House, Ipstones. By 1891 they held Lime Tree Farm in Ipstones and appear to have raised a nephew and niece Charles Stubbs and Grace Stubbs.
- v. Ann Martha, born 1859Q4. Called Annie, she married William Henry Hall, a farmer in Ipstones (born about 1865 in Hilton, Derbyshire, son of Henry James Hall, a jeweller) at St Leonard's on 3 April 1879. He later became a police officer in Liverpool.
Children, as known (of nine) - Christiana Alice, William R., Sarah Annie, Frances Kate, Henry James, Caroline Dorothy, Florence Emily, Cyril Norman.
- vi. Joshua, born 1861Q4 in Froghall, Staffordshire. Farming Old Hall Farm in Marston Montgomery until at least 1911. He died in 1934 aged 72.

born and baptised in Ipstones, Staffordshire,

- vii. Kate, born 1864Q1 and baptised 7 February. She was a school teacher by 1881 and living with his sister Annie. She married James Cotton, a farmer (son of John Cotton, a farmer) on 30 December 1884 at St Leonard's, Ipstones. They farmed Crow Trees, Moneystone, Staffordshire before moving to Woodhouse Eaves, Loughborough, Leicestershire.
Children, as known - Alice M., Emily Gertrude, Ethel E. K., John James, Sarah Elizabeth, Clarise May, Gladwyn Irene.

307. viii. **JOSEPH**, born 12 May 1866.
 ix. Peter Andrew, born 1870Q3 and baptised 2 July 1876. He married Sarah Elizabeth Ball (born about 1876 in Doveridge, Derbyshire) in 1900Q1. Peter was farm bailiff at Piggery Farm, Tatenhill, Staffordshire, in 1901 and with his wife was farming in Marston Montgomery by 1911. Peter Skidmore's death at the age of 89 was registered at Leek in 1960.
308. x. **HARRY**, born 1872Q3.

206. PETER⁹ SKIDMORE, born in Ashford and baptised there 13 March 1836, was the child of Elias [135] and Agnes (Wilkinson) Skidmore. He was presumably with his mother at the time of the 1841 census and does not appear in Ashford returns. He became a pork butcher, and was living and working in 1851 with the family of George Hiller at 3 Market Street, Sheffield. He began married life running his business in Maltravers Street, Sheffield and was by 1871 in Brightside Bierlow, Sheffield. He married Sarah Ann Mawson (born about 1837 in Sheffield) in 1860Q2 in Sheffield and they lived at various addresses in Brightside, where he had a pig dealership. Peter Skidmore died in 1920 aged 83, his wife in 1926 aged 90.

Children of Peter and Sarah Ann (Mawson) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Agnes, born February or March 1861. She died at the age of 2 and was buried at Burngreave Cemetery, Sheffield on 5 January 1864.
309. ii. **WILSON**, born 1863Q3.
310. iii. **WILLIAM**, born 1866Q2.
- iv. Kate Elizabeth, born 1868Q2. She married Joseph Trickett (born about 1831 in Newark) in 1902 and moved to Newark, Nottinghamshire.
- v. Fanny, born 1871Q4. She was living in 1911 with her parents and a Lawrence Till Skidmore (born about 1899) who appears to be her son.

A presumed son of Fanny Skidmore,

- i. Laurence Till, born 1898Q4. He married in 1924.

207. JOSHUA⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 13 January 1818 at Holy Trinity, Ashford, was a son of Samuel [136] and Ann (Heathcote) Skidmore. A marble mason, he married Harriet Roebuck, daughter of George Roebuck, on 9 July 1843 at Holy Trinity, Ashford. He died at the age of 32 and was buried at Ashford on 19 July 1850. Later that year his widow married Joseph Sellors, a slater and beer seller of Ashford.

Children of Joshua and Harriet (Roebuck) Skidmore, baptised at Ashford,

- i. Mary, baptised 17 November 1844. She died an infant and was buried 2 June 1845.
- ii. Jane, baptised 15 November 1846. She died at 9 years of age and was buried 7 March 1856.

208. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, born in Holymoorside, baptised 25 November 1821 at Old Brampton, was a son of Elisha [137] and Hannah (Massey) Skidmore.

His marriage to Lydia Mary Hawley (sometimes found as Mary Lydia) I have yet to find. She is known from censuses to have been born about 1825 in Matlock, Derbyshire, and appears to be the Lydia Hawley, daughter of Dorothy Hawley, born 23 March 1826 and baptised 10 September 1826 at Matlock. At the time of the 1871 census Lydia Mary's aunt Mary (Rinch) Hawley shared their home. She was born about 1796 in Skellingthorpe, Lincolnshire, the widow of blacksmith George Hawley of Matlock (died 1857 at Matlock).

Dorothy Hawley married Abraham Brittlebank of Sheffield on 20 January 1828 at St Giles', Matlock. She died aged 24 and was buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 3 July 1831. Abraham Brittlebank was perhaps the man with that name listed in Matthew Street, Sheffield in the 1835 electoral register¹²². He married secondly Elizabeth _____ and was a cutler in Orchard Lane, Sheffield in 1841. He died in 1858 aged 52. I have yet to find William Skidmore's future wife in the census of 1841 under the name of Hawley or Brittlebank.

William Skidmore was a surgical instrument maker, living with his wife and brother Peter at 45 Fitzwilliam Street, Sheffield in 1851 and by then employing 5 men, 6 boys and 2 girls. The business appears to have prospered, as by 1861 his workforce consisted of 22 men, 12 boys and 7 girls, and in 1871 37 men, 9 boys and 9 females. He

¹²² Ancestry.com. UK, Poll Books and Electoral Registers, 1538-1893 [database on-line].

lived with his family at 205 Cemetery Road (Holly Mount), Ecclesall Bierlow, Sheffield, where the Land Owners Index of 1873 shows his property measured 1 acre 1 rod 36 perches and was valued at £243 10s.

He (or perhaps his son) was a trustee of the Rock Permanent Benefit Building Society¹²³.

William Skidmore died in November 1880 aged 59. His widow and their son William lived at Elmwood, 42 Lyndhurst Road, Ecclesall Bierlow, where she died in 1890, said to be aged 61. A fine memorial exists to their memory in Ashford churchyard.

Children of William and Lydia Mary (Hawley) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Harry, born 1851Q3 and baptised 12 October at Holy Trinity, Ashford, 'son of William and Mary Skidmore'. A surgical instrument maker in 1871. He died aged 20 at Dronfield and was buried at Holy Trinity, Ashford on 5 August 1871.
- ii. Rosanna, born 1854Q3. Rose Annie Skidmore married Samuel Smith Hoyland in 1875 in Sheffield. She died on 29 December 1910 aged 56 and is remembered on the same gravestone as her parents in Ashford churchyard.
- iii. Elisha, born and died in 1856Q2.
311. iv. **WILLIAM**, born 1864Q3.

209. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, born 3 July 1828 and baptised on 27 July at Ashford, was a son of Elisha [137] and Hannah (Massey) Skidmore. A pork butcher, he married Wilhelmina Elizabeth Holroyd (born about 1828 in Sheffield) in 1852Q3 and lived in Ecclesall, Sheffield. At the age of 22 he had a shop in South Street, Ecclesall, beside Samuel Elliott's chemist shop. He married two years later and by the time of the 1861 census the family were at 109 Washington Road, Ecclesall.

A gravestone in Ashford churchyard shows that John Skidmore died on 18 January 1886, aged 57, his wife on 2 August 1898 aged 71.

Children of John and Wilhelmina Elizabeth (Holroyd) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

312. i. **WILLIAM FREDERICK**, born 1853Q3.
- ii. John Holroyd, born 1855Q2. He died in 1858 aged 3.
313. iii. **CHARLES EDMUND**, born 1857Q1.
- iv. John Walter, a twin to Wilhelmina Agnes, born 1859Q1. He died later that year.
- v. Wilhelmina Agnes, born 1859Q1. She married in 1880Q3 Thomas William Church who was born in 1858 in Wolverhampton, son of William J. Church, inn keeper and his wife Mary Jane. Judging from the 1891 census entries, the inn was adjacent to or very near to the home of Wilhelmina's parents in Button Lane, Ecclesall. Her husband was assistant to his father in the hotel.
- vi. Martha Elizabeth, born 1862Q3. The marriage was reported in the Derby Mercury between Henry Thompson, a cab proprietor (second son of Thomas Thompson) and Pattie, youngest daughter of the late John Skidmore of Ashford, Derbyshire, formerly of Sheffield Moor, on 10 March 1886 at St James', Sheffield.
314. vii. **FRANK**, born 1864Q3.

210. PETER⁹ SKIDMORE, born 29 September 1832 and baptised 21 October at Ashford, was a son of Elisha [137] and Hannah (Massey) Skidmore. He married Jane Richardson (born about 1835 in Sheffield) on 17 December 1859 at St Mary's, Sheffield. They were living in 1861 in Summerfield Street, in 1871 in Ashland Road, Ecclesall and by 1881 at 132 Cromwell Street, Nether Hallam. He was in business as a surgical instrument maker with his brother William's firm in Sheffield. However, by 1891 he appears to have set up by himself as a screw maker. Peter Skidmore died in 1894Q1 aged 61, his wife in 1914 aged 79.

¹²³ Sheffield Archives, Mortgage ref. YWD 1055/17 date: 9 June, 1879. Land at corner of Union Street and Charles Street, Sheffield and the plot next to it. John Foxon and Henry Robinson of Sheffield carrying on business as coopers and packing case makers, to William Crowther, grocer, Henry Pawson, stationer, and William Skidmore, surgical instrument maker, trustees of the Rock Permanent Benefit Building Society. Land in Union Street and Charles Street, originally let by Samuel and Charles Younge to William Cocking, reciting previous assignments of lease and mortgages, as security for the repayment of £1,893.3.0. paid to David Parkes (a mortgagee) and £2,166.17.0. to John Proctor Wolstenholme and George Bolton also mortgagees. 14 August, 1876.

An apparent only child of Peter and Jane (Richardson) Skidmore,

315. i. **ALBERT RICHARDSON**, born 1862Q4.

211. JOSEPH ANNABLE⁹ SKIDMORE, born 22 March 1835 and baptised 23 July at the Zion Chapel, Wakefield, was a son of Joshua Annable [138] and Sarah Agnes (Robinson) Skidmore. In 1861 he married Isabella Burton Plumtre Wayne. She was baptised 5 October 1835 at Kingston on Hull, Yorkshire, daughter of Thomas and Mary Ann Burton (Plumbtree) Wayne. He had shares in the Hull and Holyhead Direct Railway Company¹²⁴ and with additional profits from other investments, they lived on the island of Guernsey, where he died aged 28 on 4 February 1863 at Kamara Cottage, Couture¹²⁵. Early in 1881 Isabella Plumtre Skidmore married William Jones, owner of a printing firm in Woolwich (born in Rhyl, north Wales), and lived in her later years with the family of her daughter Constance.

Children of Joseph Annable and Isabella (Wayne) Skidmore, born on Guernsey,

316. i. **ROCKCLIFF ALLISON PLUMPTRE**, born 8 July 1861.

ii. Constance Talbot de Malahide, born 2 August 1862. In 1889Q3 she married Egbert Arthur Dennis Gibbs, an insurance broker (born in St Kitts) and lived in Deptford. Mrs Gibbs died in 1944, her husband in 1946.

Children - Florence Dorothy, Cyril Previte, Harold Dennis.

212. CHARLES⁹ SKIDMORE, born 30 April 1839 and baptised 21 November at the Zion Chapel, Wakefield, was a son of Joshua Annable [138] and Sarah Agnes (Robinson) Skidmore. I am indebted to Mrs Hazel Baldwin of the Skidmore Family History Group for information on this man. Her account appeared in *Skidmore News*, the Group's publication.

Charles Skidmore received his education at the West Riding Preparatory School and Dr Munroe's High School, Stone Grove, Wakefield. He became a student of the Inner Temple and was living at the time of the 1861 census in Richmond with his maternal uncle William Robinson, an attorney and solicitor. He was called to the Bar in 1863. On 30 April 1867 at St John's, Wakefield, he married Marianne Haigh, born 1847 and the youngest daughter of Thomas Haigh, a maltster and a former mayor of Wakefield.

By 1871 Charles and Marianne were living in Paradise House, Holy Trinity, Darlington with their three-year old son Haigh. A daughter, Maud Marianne, had been born in 1869 and had died in infancy, to be followed by her brother in 1872. Both children are buried in West Cemetery, Darlington.

In 1880, according to the Northern Echo, Charles was interested in the work of the Church of England Missionary Society and was also appointed the same year to the Board of Governors of Darlington Grammar School. He practised in Darlington until 1889 when he became Stipendiary Magistrate for Bradford. He was a strong churchman and was for many years senior warden at St. Cuthbert's. He was largely instrumental in bringing about the re-seating of the church in oak, and was associated with the movement for the purchase of the old

Baptist Chapel and the building of St. Luke's Church. He was very fond of children and during the summer season frequently held children's services on the sands at Redcar. On leaving Darlington in 1889 Charles was presented, in the vestry of St. Cuthbert's, with a very handsome silver rose bowl by those with whom he had worked so long.



Window to the memory of Charles Skidmore's two children, courtesy of St Cuthbert's Church, Darlington. It is to be found to the southern side of the main west door of the church and is a 'two light' window, one depicting Christ the Good Shepherd carrying two lambs with a scroll, the other of Christ in Glory, crowned with an orb in His left hand, and was manufactured by Atkinson Brothers of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

¹²⁴ He appeared on 3 October 1845 in the pages of the *Hull Packet* in a long list of subscribers.

¹²⁵ Nottinghamshire Archives, Foottit family of Newark. Two in memoriam cards for Jos. Annable Skidmore, died at Kamara Cottage, Couture, Guernsey; 28 yrs - ref. DD/FN/83/4-5

The 1891 and 1901 censuses show Charles and Marianne living in Bradford where he died on 18 January 1908 in his seventieth year. He had suffered from diabetes for some time, but a holiday of a couple of months in 1907 effected such an improvement in his health that it was assumed all danger was past. But it had returned and he died of a diabetic coma. The Stockton & Darlington Times dated 25 January 1908 gives a detailed account of his funeral. The funeral took place at the West Cemetery, Darlington on Tuesday. Prior to the removal of the body from Bradford a memorial service was held at St Luke's, Manningham, where Mr Skidmore worshipped and in which he took a considerable interest. Although this service took place at 8.30 in the morning there was a very large number of the leading citizens of Bradford and personal friends assembled to do the last honours to a respected public servant.

During the service the bell of the Town Hall was tolled and the flag stood at half mast on the church flagstaff. After the service the mourners removed to the Midland Station, the passage of the funeral procession was watched by considerable numbers of people, the procession being headed by a body of the Bradford City Police under the command of the Chief Constable. At the station the city Police Band played the Dead March in Saul and Lead kindly Light. Mrs Skidmore, family and friends accompanied the coffin to Darlington where the remains were interred in the grave occupied by his two children. His wife Marianne survived him by 18 years and died on 11 September 1926 and is buried in the same grave.

Children of Charles and Marianne (Haigh) Skidmore,

- i. Haigh, born 11 February 1868, died 7 February 1872.
- ii. Maud Marianne, born 12 January 1869, died 19 August 1870.

213. THOMAS BODEN⁹ SKIDMORE was a son of John Robinson [139] and Elizabeth (Boden) Skidmore. He was baptised Thomas *Robinson* Skidmore on 15 August 1818 at St Mary's, Cromford and again with his younger siblings at St Giles, Matlock on 21 May 1825. He became a printer and stationer at 24 Clumber Street, Nottingham and married firstly Ellen Skevington (born about 1821 in Nottingham) in 1847Q3 in Radford registration district. Their son Charles Henry died at the age of 1 and in 1858 The Derby Mercury carried an announcement of the death on 21 August 1858 of Ellen 'wife of Mr T.B. Skidmore, bookseller, Church Street, Nottingham'.

Widower Thomas B. Skidmore was a clerk at the railway station in the town of Worcester, Worcestershire, living there in 1861 at a lodging house in Sansome Walk. He married Ellen Morrison in Worcester in 1863 and was living with his wife and son William at 39 Alton Street, Manchester by 1871. He became an advertisement agent in Cheetham, Manchester, where their home was 11 Merrifield Street. Thomas Boden Skidmore died there on 5 August 1884 aged 66, leaving a will naming as his executors his brother Anthony Skidmore of 8 Lansdowne Rd, Albert Park, Didsbury, Manchester, commercial traveller, and James Campbell Lawson, 5 Julia Street, Ardwick, Manchester, commission agent. Ellen Skidmore died a year later at the age of 70.

Children of Thomas Boden and Ellen (Skevington) Skidmore,

- i. Charles Henry, born 1850Q1. He died in 1851Q4.
- ii. William Hood, born 1854Q1 in Nottingham. He died in 1880 and was buried on 9 November in Islington Cemetery.
- iii. Ellen Maria, born 1856Q4. She died an infant in 1857.

214. SAMUEL⁹ SKIDMORE, born 20 February 1823 and baptised 11 September 1825 at Matlock Bath was a son of John Robinson [139] and Elizabeth (Boden) Skidmore. He was an apprentice to Charles Houghton, a draper in Bridge Street, Belper, Derbyshire before running a linen and woollen drapery shop in Matlock Bath. He married Hannah Sudbury (born about 1825 in Loughborough, Leicestershire, only daughter of builder William Sudbury) on 13 October 1853 at the Independent Chapel in Loughborough. Hannah Skidmore died in 1887 aged 63 and was buried at St Giles', Matlock on 23 July. Her husband died on 16 January 1898 aged 74 and leaving a will which made his son Samuel executor.

Children of Samuel and Hannah (Sudbury) Skidmore, born in Matlock,

- i. Elizabeth, born 1854Q4. She married Robert Hall, an accountant, in 1884Q4 and lived in Matlock Green.
Children, as known - Hannah Marion, Robert Arnold [1890-90], his twin Irene Margaret, Gilbert Sudbury Hall.
- ii. John William, born 1856Q3. A solicitor, he married Clara Greatorex on 1 November 1879 at St Margaret's, Whalley Range, Manchester. She was the third daughter of the late William

Greatorex, brewer of Manchester, and granddaughter of William Roberts Esq., of The Oaks, Barlow Moor, Didsbury. He died on 25 November 1888 at Glenholme, Matlock Bridge, aged 32, and was buried at Matlock.

- iii. [perhaps] Betty, who died at Cromford Bridge, Matlock on 15 April 1860 aged 1. A gravestone to her memory survives at Matlock church.
- 317. iv. **SAMUEL**, born 1866Q1 in Matlock Bath.

215. ANTHONY⁹ SKIDMORE, born 21 May 1825 and baptised 11 September at Matlock Bath, was a son of John Robinson [139] and Elizabeth (Boden) Skidmore. He moved to Manchester where he married Elizabeth Brundrett (born 1834 in Didsbury, Manchester) in 1860Q3 at Chorlton on Medlock. Anthony was apprenticed to his brother-in-law Richard Wilson in Macclesfield and became a wholesale grocer and paper dealer. In 1861, he was living with his wife and his nephew Thomas S. Wilson, a land and engineering surveyor (born about 1839 in Macclesfield, Cheshire) at 15 Linwood Street, Chorlton, Lancashire.

They moved to Didsbury, Manchester in the mid-1860s and were living in 1871 in Landsdowne Road, Albert Park, Didsbury. This house was apparently taken over by John Arthur Skidmore after his father's death. Elizabeth Skidmore died in 1893 aged 59, her husband in 1896 aged 71 and was buried at St Paul's, Withington on 18 July 1896. He left a will which named his son John Arthur Skidmore and his daughter Ada Jones executors.

Children of Anthony and Elizabeth (Brundrett) Skidmore, born in Manchester,

- i. Wilson, born 1861Q3. He died when two months old at 15 Linwood Street and was buried in Ardwick Cemetery on 11 October 1861.
- 318. ii. **JOHN ARTHUR**, born 30 May 1863.
- iii. Ada, born 1867Q2 in Didsbury. She married firstly Arthur Jones in Chorlton, Lancashire in 1894, by whom she had two daughters, Dorothy and Kathleen, and secondly John Gelert Roberts. She lived in later life in Eastbourne.
- 319. iv. **ANTHONY LEONARD**, born 1878Q1.

217. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 28 July 1816 at Chelmorton, was a son of George [142] and Ann (Dove) Skidmore. He was a farmer of 160 acres at Town End Farm, Flagg. He married Martha Bunting (born about 1819 in Monyash, Derbyshire, daughter of George Bunting, a shoemaker and his wife Mary) on 20 February 1851 at Bakewell. Martha Skidmore of Flagg died aged 60 and was buried at Taddington on 20 July 1879, her husband on 13 June 1880 aged 64.

Children of John and Martha (Bunting) Skidmore,

- 321. i. **GEORGE HENRY**, baptised 8 February 1852.
- ii. Mary Ann, born in Flagg, baptised 18 August 1854 St St John the Baptist, Chelmorton. The Manchester Times reported the marriage on 2 December 1874 at St John's, Chelmorton of Mary Ann the only daughter of John Skidmore, to William Naylor, the fourth son of William Naylor, farmer and cattle dealer of Flagg, and his wife Martha (Needham). Mr Naylor died in 1889 aged 35, his wife in 1900 (buried at Crompton Cemetery, Oldham, Lancashire). Children, as known - Laura Martha, Annie, Jessie Bunting.
- 322. iii. **JABEZ BUNTING**, baptised 10 June 1856.

218. JOSEPH⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 3 May 1819 at Chelmorton, was a son of George [142] and Ann (Dove) Skidmore. He married Emily Hodgkinson (born about 1834 in Chelmorton, daughter of William Hodgkinson) on 20 March 1856 at Bakewell and was farming 39 acres in Chelmorton in 1861. He is probably the Joseph Skidmore who on 13 April 1855 was sworn in at Bakewell Petty Sessions, along with Samuel Boam, as Constables at Chelmorton¹²⁶.

Joseph Skidmore died on 13 May 1868 aged 50, followed by son Henry the following year. He left a will, proved at Derby, naming as his executors his brother John Skidmore, farmer of Flagg, and William Hodgkinson the younger of Chelmorton. His wife continued to manage their farm at Chelmorton, later moving to Buxton to live with the family of her daughter Emma. Emily Skidmore died in 1895 aged 62.

¹²⁶ Derby Mercury 18 April 1855.

Children of Joseph and Emily (Hodgkinson) Skidmore,

- i. Henry, born 1857Q1, baptised 10 February at Chelmorton. He died in 1869 aged 12.
- ii. Annie Emma, born about 1863. She married Richard Bonsall Morten, a farmer and dairyman of Buxton, in 1883. Children, as known - Emily, John, Eva Ellen, Miriam, Florence, Doris.

219. JAMES⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 10 July 1830 at Chelmorton, was a son of George [142] and Ann (Dove) Skidmore. He married Martha Wright (born about 1839 in Wormhill, daughter of Joseph Wright) on 4 March 1857 at St Margaret's, Wormhill and was a corn dealer and keeper of the beer house called the Railway Inn in Millersdale, Wormhill, Derbyshire in 1861. He accepted the administration of the estate of his sister Mary Ann in 1863. In 1871 he was farming 203 acres in Wormhill but by 1881 had moved his family to Worsley Road, Swinton, Lancashire, where he was then farming 31 acres. They moved yet again before 1891, to 50 Claremont Road, Pendleton, where James Skidmore was a dairyman. He died on 6 February 1909 aged 71, his wife in 1916 aged 68.

Children of James and Martha (Wright) Skidmore, baptised at St Margaret's, Wormhill¹²⁷,

323. i. **JOSEPH GEORGE**, baptised 23 May 1858.
- ii. Martha Ann, born 1860Q1 in Wormhill, baptised 6 May 1860. She died in 1872.
324. iii. **JAMES HENRY**, baptised 2 November 1862.
325. iv. **JOHN**, born 18 April 1865.
- v. Elizabeth Wright, baptised 12 January 1868. A dressmaker. Miss Skidmore died in 1892 aged 24.
- vi. Arthur Richard, baptised 17 April 1870. A wheelwright for a coach builders, he married Lily Eckersall in 1902 at St Andrew's, Eccles, Lancashire, and was living in 1911 at 497 Cherry Lane, Walton, Liverpool. No known children.
- vii. Wright, baptised 25 December 1871. He died in 1889 aged 17.
- viii. Harriet Jane, baptised 23 March 1873. A dressmaker, she married Willoughby Shaw, a waste rubber buyer and pawnbroker (son of Christopher Charles Shaw, a station master), on 7 March 1905 at St John's, Pendleton. They were living in 1911 at 1 Penelope Road.

220. GEORGE⁹ SKIDMORE, born (according to his memorial stone in Taddington) in Flagg, Derbyshire on 13 November 1833, was the youngest son of George [142] and Ann (Dove) Skidmore. He began farming with his brother Joseph on his farm in Chelmorton and was later a farmer of Taddington, Derbyshire. He was also a Methodist Local Preacher and married Martha Bunting on 10 February 1863 at Monyash. She was born 21 August 1844 in Heathcote, Derbyshire, daughter of Edward Bunting, a farmer of Monyash and publican at the Bulls Head there, and his wife Elizabeth.

Thomas Bunting and George Skidmore farmed the 38 acres of Wheal Farm in the hamlet of Wheal and Priestcliffe under the name of Bunting and Skidmore. Thomas Bunting was originally of The Cottage, Crumpsall Woodlands, Manchester¹²⁸. Their partnership ended around 1890 - at least, by the time of the 1891 census George and Martha Skidmore were running a public house in Wensley, Derbyshire. They later ran the Duke of York Inn in Elton, Derbyshire, where George Skidmore died on 7 March 1900 (buried 11 March at Taddington). With her daughters Florence and Annie, Martha Skidmore continued to run this pub; she died on 5 October 1915.

Children of George and Martha (Bunting) Skidmore, born in Chelmorton, Derbyshire,

- i. John, born 24 March 1865, died 4 July 1875 aged 10, buried 7 July 'of Upper Wheal'.
- ii. Mary Ann, born 1866Q3. She appears to have lived with Richard and Eliza (Milnes) Skidmore in Taddington and, with her future husband, was executor of Richard's will in 1900. She married James Tissington Trickett, a farmer, on 25 December 1902 at Elton, Derbyshire and lived in Rowland, Derbyshire.
- iii. George, born 30 May 1868. He died aged 1 and was buried at Taddington on 10 May 1870 'of Chelmorton'.
- iv. Ellen, born 8 November 1869, died 23 November 1885 aged 16, buried 27 November 'of Upper Wheal'.
- v. George, born 9 April 1871. He moved away from Taddington and at the time of the 1891 census,

¹²⁷ Wormhill Chapel is included in the parish of Tideswell in Bishop's Transcripts.

¹²⁸ The London Gazette business pages, 27 August 1889 and 21 February 1890.

aged 19, he was boarding in Balsall Heath, Birmingham. He married Clara Ellen, a widow (born about 1873 in Stroud, Gloucestershire), in 1896 in Glasgow and in 1901, with his wife and sister Jane Skidmore, was managing a public house at 106 High Street, Kings Heath, Birmingham. However, he returned to the job of insurance agent, which he had when he first moved to Birmingham. He was living with his wife in 1911 at 88 Every Street, Nelson, Lancashire. Clara Ellen was born either Mills or Finch, one of these being the name of her first husband.

and born in Wheal, Taddington,

- vi. Thomas Bunting, born 20 February 1873. A police constable in Burton, Staffordshire, he married Martha Jane Pope (born about 1873 in St Arvans, near Chepstow, Monmouthshire) in 1900Q4 in Chepstow registration district. They were living at the time of the 1901 census at 191 West Street, Burton on Trent, Staffordshire. Mr Skidmore died on 23 January 1916.
- vii. Edward Bunting, of Upper Wheal, Taddington, died at 3 weeks and was buried 12 April 1874.
- viii. Elizabeth, born 1875Q2. A servant in Matlock in 1891 and living later with her mother in Elton. Elizabeth Skidmore of Elton married George Smith on 2 May 1903 at Bakewell.
- ix. Jane, born 1876Q2.
- x. Hannah, born 1877Q4. She was a servant in Buxton at the time of the 1901 census. Hannah Skidmore of Elton was married there, on the same day as her sister Mary Ann, to George Henry Yeomans.
- xi. Edward Bunting, born 3 February 1879. He had a dairy business at 5 Egerton Road, Moss Side, Manchester. A private in the Royal Lancashire Fusiliers 17th Battalion, he died in hospital on 19 January 1918 and is interred in Neufchatel, France.
- xii. Florence Martha, born 1881Q3.
- xiii. Annie, born 1883Q3. She appears to have married Thomas Skidmore in 1902Q4 at Christ Church, Moss Side, Manchester. I have not found his birth in either Great Longstone or Taddington (the places he recorded in the 1901 and the 1911 censuses respectively). Nor have I found Thomas in the censuses of 1881 and 1891. In 1901 he was working as a milk deliverer for a dairyman operating in Clowes Street, South Manchester. By 1911 he had his own business run from their home at 83 Stockton Street, Moss Side, Manchester. It would be helpful to have sight of the marriage record. No children by 1911.
- xiv. May Louisa, born 1884Q3. She was a servant for a while in Thelwall, Cheshire but with her mother and sister Florence was living with her brother Edward in Moss Side by 1911.

220a. JOSEPH^{879?} SKIDMORE, the second of two men with this name born within a few years of each other in Warslow, Staffordshire, both of whom married ladies called Martha. The first of these, born about 1805-06, is numbered [144] in this account. The man described here was born around 1811 in Warslow and was perhaps a son, whose baptism has not yet been found, of Thomas Skidmore [143] of Warslow.

A corn dealer and grocer in Monyash, he married Martha White (born about 1813 in Monyash) on 23 May 1836 at Bakewell. Joseph's businesses appear to have suffered since by 1861 he was an agricultural labourer but by 1871 was able with his wife to set up as fruiterers in Monyash. After his death in 1872Q2, aged 63, his wife became a charwoman and cared for her grandson Joseph Skidmore. She died in 1883Q1 aged 70.

Children of Joseph and Martha (White) Skidmore, baptised at St Leonard's, Monyash,

- i. Hannah, born 1838Q4, baptised 7 July 1839. House servant to the family of farmer Joseph Idfield in Over Haddon in 1861. She married George Taylor (born about 1835, son of John Taylor) at Monyash on 25 January 1862.
- ii. Rachel Ann, born 1841Q1. She died at the age of 18 in 1860Q1.
- iii. Elizabeth, born 1843Q2 and baptised 19 November. A dairy maid at the farm of Joseph Bonsall in Monyash in 1861. She married John Bramwell (born about 1844, son of John Bramwell) at Monyash on 25 March 1865.
- iv. Henry, born 1846Q3, died aged 1 in 1848Q3.
- v. Harriet, born 1849Q1, baptised 5 August. She died early in 1851, aged 2 years.
- vi. Maria, born March 1851. She had a son Joseph who was in the care of his grandmother Martha Skidmore at the time of the 1881 census, while Maria was a servant at Town End Farm, Monyash, for the family of farmer William J. Finney. In 1883Q3 she married John Gould, the gamekeeper at Middleton Thorn in the village of Middleton. Two children, including George Gould.
 - i. Joseph, born 1874Q3. By 1901 he was looking after the horses on the farm of

Charles Percival at Blackwell Hall Green, Millers Dale, where he remained as waggoner until at least 1911.

221. GEORGE⁹ SKIDMORE, born in Warslow and baptised 10 May 1812 at Elkstone and Warslow, was the son of Thomas [143] and Hannah (Hall) Skidmore. He married Margaret Newall (born about 1811 in Winsford, Cheshire) on 2 February 1835 at Over, Cheshire. George was a porter and warehouseman in Manchester and was living with his family in Brougham Street, Salford at the time of the 1841 census.

Margaret Skidmore died in 1877, her husband in 1879.

Children of George and Margaret (Newall) Skidmore,

- i. Louisa, born about 1833 in Winsford. She died in 1850Q4 aged 17.
- 326. ii. **JOSEPH**, born about 1837.
- iii. Thomas, born 1838Q2. He died in 1841Q2 aged 1.
- iv. Hannah, born in Salford and baptised 13 September 1840 at Manchester Cathedral. She appears to have died aged 21 in 1861.
- v. Elizabeth, born 1842Q4. She died aged 3 in 1846Q2.
- vi. George Thomas, born 1845Q1 and baptised 22 June at Manchester Cathedral. He died later that year.
- 327. vii. **GEORGE**, born 1850Q2.

222. THOMAS⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 19 February 1815 at St James', Warslow, Staffordshire, was a son of Thomas [143] and Hannah (Hall) Skidmore. He was a grocer in Flagg and also held 9 acres of land. He married Mary Ann Stevenson (born about 1820 in Huddersfield, Yorkshire, daughter of Jeremiah Stevenson) on 16 March 1841 at All Saints', Bakewell.

The family moved to Chesterfield, where Thomas died in 1855. His death at the age of 40 'after a protracted illness', was reported in the Derby Mercury; he was buried at St Mary & All Saints, Chesterfield on 13 July 1855. Mary Ann lived with the family of her daughter Mary until her death in 1889 aged 72.

Children of Thomas and Mary Ann (Stevenson) Skidmore, born at Flagg, baptised at St Leonard's, Monyash,

- i. Mary, baptised 6 November 1842. A servant in Chesterfield in 1861. She married Abraham Hadfield, a groom (born 1842 in Bakewell, son of William Hadfield) on 20 January 1863 at Chesterfield. Abraham Hadfield died in 1906 aged 65. Children, as known - Sarah Ann, Harry, Lucy.
- 328. ii. **WILLIAM**, born 1845Q1.
- iii. George Stephen, (registered as Stevenson Skidmore) baptised 25 April 1847. He died aged 6 and was buried at Chesterfield on 9 October 1853.
- iv. Sarah Jane, baptised 24 February 1850. She married Edwin Pike, a miller of Church Alley, Chesterfield (born about 1843 in Mansfield, son of John Pike) on 30 March 1869 at Chesterfield. They moved in the late 1870s to 57 Old Hallamshire ?Yard, Scotland Street, Sheffield, where Mr Pike was a baker. This venture was perhaps unsuccessful because by 1891 they had returned to Chesterfield, where he became a weighman, possibly at a colliery, and later a paint grinder. Sarah Jane Pike died probably in 1894.
Children, as known - John Thomas, Louisa, Harriet, Frances Laura, Maria S.
- v. Elizabeth Ann, born 2 December 1855, baptised at Chesterfield. She was described as 'dumb' in the censuses and perhaps had a severe hearing impairment. She died in 1884 aged 29.

223. BENJAMIN⁹ SKIDMORE, a farm labourer of Litton, was born 1842Q3 in Flagg, son of Joseph [144] and Martha (Dicken) Skidmore. He married Maria Bingham, a framework knitter (born about 1844 in Litton, daughter of John Bingham a farmer) on 9 May 1863 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. The family lived in Litton, where Benjamin died in 1890 aged 49; he was buried at Tideswell on 25 March. His wife continued to live in Litton with her son William, where she died in 1921 aged 77.

Children of Benjamin and Maria (Bingham) Skidmore, baptised at St John the Baptist, Tideswell,

- i. Elizabeth, born 2 August 1863, baptised 10 November 1867. She died in November 1874 aged 11.
- ii. William, born 1 March (baptised 29 May) 1866. A farmer of Litton, he died in 1936 aged 70.
- 329. iii. **JOHN**, born 6 May 1869.

- iv. Joseph, born 28 July (baptised 8 August) 1871. He became a railway goods guard in Manchester with the Lancashire & Yorkshire Railway. He married Lily Oldfield (daughter of William Oldfield) on 18 August 1904 at Tideswell. The couple appear to have separated without having had children, Lily returning to her father's home before 1911.
- v. Beatrice, born 1874Q1. She married John Bagshaw Drabble, a limestone quarryman (son of Henry Drabble), on 8 May 1897 at Tideswell. Children - Hilda, Horalaine.

224. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, born 1845Q4 in Taddington, was a son of William [145] and Mary (Mycock) Skidmore. He was a carter at Taddington Hall in 1861 but by 1871 had become station master in Unstone, Derbyshire. He married Ann Davies (daughter of coal miner William Davies) on 25 December 1877 at the Wesley Chapel, Castlemere, Lancashire. She was born about 1843 in Flintshire, daughter of William Davies, a coal miner.

John and Ann Skidmore were living by 1881 at Charnock Green, Charnock Richard, Lancashire, where John was a gardener. Ann Skidmore died aged 37 and was buried at Christ Church, Charnock Richard on 29 March 1890. John Skidmore returned for a time with his daughter to live with his brother William in Taddington. However, by 1901 he had returned to gardening in Chorley, Lancashire. He died in 1920 aged 74.

Children of John and Ann (Davies) Skidmore,

- i. Mary Ann, born 1880Q1 in Rochdale. She married Thomas Brindle, a furniture dealer in Chorley, in 1905 at St George's, Chorley. No children known.
332. ii. **JOHN WILLIAM**, born 1883Q3.

225. RICHARD⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised July 1830 at Taddington, was a son of Thomas [146] by his first wife Hannah. He married Nancy Ollerenshaw, a power loom weaver (baptised 2 February 1829 at Tideswell, daughter of Robert Ollerenshaw, a cotton weaver of Cressbrook, and his wife Ann (Wain) on 24 December 1851 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. He was bookkeeper then manager of cotton power looms in 1861, when he lived with his family at 4 Clayton Road, Clayton, Lancashire. By 1871 he had become manager of the cotton and worsted mill in Litton and his family lived near to his father's home in the Apprentice Houses.



Litton Mill

The Apprentice Houses:

The Cotton mill at Litton was built in 1782 by Ellis Needham (1760-1830) and his cousin Thomas Frith on land leased from Lord Scardale.

A shortage of local labour pushed Needham to use parish apprentices to work the mill, and the first apprentice house was built near the mill shortly before 1793. A second apprentice house was built in 1795 on land purchased on the south bank of the River Wye in the parish of Taddington.

Richard and his wife moved during the 1880s to Blackpool, where Nancy Skidmore and her daughter ran a boarding house at their home in Talbot Road. Mrs Skidmore died early in 1896 in Blackpool, aged 66 and was buried at Tideswell on 3 February. Richard Skidmore died in 1905 aged 74.

Children of Richard and Nancy (Ollerenshaw) Skidmore,

- i. Hannah, born 1854Q2 in Cressbrook. She continued to run the boarding house in Blackpool but after the death of her father returned to Derbyshire, where she was servant to the family of Thomas Bennet Hibbert, a farmer at Goyts Bridge, Buxton. Miss Skidmore died in 1935 aged 81.
333. ii. **JAMES**, baptised 15 April 1855.
- iii. Herbert Thomas, born 1863Q1 in Clayton, He died in Buxton in 1876 aged 13 (presumably living with relatives) and was buried on 23 March at St John the Baptist, Tideswell.
 - iv. Bertha Ann, baptised 14 March 1869 at Clayton. She died at 18 months and was buried at Tideswell on 2 August 1870.

226. SIMON⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 17 April 1840 at Taddington, was a son of Thomas [146] by his second wife Mary (Shirley). He was a labourer in a cotton factory in 1861. He married Emma Harrison (born about 1838 in Tideswell, daughter of Thomas Harrison, a weaver) in 1859Q3 at St Barnabas, Oldham Road, Manchester. They were living in 1861 at 6 Chapel Street, Droylsden, Manchester and, by 1871, at 13 Springfield Lane, Salford.

Simon Skidmore died in 1871Q3 aged 32. His wife remained in Springfield Lane, where she ran a general provisions shop. She married secondly William Pye, a widower and a dyer by trade (born about 1838 in Scotland, son of John Pye, a labourer) at St John's, Manchester on 22 September 1883.

Children of Simon and Emma (Harrison) Skidmore, born in Clayton, Lancashire,

- i. Mary, born 1860Q2, baptised 28 October 1860 at Clayton. She died later that year.
- ii. Thomas, baptised 8 September 1861 at Ashton. He died aged 6 in 1868Q3.
- 334. iii. **ERNEST**, born 1863Q1.
- iv. Mary Hannah, born 1865Q1. She married Thomas Barlow, a core maker in an iron works, in 1889Q3 at St Clement's, Broughton, Lancashire and lived at 13 Springfield Lane and later at 130 Greengate, Salford. Mary Skidmore ran a newsagents shop from their home, assisted by her daughters and her sister-in-law Jane Barlow. Children, as known - Nellie, Edith.
- 335. v. **GEORGE**, born 1866Q4.
- 336. vi. **ALBERT**, born 1869Q1.

227. JOSEPH⁹ SKIDMORE, born 1847Q2 in Taddington, was a son of Thomas [146] by his second wife Mary (Shirley). A power loom worsted weaver, he married Phoebe Turner (born about 1855 in Wardlow, Derbyshire) in 1881 at St Simon's, Salford, Manchester. They were living by 1889 at 2 East View, Blackpool, Lancashire. Joseph's wife was perhaps the Phoebe Skidmore, said to be aged 41, whose death was registered at Fylde in 1892Q3.

By 1901 Joseph and the children had returned to Cressbrook where he was boarding with his sister Elizabeth. Joseph Skidmore gave his age as 38 in 1891 and 48 in 1901 but he is perhaps the Joseph who died early in 1911 aged 65.

Children of Joseph and Phoebe (Turner) Skidmore,

- i. May, born in Cressbrook, baptised 8 July 1882 at St John the Baptist, Cressbrook.
- 337. ii. **THOMAS**, born 1886Q4.
- iii. Rebecca, born in Blackpool and baptised there on 19 May 1889. She married Joseph Taylor, a limestone worker (son of William Taylor), on 8 October 1910 at Tideswell and they were living with her sister May in Cressbrook in 1911.

228. FRANCIS⁹ SKIDMORE, the son of Thomas [148] and Ann (Redfearn) Skidmore, was born on 30 November 1824 in Brierlow. He was baptised on 16 December 1824 at Chelmsorton and again on 17 November 1833 at Earl Sterndale. At the time of the 1841 census he was working on a farm in Hartinghouse, Hartington. He married firstly Silence Harrison (born about 1831 in Hartington, daughter of Daniel and Grace Harrison) on 18 February 1850 at Chelmsorton and was a stone quarry labourer in 1851, living with his family in Brierlow, Hartington. By 1861 he was once more a farm worker and was living at Hargate Wall, Wormhill. Silence Skidmore died in 1861Q3 aged 32.

Francis Skidmore married secondly Margaret Fletcher (born about 1831 in Heaton, Staffordshire, daughter of Addin Fletcher, a labourer) on 16 January 1865 at St Peter's, Prestbury, Cheshire. They were to have two children together before Francis' death, the elder of which, Addin, died aged 8. Francis Skidmore died at the age of 44 and was buried at St John's, Chelmsorton on 28 December 1868. Margaret Skidmore lived in Macclesfield with her daughter Ann until her death in 1894 aged 63.

Children of Francis and Silence (Harrison) Skidmore, born in Hartington, baptised at Earl Sterndale,

- 338. i. **SAMUEL**, baptised 23 February 1851.
- ii. Grace, baptised 13 July 1853. She remained single and was a domestic servant in Sutton, Macclesfield, later in Buxton. She then worked at the Kings Arms Hotel, Market Street in Bradshaw Edge before becoming a charwoman in Buxton, where she was in lodgings at the time of the 1901 census. Miss Skidmore was not working by 1911 when a note in the census describes her as 'paralysed'. She died in 1916 aged 64.

339. iii. **FRANCIS**, baptised 9 November 1855.
 iv. James, born 1859Q2, baptised 3 July at Chelmorton. He worked for a time for his uncle Thomas Skidmore in Chelmorton and was later a banksman at the ironstone mine Stanghow, where he lived with his brother Samuel. Mr Skidmore died in 1923 aged 64.

340. v. **THOMAS**, born 2 April 1861.

Children of Francis and Margaret (Fletcher) Skidmore,

- vi. Addin, born 1866Q2. He died in 1874 aged 8.
 vii. Ann, born in Church Sterndale in 1868Q1, baptised 30 August at Christ Church, Kings Sterndale. She lived with her widowed mother in Macclesfield, where she assisted in taking in laundry at their home in Peel Street. Along with George Lowe, a warehouseman, she accepted probate of her mother's will in 1894.

229. THOMAS⁹ SKIDMORE, born in Dowlow, Hartington and baptised 17 November 1833 at Earl Sterndale, was a son of Thomas [148] and Ann (Redfearn) Skidmore. He was a farm labourer in 1851, living in Brierlow. On 2 September 1858 at Chelmorton he married Mrs Eliza Ball (born about 1824 in Bradnop, Staffordshire, the widow of farmer William Ball of Hollinsclough, Staffordshire). Sight of the marriage record is needed but theirs appears to have been the marriage of William Ball and Eliza Plant in Leek registration district in 1845Q2. (Leek RD contained Bradnop and Hollinsclough).

At the time of the 1861 census he was farming 52 acres at Shallow, Chelmorton. He prospered and by 1871 his farm had increased to 160 acres which required the employment of one farmhand. Mrs Skidmore died in 1885Q1 aged 60, her husband in 1896Q1 aged 62.

Children of Thomas and Eliza (Plant) Skidmore, born in Chelmorton,

- i. Elizabeth, born perhaps in 1858 in Longnor, Staffordshire, baptised 1 January 1860 at St John the Baptist, Chelmorton. She died in 1873Q2 aged 16.
 341. ii. **JOHN**, born 13 November 1859.
 342. iii. **BENJAMIN**, born 1862Q2.
 iv. Hannah, born 1866Q3. She married firstly William Bradbury, a farmer in Chelmorton, on 20 February 1884 at St Michael & All Angels, Earl Sterndale. Children, as known - John William, Sarah Eliza, Thomas Skidmore, Walter, Charles Edward, John James and Ernest Bradbury. She married secondly in 1906 Alderman Kidd and they worked Brierlow Bar Farm near Buxton. Children Eric and Frederick Alderman Kidd.

230. JAMES⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 8 November 1829 at St Peter's, Nottingham, was a son of James Oliver [149] and Elizabeth (Stevenson) Skidmore. A slater by trade, he married Mary Pauling (born about 1825 in Grantham, Lincolnshire) in 1855Q4 in Nottingham and was living at 14 Orchard Street, Nottingham, by the time of the 1871 census. James Skidmore died in Nottingham in 1895 aged 66, his wife in the same year aged 70.

Children of James and Mary (Pauling) Skidmore,

- i. Oliver, born and died in 1856Q2.
 343. ii. **WILLIAM HENRY**, born 1858Q1.
 iii. Elizabeth Marian, born 1860Q3. She died in 1863 aged 3.
 iv. Helen, born 1863Q3. She died at the age of 20 in 1884.

231. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 7 August 1842 at St Peter's, Nottingham, was a son of James Oliver [149] and Elizabeth (Stevenson) Skidmore. He married Elizabeth Riley, a lace clipper (born about 1848 in Stapleford) in 1864Q4 in Nottingham. He was a slater and lived near to the home of his father in Orchard Place. John Skidmore died in Nottingham in 1895 aged 53 and his wife lived with her daughter Eliza and granddaughter Nellie Upton.

Children of John and Elizabeth (Riley) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,

- i. Eliza Ann, born 1866Q4. A cigar maker, she married William George Upton in 1888.
 ii. Henry, born 1876Q1. He was a labourer in a cycle factory and later in the building trade. In 1897Q2 he married Lavinia Flora Stapleton, a cardboard box maker (born about 1873 in Nottingham).
 344. iii. **JOHN WILLIAM**, born 1879Q3.

232. SAMUEL THOMAS⁹ SKIDMORE, born 1843Q4 in Carlton, was a son of Samuel [150] and Sarah (Clarke) Skidmore. A cutter for a cardboard box maker in Radford, Nottinghamshire, Thomas Skidmore married Jane Brown, a lace mender (born about 1844 in Radford) early in 1861 and they were living shortly after in the home in Radford of her parents, James Brown, a cotton framework knitter from Dublin, and his wife Susannah.

Thomas Skidmore died in 1911, aged 67, leaving a will which named his wife Jane and son-in-law John White, then a gardener, as executors. Jane Skidmore died in 1916 aged 72.

Children of Samuel Thomas and Jane (Brown) Skidmore, born in Radford,

Also a third child who did not survive.

- i. Sarah Ann, born in February 1861. She married John White, a house painter from Radford, in 1887Q4 in Nottingham. Two sons, John Thomas White and Stanley Edward White.
- ii. Jane, born 1863Q2. A box maker, she lived with her parents in Radford. When they moved to 1 Thackeray Street, Nottingham (before 1911) she became a clipper and scalloper for Levers Lace Finishing. Miss Skidmore died in 1946 aged 83.

233. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, born in Carlton, baptised 9 December 1849 at Gedling, was a son of Samuel [150] and Sarah (Clarke) Skidmore. He married Eliza Smith, a lace hand (born about 1848 in Snenton) on 1 April 1869. He was a lithographic printer and lived in Walker Place, Snenton, later becoming a painter of 22 Byron Street, Snenton.

William Skidmore died in 1911 aged 62. He is buried in Common Grave 8407 in Church Cemetery (also known as Rock Cemetery), Nottingham.

Children of William and Eliza (Smith) Skidmore,

There were three further children who did not survive to 1911.

- i. William Thomas, born 1874Q3 in Nottingham. A railway labourer by 1901. He *appears* to be the 37-year old William Skidmore, a waiter at the *Cricket Players* in Bastons Gate, Nottinghamshire in 1911, though his birthplace was recorded as Sheffield. He died aged 49 in 1924.
345. ii. **THOMAS**, born 14 May 1878.
- iii. Eliza, born 1886Q1. A cardboard box maker, she married William Gurney Witts in 1904.

234. RICHARD⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 20 September 1818 at Great Longstone, was the son of John [151] and Elizabeth (Bottam) Skidmore. He was an agricultural labourer lodging in Great Longstone at the time of the 1841 census. He married Martha Brindley (born about 1821 in Warslow or Sheen, Staffordshire, daughter of James Brindley) on 26 December 1843 in Sheffield. He became a grocer and baker who lived at his premises in Mill Street or Mill End, Bakewell. He was assisted in his shop at the time of the 1871 census by his three elder children.

Martha Skidmore died in 1876Q3 aged 57. Richard Skidmore, grocer and farmer of Bakewell, died on 27 October 1892 and probate was granted to his sons James Skidmore and John Skidmore, both grocers and farmers.

Children of Richard and Martha (Brindley) Skidmore, born and baptised at Bakewell,

- i. Mary, born baptised 3 November 1844. Living unmarried in 1911, assisting her brother John in the grocery business. Miss Skidmore died in 1930 aged 85.
- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 1 November 1846. She died aged 3 and was buried at Bakewell on 30 January 1850.
- iii. Martha, baptised 20 April 1850. She was entered into the church on 19 May 1850, sponsored by G. Skidmore, Eliza Skidmore and M. Hodgkinson. Living unmarried in 1911.
346. iv. **JAMES**, born 1854Q4.
- v. John, born about 1859. He took over the grocery business in Mill Street and was living there in 1901 with his sisters Mary, Martha and Emily.
347. vi. **RICHARD**, born 1862Q4.
- vii. Emily, baptised 7 May 1865. She appears to be the lady (though called a matron) who was on the passenger list of the *Caronia*, arriving in New York on 22 October 1910 and bound for Sacramento, California. She cites as her contact in England Mary Skidmore of Stanedge House, Bakewell. At the time of the 1911 census she was proprietor of an apartment house, 16 York Road, Hove, Sussex. Miss Skidmore died in Derbyshire in 1954 aged 88.

235. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 23 October 1814 at Great Longstone, 'son of William and Elizabeth Skidmore', was a son of William [152]. He would appear to be the William Skidmore who was a warehouseman of Ormond Street, Chorlton on Medlock¹²⁹ when he married Mrs Hannah Cocker 'or Capon' (born about 1816 in Manchester) on 12 June 1842 at Manchester Cathedral. This man said when he married that his father was a labourer called William Skidmore. However, at census time he gave his birthplace as Manchester and so this identification needs to be treated with some caution. Hannah Capon was the daughter of Thomas Capon, an umbrella maker, and his wife Sarah, and a year before her marriage to William Skidmore had been living at her parents' home in Mather Street, Manchester, with Sarah *Capon* aged 4 (later called Sarah Skidmore). No marriage between Sarah Capon and _____ Cocker has been found.

William Skidmore died in 1868Q1 aged 53. His wife's death appears to have been in 1879. The GRO Index gives her age as 67, the Ardwick Cemetery records as 55; she was buried there from Crumpsall Union House (workhouse) on 23 January 1879.

Children of William and Hannah (Capon), born in Manchester,

- i. Sarah *Capon*, born about 1837. Adopted and called Sarah Skidmore, she was by 1861 a power loom weaver in Salford.
- ii. James, born 1842Q3. He died on 2 July 1850 at the age of 7 years 9 months and was buried at Ardwick Cemetery, Manchester.
- iii. Elizabeth, born 1844Q1. She died of scarlet fever in July 1850 in Ardwick aged 6 and was buried in a communal grave in Ardwick Cemetery.
- 348. iv. **WILLIAM THOMAS**, born 1845Q4.

236. RICHARD⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 31 August 1828 at Eyam, was a son of William [152] and Elizabeth (Redfearn) Skidmore. He was an agricultural labourer and was lodging at the time of the 1851 census in Stubbin Lane, Rawmarsh, Yorkshire. He married Ann Shemeld (born about 1834 in Sheffield) in 1854Q2 in Sheffield and by the time of the 1861 census was a town porter in Masbrough, Yorkshire. The family remained in that town and by 1871 were living at the back of Forge Lane -- Mr Skidmore was called an agent, perhaps for a firm of carriers.

Richard Skidmore, a carrier of Rotherham, died in 1891Q1 aged 62, leaving a will which named his wife Ann as executor. Ann Skidmore was a grocer and confectioner at 44 Effingham Street, Rotherham in 1891. She died in 1900 aged 65.

Children of Richard and Ann (Shemeld) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Sarah Ann, born 1855Q4. A dressmaker, she was living unmarried in 1891.
- ii. Mary, born 1857Q3. She died aged 1 in 1858Q4.
- 349. iii. **WILLIAM**, born 1859Q4.
- iv. Elizabeth, born 1861Q4. She died an infant the following year.
- v. Jane, born 1866Q3. She was a domestic servant in Rotherham at the time of the 1881 census. She married Alfred Abson, a stove grate buffer (born about 1864 in Whiston, Yorkshire) in 1887Q2 in Rotherham for Yates? Haywood & Co., Rotherham.
Children - Hilda, Emily, Clara, Edith, Alfred Ernest, Elsie May, Eva, Doris, Harry.
- vi. Emily, born 1869Q2. She was a shop assistant at a draper's in Rotherham in 1891 and lived at this time with her mother. She married Joseph Bruce, a gas lamplighter for Rotherham Corporation, in 1893Q2. They lived at 42 York Road, Rotherham.
Children, as known - Gladys May, Rowland, Winifred, Stanley.
- vii. Maria, born 1871Q3. She was a domestic servant in Blackpool before her marriage in 1893 to Absalom Allen, a bricklayer in the steel works. They lived in Attercliff, Sheffield.
Children, as known - Lilian, Ernest, Albert Edward, Hilda, Edith, Jessie.

¹²⁹ Not to be confused with Chorlton-cum-Hardy (which is a suburban area of the city of Manchester, known locally as Chorlton. It is about four miles southwest of Manchester city centre). Chorlton-on-Medlock is an inner city area of Manchester. Historically in Lancashire, the northern border of Chorlton-on-Medlock is the River Medlock which runs immediately south of Manchester city centre. Its other borders roughly correspond to Stockport Road, Hathersage Road, Moss Lane East and Boundary Lane. Wikipedia.

237. GEORGE⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 19 April 1818 at Great Longstone. He is known from his marriage record to have been a son of Richard [153] (and not of William [152]). He married Hannah Roebuck (born about 1820 in Willingham, Lincolnshire) on 11 October 1841 at Bakewell. He was a labourer of Bakewell, living with his family at Fly Hill until 1861 and in Parsonage Road by 1871. By 1881 George had become a coal agent and lived with his family in Standidge or Stanedge Road, Bakewell. He died there in 1892Q1 aged 73 and by 1901 his widow had retired from her laundry business and was living in their Standidge Road home with her daughter Jane. She died in 1901Q4 aged 78.

Children of George and Hannah (Roebuck) Skidmore, born and baptised at Bakewell,

- i. William, baptised 13 October 1841. He died that same quarter.
- ii. Emma, baptised 23 October 1842. A housemaid in Matlock Street, Bakewell at the time of the 1861 census, she was later a servant to the Hirsch family in Moss Side, Manchester. The marriage, on 6 May 1871 at Bakewell, of Charles Henry Grounsell of Longsight, late of Horncastle, Lincolnshire (son of James Grounsell) to Emma, eldest daughter of George Skidmore of Hill Top, Bakewell, was announced in the Derby Mercury. Charles Grounsell was a joiner in an engineering shop in Manchester. He died in 1915 aged 72, Emma in 1921 aged 78. Children, as known - George, Charles H., Ernest N., Martha Jane.
- iii. [perhaps] Sarah, baptised 17 August 1844, daughter of George and *Sarah* Skidmore. She died soon after her birth.
350. iv. **JOHN**, baptised 8 March 1846.
- v. Jane Eliza, born 1848Q2, baptised 14 July. A general servant in 1871, who appears to have later been a laundress with her mother (presumably working from their home). Miss Skidmore died in 1908Q2 aged 59.
- vi. Martha, baptised 2 February 1851. A dressmaker, she died unmarried in 1895Q3 aged 44.
351. vii. **GEORGE**, baptised 27 July 1853.
- viii. Susannah, baptised 31 December 1856. She died aged 8 and was buried at Bakewell on 21 December 1864.

238. JOSEPH⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 28 July 1822 at Great Longstone, was a son of Richard [153] and Hannah (Holmes) Skidmore. He married firstly Ann Walker (born about 1826 in Chapel en le Frith, Derbyshire) in 1845Q4 in Sheffield. At the time of the 1861 census, Joseph was a gardener, living with his family at Rock Cottages, Burbage, Derbyshire. Ann Skidmore died in 1867 aged 42.

Later that year Joseph married secondly Jane Cox (born about 1822 in Laxton, Nottinghamshire) in Nottingham. They moved during the 1870s to 79 Spring Gardens, Buxton, where they ran a lodging house. Joseph Skidmore died in 1885 aged 63. His widow Jane accepted probate of his will.

Children of Joseph and Ann (Walker) Skidmore,

352. i. **SYDNEY**, baptised 29 October 1848 at Great Longstone.
- ii. James, born and died in 1849Q1.
- iii. Robert, baptised 8 September 1851. I have not yet found this man after the census of 1871.
- iv. Grace, born 1853Q3
- v. Hannah, baptised 7 May 1855 at St John's, Buxton, daughter of Joseph Skidmore, labourer of Buxton, and his wife *Hannah*. She died in infancy.
- vi. Martha Ann, born 1857Q1 in Burbage. She married James Mcintosh, a carter (born about 1854 in Inverness, son of Alexander Mcintosh) on 3 March 1879 at St John the Baptist, Buxton and lived in the village of Fairfield. Mrs Mcintosh died in 1919 aged 64.
Children, as known (of nine) - Joseph, Ronald, Duncan, Alfred.
353. vii. **RICHARD**, born 1859Q3 in Burbage.

239. ROBERT⁹ SKIDMORE, born in Little Longstone and baptised at Great Longstone on 27 April 1829, was a son of Richard [153] and Hannah (Holmes) Skidmore. A farmer, he married Martha Robinson (born about 1833 in Wardlow, Derbyshire, daughter of John Robinson) on 15 September 1856 at All Saints', Bakewell. They moved around 1867 from Little Longstone to Great Longstone and were living in 1871 in what appears to be the main street, between two grocery and provisions shops. Robert was later a gardener and his family remained in Great Longstone.

Martha Skidmore died on 24 September 1898 aged 65 (buried at Great Longstone). Probate of her will was accepted at Derby by Thomas Shimwell, barmaster, and her daughter Sarah Jane Skidmore. Robert Skidmore then lived with his son Albert, who was by then a farmer locally in Great Longstone, until his death on 11 March 1906 aged 75.

**Children of Robert and Martha (Robinson) Skidmore,
born in Little Longstone,**

- i. John Richard, baptised 27 July 1857. He died aged 2 months.
 - ii. Sarah Jane, baptised 1 August 1858. By 1881 she was a housemaid in Chelsea to M.P. David Ainsworth¹³⁰. She was unmarried in 1898 when she accepted probate of her mother's will and was at the home of her brother Herbert in Manchester at the time of the 1901 census. Miss Skidmore lived with her sister Harriet at Hawthorn Cottage, Great Longstone.
 - iii. Harriet, born 1860Q4, baptised 6 January 1861. She was a cook to various families in Bakewell and Great Longstone. She perhaps inherited at the death of her mother, but she was living 'of independent means' in The Square, Great Longstone by 1911. Miss Skidmore died on 12 April 1930 aged 69.
354. iv. **HERBERT**, born 4 January 1864.

and born in Great Longstone,

- v. Martha, born about 1866. Living, unmarried, in 1891.
 - vi. Robert, baptised 27 December 1868Q4. He died aged 19 on 14 June 1888 and is buried at Great Longstone.
355. vii. **ALBERT JACKSON**, baptised 17 December 1872.

240. THOMAS⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 30 July 1831 at Great Longstone, was the youngest son of Richard [153] and Hannah (Holmes) Skidmore. He married Martha Mycock (called Maycock at their marriage; born about 1835 in Taddington) on 19 June 1855 at St Michael & All Angels, Earl Sterndale. He was an agricultural labourer in 1861, living with his family in Spring Gardens, Buxton. He became a gardener and by 1881 census was living at 1 Sylverland Park, Buxton, adjacent to the home of his son Richard.



The natural mineral water of Buxton emerges from a group of springs at a constant temperature of 82 degrees Fahrenheit and is, thus, a thermal water. There are also cold springs and a supply of chalybeate (iron bearing) water.¹³¹ One of the most significant periods in the development of the town was the 70 years from 1840 to 1910 - the Victorian/Edwardian age of industry and innovation - when Buxton became an important Victorian spa. In 1840 Dr. A. B. Granville, a writer on spas, described Buxton as having a shortage of good, comfortable lodging houses and he made a number of suggestions for improvement which, to some

extent, anticipated the development of the spa from this time onwards. From 1850 Buxton began to grow from a village to a busy and fashionable spa, an inland resort whose visitors increased the population threefold during the season. Many people came to take the wide range of treatments on offer at the natural and thermal baths and, later, at one the hydropathic hotels. Others came to rest and recuperate, yet others to enjoy the sport and pastimes available in the Derbyshire Peak District.

When Thomas Skidmore was older he was ticket collector and gate keeper to Buxton gardens. He died in 1903 aged 72, his wife in 1908 aged 73.

Children of Thomas and Martha (Mycock) Skidmore, born in Buxton,

356. i. **RICHARD**, baptised 8 March 1857 at St Peter's, Fairfield.
357. ii. **WILLIAM**, born 1859Q1.
- iii. Hannah, born 1861Q2 in Burbage. She married Thomas Snow, a postman (son of Thomas Snow) on 5 November 1883 at St John's, Buxton and lived in Sylvan Park, Buxton.

¹³⁰ See *Sarah Jane Skidmore (1858-1929), Servant To The Ainsworth Family* by Linda Moffatt 2014 in Issue 49 of Skidmore News, obtainable on request from the author, skidmore@one-name.org.

¹³¹ <http://www.historyofbuxton.co.uk>

- Children, as known (of four) - Letitia, Mabel Annie, Irene.
358. iv. **JOHN THOMAS**, born 1863Q4.
 v. Mary Ann, born 1867Q2, baptised 11 August at Buxton. She married Samuel Shuffelbotham, a publishing clerk, on 28 April 1890 at Christ Church, Burbage. Her brother James, and Harriet Shuffelbotham were witnesses. Samuel became the local assistant overseer and accountant. Their home was in Eagle Parade, Buxton.
 Children, as know (of seven) - Wilfred, Frank, Victor, Harry, Louis, Ivy.
359. vi. **JAMES**, born 1869Q4.

241. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, born in Little Longstone and baptised 2 January 1834 at Great Longstone, was the youngest son of Richard [153] and Hannah (Holmes) Skidmore. Raised in Little Longstone, he was a farm labourer who married Ann Goodwin (born about 1838 in Buxton, Derbyshire, daughter of Thomas Goodwin) on 14 September 1857 at All Saints', Bakewell. At the time of the 1861 census he was living with his wife and daughter Emily at the home of his mother at Butts, Little Longstone and appears to have retained this house when his mother died in 1864.



Around 1873 William and Ann moved their family to Buxton, where he became a carter. They lived in West Street there until at least 1901 and probably until William's death in 1908 aged 74. Ann Skidmore died in 1913 aged 77.

William (1834-1908) and son Joseph, photographs found at Ancestry.com, courtesy of John Chapman.

Children of William and Ann (Goodwin) Skidmore, born in Little Longstone, baptised at St Giles', Great Longstone,

- i. Emily, baptised 21 November 1858. She married firstly James Pickford (son of James Pickford) on 13 November 1880 at St James', Buxton, Derbyshire. It appears that James Pickford died early in 1881 aged 23 and Emily was recorded in the 1881 census that year (erroneously as unmarried), a servant in Buxton to grocer Robert Watson. On 24 December 1882 at Burbage she married secondly Thomas Moorcroft, a coal carter from Leek, Staffordshire (died 1905), and lived at 5 Woodbine Cottages, Fairfield, Buxton. It would be helpful to see marriage records to verify these assumptions.
360. ii. **THOMAS**, baptised 26 May 1862.
 iii. Elizabeth, baptised 6 December 1863. A servant to coal merchant Edward Johnson in Bolton at the time of the 1881 census. She appears to have married Alfred Moorcroft (son of Thomas Moorcroft, a farmer of Bowden Edge, and his wife Eliza) on 1 November 1888 at St John's, Buxton. I have not yet found a death record for Elizabeth but Alfred Moorcroft was a widower by the time of the 1891 census, living at his parents' home.
 iv. Hannah Jane, baptised Anna Jane on 10 June 1866. She married George Frank Peach, a blacksmith (born about 1866 in Hartington, son of Charles Peach) on 15 July 1889 at St John's, Buxton. Mrs Peach died in 1903 aged 36 and George *Francis* Peach married secondly Martha Ann Woodward in 1904.
361. v. **WILLIAM**, born 1868Q2.
 362. vi. **JOSEPH**, baptised 25 June 1871.
and born in Buxton,
 363. vii. **JAMES GOODWIN**, born 22 November 1873.
 viii. Ada, baptised 6 May 1877 at Buxton. She had a dressmaking business in Buxton.
 ix. Annie, born 7 January 1879 and registered Anne, baptised 5 March 1884 at Fairfield. She married

Isaac Percival on 6 August 1910. He was a goods porter, born in Hartington, Derbyshire on 16 May 1889. They emigrated to Canada, where he enlisted on 20 October 1915 Brantford, Ontario for the Canadian Overseas Expeditionary Force. His papers show that he had served for four years in the Derbyshire Imperial Yeomanry. Isaac Percival died in Brantford, Brant County, Ontario, Canada in 1969 aged 79, his wife in 1975 aged 95; they are buried in Farrington Cemetery there.

242. JOSIAH⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 14 January 1821 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell, was the eldest son of Michael [154] and Hannah (Alsop) Skidmore. He was working in 1841 on the farm of Charles Marsden in Hathersage, Derbyshire. He was a farmer at the time of his marriage to Sarah Sorro (born about 1817 in Bolton, Lancashire, daughter of weaver James Sorro) on 22 June 1845 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. However, by 1850 he had become a cotton and worsted power loom weaver and was living with his wife and children in Little Longstone.

They moved before the census of 1871 to Manchester, where their home at census time was 150 Tipping Street, Ardwick. Josiah Skidmore was a calico printer and his sons seem to have found work with the railway. He died on 21 December 1876 and was buried at Ardwick Cemetery, aged 56. The memorial there records that his wife Sarah had died after a long and painful illness on 21 June 1871 aged 54.

Children of Josiah and Sarah (Sorro) Skidmore,

- i. James, born 1846Q1 in Cressbrook. A cotton and worsted weaver and a mechanic after their move to Ardwick.
- 364. ii. **ISAAC**, born 1847Q4.
and born in Little Longstone,
- 365. iii. **MICHAEL HENRY**, born 1850Q2.
- 366. iv. **JOHN**, born 1852Q3.
- v. William, born 1855Q2, baptised 15 July at Tideswell. A railway clerk, he married Sarah Ann Green (daughter of Michael Green) at Stowell Memorial Church, Salford on 6 August 1879. I have not found them after 1881, when they were living in Salford with Sarah Ann's sister (?sister-in-law) Mary Sewitter Green.

243. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 29 December 1822 at Great Longstone, was a son of Michael [154] and Hannah (Alsop) Skidmore. A sizer in a cotton factory, he married firstly Mary Ollerenshaw (born about 1826 in Litton, Derbyshire, daughter of John Ollerenshaw) on 24 December 1849 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell and they were living at the home of his parents at the time of the 1851 census. Next door was the family of widow Ann Soro (born about 1782 in Bolton, Lancashire), her son James Soro and his wife Mary.

Mary Skidmore died 12 July 1871 aged 46 and was buried at St John the Baptist, Tideswell, where a stone to her memory and that of her daughters Elizabeth and Martha survives. The following year, John married secondly Sarah Whitmore (born about 1836, daughter of George Whitmore), on 7 October 1872 at Tideswell, by whom he had further children. John and his family remained in Cressbrook, where he died aged 74 and was buried at Tideswell on 5 March 1897. Sarah Skidmore died in 1916 aged 78.

Children of John and Mary (Ollerenshaw) Skidmore, born in Cressbrook,

- i. Elizabeth, born 1851Q2. She died on 12 November 1871 aged 20.
- ii. Hannah, born 1853Q1. She married Matthew Robinson, a stone mason from Wardlow (son of Joseph Robinson) on 23 August 1875 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell, and was living in 1881 in Wardlow, Derbyshire. They moved back to Cressbrook soon after.
Children, as known - George H., Joseph, Mary, John, Arthur S., Sarah E., Percy R., Margaret A., Matthew O.
- iii. Martha, born 1854Q4. She died aged 24 on 16 October 1879 at Wardlow and was buried at Tideswell.
- 367. iv. **ISAAC**, born 1856Q2.
- v. Mary, born 1858Q2. A cotton weaver, she lived until at least 1911 with the family of her sister Hannah.

Children of John and Sarah (Whitmore) Skidmore, born in Cressbrook,

- 368. vi. **JOHN HENRY**, born 1873Q3.

- vii. Sarah Helen, baptised 6 December 1874 at Tideswell. A calico weaver, Miss Skidmore died in 1955 aged 81.
- viii. Elizabeth, born 29 May (baptised 5 July) 1876. She died aged 16 and was buried at Tideswell on 9 November 1892.
- ix. Josiah, baptised 27 January 1878. He died in 1894 aged 16 and was buried at Tideswell on 15 December 1894.

244. MICHAEL⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 8 August 1827 at Tideswell, was a son of Michael [154] and Hannah (Alsop) Skidmore. He married firstly Lydia Thorpe of Monsal Dale (born about 1826 in Cressbrook, Derbyshire, daughter of Noah Thorpe, a spinner) on 26 March 1848 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. They were living by the time of the 1851 census in Droylsden, Manchester, where Michael Skidmore 'power loom overlooker' and manager of a worsted factory in Ardwick by 1861.

Lydia Skidmore died in 1862 aged 36. Michael Skidmore went to Adelaide, South Australia, where he married secondly Mary Ann Ward (daughter of Charles Ward) on 9 September 1871. He died in Adelaide in 1915 aged 87.

Children of Michael and Lydia (Thorpe) Skidmore, born in Droylesden,

- i. Isaac, born 1848Q3. He died in 1853 aged 4.
- ii. John, born 1851Q1. Nothing known after 1861.
- iii. Mary, born and died in 1853Q2.
- iv. Arthur, born 1856Q1. He died in 1857 aged 2.
- v. Fanny, born 1859Q2. Nothing known after 1861.
- vi. Thomas, born 1861Q4. He died that same quarter.

Children of Michael and Mary Ann (Ward) Skidmore, born in South Australia,

- vii. Jane. She married Herbert Curtis (son of John Curtis) at her father's home in Holyleton on 30 March 1892.
- viii. Annie, born 18 April 1872 at Mount Templeton.
- ix. Lydia, born 13 August 1874 at Clare. She died aged 22 at Skilly Creek near Leasingham, South Australia on 29 June 1897.
- x. Hannah, born 19 June 1877 at Clare. She married Alfred John Rees Hunt (son of Alfred John Hunt) at Prospect on 12 October 1910.
- xi. Elizabeth, born 27 November 1879 at Clare. She married Matthew Henry Whiting (son of Edward Whiting) on 15 June 1910 at Christ Church, Adelaide.
- xii. Charles, born 31 March 1884 at Emu Belt. He married Eva Florence Arthur (daughter of James Arthur) on 13 May 1913 at the residence of A.M. Ludbrook at Prospect. Eva Skidmore died on 28 February 1868 and her husband followed later that year on 2 October.

246. RALPH⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 23 March 1824 at Great Longstone, was the eldest surviving son of Henry [156] and Sarah (Hancock) Skidmore. He married firstly Mary Sullivan, a weaver (daughter of Michael Sullivan, a mason) on 7 September 1850 at Tideswell, Derbyshire. She died aged 36 and was buried at Great Longstone on 27 July 1859.

Ralph Skidmore was a railway excavator, living in 1861 with his son Henry in the home of Ralph's uncle James Skidmore in Great Longstone¹³². He married secondly Mrs Jemima Needham on 16 September 1861 at All Saints', Bakewell. She was born about 1834 in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, daughter of Charles Harrington, coachman of Cherry Tree Hill, Ecclesall, Sheffield, and his wife Ann; she was the widow of William Needham.

Ralph and Jemima Skidmore moved to Poplar in London and were living in 1871 at 13 Jane Street [Millwall] and, by 1881, at 37 West Ferry Road. Ralph Skidmore died in Poplar in 1882Q4 aged 58. His widow was living in 1891 with her daughter Florence Martha (Needham) Low and son-in-law Isaac Low in Bromley Street, Ratcliffe, London. By 1901 she was with the family of her daughter Elizabeth Ann. Jemima Skidmore died on 20 January

¹³² He is recorded twice in this census - also as a visitor at the home of grocer Joseph Beynton at 108 Caver Street, Ecclesall.

1910 in Poplar, aged 76, at 286 St Leonard's Rd, Bromley-by-Bow, leaving a will which named as her executor her daughter Ann Elizabeth (Mrs Henry William Capper).

The son of Ralph and Mary (Sullivan) Skidmore,

369. i. **HENRY**, born 1852Q3 in Bakewell, Derbyshire.

Children of Ralph and Jemima (Harrington) Skidmore, born in Poplar,

370. ii. **CHARLES RALPH**, born 1863Q4 in Poplar.

iii. Elizabeth Ann, born 1866Q1. *Ann Elizabeth* Skidmore married Henry William Capper, an engineer at a cooling station (born about 1865 in Poplar), in 1885Q2 and they lived at 67 Dock Cottages, Poplar.

Children, as known - Lilian M., Ellen A., Daisy, May.

iv. John Thomas, privately baptised at St Luke's, Millwall on 3 September 1868. He died soon after.

247. GEORGE⁹ SKIDMORE, born 30 September 1826 in Prestbury parish, Macclesfield, was a son of William [158] and Susannah (Smith) Skidmore. He attended the Baptist Sunday School in Macclesfield until at least the age of 15¹³³. At the time of the 1841 census, his parents by then having died, he was living with the family of John Oldfield, cotton spinner of Cow Lane, Sutton, and John's wife Maria (?Mary Duffield). George was an assistant to a tea dealer in Mill Lane, Sutton in 1851. By the time of the census of 1861 George was an overlooker in a silk factory and living at 74 Windmill Street, Sutton, Macclesfield. It seems odd that a tea dealer should become an overlooker, which one assumes would require expertise in silk manufacture, but in the absence of other evidence, it is here assumed that they are one and the same man.

He married firstly Hannah Mary Hambleton in a civil ceremony under the General Baptists, which took place in Macclesfield in 1853. On the marriage certificate his father's name is left blank, usually signifying illegitimacy but perhaps in this case indicating that his father was deceased (it is usual to say 'deceased', not leave the name blank). The parents of Hannah Hambleton were, I believe from the censuses, Thomas Hambleton, a baker, and his wife Mary.

Hannah Mary Skidmore died in Byer's Lane, Macclesfield in 1870Q4 aged 45. It appears that George Skidmore married secondly Emily Walthall at St Peter's, Prestbury on 6 November 1871. Thomas Walthall and Hannah Wilson were the witnesses. At her birth she was registered Emily Walthall Nixon in 1850Q1 in Macclesfield, daughter of Elizabeth Nixon who in late 1851 married widower George Walthall. They moved to Cheadle, Staffordshire and by the time of the 1881 census had moved again to 5 Terrace Street, Hyson Green, Nottinghamshire, though by 1891 they were back in Macclesfield, where they were both employed in the silk trade. He died in Uttoxeter in 1894Q3 aged 68, his widow in 1925Q4 aged 76.

Children of George and Hannah Mary (Hambleton) Skidmore,

371. i. **WILLIAM TOM HAMBLETON**, 1855Q1.

ii. Amos Hadfield, born 1859Q3. He began working in the silk mill with his father but by the time of the 1881 census was an assistant baker, lodging with his employer at 34 Market Street, Tamworth, Staffordshire. He married Annie Collins (born about 1862 in Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire) in London in 1887Q4 and by 1891, when he worked for a Water Company, they were living at 51 Bryanston Street in St Marylebone. Amos Skidmore died at the age of 34 in 1892Q4, his death being registered in the West Ham area of London.

Children of George and Emily (Walthall) Skidmore, born in Cheadle, Staffordshire,

iii. Rosalina Walthall, born 1872Q3. She married John William Baker, a silk finisher (born about 1863 in Sutton, Cheshire) in 1896Q2 in a ceremony registered in Macclesfield.

Children, as known - Horace, Harold, Reginald.

372. iv. **REGINALD BENNETT**, born 1878Q1.

¹³³ Of the ten Sunday Schools in Macclesfield in 1833, the General Baptists ran two; one, commenced in 1823 and with a Lending Library attached, was attended in 1833 by 185 males and 295 females; the other, commenced in 1832, was attended in 1833 by 56 males and 46 females. Schools of this type were supported by subscription, collections after charity sermons and voluntary contributions. From Education Enquiry by the House of Commons 24 May 1833, pub. 1835 OUP.

248. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, born 15 September 1831 in Macclesfield, was the eldest son of George [159] and Elizabeth (Townsend) Skidmore. The witnesses to his baptism were his uncle and aunt William and Susannah Skidmore. He was a silk powerloom weaver who died in 1874Q1 aged 42.

Further checking of registers is needed but he appears to have married Eliza Ann Hulme (born about 1841, daughter of Henry Hulme, a painter) on 9 December 1867 at Govan, Glasgow, Scotland. They appear to have had a daughter Adeline a year later in Macclesfield. I have so far not found them in the 1871 census. After William's death, Eliza Ann married secondly Henry Ryle, a weaver of Sutton (born about 1831, son of Thomas Ryle, a dyer), on 16 November 1876 at St Peter's, Prestbury.

A daughter of William and Eliza Ann (Hulme) Skidmore,

- i. Adeline, born 1868Q4 in Macclesfield. She was living at the time of the 1881 census with her grandparents Henry and Sarah Hulme at 2 Daintry Street, Macclesfield. She married James Williams, a grocer's assistant, in 1889Q4 and they were living two years later with her widowed mother Eliza Ann Ryle, a newsagent, in Exchange Street East, Macclesfield.

249. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, born 4 April 1836 in Macclesfield, was the eldest son of John [160] and Mary Ann (Mottershead) Skidmore. He was raised by his maternal grandparents in Pot Lane and later Copper Street, Macclesfield. A silk weaver, he married Ann Walker (born about 1838 in Macclesfield, daughter of coal dealer Charles Walker) at St Peter's, Prestbury on 26 November 1859. He died in Macclesfield in November 1869 aged 33 and his widow continued to live with their children in Copper Street. She married neighbour and bachelor William Mountfort, a farmer of Hollingworth, on 22 December 1873 at Christ Church, Tintwhistle, Cheshire and had two further daughters - Ann and Clara - by her second husband in Hollingworth, Cheshire. William Mountfort died in 1905 aged 85, Ann in 1913 aged 75.

Children of William and Ann (Walker) Skidmore, born in Macclesfield,

- i. Charles Walker, born 1861Q3. He died at a month old and was buried at Park Street New Connexion Methodist Chapel on 7 August 1861.
- ii. Mary Ellen, born 1865Q3. A cotton warp twister. She married Robert Kay, an overlooker in a cotton factory (born about 1851 in Stayley, Lancashire, perhaps the son of James Kay of Hurst, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire) on 1 March 1897 at St John's, Blackpool. They lived in Blackpool until at least 1911. No children known.
- iii. Hannah, born 1867Q3. A cotton weaver from the age of 13, she lived with her mother and stepfather in Hollingworth. By 1911 Hannah and her half-sister Ann Mountfort were running a bakery from their home at 11 Stockport Road, Marple, Cheshire.

250. HORATIO^{8?} SKIDMORE, son of Edward [161] and Ann (Capper) Skidmore, was born in Stockport, Cheshire and baptised at St Mary's there on 25 February 1814. He appears on the Macclesfield Sunday School roll of 5 August 1827. A silk spinner, he married firstly Sarah Leyland of Hurdsfield (born about 1821 in Macclesfield) on 3 January 1848 at St Peter's, Prestbury. Sarah signed herself in the marriage register as Sarah Sherborn or Shenton (difficult to read); this surname was crossed through and replaced with Leyland. Sarah Skidmore died at Roe Street on 20 March 1852, aged 31, and was buried at Christ Church, Macclesfield.

Horatio's second marriage was reported in the *Manchester Times*. He married Ellen Whiston (born about 1831 in Macclesfield, daughter of John Whiston of Beswick) on 3 October 1858 at Manchester Cathedral and had become a silk factory steward in Macclesfield by the time of the 1861 census. He died in 1869 aged 55. Ellen Skidmore, daughter of silk twister John *Weston*, married Samuel Hulme, a weaver and labourer of Maulesfield, on 9 April 1882 at St Peter's, Prestbury.

Children of Horatio and Ellen (Whiston) Skidmore,

- i. Ann Whiston, baptised 2 January 1859 in Macclesfield. She died aged 3 in Roe Street and was buried at St Paul's, Macclesfield on 21 April 1861.

251. HENRY^{8?} SKIDMORE, son of Edward [161] and Ann (Capper) Skidmore, was baptised 10 August 1817 at St Michael's, Macclesfield. Henry Skidmore of Stockport, Cheshire married Sarah Hall of Stockport on 25 September 1836 at St Mary's, Stockport. Horatio Skidmore and Mary Penton or Pewton were witnesses. Henry Skidmore was a weaver in Hurdsfield, Cheshire and at the time of the 1841 census was living in Fence Street there. Sarah

Skidmore died of consumption at Black Road on 3 February 1852, aged 33. Henry died at Beech Lane and was buried on 6 April 1855 at St Paul's, Macclesfield, aged 38.

Children of Henry and Sarah (Hall) Skidmore, births registered in Macclesfield,

- i. Jane Hall, baptised 15 October 1837 at Christ Church, Hurdsfield. She died in 1850 at Bank Top, aged 13 and was buried on 13 October at St Paul's, Macclesfield.
- ii. Henry John, baptised 21 June 1840. A silk piecer by the age of 11, he died at the age of 14 and was buried on 21 August 1853 at St Paul's, Macclesfield.
- iii. Sarah Ann, born 8 December 1842 in Hurdsfield. She was baptised with her brother Frederick on 4 October 1846 at St Michael's, Macclesfield. She appears to be the young lady aged 17 listed as attending Macclesfield Baptist Sunday School in 1860 though recorded in error as the daughter of George Skidmore of Windmill Street.
Sarah Ann became a silk factory worker and was lodging in 1861 at 36 Fence Street, Hurdsfield, with Mrs Judith Wright. She died aged 19 in Fence Street, apparently in childbirth, and was buried at St Paul's, Macclesfield on 1 June 1862.
She had a daughter,
 - i. Sarah Leah, baptised 1 June 1862 at St Paul's, the day her mother was buried. She married, on 18 March 1883 at St Peter's, Prestbury, using the name Sarah Annie Skidmore. Her husband Alfred Johnson was a coachman from Sutton and a son of William Johnson. At their wedding she gave the name of her father as William Skidmore, a weaver. The family was living by 1891 at 1 Russell Street, Cheetham but settled in Oldham, Lancashire. They had seven children of whom five were living by the time of the 1911 census - Fanny, Arthur, May, Sarah Ann and William. Mr Johnson died in Oldham, Lancashire in 1924. His wife and children went to live in New Zealand. Sarah Leah Johnson died on 18 August 1944 in New Plymouth, New Zealand¹³⁴.
- iv. Frederick Benjamin Thomas, born 1845Q4. After the death of their parents, he and his sister Martha went to live with their uncle John Hall, a baker, and his wife Elizabeth, who lived at 46 Fence Street, Hurdsfield.
- v. Martha Ann, born 1848Q2. She married David Potts, an iron moulder (born about 1847 in Macclesfield, son of David and Sarah Potts) on 21 January 1867 at St Mary's, Oldham, Lancashire. They lived in Chadderton, Lancashire.
Children, as known - Frederick, Elizabeth, Sarah, William H., Josiah.
- vi. Jane Hall, born 1851Q3. She died aged 7 months in Black Road (?Bank Road) and was buried at St Paul's on 28 January 1852.

254. HENRY⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 14 September 1814 at St Mary Magdalene, Woolwich, was a son of Richard Hardy [166] and Charlotte (Poynter) Skidmore. He was a carpenter who married Elizabeth Canning on 23 February 1840 at St James', Westminster. She appears to have been baptised at St Mary Abbots Church, Kensington on 20 August 1815, daughter of John Canning, a shoemaker of James Street, Kensington, and his wife Jane. In 1855 Henry and his son Richard made a visit to Australia. The family lived in Kensington, and later Isleworth where Mrs Skidmore died in 1888 aged 73, her husband in 1890 aged 76.

Children of Henry and Elizabeth (Canning) Skidmore, born in Kensington,

375. i. **RICHARD**, born 1841Q4.
- ii. Elizabeth, born 1843Q3. She married Thomas Charles Bannister (born 1843Q4 in St Luke's, London, perhaps son of Thomas Bannister, a boot maker, and his wife Ann) on 25 December 1867 in Isleworth (church unknown). Mr Bannister, a wine merchant's manager, lived with his family at 217 High Street, Hounslow. He died in 1909 aged 66, his wife perhaps in 1921 aged 78.
Children, as known, Elizabeth Ada, Margaret Edith and Thomas Charles H.
- iii. Margaret, born at 8 Princes Road and baptised on 18 March 1849 at St James Norlands, Kensington. She was a parlour maid to a household in the village of Lampton, Middlesex and later in Teddington, Middlesex.
376. iv. **HENRY**, born 1854Q3.

¹³⁴ New Zealand, Cemetery Records, 1800-2007.

255. CHARLES EDMUND⁹ SKIDMORE, baptised 23 December 1838 at Holy Trinity, Brompton Road, was a son of William [170] and Mary Ann (Cormack) Skidmore. A gas engineer (fitter) in London, he married Harriet Hall Basham (born about 1834 in Saffron Walden, Essex) in 1858Q4. Mrs Skidmore died aged 63 in Portsea, Hampshire in 1897Q4. Charles Skidmore died aged 63 and was buried at Brompton Cemetery on 2 April 1901.

Children of Charles Edmund and Harriet Hall (Basham) Skidmore, born in Chelsea,

- i. Elizabeth Mary Ann, born 1860Q1. At the time of the 1881 census she was a laundress, lodging with charwoman Ann Binfield at 12 Warwick Street, Lambeth. She was living with her father in 1891. She died unmarried on 20 October 1893 at 29 Albert Rd, Southsea, Hampshire (formerly of Festingdale House, Station Road, Shanklin, Isle of Wight), leaving a will which named as her executor her brother-in-law Thomas Gilham, grocer.
- ii. William, born 1862Q1, buried at Brompton Cemetery 20 February 1868 aged 6.
- 377. iii. **CHARLES**, born 1864Q1.
- iv. Ellen, born 1866Q3. At the time of the 1881 census she was servant in the household of carpenter Edward Cooper at 94 Dorset Road, Lambeth. She married Thomas Gilham or Gillham in 1891Q3 at St Paul's, Gatten, Isle of Wight. They kept a grocer's shop in Albert Road, Portsmouth.
- v. John Basham, born 1867Q4, buried at Brompton Cemetery 2 November 1868 aged 1.
- vi. Harriet Geraldine, born 1869Q4. A domestic servant to the Mitchell family of 17a Onslow Gardens, Kensington in 1891. She married George Spinner, a watch and clock repairer, on the Isle of Wight in 1891Q3. A daughter Dorothy May.

256. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, born in 1840Q4 in Brompton, London and baptised 24 January 1841 at Holy Trinity, Brompton Road, was a son of William [170] and Mary Ann (Cormack) Skidmore. A gas fitter, he married Amelia Frankling (born about 1837 in Melksham, Wiltshire) in 1860Q4 and they were living in 1871 at 9 Slaidburn Street, Chelsea. By the time of the 1881 census they had moved to 42 Seaton Road, Chelsea. He is perhaps the 51 year old John Skidmore whose death was registered in Kensington in 1892Q1.

The children of John and Amelia (Frankling) Skidmore, born in Chelsea,

- i. Louisa Amelia, born 1861Q4. She was a servant for a number of years in Kensington and later Wimbledon. Miss Skidmore died in 1925 aged 64.
- ii. Kate Elizabeth, born 1865Q2. In 1887Q3 she married Edwin James Bailey, a jeweller and watchmaker with a business at 4 The Exchange, Upper Tulse Hill (also their home). Children, as known - Frederick J., Charles Milton, Albert Edwin.
- 378. iii. **JOHN WILLIAM**, born 1868Q1.
- 379. iv. **WILLIAM**, born 1871Q4.
- v. Clara Alice, born 1880Q1 in Chelsea. A housemaid in Lambeth at the time of the 1901 census and in Balham in 1911. Miss Skidmore died in 1979 aged 98.

257. WILLIAM JONATHAN⁹ SKIDMORE, born 26 February 1817 and baptised 20 April, was a son of William [172] and Sarah (Beet) Skidmore. He was a Wesleyan Minister and was serving in 1841 in Wolverhampton, Staffordshire. He married Sarah Robinson (born about 1818 in Haslingden, Lancashire) in 1844Q3 in a ceremony registered at Hyndburn, Lancashire and his work took him to Keighley, Yorkshire, then to Spittlegate, Grimsby and Grantham, Lincolnshire, and to Chorley, Lancashire.

He died in 1858Q2 in Oldham, Lancashire, leaving a will (proved at Manchester) which named as his executors his brother John Skidmore of Lambeth, London, dissenting Minister, and Thomas Tattershall Robinson of Rochdale, Lancashire, salesman. His widow and daughters were living at the time of the 1861 census at 125 Drake Street, Castleton and by 1871 at 7 Chapel Lane, Cheetham, Lancashire. Sarah Skidmore on 7 June 1885 at 35 Maple Street, Cheetham, aged 67, naming her daughter Sarah Martin as her executor.

Children of William Jonathan and Sarah (Robinson) Skidmore,

- 380. i. **JONATHAN BEET**, born 1845Q2.
- ii. Eliza Jane, born 1847Q2 in Keighley. She married Frederick Robson on 15 October 1875 at Rydal Mount Wesleyan church, Cheetham, Lancashire. He was a commercial traveller of 15 Herbert Street (born about 1851 in Askern, Yorkshire), son of Robert Robson, described as a gentleman and then deceased. They moved to Blackpool where Mr Robson was a grocer in Church Street. He died in 1907Q1 aged 56 and his wife retired to St James Road in Blackpool. She died in 1923 aged 76. Children, as known, Robert Ernest, Gertrude, William Beet and Marion.

- iii. Sarah, born 1849Q3 in Grimsby. She married John Rodgers Martin, a commercial traveller of 66 Waterloo Road, Cheetham (born about 1848 in Leeds, son of James Martin, a wholesale stationer) on 26 March 1874 at Rydal Mount Wesleyan, Cheetham. Children, as known, Henry, John Harold, Ruth, James, Jessie and Dora.
Sarah Martin died some time after the birth of their child Dora in 1885Q1 and Mr Martin married secondly Mary Hannah Lord in Islington, London in 1891Q1 and was living, a wholesale stationer at 9 Petworth Street, Cheetham at census time that year.
- iv. Margaret Maria, born 1851Q4 in Grantham, Lincolnshire. Not found in British censuses after 1881. She married George Storry (son of John Storry) on 4 June 1887 in Adelaide, Western Australia.
- v. Mary Ellen, born 1855Q2 in Chorley, Lancashire. She was living in 1881 with the family of her sister Eliza Jane Robson in Cheetham, Lancashire. She died around the same time as her mother in 1885Q2 aged 30.

258. JOHN⁹ SKIDMORE, born 8 February 1824 and baptised 30 April, was a son of William [172] and Sarah (Beet) Skidmore. He began his working life as a factor's clerk in Sheffield but also trained as a Wesleyan Methodist Minister. He married firstly Elizabeth Dibble (born about 1825 in Beaminster, Dorset) on 23 July 1852 at Michelmersh, Hampshire. He was a dissenting minister in Lambeth in 1858 when he accepted probate of his brother William Jonathan's will. He was living by the time of the 1861 census with his family at 46 Hampden Street, Bolton, Lancashire, when he was described as a general commission agent. Mrs Skidmore died on 28 June 1861, leaving a will (not seen). Her death was reported in *The Preston Guardian* of 10 July (giving a date of 3 July).

John Skidmore married secondly in 1865Q2 in a ceremony registered at Ormskirk, Lancashire, Frances Ann Cannon (born about 1827 in Bolton). He died in 1877Q4 in Bolton and his wife and daughter Frances moved to Rumworth, where Mrs Skidmore died in Deane Terrace in 1881Q4 aged 54.

Children of John and Elizabeth (Dibble) Skidmore,

- i. Frances Elizabeth, born September 1853. She died at 14 days old in Frenchwood Street, Preston and was buried at St John's on 3 October 1853.
- 381. ii. **JOHN WILLIAM**, born February 1857.
- iii. Hannah Maria, born 28 October 1858 in Bolton. She died at the age of 10 in 1869Q3.
- iv. Elizabeth Willis, born 1860Q2 in Bolton. She lived for a time with her cousin John S. Fordham in Midgley, Yorkshire. She did not marry and died at Hampstead, Middlesex on 7 June 1897 (buried at Derbyshire Lane Cemetery, Sheffield), though her home was at 118 Shirebrook Road, Heeley, Staffordshire. Her will named as executor William Henry Fordham, M.D.

A child of John and Frances Ann (Cannon) Skidmore,

- v. Frances Alexandra Margaret, born 1866Q2 in Sharples, Lancashire. She married Charles Edward Juleff (born about 1855 in Ladock, Cornwall, son of William Juleff) on 1 May 1889 at Mapleton Parish Church, Derbyshire¹³⁵ and they were living by 1891 at Hillyers, Bodmin, Cornwall, where Mr Juleff was organist at Bodmin Parish Church. He was a Professor of Music and by 1901 their home was in Wilton, Somerset. Mr Juleff died in 1928 aged 73, his wife in 1949 aged 83.

259. FREDERICK WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, born 10 July 1803, was a son of William [177] and Hannah (Jepson) Skidmore. He was apparently baptised twice, firstly as Frederick on 12 July 1803 at St John Ousebridge, York, Yorkshire and then as Frederick William on 30 March 1806 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. A file cutter of Sheffield, he married three times, firstly to Lydia Bingham on 25 August 1825 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. They were living in 1841 at Hill Foot, Nether Hallam, where Lydia Skidmore died in 1847 and was buried at St Philip's on 4 October.

Frederick married secondly Sarah Parkin in 1849Q3. Sarah Skidmore died in 1856 aged 38 and was buried at St Philip's on 24 April. He married thirdly Mary Johnson (born about 1813 in Hill Foot) in 1857Q3 and they were living in 1861 at the back of 205 Watery Lane, Sheffield. Other household members were Frederick's daughter Clara (by his second wife) and the children of his daughter Maria. Frederick Skidmore died in 1868 aged 65 and Mary Skidmore became for a time the housekeeper to a family in Ecclesall before living with Frederick's daughter Hannah Marshall. She died aged 73 and was buried at St Philip's, Sheffield on 9 March 1886.

¹³⁵ Trewman's Exeter Flying Post or Plymouth and Cornish Advertiser 4 May 1889.

Children of Frederick and Lydia (Bingham) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Sarah Ann, born 1 May 1826 (baptised 23 July). She married Henry Hancock of Smithfield (son of Joseph Hancock, a filesmith) on 7 June 1846 at SS Peter & Paul. Sarah Ann Skidmore died in 1909 aged 82.
Children, as known - Louisa, Amelia, Arthur, Harry George, Florence.
Sarah Skidmore had a son in 1845.
 - i. William Henry *Skidmore*, born 5 October 1845 at Court 1, Blue Boy Street, Sheffield. William Henry Skidmore *Hancock* died in 1846Q3.
- ii. Hannah, born 2 November 1827, baptised 10 February 1828. She married firstly Joseph Watts in 1849Q3 and secondly Benjamin Marshall, a fendersmith, in 1857Q2 and was living in 1861 in Addey Street, Nether Hallam with their 10-month-old daughter Emily.
- 382. iii. **FREDERICK**, born 27 February 1831.
- 383. iv. **HEZEKIAH**, born 26 December 1832.
- v. Mary, born 15 April 1835 (baptised 7 June). She died the following year and was buried at St Philip's on 25 September 1836.
- vi. Maria, born 9 March 1837 (baptised 30 April). She married George Bolsover, a file cutter (born about 1840 in Ecclesall) in 1859Q4 and they were living in 1871 in Mosborough (Sheffield). Maria Bolsover died in 1877 aged 39 in Derbyshire and in 1881 George was living in the village of Woodseats with his wife Sarah Ann (Riley, married 1878).
Maria had two children before her marriage; Harry Shaw Skidmore, and Mary Bolsover Skidmore (who died in early childhood).
- 527. i. **HARRY SHAW**¹¹ Skidmore, born 24 December 1857 in Hill Foot. Unfortunately, his father is not named on his birth certificate. Along with Mary B. Skidmore, he was living in 1861 with their grandfather Frederick William Skidmore. At the time of the 1871 census he was included in his mother's household as Harry S. S. Bolsover, a 13-year old coal miner.
Harry Shaw Skidmore married Sarah Plant (born February 1858 in Wombwell, Yorkshire) in 1878Q2 and lived in Eckington, Derbyshire and, by 1891, Stanley, Yorkshire. Their home at the time of the 1901 census was in Goosehill Road, Normanton.
They emigrated in 1906 to Canada with all of their children but Harry, and lived at 645 15th Street, Lethbridge, Alberta, where Harry senior died on 18 July 1919 (buried Mountain View Cemetery).

Children of Harry Shaw and Sarah (Plant) Skidmore,

- i. Mary Ethel, born 1881Q2 in Eckington. She married firstly Harry Staton, a miner (son of William Staton, a sickle-smith) on 17 November 1900 at All Saints', Normanton, Yorkshire. There were perhaps four children to this marriage - Mary Ethel Staton (1901-02), Harry Staton (1903-05), Horace Staton (1905-07), Arthur Skidmore Staton (1907-). She married secondly Thomas Adams who became a fire boss in a Lethbridge coal mine. Surviving children, as known - Arthur Skidmore Staton (adopted by Thomas Adams), Lily, May.
- ii. **HARRY SHAW**¹², born 1885Q3 in Masbrough. A coal miner in Normanton, he married, on 10 April 1905 at All Saints', Normanton, Elizabeth Spawforth (born about 1886, daughter of John Spawforth, a horse-keeper). They did not emigrate with his parents and younger brothers.

Children of Harry Shaw and Elizabeth (Spawforth) Skidmore,

- i. Lawrence, born 1910Q2.
- ii. Mabel, born 1914Q1.
- iii. A son born after the Great War.
- iii. Arthur, born 31 May 1887 in Eckington. He was a miner, living in 1911 in New Aberdeen, Cape Breton, Nova Scotia at the time he enlisted for the Canadian Expeditionary Force on 15 March 1916. He married Ethel Annie ____ (born August 1891 In England).
- iv. Fred, born 1888Q4 in Eckington. He died in 1892 aged 3.

- v. William, born 26 September 1891 in Stanley. A coal miner like his father, living in Lethbridge, Alberta. He enlisted for the Canadian Expeditionary Force on 12 October 1915.
 - vi. Ernest, born 15 October 1893 in Bellevue, Wakefield. A glazier in a sash factory in Lethbridge. He enlisted for the Canadian Expeditionary Force on 3 May 1915.
 - vii. Herbert, born August 1899 in Sharlstone. A clerk in Lethbridge in 1916.
- vii. John Henry, born 1839Q3. He died in 1841Q1 aged 1.
384. viii. **WILLIAM**, born 1841Q3.

A daughter of Frederick and Sarah (Parkin) Skidmore,

- ix. Clara, born 1851Q2 at Hill Foot. She married Samuel Furniss, a file cutter, early in 1871 and by 1881 they were living at 96 Providence Road, Nether Hallam. She died in 1887 aged 36 and her husband and children lived for a number of years at 134 Fern Road, Nether Hallam. Mr Furniss died in 1906 aged 57.
Children, as known - Clara, Myra, Samuel, Frederick W., Emma.

260. HENRY⁹ SKIDMORE, born 6 February 1813 and baptised 7 March at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield, was the second son of William [177] and Hannah (Jepson) Skidmore. A saw maker of Sheffield, he married firstly Margaret Hirst (born about 1813 in Hull, Yorkshire) and they were living in 1841 and again in 1851 at 12 Headford Street, Ecclesall. Margaret Skidmore died aged 48 and was buried on 27 September 1860 at the General Cemetery in Sheffield.

By the time of the census in 1861 Henry and his two sons, both apprentice saw makers, were living at 150 Fitzwilliam Street, Ecclesall, Sheffield. Their housekeeper at the time this census was taken, Mary Morton (born about 1833 in Sheffield), is probably the lady he married later that year; she died in 1868 aged 35. Henry Skidmore died in 1870 aged 57 and was buried on 10 May; his two children by his second marriage were living in 1871 with their half-brother John Skidmore.

Children of Henry and Margaret (Hirst) Skidmore, baptised at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield,

- i. Mary Ann, born 29 September (baptised 20 November) 1839. She died at 14 months and was buried at Sheffield on 22 November 1840.
385. ii. **JOHN**, born 1841Q4.
386. iii. **WILLIAM HENRY**, born 1845Q1.

Children of Henry and Mary (Morton) Skidmore,

- iv. Margaret, born 1862Q2. She was a servant in a number of different houses in the Sheffield area. Miss Skidmore lived to be 93 and died in Sheffield in 1956.
- v. Charles Frederick, born 1864Q2. He died in 1876 aged 12.

261. WILLIAM⁹ SKIDMORE, whose baptism has yet to be found, was a table blade forger of Sheffield. Censuses show that he was born about 1823 in Sheffield and the record of his second marriage shows that his father was a William Skidmore. Of the two men called William Skidmore in Sheffield at that time - William [172] and William [177] - he is more likely a son of the latter.

He was living in Sylvester Street, Sheffield at the time of the 1841 census, apparently a boarder in the home of the family of Mark Mycock, a blade forger. I have been unable to find his first marriage to Eliza _____ (born about 1828 in Sheffield). They were living at the time of the 1851 census at 71 Earl Street, Sheffield.

He had children by his future second wife, Mary (daughter of John Hoult and widow of _____ Bingley), and they were living at the time of the 1861 census at 43 Morpeth Street, north Sheffield with two children from Mrs Skidmore's first marriage - Ambrose Bingley 9 and Elizabeth Bingley 4. William and Mary Skidmore were married on 4 August 1866 at St Luke's, Hollis Croft, Sheffield. By 1871 they had moved to 77 Can Row, Nether Hallam. William died the following year aged 49. His widow married thirdly George Bramhall on 9 August 1875 at St Luke's, Sheffield.

Children of William and Mary (Hoult) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Martha, registered as Martha Skidmore Bingley in 1859Q4. She married George Broadhead, a file

- cutter (born about 1854 in Sheffield, son of Robert Broadhead) in 1878Q4. She died in 1886Q1 aged 27 and George appears to have married her sister Agnes the following year¹³⁶. Children - Annie, Nellie.
- ii. Margaret Ann, born 11 May 1861 and baptised at St Mary's Roman Catholic church, Sheffield. She married Philip Greenwood, a maltster, in 1879Q3 and was living in 1881 with her husband, their daughter Harriet and her brother William at 10 Andrew's Lane, Ecclesall.
 - iii. William, born about 1864. A file cutter, he was living at the home of his sister Ann in 1881. A steel warehouseman, he married Mary Ann Bacon (born about 1861 in Sheffield) in 1883Q4 and was living with his wife at 85 Daniel Hill Street, Nether Hallam in 1891. They raised their niece Alice Broadhead (born about 1886 in Sheffield) but had no children of their own.
 - iv. Agnes, born 27 September 1866, baptised 7 November at St Mary's Roman Catholic church, Barker Pool, Sheffield. In 1881 she was domestic servant to Mrs Hannah Rhodes in Holland Road, Ecclesall. She married George Broadhead, widower of her sister Martha, on 31 July 1887 at St Philip's, Shalesmoor, Sheffield, and lived at 25 Burns Road, Nether Hallam. Children - Laura, Jessie, George, Herbert, Winifred.

262. EDWARD WILLIAM²⁹ SKIDMORE, born 1 December 1814 and baptised 26 March 1815 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield was a son of John [178] and Mary (Smith) Skidmore. He appears to be the Edward Skidmore, saw handle maker, who married Mary Sayles (born about 1817 in Sheffield) on 4 February 1837 at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield. They were living in 1851 in Pond Street. Mary Skidmore died aged 44 and was buried at St Philip's, Sheffield on 22 November 1860.

The *London Gazette* of 12 April 1859 carried a notice of the insolvency of 'Edward Skidmore, of Brown-street, in Sheffield, in the county of York, Journeyman Saw Handle Maker and Dealing in Coals, and previously for two years and upwards of Matilda-street, in Sheffield aforesaid, Greengrocer and Journeyman Saw Handle Maker'. By 1861 Edward and his children were in Montgomery Street, Sheffield. By 1871, when his daughter Charlotte and sons George and Charles remained at home, the family lived in No.6 Court 5, Brown Street and Edward was then a fettler. He died at the age of 60 and was buried at St Mary's, Sheffield on 22 January 1874.

Children of Edward William and Mary (Sayles) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Elizabeth, born 1842Q3. She probably married George White, a steel melter, in 1866Q2. They were living in 1871 at a shop premises, run by Elizabeth, at 281 Rotherham Road, Attercliffe, Sheffield. They emigrated around 1879 to the US and were living in 1880 at 12 Magnolia Street, Geddes, Onondaga County, New York State. By 1900 their home was 3704 Rawle Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Children - Louisa, George Edward, Blanch, Farewell, Maud, Elizabeth L.



*George and Elizabeth White, with two daughters.
This photograph was posted online at Ancestry.com.*

¹³⁶ Before 1835 a marriage of this kind was not absolutely void but it was voidable at the suit of any interested party. The Marriage Act 1835, however, hardened the law into an absolute prohibition (whilst, however, authorising any such marriages which had already taken place), so that such marriages could no longer take place in the United Kingdom and colonies at all. In practice such marriages continued to be celebrated illegally and were frequently tolerated by society, both for the care of his children and the support of a spinster sister. It was to be nearly 50 years before the campaign for a change in the law was successful, despite the introduction of draft legislation in Parliament on many occasions. The Deceased Wife's Sister's Marriage Act 1907 removed the prohibition.

- ii. Edward, born 1845Q1. He died the following year and was buried at SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield on 4 October 1846.
- iii. Mary Ann, born 1847Q2. She died in infancy at Ecclesall and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 3 October 1847.
- 387. iv. **FAREWELL**, born 6 October 1848.
- v. Sarah Ann, born 1850Q4. She died in infancy and was buried at SS Peter & Paul on 23 March 1851.
- vi. Hannah Maria, born 9 May 1852. She was working in 1871 at the Gossack Hotel, Howard Street, Sheffield. She went to Philadelphia and married ____ Conens?/ Collins? and died his widow on 5 June 1923 aged 71; she was buried at Magnolia Cemetery.
- vii. Emma Charlotte, born 1854Q4. She married George Revill, a table blade forger in 1875Q2 and they were living by 1881 at 213 Eyre Street, Sheffield. They emigrated in 1884 to the US, to live in Philadelphia, where Mr Revill was a steel forger. She was widowed between 1900 and 1910, when she was running a tobacco shop on River Front.
They had nine children, of whom six survived - According to a pedigree at Ancestry.com, these were (born in England) Joseph (died before 1900?), Blanche, George E., (born in Philadelphia) Martha A., Samuel Simpson, Hilda B., Albert Bolin (?Alvin).
- 388. viii. **GEORGE EDWARD**, born October 1856.
- ix. Clara, born 1859Q2. (Apparently enumerated in error as a son Charles in 1871 census). She married, as Clara Ann Skidmore, William Tyzack, a steel melter (born about 1857 in Sheffield) in 1879Q2. They emigrated in 1885 to the US and in 1900 Clara Tyzack was living with her children at 6431 Julip Street, Philadelphia. Children, as known - (born in England) George Edward, Annie Elizabeth, (and born in Pennsylvania) Ada, Farewell, Maude W.

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285. JOSEPH¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1842Q2 in Nottingham, was the eldest son of Joshua [191] and Sarah (Roe) Skidmore. He married Matilda Hind (born 1845Q4 in Nottingham) in 1864Q3 in Nottingham but had moved by 1870 to Sheffield, Yorkshire. He found employment there as a coach painter but moved in the early 1870s to Rotherham, Yorkshire. The family were to return to Sheffield in the late 1870s only to move back to Rotherham by the time of the 1891 census, where they were living at 6 Badsley Street. They made yet another move back to Ecclesall, Sheffield before 1901, where they remained. Mr Skidmore died in 1922Q1 aged 79.

Children of Joseph and Matilda (Hind) Skidmore,

- i. Joseph, born 1870Q1 in Sheffield. He died in Rotherham in 1874Q2.
- ii. Henry, born 1872Q2, privately baptised at the age of 11 months at St John's, Park, Sheffield on 1 May 1873, of 38 St John's Road. He died shortly after.
- 405. iii. **WILLIAM¹¹**, born 1874Q1 in Rotherham. He was a coach smith and tool smith in Rotherham and Sheffield, moving back and forward between the two towns with his family. He married Clarissa Cousins, a typist, in Sheffield in 1902Q2. She was born in Sheffield in 1876Q2, daughter of John Albert Cousins, a sewing machine maker, and his wife Sarah Ann (Staniforth). Clarissa Skidmore died in December 1938 and is buried in Burngreave Cemetery, Sheffield.

Children of William and Clarissa (Cousins) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Clarissa, born 1903Q2.
- ii. William Garfield, born 1904Q3.
- iii. Arthur Leslie, born 1907Q3. A tailor's assistant, he died aged 18 in 1926 at Sheffield Royal Infirmary and was buried in Burngreave Cemetery.
- iv. [perhaps] A further daughter.
- iv. Ada, born 1876Q4 in Rotherham. She was working at the age of 14 in a shirt factory in Rotherham but later became a book binder.
- v. Sarah, born 1879Q3 in Sheffield. She married Walter Thompson, a carter (born about 1876 in Sheffield) in 1901Q4 in Ecclesall and they had children, as known, Walter, Elsie and Douglas.

286. JOHN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1845Q1, was the second son of Joshua [191] and Sarah (Roe) Skidmore. A general labourer, he married Eliza Briggs (born about 1851 in Nottingham) in Nottingham in 1872Q2. They were living in 1881 in Warren Court, Nottingham, near to the family of his uncle Joshua Skidmore. John Skidmore died in November 1890 aged 45, his wife in 1897 aged 47; both are buried at St Catherine's, Nottingham.

Children of John and Eliza (Briggs) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,

- 406. i. **HENRY¹¹ SKIDMORE BRIGGS**, registered thus in 1872Q1 in Nottingham, is the presumed son of John Skidmore and Eliza Briggs (who were married shortly after Henry's birth), though he and his children were called by the surname Briggs. Henry *Briggs* married Rosehine Ingers in 1894Q3 and was a carter with a business in Milk Square, Nottingham.

Children of Henry and Rosehine (Ingers) Briggs,

2 children who did not survive, names unknown.

- i. Charles, born about 1894, perhaps Charles Henry *Ingers*, born 1893Q3.
- ii. Benjamin, born 1898Q3.
- iii. Henry, born 1902.
- iv. John, born 1904Q1.
- v. Thomas, born 1906Q2.
- vi. Mark, born 1910Q3.
- vii. A further daughter.
- ii. Betsy, born 1873Q3. A lace dresser, she and her sister Eliza were boarders at the time of the 1901 census in the home of brewer Samuel Wilson (born about 1873 in Nottingham), together with daughter Lily Skidmore (born mid-1900). Betsy Skidmore married Samuel Wilson in Nottingham in 1902Q3. She is not found in the census of 1911 and is perhaps the Betsy Wilson whose death was registered at Nottingham in 1903Q1, aged 29.

407. iii. **JOSEPH¹¹**, born 1875Q3. A railway plate layer and later a marble polisher, he married Emma Beardall (born about 1878 in Nottingham, daughter of William Beardall, marble polisher, and his wife Rose (?Topham)) in 1898Q4 in Nottingham. They were living by 1911 at 19 Woburn Street, Sneinton, Nottingham.
- Children of Joseph and Emma (Beardall) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,**
- i. John William, born 9 May 1900 at 13 Kid Street, Nottingham. He died at 3 months and was buried at St Catherine's, Nottingham on 15 August 1900.
 - ii. Henry, born 1901Q3.
 - iii. William, born 1904Q1.
- iv. Eliza, born 1876Q4. She appears to be the Eliza Skidmore who had two sons,
- i. John William, born 25 April 1902 in Milk Square, son of Eliza Skidmore, a lace hand.
 - ii. Thomas, born 19 May 1910 at 20 Tyler Street, Nottingham, son of Eliza Skidmore, a lace hand.
- v. Annie, born 1879Q1. Annie Skidmore had a daughter Annie Reed Skidmore in 1901 and married the father of her child, George Reed, a greengrocer of Lenton Yard, Nottingham, in 1904Q2. Children, as known - Annie, Ada, John and Constance, Lily, and perhaps three others born after 1912 in Nottingham.
- vi. Sarah, born late in 1880. A lace hand, she married William Dickinson in 1905 and died in Nottingham the following year. If correctly identified, Mr Dickinson was living in the home of his mother in Milk Square, Nottingham, at the time of the 1911 census, with his daughter Betsy Dickinson aged 7.
408. vii. **JOSHUA¹¹**, born 1882Q4. He was a waiter before his marriage in 1911Q4 to Matilda Rigley. Mr Skidmore died in 1913 in Nottingham, aged 30.
- i. Joshua, born 1912Q1.
409. viii. **GEORGE¹¹**, born 1884Q4 (but note another George Skidmore registered at Nottingham in 1884Q2). After the death of his mother he lived at least for a time in the home of his brother Henry in Milk Square. A lace dresser, he married Sarah Barnsdall in 1908Q1 in Nottingham. They were living by 1911 at 6 Apple Row and Mr Skidmore was then employed as a porter for the railway.
- Children of George and Sarah (Barnsdall) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,**
- i. George, born 1909Q1.
 - ii. John, born March 1911.
 - iii. Gertrude A., born 1914Q3.

287. HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1854Q4, the third son of Joshua [191] and Sarah (Roe) Skidmore. A lace maker in 1871, he later became a smith and, by 1891, a cycle fitter. He married Mary Wheat (born about 1861 in Nottingham) in 1882Q1 and was living at the time of the census of 1891 at 12 William Terrace, Nottingham. The family moved between 1901 and 1911 to 19 St Anns Street, Nottingham, where Mr Skidmore was a shopkeeper.

Children of Henry and Mary (Wheat) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,

- i. Sarah, born 1882Q1.
- ii. George Henry, born 2 July 1898. He served in France as a lorry driver with the Army Service Corps and was discharged when he contracted tuberculosis¹³⁷. He died in Nottingham in 1975.
- iii. Another child who did not survive.

288. EDWARD¹⁰ SKIDMORE, son of Henry Beet [192] and Sarah Ann (Elliott) Skidmore born 1 August 1867 at Mill Creek, Salt Lake County, Utah. A farmer in Sugar City, Madison County, Idaho, he married Maud May Hackett (born 22 June 1880, died 20 November 1943 at Idaho Falls, Bonneville County, Idaho). Mr Skidmore died 25 January 1935 in Sugar City.

Children of Edward and Maud Mary (Hackett) Skidmore, born in Utah,

- i. Florence Evelyn, born 28 January 1907. Died 4 May 1988 at Bountiful, Davis County, Utah.
- ii. Louise, born 2 October 1908. Died at Idaho Falls, Bonneville, Idaho in 1961.
- iii. Lavon Hackett, born 8 August 1911. She died in 2009.
- iv. Richard H., born 13 May 1916. He married in 1945 Opal May Walstrand (1922-83), her second

¹³⁷ Army Pension Records.

husband. She was a daughter of Albin G. and Evelyn Mathias Walstrand. Richard Skidmore died 1 February 1973 in Pocatello, Bannock County, Idaho and is buried with his wife in Mountain View Cemetery.

289. SAMUEL RANDOLPH¹⁰ SKIDMORE, eldest son of Samuel Roberts [194] and Margaret Isabel (Shewan) Skidmore, was born 15 November 1866. He married Ella Keren Goddard on 29 September 1892. She was born in Salt Lake City in 1870 (died 12 October 1946), a daughter of James C. Goddard from England and his wife Keren Crompton. A postman, Samuel Skidmore died on 19 October 1956 at Salt Lake City.

Children of Samuel Randolph and Ella Keren (Goddard) Skidmore,

- i. Keren Margaret, born 24 September 1893. She married in 1922.
- 411. ii. **LESLIE RANDOLPH¹¹**, born June 1895. He married and had issue, a son. He died on 11 September 1958.

290. ARTHUR JOHN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 17 June 1879, was the fourth son of Samuel Roberts [194] and Margaret Isabel (Shewan) Skidmore. He married Alice Leone Wiscomb (born 20 December 1883, died 30 April 1968, daughter of John E. Wiscomb and Sarah E Openshaw) on 10 October 1906. He died 24 October 1962.

Children of Arthur John and Alice Leone (Wiscomb) Skidmore,

- i. Virginia, born 31 October 1907. She married and had at least two children. She died on 18 June 1990.
- ii. Helen, born 1914.
- 412. iii. **ARTHUR JOHN¹¹**, born 1918, died 2013.

291. WILLIAM ALONZO¹⁰ SKIDMORE, eldest son of William Lobark [195] and Sarah Armina (Knapp) Skidmore, was born 29 March 1869. He married Ellen Marinda Monson (born 14 December 1871, died 19 January 1943) on 13 December 1893. They were living in 1920 at Preston, Franklin County, Idaho. He died on 21 January 1959.

Children of William Alonzo and Ellen Marinda (Monson) Skidmore,

- 413. i. **WILLIAM LORENZO¹¹**, born 4 September 1894. He married La Verne Zollinger on 8 September 1915 at Salt Lake.
- ii. Elna Armina, born 10 December 1896.
- iii. Verna Marinda, born 31 July 1899.
- iv. Leah Rae, born 2 April 1902.
- v. Bertha, born 18 May 1904.
- vi. Aldyth M., born 29 May 1909.
- vii. Marvel M, born 22 June 1912.

292. JUSTIN ALBERT¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 6 May 1873 (a twin), was the second surviving son of William Lobark Skidmore [195]. A farmer in Tooele, Vernon County, Utah, he married firstly Agnes Emoret Stoddard on 21 April 1897, with whom he had eight children. She died on 19 April 1918 aged 39.

He married secondly Mrs Rachel Ann Allen on 5 October 1927 and farmed in Delta, Millard County, Utah. Mr Skidmore married thirdly Lenora Dillow on 6 December 1941, and fourthly Mrs. Charlotte Cheshire Duncan. He died on 3 May 1955 at Fillmore, Millard County, Utah.

Children of Justin Albert and Agnes Emoret (Stoddard) Skidmore,

- 414. i. **ALBERT LEROY¹¹**, born 22 February 1898.
- 415. ii. **EVAN JUSTIN¹¹**, born 31 May 1901. He died on 30 December 1982.
- iii. Robert Arland, born 18 November 1903. He died in 1983 in Contra Costa County, California.
- 416. iv. **JOHN REED¹¹**, born 21 June 1906. He died on 3 October 1987.
- v. Agnes Emoret, born 29 May 1909, died 23 February 1962. She married in 1929 and had at least three children.
- 417. vi. **MERYL STODDARD¹¹**, born 29 December 1912. He died on 6 March 1996.
- vii. William Kenneth, born 25 April 1914. He married in 1939. Mr Skidmore died on 28 February 1991 at Contra Costa, California.

- viii. Relia Sarah, born 27 December 1915. She married twice and died on 15 May 2000 at Citrus Heights, California at the age of 84.

293. CHARLES HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 23 July 1875, was the son of William Lobark [195]. He married Anna Louise Wangsgaard (29 February 1880-23 March 1957, daughter of Christen Christensen Wangsgaard and Anna



Christina Anderson) on 3 June 1903. He visited England in 1895 and 1897 where he met many Skidmores at Sheffield and elsewhere 'who always treated me kindly'. He wrote a typewritten volume Miscellaneous Notes about the Skidmores (350 pages) which is deposited in the LDS Church Historian's office at Salt Lake City. Mr Skidmore died 12 June 1964.

*Charles Henry and Anna Louise (Wangsgaard) Skidmore,
by kind permission of descendants Nanette and
Melinda Clark.*

- i. Demoivre Ray, born 1 March 1906. He died 13 April 1971.
 ii. Irl Stanley, born 16 November 1907. He died 11 December 1914.
 iii. Loraine, born 3 April 1910. Miss Skidmore died 25 February 1952.
 iv. Zella, born 15 June 1912, died in the year 2000.
 419. v. **REX AUSTIN¹¹**, born 1 January 1914, died 1998. He married in 1939.
 vi.-vii. A further son and a daughter.

294. GEORGE WILLIS¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 25 August 1877, was the son of William Lobark [195]. He married firstly Katie Guild about 1900, and secondly Mary Louise Burnham on 21 February 1906. He died on 5 November 1955.

- i. Kathryn (Katie), born 11 December 1906. She married twice and died in 1965.
 ii. Louise, born 17 March 1910. She married in 1929 and died in 2001.
 421. iii. **WILLIAM WALLACE¹¹**, born 5 April 1912. He married in 1937 and died in 2009.
 iv. Henry Justin, born 26 December 1914. He died in 2011.
 v. Ruth, born 24 January 1917. She died in 1992.
 vi.-ix. Four further sons.

295. EARL LOBARK¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 18 October 1889, was the son of William Lobark [195]. He married Nora Baddley Swaner on 1 September 1915 and died on 21 May 1984. Had issue, a daughter and a son.

296. EDWIN WILBUR¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 9 February 1888 (twin), was the son of William Lobark [195]. He assisted his brother George in the management of the knitting mill. He married Mabel Clare Goodwin (1894-1980) in 1913 and died on 23 October 1967 in Orange County, California.

The child of Edwin Wilbur and Mabel Clare (Goodwin) Skidmore,

- i. Marian, born 6 October 1916. She married, and died in 2004.

297. ELMER GUSTAVE¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 29 April 1897, was the son of William Lobark [195]. He married Leah Bullen and died on 22 June 1971. Had issue, a daughter Renee (1927-2010) and two sons, Claine Bullen (1931-2012) and Kurt Elmer (1938-1944)¹³⁸.

298. CYRUS RANDOLPH¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 10 February 1900, was the son of William Lobark [195]. He married firstly Mary Barnett and secondly Ellen Hill Timmons. Mr Skidmore and his second wife had four known children, all sons.

299. THOMAS WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1868Q1 in Sheffield, was the only surviving son of William [196] and his wife Harriet (Bagnall) Skidmore. A bricklayer of Oxford Road, Sheffield, he married Annie Mary Emson (born 1867Q1 in Taunton, Somerset, daughter of George Emson, a groom) on 25 January 1891 at St Silas, Sheffield, witnessed by James Wilton and Martha Eason [sic]. They were living at 117 Pearl Street, Ecclesall two months later at census time and had moved to 1 Kearsley Road by 1901 and 17 Bennett Street by 1911, where Mr Skidmore died in 1919 aged 51, his wife in 1943 aged 76.

Children of Thomas William and Annie Mary (Emson) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Lily Ivy, born 1893Q1. Miss Skidmore, a milliner, died in 1949 in Sheffield, aged 56.
- ii. George Henry, born December 1900. He married Annie Hawksworth in 1931 in the Ecclesall district. Mr Skidmore died at 17 Bennett Street, Sheffield on 27 October 1936, his widow on 24 May 1948.
- iii.-iv. 2 further children who did not survive.

300. ANTHONY CLARK¹⁰ SKIDMORE, son of Henry [197] and Fanny (Clark) Skidmore, was born 13 November 1859 at 46 Duke Street, St Giles, London. Like his father he was a law stationer with offices in 1920 at 80 Chancery Lane, 1921 at 1 Bishops Court, in 1935 at 8 Bream Buildings and in 1939 at 3-4 Lincolns Inn Fields, Holborn. He married firstly Frances Stevenson on 1 September 1885 at St Mary's, Newington. She was born 12 December 1862 at 66 Gibson Square, Islington, daughter of John Stevenson, a commission agent from Douglas in Scotland, and his wife Frances (Davey), of 284 Camberwell Road, Camberwell, London. After the death of her father, she assisted her mother in the running of their draper's shop in Camberwell before her marriage. In 1901 Anthony Skidmore had his own law stationers' business and had moved with his wife and son to 24 Fawnbrake Avenue in Lambeth. Frances Skidmore died on 22 April 1913 at Fawnbrake Avenue aged 50.

Anthony Skidmore married secondly in 1915 Miss Caroline Busher, a dressmaker and costumier (died in Surrey in 1941 aged 81). Mr Skidmore died in 1942 in Surrey aged 82.

Children of Anthony Clark and Frances (Stevenson) Skidmore,

- i. Evelyn Frances, born 22 September 1890 at 163 Cold Harbour Lane, Brixton, London. She died in 1897Q2.
429. ii. **ANTHONY WILLIAM¹¹**, born 13 May 1892 in Brixton, London. He attended Alleyn's College in Dulwich and obtained an Accountancy degree in London in 1913. He travelled in April 1914 on the *Khyber*, bound for Batavia, Indonesia and spent seven years in the F.M.S. (Federated Malay States?) and the Dutch East Indies. He was King's Messenger between Java and Singapore on several occasions. He was on the Special Investigation Committee for the British Government, handling 'black' or Statute List of enemy subjects. He handled the Allies' cargoes in 39 ships interned in Dutch East Indian Ports. He left London once more at the age of 28 **on 19 March 1921 and bound for Sydney**, giving his address as 142a Norwood Road, West Norwood, a merchant. He joined the New South Wales Royal Agricultural Society as an accountant in 1922. He was Honorary Accountant of the Harbour Bridge Celebrations Committee, in 1931-32, the Citizens of Sydney Organising Committee 1932-35, the City of Sydney Eisteddford 1933-35 and the Australian 150th Anniversary Celebrations 1936-37. In Sydney he married Hazel Winifred Hayward (born 2 May 1895 in Sydney, died 18 July 1974) on 19 September 1925. Mr Skidmore enjoyed golf, tennis and motoring.¹³⁹ He died on 26 March 1969.

¹³⁸ From a pedigree online at Ancestry.com.

¹³⁹ *Who's Who in Australia, 1921-1950*,

301. FREDERICK HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1864Q4 in Sheffield, was the son of Frederick [198] and Bertha (Corker) Skidmore. A table knife hafter, he married Annie Smith (born about 1870 in Sheffield) in 1888Q2 in Sheffield. They were living at 97 Danville Street, Brightside in 1891. He and his children Charles and Gertrude were living at the time of the 1901 census in the home of his widowed sister Emma Sanderson. It appears that he and his wife separated for he stated at the time of the 1911 census, when his home was at 56 Whixley Road, Attercliffe, that he had been married for 23 years and had five surviving children by his marriage. His death was presumably that registered at Sheffield in 1919, aged 54. I have not yet been able to find his wife in the censuses of 1901 and 1911, nor his three other surviving children.

Children of Frederick Henry and Annie (Smith) Skidmore,

- i. Charles Frederick, baptised 17 April 1889 at All Saints', Brightside. He was a labourer in 1911, boarding in Penistone Road, Hillsborough, Sheffield. A barman aged 26 years 11 months of 219 Penistone Road, Sheffield, he enlisted at Sheffield on 23 February 1916. He gave his father - of 56 Whixley Road, Darnall - as next of kin. He served in India with the Royal Garrison Artillery from September 1916 until November 1918 and, after 3 months in Britain, he was discharged as physically unfit for further duty¹⁴⁰. Mr Skidmore died in Sheffield in 1968 aged 79.
- ii. Gertrude Maud, born 1893Q4. She was a servant at the Havelock Arms Hotel, Darlington at the time of the 1911 census. She married John R. Hatfield in 1913 and they had a daughter Gertrude.
- iii.-v. 3 further children before 1911.

302. PETER¹⁰ SKIDMORE, baptised 19 November 1820¹⁴¹ at Ashford, Derbyshire, was the only son of Samuel [200] and Mary (Longden) Skidmore. A silk spinner and framework knitter, he married Lydia Brooks (born April 1824 in Middleton, Derbyshire, daughter of William Brooks, a miner) on 29 January 1844 at Wirksworth and they were living in 1851 with their first child in Lane End, Belper. They remained in Belper where Peter Skidmore died in 1883 aged 64. Lydia Skidmore then travelled in 1893 to America to live with the family of her son Frederick.

Children of Peter and Lydia (Brooks) Skidmore, born in Belper,

430. i. **ANDREW¹¹**, baptised 15 May 1848 at Bridge Hill. He married Mary Ann Walters (born about 1848 in Derby, daughter of James Walters, an engine fitter of Litchurch, Derbyshire, and his wife Ann) on 31 July 1869 at St Giles', Normanton, Derbyshire. Andrew Skidmore was a railway engine driver in Derby, where their first home was in Shaftesbury Crescent, Litchurch, moving during the 1890s to 11 Harrington Street. Mr Skidmore died on 25 April 1914 at Mayfield Cottage, Sunny Hill, Littleover, aged 65, his wife in 1922 aged 75.

Children of Andrew and Mary Ann (Walters) Skidmore, born in Litchurch,

- i. Clara, born 1871Q2. She married Henry Smith, a postal telegraph clerk (son of William Frederick Smith), on 1 September 1894 at St Thomas', Derby. Children, as known - Winifred M., Henry Leslie, Eric Bernard, Norman Giller.
 - ii. Frederick, born 1874Q4. He was a 'motor man' for Derby Municipal authorities.
 - iii. Arthur, born 1876Q4. A gilder of china, he married Edith Florence Bennett (daughter of George Bennett) on 29 December 1911 at St Chad's, Derby.
 - iv. **WILLIAM¹²**, born 1879Q2. He married Sarah Frances Hoose in 1902 and was manager of a grocery store in Borrowwash near Derby by 1911.

Children of William and Sarah Frances (Hoose) Skidmore, born in Ockbrook,

 - i. William Donald, born 1903Q1.
 - ii. Evelyn Frances, born 1904Q2.
 - v. Ethel, born 1883Q3. She married Horace Sims Bannister, a railway clerk, in 1906 and they were living by 1911 at 44 Village Street, Normanton, with their daughter Doris May.
 - vi. Florence, born 1886Q1. She married George Frederick Swan, a railway clerk, in 1910 and was living at 222 St Thomas Road, Derby in 1911.
 - vii. Olive, born 1888Q4.
 - viii. **HAROLD¹²**, born 1892Q4. A clerk for the Midland Railway. He married Doris A. Swift in 1915 in Derby and had issue.
- ii. Selina, born 1851Q2. She married William Butler, a colliery banksman of Belper (a widower,

¹⁴⁰ British Army WWI Pension Records 1914-1920.

¹⁴¹ I have yet to identify the P. Skidmore (born about 1821 in England), a deck hand on board the SB Prairie ?Slate in St Louis, Missouri at the time of the 1850 census.

- born about 1844, son of William Butler), on 2 May 1870 at Milford. They had eleven children of whom ten survived.
- iii. Joseph, born 1853Q1. A clerk in Belper, he died in 1880 aged 28.
 - iv. William, born 1855Q1. A framework knitter, he married Mary Jane Allen in 1883 in Belper. Mary Jane died in 1908 aged 48 and by 1911 William was living with the family of his sister Selina Butler in Belper.
431. v. **SAMUEL JAMES¹¹**, born 1857Q4. A framework knitter, he married Mary Spencer (born about 1855 in Belper, daughter of William Spencer) on 16 April 1877 at Duffield. He died in 1885 aged 27 and Mary Skidmore married secondly in 1899 in Belper widower George Salt.
- Children of Samuel James and Mary (Spencer) Skidmore, born at Belper,**
- i. Millicent, born 1877Q4. Not found after 1881.
 - ii. **JOSEPH¹²**, born 1880Q4. A cabinet maker, he married Mary Rowbottam in 1904 in Belper and was living in 1911 at Park Side, Belper.
A son,
 - i. Joseph, born 1906Q1.
 - iii. **ARTHUR¹²**, born 1882Q4. A cabinet maker, he married Lily Pedley on 16 April 1906 at the Wesleyan Chapel, Belper and was living in New Road, Belper, by 1911. He enlisted with the Royal Scots Fusiliers. He served in France between 3 July 1917 and was reported missing, presumed dead on 28 March 1918.
A daughter of Arthur and Lily (Pedley) Skidmore,
 - i. Mary Elizabeth, born 17 February 1912 at Belper.
432. vi. **FREDERICK¹¹**, born March 1862. He emigrated in 1888, arriving at New York on 2 April on board the *Aurania*. He took his skills as a stocking weaver to Philadelphia, and was by 1900 at 1339 Silver Street in 1900, with his wife Maria (born January 1866 in England) and their daughter Ethel. By 1910 he had married secondly Mrs Tamzon Glover and they were living with daughter Ethel Skidmore and Adelaide Glover at 6 Oak Street, Dover, New Jersey.
A daughter of Frederick and Maria Skidmore,
- i. Ethel, born December 1893 in Pennsylvania. She became a seamer at the hose factory.
- vii. Albert, born 1864Q1. He died in infancy,
433. viii. **ALBERT¹¹**, born 1865Q1. A framework knitter, he married Clara Ann Brown (daughter of Jesse Brown) on 29 May 1887 at Duffield. They lived at 3 Nether Lawn Cottages, Belper Lane before settling at 63 Long Row, Belper.
Children of Albert and Clara Ann (Brown) Skidmore, born and baptised at Belper,
- i. Albert William Herbert, baptised 20 December 1887.
 - ii. **FREDERICK¹²**, baptised 16 July 1889. he married Flora E. Widdowson towards the end of 1914 and had a son Ronald the following year. Fred Skidmore was killed in action on 23 October 1917, serving with the Northumberland Fusiliers, 24th (Tyneside Irish) Bn. His name appears on the Tyne Cot Memorial.
A son of Frederick and Flora E. (Widdowson) Skidmore,
 - i. Ronald, born 1915Q1.
 - iii. Florie, born 1892Q2, baptised 14 July. She died aged 13 in 1905.
 - iv. Willie, born 1899Q1 and baptised with his younger brother.
 - v. Lawrence Peter, baptised 27 November 1901.
 - vi. Eva, born 1907Q4.
- ix. John Herbert, born 1867Q2. Nothing further yet discovered.

305. HERBERT HANDEL¹⁰ SKIDMORE was born in Ecclesall, Yorkshire in 1864Q2¹⁴², son of John [203] and Sarah (Rogerson) Skidmore. His name was recorded in the census of 1871 as Albert H. Skidmore and in 1881 as Herbert Skidmore. He married Hannah Holden in 1886Q2 and was an electrobronzer and nickel plater in Sheffield. Hannah Skidmore died in 1904 aged 46, her husband in 1936 aged 72.

Children of Herbert Handel and Hannah (Holden) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

¹⁴² This entry has been added at the bottom of the GRO index page, not with the other Skidmores. Note also Robert Handel Skidmore, registered this same quarter in Madeley registration district, Shropshire.

- i. Emma, born 1887Q3. She died at the Royal Hospital in 1904, aged 17, and was buried at City Road Cemetery on 22 December.
- ii. Ezra, born 1889Q1. A pocket blade forger. He was in the East Yorkshire Regiment in the Great War. He married Elizabeth Herring in 1925 and died in 1964. No offspring known.
- iii. Annie, born 1891Q2.
- iv. Herbert, born 1893Q2. A grocer's assistant in 1911. He perhaps married in 1922 (no children found to this marriage) and he was apparently the Herbert Skidmore whose death was registered at Wortley in 1963, aged 70.
- v. John, born 1895Q1. He died aged 13 in 1908.
- vi. Elizabeth, born 1896Q3. She was a book binder in 1911.

306. ROBERT ELIAS¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1856Q3 in Kingsley, Staffordshire, was the eldest son of Elias [205] and Sarah Ann (Massey) Skidmore. A wheelwright and farmer, he married Frances Waltho (born about 1859 in Hixon, Staffordshire) in 1885Q1 at St Peter's, Hixon. They were living in 1891 at Shaw Lane Farm, Marston Montgomery, at which time Frances' sister Emily Whittaker shared their home. By 1901 they had moved to Cliffe House in Marston village. Robert and Frances Skidmore both died in 1945.

Children of Robert Elias and Frances (Waltho) Skidmore,

- i. Frances Annie, born 1885Q4 in Nantwich. She was an under housemaid in 1901 in the household of Miss Adelaide Eastwood at The Grange, Littlelover, Derbyshire and, by 1911, was second housemaid to the Vernon family at Shotwick Park, Chester. She married Richard James Franks in 1920; Mrs Franks died in Chester in 1927, aged 41.
- ii. William Elias, born 1887Q4 in Nantwich. He was a cow boy in 1901, working at Croxden Abbey farm which was run by John Fowler Bou--- in Croxden, Staffordshire. He joined the army and served in South Africa with the 1st Bn Royal Scots Fusiliers. Sergeant Skidmore was killed in action with this battalion in France on 30 July 1916. He is named on the Thiepval Memorial, Somme.
- iii. Kate Elizabeth, born 1889Q3 in Marston Montgomery. By the time of the 1911 census she was housemaid at Berkeley Hall, Malpas, Cheshire.
434. iv. **ROBERT RAYMOND¹¹**, born 1890Q4 in Marston Montgomery. He was apprenticed to E.M. Mellor, a chemist in Uttoxeter. He enlisted on 7 September 1914 and, as a qualified dispensing pharmacist, was attached to the Royal Army Medical Corps. He served with the British Expeditionary Force from January 1915 to May 1919. He married in 1921 and had a son.
- v. Margaret Emily, born 1892Q2. She married in 1926.
- vi. Sarah Ann, born 1894Q2. A scullery maid in Mansfield in 1911.
- vii. Edith Jane, born 1899Q4.

307. JOSEPH¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 12 May 1866 at Ipstones, Staffordshire and baptised there on 2 July 1876, was the third son of Elias [205] and Sarah Ann (Massey) Skidmore. In 1888Q2 he married Caroline Emma Fry who was born in 1862 in Eltham, Kent. Carrie Fry became a pupil teacher in Basingstoke, Hampshire before gaining her teaching certificate and teaching in Marston Montgomery.

Joseph Skidmore died on 26 October 1889 at Ash Cottage, soon after the birth of their only son - and aged only 23. Caroline Skidmore went on to marry Orlando Hooks, a baker and confectioner (born in Docking, Norfolk) in 1893Q4 and had moved by 1901 to The Street, Thorpe le Soken, Essex.

A son of Joseph and Caroline Emma (Fry) Skidmore,

435. i. **JOSEPH ELIAS WILLIAM¹¹**, born 22 October 1889. Joseph was raised with his step-brothers and sisters in Thorpe-le-Soken, Essex. He joined the Royal Navy in 1907 and at the time that the census was taken in 1911 was serving aboard the battleship HMS *Implacable*, with the Atlantic Fleet at Gibraltar. He served throughout the Great War. He married in 1925 and had a son John Frederick Skidmore, born in England and now of Kangaroo Valley, New South Wales, Australia. Joseph Skidmore died on 15 September 1930 at Chicksands Cottage, Shefford, Bedfordshire.

308. HARRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1872Q3 in Ipstones and baptised there on 28 March 1873, was the fifth son of Elias [205] and Sarah Ann (Massey) Skidmore. He helped to farm Old Hall Farm in Marston Montgomery until the

time of his marriage in 1902 in Leek, Staffordshire to Alice Blanch Ball. He was a farm waggoner in Marston Montgomery.

Children of Harry and Alice Blanch (Ball) Skidmore,

- i. Lydia Annie, born 1902Q4. She married Frederick Weetman in 1923.
- 436. ii. **JOSHUA ELIAS¹¹**, born 1904Q1. He married in Bournemouth in 1927 and died there in 1938, aged 34. One daughter.

309. WILSON¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1863Q3 in Sheffield, was the elder son of Peter (206) and Sarah Ann (Mawson) Skidmore. A railway clerk, he married Eliza Helen Best in 1886Q4 in Sheffield. He later became superintendent of carting operations for the railway. Their home in 1911 was 2 Ingram Road, Park, Sheffield. Wilson Skidmore died in 1919 aged 56. Eliza Ellen [sic] died aged 81 at 8 Tynley Road and was buried on 23 January 1939 in Burngreave Cemetery, Sheffield.

Children of Wilson and Eliza Helen (Best) Skidmore,

- 437. i. **FREDERICK WILSON¹¹**, born 1887Q4. An engineer in an iron foundry in 1911. He appears to have married Adele M. Wolstenholme in Sheffield in 1912.

Children of Frederick Wilson and Adele M. (Wolstenholme) Skidmore,

- i. Franklin Wilson, born 1913, who died aged 9m at 8 Tynley Street, and was buried on 27 April 1914 in grave no. 71, G3, Burngreave Cemetery.
- ii. Adele M., born 1914.
- iii. Mabel, born 1918.
- ii. A child who did not survive.

310. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1866Q2 in Sheffield, was the younger son of Peter (206) and Sarah Ann (Mawson) Skidmore. A grocer's assistant in 1881 and, by 1891, a clerk living with his wife and daughter at 29 Normanton Street, Brightside. He married Annie Elizabeth Harrison (born about 1863 in Doncaster) on 10 June 1889 in Thorne registration district. By 1901 William had risen to steelworks manager in Brightside and was called at the time of the 1911 census - when they had moved to Wimbledon, London - an expert in rubber tyres.

The child of William and Annie Elizabeth (Harrison) Skidmore,

- i. Agnes, born 1890Q3 in Sheffield.

311. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1864Q3 in Sheffield, was a son of William [208] and Lydia Mary Skidmore. A surgical instrument manufacturer, he married Elizabeth Hoyland (born about 1862 in Rockferry, Lancashire) in 1885Q3. William continued the surgical instrument manufacturing business in Ecclesall begun by his father. He died on 30 June 1921 aged 57.

Children of William and Elizabeth (Hoyland) Skidmore,

- i. Ethel Mary, born 1886Q3.
- ii. Constance, born 1889Q4. She died unmarried in 1970, aged 80 and was buried at Abbey Lane Cemetery, Sheffield.

312. WILLIAM FREDERICK¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1853Q3 in Sheffield, was the eldest son of John [209] and Wilhelmina Elizabeth (Holroyd) Skidmore. A pork butcher like his father, he married Ada Vaughan (born about 1854 in Sheffield) in 1875Q4 and they were living in 1881 at 43 Abbeydale Road, Ecclesall. William died in 1890 aged 36 and was buried on 10 May at All Saints', Ecclesall. His widow was a publican in 1891, living at 210 Fulwood Road with her son Frank and her husband's brother of the same name. She was married later that year to William Oates. She was perhaps the Ada Oates whose death in 1897 aged 42 was registered at Ecclesall.

A child of William Frederick and Ada (Vaughan) Skidmore,

- i. Frank Vaughan, born 1876Q1. After his mother's death he went to be an ostler and groom at the George Hotel in Hathersage, which was run by his aunt Mrs Elizabeth A. Walker. He died at the Union Workhouse, Ecclesall on 26 March 1907, aged 31, and was buried at All Saints', Ecclesall. Administration of his estate was granted to Mary Elizabeth Skidmore widow (though apparently not Frank Vaughan Skidmore's widow) and his uncle Charles Edmund Skidmore, pork butcher.

313. CHARLES EDMUND¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1857Q1 in Sheffield, was the second son of John [209] and Wilhelmina Elizabeth (Holroyd) Skidmore. He was a pupil at Broad Oak Endowed School, Ecclesall before joining his father's business. He married Clara Thickett (born about 1859 in Sheffield) in 1884Q2 in Sheffield and they were living in 1891 at 26 Button Lane, Ecclesall. Mr Skidmore died in 1936 aged 79.

Children of Charles Edmund and Clara (Thickett) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Agnes Mary, born 1885Q3. She married Walter Wood Fletcher, an erector of steam engines (born about 1888 in Prestwich, Lancashire) in 1910Q2 in Sheffield. They were living in 1911 at 657 Liverpool Road, Peel Green, Eccles, Lancashire.
- ii. Martha Wilhelmina, born 1887Q1. She married George W. Meadows in 1915Q3.
- iii. Annie Isabel, said to be 1 month old at the time of the census in April 1891 but whose birth, it seems, was registered in 1890Q3.

314. FRANK¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1864Q3 in Sheffield, was the youngest son of John [209] and Wilhelmina Elizabeth (Holroyd) Skidmore. A clerk, he was living at the time of the 1891 census at the home of his widowed sister-in-law Ada Skidmore. He married Mary Jane Brocksopp in 1894Q3 in Sheffield. Frank Skidmore was a postal sorting clerk and telegraphist in Nether Hallam, Sheffield. He would appear to be the Frank Clement Skidmore whose death in 1901Q2 aged 36 was registered at Ecclesall Bierlow; he was buried on 26 May at Christ Church, Fulwood, Sheffield.

Mary Jane Skidmore married secondly James Henry Oates, a beef butcher, in 1905Q4.

Children of Frank and Mary Jane (Brocksopp) Skidmore,

- i. John William, born 1895Q1. He was a clerk for accountants McCredie and Evans in Sheffield. He appears to be the John W. Skidmore whose death at the age of 73 was registered at Sheffield in 1968.
- ii. Jessie, born 1896Q3. She appears to be the Jessie Skidmore who married in Ecclesall, Sheffield in 1920 and had two daughters.
- iii. Eveline, born 1899Q3.

315. ALBERT RICHARDSON¹⁰ SKIDMORE, only known child of Peter [210] and Jane (Richardson) Skidmore, was born in 1862Q4 in Ecclesall. A rent collector at the time of the 1881 census, he was by 1891 assistant to a glass and china merchant. He married Mary A. Woodhead in 1913. Mr Skidmore died in 1942 aged 80.

Children of Albert Richardson and Mary A. (Woodhead) Skidmore,

- i. Mary J., born 1914Q2.
- ii. Albert R., 1918-41.

316. ROCKCLIFF ALLISON PLUMPTRE¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 8 July 1861 on the island of Guernsey, was the son of Joseph Annable [211] and Isabella (Wayne) Skidmore. He was a traveller in printing colours. He married Julia Mace (born in Collishall, Norfolk, daughter of William Mace) on 9 April 1887 at St Peter the Apostle, St Peter in Thanet, Kent. He was listed in the electoral register of 1895 living at 69 Marmion Road, Clapham. Mr Skidmore died early in 1901 and his wife and son were living at census time that year at 2 Poonah Villas, Ramsgate, Kent. Julia Skidmore married Robert Shepherd on 21 September 1902 at St Lawrence's, Thanet.

Children of Rockcliff and Julia (Mace) Skidmore,

- i. Rockcliffe Joseph Mace, born 1888Q2, baptised 28 May 1893 at St Luke's, Battersea, London. He worked as a tailor with his stepfather. He married Hilda E. Kent in 1922 and died in 1962 aged 74.

317. SAMUEL¹⁰ SKIDMORE, younger son of Samuel [214] and Hannah (Sudbury) Skidmore, was born in 1866Q1 in Matlock Bath. He married firstly Lucy Ann Collier in 1892Q1. She died the following year, at the age of 33, and was buried at St Giles on 13 August 1893. She left a will naming Samuel Skidmore junior, hosiery manufacturer, her executor. Samuel Skidmore married secondly Dora Walton (born 12 April 1871 in Chesterfield) in 1901Q2. Miss Walton was teaching in the High School in Bromley, Kent, shortly before their marriage.

Samuel Skidmore died in 1931, Dora Skidmore in 1969.

A son of Samuel and Lucy Ann (Collier) Skidmore,

- i. Thomas Collier Sudbury, born 23 July 1893 in Matlock Bath. He attended the Co-educational Public School in Carlton Road, Harpenden, Hertfordshire, where he is found aged 17 at the time of the 1911 census. He emigrated to America in 1915, where he was a farmer, and was naturalised in 1917.

He married Elsie Mary Barnsley (daughter of Isaac Barnsley of Sheffield) in London on 1 May 1919. She applied in June 1920, as a wife of a member of the military forces of the United States, to travel to America and join her husband, a Corporal in the Field Artillery. They both died in Naches in 1921, Mr Skidmore on 9 September 1921 aged 28, and are buried at Naches Cemetery, Yakima County, Washington.

Children of Samuel and Dora (Walton) Skidmore,

- ii. Aileen Dora, born 1903Q1. She died at the age of 25 in 1928.
- iii. Walton Sudbury, baptised 23 September 1909 at St Giles', Matlock. He became a Navy chaplain on 30 September 1937 and served as such during World War 2 and until at least 1964. His wife Muriel was Principal Matron with the Queen Alexander Nursing Service at Haslar Royal Naval Hospital. Mr Skidmore died in 1997. (This information and the photograph of Muriel Skidmore found at Ancestry.com).



Muriel Skidmore

318. JOHN ARTHUR¹⁰ SKIDMORE, elder son of Anthony [215] and Elizabeth (Brundrett) Skidmore, was born on 30 May 1863 and baptised 13 December at the Independent Chapel in Cavendish Street, Manchester. He married Emily Williamson (1861-1937) and at the time of the 1901 census, at least, was managing director of his father's wholesale paper business, together with his brother Anthony. By 1911 he was commission agent for a lace manufacturer, living with his wife and son at 20 St Mary's Road, Crumpsall, Manchester.

The son of John Arthur and Emily (Williamson) Skidmore,

440. i. **ALLAN CHESTER¹¹**, born 21 January 1898. He served in the Royal Navy in the Great War and later became an air mechanic with the Royal Air Force. He married his cousin Millicent Aspden Alcock (born in Poulton-le-Fylde in 1899) in 1924. Daughters Mary Adèle and Margaret, and sons John Robert and Peter.

319. ANTHONY LEONARD¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1878Q1, was the younger son of Anthony [215] and Elizabeth (Brundrett) Skidmore. He became a wholesale paper merchant within the company of which his brother was Managing Director and he was living in his brother's home in 1901. He married Minnie Gertrude Griggs in 1908 and they were living at the time of the 1911 census in Carn Glas Road, Sketty, Glamorgan. Mr Skidmore died in Swansea on 31 July 1945 aged 67, his wife in 1960 aged 82.

Children of Leonard and Minnie (Griggs) Skidmore,

- i. Phyllis Ayleen, born 1910Q2 in Eccles, Lancashire. She married in 1939.
- ii. John, born 1911Q4. He died that same year.
- iii. Arthur Leonard, born 2 January 1915. He died in 1978 in Swansea.
- iv. Audrey M., born 1917Q2.

321. GEORGE HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, elder son of John [217] and Martha (Bunting) Skidmore, was born in Monyash, Derbyshire and baptised at St Leonard's there on 8 February 1852. He took over Town End Farm at the death of his father and married, on 2 September 1875 at Holy Trinity, Hulme, Manchester, Sarah Elizabeth Dunn (born about 1858 at Priestcliffe, Taddington, daughter of Richard Dunn and his wife Sarah (Roberts)).¹⁴³ By the time of the 1891 census George Skidmore was a brewer's drayman in Bolton, Lancashire.

¹⁴³ Sarah Elizabeth Dunn is presumably related in some way to Thomas Dunn (c.1817-1884), son of George and Hannah

The family's fortunes appear to have changed in the early 1880s; their daughter Martha died early in 1895 and later that year George's wife Sarah Elizabeth died at the age of 37 (buried 5 December 1895 at Heaton Cemetery).

Mr Skidmore married secondly Elizabeth Hall (born about 1857 in Preston, Lancashire) in 1901 at St Mary's, Penwortham, Lancashire. The 1901 census shows George and his family farming again, at Tithe Barn Farm, Hawick, Lancashire. He travelled with his sons to Canada where he died on 24 October 1927 at Cochrane, Ontario.



This photograph of George Henry Skidmore, and ones below of his son and daughter-in-law, by kind permission of Phil Hearn of Vancouver.

Children of George Henry and Sarah Elizabeth (Dunn) Skidmore,

444. i. **JOHN**¹¹, born 1875Q4 in Flagg. A barman in Bolton in 1891. He married Ellen Ashley (born 1 June 1875 in St Helens, Lancashire, daughter of James Ashley and his wife Mary (Mitchell)) on 6 February 1900 at Dalton-in-Furness, Lancashire. They farmed Blackhurst Farm in Hawick, Lancashire before emigrating to Canada. John Skidmore died on 7 November 1942 in Niagara Falls, Ontario, aged 66.



*John Skidmore (1875-1942)
Ellen (Ashley) Skidmore (1875-1928)*



Children of John and Ellen (Ashley) Skidmore, born in Hawick,

- i. Sarah Elizabeth, born 17 December 1900. She married in 1938 and died at Niagara Falls, Ontario in 1969.
- ii. Maud Irene, born 9 March 1902. She married and had a son. She died in 1992.
- iii. Dora May, born 19 December 1904 in Niagara Falls. A widow, she died in 1990.
- iv. Hilda Mary, born 25 March 1911.
- v. James (?)M., born 1915.

Dunn of Nook Farm, Fernilee. Thomas Dunn married Naomi Handley in 1860. A copy of his will, together with will abstracts for John Skidmore [93] and George Skidmore [128] are amongst title deeds to land at Flagg, held at Derbyshire Archives, D504/60/1/1-12. (Not seen by the author).

445. ii. **RICHARD DUNN**¹¹, born May 1877 in Flagg. He married Beatrice Newham (born November 1880, daughter of _____ and Ann Newham) at St Mary's, Penwortham, Lancashire in 1901. They emigrated to Canada, arriving at Halifax in January 1904 on board the SS *Parisian*. He was a butcher in Humber Bay, York County, Ontario, later becoming a prison guard. On 22 August 1916 he paid a visit to his brother John in Niagara Falls. The border crossing record describes him as 5ft 3½ins tall, with brown hair and blue eyes.

Richard Skidmore died aged 41 at Humber Bay on 21 August 1918 as a result of being struck by lightning and was buried at Park Lawn Cemetery.

Children of Richard Dunn and Beatrice (Newham) Skidmore,

- i. Harold, born August 1901, baptised 18 September at St James', Preston. He died in 1922 in Ontario.
 - ii. Beatrice Annie, born September 1903 in Lancashire.
 - iii. Jason Hale or Jason Hall, born 29 July 1907 in Ontario.
 - iv. Richard Dunn, born 22 May 1909. He died on 7 June that year.
 - v. Stanley Dunn, born 25 July 1911.
 - vi. Marjorie, born 11 September 1913. She died in January the following year.
 - vii. Richard, born about 1915.
 - viii. Thelma, born about 1919.
- iii. [perhaps] George Henry of Flagg, born 1879, buried 13 March 1880 at Taddington, aged 1.
446. iv. **GEORGE HENRY**¹¹, born 1881Q1 in Flagg. He went to Canada, arriving at Halifax on 11 February 1903 aboard the SS *Corinthian*. He married Elizabeth Hannah Abbott on 30 May 1906 in West Toronto, Ontario and had by her three children. In August 1916 he accompanied his brother Richard on a visit to their brother John at Niagara Falls. He was then a chauffeur in Toronto and the border crossing record shows that he was a widower (and 5ft 6ins tall, with grey hair and brown eyes). George married again in 1920, having a further five children by his second wife. He died in Winnipeg, Canada on 20 December 1947 and is buried in Elmwood Cemetery.

Children of George and Elizabeth Hannah (Abbott) Skidmore,

- i. Agnes Elizabeth, born 26 July 1907.
 - ii. Mercy, born 18 January 1910 at Hilton Street, Fairbank, son of George Henry Skidmore, teamster.
- v. Sarah Roberts, born 1883Q2 in Duckmanton, Chesterfield. She married Herbert Edward Dewhurst, a clerk for the Income Tax Office in Preston, in 1905 at Grimshaw Street Independent Chapel, Preston. He was born in 1880Q2 in Preston, Lancashire, son of John Robert Dewhurst, also a clerk, of Liverpool Road, Penwortham, Preston and his wife Elizabeth (Pilkington). Sarah Dewhurst died in Preston in 1942 aged 59, her husband in 1943 aged 62. Children, as known - Katharine, Dorothy, Marjorie, Jenny, Elizabeth.
- vi. Martha Bunting, born 1886Q1 in Walsall. She died aged 9 and was buried at Heaton Cemetery on 25 February 1895.

- 446a. vii. **THOMAS BUNTING**¹¹, born 1893Q2 in Caton, Derbyshire. He married Eva Arding (1896-1996) on 24 November 1915 in York County, Ontario.

He died in 1961 in Cochrane, Ontario.

Children of Thoms Bunting and Eva (Arding) Skidmore,¹⁴⁴

- i. Eva Sarah Elizabeth, 1917-1976. She married Fred Fisher (1920-1944).
- ii. James Nelson, 1920-2000.
- iii. George Wellington, 1922-2013. He married Sheila Audrey Nelson (1924-2012).
- iv. John Russell, 1924-2001. He married Margaret Jean Nelson (1928-2013).



Thomas Bunting Skidmore (1893-1961).

¹⁴⁴ As found in a pedigree posted at Ancestry.com.

322. JABEZ BUNTING¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born in Flagg and baptised 10 June 1856 at Chelmorton, was the younger son of John [217] and Martha (Bunting) Skidmore. A barman in Manchester after his family moved to Lancashire. In 1876 he married Elizabeth Ball (born about 1858 in Longnor, Staffordshire) at Holy Trinity, Hulme, Manchester. He later became farm bailiff in Crumpsall, Manchester (?at Woodlands Farm) and lived with his wife and children at Woodlands Lodge.

Elizabeth Skidmore died on 23 July 1892 at Chiles Hatting, aged 34 and administration of her estate was granted at Manchester to Jabez Bunting Skidmore. Jabez Skidmore died in 1898 aged 42.

Children of Jabez Bunting and Elizabeth (Ball) Skidmore,

- i. Martha Ann, born 1877Q3 in Bakewell, Derbyshire. She married Charles Edgar Godbold, a police constable in Oldham (born in Sunbury, Middlesex, son of _____ and Mary Godbold) in 1901. Martha died in 1903 aged 25 and later that year Mr Godbold married Harriet Curzon.
- ii. John Thomas, born 1880Q2 in Hulme. He enlisted on 16 November 1899 and rose to Sergeant in the East Lancashire Regiment. He died serving in Poona, India on 4 November 1904.

323. JOSEPH GEORGE¹⁰ SKIDMORE, eldest son of James [219] and Martha (Wright) Skidmore, was born in Hurdlow and baptised 23 May 1858. A general labourer, he married Emily Jones in 1890Q3 at St Peter's, Liverpool and their first home was no. 5, Court 4, Blake Street, Liverpool. After spending a few years in Hollinwood, near Oldham, they had moved by 1901 to 10 St Mary's Avenue, Birkenhead, Cheshire and again, by 1911 to 63 Fair View Place, Dingle, Liverpool, where Joseph and his sons were labourers in the building trade. Joseph Skidmore died in 1923 in Liverpool, his widow in 1941.

Children of Joseph George and Emily (Jones) Skidmore,

- i. Joseph, born 1888Q4 in Runcorn, Cheshire. He appears to have married Eugenia Adelaide Stevenson (1883-1946, daughter of Edward and Margaret (Johnson) Stevenson) in 1920. I have not yet found children born to this marriage. Eugenie Skidmore died in 1946, Joseph in 1961.
447. ii. **ROBERT¹¹**, born 1890Q4 in Birkenhead, Cheshire. He was a cold stores checker at the docks and enlisted on 23 August 1916 with the 1st Dock Battalion of the Liverpool Regiment of infantry. I understand the men were dock labourers who were already members of the National Union of Dock Labourers (NUDL); they were attested and placed under military law for home service¹⁴⁵. Robert Skidmore married Nora Cooper in 1915Q3 at St Paul's, Toxteth Park. He died in 1949.

Children of Robert and Nora (Cooper) Skidmore,

- i. Alfred G., born 1916Q4.
- ii. Blanche M., born 1918Q1.
- iii. A further son born in 1924.
- iii. James, born 26 December 1892 (baptised 9 April 1894 in Runcorn). His Army Service Records show that he was a lift attendant at the Lancashire Cold Stores Co. when he attested on 3 May 1912 and was attached to the Army Service Corps of the Territorials. He was later called up (details unknown) and was assigned to 8th Battalion King's Own (Royal Lancaster Regiment). Private Skidmore was killed in action with them on 27 October 1917, aged 25. His name appears on the Arras Memorial in France.
- iv. Elizabeth, born December 1894 in Hollinwood, Lancashire, baptised 5 December 1895 at Christ Church, Chadderton. A servant to the Musgrove family in Mulgrave Street, Liverpool in 1911. Elizabeth Skidmore, a housemaid and daughter of labourer Joseph Skidmore, married Harry Gillaspay (son of James Gillaspay, a mariner) on 19 July 1914 at St Paul's, Toxteth Park, Liverpool. James Skidmore and Lillian Hunter were witnesses. Two sons and a daughter are known to this marriage.
448. v. **JOHN¹¹**, born 3 February 1897 in Hollinwood. He appears to be the John Skidmore who married in 1924 in Liverpool and had two daughters and a son. He died in 1979 aged 82.
449. vi. **ARTHUR¹¹**, born in Hollinwood and baptised 31 May 1899 at Christ Church, Chadderton. He is apparently the Arthur Skidmore who married in 1925 in Liverpool and had a son. Arthur Skidmore's death was registered at Liverpool North in 1965.
- vii. Emily, born 1902Q1 in Bootle. She died in 1921 aged 19.
450. viii. **HENRY¹¹**, born 1904Q2 in Liverpool. He appears to be the Henry Skidmore who married in 1929

¹⁴⁵ *The Liverpool Dock Battalion: Military Intervention in the Mersey Docks, 1915-1918* by Keith Grieves in Transactions of the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire for the year 1981.

in Liverpool and had a daughter. He died in 1983.

451. ix. **THOMAS**¹¹, born 5 April 1906 in Bootle. He married in 1931 and had a daughter and two sons. He died in 1971.

324. JAMES HENRY¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, baptised 2 November 1862 at Wormhill, Derbyshire, was the second son of James [219] and Martha (Wright) Skidmore. A wheelwright, he married Mary Murray, a school mistress (born about 1865 in Clifton, Lancashire, daughter of Stephen Murray, a gardener) on 28 May 1890 at St Peter's, Swinton, Lancashire. They lived at 20 Denston Road, Pendleton.

Children of James Henry and Mary (Murray) Skidmore, born in Swinton,

- i. Grace, born 1892Q1. She is presumably the Grace Skidmore who died in Blackpool on 8 March 1961 aged 69, probate being accepted by Frederick Skidmore, café proprietor.
- ii. Frederick, born 28 March 1894. A clerk, he enlisted at Manchester on 7 September 1914 and was assigned to the Royal Fusiliers. He left for France on 9 October 1916, was part of B Company 8th Royal Fusiliers when reported missing 6 weeks later and was a prisoner of war in Dulmen¹⁴⁶. He died in 1969 in Poole, Dorset.
- iii. John Bernard, born 1 February 1896. He died in Eastcote, Middlesex on 14 May 1949, leaving a will which named Miss Miriam Skidmore, presumably his cousin, as one of his executors. He appears to have married Kate Isabel Fowler (1890-1946), a school teacher from Manchester, in 1926, but no children are known to this marriage.

325. JOHN¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, born 18 April 1865 in Whiston, was the third son of James [219] and Martha (Wright) Skidmore baptised 28 May at Tideswell. He married Miriam Walch (born about 1864 in Edenfield, Lancashire, daughter of Thomas Walch, manager) in 1890 at All Saints', Elton, Lancashire. John Skidmore was a shipping warehouseman. He died in 1894 aged 29 and Miriam Skidmore married secondly widower William Edward Williams, a drysalter (son of Robert Walch) at the same church on 21 December 1899.

Children of John and Miriam (Walch) Skidmore,

- i. Miriam, born 1892Q4. She was living in 1901 with her grandfather Thomas Walch (born about 1824 in Tottington, Lancashire) and her aunts Alice Ann Walch and Isabella Walch, a schoolmistress, at 205 Tottington Road, Bury. She continued to live here with her aunts and became a teacher.
- ii. [presumably] John Arthur, born and died in 1894Q3, the same quarter as his father died.

326. JOSEPH¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, born about 1837 in Winsford, Cheshire, was the elder son of George [221] and Margaret (Newall) Skidmore. He was a warehouseman and canal porter in Hulme and married Sarah Waddell Ogden (born about 1837 in Cheetham, Lancashire) on 12 June 1859 at Manchester Cathedral. After her husband's death in 1900, Sarah Skidmore and her granddaughter Lilian ran a sweet shop from their home at 299 Hyde Road, Manchester. She died early in 1911 aged 74.

Children of Joseph and Sarah Waddell (Ogden) Skidmore, born in Hulme,

452. i. **GEORGE HENRY**¹¹, born 1860Q2. He married Martha Scragg (born about 1861 in Manchester, daughter of Joseph Scragg, a wheelwright) in 1883Q4 in a ceremony registered at Chorlton. George was a carrier's clerk of Stretford Road, Stretford, Lancashire in 1891 but by the time of the 1901 census was running a glass and china dealership from their home at 2 Tamworth Street, Manchester. Mr Skidmore died in 1936 aged 75.

Children of George Henry and Martha (Scragg) Skidmore, born in Manchester,

There was a fourth child, name unknown, who had died before 1911.

- i. **ERNEST OGDEN**¹², born 1884Q4. A railway clerk and later a commercial traveller

¹⁴⁶ Dulmen was a small town with a population of 7,500 inhabitants. There was a castle there surrounded by estates owned by the Duke of Croy-Dulmen. The area was the centre of numerous working commandos and a large assembly camp was located on high ground five miles from the town. It held many prisoners taken during the Somme battles of 1916 - who worked a 12-hour day felling trees. The camp was under the control of 7th Army Corps.
<http://www.worldwar1postcards.com/ww1-prisoners-of-war-postcards.php>

in his father's business, he married Lilian Nelson (born about 1883 in Manchester) in 1908Q2. He was in the Army Service Corps in WW1. Mr Skidmore died in July 1949 aged 64 and is buried in the Southern Cemetery, Chorlton-Cum-Hardy, Manchester.

A son of Ernest Ogden and Lilian (Nelson) Skidmore,

perhaps with others

- i. Ernest, born 1909Q2.
 - ii. Bertha, born 1886Q3.
 - iii. Louisa, born 1888Q1. She died at the age of 10 in 1898.
453. ii. **WILLIAM JOHN¹¹**, born 1863Q1. He married Ellen Collins (born about 1863 in Longsight, Manchester, daughter of ____ and Harriet Skidmore) in 1885Q2 St Margaret's, Whalley Range, Manchester. William was a warehouseman in Moss Side, Manchester. He died in 1929 aged 66.
- Children of William John and Ellen (Collins) Skidmore,**
- i. Lilian, born 1886Q3 in Moss Side. She married Charles Henry Watterson, an overhead electric linesman (born about 1884 in Douglas, Isle of Man, son of William Henry Watterson, labourer) on 19 March 1907 at St Stephen's, Harpuhey, Manchester.
 - ii. William, born 1903Q3 in Ardwick.
 - iii. Hannah, born 1865Q1. She married George Henry Kennaugh in 1884Q2 in a ceremony registered at Chorlton.
 - iv. Elizabeth, born 1866Q2.
 - v. Louisa Newall, born 1869Q1. She married Thomas Davies, a clerk of Palmerston Street, Moss Side (son of James Davies, book keeper) on 19 May 1888 at Holy Trinity, Hulme, Manchester.
 - vi. Emily, born 1873Q2. A lace worker. She married William Henry Fallowfield in 1894Q1 in a ceremony registered at Chorlton.
 - vii. Bertha, born 1875Q1. A pantographer. She married Herbert Valentine in 1899Q3 in a ceremony registered at Chorlton.
454. viii. **JOSEPH OGDEN¹¹**, born 1879Q1. He married Maria Greenhough (born about 1878 in Middleton, Lancashire, daughter of James Greenhough) on 26 December 1899 at St Matthew's, Ardwick, Manchester.
- They had a son Joseph in Manchester before emigrating to Canada in 1902, where they had four further children. At the time of the 1911 Canadian census Joseph was working in a warehouse in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He died in Vancouver on 14 March 1966, aged 87.
- Children of Joseph Ogden and Maria (Greenhough) Skidmore,**
- i. Joseph, born August 1900 in Manchester.
- and born in Canada,**
- ii. Emily, born 5 April 1906, died at 2 days old in Wentworth, Ontario.
 - iii. Louisa, born 5 April 1906, died 5 May 1926 in Vancouver.
 - iv. Norman, born January 1910.
 - v. Herbert, born 1914.

327. GEORGE¹⁰ SKIDMORE, younger son of George [221] and Margaret (Newall) Skidmore, was born in 1850Q2 in Hulme, Manchester. He was a boiler maker, living in Junction Street at the time he married Mary Prophet of 33 Chapman Street (born about 1847 in Winsford, Cheshire, daughter of John Prophet, a waterman) on 19 December 1870 at Manchester Cathedral.

George Skidmore died in 1890 aged 40. Mary his widow married widower John Summersgill, an undertaker and coffin maker (born about 1833 in Manchester), on 22 February 1898 at Manchester Cathedral. They were living at the time of the 1901 census at 52 Fairfield Street, Manchester.

Children of George and Mary (Prophet) Skidmore,

- i. Mary Ann, born 1871Q2 in Hulme. A servant, she married Thomas Huskinson on 4 February 1893 at St Silas', Ardwick, Manchester. He was a son of Thomas Huskinson, and brother to Mary Jane and John who married Mary Ann's siblings. Thomas and Mary Ann Huskinson were living by 1911 at 22 Wild Street, Salford, together with her widowed mother Mary Summersgill. Children, as known - Ernest, Mary Ann, Edith, Thomas, Louisa, Mary Jane, Lily.
455. ii. **GEORGE THOMAS¹²**, born 1877Q3 in Hulme. He married Mary Jane Huskinson (born about 1872

in Birmingham, daughter of Thomas Huskinson, a carter, and his wife Catherine) on 6 November 1897 at St Andrew's, Ancoats, Manchester and was a carter for a canal company, living in 1901 at 65 Lynton Street, Salford.

Children of George Thomas and Mary Jane (Huskinson) Skidmore, born in Salford,

- i. Emma, baptised 11 September 1898 at St Bartholomew's, Salford.
 - ii. James, baptised 11 July 1900 at St Clement's, Ordsall in Salford. He died in 1901 aged 1.
 - iii. May, born 1902Q2.
 - iv. George, born 1906Q2.
 - v. Thomas, born 1908Q1.
 - vi. Annie, born 1910Q1.
 - vii. Elizabeth, born 1913Q1.
- iii. Margaret, born 1880Q4 in Longsight. She is presumably the Maggie Skidmore who married John William Huskinson (brother to Joseph and Mary Jane) in 1899Q4 at St Bartholomew's, Salford. Children, as known - John William, Charles Edward, Catherine, Harry.
 - iv. Joseph, born about 1884 in Patricroft. He married Elizabeth Leigh (daughter of John Leigh, a lamp lighter) on 12 December 1908 at St Silas, Ardwick, and was a spreader in an Indian rubber works in Ardwick.
 - v. Elizabeth Ann, born 1888Q2 in Ardwick. She died in 1893Q2 aged 5.

328. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, elder son of Thomas [222] and Mary Ann (Stevenson) Skidmore, was born in 1845Q1 in Flagg and baptised on 16 April at St Leonard's, Monyash. He married Elizabeth Lightwood (born about 1844 in Newcastle under Lyme, Staffordshire) on 7 April 1869 at St John's, Hanley, Staffordshire. They were living in 1881 at 1 Vicar Lane, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, where he was a draper's assistant and where he died in 1884Q2 aged 39.

Elizabeth Skidmore and her daughter seem to have had an upholstery business whilst they were in Chesterfield. She and Evelyn and Harold moved before 1901 to 55 Slaney Street, Stoke upon Trent and again, by 1911, to Albany Road, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire.

Children of William and Elizabeth (Lightwood) Skidmore, baptised at Chesterfield,

- i. Eveline Russell, baptised 6 February 1870. A dressmaker, living with her mother at the time of the 1911 census. Miss Skidmore died in Newcastle-under-Lyme in 1946, aged 76.
457. ii. **WILLIAM FREDERICK¹¹**, baptised 1 December 1872. A painter and paperhanger, he married Jane Hindle in 1900Q1 at St George's, Newcastle-under-Lyme. They were living in 1911, when Mrs Skidmore had become an elementary school teacher, at Butterton, Newcastle under Lyme.

The son of William Frederick and Jane (Hindle) Skidmore,

- i. Frederick William, born February or March 1901.
- iii. Harold, born 1878Q2. A joiner and carpenter in 1901, living with his mother and sister in 1911. He died in 1968 aged 90.

329. JOHN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, second son of Benjamin [223] and Maria (Bingham) Skidmore, was born in Litton, Derbyshire on 6 May 1869 and baptised on 11 May at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. A calico weaver in Litton, he married Clara Bower (daughter of Ralph Bower) on 10 February 1900 at Tideswell. They moved before the census of 1911 to 11 Buck Row, Barns Fold Road, Hawk Green, Marple, Cheshire.

Children of John and Clara (Bower) Skidmore,

- i. Benjamin, born 10 July 1900 in Litton. He died in 1989 in the Stockport area of Cheshire.
- ii. Miriam, born 1910Q2 in Tideswell.

330. JOHN HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1861Q3, baptised 27 March 1862 at Taddington, was a son of Ellen Skidmore (daughter of William [145] and Mary (Mycock) Skidmore). He married Mary Hannah Mycock in 1882Q1. He was buried at Taddington on 4 December 1943 aged 82.

Children of John Henry and Mary Hannah (Mycock) Skidmore,

459. i. **JOHN HENRY¹¹**, born 1882Q4. A roadman, he married Josephine Nettleton in 1907. In

1989 Peter Skidmore, who collected an enormous amount of Skidmore family detail from graveyards and parish registers of the High Peak, met the gravedigger at Taddington, who showed him John Henry's unmarked grave in the churchyard and confirmed that he had worked for the Rural District (subsequently Derbyshire County) Council and lived in Taddington all his life.

Children of John Henry and Josephine (Nettleton) Skidmore,

- i. Elsie, born 1908Q1.
- ii. Amy, born 1910Q1.
- iii. George R., born 1912Q2.
- iv. William H., born 1915Q1.
- v. Mary, born 1921Q2.
- vi. Doris, born 1923Q3.
- vii. FRANK, born 26 April 1925. He died in Australia in 2018 aged 92.

331. GEORGE¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 17 August 1870, was a son of Ellen Skidmore (daughter of William [145] and Mary (Mycock) Skidmore). He married Charlotte Harrison Morton in 1901 and was a woodman on part of the Duke of Devonshire's estate.

Children of George and Charlotte Harrison (Morton) Skidmore,

- i. A child who died before 1911.
- ii. John Thomas, born 15 September 1912. He died in 1983 in Sheffield.

332. JOHN WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, the son of John [224] and Ann (Davies) Skidmore, was born in 1883Q3 in Chorlton-cum-Hardy, Lancashire. He was living in 1911 with his father in Chorley, where he worked in a timber yard. He married Elizabeth Alice Foster in 1914 at St George's, Chorley and had, as known, one son. John Skidmore died in 1952 aged 68.

The son of John William and Elizabeth Alice (Foster) Skidmore,

- i. Eric F., born 1916.

333. JAMES¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born in Cressbrook and baptised 15 April 1855 at All Saints', Bakewell, was the first son of Richard [226] and Nancy (Ollerenshaw) Skidmore. He married Sarah Yates Bowker (born about 1855 at Hooly Hill, Lancashire, daughter of Joseph Bowker) on 6 August 1883 at Tideswell. He became a grocer with a shop in Bispham, Lancashire and after his death his wife and son Percy continued the business. *James Wain* Skidmore died at the age of 50 on 18 August 1906, leaving a will which named his widow as his executor. Sarah Yates Skidmore died in 1917 aged 62.

Children of James and Sarah Yates (Bowker) Skidmore,

In the 1911 census form, Mrs Skidmore reported having had five children, three of whom were then surviving.

- i. Hilda, born in Cressbrook, baptised 16 September 1884 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. She was living in 1901, nothing further known.
- ii. Percy, born 1887Q4 in Bispham. A grocer in 1911 in Bispham, he was living in 1917 at Daisybank, Church Road, Bispham when he accepted probate of his mother's will.
- iii. Annie Lillian, born 1890Q1.
- iv. [perhaps] Richard, born and died in the first quarter of 1892 in Fylde registration district.
- v. [perhaps] Walter, born and died in the first quarter of 1892 in Fylde registration district.

334. ERNEST¹⁰ SKIDMORE, the second son of Simon [226] and Emma (Harrison) Skidmore, was born in 1863Q1 and baptised with his sister at Clayton on 12 April 1865. He married Mary Ann Crossan in 1889Q4 at Sacred Trinity, Salford. The death of Mary Ann Skidmore was registered in the last quarter of 1891. By the time of the 1901 census Ernest Skidmore was a labourer in a foundry and boarding in Salford. He died in 1907 aged 44.

A child of Ernest and Mary Ann (Crossan) Skidmore,

- i. Emma Alice, born 1890Q3 in Nottinghamshire. She died early in 1893 aged 2.

335. GEORGE¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1866Q4 and baptised 5 May 1867 at Clayton, was the third son of Simon [226] and Emma (Harrison) Skidmore. He married Esther Walton Hunt (born about 1877, daughter of William Hunt, a beer retailer, and his wife Esther (Walton)) on 3 November 1889 at St John's, Manchester. The witnesses were Thomas Barlow, George's brother-in-law, and Annie Carter. George Skidmore was at first a carter and beer retailer of the Old Church Inn, Fennel Street, Manchester but by 1901 the family had moved to Salford, where he was a bleacher's carter.

George Skidmore died in 1943 in Manchester aged 76, his wife in 1948 aged 80.

Children of George and Esther Walton (Hunt) Skidmore, born in Salford,

There was an additional child who did not survive to 1911.

- i. William Routledge, born 7 May 1890. He died in 1970 in Blackpool aged 79.
- ii. Annie, born 1892Q3.
- iii. Ernest, born 1896Q1. He joined the Lancashire Fusiliers, 1/7 Battalion and was killed in action on 5 June 1917 aged 21. He is buried at Ruyaulcourt Military Cemetery, France.
- iv. Florrie, born 1900. She died in 1905 aged 4.
- v. Thomas, born 1 December 1902. He died in 1981 aged 78.

336. ALBERT¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1869Q1, was the fourth son of Simon [226] and Emma (Harrison) Skidmore. A millwright in a cotton mill, he married Lily Haddow (born about 1867 in Scotland) in 1888Q3 in Liverpool, and lived in Evans Street, Salford. Lily Skidmore died in 1902 aged 36 and Albert and the children moved to 39 Coburg Street, Lower Broughton, Manchester.

Children of Albert and Lily (Haddow) Skidmore, born in Salford,

2 further children who did not survive to 1911.

- i. Emma, born 4 July (baptised 4 August) 1889 in Manchester.
- ii. Jane Muir (Jeanie), born 1891Q4.
- iii. George, born 1897Q2.
- iv. Jessie, born 1900Q1.

337. THOMAS¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1886Q4 in Wardlow, was the son of Joseph [227] and Phoebe (Turner) Skidmore. He was a stationary engine driver at a basalt stone quarry and lived in Bonsall. He appears to have married Hannah Burton in 1909Q4.

Children of Thomas and Hannah (Burton) Skidmore,

- i. William, born mid-1910.
- ii. Thomas, born 1912Q1.

Perhaps 3 others reg. in Bakewell.

338. SAMUEL¹⁰ SKIDMORE, eldest son of Francis [228] and Silence (Harrison) Skidmore, was born in Hartington, Derbyshire and baptised 23 February 1851 at Earl Sterndale. He was for a time working for Thomas Bunting at Whele House, Taddington, but by 1881 was a labourer at a steel works in North Ormesby, Yorkshire, where he lived with his family at 91 Telford Street. He married Lucy Jane Warhurst (born about 1857 in Chapel le Frith, Derbyshire, daughter of Thomas Warhurst) on 13 March 1878 at St Margaret's, Wormhill, Derbyshire. Samuel was an ironstone miner in 1891, when he was living with his wife and children, and his brother James, at 25 Charltons Cottages, Stanghow, North Yorkshire. He died on 7 June 1915 aged 64 and was buried at St Aidan's, Boosbeck, where a stone to his memory survives. Jane Skidmore died in 1935 aged 78.

Children of Samuel and Lucy Jane (Warhurst) Skidmore,

- i. Ann, born in Dove Holes, Wormhill and baptised 2 March 1879 at St Margaret's, Wormhill. Like her brother James Francis, she died in 1885 and was buried at Skelton Cemetery on 22 January, aged 6.
- ii. Lucy Jane, born 1880Q2 in Dove Holes, baptised 17 October. She was a servant in Bradford before her marriage in 1906Q4 to Edward Moorhouse, a maker up and packer for a stuff and woollen manufacturer. They were living in 1911 at 63 Gladstone Street, Bradford. Mrs Moorhouse died in Bradford in 1951 aged 71.
Children, as known - George Edward, Annie.

- iii. Sarah Elizabeth, born 1881Q4 in Stanghow, North Yorkshire. She had her own dressmaking business run from her parents' home.
- iv. James Francis, born 1883Q2. Died in 1885 aged 2, buried 15 April 1885 at Skelton Cemetery, son of Samuel and Jane Skidmore.
- v. Frances Annie, born 5 December 1885 in Boosbeck. She was, at the age of 15, a housemaid in Norton, Durham and later in Bradford. She died unmarried in 1972 aged 87.
- vi. George, born 20 August 1887. An ironstone miner in 1911. He died in 1972 aged 85. No marriage has been found for this man in North Yorkshire.
- vii. Cedric, born 1889Q3. A driver in the ironstone mine. During WW1 he served in France with the British Red Cross Society. He married in 1950 Florence Earl (1895-1970), widow of Philip Henry Wilson. Mr Skidmore died on 5 March 1962 at 18 Hollymead Drive, Guisborough, aged 72.
- viii. Ellen, born 15 July 1891. She was a housemaid in Bradford by the time of the 1911 census. She died unmarried in 1970 aged 78.
- ix. [probably] Samuel, 1893-99. Buried at Skelton Cemetery on 19 October 1899.
- x. Phoebe, born 6 April (baptised 30 April) 1897.
- xi. Elsie, born 5 December 1898, baptised 9 January 1899 at Guisborough. She is presumably the Elsie Skidmore who married in the Guisborough area in 1920.

339. FRANCIS¹⁰ SKIDMORE, baptised 9 November 1855, was the second son of Francis [228] and Silence (Harrison) Skidmore. After working in his early teens for a farmer at Broad Meadow, Sheen, Staffordshire, he moved for a time to North Ormesby to live with his brother Samuel and became a labourer at the steel works.

He married Deborah Ann Harvey (called Ann) in 1889 and lived in Meir Lane, Caverswall, Staffordshire, where he was a stoker at the Borough Gas Works. He is probably the Francis Skidmore whose death was registered at Stoke on Trent in 1923, said to be aged 65.

Children of Francis and Deborah Ann (Harvey) Skidmore,

- i. Thomas, born 2 September 1891, baptised 27 September at Caverswall. He was apparently the Thomas Skidmore whose death was registered at Cheadle (this registration district contained Caverswall) in 1917Q2, aged 25.
- ii. Mary *Elizabeth*, born 1893Q2.
- iii. Deborah Ann (called Annie), born 1898Q2. She married in 1922.
- iv. Francis (Frank), born 1900Q4. He might be the Francis Skidmore, born 6 September 1900, who died in 1985 in the Stoke on Trent area.
- v. Grace, born 1903Q4.

340. THOMAS¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 2 April 1861, baptised 28 April at Wormhill, was the fourth son of Francis [228] and Silence (Harrison) Skidmore. He lived with his uncle and aunt James and Ann Featherstone before having a variety of farm jobs. He married Harriet Housley (daughter of Joseph Housley) on 5 March 1895 at Chelmorton and was a general labourer in Harpur Hill, Derbyshire.

Children of Thomas and Harriet (Housley) Skidmore, born in Harpur Hill,

- i. May, baptised 6 September 1896 at St James', Harpur Hill.
- ii. Francis, born 1897Q3. The death of Francis Skidmore was registered in the High Peak district in 1978.
- iii. Harriet, born 1900Q1.
- iv. Emma, born 1901Q4.

341. JOHN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 13 November 1859 in Brierlow Grange, Chelmorton, Derbyshire was the elder son of Thomas [229] and Eliza Skidmore. A farmer of Brierlow near Buxton, he married on 1 August 1882 at Chelmorton, Maria Jane Oliver (born in Flash, Staffordshire, daughter of Matthew Oliver, farmer of Chelmorton, and his wife Ann). She died aged only 29 in 1888Q4 and John followed on 29 December 1890. Administration of his estate was granted on 7 July 1891 to his father Thomas Skidmore, farmer of King Sterndale near Buxton, the grandfather and guardian of James Skidmore and Ann Skidmore infants the children and only next of kin.

Children of John and Maria Jane (Oliver) Skidmore,

- 467. i. **JOHN JAMES¹¹**, born 1885Q2. At the time of the census on 5 April 1891 he was living with the

family of his uncle and aunt William and Hannah Bradbury. He and his sister later lived with their uncle James Oliver in Chelmorton. He married Mary Kidd on 4 January 1907 at St Bartholomew's, Longnor, Staffordshire and was a farmer in Hurdlow, Earl Sterndale.

Children of John James and Mary (Kidd) Skidmore,

- i. Eva, born 31 October 1907 (date of birth of Eva and her next brother obtained from an online pedigree at Ancestry, not checked).
 - ii. John, born 1 March 1909.
 - iii. James, born 1911Q1.
 - iv. Mary, born 1914Q3.
 - v. Ben, born 1916Q2.
 - vi.-vii. 2 further daughters.
- ii. Elizabeth Ann, born 1887Q1. She was living at census time 1891 with her maternal grandparents. She worked in the dairy of their farm in Chelmorton until she married Charles Gould (son of Thomas Gould) on 5 April 1911 at Chelmorton.

342. BENJAMIN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1862Q2 in Chelmorton, Derbyshire was the younger son of Thomas [229] and Eliza Skidmore. He married Ann Holme (born about 1865 in Earl Sterndale, daughter of James and Maria (Mays) Holme) on 3 September 1884 at Christ Church, King Sterndale. He was a farmer in King Sterndale but moved before 1901 to farm at Mossley Cross, Mossley, Lancashire. They were living in 1911 at 42 Barkwell Lane.

Children of Benjamin and Ann (Holme) Skidmore, born in Buxton,

- i. Eliza Ann, born 1886Q2.
 - ii. Sophia, born 1887Q3. She was a shop assistant to a milliner in 1911. She married John Thorp, a joiner (son of George Thorp, a calico printer) on 12 August 1914 at St George's, Mossley.
 - iii. Edith Mary, born 1889Q1. She was a hardware shop assistant in 1911. In 1915 she married Arthur Teevens at St George's, Mossley.
468. iv. **JAMES¹¹**, born 1890Q2. He was a farmer of Barkwell Farm, Mossley when he married Emma Norton of Stalybridge (daughter of John Norton) on 14 June 1919 at St George's, Mossley. They had a daughter and a son.
- v. Amy, born 1891Q2.

343. WILLIAM HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born about 1858Q1 in Nottingham, was a son of James [230] and Mary (Pauling) Skidmore. A paste board maker in Nottingham, he married Harriet Anderson (daughter of Robert Anderson, a shoemaker) on 1 June 1879 at St Paul's, Nottingham.

The only child of William and Harriet (Anderson) Skidmore,

- i. Mary, born 1880Q1. A box maker, she married Francis Joseph Smith in 1904Q4. A daughter Agnes Mary.

344. JOHN WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, the second son of John [231] and Elizabeth (Riley) Skidmore, was born in Nottingham in 1879Q3. He married Annie Robinson in 1909Q3 and was living in 1911 at 40 Albion Street, Nottingham.

Children of John William and Annie (Robinson) Skidmore,

- i. A child who died before the 1911 census.
- ii. John H., born 1911Q4. He died early in 1912.
- iii. George H., born 1913Q1. The death of George Henry Skidmore, born 2 December 1912, was registered at Nottingham in 1971.
- iv. John W., born 1915Q1.

345. THOMAS¹⁰ SKIDMORE, (perhaps Thomas George?) born, according to his army records on 14 May 1878, in Carlton, Nottingham, was a son of William [233] and Eliza (Smith) Skidmore. A bricklayer's labourer, he married Emily Fisher on 5 August 1901 at St Mary's, Nottingham. Thomas and Emma Skidmore were living in 1911 at 15 St George Street, Nottingham.

He enlisted on 4 May 1916 with the Middlesex Regiment and served in France between December 1916 and September 1917. He was then transferred to the Labour Corps in 1917 before being discharged in January 1918 as no longer fit for war service owing to having an eye condition called anatrophia. He gave his trade as scaffolder, of 1 Byron Square, Sneinton Road, Nottingham when he re-enlisted for short service on 6 June 1919. Having spent a month or so at Ripon camp, he was posted to France for grave exhumation work, which he did until April 1920.

Thomas Skidmore died in Nottingham in 1950 aged 69.

Children of Thomas and Emily (Fisher) Skidmore, born in Nottingham,

There was a further child who did not survive to 1911.

- i. Thomas William (Tom), born 10 November 1901. He joined the Royal Navy in January 1923 and served as a stoker aboard various vessels until October 1928. He died in 1985.
- ii. Mary Jane (Jenny), born 25 August 1903.
- iii. Ada, born 1906Q4. Not listed among Thomas' dependents in his army pension documents.
- iv. Ellen, born 1913Q4. Not listed among Thomas' dependents in his army pension documents.
- v. Clara, born 29 October 1914.

346. JAMES¹⁰ SKIDMORE, eldest son of Richard [234] and Martha (Brindly) Skidmore, was born in Bakewell in 1854Q4 and baptised at All Saints' there on 15 April 1855. With his brothers and sister Martha he worked in his father's grocery but later farmed Bank Top Farm in Bakewell after his marriage on 24 April 1894 at Parwich, Derbyshire, to Sarah Hannah Dakin (born about 1867 in Bakewell, daughter of William Dakin). James Skidmore died in 1934 aged 79, his wife in 1947 aged 80.

Children of James and Sarah Hannah (Dakin) Skidmore, born in Bakewell,

- i. Janet Mary, born 1895Q2.
- ii. James William, born 30 June 1896. He attended Lady Manners School in Bakewell before leaving in 1912 to help his father on their farm. He died in south Wales in 1977 aged 81.
- iii. John Dakin, born 1899Q2. He died in 1933.

347. RICHARD¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1862Q4 in Bakewell and baptised at All Saints' there on 16 August 1863, was the third son of Richard [234] and Martha (Brindly) Skidmore. He married Florence Haynes (born about 1866 in Bakewell) in 1888Q1 at Salford Ascension Church, Manchester and became a baker and farmer in Ashford, Derbyshire. The family later ran the Rawson's Arms at Bridge Fort, Bakewell, which apparently included a bakery and grocery.

Children of Richard and Florence (Haynes) Skidmore, born and baptised in Ashford,

- i. Florence May, born 1888Q2 in Brampton.
- ii. Christina Mary born 5 August 1889, baptised 11 September.
472. iii. **RICHARD BRINDLEY¹¹**, born 5 November 1893, baptised 17 January 1894. He married in 1925. He died in 1975 aged 82.
- iv. Nora Eliza, baptised 1 May 1896.
- v. Doris, baptised 18 March 1898.
- v. Marjorie, born 1903Q2. She died at the age of 2 in 1905Q4.
- v. Muriel, born 1906Q1.

348. WILLIAM THOMAS¹⁰ SKIDMORE, second son of William [235] and Hannah (Capon) Skidmore, was born in 1845Q4 in Manchester. He married Harriet Barlow (daughter of William Barlow, a machine man) at Manchester Cathedral on 28 October 1866. John Barlow and Elizabeth Egerton were their witnesses.

William Skidmore was a cigar sorter in 1871 when they were living at 2 Dale Street, Stockport, Cheshire. William died in 1877Q2 aged 31 and Harriet married secondly Thomas Joseph Morris, also a cigar maker (born about 1855 in London) on 24 September 1883 at St Matthew's, Ardwick, Manchester. They had moved to Huddersfield, Yorkshire and were living at 41 Northumberland Street there by 1881.

Children of William Thomas and Harriet (Barlow) Skidmore,

- i. John William, baptised 26 January 1868 at Manchester Cathedral. He died later that year.
- ii. William, born 1869Q3 in Stockport. Baptised 19 September Manchester. He died in 1874 aged 5.

- iii. Priscilla, born 1871Q4 in Manchester, but registered in Stockport. Baptised 1 October 1871 in Manchester. At the time of the 1891 census she was a cigar maker, lodging at 63 Pine Street, Huddersfield. She married firstly John Alfred Smith, a stone mason (born 1869 in Leeds, son of John Smith, mason) on 4 June 1892 at St Peter's, Huddersfield and, secondly, Benjamin Bradley, a plumber and gas fitter, on 25 December 1909 at St John's, Huddersfield. Smith children, as known - Edith, Lilian, Harry, Alfred.
- iv. Ada, born 7 February 1874, baptised 29 March in Manchester. She married Ernest Moorhouse, a woollen twister in the worsted weaving trade (born about 1873 in Armitage Bridge, Yorkshire) in 1895 in Huddersfield. Children, as known - Henry, Gladys, Ada, Annie, Ernest, Thomas, Alfred & Amy (twins), Edward and George (twins), Harriet.
- v. Harry, born 11 October 1876, baptised 5 November in Manchester. Harry Skidmore worked for a machine making firm in the iron trade and was living at 12 Fern Street, St John's parish, when he married Martha Ann Mitchell on 26 December 1902 at St Andrew's, Huddersfield. She was born about 1877, daughter of Joe Mitchell of 88 Brookfern Terrace, a cloth finisher. Harry and Martha Skidmore were living in 1911 at 97 Bradford Road North, Huddersfield. No children known.

349. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1859Q4 In Sheffield, was the son of Richard [236] and Ann (Shemeld) Skidmore. A railway shunter's pointsman, he married in 1882 Harriet Ann Lancashire (born about 1861 in Rotherham). William Skidmore died aged 30 in 1889Q3 and his wife married secondly George Burton, a labourer in a wheel shop, in 1890 and had further children by him.

Children of William and Harriet Ann (Lancashire) Skidmore, born in Rotherham,

- i. Richard, born 27 September 1882. This date of birth was obtained from a list of Canadian enlistees for WW1 but I have so far not discovered anything further. He was not living with his mother and stepfather in 1901.
- 473. ii. **THOMAS WILLIAM¹¹**, born 1884Q4. He was a bricklayer at Aldworke Main Colliery and lived with his family at 101 Beartree Road, Parkgate. He married Beatrice Allott in 1904Q4.

Children of Thomas William and Beatrice (Allott) Skidmore,

- i. John Arthur, born 1905Q1.
- ii. Olga, born 1907Q1.

350. JOHN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born in Bakewell and baptised 8 March 1846, was the second son of George [237] and Hannah (Roebuck) Skidmore. A farm worker, he married firstly Harriet Hutchinson (born about 1848 in Lofthouse, daughter of William Hutchinson, a boot and shoe maker) on 4 December 1870 at St Mary's, Hunslet, Leeds. The witnesses were Charles William Hodgkinson and Emma Hodgkinson. He was a railway porter in Hunslet, Leeds, where Harriet Skidmore died in 1889Q2 aged 42.

Later that year, on 14 July 1889 at St Philip's, Shalesmoor, Sheffield, John Skidmore married secondly Hannah Stone (born about 1850 in Elton, Derbyshire, daughter of Benjamin Stone).

Hannah died in 1921 aged 70 (buried 22 March at Holbeck), John in 1923 aged 77.

The children of John and Hannah (Stone) Skidmore,

- i. Albert, born 19 December 1889 at Paradise Terrace, Hunslet and baptised 9 February 1890 at SS John & Barnabas, Holbeck. He had a severe hearing impairment since the 1911 census describes him as 'deaf and dumb from 2½ years old'. Albert was a cabinet maker.
- ii. Beatrice Mary, born 25 September 1892, baptised 9 November at St Mary of Bethany, New Wortley. She died at 8 months and was buried at Hunslet Cemetery on 22 June 1893.

351. GEORGE¹⁰ SKIDMORE, third son of George [237] and Hannah (Roebuck) Skidmore, was baptised 27 July 1853 at Bakewell. A stonemason, he married in 1888Q3 Ellen Webster (born about 1852 in Monyash, Derbyshire, daughter of William Webster, an agricultural fencer, and his wife Mary). They lived in Bakewell, where Mrs Skidmore died in 1906Q1 aged 53, her husband in 1910Q1 aged 56 (from phthisis according to a note in his son William's army records).

Children of George and Ellen (Webster) Skidmore, born in Monyash,

- i. Stanley, born 10 August 1880, baptised 17 October at Monyash, son of Ellen Webster. The birth

of Stanley Skidmore Webster, was registered at Bakewell in 1880Q3, and he was called Stanley T. Webster aged 7 months at the time of the 1881 census when he was living with his mother Ellen Webster in the home of her parents in Monyash. Stanley Skidmore, son of George Skidmore of Mill Street, attended Bakewell Wesleyan School before admittance on 5 August 1889 to Bakewell National Boys School. The register shows that he remained there until 22 November that year when he 'went to Monyash', but was readmitted to the National School on 6 January 1890 and again on 5 April 1892, with periods of work in between.

Stanley Skidmore was an apprentice slater in 1901 but I have failed to find him in records after this date.

- ii. Martha, born 15 November 1888, baptised 3 February 1889. She entered Bakewell National Infants School on 6 March 1893 and remained there for three years before transferring to Bakewell National Girls School. After the death of her parents she continued to care for her brother John and sister Elizabeth. She is perhaps the Martha Skidmore who married at All Saints', Bakewell in 1920.
- iii. William, born 16 February 1890. He attended Bakewell National Infants School from 9 April 1894 to 31 May 1897 before transferring to Bakewell National Boys School, where he remained until he started work in February 1903. He became a landscape gardener and was working in Barnsley, Yorkshire at the time of the 1911 census.

He enlisted at Sheffield on 11 September 1914 and was assigned to 12th Yorks and Lancs Regiment. He served with them in Egypt from December 1915 and then in France from March 1916. He reported sick at Ville Chapelle on 24 August 1916 and, having been treated for trench fever in Calais, was sent home in September 1916 and admitted to hospital in Manchester, followed by a period of convalescence in Alnwick, Northumberland. He joined 2/6 Durham Light Infantry in June 1917 and, in October 1917, was transferred to 693rd Agricultural Company of the Labour Corps. Nothing further presently known.

and born in Bakewell,

- iv. George, born 1892Q1. He worked on a farm at Crabtree Grange, Great Houghton, Yorkshire. He died on 9 October 1917 serving as a private with the 2nd Battalion Coldstream Guards. His name is on the Tyne Cot Memorial in Belgium.
- 476. v. **JOHN WEBSTER¹¹**, born 4 May 1894. Like his elder brothers he attended Bakewell National Infants School and Bakewell National Boys School, leaving in May 1907. He was a cowman at the time he enlisted on 22 November 1915. He served in the Royal West Kent Regiment but was part of the 3rd Cavalry Reserve Regiment and, from September 1917, the Royal Fusiliers. He was sent to France from 12 October 1917 to 4 May 1918 and appeared in List No. 285 of men wounded on 13 December 1917; he suffered a gunshot wound to his right shoulder. He married Florence Jessie Birch (daughter of John William Birch, a farmer) on 21 April 1919 at Warslow Parish Church. They had a daughter and three sons. Mr Skidmore died in 1946 aged 52.
- vi. Elizabeth Ellen, born 1897Q1.

352. SYDNEY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, baptised 29 October 1848 at Great Longstone, was the eldest son of Joseph [238] and Ann (Walker) Skidmore. He married Mary Ellen Goodall (born about 1851 in Buxton, daughter of George Goodall, stone mason) on 8 June 1869 at St Michael & All Angels, Earl Sterndale and was a joiner at the time of the 1881 census, living with his wife and sons at 6 Hobsons Place, Buxton.

I have so far not found the family in the 1891 census. Mr Skidmore died in Pastures Hospital (Derby County Asylum), Mickleover and was buried in Mickleover on 20 August 1892, aged 41. Mary Ellen Skidmore married secondly George Smith on 13 May 1895 at Christ Church, Burbage.

Children of Sydney and Mary Ellen (Goodall) Skidmore,

- 477. i. **JOHN WILLIAM¹¹**, born 1869Q3. He married Rachel Cope (born in Colwich, Staffordshire, daughter of William Cope) on 7 October 1900 at Buxton. He worked for Buxton Urban District Council and their home in 1911 was 28 Bennett Street, Buxton.

Children of John William and Rachel (Cope) Skidmore, born in Buxton,

- i. Dorothy Eveline, born 1900Q3.
- ii. Florence, born 1903Q2.
- 478. ii. **JOSEPH¹¹**, born December 1870. A cab driver in Buxton, he married Mary Louisa Nixon (born in 1877 in Rugeley, Staffordshire, daughter of Stephen Nixon) on 12 January 1895 at St John the Baptist, Buxton. They lived in New Market Street.

Children of Joseph and Mary Louisa (Nixon) Skidmore, born in Buxton,

- i. Sydney Stephen, born 1895Q3.
- ii. Walter, born 1896Q2. Killed in action in France on 26 October 1917.
- iii. May, born 1900Q2.
- iv. Mabel, born 1902Q3.
- v. Louisa Ellen, born 1909Q1.

353. RICHARD¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born about 1860 in Burbage, was the third son of Joseph [238] and Ann (Walker) Skidmore. A house painter, he married Mary Catherine Watson (born in Fairfield, daughter of William Watson) on 26 October 1882 at Fairfield, and lived in Alma Cottages there. They moved to Manchester, where their home in 1901 was 15 Victoria Street, Longsight.

Children of Richard and Mary Catherine (Watson) Skidmore,

- 479. i. **JOSEPH WILLIAM¹¹**, born 1883Q3 in Fairfield. A barber, he married Alice Emily Harris in 1905.
 - i. A child who died before the 1911 census.
- 480. ii. **HENRY¹¹**, born 1887Q1 in Fairfield. He married Mary Rudman in 1907 and was a railway engine fireman.

Children of Henry and Mary (Rudman) Skidmore, born in Longsight,

- i. Richard Neville, born 1908Q2.
- ii. Irene, born 1909Q4.
- iii. Frank, born 1893Q3 in Manchester.

354. HERBERT¹⁰ SKIDMORE, son of Robert [239] and Martha (Robinson) Skidmore, was born on 4 January 1864 in Little Longstone, Derbyshire. He was gardener to the Marquiss of Stafford at Lilleshall House, Sheriffhales, Shropshire. He married Kate Parsons (born in Wootton under Edge, Gloucestershire) in 1896Q1 and became a fruiterer at their home at 63 Gorton Lane, Manchester. He later was a shopkeeper in Rochdale, though whether at their home at 72 Spotland Road is uncertain.

Children of Herbert and Kate (Parsons) Skidmore, born in Manchester,

- 482. i. **ALBERT VICTOR¹¹**, born 14 October 1897 in Manchester but baptised, as were his brother and sister, at St Giles', Great Longstone on 14 November. He joined the Royal Navy. He appears to be the Albert V. Skidmore who married in 1926 and had a daughter. He died in Cheshire on 1 April 1962 aged 64.
- 483. ii. **REGINALD HERBERT¹¹**, born 19 July 1899 and baptised on 8 October. He was based at Royal Navy Barracks, Devonport when he embarked for New Zealand on 8 February 1935, intending to make New Zealand his home. His name appears on a passenger list on the *Ionic*, bound for Southampton, the following year as a tourist heading for Great Longstone. Once home, he married and had four children. He died in 1966.
- iii. Dorothy Gladys, baptised 19 May 1901. She died unmarried in 1979.

355. ALBERT JACKSON¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born in Great Longstone and baptised 17 December 1872, was the youngest son of Robert [239] and Martha (Robinson) Skidmore. He married Sarah Harriet Dorman (born 1874 in Barnack, Northamptonshire) in 1900Q2 and was a farmer in Great Longstone. He died on 18 November 1938 aged 65.

Children of Albert Jackson and Sarah Harriet (Dorman) Skidmore, born and baptised at Great Longstone,

- i. Martha Elsie, baptised 16 June 1901. Died 1989.
- 484. ii. **JOHN ARCHIBALD ROBINSON¹¹**, born 1902Q4, baptised 25 January 1903. He married in 1928 and had two daughters and a son. Mr Skidmore died in 1956.
 - iii. Myra Elizabeth, baptised 13 December 1903.
 - iv. Albert George, born 1 December 1904. He entered Great Longstone Infants School in December 1908 and moved on to Upper School in June 1910. Nothing more is presently known of Albert Skidmore's life. He died in 1963 aged 58.
 - v. Ronald, born 1908Q2, baptised 17 October. He is presumably the 8-year old boy with his name who died in 1916.
- 485. vi. **JESSE¹¹**, born 15 November 1915. He married in 1936 and had, as known, a daughter and two sons. Mr Skidmore died in 1994.

356. RICHARD¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born in Buxton, Derbyshire and baptised 8 March 1857 at St Peter's, Fairfield, was the eldest son of Thomas [240] and Martha (Maycock) Skidmore. He was living in 1881 in the house adjacent to that of Thomas and Martha Skidmore in Silverland Park and a 'bath chairman'¹⁴⁷. He married Annie Louisa Woodward (born about 1861 in Rugby, Warwickshire, daughter of John Woodward) on 20 April 1880 at St Paul's, Leamington Priors, Warwickshire.



By 1901 he had his own cab business in Buxton and his wife was running a lodging house, presumably at their home at 17 Bath Street. In 1911 they were at 89 Windsor Road, Fairfield.

Richard Skidmore died in 1940, aged 83, his wife that same year, aged 79.

Children of Richard and Annie Louisa (Woodward) Skidmore,

- i. Charlotte Edith, born 31 March 1881, baptised 24 April at St John's, Buxton. She died aged 1 and was buried at St John's on 26 May 1882.
- ii. Frederick Charles, born 24 July 1882. He was living in Roath, Cardiff in 1901, employed as an assistant to an importer of oriental goods. He married Violet Ruth Hamblen (born in Bournemouth, Hampshire) in 1910 in Elham Kent. Mr Skidmore died in 1969. No known children.
486. iii. **REGINALD LESLIE¹¹**, born 9 March 1888. A railway fireman. He married Dorothy B. Goddard in 1914. Reginald Skidmore died in 1970.

Children of Reginald Leslie and Dorothy B. (Goddard) Skidmore,

- i. Phyllis P., born 1915Q2.
- ii. Hilda M., born 1916Q2.
- iii. Dorothy B., born 1917Q3.
- iv.-ix. 4 further daughters and 2 sons.
- iv. Florence Ethel, baptised 24 November 1889. Original records have not been seen but she appears to have married George R. Goddard in 1911.
- v. Arthur Edward, born 1892Q3.
- vi. Dorothy May V., born 1895Q2. She married in 1923 and had three daughters and two sons.
- vii. Queenie Gladys M., born 1901Q2. She married in 1925.
- viii. Violet Annie, born 1903Q4.

357. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1859Q1 in Buxton, was the second son of Thomas [240] and Martha (Maycock) Skidmore. A 'bath chairman', he married Emily Wilmot (born in Tansley, Matlock, daughter of William Wilmot) on 21 March 1882 at Buxton and lived at 3 Sylvan Park. He died in 1893Q2 aged only 34 and Emily Skidmore later ran a lodging house.

Children of William and Emily (Wilmot) Skidmore,

488. i. **THOMAS WILLIAM¹¹**, born 1883Q2 in Fairfield. He was a joiner at the time of the 1901 census

¹⁴⁷ A bath chair—or Bath chair—is a rolling chaise or light carriage for one person with a folding hood. Used especially by invalids, it is mounted on three or four wheels and drawn or pushed by hand. James Heath, of Bath, who flourished before the middle of the 18th century, was the inventor. Later versions were a type of wheelchair which is pushed by an attendant rather than pulled by an animal. In the 19th century they were often seen at spa resorts such as Buxton and Tunbridge Wells. wikipedia.

but does not seem to have followed this trade. He is presumably the Thomas William Skidmore who married Ida Wood in 1904Q3. This man and his wife were fruiterers in 1911, living at 5 Market Place, Buxton.

Children of Thomas William and Ida (Wood) Skidmore,

- i. Thomas Neville, born 1905Q2. He died unmarried in 1941.
 - ii. **MAJOR H.**¹², born 1914Q3.
 - iii. a daughter.
489. ii. **LEONARD HAROLD**¹¹, born 1888Q4 in Fairfield. A newsagent in Buxton, he married Florrie Smith in 1911.

Children of Leonard Harold and Florrie (Smith) Skidmore,

- i. **DENIS W.**¹², born 1911Q4.
 - ii. Greba E., born 1913Q3.
 - iii.-vi. 5 further sons and a daughter.
- iii. Louise Pearl, born December 1890 in Buxton. She married in 1916.

358. JOHN THOMAS¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, born 1863Q4 in Buxton, was the third son of Thomas [240] and Martha (Maycock) Skidmore. He was an attendant at a Buxton reading room in 1881. He married Alice Ada Norton (born about 1865 in Burbage, Derbyshire) in 1886Q4 and lived at 44 Bath Street, Buxton. He worked at Buxton Gardens and was gate keeper there but by the time of the 1911 census the family were running a sizeable boarding house at their home at 20 Broad Walk, Buxton.

Alice A. Skidmore died in the Totnes area of Devon in 1943, aged 79, her husband the following year, aged 82.

Children of John Thomas and Alice Ada (Norton) Skidmore, born in Buxton,

- i. Thomas William, born 1888Q1. At the time of the 1911 census he was a charge assistant at the Wyehouse Lunatic Asylum near Buxton. He joined Manchester Police on 11 February 1915.
490. ii. **BERTRAM**¹¹, born 1889Q4.
- iii. Emily Ethel, born 1895Q2.
 - iv. Doris, born 1897Q1.
 - v. Phyllis, born 1899Q1.
491. vi. **JAMES LESLIE**¹¹, born 1900Q2.

359. JAMES¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, born 1869Q4 in Buxton, was the fourth son of Thomas [240] and Martha (Maycock) Skidmore. A clerk for the Gas Department of the Urban District Council, he married Sarah Elizabeth Bennett of 57 Cheetham Hill Road, Manchester (born about 1867 in Fairfield, Derbyshire, daughter of Silas Bennett, a builder) on 5 March 1894 at Manchester Cathedral. George William Bennett and Sarah Jane Bennett were witnesses.

James and Sarah Skidmore were living at the time of the 1901 census at 2 Brighton Terrace, Fairfield, Buxton. He accepted probate of his mother's will in 1908 and by 1911 their home was at 29 Brown Edge, Fairfield.

James Skidmore died in 1948 aged 78, his wife in 1953 aged 85

Children of James and Sarah Elizabeth (Bennett) Skidmore, born at Buxton,

- i. Elsie May, born 1895Q1.
- ii. Irene Ann, born 1898Q3.

360. THOMAS¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, eldest son of William [241] and Ann (Goodwin) Skidmore, was born in Little Longstone and baptised at St Giles', Great Longstone on 26 May 1862. He was assistant to grocer John Moore in Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, Manchester at the time of the 1881 census. He had, however, become a railway guard by 1891 when he was living with his wife and daughter Irene at 25 Lever Grove, Bolton, Lancashire. He married Mary Annie Tyldsley in Bolton in 1888Q4. In the late 1890s they moved to Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, where he became Inspector of Nuisances (Sanitary Inspector)¹⁴⁸.

¹⁴⁸ A person employed by a parish or council to inspect for breaches of law, eg bad sanitary conditions, obstruction to

He died 19 July 1918 in Mansfield aged 57. Mary Annie died 24 September 1946 aged 81.

Children of Thomas and Mary Annie (Tyldsley) Skidmore, baptised at Holy Trinity, Bolton,

- i. Irene, baptised 13 October 1889.
- ii. Frank, born 15 July 1891 and baptised the same day. He died the following year and was buried at Tonge Cemetery, Bolton on 21 April 1892.
- iii. Ida, born 20 January (baptised 22 February 1893).
- iv. Gladys, born 31 March (baptised 5 June) 1895.
- v. Phyllis, born 25 August (baptised 20 October) 1897.
- vi. Marjorie, born 1901Q4 in Mansfield.

361. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1868Q2 in Little Longstone, was the second son of William [241] and Ann (Goodwin) Skidmore. A general labourer in 1891, living with his parents. He was later a railway guard and married Mrs Jane Naylor (daughter of Charles Kitson and widow of William Naylor) on 28 October 1900 at Buxton. They were living at the time of the 1901 census at 8 Holmwood Terrace, Fairfield, with Mrs Naylor's children Fanny and Frank from her first marriage.

By 1904 they had moved to Mansfield, Nottinghamshire where William found work in a local brewery. He died there in 1949 aged 81.

Children of William and Jane (Kitson) Skidmore,

A further child did not survive to 1911.

- i. Joseph, born 1904Q3. A coal miner of Mansfield when he enlisted there on 20 June 1925 with the Royal Tank Corps.
- ii. Nellie, born 1906Q2. Died 1974.
- iii. Vera, born 1908Q4.

362. JOSEPH¹⁰ SKIDMORE, third son of William [241] and Ann (Goodwin) Skidmore, was baptised at Great Longstone on 25 June 1871. He found work as boots at the Old Hall Hotel, Buxton. This is presumably when he met his future wife Mary Jenny Skidmore who, with her sister Ann Lockhart Skidmore (known as Minnie), worked in the nearby Saints Arms Hotel as housemaid and waitress respectively. Mary Jennie and Minnie were born in Tutbury, Staffordshire, daughters of Francis George Skidmore of the Kingswinford branch of the wider Skidmore family, and his wife Jane (Wright)¹⁴⁹. Joseph and Mary Jenny were married on 28 October 1896 at St John's, Buxton.

Joseph Skidmore died in 1942 aged 71.

Children of Joseph and Mary Jenny (Skidmore) Skidmore, born in Buxton,

- i. Dorothy, born 1897Q4.
- ii. Gladys, born 1900Q1.
- iii. Annie Lavinia, born 1901Q2.
- iv. Francis Henry, born 1 March 1904. He married in 1933 and died in 1982.
- v. William, born 1909Q2.

363. JAMES GOODWIN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born in Buxton on 22 November 1873 and baptised there on 1 March 1874, was the fourth son of William [241] and Ann (Goodwin) Skidmore. He became a railway engine fireman in Nottingham and Leeds. He married Mary Emma Watson in 1905 at the Methodist Chapel, Cardigan Road, Burley, Yorkshire and was living with his wife and son at 28 Colenso Place, Leeds in 1911.

footpaths and roads etc. Refuse heaps, smells and insanitary conditions of all kinds were known as 'nuisances'. In 1846 the Nuisance Removal and Prevention of Diseases Act was passed, enabling towns to appoint inspectors to report on the offensive conditions in their areas. From the *Dictionary of Old Trades & Occupations* by Andrew & Sandra Twining.

¹⁴⁹ For the lineage of Francis George Skidmore see *Skidmore Colliers and Innkeepers of Amblecote, Staffordshire, and Potmakers of Stourbridge, Worcestershire, 1750-1910* by Linda Moffatt at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com.

This family emigrated to New Zealand by 1914. James was a tannery labourer when he was placed on the New Zealand Army WWI Reserve Rolls 1916-1917 but later found work on the railway. They appear in the Electoral Roll at 25 Matlock Street, Woolston, Lyttleton district, from 1914 through to 1935. Mary Emma Skidmore died on 22 November 1932, James on 23 August 1956; they are buried at Bromley Cemetery, Christchurch, New Zealand.

A son of James Goodwin and Mary Emma (Watson) Skidmore,

- i. Cecil William, born 27 December 1907. He became a carpenter and furniture maker in Christchurch, New Zealand. He died in 1977.
- ii. [apparently] Maurice Watson Skidmore born 22 June 1914 in Christchurch, and a signwriter there. He died 1999 aged 84.

364. ISAAC¹⁰ SKIDMORE, the second son of Josiah [242] and Sarah (Sorro) Skidmore, was born in 1847Q4 in Cressbrook, Derbyshire. He was a cotton and worsted weaver and, after their move to Ardwick, Lancashire, a railway porter. He married Margaret Dormer (born in Ireland, daughter of Edward Dormer, a joiner) at Manchester Cathedral on 19 January 1875. His brother Michael Henry Skidmore and sister-in-law Roseannah Skidmore were their witnesses.

He was foreman porter by 1881, living with his wife and son and his uncle James Sorro at 30 Frances Street, Salford. He later was foreman shunter. Margaret Skidmore died in 1907 aged 61, Isaac Skidmore in 1917 aged 68.

Children of Isaac and Margaret (Dormer) Skidmore, born in Salford,

- i. William Arthur, born 15 December 1875, baptised 25 June 1876 at Manchester Cathedral. He became a railway parcel clerk. His death was presumably that registered at Manchester in 1953, aged 77.
- ii. Margaret, born 1881Q2. Miss Skidmore died in 1965.
- iii. Josiah, born 1883Q2. A motor car fitter, he married Elizabeth Roberts in 1913Q4. He died in Manchester in 1973, said to be aged 92.

365. MICHAEL HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, the third son of Josiah [242] and Sarah (Sorro) Skidmore, was born in 1850Q2 in Little Longstone (being registered at birth as Michael Skidmore). He married Rosannah Wood (born about 1853 in Manchester, daughter of Edwin Wood, a warehouse manager) on 5 September 1874 at Manchester Cathedral. Samuel Wood and Sarah Wood were witnesses.

Michael and Rosannah Skidmore lived in Chorlton, Lancashire, where he became a cashier. Mrs Skidmore died at 6 Eston Street, Chorlton aged 64 and was buried at St Luke's, Cheetham on 5 May 1917. Michael Skidmore died on 7 May 1924 in Rusholme, aged 74.

Children of Michael Henry and Rosannah (Wood) Skidmore, baptised at St Andrew's, Ancoats, Manchester,

- i. May, born 1875Q2, baptised 30 July 1875. She died the following year aged 1.
496. ii. **NEVILLE¹¹**, born 1877Q1 and baptised 4 April. He was a book keeper and cashier for a motor vehicle manufacturer in Chorlton. He married Annie Duffett in 1903Q4 at St John's, Longsight, Manchester.

Children of Neville and Annie (Duffett) Skidmore, born in Manchester,

- i. Neville, born 1904Q4.
- ii. Kenneth, born 1907Q2.
- iii. Bernard, born 1909Q3.
- iv. Kathleen, born 1912Q2.
- v. A daughter.
- iii. Clara, baptised 6 September 1878. She married William Grimshaw, a fire insurance surveyor, in 1905Q2 and was living at 60 Cromwell Road, Levenshulme in 1911.
- iv. Samuel Edwin, born 1880Q3 and baptised 8 October 1880. He was a trooper in the Imperial Yeomanry Company (Sharpshooters, unit 75). He received The Queen's South Africa Medal Clasps: Cape Colony, Orange Free State, Transvaal, Rhodesia, South Africa 1901. He was a Municipal clerk for the Gas Department of Manchester City Council and married Ethel Florence Thomas in 1909Q3.
- v. Margaret Alice, born 1882Q2, baptised 23 July. She married Sidney Henry Coningsby Smith, a draughtsman for a mechanical engineering firm, in 1907Q2.

- vi. Rose May, born 1883Q4, baptised 20 January 1884. She married Thomas Frederick Taylor, a clerk for a shipping warehouse (son of James Henry Taylor, a pattern card maker), on 5 September 1908 at St Stephen's, Chorlton-on-Medlock.
- vii. Minnie, baptised 25 December 1887. She died in 1906 aged 18.

366. JOHN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1852Q3 in Little Longstone, was the fourth son of Josiah [242] and Sarah (Sorro) Skidmore. An engine cleaner for the East Midlands Railway and later a railway engine driver. He married Frances (perhaps née Whitehead, the widow of William Brander) in 1873Q4 at St Mary's, Oldham, Lancashire. They settled at 79 Cromwell Road, Eccles, Lancashire, though John Skidmore died in 1919 at Lynsille Hawes, Side Lane, Blackpool, aged 66.

Children of John and Frances Skidmore, born in Manchester,

498. i. **JAMES WILLIAM¹¹**, born 13 January 1875 in Longsight, baptised 15 August at Manchester Cathedral. He married Mary Tatham Toft in 1900Q3 at the Wesleyan Methodist church in Salford. James Skidmore was book keeper for Browell and Lindley, a steam engineering firm in Patricroft, Eccles.

Children of James William and Mary Tatham (Toft) Skidmore,

- i. Eric Tatham, born 1901Q3. He married in 1925.
- ii. Beatrice I., born 1912Q3.
- ii. Sarah, born 1876Q3 in Salford. She died at five years old in 1882.
- iii. Frederick, born 1877Q4 in Salford. An ironmonger in Pendleton, he married Edith Cook in 1902Q3 at St Augustine's, Salford. No children known.
- iv. Eleanor, born 30 June 1881, baptised 28 August at Manchester Cathedral. She married John Frederick Moore, a designer for a calico printer, in 1902Q1 at Barton Road Methodist church, Eccles.
Children, as known - John Hardacre, Leslie, Elsie Alexandra.

367. ISAAC¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1856Q2 in Cressbrook, Derbyshire, was the eldest son of John [243] and Mary (Ollerenshaw) Skidmore. He married Alice Sanderson Murray (born 1861 in Preston, Lancashire, daughter of John Murray, a coachmaker) on 26 April 1879Q2 at All Saints', Newton Heath, Manchester. He was an agent for the Prudential Assurance Company and was living in 1881 with his wife and son at 42 Hulme Hall Lane, Newton. The family moved around, as indicated by the children's birthplaces, but had settled in the Salford area of Manchester by 1891.

Isaac Skidmore died in Salford in 1929, aged 72, his wife in 1930, aged 68.

Children of Isaac and Alice Sanderson (Murray) Skidmore,

499. i. **JOHN FREDERICK¹¹**, born 23 October 1879 in Newton Heath, baptised 18 January 1880 at St Luke's, Miles Platting. An engineer's fitter, he married Edith Lee (daughter of Moody Frederick Lee, a joiner) on 27 April 1904 at Christ Church, Salford. His brother Henry Ernest Skidmore and Lillian Bennett acted as witnesses.

John and Edith went to live for a time in Roe Street, Clifton, Co. Antrim.

Children of John Frederick and Edith (Lee) Skidmore,

- i. Elizabeth Ella, born 1905 in Manchester.
 - ii. John Frederick, born 3 May 1909 in Ireland. Died on 22 December that year.
 - iii. John Cyril, born 1915 in Manchester.
500. ii. **HENRY ERNEST¹¹**, born 28 November 1881 in Newton Heath. An iron turner in 1901. He married Emma Farrand (daughter of John Farrand, a labourer) at Christ Church, Salford on 8 October 1908. His father was one of the witnesses and gave his name as Isaac James Skidmore; the second witness was Annie Booth.
Harry E. Skidmore emigrated on SS *Haverford* arriving in the USA on 15 December 1909, giving as his next of kin his father Isaac Skidmore of 1 Port Soderick Street, Salford. Harry was a mechanic and married about 1912 (he said at the time of the 1930 census that he was 31 when he married). His wife Sigrid/ Winifred was born in South Africa and they had a daughter born 1915 in New Jersey. He was widowed during the 1930s.
- iii. Mary Beatrice, born 1883Q4 in Walsall, Staffordshire. She married William Henshaw, a joiner

(son of Robert Henshaw, a basket maker) on 26 October 1907 at St Luke's, Salford. Horace Arthur Bennett and Mary Bennett were witnesses.

- iv. Mabel Olive, born 1887Q4 in Crewe, Cheshire.
- v. Doris Alice, born 1893Q1. She married in 1923.
- vi. Douglas, born 1902Q2. He died in 1929 aged 27.

368. JOHN HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, son of John [243] and Sarah (Whitmore) Skidmore, was born in Cressbrook in 1873Q3. A power loom weaver, he married Florence Emily Orton (born about 1882 in Leicester) on 14 November 1904 at St John the Baptist, Tideswell. They were living by 1911 at 15 Harcourt Street, Beeston, Nottinghamshire, where John Skidmore was a coal agent.

Children of John Henry and Florence Emily (Orton) Skidmore,

- i. Dorothy Emily, born 1908Q1.
- ii. John A., born 1912Q2.

369. HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1852Q3 in Bakewell, Derbyshire, was the son of Ralph [246] and Mary (Sullivan) Skidmore. He married, in Poplar, London in 1873Q4, Priscilla Jane King (born about 1854 in Limehouse, London, daughter of James King, a mechanical engineer born in Ireland). They lived in Poplar, where he was a general labourer. Mrs Skidmore died in 1911Q1 aged 57, her husband in 1930Q4 aged 78.

Children of Henry and Priscilla Jane (King) Skidmore, baptised at St Luke's, Millwall,

- i. Elizabeth Jane, born 26 February 1874, baptised 19 April. She died in 1881 aged 7.
- 502. ii. **ALBERT CHARLES H.¹¹**, born 1876Q1 in Poplar, married Catherine Harriet Gibbins (born about 1878 in Stepney) in 1900Q4. They were living in 1901 at 7 Canton Street, Poplar, where he was a French polisher.

Children of Albert Charles and Catherine Harriet (Gibbins) Skidmore,

- i. Violet Lily, born 1901Q4.
- ii. Lily May, born 1905Q4.
- iii. Emily Mary, born 1879Q1. She married Arthur Prince Richardson, a cellarman of 69 Girand Street (born 1874 in Poplar, son of James George Richardson, a labourer, and his wife Elizabeth (Parsons)) at St Saviour's, Poplar on 16 April 1900. The witnesses were William Alexander Stubbs and Eliza Powell. Arthur Richardson became a timber porter in Poplar and later in Bromley-by-Bow. Emily Mary died in 1940, aged 60, her husband in 1953 aged 79.
- 503. iv. **GEORGE RALPH¹¹**, born 7 April 1882. He enlisted with the Royal Sussex Regiment (No. 5980) on 9 October 1899 at Woolwich. He was then 19 years and 7 months old and an engineer's labourer. He served in South Africa from 1900 to 1902 and was a reserve after that. He was discharged medically unfit in August 1914 as a result of an eye condition which worsened during his time working in Millwall Docks.

He married Ann Dorothy Lambert (born about 1884, daughter of Henry Lambert, then deceased) on 22 May 1904 at All Hallows, Bow. The witnesses were his brother-in-law Arthur Prince Richardson and Eliza Esther Robertson.

Ann Skidmore died in 1950 aged 66, her husband in 1955 aged 74.

Children of George Ralph and Ann Dorothy (Lambert) Skidmore, born in Poplar,

- i. Florence Eliza, born 24 July 1904.
 - ii./iii. 2 children who did not survive.
 - iv. [presumably] Ann Dorothy, born 1909Q3 and died later that year.
 - v. Ellen, born 18 July 1911.
 - vi. John D., born 1917.
 - vii. A further daughter.
 - v. Florence Caroline, born 1885Q1. A brace maker, she lived with her uncle and aunt Arthur James and Emily Agnes (King) Pawsey.
 - vi. Ellen, born 1888Q1. She married George Kimble, bricklayer to a builder (born about 1884, son of Arthur Kimble, deceased) on 20 May 1907 at St Saviour's, Poplar. Robert Hill and Florence Skidmore were witnesses.
- Children - Priscilla, George, Albert, and perhaps 5 more sons.

370. CHARLES RALPH¹⁰ SKIDMORE was born in 1863Q4 in Poplar, son of Ralph [246] and Jemima (Harrington) Skidmore. He was a ship's riveter in 1881 and boilermaker. He was living at 18 Marson Street at the time of his marriage, on 11 December 1881 at St Dunstan's, Stepney, London, to Mary Elizabeth Fisher (born about 1863 in Poplar, daughter of John Fisher, a shipwright). The marriage witnesses were John Fisher and Sarah Ann Fisher.

Charles' family lived in Hanbury Place, Poplar, occupying two adjacent houses as their family grew.

The children of Charles Ralph and Mary Elizabeth (Fisher) Skidmore, born in Poplar, baptised at St Luke's, Millwall,

They had 13 children, 8 still living at the time of the 1911 census,

504. i. **CHARLES RALPH¹¹**, born 7 April 1882 at 19 Manilla Street, baptised 6 May. A sash weight moulder in 1901 in Poplar, he had by 1911 joined the Royal Navy. At census time that year he was Stoker 1st Class aboard a vessel in the Mediterranean. He is recorded as married in this census, apparently an error.



He married in 1919Q2 Jane E. Vickers (who also had had children by Clarence Downes), daughter of Henry and Jane (Green) Vickers.

Children of Charles Ralph and Jane E. (Vickers) Skidmore,

- i. **FREDERICK CHARLES¹²**, born 21 April 1913 at Limehouse, London.
- ii. Elsie E., born 1917Q3.
- iii.-v. 2 further daughters and a son.
- ii. John Henry, born 15 March 1884, baptised 6 April. A stoker with the Royal Navy in the Mediterranean in 1911, as was his older brother. He married Beatrice Cranfield in Poplar in 1912Q3.

and baptised at St Peter's, Limehouse,

505. iii. **HENRY WILLIAM¹¹**, born 1885Q3 at 18 Hanbury Buildings, Limehouse, baptised 13 October 1890. He was a fishmonger's assistant and married Amelia M. A. Field in Poplar in 1911Q4. They had three sons and a daughter.

Children of Henry William and Amelia (Field) Skidmore,

- i. Henry W., born 1913Q2.
- ii. James J., born 1915Q2.
- iii. John W., born 1917Q1.
- iv. A further daughter.
- iv. Elizabeth Jemima, born 27 February 1888 at 63 Aberdeen Cottages, Limehouse, baptised 20 March. She lived at 25 Hanbury Place at the time she married Herbert Harry Leaney, a labourer of 5 Upper Street (born about 1884, son of George Leaney, a gardener) on 29 October 1910 at St Peter's, Limehouse. The marriage was witnessed by Robert Leaney and by the bride's sister Ellen Margaret.
- v. Sarah Ann, born 1890 and baptised with her brother Henry William. Died in infancy.
- vi. Frederick Arthur, born 1892Q1 at 26 Hanbury Buildings, Limehouse, baptised 5 May. He married Isabel Jenkins in 1914.
- vii. Albert Victor, born 1894Q1, baptised 23 March 1895. He died soon after his baptism, aged 1.
- viii. Ellen Margaret, born 2 June 1895, baptised 20 June. She married John Lansdell in 1914.
- ix. Maud, born 6 November 1897, baptised 2 December.
- x. Ralph, born 14 November 1900. A merchant seaman. He died in 1976.

371. WILLIAM TOM HAMBLETON¹⁰ SKIDMORE, eldest son of George [247] and Hannah Mary (Hambleton) Skidmore, was born in Macclesfield in 1855Q1. He was described as an 'office man' in the census of 1871 and presumably worked in the silk mill of which his father was steward. He married Faith Bennett Walthall (born 1857Q3 in Macclesfield, daughter of George and Elizabeth (Nixon) Walthall) in 1879Q2 in Islington. She was the younger sister of Emily Walthall, his father's second wife. He died in 1892Q3 aged 37.

Faith Skidmore retired from being a sick nurse and returned with her three surviving children to Cheshire, to live at 62 Lowfield Road, Stockport. She died in 1938 aged 81.

Children of William Tom Hambleton and Faith Bennett (Walthall) Skidmore,

- i. Eveleen Clifford, born 1880Q2 in Holloway, London. She moved to Canada in 1919. She married firstly, in Saskatchewan, Alfred Hallam (originally from Macclesfield) and secondly, in Vancouver, William Fleming. Her will does not mention any children.

and born in Walthamstow, Essex,

- 506. ii. **WILTON HAMBLETON¹¹**, born 1885Q3. He was by 1911 a tailor's cutter in a wholesale clothiers in Stockport. He married Bertha Shawcross in 1915 and had a daughter. He died in 1951 aged 65.
- iii. Hadfield Balfour, born 1888Q2. He died in Stockport at the age of 18 in 1906Q4.
- iv. Percy Rosebery, born early in 1891. He died in 1893Q3 aged 2.
- 507. v. **WILFRED BENNETT¹¹**, born 1 February 1898 in Stockport. He was raised as Faith Skidmore's son and was in the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve during World War 1. He was a shipper's clerk in Stockport at the time he married in 1923. He later became a partner in the business Hampson and Skidmore, textile manufacturers in Macclesfield. Two sons and a daughter.

372. REGINALD BENNETT¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 17 February 1878 in Cheadle, Staffordshire, was the third son of George [247] and Hannah Mary (Hambleton) Skidmore. A joiner by trade, he married Ellen Marriott in Derby in 1906Q4. He left alone for Halifax, Nova Scotia, on 23 March 1911. He enlisted with the Canadian Expeditionary Force on 9 January 1915 at Winnipeg. He arrived in France in July 1915 and served with the 16th Battalion Manitoba Regiment of the Canadian Infantry. He died on 17 June 1916 aged 35 of wounds received in action and is buried in the Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery

Children of Reginald Bennett and Ellen (Marriott) Skidmore,

- 508. i. **REGINALD THOMAS¹¹**, born 29 November 1907. He married in 1931 and had, as known, three sons. He died in 1991 in Derby.
- ii. Emily May, born 1909Q2.

375. RICHARD¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1841Q4 in Kensington, London, was the elder son of Henry [254] and Elizabeth (Canning) Skidmore. A painter and decorator, he married Ellen Dowden (born 1854Q1 in Heathrow, Middlesex, daughter of Charles and Ellen (Finning) Dowden) on 7 September 1879.



Richard Skidmore died in 1893Q3, said to be aged 48 and by 1901 his widow was employed as a caretaker to a Mission Hall. She was then living with her sons Herbert and Ernest at 33 Tabor Road, Hammersmith. Mrs Skidmore died in 1929 aged 74.

I am grateful to descendants Margaret Taylor and Chris Skidmore for information on Richard and Ellen Skidmore's descendants.

Richard Skidmore 1841-1893

Children of Richard and Ellen (Dowden) Skidmore, born in Hammersmith,

- 511. i. **HERBERT HARDY¹¹**, born 9 October 1880. He was a storekeeper to a wine merchant at the time of the 1901 census but by 1911 has become a dealer in china and glass at 259 King Street, Hammersmith. He married Lilian Bessie Little (born 20 July 1885, died 1971) on 11 March 1909. Mr Skidmore died on 1 April 1951 aged 70.

Children of Herbert Hardy and Lilian Bessie (Little) Skidmore,

- i. Lilian, born 1911Q3 and died that same quarter.
 - ii. David Little, born 14 March 1920, married Jessie Mary Walton 1946. Died 1999.
Two sons – Christopher and Peter.
- ii. Flora Mary, born 1883Q2. She was working at the time of the 1901 census as assistant to printer and stationer Sydney H. Tamblyn in Lancaster Road, Kensington. She married George Norris Dowdall in 1939 and died in 1958.
- 512. iii. **ERNEST CHARLES¹¹**, born 1885Q2. He was assistant clerk to the local Poor-Law Guardians. He married Dora Mary Austin Nolan on 16 August 1910. He died 23 September 1918 on active service in France. Dora Skidmore died in 1975.
Children of Ernest Charles and Dora Mary Austin (Nolan) Skidmore,
 - i. Phyllis Eileen, born 1911Q3, died 1997.
 - ii. Marjorie, born 1913Q2. She married Rhys Axworthy in 1940. Died in 2011.
Three children – David, Christopher & Denise.
- 513. iv. **FREDERICK WILLIAM¹¹**, born 1887Q2. He was apprenticed to Augustus E. Keys, a builder of 123 Mitcham Lane, Streatham. He joined the Royal Marines as a bandboy on 1 January 1904 and served until 1926 reaching the rank of bandmaster 1st class. Subsequently he became bandmaster of a Derbyshire coal mine. He married Caroline Alice Hiley on 1920Q1 and died 1965Q3.
Children of Frederick William and Caroline Alice (Hiley) Skidmore,
 - i. Freda, born 1926Q2. She married Keith Weston in 1950. Died 2013.
A son Peter.

376. HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1854Q3 in Kensington, London, was the younger son of Henry [254] and Elizabeth (Canning) Skidmore. A carpenter, he married Isabella Holland (born 1853Q2 in Ryde on the Isle of Wight) in 1877Q1 in London and the family lived in Hammersmith. Mr Skidmore left England and arrived in Nova Scotia with his second wife Mildred (born about 1870 in England) on 28 March 1890 on board the *Polynesian*. They were living by 1900 in Madison, Dane County, Wisconsin with their three children. Henry Skidmore worked there as a carpenter for the US Forest Products Co.

Four of his ten children by his wife Isabella were in the West London District School in 1891, which institution took the children from the Hammersmith & Fulham workhouse and other west London workhouses; at the time of the 1891 census there were over 700 children residing there¹⁵⁰. By 1901 Isabella Skidmore was working in an infirmary as a 'wardswoman'. She died on 2 December 1902 aged 48 and was buried at Fulham Cemetery.

Henry Skidmore died on 28 March 1938 in Madison, Wisconsin and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery there.

Children of Henry and Isabella (Holland) Skidmore,

- 514. i. **PERCY ALBERT C.¹¹**, born 1877Q3 in Chelsea. He became a garage mechanic and worked for a time in Eastbourne, Sussex, where he married Edith Anna Smith (born in Norwood, London about 1882) in 1903Q2. After the birth of their son they moved sometime before 1911 to Kensington.
The son of Percy Albert and Edith Anna (Smith) Skidmore,
 - i. Percy Ronald, born 1904Q2 in Eastbourne.
- ii. Gertrude Margaret, born 1878Q4 in Kensington or Chelsea. Margaret helped her mother to support the family by taking in laundry and later became a forewoman in a laundry in Willesden Green, presumably that where her brother-in-law Wallace Burdett worked. She was boarding with a family in Willesden in 1911, together with her 2-year old daughter Lilian. She married Edwin Lisney in 1912Q1.
Children born to Gertrude Margaret Skidmore,
 - i. **WILLIAM MAURICE¹²**, called Skidmore, born 9 December 1900 in Hammersmith. He married Lily M. Wedlock in 1941 and had a daughter Margaret. Mr Skidmore died in 1979.
 - ii. Lilian M., called Skidmore, born 1908Q3 in Willesden. She married Edward Watts in 1936.
Three children – Edward, Sylvia and Robert.
- iii. Amy Edith E., born 1880Q1 in Norwood. She was a domestic servant in Hammersmith before her

¹⁵⁰ www.workhouses.org.uk

- marriage in 1901Q2 to John Wallace Burdett, a laundry foreman (born in Elkington, Northamptonshire). They lived at 40 Hawthorn Road, Willesden.
Children, as known - William, Nellie, Frederick, Gladys, Albert and Louisa.
- iv. Blanch Alberta, born 1881Q4. She was a domestic servant in Kensington before her marriage to Edward T. Watts in 1911Q2. They had, as known, a daughter and 5 sons.
 - v. Esey Isabel, born 1883Q2 in Chelsea. She was working in 1901 at the coffee rooms managed by John Hubbard at 1 Margravine Road, Fulham. She was living by the time of the census of 1911 at 95 Greyhound Road, Fulham, with Albert Edward Quickfall, a car coalman (born about 1888Q4 in Hammersmith) and presumably the father of her child Elsie Beatrice Skidmore (born 1907Q1). Other children, registered as Quickfall, Albert Edward, Edith (1911-13) and Reginald V. (1913-). Mr Quickfall died in 1913 shortly after his daughter Edith.
 - vi. Ethel Augusta, born 13 May 1884 at 13 Tabor Road, Hammersmith. At the age of 6 Ethel, with her older sister Blanche and younger siblings Augustus and Harry, was boarding at The West London District School, Ashford, Middlesex. She married Harry Frederick C. Mills, a grocer (born about 1883, son of Edward Mills, a painter) on 9 December 1906 at St Augustine's, Fulham and they were living in 1911 at 55 Humbolt Road, Fulham. They were parents of Violet Mills and grandparents to Janet Gobey, who kindly provided information about this family.
515. vii. **HENRY SIDNEY F.**¹¹, born 1885Q4. Lance Corporal Skidmore was serving in 1911 with F Company, Royal Irish Fusiliers, in Quetta, Baluchistan, India. He married Lucy E. Miles in 1918 and had, as known, 2 daughters. Mr Skidmore died in Surrey in 1968 aged 82.
516. viii. **AUGUSTUS HILDEBRAND**¹¹, born 1887Q2. He became a warehouseman to a laundry in Ilford, Essex. He married, as James Augustus Skidmore, Alice Angelina Fisher, in 1915Q2.
A son,
- i. **JAMES RICHARD**¹² (Jimmy), born 8 February 1916. Jimmy Skidmore was a jazz tenor saxophonist born in London and father to tenor and soprano saxophonist Alan Skidmore. Perhaps best known for his work with George Shearing from 1950 to 1952, Jimmy Skidmore worked with a variety of other well-known jazz musicians, including Humphrey Lyttelton, Victor Feldman and Kenny Baker. He died on 22 August 1998.
- ix. Beatrice, born 1888Q4 in Shepherds Bush. She married William John Ros--- Proctor Gellatly, an engineer's machinist in the loco department of a railway company, in 1910Q4. He was born at 13 West Dock Street, Dundee on 13 September 1885, son of William Gellatly, a journeyman watchmaker, and his wife Isabella (Proctor, married 29 December 1881 Dundee). His family moved to Farnham, Surrey before 1901. William and Beatrice Gellatly were living at the time of the 1911 census at 42 Cobbold Road, Willesden. A daughter Constance J., born in Hammersmith and registered as Skidmore in 1910Q3 and a son born in 1917.
 - x. Elsie Dorothy Mynon, born in Shepherds Bush, perhaps in December 1890 (she was 4 months old on census day 5 April 1891). She was a domestic servant in Putney at the time of the 1911 census. She married in 1921.

Children of Henry Skidmore and Mildred,

- 517. xi. **STANLEY CLARENCE**¹¹, born 1890 in Canada. He married and had a daughter. Mr Skidmore died in 1962.
- xii. Dorothy E., born 3 October 1894 in Wisconsin. She died unmarried on 22 April 1954.
- xiii. Kenneth Earl, born 26 November 1898 in Wisconsin. He died on 15 February 1973.

377. CHARLES¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, born 1864Q1 in Chelsea, London, was a son of Charles Edmund [255] and Harriet Hall (Basham) Skidmore. A letter carrier in 1881. He married Sarah Jane Bailey (born 1861 in Brixton, Surrey, daughter of John Edwin Bailey, watchmaker of 151 Cornwell Road) on 17 September 1887 at All Saints', Clapham. The witnesses were her father and Mary Mill. By 1891 he was a 1st Class Postman, living with his family at 8 Mulstead Street in Lambeth.

Charles Skidmore had risen to become Assistant Head Postman by the time of the 1901 census. He died in 1934 aged 70.

Children of Charles and Sarah Jane (Bailey) Skidmore, baptised at St Saviour's, Brixton Hill,

- i. Elizabeth Mary, born 8 August 1888 at 4 Sussex Street, baptised 4 November. She married

- Seaward Templeman in 1910Q2 in London and they were living the following year in Parkstone, Dorset, where Mr Templeman worked for the town Corporation as a tram car conductor.
- ii. Charles Edwin, born 1889Q4. A clock and watch improver at the time of the 1911 census.
 - iii. Kate Ellen, born 5 October 1891 at 8 Milstead Street, baptised 6 December. An upholstress, she married Ernest R. Willcoxon in Lambeth in 1913Q4.
 - iv. Dorothy, born 8 October 1895 at 4 Sussex Street, baptised 1 December. Servant to the family of bank clerk Bertie Porter in Streatham in 1911. She married William George Hunt in Lambeth in 1915. They ran the village shop in Bloxworth, Dorset, until Mr Hunt died in November 1958.

378. JOHN WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1868Q1 in the Fulham Road, London, was the elder son of John [256] and Amelia (Frankling) Skidmore. He was a milk carrier in Westminster, London and lived at 50 Westmoreland Street. He married Alice Mary Parris (born 1868 in Chard, Somerset) in 1891Q3.

Children of John William and Alice Mary (Parris) Skidmore,

- i. John Joseph, born 1895Q3 in Pimlico, London.
- ii. A child who did not survive.

379. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, younger son of John [256] and Amelia (Frankling) Skidmore, was born in 1871Q4 in Chelsea. A milk carrier in Paddington, London, he married Minnie Rebecca Hawkes (born 1878 in Clerkenwell) in Chelsea registration district in 1899Q3.

The son of William and Minnie Rebecca (Hawkes) Skidmore,

- i. William Edwin, born 1902Q2.

380. JONATHAN BEET¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1845Q2 in Keighley, Yorkshire, was the son of William Jonathan [257] and Sarah (Robinson) Skidmore. He was apprenticed in Preston, Lancashire to his uncle William T. Robinson, a cotton spinner and manufacturer, and himself became a cotton broker. He was living at Broughton Place, Halliwell Road, Cheetham when he married Elizabeth Day (born about 1852, daughter of Edward Day, an upholsterer, and his wife Elizabeth) on 14 July 1875 at Rydal Mount Wesleyan church, Cheetham, Lancashire.

They were to have two children before his untimely death from heart disease at the age of 32 on 2 May 1878 at 161 Oak Bank, Cheetham Hill, Manchester. He left a will (proved at Manchester on 7 August that year) naming as executor his widow Elizabeth Skidmore. She went to live in the home of her widowed mother Elizabeth Day in Great Clowes Street, Lower Broughton, Salford. Mrs Skidmore then became a schoolmistress and by 1891 ran a small boarding day school at her home at 51 Withnell Road, Blackpool. Her mother continued to run her husband's upholstery and cabinet making business.

Children of Jonathan Beet and Elizabeth (Day) Skidmore,

- i. Edward, born 23 May 1876, baptised at Rydal Mount Wesleyan Methodist Chapel. Not yet found after 1891.
- ii. Florence, born 1878Q1. A school teacher in Pershore, Worcestershire before her marriage to Charles Sydney Reed (a miner born in Sydney, Australia) at Old Fylde church in 1901Q2.

381. JOHN WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born February 1857 in Lambeth, London, was the son of John [258] and Elizabeth (Dibble) Skidmore. An assurance agent in Bolton, Lancashire, he married Sarah Jane Haslam (born October 1858 in Bolton, daughter of Alfred Haslam, a mill manager) on 16 August 1882 at St Peter's, Bolton-le-Moors. They emigrated and by the time of the 1900 US census were living at 5 Juniper Street, Boston, Massachusetts. John Skidmore was employed then as a bottler. This census says the whole family emigrated in December 1888 but at the time of the 1891 census Mrs Sarah J. Skidmore was a cook to a family in Bolton. This is confirmed by the 1910 census, which gives hers and Gertrude's year of immigration as 1891.

By 1910 Sarah Jane was widowed and living with the family of her daughter Gertrude Nudd. They had moved by 1920 to Boston, where Mr Nudd was a hospital superintendent.

Children of John William and Sarah Jane (Haslam) Skidmore, born in England,

- i. Gertrude, born July 1883. She married William H. Nudd, a poultry farmer (born about 1880 in Massachusetts) on 20 April 1903 in Boston, Massachusetts and was living in 1910 in Francetown, Hillsborough County, New Hampshire. A son Frank E. Nudd.
522. ii. **ALFRED WILLIS¹¹**, born March 1885 in Bolton. He married Annie M. Howard (born about 1888 in

Maine) and was a teamster for ----steam in Boston.

Children of Alfred Willis and Annie M. (Howard) Skidmore,

- i. Grace G., born about 1908.
- ii. Alfred, born about 1911.
- iii. James, born about 1913.

523. iii. **JOHN HAROLD**¹¹, born December 1886 in Bolton. He became a shoe finisher in a factory in Boston and was later a yard man for a coal dealer in Weymouth, Norfolk County, Massachusetts. He married Lilly C. ____ (born about 1887 in Canada).

Children of John Harold and Lilly C. Skidmore,

- i. John H., born about 1911. A carpenter.
- ii. William H.
- iii. Edward C.

and born in Massachusetts,

- iv. Mabel H., born September 1892.

382. FREDERICK¹⁰ **SKIDMORE**, eldest son of Frederick William [259] and Lydia (Bingham) Skidmore, was born on 27 February 1831 in Sheffield and baptised at SS Peter & Paul there on 3 April. He was a file cutter of Sheffield and married Sarah Miller (born about 1829 in Sheffield) on 28 November 1852¹⁵¹. They were living in 1861 at 34 Marshall Street, Brightside and by 1871 at 16 Bloor Street, Nether Hallam. He died at the age of 43 and was buried at Burngreave Cemetery, Sheffield on 9 November 1873.

Sarah Skidmore married secondly Thomas Goodwin, an engine tender, in 1877Q4 and was living by the time of the 1881 census at 6 Burton Street, Nether Hallam, together with Mr Goodwin's children Eliza and John.

Children of Frederick and Sarah (Miller) Skidmore,

- i. Mary Elizabeth, born 1853Q3 in Sheffield. She appears to have married Robert Matthewman, a table knife cutter, in 1872Q4 and they were living by 1881 at 30 Pond Hill, Sheffield. They later lived in Addey Street and Spring Vale Road, Nether Hallam. Mrs Matthewman died in 1923 aged 69.
Children, as known (of 11) - Robert Frederick, John W., Joseph, Thomas Henry, Annie E., Alfred, Eveline, Jessie.
- 524. ii. **SAMUEL**¹¹, born 8 June 1856 in Bradfield. He was a table knife cutter living with his wife Sarah and son Frederick at 60 Robert Street, Nether Hallam in 1881. He married Sarah Firth (daughter of George Firth, file cutter) on 25 December 1878 at Christ Church, Pittsmoor, Yorkshire. Samuel's brother-in-law Robert Matthewman and sister Susannah acted as witnesses. By 1891 they had settled in Hoole Road, Nether Hallam. Samuel Skidmore died in 1898Q1 aged 41.

Children of Samuel and Sarah (Firth) Skidmore, baptised at St Philip's, Shalesmoor,

- i. Sarah Elizabeth, baptised 7 May 1879. She died at 6 months and was buried at St Philip's on 12 October 1879.
- ii. Frederick, born at no.2, Court 1, Henry Street, Sheffield, baptised 14 July 1880. He died aged 3(?) and was buried at St Philip's on 10 October 1882.
- iii. Samuel, baptised 21 December 1881. He died at 9 months and was buried at St Philip's on 1 October 1882.
- iv. George, born 1886Q1. A table blade grinder.
- v. Nellie, born 27 June 1888. She married Rowland Henry Gill in 1907Q1. According to a pedigree at Ancestry.co.uk, he was born 30 October 1877 in Sheffield, son of Joseph William and Sarah Ann Gill. Mr Gill gave his address as 1 Court 2 House Daniel Street, Walkley, Sheffield, when he enlisted on 5 November 1914 in the Territorials.
- vi. Elizabeth, born 1891Q2.
- vii. May, born 1896Q3.
- iii. Susannah, born 1859Q3 in Bradfield. She worked in the warehouse of a silver cutlery factory and in 1880Q4 married Thomas Stevenson, a table knife buffer (born about 1857 in Sheffield). Having lived for a time with the family of Thomas' married sister Ann Fearn, they were living in 1891 at 29 Bradwell Street, Heeley, Sheffield. Susannah died in 1902 aged 43.
Children, as known - Hannah, Albert, Bertha, Frederick, Robert.

¹⁵¹ His marriage date is from a pedigree at familysearch.org and has not been verified.

- iv. Eliza Miller, born 1866 in Sheffield. Eliza was a warehouse woman in the polishing paste trade in 1891, lodging with her brother John in the home of her sister Susannah Stevenson. She married in 1892Q1 Walter Holder, a metal worker and they emigrated in 1895, arriving in New York on 6 May 1895 aboard the *Umbria*. They were living by 1910 at 1113 Winnebago Street, Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois. According to a pedigree at Ancestry.com, they lived in Toronto, Ontario, Canada (where their daughter Gladys was born), before moving to Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois, USA (where Frederick and Charles Leonard were born). Eliza Holder died on 21 September 1924, her husband on 28 November 1950.
525. v. **JOHN FREDERICK¹¹**, born 1869Q4 in Ecclesall. He married Martha Belk (daughter of Isaac Belk and his wife Martha (Binney)) on 18 April 1892. They followed his sister by emigrating in 1907 to Rockford, Winnebago County, Illinois, where in 1910 he was working in a machine shop and living with his family at 741 Corline Street. John and Martha later lived in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he died in 1939, his wife in 1941. A fine photograph of John Frederick and Martha Skidmore, together with their daughters Gladys and Constance, has been posted at Ancestry.com.
- Children of John Frederick and Martha (Belk) Skidmore,**
Martha Skidmore said in 1910 that she had borne 6 children in their 18-year marriage, of whom 3 were then living.
- i. Gladys Annie, born 1900Q3. She married Mr Christiansen.
 - ii. Constance, born 1902Q3. She married Mr Channel.
 - iii. Gertrude, born about 1903.
 - iv./v.
 - vi?. Gertrude, born 8 April 1909 in Illinois. She married firstly Mr Kirchen and secondly Mr Moore.

383. HEZEKIAH¹⁰ SKIDMORE, second son of Frederick William [259] and Lydia (Bingham) Skidmore, was born on 26 December 1832 in Sheffield, baptised 10 February 1833. A file cutter, he married Martha Wragg in 1855Q1. She was born in 1837Q4 in Bradfield, and appears in the 1851 census as the granddaughter of George and Amelia Wragg of Bradfield. The census of 1841 suggests that she was perhaps the daughter of Julia Wragg who was then living in her parents' home.

Ezekiah and Martha were living in 1861 in a lane off Orchard Street, Brightside, Sheffield. By 1871 their home was at 40 Green Street, Nether Hallam. He was an unemployed file cutter in 1881 when his family were in Bolehill Road, where they remained until at least 1891. By 1891 he had found work as a labourer in a stone quarry.

He was said to be 68 when he died and was buried at St Mary's, Walkley, Sheffield on 4 February 1897. Martha Skidmore was living at the time of the 1901 census in the home of her son Frederick William. She died later that year.

Children of Hezekiah and Martha (Wragg) Skidmore,

- i. Samuel, born 1855Q4 in Sheffield. (He was apparently called James in the census of 1861). The death of Sam Skidmore was registered in 1873Q1 at Ecclesall, aged 17.
 - ii. Eva Jane, born 1859Q1 in Sheffield. Eavy Skidmore married Richard Preston, a house painter (son of George and Jane Preston of Malton), in 1879. They lived in Nether Hallam and in 1901 were living next to her brother William's family. Eva Jane Preston died in 1918 aged 59.
 Children, from a pedigree at Ancestry.com - Sarah Elizabeth, Ernest, Tom, Alfred, Agnes, Elsie, Ada.
 - iii. Sarah Ann, born 1862Q3 in Brightside, Sheffield. In 1901 she was living in the household of her brother Frederick William. By 1911 Sarah and her brother Alfred in Bole Hill Lane, Crookes, with John William Pool and his grandson Lawrence Pool.
 - iv. Agnes, born 1866Q2 in Bradfield. She married Alfred White, a builder's labourer, on 23 June 1891 at St Thomas', Crookes, Sheffield. They lived in Baslow, Derbyshire with Alfred's widowed aunt Sarah Hulley. Children - Frederick, Edith, William.
526. v. **FREDERICK WILLIAM¹¹**, born about 1870 in Aston, Sheffield. His birth registration has not been found. He was apparently called Frederick in the 1871 census, aged 1, Benjamin in 1881, aged 11, William in 1891 and 1901 and Frederick William at his marriage).
 A quarry labourer, he married Mary Reeder (born about 1882 in Eston, Middlesbrough, North Yorkshire, daughter of James Reeder) on 19 November 1900 at St Thomas', Crookes, Sheffield. The family clearly hit hard times since at the time of the 1911 census William and Mary were in

Brightside Workhouse, together with their two youngest children Annie 2 and James 11 months. Daughter Mary was born later that year in Sheffield but by at least 1915 they had moved near to Mrs Skidmore's birthplace in North Yorkshire, where four more children were born.

Children of Frederick William and Mary (Reeder) Skidmore,

Mary said at census time in 1911 that she had had six children, all still living.

- i.-iii.
- iv?. [perhaps] Arthur, born 1905Q3, being cared for in 1911 by the Malcolm family in Heeley, Sheffield.
- v?. Annie, born 1908Q3.
- vi?. James, born 1910
- vii. Mary, born 1911Q3 in Sheffield.
- viii.-xi., born in Guisbrough, North Yorkshire.
- ix. Alfred, born 1877Q3. A stone quarry labourer in 1911.
- x. Maria, born 1882Q4. Privately baptised on 16 November at St Thomas', Crookes, Sheffield. She was cook to a family in Sheffield before her marriage in 1911Q3 to Frank Brittain. Children, as known - Lily, Frank and Hilda.
- xi. Eliza Annie, born 1884Q3. She is called Frederick William's *niece* in 1901 and could be the daughter of Sarah Ann; both Sarah Ann and Eliza were part of his household at that time.

384. WILLIAM¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1841Q3 in Sheffield, was the third son of Frederick William [259] and Lydia (Bingham) Skidmore. He was a file cutter, living with the family of his brother Frederick in 1861. He married Hannah Frudd (born about 1845 in Sheffield) on 16 May 1864 at Sheffield. They were living in 1871 at Toft Wood, Nether Hallam, Sheffield. They moved some time after 1875 to Backmoor, Norton, Derbyshire, where William continued in his trade of file cutting.

This family does not appear in British records after the census of 1881. Morris is known to have travelled to the US shortly after this census and Isaac followed in 1888, but I have had no success finding other members of the family.

Children of William and Hannah (Frudd) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Isaac, born 1865Q4. Isaac Skidmore, a miner of Sheffield, arrived in New York on 23 January 1888 aboard the *City of Berlin*.
- ii. Mary, born 1868Q2.
- iii. Elizabeth, born 1870Q2.
- iv. Morris, sometimes found spelled Maurice, born 20 December 1872. He emigrated on board the *Lord Gough*, arriving in Pennsylvania in April 1881 but did not apply for citizenship until June 1918. He was then a hotel waiter in Los Angeles and unmarried.
- v. Hannah, born 1875Q1.

385. JOHN¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1841Q4 in Sheffield, was the son of Henry [260] and Margaret (Hirst) Skidmore. A saw maker, he married Sarah Barnby (born about 1844 in Sheffield) in 1864Q3 and they were living in 1871 and again in 1881 in Randall Street, Ecclesall. He died late in 1881 aged 40 and ten years later Sarah married Samuel Scothern, a coal miner.

Children of John and Sarah (Barnby) Skidmore, born in Sheffield,

- i. Jane Elizabeth, born 1864Q3. She married Scamadine Carr Betts, a file forger (born 1863 in Sheffield) in 1885Q2 and they were living in 1891 at 2/1 Gloucester Place, Ecclesall. A daughter Kate A.
- ii. Ada, born 1867Q4. More checking is required but she appears to have married John Fitzakerley in 1889Q1; Ada Fitzakerley died in 1902 aged 35.
- iii. Mary Ann, born 1869Q4.
- iv. Clara, born 1875Q3. She was a wrapper of cutlery in 1891, living in the home of her sister Jane Betts. She married Joe Daiton (son of Edward Daiton) in 1900Q1. He was a filer at Hoole's. The original Green Lane Works were established in 1795 by the firm of Hoole and Company who were manufacturers of ornamental stove grates and fenders. Clara had a daughter Dora Skidmore in 1898Q1 who was adopted into the Daiton household.
- v. Hannah, born about 1878 and *perhaps* registered as Annie Skidmore in 1877Q3.

- vi. John, born 1879Q4. He died in 1899Q4 aged 20.

386. WILLIAM HENRY¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born 1845Q1 in Sheffield, was the son of Henry [260] and Margaret (Hirst) Skidmore. William Skidmore, probably this man, is known from censuses to have been born in Sheffield around 1845 and to have married Ann Flintoff, a cotton weaver from Preston, Lancashire, in 1878Q1 in a ceremony registered in Preston. He was a foundry labourer in Preston, where their home in 1881 was at 74 Haydock Street. I have been unable to learn anything more of William's history after 1881. Ann Skidmore said that she was married, not widowed, at the time of the 1891 census when she was a servant in Preston. She died in 1896 aged 48.

Note another William Henry Skidmore was born in Sheffield later in 1845, making it desirable to confirm these facts from original records.

Probable children of William Henry and Ann (Flintoff) Skidmore, born in Preston,

- i. Margaret, born 1878Q3, died 1879Q3.
- ii. Thomas Henry, born 1880Q1, died soon after.

387. FAREWELL¹⁰ SKIDMORE, elder son of Edward William [262] and Mary (Sayles) Skidmore, was born on 6 October 1848 in Sheffield. He married Kate Melburn (born May 1848 in Sheffield, daughter of Thomas Melburn, a farmer) on 6 March 1869 at St Jude's, Pottery Field, Hunslet (Leeds), Yorkshire. They emigrated to America, landing at New York City on 1 May 1872. Mr Skidmore went to Lewiston, Mifflin County, Pennsylvania, where he stayed for three years and then moved to Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, where he was employed in the Anderson and Wood Steel Works where he remained for 17 years. He then purchased land at Greensburg, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, where he opened a winery which produced 14 varieties of wine marketed throughout the country. He made a visit to England in 1909. Unfortunately, the author does not have the source of this information; it was supplied, clearly by a descendant, to another researcher some years ago.

Children of Farewell and Kate (Melburn) Skidmore,

Mrs Skidmore said in 1900 that she had had seven children, of whom two were then living (Ada and Farewell Ernest).

Note the following baptism, found online. Maria Elizabeth, baptised in Sheffield 30 July 1872, daughter of Farewell Skidmore and Catharine Melvin. This should be treated with caution since the mother's maiden name would not have been stated in the baptism register, and the maiden name given is wrong. No church is given.

- i. Mary Ann, born in Sheffield on 29 December 1869. She died at 15 months old and was buried on 11 April 1871 at Hunslet Cemetery.
- ii. Ada, born 29 January 1871 in Hunslet. She married _____ Anker and died his widow in 1951, aged 80.

and born in America,

- iii. Mary, born 21 June 1872. Died 1 August 1873.
- iv. Farewell, born 10 February 1874. He died 17 August 1874.
- v. Charles, born 1874. He died an infant.
529. vi. **FAREWELL ERNEST¹¹**, born 27 June 1875 and baptised by the United Methodist, Burnham. A millwright, he married Emma Shaperley and they were living in 1900 at 6649 Edmund Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He died on 21 October 1952 aged 77 and was buried at Magnolia Cemetery.

Children of Farewell Ernest and Emma (Shaperley) Skidmore,

- i. Farewell, born about 1903.
- ii. John, born 28 August 1906. Died 1952.
- iii. Edward, born about 1911.
- iv. A daughter, born 1919.
- vii. Lillie, born 1879. Died an infant the same year.

388. GEORGE EDWARD¹⁰ SKIDMORE, born October 1856 in Sheffield, was the younger son of Edward William [262] and Mary (Sayles) Skidmore. He was a cash boy at a linen draper's in 1871. He emigrated in 1880 and became a steel melter in Pennsylvania. He married Martha, who was born in August 1862 in Canada. They were

living in 1900 on Longshore, Philadelphia with Martha's mother Didneah Clattenburg and her married sister Malinda Devine. They moved before 1911 to Dartmouth, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

A daughter of George Edward and Martha (Clattenburg) Skidmore,

- i. Florence, born 1896.

NOTES

1668 May 19	marriage	Morton	Ann Skidmore and James Hanley.
1686 Oct 10	burial	Taddington	Thomas Skidmore of Foxlow [which is just south of Buxton and to the west of Priestcliffe, Taddington and north-west of Chelmorton].
1698 Jul 1	marriage	Derby, St Peter	Samuel Skidmore & Ellen Thorpe.
1716/7 Feb 8	burial	Hope	Elizabeth Skidmore widow of Hathersage. The surname is followed by a question mark in the transcript.

GEORGE SKIDMORE OF EYAM was a horse breaker and farrier who at the time he placed the following advertisement in the *Derby Mercury* on 30 December 1742, had already been working for 20 years and was aged perhaps around 35-40 years old. His burial at Eyam has not been found.

'This is to give notice that George Skidmore of Eyam in the County of Derby doth (after twenty years experience) practice the business of a horse-breaker and farrier, in all their most useful and intricate branches.

He cures all diseases of the eye, whether from a suffusion, cataract or lash.

And having both physically and anatomically study'd the whole structure of a distempered horse, tells the owner upon sight whether he be curable or not

Gratis

And if any gentleman requires it, will undertake him

No cure

No pay

N.B. He challenges all the farriers in the Kingdom in any branch of his profession'.

1737 Aug 11	marriage	Ashford	Elizabeth Skidmore and George Pott.
1730/1 Mar 2	marriage	Bakewell	Joseph Skidmore & Mary Shaw. He was perhaps the overseer of the poor of Little Longstone in 1748, when he paid 'charity money' for the apprenticeship indenture of John Barton of Little Longstone ¹⁵² .
1746 May 21	burial	Hope	John Skidmore of Grindlow.
1754 Mar 26	burial	Hope	John Skidmore of Grindlow.
1758 Jun 4	burial	Hope	Ann Skidmore of Grindlow.
1755 Nov 27	marriage	Darley Dale	John Skidmore & Elizabeth Wildgoose.
1756 Mar --	marriage	Taddington	Richard Skidmore and Mary Haberjam/ ?Haberjam
1755 Dec 5	marriage	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	John Dossey & Jemima Skidmore.
1761 Jun 22	marriage	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	John Vaughan & Mary Skidmore.

ANN SKIDMORE, born about 1775, married John Froggatt of Eyam (perhaps baptised 10 March 1759 at Eyam, son of Thomas and Mary Froggatt). Ann Froggatt died aged 37 and was buried at Eyam on 14 June 1812. A stone in Eyam churchyard reveals that John Froggatt, surgeon died aged 68 and was buried 25 July 1827.

Children, as known, baptised at Eyam - John 1798, Dorothy 1799, Mary 1802, Ann 1804-19, Deborah 1805, Sarah 1807, Thomas 1810, Willima [sic], a daughter 1811-12.

1776 Nov 2	Baptism	Taddington	Martha, daughter of Ann Skidmore.
1781 Jun 10	Baptism	Taddington	John, son of Mary Skidmore.
1754 Oct 14	Marriage	Hope	Francis Eyre of Hope & Elizabeth Skidmoor of Eyam.
Marriages at the Cathedral Church of St Peter & St Paul, Sheffield:			
1776 Dec 08	Marriage	Sheffield	Timothy Wood & Mary Skidmore.
1784 Feb 18	Marriage	Sheffield	Joseph Skidmore & Sarah Jenkinson.
1785 Aug 01	Marriage	Sheffield	Samuel Parkin & Elizabeth Skidmore.
1788 Jul 15	Marriage	Sheffield	John Skidmore & Mary Ellis
1796 Jan 25	Marriage	Sheffield	William Jackson & Elizabeth Skidmore.

¹⁵² Derbyshire Record Office: Longsdon of Little Longstone Family and Estate Papers [D3580/T - D3580/ZF]. ref. D3580/O32. Apprenticeship indenture of John Barton of Little Longstone with consent of mother, Martha Barton, to William Tomlinson of Hallam, p. Sheffield, cord wainer; £1. 10s. premium paid by Joseph Skidmore, overseer of the poor of Little Longstone, "being charity money".

1800 Jul 07	Marriage	Sheffield	Joseph Egley & Hannah Skidmore.
1804 Feb 14	Marriage	Sheffield	William Ashmore & Sarah Skidmore.
1778 Sep 21	Marriage	Earl Sterndale	Joseph Sleigh, husbandman of Earle Sterndale & Mary Skidmore, spinster of Earl Sterndale.
1779 Sep 14	Marriage	Bakewell	John Garratt & Ann Skidmore, both of Longstone in the parish of Bakewell. Witnesses: John --?-- Jerrison & Sampson Hodgkinson.
1779 Oct 18	Marriage	Matlock	John Skidmore & Mary Sadler.
1782 May 20	Marriage	All Saints Cathedral,	Rotherham, South Yorkshire, John Skidmore, bachelor Rotherham & Elizabeth Hutchinson.
1778 Jul 9	Burial	Sheffield	Sarah wife of Simon Skidmore.
1782 Mar 19	Burial	Gt Longstone	John Skidmore, probably an adult.

Witnesses to weddings at Eyam:

Joseph Skidmore	witness to marriage on 26 Aug 1760	Robert Blackwell/ Ruth Sellars
Edmund Skidmore	witness to marriage on 20 Jun 1762	John Somersal/ Mary Schofield
Edmund Skidmore	witness to marriage on 23 Jan 1783	Samuel Johnson/ Alice Dakin
Edward Skidmore	witness to marriage on 29 Aug 1796	Simon Willson/ Mary Swift

WILLIAM SKIDMORE married Hannah Livesly of Buxton on 10 May 1784 at All Saints', Bakewell. She appears to be the Hannah Skidmore, born about 1757, who died aged 61 and was buried at St Peter's, Fairfield, Derbyshire, on 24 June 1818. William Skidmore, resident in the Buxton area in 1792, was perhaps Hannah's husband. He is mentioned in the *Derby Mercury* of 27 December 1792

'At a numerous Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Townships of Buxton, Hartington-upper-Quarter, and Fairfield ... held in the Chapel of Buxton, the 19th Day of December, 1792, pursuant to Notice given:

Considering the danger to which the Public peace is exposed by the industrious circulation of seditious opinions which tend to Subvert the Constitution of this Kingdom, it appears to us, that it is now become the Duty of Persons who wish well to their Country, to endeavour, in their several Neighbourhoods, to prevent the effects of such unjustifiable Attempts.

Resolved, That it is the Duty of all good and loyal Subjects, to preserve Fidelity to their King, and the sacred Constitution of their Country, as established at the glorious Revolution, and to maintain and support the Peace, the Property, and Personal Security, of every good Subject living under its Protection.

Resolved, That we regarding the Blessings which the Subjects of the British Empire enjoy under the mild and happy Government as inestimable, will strengthen its Exertions by every possible Means to suppress all unlawful and seditious Assemblies and Publications in our Neighbourhoods, and to bring to Justice every Disturber of the public Tranquility.

Resolved, That the Persons whose Names are hereunto annexed are appointed a Committee, to take the Measures necessary for carrying into Effect the said Resolutions; and that any Five, or more of them, shall have the Power to act.

Resolved, That Mr. William Bott is appointed Treasurer and Secretary; and that all Subscriptions be paid into his hands.

Resolved, That these Resolutions be inserted in *Drewry's Derby Mercury*; the *Star*, and such other Papers as the Committee shall think proper. By Order of the Meeting, William Bott, Secretary.

48 names follow, including William Skidmore.

WILLIAM BOTT, SECRETARY.		
Rev. J. Waterhouse	Josiah Gaunt	John Swift
Isaac Wheeldon	Benj. Brandreth	Sam. Smith
Isaac Wheeldon, jun	Jos. Brocklehurst	Wm. Dean
Edm. Wheeldon	Tho. Billinge	Tho. Pott
Robt. Longden	Tho. Needham	John Loedham
James Wall	Geo. Goodwin	John Loedham, jun.
Edw. Swann	Sam. Buxton	Geo. Wood
Lee Swann	Geo. Gregory	John Edge
Thomas Logan	Wm. Addison	Tho. Parker
Moses Muirhead	John Marchington	Samual Pott
Wm. Bott	Michael Mycock	Tho. Swann
Sam. Cooper	Wm. Skidmore	Wm. Barker
John Wheeldon	James White	Wm. Barker, jun.
Wm. Chetham	John Goodwin	Samuel Barker
Joseph Smith	John Goodwin, jun.	Wm. Morewood
Thoph. Norton	Charles Jones	Eneas Evans

The following two gravestones are recorded at places.wishful-thinking.org.uk at St Giles, Marston Montgomery, Derbyshire. The family of Elisha and Sarah Ann (Massey) Skidmore is known but the burials a century earlier are a mystery. These stones are adjacent.

A13. Sarah, w/o Joseph Henry Skidmore, 20 Sept 1791, 27

Mary, d, 1790, infant

Ann, d, 20 May 1794, 4yrs

A14. Elias Skidmore, 14 Aug 1826 - 27 Dec 1887

Sarah Ann, w, 19 Aug 1828 - 28 Jan 1919

1779	married	Matlock	John Skidmore & Mary Sadler.
1793 Jan 28	married	Wellow, Nottinghamshire	Thomas Fox & Jemima Skidmore.
1794 Mar 6	married	St Peter's, Nottingham	William Taylor & Elizabeth Skidmore, by licence.
1799 Oct 2	married	St Peter's, Derby	Samuel Skidmore & Mary Harrison.
1805 May 27	married	Parish Church, Rotherham	John Hague & Mary Skidmore.
1805 Jun 6	married	All Saints, Bakewell	Benjamin Skidmore & Mary Taylor.

Ellen Skidmore, b.Dronfield abt 1782, living Holmesfield DBY in 1851, married, not found 1841. Died 1859Q3.

1811 Dec 29	married	Tideswell	Joseph Middleton, labourer of Tideswell, & Grace Skidmore.
1818 Mar 5	married	Prestbury	James Twigg, a smith of Macclesfield, bachelor & Ann Skidmore, spinster of Macclesfield.
1819 Feb 28	Baptism	Taddington	Jane, daughter of Hannah Skidmore
1824 Apr 26	married	St Mary, Stockport	John Cekborn, a turner & Martha Skidmore, both of Stockport.
1792 Jun 13	buried	Wilmslow, St Bartholomew	George Skidmore.
1795 Apr 15	buried	Eyam	Ann Skidmore.
1795 May 17	buried	Buxton	John Skidmore.
1802 Jan 31	buried	St Paul's, Sheffield	James Skidmore, a minor.
1813 Aug 15	buried	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	William Skidmore, aged 6 months.
1815 Dec 10	buried	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	Hannah Skidmore, aged 17 years.
1816 Jan 21	buried	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	Mary Skidmore, aged 51.
1825 Mar 15	buried	St Paul's, Sheffield	Samuel Skidmore, aged 74 years. Perhaps the soldier, born in Eyam, discharged 1798.
1802 Mar 09 aged 14.	death on gravestone at Ashford		Hannah, daughter of William and Ann Skidmore,
1808 Feb 07	baptised	Great Longstone	Mary, daughter of Joseph Skidmore.

JANE SKIDMORE of Sutton, Macclesfield, a minor and daughter of James Frost, a blacksmith, was born about 1816 in Taddington, Derbyshire. She married Thomas Blythe, a weaver (born about 1806 in Pendleton, Lancashire, son of Thomas Blythe, a weaver) on 17 May 1838 at St George's, Sutton, Macclesfield registration district. They were living in 1861 with their children at 36 Pickford Street, Macclesfield. He was then a pensioner of the Royal Marines, and she a silk piecer. James Frost, perhaps her father, was a witness.

MARY ANN SKIDMORE, born about 1823 in Eyam, married Edward Balaam (born about 1825 in Enfield, Middlesex, son of John Balaam*) at Bakewell on 11 November 1856. Edward Balaam's death was perhaps that registered at Westminster in 1864. At the time of the 1861 census he was a smith, living with his wife and their daughter Mary (born 1857 in Stepney, London) at 1 Ponsonby Place, Westminster.

*Perhaps baptised at St John's, Enfield on 14 October 1827, son of John Balaam, a smith, and his wife Mary.

WILLIAM SKIDMORE, a turner and filer, and like his bride unable to write, married Ann Furness on 23 April 1822 at Manchester Cathedral.

- i. Elizabeth, born 24 September 1823 and baptised with her brother Furniss on 12 February 1826 at Ripley, Derbyshire.
- ii. Furniss, baptised 12 February 1826. He died in 1828 and was buried at Christ Church, Manchester on 1 June.

1819 Feb 28	baptism	Taddington	Jane, daughter of Hannah Skidmore.
1825 Sep 4	burial	Taddington	John Skidmore, infant of Cowdale.
1828	marriage	St John, Buxton	Thomas Hyde & Ann Skidmore.
1831 Jul 17	baptism	Taddington	Ellen, daughter of Elizabeth Skidmore.
1838 Apr 5	burial	Ashford	Sarah Skidmore, aged 18 years.

1833 Nov 11	marriage	Prestbury	John Skidmore, full age, miller of Maulsfield, Macclesfield, & Jane Ready, born about 1818 in Velore, India, daughter of John Ready, a victualler of Maulsfield. Jane Skidmore married secondly William Lathem Smale, a baker, on 4 March 1840 at Prestbury.
1826 Aug 13	burial	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	John Skidmore, aged 7 years.
1826 Aug 25	burial	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	Mary Ann Skidmore, aged 3 years.
1828 Jul 20	burial	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	Charles Skidmore, aged 4 months.
1829 Feb 1	burial	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	Ann Skidmore, aged 19 months.
1829 Dec 20	burial	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	Charles Skidmore, aged 4 years.
1830 Apr 12	burial	St Philip, Sheffield	Samuel Skidmore, aged 6 months.
1830 Oct 10	burial	St Philip, Sheffield	Elizabeth Skidmore, aged 4 years.
1833 Aug 27	burial	SS Peter & Paul, Sheffield	Anthony Skidmore, an infant.
1840 May 29	burial	St Paul, Sheffield	Joseph Skidmore, aged 40 years.

CHARLES SKIDMORE, a die sinker of Sheffield whose baptism has yet to be found, was born there in 1825/6. He married Lydia _____ (born 1824/5 in Sheffield) and was living with his wife in White Bean Walk, High Street, Sheffield in 1851.

1855 Nov 28	Burial	Taddington	Henry Skidmore, aged 6 months.
1862 Jul 13	Burial	Taddington	Ellen Skidmore, aged 10 months.
1864 Sep 30	Burial	Taddington	Elizabeth Skidmore, infant
1870 Nov 9	Burial	Taddington	James Skidmore, aged 11 weeks

REBECCA SKIDMORE, daughter of George Skidmore, a butcher of [?]Blonk Street, Sheffield, married John Moore, grocer and razor grinder (born about 1815 in Sheffield) on 12 August 1838 in Sheffield. They were living in 1851 in George Street (apparently later called Gilpin Street), Nether Hallam. Mrs Moore was widowed by 1881 and continued as a grocer with her daughter Hannah at the same premises. Hers was perhaps the death registered at Ecclesall Bierlow in 1894Q4 aged 79.

ARTHUR SKIDMORE, born in Chesterfield, Derbyshire. He enlisted at Chesterfield. Private Skidmore, number 41625 with the Royal Scots Fusiliers 13th Battalion (formerly 31463 same regiment) was killed in action in France and Flanders on 28 March 1918.

APPENDIX 1

OVERVIEW OF THE NUMBERING SYSTEM USED IN THIS ACCOUNT

Gen 1	Gen 2	Gen 3	Gen 4	Gen 5	Gen 6	Gen 7	Gen 8	Gen 9	Gen 10	Gen 11
[DBY 1] Thomas Skidmore of Chewton Mendip, Somerset, b.abt.1565,										
[1] Thomas	[2] Robert	[6] James Skidmore of Wedmore, Somerset (and? of Henbury, Gloucestershire, b.1620s,								
		[6] [12] Thomas								
		[6] [13] William								
[1]	[3] Arthur Skidmore of Eyam, Derbyshire,									
	[3] [7] Thomas of Eyam, b.bet.1615-1620,									
	[7] [14] Arthur [28] Samuel of Eyam, b.1685,									
		[28] [45] George of Ashbourne, b.1717,								
		[45] [73] George-----?-----								
		[45] [74] John of Tamworth, Staffordshire, -----?-----								
						[??] [123] Martin of Derby and Nottingham, b.abt.1779,				
						[123] [190] Joseph-----				
						[123] [191] Joshua		[285] Joseph of Sheffield & Rotherham, b.1842,		
								[285] [405] William		
							[191]	[286] John of Nottingham, b.1845,		
								[286] [406] Henry		
								[286] [407] Joseph		
								[286] [408] Joshua		
								[286] [409]George		
							[191]	[287] Henry		
				[28]		[46] Thomas-----				
				[28]		[47] Samuel of Sheffield, Yorkshire,				
						[47] [75] John-----?-----				
						[??] [76] George-----?-----				
				[28]		[48] John of Sheffield, b.1730s,				
						[49] John of Sheffield, b.1730s,				
						[48][49] [77] Charles of Sheffield, b.1765,				
						[77] [126] William-----				
						[77] Charles [127] Charles-----				
						[48][49] John [78] George-----				
						[48][49] [79] Thomas-----				
				[28]		[50] Robert of Sheffield, b.1737,				
						[50] [80] George [128] Charles Beet of Sheffield & [from abt.1825] of Philadelphia,				
							[128] [192] Henry Beet [288] Edward of Sugar City, Madison, ID, b.1867-----			
							[128] [193] George Charles-----?-----			

Gen 1	Gen 2	Gen 3	Gen 4	Gen 5	Gen 6	Gen 7	Gen 8	Gen 9	Gen 10	Gen 11
							[128]	[194] Samuel Roberts	[289] Samuel Randolph	[411] Leslie Randolph
							[128]	[194]	[290] Arthur John	[412] Arthur John
								[195] William Lobark of Utah, b.1844,	[291] William Alonzo	[413] William Lorenzo
								[195]	[292] Justin Albert	[414] Albert Leroy
									[292]	[415] Evan Justin
									[292]	[416] John Reed
									[292]	[417] Meryl Stoddard
								[195]	[293] Charles Henry	[419] Rex Austin
								[195]	[294] George Willis	[421] William Wallace
								[195]	[295] Earl Lobark	[424]
								[195]	[296] Wilbur Edwin	[425]
								[195]	[297] Elmer Gustave	
								[195]	[298] Cyrus Randolph	
					[50]	[81] Thomas	[129] George Hurst	-----		
					[50]	[82] Joseph	[130] William	[196] William of Sheffield, b.1839,	[299] Thomas William	-----?
						[82]	[131] Anthony of Sheffield & London, b.1811,			
							[131]	[197] Henry	[300] Anthony Clarke	[429] Anthony William
							[131]	[198] Frederick	[301] Frederick Henry	-----?
						[82]	[132] Edwin Wright of Sheffield & [from 1847] New York City, b.1822,	-----		
							[132]	[199] Thomas D.	-----	
[1]	[?3]	[8] Arthur of Wardlow, Derbyshire, b.later 1610s, early 1620s,								
		[8] [15] Nicholas [29] Samuel of Monsaldale, Derbyshire, b.1674,								
		[29] [51] Joseph [83] Benjamin	-----							
		[??] [52] Joshua of Ashford, Derbyshire,								
		[52] [84] Stephen [133] Stephen of Ashford, b.1770,								
			[133]	[200] Samuel	[302] Peter of Belper, b.1820,					
					[302]	[430] Andrew				
					[302]	[431] Samuel James				
					[302]	[432] Frederick				
					[302]	[433] Albert				
					[84]	[133a] Joshua	[201] Joshua	-----?		
					[52]	[85] William	[134] John	[202] Peter	-----	
						[85]	[135] Elias	Jane	-----?	
							[135]	[203] John	[305] Herbert Handel of Sheffield, b.1864	-----?
							[135]	[204] William	-----	
							[135]	[205] Elias	[306] Robert Elias of Marston Montgomery, b.1856	
									[306]	[434] Robert Raymond
								[205]	[307] Joseph	[435] Joseph Elias William
								[205]	[308] Harry	[436] Joshua Elias
							[135]	[206] Peter	[309] Wilson of Sheffield, b.1863	

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									[309]	[437] Frederick Wilson-----
								[206]	[310] William -----	
								[206]	Fanny	? Laurence Till
						[85]	[136] Samuel	[207] Joshua-----		
						[85]	[137] Elisha	[208] William	[311] William of Ecclesall, b.1864-----	
							[137]	[209] John	[312] William Frederick-----	
								[209]	[313] Charles Edmund-----	
								[209]	[314] Frank	
					[52]	[86] Samuel	[137]	[210] Peter	[315] Albert Richardson	
							[138]	[138] Joshua Annable of Matlock Bath Derbyshire & Wakefield, Yorkshire,		
							[138]	[211] Joseph Annable	[316] Rockcliffe A.P.-----	
							[138]	[212] Charles-----		
					[52]	[87] Peter	[139] John Robinson	[213] Thomas Boden-----		
								[214] Samuel of Matlock, b.1866,		
								[214]	[317] Samuel	
							[139]	[215] Anthony	[318] John Arthur	[440] Allan Chester
								[215]	[319] Anthony Leonard-----?	
					[52]	[88] Joshua-----				
				[??]	[53] John-----?					
				[??]	[54] Samuel of Bradwell, Hope parish, b.abt.1720-----					
				[??]	[55] Joseph	[89] Samuel-----				
					[??]	[90] Joseph-----				
		[15]??		[30]	Henry Skidmore of Folkingham, Lincolnshire,					
				[30]	[56] Henry	[91] Thomas	[140] William	[216] William	[320] Henry	[441] George William
									[320]	[442] Frederick
									[320]	[443] Arthur
				[30]	[57] John	[92] Richard-----				
				[8]	[16] Richard-----?					
				[?8]	[17] Humphrey-----					
[1]				[4]	Richard Skidmore of Taddington, Derbyshire, b.later 1590s, early 1600s,					
				[4]	[9] Richard	[18] George-----				
				[?9]	[??]	[32] Richard of Taddington, m.1723.				
				[9]	[?19] John	[33] Richard of Taddington, m.1726.				
					[?32]/[?33]	[58] Thomas of Taddington, b.1726,				
					[58]	[93] John of Flagg, b.1753-----				
					[58]	[94] Richard of Gt Longstone & Flagg, b.1755,				
						[94]	[141] Joseph-----			
					[58]	[95] Joseph of Warslow, Staffordshire, b.1761,				
						[95]	[142] George	[217] John of Flagg, b.1816,		
								[217]	[321] George Henry	[444] John of Hawick, Lancashire,
										later Niagara Falls,Ontario
									[321]	[445] Richard Dunn

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									[321]	[446] George Henry
								[217]	[322] Jabez Bunting-----?	
							[142]	[218] Joseph-----		
							[142]	[219] James	[323] Joseph George of Liverpool, b.1858,	
									[323]	[447] Robert
									[323]	[448] John
									[323]	[449] Arthur
									[323]	[450] Henry
									[323]	[451] Thomas
								[219]	[324] James Henry-----?	
								[219]	[325] John-----	
							[142]	[220] George-----?		
						[95]	[143] Thomas of Warslow, Staffordshire, b.1787,			
							[143]	[220a] Joseph of Monyash, b.abt.1811		
								[220a]	Maria	Joseph-----?
							[143]	[221] George	[326] Joseph	[452] George Henry of Manchester, b.1860
									[326]	[453] William John
									[326]	[454] Joseph Ogden of [from 1902] Winnipeg & Vancouver
								[221]	[327] George	[455] George Thomas
							[143]	[222] Thomas	[328] William	[457] William Fredk of Newcastle-u-Lyme, b.1872
						[95]	[144] Joseph of Litton, b.abt.1805,			
							[144]	[223] Benjamin	[329] John-----?	
					[58]	[96] Simon	[145] William of Taddington, b.abt.1804,			
							[145]	Ellen	[330] John Henry	[459] John Henry
								Ellen	[331] George-----?	
							[145]	[224] John	[332] John William	
						[96]	[146] Thomas of Litton, Derbyshire, b.abt.1805,			
							[146]	[225] Richard	[333] James of Bispham, Lancashire, b.1855,	
									[333]	
							[146]	[226] Simon of Manchester, b.1840,		
								[226]	[334] Ernest-----	
								[226]	[335] George	
								[226]	[336] Albert	
							[146]	[227] Joseph	[337] Thomas of Bonsall, b.1886	
						[96]	[147] Joseph of Salford, b.1807-----			
					[58]	[97] Samuel of Mansfield, Nottinghamshire, b.1765,				
						[97]	[148] Thomas	[228] Francis	[338] Samuel of N. Ormesby & Stanghow, Yorkshire, b.1851----?	
								[228]	[339] Francis-----?	
								[228]	[340] Thomas-----?	
							[148]	[229] Thomas of Chelmorton, b.1833,		
								[229]	[341] John	[467] John James

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						[98]	[154] Michael of Litton, b.1789, [154]	[242] Josiah [242]	[364] Isaac [365] Michael Henry of Chorlton, b.1850, [365]	[496] Neville [498] James William
							[154]	[243] John of Cressbrook, b.1822, [243]	[367] Isaac [367]	[499] John Frederick [500] Henry Ernest of [1909] New Jersey, b.1881
								[243]	[368] John Henry	
						[98]	[154]	[244] Michael of Manchester & [1860s] Adelaide, S.Australia		
						[98]	[155] George-----?			
						[98]	Ann	[245] Samuel-----		
						[98]	[156] Henry	[246] Ralph of Gt. Longstone, later of Poplar, London, b.1824, [246]	[369] Henry [369]	[502] Albert Charles H. [503] George Ralph
								[246]	[370] Charles Ralph [370]	[504] Charles Ralph [505] Henry William
						[98]	[157] James-----			
					[61]	[102] Henry of Sheffield, b.1765-----				
					[61]	[103] James-----				
				[?][32]?[33]	[??]	[99] William of Macclesfield, Cheshire, b.abt.1762, [99]	[158] William	[247] George	[371] William Tom Hambleton, [371] ?	[506] Wilton Hambleton of Stockport, Cheshire, b.1885 [507] Wilfred Bennett [508] Reginald Thomas
						[99]	[159] George	[248] William-----		
						[99]	[160] John	[249] William-----		
						[19]	[35] George	[62] John of Taddington, b.1726-----?		
						[9]	[20] Simon-----			
[4]						[10] John	[21] Nathaniel-----			
							[??]	[??]	[161] Edward of Cheadle, Cheshire, b.abt.1781, [161]	[250] Horatio-----?
									[161]	[251] Henry-----?
							[??]	[??]	[162] William of Cheadle, b.abt.1783-----	
						[??]	[37] George of Gringley on the Hill, Notts, [37]			
							[63] George of Torworth, Notts, b.1748, [63]	[105] George	[163] George	[252] John
									[373] Charles [373]	[509] John [510] George William
									[374] George William-----	
							[63]	[106] John	[164] George	[252]
						[??]	[38] John-----		[253] John-----	

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			[??]	[39] William----	-----?	-----				
			[??]	[40] Richard-----	-----					
[1]	[5] Simon Skidmore of Eyam, Derbyshire, b.1600,									
	[5]	[11] George of Eyam, d.1666								
		[11]	[24] Simon of Eyam, b.1654,							
			[24]	[41] Simon of Eyam, b.1704,						
				[41]	[64] John of Stoney Middleton, Derbyshire, b.1730,					
					[64]	[108] Simon of Eyam & Nottingham, b.1756,				
						[108]	[166] Richard Hardy	[254] Henry	[375] Richard	[511] Herbert Hardy
									[375]	[512] Ernest Charles
									[375]	[513] Frederick William
								[254]	[376] Henry	[514] Percy Albert C.
									[376]	Gertrude Margaret
									[376]	[515] Henry Sidney F.
									[376]	[516] Augustus Hildebrand
									[376]	[517] Stanley Clarence
					[64]	[109] Joseph of Eyam, b.1768,				
						[109]	[167] Joseph of Eyam, b.1796-----	-----		
			[41]	[65] Simon of Sheffield, b.1732,						
				[65]	[110] Zachariah of Nottingham, b.1755,					
					[110]	[168] Joseph-----	-----			
							[169] Simon-----	-----		
				[??]	[111] James-----	-----				
			[41]	[66] William of Manchester, b.1739,						
				[66]??	[112] Joseph, soldier on St Helena, d.1804,					
					[112]	[170] William of St Helena, later Chelsea, London, b.abt.1800,				
						[170]	[255] Charles Edmund	[377] Charles		
						[170]	[256] John	[378] John William		
							[256]	[379] William		
			[41]	[67] Benjamin of Eyam, b.1741,						
				[67]	[113] William of Sheffield, b.1765,					
					[113]	[171] Benjamin-----	-----			
					[113]	[172] William	[257] William Jonathan	[380] Jonathan Beet		
						[172]	[258] John	[381] John William	[522] Alfred Willis	
								[381]	[523] John Harold	
						[113]	[173] Joseph-----	-----		
						[113]	[174] Samuel-----?	-----		
		[24]	[42] John of Eyam, b.1706,							
			[42]	[69] Simon of Sheffield, b.abt.1750,						
				[69]	[114] John	[175] John of Doncaster, b.abt.1837-----	-----			
				[69]	[115] Edmund-----?	-----				
					[??]	[177] William	[259] Frederick Wm	[382] Frederick	[524] Samuel	

APPENDIX 2

Eyam, Derbyshire; Names from the Hearth Tax Assessments, 1662-70¹⁵³

Robert Eyre Esq. of Highlow	9	Tho. Wragg	1 Ret
Mary Rowland	1	Katherine Wilson	1
Dorothy Cowlshaw	1	Bridget Ash	1
George Johnson	1	Mr Mompheson	4
John Hawksworth	1	Mr Stanley	2
Tho. Chapman sen.	1	Stephen Wild for two halfe yeares	2 ^s
John Drable	1	John Abell	1
Ann Merrill	1 c	Francis Whitacre	1
George Plats	1	Tho. Taylor	1
John Hall	1	Rich. Bockinge	1
James Moore	3	Tho. Heath	1
Edw. Taylor	1	Nicolas Thornely	1
John Danyell	1	Francis Bockinge	1
Nicholas Danyell	1	Will. Fryth	2
Tho. Danyell	2	Godfrey Torr	1
John Hardy	1	Stephen French	1
John Ragg	2	Christopher Abell	1
Rowland Wilsons house	1	Francis Torr	1
Robt Fiddler	1	John Coates	1
Rich Saxelly	1	Tho. Torr	1
Margaret ?Pillington	1	Phillip Sheldon	4
Martyn Furnise	3	George Talbot	1
Amye Furnise	1	Whyteleys House	1
Elizabeth Wood	1	Robt Slyn	1
Francis Thornly	1	Tho. Fryth	1
Peter Bradshaw Esq.	7	Jo. Taylor for one halfe yeare	1 ^s
Richard Furnise	2	Will. Knowles	1
Francis Garret	1	Row. Merrill	1
Widd. skydmore	1	Tho. Wild	1
Mary Wilson widd.	1	Robt Hill	1
Willm Crane	1	Matthew Morton	1
Rogger Gregory	1		
Will. Wilson	4		
Robt Fox	1		
Francis Blackwall	1		
Jo. Swindle	1		
Alice Rowland	2		
Tho. Wright Gent.	4		
Henry Fanshaw	noth.		
Will Baxtris house	noth.		
Antho. Raworth	1		
John Coe	1		
Will. Ainesworth	1		
Jo. Wilson	1		

Total 76 Houses

Transcriber's Note: A version of this list is also published in *The Story of Eyam Plague with a Guide to the Village*; by Clarence Daniel (1977, 1983 & 1985). This same publication also includes a note that the Religious Census of 1676 lists Conformists (526), Papists (3) and Nonconformists (3).

¹⁵³ *Derbyshire Hearth Tax Assessments 1662-70*, edited by David G. Edwards, published by the Derbyshire Record Society, Volume VII, 1982.

APPENDIX 3

THE SKIDMORE FAMILY OF FOLKINGHAM, LINCOLNSHIRE AND THEIR DESCENDANTS, 1706-1910

The surname appears in Lincolnshire in 1706 with the marriage of Henry Skidmore to Elizabeth Child at Folkingham. This market town is situated on the Lincoln to London road. Locals usually pronounce the name as 'Fockingham' or 'Fokkinham' or 'Fok-ing-hum'¹⁵⁴. Records of the parish church of St Andrew date from 1583 and a transcript from 1709 to 1837 is available online¹⁵⁵.

Henry is *perhaps* the Henry Skidmore of Tideswell, Derbyshire, baptised at St John the Baptist there on 22 December 1679, son of Nicholas Skidmore [15]. This speculation is based solely on the lack of further documentary evidence of Henry in Derbyshire and the lack of another of his name [known to the author] born at around the right time - it is not a proven link to the Derbyshire family¹⁵⁶. There were, of course, many Skidmore families in London at this time and it remains possible he came from the city.

It would be very helpful if direct male descendants were willing to take part in in the Skidmore/ Scudamore DNA project, details of which can be found on the website www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com. This might enable us to match Henry Skidmore with other known Skidmore family lines.

30. HENRY²⁵ SKIDMORE, a labourer of Folkingham, Lincolnshire married Elizabeth Child at St Andrew's there on 2 February 1705/6. She died in 1723 and was buried at Folkingham on 1 December. Henry Skidmore, a labourer, was buried there on 7 March 1730.

Children of Henry and Elizabeth (Child) Skidmore, baptised at Folkingham,

*Baptisms & burials marked *were spelled Skydmore.*

- i. Elizabeth, baptised *Scydmore* on 26 March 1706.
- ii. Richard, baptised 12 October 1707*. He died aged 49, unmarried, and was buried at Folkingham on 18 January 1757.
- iii. John, baptised 15 July 1709*, buried 7 October* that year.
- iv. Thomas, baptised 14 November 1710.
- v. Benjamin, baptised 6 February 1712/3. He died in 1729 and was buried on 16 May.
56. vi. [presumably] **HENRY**, of whom more below.
57. vii. **JOHN**, baptised 14 December 1716*, to whom we shall return.
- viii. Solomon, baptised 28 February 1717/18*. Buried November 1719.

Probably a son of Henry and Elizabeth (Child) Skidmore,

56. HENRY SKIDMORE of Ancaster, Lincolnshire, married Susannah Town on 31 January 1737/8 at Wilsford, Lincolnshire.

Children of Henry and Susannah (Town) Skidmore, baptised at Ancaster,

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 3 October 1738.
91. ii. **THOMAS**, baptised 19 March 1739/40. The name is frequently spelt Scidmoor in the Carlton Scroop registers. He married firstly Elizabeth Oliver (born about 1762) at Ancaster on 13 May 1765. Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Scidmoor, was buried at Carlton Scroop on 21 July 1792 and he married secondly Elizabeth Hodson on 27 January 1794. He died aged 82 and was buried at St Nicholas, Carlton Scroop on 25 December 1821. Elizabeth was living at the time of the 1841 census in Carlton Scroop, along with Henry Hodson, a glazier aged 55. She died aged 83 and was buried 29 March 1845.

Children of Thomas and Elizabeth (Oliver) Skidmore, baptised at Carlton Scroop, Lincolnshire,

140. i. **WILLIAM**, baptised 30 March 1766, of whom more below.

¹⁵⁴ genuki.org.uk

¹⁵⁵ <http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.ancestry.com>

¹⁵⁶ The history of Henry Skidmore baptised 20 August 1684 at Chalfont St Peter, Buckinghamshire, has been described by Warren Skidmore in his paper *Notes on the Skydmore Era at Burnham, Buckinghamshire*. See www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com.

- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 22 March 1767. It seems likely that either she or her cousin was the lady who married widower Thomas Silson on 18 June 1793 at Kirkby-la-Thorpe, Lincolnshire. Children, as known - Henry, William, Mary, Hannah.
- iii. Ann, baptised 4 June 1769.
- iv. Susannah, baptised 27 October 1771. She married Joseph Turton at Leasingham, Lincolnshire on 26 October 1800.
She appears to have had a son,
 - i. Robert [Skidmore], baptised 26 November 1796 at Sleaford, Lincolnshire.
- v. Mary, baptised 23 October 1774. She married Robert Parke at Wellingore, Lincolnshire on 21 May 1804.
- vi. Hannah, baptised 9 March 1777. She died unmarried aged 53 and was buried at St Nicholas, Carlton Scroop on 2 January 1827.
- vii. Henry, baptised 7 May 1780. Henry Skidmoor, an infant, was buried at Carlton Scroop on 9 May 1782.
- iii. Ann, baptised 4 March 1743/4. She appears to have married Edward Taylor, a widower, at Folkingham, Lincolnshire on 7 September 1767. Both bride and groom made their mark in the register. The Bishop's Transcript for this parish states that Ann was a widow, but this is presumably an error.

Eldest son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Oliver) Skidmore,

140. WILLIAM SKIDMORE, baptised 30 March 1766. He married, by licence on 30 August 1788 at Castle Bytham, Carey Pinder of the parish of Couthorpe, Lincolnshire. Neither party could write and made their marks in the register.

William Skidmore died aged 57 and was buried at St Wulfram's on 20 April 1823. His widow was living at the time of the 1841 census, called Caroline Skidmore, at Alms Lane, Church Terrace, Grantham. She died a year later aged 80 and was buried at St Wulfram's, Grantham on 20 October 1842.

Children of William and Carey (Pinder) Skidmore, baptised at Grantham,

- i. Ann, baptised 24 June 1788.
- ii. Henry, baptised 5 January 1790.
- iii. Elizabeth, baptised 29 August 1791.
- 216. iv. **WILLIAM**, baptised 3 October 1793. On 26 January 1818, at St Andrew's, Heckington, Lincolnshire, William Skidmore of Folkingham parish married Sarah Taylor of Heckington, a large village 8 miles to the NNE. Ann Taylor was a witness. None of the parties could write their name and instead made their mark.

William was a labourer in Heckington in 1819 but they later lived in Sandpit Lane, Grantham, where Sarah Skidmore died aged 36. She was buried at St Wulfram's on 14 February 1830.

William married secondly Alice Allcock (born about 1809 in Woolsthorpe, Lincolnshire) on 22 March 1831 at St Wulfram's, Grantham. He was a rag gatherer at the time of the 1851 census. Alice Skidmore died in 1874Q2 aged 66, her husband in 1875Q1 aged 82.

Children of William and Sarah (Taylor) Skidmore, baptisms and burials at St Wulfram's, Grantham,

- i. Mary Ann, baptised 7 April 1818. She died in infancy while her parents were living in the High Street, Grantham, and was buried on 4 October 1818.
- ii. Marianna, baptised 15 August 1819 at Heckington. Died an infant, buried at Heckington on 29 August 1819.
- 320. iii. **HENRY**, baptised 8 August 1820. He was one of four 'male servants' working in 1841 for farmer Robert Hand at Woolsthorpe Lodge, Woolsthorpe, Lincolnshire. He married, in 1845Q2 in Nottingham, Martha Swann, a lace embroiderer (born about 1824 in Nottingham). Their daughter Mary Ann was born there before they moved to Loughborough, Leicestershire, where he was a driver for a carrier.
At some time before 1852 they moved back to Nottingham and were living at 4 Angle Yard in 1861. Yet again they moved on, perhaps in order for their sons to find work. By 1871 they were living in Sheepbridge Lane, Whittington, Derbyshire. Henry Skidmore died in Nottingham in 1886Q2 aged 65. Martha was living by 1891 with

the family of her daughter Mary Ann Peel at 53 Pym Street, Nottingham. She died in 1901Q3 aged 78.

Children of Henry and Martha (Swann) Skidmore,

- i. Mary Ann, born 1846Q3 in Nottingham. She married Frederick Peel, a joiner (born about 1846 in Nottingham) in 1865Q2. She died in Nottingham in 1910Q2 aged 63.
Children, as known - Martha, Annie, Ada, Frederick A., Mary Ann, Emily and John Henry.
- 441. ii. **GEORGE WILLIAM**, baptised 1 October 1848 at Emanuel, Loughborough. A roller in a steel forge by 1871. He became a grocer at 173 Sheffield Street, Whittington and in 1871Q4 married Ann Maria Mason (born about 1849 in Quarry Bank, Staffordshire, daughter of _____ and Jane Mason).

Children of George William and Ann Maria (Mason) Skidmore, born in Whittington,

- i. **HORACE**, born 1874Q2. He was a grocer at 106 & 107 Sheffield Street, Whittington and moved to his father's premises on his father's retirement. He married Annie Maria Booth (born about 1876 in Ripley, Derbyshire) in 1896Q3.
A child of Horace and Annie Maria (Booth) Skidmore, born in Whittington,
 - i. Doris, born 1900Q1. She died aged 4 in 1904Q3.
- ii. Lilian, born 1876Q4. She died aged 5 and was buried on 8 March 1882 at St John the Evangelist, Newbold, Derbyshire.
- iii. Harold, born 1882Q1. He was an assistant schoolmaster in Leicester in 1901. He married in 1909Q2 in Leicester and was living in 1911 with his widowed mother-in-law Mary Hodgkinson.
- iv. Clarence, born 1884Q3. He married Clara Fisher in 1908Q4 and was an engineer's pattern maker, living in 1911 with his wife at 596 Sheffield Street, Old Whittington. Clarence Skidmore died in 1961 aged 76.
- v. Ethel, born 1887Q3. She married Albert Bradbury in 1911 and had seven children.
- 442. iii. **FREDERICK**, baptised 5 January 1851 at Emanuel, Loughborough. A pit banksman in Whittington in 1871. He married Elizabeth Ruth Burgess in 1873Q3. By 1901 he was running a draper's and boot dealer's, together with an off-licence in Swallownest, Yorkshire.

Children of Frederick and Elizabeth Ruth (Burgess) Skidmore,

- i. Ethel, born 1881Q1 in Bradfield, Yorkshire. She died later that year.
- ii. Frederick Arthur, born 1880Q1 in Sheffield. A draper. Corporal Skidmore served with the Dunstable Signal Company of the Royal Engineers. He died on 2 January 1917 and is buried in Aston-cum-Aughton Cemetery, Yorkshire.
- iii. Edith, born 1896Q3.
- iv. Henry Albert, born 1852Q4 in Nottingham. He died in 1861Q1
- v. Emily, born 1855Q2. She died 1856Q1.
- 443. vi. **ARTHUR**, born 1857Q2 in Nottingham. A railway wagon builder in Whittington in 1881, he continued this trade in Scunthorpe where he lived with his family in Ravendale Street. He married Isabella Clarke (born about 1860 in Soho, Birmingham, daughter of John and Sarah Ann Clarke) in 1881Q2.

Mr Skidmore died in 1937 aged 79, his wife in 1941 aged 81.

Children of Arthur and Isabella (Clarke) Skidmore, born in Renishaw, Chesterfield,

- i. Minnie Isabel, born 1883Q2. She married Arthur Fenwick in 1922 and died in 1927 aged 43.
- ii. **GERALD CLARKE**, born 1885Q3. A clerk, he married Martha Maud Robson (daughter of Richard Robson) on 12 September 1912 at St John's, Scunthorpe. Mr Skidmore died aged 80 in 1966.
- vii. Martha born May or June 1860. She died in 1863Q1.
- iv. Elizabeth, baptised 7 January 1823.
- v. Caroline, baptised 26 September 1825. She died aged 3 and was buried on 27 April 1829.
- vi. Mary Ann, baptised 12 June 1828. She died in infancy and was buried 3 days after her baptism.
- vii. Edward William, baptised 26 November 1829. He was a groom at the George Hotel in Lincoln. His death, registered as William Skidmore, was in 1877Q3 aged 46.

Children of William and Alice (Allcock) Skidmore,

- viii. Mary Ann, baptised 24 April 1832. She died aged 1 year and was buried on 13 May 1833.
- ix. Christiana, baptised 27 October 1833. She married in Grantham in 1853Q2 Samuel Short, a boot maker (born about 1829 in Osbornby, Lincolnshire) and went around 1860 to live in Mansfield, Nottinghamshire. Samuel Short died early in 1901, Christiana in 1903Q2, aged 69.
Children, as known - Samuel, Frederick, William R., John H., Mary Jane, Kate, George, Stanley and Gladstone.
- x. Frederick, baptised 19 January 1835. He died aged 7 and was buried on 23 April 1842.
- xi. Caroline. She died in infancy and was buried on 6 August 1837.
- v. Eleanor, baptised 26 December 1795. She married Francis Corner on 6 November 1816 at Grantham.
- vi. Susannah, baptised 12 June 1799.

Returning now to the younger son of Henry Skidmore by his wife Elizabeth Child,

57. JOHN²⁶ SKIDMORE, baptised 14 December 1716. He is presumably the man who married Ann Woodcock on 19 August 1751 at Folkingham, Lincolnshire. He died in 1763 and was buried on 16 January, the last Skidmore burial in Folkingham.

Children of John and Ann (Woodcock) Skidmore, baptisms and burials at Folkingham,

92. i. **RICHARD**, baptised 24 November 1752. He married Sarah _____ (born about 1766) and they lived in the city of Lincoln. He died there aged 76 and was buried at St Nicholas on 29 September 1834. Sarah Skidmore died aged 77 and was buried on 29 March 1843 at St Nicholas.

Children of Richard and Sarah Skidmore,

- i. Ann, baptised 15 May 1782 at St Nicholas in Newport, Lincoln. She married sawyer Richard Wrack at St Paul in the Bail, Lincoln on 18 June 1810. She was living his widow at the time of the 1861 census at 8 Motherby Lane, Lincoln, together with her sister Elizabeth. By 1871 she was in the home of her daughter Ann Savage, wife of George Savage, a chemist and druggist. She died in 1872 aged 90.
The Gazetteer and Directory of Lincolnshire for 1892 lists John Skidmore Wrack (1839-1916), coffee tavern proprietor, at 55 Market Place, Boston, Lincolnshire.
Richard Skidmore Wrack, a sanitary inspector (born about 1843 in Middlesex) lived with his wife Elizabeth, and children, in Great Alie Street, Whitechapel.
- ii. Elizabeth, born about 1783. A domestic servant in the High Street, Lincoln at the time of the 1841 census. She was made executor of the will of Rachael Yates (dated 1843), a widow who left to her servant Elizabeth Skidmore a leasehold paddock in the parish of Lincoln St Michael, all her Witham Navigation Shares, and all her money, security and household goods.

Elizabeth Skidmore died on 11 September 1865 in Lincoln, aged 82 and was buried at St Nicholas. She left a will (proved at Lincoln on 8 December 1865) which named Thomas Briggs of Lincoln her executor.

- iii. Sarah, baptised 25 April 1787 at St Paul's, Lincoln. She died unmarried and was buried at St Nicholas, Lincoln on 7 October 1835.
- iv. Mary, baptised 1 May 1804 at St Paul's, Lincoln.
- ii. James, baptised 7 February 1755.
- iii. Eleanor, baptised 4 March 1757. She died in infancy and was buried on 5 September 1757.
- iv. Elizabeth, baptised 12 November 1760.

NOTES

1762 Jun 05	burial	?	Richard Skidmore, a cottager.
1764 Feb 01	burial	?	Mary Skidmore, a widower.
1764 May 15	John Skidmore apprenticed to Thomas Pilkington of St Johnson Linc[oln]: cordw[ainer] for £10 ¹⁵⁷ .		
1769	married	Normanton	Thomas Burt & Ann Skidmore.
1797 Jan 2	married	Walkeringham	Thomas Fisher & Ann Skidmore.
1799 Jun 12	married	Walkeringham	Benjamin Midmore [sic] & Susannah Horn.
Folkingham, St Andrew	CMB1709-1837 [transcription online and familysearch.org]		

Monumental Inscriptions at <http://folkinghampastandpresent.webplus.net>

Transcribed by Folkingham Historical Society from the parish register:

Memorandum January 20th 1750

If any newcomer settle in this town of Falkingham with their families, the master of the said family is to pay six shillings and eight pence for his first breaking up of the ground in the Churchyard which is the Clergyman's freehold which is taking up his burying place – forever after. The Rector or Curate of the said Parish is to bury his dead corpse for nothing in lieu of the said six shillings and eight pence. The above payment has been customary in this Parish in Mr Brocklesby's time, in Mr Ixem's time & in Mr Toller's time & in Dr Murray's time & my time – Isaac Cookson-Curate of Falkingham. And if the said master of a family reside in this town of Falkingham should bury ten or twenty more of his family & his successors after time being all resident in the town so as to gain a settlement, this said resident corpse be buried for nothing in consideration of the said six shillings & eight pence before mentioned. The above mentioned fee or due has been paid time out of mind & a legal due to the Church of Falkingham – six shillings and eight pence for burying a stranger not resident here.

¹⁵⁷ Apprentices of Britain 1710 to 1774, 55/111 1764, on OriginsNetwork.com.

APPENDIX 4

THE SKIDMORE FAMILIES OF NORTH-EASTERN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE AND THEIR DESCENDANTS, 1736-1910

It is not clear at present whether the following Nottinghamshire people came out of Derbyshire or the earlier family in Folkingham, Lincolnshire.

OBADIAH SKIDMORE married Ann _____. The will of Obadiah Skidmore of Stow, Lincolnshire, was proved at Lincoln in 1727. Note that Henry of Folkingham, Lincolnshire was of an age with OBADIAH SKIDMORE who died in 1727 in Stow, Lincolnshire, apparently a widow with seven 'small children & none of them being at age'. Obadiah left a will naming Richard Nettleship of Coats and William Nettleship of Cotton, Nottinghamshire, as executors and trustees and guardians of his children. William Nettleship was perhaps the son of John and Ann Nettleship, baptised 28 December 1680 at West Burton, Nottinghamshire (a village a few miles SW of the town of Gainsborough). Richard Nettleship was perhaps his younger brother, baptised 4 December 1689.

Only one of Obadiah Skidmore's children is presently known, a daughter,

- i. Mary, baptised at South Wheatley, Nottinghamshire on 15 November 1720.

37. GEORGE SKIDMORE of Gringley on the Hill, Nottinghamshire, married Alice, whose surname is presently unknown.

Children of George and Alice, baptised at Gringley on the Hill,

- i. Elizabeth, baptised 8 March 1736 or 1737. She married James Handley at Gringley on the Hill on 3 December 1751. Note that if her baptism was close to the time of her birth, she would have been only 15 years old at the time of her marriage.
- ii. Sarah, baptised 28 May 1738.
- iii. Mary, baptised 13 April 1740. She presumably is the lady who married Joseph Jeffery on 6 November 1775 at Gamston by East Retford.
- iv. Ann, baptised 2 May 1742. Died, according to the IGI, on 3 March 1755.
- v. Thamar (female), baptised 23 October 1743.
63. vi. **GEORGE**, baptised 30 October 1748. He is presumably the man who married Mary Black on 24 November 1774 at Gamston by East Retford, Nottinghamshire. He made a will dated 16 July 1817 (proved 4 February 1822 at York)¹⁵⁸ in which his two sons George Skidmore and John Skidmore were each gifted half of the interest in his tenant farm at Torworth [pronounced Torreth], Nottinghamshire. He remembered his 'sister Tanter' to whom his sons were to provide £8 per annum during her lifetime. The will was witnessed by Thomas Hopkin and John Baines.

Sons of George and Mary (Black) Skidmore, born at Gamston, Nottinghamshire,

105. i. GEORGE, born about 1779, of whom more below.
106. ii. JOHN, born about 1782.

The elder son¹⁵⁹,

105. GEORGE SKIDMORE was born about 1779 in Gamston, Nottinghamshire. George Skidmore of Blyth married Elizabeth Cookson (born about 1777 in Lound) on 23 November 1819 at Sutton cum Lound, Nottinghamshire. Their youngest daughter Sarah was born in Doncaster in 1825. He is perhaps the George Skidmore listed in Pigots 1830 Directory for Nottinghamshire, a shopkeeper of Hounds Gate, Nottingham. By 1841 he was farming 40 acres in Torworth, Nottinghamshire.

Elizabeth Skidmore died aged 82 and was buried at St Anne's, Sutton cum Lound, Nottinghamshire on 24 September 1857. Mr Skidmore died on 15 May 1865, leaving a will naming his son-in-law Charles Midgley executor.

Children of George and Elizabeth (Cookson) Skidmore,

- i. Mary, born 1817-21. Living in 1841 but so far not found later.

¹⁵⁸ Exchequer Court PYC, vol.167, fol.67.

¹⁵⁹ Note the coincidental birth of another George Skidmore, baptised 26 September 1779 at Ashbourne, Derbyshire, son of George Skidmore [74] and his wife Elizabeth Redfern.

163. ii. GEORGE, baptised 9 December 1820 at Blyth, Nottinghamshire.
 iii. Sarah, born about 1824 in Doncaster. I have not been able to find her before the time of the 1861 census, when she was married and living with her husband and children in the home of her widowed father. She married Charles Midgley (born about 1825 in Torworth), in 1859Q1. Mr Midgley was farming 40 acres there (presumably the same 40 acres farmed by her father) at the time of the 1871 census. By 1881 they had moved to farm 21 acres at South Kirkby, Yorkshire where their home was in White Apron Street. Charles Midgley died aged 80 in 1902, and the death of Sarah *Annie* Midgley at the age of 86 was registered at Hemsworth in 1909.

The son,

163. GEORGE SKIDMORE, baptised 9 December 1820 at Blyth, Nottinghamshire, was a son of George [105] and Elizabeth (Cookson) Skidmore. He married Sarah Ann Williamson Flintham¹⁶⁰ (born 14 December 1822 in Doncaster, daughter of Francis Flintham, a labourer, and his wife Elizabeth (Williamson)) on 29 July 1844 at Doncaster parish church. Mr Skidmore died aged only 34 and was buried at St Anne's, Sutton cum Lound, Nottinghamshire on 7 May 1854, four days before his son George. His wife's death nor remarriage have yet been found and his children Elizabeth, Mary, John and Joseph were living with their grandfather George Skidmore in Torworth in 1861.

Children of George and Sarah (Flintham) Skidmore, born in Doncaster,

- i. Sarah, born 1844Q3. Not found in the 1851 census.
 ii. Elizabeth, born about 1845. A dairy maid on her grandfather's farm in 1861. She was in service in Blyth Road, Ranskill in 1871. She appears to have married John Kitchen, a labourer at the 'plant works' (born about 1843 in Austerfield, Yorkshire) in 1873Q4 and was living in 1881 at 6 Littlemoor Street, Doncaster. Hers was perhaps the death registered at Doncaster in 1889Q1, aged 45.
 iii. Mary, born 1846Q3. She died in 1868Q1 aged 21.
 iv. George, born 1849Q1. He died aged 5 and was buried at Lound on 11 May 1854.
 252. iv. **JOHN**, born 4 May 1851. He was working at the age of 20 for farmer John Lancaster at Torworth. On 25 December 1874 at All Saints', Pontefract, he married Martha Elizabeth Beevers. She was born in New Bridge, Snaith, a farming village about thirteen miles to the east of Pontefract, daughter of John and Sarah (Crosby) Beevers. John Skidmore was a brick burner and their home for many years was in Elm Street, Pontefract. He died in the 1890s, his widow in 1916 aged 62.

Children of John and Martha Elizabeth (Beevers) Skidmore,

373. i. **CHARLES**, born 1875Q1. A brick burner, he married Martha Hollingsworth (born about 1878 in Chapelton, daughter of George Hollingsworth, coal miner) on 1 August 1898 at All Saints', Castleford, and they were living in 1901 near to his father in Elm Street, Pontefract. Martha Skidmore died in 1910Q2 aged 32 and Charles was living at the time of the 1911 census with his children Sarah Gertrude and Polly and his adopted son Arthur Brammah (born about 1901 in Pontefract).

Children of Charles and Martha (Hollingsworth) Skidmore, baptised at All Saints', Pontefract,

- i. Sarah Gertrude, baptised 13 August 1902. She married in Pontefract in 1924.
 509. ii. **JOHN**¹¹, born 6 August 1905. A merchant seaman, he appears to have married in Pontefract in 1925 and had a son. He died in 1977 in the Bournemouth area of Dorset.
 iii. Polly, baptised 15 April 1908.
 510. iv. **GEORGE WILLIAM**¹¹, born 24 April 1910. He seems to have married in 1934 and had two sons. He died in 1981.
 374. ii. **GEORGE WILLIAM**, baptised 4 April 1877 at SS Giles & Mary, Pontefract. Like his brother Tom, a colliery labourer above ground in 1901. He married Gertrude Sawdon in 1911Q2. He died in 1955 aged 77.
A daughter,
 i. Nellie, born 1916.

¹⁶⁰ She signed the register as Sarah Ann Willsom Flintham.

- iii. Mary Elizabeth, born 1878Q4, baptised with her sister Sarah on 3 April 1881 at All Saints', Pontefract. She died in 1881Q2 aged 2.
- iv. Sarah Gertrude, born February or March 1881. She was a domestic servant at Oak Villas, Pontefract, home of the family of the Congregational Minister Alfred Nicholls. She married Henry Crate (son of George Crate, a fireman) on 16 February 1907 at All Saints, Pontefract.
- v. Joseph, born 1883Q2, baptised 24 October at All Saints'. A shoemaker and boot repairer, living with his brother Charles in 1911. He died in 1967.
- vi. Tom, born 1885Q1. He married Eda Bray in 1909Q2 in Pontefract and was a blacksmith's striker at the Prince of Wales Colliery. He was living with his wife at 5 Eagle Cottages, Friarwood, Pontefract in 1911.
- vii. Emily, born 1886Q3, baptised 11 November at All Saints'. She died in 1888Q1 aged 1.
- vii. Amelia, born 1888Q3.
- viii. Walter, born 1891Q2. He died in 1967.
- ix. Emily Ann, born 1895Q2 in Pontefract. On 25 December 1920 she married



Lawrence Peter Skidmore from the Skidmores of the Black Country. (See *Skidmore Families of Deepfields, Coseley, Staffordshire and the Town of Dudley, Worcestershire, 1760-1915* by Linda Moffatt, at www.skidmorefamilyhistory.com). Lawrence Peter, like all his brothers and their father Thomas, was a miner who worked at the Prince of Wales colliery in Pontefract, Yorkshire. He died in 1965, his widow in 1979. I am grateful to the late Peter Skidmore of Wollaston, Stourbridge for information on this family.

Lawrence Peter and Emily Skidmore, with son Eric

- v. Joseph, baptised 29 November 1853 at Christ Church, Doncaster, his father then a labourer of St Sepulchre Gate. Not yet found after 1861.

The younger son of George and (Mary) Black Skidmore,

106. JOHN SKIDMORE, born about 1782 in Gameston, Nottinghamshire married Bella Atkinson on 23 May 1811 at Misterton, Nottinghamshire. He was living at West Stockwith, a cordwainer and widowed, in 1841, with his son George and daughter Bella. By 1851 John and his son George were boot and shoe makers and dealers at 79 Yorkshire Street, Oldham, Lancashire. John Skidmore died in Oldham in 1858Q3 aged 76.

Children of John and Bella (Atkinson) Skidmore, born in West Stockwith, Nottinghamshire, baptised at Misterton,

- i. Tamer, baptised 12 April 1812.
- ii. Mary Jefferey, baptised 8 May 1814. She died in 1855 in Oldham.
- 164. iii. **GEORGE**, baptised 15 September 1816. A boot and shoe maker and dealer, he married Mary _____ (born about 1817 in Middleton, Lancashire) some time after the 1851 census (which took place on 30 March). She appear to be the Mary Carlton who married as her first husband John Meredith on 29 September 1844 at Manchester Cathedral.

George Skidmore died in 1854 at 25 Grays Inn Lane, London, aged 38 and was buried on 2 September at Highgate Cemetery.

His widow Mary moved with her children to keep a lodging house in Blackpool, Lancashire. Her household in 1861 consisted of Mary E. Skidmore, aged 17 - apparently Mary Ellen Meredith, daughter of her first marriage to John Meredith, baptised 21 September 1845 in Manchester; the two children of her marriage to George Skidmore; finally her niece Amelia Meredith (born about 1844 in Rochdale, Lancashire), daughter of mechanic William Meredith (born, like Mary, in Middleton and living in 1851 with his wife Sarah and children in Hardman Buildings, Castleton, Lancashire).

Mary Skidmore was living by 1881 with the family of her married daughter Mary E. Mason, the wife of William Mason, a tailor and clothier in Oldham. She died in 1896 aged 81. In 1901 Mary Ellen Mason was widowed and she and her children, together with her widowed sister Jane Marsland, were living at 32 Pitt Street, Oldham.

Children of George and Mary Skidmore, born in Holborn, London,

- i. Bella, born 28 April 1852 and baptised with her brother at St Andrew's, Holborn on 14 May 1854. She was at school in Didsbury Park, Manchester at the time of the 1861 census and a servant to a family in Heywood, Lancashire in 1871. Bella Skidmore of 32 Pitt Street, Oldham married widower William Jessop Storer, a draper of Sowerby Bridge, Yorkshire (born about 1854 in Cromford, Derbyshire, son of John Storer, a farmer and his wife Rebecca) on 24 September 1888 at St Mark's, Glodwick, Oldham, Lancashire. William Mason and Mary Ellen Mason were their witnesses.
- 253. ii. **JOHN**, born 28 November 1853. He ran a tobacconist's in Bradshawgate, Bolton, where he lived with his sister Bella before his marriage. He married Emma Roberts (born about 1861, daughter of Samuel Roberts) on 25 May 1881 at Holy Trinity, Bolton-le-Moors, Lancashire. They emigrated to Australia and lived in Melbourne until at least 1884. His widow Emma and her children were back in England before 1894, when she married secondly, in a civil ceremony in Oldham, Samuel Claremont Blatherwick, a house painter.

Child of John and Emma (Roberts) Skidmore,

- i. George Rowland, baptised 3 May 1882 at St Mary's, Bolton. He was a cotton spinner and, by 1911, a tram guard for the Corporation in Oldham. He is perhaps the George R. Skidmore who died in 1937, aged 55, in Bucklow registration district.
- ii. Nellie Mabel, born 1884 in Melbourne. She married Ralph Turtington of Coventry, Warwickshire, manager of a coal depot (son of Edward Turtington, an engine driver) on 22 April 1908 at St Mark's, Glodwick. Children, as known - Stanley Skidmore Turtington, Joyce Turtington.
- iii. Ellen N., born about 1885 in Australia. Living in Oldham in 1901.
- iv. John, baptised 23 July 1820. He was working in 1841 in the public house belonging to Benjamin Brook at 100 Curtain Road, Shoreditch, London. By the time of the 1851 census he was licensee of the Lord Nelson pub (now gone for rebuilding of Liverpool Street Station). He had become a woollen draper in Habergham Eaves, Burnley by 1861, where he was living at 17 Victoria Buildings, Horsley Street with his wife.
He married Ann Argles Bonny (born about 1819 in Reigate, Surrey, daughter of George Bonny, confectioner) on 18 January 1854 at St Mary Magdalene, Reigate. They separated and by 1871 Mrs Skidmore was a housekeeper in central London; she later lived with her sister Elizabeth Cramer, who ran a lodging house called The Hermitage in Reigate. John Skidmore was a tailor and draper in Leeds, where he died in 1891Q2 aged 70 and was buried at Beckett Street Cemetery. Mrs Skidmore died in Reigate earlier in 1891 aged 72, leaving a will which named as he executor her sister Elizabeth (Mrs Robert Bonny), of 174 Jamaica Rd, Bermondsey.
- v. Bella, baptised 30 November 1823. She married George Schofield, a grocer (born about 1825 in Farnly, Yorkshire, son of George Schofield, a saddler) at St Mary's, Prestwich, Lancashire on 18 April 1849. They ran their business at 'Bottom of Moor' (perhaps Manchester Street) in Oldham, Lancashire. Mrs Schofield died in 1865Q4 and George married secondly Jane (before 1871).

NOTES

38. JOHN SKIDMORE married Elizabeth _____ and lived in or near Clayworth, Nottinghamshire.

Children of John and Elizabeth Skidmore, baptised at Clayworth,

- i. [probably] John, born about 1743 in Clayworth, Nottinghamshire served in the 39th Foot Regiment and was discharged in 1787 aged 44 after 20 years of service .
- ii. Elizabeth, baptised 11 May 1744. She married George Bingham at Clayworth on 29 May 1787.

39. WILLIAM SKIDMORE married Elizabeth _____ and was a husbandman who lived in or near Clayworth, Nottinghamshire. His was perhaps the marriage to Elizabeth Bruffam at Gainsborough on 17 November 1740.

Children of William and Elizabeth Skidmore, baptised at St Peter's, Clayworth,

- i. William, son of William Skidmore husbandman of Clayworth, was apprenticed in 1761 to Joseph Wilde, a shearsmith of Sheffield.
- ii. Ann, born 12 November (baptised 27 December) 1754.
- iii. Elizabeth, born 25 August (baptised 9 October) 1761.

40. RICHARD SKIDMORE had a daughter in Caunton (near Newark), Nottinghamshire.

- i. Mary, baptised 20 May 1748 at Caunton. Another IGI entry states the place of baptism as North Clifton.

1782 Mar 13	Burial	Clayworth	George Skidmore.
1782 Mar 15	Burial	Clayworth	Elizabeth Skidmore.

APPENDIX 5

TRADES AND OTHER DIRECTORIES

SHEFFIELD DIRECTORIES					
		SKIDMORE	(& Co.) travelling drapers	18 Wood Road, Hillsborough	Kelly's 1893
	Albert	SKIDMORE	China stores manager	8 Vernon Terrace, Manchester Road	Kelly's 1893
	Albert Richardson	SKIDMORE	Salesman	8 Vernon Terrace	White's 1919
Mrs.	Annie	SKIDMORE	Householder	32 Woodbourn Road, Attercliffe	White's 1911
Mrs	Annie Mary	SKIDMORE		17 Bennett Street	Kelly's 1925
Mr	Benjamin	SKIDMORE		1 Duke Street, Park	White's 1833
	Benjamin	SKIDMORE	Coffee roaster & steam packet agent, residing at Mulberry Street, agent New Haymarket, h 1 Duke Street, Park, in 1837.		White's 1837
	Benjamin	SKIDMORE	Commercial agent & registrar of births, deaths & marriages for the Park district). Residing at New Haymarket, in 1841.		Rodgers 1841, Slater's 1846
	Benjamin	SKIDMORE	Accountant and Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages for Park District,	10 New Haymarket	White's 1852
	Benjamin	SKIDMORE	Grocer, resident	20 Fargate	Baine's 1822, Gells 1825
	Benjamin	SKIDMORE	Grocers & Tea Dealers	20 Fargate	Pigot's 1828-9
	Charles	SKIDMORE	Fancy case maker	10 Silver Street	Baine's 1822
	Charles	SKIDMORE	Case & Strop Makers	12 Workhouse Lane	Pigot's 1828-9
	Charles	SKIDMORE	Shopkeeper	15 Woodgrove Lane	Kelly's 1925
	Charles Edmund	SKIDMORE	Pork butcher	26 Button Lane	Kelly's 1893; White's 1911, 1919, Kelly's 1925
	Charlotte	SKIDMORE	paper case maker	16 Bath Yard, Green Lane	White's 1833
	Edmund	SKIDMORE	Springknife manufacturer	32 Cumberland Street; h. 22 Duke Street	White's 1852
	Edmund	SKIDMORE	Pen & pocket knife manufacturer [<i>one of over 250</i>]	Little Sheffield	Gells 1825; Pigot's 1828-29, 1841; White's 1833 & 1837
	Edward [sic]	SKIDMORE	pen knife manufacturer	Brunswick Lane, house New George St	Rogers 1841
	Edmund	SKIDMORE	Pen & pocket knife manufacturer	Cumberland Street, Sheffield	Slaters 1846
Mrs	Elizabeth	SKIDMORE		121 Grove Road, Millhouses	Kelly's 1925
Mrs	Elizabeth Helen	SKIDMORE		8 Tylney Road, Park	Kelly's 1925
	Emanuel	SKIDMORE	Penknife manufacturer	Young Street	Baine's 1822
	Frederick	SKIDMORE		159 Eldon Street	Kelly's 1893
	Frederick	SKIDMORE	Travelling draper (Skidmore & Co.)	18 Wood Road, Hillsborough	Kelly's 1893
Miss	Gertrude	SKIDMORE		51 Fulmer Road	White's 1919; Kelly's 1925
	Herbert	SKIDMORE	Grocer & beer retailer	132-134 Upper Hanover Street & 2 Clarke Street	Kelly's 1925

	J.	SKIDMORE	Pork butcher	52 South Street (Sheffield Moor)	White's 1871
	James	SKIDMORE	Upholsterer		Holden's 1811
Mrs.	Jane	SKIDMORE		8 Vernon Terrace	White's 1911
	Jehoiada	SKIDMORE	Accountant	56 Campo Lane; h. Fargate	Baine's 1822
	Jehoiada	SKIDMORE	Appraiser, accountant, collector of debts, commission and house agent.	87 Fargate	Gells 1825; Pigot's 1828- 29
	Jehoiada	SKIDMORE	accountant, collector of rents & debts & newspaper agent	10 Norfolk Row	White's 1833 & 1837
	John	SKIDMORE		61 Crookes Road	Kelly's 1925
	J.	SKIDMORE	Scissor maker		Holden's 1811
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	Licensed victualler	Eyam	D.R.O. Reference: Q/RA 1/3 1777-1809 1794 - 1809
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	Grocer, corn & flour dealer	1 Duke Street, Park	Baine's 1822; Gells 1825; Pigot's 1828-9; White's 1833 & 1837
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	Razor & table knife &c. manufacturer	30 Bailey Street	Baine's 1822
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	manufacturer of razors, table knives and scissors	21 Sycamore Street, Sheffield	Gells 1825
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	razor and scissor manufacturer [<i>one of about 100</i>]	41 Pond Street	Pigot's 1828-29; White's 1833
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	Solicitor, 13 Workhouse Croft	h Fernley place	White's 1837
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	Brewers' traveller	65 Arundel Street	White's 1852
	Joseph	SKIDMORE	Cashier	130 South View Road, Sharrow	Kelly's 1893
Miss	Margaret	SKIDMORE		99 Lydgate Lane	Kelly's 1925
	Mary	SKIDMORE	Lodgings	Eyre Street	White's 1837
	Peter	SKIDMORE	Pig killer, Verdon Street	1 Parliament Street	White's 1871
	Peter	SKIDMORE	Pig dealer	51 Nottingham Street	Kelly's 1893
	Peter	SKIDMORE	Manager/ householder	18 Walton Road	White's 1911, 1919
	Robert	SKIDMORE	scissorsmith	New Street	Gales & Martin 1787
	Samuel	SKIDMORE	(& Co.) manufacturers of portable desks & cases, pocket books, razor strops	West Bar & house 8 Broomhall Lane	Baine's 1822
	Samuel	SKIDMORE	bookkeeper	South Street, Park	White's 1833
	Sarah	SKIDMORE	shopkeeper & earthenware dealer	58 Broad Lane	White's 1833 & 1837
	Sarah	SKIDMORE	Grocer & flour dealer	172 Broad Lane	Rodgers 1841; Slater's 1846
Miss	Sarah	SKIDMORE	Dress maker	24 Rosedale Road	White's 1919
	Simon	SKIDMORE	shear cutler		Universal 1791
	Simon	SKIDMORE	shearsmith	Back Lane	Gales & Martin 1787
	Simon	SKIDMORE	gardeners and tailors.	Church Lane	1787
	William	SKIDMORE	grocer		Universal 1791
	William	SKIDMORE	Grocer	18 Far Gate	Holden's 1811
	William	SKIDMORE		54 Upper Allen Street	Baine's 1822
	William	SKIDMORE	Razorsmith	105 Milton Street	Rodgers 1841
	William	SKIDMORE		Milton Street	White's 1871

	William	SKIDMORE	Surgeons' instrument, enema pump, syringe &c. manufacturer	80; h. 45 Fitzwilliam Street	White's 1852
	William	SKIDMORE	Manufacturer, 39 Cemetery Road	36 Pearl Street	White's 1871
	William	SKIDMORE	Surgical instrument manufacturer at Sheffield	Bagshaw House, Dronfield	White's 1871
	William	SKIDMORE	(& Co. Ltd.) surgical instrument manufacturers &c.	Enema Works, 59 Cemetery Road & 36 Pearl Street	Kelly's 1893; White's 1919; Kelly's 1925
	William	SKIDMORE	Surgical instrument manufacturer (S & Co. Ltd.)	h. 121 Grove Road, Millhouses	White's 1911 & 1919
	William	SKIDMORE	Tool maker	43 Greenhow Street	Kelly's 1925
	William	SKIDMORE	Warehouseman	47 St Thomas' Road	White's 1919; Kelly's 1925
	Wilson	SKIDMORE	Railway collector	12 Rising Street	Kelly's 1893
	Wilson	SKIDMORE	Midland Railway Co. carting supt. & chief townsman	60 Eyre Street ; h. 2 Ingram Road, Park	White's 1911
ROTHERHAM DIRECTORIES					
	Richard	SKIDMORE	agent for Hunt & Co carriers	Princess street, Masbro'	Drake's 1862
NOTTINGHAM DIRECTORIES					
	George	SKIDMORE	shopkeeper	Hounds Gate, Nottingham	Pigot's 1830
	Samuel	SKIDMORE	Sacking Manufacturer	West Retford	
	Mary	SKIDMORE	Milliner, dressmaker	West Retford	Pigot's 1830
	Mary Ann	SKIDMORE	Straw hat maker	West Retford	Pigot's 1830
